

BOISE BENCH LIONS

October 14, 2026 **Every Wednesday at Casa Mexico at Noon**



Pres. Cindy and Speaker Lion Curt

Lion Curt shared his adventures in Quito, Ecuador which was founded in 1534. 1.7M people in Quito which is surrounded by mountains and an active volcano. They went to a hummingbird sanctuary, asked if they wanted to try a taste of a guinea pig, saw a cathedral that had unusual gargoyles (iguanas, penguins, and tortoises) In 2000, Ecuador switched from their sucre currency and adopted the U.S. dollar. Off to the Galapagos Islands where there is not a lot of vegetation on the islands. They saw different species of booby birds which co-habitat because they have different food sources. Lion Curt shared a couple of his favorite pics for the newsletter.



Members: 40

Attendance: Lion Gary D'Orazio



Guests: Lion Arden Schmitt from the Nampa Lions.

Adventures: The Kidd's went to the Springs with their friends.

Lion Angel went on a jaunt thru the Moab desert.

Bragging Rights: Lion Gary shared that **Lion Bob** was an optimist football coach for 18 yrs.

Save the Date: November 10th 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.

Lion Karen Hensley updated the club about the upcoming White Cane Awareness Day October 15th. Efren, ICBVI, needs help with 3 game tables. Meet at city hall by 9:30 to help or walk with your Lions shirts or to support. Any questions please call Lion Karen 208.830.0259.



Calendar of Events



October 16th – Serve at Interfaith Sanctuary, email Lion Patty, pfrison47@gmail.com

October 18th – IESDB at Zoo Boise

October 21st – Jamie Dobson, executive director of Reuseum

October 28th – Dr Mark Gracer, D.O Primary Care Clinic

October 28th – Halloween costume day

October 31st – Volunteer at Zoo Boise from 1:30-3:30

November 14th – Veteran's Day Parade

November 17th – Paint 'n Sip at Proletariat 4:30-6:30, text Lion Dennis if you want to go 208.599.0271

November 21st – Serve lunch as the Dick Eardley Senior Center, more to come



Pres. Cindy's quotes:

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower. Albert Camus

Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall. F. Scott Fitzgerald

And all at once, summer collapsed into fall. Oscar Wilde.

I am so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers. L.M. Montgomery



Tail Twister Lion Angel shared this funny: My husband nearly died right in front of me today. But after I took a few deep breaths, I decided to put the toaster back in the kitchen and leave him to finish his bath.

Lion Aarda shared this funny last week: I got pulled over for speeding. The cop walked up with his ticket book, and I said jokingly, "Let me guess, you are selling tickets to the Annual Police Ball?" He replied, "Police officers don't have balls." We awkwardly stared at each other for a second. He then closed his book, went back to his car and drove away. **Lion Aarda** shared this with a straight face and a few of us thought this was a true story but then we realized she is one of our tail twisters and was twisting our legs.

October Birthdays:

Darlene Storck 10/7

Henry Cardinale 10/14

Larry Locklear 10/23

Lila Garvin 10/25

Corrine Henke 10/29

A bit of Boise Bench Lions Trivia: **Lion Olie** shared the newsletter from October 28, 2009, which was the club's first meeting at Casa Mexico. They had 32 members attend that meeting and now we are coming up on our 17th anniversary with Casa Mexico! **A big Thank You** to all at Casa Mexico for serving us week after week with kindness and smiles!

Pricing update: Lunches will increase to \$14.25 and Chips, salsa and beans will be \$6.75. The increase will be reflected in your next invoice. **Thank you, Lion Dennis**, for keeping track of our meal choices.





5 fantastic BB Lions and **Lion Henry's** sons sorted and bagged 8,800 lbs. of gala apples for families in Nampa and Carey, ID.



Frison's and Anno's having fun in Munich. Then off cruising from Zurich to Paris.



The Ward's are coming home today. They were able to collect enough cells in 1 day, so they let them go. They found a Lion. The manager at Hope Lodge, Enoc and his grandfather were both Lions. Enoc still has his grandfather's Lions badge. Go Lions!

Envision needs our help with sorting and packing eyeglasses. They received 15 boxes that need attention. Tomorrow from 10-12 and if needed Friday from 10-12.

Below is Envision's quarterly report.

		14,280 LIVES ENHANCED
Community Impact Report: July 1, 2026 - September 30, 2026		
Personal Assistance		
Sight Restoring Surgeries Provided	2	
Surgery Funds Distributed	1,780.20	
Hearing Aids Provided	0	
Hearing Aid Funds Distributed	0	
Eye Bank		
Humanitarian Eye Donors	62	
Corneas Provided for Transplant	89	
Vision and Hearing Community Screening		
Individual Screenings	1,242	
Volunteers	15	Volunteer Hours 102
Referred	159	Event Days 7
Idaho Lions Vision Clinic		
Optometric Patients	81	Recycled Eyeglasses
Glasses Dispensed	164	Donated Glasses Recycled & Distributed 12,783
		Distributed Locations: Nicaragua



PCC Bob Storm has been moved to a rehab facility where he is getting therapy 3 times a day in the hope of getting approval to fly home this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers to get home.

