



# The Lions Roar Stanwood Lions Club November 2005 - Part 1

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Hello dear friends. This issue was released on Monday, October 31st to 57 Stanwood Lions with e-mail addresses and 11 other Lions in key positions from Districts 19B and H. We wish you all the very best of the Thanksgiving season. As we enjoy the beauty and abundance of our wonderful area, I hope you will also think of the thousands of our fellow Americans along the Gulf Coast, in Iraq, Afghanistan, and around the world who will not enjoy these blessings as richly as we do. Please remember them.

This is a busy period for us and the content was a bit much for one e-mail message. This "Roar" is Part 1 of 2 for November.

If you are not receiving this material by e-mail and wish to do so, please let me know. Roy Lesher.

1, Smokestack Halloween Display. Lion Vic Parcels really knows how to schedule his work parties. Partly cloudy, balmy temperature around 65, just great weather. Well, it was beautiful in Sacramento, but in Stanwood it was blowing rain and a cold 48 degrees. But with a lot of good company, the job was finished in a little over two hours and all lights remained lit on arrival at the top of the 150 foot smokestack. That doesn't always happen. The usual suspects were leaders Vic Parcels and Will Webb. Bob Parks was the engineer in charge of the new hand winch, Mike Writer capably manned the donkey motorized winch, Lion Linda Webb was our heroine as ever with hot coffee and cookies, and laborers were Roy Lesher, Bob Purrier, Jim Richeson, and Dale Tetlow.

2. Camano 101 is a continuing program where most of the island's volunteer groups band together to present an evening of information to both new and old residents. Past President Skip Ingraham has been involved in the planning for these activities and our Lions Club will staff a booth on Thursday evening, November 3rd, at the Camano Center on East Camano Drive. We'll display our large board of activities and achievements and hopefully find some potential new members, too.

3. The Stanwood Flag Program. Lion Ron Zentner, our past Treasurer, recently volunteered to help with the leadership of our community flag program. Here are extracts from the recent status report prepared by Past Secretary Dan Cassidy and published in the Stanwood-Camano News.

"For the last eleven years members of the Stanwood Lions Club have put up the American flag in front of Stanwood business and professional offices on the five national holidays plus Flag Day and during the Stanwood-Camano Fair. We have now added September 11th for a total of eight. This program is a major fund-raiser for the club and shows our American flag at the appropriate times throughout the year.

We have just completed our sign up for 2005 and wish to recognize and thank the 152 firms that have agreed to participate in the program:"

Take a deep breath. ... A & B Health Care, American Escrow, ARCO AM/PM, Aurora Rents, Bank of America, Barnett Chiropractic Clinic, Dr. Russell Barron, Dr. F. James Beckner, Bob's Market and Deli, Bryant Automotive, Roy Carlson Bulk Transport, The Center, Chrysanthemum, Cole & Cole Attorneys, Cookie Mill, Country Elegance – Western Banjo Clock, Curves for Women, Dan's Barber Shop, Darrow's Carpets, Day Chiropractic Clinic, Designs Northwest Architects, Dollar Plus (2 flags), Donna's Travel/Kallock Insurance, Dos Reales Taqueria Drive In, Duck Inn Café, Eagle's Nest, Ears 2 U Hearing Aids, Eastside Salon, Edward Jones Investments (Peggy Burr & Mary Ann Weeks), En Butik, Everett Clinic, Farmers Insurance Tyler Agency, Frontier Bank, Gargoyle Billiards, Gilbertson Funeral Home, Glass Tech Stanwood, Golden Pavilion, Terry Greer, H&R Block, Hamilton Lumber, Heated Self Storage, Dr. Tony Hewlett, Huddle Up Sports Bar, Ideality, Index Sensors & Controls, Jimmy's Pizza & Pasta, Jones & Butler Attorneys, Key Bank, La Hacienda Restaurant, Land Title Company of Island County, Langabeer/McKernan & Co., Let's Frame It Shop, Liberty Exxon, Lindsay Stove Works, Lindstrom Development (20 flags), Locals Espresso, Looking Good Barber, LPL Financial, Lucy's Emporium, Ludum's Floral, Lynns Espresso, Maddog's Stanwood Hotel & Tavern, Marcey's Dress Shop, Maxime's Global Cuisine, Media Legends/PC Services, Mercantile Bldg. (2 flags), Moulin Rouge Lounge, N.O.A.H. Thrift Store, Northsound Physical Therapy (2 flags), North Star Cold Storage, Northwest Plus Credit Union,

Northwest Veterinary, Papa Murphy's Pizza, Paradise Burgers, Pearson Financial, Pelletier & Schaar, PERCO Engineering, Pet Neuter & Vaccination Clinic, Philly Deli, Port Susan Athletic Club, Pratt Pest Management, Preview Properties (2 flags), Randel Dental Clinic, Rapattoni Parcel Mapping, Ready Mortgage, RE/MAX Associated Brokers, Rimmer Tire Center of Stanwood, Scandia Bakery & Lefse, Schuh Farms, John L. Scott, Skagit Farm Supply, Skagit State Bank, Dr. Russell Smith (3 flags), Snow Goose Book Store, Sons of Norway, Stanwood Acupuncture Clinic, Sportsman's Saloon, Stanwood Area Historical Society, Stanwood Café, Stanwood-Camano Community Resource Center, Stanwood – Camano Food Bank & Thrift Store, Stanwood Camano Hearing Center, Stanwood-Camano News, Stanwood Camano Wellness, Stanwood Car Care, Stanwood Eye Clinic, Stanwood House, Stanwood Mailbox & Copy Center, Stanwood Pawn Shop, Stanwood Police, Stanwood Radio Shack, Stanwood Self Storage, Stanwood Taco Time, Stanwood Velo Sports, Stanwood Vision & Optical, Stedman Insurance, Sterling Savings (4 flags), Stilly Auto Parts NAPA, Thomas & Associates Insurance (2 flags), Tonie's Styling Salon, Twin City Lanes, Twin City Shell, Union 76 Super Lucky Food Store, Viking Restaurant, Village Chiropractic Clinic, Wash & Wear Summer Sun, Washington Federal Savings, Wells Fargo Bank, Wesweld Corp. Whidbey Island Bank, Williams Chiropractic Clinic and Wolfkill Feed. Whew ...

Note: The Boy Scouts of America have a similar program for Camano Island and we do not interfere with their efforts.

The charge for this service is only \$25 a year per flag. The Chairman is Lion Bruce Miller, the new Assistant Chairman is Ron Zentner and the regular workers are Dan Cassidy, Bill Burns, John Haddock, Jim Joyce, Pat Metz and Vic Parcels.

4. New members. Please welcome and update your rosters.

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Hello dear friends. The November issue ran a bit long and was separated into two parts this month.

1. Visit from DG Beverley Stephenson. With the price of gasoline, it takes a very serious labor of love to make the long drive up to Stanwood from Issiquah. Our new District Governor made that trip on October 19th and was accompanied by our Zone Chairman, Terry Ostlund. We certainly enjoyed her remarks as well as her participation in the induction of two new members and the installation of our new 3rd Vice President. Excellent informative talk, good food, and lots of fun and fines. Can't get much better than that. Thank you, Lion Bev. Hurry back.



2. Our Annual Lutefisk Feast. We had 65 Lions supporting our **53rd Annual Lutefisk Dinner** and we could not possibly have carried out this major affair without the strong support of the Stanwood High School, the wonderful help of 26 spouses, and 42 members of the Stanwood High School Ladies Volleyball Team. A very big thank you also to the Stanwood Boy Scouts who helped in the kitchen and the tough job of restoring the cafeteria, lobby, and hallways to first class condition for school on

Monday. Last year we served 1,300 people and this year the number climbed to 1,400. We prepared almost a ton of Lutefisk - 2,200 pounds and we were just running out as the last few guests were served. We actually had to shut down carry out service at the last minute in order to take care of the last few tables. We were selling pickled herring and lefsa in the lobby and sold our last pack of lefsa as the last group left the building. With 24 jars of pickled herring per case, we also sold 18 out of 20 cases of pickled herring.

Thank you Jim Lund and Jim Adamson for leading this great effort again. This is truly the event that makes our club the Lutefisk Lions.

We had one tongue-in-cheek RSVP from Bob Sheffels, the Communications Coordinator at the NW Lions Foundation. Per Bob, "I will be in Chelan this weekend so don't save me a plate. Perhaps you could ship it to me instead. Go ahead and use ground or regular mail. I have yet to experience the thrill of a lutefisk dinner but from what I hear, a few more days of aging on a truck or in the mail shouldn't hurt it a bit." I have told Bob, also with tongue-in-cheek, that we tried, but the package was refused by the Post Office. Well, actually we were driven out of the lobby by the patrons.

We also enjoyed a drop-by visit from Lion Zone Chairman Terry Ostlund. Terry had envisioned a relatively small cozy affair where he could just pop in, eat and hit the road again. Well, he had to do a double take when he saw the full dining room of 180 and another 150 seated in the waiting area. Terry couldn't stay but we sincerely appreciated the visit. We don't like to have our patrons wait too long, but they enjoy the reunion atmosphere with Scandinavians coming from all over the State and beyond to enjoy the affair.

3. Our Christmas dinner is right around the corner. Wednesday, December the 21st. As you may have heard we will be using the Camano Island Country Club which is perfect for our group. Social 6:00 pm with dinner starting at 7:00 pm. BYOB. Price still uncertain at this time. We certainly look forward to seeing our members and spouses again for this wonderful reunion. Speeches will be minimized. Violators will not be fined, but we remind any speakers that the chilly waters of Port Susan are only a few steps away. We understand that our customary entertainment will be provided.

4. **Sight and Hearing Screening.** During the first week of November we will begin screening at the Twin Cities Elementary School as a first step in our evolving program to work with the School District on this effort. Volunteers are needed and further details will be available at our meeting on Wednesday.

5. Just in and very hot. **Diabetes Awareness Month.** We received information from the Lions Eye Health Program and Eye Care America that

will offer either free or nearly no cost eye examinations for seniors from a fully qualified ophthalmologist who has volunteered to help in this program. To be eligible a senior (over 65) must not be a member of an HMO or VA and must not have been examined by an ophthalmologist within the last three years. We will have an ad in the Stanwood Camano News at the earliest. Hopefully I'll have the rest of the details from LCIF before we start getting inquiries.

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