

Lions Clubs International District C-1 Newsletter

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Newsletter Submission
Deadline: December 25
(Ho, Ho, Ho!)

“You were born an original. Don’t die a copy.” —John Mason



District Peace Poster Winners!

The theme this year is “A Celebration of Peace”.

1st Place – Monaco Vulic (Vincent J. Maloney Catholic Jr. High – St. Albert)
Held by DGE Kris and PID Patti

2nd Place – Ellie Paziuk (Leo Nickerson Elementary – St. Albert) Held by PID Bill

3rd Place – Luka Begovic (Richard S. Fowler Catholic Jr. High – St. Albert)
Held by Lion Mickey & Peg McPherson (Painter’s Guild)



- PDG Claude Carignan

DG Ron’s Notes

Ron’s Ramblings are coming out a bit late this month, but time is moving a lot faster than I can keep up with, or I need to redo the online time management course. In any event here we ramble. First I want to thank all the members that attended our Convention in Vegreville, your participation made this a good time and I appreciated the opportunity to visit with Lions from all over the district. ID Jennifer Ware was in my opinion a delightful,

knowledgeable and fun loving guest and our speakers certainly emphasized the strength and determination of the human spirit to overcome the highest mountains to climb.

I have been continuing my visits and was pleased to have a joint visitation at Bruderheim with Chipman, Lamont and the Bruderheim Lioness, as well as visits to Fort Saskatchewan, Radway, Spruce Grove, Clive, Alix, and Wabamun. I was proud to induct new members

in Fort Saskatchewan, Radway, and Spruce Grove. I was also privileged to attend the St. Albert Host Youth night and assist with the recognition of some outstanding youth with their accomplishments in Art, Music, and Academics. Meeting these young people gives hope that the future of our nation will be in good hands.

The deadline for applications for the Regional Lions Leadership Institute is rapidly approaching and I urge you to consider this opportunity to meet new Lions and gain valuable information. PCC Lion Betty Ann Robson at lionbettyann100@gmail.com will be more than happy to hear from you.

Lastly I have been asked if the Lions Roar could list the Legacy projects that are completed, or in progress. The purpose will be to possible help others with some ideas. Therefore, I would request that those Clubs send a brief description of your project to PDG Lion Hank Hoekstra at hankh@telus.net for inclusion in the next issues of the Roar. Until I ramble on again next month thank you all for doing what you do.

Charitable Donations Receipts - LCIF

Every year as Dec. 31st approaches, we all start to gather our Charitable Donation receipts for the year.

Did you know...

- You can donate, personally, to LCIF through our own Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF.
- You will receive a Charitable Donations Receipt for your use when filing your Canadian Income Tax return.
- You may donate now and name the recipient of a Melvin Jones Fellowship later.

As Lions, we ensure that every dollar goes to the cause rather than overhead expenses, so please support our charitable work through the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF.

Doantion form available at: http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/lcif/lcif42m_canada.pdf

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Whatever you do always give 100%. Unless you are donating blood.



You are cordially invited to

ANDREW LIONS CLUB

70th CHARTER NIGHT

ST. MICHAEL RECREATION CENTRE

ST. MICHAEL, ALBERTA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2017

Guest Speaker: *Dr. Patti Hill*

Cocktails: 5:00 PM

Supper: 7:00 PM

Tickets: \$35.00 per person

Contact: Laura Zabrick: Phone 780-365-2238 or email: lzabrick@mcsnet.ca

Please RSVP by: Tuesday, January 10, 2017

Edmonton Chinese Lions Club and Edmonton Alpha Leos Club invites you to join us for our East-West Fusion Party



Tuesday, December 6, 2016
Reception: 6:00 PM
Call to Order: 6:30 PM

Dynasty Century Palace Restaurant
206, 9700 – 105 Avenue
Edmonton, AB
(Free parking at rear of building)

Ticket price \$38
(We request payments upon ordering of tickets. Tickets to be picked up at the door)

RSVP by November 25, 2016
President Lion Lan Chan
president@edmontonchineselionsclub.org

Special Guest: District Governor Ron Wackenhut

Lucky Draw
Silent Auction
50/50

Charity of Choice: Covenant Health Foundation

DISTRICT C-1 CITIZEN OF DISTINCTION - 2016



Since 2012, District 37L and now, District C-1 have presented a yearly Citizen of Distinction award to an outstanding resident of the district who is not a Lion but who lives by our motto WE SERVE.

The successful candidate shall be an outstanding person who not only volunteers in their community but is willing to go the extra mile to make a difference. Previous recipients, to name a few, have been Frank Flaman, philanthropist, Sandra Woitas, educator and child advocate, and who can forget last year's recipient, Kathleen Jean Raines, who serves in her tiny community and steps up to the plate every time. When someone is needed she is there. This year's recipient is Deb Cautley, Executive Director of Youth Empowerment & Support Services, (YESS).

She has dedicated her efforts to bridge the gap for young, vulnerable children between 16 and 18 years of age, who fall through the cracks. These children are too old for Children services and too young for adult services. Imagine you have no home to go to, no one to love you, and no safety net to keep you safe.

Deb Cautley is a graduate of Grant McEwan University and has been recognized by many associations including Grant McEwan College Distinguished Alumni Award, Global Woman of Vision, Kathleen Huber

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Outstanding Speaker Award, Alberta Centennial Medal and the Woman of Distinction-Public Affairs and Communication Award.

Ms. Cautley has dedicated her efforts to helping 'bridge the gap' for vulnerable, homeless young people. As Deb would state: "You got it, after their sixteenth birthday and until their eighteenth birthday, there were no resources available to them. For two years-two very important years in anyone's life-these young people had no one to turn to. No assistance for housing. No one to help them get through high school. No one to help them eat, sleep or live safely". Thru the work of YESS, at risk youth have an alternative to life on the street - they have security, support and opportunities for a positive future.

Through the work of YESS, at risk young people from our community, or arriving in our community, have an alternative to life on the streets. Instead of fear, they have security, instead of loneliness they have support, instead of despair they

have opportunities for a positive future. Under Deb's leadership, the YESS family has pursued Core Values that closely align with Lions Clubs' ongoing practices, and include:

- Being open and honest
- Being caring and respectful
- Being passionate and professional and committed to their kids, staff, and volunteers so they can be committed to their work
- Find innovative solutions
- Celebrate the successes of their kids, staff, volunteers and their agency
- Believe that their work affects many people
- Be serious about what they do, but take time to have fun, too
- WE ARE YESS; WE ARE ONE OF A KIND.

As you can see, Lions, Deb Cautley is a most deserving recipient.

**- PDG Donna Wozney
District C-1 Awards Chair**



Tumbler Ridge Reports: Lions Glenn Miller, Nellie Meredith, Grace Walsh, Frank Walsh, Lita Greene, and Elaine Cooper, with the truckload of used eyeglasses they brought to the C-1 Convention in Vegreville

"To serve is beautiful, but only if it is done with joy and a whole heart."

- Pearl S. Buck

**DR. LYNN G. HALL
LEADERSHIP AWARD
FOR OUTSTANDING
LEADERSHIP IN LIONISM**



The Dr. Lynn G. Hall leadership award was established in 1997 in recognition of the outstanding leadership qualities in Lionism displayed by the late Dr. Lynn Hall. Lion Lynn was a member of various clubs for over fifty years, serving two terms as District Governor. Always quick to step forward, no matter what the project, Lion Lynn was a leader by example. He exemplified what Lionism is all about.

The nominee for the 2016 Dr. Lynn G. Hall award for Outstanding Leadership in Lionism is **PCC Donna Coulter** of the Grande Prairie Lions Club. She has been a member of the Grande Prairie Lions Club since 1989, earning 100% attendance every year. Her initial involvement was with the Ponoka Lioness, commencing in 1974. When Lions Clubs International offered to honour full recognition for Lioness SERVICE, she applied and was accepted, giving her more than 40 years of dedication to her club, her community and the world of Lionism.

Lion Donna has held most club executive positions including President, and served several terms as Club Secretary. She provided a personal guarantee for the financing of the Grande Prairie Lions Hillcrest Centre, and was the driving force behind the creation and development of the Lions Learning Centre in Grande Prairie. She has chaired several committees and is currently the club PR Chairperson.

She was instrumental in the formation of the Trumpeter Lioness Club, later to become the Grande Prairie Trumpeter Lions Club.

She served as District Governor of 37-G in 1995-96, and as MD 37 Council Chairperson in 2009-10. She was the Constitution & Bylaws Chairperson for C-1 during the transition from 37-L (2015-16).

Lion Donna has served as a faculty member for several Lions Clubs International Leadership Institutes (Emerging, Regional, Advanced/Senior). She was a presenter at a USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, and

has attended several other forums and International Conventions.

She is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, holds a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship, a Bill Webber Fellowship, and most recently was presented with a Dr. Greg Powell Fellowship.


Lion Donna is Secretary of the Committee to Elect Dr. Patti Hill as VP of Lions Clubs International.

She is the recipient of several other awards for commitment to her community including the Alberta Centennial Medal and the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

When I was born, the doctor came out to the waiting room and said to my father, "I'm very sorry. We did everything we could. But he pulled through."

**The Royal Canadian Legion, The Lion's Club
and The Agricultural Society of Millet, Alta
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Millet Agriplex Banquet Room
5290 45 Ave. Millet, AB
Dinner and Show only \$60
Doors & Cocktails @ 5pm
Dinner @ 6pm Show @ 7:30pm**

**For Tickets Please Call
Garry Smith 780-216-0530**

Designated Drivers Available



PCC Dennis Stevenson

was presented with an LCI Presidential Medal by LCI President Chancellor Bob Corlew at the USA/CANADA forum in Omaha, Nebraska for his work as Global Membership Team Area Leader in Western Canada. Other members of the North American Global Membership Team also received one. Congratulations Lion Dennis!

- **Vi Gibb**

Every time someone calls me fat I get so depressed I cut myself... a piece of cake.

Ducheminsky had the merchandise table at C-2 Convention and the Display board as well as some pins and merchandise at C-1 Convention.

The MD Chairperson and Secretary thank Lions Bryant and Norma for handling Cavalcade Display at these conventions when we were not available.

Upcoming Events/Plans:

The next MDC Lions Cavalcade for Diabetes Awareness will be held in Pigeon Lake in District C-1 in 2017 tentatively on June 2-4 weekend.

Other Comments:

We are looking for a club to volunteer to host our annual event in 2018 in late May or early June time frame.

- **Lion Vi Gibb**
- **C-1 Chairperson**

CLERC First Quarter Report

In the first Quarter CLERC has hosted 10 Eyeglass Work Parties. 4 have been exclusively Lions Clubs. The other 6 are Lions Wednesday Volunteers, Esso Retirees, and BP Retirees. We also have students in on Saturdays doing their 40 hours of Community Service as

required to graduate from Grade 12. We just recently completed hosting a United Way Corporate Challenge where we had Imperial Oil Employees in processing glasses.

We are trying to expand the reach of the Eyeglass Program so that more individuals and groups are aware, and can spread the word about the good things Lions do for their communities, and the World at large. To this end we have agreed to accept raw glasses and frames from Hakim Optical. The first shipment is 100,000 pair. They pay the freight which is great!

We have shipped around 60,000 pair of glasses this quarter. The next two quarters are the busiest and when we process and ship the bulk of glasses. CLERC Vice Chairman Darryl Axenty has contacted all Zone Chairpersons and will attend as many Zone Meetings as possible, to educate, to answer questions, and to listen to Club concerns on behalf of CLERC. Trying to spread the word and include the District C-2 Clubs in our process. We have several big orders to start building. Our client base is growing, and we are becoming renowned for accurate and quality glasses.

Lions Cavalcade for Diabetes Notes

Committee Members for 2016-2017:

- PCC Dennis Stevenson, MD 37 Chairperson, Lions Cavalcade for Diabetes Awareness
- Lion Vi Gibb (Secretary and District C-1 Chairperson,)
- Lion Bryant Ducheminsky (Treasurer)
- Lion Lorne Johnson (Vice Chairperson)
- PDG Peter Wallis (C-2 Chairperson)
- PCC Betty Ann Robson, (CDA Liaison)
- Lion Norma Ducheminsky District 37-N,

Report of Activities Sept 2016 to Nov 2016:

As our year goes from July to June this report will cover Sept 2016 to Nov 2016.

The Lions Cavalcade Treasurer Bryant Ducheminsky and Lion Norma

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2nd Annual Fundraiser for Youth & Leadership



Come One Come All!!
Look for Decembers Newsletter for more information



On December 10th we will be taking a CLERC Traveling Roadshow to District C-1 to visit and do glasses with the Hanna and surrounding Lions Clubs! Like all Lions Initiatives funding is crucial and we somehow need to remind Lions Clubs that we need financial support to keep this initiative moving forward, as we need cash. We have been processing a ton of glasses lately and can hardly keep up to the lensometer operators, as these machines are faster than the old ones and 100% accurate. All in all, life looks good at CLERC.

- James Lee
- CLERC Chair

*CLERC an Out of Sight Opportunity to Aid the Vision Impaired of the

Wetaskiwin Calendar Project

Natalie Vanoni and Robin Livingston (who are a husband/wife duo) planned to make a calendar for the Wetaskiwin Lions Club. Natalie went to the printers to find out how much it would cost to do up 100 calendars (price would be \$1500). In order to raise the money, they would need 39 sponsors to pay \$40.00 per ad on the calendar. The duo got the funds raised in 3 days using only 17 sponsors. The calendar looks great and it shows who the Lions are, and who we donate to or support. We are planning on selling them for \$5.00 each.

While out getting sponsors we also managed to drum up 5 new prospective members, and companies also asked us if we would like to set up tables in their stores to recruit members. Another added bonus: some companies asked if we would be interested in helping them next year with their 100 year and 40 year anniversaries by having our club put on a pancake breakfast at their location. That was quite a remarkable accomplishment, considering we only were trying to do up a calendar for 2017. Plus we managed to raise an extra \$100.00. On the LCI activity report: 2 Lions, 16 hours, raised \$1600. All this in three days of work!

- Natalie Vanoni

What's Happening with the Lions Eye Research Fund

Just last year, in October, 2015, the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation launched a \$4 million campaign in support of the Eye Institute of Alberta at the Royal Alexandra Hospital. Over the last 13 months, over 85% of that goal (\$3.4 million) has been raised thanks to community supporters, including numerous Lions Clubs, individual Lions, and the Lions of Alberta Foundation. The Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation is working to raise the remaining amount before the end of December and the Lions Eye Research Fund (LERF) Committee members want to help them get there.

The LERF Committee is challenging all Lions Clubs from District C-1 to come together and commit \$50,000 to help complete the Eye Institute of Alberta Campaign. If each club committed to making a gift of just \$500, the goal would be achieved. The LERF Committee is strongly encouraging clubs to make their gift by purchasing Dr. Patti Hill Fellowships in support of the Lions Eye Research Fund.

Since 1996, the Eye Institute of Alberta (formerly the Regional Eye Centre) at the Royal Alexandra Hospital has been delivering expert and compassionate eye care to patients from Edmonton, Northern Alberta, and beyond. The Eye Institute of Alberta is Northern Alberta's cen-

tral hub for eye and vision care and is home to most complex and intra-ocular treatment for patients north of Red Deer. Originally designed to treat 15,000 patients annually, last year the Institute saw over 50,000 patients. The \$4 million campaign is designed to ensure that despite that increasing patient population, each person who seeks treatment at the Eye Institute of Alberta receives the specialized, world class care that every Albertan deserves. The major focuses of the campaign are physical improvements to the space, supporting education and training, and providing ways to get the latest research out of the labs and into the patient rooms.

As Lions, and champions of sight, the LERF committee hopes that we can count on your club's support. To do your part in helping us provide the best in vision care for Northern Alberta please purchase a Dr. Patti Hill Fellowship (recipients may be named later). Application form online at: <http://lionsc1.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Patti-Hill-Fellowshipfillable.pdf> or by contacting VDG Kris Kozoriz at kkozoriz@telus.net. If your club is interested in making a larger gift, please contact Lion Neil Gourley, Chair of the Lions Eye Research Fund at ngourley@shaw.ca, or Jeff Buhr, Director of Development at the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation at 780-735-5804 or jbuhr@royalalex.org.

- Sharon Hoekstra



Tumbler Ridge Strikes Again! Awarded the District's mileage award - the most Lions that travelled the farthest to attend the District Convention. Shown here with International Director Gennifer Ware.

Convention Notes:

- 142 Lions and guests attended.
- VDG Kris Kozoriz confirmed as District Governor elect
- Frances Sawiak confirmed as 1st Vice District Governor Elect
- Terry Kozma is 2nd Vice District Governor Elect
- PDG Ian Sinclair named to MD C Hall of Fame
- PDG Bob Hunter nominated for MD C Vice Council Chair
- International Director Jennifer Ware from Michigan was a most gracious and engaging guest.
- Good convention - great food, great company, great sessions, great fellowship
- Everybody loved the shots of vodka available before the banquet!

Two wrongs don't make a right, take your parents as an example.

Stony Plain Lions Vision Screening in County of Parkland

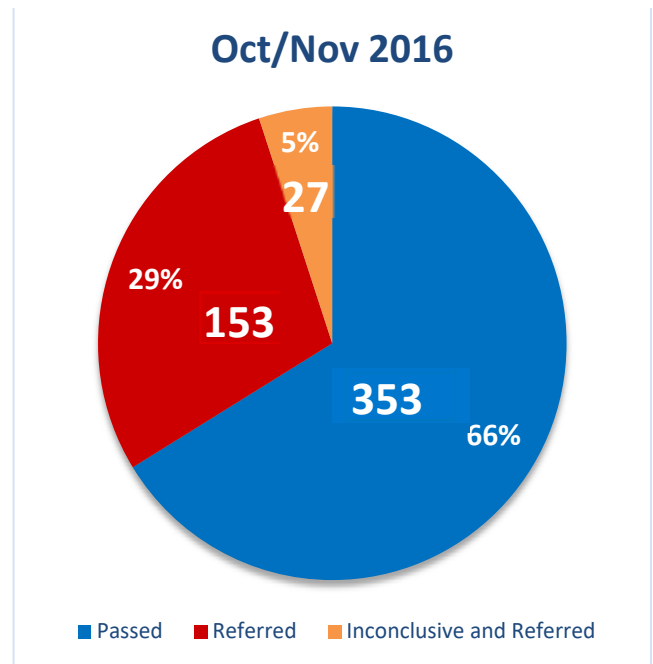
Over three weeks in October and November, Stony Plain Lions carried out vision screening for all County of Parkland schools. 533 Kindergarten and Early Education students were screened, with results as shown on the pie chart.

Conditions found include 33 cases of lazy eye, 116 of astigmatism, 59 of far sightedness, 15 of short sightedness, and 9 of misaligned eyes.

Led by Lion Lynda Wackenhut and PDG Joan Lubbers, and with the loan of equipment and IPDG Hank from South Edmonton Lions, schools throughout the County were visited.

This was the second project completed with County of Parkland, and marks an expansion of the number of students screened.

If your Club is interested in taking on this important project, please contact IPDG Hank: hankh@telus.net



District C-1 Calendar

2016

12 6 Edmonton Chinese Christmas Party

12 11 Caroline Christmas Party Caroline

2017

1 28 Andrew 49th Charter St Michael

2 25 Hinton 45th Charter Hinton

5 4-5 MD C Council Canmore

5 6 Beaumont & Dist 40th Charter Beaumont

5 5-7 MD C Convention Canmore

6 2-4 Cavalcade for Diabetes Pigeon Lake

6-30 : 7-4 International Convention (100 years of Lionism) Chicago

9 21-23 USA/Canada Forum Portland, Oregon

2018

6-29: 7-03 International Convention Las Vegas lionsclubs.org

9 20-22 USA/Canada Forum Columbus Ohio lionsforum.org

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7 5-29 International Convention Milan Italy lionsclubs.org

9 19-21 USA/Canada Forum Spokane Washington lionsforum.org

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