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<u>Next Newsletter</u> <u>Submission Deadline:</u> <u>28<sup>th</sup> day of current month</u>

# From the desk of DG Chanprit (Prince) Baweja

Hello fellow Lions. As we come to the end of 2020 we move forward to a more positive and fruitful incoming 2021. As lions we have shown our resilience and passion cannot be deterred by a pandemic. While we all faced a lot of adversity in this year, it has also been a fantastic time. We have had to learn and adapt to the circumstances. Our focus and priorities all shifted this past year. We all began to appreciate what we have and to be grateful for all our relationships. I cannot recall talking to anyone this year who said work was more important than life.

Campaign 100 and the new contest sponsored by VP Dr. Patty Hill are still in full force this year. There are so many grants that have been made available to us, we just need to know how to access them. Have an idea? Contact our District Service chairman, Dave Leshchyshyn for assistance. Please read many of the updates that are in our district newsletter to see what is going on. Recently I started giving the MY LION app and have found it very straightforward to use. Getting the reporting rate once you've entered it is something your club secretary needs to do. Once again if you need help please reach out to myself, our District Secretary, our Service chair, or the District administrator.

As you go forward into 2021, we have many projects and ideas that are in the infancy stage and lots of mature projects that we can work on. More people need our help, compassion, and love. That is what Lions represent to the world. Share the love, spend as much time as you can with each other when conditions improve. Be safe and God bless.

Yours in Lionism DG Prince

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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** 

# Thank You for Your Service

A very warm Happy New Year to our Lions family, and a very special THANK YOU to the members and clubs who worked so hard prior to, and during the Christmas season, finding ways to serve your communities. In the season of giving, I know you gave of your time, your resources, your heart, and you gave hope to those that needed it more than ever in the difficult year that was. Where there's a need, there's a Lion. Thank you for filling that need.

The past year is behind us. We can chalk it up to a learning experience. Now, it's time to plan your next SERVICE experience. Despite the challenges of a lockdown, we know that too will pass. Will you be ready to serve your community when it does? This month is certainly the time for planning the second half of your Lionistic year. Your club can still meet and plan via Zoom, Skype, even through your telephone. Please make the effort to plan your upcoming activities now so you're ready to roll when restrictions end. Some things to keep in mind for January, it's Hunger Awareness Month. Even after your efforts before Christmas to collect food, prepare hampers and make deliveries, in many cases, the shelves are close to bare at our foodbanks but the need is still there. Let's help restock the shelves of our foodbanks in January.

Melvin Jones birthday is January 13<sup>th</sup>. Honor a deserving member or community member with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Is there any better way to acknowledge their hard work and dedication to what we do, especially those that went above and beyond this past year? What a special recognition to receive.

I'd like to share some information about an article I came across a couple of months ago. I would consider this "good news" for a change. A doctor and his research team from the University of Alberta have been working on finding a cure for diabetes. Dr. James Shapiro and his team are already well known for transplanting donated islet cells into patients to help with their diabetes. It became known as the "Edmonton Protocol". Now, Dr. Shapiro and his team have successfully used stem cells to cure both Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes in mice. You can CLICK HERE and listen to Dr. Shapiro talk about his work during a radio interview. Of course, the next step is human trials, which requires more research, and of course, more funding. A group called "HEADing to 2022" was established to look after the fundraising. (Click the link to read and hear more about their efforts https://www.headingto2022.com/). You may ask where the "2022" comes from ?? That will be the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first successful injection of insulin to treat diabetes in a 14 year old boy from Toronto. That was shortly after Canadians Dr. Frederick Banting and Charles Best discovered insulin in 1921. Who do you know that suffers from diabetes? How much would a cure mean to them? Where there's a need, there's a Lion! Thank you to the St. Albert Breakfast Lions Club who have already stepped up to the plate. Will you or your club be next? Tell HEADing to 2022 you are a proud Lion, supporting one of our global pillars of SERVICE.

Looking forward to 2021 being full of goodness, kindness, fellowship, membership and of course, SERVICE to our communities.

Lion Dave Leshchyshyn MD C Service Co-ordinator District C-1 Service Co-ordinator

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# THE CLUB DIGEST

A MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE LASTEST LION NEWS

View online

Lions of Canada Logo Contest

Entry deadline January 07, 2021 See page 9 for details

# **LIONS IN ACTION**

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The Sylvan Lake and District Lions club membership participated in a reverse Advent Calendar of daily food items, resulting in approximately 500 lbs of food and a \$300 cash contribution to the Sylvan Lake food bank. Many thanks to Lion Laurie Norris for the great idea. The club even though limited by Covid restrictions, also contributed \$1000 each, to Sylvan Lake Community Partners and the Sylvan Lake Christmas Bureau. So proud of our club in challenging fund raising times.

Lion Jim Watson President.

### **REDWATER LIONS CLUB**



"Friday December 4<sup>th</sup> was the Parade of Lights celebration in the Town of Redwater. Due to Covid – 19 restrictions the usual Festival of Trees and Kris Kringle events had to be restructured so the Community Services Department of the Town arranged to have local residents decorate their homes for a drive by viewing. Included in the process was a drop off for the local food bank and voting for your favorite house. The Lions agreed to be the drop off location for the ballots and set up their Community Christmas Card and signature purple Christmas Tree. Once the Parade of Lights began at 5:30 the Club's mascot arrived to help local businesses and club members celebrate. Featured in the photo are (Lf to Rt) Lion Dave McRae, Past Zone Chairman Lion Jack Dennett, Lion Henry Goeckel and Lion Angel Richards."

Lion Dave.

## **REDWATER LIONS CLUB.**



The Redwater Lions Club sponsored an art contest for students returning to both Redwater Schools this year. The theme was "What Redwater Means to Me" and submissions were received from elementary, junior and senior high students. The winners of the three divisions were presented with \$50.00 gift cards sponsored by the club and the submitted pictures will be displayed by the club during future community events and presentations

David McRae

### TUMBLER RIDGE LIONS CLUB



Lions Grace Walsh, Glenn Miller, Bev Saywell, and Lloyd Frank presenting a cheque for Fifteen Hundred dollars to Ronke Solomon from the Tumbler Ridge, BC Food Bank.

## **REDWATER LIONS CLUB.**



Tori Michaluk, a graduate of Redwater School was the recipient of the Lions Legacy Scholarship sponsored by the Redwater Lions Club and LOAF. Tori is continuing her post-secondary education despite Covid -19 and a broken foot! Good luck Tori

David McRae

### FORT SASKATCHEWAN LIONS CLUB



Trees for city hall, this one done by lions Ron and Carmen Theison *Thanks Rod Lindemann president* 



Globally the year 2020 has been like no other and has tested our strength and determination as Lions.

Our clubs have succeeded in meeting the challenge head on, and have found new and innovative ways to continue serving.

It is time to celebrate our successes and look for the next challenge whatever it maybe.

#### Your friendly Lions Link Editor

PS. Please keep sharing details and photos of your club in action.



# **BLINDMAN VALLEY LIONS CLUB**



Merry Christmas to all of the Lions clubs in both Alberta and of course, throughout the world. We hope you have all found safe ways to serve your communities this season. The Blindman Valley Lions club has kept busy with lots of little projects. In late November we participated in decorating Rimbey's community park. Of course, this is a first for us so, our members scrambled and scrounged through their belonging, some did some shopping and we got the bridge decorated.

Then in early December we participated in Bentley's Santa's curbside pickup. Trying something new this year, with covid-19 restrictions in mind, they wanted to do something special for the children in their community. As you can imagine, it had been heartbreaking not to have your children share in the magic of Santa this year. Not being able to sit on his knee and whisper how you have been a good little boy or girl and what you hope for under your tree. Well, it required a little "out of the box" thinking but, standing on a curve Santa and his helpers managed to keep this moment alive for the kids and their parents. The Blindman Valley lions had put together a package



that consisted of some treats and a colouring contest with crayons. The results to be emailed back to us with more prizes to be mailed out. It was a huge and successful turnout where some emotional parents expressed their gratitude to all. Really heartwarming to be involved with this.



THANK YOU I would like to thank the Blindman Valley Lions Club for helping me with my letters this year.

I received so many children's names and was happy I could write them each a personal letter. It was so nice to hear from you.

Best wishes for a wonderful Christmas with your family.

Mrs. Claus

We also held an event for Mrs Claus who asked for requests from parents for a card from her to their children. Parents were requested to email our club with some information about their children and we would pass this along to Mrs Claus. We were informed that she personally hand wrote a card to each and every request. Again, the gratitude from parents was delightful.

Our final Christmas project was taking manderin oranges, candy canes and Christmas cards to safely drop off at our seniors complexes in both Rimbey and Bentley. Where it was joyfully received. It has warmed our hearts to spread some joy to both young and old this season. While the Covid pandemic has made contact difficult we still found safe ways to make sure our community knows we care, we're here and WE SERVE. Merry Christmas to all. Watch for our upcoming Facebook auction in February.





Spruce View & District Lions Club

BOX 14, SPRUCE VIEW, ALBERTA, CANADA TOM 1V0



December 2020

Dear Fellow Lions of District C1 & C2

The Spruce View and District Lions and Friends have taken on the large project of providing warm fuzzy blankets and knitted hats to cancer patients undergoing treatment at the Red Deer Cancer Clinic.

I know we are all tired of the Covid Pandemic: being isolated, social distancing, wearing masks, no hugs and not being allowed to do all the things we love to do. I can only imagine how this is affecting cancer patients who are so vulnerable.

Being confined to our homes while we are not having in person club meetings and all our usual events have been curtailed, we were looking for ways to help others. We thought craft work was a great way to pass the time and provide some comfort.

The need is great so we are reaching out to other clubs in the area that might also be looking for projects that can be done from home.

If your club or any of your members are interested in participating, please have them contact me for further details.

Hoping to hear from you and working with your Club on this very worthwhile project.

Yours truly and Merry Christmas

Lion Lois Burkinshaw President Spruce View and District Lions

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# The Spruce View & District Lions Club

# & The Innisfail Lions Club

# Challenge District C1 & C2 Lions Clubs to

# meet or beat

# **Our \$1000 Donations to:**



Even though there is a Pandemic, these specialized dogs still require feeding, essential Veterinary care, and the highest levels of training for new clients and their dogs.

The challenge they face every day is providing these services in a

safe and effective way for clients and staff.

# Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides need our support.

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# LIONS OF CANADA LOGO CONTEST

## Lions of Canada Logo Contest

The Marketing Group for the Lions of Canada / Lions du Canada welcome submissions for a logo image that will represent us across this great country. The criteria are:

- a) Must incorporate the Lions
  Logo and be recognizable by the public as a Lions Logo
- b) Must be recognizable as distinctly Canadian
- Must not infringe on any other registered trademarks of other companies or organizations
- d) Must not include any words

FORMAT: Any entry must be submitted in jpeg format and be of a high quality so as to be reproducible.

## DEADLINE: January 7, 2021@

midnight EST.

SUBMISSIONS: Entries may be submitted by any Lion or Leo in Canada to <u>Lionsin Canada@gmail.com</u>

**PRIZE:** The successful entrant will receive an *invaluable Lions gift*.

## Lions du Canada concours logo

Le groupe marketing des Lions du Canada/ Lions of Canada accueille les soumissions pour une image de logo qui nous représentera à travers ce grand pays. Les critères sont:

- a) Doit inclure le logo Lions et être reconnaissable par le public en tant que logo Lions
- b) Doit être reconnaissable comme distinctement canadien
- Ne doit porter atteinte à aucune autre marque déposée d'autres sociétés ou organisations

 d) Ne doit indure aucun mot
 FORMAT: Toute candidature doit être soumise en format jpeg et être en haute résolution afin d'être reproductible.

#### DATE LIMITE: le 7 janvier 2021 à

minuit heure de l'Est SOUMISSIONS: Les inscriptions peuvent être soumises par n'importe quel Lion ou Leo du Canada au lien LionsinCanada@gmail.com

PRIX: Le participant retenu recevra un cadeau Lions inestimable.

### SEND YOUR SUBMISSION TO LionsinCanada@gmail.com



#### EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE RED DEER, AB, Canada March 18-21, 2021

Emerging Lions Leadership Institutes focus on building the skills of Lions members for leadership opportunities at the club level, including the position of club president.

#### 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.
- Candidates must be willing to commit to all days of the institute, including group mealtimes, understand personal time is extremely limited. <u>Attendance at all</u> 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 <u>not guaranteed</u>. In the selection process the Leadership Development Division strives to achieve maximum geographical representation of districts throughout the constitutional area. <u>All candidates will be notified of selection status no</u> <u>more than two weeks after the application deadline via the</u> <u>email address provided on the application form.</u>

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 ELLI 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 TOH 0C0 E-mail: <u>lionbettyann100@gmail.com</u>

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.* 



#### **EMERGING 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	strict Number Membership Number								
First/Given Name	Last/Family Name								
Current Lions Title	Highest Lions Office Held								
Languages Offered*	English								
*Yes, I confirm that I a the language(s) select	am capable of understanding and actively ted above.	participating (readi	ng, writing and spe	aking fluently) in					
-Mail*Preferred Telephone Will be used for ALL communication regarding the institute – PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT									
State/Province	Country	Gender	Male	Female					
Lions Club Name	Club Number	Mont	h and Year Joined						
Have you served as Club P	resident before? 🔄 Yes 🔄 No If ye	es, club name and c	date						
Lions Leadership Institutes	s Previously Attended (Locations & Dates)	ifany							
Offices held within current	t Lions Club								
Committee positions held	within current Lions Club								
Previous Lions Clubs of wh	nich you have been a member								
Offices held within previou	us Lions Clubs								
Committee positions held	within previous Lions Clubs								
Why is this institute of inte	erest to you?								
following: illness, unantie	is not responsible for personal costs, ind cipated or other personal events, lost al insurance information in the event the	or stolen property	of participants.						

Candidate Signature\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_



EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

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

#### NOMINATION FORM

#### Application Submission Deadline Date: February 10, 2021

PLEASE NOTE: 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. Please type or print.

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

#### 1. DISTRICT GOVERNOR OR GLT DISTRICT COORDINATOR -- Please complete this information about THE CANDIDATE:

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 Member number Email (please print) Date

#### 3. DISTRICT GOVERNOR

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 Governor

Email (please print)

Member number

Date

Date

# 4. GLT DISTRICT COORDINATOR

Name of GLT District Coordinator

Signature of GLT District Coordinator

Email (please print)

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