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THE COUPEVILLE LIONS CLUB Meets Wednesdays at 6:30PM
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"'Tis the last rose of summer, Left blooming alone;
All her lovely companions Are faded and gone."

- Thomas Moore, *The Last Rose of Summer*, 1830

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Looking Ahead: Coupeville Lions Annual Salmon BBQ

by Lion Dave Fish

The Coupeville Lion's club is holding its annual salmon barbecue at the town park starting at 12:00 noon on September 11th. The menu will feature fresh caught Alaskan salmon grilled over alder coals, accompanied with garlic bread, corn on the cob, Cole slaw, dessert, and selection of beverages.



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Calendar of Events

September 2011

- 2-Commodities Distr. Cam-Bey at 10am
- 7-Board Meeting/Dinner/Meeting
- 11-Salmon BBQ & Concert**
- 14-Dinner/Meeting
Program: Jim Rich-
Part 1: Earthquakes are Coming!
- 17-Garage Sale Barn Sort 9 am
- 21-Board Meeting/Dinner/Meeting
- 24-Adopt-A-HI Way 9 am
School Super's office
- 28-Dinner/Meeting-
Program: Eva Parrish-
Part 2: Preparing for Earthquakes
- Environmental Photo Contest begins until 12/1
- Shopping Spree Ticket Sales Start
- Scarecrow Contest

Looking Back: Preservation Projects

by Lion Ron Boyer



The Coupeville Lions completed our 5th annual building preservation project on August 11th with a celebration BBQ at the Ferry House. Everyone was very happy and content; some were maybe even a little tired. We completed all that



NPS-Lions Preservation Team 2011

Photo by Ralph Edwards

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Lions Kitchen Patrol

The new year for Lions has started. We had a very busy Board of Directors and membership meetings.

It was a long time between the last meetings and the ones we just had but I think that

we faired pretty well and things will become more organized as we proceed.



Our Club at Camp Horizon 2011

Having a guest speaker and a program filled up the time but each was short and it is good to get back with the meetings.

This summer is a busy one with the convention, Camp Horizon, Garage sale, Arts and Crafts, Blood Drive, BBQ, picnic, swim program, preservation and the many other services that we provide. It is difficult to keep track of the things that we do. This is only done by the hard work of the committee chairpersons and the many hard working Lions that give their time. This is why our club is such a great club. It is the members and there willingness to give that makes it work.

We ended the year with a loss in membership and we must strive to get new members and get them evolved in the project that we do. Each one of us



Lion Dale at the Ferry House

should try to get a new member. Remember that you can bring them to a project and show them just what we do before bringing them to a meeting. This is also a good way of introducing

them to just how our club functions.

We have a very successful program in the fundraising with the garage sale and it takes a lot of work and coordination. Lion Dennis has chaired this event for the past nine years and has stated that he would like someone else to take the

President's



*President 2011-2012
Lion Fred Bronson*

Corner



Lions Dennis, Mark, and Fred

chair position. This is a big project but it has run very well in the past and the operation is well organized. We

need someone to take over this position. You will get plenty of support and bring in some new ideas. Things are changing and we need new ideas.

Well, it looks like summer weather has finally come so enjoy the rest of the summer.



Visiting Chinese students and Coupeville Lions

- Lion Fred



Lion Pres. Fred awarded sweatshirt

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Salmon BBQ

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This is an event that supports community needs while providing a delicious dinner and social gathering.



Diners at last year's BBQ

A total of 150 tickets will be sold for the event, and the cost is \$15.00. Tickets are available through any Coupeville Lion or at Town Hall. You may also reserve a ticket by calling the Coupeville Lions information line – 678-4105. If there is no answer, please leave your name, phone number and the number of tickets needed. Reserved tickets may be purchased at the will-call window at the park on the day of the event. Please get your tickets now so we can be sure to order the necessary food supplies.

Following the dinner at 1:30, the Town of Coupeville is presenting the last free Concert on the Cove performance for the season. You will be entertained by Dillinger's Clambake. The band features boogie-woogie swing style. Bring the family, enjoy the music, and dance in the park.



Dillinger's Clambake

Building Preservation

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was planned for restoring the Kineth water tower, building a porch for the Ferry house and restoring one of the chimneys on the Ferry house. 17 Lions participated in this year's projects with special recognition going to Fred Bronson, Dave Fish, George Haglund, Ricardo Reys, Dale Riddle, Mel Rogers and John Roomes for their considerable time, support and effort.

To see what was accomplished, drive by both 1) the Ferry house and view the new reconstructed chimney and the new porch designed to match the original porch from the 1800's and 2) the Kineth water tower which will be painted in September to match the original colors.

Thank you Coupeville Lions
- Ronald Boyer

From NPS Reserve Manager Lion Mark (as edited)

Dear Preservation Crew Member,
The outstanding success of the 2011 Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve Preservation Field School is truly a reflection of the growing dedication and commitment that our volunteers display towards this annual program. As this year's field school has come to a close, we would like to show our gratitude and recognize the exceptional efforts of all our volunteers. This year we had 31 volunteers that completed 916 hours of onsite work. The high level of volunteer engagement this year has further strengthened the partnership between Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve and the local community, the Coupeville Lions Club, the University of Oregon, and the National Park Service.

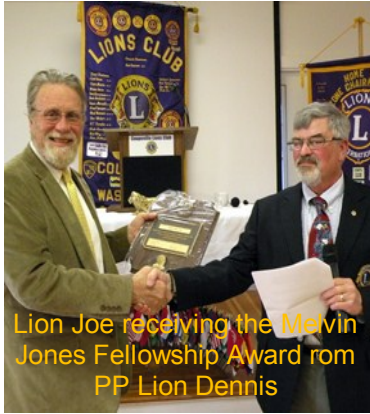


Lion John at the Ferry house

With two separate projects, this year's preservation field school was the most ambitious held so far in Ebey's Reserve.

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Thank You to the Club: Melvin Jones Fellow Awards



Lion Joe receiving the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award from PP Lion Dennis

I wish to thank the Coupeville Lions Club for the honor of being awarded the Melvin Jones Fellowship.

When I joined the Coupeville Lions, only 6 years ago: PP (Past President) John Roomes was president of the club, his SECOND term. PP Lion Ron Boyer was my sponsor, he is also PAST PRESIDENT. Then Lion MAYOR Nancy became president (later my TREASURER), then "SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION" Lion Warren Ivy was president, then president Lion John Kohlmann (later to volunteer to be ZONE CHAIR)...then me...BOY, was that a GREAT group of past presidents to MENTOR me!

The Coupeville Lions have allowed me to SERVE our community in so many ways. Since I've joined, if there was a Lions event, I wanted to PARTICIPATE. Someone needed to volunteer, why not me, so I did. I would have preferred to be/stay a "worker bee", but I found myself volunteering to do more, to edit the newsletter/website, to become an officer, to become president. ..because that's what Lions need to do, a little more... You don't need to be an officer to SERVE, Lions need only serve the best they can...but we SERVE when called...a little more, the BEST WE CAN, a little MORE.

I feel that is what I owe the club and our community...MORE...

-Past President Lion Joe Walck

To the Members of the Coupeville Lions Club

With heartfelt thanks and appreciation, I am truly honored, as well as humbled to have received the Fellowship Award. I never thought I would be considered, let alone

Thank You to the Club: Life Time Membership Award



Lion Grace King

Hi Coupeville Lions, I would like to thank you for making me a Life Member of our Lions Club; it is an honor.

I have been both a Lioness and/or a Lion for over twenty-five years and have had some very interesting and rewarding experiences. I have learned many things, enjoyed the great friendships and worthwhile activities, while having fun. Lions, like all of life, is what you make it, so jump right in and enjoy it while serving others!

Thanks again,,, *Lion Grace K*

granted one of the most prestigious awards our club can bestow. In my five years with the Club, I have enjoyed the friendship and support of many members while given the opportunity to give a bit back to the great community that is Coupeville. The award has given me a renewed sense of purpose in the club's programs, projects, and activities. I hope that I can live up to the high standards of Service that the many Fellows of our Club have consistently demonstrated for so many years. It is both a challenge as well as an opportunity to Serve.

I do enjoy planning events, especially involving food, and to editing this Newsletter, and I plan to continue.



Lion Bob receiving the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award from PP Lion Dennis

Thank You

for these opportunities.-
ed., *Lion Bob Johnson*

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AUGUST 18 BLOOD DRIVE

-by Lions Paddy Roberts & John Purcell

Once again, our Lions did a wonderful job as volunteers for our quarterly blood drive. There are approximately 50 tasks that must be completed to accomplish these blood drives, and it is rewarding to see the response by Lions when we pass out sign-up sheets. For this drive, we obtained 13 volunteers to make reminder phone calls to donors, 14 volunteers to make cookies, six Greeters, six Canteen workers, four volunteers for advance publicity, two who put up banners on the day of the event, four who assist with take down and clean up, and our very own Lion Ron Wilkinson who registers donors all day long with Nancy Fey, our only non-Lion volunteer.

94 blood donors were registered, 84 pints of blood collected, and there were 10 first time donors. Approximately 252 patients will benefit from these donations. Our results were very good despite the delays incurred by the implementation of a new computer system by the Puget Sound Blood Center at this blood drive. We especially wish to thank our volunteers who worked the day of the blood drive as Greeters, and in the Canteen caring for recovering donors. Your patience and diplomacy with our donors were heartwarming to see as we accommodated connectivity glitches during the day and the resulting delays that stretched this blood drive by an extra hour. A special thank you to Lion Ron and Nancy Fey, who were truly unflappable as registrants on the computers, and to the Central Whidbey Lions who assisted with this blood drive.

We wish also to thank the donors, who were polite and patient, as usual, throughout the day. We are sure that the start-up glitches will be resolved in time for our next blood drive on November 10.

Camp Horizon Adventure Camp

- by Lion Dave Fish

Lions Camp Horizon initiated a new Adventure Camp this year targeting higher functioning campers that can participate in physical activities. We had 17 campers, a good turnout for the first attempt. The camp started on Monday afternoon and finished on Thursday afternoon.

On Tuesday, the campers made a day trip to Samish Lake where they swam, kayaked, floated in paddle boats, and had a picnic lunch. That evening, they took a hike in a nature area not far from Camp Horizon where they split up into teams and looked for nature's bounty, such as grasses, flowers, streams, mud, squirrels and the like. It was interesting to see the camper's (and counselor's) creativity when they could not find an item on the list. For example, one of the campers insisted that he saw red eyes in the bushes and that must be the squirrel.

On Wednesday, they visited the miniature golf and go-carts center in Burch Bay. They enjoyed playing miniature golf and were thrilled at driving the go-carts. Some of the go-carts were two-passenger so that those that were not comfortable driving could still ride and participate. Some of the campers also rode the miniature train which circles through the woods behind the main area. In the woods are various story scenes and characters.

Karen and I had the privilege to drive the two rented vans and participate with the campers in the activities. We were also able to take our 15 year old granddaughters with us as junior counselors. They enjoyed the campers and fellow counselors and were able to apply their Girl Scout experience. All in all, we had a great time and look forward to seeing this new camp experience continue.

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October 2011

5-Board Meeting/Dinner/Meeting
7-Commodities Distr. Cambay 10am
12-Dinner/Meeting Program: Park Ranger Deception Pass
15-Garage Sale Barn Sort 9 am
15>16-Biz Expo/popcorn/ticket sales
19-Board Meeting /Dinner/Meeting
22-ICHS Museum Auction Elks Club
26-Dinner/Meeting - Program: "Farming the Reserve, Then & Now" with Lion Roger, plus Costume/mask/makeup Contest "Farming Related"

Adopt-A-Highway in September

- by Lion Roger Sherman

The Adopt-A-Hwy roadside trash pickup will be Saturday, September 24th at 9 am. Meet at the school superintendent's parking lot.



"Roar & Growl"

UPCOMING EVENT

Ebey's Forever Conference Nov. 4 & 5, 2011
Jacob Ebey House is open through Sept. 4
For information on these and other events see:
<http://www.nps.gov/ebla/index.htm>
Or call 360.678.6084 - Lion Mark Preiss

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TO: Coupeville Lion

Addendum: Information of Interest from On-Line Lions' Sources September 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.

From the Zone H-7 Newsletter...

STUFF THE BUS!

Remember what it was like going back to school... the excitement of meeting new teachers, seeing old friends and meeting new ones? Maybe you had some back-to-school clothes, but you also had to have school supplies. Over the years that list of school supplies has grown longer and longer and not everybody can afford them, for whatever reason. This is where the North Whidbey Lions step in. Realizing a need almost ten years ago, the Oak Harbor Opportunity Council asked two North Whidbey Lions at the time, Bonnie Laforest and **Coupeville Lion Carol Parbs** for help. That is when the North Whidbey Lions began what was originally called the "Backpack Project." Over the years this program has evolved into "Stuff the Bus" and many other organizations and businesses have become involved, either by helping collect school supply donations or by contributing funds. But the Opportunity Council still looks to the North Whidbey Lions to spearhead the effort and it has become a signature project for the club, this year chaired by PDG Garry Lutz. Every year the community provides over 300 complete backpacks, furnished with all the required school supplies, for those most just in time for the start of the new school year.

From LCI...

Dear Lions:

Online social groups ("social media") are offering new and exciting ways for people and organizations to connect around the world. That's why Lions Clubs International has commissioned a study to help clubs and our global organization understand how we might best use social media. A vital part of the study understands how social media are touching clubs and members around the world, so we invite you to complete a brief online survey by clicking the link :

[http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/
U2KMFS5G3R23](http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/U2KMFS5G3R23)

We're pleased to report that Lions Clubs International has experienced our fourth straight year of

membership increase. While many volunteer organizations continue to see a decline in members, 2010-11 marks the first time in nearly 20 years that the world's largest service club organization has recorded four straight years of membership increase. Growth in both women and family members are key factors driving the increase.

From the Wounded Warrior Project ...

Presentation by Jeff "Doc" Sinchak, who achieved the rank of Sr. Chief Hospital Corpsman and also served as a Navy diver during his 24 years in the service. Jeff served in Iraq in 2003. Jeff was assigned to a regiment north of Baghdad. His mission was to build a combat medical aid station and train soldiers to perform medical care under fire. Jeff eloquently described the demoralizing frustration and rage that he and others felt because of the constant "indirect fire" from an unseen enemy: (1) mortars; (2) rockets; and (3) IED's. Friends and compatriots were killed or severely wounded. He felt that every attack took a piece from him.

Jeff returned home, but did not want to leave the front lines. He felt isolated and disconnected at home. He, like many servicemen who had been in combat, was suffering from the invisible wounds of war: combat stress, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), survivor's guilt and depression. His wife, Kyrsten suggested that he get in touch with Wounded Warriors. Jeff described how they have been a life saver for him, providing immediate understanding of his situation, and helpful programs. He is now dedicated to helping other wounded warriors.

Jeff recommended three things we can do to help: (1) Simply thank a vet when you see one; (2) attend the "Soldiers' Ride on 9/17 in Tacoma; or (3) host an event, BBQ etc. to support the program.

And a Reminder...Looks like our timing is perfect for our September "Earthquake" information month! Hope the membership appreciates and comes to hear this valuable information. Let's promote in our news to the membership to come and get Earthquake information.

-submitted by Lion Barb Vaughan