



19- I Newsletter



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MOTTO: "TEAMWORK"

September
2009



Fellow Lions and Lioness.

As the time flies by quickly, August is already over and into Labour Day, Wowwww!

I had an opportunity to attend and participate in the 10th Annual Special Woodstock a couple of weeks ago. What a show and the weather was just perfect for that special day. There was over 1000 registrations and 215 volunteers. The location, just perfect with all the gardens, the barns, more gardens and a large field for all the buses, the tents for merchants, and the stage for all those musicians, singers' and the donation presentations. From the organisers like Shelly Vaag, Rob Senkpiel, ZC Wayne Switzer and all the Volunteers, bus drivers too, **THANK YOU**, for there where Stars twinkling in every one of those eyes out there. **THANK YOU**, you made their day, **special**. To those of you that couldn't make it, next year will be bigger!! See you there.

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This month, our International Guest for the Spring Conference has been finalized. Our friend, **Past International President, Judge Brian Stevenson and his wife Lion Patricia**, from Calgary Alberta, will be with us in Courtenay, April, 16-18 2010. I am honoured to have Past President Brian come and visit with us all at our 40th District I Conference. Many of you have meet him before, he is a great speaker and his enthusiasm will inspire us all. He will do presentations of the Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship Award in the Lions Foundation of Canada, of which he is the co-founder. Bet you can't wait for the Conference call to register?

In July we had 51 out 52 Clubs that send in their MMRs and VADs. That is great! Five were late, like in August. To those that were late, now that the summer is over, no more excuses. But one thing that keeps popping up, are those - **Passwords** - from LCI. Over half the clubs have had trouble getting their password and some none at all. It all starts with those PU 101s, were they sent to LCI on time, with a correct e-mail address, and or not enough info on the form !?

On the 3rd of September, the LEMPRR Team will be meeting in Victoria. On Sunday, September 13th, the 1st. District Cabinet Meeting at Willow Point Lions Hall (Campbell River) at 11:30 am. All Lions and Lioness are **Welcome** to attend. Let Cabinet Secretary/ Treasurer Jim Masyk or Zone 5 Chair Dick Chellew know of your attendance, so that Willow Point knows the numbers for lunch.

I have not heard of very many attending the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Memphis, Tennessee, on Sept. 24-26. Also make early plans to attend the MD 19 Fall Forum in Spokane, WA, October 22-24. On our District web site, you will find an address for the International Convention in Seattle in 2011, they need volunteers. Why not look it up. - www.lionsconvention2011.com
Yours in service,

District Governor, Marcel Deslauriers

Looking forward to meet you, as my DG Clubs visitations starts on September 15th. Esquimalt Lions.

REMINDER NOTICE

District 19-I Cabinet Meeting

September 13, 2009

Willow Point
Lions Hall
11:30 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 12 - Sooke Lions Club Chili Challenge

Sept. 13 - District Cabinet meeting, Willow Point

Sept. 13 - 3 rd Annual West Shore Lions Charity Golf Tournament



There are no New Members this month, although we do have Member Transfers:

From Cedar to Nanaimo, PP Darwin Henry

From Baynes Sound to Comox Valley, Lion Donna McKeigan

Welcome to your new Lions Den!

FUN IN BEING A LION

Well on Aug. 17 I took Lion Peter Bourne to Special Woodstock in Duncan so he could sing at this Lion event for people with special needs. It was like going to convention, because we had lions from so many different clubs and areas.

Everyone was helping, and having a great time doing this special project to enhance our communities. This was volunteering our time and making world a better place to live, but also gave us sense that if we work together we can accomplish a lot more as a Pride of Lions.

This is why I feel we need to ask everyone we meet and know to become a **LION**. So go out there and ask people to be lions and have **GREAT FUN** doing it. *Jennifer Fossum*



**33rd Annual
USA/Canada Lions
Leadership Forum**
September 24-26, 2009
Memphis, Tennessee



Purpose:

- Promoting the principles and objectives of Lions Clubs International
- Training, educating and motivating district and club officers
- Providing for exchange of information and discussion of service activities, including opportunities for cooperative service projects
- Advancing the interests of the Lions Clubs International Foundation

All Lions in the constitutional area in which the forum is held are invited to participate.

**For more info contact PZC Bob Miles at
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PASSWORDS!!

It has been brought to my attention that very many Club Secretary have not automatically received a new password as yet. last year's one has expired.

IMPORTANT!!!

You should have received your password by now. (in order to file reports on line) If you have not received it, you **MUST** get it done asap.

Go to:

<https://www3.lionsclubs.org/EN/RegisterLogin/MemberNumber.aspx>

and enter in your membership number. It will generate you a new password.

If you have any problems or questions, please don't wait. Contact me or your Zone Chair.

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3rd Annual West Shore Lions Charity Golf Tournament and Costume Dinner Party

- Sunday September 13th
- Olympic View Golf Club 643 Latoria
- Putting Competition at 3 pm.
- 9 & Dine, best-ball gunshot format.
- BBQ Dinner around 7:30
- Costumes Hollywood Icon Dress Up.

Contact Roderick Tang: 250-519-4799 cell 250-881-3628
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LEM/PR TIP FOR SEPTEMBER

The role of the Lions Club Secretary is one of the most important roles in a Lions Club, if not the most important role. The Lions Club Secretary is charged with the duty of keeping accurate minutes and records for the Club, doing the monthly reporting to Lions International, Multiple District, District and Zone. Added to that responsibility this year is the making of the membership cards for the Club. Yes, the Lions Club Secretary is a very busy person but the position of Lions Club Secretary really teaches a Lion so many things about their Club, Zone, District, Multiple District and Lions International that one does not learn as a Lion.

Monthly reporting has got easier now that a Secretary can report on-line and email the information to everyone that is suppose to receive the information. Having been a Lions Club Secretary seven times, I remember the old days when five copies were done and you had to press so hard with the pen to get through all the copies and to mail them off to the parties listed. This took more time then doing it on-line today.

Lions International has requested that the reports if done by mail be post-dated not later then the 20th of the month and by email by the end of the month. Our District has requested that these reports be emailed by the 25th of the month at the latest. It is not compulsory but it keeps the District Governor from losing more hair if the reports are in by the 25th of the month. Please make sure that the reports are in by the Lions International deadline!

Why are these reports important? Who looks at these reports? The District Governor, Vice District Governor, and Zone Chairperson all read these reports and it helps the Zone Chairperson to report on his/her Zone at Cabinet Meetings. The District Governor writes a report to be given at the Multiple District Convention in May and he uses the information to given this report.

Lion International uses the reports for membership billing and to keep track of where funds are distributed by Lions Club. MD-19 uses these reports for billing membership dues.

If you do not file your monthly reports, a Lions Club can be placed on status quo. But more importantly these reports when not filed reflect on the Club President, Zone Chairperson, District Governor and even the Lions Club as a whole. Too many reports missed mean all of the above are not eligible for Excellence Awards. Lion Secretary, you have a responsibility to assist the District Governor and Zone Chairperson to get there Awards. Let's get our reports in on time.

PDG John Higgs

Street Smart Kidz

On August 8th the Baynes Sound Lions, Comox Valley Lions and the Royston-Cumberland Lions attended a back toss at the Comox Recreation Centre. This event was held by a group called Street Smart Kidz. There were 25 children that were taught what to do if a stranger was to approach them on their way to and from school or while they were out. This event will be seen on Shaw Cable, You Tube, our 2 local papers. Also on the website www.streetsmartkidz.ca, and it will be placed in the Guinness Book of World Records. Our club banners will be kept permanently on the website and You Tube.

Lion President Patty Classen
Royston-Cumberland Lions

What's New with Contests and Awards? Plenty!

By PZC September Stokes, MD19 Contests and Awards Chairman

Getting involved in Contests and Awards is a fun part of being a Lion, and we're excited to introduce two brand new contests this year; one for clubs, one for Zone Chairpersons.

For clubs, set a goal to be one of the first to achieve Visitation Excellence. All you have to do is visit 20 different clubs this Lions year, which for most clubs, averages out to "just two a month."

Mileage doesn't matter, as long as at least two of your members make the visit, based on the regular visitation criteria. In order to qualify, make sure they're reported on your club's VADs, and you must have visited every club in your own zone at least once.

In the spring, your club will be sent a form to fill out, and every club who achieves the minimum will earn a nifty banner patch! Awards will be announced in the July/August issue of The Border Crossing, and patches will be sent to the clubs. Make it a zone challenge! (One note: the existing Visitation Contest is still in effect, where one award is given to the clubs with the most visitation points overall.)

The second new contest is the Zone Newsletter contest. Many Zone Chairpersons put a lot of work into their newsletters, so this award will go towards recognizing their efforts. Each District will judge all their Zone newsletters at their Spring Conferences, and submit the winner's name to MD19, the same way it's done for the Club Bulletin Contest.

The other exciting change for this year is the inclusion of the Lioness Clubs with the Lions for all categories (except Lioness of the Year). Instead of having their own division, Lioness Clubs will enter the same contests along with the Lions. Districts that have one or more Lions clubs will submit one winner for each contest category to MD19 for the finals.

For complete details, contact your District Contests and Awards Chairman, or check online at www.lionsmd19.com

DISTRICT CABINET GOALS

Fellow District Cabinet Members.

As our first District I Cabinet Meeting of the year in the Central Island City of Campbell River draws near, at the Willow Point Lions Hall, I would like to see all members of the Cabinet report on their goals for the coming year. Remembering that there are 35 others who would like to speak as well. These goals do not have to be long winded or give specific dates, but should outline the plans by each Zone Chairperson and Committee Chairperson for the coming year. Naturally, I will want to hear how you are doing on your goals at each Cabinet Meeting during the year.

As District Governor, I have established specific goals for the coming year with the District LEM/PRR team and our Vice District Governors and they were published in our July District Newsletter.

I know, that Zone Chairpersons, like to brag about the successes to date in their Zones but I would like to see goals set for the year that might for example include:

- 100% attendance at Zone Advisory Meetings
- An increase in membership of +1 per Lions Club
- Visitation by each Club to each Club in the Zone
- Challenge between Clubs of similar size to growth in Membership.
- Representation by each Lions and Lioness at the Spring Conference
- Promote the LFC Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship, as he will be there to present them.
- Possibly a Zone Project.

For Cabinet Committee members, it could include:

- a 10% increase in the fundraising of that Committee or special project completion, like increase of dog walks for the Lions Foundation of Canada
- visitation by the Committee Chairperson to several Zone Meetings
- sending an article two or three times a year to the District Newsletter and an article (not a copy of any sent to the District Newsletter) to the Zone Chairpersons for their newsletters

Setting goals for the year is important--because without goals we are stagnant. As District Governor, I look forward to reading your goals for the coming year.

"A dream without goals, is just a dream!"

District Governor Marcel Deslauriers, 19-I

Salt Spring Island Lions Club

builds new playground for their 50th Charter Celebration.



The Salt Spring Island Club had to postpone their main celebration, so in it's place they decided to thank the community for their valuable support by building a playground.



The playground was completed August 30th, with the grand opening to be September 6th. Their charter date was September 4, 1959.

LEADERSHIP “NUGGETT”

International President Eberhard Wirfs mantra “Move To Grow” tasks Lions to share their commitment to move in new ways and invite new qualified members to join us in service.

District Governor Marcel Deslauriers' motto “Teamwork” reminds us that we are not alone in our efforts to improve the lives of the less fortunate.

These two distinguished Lions live in opposite sides of the world yet have common goals. How can that be? Of course the answer is their commitment as Leaders to inspire other Lions to improve. This is not to say that what we have done or are doing is not good. But we as Lions need to be cognizant of the way the general public see us performing various tasks, fund raising activities and making life a bit better for someone in need.

Every team has a “team captain”. Every organization has a CEO or President. Every event needs a coordinator or manager/ leader. Lions also require informed and effective leaders, such as Club Officers, Zone Chairpersons, Vice District Governors, District Governors and so on.

Some people are natural leaders, others need a bit of assistance or a push to step forward and be the leader. Lions International has developed numerous on line programs that an individual or Club can access free by visiting www.lionsclubs.org which will help you meet your goal for improvement and develop future leaders.

The Canada/USA Forum to be held in Memphis Tennessee September 24 – 26, 2009 is another excellent training opportunity to improve your knowledge of Lionism and hone your leadership skills. More information is available at <https://usacanadalionsforum.org>

The Northwest Lions Leadership Institute will be held in the Wenatchee Convention Centre February 4 – 7, 2010. I found this to be the most informative, compact and reasonably affordable training format for Lions. Dead line for applications is set at December 15, 2009. Application forms and more detailed information can be found at www.nwlionsleadershipinstitute.org

One of the easiest ways for a Lion to be more informed is to attend their Zone Meetings, Cabinet Meetings and Leadership 101 which will be linked with the Annual District Spring Conference.

I encourage you to look at these “nugget” opportunities and determine which of them best suit your training needs at this time. Set a goal to attend and determine if you learned from the experience. You too can be a Leader!

PZC Daryl Driemel, District Leadership Chairperson

Roster Updates

Salt Spring Island Secretary, Lorne Bunyan's new email address: ssilionlorne@yahoo.ca

Esquimalt Lions Club New meeting time:
Meet and greet 5:00 pm, Dinner 5:30 pm, Meeting 6:15 pm

Capital City Lions President's correct address is:
Lorie Stirling 2211 Ardwell Ave Sidney, BC V8L 2L9 ph 250-665-6493

2011 International Convention July 4 - 8, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

Lions from across the globe have gathered together annually since 1917 to celebrate the international convention.

The International Convention is the association's premier event for all worldwide members. The convention brings together Lions from all over the world to celebrate, fellowship and learn.

To find out more about the convention and to register online,

<http://www.lionsconvention2011.com/>



Coming Soon to a City Near You. Plan to Attend

Lions International Convention

July 4, 2011 – July 8, 2011 Seattle Washington USA

A host committee has already been formed, and is currently setting things in motion.

They are currently seeking volunteers to chair various positions such as

- Souvenir and Pin Sales
- Parade Float Volunteer
- Greeters
- Interstate Welcome Centers

Other positions are also available. Volunteers may sign up without specifying any particular position, but please list your strengths, special skills, experience, and preferences if any.

Even if you are unable to volunteer, please put this special date on your calendar. It will be a time to enjoy as expectations are for approximately 15,000 fellow lions, lioness, and leos.

The next closest International Convention will not be until the year 2014, when it is scheduled to be held in Toronto, Canada.

PZC Bob Miles, International Relations

MD 19-I District Governor's Visitation Schedule 2009-2010

September 2009

13 1st. *Cabinet Meeting, Willow Point*
15 Esquimalt
17 West Shore
21 Nanaimo Lions and Harbour Lites Lioness
22 Nanaimo Hub City
28 Cowichan Lake

October

6 Protection Island
7 Clallam Bay - Sekiu
8 Port Angeles *noon*
8 Forks
12 *Canadian Thanksgiving*
14 Victoria Chinatown
19 Victoria Chinatown Lioness
22-24 MD 19, Fall Forum, Spokane, WA.
27 Victoria Central/Capital City

November

3 Sidney
4 Galiano Island
9 Gabriola Island
10 Alberni Valley
12 Sooke Lions
15 2nd *Cabinet Meeting, Camp Shawnigan*
17 Port Alice
18 Port Hardy
19* Malcolm Island *
23 Alert Bay
24 Port McNeill Lions and Lioness
26 Mill Bay
30 Comox Valley Monarch *11.30*

December

1 Comox Valley
7 Ladysmith
8 Qualicum Bay
9 Sooke Lioness Lions
14 Victoria Chinatown Lioness
15 Cedar
18 Victoria Imperial
19 Royal Oak

January 2010

5 Duncan
6 Mayne Island
7 Malahat
14 Royston – Cumberland
16-17 *AHI LEM/PRR, Half Time Meeting, Victoria.*
19 Saanich
23-24 *Council of Governors, Osoyoos.*
26 Parksville Lioness
28 Nanoose Bay

February

2 Parksville Lions
3 Willow Point
4 Black Creek
8 Campbell River
11 Central Saanich
16 Pender Island
21 3rd *Cabinet Meeting, Sooke's Lioness and Lions*
22 Saturna
24 Gordon Head
25 Salt Spring Island

March

2 Sooke District Lioness
8 Quilcene
9 Crescent Bay
10 Sequim Valley and Port Townsend Lighthouse Lions Club Branch
15 Baynes Sound Lions and Lioness
16 Tahsis
18 Gold River

April

16-18, *District I - 40th Spring Conference, Courtenay*

May

1-2, *DGE and VDGE School, Bellingham.*
13-16, *MD 19, Annual Convention, Olympia, WA.*

June

June 28-July 2 *Lions Clubs International Convention, Sidney, Australia*

Please note this Schedule may change due to weather conditions and other unpredictable circumstances.

Dear British Columbia Lions Leaders,

I received a phone call from the Canadian Red Cross. They have requested Lions assistance for the wildfires in your area.

If any of the 219 British Columbia Lions Clubs can be of assistance, please contact Kimberley Nemrava at:
1-250-995-3500 or kimberley.nemrava@redcross.ca.

As you may be aware, Lions Clubs International signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in March 2009. This information appears on the Lions Web site at: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-other-projects/community-programs/alert-program/index.php>

Please cc me on your correspondence to Ms. Nemrava.

Thanking you in advance!

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