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Leadership Corner

By PDG Sharon Sikes, MD19 GLT Leadership Coordinator

A couple of 2023-2024 key topics to discuss this month.

1) The need for key Club officers to have computer access and 2) Dates are set for Club Officer Training.

1) As we prepare for our 2023-2024 Lions year via our upcoming Club officer elections, it is imperative that the Club's secretary representative MUST have computer access to receive club related electronic communications. This means that your secretary representative needs to have a current, working email address. This position is the first line/primary contact for communications from LCI, LCIF, MD19 and community information. This important position can certainly have a team of volunteers taking care of club secretary activities, but as of date of this publication, we can only enter one secretary contact in MyLCI and that person MUST have a current, working email address. Duties that could be done by the secretary's support team: mailing club information to members without computer access, phone trees to stay in touch, gathering information for club newsletters, checking club postal mail boxes, etc.

2) Upcoming dates for Club Officer and Zone Chair/ District Governor Elect & Vice District Governor and Global Action Team leaders – Leadership, Membership, & Service are set. All this MD19 training will occur via ZOOM. The opportunity to consider is to meet as a group and watch the training via a larger screen and then share thoughts at conclusion of the training session. YES, you need to attend the entire session as it is centered around a "teamwork" concept. No one club position should be working in a vacuum...each club position should be working with their team leaders and have an understanding of each club position. This is especially important for members serving as Club Board of Directors.

We have 3 sessions scheduled for Club Officers – including one scheduled on a week night. If your club is going on hiatus for the summer, I strongly suggest you register for the June training session. Registration is required and is available as of February 15. Club Officer Training dates & times. Save the dates.

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Link to More Information

Explore How LCIF Grants Can Help You Serve
<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit>

Now Accepting PR Grant Applications
<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit>

LCICon 2023 Information here:
<https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org>
Registration form:
https://www.mcisemi.com/lci2023/#_ga=2.82774550.1482567956.1670903004-115161841.1655421180

Wondering about the future? Look here
<https://lionsmd19.org/calendar.php>

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
<https://members.lionsforum.org/>

Looking for District Convention information? Take a look at the MD19 website (front page, under On the Horizon...)
<https://lionsmd19.org/>

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MD19 Council Chairperson

Lyndon Harriman Preparing a Smooth Path for your Heirs



Over the last few years, I have experienced the loss of loved ones, close friends, and colleagues. The past year has been particularly difficult. Since loss places burdens on loved ones, we need to consider ways to lighten that burden. The following are suggestions (not legal advice) to help your family through a difficult time.

The first thing we should look at is an up-to-date will. If you don't have a will, go to an estate attorney and make one. This directive includes your significant other and/or family members. If you have a will, when was it adopted, if greater than 10 years ago, consider updating it. Once you have a current will, make sure you give a copy to your executors. Ensure that your attorney retains a copy as well. This will simplify the distribution of your estate's assets.

In addition to a current will, the next item you need to consider are your preferences and specific family members requests for personal items and their distribution. Family members may want collections; coins, stamps, guns, etc. They may have preferences for family heirlooms; crystal, china, silver flatware or paintings. Jewelry, clocks and other expensive items should be mentioned. This allows family members to mention their preferences before any estate sale. Again, copies of these preferences should be included with your will.

One must also consider assets and the accessibility to them. Papers should list the location of all deeds, titles, safety deposit boxes, bank accounts, life insurance policy's (with the beneficiaries) and home safes with their combinations or keys. Again, this information needs to go out to all aforementioned parties.

Consider listing names of important deceased relatives. Information like their legal names, including maiden name, ages and relationship, (seems easy, three legal documents list the same person's name spelled differently and list two different birthdays) this will help the heirs.

Write your own obituary. Yes, you. Often the person left with this duty doesn't know your entire life history. They may leave out important accomplishments that occurred over the course of your life. Further they may list things you would prefer not to have included or emphasized in your life story. Again this is personal to you, which means you can be as brief or as eloquent as you choose. Basically, all you need to leave out is the date of your passing.

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2023-2024 Key Leadership Dates

January

Jan 28: MD19 Goal Setting Meeting, ZOOM, 10:00-12:30

February

Feb 6-10: DGE Training, St. Charles, IL

Feb 17-18: Winter Council of Governors Meeting, ZOOM

May

May 4-7: NW Lions Leadership Institute, Ross Point Convention Center, Post Falls, ID

June

June 2-3 (Fri/Sat): Zone Chair, DGE/VDGE/GAT Training, ZOOM (Registration Required)

o Friday (6/2) – 5:00-9:00

o Saturday (6/3) – 8:30-12:30

June 4 (Sun): LCIF Tell-a-Thon, ZOOM, 8:00-4:00 PST (Registration Required)

June 10 (Sat): 1st Club Office Training, ZOOM, 9:00-1:00 (FREE Registration Required)

June 16-17 (Fri/Sat): Spring Council of Governors Meeting, IN PERSON – Pasco Holiday Express Hotel & Suites

July

July 6-9: International Lions Club Convention, Boston, MA (Registration Required)

July 27 (THURSDAY): 2nd Club Office Training, ZOOM, 5:30-9:30 (Registration Required)

August

Aug 26 (Sat): 3rd & Final Club Officer Training, ZOOM, 9:00-1:00 (Registration Required)

September

Sept 21-23: USA/Canada Leadership Forum, IN PERSON, Reno, NV

October

Oct 12-14: MD19 Annual Convention, IN PERSON, Surry, BC

November

TBD (90 min): ZOOM - Succession Planning for ZC/DGE/VDGE/GAT (90 Minutes) (Prior to December 31 completed application filing)

January

TBD (4 hours): ZOOM - Guiding Lions Training (4 hours)

February

TBE (90 min): Succession Planning for Clubs & Potential Club officers (prior to Mar/Apr elections)

A New Opportunity For Your Club -- Grandpa's White Cane!

The MD19 Lions Knights of the Blind (KOTB) Committee Project is to provide visitations to schools and youth groups, following the example provided by the authors, and utilizing the book as a resource for the students and the schools.

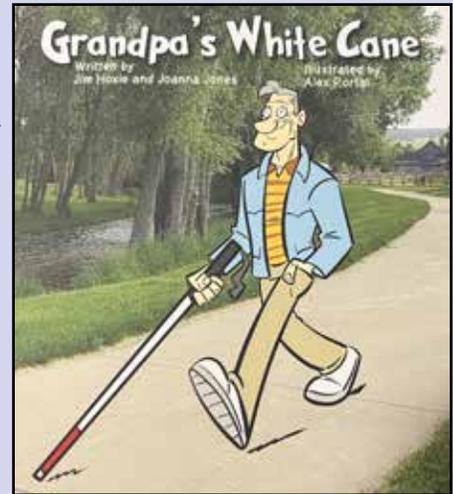
When Grandpa loses his sight, he attends a school for Veterans who are visually impaired and regains his confidence. After sharing these experiences with his grandson, educating other children about the tall white cane becomes his goal. His story is told and illustrated in this children's book that was originally supported by Spearfish Lions Club in South Dakota.

Here is the link to the Hadley podcast, an interview with the authors of a great children's book, Grandpa's White Cane.

<https://p9i3r6r2.ssl.hwcdn.net/k4w2w6y8/cds/HadleyPresents/Audio-Track/2022-10-14.mp3>

For more details on becoming part of this exciting project, join us at the monthly KOTB Meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM, or at the Grandpa's White Cane Meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 PM. The ZOOM connection is the same for both: Meeting ID: 862 5021 3577 Pass-code: 223596

Or contact KOTB Chair, Bill Scholl, billscholl134@gmail.com, (360) 520-6802, or Secretary, Colette Arvidson, colette.arvidson@gmail.com, (360) 391-5880.



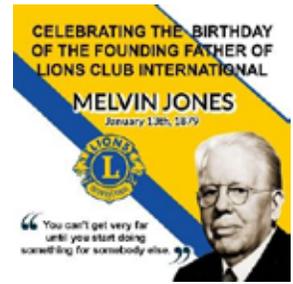
In the photo we have Left to Right the 2023-2024 District Governor Elects:

19-O Joel Haggan, 19-L Elaine Luk, 19-N Lisa Ikeda, 19-I Michael Livingstone

Not pictured due to illness, 19-S Ken Cook



On the anniversary of
Melvin Jones' Birthday
January 13, 1879
MELVIN JONES HAD A DREAM
by Tarrant Storey



To the tune of Old MacDonald Had a Farm

Melvin Jo-nes had a dream L-I-O-N-S.
Communities to help improve L-I-O-N-S.
With an improvement here, an improvement there,
Service, helps, and aid everywhere,
Melvin Jo-nes had a dream L-I-O-N-S.

Melvin Jo-nes had a dream L-I-O-N-S.
And in his dream, he formed a club L-I-O-N-S.
With a Lion here, a Lion there,
Across the country, Lions everywhere.
Melvin Jo-nes had a dream L-I-O-N-S.

Melvin Jo-nes had a personal code L-I-O-N-S.
(read, don't sing, next part)

"You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else."
L-I-O-N-S.

With service here, and service there,
Serving others everywhere,
Melvin Jo-nes had a dream L-I-O-N-S.

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Funding of MD19 Border Crossing:

The salary for The Border Crossing editor is partially funded by a grant from the MD19 Lions Service and Leadership Development Foundation. This is an example of your leadership dollars at work in the Multiple District.



SAVE THE DATE

SEDRO-WOOLLEY LIONS CLUB PRESENTS:

SKAGIT TAKES A SWING AT DIABETES

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023 SHOTGUN START AT 1:00PM

AVALON GOLF LINKS

November is National Diabetes Month and it's time for planning ahead to support our community in 2023 and to help prevent DIABETES.

“Over the last 20 years, our Nation has seen a significant rise in the number of adults diagnosed with diabetes...” www.census.gov

IT'S TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The Sedro-Woolley Lions are planning a golf tournament at Avalon Golf Links in May, 2023 to raise funds to help residents in our county. We will need your sponsorships to help us make a difference. **100% of profits will go to this cause locally.** More information will be coming in February, 2023. Check our website: <https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/sedrow/> or “Lions Club of Sedro-Woolley” on Facebook for updates.

PLEASE PLAN AHEAD TO JOIN US IN THIS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Central Whidbey Lions are on the Move!

Once again, the Central Whidbey Lions are transporting a 26 foot Rental Truck filled with medical equipment and supplies to the Border of Mexico. Its final destination is the general hospital in Mexicali, Mexico. They will travel from March 20th to March 26th. This effort continues due largely to a growing partnership with Bellingham Lions, Coupeville Lions, Oak Harbor Lions and North Whidbey Lions. California Lions clubs include Oakdale and Waterford Lions. Mexicali Lions Club members live in Southern California and Mexico! Another component of the network are members of Rotary International. The Sunshine Rotary of Escondido, California coordinates construction projects with the Calafia Rotary Club in Mexicali, Mexico. We truly appreciate the dedication and hospitality of both these groups of men and women.

GOALS:

To Include as many as possible in this International adventure.
Keeping tons of metal and plastic out of landfills!
Building lifelong relationships with all neighbors in North America.

BIG REWARD:

Experiencing life by serving within a different culture; discovering we're not so different after all.
Taking responsibility of directing resources that have little market value here in the USA.
Satisfaction of providing resources to people who are in desperate need of health care.
Donations received of children's bikes and toys that will get distributed as well.

Can YOU get involved?

YES! This year, transportation costs are up almost 30% since the last trip down to the border.

CENTRAL WHIDBEY LIONS is 501 C3 Organization. Your donations are TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

Current and Future construction projects will provide a permanent place to host medical clinics.

Volunteer medical professionals and support staff are welcome! The 2023 construction project could use workers as well.

CONTACT: Ted Mihok (510) 409 8155 mobile

Email: tedmihok@yahoo.com



Mark Your Calendars - Northwest Lions Leadership Institute 2023

Great opportunity to take the next step to build your leadership skills. It could be chairing a project, committee, club, zone, district or multiple district officer.

Location: Ross Point Camp and Conference Center, Post Falls, Idaho

Date: Thursday, May 4 through Sunday, May 7, 2023.

Cost: \$350 (deposit of \$150 US/CAN at par)

Applicants from Clubs in MD19 can apply for a special fee waiver, which can reduce the cost of the Institute by \$200.

Cost Covers:

- 3 nights lodging
- Most meals
- All training materials
- Meeting new Lions
- Learning great leadership skills

Testimonials:

"We were strangers when we first met. We learned how to give public speaking, leadership skills. I wish I could go again. Well worth the time"

"Expand on leadership skills that will last a lifetime. Together, you learn from each other"

For more information, contact: Al Hedstrom

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360-621-8713



Spotlight on Service Grants Received by NW Lions Leadership Institute Graduates

A fabulous benefit of attending the NW Lions Leadership Institute (NWLLI) is the opportunity to apply for a service grant sponsored by the MD19 Foundation. Read the summaries below to learn how two graduates approached diversity through their Lions Club service project.

Check out the NWLLI website: www.NWLLI.org

Registration is open NOW for the May 4-7, 2023, event, in Post Falls, Idaho. Don't miss the best Leadership skills training in the world of Lions! Plus you get the opportunity to apply for a service grant for your club.

Nadine Stecklein
Secretary
College Place Lions Club

Did you know that there are more children's books that feature animals than people of color? In fact, the Cooperative Children's Book Center found that in 2018 there were more children's books about animals and other non-human characters than all people of color combined. This realization led me to bring the idea of a Free Little Diverse Library to my community. The First Little Diverse Library in College Place made its debut on April 2, 2022 inside The Happy Wanderer, our local Mexican restaurant. Books for all ages were purchased for the library. The MD19 Foundation grant allowed us to purchase over 50 brand new books. We also purchased a stamp that informs people that the College Place Lions purchased the books they are reading. Everybook in our Diverse Little Library either has characters from all different backgrounds, especially those that are from marginalized communities or is written by a Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC). As soon as you open those two doors, faces of all colors greet you. Kids and adults in our community have a place where they can learn about other cultures and communities. And our BIPOC community is able to see themselves represented in literature.



PZC Suzanne Gayda
President
Spanaway Lions Club

Our project started as a Diversity Fair, but we were not able to create the close setting we hoped for due to Covid. Instead on August 27, 2022 we partnered with the Before and After School Enrichment Childcare Program, Spanaway Lutheran Church and Casa de Gracia Church with a project we called "Back to Schoola Palloozza".

We worked together to create a Back to School Event giving children free backpacks full of school supplies, fun games, crafts, and music, bike helmets, Hearing and Vision Screening, and lunch. It was great for neighbors to connect, children to see schoolmates and for all of us to renew relationships.

Lions purchased the Bicycle helmets and fit them in the Bike helmet booth and we provided hearing and vision screening for anyone who wanted it.

"Friends of the Garden" donations are always welcome from individuals or Lions Clubs. The Garden at MD19 office can't exist without contributions. Encourage your Club to budget annual support (\$1.00 per member would be spectacular!)

For more information, contact the MD19 office at 360-733-4911

LCICon 2023 Boston Registration and Housing

LCICon 2023 Boston Registration and Housing
Registration Fee

Now till June 30, 2023, the registration fee is **US\$250**
July 1, 2023 through on-site registration, the fee is **US\$325**

Register on the LCI site by clicking on LCICon our use this link...

<https://lcon.lionsclubs.org/attend/registration-information/>

Also...once you have registered please provide your email and cell number to the MD19 office or International Convention Chairperson George Sim georgesim@shaw.ca so that you will be added to the MD19 list of attendees and receive updates and convention information.

Also, like our Facebook page... ***MD19 is going to Boston***



2023 Peace Poster Winner

From District 19-E

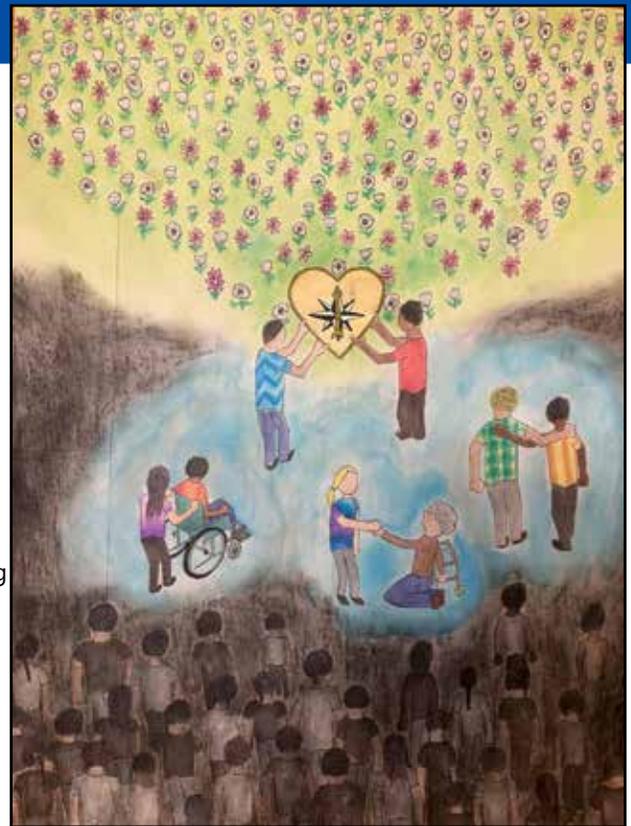
Student: Tanner Zag
Age: 13

School: Davenport Middle School
Sponsoring Club: Davenport Lions Club

Students Quote on Peace:

Theme: Lead with compassion

I had people carrying a compass leading to a field of peace. It is an open field for freedom and the white poppies represent not only peace, but respect for all victims of war. There were also pink cosmos flowers which represent love and peace. The people are helping others along the way. The people in back are coming out of the darkness of selfishness and into the glorious sunlight of brotherhood and cooperation. That is what leading with compassion means to me.



Leader Dog Podcast

Leader Dog offers a weekly podcast and I have got to say that a recent podcast that aired sounded like they have a really interesting Taking the Lead podcasts. Do you ever find yourself wondering about all the animals in every store that seem to "always" be Service Dogs? One of their guide dog mobility instructors, Alyssa Otis, talks about the Americans with Disabilities Act and things to know as a guide dog handler. Podcast cohost Timothy Cuneio also shares his experience taking his Leader Dog Glacier into different establishments.

You can catch podcast episodes here: www.leaderdog.org/taking-the-lead/. The episode referenced here, aired week of February 10th.

Vital Information

The MD19 Second Half Dues statements were emailed January 13 and 16-17, 2023 to Club Treasurers or Secretary/Treasurers. If no email address available, they were mailed January 13th. Dues are based on the December 31st membership total or from the most recent WMMR received at LCI. If your club has not received an MD19 dues statement, please contact the office ASAP – md19admin@lionsmd19.org or call 360-733-4911.

Secretaries and Treasurers: Check the MD19 Website (www.lionsmd19.org) under "Toolbox>Stats" to make sure your dues were received and posted. If you've sent a check it could be that it has not yet been received. Check with the office to confirm.

District Spring Conferences/Conventions: Club secretaries will receive an email with information on their delegate allotment. They will also receive instructions on how to vote for Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson.

Dues: A club must have their MD19 2022-2023 First Half Dues **paid** prior to the District Conference in order for delegates to vote.

Club Officers for the Lions year 2023-2024 should be elected prior to April 15th. Your PU101 (International) must be completed and **received** by LCI **AND** the MD19 Office on or before **May 15th**. Instructions for doing the PU101 online with your clubs' MyLCI site can be found in the MD19 Contests and Awards Book under Secretary Excellence Award Rules. An AWeber notification with the instructions will also be sent in March.

Canadian LCIF Donations: Send donations directly to LCIF. Canadian clubs requiring a tax receipt send checks to: Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF, C/O Stan Durward, Box 38, Sunderland, Ontario L0C 1H0. If only an acknowledgement letter is needed (no tax receipt required) send your donation to: Lions Clubs International Foundation, P.O. Box 2425, Station "A", Toronto, Ontario M5W 2K5. All cheques must have proper identification of donors (full club name / club number and member name and number). **US clubs** send your checks to: LCIF, Department 4547, Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547, USA.

CARE Donations, US donation are sent to the MD19 Office, 4141 Bennett Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226. Canadian donations can mail CARE checks to MD19, PO Box 1621, Aldergrove, BC V4W 2V1 Make checks out to: MD19 Lions CARE.

Leader Dogs News

The January edition of the Leader Dogs for the Blind News for Lions is available on our website!

Follow the link below to "Lions resource" page then scroll down for the "newsletter" button. Both a Word and PDF flyer version are available.

Here is the website link: <https://www.leaderdog.org/lions-club/resources/>

Each month, a newsletter page will be uploaded to the website. Read about the good partnership between Lions and Leader Dog and how people blind, visually impaired, and DeafBlind are being served.

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Make your final arrangements, including cremation or burial, cemetery plot or niche. Urns, coffins, plots, vaults and locations can all be prepaid. This way you know your final wishes will be kept.

By adhering to the suggestions, I made in this article, your heirs will have a much easier time during the mourning process, and the settling of the estate.

Leadership Input - continued from page 1

- June 10 (Saturday) – 9:00-1:00
- July 27 (Thursday) – 5:00-9:00
- August 26 (Saturday) – 9:00-1:00

Global Action Team leaders – Leadership, Membership, & Service Training. These leaders need to attend both sessions, it is not a repeat.

- June 2 (Friday) – 5:00-9:00
- June 3 (Saturday) – 8:30-12:30

Special Donations 2022-2023

		LCIF	CARE
19-C	PDG Emerson Bishop In Memory of: PZC Jean LaCross		200.00
19-C	PDG Emerson Bishop In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp		300.00
19-C	Yakima Lions Club In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp		500.00
19-C	PDG Paul Kauzlarich In Memory of: PCC Mike Gayda In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp		100.00 100.00
19-F	PDG Breakfast @ Annual Convention		340.15
19-H	Michele Barrie In honor of her Children		150.00

Percentages of WMMRs received for month of January 2023 and First Half Dues Paid for 2022-2023

	WMMRs	DUES
19-A	61%	32%
19-B	72%	48%
19-C	66%	56%
19-D	100%	58%
19-E	93%	42%
19-F	55%	54%
19-G	79%	61%
19-H	84%	53%
19-I	100%	34%

Memorials for December 2022

B 6	Lake Stevens	David V. Fosket
C 3	Auburn Noon	Virginia G. Gannon
D 3	Kamloops Paddlewheelers	Wayne Richards
E 4	Mark Creek	David Mayes
F 1	Yakima	PCC James L. Kemp
F 2	Goldendale	John Bright
G 1	Kalama	Jack R. Orvin
G 1	Longview Pioneer	George Schwartz
G 1	Peninsula	John C. Larson
G 2	Battleground	Albert H. Lanxon
H 1	Bellingham Central	Darrell Dobson
H 3	Fort Langley	Ed Wengranowski
H 4	North Delta	Gordon L. Jones
I 4	Chemainus Crofton C to Sea	Bob Martel
I 5	Comox Valley	Ernest Neal

Memorials for January 2023

A 4	Prince Rupert	Francis Wolfe
B 4	Mercer Island	Frank A. Couch
B 6	Arlington	Donna L. Knight
C 2	Olympia West	Bill Brandt
C 4	Bremerton Central	Darrell McDorman
D 7	Kelowna Okanagan Mission	PDG Robert "Bob" Ayotte
D 7	Peachland	Lynne Herrin
F 2	Sunnyside	Delbert Stone
F 5	Asotin	Benny L. Martin
F 5	Lewiston	William P. Galano
H 1	Bellingham Fairhaven	Pete Acalin
H 7	Coupeville Central Whidbey	Lawrence G. Kiger
I 1	Forks	Jack Hillcar
I 1	Sequim Valley	Rod Stovall

Newest Arrivals

Vancouver Imperial Lions Club, A-8

President: Karen Xiao Bao Wang
7650 Kenwood Street
Burnaby B.C. V5A 2E7
Email: karenwangxb@yahoo.ca

Secretary: Mei Ling Wang
5588 Rumble Street
Burnaby, B.C. V5J 2C1
Email: 756230181@qq.com

Sponsoring Club: Vancouver Point Grey, A-7
Charter Night: TBD



Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION** GIVING = SERVICE

Lions give their Time – Talent – Treasure

Think about how you give to others through Lions

No question:

Lions personally give their time in service to others

Lions personally give their talent in service to others

Lions personally give their treasure in service to others?

But do they really? Did you know less than 100 Lions in MD19 personally give of their own treasure to LCIF?

Giving is Service!

Think about how you can give to

Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Can you check off all 3 ways?

- ✓ Your club donates annually to LCIF to serve others - locally and worldwide
- ✓ You donate to LCIF on a regular basis - preferably monthly

Scan the QRCode and Just hit that donate button on the LCI website

- ✓ You leave a gift to LCIF in your estate planning
- No question that the need for help at the local and international level continues to grow. And don't we want LCI to continue as the largest humanitarian service organization in the world? We can keep our Foundation robust by checking off all three levels above!

SPRING INTO ACTION! (Before you forget)





It happened; Sagittarius had his release exam last week. He has received his confirmation from NOAA to send him back to the ocean on Saturday, February 18, 2023 and Dan Niven apart of the SR3 Organization (SeaLife Response, Rehabilitation and Research) invited Christina and I to the Release of Sagittarius.

He was released at 11:30 AM at the Dave Mackie Park on Whidbey Island, 7490 Maxwellton Road in Clinton, WA. where he was originally found needing SR3 assistance.

Sent by 19-H 2nd VDG Jack Peebles and Christina Peebles



MD19 Calendar of Events 2022 - 2023

Council of Governors

Spring: Tri Cities - WA June 16-17, 2023

Convention Time

LCICon 105th Annual

Boston, MA July 7-11, 2023

Register here <https://lcon.lionsclubs.org/>

MD19Con 102nd Annual

Surrey, B.C. October 13-15, 2022

District Conferences

19-H	Silver Reef Casino, Bellingham WA	March 24-25, 2023
19-I	TBA	April 13-15, 2023
19-C	TBA	April 14-15, 2023
19-E	TBA	April 21-22, 2023
19-A	River Rock Casino Resort, Richmand, BC	April 28-29, 2023
19-D	TBA	April 28-29, 2023
19-G	Heathman Lodge, Vancouver, WA	May 12-13, 2023
19-B	TBA	May 20, 2023
19-F	TBA	

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**The future depends on YOU!
Ask someone to become a Lion!**