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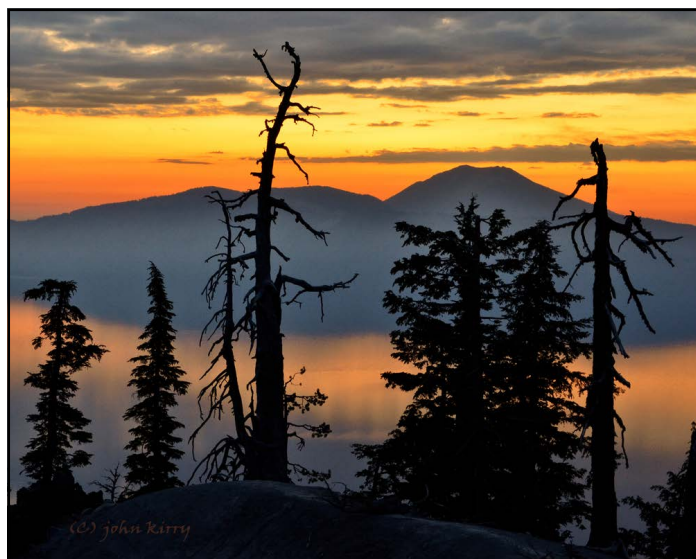
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## Environmental Photo

By John Kirry

This photo was taken above a lake in the Pacific Northwest. The previous day was very smoky from nearby forest fires, so smoke was still in the air everywhere.

I started shooting in the near dark and shot over 100 frames at one, two or five minute intervals as the sun came up in the east. This shot was the most color balanced. The smoke in the area helped to diffuse the light and enhance the reflection. The foreground trees have been through many such fires over the years.

For the photo geeks among us, this is a digital photo taken with a Nikon D7000, f16 for 0.8 seconds, at ISO 400. The lens was a Nikon 18-200 mm zoom at 37 mm; on a tripod of course.

## Observe, Listen, Act, Speak

By PDG Bob Ayotte, Global Leadership Team

*"Nothing is more powerful for your future than being a gatherer of good ideas and information. That's called doing your homework". - Jim Rohn*

Leaders, we are always on the spot to make decisions, to speak up on many subjects and to communicate clearly. How do we do that in the best way possible?

The first stage is to **observe**. Watch what is going on. Look at the people participating. Look at the action that is taking place. Sight, touch, smell and hearing are all in play here. Our quality of observation is different from others. What we see is mediated by our thinking at the time. What I see, because of my personality, will be different from what others see. Even being male instead of female will color my observation. To observe better, we need to open our minds and be willing to look at things differently. Try to see it through the eyes of someone else.

The second stage is to **listen**. I was once told that I could not listen if I were doing all the talking. Listen to what is being said. Also try to listen to what is not being said. When we teach communications we ask the person to attend to the inflections that are being used in the voice and the body language that is being exhibited, as well as the words being spoken. Is the other person showing hostility, boredom, or detachment? Ensure that you hear everything that was being said.

The third stage is to **act**. Act upon the messages received. Make a decision based on your education, experience, and environment. Follow through with your commitments. A good leader not only shows the way, but also goes the way. Act like a leader, people will follow. Have integrity. Be curious about all that is around you, act in a manner that shows you are interested. Be imaginative in your actions; don't just repeat what others are doing. Lead the way. We can't settle into a half-hearted mediocrity that leads to lacklustre results. As PCC Jerry Flood says, *"Act and speak with positivity"*.

The fourth and final stage is to **speak**. Say what is important. Tell others what you believe. People can detect a phoney from a mile away. Think clearly

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## MD19 Council Chairperson

### Al Beddows

#### Arriving & Departing Officers, This Way Please

First let me offer congratulations to all new officers that have been elected or soon will be. As District Governor Elect, Vice District Governor Elect, Zone Chair Elect or the incoming President of your club, you are the leaders for the upcoming year. You may hear that "you have some big shoes to fill" and while this might be true, they will be saying the same thing this time next year about you to the next officer. Be patient with yourself and allow yourself to grow into the position. It will take a bit of time to become comfortable in your new job.

Newly elected officers are usually chomping at the bit to get started and sometimes forget that the present officers serve until the end of June, so please go easy, all in good time.

Outgoing officers, allow your replacement some latitude as they are getting their teams organized for their year.

Over the course of the last nine months as Council Chair, I have witnessed some wonderful people doing some wonderful things, but I have also witnessed some rudeness and petty jealousies. It is amazing to me that there are a few Lions and Lioness that forget our objects and ethics. Thankfully they are in the minority. Here are some things we should all bear in mind.

1. Our officers are elected and whether you personally like them or not, you must show respect for that office; that's what Lions, Lioness and Leos do.

2. If you are a Past Governor, Zone Chair, or Club President, remember you are not in office. It is true you have a lot of experience and a lot to offer your districts, but please be careful of being too critical of the current officer. Once again, go back and re-read your Lions Ethics and Objects. Try to wait until you are asked for advice or guidance before you make suggestions for improvement.

Enough of that, Jane and I have just attended two of the 9 District Conferences. What a wonderful experience, to see such positive friendly Lions, Lioness and Leos coming together to celebrate their District's accomplishments. Jane and I are so proud and honoured to share these celebrations with you. In our recent travels I have had the opportunity to talk with some of our International Directors and to hear first-hand what they are doing to address some of the difficulties we are encountering in North America. There are some positive changes coming. I am optimistic that we will continue as the leading service organization in the world.

We are now off to another Conference this weekend to meet even more of our incredible Lion's family.



## How Spells "Communication"

By Brian Phillips, Governor, 19-I

We all have heard stories of how casual Lions Club members become committed Lions. This is the story of the day I became a true Lion.

While in the Navy in 2003, I was deployed to the Persian Gulf. My life as a Lion was the furthest thing from my mind, but I often donned my Lions cap when ashore. One day while co-ordinating a maintenance cycle for one of our ships birthed in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), I was wearing that Lions cap.

While walking down the pier, a gentleman from the Punjab engaged me in conversation. He was very excited, but as neither of us spoke the other's language, it took several minutes to figure out that a "school" was somehow involved. Eventually the pier Forman came to inquire what we were doing. Being the Foreman, he knew both of our languages and was happy to translate.

The man to whom I was talking had noticed my Lions cap. He was excited because he had finally found a Lion to thank personally on behalf of his family and community. The Lions had come to his town and built a new school that his brother and sister attended. He was working in the UAE in order to send money home to support their education.

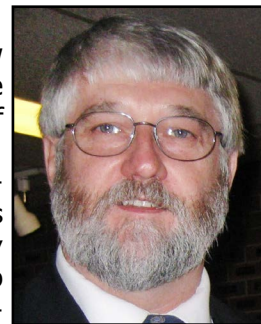
Until that conversation in 2003, the Lions to me were just local clubs tending their own communities. Like many new Lions today, I knew that there were lots of Lions all around the world and that we had an international organization that did good works, but I did not understand in a personal way the profound impact we had on the lives of real people who face huge challenges on a daily basis. The money our clubs send to the Lions Clubs International Foundation every year makes a huge difference in the world.

That day in 2003 was the day I went from being a card-carrying club member to being a committed Lion for life. For the first time, I could see what we as Lions could do for others all around the world. As I visit with Lions in my district, I am struck by how many appreciate finding out more about Lions Clubs International. Many do not know how the money we send to LCI for dues and the donations we make to LCIF is used around the world.

We are told during our induction that we should wear our Lions pin at all times with pride. You should also consider wearing something larger than the pin, such as a cap, shirt or jacket that displays our emblem. You will be pleasantly surprised by how many people approach you and amazed at how much Lions have touched their lives and the lives of their loved ones. That's why our emblem spells "communication". That's why you should display it everywhere you go.

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Governor Brian joined the Sooke Lions in 2001, where he has served as Secretary and Treasurer, and been involved in Club officer training. He holds numerous awards. He and his wife, Joanne, have three children and three grandchildren. Brian enjoys camping, cycling, ceramics and conversation with strangers.







## Walnut Grove Leos Help at Langley, B.C., Park

By Nancy Mesmer,  
MD19 Environment Chairperson

Lynda Davidson is the advisor for a new Leo's Club in the Walnut Grove area of Langley, BC, in District H. She is a Fort Langley Lion and serves as the GLT-D Leadership Chair. She is working with Roy Teo, Stewardship Technician for Regional Parks East, who approached Lions asking for youth helpers to do chores around local parks.

The first event was cleaning swallow birdhouses in Derby Reach Park, on the shore of the Fraser River in February. Then in March they went back to the same park to plant native species. Lion Lynda, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Corinne White, and three Leos enjoyed learning and working together as they planted 50 trees and plants. Roy Teo taught the group what every tree and plant was, where they should be planted and why. Each plant is native to the area and is grown specifically for this program.



Lion Lynda observed "It was especially good for the Leo's (seen right) as I know two out of the three had never held even a shovel before. Great experience and they can hardly wait to participate in more activities."

"When we did the swallow boxes Roy explained all about swallows, when they arrive, why they nest where they do, the types of swallows. Though it was fun the kids

also realized they actually were learning something and in a hands-on way. I am very proud of them and I also look forward to working with them again", concludes Leo Advisor Lynda Davidson.

## Mount Si Leos Help Break A Guinness World Record for Paint by Numbers

At the Salmon Days Festival in Issaquah, WA, Creative Children for Charity held a fundraiser in which the participants contributed to a giant paint-by-numbers fish mural. As part of this effort, the Mount Si Leos not only painted fish, but also recruited festival goers to wield brushes. 2,852 people painted fish, breaking the old Guinness record by more than 600. \$400 was raised in the process, which Creative Children donated to Kids Without Borders, a charity they work with closely. Here we see the Mount Si Leo



crew posing in front of a portion of the fish mural. Watch the TED Talk about this project at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=di1w2apkyw8>.

## When LEOs Become Lions Great Things Happen!

By 2nd VDG Grace Hwo  
Global Leadership Team District Coordinator



In 1997, the Vancouver Cathay LEO Club was formed, sponsored by the Vancouver Cathay Lions Club. They were young, ambitious high school graduates and very successful as a Club. So successful, that in 2005, they transformed themselves into the Vancouver Cathay New Century Lions Club. Over the years, they have supported the Third World Eye Care Society, Covenant House, the Lions Foundation of Guides, the Union Gospel Mission, and World Vision.

It was a great honor to be with them at their 10th Charter Anniversary Celebration with sumptuous food, organized program, touching moments and lots of fun! This is a best-practices story of the transformation of a Leo Club into a Lions Club that has grown steadily in its service. It was the guidance of the sponsoring Lions Club, support from fellow Lions, bonding amongst the members, and their passion and belief in the Lions Motto, "We Serve" that made this club grow and succeed.



**Members of the Vancouver Cathay New Century Lions Club together with their Lion sponsors and two favorite Lion mascots.**

Since becoming Zone Chairperson 11 years ago, I have witnessed their transformation. This growth was not only in the club but also observed in the positive transition of the members through leadership growth. They have shared common goals accomplished much together despite many challenges. They have explored different opportunities to contribute to their community and Lions Clubs International.

Our collective wish is that all young Lions Clubs will celebrate their 10th Anniversaries! Developing careers often require young people to move to new communities, making it difficult for young clubs to flourish, but Vancouver Cathay New Century Lions Club has demonstrated that it is possible.

Congratulations! Your fellow Lions are looking forward to your Club's continued growth and to its many future contributions. It is wonderful to celebrate your success during this Centennial Year! All of MD19 is PROUD OF YOU!!!





# Lioness News February/March, 2015/16

by Anne Scott, MDLL

Once again we share in our motto "**We Serve Too!**" No matter what, when, why or how we serve, we are always recognized by the Lioness Logo. Now with the added "super sandwich boards", it's a breeze! A quick reminder to send your Club Officer Report Form to MD19 Lions Office, the current VDG, and the current Zone Chair no later than April 30th.

## KELOWNA D-7 Donations: \$2,761

The Kelowna Lioness have been busy, volunteering 786 hours with SPCA Events, Kelowna Community Theatre, Rotary Centre of the Arts and Symphony, Okanogan Metis/Aboriginal Housing, Kelowna General Hospital and Cancer Clinic, We Care Bowling, Days for Girls, and Global Village and Schoolhouse. Fundraising included Nature's Fare Commission, Dimes for Diabetes, Cookie Platters and also a Funeral Tea. Donations went to LCIF, Guide Dogs, Harmony Days, Gospel Mission Stride Walk, Partners in Parkinson's, Freedom's Door, MD19 CARE and BC Cancer Foundation.

A joint visitation with DG Shelley was held with the Westbank Lioness and they attended the D-7 Zone Meeting.

## OLIVER D-9 Donations: \$450

How exciting! Oliver Lioness took part in a reception for a Syrian Refugee Family! Seven Lioness attended the Lioness Winter Cabinet Meeting at Kelowna. As usual, they are very busy (112 volunteer hours) with in the Community delivering School Lunches, baking for the School Muffin Program, making and delivering tray favours for the Senior Care Home and the Hospital for Valentines, delivering Drug Awareness Books to the Elementary Schools, driving Seniors to appointments, and registering clients at the Mammography Van. Donations went to Camp Winfield, medical expenses for a child, and the Food Bank.

## MOSES LAKE D-5 Donations: \$8,350



Always busy, Moses Lake Lioness volunteered 138 hours at the Columbia Basin Cancer Foundation Country Sweethearts Dinner and Auction (left), a Fleece Blanket Tying Party, Lions Bingo, Power Partners of Grant County, City Quilters; Sandhill Crane Festival, Hospice, PTA, and Boys & Girls Club. Donations went to Youth Dynamics, Moses Lake Public Library Foundation (below), the Senior Center, Freedom Wrestling Academy, Little League Spartans Tournament Team, and the Boys & Girls Club Auction.

These dynamic ladies still found time for a Bowling Party with their sponsoring Lions Club, where a great time was had by all!



## NANAIMO HARBOR LITES I-7 Donations: \$1,050

These ladies volunteered 143 hours at the Lions Flea Market Concession, the Child Development Centre Baby Expo, and the Nanaimo Society for the Visually Impaired. They also helped conduct a vision scanning session at an elementary school in Nanaimo. Donations went to ALS, a Diabetes Campership, and to assist an MS patient.

DG Brian (right) presented the Club with a Certificate of Appreciation on the occasion of his visitation. They also attended the Lioness District 19-I sponsored Membership Forum, conducted by CC Al Beddows and PDG John Higgs at Camp Shawnigan.



## SOUTH CARIBOO D-10 Donations: \$200

I had a very nice chat with Lioness Secretary Lydia and although February was busy, March was a quiet time preparing for their April and May fundraisers! They volunteered 78 hours baking cupcakes for the SPCA, keeping score for the Special Olympics, and baking for Family Fun Night. They donated \$200 to BC Lions for Diabetes.

## PARKSVILLE I-7

Parksville Lioness received introductory training on the Spot Vision Scanner used to detect eye problems in children. They hosted a Membership/Retention Seminar at the Lions Den and also the Zone Meeting, preparing and serving lovely lunches at both events. Volunteer hours: 127. DG Brian presented the Club with a Certificate of Appreciation on the occasion of his official visitation.

## PORT MCNEILL I-6 Donations: \$950

Port McNeill Lioness cater their sponsoring Lions Club's dinner meetings. They volunteered 132 hours at the Winter Indoor Farmer's Market and Lions Bingo. Very exciting news: they have now raised enough to purchase their THIRD GUIDE DOG. Donations went for a Camp Shawnigan Campership, the Spot Vision Scanner, and a Judge Brian Stevenson Award.

## PRIEST RIVER D-9 Donations: \$2,550



Priest River Lioness have been very busy with two highly successful Membership Drives in February and March, with

ZC Leonard inducting seven new members, above, this March!! At the February General Meeting, West Bonner Fire Chief was their guest speaker and they donated \$1,500 to the Fire Department for an Imaging Apparatus! (right) They volunteered 403 hours at the Newport Extended Care and Aspen Spring Nursing homes.





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**SOOKE DISTRICT I-2**

Donations: \$961

My home Club, Sooke District Lioness, has been very busy. In February, for Lioness World Week of Service, we volunteered 424 hours at Holy Trinity Church "Vital Vittals" (seen below) and at the Sooke Food Bank, where two of our members serve on the Board.



We are very sorry that the husband of our delightful President, Kim Sylvestre, has been transferred to Kelowna, so we made a donation to Dog Guides in recognition of her service to the community of Sooke. Donations were also made to LCIF, Vital Vittals, and the Sooke Loan Cupboard for medical equipment.

Our ladies attended numerous meetings and Lioness events, including the Forum at Camp Shawnigan, which was conducted by CC Al Beddows and PDG John Higgs. Last but not least, we wish to thank CC Al, Past PR Chair Denise Murray and the Council of Governors for those terrific A-frame display boards!!

**TOLEDO G-4**

Lioness President Debbie and I enjoyed a lovely chat regarding the Toledo Lioness Club. They are currently enjoying "a quiet time", but do have projects coming up in the near future! Together with their sponsoring Lions Club, they are purchasing a Memorial Bench to honour the late Lioness Phoebe and Lion Bill Phillips, to reside in Toledo Park. They also volunteered 44 hours baking and taking treats to the Volunteer Fire Department.

**VICTORIA CHINATOWN I-2**

Donations: \$675

The Victoria Chinatown Lioness volunteered 306

hours preparing and serving Chinese New Year Lunch to the residents of Our Place, and providing tours of Chinatown. Their Annual



Chinese New Year Dinner, celebrating the Year of the Monkey served 240 and raised \$8,500! They also went on air to help with Santa's Anonymous Radio Appeal (above). Donations were made to Bridges for Women, Lunch at Our Place, Puppets for Peace, and Birthday Lioness' charities of choice.

**WESTBANK D-7**

Donations: \$3,100

February was time to have some fun and work alongside their sponsoring Lions Club at the Annual Pickerel Dinner (69 hours)! They volunteered an additional 1220 hours at the Thrift Shop, Gospel Mission, eye glass recycling, Boys and Girls Club, Senior Centre cake decorating, Harmony Day in the local schools, a bowling fundraiser for Camp Winfield and cooking at the Senior Centre. Donations went to Camp Winfield, Harmony Day, Boys and Girls Club, COACH, CNIB, CO Child Development Centre, Kidney Foundation, SOAR Drug Awareness, Kelowna General Orthopedic Rehab, and Arthritis Society.

**WILLIAMS LAKE D-10**

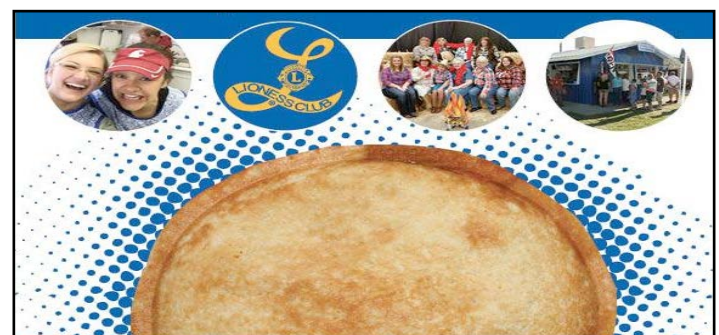
Donations: \$2,010

Williams Lake Lioness volunteered 127 hours. They work regularly at the Red Cross Loan Cupboard and Jubilee Care House. Members also bundled daffodils for the Canadian Cancer Society's Annual Research Fundraiser, and the Vesey Bulb fundraiser with the net proceeds going towards a defibrillator for the Seniors Activity Centre. The Barkerville Raffle - a great Barkerville weekend package - is moving right along and the draw is June 1st, with all proceeds to KIDSPORT. Donations went to Camp Winfield, Camp Kakhamela and the Cariboo Music Festival Society.

**WINLOCK G-4**

Currently they are holding a General and a Directors Meeting each month. Recently DG John and Lion Susan Nellor, accompanied by 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Bill Karcher, attended their General meeting and presented the Club with the MD19 "super sandwich board", which delighted the Membership - no more borrowing from the school for their events! The Annual Valentine Bake Sale was once again a great success, netting \$420. They have two prospective Members. Each General Meeting the Membership donates to Leader Dogs and the local Food Bank. At this time the Club is having a break from Activities, but are gearing up for a very busy late spring! Meanwhile, they have contributed 68 volunteer hours in their community.

**Remember, "We Serve Too"**



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### Mount Vernon Lions Groom Park Trails

By Bob Hallberg, Mt. Vernon Lions

North Lions Park lies along the Skagit River adjacent to Lions Park proper. Mount Vernon Lions groom the trails and riverbank four times a year. Up to seven Lions convene at the park on a Saturday morning. They walk through the Park trails collecting trash and debris, and bag it to be picked up by the Mount Vernon Parks Department. Sometimes this includes cleaning out an abandoned homeless encampment, but usually it is just trash that has been left behind by fishermen and walkers, or washed in when the river floods.



Here we have a typical crew of Lions all bright eyed and bushy tailed in the early morning sun. They will be a bit rumbled but just as happy by the time they finish.

### Roster & Border Crossing Ordering Options

The Roster includes contact information for MD19 Lions and Lioness Clubs, MD19 Committee Chairpersons, District Committee Chairpersons; Zone Chairpersons and Past District Governors.

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## Lions Day at the Races – Legacy Event

District 19-C Lions have planned a huge social event for all members and community members of MD19. This event is called Day at the Races (DATR). DATR will take place at Emerald Downs on Sunday, May 22 and will be an AWESOME Event!



DATR was inspired by the 19-C Auburn Noon Lions Club's long established Day at the Races. Four Lions from three other clubs attended and were so impressed that this larger scale event is being created. The planning committee is made up of Lions from Auburn, Fife and Silverdale Sunrise Lions Clubs.

DATR will open with a 10AM viewing and feeding of thoroughbred horses that are not competing on Race Day. Lion Ron Bohlman, a horse owner and employee of Emerald Downs, has arranged this. If you are not interested in meeting some of the racehorses, check in at the front gate at 1PM to receive your DATR race-day package. Your \$50 registration fee, which can be paid no later than May 1, buys your ticket, parking, a great meal, race program, handicapping help, and a tip sheet. This is a great deal! SO COME AND HAVE FUN. Races begin at 2PM. Dinner is 3-4PM. The last race finishes at 7PM.

Throughout the afternoon a variety of sponsored contests will occur:

- Outstanding Ladies Race Day Hat - Auburn Noon Lions
- Best Men's Mustache - Fife Lions
- Best Scarf - Olympia Host
- Best Neck Tie - Open
- 50/50 Raffle - Auburn Noon Lions

Governor Al Hedstrom will bestow Horse Hockey Awards. He has them hidden under a horse blanket and will reveal nothing prior to the Award Ceremony. You must SHOW UP to FIND OUT. Please represent your Club, Zone or District by bringing your banners and poles for display. Let everyone know that the Lions are at Emerald Downs on May 22nd. Please bring your club pins to trade. You can expect to have fun, eat good food, enjoy wonderful fellowship, watch some interesting races and help to start a Lions Legacy Project.

Overnight lodging is available close to the track at the Auburn Travel Lodge or Comfort Inn.

Travel Lodge - 888-942-7384 - ask for Day at the Races Rate

Comfort Inn - 855-213-0582 - ask for special rate. Make 10 reservations and get one room free.

To register for Day at the Races, contact Ron Bohlman at (253) 445-5404 or (253) 753-4616. Make checks out to Lions District 19-C and send to Ron Bohlman at 15003 128th St. E. Puyallup, WA 98374.

**DON'T MISS THIS LIONS LEGACY EVENT.**

## MD19 MEMORIAL GARDEN INFORMATION

In remembrance of a Lions Club Member or Family Member, plant a living memorial on the grounds surrounding the MD19 Office in Bellingham, WA.



### **Cost of the Memorials includes:**

- Plant
- Planting soils
- Care and watering
- Engraved metal plaque on the Memorial Wall

**\$100.00 will Purchase:** A bush or shrub, such as a Rose, Mahonia, Viburnum, Forsythia.

**\$50.00 will Purchase:** A flowering perennial or decorative grasses, such as hardy Geraniums, Helianthemus (sun roses), Lavender, Russian sage, Blue Fescue, or other small grasses.

Specific plants will be decided upon based on the needs of the garden and desires of the donor. **Currently the garden cannot accommodate additional trees.**

**Send Checks to the MD19 Office:** 4141 W. Maplewood Ave., Bellingham, WA, 98226. Make checks out to MD19 Lions. Include a note with check indicating the name of the person being honored. For questions about type of plant to be purchased, contact PZC Dennis Bullock at (360) 679-2735.

### **Saturday 2016 Work Parties in the Garden will be:**

April 16	May 21	August 13
June 18	July 16	

Lions and friends gather in work clothes with tools and energy to spruce up the gardens: weed, trim, and plant from 9 - Noon. Join the fun and be part of the transformation!

**Dedication of 2015-2016 Memorials: Saturday, August 20, 2016, at 1:00-2:30pm.**

**New Idea – Great Club Environmental Project:** Lions Clubs encouraged to "adopt a garden". Set up your own work schedule to care for one of the specific garden areas:

- Rose garden
- Garden around the Pond
- Flag of Light Garden
- Gate Garden
- Rhododendron Row

Signs will identify and credit Clubs that take charge of a section of our Memorial Gardens. Contact Dennis for a Job List for the Club Independent Work Schedule. Besides weeding, specific needs will be identified in the spring after the scheduled work days begin.

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

For more **information**, contact PZC Dennis Bullock; (360) 679-2735 or MD19 office; (360) 733-4911.



## The British Columbia Lions Society For Children with Disabilities

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April 4, 2016

It is with mixed emotions that I announce the upcoming retirement of Stephen Miller, our long serving President and CEO. Stephen has informed the Board of Directors and staff of his intention to retire as of September 2016.

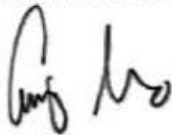
Stephen joined as President and CEO of the BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities and Easter Seals BC/Yukon in 2000. His passion and dedication over these past 16 years have resulted in an expansion of the reach in the delivery of the society's services and under his stewardship the society now benefits from a much stronger financial position.

The Board has established a search committee and a third party consultant has been retained to assist in performing a rigorous search for Stephen's successor. Over the next few months, Stephen and the Board will prepare a plan for a transition period during which Stephen will play an integral role. Stephen has also offered to remain as a consultant after September 2016 to assist with an orderly transition to the new CEO.

"When I joined the BC Lions Society 16 years ago I made a commitment to stay for 3 years, possibly 5. Suddenly it became 16 years! I've had the opportunity to champion BC Lions Society and Easter Seals BC/Yukon's vision and I've seen firsthand, the great services they provide to families and children with disabilities" says Stephen. "Now it's time to plan for a personal vision including spending more time with my wife and my two sons and pursuing some personal creative interests."

Stephen has played a major role in establishing and maintaining a strong presence and high profile in the health community in BC and the Yukon, and has proudly represented the needs of children with disabilities and their families at provincial and national meetings and forums. Stephen's legacy includes having been the driving force behind 4 civic art projects, which through the fundraising process have resulted in Orcas in the City, Spirit Bears in the City, Eagles in the City and the Terracotta Warriors promoting the work of the society and these sculptures are now being displayed all over the province and internationally.

The Board of Directors wishes to express its sincere thanks to Stephen for his exceptional contribution to the BC Lions Society and Easter Seals BC/Yukon and for his enthusiasm, creativity and his achievements in making life just a little bit better for children with disabilities and their families. We wish Stephen all the very best in this next chapter of his life and look forward to hearing about his next creative venture!



Craig Munro  
Chair of the Board

Offering Easter Seals Services for Children with Disabilities

Stephen Miller, President and CEO of the B.C. Lions Society for Children with Disabilities has announced his pending retirement. We have received the letter above from the Chairperson of the Board and share it with you, the Lions of MD19. Stephen has been a positive force in leading the Lions Society and was instrumental in making it a well-known and respected entity in B.C. Even though the Society will continue to move in a positive direction, Stephen Miller will be missed.





# MD19 2016 PRESTIGE PIN

**Mail Order Form to: PDG Jim Moffitt, P.O. Box 285, Coolin, ID 83821**  
**Cell: 602-738-1514 Email: pintraderjim@aol.com**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT/ZONE \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Prestige Pin (2") # \_\_\_\_\_ Pins @ \$2.05 U.S. each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SHIPPING CHARGES**

		<i>Mailed to US</i>	<i>To Canada (if Mailed from US)</i>		
		# pins		# pins	
SHIPPING	\$ _____	1 to 8	\$2.32	1 to 6	\$6.55
		9 to 12	\$2.50	7 to 13	\$7.65
		13 to 15	\$2.71	14 to 17	\$8.80
		16 to 20	\$2.92		
TOTAL	\$ _____	21 to 24	\$3.13		

Any orders over 17 pins to Canada or 24 pins to the US, call Jim Moffitt to make arrangements.

Please enclose a check for US Funds made out to **PDG Jim Moffitt** to cover the cost of the pins ordered and the shipping and handling costs. No Credit Card purchases available.



## MD19 2016 OFFICIAL TRADING PIN ORDER FORM

**Mail Order Form to: MD19 Office, 4141 W Maplewood Ave., Bellingham, WA 98226**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT/ZONE \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Trading Pin (1.5") # \_\_\_\_\_ Pins @ \$1.00 U.S. each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SHIPPING CHARGES**

		<i>Mailed to US</i>	<i>To Canada (if Mailed from US)</i>		
		# pins		# pins	
SHIPPING	\$ _____	1 to 8	\$2.32	1 to 6	\$6.55
		9 to 12	\$2.50	7 to 13	\$7.65
		13 to 15	\$2.71	14 to 17	\$8.80
		16 to 20	\$2.92		
TOTAL	\$ _____	21 to 24	\$3.13		

All credit card payments are in US Funds and only for orders of \$20.00 or more. There is an additional 3% service charge. Orders under \$20.00 pay by check. Make checks out to MD19 Lions.

Card Type: [ ] Visa [ ] M/C Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Signature, if paying by Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_

**Any orders over 17 pins to Canada or 24 pins to the US, call MD 19 Office to make arrangements**

Pin Orders **MUST BE PREPAID**

Pins damaged in shipping will not be replaced by the MD19 Office.

## MD19 Uniform Order Form

Order Now to make sure you have a uniform for the International Convention in Fukuoka, Japan! We cannot mail the uniforms. Please order in time to deliver to you or someone from your club at your District Spring Conference. You may also pick up your uniforms at the MD19 Office in Bellingham, WA or at the DGE / ZCE School in Yakima. Please return this form by email to [md19lions@lionsmd19.com](mailto:md19lions@lionsmd19.com) or by mail with a check to 4141 W. Maplewood Ave., Bellingham, WA 98226.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number with area code: \_\_\_\_\_

Check appropriate Box below for delivery instructions:

Deliver items to me at the District 19-\_\_\_\_ Spring Conference.

I will pick up the items ordered below at the MD19 Office.

**Prices in US Funds**

	Size	Quantity	\$ Amount
o <b>MD19 red vest</b>			
\$50.00	_____	_____	_____
(Small, Medium, Large, Extra-large)			
(Vest rental fee = \$50. On return in useable condition to MD19 Office, \$40.00 will be refunded. \$10 = cleaning fee)			

o **White cowboy hat** with MD19 Crest & black band

\$8.75 \_\_\_\_\_

(Sizes: 65/8, 6¾, 7, 71/8, 7¼, 73/8, 7½, 75/8)

If you don't know your hat size, use a ribbon to size and send ribbon with order.

o **MD19 Polo Shirt**

Men (All have pocket):

\$23.50 (s-xl) \_\_\_\_\_

\$25.00 (xxl & up) \_\_\_\_\_

Women (No Pocket):

\$22.50 (s-xxl) \_\_\_\_\_

\$25.00 (3xl-4xl) \_\_\_\_\_

o **MD19 Tote Bags**

\$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_ **in U.S. funds**

Please send your Credit Card information or check to cover the costs of the uniform items when you return the form. Make check out to MD19 Lions. If you pay with a Canadian credit card, the amount will be converted to US Funds. A 3% charge will be added to your total.

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card:    o Visa        o Master Card

Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_



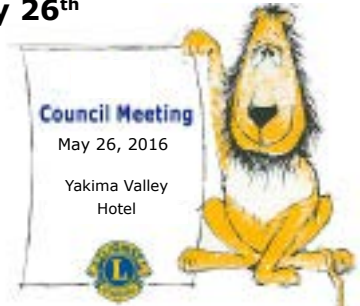
### 2016 Spring Council of Governors' Meeting – Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

Yakima Valley Hotel and Conference Center, 1507 N. First Street, Yakima, WA  
8:30 am - 2:00 pm.



The Council Meeting precedes the District and Zone Officers School  
School Registration begins at 1:30 pm on Thursday, May 26th.

Pre-Council Meeting Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.  
Yakima Valley Hotel and Conference Center.



Official Exchange of the Council Chairperson's Banner and Council Chairpersons' pins is at the Noon Luncheon on Thursday, May 26th.

Hotel rooms reserved on a first come, first serve basis in the Yakima Valley Hotel and Conference Center. Everyone must make their own reservations.

Call 509-248-7850 Ask for the MD19 Lions block of rooms

Room Rate - \$80.00 US plus tax for single or double occupancy.

Includes a complimentary hot Breakfast Buffet. Reservation Deadline - May 1st

### 2016 Council Meeting Lunch Registration Form

Send form to MD19 Office **before May 21, 2016** Make Checks out to MD19 Lions

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Office: \_\_\_\_\_

**Life-Threatening Food Allergy?** Please list the life threatening food allergies, such as mushrooms, shellfish, gluten-free, **which cause serious illness** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, May 26** # Meals Total \$

**Council Meeting Lunch: \$19.00 US**

Vegetarian Wraps, Deli Wraps, or Traditional Deli Sandwiches, Chips, \_\_\_\_\_  
Potato Salad, Relish Tray, Pepperoncini's, Cookie, Iced Tea or Soda

**Council members' & parliamentarian's lunches are complimentary.**

**If paying by Credit Card please complete the following:** (Credit card payments in US Funds)

Card Type: [ ] Visa [ ] M/C Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Signature, if paying by Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_



**Border Crossing / AWeber (Emailed Ads and Fundraising Events sent to MD19 Lions)**

Name of Company or Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address / P.O. Box City State/Prov. Zip/Postal code

Size of Ad: \_\_\_\_\_ #of issues: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

If paying by credit credit card, please complete the following: ( ) Visa ( ) Master Card

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (payment will be in US Funds)

**Border Crossing / AWeber (Emailed Ads & Announcements sent to MD19 Lions)**  
**2015-16 Rates cover inclusion in 1 issue of The Border Crossing and 1 AWeber Message.**  
Full Page \$160.00 (8.5 x 11)  
1/2 Page 85.00  
1/4 Page 50.00  
Business Card 35.00

The *Border Crossing* is published August, October, December, February, April & June with a publication date of the 10th of the month. All ad information **MUST** be in the MD19 Office by the last day of the month previous to publication.  
The AWeber announcement with the ad will be emailed out to all subscribers within 10 working days of the *Border Crossing* in which the ad is published.

**Submission Guidelines:** Camera ready artwork in either a .jpeg, .png or .tif file. When submitting written copy only, not camera ready, an additional \$25.00 will be charged for ad design. You will be asked to sign off on any ad created for you. Specify ad size and number of issues the ad will run.

**MD19 Roster Cut and Paste**

**CLUB CANCELLATIONS**  
**SKYKOMISH MOUNTAIN B-1**

**CLUBS MERGING**  
**SEATTLE UNIVERSITY/SEATTLE BALLARD**  
 Now **SEATTLE UNIVERSITY-BALLARD B-2**

**LIONS PRESIDENTS**  
**BOTHELL B-3**  
 VACANT

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 Kirk Duff  
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**SOOKE DISTRICT I-2**



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**LIONS MEETINGS**  
**BURLINGTON H-2**  
 6:30 PM

**LONGVIEW MONTICELLO G-1**  
 Masthead Restaurant  
 1210 Ocean Beach Hwy

**MATTAWA DESERT AIRE D-5**  
 Tiddaly Diddalys  
 20140 Rd 24 SW  
 Mattawa

**NANAIMO I-7**  
 BC Old Age Pensioners  
 2465 Labieux Rd.

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**Lions Volunteer with Washington Coastsavers**

Based on an article by Bellamy Pailthorp

What are your plans for getting outdoors this spring? Do they involve a beach? If so, a growing group of coastal-cleanup volunteers wants your help. The [Washington Coastsavers](#) want you to volunteer just a bit during time at the beach. To this end, Washington Governor, Jay Inslee, has declared April 23rd the "Washington Coast Cleanup Day." During the last official Cleanup Day, MD19 Lions helped Coastsavers cleanup Rialto Beach on the Olympic Peninsula.



"And an old soul [from a tennis shoe]," says George Dooley (right), a Sequim Lion who also has an old PVC pipe, lots of bottle caps, and all kinds of plastic in his collection bag. "Rope, diapers — you name it, we got it," he says, carefully handling his treasures with rubber gloves. Dooley's wife, Diane, is right behind him. Her bag is much lighter because it's filled with that "toxic convenience," styrofoam. "The tiny little pieces of Styrofoam just get down in with everything else, so it's really hard



to see among all the little white rocks," she says holding several Styrofoam coffee cups that are still intact.

The Dooleys are part of a gathering that include 18 Lions from the Hoquiam, Clearwater-Kalaloch, Lynden, Gabriola Island, Bellingham Harborview, Sequim, Forks, Port Angeles and Clallam Bay Sekiu Lions Clubs. Their purpose: to remove as much trash from that beach as they could. Their totals on this particular day didn't fill a dumpster. And it didn't weigh much. But that's not really the point. Nancy Messmer, who operated the Registration Table and is our MD19 Environment Chairperson, says "it's about making connections and spreading the word."

The biggest problem is plastic, which fractures into smaller and smaller fragments, eventually becoming food for the myriad of small organisms in the sea along the shore in the intertidal zone. These are eaten by larger creatures and in this way the entire food chain is poisoned. So getting plastic off the beaches literally saves marine lives. Please considering mobilizing your Club to participate. Hundreds of beaches along the Pacific and the shores of the Salish Sea are scheduled for clean-ups annually. And don't worry if you're not a young wipper-snapper. Volunteers are also needed to man registration tables, cook and serve meals to hungry Lions.

Learn more at the [Washington Coastsavers website](#) or contact Nancy Mesmer at [able@olympen.com](mailto:able@olympen.com).



## MD19 Executive Secretary to Retire

The MD19 Executive Secretary Patty Allen will be retiring in September, 2017. A Search Committee has been struck and is formulating a schedule for the hiring of a new Executive Secretary-Treasurer. More information will be forthcoming, but if any Lion has interest in applying for this position, please contact PCC Gary Reidel at [glreidel@wavecable.com](mailto:glreidel@wavecable.com).

## Upcoming Special Events

### Pemberton Lions Club 50th Charter Anniversary

Saturday, May 28, 2016

Cocktails: 6:00 PM Dinner: 7:00 PM

The Meadows at Pemberton

1730 Airport Road, Pemberton, B.C.

Cost: \$80 To benefit Playground Builders

Keynote Speaker: Kirby Brown,

Vice President of Playground Builders

RSVP before April 30th to be entered in drawing.

Contact Katie Sorensen (604) 966-4814

or Email: [50@pembertonlions.com](mailto:50@pembertonlions.com)

## Leadership Opportunity

The 3-year position of MD19 Training Chairperson is available July 1, 2016. An application form can be found on the MD19 website at [lionsmd19.com](http://lionsmd19.com) and on request from the MD19 Office at [md19lions@lionsmd19.com](mailto:md19lions@lionsmd19.com).

### MD19 Training Chairperson Job Description

1. Assist in the development of curriculum and the training of the District and Zone Officers (District Governor, 1st & 2nd Vice District Governors, Zone Chairpersons), and Club Officers in the understanding of the duties of their office and the development of their leadership potential.
2. Work in cooperation with Lions Clubs International to provide the necessary training for strengthening and developing leadership skills on the multiple District and district levels.

Direct a training program that is recognized for its development of Lions, leaders and growth that reinforces the mission of Lions Clubs International, MD19 and the Club Support Team program. Develop Training opportunities that reach the broadest possible number of Lions throughout the Multiple District. Develop Curriculum for a variety of needs; Develop a cadre of instructors; ensure that all Districts have training officers.

As part of the leadership team, attend as many of the 9 District Conferences as possible with the following objectives:

1. Attend seminars and panels with the goal of discovering potential programs for MD19 Conventions.
2. Identify potential presenters for Conventions.
3. Evaluate individual districts needs for training.

### Percentages of WMMRs received and SARs completed for the month of March, and Second Half dues paid for 2015-2016

	WMMRs	SARs	Dues Pd.
19-A	73%	52%	77%
19-B	86%	49%	86%
19-C	98%	79%	94%
19-D	76%	65%	93%
19-E	98%	71%	88%
19-F	68%	51%	89%
19-G	76%	52%	90%
19-H	100%	68%	98%
19-I	100%	57%	90%

### Clubs Over 100 for March, 2016

G 1	LONGVIEW-PIONEER	165
H 7	COUPEVILLE	131
H 1	BELLINGHAM-CENTRAL	112
D 2	WENATCHEE-CENTRAL	107
E 1	SPOKANE CENTRAL	102

### 2015-2016 Special Donations CARE Lions

19-C District Donation \$500.00

### Lioness

19-D Kelowna Lioness \$250.00  
19-I Sooke District Lioness \$50.00

### Memorials for February, 2015

A 7	Vancouver Mt. Pleasant	Betty Fraser
B 4	Mercer Island	Frank D. Black
B 6	Stanwood	Don Moa
C 1	Lakewood Knight	Eugene Blake
C 3	Covington	PDG Van Gabriel
C 3	Puyallup Valley	Donald Fankhauser
C 4	Poulsbo	Lenard Baylor
C 6	Lacey Sunrise	Claude Hinman
D 8	North Kamloops	Pepper Carisse
F 5	Clarkston	James P. Casey
F 7	Palouse	Keith Wallace
H 7	Coupeville	James H. Price
D 7	Westbank Lioness	Erika Meissl
D 7	Westbank Lioness	Renate Galka

### Memorials for March, 2016

B 1	Everett Central	Dwayne Lane
B 5	Seattle West Seattle	Clarence R. Smith
C 2	Olympia Host	Ellis R. Vonheeder
C 2	Shelton	Frank Bishop
C 6	Tenino	M Kay Mielke-Crookshanks
D 7	Westbank	Norman Berkner
D 7	Westbank	Robert Van
D 8	Valleyview Overlanders	Anne Jack
D 10	Williams Lake	Lawrence Gray
E 3	Pinehurst Kingston	Wendell L. Swigert
E 11	Priest Lake Kaniksu	Corinne Fuzi
F 1	Yakima West Valley	Audrey H. Bateman
F 3	Walla Walla Eastgate	Edward H. Baustian
G 1	Longview Kelso Earlybirds	Larry Wendfeldt
H 1	Bellingham Fairhaven	Charles Randall
H 7	North Whidbey	Steven M. Potter
I 3	Gordon Head	Sven Pederson

## Vital Lions Information

**Communication Link:** Whenever anyone subscribes to the *Border Crossing* from the MD19 Website, the person will receive an email from Patricia Allen with the subject: "Confirm your subscription". Within that same email is a link that you need to click on in order **to give us permission** to send you the *Border Crossing* link and other important MD19 information during the year through AWeber. You **must confirm your "subscription" in order for us to communicate with you**. If you do not confirm that you will accept further communications via AWeber, your email will be automatically removed from the list and nothing further can be sent to you.



**The 2016-17 MD19 Club Officer Report Form** is due in the MD19 Office on or before **April 30**. If you did not receive the link to the Officer Report Form, via AWeber in March, please download the form (editable PDF) found on the MD19 Website ([www.lionsmd19.com](http://www.lionsmd19.com)) under "Forms" (main page) and save the form to your computer. Fill out the form, save completed form and email to the MD19 Office as an attachment. Email address: [md19lions@lionsmd19.com](mailto:md19lions@lionsmd19.com). Hard copies mailed to 4141 W. Maplewood Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98226. For those secretaries for whom we have no email information, you should have received a hard copy from MD19 sometime in March.

Please send a copy of your Club Officer Report Form to your current 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor and Zone Chairperson. **Before** sending to the MD19 Office or anyone else, double check with all your incoming club officers to make sure the information provided on the form is correct. **If your club has a P.O. Box, ask your officers if they want their mail delivered to the club P.O. Box or to their personal home or business address.**

If all information is not available, send what you can. Call the MD19 Office if you need assistance. **Remember:** the International PU101 goes to **LCI** and the Club Officer Update Form to the **MD19 Office**. You must complete both forms. The information requested on the forms is not identical. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

**Club Officer Training:** After Clubs have held their club elections for the 2016-17 officers, the next important step is for them to attend a Club Officer Training. Current Zone Chairpersons or in some cases, District Leadership Chairpersons are in charge of setting up training in your zone or district. If you have not heard of a training session yet, contact your Zone Chairperson or District Leadership Chairperson for the date of the training. You may attend

training in another zone if you can't attend it in your own zone.

The MD19 2016 Club Officer Manuals are now available or will soon be available on the MD19 Website under "Club Officer Manuals". They can be downloaded and kept on your computer for quick reference.

**Award forms** for Club President and Membership Director Excellence Awards are available on the MD19 website. An AWeber message will be sent as a reminder shortly. These forms need to be sent to the MD19 Office by July 25, 2016. Officers and Clubs that meet the criteria for the MD19 Awards will receive their recognition at the MD19 Annual Convention in Spokane in October. There is no form to fill out for the Club Secretary Excellence Award. The criteria for this award are tracked by MD19 throughout the year.

Lions Clubs International (LCI) has a Club Excellence Award. The LCI 2015-2016 Club Excellence Award Application form can be downloaded from your computer at: [Member Center>Resources>Publications and Forms>District Club Administration Forms and Publications, "Club Officer Forms" \(da.1pdf\)](#). MD19 Clubs that meet the criteria for the LCI Club Excellence Award receive a banner patch and the Club President receives a lapel pin.

## The Eyeglasses School Project A Progress Report

The demand for recycled eyeglasses from the NW Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (NWLERC) continues to increase faster than its ability to secure stocks of recycled eyeglasses. This is the "Eyewear Gap". In an effort to help close this gap, NWLERC began a school eyeglasses collection contest program some two years ago. The program began in the four high schools of the North Thurston School District. It was successful. Here we see the winning team from South Sound High displaying the winners trophy, which moves to the winning school each year just as many sports trophies do.



The program has now been expanded to the North Thurston middle schools and could potentially be duplicated anywhere in Lion land. If your club wants to help close the Eyewear Gap by developing such a program in your schools, please contact PZC Pat Bucknell at [pat.bucknell@gmail.com](mailto:pat.bucknell@gmail.com) or PZC Bill Miller at [Millerbmiller4133@comcast.net](mailto:Millerbmiller4133@comcast.net).



**Funding of MD19 Border Crossing:** Financial assistance has been provided this Lions Year to partially fund the MD19 newspaper, *The Border Crossing*, through a grant received from the MD19 Lions Service and Leadership Development Foundation. This is an example of your leadership dollars at work in the multiple district.

**Pins in Search of a Good Home**



Donna Victor, widow of PDG Jerry Victor, is looking for a good home for the Lions trading pins that Jerry collected over the years starting in 1967. Donna feels that there may be some collectables lurking amongst the pins. The only stipulation she makes is that the pins are offered as a complete package, so whoever is interested must take them all. If you are interested, please contact Donna at 509-634-1436. If she is not home when you call, leave a message on the answering machine and she will get back to you as soon as possible. You may also reach her at [donnav@frontier.com](mailto:donnav@frontier.com).

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before you speak. Good leaders remind themselves continually to say what needs to be said. One way or the other, not having the conversation will be costly. Say what you need to say, and have the conversation! Be enthusiastic with what you say. You will infect others with your Leadership, but only if you are committed and say the right things. Finally, ensure that what you have said is what your audience has heard ~ this is called Communications.



Log 3.10686 miles for the "Step Up To The Plate" Fitness Challenge.

# Come Walk With Us.

## Saturday, May 7, 2016

### 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Bradley Lake Park

## 531 - 31st Avenue Southeast

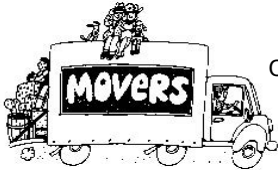

## Puyallup, WA

### District 19C Lions Clubs

### 2016 Walk for Diabetes Awareness

Registration QR



Mail "Moving Form" for the Border Crossing to  
M.D.19 Lions Office, 4141 W Maplewood, Bellingham, WA 98226

Old Address (Print):  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State/Prov Zip/Postal Code

New Address (Print):  
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**MD19 Calendar of Events ~ 2016**

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

**District Spring Conferences:** (See district websites for particulars)

19-I	Filbert Centre, Courtenay, B.C.	April 15-17
19-E	Mirabeau Park Hotel, Spokane Valley, WA	April 22-23
19-A	Empire Landmark Hotel, Vancouver BC	April 29-30
19-G	Red Lion Hotel on the River— Jantzen Beach	May 13-14
19-B	Hilton Garden Inn, Bothell, WA	May 21
Memorial Garden Clean Up		April 16
District 19-C Walk for Diabetes Awareness, Puyallup, WA		May 7
Lynden Lions Club 40th Charter Anniversary		May 12
Memorial Garden Clean Up	MD19 Office 9:00 - Noon	May 21
Lions Day at the Races - Emerald Downs (see page 7 for details)		May 22
Spring Council Meeting	Yakima, WA	May 25 & 26
District & Zone Officer Training	Yakima, WA	May 26 - 28
Pemberton Lions Club 50th Charter Anniversary		May 28 *
MD19 Office Closed for Memorial Day		May 30
Memorial Garden Clean Up	MD19 Office 9:00 - Noon	June 18
MD19 Office Closed		July 4
Memorial Garden Clean Up	MD19 Office 9:00 - Noon	July 16
Memorial Garden Clean Up	MD19 Office 9:00 - Noon	August 13
Memorial Garden Dedication Ceremony		August 20
MD19 Annual Convention	Red Lion Hotel, Spokane, WA	October 19 - 22



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