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DG Hanks' Notes Greetings, Lions! Summer holidays are just about over, and the pace of Lionistic activities will soon pick up. Our first Cabinet meeting was held at Devon Lions Campground on August 15, and as most of Cabinet is now in place, we can expect more activity around the District. Our thanks to the Devon Lions for hosting this meeting, as well as a Friday night social, and a Saturday BBQ. Well done, Devon!

On August 8 I had the privilege of joining Evansburg Lions as they participated in Pembina Valley Days, featuring a float in the parade, and a presence downtown, where the Club ran not only an ordinary 50/50, but had three rounds of a 50/50 chicken sh*t contest. Punters paid \$2 for one of 144 squares marked out in a grid, on which a chicken was placed. Wherever the chicken did its business, that square was the winner. For me, the best part was seeing the Lions out in the community and participating.

You should already have received information on our upcoming Convention, and I hope to see many of you there. We are a new District, and there will be lots of business to conduct, not to mention having some fellowship – over the years Lions in our area have survived a number of redistrictings, so come and meet some old friends, and make some new ones!

You will be receiving the draft District C-1 Constitution and Bylaws (great bedtime reading!), for your consideration, as you will be asked to adopt it at the Convention.

Please make every effort to keep your listings at LCI up to date. Last year's listings are no longer available, so even if you didn't change your officers, please report, and verify that your meeting time and place are accurate on MyLCI. If you need help logging on to MyLCI, please let me know, and we will help you. If a Club officer hasn't reported an email address, please do so, as almost all our communications will be electronic.

I remind you that the District Governor Team will not be visiting every Club this year, but if you invite one of us, we will make every effort to come. If you need help with anything, please contact the appropriate Cabinet Chair, or one of the District Governor team members – we want Lionism to work for you.

TTFN

Conventions

Both Districts C-1 and C-2 will hold their first Conventions in October and our first Multiple District Convention will be held next May. Information and Registration Forms are available at:

http://mdclions.org/conventions-2/

C-1 Convention: Sylvan Lake, October 30 and 31

C-2 Convention: Lethbridge, October 16 and 17

MDC Convention: St Albert, May 13 and 14, 2016

Edmonton Inner City Lions Club

CHARTER NIGHT CELEBRATION

You are invited to join the Edmonton Inner City Lions Club, their officers,

Charter members and guests on

September 19th, 2015

St. Faith/St. Stephen Parish Hall 11723 - 92 Street, Edmonton

Enjoy our Pig Roast Dinner

Cocktails – 5:00pm Dinner – 6:00pm

Tickets \$25.00 per person.

RSVP by September 11, 2015 Marcel Pereira, President

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MD C HALL OF FAME NOMINATION AND DISTRICT C-I AWARDS

The District C-I Awards Chairman is requesting nominations for the following awards. The deadline for nominations is September 30, 2015

DISTRICT C-1 YOUTH ACTIVITIES AWARD

The District Governor will make the decision on the club which is to be presented with the award based on the following criteria. To be eligible for this award, the Club must have completed at least six of the following in the Lionistic Year:

- 1. Participated in Lions Youth Exchange through their club members personally hosting a youth exchange student.
- 2. Provided a financial contribution to the District 37L Youth Exchange Program or to the MD 3 7 Youth Exchange Program.
- 3. Sponsored youth(s) to travel on the Lions Youth Exchange or to attend a Lions Youth Camp.
- 4. Participated in or financially supported Lions Quest.
- 5. Participated in or financially supported at least two local youth organizations such as Scouts, Girl Guides, minor hockey, minor ball or other organized and recognized nonprofit youth groups.
- 6. Provided financial support to the District C-l and Sri Lanka Foster Child Program.
- 7. Made a financial contribution to Camp He Ho Ha.
- 8. Sponsored a new Leo Club in their community.
- 9. Provided funds to purchase equipment for children with special medical needs or for children who are blind or deaf.
- 10. Participated in the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest.
- 11. Patiicipated in and/or financially supported Project Pride.

A letter of nomination must be received by the District Awards Chairperson no later than September 30, 2015

MD C HALL OF FAME NOMINATION CRITERIA

Although the Hall of Fame is a Multiple District award, nominations must be sent to the District for a vote at the district convention.

Any Lion, Lioness, Lions Club, Lioness Club, or Zone may nominate a candidate from District C-1 to the Multiple District C Hall of Fame.

- 1. There is no nomination fee.
- 2. There may be a maximum of one (1) candidate per district, inducted into the Hall of Fame each year.
- The Awards Chairman must receive nominations at least 30 days prior to the District's
 Annual Convention. Each individual District will hold an election to determine the successful candidate.
- 4. The award may be presented to either a Lion or Lioness and only one recipient per District may be elected annually.
- 5. The award may be presented posthumously.
- 6. Each candidate must have 15 years of service and be two years removed from Council (if they have served as a member of the Council of Governors).
- Each candidate should have qualifications above and beyond the call of duty including social and human endeavours. He/she should be of good moral character and have a good reputation in his/her community.
- 8. All sponsors will use the standard form, No other will be accepted.
- 9. The sponsors will ensure the candidate, or representative, will be in attendance at the Multiple District Convention.
- 10. All successful candidates will be inducted to the Hall of Fame at the next MD C convention.
- 11. A brief biography of each inductee shall be announced to the delegates attending the

annual MD C convention, and published in the subsequent MD C newsletter. The application for this award may be found on the MD C website.

The application must be received by the DISTRICT A WARDS CHAIRPERSON no later than September 30, 2015.

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

This Award was established in 1997 in recognition of the outstanding. Leadership qualities in Lionism displayed by the late Lion Dr. Lynn G. Hall. Lion Lynn was a member of various clubs for over 50 years, serving two terms as District Governor: 1952-53 and 1976-77. Always quick to step forward, no matter what the project, Lion Lynn was a leader by example. He exemplified what Lionism is all about. His professional life included teaching and school administration as well as serving as the Mayor of Lac La Biche and Councilor of Wainwright.

AWARDS CRITERIA

- 1. A Lion Member in good standing with a Lions Club for a MINIMUM OF TEN YEARS.
- 2. A Lion who has demonstrated continuous leadership for a MINIMUM OF THREE YEARS.

3. A Lion whose leadership may be at the community, club, district or International level or a combination thereof.

APPLICATION CRITERIA

- Application may be made by any Lion in good standing within District C-I
- 2. The nomination to be in the form of a letter which includes the following:
 - a. Name of Award applied for
 - b. Name of the nominated Lion
 - c. Name of that Lion's Club
 - d. When the Lion became a member
 - e. Their commitment to Lions
 - f. Biography of Nominee

The letter/application must be received by the **DISTRICT AWARDS CHAIRPERSON** by September 30, 2015

The awards chair must receive nominations by September 30, 2015

Please forward to:

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P.O. Box 3194
Fort Saskatchewan AB T8L 2T2
e-mail: gmawoz@shaw.ca

WANTED

1: A Club to host the 2016 District C-1 Convention.

Tentative dates: October 28 & 29 2016 or November 4 & 5 2016.

Interesting Clubs should please contact the Cabinet Secretary Lion Francis Sawiak at <u>ifsawiak@telus.net</u> before the 30th of September 2015 so that it could be added to matters to be voted on at the Sylvan Lake Convention. Bids for 2017 will also be accepted.

2: Cabinet is also looking for members to fill the position of 2nd VDG for 2016; interested candidates should please submit their names with their club endorsement to Lion Frances before the 30th of September.

CLERC REPORT - JULY 2015

Life continues to flourish with CLERC. We have had another exceptional year of Volunteerism from within the District. To date we have hosted 3 Travelling Road Show Eyeglass Work Parties as we continue to spread the word about our one of a kind, Canadian Lions, District Initiative! We had 80 Student and several Redcliffe Lions working at the middle school in Redcliffe, where 3 Local Newspapers and 1 TV station interviewed us. We followed that up with a visit to the Medicine Hat Lions Club, where we had 45 Lions arduously doing all aspects of our process! CLERC also hosted a very successful work Party in the Lethbridge area, big Thanks to Pauline Cooper!

CLERC will release a video of our entire Eyeglass operation, and procedures, to ALL Lions Clubs in the fall. The cost of making this video was so kindly paid for by the Canmore Lions Club. This will enable all Canadian Lions Clubs to understand all aspects of the Journey and the process that eyeglasses take before being shipped off to needy clients. It will also serve as a possible source of funding, to offset the total reliance on our District! It will be on our website and will be available in disc form for Conventions etc.

To date we have hosted 20 work Parties at the CLERC Warehouse with Lions from 65 Clubs taking part! We

have had Lions from BC, Saskatchewan and Ontario stop in and participate also! To date we have had over 800 volunteers, put in 6100 Volunteer hours!

Lions Gordon Prusky, Darryl Rawleigh, Anne Kennedy and Esther Gribben have done an exceptional job in promoting and insuring that this District Program remains a successful, viable entity! The Board has been exceptional at keeping priorities progressive and positive.

CLERC welcomed 1st International VP Corlew and his entourage in July and had 1 more Eyeglass Party this summer on August 15th. It is vital that Council put emphasize on keeping the District News letter Strong and vital. This is a MAJOR marketing tool for Initiatives like CLERC to spread the word within our enlarged District! CLERC intends to attend a few more Conventions this year, and we will have representation in PEI and in NFLD, at their Conventions, as well we will be in Edmonton. So more Travelling Roadshows this year as we hope to continue to educate and spread the word to more of the rural Lions Clubs.

In Lionism James Lee CLERC Chair" Lion Vi Gibb, CLERC

WALKERS WITH DOG GUIDES BRAVE THE ELEMENTS IN OAKVILLE, ONT.

There are so many reasons to walk. And this year, those reasons have resulted in a new fundraising record in *Purina*® *Walk for Dog Guides* history.

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is thrilled to announce this year's Walk raised

\$1,195,201.70

This grand total represents the dedicated work of walk organizers, the support of their communities, the endless hours volunteers contributed, the generosity of each and every donor, and the commendable efforts all participants put forth.

From everyone at Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, thank you for GIVING CANADIANS A NEW LEASH ON LIFE

"I did the walk to support a wonderful organization that is extremely hard working. I am very appreciative of (Dog Guide) Nyla, and she's working extremely hard as well. She is a gem, and has saved my life many times."

- Gillian, Dog Guide client

"I walked because I am a foster parent of six puppies - so far - and see what an impact these dogs make in people's lives. I am so proud of the puppies when they graduate and go on to fulfill their destiny. I am very proud to be associated with Dog Guides which provides these dogs free of charge to people who need them."

- Marlene, volunteer puppy raiser





Here are other results we thought you might be waiting for - the winners of each contest draw! Wait no longer.

For raising more than \$1,000, the draw winner is... Lila, who participated in the Ponoka, AB walk. Lila will receive a \$200 Best Western travel card, courtesy of Best Western, and a one-year supply of pet food, courtesy of Nestle Purina PetCare.

For raising more than \$1,500, the winner of the draw is... Tara, who walked in Placentia, NL She's the new owner of a 32-GB iPad Air, and receives a three-night stay at any Starwood Hotel in North America.

Congratulations to the lucky winners, and thanks to our generous sponsors for making these prizes possible.

The real winners, of course, are the Canadians who will receive the assistance of a Dog Guide, and for making that possible, we thank each and every walker who participated in the 30th annual *Purina Walk for Dog Guides*.

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