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# Port City Lions Club

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## LCIF Report

November is Contributing Member Month. Lions who become Contributing Members receive distinctive lapel pins and the satisfaction of knowing they help restore vision, bring food and clothing to victims of disasters and provide vocational training for the disabled.

Not exactly sure what LCIF does or what it has accomplished through the generosity of Lions? LCIF has issued a summary of its major projects. In a matter of mere minutes, you can understand how far-reaching and valuable the foundation is.

A very successful LCIF program is the Opening Eyes partnership with Special Olympics. Opening Eyes was an important part of the largest sports event in the world this year--the Special Olympics World Summer Games. LCIF helped Special Athletes from around the world receive better vision.

Reflecting the downturn in the world economy, donations to LCIF declined 17 percent in 2002-2003. But donations this fiscal year (2003-2004) are slightly ahead of last year's pace. Please continue to support LCIF.

Districts from Japan dominated the list of top 20 contributing districts to LCIF and districts from the United States and Canada dominated the list of top 25 districts with the largest percentage increases in contributions.

*If you have news for the newsletter, be sure to let the newsletter editor know either by e-mail, mail or fax.*

## About Lions

Since 1917, Lions clubs have offered people the opportunity to give something back to their communities. From involving members in projects as local as cleaning up an area park or as far-reaching as bringing sight to the world's blind, Lions clubs have always embraced those committed to building a brighter future for their community.

Today with more than 46,000 clubs in 192 countries and geographical areas, Lions have expanded their focus to help meet the ever-increasing needs of our global community.

Our programs are continually changing to meet new needs and greater demands, but our mission has never wavered: "We Serve."

*Question, What is the 192nd country of Lionism?*



## Lions Culture and Environment

Based on the Third Object of Lions, the new Lions Cultural Program was officially approved in October 2000. The purpose of this program is to take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social

and moral welfare of the community. This new program is an opportunity to encourage Lions clubs to organize activities that celebrate culture and improve the community.

### Lions Cultural Programs

Culture is defined as "behavior patterns, arts, beliefs, institutions and all other products of human work and thought; characteristic of a community.

"Lions can promote their individual cultures by sponsoring an arts festival, a talent show, a music concert, a sponsored race or a sports event.

All of these projects provide methods of connecting Lions with their communities. Lions often implement cultural programs for children, the blind, the elderly and for those who are physically or mentally challenged.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Anniversary

**Birthday**  
Scott Eisenhart  
Martha Bovee  
Jerome B. Ney

**November 2**  
**November 11**  
**November 26**