# Lions Clubs International District C-1 Newsletter



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# **Next Newsletter**Submission Deadline: 25<sup>th</sup> of current month

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I'd like to start by saying how truly grateful I am to be working with such an amazing team of Lions throughout our district. As Lions, you go above and beyond to make our communities a better place because of our Lions motto – 'We Serve', and our slogan – 'Where there's a need, there's a Lion'. Thank you to clubs for your gift of increased membership, service activities and goodwill.

To the many Lions who are working tirelessly in your community to help bring Christmas cheer to those around us. Your generosity .....

- ... for thinking of those who may not have warm clothing thank you for donating gently used coats, or new socks, hats and mitts
- ... for thinking of those who may not have a meal each day thank you for donating to a local food bank, or volunteering at a local soup kitchen
- ...for thinking of the children who may not get a gift this Christmas thank you for donating a toy, book, or puzzle to Santa's Anonymous
- ... for sharing the season with others it is truly the greatest gift of all!

Our District wide online Officer Training for all current and future Club Treasurers is scheduled for December 11, 2022. Register on-line for the **TREASURER** Zoom course. You'll be sent the zoom Training link, then log with this link on the day and time of the training session.

I look forward to seeing you at our District C-1 Convention being held on January 27-28, 2023 at the Norsemen Inn in Camrose Alberta. The **REGISTRATION FORM** and details are available at <a href="https://lionsc1.org/">https://lionsc1.org/</a>. We continue developing an exciting and informative program for you. There will be so much to learn and to take home to your club.

On behalf of myself and my Companion in Service, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Dave, we send heartfelt holiday greetings to you and yours.

Lion Suzanne Leshchyshyn, District Governor

## **DG TRAVELS**

As your District Governor, I have had the pleasure of spending many hours this month visiting clubs, inducting members, presenting Chevron awards

and having great conversations with the clubs about their projects and challenges, and working with district leadership. Thank you to the clubs for their open and honest conversations. Without hearing and acknowledging the challenges, we can't easily move forward as a district. It is always a pleasure having the zone chair in the area and our Vice District Governor participating in the visitations. As International President Brian Sheehan says 'Together We Can, and Together We Will'.

#### Stony Plain Lions, November 7, 2022

It was a stormy night outside, but we had great food and fellowship inside. I presented Milestone Chevron Awards to numerous members and inducted Lion Liz Andrusiak into the club. Congratulations to all members.













#### Lions Club of Leduc, November 8, 2022

It was a wonderful night of food, fellowship and great conversations. I learned of some great projects being done in the community! Thank you Leduc Lions for your ongoing service to your community. It was a pleasure recognizing Lions for their many years of service with Milestone Chevron Award presentations. Congratulations to all!









#### Lions Club of Redwater, November 9, 2022

I had the pleasure of spending the evening getting to know the 2021-22 District C-1 Citizen of Distinction, Mel Smith, former Mayor of Redwater. I also had the pleasure of presenting this long overdue award to Mel Smith for his service to the community of Redwater. He received a Melvin Jones Fellowship award from District C-1. Thank you Mel for everything you have done and continue to do in your community. Thank you to the Lions Club of Redwater for submitting your name as a candidate for this award. I also presented Milestone Chevron Awards during my visit. Thank you for the delicious supper, and fellowship. Thank you to Vice District Governor Dave and Zone Chair Derwin Bartlett for your support.









#### Bruderheim Lions Club, November 10, 2022

It was a warm evening of fellowship and friends. Bruderheim Lions presented a Lions Legacy Scholarship to a local student pursuing studies in Education. I had the pleasure of inducting 4 new members into the club and presenting Milestone Chevron Awards to deserving Lions for their many years of service to the community. Thank you to Vice District Governor Dave and Zone Chair Derwin Bartlett for your support.













#### Athabasca Lions Club, November 16, 2022

My Governor visit to the Athabasca Lions was an enjoyable evening with a delicious supper. I inducted 4 members, presenting certificates and pins to both new members and sponsors. It was an honor to recognize and present deserving Lions with long overdue Milestone Chevron Awards.

Congratulations on your years of service. Thank you to Vice District Governor Dave and Zone Chair Phil Dube for your support.











#### Wetaskiwin Lions Club, November 21, 2022

Congratulations to the nine new Lions I had the privilege of inducting at the Wetaskiwin Lions Club during my Governor visitation! There was definitely excitement in the room. Milestone Chevrons and other awards were also presented. It was great to hear about some upcoming projects the club will be doing to serve their community. Fun was had by all!! Thank you to Vice District Governor Dave and Zone Chair Andy Brickner for your support.













#### Vermilion Lions & Blackfoot & District Lions Clubs - November 22, 2022

I enjoyed an amazing evening at a multi-club function, hosted by the Vermilion Lions. Members from the Blackfoot & District Lions, St. Paul Lions and Vegreville Lions also attended. Congratulations to the two members I inducted into the Vermilion Lions, and to their sponsor! It was a privilege to recognize members of the Vermilion and Blackfoot Lions with a Milestone Chevron Awards for their many years of service. It was great to see clubs supporting each other! Thank you to Vice District Governor Dave and Zone Chair Pat Calyniuk for your support.









#### Clive Lions Club - November 23, 2022

It was a pleasure to spend the evening with the Clive Lions Club and induct their newest member. I also presented Milestone Chevron Awards to members for their year of service. Congratulations to all!











In addition to the many clubs I visited, I also participated in the following Lions events: November 5, Vimy Lions, Fall Supper November 13, District C-1 Online Secretary Training

November 15, St. Albert Host Lions, Youth Night

November 19, District C-1 Cabinet Meeting, hosted by the Stony Plain Lions

November 28, delivered 7000+ pairs used eyeglasses to CLERC in Calgary on behalf of clubs in C-1

November 29, District C-1 District Peace Poster Judging, hosted by the St. Albert Host Lions

I look forward to the upcoming months and meeting with more Lions Clubs throughout our district.

DG Lion Suzanne

# **WELCOME NEW LIONS**

Member Name	Lions Club
Terry Ellis	Beaumont & District
Ken Kolby	Beaumont & District
Martin Stout	Beaumont & District
Beverly Druken	Bruderheim
Kal Jabara	Bruderheim
Lisa Myers	Bruderheim
Sandra Payne	Bruderheim
Paul Ouellette	Clive
Shannon Baumann	Drayton Valley
Melissa Keeley	Drayton Valley
Marc Raimbault	Drayton Valley
Lyndon Ralston	Drayton Valley
lan Schlinker	Drayton Valley
Jay Boorse	Leduc
Robert Mark	Legal
Anna Bailey	Millet & District
Mel Livings	Millet & District
Aldia Cadrain	Rocky Mountain House
Robert Hoskins	Rocky Mountain House
Donald Wright	Rycroft & District
Margaret McGinn	Smoky Lake
Prajjwal Chapagain	St. Albert Host
Sharada Chapagain	St. Albert Host
Liz Andrusiak	Stony Plain
Jennifer Hempler	Sylvan Lake & District
Crystal Lanz	Sylvan Lake & District

# District C-1 2022-2023 Convention January 27/28, 2023 Camrose, Alberta

Re-Connecting; Collaborating;
Communicating

- \* Registration Form
- Meet International Director
  Lion Allen Snider
- **Convention Information Brochure**
- **Nominations**
- Display Space Inquiries

## Friday -

➤ A fun filled evening of entertainment and fellowship

# Saturday -

- Many great speaker and service initiatives
- > Celebration of Life
- District C-1 Awards

# **Nominating Committee:**

I am pleased to announce the following Lions who have been appointed to serve as the Nominating Committee for the District C-1 Convention to be held on January 27-28, 2023:

- Lion Paul Benson, St. Albert Breakfast Lions Club
- PDG Lion Joan Lubbers, Stony Plain Lions Club
- Lion Zella Gardiner, Millet & District Lions Club All voting will take place in-person at the Convention.



C-1 Nominating Committee is accepting nominations for the following:

- District Governor
- 1<sup>st</sup> VDG
- 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG
- Vice Council Chair
- Hall of Fame (deadline December 10, 2022)

<u>DEADLINE</u>: <u>December 18<sup>th</sup></u>, <u>2022</u>, <u>unless</u> <u>otherwise stated</u>

Please send your nominations or questions to SABLions@Shaw.ca or

Mail to: Lion Paul Benson

PO Box 125 St. Albert, AB T8N 1XB

# Display Space Inquiries:

Contact Convention
Co-Chair Mel Okimaw <a href="mailto:capt-mel@hotmail.com">capt-mel@hotmail.com</a>

All requests for display space must be received by the convention committee no less than thirty (30) days prior to the convention. Space will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests shall indicate whether power will be needed. It shall be the responsibility of each display to provide extension cords, if required.

Requests for space will not be accepted after the 30-day deadline.

All sales of raffle tickets or merchandise must have written pre-approval from the District Governor.

#### Questions or inquiries

can be directed to Convention Co-Chair: **Tania Greenwald** – dtgreenwald@hotmail.com

Lions of the Camrose Swans & Roses and Bawlf & District clubs look forward to hosting you.

We look forward to seeing you in person in Camrose.

Together We Can
Lion Suzanne Leshchyshyn
District Governor C-1 2022-2023
lionsuzanne2223@gmail.com

# Do You Know a Lion WHO DESERVES RECOGNITION?

District C-1 Awards will be presented at the District Convention for the following categories:

MDC Hall Of Fame – Submission deadline is December 10, 2022

Please direct questions and awards submission to:

PDG Scotty Duff
District C-1 Award Chairperson
Phone: 780-724-2029
Email: chalena2@telus.net



#### **REMINDER TO CLUB SECRETARIES:**

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CLUB'S ROSTER
ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 27.
LCI AND THE DISTRICT USE MEMBER
NUMBERS AS OF DECEMBER 31
FOR BILLING PURPOSES.









# Support 1<sup>st</sup> VP Dr. Patti Hill Buy A Pin

The price of each pin is \$5.00. Pins are available from District Governor Suzanne Leshchyshyn when she does her official visitation to your club. Pins will be for sale at the District C-1 Convention on January 27-28, 2022 in Camrose.

# **LIONS IN ACTION**

#### **GRANDE PRAIRIE LIONS CLUB**



Grande Prairie Lions Club 1st VP Kathryn
Mackenzie is shown presenting PCC Betty Ann
Robson with her Dr. Patti Hill Fellowship,
Nov. 1, 2022.

Lynne Coulter

#### ST. ALBERT BREAKFAST LIONS CLUB



The St. Albert Breakfast Lions just honored Lion Paul Cardinal of our club with a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship presented by our past president Chris Holmes.

Lion Paul Benson

#### **DRAYTON VALLEY LIONS CLUB**



Our club takes part in the community Remembrance Day service. We donate to the Poppy Fund helping Veterans.

Lion Kelly Forster

#### STONY PLAIN LIONS CLUB



Ed Berney with the Stony Plain Kinsmen is accepting a donation of \$2500 from Lion President Joan Lubbers to help with their Christmas Hamper program for those in need in the area.

Pres Joan Lubbers

#### FORT SASKATCHEWAN LIONS CLUB

The Fort Saskatchewan Lions Club held its annual Steve Sumka Food Drive. The Club members brought a donation to a meeting, and the food was delivered to the Food Bank the following day. The Club is also making a \$500 donation to the annual Xmas Food & Toy Hamper drive!

Lion Rod Lindemann



Photo by Shelly Brown

#### FORT SASKATCHEWAN LIONS CLUB

The Lions Club expanded the Campground in 2021 from 26 to 42 sites (4 tent, 6 power, 32 full service). The new sites were developed in the trees; saving all natural tree growth where possible; thus creating a high demand for these sites all summer. The campground is located in the River Valley and is in close proximity to downtown Fort Saskatchewan.



Our managers, Dennis & Debbie, have done a superb job of managing the campground. Lions Don & Dave assisted them to ensure that all services & sites were kept to our high standards.

The 2022 season ended on October 31, with an occupancy of 90-95% full almost every weekday, and 100% full on weekends.

Note: all Lions Members receive a 10% discount, so please come and enjoy our Campground in 2023!

Lion Rod Lindemann

*Lion Kelly Forster, Secretary* 

#### **DRAYTON VALLEY LIONS CLUB**

We are so excited we have 5 new members

Melissa Keeley
Ian Schlinker
Shannon Baumann
Marc Raimbault
Lyndon Ralston

#### LIONS CLUB OF MORINVILLE

The Morinville Community High School 2021/22 Achievement Awards night was held at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre on 16 November. Two presentations were from the Lions Club of Morinville.





Ashley Pudlowski-Morinville Lions Bursary presented by Lion Marty Lussier

Jillian Andrews-Peter Gibeault Lion Quest Award presented by Lion Marty Lussier

The Morinville Lion Bursary is presented to the Grade 12 student involved in volunteer, community and or school community with a strong work ethic and academic standing and is currently enrolled in a postsecondary institution.

The Peter Gibeault Lion Quest Award is presented to the Grade 10 or 11 student who is willing to participate in all aspects of community volunteer duties as directed through the school. The recipient of this award is prepared to lead fellow volunteers, appreciate the true spirit of volunteerism, and sees volunteer work as a meaningful way to help others while at the same time building valuable life skills.



Brooke-Lynn
Finnerty received a
Scholarship from
the Lions of Alberta
Foundation- Lions
Legacy Scholarship
which was matched
by the Lions Club of

Morinville. The presentation was made at the General Meeting held in November.

Photos by Lucie Roy

#### ST. ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB



St. Albert Host Lions decorated a tree and donated to local charities at the same time

Thanks to St. Albert Chamber of Commerce for this opportunity to serve and add to the Christmas Spirit – an opportunity to rent a tree with a \$150.00 donation (\$50.00 each for Food Bank and Salvation Army) and all in time for the Christmas Markets the Enjoy Centre-Salisbury Green House in St. Albert. Decorated with 30 white doves – may they be a reminder of the conversation on peace – and the Lions purpose - to create and foster a spirit of peace and understanding among the peoples. Each white dove has a service project written on its wing. Each heart has the name of a club member. Two of our newest members, Lions Madan and Asha, along with Lions Jack and Barb enjoyed the decorating.

Barb Riley

#### FORT SASKATCHEWAN LIONS CLUB



Fort Saskatchewan Lions Club prepares Birthday Bags (twice a year) for the Food Bank to add to the food hamper of a child with a birthday (8 years and under). The Birthday Bag contains a cake mix, icing, candles, a birthday card, colouring book, crayons, notebook, pencils, and a baking pan! The Food Bank says the parents are very appreciative of this addition to their hamper.

Lion Rod Lindemann



#### ST ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB

Congratulations Lion Helen on receiving the AC Community Leader of the year award 2022.



Photo from Facebook post

"Thanks to everyone that voted for me to win the AC Community Leader of the year award 2022. It's a win for the community of selfless volunteers giving their time and resources to make our community an awesome place. Thanks to my amazing husband for your constant support. I got so much inspiration listening to what other recipients were doing in their communities. Thanks to Diversity Magazine for all you do to showcase our communities and contributions."

Lion Helen



#### **EDMONTON KOREAN LIONS CLUB**

Edmonton Korean Lions Club members participated in The Capital City Clean Up Program on September 17, 2022. They cleaned the streets around The Confederation Leisure Centre in the south side of Edmonton.



Lion Jin



# Helpful Resources for Everyone

These resources include activities, flyer examples and other pieces to support and inspire you with your Positive Youth Development efforts.

#### Resources for Support During the Pandemic:

- Social Emotional Learning Activities for Families
- Pre-K Grade 2 Mindfulness Activities
- · Grade 3-5 Mindfulness Activities
- . Grade 6-12 Mindfulness Activities

#### Other Resources:

- Lions Quest Canada's Philosophy of Positive Youth Development One Page
- · Video Lions Quest Canada The Need for PYD Ambulance in the Valley
- · Lions Quest Canada Mission and Core Values

MORE INFORMATION & resource links can be found online HERE



#### ST ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB



The St. Albert Host Lions Club held their annual youth night on November 15, 2022. A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the winning entry from each of the 15 St. Albert school groups participation in the club's annual Lions Peace Poster Contest. These posters have been forwarded to District C-1 for the next round of judging on November 29. The winner from that round will go the to the Multiple District where a winner will be selected to go the the Lions International competition

PDG Claude Carignan

## Winners of the 2022-23 Lions International Peace Poster Contest - District C-1 level, November 29



Theme 'Lead With Compassion'

1<sup>st</sup> Place on left – Emma Blouin (Vincent J. Maloney Catholic Jr. High School)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place in centre held by DG Suzanne – Cathy Nalwango (Richard S. Fowler Catholic Jr. High School)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place on right – Bari Horn (Ecole Hillgrove School)











Lions.......THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! You truly are making a difference in The Difference Campaign! Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is extremely excited with the response from Lions Clubs across Canada for donating more than \$1 million dollars so far, to The Difference Campaign aimed at building a new, and much larger training facility. The generosity of Clubs sending cheques or supporting the District Governor's Charity of Choice during their official visits, has brought us much closer to offering even more Canadians a better life with the aid of a Dog Guide. Without your help, stories like this wouldn't happen:



#### Tammy & Kiwi - Service Program

On July 17, 1983, Tammy dove into a pool and broker her neck. In 2011, after 28 years of pushing herself around in her wheelchair, her shoulders and back were giving her trouble. If she dropped something she had trouble bending down and then getting back up. Opening a door was difficult and painful. A friend told her about Dog Guides. That's when Kiwi came into her life. Tammy immediately felt that their partnership was meant to be... Kiwi's birthday is July 17th... the date of her accident.

"I can't imagine my life without Kiwi. She helps me pick things up or get things I can't reach. She's a great companion. Every day with my disability is a new challenge. But with Kiwi, she takes that challenge away. She makes me feel safer. When I'm sick, she alerts my neighbours. When my chair got

stuck on ice, she saved me from freezing to death by alerting a passerby. She has brought back my independence that I was losing. I'd be lost without her."

Where There's a Need, There's a Lion! Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides needs your donations to keep these stories coming. Let's be The Difference in the lives of those WE SERVE. Find out how to make your donations at: <a href="mailto:thedifference@dogguides.com">thedifference@dogguides.com</a>.

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Dave Leshchyshyn

Lions Campaign Leadership Committee/Alberta

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides' mission is to empower Canadians with disabilities to navigate their world with confidence and independence by providing Dog Guides at no cost to them and supporting each pair in their journey together.

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Charitable Tax Number: 13024 5129 RR0001





# Canadian Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centre. Bay 2,1216 – 34 Ave NE Calgary, Alberta. T2E 6L9 Canada

Ph: (403) 640-1056 email:info@clerc.ca



November 18, 2022

Dear District C-1 Lions,

CLERC has been an approved MD and District Projects since 2003. LCI has 19 Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers in the world. We are the only Canadian center.

So far this year we have been given \$17,000 in club donations. Last year we lost \$41,000 and the year before that we lost \$37,000. It takes about \$100,000 yearly for us to operate. Our monthly set costs are \$4,000 without the doors being open. Any amount donated from clubs or members are appreciated.

None of our volunteers get paid. We have sent over 6 million pairs of glasses to 100 countries since 1997. We have received since June 2022 twelve tons of glasses to process. If you are using gaming funds we will send you a recipient form for your records. Please consider us. Many clubs come and help us process the glasses. Everybody is welcome. We operate almost every Wednesday from about 9 to 2:30. Come see us.

Please make cheque payable to: LERS

Address:

LERS -

Bay 2, 1216-34 Ave NE

Calgary, AB, T2E 6L9

Yours in Lionism,

Gordon Prusky gprusky@shaw.ca

LERS/CLERC Secretary since 2003

19Yr Summary of Income 2003-2022: Casino 47%; Donations 34%; ReSpecs (sale of unusables) 19%

2021-22- Income- donations \$33,801.24; ReSpecs \$14,777.84; Interest \$ 75.67= **\$ 48,654.55** 

Expenses: Rent \$27,519; Vehicles \$19,044.92; Supplies \$ 17,053.18; Promotion \$10,899.11; Equipment and Maintenance \$4,871.81; Office \$ 4,835.31; Utilities \$ 3,686.96; Storage \$3,376.96; Freight \$810.24; Work Party Condiments \$557.75= \$ 92,654.66. Loss of \$ 40,000.11

mailto:info@clerc.ca

mailto:gprusky@shaw.ca

## **SAVE THE DATE**

# **District C1 Cabinet Meetings**

Jan 29 (Camrose)

April 15 (TBD)

June 17 or 18 (TBD)

#### **CLUB TREASURER TRAINING**

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.
When: **Dec 11, 2022 04:00 PM** Mountain
Time (US and Canada)
Register in advance for this meeting:

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER** 

#### LIONS DISTRICT C-1 CONVENTION

January 27-28, 2023 Camrose, Alberta

**VIEW BROCHURE ON-LINE** 

DOWNLOAD REGISTRATION FORM

#### **LIONS DISTRICT C-2 CONVENTION**

February 03-04, 2023 Drumheller, Alberta

**VIEW INFORMATION POSTER** 

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER** 

## **MDC REGIONAL LIONS**

#### LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

March 9-12, 2023 Baymont by Wyndham Hotel 4311-49 Ave. Red Deer, AB

**Registration Form and Information** 

Registration deadline - Feb 1, 2023

#### LIONS MDC CONVENTION

April 28-29, 2023 Vegreville, Alberta More Details to Follow Stay Tuned!







July 07-11, 2023 CLICK TO REGISTER



LIONS OF CANADA E-NEWS 2022

Please share this message with other Lions!

#### **LINKS TO OTHER NEWSLETTERS**

EDMONTON HOST NEWSLETTER

ST ALBERT HOST NEWSLETTER

THE CLUB DIGEST

#### In Memoriam



It is with heavy hearts that the family of Joan Webber (Armstrong) announce her peaceful passing on November 1 at the age of 88.

Joan will be remembered by the love of her life and husband of 68 years, Bill, her children Terri (Pat), Doug (Jackie), Penny (David), and

Rick (Deanna), her nine grandchildren (Laura, James, Leah, Geneva, Anderson, Ella, Jess, Max and Tristen) and three great-grandchildren (Vincent, Robert and Madeleine).

Joan was born and raised in Edmonton. It was here that she met Bill, and they were constant companions ever since.

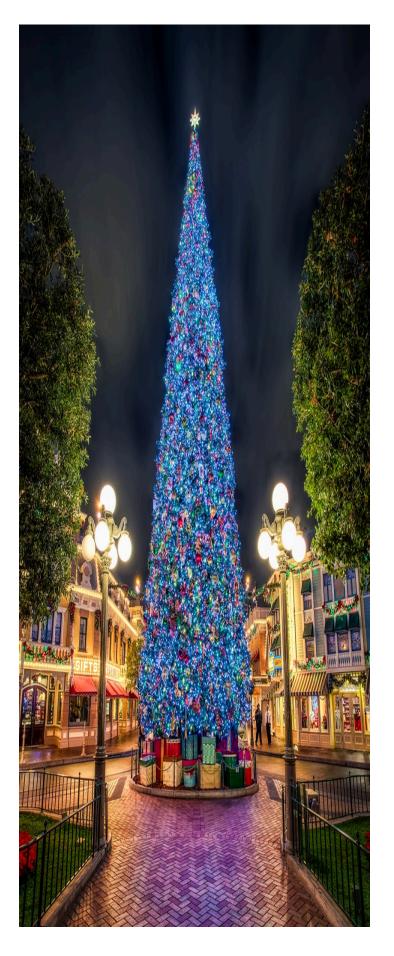
Joan loved adventure and the outdoors; skating and downhill skiing in winter, and camping, cycling, canoeing, and water skiing in summer (and was still skiing and cycling into her 80s). Camping started with annual two week vacations to the Okanagan in a canvas tent for six and, with upgrades over the years, finished with a Class A motorhome and many road trips across Canada and south to the U.S. Playing piano, line dancing, singing around the piano with the 'corn roast' gang as well as in a choral group, and dancing with Bill at a Lions event, Joan had a "toe tapping" love of music.

Sewing was one of Joan's passions. It began as a cost saving measure (sewing for her four young children as well as herself) but she discovered she loved it. She became an accomplished seamstress who designed, made and embellished all of her outfits - none complete without a touch of bling.

An active Lions Club member since 1999, Joan was an enthusiastic and committed partner as she and Bill travelled the world as representatives of Lions Clubs International. She was a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Thank you to everyone at Citadel Care Centre.

A celebration of life will be held at 2:00 pm December 10 at South Side Memorial Chapel 8310-104 Street, Edmonton, Memorial donations may be made to the Lions Foundation of Canada, P.O. Box 907, Oakville, Ontario, Canada L6J 5E8 in her memory.



# **UP AND AWAY WITH LEADERSHIP**

Lions and LEOs.

Let me introduce myself, I am Lion Jama Wahl. I have the privilege

and honor of being the General Chairperson for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Reno, Nevada on September 21-23, 2023.



Lion Jama Wahl

So, what is in store for our Lion and LEO attendees in Reno 2023? The Reno Forum promises to continue the great tradition of providing leadership and learning opportunities for Lions and LEOs. We want attendees to leave feeling energized and ready to serve! This year's theme is "Up and Away with Leadership".

Just like the balloons soar at the Great Balloon Race each fall in Reno, the Lions and LEOs will soar, too. In each monthly newsletter, a different aspect of the Forum will be featured. This month, we want to share a new marketing concept. Besides our newsletters and social media posts, a media package for the Reno Forum will be available on the website, www.lionsforum.org. Lions and LEOs are encouraged to use the media package to promote the forum at your club, zone, district and multiple district events. All Lions and LEOs are welcome at our annual Forum. Some just need to know more details about this exciting event! Please use the media package to share these details.

And, if you didn't already register for the upcoming 2023 Forum while in Calgary, registration is open at the following: www.lionsforum.org It is time to soar, Lions! Up and Away with Leadership.

- Lion Jama Wahl, General Chairperson USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum 2023

