

THE LIONS ROAR

MINERAL LAKE LIONS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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WHAT IS 'YOUR' WHY?

Together, We Serve: Discover Your Why and Make a Difference!

As we move into the spring season, it's a time for renewal, growth, and reflection. Here at the Mineral Lake Lions Club, we are blessed with a group of passionate individuals who care about their community. But, like any organization, we face challenges that require all of us to step up and contribute.

Since **March 20, 1952**, the Mineral Lake Lions Club has been a cornerstone of service in our community. For over 70 years, we've worked together to make a difference in the lives of those around us, helping to build a stronger, more vibrant Mineral. As we continue that legacy, we must ask ourselves: **What is YOUR why?**

*Lions Clubs International is a service-based organization. We are here to serve our communities, to make a positive impact, and to help those in need. But, the question we must ask ourselves as members is: **What is YOUR why?***

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*Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much."*

– Helen Keller (a longtime advocate of Lions Clubs)

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2024-2025 CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS:

- President: Tina Moore
- VP: Stevan Mayer
- Secretary: Paula Hopkins
- Treasurer: Dick Hopkins
- Lion Tamer: Dick Suter
- Tail Twister: Stan Chandler
- Stan Bartle
- Michael Gordon
- Starla Mayer
- Tom Searl

Board meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month, with member dinner meetings on the second Wednesday.

Located in Mineral, Washington, the Mineral Lake Lions Club has been a cornerstone of community service since its charter in March 1952. Over seven decades, we've been committed to making a positive impact in our area.

Lions Clubs International, founded in 1917, is the world's largest and most active community service organization, with 1.45 million members across 46,000 clubs in 210 countries.

Got news to share? Submit it to us by the 25th of each month, email: info@minerallakelions.com to be included in the newsletter!



Made possible in part by Lewis County Lodging Tax Funds



Lion Tina and husband, Lion Kerry at the Zone Meeting Hosted by the Orting Lions CLub

QUEEN LION'S CORNER

BY TINA, CLUB PRESIDENT

We are in a volunteering frenzy! So many people have stepped up to the plate to volunteer from organizing dinners to helping to put up tents for the derby. Our membership and the community have been working together. Relationships have been getting stronger. Some of our neighbors have lived in Mineral their whole life and did not know each other. As Mineral starts to host more and more events, people are realizing what a unique community we really have. There is communication, collaboration, and positive teamwork as we all put our minds together to create a memorable experience for all to enjoy.

We need you to bring your ideas to us! We have meetings with members of our community to organize events for this year and need to hear from others what events you would like to see. No idea is bizarre! Let's hear them!

Thank you to everyone who has given their time and energy to assist in making Mineral a better place to live.

Love being a LION.

Tina



**Saturday & Sunday
APRIL 26 & 27, 2025**

**2025 Mineral Lake Annual
FISHING
DERBY**

DERBY BITES .
Sat • 7am - 6pm

DERBY BREWS .
Beer Garden
Sat • 11am-6pm

DERBY BEATS .
A Fiddle in the Forest
Sat • 11am-12:30pm
Kurt Lindsay
Sat • 1:30-3:30 pm

**UP TO \$5000
IN DERBY PRIZES!**
Entry \$10 per person
Must Register Before Your
Boat or Line Hits the Water

DERBY VENDOR MARKET .
Sat • 9am-6pm
BROWNING SPORT FISHING • MINKOFF
KNIVES • GOAF - GET OUT AND FISH JACK
LLOYD TACKLE • RODS AND REELS IN NEED
SODJIGS • TEAM FISH ON BITCHES
THURSTON BAIT COMPANY

**Some of our
SPONSORS**

www.MineralLakeFishingDerby.com
Mineral Lake Lions Den Campground • 113 Front St. E, Mineral, WA

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32nd Annual Mineral Lake Fishing Derby – April 26–27

Join us for one of the most exciting weekends of the year! The Mineral Lake Lions Club invites you to the **32nd Annual Fishing Derby**, April 26–27—a weekend full of fishing, family fun, and community spirit.

Enjoy a **variety of food options**, browse the **Vendor Market**, relax in the **Beer Garden**, and bring the kids for the **Trout Pond** and **special prizes** (*to be announced soon*)!

Proceeds support campground improvements and community services.

We're calling on all Lions to pitch in—not only during derby weekend, but in the days leading up to it. **Our biggest need is help setting up tents on Tuesday, April 22.** Stop by, grab a coffee, and lend a hand! Let's make this year's derby the best one yet!

Thank You for Reporting Your Volunteer Hours!

The Mineral Lake Lions Club
sincerely thanks
**Lion Shawn, Lion Laura,
Lion Jack, Lion Sue, Lion
Dolly, Lion Steve, Lion
Starla, and Lion Tom**
for submitting your
volunteer hours!

Your commitment to
reporting helps us measure
and celebrate the incredible
impact our club makes in
the community.

Tracking volunteer hours is
more than just a formality
— it helps us tell our story,
recognize your dedication,
and secure the support we
need to continue serving.
Volunteer hour tracking
sheets are available at the
Lions Legion Building and
on our club website for your
convenience.

Keep up the great work,
Lions! 🦁❤️



VOLUNTEER HOURS

Please submit them to Lion Starla
**before or at the next Dinner
Meeting.** Thank you!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tall Tales Coffeehouse
every Tu & Th 9-11am

APRIL 2025

- **Wed. 4/2 @6pm**
Board Meeting
- **Thurs. 4/3 @12pm**
Community Lunch
- **Wed. 4/9 @6pm**
Dinner Meeting
- **Fri. 4/18**
Lions Den Opens for 2025 Season!
- **4/18-20**
MD 19N Convention
- **Sat. 4/19 @1:30pm**
Easter Egg Hunt & Bake Sale
- **Tu. 4/22**
Derby Set-up!! We need everyone's help!
- **Sat & Sun 4/26 & 27**
Mineral Lake Fishing Derby!

MAY 2025

- **Wed. 5/7 @6pm**
Board Meeting
- **Thurs. 5/8 @12pm**
Community Lunch & Library
- **Sun. 5/11**
Mother's Day
- **Wed. 5/14 @6pm**
Dinner Meeting
- **Mon. 5/26**
Memorial Day



These events are fantastic chances to log your monthly volunteer hours while truly living out our Lions motto: **We Serve!**

Getting involved not only helps our community but also brings us together as a team. Let's make a difference together!



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Why did you become a Lion in the first place? What drew you to our club and our mission? Was it the opportunity to make a difference, to serve those who need it most, or perhaps to be part of something bigger than yourself?

The purpose of Lions is simple—**we serve**. Whether it's helping our neighbors, organizing community events, supporting those in need, or advocating for causes that impact our world, our mission is clear: **we are here to serve, together**.

However, to truly fulfill our mission, we need every Lion's participation. It's easy to fall into the trap of letting others carry the load or assuming that someone else will take care of it. But the strength of this club lies in the *active engagement of all our members*.

What can YOU do?

There are so many ways you can contribute to our efforts, and every member's contribution is valuable. You don't have to serve in every project, but finding a way that aligns with your skills and passions can make a significant difference. Whether it's helping to organize an event, volunteering your time at a community outreach, or providing resources to a local cause—each act of service, no matter how big or small, adds up.

Remember, being a Lion is not about sitting on the sidelines; it's about rolling up your sleeves and doing what we do best—*serving*. Each of us has a unique set of talents, experiences, and time to give. *Together, we create something powerful*.

So, we ask you again: **What is YOUR why?** Take a moment to reflect on the reasons you became a Lion. How can you step up and make a difference today? Let's continue to support one another and remind ourselves that service is not just a commitment—it's a *privilege*.

Let's show up, let's serve, and let's keep making our community a better place, one act of kindness at a time.



2025/2026 Board of Officers & Directors Announcement

We're excited to announce our new Board of Officers & Directors for 2025/2026! A big thank you to Lion Dick S. for leading the final nomination process.

Our New Board for 2025/2026

- **President:** Lion Steve Mayer
- **Vice President:** Lion Mike Gordon
- **Secretary:** Lion Starla Mayer (*stepping into this role after Lion Paula Hopkin's dedicated service*)
- **Treasurer:** Lion Dick Hopkins
- **Directors:**
 - Lion Tamer: Lion Dick Suter
 - Tail Twister: Lion Stan Chandler
 - Lion Tom Searl
 - Lion Stan Bartle

We also want to thank Lion Tina Moore, our current President and only the second woman to hold this position, for her incredible leadership. She will remain on the board as Immediate Past President.

Our new board's term begins in July 2025—let's continue supporting the current board as they finish the year strong!



MULTIPLE DISTRICT 19 LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL Training and Information Schedule April & May 2025

As always, the schedule is published on the MD-19 web site. Its tucked away on the left of the home page: <https://lionsmd19.org/>



New Member Orientation third Monday of every month

The MD-19 Lions Foundation *	2 Apr
Duties & Responsibilities of the Club President	3 Apr
Mentors: Developing the Lions of tomorrow	4 Apr
Duties & Responsibilities of the Club Secretary	16 Apr
Duties & Responsibilities of the Club Membership Chair	17 Apr
New Member Orientation	21 Apr
Earth Day Reflections *	22 Apr
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Secretary in Chinese *	23 Apr
秘書的職責和責任 (中文講述)	23 Apr
Duties & Responsibilities of the Club Leadership Chair	24 Apr
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club President in Chinese *	30 Apr
會長的職責和責任 (中文講述)	30 Apr
Intro to Grants for Clubs and Districts	5 May
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Treasurer in Chinese *	7 May
財務主管的職責和責任 (中文講述)	7 May
Starting new Clubs: Duties and Responsibilities of the Guiding Lion	8 May
New Member Orientation	19 May
Zone Chairs: How to reactivate/rebuild your clubs	22 May
Public Speaking Strategies with Presentation Software	23 May
Duties and Responsibilities of the Club Board of Directors in Chinese *	28 May
董事會的職責和責任 (中文講述)	28 May
Duties & Responsibilities of the Club Board of Directors	19 May

* Denotes special expert guest instructor, see page 2.

RSVP for all training to Al Hedstrom at LionAl@Hedstrom.ws. Each session is free, starts at **7 PM Pacific Time** and most are about one hour in length. 晚上 7 時開始, 約一小時

This schedule is always posted at the MD-19 web site, [LionsMD19.org](https://lionsmd19.org)

<https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/md19-training-schedule.pdf>

The online Zoom connection requires the following on your computer, tablet or smart phone:
A web browser (such as Edge, Firefox, Chrome, Safari, etc.) to download and install the Zoom web-based application, a microphone and speakers or headset. While a camera is optional, we would like to see your smiling face.

Selected training sessions are recorded. To view, search YouTube for Al Hedstrom.

Other Training Opportunities

Free online training available at the Lions Learning Center (in the Lion Portal on the Lions International web page) and even more at LionsUniversity.org.



MD19: Serving Lions Clubs In British Columbia, Northern Idaho and Washington Since 1922

Nestled in the beautiful Pacific Northwest, at the southwest corner of Canada and the northwest corner of the United States, Multiple District 19 began its tenure as District 19 of Lions International in 1922. MD19 is an international Multiple District with 5 subdistricts serving 10,000 Lions and Leos in 400 clubs in the Province of British Columbia, Canada, and the States of Idaho and Washington in the United States.

Founded in 1917, Lions International is the largest and most active community service organization in the world. There are now 1,400,000 Lions serving in 49,000 Lions Clubs in 200 countries and regions worldwide.





District 19N Lions
Established July 11, 2023
(District's 19C and 19G Merger)

2024-2025
19N District Governor
Leslie Chasse

Zone N8 (formerly C5)
Zone Chair, Shannon Hauck

Eatonville
 1st, 3rd Thursday 7:00PM
 123 Rainier Ave.
 Eatonville, WA

Mineral Lake
 Lions/Legion Bldg.
 2nd Wednesday 6:00PM
 108 Front St E
 Mineral, WA

Mt. Rainier
 MT Rainier Lions Hall
 2nd Tuesday 6:00PM
 27726 SR 706 E
 Ashford, WA

Orting
 Orting Lions Clubhouse
 1st Wednesday 19:00
 19725 Orville Road E
 Orting, WA

Puyallup South Hill
 The Salvation Army
 1st, 3rd Monday 19:00
 4009 9th St SW
 Puyallup, WA

Spanaway
 Spanaway Denny's
 Restaurant
 2nd, 4th Tuesday 19:00
 20420 Mountain Hwy E
 Spanaway, WA 98387

Spanaway Parkland
 American Legion Post #2
 1st, 3rd Tuesday 18:30
 11204 Park Ave. S.
 Tacoma, WA



MINERAL LAKE LIONS CLUB MEMBERS IN THE WILD



Saturday, March 29, the **Eatonville Lions Club** hosted their annual Casino Night fundraiser, and it was great to see some of our Mineral Lake Lions supporting the event!

Lion Steve manned the roulette table, Lion Paula provided delicious goodies for their dessert auction, and Lions Tina and Kerry joined in on the fun.

Supporting fellow clubs and their community efforts strengthens the bonds within our district and makes our collective impact even greater.

Great job, Lions!



Bake Sale Proceeds Benefit:
 Food4Kids Backpack Program —
 providing weekend food for Morton
 School District students.

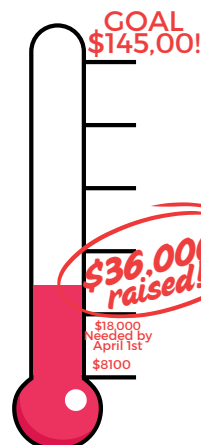
**Want to Donate
 Baked Goods or Treats?**
 Reach out to Lion Starla
 (253) 375-9995
 events@minerallakelions.com

A huge thank you to our hosts:
 Mineral Lake Lions Club, Mineral
 Neighborhood Christian Center,
 LCDF9 - Mineral Fire & Rescue, and
 Mineral Market.

**We couldn't do it without all
 of YOU!**

Who Serves? We Serve!

We've Hit Two Big Milestones—But the Work Continues



A big thank you to our donors, community members, and local organizations! We've raised \$36,000, surpassing both our first and second fundraising goals ahead of schedule!

With donations ranging from \$10 to \$10,000, every contribution brings us closer to expanding the food bank. Thanks to your support, we met the \$18,000 goal by April 1st, which was required for our LCIF Hunger Grant application. The grant committee will review applications in mid-May.

But we're not stopping here. The need in our community continues to grow, and we're committed to making this expansion happen—no matter what.

