

BOISE BENCH LIONS

July 29, 2026 Every Wednesday at Casa Mexico at Noon



Members: 41



Attendance: Lion Suzanne Locklear

Visit: Lions Darlene and Lynne visited **Lion Sharon M.** who is currently at St. Luke's. The staff at St. Luke's are working hard to get her into a rehab facility so she can make the move to Portland, OR with her daughter.



Save the date: August 15th at 208 Emporium, 10378 W Overland Rd., formerly Boise's Best Marketplace. Bring your stuff priced to sell by 9am. If you can help at the sale, please let **Lions Toni and LaDawn** know.



Pres. Cindy, Speakers Chris, Aleatha and Efren

Chris and Efren gave an update on the garden boxes and Seeds for Independence project our club helped fund. The garden boxes and planting created an outdoor classroom that is welcoming to everyone who walks in and out of their building. They are currently creating a curriculum for the outdoor classroom with plans to enhance the space even more. Their garden committee has more ideas to grow vining roses and build taller garden boxes. Aleatha was a former student and now she is the dorm advisor. She was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa when she was 23 and said early intervention is super important. The ICBVI taught her how to navigate the world with her condition and how to handle people who don't understand what she is going through. She didn't want to leave her house when she was first diagnosed. ICBVI helped build her confidence working in the wood shop. Now she uses the outdoor classroom space with her grandson. Their community impact includes active use by residents, positive community engagement, continued appreciation for the Lions Club support, and agency involvement. Future projects in mind: more seeding, a bee hotel to help with pollination, make benches with a planter in the middle, and create a seed library. They are working on plans for October 15th, which is White Cane Day. The ICBVI has a location in Twin Falls, our connection with the ICBVI helped inspire a connection with the Twin Falls Lions Club. Check out their website icbvi.idaho.gov



Save the Date: August 11th

from 12-2 volunteer at the ID Foodbank. Sign up with your account, the link is on our website or call Jane at 208.830.0454. Or come on over and lend a hand. Please wear close-toed shoes.



Sporting Clay event

September 25th at 9am at Caldwell Gun Club there are 15 stations and we would like to have 15 or more sponsorships. Please ask your business friends/partners if they would like to sponsor a station. Lion Dennis sent an email with the wording Lion Rick used to ask businesses to sponsor the event or put together a team.



Calendar of Events



August 5 – CATCH, Homeless advocate Sarah Sangster

August 11 – Volunteer at the ID Foodbank from 12-2

August 12 – Boise Police Department, Officer Anderson

August 15 – Sidewalk Sale at 208 Emporium formerly Boise's Best Marketplace from 9-3

August 18 – Lions and friends social at Boise Brewing at 4:30

August 19 – Retired missionary in South Pacific, Rick Rogee

August 26 – Envision, Lion Jay Lugo

August 21 – 30 – Please add to your calendar Western ID Fair Found Kids Booth, sign-up sheets have started. Please pick some dates.

President Cindy's Words of Wisdom: We feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop. Mother Theresa

It is under the greatest adversity that there exists the greatest potential for doing good, both for oneself and others. The 14th Dalai Lama

You cannot do a kindness too soon because you never know how soon it will be too late. Ralph Waldo Emerson



Tail Twister Lion Angel funnies: I don't want to be in the loop or out of the loop. I want to be aware of the loop and its contents, but free from any loop related responsibilities.

A little girl was sitting on her front porch eating candy as fast as she could unwrap it. A nosy woman that lived a few doors down noticed her and said, "All that candy is not good for you and will spoil your dinner." The girl replied, "I don't know about that my grandma lived to be 104 years old." The woman said, "Wow by eating candy?" The little girl responded, "No, by minding her own business."

July Birthdays:

Debbie Collaer 7/9

Mike Gibson 7/11

Karen Wood 7/14

Amy Jauregui 7/14

Megan Little 7/15

Griz (Casa Mexico) 7/19

Laura Porter 7/21

Suzanne Locklear 7/25

John Thompson 7/25

Cliff Tyler 7/28

Kari Spencer 7/30

Esteban Galan 7/31



The **BB Lions** are working on their goal of 75 new projects to honor our 75th anniversary as a club. We are at 33 new projects so far. Keep it up BB Lions, we know we can do it!





Lions Dennis and Jim delivered many drinks and snacks to the Parma fire station. One fireman told Dennis he was there all night wrapping the pallets to be delivered to areas of need.



Lion Larry Locklear was honored with his Life Membership. He was totally surprised and grateful to our club.



Lions Jerry and Larry K. were presented with their membership pins for opening the door to new Lions in our club.



Lion Evin participated in the Burley Lions Spudman Triathlon. It was their 40th anniversary triathlon. Impressive Lion Evin!



Lion Curt road in a submersible Ringo near Red Bay, Labrador, Canada on a trip from Toronto to Nuuk, Greenland.



Save the Date: September 26th for the Alzheimer's Walk at Kleiner Park. The opening ceremony is at 11 with the walk starting at 11:30. Lions Curt, Rick and Larry K. are the co-chairs for the walk this year. If you have any questions, please reach out to one of them. There is no entry fee however, donations are appreciated. \$100 gets you a walk t-shirt. The deadline to receive it by mail is a month before the walk. You can sign up online at <http://act.alz.org/goto/boisevalleylionsteam>

Lion Amy shared **Lion Dennis Garpetti's** information if anyone would like to help with the Meridian Lions car show over Labor Day weekend. His email is dgarpetti@me.com or cell 208.447.7783 if you are interested.