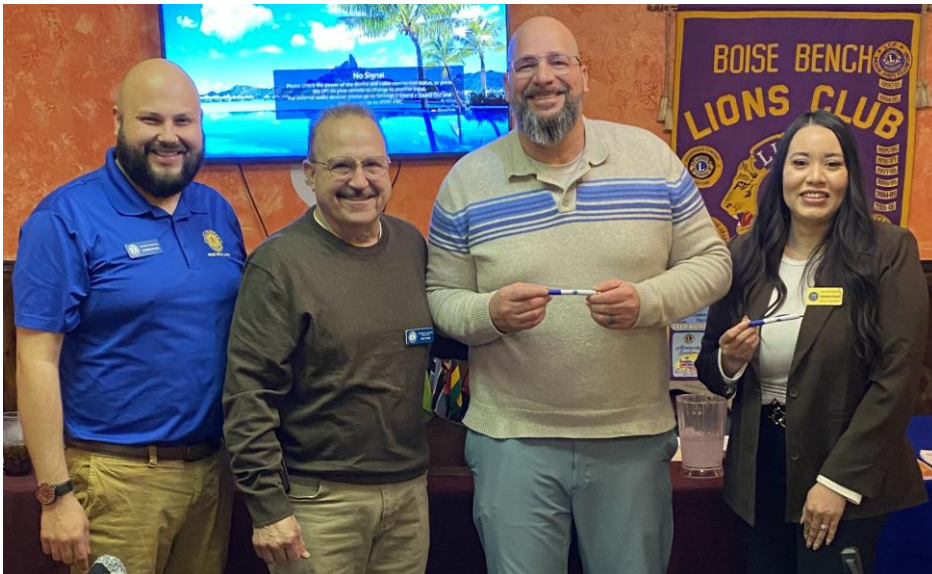


BOISE BENCH LIONS

January 28, 2026 **Every Wednesday at Casa Mexico at Noon**



Program chair Esteban, Pres. Rick, speakers Ivan and Jazmine

Jazmine is on staff and Ivan is one of their many ambassadors who go out into the community to connect with their community members. The ID Hispanic Foundation will help anyone who comes through the door. They want to bridge the gap left by traditional support systems. They offer multiple programs: Health and Wellness, Entrepreneur support, Leadership advancement, Workforce development and Cultural Enrichment. Their Family Community Resource Center helps with basic needs: food boxes, hygiene items, diapers and clothing.

Employment help: job search assistance, resume support and skill building opportunities. **Education support:** school supplies, ESL and GED referrals and peer learning groups. **Legal and Housing:** immigration guidance, tenant rights education and utility assistance. In 2025, over 3,500 families received food assistance, 1,517 hygiene kits were handed out, and over 800 individuals were connected to housing, legal aid and employment. Idaho's Hispanic population is young, growing and deeply engaged in the workforce. 246 teens and young adults reached through programming and mentorship. 142 workshops, classes and trainings held. 48 individuals became US citizens. The ID Hispanic Community Center is located at 315 Stampede Dr in Nampa. They have open access, are fully bilingual, are culturally grounded and work to build trust and dignity. Check out their website: idahohispanicfoundation.org



Members: 34

Attendance: Lion Gayle Chaney won the money. Lion Gayle was screening at Sage International, so she gets the money!



Need for speaker chairs starting in April: Lion Darlene will pass around suggestions, tips and the sign up sheet next week. Be thinking of some speaker ideas. The BB Lions are known for their amazing speakers.



Save the Date: Next Lions and friends social February 12th at Split Rail Winery at 4:30.



Save the Date: February 10th from 12-2 volunteer at the ID Foodbank. Sign up with your account or call Jane at 208.830.0454. Or come on over and lend a hand. Please wear closed toe shoes.



BB Lions Charter date is May 28, 1951, the 75th anniversary which equals 75 new service projects. Email **VP Cindy**, cbschreiner@gmail.com with your ideas.



Envision will need our help to catch up with recycling eyeglasses once the remodel is complete.



Calendar of Events

February 4 – Veterans Home Services, Jonathan Wheeler and JoAnn Daron

February 10 – Volunteer at the ID Foodbank from 12-2

February 11 – 75th Anniversary information day, come with new project ideas

February 12 – Lions and friends social at Split Rail Winery

February 20 – Serving at the new Interfaith Sanctuary location, if all goes as planned



Pres. Rick's Quotes of the Day: On Living Life vs. Just Existing

To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all. Oscar Wilde

Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away. Maya Angelou

Life is either a daring adventure or nothing at all. Helen Keller

Existing is being present; living is being passionate. Rick Vogel



Lion LaDawn stepped in as TT while **Lions Angel and Aarda** are down south. See if you have doggie smarts, answers on pg. 3.

1. What breed of dog has a black or a blue tongue?
2. Which one is faster – a greyhound or a cheetah?
3. Most dog breeds bark, but what does the Basenji breed do instead?
4. What breed of dog has a long Roman nose and was initially bred as a fighting dog?
5. Rhodesian ridgebacks are a popular breed of dog. Where did they come from?

January Birthdays:

Theresa Thornton 1/6

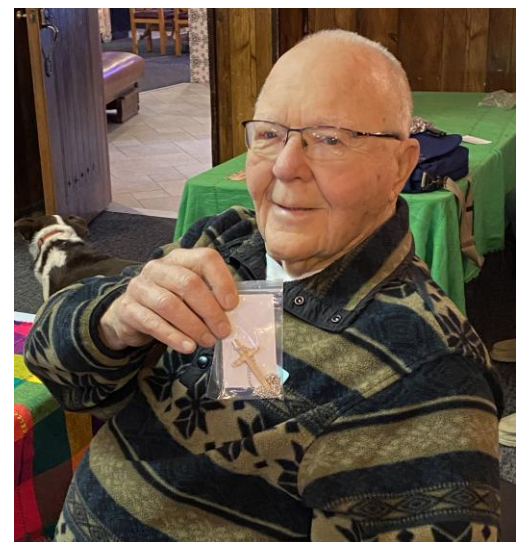
Terry Christenson 1/14

Colleen Lashley 1/15

LaDawn Kidd 1/26

Jan Shelton 1/28

Amaya Donahue 1/30



Lion LaDawn auctioned a beautiful homemade cross necklace made by **Lion Chuck**. **Lion Bob** is the proud owner.



Lion Lynne disinfecting the furniture at RMH with the “green gun”.



The whole gang at RMH: the bakers made healthy whole wheat apple muffins, the cooks made sausage lentil soup and the cleaners cleaned.



The cooks preparing the delicious soup.



The bakers making the yummy muffins.



The Frison's and Lion Larry S. delivered and set up one single bed for SHP. What a great partnership!

- Doggie Smarts answers:**
1. A Chow-Chow
 2. A greyhound
 3. Basenji dogs yodel
 4. English Bull Terrier
 5. Zimbabwe

