

OREGON LIONS-Sight & Hearing Foundation

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Lions Clubs March Proudly at Parade of Checks

* Keith Price, Chair



Lions Clubs from throughout MD-36 demonstrated their support for the Foundation in a significant way at the Parade of Checks on May 11th at the State Convention in Medford. Over 40 Lions Clubs contributed a total of over \$37,000 to help the Foundation screen, treat, save and restore sight and hearing for those in need!

At MD-36 Convention, we also announced the kickoff of our Lions Club fundraising for the 2020 Vision Capital Campaign. Thank you to the following Lions Clubs that have already made a commitment to double the number of Oregon children that receive sight and hearing screening: Ashland, Beaverton, Burns, Dorris, Eugene Downtown, Lake Grove, McMinnville, Mohawk Valley, Portland Cascade, Portland Downtown and Wilsonville/ Charbonneau. Our goal is for every Lions Club in MD-36 to support the 2020 Vision Campaign and help Oregon children see a brighter future. Our fundraising for the 2020 Vision Campaign has now hit 78% of the \$615,000 goal—see the campaign thermometer on Page 18—and Lions Clubs now have the opportunity to help finish off the campaign!

What a Month at Your Foundation!

❖ Glen Gilbert, Executive Director



It was an incredible May here at OLSHF. We started the month with the very moving and successful Patient Care Breakfast which raised over \$50,000 for that program, including a \$20,000 matching grant from Lion Joe Weston. A few weeks later, A few days later, Dr. Martin Balish performed Mission Cataract surgeries for nine Oregonians, which combined with Eye-

Health Northwest, brought our total to 26 free surgeries for people in a month's time.

We also learned that the Beaverton School District wants OLSHF to coordinate sight and hearing screenings at all of their elementary schools next fall. This will add upwards of 18,000 more children to be screened. We will need hundreds of volunteers—if you can help, please let us know!

At the MD-36 convention, clubs and individuals contributed over \$37,000 to OLSHF programs. This total included a \$10,000 donation from the Mid-Columbia Lions Follies. We want to thank and recognize the incredible group of people who put on the Follies.

We also learned that Lori Flexer, our endowment and investment manager, was named one of Portland's Five Star Wealth Managers by Portland Monthly magazine for the 2nd year in a row. Congratulations Lori!

Next, Brenda Anderson and I flew to Oak Brook, IL for a two-day Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (LERC) meeting organized by Lions Clubs International. The meeting included LERCs from 12 states and six countries, as well as LCI executive Peter Lynch, 2nd VP Barry Palmer, and the representatives from LCIF. We will have some exciting news to announce soon about new and used glasses.

After four denials in just three days, the month ended with a \$117,000 grant from the MJ Murdock Trust to our 2020 Vision capital campaign. It is the largest gift so far to the campaign. With this gift, our 2020 Vision is "in sight," and we now turn to a major Lions Clubs effort to finish the campaign.

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Gifts & Memorials

Lion King/Queen: \$5,000 & up

Francis "Bob" Adams Bruce McFarland Juan Young Trust

Lion Pride: \$1,000 - \$2,499

Charles Blanchard Grants Pass Lions Club Gresham Breakfast Lions Club McMinnville Lions Club Merrill Lions Club Retina & Vitreous Center of Southern Oregon West Linn Lions Club West Linn Riverview Lions Club

Lion Tamer: \$100 - \$499

Creswell Lions Club Gold Beach Lions Club Heppner Lions Club Jacksonville Lions Club Langlois Lions Club North Lincoln Lions Club

Lion Donor: Up to \$99

Roy & Teresa Chandler Doris Clausen Dale & Josephine Hicks Tracy Oman* Al Scott*

Memorial Gifts

In Memory of Loren Anderson Ronna Vaughan

In Memory of Faye Bowers Chip & Jenny Collier

In Memory of Russell Bratcher **Don Bowers**

Calvin & Erma Brunabend Alexander & Linda Burgin Pauline Goyette Byron & Becky Henry Howard Britton Realty Inc. Carl W. Jacobson Henry & Roxie Lissman

Robert C. Mackey

Memorial Gifts (cont.)

C.M. McCarl Robert & Sharon McKim Billy & Carmen Ott Richard & Vicki Smith Richard & Luella Spirup Sutherlin Branch Lions Club Martha Wangenstein

In Memory of Jean Covill Kenneth & Karen Brock Brian & Sue Mulbery George & Teresa Westover

In Memory of Dr. Dennis DeJong Troy & MJ Clausen Judy Duncan Sandra & Clinton Sanford Frank Wille

In Memory of Albert King J.J. Wetherbee

In Memory of Mike Kniebuehler B & F Lovelace

Memorial Gifts (cont.)

In Memory of Jean Lewis Columbia Gorge Lions Club

In Memory of Peter Price Baker Lions Club David Coughlin Edward & Patricia Elms Wayne & Sharla Erickson Raymond & Linda Frland Robert & Dixie Hardesty John & Pat Leonard Roger Moore Michael & Barbara Skinner Dennis & Kathleen Spence Carl & Barbara Stiff J. Darlene & Dennis Teskey James & Virginia Worley In Memory of Ben Shoufler Beavercreek Lions Club

Mt. Angel Lions Club

2020 Vision Contributions

Margaret & James Caldwell

Susan Klobertanz

Contributions listings include gifts received Apr. 11 - May 9, 2012 only. Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy and completeness of our list of donors. We apologize for any omissions and would appreciate you bringing any to our attention. Note: * Recurring gifts.

How Will You Be Remembered?

He wasn't a rich man. And he was never a Lion. But Francis "Bob" Adams of Springfield did have vision health problems late in life and he wanted to do something to help others in similar circumstances that didn't have the benefit of health insurance. So he named the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation as a beneficiary in his estate plan.

Program Impact Report Year-to-Date	Totals
MHSP People Screened**	35,169
MHSP Problems Discovered*	7,503
MHSP Screening Days	266
Patient Care People Served	174
Mission Cataract People Served	51
Hearing Aids Distributed	389
Hearing Aid Bank People Served	216
KEX Kids Fund Children Served	838
Low Vision Clinic Children Served	100
Eyeglasses Collected	75,600
Eyeglasses Distributed	44,075
Sam Tyler Fund (Eyeglasses) People Served	32
Grand Total Estimated People Served	80,655

Bob passed away in March. In a few months the Foundation will receive over \$80,000 from Bob's estate, strengthening the value of the OLSHF endowment and guaranteeing that Bob will give the gift of sight in perpetuity.

Have you thought about how you will be remembered?

To receive a free Estate Planning Guide, please contact Doug Thompson at (503) 413-7399 or email doug.thompson@ orlions.org.

^{*} One individual may have multiple health problems detected.

^{**} Based on available data to date.



EyeHealth Northwest Team Changes 19 Lives

In late April Drs. Bock, Hauptmann, Kim, McKinney, and Stromberg from EyeHealth Northwest (EHNW) performed 17 free cataract surgeries and two YAG lasers for EHNW's third Mission Cataract event. Their team included Candy Chapman and Anne Mehalesass from Emerald Anesthesia; Karen Myland, Lasik Coordinator; the team of EHNW nurses, led by Cherie Shevlin, who served every patient with kindness and compassion: Kathleen Bong, Lynn Clapp, Kimber Grady, Athea Harris, Audrey Houchin, Mellie Larios, Norma Peterson, Nikki Sam, Oksana Savelo (assisted by her daughter Rada for Take Your Daughter to Work Day), Mary Sorteberg, Tyler Worthen, and Carrie Young. They all worked together to help very grateful recipients.



Mission Cataract surgery recipient Kim Tate brought cupcakes to thank EyeHealth Northwest and Lions for restoring her sight.

"I was so impressed with the compassion, service and state-of-the-art facilities. Thank you for providing me with such excellent care!" – Leann

"Thank you for fixing my grandma!" - Kim's 5-year-old grandson, Spencer

"My mother had severe cataracts and died due to complications from a fall. I feared the same would happen to me.

Thanks to your organization, I got the cataract surgery I could never afford." – Engracia

2020 Vision Campaign Receives \$117,000 Grant!

The MJ Murdock Trust awarded OLSHF \$117,000 in May for the 2020 Vision capital campaign. This grant will provide funding for our new statewide mobile health screening system of portable sight and hearing screening kits and fuel efficient vehicles. Thanks to Murdock, our goal of screening 50,000 children per year is now "in sight". This is the largest gift to the campaign thus far bringing us to 78% of our \$615,000 goal (\$478,966 to date, see campaign thermometer on left). The final phase of the campaign will focus on Lions Clubs and individual gifts.

LCI Representatives Visit OLSHF



Left Photo: Past International Director and future LCI President Joe Preston, guest speaker at the Portland Downtown 90th Anniversary Dinner in April, was picked up at the airport in the MHSP vehicle and received a tour of the Foundation. (Left to right: Warren Heathman, PID Joe Preston, ID Sunny Pulley, Dr. Richard Chenoweth, PID Bill and Nita Rollins)

Right Photo: International Director Yamandu Acosta and his wife, Sylvia, toured the Foundation in February. He was so impressed with the stereovision testing kit we use to screen for amblyopia, he purchased one for his club! (Glen Gilbert testing the stereovision of ID Acosta)

Commitments to Date: \$478,966 \$615k \$550k \$550k \$500k 78% \$450k \$4400k \$350k \$350k \$250k \$150k \$100k



3rd Annual Patient Care Breakfast a Success!

Thank you to the nearly 200 supporters who joined us on May 3rd at the Oregon Zoo. We are excited to announce that we have met Lion Joe Weston's \$20,000 match challenge and raised over \$50,000 total, with additional gifts still coming in. Attendees heard the moving stories shared by our recipients Jeremiah Wolter and Kim Tate, and their families. Brittany Bigley, Kim's daughter, read her poem "Coming Full Circle," which moved many in the audience to tears. You can read it on the Patient Care Breakfast Event web page.

A special thank you to our event co-chairs, Sharon Elder and Mary Lee Turner, plus all the table captains that ensured we had a successful event. If you were unable to attend and would like to make a gift toward the Patient Care Program and provide the gift of sight or hearing, please visit our website at www.olshf.org.

