

## Our Service



Today, Pioneer Lions continue to meet the needs of our Community and society. Our highest priority has always been the preservation and restoration of sight. The club serves local people in need of glasses or other optometry services through the Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of Cowlitz County.

***Lions collect and refurbish donated eyeglasses for distribution to people who need but can't afford to buy them.***

the greater Lions International Sight and Hearing Foundation and Lions eye banks to provide ocular tissue for transplants, research and medical education.

The club consistently supports

Pioneer Lions began, and remain, one of the prime sponsors of the annual Walk 'N Knock food drive. Scholarships are awarded annually to students from the local high schools and Lower Columbia College. The club supports numerous youth activities in the community. Thousands of citizens and visitors enjoy the annual Christmas displays, enjoying the year-round beauty from one of the many memorial park benches, and food at summer outdoor concerts the club provides at Lake Sacajawea Park in the heart of the city. Members of our club also provided a physical fitness trail around the lake and the first public restrooms near the dockside public gathering place for fishing and community celebrations and festivals. In recent years, club members have built dozens of wheelchair ramps for low income elderly and disabled members of our community.



***During the holiday season, Pioneer Lions light trees and shrubs with tens of thousands of lights, creating a spectacular sight enjoyed by walkers, joggers and passing motorists.***



***Nothing beats a Pioneer Burger!***

Our service projects are funded by the hundreds of delicious burgers, hot dogs, ice cream, kettle corn, and cotton candy from our Pioneer Chuckwagon operations at community events; the annual Go-4th beer and wine Festival Garden; and Taste of Italy annual spaghetti feed and raffle night. Pioneer Lions appreciate our tremendous community support in these fundraising efforts.

Longview Pioneer Lions support district and Lions International programs. The club has provided numerous zone chairs, district governors and cabinet members, a sight foundation president and an international director. Members serve as project chairmen and forum leaders; and the club has hosted several conventions. The club has sponsored 11 new Lions clubs; and with the encouragement and support of club members, other Lions clubs and our community, Longview Pioneer Lions have raised and contributed over \$2 million to serve the needs of our area. We are proud to uphold the Lions motto, "We Serve," and of our accomplishments in nearly 100 years of service. We look forward to the challenges ahead.