

BOISE BENCH LIONS

September 23, 2026 **Every Wednesday at Casa Mexico at Noon**



Pres. Cindy, speakers Ramona, Michele, Dana and Efron, program chair Lion Karen Hensley

Ramona Walhof was a Lion in the Capital Lions Club, and she has worked with Lions in various states. Michele was the driver for today, but she also runs the Cycle for Independence fundraiser which happened last May. They can always use volunteers for the fundraiser. Dana Ard is the president of the National Federation of the Blind in ID. The NFB is a community made up of people that are blind or have low vision. They believe in the hopes and dreams of the nation's blind and every day they work together to help blind people live the lives they want. It is the largest advocacy program in ID where there are 3 chapters. The White Cane Awareness Day Walk will be on October 15 nationwide. You can meet at city hall at 10am. Their Silver BELL (Braille Enrichment for Literacy and Learning Academy) program helps develop and enhance skills in braille, cane travel, activities of daily living and technology. They have training and education for all ages. In January or February, the NFB sends blind people to DC to talk to their senators and representatives. One law they are working to get passed is making websites accessible to the blind. The NFB also worked with the state to have blind accessible voting machines at voting locations. Subscribe to ID's Blind YouTube Channel and check out their website nfbidaho.org.



Live the life you want.

Members: 44

Attendance: Lion Aarda Justin



Bragging Rights: The Locklear's brought one of Lion Larry's triplets Misty. **Lion MJ's** sister donated many pounds of pull tabs for Ronald McDonald.

Upcoming events: Oct. 18th IESDB, ID Ed. Serv. for the Deaf and Blind at Zoo Boise.

Nov. 14th Veteran's Day Parade

Dec. 4th BB Lions Christmas Party

Save the Date: October 13th

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 we have **15 sponsors and 60 shooters!** Those volunteers

who are helping in the morning can arrive at 7am. We have all the volunteers we need. Thank you everyone!





Calendar of Events

September 25th – Sporting Clays Tournament at Caldwell Gun Club

September 25th – Serve at the Boise Hive 10:30-12:30, email Lion Kim, kimberlynws@aol.com if you are interested in volunteering on a Friday

September 26th – Alzheimer's Walk at Kleiner Park at 10am

September 29th – Volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House from 10-12

September 30th – Pres. Cindy USA/Canada Forum and Lion Lynne Lions stuff

October 3rd – Grand Opening and Open House of the newly remodeled Lions Vision Center (Envision) from 10-2.

October 7th – District 39W's District Governor Lion Lisa Gier from the Caldwell Lion

October 7th – Visitors from Australia

October 13th – Volunteer at the ID Foodbank from 10-12

October 18th – IESDB at Zoo Boise

Pres. Cindy's quotes: One of the five cores of volunteerism is commitment. When you are committed to your goals, the universe will treat your case as important. Michael Bassey Johnson

Commitment to Service: We are responsive to the needs of our communities and the world we share. We seek to bring positive change to the people we serve and the places we call home. Official Lions International Core Values

Tail Twister Lion Angel funnies: Someone opened a brand new "Husband Superstore" where women can go pick out a husband. At the entrance, there's a big sign explaining how it works: the store has 6 floors. The quality of husbands improves as you go up. You may choose a husband from any floor but once you go up, you can't go back down. You may only visit the store once. A woman decides to check it out. First floor sign: These men have steady jobs. She thinks, "Well, that's a good start," but heads upstairs. Second floor sign: These men have jobs and love kids. "Nice," she says, "but let's see what's upstairs." Third floor sign: These men have jobs, love kids, and are very good looking. "Now we're talking!" she says but curiosity keeps her going. Fourth floor sign: these men have jobs, love kids, are incredibly handsome, and help with housework. She gasps. "Wow, that's amazing!" Still, she keeps climbing. Fifth floor sign: These men have jobs, love kids, are movie star handsome, help with housework, and are extremely romantic. She nearly stopped but decided to peek at the last floor. Sixth floor sign: You are visitor number 31,456,012 to this floor. There are no men here. This floor exists only to prove that women are impossible to please. Thank you for visiting the Husband Store. Across the street, the same owner opened a Wife Store. First floor: Wives who love romance. Second floor: Wives who love romance, enjoy a cold beer, and bring money to the table. Floors 3-6 have never been visited.



September Birthdays:

Curt Kelley 9/10

Jay Lugo 9/11

Cyprus Van Inwegen 9/12

Larry Spencer 9/18

Lisa Fluharty 9/22

Dan Frison 9/23

Roy Ellsworth 9/24

Frank Kalange 9/27

Carolina Ramos 9/27





Lion Kim and her garage band at the end of summer party. You go girl!



7 silly BB Lions working hard sorting glasses at Envision.



Lion MJ's sister donated lots of pull tabs for our annual Ronald McDonald collection. Please keep saving your pull tabs and bring them to the meetings. The Burks' are filling a bin in their garage. Our next volunteer day is September 29th from 10-12.



The Christenson's at 10,000 feet elevation in the Swiss Alps. Arrived by train from Tirano, Italy for the afternoon. A bit chilly in the Alps but Italy has been very summer like.



Lion LaDawn said it is time to start crocheting and knitting scarves and/or hats for the coming cold months. They will be placed in strategic places to help keep our community members warm.

