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MULTIPLE DISTRICT 19 - I UNITY NEWS



Website: <http://www.lionsdistrict19-i.org/>

"In Unity there is Strength"

June 2009

CONGRATULATIONS... You did it!!!

A year ago the District set goals regarding Membership, Orientation, Leadership and to strengthen our clubs. Regarding the first three we have achieved our goals. As to whether or not we have strengthened the clubs I will let you be the judge of that. We have challenged clubs to become more accountable and I believe progress has been made.



Yes, we still have the month of June to go and I know you all will be working hard and I strongly encourage you to attend the Clubs Officers training in the next two weeks throughout Vancouver Island. The US clubs held their training at the end of May. Club Installation of officers should be well under way and we would like to thank all of you that have done a wonderful job.

Membership has been a major priority this year and with the M & M Campaign we certainly excelled. Our stretch goal was for membership to be at the same level as when we started July 1st, 2008. As of the end of May we should be in a plus position which is a far cry from minus 45 at the end of December. This will be the first time in over 5 years that the District has had a **net** increase in membership. Each and every one of you deserves a pat on the back for making this happen.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish DGE Marcel Deslauriers, VDGE Gary Reidel and Second VDGE Al Beddows all the best in their in their roles in 2009-10 and offer my support knowing that they will lead the District to new highs.

It has truly been an honour to serve the District for the past year.

DG Steve Somerset

District Governor

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The past twelve months has been a real roller coaster ride. Lots of "highs" and "lows" and at the end of the year we have leveled out.

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Dori and I thank all Lions, Lioness for their support during the year ensuring that what was needed to be done was done. As you know we have lived with our computers and communicated by e-mail (I have nearly 9,000 e-mail saved for this year all relating to Lions) rather than by telephone.

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The Lions and Lioness of District 19-I have truly demonstrated the International Presidents theme of "Every day Heroes" and continually "Perform Miracles through Service." Without you all we would not be able to achieve the results we do. I do not have space in this column to go over all the accomplishments of this great District.

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Lion Fred Eves - Salt Spring Island Lions

Lion Pat Mullins - Duncan Lions

Reginald Shuker - Alert Bay Lions

Lois Grace Thompson - Cowichan Lake Lions

Pat Mullins - Duncan Lions

Denver Gouge - Port Angeles Lions

Bill Prentiss - Port Angeles Lions

DG VISITATION SCHEDULE

JULY
6-10

**International Convention -
Minneapolis MN**

Please remember to check the Visitation Schedule each month as changes may occur.

Everyday Heros at it again in Port Angeles!

5/6/2009, (6) Lions spent a total of 2 1/2 hours constructing a new wheelchair ramp for Mr. Bock.



My gratitude and thanks to the following Lions who made themselves available to help Mr. Bock on very short notice:

Lion Dan Dodd Team Leader
Tom Deeney
Tim Boyle

Pres. Chris Zook
PP Bert Fletcher



Our morning started out very exciting when we found Mr. Bock on the floor but conscious in his house. After calling 911 Mr. Bock was taken to the hospital and we all hope that he recovers and comes back home soon. I have discussed with the PA Fire Dept. neighbor Pearl and Felicia at the Olympic Medical Cancer Center and the house has been locked up and Felicia will go to the Animal Rescue Services and retrieve Mr. Bock's dog.

Thanks to ZC Gary Reidel for dropping off a tent which we thought we might need in case of rain. As it turned out it did not rain until the project was completed so Lion Chris has custody of the tent.

Special "Thanks" to Zoe Bayton for dropping by with Starbuck's coffee, cups, creamer and warm brownies fresh from the oven. Zoe was the highlight of our day! Too bad Lion Larry Buckley is out of town.

Thanks to everyone who was involved in this very important community service. Everyone involved should feel good about our efforts to make our community a better place to live. Keep up the good work....

Best Regards; Lion Larry

Leadership Moment—Month of June

All Lions and Lioness in the month of June should look at their successes in the past year and set goals for the coming Lions year. Yes, each and everyone one of us should have goals for the year. Some ideas of goals could include: taking on a committee chair in your club, trying to attend as many work parties as possible, make at least five visitations to other clubs in the year, attend as many regular meetings as possible and talk to Lions that you regularly do not talk to.

As Lions and Lioness Clubs we set our goals for the coming year, we must all realize that there will be more pressure on us because of the slowdown in the economy to do more with fewer funds, so extra time and preparation of the budget of our Clubs will be necessary.

June is also the month of recognition and rebirth for our Lions Clubs. Club Presidents remember to recognize the workers in your Club. There are many Lions that put in long hours at work parties for the Lions Club and they need to be recognized for their yeomen service. Rebirth is the installation of the new executive that brings new ideas and new enthusiasm to the Club, please make this installation meaningful.

There have been many successes in our District in the past year under the Leadership of District Governor Steve Somerset and these include a luncheon with PIP Jimmy Ross, Leadership 101, increase in membership, a super Spring Conference, and unity and a sense of purpose in the District. District Governor Steve - a job well done.

- PDG John Higgs, Leadership Chairperson



Please visit the "NO CHILD WITHOUT" website:
(<http://www.nochildwithout.ca/>)

Is the School District in your area is a participant of the program. Please contact Lyne & Leo Moreau to find out how your club can help in your area.

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A VICE REPORT



As we wind down this 2008-2009 Lionistic year, we all have to look back on last year July 1st.

What were you doing and where were you? To some the kids had just finish school and others had travelling plans in mind. To some of us, we where trying to organize and layout the scheduling of meetings and the District Governor was trying to live another day. That's right, there were some tense times over there, for a month, in that far away foreign land. District Governor Steve came out of it as jolly as he ever was and he is being having a great year. Thanks to all of you.

We have seen 3-4 months at 100%, (may + june to come) all reports in and on time. We know that you can all do it in –unison- it is just a matter of doing it!

Getting it done. And as a way to say ‘Thank you’ to District Governor Steve for his great Leadership and accountable year for all of us, surprise him by sending in –all- your MMR and VAD by the 25th. of June! ZCs take note!

We have all enjoyed a fine District Conference in Port Alberni. It takes lots of peoples to put it all together. From the fun night's –Mardi gras- to the final passing of the Conference's Host Club Banner, many, many peoples deserved a pat on the back for a job well done! Way to go guys!

As we are attending LEM/PRR meetings, for the planning of our District goals for the upcoming year, President, Secretary, Treasurer and interested Lions, please do attend the Club Officers Training School in your area in June. In my July District Bulletin, the District goals will all be laid out and our International Theme of “ MOVE to GROW” and “ Lions Leading through Service” from International President (in July) Eberhard Wirfs, will be there for you to embrace.

Make early plans to attend the USA/Canada Forum in Memphis, Tenn. (in Elvis back yard) In September 21-26, and the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute in Wenatchee, February 4-7, 2010. It will be an experience that you will never forget and it will sharpen your Leadership skills.

I am off to Oakville, Ont. on June 11-14 to the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides and to Breslau Memorial Forest. Then on July 1st. to the District Governors-Elect Seminars in Minneapolis, Mi. then the 92nd. Lions Clubs International Convention. Be returning home on the 12th.

Then Tuesday the 14th to the Western Blind Golfers Tee-off in Courtenay. The Comox Valley Monarch Lions Club is hosting the 2009 Golf Tournament at the Crown Isle Golf Course. July 13th. practice rounds and 14th.-15th. golfing days. Looking forward to my year as District Governor and to meet with each of you.

Thank you.

Yours in service

DG-E Marcel Deslauriers, 19-I.

Hub - City Lions 25th Anniversary

June 13th 2009

**At the ABC Family Restaurant by the coop gas station
Wood Grove mall**

6pm meet your friends. 7pm dinner

Cost \$20.00 per person

Guest speaker

P.D.G. Lion Ed Chow



**For tickets please contact P.D.G. Lion Peter at
250.754-2729 or email: lionpet@telus.net**

*****limited number of tickets*****

JUNE 2009 MD19 ENVIRONMENT BULLETIN

FROM PZC DORI SOMERSET

Thank you to PDG Enoch Rowland for the good article in District B's recent bulletin. He put forth some very useful hints.

Reminder: That June 5th is World Environment Day. How many of your clubs are taking part in something. I know of one club who contributed 50 hanging baskets to some of the businesses in their village to honour their 50th year of service to the community.

Earth Day information I noted from last month but space didn't permit.

How many litres of water does it take to produce the following?

10 litres = one sheet of paper

70 litres = one apple

120 litres = one glass of wine

140 litres = one cup of java

1300 litres = one kg of wheat

10,855 litres = one pair of jeans

15,500 litres = one kg of beef

16,600 litres = one kg of leather

Also daily domestic water use in litres per capita in the following countries is:

Canada	778	USA	616
Australia	605	China	95
Japan	373	Denmark	114
Spain	342	Britain	139
Mexico	300	India	139
Turkey	238	Poland	149
France	232	Germany	151

Hard to believe that Canada tops the list for water use ☹.

By now you may have heard about all the lovely little cloth bags that we have so willingly converted too. ☺ It turns out they can be harmful to us. ☹ Studies have shown that we should be washing the bags every few months at least. The reason? If a store is no longer supplying plastic bags for our veggies and/or meat and we are placing these items in the cloth bags then it stands to reason things can and will be cross-contaminated. Don't give upon the bags but do remember to wash in cold water. ☺

'TIS THE SEASON TO BE PLANTING

It seems that summer has finally arrived which means we will be spending more time outdoors tending the garden or garden plots. The Clean Water Foundation says that just five centimeters of mulch will cut down a flowerbed's water need by 70%. www.cleanwaterfoundation.org

Don't use hazardous insecticides that can kill or harm good/desirable insects and plants. Alternatives are insecticidal soap or dormant oil. There is a place for everything on our planet. If you must use something ensure to use it sparingly and with care.

Make sure you choose native species to your area and shrubs or plants that require very little watering and that will provide cover and food for the birds, butterflies and other wildlife.

And with the warmer weather we tend to get the urge to purge ☺. Now is the time to go thru our drawers, cupboards and garage to pass things along, recycle or take them to the garbage bin. ☺

Cheers---PZC Dori



25th CHARTER CELEBRATION!



Royston-Cumberland Lions

Invites you to

Come one! Come all!

June 6th, 2009

To a celebration of a quarter of a century

Join us for Fun and Fellowship

Location: Royal Canadian Legion
2770 Dunsmuir, Cumberland

Attitude Adjustment: 6:00 p.m.
Cost: \$20 per person
RSVP by May 25th

Dinner: 7:00 p.m.
Prizes galore, dancing to the can stuff
Phone 250-336-0209 or email mary_bob@telus.net



Central Saanich Lions Fun Night

Date: June 6, 2009
Showtime: 7:00 PM
Location: Saanich Fairgrounds
Costs: \$250/table of 10
\$25/person for shared tables up to 10

Entertainers will be:
Don Bryan – Ventriloquist
Murray Hatfield and Teresa

Other Activities include: Silent Auction Balloon Prizes 50-50 Draw No Host Bar

Chips/Peanuts and Cheesies will be provided at the tables but feel free to bring your own snacks

Contact Keith Payne at 250-652-2243 for tickets

From the Bulletin Editor:

Thank you all for your wonderful input to the bulletin and website over the past year. Keep up the good works my fellow Lions, your communities appreciate all you do, even though they may not be aware that their Lions Club:

~ built the playground ~ keep the highways clean ~ build wheelchair ramps ~ sell hotdogs/hamburgers to raise funds ~ keep food banks running ~ run low-income housing projects ~ recycle eye glasses and hearing aids ~ carry out literacy and environment projects, There are so many good things we do that it would be impossible to list them all. Don't be afraid to publicize your presence in the community. As Mari Hall (retiring PR Chair) would say:

“Toot Your Horn Folks” as you never know when you may hear someone say, “we read your story”, keep up the great work!” better yet, they might want to know how they can get involved.

Yours in Lionism, Evelyn Smith

The Value of a Smile

It costs nothing, but creates much.

It enriches those who receive without impoverishing those who give it.

It happens in a flash, and the memory of it last forever.

None are so rich they can get along without it, and none so poor but are richer for its' benefits.

It creates happiness in the home, fosters goodwill in a business, and is the countersign of friends.

It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad and nature's best antidote for trouble.

Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen, for it is something that is no earthly good to anybody until it is given away.

And if sometimes I am so rushed or too tired to give you a smile, may I ask you to give me one of yours' for nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none to give.

REMEMBER.....

Most people are about as happy as they make up their mind to be.

Submitted By Lion Joe, Esquimalt Lions club (Editors Note: This is a reprint from the March Bulletin I think it is very wise)

O.K. TEAM!



Can we box 'em, and ship 'em, one more time before the end of our term of office?

Yes! I may sound like a broken record, however, we do have thousands of visually impaired folks in over 48 countries waiting for our used eye glasses.

Can we give it one more shot to finalize an enormously great year?

Can we go out and tell our respective Communities, loud and clear that -

“LIONS RECYCLE USED EYE GLASSES FOR SIGHT”

Just for fun ask your better half, friends, or a family member, to tie a dark sock over your eyes, then go about your daily business around the house for the next hour or so.

Take a little time in your front or back yard pulling weeds, to really experience the problem these people live with on a daily basis.

All the more reason we need to make a special effort to keep “CLERC” in Calgary busy during our slack months of July and August, preparing glasses for shipment to any number of Missions.

Let's do it before the end of June!

Need more collection boxes, e-mail P.D.G. Bernie clerc@shaw.ca

More info, e-mail or call me.

Lions do not do it for the glory, we do it from the heart.

Winston Churchill said:

***“Success is not final,
Failure is not fatal;
It is the courage to
continue that counts.”***

Can we do it? You bet we can for those less fortunate than ourselves.

My sincere thanks, P.Z.C. Ernie Fehler

JUNE PARTNER IN SERVICE

To say that I have learned so much this past year is an understatement 😊 And I have learned so much from all of you! You have shared your successes and hopes and dreams of where you want your clubs to be in the future.

When DG Steve and I started out last year I truly wondered how we would accomplish all that we wanted to do. However, with your help and hard work and diligence we were able to accomplish a lot. We have driven all over Vancouver Island and beyond to the smaller islands and have seen much work in progress.

Relax, enjoy your summer and I look forward to having more time to chat with you in the coming year.

DGE Marcel and Nancy Lee – you are about to have the ride of a lifetime, enjoy it, treasure it and remember it as it is like nothing else. 😊

Over and Out and Yours in Lionism,

CS Dori

JUNE 5TH IS WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

World Environment Day is celebrated June 5. It was instituted by the United Nations to stimulate worldwide awareness of the environment. A day to promote caring for our planet, Earth.



In 2007-08, the Lions Club Activity Report indicated that the four most implemented Lions environment projects were:

- Community clean-ups (30%)
- Tree plantings (14%)
- Recycling (11%)
- Education (10%)



Visit the Lions International Website (<http://www.lionsclubs.org>) and search for “Lions Green Team” to find out what other clubs are doing and make sure you report your project to Lions International.
Evelyn Smith

Saturna Lions Club 35th Anniversary Charter



On Monday April 27th, Saturna Lions Club celebrated the 35th anniversary of receiving its Charter with an anniversary dinner at the Saturna Recreation Centre.

The club was incorporated in April of 1974 when 26 new Lions accepted the Charter from Lions International and became the 27,000th Lions Club worldwide.

The anniversary dinner was attended by about 60 Lions and guests including Charter member Andy Siemens. Relatives of deceased Charter Members were also in attendance including Laura Coombs, wife of Charter Member Em Coombs, Lion Jim Bavis, son of Charter Member Walter Bavis, and Lil Cunningham, wife of Charter Member Don Cunningham. A delegation of Lions from Mayne Island also attended as did Zone Chair Grant Tocher and Zone Secretary Donna Johnston.

A special tribute was paid to deceased Lion Em Coombs. Local woodworker and former Lion Michael Stewart crafted a cedar bench to commemorate Em's membership and contribution to the club. In the presence of his wife Laura who donated to the club in Em's memory, daughter Diane and granddaughter Cynthia, Lion President Wayne Quinn presented the bench to the family. The bench will remain in the Lions den at the Recreation Centre and will be placed on the front patio during the summer season.

Saturna Lions Club, a club within Lions International is a local service club of community minded people helping people in the community.

By Lion President Wayne Quinn

Join Us on the Rock !



The Salt Spring Island Lions Club
invites you to join us in celebrating our



50th CHARTER ANNIVERSARY

DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2009

WHERE: FULFORD HALL, SALT SPRING ISLAND

SOCIAL - 6:00 ~ DINNER - 7:00

Live band to follow - Show off your dance moves!

COST - \$30 PER PERSON

GUEST SPEAKER: TBA

Ticket deadline: AUGUST 1st

CONTACT: Judy Grundy (250-537-0018) circlet@telus.net or
Joann Grey (250-537-2131) jojogrey11@gmail.com

We have reserved a few rooms at a couple of local Inns, but space is limited. For registration and meal selection form please visit our website. (<http://members.shaw.ca/eesmith55/lion/>)



Plan to come early and visit our
Famous Saturday Market

MD 19 YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Austria	Michael (22)	[M]	1 st Host	July 18 th - Aug 1 st
			2 nd Host	Aug 1 st - Aug 15 th
Austria	Klaus (20)	[M]	SAME	
Finland	Lotta (17)	[F]	1 st Host	July 4 th - July 25 th
			2 nd Host	July 25 th - Aug 15 th
Finland	Terhi (18)	[F]	SAME	
Germany	Phillip (18)	[M]	1 st Host	July 18 th - Aug 1 st
			2 nd Host	Aug 1 st - Aug 15 th
Germany	Charlotte (19)	[F]	1 st Host	Aug 1 st - Aug 15 th
			2 nd Host	Aug 15 th - Aug 29 th
Japan	Shokun (16)	[M]	1 st Host	Aug 3 rd - Aug 16 th
			2 nd Host	Aug 16 th - Aug 28 th
Japan	Aki (19)	[F]	SAME	
Italy	Marta (17)	[F]	1 st Host	July 4 th - July 25 th
			2 nd Host	July 25 th - Aug 15 th
Italy	Giulia (19)	[F]	SAME	

Please consider these students, they are always a joy to have around...as well as learn about their country, while they are learning about our cultures. Having 2 or 3 in the same locale is always beneficial. They keep each other company, and like to travel about together.. **Lynne Davidson**

MD19 YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM



Enjoy a visitor from another country.

Austria, Finland, Germany, Italy, Japan
That's where they're coming from this summer!

Check our web page for more information.

Be part of the magic.

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