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Next Newsletter
Submission Deadline:
28th day of current month

From the desk of DG Chanprit (Prince) Baweja

Greetings fellow Lions. As we go into the holiday season there are many who need our help more than ever. With the current state of our country and situation we must adapt how we serve. There have been many great suggestions that have been put forward. Whether you do diabetes or vision screening, feed those in need, pack food at the food bank, or provide services to those who are shut in, keep up the good work. Please report your service as well. If you are still having challenges in reporting online, please reach out to our DG team or our District Service Chair, Dave Leshchyshyn.

Many of our clubs are challenged for funds and doing fundraising. One of the options that you have available to you as a non-profit organization, the federal CEBA program has been opened to us. The link is https://www.wd-deo.gc.ca/eng/20065.asp. You apply through your bank and many clubs are reporting success in receiving funds. This provides for up to \$40K with up to 25% being forgivable. Please read up on the website for details. On top of this, there are provincial funds also available for you to access. Please use your sound judgement and utilize the resources available to you.

Our district has also put together a committee for our centennial project. Do you have a suggestion or idea? Want to participate? Please reach out to me and I will make sure that it gets to the committee.

Lastly, Mandeep and I want to wish you all a safe and peaceful holiday season. Spend time with your loved ones whether it is in person or virtually. I would also ask you to reach out to someone you have not been in contact with for a while. God bless and be well.

Yours in Lionism DG Prince

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Lions in Action5 Guide Dogs Special9-10	2022	Jul 01-05 Sep ? ?	International Convention USA/Canada Forum	New Delhi, India Calgary AB	lionsclubs.org lionsforum.org	
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS



See life through Lion lenses in Montréal!

Online registration is officially open for LCICon 2021 Montréal, where Lions and Leos from around the world will come together to celebrate a life of service while indulging in the culture and life of Montréal. Find out what's in store for you at this year's international convention!

SEE THE LATEST LCICON NEWS
REGISTER NOW



ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (ALLI)

<u>Location</u>: Toronto, on, Canada <u>Dates</u>: March 13-15, 2021

Application Deadline: December 13, 2020

Applicants: Lions from Constitutional Area 1 & 2 – United States of America, Its Affiliates, Bermuda & The Bahamas & Canada

Languages Offered: English

Participant Qualifications

- Applicants must be Lions that have completed a successful term as club president, but have not yet attained the position of first vice district governor. Lions members who are currently serving as club presidents will be considered on a spaceavailable basis.
- Applicants must be willing to commit to attending all days of the institute, including group mealtimes, and understand that personal time is extremely limited. Attendance at all classroom sessions and scheduled meals is mandatory.
- 3. Applicants must be capable of understanding and participating in the language of instruction at this institute.

DOWNLOAD APPLICATION FORM

THE CLUB DIGEST

A MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE LASTEST LION NEWS

CLUB NEWS November 2020

Reminder: New Member Fee Waiver Deadline Is December 31

Attract and report new members before the end of 2020 to take advantage of the new member fee waiver. Don't forget — new members help ensure your club's success for years to come! GET STARTED •

Explore Ways to Serve Safely

Visit the "Serving Safely" webpage to find virtual service ideas and inspiring Lion stories. Remember, virtual service counts — so report all in-person and virtual service activities and meetings in MyLion® or your regional reporting system! START PLANNING •

CA VI Lions: Interested in Joining Lions' Faculty?

Lions with training experience are invited to apply for the upcoming Faculty Development Institute March 18-20 in Kathmandu, Nepal, for CA VI Lions. Applications are due December 18. LEARN MORE.

Leadership Training Coming to CA IV

Are you a current or former club president looking to build your leadership skills? Apply to attend the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute in Paris.

Applications are due December 20. APPLY NOW.

Submit Your Photo for the Melvin Jones Photo Contest

Celebrate LCIF Week by taking part in the Melvin Jones photo contest! Lions may submit one entry, and no purchase or donation is required to participate. The deadline to participate is December 31. LEARN MORE •

Connect with Like-Minded Clubs through the Member Portal Newsfeed

Log in with your Lion Account to network with clubs with similar interests using the Member Portal Newsfeed. This tool is ideal for specialty clubs looking for tips and ideas to increase their service impact. LOG IN •

New Leo-Lion Pins Are Here

Leo-Lion members should expect to receive their exclusive membership pins about a month after they join. If your Leo-Lion members joined prior to October 1, 2020, and have not received their new pins, contact memberservicecenter@lionsclubs.org.

Need Help in Tough Times

We're here to help



Alberta Health Services

Lion Judy Evans from our club has shared with us an information website that I would say maybe valuable for our clubs to have as a contact list if needed by whoever (purpose to help keep our Lions and those around them informed about the help contacts available from AHS).

ALBERTA HELTH SERVICES

Wonderful to have a Lion like Judy who has the background of being a professional medical (infection control) nurse and sharing that perspective on ways to help others in this time of Covid-19. Great Outreach in caring for Lions and others.

Lion Barb Riley, President, St. Albert Host Lions



O Your Entries 269 Total Entries

30 Days Left

LCIF Week Melvin Jones Photo Contest



MJF PHOTO CONTEST LNK
ENTER CONTEST

CAMPAIGN 100 CONTINUES ON!

On January 13, Lions around the world will celebrate the birthday of Melvin Jones. He will be a sprightly 142 years young! Why do we care? Because without Melvin Jones, there would be no Lions. Our world would be a much smaller and sad place because Lions make a difference. And one of the ways we make a difference is through our own charitable organization, Lions Clubs International Foundation. LCIF was founded by Lions for Lions as a way for us to raise money for our charitable work around the world.

So how can you and your club help? PIP Judge Brian Stevenson has issued a challenge to all clubs in our area: To celebrate Melvin Jones" 142nd birthday, he is asking that clubs consider giving a Melvin Jones Fellowship to a deserving member or citizen in their community. You could present the MJF on January 13 as a birthday gift to our organization. Some clubs actually have funds on "deposit" with LCIF that would partially fund the Fellowship. They just need a little more to bring the funds up to the \$1000.00 US level (approximately \$1350.00 CAD). If you need to know if that is the case for your club, please contact either your Zone Chair or me. We will ensure you get your balance if any.

In addition, PIP Gudrun, as the Chair of LCIF, has a contest to celebrate Melvin Jones birthday. This is a photo contest where Lions send in pictures of themselves with their Melvin Jones plaque or pin, or of themselves doing a Vision project or a youth oriented project, both areas of primary focus for Lions and LCIF over many years. Details are in a separate article in this newsletter. I look forward to seeing all of your smiling faces. Please note that the vision and youth photos can be from previous years. We are celebrating our service over the years.

Take care and stay well. I hope you all have a happy and healthy holiday season.

IPDG Terry Kozma, District C 1 LCIF Coordinator





Help us fight Hunger and Poverty

this December



We see how the global hunger and nutrition crisis bears upon our local communities.

We work towards ensuring all community members have access to the nutritious foods they need.



#100LionsCanada

Join your local Lions Club today!

Many of you know that Lions from across Canada are working to build a Stronger Identity for Lions in Canada, in order to support each district's service, public image and membership growth.

Above is a public awareness POSTER that we ask you to **share with each club member** to support all things Lionistic in Canada.

IVP Dr. Patti Hill

To obtain a printable electronic copy of this poster in English and French to post on local notice boards please contact your Lions Link editor.









Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Lions and LEOS, I bring you Holiday greetings from your Council of Governors.

During this Holiday season, we reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. We are thankful for our blessings, where we live in the world, and our families and friends. We are blessed to have a second family called Lions.

Together we unit to Serve others, bring joy to those less fortunate, and make a difference within our home communities. Many of our local food banks need our help, especially at this time of the year. I would ask all Lions and LEOS to consider ways to collect food or donate dollars to your community Food Banks. Reach out to neighbours who may need help obtaining food, be a Snow Angel and shovel someone's walkway, keep in contact with your fellow Lions and LEOS. Ensure we all stay safe and continue to make a difference.

It is important that we all remain strong and positive. I ask you all to remember why you agreed to be a Lion. To make a difference, to serve, you are a Lion and proud.

2021 is fast approaching. This will be an important year for all of us with positive change coming throughout the world.

I would like to Thank all of you for all that you do and all that we have accomplished together as Lions.

May you and your families have a festive and safe Holiday Season.

Merry Christmas, Lion Tyler Bray / MDC Council Chair

REPORTABLE SERVICE ACTIVITIES

What a pleasure it's been going on MyLion and seeing all the projects and activities clubs in the Multiple Disrtict have been completing, and reporting over the past couple of months. Thank you for staying active, engaged and serving your community. I'm still hearing some clubs aren't reporting on MyLion because they say they aren't active. So, I've put together a list of Lions activities that ARE reportable on MyLion and are likely happening to some degree in your club every month.

Secretary Admin Duties i.e.

MMR reporting, correspondence on behalf of the club, preparing minutes, calling members for projects, wellness checks, etc.

Treasurer Admin Duties i.e.

Deposits, cheque preparation, bill payments, preparing treasurer reports, donation presentations, etc. President Admin Duties i.e.

Meeting agenda preparation, communication with community members on behalf of the club, donation presentations, etc.

Training i.e.

Webinars, Lions University, Lions Learning Centre, Lions Virtual Training, RLLI, ALLI, ELLI, FDI, AGLC training, district officer training, zone chair training, Lions orientation, any training taken on behalf of the club

Club committee, community meetings (Town Council, Community Services, etc) representing the club, District Cabinet, Multiple District Council, Convention committee, Lions of Alberta Foundation, Lions Eye Research Fund, Zone Meetings, MD and District committee meetings, member induction, officer installation, awards

Community Assistance i.e.

night, zoom meetings, etc.

Food delivery, food bank assistance, food collection, blood donor drives, meal preparation or serving at soup kitchen, toy collection for kids, coat collection for less fortunate, eyeglass collection and sorting for CLERC, can tab collection for Diabetes or wheelchairs, park clean ups, highway clean ups, beautification projects, community gardens, etc.

Community Partners i.e. Chamber of Commerce, Town Council, FCSS, Fire Department, RCMP, Schools, (Project Pride, Peace Poster, Lions Quest, Lions Legacy Scholorships) Hospitals, 4-H Clubs, other Service Groups, local Dealerships, Grocery Stores, Shopping Centres, Seniors Centres, Food Banks, Salvation Army, Red Cross, CNIB, etc. (any communication with or meetings attended where your club would partner for a community event)

Community Activities i.e.

parades, Christmas Caroling, reading to children or seniors, tree planting, playground construction or maintenance, campground management, golf tournaments, curling bonspiels, etc. (anything volunteered for while representing your club)

Fundraising i.e.

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Walk, time spent working casinos, bingos, ticket sales, catering, bartending, security, pancake breakfasts, barbecues, food booths, auctions, etc. (any volunteer time for a club fundraiser or while volunteering at community fundraisers while representing your club)

Lions Events i.e.

USA/CANADA Forum attendance, International Convention attendance, District Convention attendance, Multiple District Convention attendance, Club Visitations, new club or charter anniversary, etc.

I've probably missed a ton of projects and activities your clubs are involved with, but, you get the picture. Almost everything you do as a Lion is reportable service. Now it's up to the clubs to make sure they report their service on MyLion. It's a Lions Clubs International requirement, and I know all Lions tasked with the duty of reporting will fulfill the obligations of their position.

I'd like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, hopefully with loved ones close by. May the New Year bring us fewer challenges, more fellowship, more kindness and more Service.

Lion Dave Leshchyshyn, Mulitple District C Service Co-ordinator

LIONS IN CANADA

CAMPAIGN 100 CONTINUES ON!



Our Canadian Lions centennial celebration will come to a close July 2021. We have set two goals to commemorate this historic event.

- 1. To plant 100,000 trees across Canada
- **2.** To create a centennial project in each community where Lions are present.

If your club wishes to be a part of the tree planting goal now is the time to purchase seedlings for planting next spring.

Place your order **ASAP** for a spring 2021 delivery of seedlings from Tree Time. Contact information:

treetime.ca will give you the catalogue with types of trees and prices.

Jennifer Myron sales@treetime.ca

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Phone 1 844 873 3700

Bill Webber PID

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Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides They change lives

With 400 dogs in training and 1000 active teams across Canada, consider donating before December 31, 2020 to have your donation matched

See Page 9 for details

PDG Frances Sawiak (incoming elected LFC Director

LIONS IN ACTION



LIONS INTERNATIONAL 2020 PEACE POSTER CONTEST - DISTRICT WINNER



Here is the District winner for the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. The 2020-21 Theme is "Peace Through Service" and the winner is Elena Begovic – Grade 8 student from Richard S. Fowler Catholic Jr. High School.

The 2nd place winner is Jillian Arcellana – Grade 8 student from Richard S. Fowler Catholic Jr. High School and 3rd place winner is Cloe Bamba – Grade 8 student from Vincent J. Maloney Catholic Jr. High School.

PDG Claude Carignan

BLINDMAN VALLEY LIONS CLUB



The Blindman

Valley Lions Club has been keeping busy and enjoying this mild start to our winter season. We have helped out at the Bentley Ag societies Halloween car Bingo event. This was a great social distance activity for all and we had a lot of fun helping and seeing the creativity with costumes.



We gave a helping hand to the Bluffton Chamber of Commerce. They had a sign knocked down at their park which requires a new post dug in and cemented. We did this the old fashioned way with post hole augers. So once again their sign is up and on display.



We got approached to help decorate Paskapoo Historical Park. We gathered up our extra decorations and members donated a couple of new ones. Together we decorated the beautiful bridge they have over the pond. Hoping this will be an ongoing event for us year after year. If you are around Rimbey stop in and take a walk thru the park. It has been transformed into a Christmas wonderland.

Trudy Rangen

THE ST. ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB

Congratulations St. Albert Winners of the Lions Legacy Scholarship



Annika Neset (Paul Kane High) and Elise Frederickson (St. Albert High) are this year's winners of the Lions Legacy Scholarship recognizing their 90+ average and their personal commitment to making our world a better place and reflecting the Lion Motto "We Serve". Thanks to the partnering of Lions of Albert Foundation (LOAF) and St. Albert Host Lions Club for making this annual project happen.

Lion Barb Riley, President

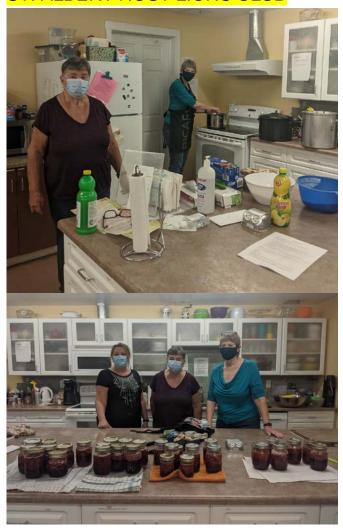
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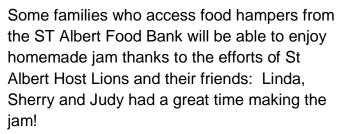


At the food bank packing hampers to help those in need.

Copied from Facebook

ST. ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB





Judy Evans, Marketing & Communications Chair





HAPPY HOLIDAYS





We are excited to announce a special opportunity! Thanks to the generosity of Dr. Don and Joyce Hilton,

your donation will be doubled!

(up to a maximum of \$50,000 by December 31, 2020)



"Some years ago whilst travelling, Joyce and I were touched by a stranger's generous unheralded assistance. His reply to us was simply, "We are all here to help each other". These days how applicable are those words for all of us. My first encounter with Dog Guides was meeting Hudson, a Service Dog Guide who had been trained to assist my patient Rod. Although Rod relies on a wheelchair, he is able to live independently with the invaluable assistance of each of his Dog Guides. It is our pleasure to encourage more people to help provide Dog Guides."

Dr. Don and Joyce Hilton from B.C. with retired Dog Guide Chilli



A Dog Guide is truly a **priceless gift of independence**. Each one costs approximately \$25,000 to raise, train and partner with its new handler yet they are provided at no cost. This is only possible with the support of many and for this we thank you.

To take advantage of this opportunity to have your gift matched, please give today at www.dogguides.com/donate, by mail or call us at 1.800.768.3030, Ext. 0.

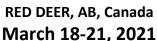


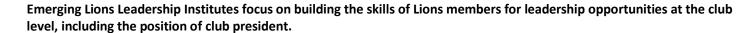
It's the perfect time to consider a monthly donation, which helps us budget and sustain us during these times of uncertainty. For as little as \$10 a month, you can make a difference and your donation

will go a long way to benefit others.

Assisting Canadians with a physical or medical disability by providing Dog Guides at no cost.







PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Candidates for this institute must be from MDC, MD19, 5SKS OR 5SKN. This institute will be conducted in English. Candidates must be capable of understanding and participating in the language of instruction at this institute.
- 2. Candidates must be Lions in good standing who have
- 3. Successfully served on a club committee and who have not yet attained the level of club president. Current charter club presidents are also eligible for this institute.
- 4. Candidates must be willing to commit to all days of the institute, including group mealtimes, understand personal time is extremely limited. Attendance at all classroom sessions and scheduled meals is mandatory.

COST OF THE INSTITUTE

Lions Clubs International will provide meals and lodging according to the schedule of the institute. Please note that according to board policy, a non-refundable participation fee of Cdn\$175.00 will be required to offset a portion of these costs for all institutes. This fee will be due no less than six weeks prior to the institute start date. Please do not send fees until you receive a letter of acceptance to the institute. Participants are also responsible for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site. Fees should be made payable to Multiple District C Lions.

SELECTION PROCESS

Because of the high number of applications received by the association, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. In the selection process the Leadership Development Division strives to achieve maximum geographical representation of districts throughout the constitutional area. All candidates will be notified of selection status no more than two weeks after the application deadline via the email address provided on the application form.

Multiple District C reserves the right to cancel any institute due to insufficient applications submitted by the stated application submission deadline date.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All candidates must complete the following items and submit them as indicated below. All completed documents must be submitted by the stated application submission deadline date in order to be considered.

- A. Candidate's Information Form
- B. Nomination Form must be signed by the applicant's:
 - 1. Club president
 - 2. *District Governor
 - 3. *GLT District Coordinator

Expectations of RLLI graduates:

- 1. Pursue additional leadership roles and responsibilities in their respective clubs.
- 2. Serve as a leadership resource in their respective clubs.
- 3. Share their institute experiences with members of their club and encourage other qualified Lions to apply to the institutes.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE: February 10, 2021

RETURN APPLICATION TO: PCC Betty Ann Robson Box 8 Beaverlodge, AB T0H 0C0

E-mail: lionbettyann100@gmail.com

Electronic completion of this form is strongly encouraged to ensure accuracy of your information. The information typed in this form can be saved and then forwarded to officers for signatures.

To ensure timely receipt of your application, please submit by e-mail.



REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

RED DEER, AB, Canada March 18-21, 2021

CANDIDATE'S INFORMATION FORM

Application Submission Deadline Date: February 10, 2021

Please type or print and	use additional sheets if needed.					
District Number	Membership Number					
First/Given Name	Last/Family N	Name	_			
Current Lions Title	Highest Lions Offic	ice Held				
Languages Offered*	English					
*Yes, I confirm that I the language(s) sele		articipating (reading, writing and speaking fluently) in			
E-Mail*	Preferred 7	Telephone				
*Will be used for ALL cor	mmunication regarding the institute – PLEAS	SE TYPE OR PRINT				
State/Province	Country	Gender Male Female				
Lions Club Name	Club Number	Month and Year Joined				
Have you served as Club	President before? Yes No If yes,	s, club name and date				
Lions Leadership Institute	es Previously Attended (Locations & Dates) if	fany				
Offices held within currer	nt Lions Club					
Committee positions held	d within current Lions Club					
Previous Lions Clubs of w	hich you have been a member					
Offices held within previo	ous Lions Clubs					
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Candidate Signature		Date				

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REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

RED DEER, AB, Canada March 18-21, 2021

NOMINATION FORM

Application Submission Deadline Date: February 10, 2021

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: The Club President, District Governor and GLT District Coordinator of the applicant's district must complete and sign this form. Please see Application Procedure instructions. <u>Please type or print</u>.

Applications submitted without information and required signatures will not be considered for selection.

1. <u>DISTRICT GOVERNOR</u> OR <u>GLT DISTRICT COORDINATOR</u> Please complete this information about <u>THE CANDIDATE</u> :							
Candidate's Name							
Why do you think this candidate will benefit from attending the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute?							
Yes, this Lion is capable of understanding and participating in the selected language(s) of instruction at this institute.							
2. CLUB PRESIDENT							
Name of Club President	Signature of Club President						
Email (please print)	Member number	Date					
 3. <u>DISTRICT GOVERNOR</u> I understand and agree that in the event that the above named candidate is selected to attend and does not cancel his/her registration for the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute in writing 15 days prior to the institute, or does not attend any portion of the institute, the district will be billed for one night's meals and lodging according to Board policy. I have read and agree to the above cancellation policy statement. I certify that this application has been reviewed and supported by the First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor, prior to its submission to MDC. 							
Name of District Governor	Signature of District Governo	or					
Email (please print)	Member number	Date					
4. GLT DISTRICT COORDINATOR							
Name of GLT District Coordinator	Signature of GLT District Coo	ordinator					
Email (please print)	Member number	Date					

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