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Erickson

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McDorman, Fitzgerald

PARTICIPATION BY ALL MEMBERS ON ALL WORK PROJECTS

Meeting Every WED - 12:15 PM •Bremerton Elks Lodge • 4131 Pine Rd. NE • bremerlion.com

President – Wyn Birkenhath
1st V.P. – Rae Anne Randall
2nd V.P. – Victoria Sager
3rd V.P. – James Fitzgerald
Secretary - Denise Zaske

Treasurer - Irmgard Davis
Lion Tamer - Ron Lund
Tail Twister – Debi Richardson
Membership Dir – Jim Martin
Past President– Patty Lent

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ONE YEAR
IPP Patty Lent, Jim Trull, Brad Orser, Tom Proteau, Margie Torbron

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – TWO YEARS
Richard Huddy, Whitney Hood, Ida Malone, Ron Morse

FOUNDATION BOARD
Henry Marcott - President
Patty Lent- Vice Pres.
Bob Battin - Treasurer
Ron Morse – Secretary
Jeff Reynolds, Wayne Olsen, Jim Thatcher

CAN IT BE WINTER ALREADY? SO WHERE DID SUMMER GO?

That’s a big question for your editor: Where DID summer go? Did we have any?

I do remember harvesting tomatoes from those lovely bushes that Patty Wagner sells us every year. They are long gone, or sitting in a small number of canning jars, but it seems as if we are still waiting (and not too patiently) for the spring and summer season to begin. I guess we’re really still doing that---but for the 2012 season ! I can’t seem to adjust. Bring back the sun !

Our new officers have been duly installed (and doing a good job), the annual Seafood Dinner and Auction has come and gone, the Fall Conference has also come and gone (see related story next pages), we “Raised the Roof” for Habitat for Humanity, installed our new Leos club officers and we have even had our only private Lions Oktoberfest (and that was fun). Now here it is November and the “Holiday” season is close on our heels.

Planning for our annual Bell-ringing efforts are underway and that will happen two days after Thanksgiving, which is just around the corner! How did that happen?

I hung my bird feeders today, so the feathered friends could have a head start on it and 30 minutes later, the feeders were swarming with birds ! Are we all hungry and impatient to get the season started and over with? It would seem so. But here we go, into the winter with lots of plans for change and improvement---and lots of questions.

Reports for this year would indicate it was a good one. The Seafood Dinner and Auction appeared to net over 27,000 dollars, and that figure is not final because all expenses were not in when it was reported. Many members attended the International Conference of Lions in Seattle and came away feeling good about themselves and our club. The Fall Forum was not so well attended, but we will deal with that on when it rolls around again.

We have decisions to make about our future place of lunch and meetings, which may change, but that will come before the calendar year is over, according to our leadership.

Our membership needs to increase, so expect to hear a lot about that during the coming months, and we need to concentrate on being a good club so our senior members are as comfortable with the proceedings as the “newbies” in our club, many of whom do not quite “get” the spirit of Lionism as yet.

We have our work to do and the new calendar year is almost here. It means we all buckle down and see how much we can improve. We can all do it.

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Where do **you** want to eat lunch every Wednesday?

In case you haven't been to Lions lately, it has become time to decide where we want to hold our lunch meetings. Many things have changed at the Elks club and it affects us. We can have soup and sandwich lunches for close to the same price or we can pay more for more elaborate items. We can go elsewhere and a committee is investigating all the possibilities that will include our storage and entertainment as well as regular meetings. It is hoped a decision will be reached before the first of the year. If you have definite ideas or information, contact our club officers and let them know---and come to the meetings. It might be important.

CLUB ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES

(after the Fall conference in Yakima, long-time Lion Klaus Golombek had something to say. Your editor believes it bears reading---and reading between the lines!. Only three members of our club made the trip. It gives food for thought. Read on-----)

Yakima Convention 2011

It used to be that we had 10 to 20 people going to the conventions. Going there, participating and returning was sometimes uneventful and could be a real adventure. Like the time when we went to Whistler with 10 people in the "Klaus-Mobile" – and the highway was closed with a landslide. We had to go around the long way on sometimes dirt and sometimes mountain roads and steep hills ... Marge (Stone) almost fainted when we stopped at the border to load up on distilled items AND had all the Club libations on board as well ... Those were the days when the President entertained in his/her suite at the convention and the success of the Presidency was measured on how good the drinks and the nachos were ...

Used to be that the President, 1st VP and Secretary's expenses were paid for by the club, but that may have fallen by the wayside. (I heard just recently, that P and 1VP still are – or would be if they were going.) In addition, all the fines and Tail Twisting contributions were placed in the convention fund and paid out share-and-share-alike to the participants. I remember Dave Tucker with a fat wad of (1) dollar bills distributing our share. This is also still the case. Often it doesn't amount to much when we have a lazy Tailtwister – but as things are going who knows. At the convention there are special programs for the Officers – who really need these – and a variety of other programs for other interests. Election for higher office are held with rousing (once) speeches, bylaw changes proposed, dues increased to be voted on , Uniform Parades, Contest and Awards (usually in some nearby bar) with various (and sometimes fun) topics and appropriate faldera ...

The "Old-timers" in the Club usually take the "Spring-chickens (chicks)" into their tutelage and attempt to tell them where to go – and what to do when they get there.

It is really helpful for any incoming officers to rub noses (or whatever) with those in the know and get a better idea of what these offices can accomplish.

In 2012 the fall multiple district DO is in Nanaimo – let's see if we can get a group together and go. Plan for it – see if your employer will give you the time off and get the Tailtwister going with the convention fund.

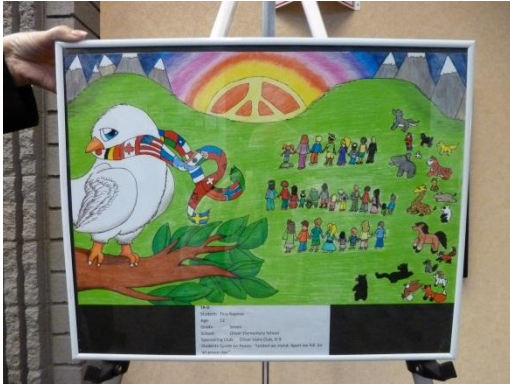
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(editor's note: see pictures next page)

KLAUS' PAGE OF CONFERENCE MEMORIES

It's more than a memory. It's the spirit and life blood of Lions and the Club
It's worth some thought---and it IS fun as well as informative.

2011 Yakima Peace Poster



Muffler Repair Shop Yakima – for KMobile



2011 Zone Chairmen something or other award

1st Spouse in Tacoma (2006)



One of our own
declaring
Victory
somewhere
somewhen



Unknown bunch of Lions in Spokane



Fellowship at an Irish Pub
Whistler Convention



In disguise at the FUN
night



The Klausmobile

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LEOS---OUR FUTURE LIONS

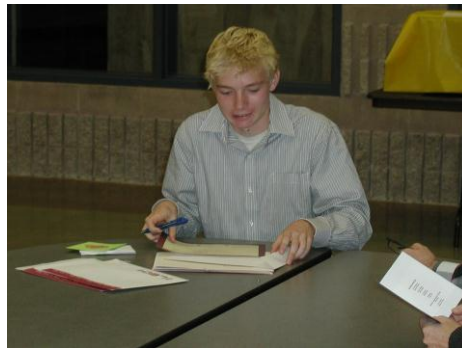
Our own Margi Torbron recently led Bremerton High School's 2012 Leos group through their installation of officers. Here are a few pictures of our future Lion, with some comments by Margie herself. Margie declared that though the attendance was small, the exhilaration from the Leos was great!

Wednesday, October 26, 2011 was an exciting evening for me as I watched the 2011/2012 Leo's installation of officer's and members. I can see that the Bremerton High School Leo's are a very enthusiastic group and have vision of helping the community. More members are joining the Leo's on a bi-weekly basis, thanks in part to the officer's enthusiasm. The first order of business for the BHS Leo's is a food drive. Rather than the normal Holiday food drive, they are collecting food for the community and the donations will go to Bremerton Food Bank across the street from the High School. The students are looking forward to also helping with Leo's camp, Armed Forces Pancake Breakfast, Bell ringing and many more projects. Plans for fundraisers are also in the works. The Leo's will also take time to reward themselves with a social event, to be determined later. I am proud to be part of the Leo's as their advisor and am looking forward to a successful year.

Margie



Above are new BHS Leo officers:
Libby Neil, Treasurer, Rachael Pratt,
Secretary, Daryl Daus, V.President
and Soren Mortvedt, President
With them is Karl Ostheller, MD19
Leos Chair and Advisor



President Soren Mortvedt, hard at work

Pictured below is the entire BHS Leos
Club: Small but mighty. Pictured with them is
Ostheller, PP Patty Lent & Margie Torbron,
our Club Leo Advisor



AT A GLANCE---YOUR MONTHLY CALENDAR

November 2011

- 10 The Manette Bridge is open!**
- 14 Zone Advisory Meeting**
- 15 Regular Club Meeting**
- 17 Foundation Board Meeting**
- 21 LERC Visitation**
- 22 Club Business Meeting**
- 25 Thanksgiving-----Eat Well**
- 27 Bellringer duty at Wheaton Way Fred Meyer**
- 30 Regular Club Meeting**



December 2011

- 7 Regular Club Meeting**
- 13 Club Board Meeting**
- 14 Caroling at Retirement Homes (That's on the Master Calendar)**
- 15 Foundation Board Meeting**
- 19 LERC Visitation**
- 21 Christmas Luncheon for Members, Spouses and Significant Others**
- 25 Christmas---It's a Sunday!**
- 28 Club Business Meeting**
- 31 New Year's Eve---Have a great New Year!**

