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Learning Opportunities at Whistler

By PDG Wanda Carisse, MD19 GLT Leadership Coordinator

The Annual Convention of our Multiple District is fast approaching. There will be many opportunities to participate in interesting and insightful panels. As the Chinese Proverb goes "Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere."

Here are a few "gems" to add to your treasure:

First Aid and You – learn how your Lions Club can provide partnerships with the First Aid providers in your community.

CARE – participate in this interactive workshop that shows you the impact your CARE donation has made.

How to Rock the Boat without Losing the Crew - The intent of this presentation is to be give practical information and tools that can help you to be better committee chairs and club/zone/district leaders and Lion members.

Learn about the North Dakota Lions Vision Program. The Lions Journey – The key in membership is not in the asking. Lions are able to ask individuals to join us in service. The key is how to RETAIN members. Learn how to use this program to keep members in Lions.

Projects to Engage Women – This workshop will explore a variety of projects to engage Women and children in your Lions Club.

Use of SPOT Screener on Vancouver Island – this workshop will explore how the SPOT Screener was introduced on Vancouver Island with the hopes that this worthwhile initiative can be introduced by your Lions Club in your area.

Take an opportunity to learn more about our Lions Club International Foundation and Campaign 100 as well as other Foundations and Societies **Continued on page 13**

Winter Council of Governors' Meeting

Saturday - February 2, 2019 8:30 am

La Quinta Inn & Suites, 1425 E 27th St, Tacoma WA 98421

Watch December issue of Border Crossing for the Lunch Registration Form.

Pre-Council Meeting will be at the same location on Friday night, February 1, 2019 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm.

Link to More Information

Volunteer Organization Protection Act of 2017 (VOPA) http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/vopa/index.php#_W4gha9EIHJQ.email

Cut and Paste: http://lionsmd19.org/downloads/roster_updates_september_october_2018.pdf

The 2019 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be in Spokane, WA! Help is needed, to volunteer contact Host Chair PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth at lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com

The Digital Lion October 2018 with pictures from the Vegas LCIcon is here (check out our own Peter Anderson on page 16): <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-media/lion-magazine/index.php>

The Lions Journey (Starring CC John Kirry) <https://youtu.be/hwFi87mt7mc>

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MD19 Council Chairperson

John Kirry

THE LIONS JOURNEY FOR SERVICE, GROWTH AND LEADERSHIP: Raise your hand if you've heard of it.

Your club may already have a mentoring and retention plan. If not, read on: The Lions Journey is our MD19 mentoring and retention program designed to KEEP those new members we work so hard to recruit each year. And it's available RIGHT NOW on our website, and it's simple, direct and effective.



We often hear that we have an ongoing membership problem in Lions, but we really don't. We have a retention problem. In my district, for example, we bring in about 200 new Lions every year. That's great recruiting! But, sad to say, about the same number of Lions quietly slip out the back door each year. There are lots of reasons for this loss, but the good news is we can "plug the tub" by engaging and mentoring our new members. The Lions Journey is designed to do just that: mentor and retain them to provide **more hands for more service.**



The system is simple: each new member will be assigned a mentor who will guide them through a short checklist of activities in three critical areas of Lionism: Service, Growth and Leadership. And, as an added bonus, we will give you tools to recognize them as they become better Lions along the way.

Our MD19 membership guru PDG Dave Walk and I have collaborated on a great three-minute video to get you energized and enthused about The Lions Journey. After you view that, check out the supporting documents on our website that include a program summary, checklists for each section and sample completion certificates to be printed and awarded to your new Lion. It only takes a few minutes to review the whole program, and I encourage you to click on the link at the close of this article to watch the short video created and produced by video virtuoso Dave Walk.

Each time you induct a new member, start them immediately on the road to success. Guide them through the checklists and help them *achieve* their dreams of community, camaraderie and connection. That's the power of The Lions Journey.

[Click here to see the 3-minute video.](#)

Why being a LION has enriched my LIFE

By Dr. Mark Mansell, Governor 19-G

Service is the foundation of what we do as Lions. But for me, Lions has provided so much more than I ever imagined and for this I am so very grateful.



My Lions journey began in similar fashion as most other Lions when I became more and more interested in finding a way to give back to the community where I lived. When discovering there was a local Lions club in my town, I inquired what it was all about and before I knew it I got involved in a fundraiser, was invited to a meeting and had a membership application handed to me.

I had a busy life before I joined Lions, but I soon found myself even busier. Yet somehow it didn't seem to be overwhelming. In fact, it felt good being connected to other community members and a part of traditions that, although sometimes puzzling, were fun none-the-less. Becoming connected to others in this way was enjoyable and the positive impacts we made together were rewarding.

My journey in Lions continues today but has broadened, providing me even more experiences that would not be afforded to me otherwise. Through the Lions family, I have met thousands of Lions all around the county and in fact, the world. My partner in service (Lion Debbie) and I have gained life-long friends because of Lions; friendships that we cherish greatly. Lions has also helped me grow both personally and professionally by expanding my skills and broadening my perspectives on both life and the world we live in.

The story of my Lions journey continues to unfold but I look forward to the road ahead. At the core of this journey is the feeling of making a difference which is the reason I was attracted to our organization in the first place. Lions has now become a much larger part of my life, and yes, I am still busy especially now serving as a District Governor. But it remains rewarding and fully aligned to what I need to be doing in order to give back. It is just that my "community" now stretches well beyond the town boundaries where I live.

To me, being a Lion remains all about service. But today I realize that even though our work is aimed at helping others grounded in our motto "We Serve", I am also helping myself too along the way.

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Whistler Fun Fact

HEY DID YOU KNOW....

The MD19 Lions Annual Convention is in Whistler this year! It will be a ton of fun with a lot of learning opportunities! And YOU'RE INVITED!

Seminars, Zip Lines, Family Feud, Spas...all in Whistler!



**Join us at the
MD19 Annual Convention in
Whistler
October 24-27, 2018**



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Lions Youth Exchange in MD19

by George Robison, Chairperson

Each year, the Lions Youth Camps and Exchange Program provides opportunities for young people to travel to other countries, to become acquainted with the people, the culture and to broaden their knowledge of their World. Many Lions Districts offer Youth Camps as well as home stays. In MD19 we offer only home stays.

In 2017 the MD19 Youth Exchange Foundation offered a scholarship that was applied for by two youth from MD19. Each received a scholarship to help them pay expenses. Last week applications for scholarships were emailed to every DG, every District Youth Exchange Chairperson and the MD19 LEO Club coordinator.

Below is a brief report from a young lady who chose to go to Australia. If you know someone who might be interested, please contact your DG for the application information.

Observations from Trip to Australia

Abigail Keath, sponsored by the Bonney Lake Lions Club, District C

My trip to Australia was one of the best decisions I ever made. Not only did I get to experience their cuisine and home life, I was also fortunate enough to learn about their culture.

In Australia the cuisine has a lot of meat, usually pork, steak, or chicken, and is almost always accompanied by bread and vegetables; they also really like to make sandwiches out of anything.

Australian home life is much like our own except it is much more relaxed and easier going; people even talk slower! Australian culture is very much ingrained into their everyday lives: they have popular festivals, hold councils, and have museums celebrating and informing people about the culture. One of my most exciting memories was of viewing authentic aboriginal art on a rock wall. This opportunity to visit Australia was not bad by any stretch of the word. In fact, it was the exact opposite; it was a decision I will never regret.



Lioness News September/October 2018

By Linda Schaffrick, MDLL



Once again we have blue skies although some of the higher levels have seen that white stuff. And it's now time to get back on track and get our clubs swinging again.

Whatever your role, continue to strive for excellence in your club and show your community that you are indeed leaders, with both compassion and energy; geared towards helping others. Please remember each other as a strong club also cares for its members as well. Be prepared to try new ideas, especially those brought by our new members and to encourage each other. Thank you Lioness for all your continued hard work and the amazing results you achieve. Make sure your club reports get sent in so that we can "brag" about all the good deeds our Lioness Clubs do.

Kelowna D-7 27 Members Hours: 385

The club catered for a bridge tournament and worked at Camp Winfield's 50th anniversary. Helped their sponsoring Lions at a Trunk Sale. Attended the Opportunity Fair Membership drive and assisted at the SPCA. The club members have social lunches once a month.

Moses Lake D-5 23 Members Hours: 600 Donations: \$10,850.00

Make and sell Space Burgers in their booth during the Grant County Fair (6 days for 16 hr/day). Projects also included adopt a block clean up. Donations to K-9, Boys & Girls Club, the elementary school jog-a-fun, Cancer Foundation, livestock boosters and fur and feather boosters.

Nanaimo Harbor Lites I-7 (no report)

Oliver D-9 8 Members Hours: 75 Donations: \$500.00

Back in the swing of delivering hot lunches to the elementary schools twice a week and into the arena to help the Lions in the concession. Assisted with the Youth Ambassador Fashion Show and selection night and at the Rock & Roll Picnic and Roots & Fruits Expo. Hosted and served lunch to the Cops for Kids riders for their fundraiser (\$2800.00 raised in two hours). Donation to Cops for Kids

Parksville I-7 18 Members Hours: 127 Donations: \$900.00

Congratulations on eight new members! They greeted guests for the annual Beachfest Sandcastle competitions. They are starting to gear up for their annual Christmas craft fair to be held at the beginning of November. Donations to Stroke recovery and a Secondary School bursary

PORT McNeill I-6 16 Members

Preparing for their Christmas Showcase.

Priest River E-11 35 Members (no report)

Sooke District I-2 26 Members Hours: 500+ Donations: \$300.00

Worked at the food bank and Fine Arts show. Operated the ice cream concession at the fall fair and the 50/50 for the RCMP Musical Ride. Helped at the Blood donor clinic. Donations to Lions Foundation of Canada and Juvenile Diabetes

Toledo G-4 12 members

Held a yard sale at the Cowlitz Threshing Bee.

Vancouver Chinatown A-1 24 members Hours: 35

Assisted with the opening of the Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society "Forgotten Indigenous War Veterans" exhibit and stuffing backpacks for SOS Children's Village. Collecting used eyeglasses.

Victoria Chinatown I-2 29 Members Hours: 500+

Worked at the Dragon Boat Festival Cultural tent; assisted at the RCMP Musical Ride and at the Government house costume museum. They helped with the Easter Seal drop zone, served meals at Our Place, help with the school breakfast program and the Senior Men's baseball championships and ribfest.

Williams Lake D-10 16 Members Hours: 30 Donations: \$1,000.00

Members continue to work at the Red Cross Equipment Centre, assisted the Lions to sell raffle tickets. They have had some of the members from the South Cariboo Lioness Club (club folded in June) join them. Donation given for a bursary

Winlock G-4 (no report)

Remember, as Lioness We Serve Too!

Victoria Chinatown Lioness Club

by Lioness Amanda

In July, August and September, the Victoria Chinatown Lioness members volunteered at a variety of community events.

The Dragon Boat Festival in mid August celebrated its 24th year of the weekend long paddling races and cultural events in the Inner Harbour and Ship Point. The Lioness volunteered in the VIP Tent, Beer Garden and Cultural Tent/Kids Activities.

In August, the Sooke Lions hosted the RCMP Musical Ride for a weekend. The event was fantastic, with crowds of folks on the Sooke playing fields, watching the military precision of the mounted police and their magnificent black steeds. Chinatown Lionesses

were amongst the many volunteers from Lions and Lioness Clubs in the capital region. The weather cooperated and the food and sights were wonderful!



The Seniors

Men's Baseball Championships were held in late August at the Royal Athletic Park and the Esquimalt Lions organized Lions and Lioness volunteers from all Clubs to work in the Lions food and drinks concession. The best onion rings, hot dogs and smokies! Players and their families came from all over Canada and thoroughly enjoyed the week long games, and hopefully some sightseeing in our beautiful garden city.



Some of the other activities that our Lionesses volunteered in over the past three months included: baseball coaching, lawn bowling tournaments, Easter Seals Drop Zone, Veterans' programmes assistance, school breakfasts, Our Place meal serving, Government House Museum, and the Art Gallery House Tour.



MD19 Convention Info

HEY DID YOU KNOW....

Friday Night Fun Night includes a Family Feud contest where 10 district teams will compete for a grand prize!!! Don't forget to wear a costume - there will be prizes for best costumes as well!

Please be sure to bring canned and dry foods for the service project in Whistler. We are collecting food for the Food Banks in Whistler, Pemberton and Squamish at the convention. Thank you in advance for your donations!



Vancouver Millennium Lions Club, A-7

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Sponsoring Club: Vancouver Oakridge Lions Club, H-7
Charter Night: January 2019 - TBD

Night Out On Crime

Each year, on the first Tuesday in August, Marysville, the Tulalip Tribal Police, and Tulalip Fire District along with the crime prevention officials invite families to participate in National Night Out on Crime, an annual event highlighting the best in local crime-fighting, crime prevention and community partnerships.

Tulalip Lions Club has participated since 2008 along with the Tulalip Police and Fire Department, giving away books to young readers of all ages. This year we actually sent Lions teams to two locations to give away books.

MARYSVILLE LOCATION:

Tulalip Lions President, Greg Cook and Secretary Gary Lockert were on hand at Jennings Park to distribute books to the kids, and to participate in the other activities put on by the Marysville Police and Fire Department. Hot Dogs were BBQ'd by the Marysville Police Department. The crowd really enjoyed having the Tulalip Lions there to give away books. Approximately 300 books were distributed at the Marysville Location.

TULALIP LOCATION:

Tulalip Lions Vice President, Ken Kettler and Community Service Chairperson Linda Tolbert were at the Tulalip Youth Center to distribute books to the kids. The breeze off of Tulalip Bay made it nice to be outside with all the other vendors and visit with the kids and their parents. It was a great social gathering for the community to get to know about the work that the Tulalip Lions Club has been doing for the last 10 years. Approximately 600 + books were given away at the Tulalip Location.

The highlight of the evening was the Tulalip Police vs Tulalip Fire Department Basketball game that was held at the Don Hatch Court.... Winner to be announced later.

SPECIAL THANK YOU:

We want to say a special thank you to Tulalip Lions Club Member Angela Jurdon who picked up the books from Lions Giving Library of the Pacific Northwest, but because of an ongoing search and rescue was unable to make either location.

If you want to donate books to the Lions Giving Library or need to request books please contact 1st VDG Mike Lally, Trustee for the Lions Giving Library of the Pacific Northwest Northern hub at 360-652-2544 or LGLofthePNW@gmail.com

"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 PDG Ed Brunz at 360-708-0370 or MD 19 Office at 360-733- 4911

Starbucks running pilot program for employees to aid nonprofits

By Melissa Smith, District 19F Public Relations & Lions Information Chairperson

Starbucks announced on Aug 23 a new, innovative plan that the company hopes will improve employee retention – a program that would allow some employees to spend half of their workweek at a local nonprofit.

The coffee giant and Points of Light (a nonprofit volunteering group) has launched a six-month pilot program in which 36 Starbucks employees in 13 cities (Atlanta, San Francisco, Chicago, Dallas, Fairfax, Houston, Broward FL, Phoenix, St. Paul/Minneapolis, Seattle, Boston, Miami, and St. Louis) will serve with a Point of Light affiliate in their community.

These selected employees, or Starbucks Service Fellows, will work 20 hours each week in their store and spend up to another 20 hours per week with a Points of Light affiliate. Points of Light is paying the fellows for their time through a grant from the Starbucks Foundation, which also provides money for the local nonprofits' programs.

Starbucks worked with Points of Light to identify 13 organizations (one from each of the cities mentioned above) that would benefit from focused service efforts that align with Starbucks' global social impact priorities, with a focus on opportunity for youth, refugees, veterans and military families, hunger, environment, and disaster recovery.

According to the Starbucks corporate website, if this pilot program is a success, a new cohort will be selected for the fall of 2019, ideally expanding beyond the initial 36 people.

Is this an opportunity for my Lions Club?

The short answer is ... potentially.

At a glance, many of Starbucks' global social impact priorities are in alignment with the causes favored by Lions at the local, regional, national, and global levels, however, right now Starbucks is only working through Points of Light on this pilot program.

I have reached out to Starbucks Corporate Headquarters to find out if the company has any plans to expand to other nonprofit organizations in the next round of the program in Fall 2019, however, I have not heard anything back as of press time for this newsletter.

If Starbucks would expand to other nonprofits, it would potentially allow the employees of Starbucks to volunteer with their local Lions Club, with Starbucks footing the bill for the employee's time and (hopefully) their Lions membership dues.

MD19 Constitution & By-Laws

To date the following proposed amendments are the only amendments to be voted on at the MD19 Annual Convention October 25-27, 2018:

ARTICLE I "BL"

Election of Multiple District Officers and Voting on Amendments to Constitution and By-Laws

~~SECTION 1. The Chairperson of the Convention shall call for nominations from the floor of the Annual Convention on the day preceding that scheduled for the election of officers. A list of the nominations for the offices of Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson of the Multiple District shall be furnished by the Multiple District Executive Secretary-Treasurer to the Election Committee.~~

Replace with the following:

SECTION 1. Voting for the Offices of Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson shall occur at each District's Spring Conference as explained in ARTICLE IV "Officers" SECTION 3 b. The MD19 Office will prepare the ballots and the Voting Certificates for the MD19 Officer elections held at the District Spring Conferences and will provide a list of the number of delegates and alternates allowed for each club. A majority of the votes on any ballot, exclusive of blanks, shall be necessary for election to any office.

~~SECTION 2. When voting on proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws at the MD19 Annual Convention, the Credentials Committee shall verify the voting certificates of the delegates and alternates prior to voting. A list of all registered delegates and alternates in each~~

~~SECTION 3. The Multiple District Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall prepare and furnish to the Election Committee ballots bearing spaces for the Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson of the Multiple District and identified only as First, Second, Third etc. ballot. The Multiple District Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall, also, prepare and furnish ballots with the proposed amendments printed thereon with blocks marked "For" or "Against" opposite each proposed amendment.~~

~~SECTION 4. The Polling places shall open at 7:30 A.M. on the day of election and shall remain open until 11:30 A.M.~~

Replace with the following:

SECTION 4. The Polling Places shall be open and the election procedure shall follow the times and procedures printed in the MD19 Policy Manual in Chapter VI "CONVENTIONS AND CONFERENCES #A. ANNUAL CONVENTION under #33.

~~SECTION 5. Delegates desiring to vote shall present their voting certificates at the Polling Place and be checked against the list of registered delegates and if qualified, shall be furnished a ballot. Each delegate shall mark their ballot in secret, and deposit it in the ballot box.~~

~~SECTION 6. At the time specified, the Election Committee shall close their ballot box and shall retire and count the ballots, reporting their findings promptly to the convention session.~~

SECTION 7 Renumbered to SECTION 5.

A majority of the votes on any ballot, exclusive of blanks, shall be necessary for election to any office. (Moved to ARTICLE 1 "BL"

SECTION 1. above)

SECTION 7 (Renumbered to SECTION 5)

See Article VIII, Section 1 of the Constitution for the requirements to pass proposed amendments to the Constitution.

See Article XI BL Section 1 for the requirements to pass proposed amendments to the By-Laws.

Move SECTION 8 AND SECTION 9 of ARTICLE I 'BL' to ARTICLE IV 'Officers' as letters c. and d. See below:

ARTICLE IV 'Officers'

Add to Section 3.b. as the last sentence the following:

- b. Voting for these Officers shall occur at each District's Spring Conference ...the counting of the ballots will be within seven (7) days of these last District Conferences. "The results of the Election for the offices of Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson will be announced at the MD19 Spring Council Meeting following the district elections."
- c. In an election where there are three candidates or more for Vice Council Chairperson and no candidate receives a majority vote for an office, the same shall be reported to the Council at the MD19 Spring Council Meeting following the district elections. All candidates but the two candidates with the highest number of votes will automatically be dropped and a second and subsequent ballot shall be taken by email vote of the clubs in each district. The email vote will be conducted by the MD19 Office. The results of the second ballot will be announced by the MD19 EST by email to the Council of Governors within three days after the ballots have been counted.
- d. In the event the incumbent Vice Council Chairperson stands for election as Council Chairperson and at the election fails to secure a simple majority of the affirmative votes cast by the delegates present and voting, he/she shall be declared not elected and a vacancy in that office shall be declared.

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum 2019

Creating Better Leaders Spokane, WA

A great delegation of Lions from our multiple district attended USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Columbus, Ohio. We were there not only to participate in the great seminars, but to also shadow counterparts and promote the Forum MD19 is hosting next year in Spokane. It was so exciting to listen to our members enthusiastically share all there is to do and see in Spokane and to hear the pride in our multiple district. We won't know how many we pre-registered until the October Planning meeting, but we surpassed the goal set for our team. Thanks so much to each person who took the time to work our booth. You are so appreciated.

The Forum will feature great seminars, new exhibits, new Sponsors, and awesome keynote speakers. During the opening ceremony, The High Street Show Band will be entertaining us. We have partnered with a Tour Company to provide a variety of pre and post Forum tours. We will also be providing blood sugar and blood pressure screenings for participants by nursing students from WSU College of Nursing.

A special thank-you to NW Lions Foundation, who is our Featured Sponsor. We are appreciative of the financial support of the Forum.

Now, we are asking for each Lion to promote the Forum in your club. We would love to see representatives from each club attend the Forum. This is OUR Forum.

The Forum website is now open for registration: www.lionsforum.org More info will be added to the website frequently, so check back frequently. There are several hotels to choose from which are all close to the convention center.

The Forum Facebook site is also open: Go to Facebook and search USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Click like. We also need your help at the Forum. The Spokane website will be open soon with a sign-up form for volunteering. We will have a wide variety of opportunities for volunteering, but it will take many to make the Forum successful.

Help share the pride we have in our communities. We will be providing gift bags for our dignitaries who will be at the Forum. We would like to give items which show who we really are as a multiple district. We are asking that clubs bring small items which show your community. Each bag will be different filled with items from different communities. Please bring your items to the MD convention in Whistler or to your District's Spring Conference. We will collect them. Thank-you in advance. Share your pride of your community.

Want to learn more about Spokane visit: www.visitspokane.com

We will be at the MD19 Convention in Whistler and at each conference. We look forward to talking about the Forum and signing up volunteers. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions:

Host Chair: Laura Wintersteen-Arleth lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com

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Bellingham Lions Club Helps Common Threads Project

Common Threads connects kids to healthy food through hands-on gardening and cooking programs. 6,000 school children participate in the program that is also helping to 'Grow good eaters'!

Bellingham Central Lions assisted them in purchasing a 'gently used' pick up truck so the 13 AmeriCorps service members could get to the 21 schools in four school districts in Whatcom County and teach these young gardening & cooking skills that they can use at home!

The truck, along with their logo has prominently displayed a BIG THANK YOU to the Lions Club with a Lions logo on the truck. When you visit Whatcom Country you will, more than likely, see the Common Threads staff driving from one school to another five days a week spreading the word that WE SERVE!

A fun side note... Common Threads gets their manure for all the gardens from another local nonprofit; Animals as Natural Therapy (ANT). They offer healing programs for youth, veterans & seniors based on the knowledge that animals can comfort & teach humans valuable life skills. This is another group our club has provided equipment and support to so that they could better serve our community. We enjoy partnering with so many like minded groups to combine our efforts to serve!



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Full Page	\$160.00	(8.5 x 11)
1/2 Page	85.00	
1/4 Page	50.00	
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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.

Vital Information

CLUB DUES: MD19 First Half Dues for 2018-19 are past due. If the Treasurer or Secretary/Treasurer did not receive a dues statement, please contact the MD19 Office.

ANNUAL CONVENTION: Please remind your Delegates that they need to remember to bring their voting certification form(s) with them in order to vote at the Convention in Whistler, B.C. Delegates will be able to vote immediately upon certifying. You must be current in your dues.

CLUB OFFICER CHANGES: Please inform the MD19 Office right away when there is a change in your club President, Secretary or Treasurer. The new officer information will be included in the Cut-n-Paste section of The Border Crossing and the master mailing list will be updated for future mailings from the MD19 Office. We do not receive the information from LCI when you only post a change on the LCI website.

SUBMITTING THE CLUBS' WMMR: Club Secretaries need to be aware that if no membership changes have occurred in the month of the report they STILL NEED TO GO ONLINE and indicate that nothing has changed by clicking on "Report no Membership Changes for (current month)" under the 'task' section on their clubs' MyLCI site. Otherwise they will not be given credit for submitting a report for that month. Please submit SAR each month.

Backdated information for the previous two months submitted during the next month will not be considered the missing months' report. Submitting the information is good for keeping accurate membership records. That is important and encouraged, but you won't receive credit for submitting the MMR that was not submitted by the last day of the specific month.

When submitting your report for the month it is better to submit earlier in the month in case there are internet issues with LCI on the last day of the month.

ZONE MEETINGS (District Governor Advisory Meeting): You probably have attended your first zone meeting for the 2018-19 year. Zone Chairpersons are required to report which Presidents and Secretaries (and Alternates if applicable) were in attendance at the meeting. It is important that you also record your club's attendance at the zone meeting on your Club's Monthly Visitation Form, indicating that the President and Secretary were in attendance. This is in case the Zone Chairperson does not send in the required report.

The Border Crossing: Officers of MD19, which includes Club Presidents, Secretaries, Zone Chairpersons, etc., who have supplied the MD19 Office an email address are automatically added to our AWeber communications system and sent a link for The Border Crossing when a new issue is uploaded to our MD19 Website. If you do not receive any AWeber messages from this office then you will need to sign up for The Border Crossing through our website. On the main page of the site (www.lionsmd19.com) select 'Border Crossing' followed by 'Border Crossing Sign-Up'. Fill out the form and hit submit. You will receive a confirmation email that you need to give permission in order for AWeber to send you messages.

Starbucks running pilot program for employees to aid nonprofits - continued

In the meantime ...

If you are looking for volunteers in your community, maybe try registering your Club with All for Good, a service of Points of Light. At All for Good, you can register your Club, post a project, and perhaps have more volunteers turn out for your next service project. If your Club is looking to help out more in your community, you can also search for volunteer opportunities in your area. The website is <https://www.allforgood.org>.

The leadership of District 19F will continue to monitor the pilot program that Starbucks has started, and we will report back as we hear more.

MD 19 2008-2009 District Governor Reunion

by PDG Dori Somerset – Partner in Service to PDG Steve Somerset

The second weekend in August was an auspicious weekend for our group. Why you ask?

This was the 10th anniversary for the PDG's from 2008-2009 which included PCC Polly Voon, 19A - PDG Cecil Fung, 19B - PDG Terry Ostlund, 19C - PDG John Doyle, 19D - PDG Dave Wilding, 19E - PCC Jerry Flood, 19F - PDG Melba Fujiura, 19G - PDG Dale Jacobsen, 19H - PDG Mel Stokes and 19I - PDG Steve Somerset.

The first PDG reunion in 2008 was held at PDG Melba and PZC Ray Fujiura's home in Sunnyside, WA. We have come full circle as the reunion this year was once again held at their home.

Way back.....in 2007 at the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Grand Rapids, PDG Mel suggested that the second weekend in August become an annual event for the group to meet. PCC Polly and the entire group heartily endorsed the idea. The reunions (not in any order) have been held in Everett, Langley, Osoyoos, Salt Spring Island, Medical Lake, North Vancouver, Sunnyside, Long Beach, Tacoma and Chilliwack. Some years there were a few missing participants or some could only be there for one day. This year for the first time all nine (9) PDG's and 'Partners in Service' were in attendance.

Friday nights have evolved from meeting at the host couple's home to having a lovely dinner out on the town. You can imagine the size of the table needed. Saturday is usually a brunch or lunch at the host couple's home with the afternoon free to explore the area or shop! Saturday night is the highlight as the variety of food and beverages offered is top notch, especially as a couple of PDG's enjoying creating and tempting our palates with their appetizers dinner and desert creations. The variety is fantastic!

It is so wonderful and gratifying that this annual tradition has kept going. We may only see one another at the various conferences throughout the year BUT when we gather every August it is just like we've never been apart.

We've lost a few spouses along the way but we always make a point to raise a glass and toast the ones no longer here. We've also welcomed new partners. We've learned from one another realizing we are more than Lions as our backgrounds are so varied. We hear about grandkids growing up, new ones being born, retiring from long held jobs, health concerns, moving and moving on as some of us adapt to a new normal. We share the 'highs and lows' in life.

The bottom line is this PDG group bonded, a commitment was made and lasting friendships were formed. We have been there for one another right from the start. To me it is an honour and a privilege to be part of this group. We are the only PDG group to continue with this tradition.



John Muir Summer Enrichment Program

Lions Quest is one of the Service Projects of Lions International. During summer when school classes are out, there are other ways to do Skills for Growing (K -5). This summer, the Seattle First Hill Lions Club provided funding for Awards for the best of 120 students Grade 1-5 at the John Muir Elementary School summer STEM (SPIN) program. This was done in cooperation with Ms. Nelrica Mosqueda, Community/Parent Coordinator. Scooters, skateboards, basketballs, badminton sets, and other active play items were handed out on the last day of the program, July 27, 2018.

John Muir Summer Enrichment Program

STEM Paths Innovation Network (SPIN) is providing an enrichment program for John Muir Summer Staircase students for five weeks this summer. Each student attends both a STEM class and a movement class each day, and all students will have the opportunity to experience all of the class offerings during the five week program that runs from June 26th-July 27th. The program consists of LEGO Robotics, Kodu Video Design, and 3D printing, as well as the opportunity for students to move their bodies and learn more about physical fitness through movement classes that include instruction in basketball, soccer, football, and general physical fitness. All classes seek to support children in learning leadership and team building skills and having the opportunity to put them into action, building resilience through trying new things, adapting their methods when things don't work out, and nurturing a positive self-view and can-do attitude.

SPIN honors the cultures and experiences of the students while supporting them in learning new skills and becoming proud of themselves. Our instructors represent a diversity of culture and gender and provide mentorship and positive role models for the students. We know that students who have pride in their culture and themselves have the best chance at success in school and in life.

"I like making video games." *Angelica, 2nd grade*

"I like running a lot." *Khoa, 1st grade*

"I love my Robotics class since there is only three boys. I can program my robot in the way I want to." *Ta'Nayah, 3rd grade*

"We did not think we loved to play soccer as much until Mr. Nickolaus taught us how to control the ball" *Dre, Ifnan, & Mahamadou, 3rd grade*



Peace Poster Contest

Now is the time for Lions Clubs to be involved with the Peace Poster Contest.

Here are the dates needed to have an entry in the 2018-19 Peace Poster Contest "Kindness Matters":

October 1, 2018:

Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies

November 15:

Postmark deadline for a Club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the District Governor.

December 1:

Postmark deadline for a Governor to send one winning District poster to Multiple District Council Chairperson.

December 15:

Postmark deadline for the Multiple District Council Chairperson to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

February 1, 2019:

International winners notified on or before this date.

Learning Opportunities at Whistler - continued from page 1

that are supported by our Multiple District such as Youth Exchange, Camp Horizon, Lions Foundation of Canada, Northwest Lions Foundation and BC Lion's Society for Children with Disabilities.

There will be Rap Sessions for Presidents, Secretaries and Zone Chairpersons to share success and challenges and gain insight for the rest of your year.

Meet our International Guest while learning about the MYLION app.

As you can see there will be many opportunities to gain knowledge and learn from others. Not to mention the informal networking that occurs in the hallways, lobbies and during lunch and dinner.

So let's step up to the plate (yes a reference to my last article), swing that "bat" and take an opportunity to learn.

See you in Whistler!

Special Donations		CARE
2018-2019		
19-C	PDG Dan & Cheryl Comsia	\$250.00
	Suzanne Gayda	\$100.00
	PZC Bob Johnson	\$100.00
	PDG Jan and PZC Art Weatherly	\$100.00
	Tacoma Centennial Lions Club	\$50.00
Donations above in memory of PCC Mike Gayda		
	Nadine & William Morris	\$50.00

Percentages of WMMRs received, SARs completed for month of September 2018 and First Half Dues Paid for 2018-19

	WMMRs	SARs	DUES
19-A	77%	52%	49%
19-B	53%	36%	75%
19-C	80%	76%	78%
19-D	64%	60%	68%
19-E	86%	54%	90%
19-F	77%	38%	77%
19-G	78%	50%	85%
19-H	88%	56%	100%
19-I	100%	63%	82%



**MD 19 Lions
CAN help**

Our service project is to supply food to the Sea to Sky FOOD BANKS in Whistler, Pemberton and Squamish. Please bring canned and dry foods to the Convention Centre on Friday or Saturday and the Pemberton Lions Club will distribute your generous donations.

- **Good things to bring:** Peanut butter, beans, tuna, any protein, vegetables, pasta, Kraft Dinner.
- **Do not bring:** liquids or anything in a glass container.

Memorials for August 2018

B 5	Burien	Judith W. Evenson
C 1	Gig Harbor	Eugene O. Pearson
C 6	Yelm	Donald R. Miller
D 1	Lake Country Winfield	Randy Rose
D 7	Westbank	Stan Taneda
G 3	Willapa Harbor	Richard C. Woods
H 3	Abbotsford	Yvonne Bristol
I 5	Qualicum Bay	Joan Humphrey
I 7	Gabriola	Joan Ensor
	Lioness	
I 7	Parksville	Ulla Anderson

Memorials for September 2018

A 2	Mount Seymour	George D. Saunders
B 3	Seattle Lake City	Charles Dickey
B 5	West Seattle	Richard K. Zwaller
C 6	Lacey Sunrise	Jack C. Ford
D 5	Moses Lake	William "Pete" M. Peterson
F 1	Naches Sunshine	Eleanor M. Zimmerman
F 2	Granger	Lloyd Myers
F 5	Clarkston	Kathleen Warren
F 7	Moscow Central	Jim Maley
G 1	Longview Kelso Earlybird	Daniel P. Norman
H 2	Sedro Woolley	Richard Riehl
H 6	Chilliwack Mt. Cheam	Brian D. Troughton
I 1	Crescent Bay	Raymond J. DiVacky
I 3	Pender Islands	Jim Dunlop



MD19 Annual Convention

Whistler B.C.
October 24-28, 2018



Raffle Prize/Silent Auction Donation

District/Zone/Club: _____

Raffle Prize _____ Silent Auction _____ (value _____)

Description of Item: _____

Club Contact Name/Email Address/Tel No:

Thank you for your support!

Contact: PCC Polly Voon
Cell: 604 290-7756
Email: polly_voon@telus.net

Whistler Convention ... Many Thanks to our Sponsors!

The Whistler Committee would like to thank the following "Sponsors" for their support of our MD19 Lions Annual Convention in Whistler this October.....

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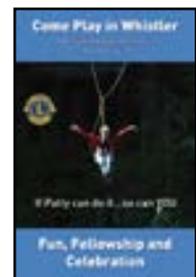
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- Vancouver Broadway Lions Club



Anyone interested in a sponsorship can contact PDG at Shella Keung at shellakeung@gmail.com

Host Hotel: **Hilton Whistler Resort and Spa**

Phone: 1-800-515-4050 or direct 1-604-932-1982

Hotel Reservation link: https://secure3.hilton.com/en_US/hi/reservation/book.htm?spec_plan=MD19&spec_plan_desc=MD19%20LIONS%20CLUB&ctyhcn=YWSVRHF

Email: reservations@hiltonwhistler.com

Website: www.hiltonwhistler.com

If you have any questions, please contact: PZC George Sim, H 604-987-8203, C 778-838-8727, E georgesim@shaw.ca

The Volunteer Organization Protection Act of 2017 impacts every Lion in the United States.

Under current law, service clubs have been forced to dissolve when they have been unable to afford the costs of litigation resulting from a volunteer's negligence. VOPA can help protect your club from being drawn into lawsuits should an accident occur during a Lions Club service activity or event.

Read more and sign the petition here

<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/vopa/index.php#.W4gha9EIHQ.email>

2019 MD19 Convention Pin

Have you ever thought about starting a Lions pin collection? One way to start is by obtaining your MD annual convention pin. This year's pin, the 2019 MD19 annual convention pin, depicting a northwest theme, and highlighting the Milan International Convention is now available for purchase. This is the second in a series of four highlighting a Northwest theme.

The purchase price is \$1.50 for the regular pin and \$2.00 for the Prestige (larger) pin plus any applicable postage. You can purchase an individual pin or the 2-pin set. Quantities of the larger pin are limited. These pins can be purchased by contacting these individuals:

Don Shove adshove@comcast.net, 206-854-4324, Jim Moffitt pintraderjim@aol.com 602-738-1514, Stephen Staudinger ssstaudinger@comcast.net 360-608-8361. Happy pin collecting!



Why being a LION has enriched my LIFE- continued

My life is enriched because as a Lion I know I am part of a broader effort with like minded people who are dedicated to making our communities, and most definitely the world, a better place to live. And for this gift, I am so thankful a Lion asked me to join those many years ago.

Lion Mark has been a Lion for a total 15 years starting out as a member of the Mansfield Lions Club (D-2) and the last 13 years as a member of the La Center Lions Club (G-2). He is recipient of both the LCI Presidential Recognition and Leadership Medals, a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, as well as being a Membership Key Award recipient. He is a graduate of NWLLI, LCI's Advanced Lions Leadership Institute and has received his Bachelors, Masters and Doctorate from Lions University. Lion Mark is a school administrator and holds a Doctorate in Education from Washington State University. He and his partner in service (AZC Lion Debbie) have been married for 39 years and have two grown children

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MD19 Calendar of Events 2018 - 2019

MD19 Fall Council of Governors	Whistler, BC	October 24-25
MD 19 Annual Convention	Whistler, BC	October 25-27
Longview Pioneer Lions 95th Anniversary	Longview, WA	November 10
MD19 Winter CoG LaQuinta Inn & Suites	Tacoma, WA	Feb 1-2 2019
MD19 Spring CoG Howard Johnson Hotel	Yakima, WA	June 5-6 2019
MD19 DGE & ZCE Training Howard Johnson	Yakima, WA	June 7-9 2019

Spring Conferences 2019:

District 19-H	Coast Chilliwack Hotel, B.C.	March 15-16
District 19-F	Red Lion Hotel Yakima Center, WA	March 22-23
District 19-B	Hilton Garden Inn Seattle/Bothell, WA	March 29-30
District 19-A	Delta Hotels by Marriott Burnaby Conference Centre, B.C.	April 5-6
District 19-D	Penticton Lakeside Resort & Conference Centre, B.C.	April 5-6
District 19-C	La Quinta Inn & Suites Tacoma - Seattle, WA	April 12-13
District 19-I	Red Lion Hotel Port Angeles, WA	April 12-13
District 19-E	Red Lion Hotel Templin's on the River, Post Falls, ID	April 26-27
District 19-G	Red Lion Hotel Kelso Longview, Kelso, WA	May 17-18



Remember back in the day when lots of us wore those big "ASK ME ABOUT LIONS CLUB" pins like this one? They were great conversation starters and could be again. Your club can design its own and have it made very inexpensively. All your members can have one, and even your new A-Frame can wear one in its lapel whenever it goes stepping out.

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