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Submission Deadline:

28th day of current month

From the desk of DG Chanprit (Prince) Baweja

Hello Fellow Lions,

We start the month of March with some exciting news. Our Canadian website for Lions is nearing completion. The official launch party is March 17th at 5 pm MST. The French launch party is scheduled for April 16, 2021 <https://www.lionscanada.ca/>

This has been an ongoing collaborative effort from across our great country. Something that has been long overdue is now in its infancy and a reality.

The Lions International convention will now be held virtually on June 25, 2021. The registration early bird price is \$50 USD until March 31, 2021. Then it goes to its full price of \$75 USD. <https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/>

Every club has at least 1 vote for every 25 members in their club. I encourage you all to attend and show your support for VP Dr. Patti Hill. This is being held in Canada and we need to respond with a great turnout. I would love to see 100 registrations from our district alone!

On the 11th of April, Lions will be hosting a telethon. This is not coordinated by LCI, rather it is by local Lions. Let us show them our support. More details to follow.

As we continue in this current COVID climate, we are making progress and finding new ways to serve. Please take time and tell us about your successes and ideas.

Be safe and remember that Kindness Matters!

Yours in Lionism.
Lion Chanprit S. Baweja (Prince)
District Governor (2020 – 2021)

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS / DATES to REMEMBER

Year	Date	Event	Location	Website
2021	Mar 17	LOC Web Launch Party	virtual	
	Apr 11	LCIF TELL-A-THON	virtual	
	April 30, M1	MDC Convention	Grande Prairie	
	Jun 25-29	International Convention	Virtual (Mtl PQ)	lionsclubs.org
	Sep 09 11	USA/Canada Forum	Des Moines Iowa	
2022	Sept ??-??	Emerging Lions	Red Deer ??	lionsforum.org
	Nov 06	Learning C1 Convention	St. Albert, AB	
2023	Jul 01-05	International Convention	New Delhi, India	lionsclubs.org
	Sep ? ?	USA/Canada Forum	Calgary AB	lionsforum.org
2023	Jul 07-11	International Convention	Boston, Mass	lionsclubs.org

INTERNATIONAL NEWS



103RD LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

[SEE THE LATEST LCICON NEWS](#)

[REGISTER NOW](#)

THE CLUB DIGEST

A MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE
LATEST LION NEWS

[View online](#)

ELLI UPDATE

The faculty for the upcoming ELLI has met and have decided to postpone the institute until September 2021. I am waiting to hear from LCI with approval of the dates. Please send this information out to your clubs. Once I receive approval I will forward the new registration information. Thanks.

PCC Betty Ann Robson

LIONS OF CANADA

VIRTUAL WEBSITE LAUNCH PARTY

MARCH 17, 6:00pm Central Time

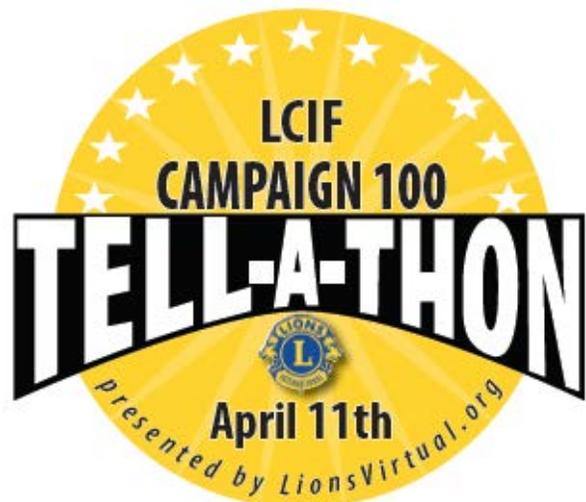


Canadian Lions Celebration w/ VP Patti & ID Al

[JOIN US AT BURMASTER VIRTUAL BAR](#)

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Only 300 bar stools available



Hosted by
First International Vice-President
Douglas Alexander

View on YouTube Live

<https://youtu.be/hC-s5yXPgeo>

See page 8 for more info

DOES YOUR CLUB

publish a monthly NEWS letter?

Share the news

Send in a link to your news letter
and have it highlighted here.

IT'S TIME TO DO SOMETHING!!

I guess the first thing we're all doing is thawing out after the big deep freeze we went through in February. I hope everyone stayed safe and warm.

I'm still hearing clubs say they're not doing anything in their communities because of the current restrictions, Covid, no funds to give out, nobody wants to meet, etc. etc. etc. Well, I think it's time you start doing SOMETHING with your club and in your community, because doing NOTHING isn't the Lions way! The Lions way is finding the need because, where there's a need, there's a Lion. For instance:

Last month I mentioned HEADING to 2022, the fundraising group raising research funds for Dr. James Shapiro's work at the University of Alberta. Their goal is to find a cure for Diabetes. They issued a SnowAngel Challenge, where you would dress in your swimsuit, jump in the snow and make a snowangel. Lion Dave McRae of the Redwater Lions Club took up the challenge, raised over \$700.00, all to be donated to HEADING to 2022. Well done Lion Dave! He did SOMETHING....the club did SOMETHING!

A member of the Olds Lions club heard of a need for knitted slippers for men and women staying at the Ronald McDonald House while their loved ones were in hospital. The Olds Lions contacted a local knitting group about getting involved in the project to fill the need. The Lions offered to buy the wool if the knitters would knit the slippers. What a great idea! Successful activity, a need met, the Olds Lions did SOMETHING! Thank you for your Service.

The Spruce View Lions delivered Certificates of Appreciation to frontline workers and essential businesses who stayed open to service the community during the pandemic. The club did SOMETHING to stay involved in their community, even during restrictions. Congratulations for your efforts.

The Calgary Heritage Lions club continues to collect used eye glasses for CLERC. An activity that can be done safely, even during the pandemic. Thank you for your dedication to the project and for doing SOMETHING to keep your club active. 80,000 pair of used glasses will be bound for the Congo later this spring to help those in need.

The Blindman Valley Lions Club did SOMETHING to raise funds for community projects. They held a VERY successful Facebook fundraising auction. Some coins in the coffer gives a club some options of how to help the area they serve. I already hear the question....."Lion Dave, how does our club organize a Facebook fundraising auction"? Ask those who have been successful. Lions helping Lions! However, it does take work and organization. The effort you put in will equal the results you receive. "Well, our members don't know anything about social media". Well, I have a solution. Get on the LCI website, click on "Resources for Members". In the drop down menu on the left hand side, at the very bottom you'll see "Social Media". Open that to get all the info you need to get started with social media. Again, the effort you put in will equal the results you receive.

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

EDMONTON HOST LIONS CLUB

Is your club in a stagnant COVID-19 pond?

Check out the exciting EHLC
March Newsletter

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CaWo_o1w5seSJBn-ZzpB4qAZNI-Vyu_NM3I3XJacbLvc/edit?usp=sharing

ENJOY

STILL LOOKING FOR SOME IDEAS

that your club could use to engage your community? March has a number of interesting events happening:

- March 1 Peanut Butter Lovers Day
- March 3 Caregivers Appreciation Day
- March 5 Employee Appreciation Day
 - World Day of Prayer
- March 6 National Frozen Food Day
- March 8 International Womens Day
- March 10 International Find A Pay Phone Booth Day
- March 11 Popcorn Lovers Day
- March 14 National Potato Chip Day
- March 17 St. Patricks Day
- March 19 Poultry Day
- March 23 National Puppy Day (LFOC Dog Guides Fundraiser maybe??)
- March 24 National Chocolate Covered Raisin Day
- March 25 Waffle Day
- March 30 National Doctors Day
- March 31 National Crayon Day

How much fun could your club have with your community on any one of these dates?

It's up to your club to develop the activity and raise awareness of Lions and how much fun we can have. Might even lead to a new member or two!! Now that would be **SOMETHING!**

*Yours in Service
Lion Dave Leshchyshyn
Multiple District C Service Co-ordinator
District C-1 Service Co-ordinator*

Exciting Times for our Foundation!

Please let me thank you all so much for your efforts this year! As Canadians and world citizens we all know what a tough year it has been. And for Lions, whose sole purpose is to help our communities with hands on service and our fundraising activities it has been even tougher. And yet you stepped up.

And when we asked you to help us raise funds for Campaign 100, you did not hesitate. You helped as you could both through your clubs, personally and by reaching out to friends and family for help as well. And your efforts have helped us pass last year's total contributions already! We still have four months to go in our year and I know we can continue to help our Association and Lions around the world continue towards our goal of \$300 million dollars.

As of January 21, we have raised over \$31,000.00 this year in C1. Can we reach \$50,000.00? Knowing all of you I know we can! Many clubs are thinking of year end celebrations. Maybe recognize a club member with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Or maybe someone in your community really stepped up this year to help in the pandemic. A Fellowship is a great way to thank them and continue our work in Lions. That contribution counts towards your club donation to Campaign 100.

But here is the fun part: Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find a flyer that provides a link to a very special celebration. On April 11, the Lions of Canada and the United States are coming together to host the first annual (hopefully) **Lions Tell a Thon**. You, your family, your friends, anyone, can join online for entertainment and information about how Lions are helping in their communities. It promises to be a fun packed and educational experience. Please save that date!

If you have a project that has benefitted your community, we would sure appreciate hearing from you about it. Send pictures and a brief description to: pidcarlyoung@gmail.com. He will see if it can fit into the program on April 11. Don't be afraid to brag on what you do in your community. Maybe your service will spark an idea in a Lion someplace else.

Thank you all so much for all your efforts. And don't forget to join us on March 17 for our Canadian website launch party. See the link in this edition of the newsletter.

BDC Terry Kazma

LIONS IN ACTION

Pembina Valley & District Lions Club



The Pembina Valley & District Lions Club gave a Lions Legacy Scholarship for \$500 to Emma Giezen. She graduated from Grand Trunk High School in Evansburg in June 2020 and she is attending NAIT Biological Sciences program. She also received the matching grant from Lions of Alberta Foundation for \$500.

The award was mailed to Emma as we were unable get together for an in-person presentatoion due to Covid

Shirley Smith - Secretary

FORT SASKATCHEWAN LIONS CLUB

Lion Ted Moller, during covid-19, has collected 1,500 pairs of recyclable eye glasses, packed the glasses in six boxes and shipped them to Calgary for prep to be reused.

Rod Lindemann president

LIONS CLUB of LEDUC



With a temperature of -29 and wind-chill of -44 member of the Lions of Leduc decided that the homeless and near homeless in Leduc would need help. On the past weekend a call went out to members for donations of slightly used winter clothing.

Not sure how much was donated but it was well received by the "HUB" . HUB is the local organization looking after the needs of the homeless in Leduc. As well as citizens in need.

Bill Tingey- Lions club of Leduc

SAVE THE DATE – 6PM CT MARCH 17

Canadian Lions Celebration w/
VP Patti & ID AI

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Only 300 bar stools available



LEGAL LIONS CLUB



****EASTER HAM & TURKEY RAFFLE****
\$5 ticket and only 300 tickets will be sold
12 draws on March 27th at 12 noon
Don't miss out - buy today before they are all gone!
send us a FB msg, call Danielle 780-243-4934, or
email admin@legal-lions.org visit www.legal-lions.org
**proceeds will be donated to Kids With Cancer Society
[#ChildhoodCancerAwarenessMonth](https://www.facebook.com/ChildhoodCancerAwarenessMonth)
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Reprint from Facebook

FORT SASKATCHEWAN LIONS CLUB

have received approval to finally expand the Lions Turner Park by adding 15 full sights going to 40 plus sites. The club had setup an expansion fund which will pay the construction costs. Work on the expansion is scheduled to start in March.

Thanks to a year's work by lion Don Westman and team, this will help the club raise more funds for the community.

Rod Lindemann president

BLINDMAN VALLEY LIONS CLUB

Well it certainly started off as a cold month. We had all gotten used to our mild winter when suddenly, one morning we awoke to bone chilling cold. On the bright side, it certainly kept people inside and helped lower the "curve". We are all looking forward to hopefully meeting in person soon. In spite of it all, the Blindman Valley Lions had a busy month. We ran a very successful Facebook fundraiser that will enable us to perform a number of projects in the coming months. Starting a new club during covid has really been challenging.



Volunteering to brave the cold weather, members Don, Audreyann, Dave & Suzanne, delivered our handwritten Valentine's cards to all of the patients in the Rimbey Hospital and to our seniors and staff in the Bentley Senior Care Center. These were all delightfully received and will be handed out by staff members. Here's hoping we can do that in person next year. Cheers to our sunny weather and here's to a brighter future.

Trudy Rangen

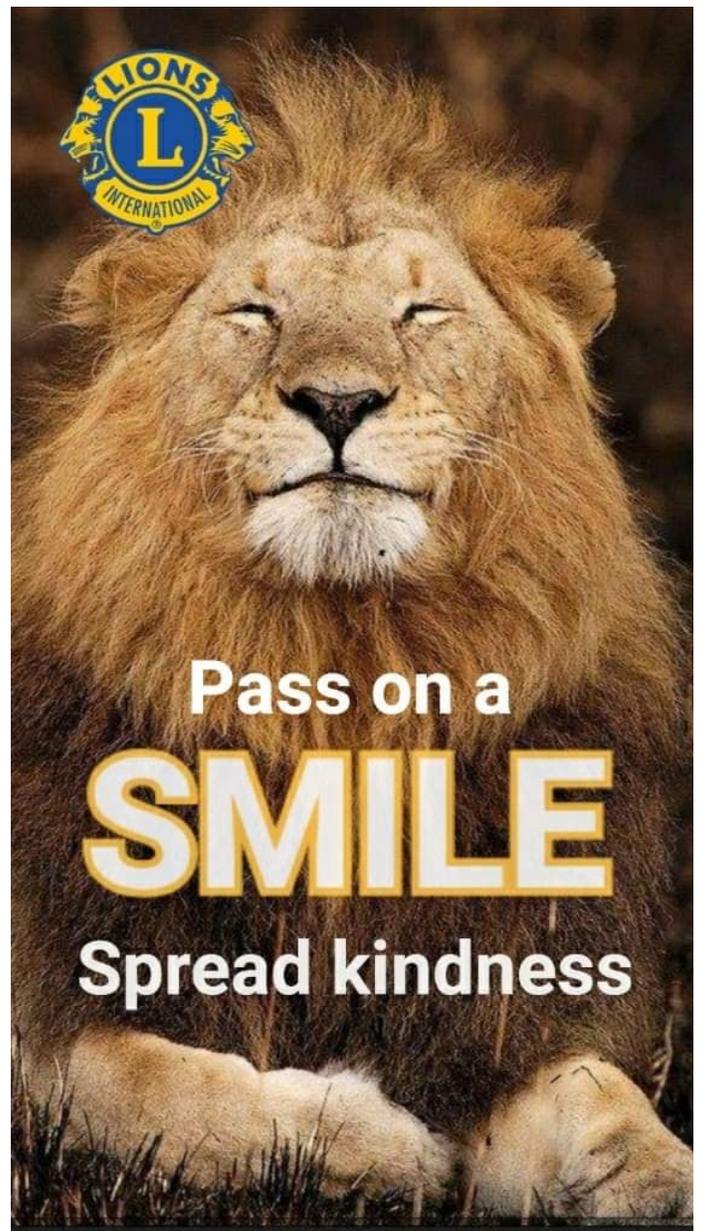


REDWATER LIONS CLUB.



"When the Lions District C-1 Service Chair Lion Dave published his February Service Bulletin he included an idea about a "Snow Angel Challenge" for diabetes research. Maybe he was kidding but when there is a challenge there is probably someone silly enough to take it up. Lion Secretary Dave from the Redwater Lions Club began a short campaign that raised just shy of \$700.00 for the Heading to 2022 campaign and entered the snow in minus 12 degree weather to create his snow angel. His willingness to answer the challenge resulted in the club matching the first \$200.00 of donations he received. The remaining monies came from club members personally, his family and friends. Everything went as planned until the video was viewed and no-one got the event on film. As a result Lion Dave had to replay the snow angel one more time just so proof positive could be captured on film."

Lion Dave McRae, Secretary



This space is available for your pictures

Your editor

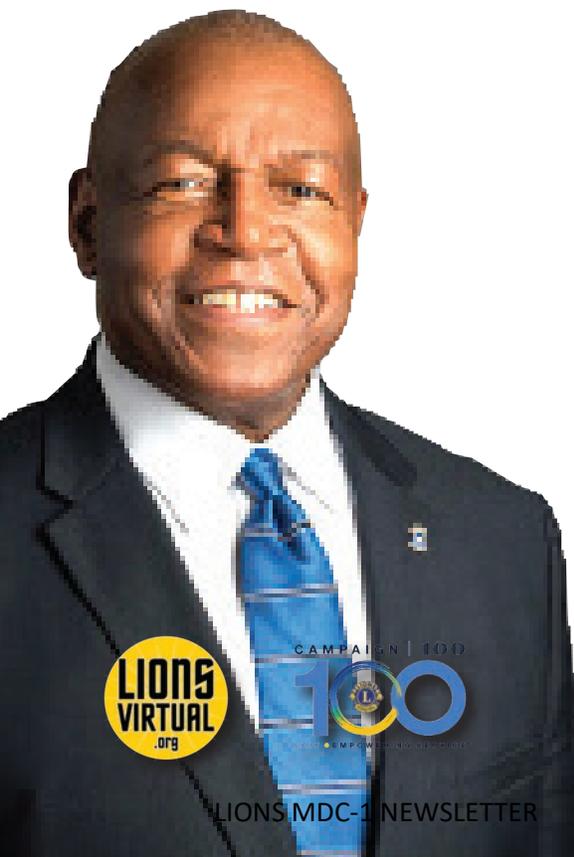




LET'S DO THIS!!!

1. **Donate \$20** or more to **Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon**
2. **Spread the word** far & wide for Lions, family/friends & prospective Lions to watch the live **Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon** on [YouTube](#), Sunday, April 11th from 5-9 pm EDT (*New York*)

3. **Share your success stories** to pidmchambers@gmail.com & pidcarlyoung@gmail.com you might see them in pre-event promotion or during the live event **QUESTIONS** :Please contact PID Marvin Chambers:pidmchambers@gmail.com pidcarlyoung@gmail.com & PID Carl Young : pidcarlyoung@gmail.com



TELL-A-THON OVERVIEW

Sunday, April 11, 2021

5-9 pm EDT

View on YouTube Live

<https://youtu.be/hC-s5yXPgeo>

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Emcee: LCI VP Doug Alexander
- Music & Entertainment
- Special Guests
- Inspiring stories

GOAL

- Raise awareness among Lions & prospective Lions about LCIF's impact
- Raise funds for Campaign 100 to further our service
- Challenge every Lion to donate \$20 in support of LCIF Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon

DONATE NOW

- 100% of donations go to LCIF Campaign 100



United States:

lionsclubs.org/givetoday



Canada:

lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca/GiveToday



Facebook:

givetoday.lionsvirtual.org



Please join your **Global Leadership Team** for

Lions Club Officer Training / New Member Orientation / Guiding Lion Training

<i>Saturday April 10th</i>	<i>Club President Training</i>	<i>10:00- 11:30 am</i>
<i>Saturday April 24th</i>	<i>Secretary & My Lion Training</i>	<i>10:00-12:00 pm</i>
<i>Saturday May 8th</i>	<i>Treasurer Training</i>	<i>10:00-11:30 am</i>
<i>Saturday May 22nd</i>	<i>Zone Chair Training</i>	<i>9:00-2:00 pm</i>
<i>Saturday June 5th</i>	<i>Guiding Lion Training</i>	<i>9:00-2:00 pm</i>
<i>Saturday June 19th</i>	<i>C1 New & Not so New Member Orientation</i>	<i>10:00-11:30 am</i>
<i>Saturday August 28th</i>	<i>Getting Your Club off to a Good Start</i>	<i>10:00-11:30 am</i>

All courses will be delivered via **Zoom**. These sessions are open to all Lions, regardless of your club position.

There will be **pre-assignments** required for some courses.

Register: Please email Betty Ann Robson at lionbettyann100@gmail.com

At least 3 weeks ahead of the course you would like to attend. A return email with the zoom link and pre assignments will be sent.



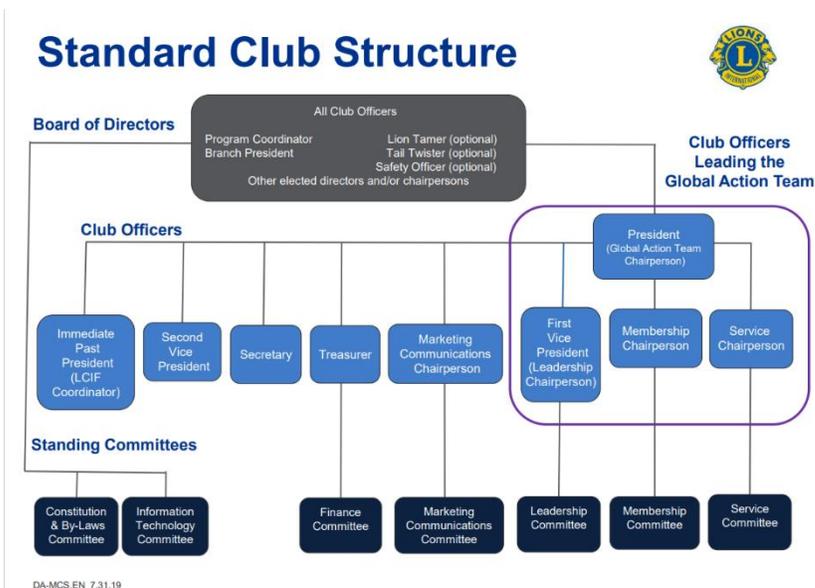
Club Officers – Lion Year 2021-2022

Now is the time to start thinking about your club officers for the next Lion year beginning July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Your Club President will appoint a nomination committee in early March. If you want to be on the nominations committee or are interested in one of the club officer roles, please let your club president know. At the end of the article are links for information on the various club officer roles.

What club officers need to be filled for the upcoming Lion Year? **Your club must have the minimum** club officer roles filled (**bolded** below). However I encourage you to fill as many roles as you can, as each has a key function in making your club successful. It is important to have a First Vice President, as this is the individual that you are grooming to be President.

- **Club President**
- Club First Vice President
- **Club Secretary**
- **Club Treasurer**
- **Club Directors**
- **Club Membership Chair**
- **Club Service Chairperson**
- Club Marketing Chairperson
- Club LCIF Coordinator
- Lion Tamer
- Tail Twister

We encourage you all to help with the mentoring of your lion club members to help them to succeed in their roles. We are all in this together and together we can be successful.



Your Lions Club holds the nominations meeting and **vote on the new officers in April** and the **new officers are entered by the Secretary** for the next year term in MyLCI prior to May 15. If you do not have access to MyLCI, you can complete the PU101 form and mail or email the completed form to Lions Clubs International.

Clubs are encouraged to review the [LCI Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws 20-21](#). This document provides your Lions Club guidance on the **Nominations and Elections, Duties of Officers** and your **Board of Directors**.

There is now a special webpage created for each of the positions below to make it easier to get to the resources that will help you be successful in your unique club leadership position.

- [Club President / First Vice President](#)
- [Club Secretary](#)
- [Club Treasurer](#)
- [Club Membership Chairperson](#)
- [Club Service Chairperson](#)
- [Club Marketing Communications Chairperson](#)
- [Club LCIF Coordinator](#)

Lions Want to Have Fun

Having fun while doing good has been a Lions specialty from the beginning. Many clubs have a **Tail Twister**, specifically to promote fun and fellowship.

Many thanks to 1VDGE Suzanne Leshchyshyn for compiling this for the District. DGE Lion Melodie Franko



Lions of Canada Lions du Canada

The Lions of Canada Working Groups are hoping you have been enjoying the new Website at lionscanada.ca.

First, you may notice our new Logo at the top of the page, that was developed by the Marketing Group from over 60 submittals from across Canada, and announced earlier this month.

The Resources Tab can be found at the top of the webpage. Hovering your mouse or cursor over "Resources", 5 Pop-down Tabs will appear; [Newsletters](#), [Endorsements](#), [Videos & Webinars](#), [Posters](#) and [Youth & Leo](#). If you 'click' directly on "[Resources](#)", you will find information of the History of Lionism in Canada, Canadian Lions Centennial Celebration and more..

Les groupes de travail des Lions du Canada espèrent que vous avez apprécié le nouveau site Web à lionscanada.ca

Tout d'abord, vous remarquerez peut-être notre nouveau logo en haut de la page, qui a été développé par le groupe de marketing à partir de plus de 60 soumissions de partout au Canada et annoncé plus tôt ce mois-ci.

L'onglet Ressources se trouve en haut de la page Web. En passant la souris ou le curseur sur "Ressources", 5 onglets contextuels apparaîtront; [Infolettres](#), [Soutien](#), [Vidéos et webinaires](#), [Affiches](#) et [Jeunesse et Léo](#). Si vous «cliquez» directement sur «[Ressources](#)», vous trouverez des informations sur l'histoire du lionisme au Canada, la célébration du centenaire des Lions au Canada et plus encore.

LIONS OF CANADA VIRTUAL WEBSITE LAUNCH PARTY!

Join us at the Burmester Virtual Bar on March 17th!



Click on the image above for the Link

LCICon ONLINE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

SOIRÉE VIRTUELLE DE LANCEMENT DU SITE WEB DES LIONS DU CANADA!

français sera disponible en mars prochain
pour le 16 avril 2021



INSCRIVEZ-VOUS EN LIGNE DÈS MAINTENANT!



NOTE:

LCICon 2021 will be a **VIRTUAL CONVENTION**, protecting our members during this pandemic.

Visit: <https://lcon.lionsclubs.org>

NOTE:

LCICon 2021 sera un **CONGRÈS VIRTUEL** protégeant nos membres pendant cette pandémie.

Visitez : <https://lcon.lionsclubs.org/fr/>

HOW DOES YOUR CLUB PROMOTE YOUR SERVICE?

Current and past "Posters" can be utilized by Lions Clubs in their community. They are very creative and focus on our pillars of Service that change monthly. Your Club Information can be added to the poster so that perspective members have a point of reference.



LIONS OF CANADA WORKING GROUPS

Advocacy: - Collaborating with our federal, provincial or local governments to increase our Service through Partnership.

Marketing and PR: - to increase our recognition and enhance our reputation; to raise our value as a partner; to enhance current and future recruiting efforts.

Communication: - to provide a consistent Cross Canada / CA2 communication and response network, especially to address disasters or national needs.

Website: - providing easy access to information produced by the Working Groups as well as links to Lions across Canada, our Foundations and LCI.

Administration: - liaison with LCI Legal to establish LoC structure and function, including succession planning.

If you are interested in joining any of the Working Groups, please contact your DG Team to make your desire to help known.

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 11th, 2021



First International Vice-President Douglas Alexander will be the Host of the LCIF Campaign 100 TELL-A-THON on Sunday, **April 11th, 2021**. No, it's not a misprint! The "TELL"-A-Thon will not only be raising necessary Funds for our Global causes, but also raising awareness about OUR Foundation. So "TELL" your friends about this event and spread the word about the amazing Service we provide worldwide! You can find more information about the event and Register [here](#). Facebook users can access information about the event [here](#). Please plan to join us for this on-line event in support of our great Foundation, and don't forget to invite your friends!

COMMENT VOTRE CLUB FAIT-IL LA PROMOTION DE VOTRE SERVICE?

Les "Affiches" actuelles et antérieures peuvent être utilisées par les Clubs Lions dans leur communauté. Ils sont très créatifs et se concentrent sur nos piliers de service qui changent chaque mois. Les informations de votre club peuvent être ajoutées à l'affiche afin que de potentiels membres aient un point de référence.



GROUPES DE TRAVAIL DES LIONS DU CANADA

Représentation: - Collaborer avec les gouvernements fédéral, provinciaux ou locaux pour accroître notre service par le biais de partenariats.

Marketing et relations publiques: - pour accroître notre reconnaissance et améliorer notre réputation; pour accroître notre valeur en tant que partenaire; pour améliorer les efforts de recrutement des membres actuels et futurs.

Communication : Fournir un réseau de communication et d'intervention uniforme à l'échelle du Canada et de CA2, en particulier pour répondre aux catastrophes ou aux besoins nationaux.

Site Web: - offrant un accès facile à l'information produite par les groupes de travail ainsi que des liens vers les Lions partout au Canada, à nos fondations et LCI.

Administration: - liaison avec le Service juridique de LCI pour établir la structure et le fonctionnement de Lions du Canada, y compris la planification de la relève.

Si vous souhaitez vous joindre à l'un des groupes de travail, veuillez communiquer avec votre équipe des DG pour faire connaître votre désir d'aider.

RÉSERVEZ CETTE DATE : DIMANCHE 11 AVRIL 2021

Le premier vice-président international Douglas Alexander sera l'hôte de la Campagne 100 de la LCIF TELL-A-THON le dimanche

11 avril 2021. Non, ce n'est pas une erreur d'impression ! Le "TELL"-A-Thon ne sera pas seulement la collecte de fonds nécessaires pour nos causes mondiales, mais aussi la sensibilisation à NOTRE Fondation. Alors dites-le à vos amis à propos de cet événement et faites connaître notre exceptionnel Service que nous fournissons dans le monde entier! Vous trouverez plus d'informations sur l'événement et inscrivez-vous [ici](#). Les utilisateurs de Facebook peuvent accéder aux informations sur l'événement [ici](#). Veuillez prévoir de vous joindre à nous pour cet événement en ligne à l'appui de notre grande Fondation, et n'oubliez pas d'inviter vos amis!