

BOISE BENCH LIONS

September 30, 2026 **Every Wednesday at Casa Mexico at Noon**



USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM

President Cindy shared her experiences at the USA/Canada Forum

Lion Cindy shared her wonderful experience at the USA/Canada Forum. On the flight to Memphis, the pilot gave a shout out to all the Lions on the flight, which were all Lions except 2. Apparently, they were being heavily recruited. There were 1900 Lions in attendance with 104 temperatures and 90% humidity! She attended multiple seminars but there are so many you can't attend them all. The Forum First Timers seminar helped her from getting lost. The Club Presidents seminar gave her some directions on responsibility. She learned our club does many of the items they suggested and we need to do some other items. The Lions Academy seminar offers free courses online to learn more about Lions. PIP Singh was the keynote speaker. He is so kind, open and humble to everyone. He made Lion Cindy feel like she was someone. IP Mark Lyon spoke about advocacy with established leaders. Partner with the corporate world and talk with elected officials about humanitarian issues. The Peace Poster Winner was a boy scout from American Falls, ID. The Killi4kids seminar showed women in Lions climbed mountains starting with Mt. Kilimanjaro to fund building schools in the area where they climb the mountain. The DEA seminar: how Lions can help build a fentanyl free America. Participate in the schools Red Ribbon Week, prescription take back day and providing Narcan the anti-overdose drug. The next USA/Canada Forum is September 16-18, 2027, in Huntsville, Alabama. Check out lionsforum.org for more info.

Members: 39



Attendance: Lion Jill Muir

Bragging Rights: The Ward's are going to SLC, UT. Lion Cliff has offered to drive them for Lion Jerry's first leg of his cancer journey. They are so grateful for our Lions family.

Lion Larry Kidd's softball team won their league and in LV, NV at their national tournament they placed 4th.

Lion Esteban passed around the Boise Bench Gives for October. Whoever is picked will choose the next nonprofit.

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 was a resounding success. **Lion Dan** thanked **Lion Chuck** for making all the plaques, the sponsors, and the donations from all the BB Lions and businesses who supported it. He asked if all would send a thank you to their business. More to come from the after-event meeting from **Lion Mike**. A huge Thank you to Lion Mike for this great idea and all of the hours he and his wife put into this event!



Calendar of Events



October 3rd – Grand Opening and Open House of the newly remodeled Lions Vision Center (Envision) from 10-2. **Lions Liz and Henry** will be honored with the dedication of the newly remodeled eyeglass recycling area.

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

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

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

October 14th – Lion Curt latest trip slides

October 18th – IESDB at Zoo Boise

October 21st – Jamie Dobson, executive director of Reuseum



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

November 14th – Veteran's Day Parade

November 17th – Paint 'n Sip at Proletariat 4:30-6:30, sign-up sheets coming soon

Pres. Cindy's quotes: One of the five cores of volunteerism is teamwork. Find a group of people who challenge and inspire you, spend a lot of time with them, and it will change your life. Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th president.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. Charles Darwin



Tail Twister Lion Aarda: Silly laws: In Georgia, it is illegal to carry an ice cream cone in your back pocket. The law originated to prevent horse theft. The horses would follow the person, and the person could say they didn't steal them. In Idaho, it is illegal to fish off a camel's back. Off any large animal because it is damaging to trout eggs. Pocatello, ID, has a smile ordinance. It is illegal not to smile within the city limits. The city of Pocatello was declared the U.S. smile capital in 1987, and grinning has remained a piece of the city's identity. In Arizona, people are required to defend themselves using a weapon like whatever weapon an attacker is using. If they are hitting you with a lamp, you must use a lamp to defend yourself.

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



Pres. Cindy presented Lion Esteban a membership pin from Lions International for bringing in 2 or more Lions into the BB Lions. Thank you, Lion Esteban, for continuing to spread the importance of Lionism!





Lion Rick shared we had 25 BB Lions registered for the walk and we raised over \$2400, a new record. At the booth, they were able to connect a community member with Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Well, done BB Lions!



12 BB Lions cleaned, cooked chicken rice and veggie casserole with salad.



The bakers made Pumpkin Snickerdoodles.



A few BB Lions watched **Lion Larry K.'s** final season games.



The BB Lions first Sporting Clay tournament/fundraiser was a great success. We raised approx. \$7,000! 59 shooters and 17 volunteers. Thank you to **Lion Chuck** for making the beautiful plaques for the winners. The Top Gun Gal winner shared this meant so much to her as she was raised with a family-owned gun club called "Top Gun" and she is a Lion in WA! Please thank all the sponsors and donors. We plan to do this again next year. More to come.

