BOISE BENCH LIONS NEWS
Meet at Casa Mexico every Wednesday at Noon 10332 Fairview Ave, Boise

October 9, 2019

Thank you program chair PID Gary

Tail Twister Corner:

TT LaDawn highlighted other service organizations in our area. Community helping community!

Rotarians focus: provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill and peace.

Kiwanis focus: changing the world by serving children, one child and one community at a time.

Shriners focus: the pediatric hospital and child care.

Eagles focus: to make human life more desirable by lessening its ills and promoting peace, prosperity, gladness and hope.

These are just a few of the many service organizations!

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The financials were/are available to view. Just ask Lion Happy our treasurer.

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Calendar for Programs and Projects:

- **October 16** Guard spokesman Lt Col Christopher Borders and Col Shannon Smith 124th wing commander with an update on Gowen Field
- **October 23** BB first annual club photo in lobby of Casa Mexico. You can order a pic from PID Gary for $5 for the TT fund. Club officers will have their pic taken for the website.
- **October 30** Special Guest
- **November 2** Veteran’s parade 10:00
- **November 6** Grace Zimmerman Miss Idaho 2019 accompanied by RZC Betty Simpson
- **November 6** Ask a Veteran to join you for lunch
- **November 13** Lindsay Meloy Community Development Auric Energy, everything you wanted to know about solar energy but were afraid to ask

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**October Birthdays:**
- Shirley Brooks 10/7
- Darlene Storck 10/7
- Henry Cardinale 10/14
- Sarah Kohler 10/21
- Larry Locklear 10/23

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**What is that stuff?!**

The last 6 blankets from the MD convention are complete. Patty washes, wraps and ties them off with a bow ready for delivery to the St Luke’s pediatric cancer ward. Many thanks to Aarda, Nancy, Jan, Patty and Lynne!

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**Club Secretary:** Happy Olsen email: olhap64@gmail.com

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”)

**Club Newsletter:** Lynne Burks if you are out and about doing Lions stuff, take some pics, send them my way for the newsletter: lynne6659@gmail.com or text 208-570-0845