WHEN DISASTER STRIKES in Ada County....BE PREPARED! Myla Jeffries, Ada County Emergency Management, made believers of the Club by providing the statics on some disasters. The #1 hazard is extreme weather. The Federal Emergency Management Agency ranks Idaho fifth highest in the nation for earthquake risk. In the last 50 years Idaho has experienced two of the largest earthquakes in the continental US. Alaska, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Washington and then Idaho. Wildfires, which 86% are human caused and since more people are making their homes in the foothills and outlying areas they face the real danger of wildfires. Floods - On the average, the Boise River reaches 7,000 cubic feet per second, or flood state, once every 5 years and results in some minor inconveniences and damage each time. Three out of every 5 years certain creeks and gulches in Ada County also pose a threat. Highest risk drainages include Seamon, Pierce, Polecat, Stuart, Crane and Hulls Gulches, Dry Creek and Cottonwood Creek. Thunderstorms, large amounts of rain, hail, lightning, and high winds directly affect Ada County. Each year an average of two to five incidents of thunderstorm related damage is recorded in Ada County. Hazardous Materials incidents are the most likely hazard to occur locally. About 150 facilities in the county contain hazardous materials, approx. 50 of these locations have at least one extremely hazardous substance & 16 facilities in the county have radioactive materials licenses. About 93% of the accidents happen during transportation. So much more was explained with this excellent presentation. Thank LaDawn Kidd, October program chair. Twenty Eight members learned about “hazards” as well as guests Gabriel Ruiz, son of Janiesha, Ret. Col. Sam Wood from Alaska came with Lion Sandy Davidson who is from Alaska. Can you believe it, Gale Chaney missed the attendance drawing again. Card money stayed in the envelope. By the way, the shoes pictured in the last newsletter belonged to tail twister LaDawn and everyone had to pay twenty five cents except the Olsens and LaDawn.

Board Meeting: President Larry Kidd said that for covering the Childhood Cancer program the club will make kits for the younger kids with things like play dough, games etc. St. Lukes will assemble and sort the items for the different age groups. Nov. 14th is Invite a Vet to Lunch. Please let President Larry or Secretary Jan know as soon as you know who you are bringing so we can notify the restaurant. The Club is looking into the Patriotism Contest. Two members were voted Members at Large – Charles Higginbotham and Angel Wohlschlegel – and will be looked at every 6 months. Thirty Four Treasure Valley Lions attended the Alzheimer’s walk last Saturday. Next Board Meeting will be November 13 at the Lions Foundation Building.
Lion Louie Pfleger made a presentation to Lion Gary D’Orazio for always calling and being there whenever he was in the hospital and presented him with the “coat off his back” which, by the way, was pink.

Dates to put on your calendar: October 17th feeding the Veterans at the VA. Please come at 4pm to transport wheelchairs to dinner. October 23rd volunteering at the Idaho Food Bank from 12:30 to 2:30pm.

I have just sent everyone the obit for Patrick DeWane. If you have any questions please let me know.

**BIRTHDAYS: OCTOBER** – Henry Cardinale 10/14, Sarah Kohler 10/21; Larry Locklear 10/23

**Oct. 17 – Speaker** – Robert Chehey, U of I Extension Office
**Oct 24 – TBD**
**Oct 31 – Speaker** – Denise Peterson, Dick Eardley Senior Center

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Don't forget to check out the Bench Lions website----- it changes weekly. Check out the website for 39W........Some great stuff & well done...... http://www.lions39W.org (under “quick links” be sure to check out “blogger”)

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Lion Spencer And TT LaDawn