

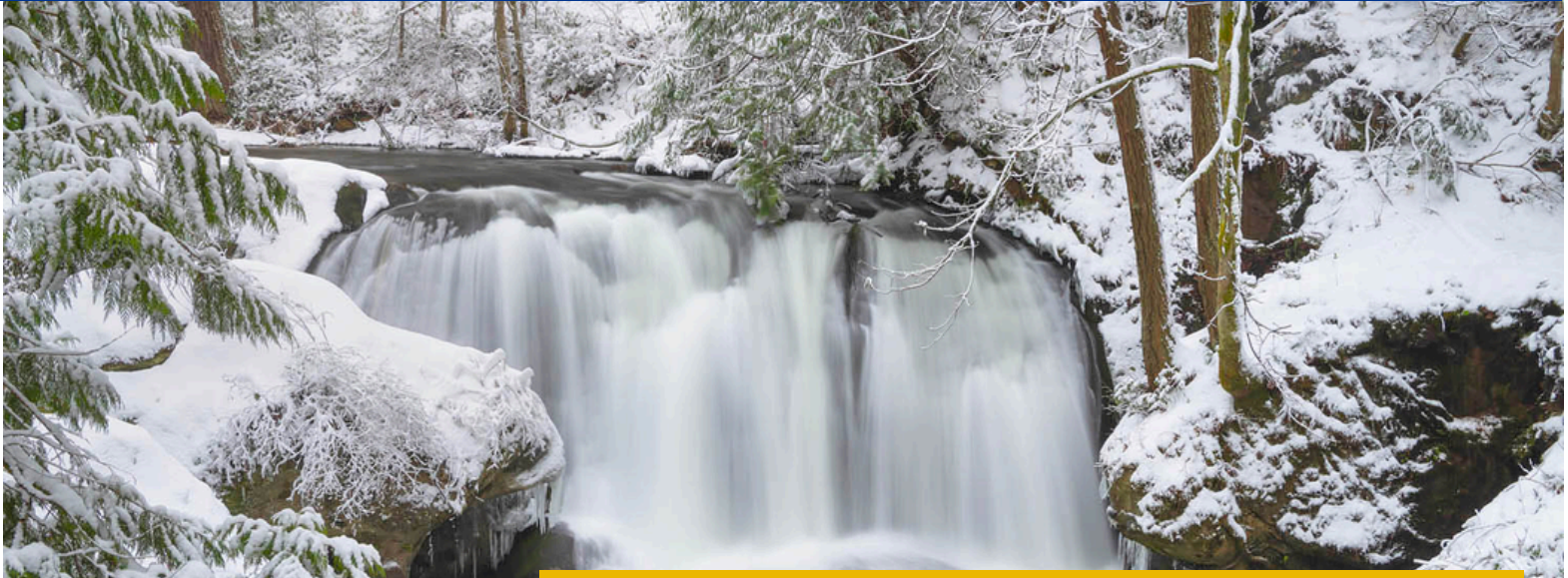
Jungleer December 2024 Edition

Bellingham Central Lions



Dean Bates, President

Jennifer Evans Thompson, Editor



Mark Your Calendar:

- December 3 Board Meeting
- December 10 Membership Meeting
 - New Member Induction & Speaker District Governor Beth James
- December 17 Board Meeting
- December 29 Holiday Party at Mark and Debbie Costello's
- January 7 Board Meeting
- January 14 Membership Meeting
 - WCC Scholarship Recipients Speak
- January 21 Board Meeting
- January 28 Membership Meeting
 - Speaker Officer Kyle Nelson Bellingham Police Department
- February 4 Board Meeting
- February 11 Membership Meeting
- February 18 Board Meeting
- February 25 Membership Meeting
- March 4 Board Meeting
- March 11 Membership Meeting
- March 21 - 22 District 19-O Lions Convention

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



Can you name these two
Lions from 65 years
ago? Today, combined,
they have 75 years with
the Lions Club.



December 2024

LIONS IN ACTION

"WE SERVE"

November Membership Speaker

Speaker Mimi Tompkins from the American Boating Club of Bellingham came to talk to the club about boating safety and state testing for a boating license. Did you know you need a boating license to drive a boat over 15'? If you didn't you are not alone. That came as a surprise to many in our club.



Lion President Dean Bates, Speaker Mimi Tompkins and Lion/E.D. Peter Anderson



Lions Books for Kids Bag Stuffing Party

Hey.... thank you to Lion Carole Evans, Lion Amber Becker and Lion Jennifer Evans Thompson along with future Leos Jaxson Becker and Blakely Evans Thompsons for stuffing 218 bags for the upcoming Christmas Toy Store at NW Baptist Church.



Winter Wonderland at the Wheelchair Warehouse

Lion Bob Curtis, Lion Mimi Curtis and Lion Ron Evans (not pictured) were busy this past Thanksgiving weekend decorating the WCW for our volunteers and guest during the month of December. Looks great and oh so festive!!!! I should have got more pictures.



CLUB COMMITTEES & ACTIVITIES

Committee Updates:



Lions Books for Kids:

Contact: Lion Amber Becker 360.319.8931

Upcoming Events: Volunteers needed. Contact Amber for details.

12/8 ARC Christmas Party @ Blodel Donovan
12 - 3pm.

Volunteers are not needed for this event but Bellingham Central Lions is donating up to 450 books to the NW Baptist Church Christmas Toy Store this holiday season. Family's in need can come shop for toys for free and upon checkout will receive a Lions Bag with books for their kiddos.

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Thank you to Lion Joe Nolting for helping out at the Deming Coat Drive event featuring Lions Books for Kids. 250 books were given out.



Community Needs:

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

Camp Fire Samish Camp Kirby was awarded a \$2K grant from Bellingham Central Lions along with a banner to help youth in our community attend camp.



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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	
Traditionalists – Value or Impediment? *	2 Dec
The Global Membership Approach for Clubs	6 Dec
Practical Club Marketing, Speed Learning Style *	9 Dec
New Member Orientation	16 Dec
Mission 1.5: Sponsoring a New Club	19 Dec
MS Excel: A Basic Introduction	3 Jan
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club LCIF Chair *	6 Jan
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Board of Directors (in Chinese)	14 Jan
董事會的職責和責任(中文講述)	一月十四日
How to Lead a SWOT Analysis	15 Jan
New Member Orientation	20 Jan
Reviewing the Grandpa's White Cane Project *	21 Jan
PR in Action *	23 Jan

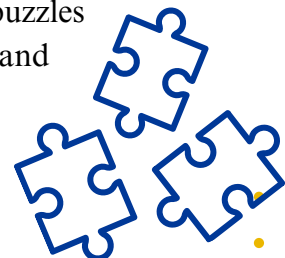
Bellingham Central Lions Holiday Party:

Has the holiday spirit hit you yet? Is this your first holiday party invite? If so, mark your calendars for this is a party, you won't want to miss. December 29th, 4pm - 7pm at Mark and Debbie Costello's home. The Costello's will provide the main dish, salad and bread. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share, your own beverage of choice and a gift for the gift exchange. Limit gift amount to \$10.00. RSVP to lavandhops@gmail.com. Address is 2460 40th St Bellingham WA 98229. Look forward to seeing you all there!!!



Puzzle and Game Exchange:

Have any old games or puzzles lying around that you would like to donate or swap for something new? Please bring them to the MD-19 office between now and the end of the year. We will be organizing a game night/exchange beginning of 2025. If bringing puzzles please make sure all pieces are included. Kids puzzles and games are also welcome and what is not exchanged will be donated to future book events.



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:

December

Charles Meyers 14 Years

Karen McGaa 14 Years

Erika Buse 8 Years

Jennifer Evans Thompson 2 Years



Congratulations to
Lion Tim and Dori
Vail on their new
Grandaughter.
Please welcome
Kennedy Sol Vail
born
October 22, 2024.



Advertising:

Contact: Lion Jennifer Evans Thompson; email jethompson11@msn.com

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BCL HOLIDAY RECIPE

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NEW - Recipes

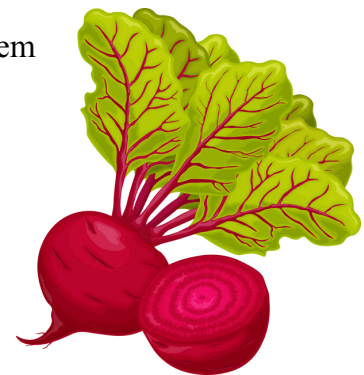
The holidays are here and who doesn't love a new recipe. Submit one or more to me at jethompson11@msn.com and see it appear in future Jungleer issues for others to try this holiday season. Looking forward to seeing what your favorites are.



Cold Italian Beet Salad

Ingredients:

- 1 pound beets, about 3-4 medium beets, washed and scrubbed
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1 small red onion, sliced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup fresh mint leaves, minced
- 1/4 cup other fresh herbs, minced, if you have them
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon powdered ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar



Directions:

Place whole beets in a medium to large saucepan and cover with salted water by 2 inches. Bring to a boil and simmer, covered and cook until beets are fork tender, about 30 minutes. Remove beets as they're done and immediately plunge in ice water to easily slip off skins. Take the cooled beets and place them in a paper towel. Cradle the beets in your hands to remove the skins. Slice the beets into round slices about 1/4 inch thick and transfer to a large mixing bowl. Add the remaining ingredients to the bowl and toss to combine. Let the salad marinate in the refrigerator for at least 30 minutes before serving.

Submitted by Lion Jon Strebler