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Leadership Corner

By PDG Sharon Sikes, MD19 GLT Leadership Coordinator

As we wrap up 2022, let's take a moment to remember the first six months of our Club Lion's year accomplishments and how you made a difference in your communities.

Did you make your presence as Lions visible to your community? Are you marketing your club projects? Are you inviting the community to participate in your club projects? It is not about recognition, but about visibility of your Lions Service Projects...so your community knows where to turn for help. Let me use my club, Lacey Sunrise Lions, to illustrate how invisible we can become. My club puts up 600-800 American flags in our local community during special holidays: Memorial Day, 4th of July, Veteran's Day, Labor Day, etc. Often times, the community contacts the City Council about missing or damaged flags, or to just say thank you for putting up the flags. So many times, even the City Council members do not know where the flags are coming from...the knowledge of the flag source is lost in the leadership turn-over and can be forgotten over time.

This can also happen in our Club leadership transition. An opportunity to strengthen our community awareness is to train our potential and incoming club leaders in our projects: the history, the purpose, the value, volunteer opportunities. Celebrate the difference made in your community. With knowledge and understanding, your members may be more inclined to step into leadership roles. Also, by opening up volunteer opportunities to community members, we could be enticing new members to become a part of our Lions team...growing our membership.

As we enter into this holiday season, many of our clubs are doing wonderful service projects: collecting food, toys, etc., to help those in need. Something to consider is what can you do to make sure your missing members are not forgotten: sending a special holiday card, maybe dropping off a prepared meal, just spending some time visiting, having a get together, pick up members to attend a meeting or get together social hours...let them know they are not forgotten.

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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/

Christmas Comes, But Once a Year!

It is a time when most of the world, for a twinkling of an eye, seems to embrace the idea of "Serving Others". LIONS have known this for over 100 years, and we know that Service is a most wonderful time through-out the year! The MD19 Office Staff wishes you all a joyful Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Festivus and a Happy New Year. If we can assist you with anything, please let us know.





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MD19 Council Chairperson

Lyndon Harriman The Final Step

As we become immersed in the holidays, celebrating with friends and families our motto, **WE SERVE**, should readily come to mind. Thanksgiving just passed, and with Christmas, as well as other holidays rapidly approaching, we need to reflect on the service



we have performed in our communities over the past year. Remembering, not just the large projects and the community centered ones, but the small services we do for individuals and their families. I know that there are many clubs who foster a family, or perhaps several families, recognized by community churches, schools or other service organizations that are in need, and as such they are providing much needed gifts, food and other items.

I know that every Lion and every club in each and every district has performed our motto throughout the year, and I am humbled by the outpouring of kindness and concern we show to our communities. You all make me proud to be a LION, and honored to have the opportunity to serve right alongside you.

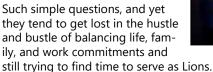
So, why have I called this article, "The Last Step"? It's because too many clubs do not report their service, and this is critical to the advancement of Lions. Projects, manpower, hours served are all very important to Lions. These statistics help us in the formation of new or continuing partnerships with other service minded individuals or organizations. International organizations such as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation look at the number of committed members and the hours of service they provide to their communities in deciding if they will help us with a project and exactly how much money and effort they will provide. That is why it is so important to list our service projects.

Upon examining the records for our districts, I have found that there are numerous clubs in EVERY District that have reported NO service for the past year. I am sure that this is in error. Clubs, secretaries, and presidents may not know how to report service, or perhaps they simply forgot. Please review your records, contact your district service chair and TAKE THAT FINAL STEP AND LIST YOUR SERVCE PROJECTS, HOURS AND PEOPLE INVOLED. Lions and our partner organizations across the globe will thank you for it.

District Governor - Melissa Smith

By 19-F DG Melissa Smith

When is the last time you asked a fellow Lion what inspired them to become a Lion? Or what inspires them to continue service with their Lions Club? More importantly, what inspired you to become a Lion?





Sometimes, as Lions, we lose sight of that inspiration, that passion, that drive to serve. With our already busy lives, attending that weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly Club meeting can be just one more task to do on an already over-burdened list. Collecting and sorting eyeglasses or a shift helping at the local food bank feels like more of a chore than something inspiring.

But then I think about the pictures and videos I see of a child being able to see clearly for the first time because of a pair of donated glasses, or the gratitude I see in the face of the young parents who need that additional food assistance to get their family through the month. Or then there are the volunteers at Lions events who are simply there to help because the local Lions Club helped their family with hearing aids or eyeglasses and exams when they were a child. As Lions, we are inspiring, and we make an impact!

As a District Governor, I am inspired on nearly a daily basis by the stories that I hear and the impactful actions I see by my fellow Lions in my own district and beyond. From those who think outside the box with their focus on community, like the Asotin Lions who sponsor an Underwater Robotics STEM Team (STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) or the College Place Lions Club who put up Little Free Diverse Libraries around the community to strengthen community dialogue around diversity, equity, and inclusion. Then there are those making an environmental impact through highway cleanups, recycling projects, stream and beach cleanups, and installing community gardens. There are also the Clubs that put on yearly fundraisers simply to be able to help their communities financially when a new park needs to be opened, or the local Senior Center needs funds to remodel their kitchen, or the community center needs a new roof.

Lions make an impact! We serve!

My challenge to you today, tomorrow, this week, this month is to think about what inspired you to become a Lion. I also challenge you to have a conversation with your fellow Lions and ask them what inspired them or continues to inspire. Share your stories with one another. Talk to other Lions in your Zone, District, Multiple District, and beyond. Find out what inspires them. Maybe those stories will help bring fresh inspiration to you and your Club and help to make an even bigger impact on your community and the world at large.

Most importantly, always remember that you inspire someone out there with your actions.

MD19 Annual Convention Pictures

Photos Sumbitted by Michele Barrie



PDG Donna Murr, PDG Pat Burch, ID John Youney , PCC John Moralek



PDG Marilyn Patterson, DG Debbie Mansell, ID John Youney, PCC John Moralek



PDG Steve Patterson, ID John Youney, PDG Marilyn Patterson, PCC John Moralek, PID Allan Hunt



Jan Radosevich and Master of Ceremonies, ZC Jones Atterberry



1VDG Beth James, ID John Youney and PCC John Moralek



1VDG Beth James and PDG Debbie Mansell, Presendential Medal recipients

Lions Camp Horizon "Halloweekend" Fall Camp a Huge Success

Campers Had a 'Spooky, Silly, Friend-packed' Time!

Our plan for 2023 is to provide our campers many more seasonal, year-round opportunities for social interaction, developing life-long friendships, building new skills, and creating lasting memories!

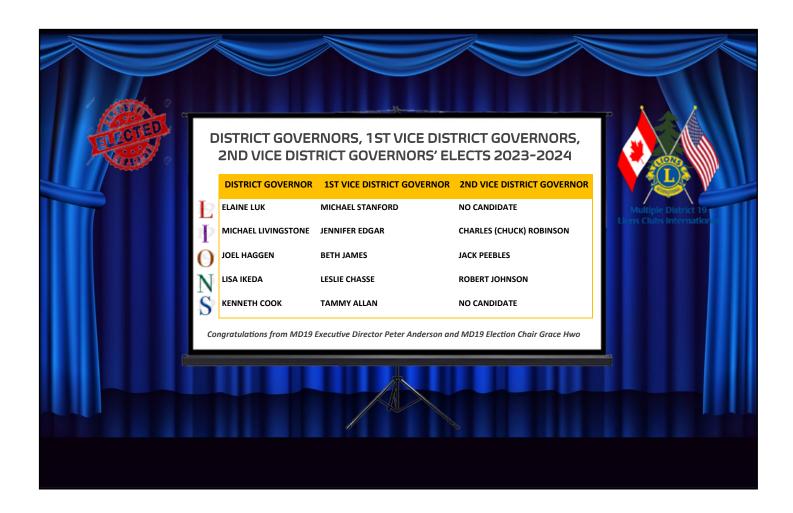
We need your help to make this happen.

Be on the look-out for more information about becoming a monthly donor and participating in our Giving Tuesday campaign!

Thank you for reading, we appreciate your support!

Connect with us on Facebook! Visit our website! DONATE

Lions Camp Horizon | 7506 Gemini Street, Blaine, WA 98230 360.371.0531









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 a 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

Edmonds Lions Club Invites You To Their 75th Anniversary Celebration

Wednesday, February 22nd - 6pm Edmonds Performing Arts Center 410 4th Ave N., Edmonds, WA 98020

JOIN US for a great evening of fun and food as we celebrate 75 years of service to our community

GUEST SPEAKER will be United States Senator Maria Cantwell

TICKETS are \$35 per person

RESERVATIONS need to be in our hands by February 10, 2023. Make your check payable to Edmonds Lions Club and send it to PO Box 178, Edmonds, WA 98000. NOTE, if you are a Lion, please include your club and position.

QUESTIONS? Call 425-775-2620 or e-mail: snyderhouserules@comcast.net

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:

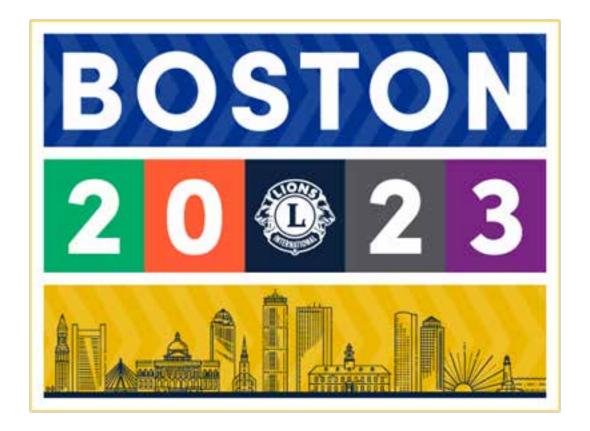
"We were strangers when we first met. We learned how to give public speaking, leadership skills. I wish I could go again. Well worth the time"

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

For more information, contact: Al Hedstrom

lional@hedstrom.ws 360-621-8713





Registration Information

LCICon 2023 Boston Registration and Housing

Registration Fee:

- Registration fee through January 13, 2023 is US\$175
- January 14 through June 30, 2023, the regular 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://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/attend/registration-information/

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

"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!)

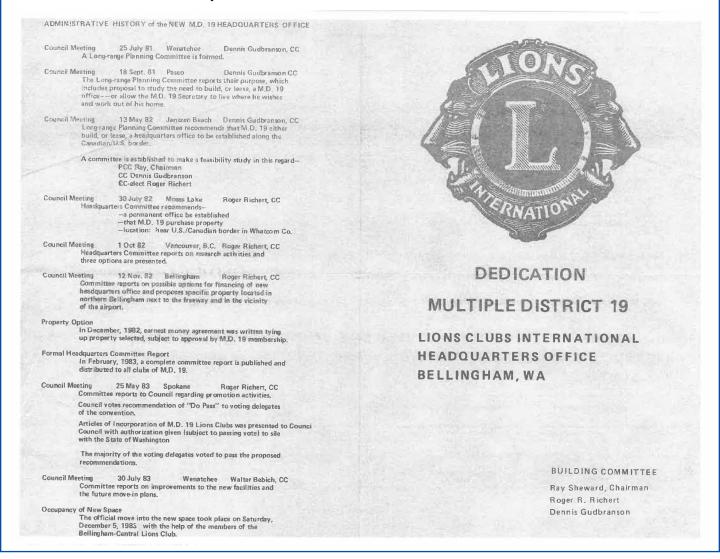
For more information, contact the MD19 office at 360-733-4911

From the Archives

The document shown here is the program from the 1984 Dedication of the Multiple District 19 Office. While the building itself was purchased in 1983, and the moving occurred on December 5, the dedication was held in much more reasonable weather in July. Gordon F. Smith was elected Cabinet Secretary in 1960, and for 24 years, operated out of the family garage.

This purchase was initiated during a Council of Governors' meeting in July 1981 that created a Long-range planning Committee tasked with studying the need to build, or lease an MD19 office, OR to allow the MD19 Secretary to work from home, where ever that might be. In July of 1982 the committee (then Past Council Chair Ray Sheward, Council Chair Dennis Gudbranson, and Council Chair Elect Roger Richert recommended the purchase of a property, located in northern Bellingham, next to the freeway, and in the vicinity of the airport.

As we know, that building was purchased and was occupied and now, 39 years later I can confirm that PCC Ray died several years ago, but PCC Dennis was recognized by his club Bellingham Central, as its longest Serving Lion. He joined in 1968 and has been a member there for 54 years. Roger Richert, now a Past International Director, has been a Lion for 58 years and is still active with the Renton Lions Club.



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.

Border Crossing Ordering Options

The *Border Crossing* is automatically emailed by AWeber as a link to all club, zone, district and multiple district officers. Those wanting a hard copy of the newspaper, including the above listed officers, will need to purchase a subscription. **2022-2023 Lions Year**:

Border Crossing: 6 issues in hard copy format. Subscription begins with the August issue. \$16.00 to U.S. Addresses; \$20.00 to Canadian Addresses.

Roster and Border Crossing:

2022-2023 MD19 Roster Only: Cost is \$7.00 U.S. Funds plus shipping and handling. Add \$3.00 S/H for U.S. Addresses and \$5.00 for Canadian Addresses.

2022-2023 MD19 Roster plus Hard Copy of Border Crossing:

Mailed to U.S. Addresses: Border Crossing \$16.00 plus Roster \$10.00 = \$26.00 USD Mailed to Canadian Addresses: Border Crossing \$20.00 plus Roster \$12.00 = \$32.00 USD

Send form below with your check or money order to cover all items ordered to MD19, 4141 Bennett Drive., Bellingham, WA 98226. No Credit Cards Please. All orders are pre-paid only. Questions: 360-733-4911 or md19lions@lionsmd19.org

| Print Name on Line Above | Phone Nun | Phone Number / Email Address | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Print Mailing Address | City | State/Province | Zip/Postal Code | |

Border Crossing Link! IMPORTANT! All club, Zone, District and Multiple District Officers and Email Border Crossing subscriptions will receive an email from Peter Anderson, via our AWeber email communications system sometime in late July with the Subject: "Confirm You 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. You must confirm your "subscription" in order for us to communicate with you by following this procedure. 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.



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

| Name of Compan | y or Club: | | | |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Contact Person: | | Phone Number: | | |
| Email: | | | | |
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| Signature: | | | (payment will be i | n US Funds) |

Border Crossing / AWeber (Emailed Ads & Announcements sent to MD19 Lions)
2022-23 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 .jpg, .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.

Vital Information

Christmas Schedule for MD19 Office

The MD19 Office is closed December 24th – January 2nd. The Office will be open for business at 8:00 am on January 3, 2023. While closed, we will periodically try to respond to emails that have the MD19 Visitation Forms, ZC items and candidate letters of Intent and Endorsements attached to them so that you will know that they have been received in the office by the deadline of December 31st. The date/time stamp on the email will also validate its on time submission.

In mid-January the MD19 Office will be **emailing** out to the Club Treasurers or Secretary-Treasurers the **MD19** Second Half Dues Statements. If no email address is available, a hard copy will be sent to the Treasurer's address as it was recorded on the 2022-2023 LCI Club Officer Report Form (or subsequent updated information received). If you do not receive a dues statement by the end of January, please contact the MD19 Office, so that we can confirm your email or mailing address and resend the bill. Dues for the second half are based on the membership total recorded on the WMMR due December 31, 2022, plus pro-rated dues for any new members brought in from July to December.

District Conferences / Conventions begin the weekend of March 24th. It is important that the 2022-2023 First Half Dues have been paid prior to your conference or your voting Delegate(s) will be unable to vote. If you have not received a 2022-2023 First Half Dues statement, contact the MD19 Office for a copy immediately. Please confirm your club's correct contact information with the MD19 Office at the same time.

Voting at District Conferences: Elections will be held at each of the District Spring Conferences/Conventions for the 2023-2024 Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson. The ballot boxes containing the ballots for Council and Vice Council Chairpersons will remain sealed until all of the conferences/conventions have been held. After the close of the final conference/convention, all the ballots will be counted at the same time.

Candidates for Higher Office at the Zone level: Your letter of intent and your club's letter of endorsement must be received by the MD19 Office, the District Governor and your Zone Chairperson on or before December 31st. This is a Constitutional requirement!

Any Candidate for MD19 Vice Council Chairperson: Your letter of Intent, your Club's Letter of Endorsement and <u>your Zone's Letter of Endorsement</u> must be received by the MD19 Office, the District Governor, and the Vice District Governor on or before December 31st. This is a Constitutional requirement!



Every season, the Memorial Garden pond looks a little different. On this cold day in December with the bright sunshine, the frozen waterfall sparkles and reminds us winter is coming.

Did you know goldfish can survive the freezing weather? Come visit them this spring!

Leadership Input - continued from page 1

My wish for each of you is to please treat yourselves with kindness. Take a little time for you. Stay safe and healthy. Consider wearing face masks again to protect you and your loved ones.

Happy Holidays and a very Merry Christmas.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING TRAINING DATES (ZOOM)

- 1. 1st Club Officer Training: Saturday, June 10, 2023, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm (More will be identified in January
- 2. 2nd Club Officer Training: Thursday, July 27, 2023, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- 3. LAST Club Office Training: Saturday, August 26, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 4. Zone Chair/DGE & VDGs/GAT Training: June 2 (Friday) 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm and June 3 (Saturday) 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Vice Council Chairperson Candidates

Once again this spring, we will have the opportuny to make a choice. We have two qualified Lions who have both submitted documentation indicating their intent to run for the position of Vice Council Chairperson 2023-2024. Traditionally, the nine districts vote for this position during each of the nine spring conventions. We will keep you all updated on how the spring election will be run closer to the time of the conventions.

Past District Governor Frank Bega from Rathdrum, ID, District 19-E has submitted the proper paperwork and letter of intent to run for this position. His credentials have been verified and his biography should be available on the MD19 website by the time this newsletter goes to print.

Past District Governor Patty Allen-White from Burlington, WA, District 19-H has recently submitted the proper paperwork and letter of intent to run for the vice council chairperson postion as well. Her credentials have been verified and her biography should be available on the MD19 website by the time this newsletter goes to print.

We are fortunate to have more than one qualified candidate choosing to serve the Multiple District. The choice will be yours to make.

Memorials for October 2022

| В | 3 | Edmonds | Robert E. Moir |
|---|----|----------------------|-------------------|
| Ε | 4 | Creston | Berwyn Pisony |
| Ε | 11 | Priest Lake Kaniksu | Brian J. Walker |
| F | 6 | Benton City | Johnny Allstead |
| F | 7 | Moscow Central | Betty J. Hammond |
| F | 8 | Ritzville | Herbert H. Janzen |
| F | 8 | Ritzville | Thomas L. Kadlec |
| F | 8 | Ritzville | Maynard A. Lund |
| G | 3 | Aberdeen | Ray Hodge |
| G | 3 | | Peter Hegg |
| Η | 6 | Chilliwack Mt. Cheam | Fred B. Belsham |
| Η | 6 | Chilliwack Mt. Cheam | Doug A. Vancise |
| 1 | 2 | Sooke | Pat Forrest |

Memorials for November 2022

| В | 3 | Seattle Lake City | Fred Bame |
|---|----|----------------------|--------------------|
| C | 6 | Lacey Sunrise | Gregory A. Leppert |
| D | 2 | Mansfield | Mary Snell |
| D | 3 | Kamloops Aberdeen | Betty Penman |
| Ε | 4 | Kootenay Lake | David George |
| Ε | 10 | Fairmont & District | Beverly Palfrey |
| G | 1 | Longview Pioneer | Shirley G. Wixon |
| G | 6 | White Salmon | Ron Logan |
| Η | 1 | Bellingham Fairhaven | Wayne L. Tew |
| Н | 3 | Maple Ridge | Marie Spetch |
| Η | 6 | Chilliwack Mt. Cheam | Robert Thomas Knox |
| 1 | 5 | Willow Point | Linda Toop |
| 1 | 7 | Nanaimo Hub City | Knud Lyneborg |
| | | | |

| | Special Donations 2021-2022 | |
|------|--|--------|
| | LCIF | CARE |
| 19-C | PDG Emerson Bishop In Memory of: PZC Jean LaCross | 200.00 |
| | PDG Breakfast @ Annual Convention | 340.15 |
| 19-H | Michele Barrie In honor of her Children | 150.00 |

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

| | WMMRs | DUES |
|------|-------|------|
| 19-A | 59% | 76% |
| 19-B | 50% | 85% |
| 19-C | 59% | 88% |
| 19-D | 98% | 89% |
| 19-E | 100% | 98% |
| 19-F | 47% | 73% |
| 19-G | 74% | 92% |
| 19-H | 76% | 93% |
| 19-I | 100% | 85% |
| | | |

MD19 Calendar of Events 2022 - 2023

Council of Governors

Winter: Zoom Virtual February 17-18, 2023 Spring: Silver Reef Casino, Bellingham, WA June 16-17, 2023

Convention Time

LCICon 105th Annual Boston, MA July 7-11, 2023

Register here https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/

MD19Con 102nd Annual Surrey, B.C. October 13-15, 2022

District Conferences

Silver Reef Casino, Bellingham WA 19-H March 24-25, 2023 19-I **TBA** April 13-15, 2023 19-C **TBA** April 14-15, 2023 19-A TBA April 15, 2023 19-E TBA April 21-22, 2023 19-G TBA May 12-13, 2023 19-B TBA May 20, 2023

19-D TBA 19-F TBA

Memorial Garden Cleanup 2022:

Hosted by Garden Co-Chair Wes Reynolds

February 25 * March 11&25 * April 8 & 22 * May 13& 27 * June 10 & 24 * July 22 **all days shown are 09:00am-1130am** August 12 & 26 **BUT we can also use 08:30-1200pm** September 9 & 23

October 28

Memorial Garden Service 1:30pm August 19, 2023

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