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Lions Clubs International District C-1 Newsletter



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District Governor’s Message – April

March 22nd marks the arrival of spring — a season of new beginnings, renewed hope, and positive change. As the days grow longer and the first signs of green begin to appear, we are reminded that growth often follows even the longest winters.

For Lions, this is also a season of renewal.

We look forward to gathering at the Multiple District C Convention in Grande Prairie, Alberta on April 10th and 11th. This is more than just a meeting — it is an opportunity for learning, sharing ideas, and strengthening the bonds of fellowship that make Lionism so special. It is a time to reconnect with old friends, welcome new acquaintances, and gain inspiration for the work ahead.

Shortly after, we will celebrate the inauguration of the new Edmonton Aurora School Leo Club on April 14th. This is an exciting milestone for our District and a strong reflection of our commitment to youth. Our Leos are not only our future — they are our “now,” bringing energy, leadership, and fresh perspectives to our organization.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for the 2nd Annual MDC “Gala” in Spruce View on June 20th, in support of the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). The organizing committee is planning a fun-filled weekend of fellowship, with tours and activities in the beautiful village of Spruce View — truly a hidden gem in our District. This promises to be both an enjoyable and meaningful event as we raise funds and awareness for LCIF.

Spring is also the time when our clubs begin selecting their new leadership teams. I encourage all members to consider stepping into a leadership role. New leaders bring new ideas and new energy — and with that comes new opportunities for growth and membership.

Whether you are taking on a role for the first time or continuing in your current position, I strongly encourage you to take advantage of the training available through the Lions Portal. Even experienced leaders can discover new ideas and approaches.

Also consider the online courses offered through Lions University — it’s free. The leadership skills you gain will not only enhance your Lions experience but can also benefit your workplace and home life.

As we embrace this season of renewal, let us move forward with optimism, purpose, and a continued commitment to serve.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Ted Mikkelsen
District Governor C1
Yours in Service Lion Ted Mikkelsen

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Next Newsletter
Submission Deadline:
25th of current month

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Dear Multiple District C Convention Delegates,

As we approach the upcoming Multiple District C Convention, delegates will be asked to consider and vote on two important matters affecting the future leadership and governance of our Multiple District.

The first item is the election of the Vice Council Chairperson. The qualified candidates for this position are **Past District Governor Kevin Gibbons** and **Past District Governor Lyle Gustafson**. Delegates will have the opportunity to hear from the candidates and then cast their vote during the convention.

The second item for consideration is a proposed update to the Multiple District C Constitution and By-Laws. The Council of Governors is recommending approval of these changes in order to bring our governing documents in line with the current **Standard Constitution and By-Laws for Multiple Districts produced by Lions Clubs International**, with several amendments that are specific to the needs and structure of Multiple District C.

Delegates are encouraged to review the proposed changes prior to the convention so they can make an informed decision when voting.

Your participation in these discussions and votes is an important part of the democratic process that guides our organization. Thank you for your commitment to the Lions of Multiple District C.

We look forward to your participation at the convention.

Sincerely,

CC Christine Lank

on behalf of the Multiple District C Council of Governors

LCIF

FUNDRAISING GALA

2nd Annual MDC Gala

Saturday, June 20, 2026

Spruce View, Alberta

Join fellow Lions for a FUN-FILLED WEEKEND of fellowship, fundraising, and community spirit!

Discover Spruce View — a true hidden gem — and enjoy a weekend experience with Lions from across the District.

IN SUPPORT OF:

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)

WEEKEND HIGHLIGHTS:

- Fellowship & social events
- Guided tours & local attractions
- Optional camping opportunities
- Nearby golf & recreation
- Visit the Danish Canadian National Museum

Make it more than an event —
MAKE IT A WEEKEND EXPERIENCE!

Come out, have fun, and support LCIF —
Changing Lives Worldwide!

SEE PAGES 14 & 15

**Bring a friend • Support a cause • Celebrate
Lionism**

Letter to Multiple District C club re gala

On behalf of the organizing committee, you are invited to share the following invitation with the members of your club and encourage their participation in the upcoming **Multiple District C LCIF Gala**.

Multiple District C LCIF Gala

Date: **Saturday, June 20, 2026**

Time: **5:00 PM**

Location: Spruce View Community Hall **Spruce View, Alberta**

This special evening will bring Lions from across Multiple District C together in celebration of service and internationalism while supporting the work of LCIF. The program will include:

- Guest Speaker **Dr. Patti Hill**
- LCIF updates
- Melvin Jones Fellowship presentations. Please bring any MJF's for PIP Patti Hill to present.
- Membership inductions. PIP Patti Hill would be happy to install our new members. You need to bring appropriate Kits.
- Environmental presentation by **Ada Mustapic**
- Silent or live auction and raffle items in support of LCIF
- Fellowship with Lions from across the multiple district

The **theme of the evening is International**. Please come wearing some Cultural Dress representing your heritage. Otherwise please wear something that means International to you.

Tickets: \$50.00 per person

To order Tickets Contact Lion Jonathan Whaley at jwhaley@shaw.ca Cell: 587-201-6359. Tickets can be paid via Square or e-transfer SLLTreasurer54@gmail.com

Please register in advance.

Additional details:

- **Free camping** (a Donation to LCIF would be appreciated) is available in Spruce View for those who wish to stay overnight.
- Hotel options are available in **Innisfail, Alberta**, including:

- Joy's Inn – approximately \$79.99 + tax (no breakfast or pool)
- Days Inn – approximately \$169.99 + tax (includes breakfast and pool, group rate available until [April 30](#))
- Accommodations are also available in **Red Deer, Alberta**.

For those wishing to make a weekend of the event, local activities include **golf** and a visit to the **Danish Canadian National Museum & Gardens** nearby.

<https://www.danishcanadianmuseum.com>

<https://glenifferlakegolf.com>

Also nearby in Sundre is the Open Wings Parrot Sanctuary

<https://www.facebook.com/p/Open-Wings-Parrot-Sanctuary-61558040165580/>

We encourage every club in Multiple District C to participate and support this important evening benefiting LCIF. Please share this invitation with your membership and help promote attendance within your club.

Tickets will also be available during the Multiple District C Convention in Grande Prairie.

Further information regarding auction and raffle items will be shared in the coming weeks.

Thank you for helping make this a successful and memorable event for all Lions across Multiple District C.

Sincerely,

PDG Lyle Gustafson
LCIF Gala Chairman.

PCC Brent Johnson
Multiple District C LCIF Chairman



Important Update – Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF

Date: March 13, 2026 at 7:03:05 AM MDT

As Lions, our global mission of service is at the forefront of all we do. For over a decade, the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF has supported Lions humanitarian efforts in Canada and beyond.

Unfortunately, the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) has determined that the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF does not meet the requirements for charitable status in Canada. Consequently, effective March 16, 2026, the charitable registration with the CRA for the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF will end.

What this means for you:

- Tax Receipts: Any donation received before March 16 to the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF will be eligible for an official charitable tax receipt.
- Future Gifts: After March 16, donations will not be eligible for an official charitable tax receipt. The donate button on the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF website will direct you to lionsclubs.org/donate, where you can make a donation to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). Gifts made by cheque should be labeled as donations to LCIF and mailed to P.O. Box 2425, Station "A," Toronto, Ontario M5W 2K6.

While your contributions will no longer be receiptable for tax purposes in Canada, your continued support will help fund life-changing service, reaching those who need it most. Your clubs and districts will also still be eligible for LCIF grants and programs, as these are unaffected. We encourage you to take full advantage of LCIF's grant and program opportunities to expand your humanitarian service.

The Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF will officially end all operations on February 11, 2027. For more information, contact PID Arthur Woods, Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF, president of the board, or Lion Peter Oswald, Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF, administrator.

We are grateful for the time we had to serve with our fellow Canadian Lions, and we trust that your continued generosity will improve communities around the world far into the future.

With deep gratitude,

Board of Directors

Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF [VIEW ONLINE](#)

QUICK BYTES

"I believe in "We Serve".....not "Self-Serve"

Brian Stevenson

"Put your heart and soul into everything you do"

Nick Celis

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others" ..

Mahatma Ghandi

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world" ...

Mahatma Ghandi

"We make a living by what we do, but we make a life by what we give" ..

Winston Churchill

"We judge ourselves by our intentions, others judge us by our actions"

Bill Martin, Executive Director, Phi Gamma Delta

"Others may hate you, but those that hate you don't win unless you hate them, and then you destroy yourself"...

Richard Nixon

"There is no limit to the amount of good you can do, if you don't care who gets the credit"

Ronald Reagan

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much"....

Helen Keller

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth"...

Muhammad Ali

"You cant get very far until you start doing something for somebody else"....

Melvin Jones

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success"...

Unknown

"To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world"...

Dr. Seuss

MY VISION FOR THE MDC

My vision for Multiple District C is simple: refocus on our purpose, We Serve. Our strength is in our communities, not in division. Guided by "Quiet Glory," I believe in impact over recognition.

I will promote ethical leadership, transparency, and respectful collaboration while building unity across all districts. With clear communication, accountability, and fair conflict resolution, we'll keep service first.

Together, Let's move away from self-serve to We Serve! Stronger, United and Focused MDC!

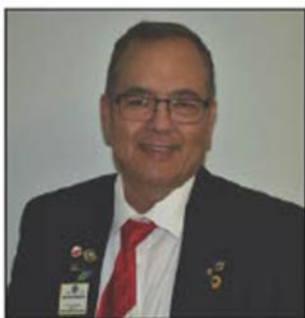
Look forward to seeing you at the convention.

Kevin Gibbons

Past District Governor

403-650-8691

Lion Kevin Gibbons for Vice Council Chair



Joined the Cheadle Lions in 2005,
transferred to Bearspaw Lions in 2025

Club Roles

Club Secretary, Cheadle Lions Club: 10 years
Club President, Cheadle Lions Club: 1 year
Club Administrator, Cheadle Lions Club
4 years

District Roles 37-O, C 2

LCIF District Coordinator – 3 years
CLERC District Chairman – 1 year
Zone Chairman – 2 terms
Certified Guiding Lion for Calgary South
Asian (2009) and Calgary Connect (2024)
Convention Registration Chairman –
10 years
District Governor 2023-24

Multiple District C Roles

Convention Registration Chairman
Youth Program Chairman



Lion Kevin was born and raised in Calgary, Alberta. In 2000 he moved with his new family to Strathmore, Alberta to seek the small-town lifestyle that he experienced during visits with his parents to southern Alberta to visit family and friends. His parents were raised in the Taber and the Butte Montana region; some of his extended family still reside in the Lethbridge area. Lion Kevin's involvement in charity began when he became the Philanthropy Chairman for the Fraternity of Phi Gamma Delta at the University of Calgary while obtaining his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Early involvement with fundraising for the Children's Cottage and various other charities lit a fire in his heart for "giving-back" that burns to this day.

Lion Kevin joined the Cheadle Lions club in 2005. With the encouragement of his Uncle, Lion Art Hironaka of the former Chinook Lions Club and the support of the Cheadle Lions Club, Kevin took on roles at the club level as Club Secretary and Club President. Kevin was active in participating in the planning of many of the club events.

During the official visit of District Governor John Watson, Kevin asked Lion John how he could get involved in the District Cabinet. Lion John responded with "What do you want to do?" and with that Lion Kevin started as a member of the convention committee that would eventually see him take on the positions of CLERC Chairman, LCIF Chairman, Zone chairman, Certified Guiding Lion and a long tenure as Convention Registration Chairman at both the District and Multiple district level.

Kevin takes special pride watching the Calgary South Asian and Calgary Connect Lions Clubs thrive. Lion Kevin is honored to have served as the Certified Guiding Lion along with Lion Glenn de Boer with the Calgary South Asian Lions Club and currently will Lion Bill Stecewicz as the Certified Guiding Lions with the Calgary Connect Lions Club.

In 2020, Lion Kevin was humbled as he was first elected to the District Governor team as 2nd Vice District Governor and in 2023 was elected to the office of District Governor for the year 2023-24. Lion Kevin is very proud of his son John as he now serves his country, at the rank of corporal, as member of the Lord Strathcona Horse regiment of the Canadian Armed Forces "Friendship is the sweetest influence" ...this is a motto that has long been close to Kevin's heart; and his service to the Lion's Club is a testament to the great and sweet friendships that are born of service to others, especially his best friend and companion, Lion Leslie who he met on a club visit and later walked down the aisle with in September of 2025.

In November of 2025, Lion Kevin celebrated his 20th anniversary as a Lion in C 2 with the Cheadle and Bearpaw Lions. Lion Kevin was once asked by "The Judge" "What are your plans when you are finished your term as District Governor. The judge didn't wait for an answer and tasked Kevin with organizing fun activities for the Multiple District including the Horseshoe tournament for the Alberta Children's hospital and the Mini Golf Tournament for STARS Air Ambulance. Kevin remains active visiting many clubs installing new officers and inducting new members.



Vote Lyle Gustafson

MDC Vice Council Chair



My name is Lyle Gustafson. I am blessed With my lovely wife, Jill, our 2 children, Chad and Jason, and our 7 grandchildren.

I would like to acquire the position of MDC Vice Council Chair; I believe I would make a great candidate for the many diverse reasons I have listed to the right.

If you have additional questions, and would like to contact me to discuss my candidacy, my information is below:

Lyle Gustafson Contact Information:

Phone: (780) 987-4407
Cell: (780) 719-5336
E-mail: scouting@telus.net

I would be Honored to Serve as District Governor, C1

Skills & Abilities

- . Currently Immediate Past District Governor for District C1
- . Director of the Northern Lights Scout Foundation for the past 10 years
- . Member of the Devon Lions Club for the past 14 years
- . Lions Zone Chair for District C1 in 2021
- . Lions Club LCIF Coordinator in 2020
- . Devon Lions Club President 2019
- . Devon Lions Club First Vice President 2018
- . Member of Scouts Canada in various rolls, from Cub Leader to District Commissioner, and Honors and Awards President from 1983 to 2011
- . Ran my own company for 17 years, Swed-ee Water Hauling, delivering potable water.
- . Served on the Alberta Youth Justice Committee for 3 years

Awards Received

- . Scouts Canada, Bar to the Silver Acorn, for Outstanding service
- . Melvin Jones Fellowship – Lions
- . Citizen of the Year in Devon
- . Queen's Jubilation Award
- . Diamond Centennial – Lions
- . 10 Year Monarch Chevron - Lions

Additional Education & Training

- . EMT (SAIT Trained) for Devon Ambulance
- . Trainer 3 for Scouts Canada
- . Conflict Resolution for Scouts Canada
- . ALLI (Advanced Lions Leadership Institute)
- . Lions District Governor's training

LIONS IN ACTION

Join the District C1 Cabinet – Lead, Serve, Make a Difference!

Do you want to help plan and shape the District activities? Here is your chance! Join the District Cabinet for 2026-27 and be part of a team that leads, inspires, and serves.

If you are passionate about service, leadership, or helping the community, the Cabinet is where we can generate ideas, support clubs in their initiatives, and work together to make a real impact. Together, we can lead, include, and serve, making a difference for Lions and the communities we support.

Step up. Get involved. Let's make 2026-27 a year of growth, learning, and meaningful service!

Want to join the team or learn more? Call District Governor – Elect Thomas Varghese at 1-780-893-6442 or email gltlionthomas@gmail.com

Thomas Varghese, DG-E

LEAD, INCLUDE, SERVE!

Join Us for the District C1 Convention!

All are invited to the District C1 Convention on November 6 and 7 at the Edmonton Inn and Conference Centre. We are honoured to welcome International Director Gary Steele as our special guest.

Under the leadership of PCC Tom Hodgson, the Convention Committee has planned an exciting lineup of sessions, inspiring service activities, and amazing food. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn, celebrate achievements, and enjoy great fellowship with fellow Lions.

Mark your calendars, plan ahead, and don't miss this incredible gathering!

Thomas Varghese, DG-E

EDMONTON AURORA SCHOOL

LEO CLUB

The Edmonton Host Lions Club and PIP Dr. Patti Hill, Leo Club Advisor, are pleased to announce the successful formation of the newest Leo Club in Edmonton: The **EDMONTON AURORA SCHOOL LEO CLUB**,

The official certification gala event will be held on Tuesday, April 14th, 2026 at the DELTON COMMUNITY HALL, 12325 – 88 Street, Edmonton, AB and you are all invited.

Doors open at 6pm, event is over no later than 9pm (school the next day!!)

CLICK ON THE QR CODE, FILL IN THE GOOGLE FORM, and show your support for our enthusiastic newest Leos! **DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE AND DONATION OF SILENT AUCTION ITEMS IS APRIL 4, 2026** (need numbers for the caterers)

This event is also a fund-raiser for this new club, so all support is very important, welcomed, and appreciated!

Program includes:

- PRESENTATION OF THE LEO BANNER, GONG, CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION and LEO PINS
- SILENT AUCTION EXCITEMENT
- SNACKS AND DRINKS
- MEET THE LEOS
- AWESOME INSPIRING SPEECHES

Tickets are \$15 at the door (cash or cheque only) FREE admission if you are donating an auction item (deadline is April 4th)

PLEASE NOTE CREDIT / DEBIT CARDS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AS PAYMENT FOR SILENT AUCTION ITEMS. E-TRANSFER OR CHEQUES ONLY. APOLOGIES FOR THE INCONVENIENCE.

Any questions, please email Lion Carole Henson, Leo Club Co-Advisor, at carole.henson@outlook.com

EDMONTON (MILLWOODS) LIONS CLUB

The Comfort Quilts for Seniors Project is the Signature Service Project and a unique humanitarian effort of the Edmonton (Millwoods) Lions Club.

This project started small in July, 2022 - three women who loved to sew and quilt, but didn't have a personal need for any more quilts. Today the team has grown to 19 ladies who share that same passion for quilting and giving back.

The funding for the project is provided by our Club. We purchase the fabric, batting and flannel to make the lap-sized quilts, approximately 35x40 inches, perfect for a senior using a wheelchair or walker. The project has also been very fortunate to have donations from various other quilting



groups in various communities and individuals. Every bit of fabric is used, and any bits that cannot be used are

donated to another quilting group to be used to make dog beds.

One of our Club's members donates space in her home from which all the coordination and support is provided to the team. "Sew days" are a fun time to get together, develop patterns, match fabric colours and put kits together. The kits go out with the team members and returned for finalizing and a permanent label is applied which identifies our Club as the donating organization.

By October, 2022, the first donation was made to a facility in Millwoods. The first delivery was over 150 quilts. Now, by December 2025, over 700 quilts have been donated with another donation planned for February, bringing the total to approximately 800. All the quilts have been gifted to continuing care centers.

The Project furthers the motto "We Serve" by meeting the needs of many hundreds of older adults who use walkers, or who are wheelchair bound, to be warmed, and feel loved and supported as they age in the care facilities.

The Comfort Quilts for Seniors Project is important to the residents of the care facilities because often they feel neglected, alone and invisible. Many do not have family connections or a support network.

When the seniors receive their gift quilt, which they select from a variety of styles, colours, and patterns, they are incredulous and so grateful. The residents beam with pride when they receive their beautiful gift.



Eager residents ready to choose their quilt.

Honestly, the smiles, hugs, and thank-you notes we receive after a delivery is all the thanks the quilting team needs. For the quilting team it feels good to receive these gifts from the residents.

In addition, all Edmonton (Millwoods) Lions Club members promote the project to other Lions



This quilt was donated as an honour quilt to provide dignity to those who had passed away.

Clubs, seniors outreach groups, and at District Conventions. They are proud of this humanitarian effort and reach out to

encourage and educate others to take on this innovative project.

If you are interested in knowing more about this project, feel free to contact the Club by email at e.mw.lionsclub@gmail.com.

Barbara Hood

MILLWOODS BREAKFAST LIONS CLUB

Lions Lend a Hand at Sorrentino's Compassion House in Edmonton

Sorrentino's Compassion House is a non-medical facility that provides supportive accommodation for women facing cancer who must travel to Edmonton for treatment. It also serves women living in Edmonton who, due to the nature of their treatments, need to remain close to their hospital and medical team.

More than just a place to stay, Sorrentino's Compassion House offers a safe and welcoming environment where women can find comfort, companionship, and support during a very challenging time. The house is modern, inviting, and well equipped with amenities, creating a warm haven where guests can face their journey together.

On Monday, March 9, members of the Millwoods Breakfast Lions Club gathered at



Compassion House to prepare a meal for the 20 guests staying there. The kitchen quickly came alive with activity as volunteers chopped vegetables for a large pot of minestrone soup and buttered bread to make egg salad, tuna and ham sandwiches.



Sometimes the simplest acts—a warm bowl of soup, a shared meal, a few caring conversations—can remind someone that they are not alone on their journey. And on this day, kindness was certainly on the menu.



Giving back to the community is at the heart of the Lions Club mission. The volunteers enjoyed their time together and were grateful for the opportunity to support the women staying at Compassion House. Thanks to Sharon & Don Schiewe, Maureen & Warren Simpson, Quinten and Kerry McGie and Wendy Cooper.

Wendy Cooper

ST, ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB

On March 7th, 2026-St. Albert Host Lions Club participated in a great joint community service project called St. Albert Fights Hunger, spearheaded for the second year by Rotary Club of St. Albert.



We had a lot of fun volunteering. At our table alone we filled 584 packages of dry food ingredients in 2 1/2 hours. Some of these go to local food banks and the rest to developing countries. A total over 70,000 meals were packaged in one day by massive assembly lines in the gym of the Salvation Army.

We enjoyed sharing a table with St. Albert Neutral Ground. It is important to keep our **new members Lion Olena and Lion Sudeera** along with their family members engaged in service (2nd photo). Submitted Lion Jack Riley

EDMONTON MALAYALI LIONS CLUB

Young Leader Making a Big Impact: Keerthana Menon

Keerthana Menon, a student at Edmonton's Garth Worthington School, is showing how young people can make a real difference through simple acts of service. Her initiative to recycle eyeglasses has already made an impact, raising awareness about the importance of vision care and sustainable recycling in her school community.

Her efforts were warmly recognized by the school principal, Dennis Kuchta, and the teaching and non-teaching staff.

Recently, Keerthana was presented with a certificate of appreciation at an Edmonton Malayali Lions Club (EMLC) meeting by District Chair of Eyeglasses Recycling, Lion Jack Riley.



Also in the photo are her proud father, Anoop Menon, an EMLC member, Lion Barb Riley, Guiding Lion, and Thomas Varghese, DG-E



I particularly appreciate how the Edmonton Malayali Lions Club is actively involving young people in Lions initiatives. At a recent club meeting, members discussed innovative service projects, and there were many creative ideas for how children of EMLC members and their friends can take part in meaningful service initiatives like Keerthana's. This focus on youth engagement ensures that the next generation is inspired to carry forward the Lions' mission.

Eyeglasses recycling has been a key Lions mission for over 100 years, inspired by Helen Keller's 1925 challenge to Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness." Today, we continue this mission by collecting and distributing recycled eyewear free of charge to people in developing countries. preventing blindness and changing lives. Our efforts help prevent blindness, restore sight, and improve the quality of life for countless individuals worldwide.



Thomas Varghese, DG-E



STONY PLAIN LIONS CLUB

The Stony Plain Lions Club donated \$ 3,500.00 to the Parkland Food Bank. At our general meeting on [March 2, 2026](#) Lion President Kathleen Linder presented the cheque to Sheri Ratsoy, Executive Director of the food bank



The club is very proud to support the surrounding communities of Stony Plain, Spruce Grove and the East portion of Parkland County.

*Kathleen Linder - President
Stony Plain Lions Club*

ST, ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB

Celebrating International Women's Day March 7 in St. Albert. Out of 17 nominations 5-6 are chosen to be recognized as exceptional Women who have made a difference in community by their dedicated service.



Out of the five adults and one youth selected, two are from St. Albert Host (Lion Ceres, Lion Vonda & her daughter Chandra (Youth).

Congratulations – so proud of you all.

Submitted Lion Barb Riley

ST, ALBERT HOST LIONS CLUB

St. Albert Host Lions Club (Lions Pres. Geoff and Lion Ceres) participated in the annual community



Seed Swap on March 7th (spearheaded by St. Albert Backyard Gardens), helping kick off the local gardening season. *“As we approach **Lions Environment Week in April 18th to 26th** ([Weeks of Service Videos](#) [View now](#)) Lions are proud to support initiatives that encourage sustainable gardening, protect pollinators, and strengthen local food growing”.* Quote Lion Aida.



SAVE THE DATE

	EDMONTON AURORA SCHOOL LEO CLUB	April 14 2026	Delton Community Hall, 12325 – 88 Street, Edmonton	RSVP by April 4 th See page 13	
	MDC CONVENTION	April 10-11 2026	Grande Prairie, Alberta	Registration form	See page 14 & 15
	ENVIRONMENT WEEK	April 18-26 2026	AMPLIFY World Wide Service		
	GATSBY MASQUERADE PARTY	May 30 2026	Cowboy Trail Lions Club	RSVP by April 30	See page 21
	LEDUC LIONS 80th Anniversary	June 13 2026	Leduc Alberta	RESERVATION	See Page 16
	MDC LCIF GALA	June 20 2026	Spruce View Alberta	REQUEST INFORMATION	See Page 17 & 18
	LCI CON 2026	July 3-7 2026	Hong Kong, China	REGISTRATION	WEBSITE
	USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum	Sept 03-05 2026	Memphis USA	REGISTRATION	WEBSITE
	C2 CONVNTION	October 23-24 2026	Cochrane Alberta	Details to follow	See Page 19
	C1 CONVENTION 2026/27	November 06-07..2026	Edmonton Inn and Conference Centre, Alberta	Details to follow	SEE PAGE 20
RESERVED FOR YOUR CLUB SPECIAL EVENT OR ANNIVERSARY					
RESERVED FOR YOUR CLUB SPECIAL EVENT OR ANNIVERSARY					
	St. Albert Host Lions 75th Anniversary	February 12, 2027	St. Albert Alberta	Details to follow	

Don't let the grass grow under your feet.

APRIL
14TH



DOORS
OPEN AT
6:00 PM

I N V I T A T I O N

LEO'S

INAUGURATION

RSVP HERE BY
APRIL 4TH:



WE GRACIOUSLY INVITE YOU TO OUR
LEO'S INAUGURATION CEREMONY AT
THE DELTON COMMUNITY HALL. THERE
WILL BE SNACKS, DRINKS, AND A SILENT
AUCTION.

12325 88 ST, EDMONTON, AB T5B 1G8

★ SAVE THE DATE ★

MD C Convention

APRIL 10–11, 2026
Holiday Inn & Suites
Conference Center

9816 107 Street,
Grande Prairie, A

1st VP
Mark S. Lyon



MULTIPLE DISTRICT C CONVENTION REGISTRATION



APRIL 10 & 11, 2026
Holiday Inn & Suites
Grande Prairie, AB

1. Name (First, Last) _____
 Lion Leo-Lion Leo Non-member First Convention
Official Title: _____ Name on Badge: _____
Club: _____ District: _____

2. Name (First, Last) _____
 Lion Leo-Lion Leo Non-member First Convention
Official Title: _____ Name on Badge: _____
Club: _____ District: _____

Address: _____ City: _____
Province/State: _____ Postal/Zip Code: _____
Email Address: _____
Phone Number: _____

1. Early Bird Registration & Full Meal Package # ____ x \$135.00/person = \$ _____
1. Lions/Guest Registration & Full Meal Package: # ____ x \$150.00/person = \$ _____
 (Friday Social, Saturday Lunch & DG Banquet) after March 14, 2026
2. Leo Registration & Full Meal Package: # ____ x \$80.00/person = \$ _____
 (Friday Social, Saturday Lunch & DG Banquet)
 **Registration after March 14, 2026 # ____ x \$100.00/person = \$ _____
3. Separate District Governor's Banquet Ticket: # ____ x \$65.00/person = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

Registration cut-off date: April 1, 2026

**We will be asking everyone to participate in a variety of service projects
"Lead to Serve – Serve to Lead" – further information to follow!**

Do you have any Special Dietary requests? Yes No
Please specify dietary details: Diabetic Gluten Free Vegetarian Allergies Other
Please describe _____

Hotel Reservations – Hotel reservations **are not** included with your registration fee and are the responsibility of the delegate/attendee.

Holiday Inn – room rates from \$149 (applicable taxes) \$169.00(applicable taxes) With Breakfast
Use Block Code: **MDC LIONS**

Method of payment: Credit Card Cheque – make payable to: Grande Prairie Lions Club.
 e-Transfer: **Payee: GPMDCConvention2026** Email: gpmdccconvention2026@gmail.com

Note: FULL PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM TO BE REGISTERED AS AN ATTENDEE.

Note: receipts will be sent by email ONLY. No receipts will be available at registration.

Credit Card #: _____ EXP Date: _____ CVC: _____

Send Completed registration form with payment to: Grande Prairie Lions Club, Box 505, Grande Prairie, AB T8V 3A7 or email to: Ldcgp@telusplanet.net

Cancellation Policy: Attempt to transfer your registration to another Lion. Written cancellation requests must be received by midnight on March 27, 2026. No refund after March 28, 2026. Email to: Ldcgp@telusplanet.net



You are Cordially Invited To:

The 80th Charter Anniversary of the

Lions Club of Leduc

Date: June 13, 2026

Location: Leduc Telford House

4907 – 46 Street, Leduc, AB

Tickets: \$50 per person for dinner and activities.

(E-transfers can be made to Glenn Runzer at the email below.)

Guest Speaker:

Dr. Patti Hill, Past President, Lions International.

Cocktails at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM.

Join us for an evening of dinner, fellowship, door prizes and a silent auction

RSVP to G. Runzer by May 13, 2026, at grunzerleduclionscharternight@gmail.com



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Multiple District C *LCIF Gala*

JUNE 20, 2026

SPRUCE VIEW COMMUNITY HALL

SPRUCEVIEW, AB

TICKETS: \$50.00

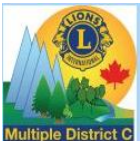
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MULTIPLE DISTRICT C LCIF GALA REGISTRATION



JUNE 20, 2026
Spruceview Community Hall
Spruceview, AB



1. Name (First, Last)

2. Name (First, Last)

Address: _____ City: _____

Province/State: _____ Postal/Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

1. Registration # ____ x \$50.00/person = \$ _____

Total = \$

Registration cut-off date: June 13, 2026

Method of payment:

Credit Card

Cheque – make payable to: Sylvan Lake Lions Club

E-Transfer: Payee: SLLTreasurer@gmail.com

Email: jwhaley@shaw.ca

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EXP Date:

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or email to: jwhaley@shaw.ca



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C2 CONVENTION
October 23, 24 2026



Cochrane Lions Club
EVENTS CENTRE



C1 CONVENTION

NOVEMBER

6 & **7** 2026

 **EDMONTON INN AND
CONFERENCE CENTRE**

**GUEST
SPEAKER**

GARY STEELE
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR





*Cowboy Trail Lions Club
presents*

GATSBY MASQUERADE INTERCLUB PARTY

*Join us for another roaring night as we
celebrate our second annual Interclub Party.
Enjoy the 1920's prohibition-themed event
with a masquerade twist.*

MAY 30TH

2026

5:30PM

**123 SUNSET BLVD.
TURNER VALLEY, AB
TICKETS \$40.00
(TICKETS INCLUDE DINNER)
CASH BAR**

**BEST COSTUME PRIZE
GAMES, PRIZES
AND SURPRISES
CHARITY 50/ 50
BUCKET RAFFLE**

COSTUMES NOT MANDATORY BUT HIGHLY ENCOURAGED

E-TRANSFER COWBOYTRAILTREASURER@GMAIL.COM

BY APRIL 30TH TO RSVP