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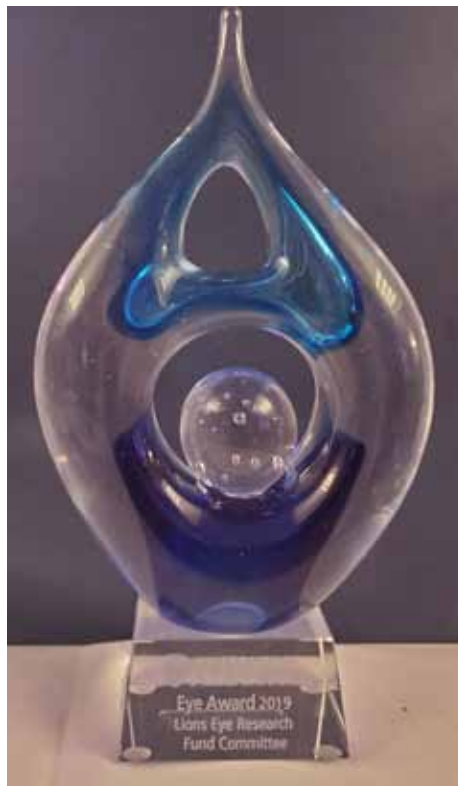
Newsletter Submission
Deadline: September 26

District C-1 Convention Devon November 1 and 2

Registration Form at: <http://lionsc1.org/2019/09/06/district-c-1-convention-november-1-2-2019-devon-ab/>

District C-2 Convention Pincher Creek October 25 and 26

Registration Form at: http://www.e-district.org/userfiles/712/file/090319155938LIONS_October_2019_C.pdf



District C-1 Lions were honoured at the Royal Alexandra Hospital's Eyeball Gala at the Westin Hotel, Edmonton, on September 28, recognizing our outstanding contribution to improved service and research capacity at the eye Institute of Alberta. The Institute is the pre-eminent eye care and surgery centre in Western Canada, treating more than 43,000 patients per year. To this time, Lions have provided more than \$900,000 through the Lions Eye Research Fund to facilitate research and services through the provision of leading edge equipment. The Eye Institute at the Royal Alex is home to all ophthalmologists on the faculty of the University of Alberta.

DG Terry's Notes

Convention is Coming

It is amazing to me how quickly this year is passing. We are just finishing our first quarter of the Lionistic year and clubs in the District are back to full speed after the summer months. I have been visiting with clubs in the District and talking to many of you on the phone and by email. I am amazed at how active you all are in your communities! Where do you find the time?

And now we are approaching our District convention. This year's convention is a little different. We have received many requests from Lions for practical information they can use in their clubs and lives. So, here is just a brief glimpse of some of what you can expect.

GAT: Oh no! Not more initials! Yes, we do love our acronyms and jargon in Lions. Come join our team as they show you how the Global Action Team can help your club grow in Leadership (GLT), Membership (GMT) and Service (GST). And as a bonus, we not only have our team of Suzanne, Walt and Dave; we also have our CA2 Area GAT Leader, IPID Patricia Vannet to help us navigate these new waters.

Security: In the last few months, Lions have been under attack via their computers and phones. Luckily, we have caught most of them before they did any damage. But do you know what to look for? How do you tell if an email is legitimate? What are the warning signs? Join Lion Dale as he gives us some valuable tools to protect our information and privacy.

LCIF: We've got a grant for that!

Ever wondered what makes your charitable foundation so special? Ever felt like nothing comes back to your club? Ever wondered how to access some of the funds donated from the District and around the world? Join our very special international guest, Third International Vice President Dr. Patti Hill as she explains the ins and outs of the grant process at LCIF and what those grants can be used for. And then join Lion Neil Gourley as he shows how Lions in the District are working with the Royal Alexandra Hospital, through our own Lions Eye Research Fund, on a matching grant proposal. See an actual project in the real world.

Centennial Project 2020: Trees, trees and more trees!

See the display and stay for a brief presentation on how what and when. This is something we have done very successfully in the past and is near and dear to Lions hearts. And it fits right into our Environmental pillar of service.

Lions Clubs Service on Display: From Lions Foundation of Canada to Lions Eye Research Fund to Diabetes Canada to Lions Cavalcade to displays by District Lions Clubs, of some of their most effective service projects, there will be lots to see and do.

And of course, we have the business of our District: We will be voting on our executive for next year. But even better: We have two

When life gives you melons, you might be dyslexic.

terrific candidates for Vice Council Chair. PDG Hank Hoekstra and PDG Frances Sawiak have both stepped up to run as our candidate from District C-1 for the position of Multiple District C Vice Council Chair. The Vice Council Chair also acts as the MD Finance Chair and moves up to Council Chair the following year. A daunting task but one both candidates are more than qualified to do. We are very fortunate in C-1 to have leaders of such high quality and dedication.

So join us in Devon on November 1 and 2 as we celebrate service in our District and around the world. Join us for learning, fun and fellowship as we continue what is turning out to be a terrific year.

Regional Lions Learning Institute

has been postponed due to a lack of registrations, and is now scheduled for March 12 - 15 2020 at the Executive Royal Hotel in Edmonton.

Multiple District C will provide meals and lodging according to the dates and schedule of the institute. Please note that a non-refundable participation fee of CDN \$175.00 will be required to offset a portion of these costs for all institutes.

Participants are also responsible to pay for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site. **Note that the cost of the Institute and accommodations is paid by MD C. Your Club or District C-1 may help with travel costs and the participation fee. Check with PCC Betty Ann Robson, Multiple District Global Leadership Team chair:**

lionbettyann100@gmail.com

Full information and application at: <http://lionsc1.org/2019/05/20/mdc-regional-lions-leadership-institute/>



Edmonton Millwoods and South Edmonton Lions collaborate to prepare and serve supper to 300 clients at the Mustard Seed church on September 4.

Campaign 100

My name is R. W. (Scotty) Duff. I am your L.C.I.F Cabinet Chairman for 2019/2020 and 2020/2021. I have been a Lion since 1975, have served in multiple cabinet positions and been a DG twice. I envision meeting with as many clubs as possible to promote LCIF and the new Campaign 100 program. I hope to have a display table at convention in Devon. Also, convention will have a presentation by Third International Vice President Dr Patti Hill to further explain LCIF's goals.

Address Change

Lions Legacy Scholarship Club Applications

Please submit to:

W. Webber PID
220- 6503 – 170 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5Y 3W7
wandjwebber@gmail.com

Last night, I played poker with Tarot cards ... got a full house and 4 people died." – Steven Wright

Lions Leadership

As your Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator for District C1 for 2019-2020, I will be working with clubs and members in our district to encourage leadership development. In order for our organization to stay strong and prosper we must encourage the next generation of Lions to take an active role in leadership development.

What does that mean?

As a member, you have an opportunity to develop your leadership skills and learn so much about Lions. All members should have an opportunity to take on the role of a director or executive in your club. There are numerous self development courses, webinars, online courses, district training, Lions Learning Centre courses, and many others to consider. Something for everyone to learn at their own pace.

The first thing I encourage all members to do is print a copy / or bookmark the Lions Club International (LCI) 2019-2020 Standard Club Constitution and Bylaws. It is beneficial for all members to understand LCI's vision, mission and purposes. It specifically lays out the Code of Ethics for all Lions members and clubs.

As a club, prior leaders in your club should mentor new Lions and provide them with an opportunity to develop and take on positions within the club in order to foster the next generation of Lions. I will be working with clubs to provide member orientation on a regular basis and to encourage new members to attend District, Multiple District and LCI organized training. If you are a club officer or interested in being a club officer there are Club Officer e-books to guide you through your role.

I have a clean conscience. I haven't used it once until now.

If you have any questions about leadership in your club, and/or courses and information you are interested in, please email me and I will help where I can.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Suzanne Leshchysyn

Global Leadership Team (GLT)
Coordinator C-1

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District C-1 Convention Elections

Voting will be held on November 2 to confirm the positions of District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor, and 2nd Vice District Governor.

In addition, there will be a vote for a Multiple District C Vice Council Chair candidate for 2020 - 2021. There are two candidates for this position:

IPDG Frances Sawiak
PDG Hank Hoekstra



Lions of Alberta Foundation (LOAF)

Has your club ever....

- Awarded a Bill Webber Sight Fellowship
- Awarded a Lions Legacy Scholarship
- Awarded a Sight Bursary for a blind student attending college or university
- Awarded a Dr. Jack Dobush Fellowship
- Awarded a Dr. Patti Hill Fellowship
- Contributed to the Fort McMurray Forest Fire Disaster Fund
- Contributed to the Southern Alberta Flood Fund
- Contributed to the Slave Lake Forest Fire Disaster Fund
- Contacted the Foundation for charitable receipts

If you have done any of these activities, you have been partnering with the Lions of Alberta Foundation. So why not help direct the future of our foundation?

YOU ARE INVITED!!!

- Come to our Fall Board Meeting and learn how your club can benefit.
- Annual General Meeting (AGM) will also be held with elections for a number of positions including Directors responsible for the Dr. Jack Dobush Fellowship, and LOAF Casino. If you have questions about any of the positions, please contact PCC Tom.
- Each Lions Club in Multiple District C has one vote at the AGM providing they are in good standing with LCI, the District and the Multiple District.

WHEN: October 20, 2019
10:00 am – 3:00 pm
(Lunch will be provided on site, please RSVP)

WHERE: Sylvan Lake Lions Hall
5119 50A Avenue
Sylvan Lake AB T4S 1E1

RSVP: Please advise Lion Suzanne Leshchysyn by October 11, 2019 if you are attending. Numbers for lunch are required.
Email: loafalberta+secretary@gmail.com

Thank you,
PCC Tom Hodgson
Chairperson
Email: loafalberta@gmail.com

GST Coordinator's Report

We Serve, the motto of Lions around the world. Service to others has been the focus of Lions, and our communities have benefitted ever since. Now, more than ever, Lions are being asked to find new ways to serve our communities and global causes. "How can we do this" you may ask? Come and join me on a Service Journey! No reservations needed. Just a quick tour through the many Service Project Planners available at lionsclubs.org/planners. Idea starters or proven activities to help your club with a new service project.

Pack your suitcase with lots of resources designed to help your club find more ways to serve your community. Resources like the Club and Community Needs Assessment, Fundraising Guide, Developing Local Partnerships, and, Why Service Reporting Matters. All are available at lionsclubs.org/toolkit. Your all-inclusive tour also includes Diabetes Fact Sheets, to help your club educate your community about the impact of diabetes. Find these at lionsclubs.org/fact-sheets.

When your journey is over, don't forget to tell everyone about it. Report your activity on MyLion. Let the world know how your club is making a difference in your community and around the world. Reporting also recognizes the volunteers who have helped make your activity a success, and, could make them eligible for the many Service Awards available. Also, your unique club activity could become the next signature activity of Lions Clubs International (LCI).

As your District Service Team (GST) Co-ordinator for C-1, it's my goal to have clubs in the District report on each of your activities throughout the year. Reporting allows LCI to show our partners, and potential partners, the impact Lions are making around the world. These

partnerships help provide resources for new initiatives and provide funds for humanitarian relief. A few minutes on MyLion could make all the difference to the needy everywhere.

If you have any questions on service projects or reporting your activities, please email me and I'll be sure to help where I can.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Dave Leshchyshyn
District Service Team (GST) Co-ordinator
Email: davensuzie@shaw.ca

Rather than having this empty space, I would rather report the doings and projects of your Clubs. Did you know that only 10% of the District's Clubs (that's about 10 or so) report their activities to LCI with any regularity. We need to be proud of what we do, and we need to share our accomplishments with anyone who will listen.

I recently decided to sell my vacuum cleaner as all it was doing was gathering dust.



SYLVAN LAKE & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

Invites you to join us to celebrate our

65th Charter Anniversary

Saturday November 16, 2019

Cocktails: 5:30 pm Dinner: 6:30 pm

Lions Hall: 5119 - 50A Avenue, Sylvan Lake, Alberta

Entertainment

Tickets: \$ 30.00

Please R.S.V.P. by November 8th to

Denise Valaire at dvalaire@shaw.ca or call 403-505-9907

or

Fred Schmaltz at fjschmaltz@shaw.ca or call 587-876-2322

Lions help Aspen (Morinville) residents with Heart to Heart Hamper donations

Lions Club of Morinville President Tina Gougeon and Lion Pauline Kocsir presented Aspen House Recreation Therapist Leeza Shymka (centre) with two hampers at the Lions Club meeting.

Heart to Heart Hampers is a project of compassion.

The Hampers are filled with essential items for those who require immediate access to the basics needs upon admittance to Aspen.

The project started after the Recreation Team identified a need when a client was transferred out of the hospital and ended up in Morinville, a community they did not know or have ties to and no family or friends in the area.

Aspen House Recreation Therapist Leeza Shymka, Morinville FCSS and Senior's Programmer Community Services have identified the need to be proactive for the future, to be able to provide for those when they are in a prohibitive situation.

Shymka emphasized the best care possible is provided at Aspen House but these hampers are personal items that anyone would be expected to provide and some do come with this stuff and some without and they have no finances in place.

Shymka said there is no rainy day fund for personal items.

Some clients have been admitted with only a hospital gown and they have a Case Manager they just might not have a trustee assigned to manage their affairs.

One individual did not know that when she went to the hospital she would not return to her home again and was sent to Aspen and that is when the individual could have used a Heart to Heart Hamper.

It is stressful enough to send them somewhere from the hospital they do not know with no access to basic needs and placed in a small room with nothing there but an empty closet and bare walls. The Heart to Heart Hamper would make them feel like more at home in a facility of caring people.

It was upon inquiring if there was anything available for emergency preparedness when someone gets sent to a community that the project came to be.



250 lbs here on Earth is 94.5 lbs on Mercury. No, I'm not fat. I'm just not on the right planet.

The hampers are not gender specific and include neutral coloured bed sheets, quilt cover, personal hygiene products such as toothpaste, toothbrush, bar of soap, shampoo, comb, towels, toilet paper, tissues, nail clippers to name a few.

The hampers also include a Heart to Heart quilt donated by members of the Scrap Happy Quilters.

The request for donations is for items on the hamper list or gift cards to help fill future baskets.

The gift cards could be used to purchase clothing and undergarments if the client arrives and requires a few items.

At this time they are very grateful to the Midstream Support Society for all of their support and what they can offer.

This request is to ensure the continuation of the project and that the community understands the importance of this project and how it can happen to any senior admitted at Aspen.

The hamper filled with essentials is for one time only by new clients at Aspen until the recipient is established at their new location or with some exception.

They estimate they would use maybe 3 or 4 hampers a year but want to be prepared now and have supplies on hand for a few more hampers. Clients just do not have the finances on hand for situations where, in a matter of 24 hours they have to get supplies for a client.

- Lucie Roy

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District C-1 Candidates for Endorsement to the MD C Vice Council Chair to be elected at the MD Convention

IPDG Frances Sawiak:

My name will be on the ballot for endorsement as a C-1 candidate for the position of MD Vice Council Chair 2020-2021

With over 10 years of being a Vegreville Lions Club member, having held positions as President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tail Twister, Playground/Spray Park Building and Fundraising Chair (a \$2+ million project with phases completed 2010 – 2012 - 2016 new 2020)

Within the District have held positions of Cabinet Secretary, 2nd VDG, 1st VDG, and District Governor 2018-2019, on the Multiple District steering committee for the 2022 USA/Canada Forum (Calgary)

Have attended many International Conventions and USA/Canada Forums ,Lions Leadership Training Institutes.

I am a dedicated Lion, and the Lions motto "WE SERVE" is part of my volunteering portfolio for Community, District and Multiple District

See you in Devon

Thank you for your support

IPDG Frances Sawiak



PDG Hank Hoekstra

- 43 years member of Boy Scouts, as member, leader, trainer, member of the Board, Edmonton Region (three terms); Medal of Merit
- M.Ed in Instructional Technology
- 5 years teaching (Drayton Valley)
- 29 years teaching teachers at the University of Alberta (now retired) as Academic Staff
- Spouse Sharon a semi-retired Kindergarten teacher
- Son Gavin is a lawyer in Vancouver
- 2 grandsons (identical twins) now 3½ years old
- Daughter Elaine works in the film industry in Vancouver
- Canoeing, Pioneering Instructor: Canadian Yachting Assn certified instructor, Royal Life Saving Society Boat Rescue Award
- A Lion since 1986 (South Edmonton Lions)
- 3¾ terms as President
- Zone Chair 2 times
- Lions Link Editor since 2007
- Former MD37 Lions' Tales Editor
- Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow
- Bill Webber Fellow
- Judge Brian Stevenson Fellow
- International President's Medal
- 4 International Presidents' Certificates
- 2006 MD 37 Convention Chair
- 2015 - 2016 District Governor C-1

District C-1 Calendar

2019

10 20 LOAF annual Meeting

10 25-26 C-2 Convention

11 1 MD Council Meeting

11 1-2 C-1 Convention

11 9 Ft Sask 70th Charter

11 16 Sylvan Lake 65th Carter

Sylvan Lake

Pincher Creek

Devon

Devon

Fort Saskatchewan

Sylvan Lake

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Derwin Bartlett mytyke@yahoo.com

Denise Valaire dvalaire@shaw.ca

2020

6 26-30 International Convention

9 17-19 USA/Canada Forum

Singapore

Louisville Kentucky

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2021

6 25-29 International Convention

9 9-11 USA/Canada Forum

Montreal

Des Moines Iowa

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2022

7 1-5 International Convention

9 USA/Canada Forum

New Delhi, India

Calgary

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DISTRICT C-1 CONVENTION

Friday November 01, 2019

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm Registration & Certification

Tail Twister.

5:00 - 6:00 No Host Bar

6:00 Dinner -

7:15 Speaker P.I.P Brian Stevenson

7:45 Opening of the Convention by Lion
District Governor Terry Kozma

8:00 Flag Ceremony National Anthem
Official Greetings
Mayor Ray Rayph
MLA Mark Smith
MP Hon Mike Lake

8:30 Professional Entertainment celebrating the
The Devon Lions Club 70th anniversary
Charter 1949 - 2019.

DEVON LIONS 70th

Saturday November 02, 2019
Breakfast on your own

8:30 am to 11:00 am Registration & Certification

9:00 am Tail Twister

First Plenary session
Nominations

District Governor 2020 - 2021

1st Vice District Governor - 2022 - 2021

2nd Vice District Governor - 2022 - 2023

Vice Counsel Chair

Hall of Fame - Nominees

9:20 am Second Plenary Session

9:25 Celebration of Life Service

9:45 Security Mike Hennig

10:45 100,000 Trees/100 years
Canadian Lions

11:30 Mark Haine - Moving Foreword

Noon - Luncheon - Citizen of Distinction Award

1:15 pm Third Plenary Session

1:15 pm Voting

1:30 pm Lottery Procedure

1:45 pm Health Regulations

ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM

Fourth Plenary Session 2:00 pm

2:00 pm Presentation: Club Projects Mike Hennig

2:20 pm Presentation - LERF

2:40 pm Presentation

3:00 pm 3rd Vice Pres, Patti Hill

3:45 pm Closing Session

Presiding District Governor Terry Kozma

Election Results

Convention Report

Tail Twister Report

6:00 No Host Bar

6:55 Grand March

7:00 District Governors Banquet Presiding
Vise District Governor Chanprit Baweja

7:00 Dinner Speaker
3rd Vice President Lion Patti Hill

Presentations
Awards