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“At Christmas play and make good cheer, for Christmas comes but once a year.”

- Thomas Tusser—1557

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Looking Ahead: Christmas Party

by Lions Dave and Barb Vaughan

Our annual party will be held on Wednesday, December at the Whidbey Golf and Country Club, 2430 SW Fairway Lane, Oak Harbor, beginning with a Social Hour (no host bar) at 6:00pm. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm and the cost is \$30.00 per person. Reservations are needed by Lion 1st V.P. Dave Vaughan by **Wednesday, December 14th**; 678-0514 or e-mail: vaughanflodden@aol.com.

The menu choices are either: (1) prime rib of beef: 10 ounce cut, slow roasted to perfection with garlic, thyme and black

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Calendar of Events **December 2011**

- 3-Greening of Coupeville Parade
- 7-Board Meeting / Dinner/Meeting—WOODLinks 2011 Donation
- 14-Christmas Party--Whidbey Golf & Country Club
- 21-No Meeting
- 25-MERRY CHRISTMAS
- 28-No Meeting

Looking Back: District Governor Visit

by Lion Acting Secretary Deanna Rogers



Zone H-7 Chairman Doug Tyler introduced MD-19 DG Tom Bond. DG Tom presented Immediate Past President Dennis Bullock with the 2010 Club Excellence



MD-19 District Governor
Tom Bond

Photo by Lion Marsha Phay

Award and patch for the banner and commended Past Zone Chair John Kohlmann for Zone Chair of the Year Award. DG Tom's themes for the year are "We Team" and "Together We Can". He encouraged Lions to be proud of the enormous efforts to aid disasters all over the world years after when work still needs to be done there.

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November was a busy month with the preparing for Thanksgiving. This included getting ready for guests and the traveling to visit family and friends for the Thanksgiving holiday. I hope that everyone had a wonderful time and are now preparing for Christmas.

The senior meal program at the church has started and though attendance has been small, I hope that it will pick up. Be sure to encourage Lions and anyone else to attend. This is not only a meal program but a social gathering. See pg. 6 for details.



Zone Chair Lion Doug Tyler, MS-19 District Governor Tom Bond, and Coupeville Lions President Fred Bronson

photo by Lion Marsha Phay

We were honored by the official visit of MD-19 District Governor Tom Bond. Lion Tom is an old friend of our Club as his home Club is Oak Harbor. He was introduced by our Zone H-7 Chair, Lion Doug Tyler. See the article on page 1.

Shopping Spree revenues were \$1,872.30, and the total net amount contributed to the Lions Foundation was \$1,226.46. Congratulations, and thank you, Chair Anne Colligan!



*Lion Bob Clay lighting the way
Photo by Lion Marsha Phay*

December is also a busy time for our Club with the preparing for and celebrating of Christmas. Commodities were distributed on December 2nd at Cam-Bey and the Greening of Coupeville and Coupeville Parade was on Dec. 3rd. We have our Christmas party on Dec. 14th at the Whidbey Golf & Country Club. We also hope to complete the Hospital clean-up that was postponed from November, due to weather (which we hope to have done this month if the weather cooperates) and to install a paved walk planned for the wharf.

President's



**President 2011-2012
Lion Fred Bronson**

Corner

Congratulations to IPP Lion Dennis Bulloch for his award for the 2010 Club Excellence Award and club patch for the banner, shown below.



Photo by Lion Marsha Phay

During this holiday season let's keep informing the people we meet with the great things that Lions do and that they can also join Lions and become a part

of the Lions organization. New members are the life blood of our organization.

Hope I saw you at the Greening of Coupeville Parade and will see you at the Christmas Party, but if not, have a great and happy holiday season.

Lion Pres. Fred



*Lions on Parade in Coupeville
Photo by Lion Marsha Phay*

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Christmas Party

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pepper, vegetable medley, loaded baked potato or seasoned yellow rice, dinner roll, dessert, coffee.

Or (2) grilled honey mustard salmon, grille and glazed on a bed of spinach, vegetable medley, loaded baked potato or seasoned yellow rice, dinner roll, dessert, coffee.

The welcome and invocation will be given at 7:00 pm by President Lion Fred, followed by the introduction of Lions and guests by the most junior Lion at each table. There will be a blind gift exchange following dinner with 1st V.P. Lion Dave as Master of Ceremonies. Both Lions and Guests can participate by bringing an un-wrapped gift costing no more than \$10.00 that will be collected when you check in. If you have any questions, please call Lions Barb or Dave at 678-0514.



Lion plant Trees!

District Governor Visits

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He asks that we encourage our new members and retain all members. He gave us the LCI updates regarding dues changes, Lions for Life and the Diabetes Awareness. Lion President Fred presented DG Tom with a gift and thanked him for the visitation.



Induction of new Lion Mark Hoffmann by DG Tom Bond assisted by sponsor Lions Ron Wilkinson with mentor Mel Rogers (not pictured).

Photo by Lion Marsha Phay

Lion Joe Hillers is back after knee replacement surgery and this week was totting a new walking stick presented to him by Lion Karen Ekberg. The stick is traditional Boy Scout design in a Northwest Indian motif.



photo by Lion Marsha Phay

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Lion Grace King Honored By LCI President Tam

By Lion ed.



Our Club has received a letter from LCI International President Wing-Kun Tam officially approving our Club's request that Lion Grace King be granted Life Membership. Due to Grace's current illness, Rod Barnes will hand deliver the personal letter to her from President Tam along with the LCI official

certificate and pin. A proper ceremony will take place at a future membership meeting to recognize Lion Grace and all she has done for our Club.

Lion Grace has been a member of our Club since June of 1986 when Lion Rod Barnes sponsored her. The year she joined was the first year women were full Lions members. Before that she was a Lioness in the Island wide "Whidbey's Pride". Her work with our Club goes back for more than 50 years when she was in charge of our annual Learn to Swim program from its beginning. And she can tell you how cold the water was in the Keystone Spit gravel pit. She has been a Director for several 2-year terms, chaired the swim program for many years, made numerous signs and posters, worked on blood drives, and established and ran her corner of the Garage Sale where she collects and properly displays all the really good stuff. In addition to now joining a small and select group of Club Life Members, Grace is a Melvin Jones Fellow. She has attended International Lions Conventions in Denver, St. Louis, Hong Kong, and last summer, Seattle. She has a son living in Monroe, and a daughter here in Coupeville, plus three grandsons and a granddaughter. After 25 years at the Coupeville Schools, where she has been nurse, assistant principle, and teacher, she retired and lives near Race Lagoon south of town.

Grace suffered a stroke over three weeks ago that initially paralyzed her right side and she was unable to speak. Since then, the speech

has returned, and is now able to communicate in sentences. Her ability to stand is returning and she just needs a walker to get about. Her son and daughter-in-law are caring for her in Monroe, and where she is close to physical therapy. Rod Barnes says she is slowly and steadily improving and is working hard to get back into Lions. She enjoys being a lion and has the heart of a lion to go along with her heart of gold. Members are encouraged to send cards and well wishes to 235 Kingfisher Lane, Coupeville, WA 98239. Please keep Lion Grace in your thoughts, heart and prayers and wish her a full and speedy recovery. We all want to see her back a meeting soon dishing out desserts and warm greetings to all.

Coupeville Lions in Greening of Coupeville Parade



Photo from Lion Roger Sherman

The Greening of Coupeville Christmas Parade and festivities was quite spectacular this year. On Saturday past, over twenty Coupeville Lions participated. The Coupeville Lions banner led our contingency followed by PZC Bob Clay with his lighted lawnmower and purple Christmas tree. Then came along the walking Lions followed by Lion Marsha's VW bug, followed by Lion Dianna's Mini Cooper and last but not least was the Wurlitzer Band Organ playing Christmas music. Lion Tom Formeller was our animated I.M. Lion and he shook all of the little person's hands. Everyone said the parade was the best ever. The lighting of the trees, lighted boat parade and open stores on Front Street made the evening special.

-Lion Roger Sherman

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Lions Club Environmental Photo Contest Winner-Herons

-by Lion Ricardo Reyes



Lion Carol Parbs and DG Tom Bond

Photo by Lion Marsha Phay

On November 16th Coupeville Lions voted on their favorite photograph for our Lions Club photo contest entry. There were eleven photos entered to compete for our Club, with one to be chosen for the next levels of the photo contest; the Zone and Multiple District. The Lions Club International Convention in Busan, Korea will display all multiple district-level entries and registered convention attendees will then vote for their favorite photos. Awards will be presented to the six winning photographers, one in each of the five category and plus Best of Show. The winning photos will appear after the convention on the Lions web site.

The Lions Environmental photo contest has five categories: Animal Life, Landscape (Urban or natural), Plant Life, Weather Phenomenon and Protecting Our Future With Trees. Carol Parbs submitted the photo of the Herons, Doug and Carol Bishop submitted the photo of the Owl (2nd runner up), and Al Sherman's Humpback Whales feeding in Clover Pass near Ketchikan with sea gulls came in 3rd. The other contestants' eight photos from Lions George Haglund, Ken McKinney and Ricardo Reyes all came in strong behind the third place winner.

On November 30th the winner, Carol Parbs with her photograph "Herons" was formally recognized by District Governor Tom Bond (photo above). A big handshake to all and wishing the best to our number one photo contestant Carol Parbs.

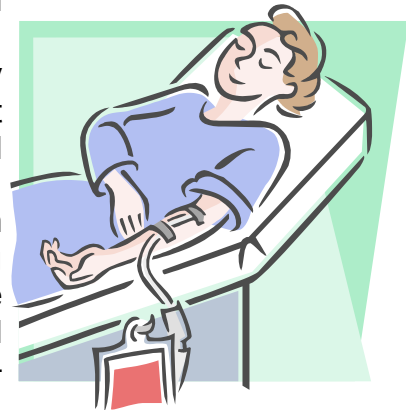
November 10th BLOOD DRIVE

-by Lion John Purcell

Once again, the Lions, in coordination with the Puget Sound Blood Center (PSBC) put on successful blood drive. This quarter, 102 potential donors were registered, 88 pints of blood donated, and there were nine first-time donors. Approximately 264 lives were saved according to PSBC.

The Lion volunteers stepped up to handle all of the many tasks necessary, including set up, telephone calling, cookie-making, advertising, poster distribution, posting on the Windermere sign, registering donors, Greeting, Canteen monitoring, close down and clean up. Thank you all! And thank you to the Coupeville United Methodist Church for use of the facility. Also, thank you to Central Whidbey Lions Ginny Munn (Canteen) and Paul Whelan (Greeter) for their generous help.

Due to the extra time required for electronic registration (instituted these last two blood drives) and due to the increase in the number of donors handled this past quarter, the PSBC has indicated that they plan to supply a blood van, to be parked by the County Administration building, to accept blood donations from county employees. it is anticipated that this will help shorten donor waiting time for the next blood drive in January.



Again, thank you to all Lion volunteers.

Lion John Purcell

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Lions Scholarship Auction Procurement Ideas Sought

-by Lion Jackie Feusier

All lions and their pride are welcome to donate auction items and experiences to the **2012 Lions Scholarship Auction on March 3rd 2012**. Perhaps you have a time-share in Hawaii you won't be able to use this year? Perhaps a few nights at your summer or winter get-away? Perhaps a crabbing or fishing experience you'd like to share? The ideas for a successful auction donation are endless. **Items** need to be new or never used. Items should be fun, useful, attractive and most importantly, something you would want for yourself. Items you see in a store that you would like are exactly what the bidders want. Items that are homemade and unique are always special.

Experiences (from ringing the church bell to co-piloting a jet aircraft) are not only fun to bid on but they are also easy to donate. Your unique hobby or job might be something others would bid big money to be able to learn or see happen. i.e., turning a wooden bowl, driving a combine, fuse glass, etc... Behind the scenes tours (old barns and mussel processing come to mind), amusement park passes, casino stay and play, boating, fishing, skiing, snowboarding, cross country and other winter sports packages always sell well. Tickets to professional and semi-professional ball sports from golf to jal alai tend to satisfy many markets.

Gift certificates for almost anything are available and popular because people know the value. Most hoteliers, retailers and restaurateurs are delighted to donate gift certificates. The one thing we hope to avoid, however, must be "two for ones".

Now that your engines are turning, grab a sheet of paper, or sit down at your computer, and write down your ideas, no idea is a bad idea, the more ideas, the better. **Submit your list** to me and we will work together to make your idea a valuable donation that you and others will want to bid for -- knowing that all the proceeds go toward a well-managed scholarship program for Coupeville High School graduates.

Please contact me at 678-5124 after lunchtime or write 2jaysdesign@comcast.net anytime. A general list that may help you spur ideas was sent to you with the meeting announcement for December 7th.

-Lion Jackie

Senior Meals Program

-by Lion Carol Parbs

The Senior Meal program started a little slow as was expected. We had 12 community members including



3 regulars at the November 30th meal. Folks enjoyed the meal and stayed until 1pm just talking with each other; the volunteers also sat with the diners and helped stimulate conversation. We have had positive feedback regarding the meals, entertainment and informational program. You are all invited, so come by for a good affordable lunch..

Hope to see you there, Lion Carol

Dear Coupeville Lions,

NAS Whidbey Island extends an invitation for you and your families to attend the annual free Navy Band Northwest Holiday Concert "Home for the Holidays" on Saturday, Dec. 17 at 3 p.m. at Oak Harbor High School. Navy Region Northwest is taking this opportunity to thank you all for the continued support of our military personnel.

Sincerely, *Anthony Popp, Community Relations Director, Naval Air Station Whidbey*

Zone H-7 December Newsletter is Ready

Go to:

[http://www.coupevillelions.org/
ZCDougTyler/
DEC2011ZCNEWSLETTER.pdf](http://www.coupevillelions.org/ZCDougTyler/DEC2011ZCNEWSLETTER.pdf)

To read ZC Lion Doug's latest newsletter, ably edited by our own Tech Guru, PP Lion Joe Walck.

Addendum: Information of Interest from On-Line Lions' Sources December 2011

-Ed Note: For the convenience of our members that do not access messages from the Zone, District, or Lions Club International, the following may be of importance and or interest. The content has been edited due to space constraints; access to the original text can be provided upon request.

Lions Provide Relief for Earthquake Victims in Turkey



A recent earthquake in Turkey killed hundreds, injured more than 1,300 and caused extensive property damage. Lions are bringing aid and comfort to the people affected by this disaster. LCIF approved an emergency grant to fund Lions' relief efforts. Our members are using these funds to provide relief supplies, including food and water. [Read blog](#)

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WOMEN'S AND FAMILY MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE

President Tam has assembled a Women's and Family Membership Development Task Force to collect ideas for growing women and family membership. The Task Force is comprised of the current female international directors and two female board appointees. Throughout the 2011-2012 fiscal year, these women will be attending and participating in women's workshop events and symposiums worldwide.

The vision for the task force members is to gain insights for promoting, advancing and developing opportunities for women and family membership in Lions. The Task Force will be pulling together and distilling their findings to develop recommendations on next steps. If you have ideas or success stories to share with the Women's and Family Membership Development Task Force, send them to the Membership and New Club Programs Department.

Lions Partner to Plant 1.5 Million Trees in Kenya

We've joined forces with The Aga Khan Development Network to plant 1.5 million trees in Kenya, a country with one of the highest rates of deforestation in Africa. International President Wing-Kun Tam and Prince Hussain Aga Khan announced the partnership last month during a tree planting ceremony in Nairobi City Park. [Read news release](#)

New Member Welcoming Checklist

Ensure our Club members play their part in the club success equation by spreading the checklist below as you welcome new members into your Lions family

1. HAVE I MADE THE NEW MEMBER FEEL WELCOME?
 - Smile and say hello
 - Provide effective orientation so they know how your club operates and feel comfortable participating
2. HAVE I GIVEN THEM RESPONSIBILITY?
 - Involve them from day one
 - Ask them to join a committee
 - Get them started working on a service project
3. HAVE I VALUED THEIR INPUT, AND RESPECTED THEIR IDEAS?
 - Ask them for their ideas, and listen to what they have to say
 - Implement one of their ideas
4. HAVE I MADE THEM FEEL LIKE A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY?
 - Treat them as you would any other member, with mutual respect
 - Keep them involved on a regular basis

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January 2012

4-Board Meeting /Dinner/Meeting
6-Commodities Distr. Cam-Bey 10am
11-Dinner/Meeting/Program
Program -"State of the County"
18-Board Meeting /Dinner/Meeting
Student of the Quarter Potluck
21-Garage Sale Barn Sort 9 am
25-Dinner/Meeting/Program
Program-Learn CPR & Fire Chief Lion
Ed Hartin
TBA:-BLOOD DRIVE

"Roar & Growl"

Want to watch Coupeville Lions Atmos Clock sell?

George, of Elkhorn Trading Company on Front Street, listed our Coupeville Lions Atmos clock on EBay. The clock was donated to our garage sale in 2010 and we recently returned from Atmos Clock Repair for a completely overhaul and cleaning. George has volunteered to list this for us at no cost. It had a high initial price but it is rare and we are posturing for future listings. It will be re-listed soon starting at a lower price since it did not sell on the first round. The cost of the overhaul and shipping will be deducted from the final sale. If you wish to see how the sale goes, go to:

http://www.ebay.com/itm/JAGER-LE-COULTRE-ATMOS-CALIBER-528-8-LAPIS-LAZULI-FACE-CLOCK-COMplete-OVERHAUL-/380389536601?pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&hash=item5890fbb359

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Lions of Coupeville Digital Connections

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