

Jungleer July 2024 Edition

Bellingham Central Lions



Dean Bates, President

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2024 - 2025 Installation Banquet

Mark Your Calendar:

- July 16 Board Meeting
- July 23 Gardening with Wes MD19/BCLC Garden
- August 3 Bellingham Kids Fest - Books for Kids
- August 6 Board Meeting
- August 8 - 17 Northwest Washington Fair Wheelchair Rental Booth
- August 12 Community Needs
- August 13 Membership Meeting
- August 20 Board Meeting
- August 24 Bellingham Schools Back-to-School Block Party
- August 27 Gardening with Wed MD19/BCLC Garden
- September 3 Board Meeting
- September 6 Lions Charity Golf Tournament
- September 5-7 Save the Date USA/Canada Leadership Forum
- September 9 Community Needs
- September 10 Membership Meeting
- September 17 Board Meeting
- October 6 Pistol Pete Rootin' Tootin' Shootin' Fundraiser

Board Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesday @ Noon
Membership Meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesday @ Noon
Community Needs Meeting 2nd Monday
Meeting Place: Lions Community Room



July 2024

LIONS IN ACTION

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Welcome President Dean!

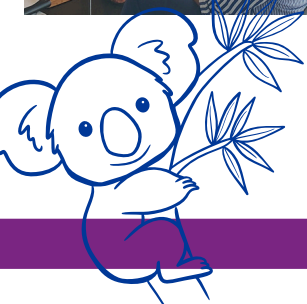
We kicked off the 2024 - 2025 BCL Year with a wonderful turnout for our Installation Banquet. We thank President Debbie for all of her hard work and dedication to the club over the past year. We welcome President Dean Bates and the newly elected Board and look forward to the year ahead.



2023 - 2024 Award Winners
Lion of the Year: Ken Henderson &
Jennifer Evans Thompson
Rookie of the Year: Cub Jaxson Becker
Care Fellowships: Joe & Cathy Nolting
Melvin Jones: Mimi Curtis



BCL Lion Patti Allen-White with a new friend "Down Under" in Melbourne Australia at the 106th Lions Clubs International Convention! They are soaking it all in and learning a lot. She is pictured here with Burlington Lions Rock White and Rosemary Walkup.



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Kids Safety Fair 2024

A new event this year for BCL was the Kids Safety Fair held in the Barkley Village area. Lions Books for Kids was out in full force. Thank you to all our volunteers for helping out with the day. Weather aside it was a huge success, and we look forward to doing this again next year. We were able to give out 800 books.



Thank you!!

“Cathy and I are very grateful to Debbie Costello for serving as our Lion’s Club president. She did a remarkable job of leading our club through an incredibly busy and productive year with her keen intellect, sharp wit, boundless energy, and excellent organizational skills. Thank you, Deb!” - Joe and Cathy Nolting

President Debbie at her last meeting.



CLUB COMMITTEES & ACTIVITIES

Committee Updates:

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Lions Books for Kids:

Contact: Lion Amber Becker 360.319.8931

Upcoming Events:

August 3rd Bellingham Kids Fest (Civic Field)

August 24th Bellingham Schools Back-to-School Block Party



Community Needs:

Contact: Lion Dean Bates 360.296.8057 or email deanbates76@yahoo.com



Northwest Washington Fair BCLC Rental Booth

Lions, it is that time of year to sign up for our Mobility Rental Booth at the Northwest Washington Fair. We will have wheelchairs, strollers and wagons for rent. The dates of the Fair are August 8th - 17th. Sign up today! Thank you in advance for your help and if you have any questions, please reach out to Candi Pataky at 360.739.5678 or candacemk@comcast.net.



Charity Golf Tournament

Lion Friends.....We are still looking for players and sponsors. Have you signed up a team? Have you asked your friends and family to participate? Have you called on potential sponsors? Have you noted the date to volunteer? If you haven't please do so!!

We would love to exceed our player count and net proceeds from last year. If you have any questions or would like a flyer, two or three to hand out or hang up at your favorite community hang-out please reach out to a member of the golf committee. Your 2024 Golf Committee Members are Mark Costello, Jennifer Evans Thompson, Amber Becker, Bob Curtis, and Mimi Curtis. We had a wonderful time last year and look forward to another great time this year. Save the date. September 6th. Mark your calendar today!

If you have signed up and not yet paid please do so. We would like payment by August 10th to ensure participants commitment as we have to commit to the golf course.



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Project Plastic (Update 861 lbs Collected):

I am doing my part are you? We have 139lbs to go. Keep collecting so we can earn our bench. The challenge is to recycle 1000 lbs of plastic bags in a 12 month period. We have until September 1st 2024 to reach this goal. If we do, Trex will donate a bench to BCL and we in turn would like to place it in a local park with our Lions Club logo on it. So what does this mean for you? Continue collecting your plastic bags. Qualifying plastic to donate is any plastic that stretches. Example, cereal bags, zip lock, grocery bags, the plastic all your Amazon deliveries come in, etc. Ineligible plastic are meal bags, frozen vegetables bags and anything that makes a loud crinkle sound. So, where does all this plastic go? Please bring to the Book Room at the Wheelchair Warehouse/BCL Meeting Space. Thank you in advance. Let's make this happen we are almost there!!!



Lion Jennifer Evans Thompson

Lions Education Corner:

Did you know that our District Office MD19 provides free training? If not, check out this list of training opportunities coming up and sign up today! Each of the below trainings starts virtually at 7PM. RSVP today to LionAI@Hedstrom.ws.

New Member Orientation third Monday of every month	
How to conduct a SWOT analysis	8 Jul
Effective Communications: A Two-Way Street	11 Jul
New Member Orientation	15 Jul
Just Ask and the Global Membership Approach *	17 Jul
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club LCIF Chair *	18 Jul
Grants for Clubs and Districts	23 Jul
The MD-19 Care Project	25 Jul
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Service Chair *	26 Jul
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Zone Chair *	30 Jul
Duties and Responsibilities of Lions Int'l New Club Consultants	2 Aug
Presentation Software Delivery Strategies	5 Aug
Tail Twister	8 Aug
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Secretary	14 Aug
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club President	15 Aug
New Member Orientation	19 Aug
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Board of Directors	22 Aug

Pistol Pete's Invitational:



The poster features a large target on the left and a circular inset photo of a man and a woman smiling while holding a handgun on the right. The background is blue with yellow and white curved borders.

PISTOL PETE'S INVITATIONAL

A ROOTIN' TOOTIN' SHOOTIN' EXTRAVAGANZA

A fundraiser for the Michael J Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research

OCTOBER 6, 2024
SKAGIT SHOOTING RANGE
BURLINGTON, WA

SPONSORS:

\$100-\$249 Caliber:

- Company logo displayed on target
- Commemorative sponsorship patch
- Recognition in the Pistol Pete Posse event sheet

\$250-\$499 Caliber:

- Company logo displayed on target
- Commemorative sponsorship patch
- Recognition in the Pistol Pete Posse event sheet
- Complementary shooter entry
- Logo displayed on Bellingham Central Lions website

SHOOTERS:

\$50 Entry Fee

- Exclusive 2024 Commemorative patch
- One fast-draw ticket (with opportunity to earn two additional tickets)
- Select from two entry categories: Gunslinger or Plinker
- Ability to earn bragging rights for a year!

To register go to <https://pistol-petes-invitational.cheddarup.com> or scan the QR code.

Questions: email Peter Anderson at ppishoots@yahoo.com

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CLUB CELEBRATIONS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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Calling all Lions! As a club we have so many things to celebrate so why not share. Could be a milestone birthday or anniversary. A new baby, a new grandbaby, a goal accomplished, a wonderful life. You name it we want to recognize and celebrate it. Please send pictures, celebrations, accomplishments and news to jethompson11@msn.com to be included in upcoming Jungleer.

Lions Club Anniversaries:

July:

Craig Chambers 31 Years

Brian Koning 13 Years

Mike Kent 8 Years

Mark Kennedy 3 Years



Celebration of Life Dennis Gudbranson

When: July 21st 2024, 2 - 5PM

Where: Bellingham Golf & Country Club

Dennis was born in Bellingham to August and Ruth Gudbranson in 1936. His grandfather was born in Iceland and Dennis was always proud of being an Iclander. Dennis graduated from Bellingham High school in 1955. After graduation Dennis enlisted in the United States Navy for 2 years. After returning home he received a business degree from Western Washington University. Dennis and Lynne were married in 1959. They started their family in 1960 and Dennis pursued his career as an insurance agent, Working with Arnason and Rice Insurance, before retiring at age 55. Dennis was a Bellingham central Lions Club member for over 53 years. He rose to District Governor and was very proud of that. Dennis loved fishing, golfing and traveling with Lynne in their motorhome. The most important thing to Dennis was his family. Dennis was preceded in death by his wife Lynne Gudbranson of 64 years. His brothers, Larry and Bruce Gudbranson. Dennis is survived by his sons Jeff and Greg Gudbranson, grandchildren, Heidi Finkbonner, Jax Gudbranson, Emily, Rhett and Evan Fenton, along with 7 great grandchildren. There will be a celebration of life on July 21st from 2-5 p.m. at The Bellingham Golf and Country Club. Donations may be made to the Bellingham Central Lions or to the Hospice House.



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