



District 19C Newsletter (Together We Serve A Greater Need)

TEAMwork – Together Everyone Achieves More

November 2008

District Governor's Remarks:



As Florence Littauer stated, "Being a leader does not mean being a boss; it is only possible to lead by being an encourager to others." I encourage every member in the District to shoot for the moon, of course, if you miss you will be among the stars. Thinking along those lines our goals can be

accomplished. Membership, Retention and Monthly Membership Reporting are our goals. These goals can be met if every member assumes a role in achieving our goals. We have made some progress in each of our goals, however we need to raise the bar just a little higher to accelerate our trip to the moon.

I convey my personal thanks to all the clubs and individual members for their contribution to the disaster relief to District 8N in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. A generous amount of \$2,250 was sent.

Congratulations are in order to three outstanding Lions of District 19C for their exemplary performance of service and duty, they are: Immediate Past District Governor Barbara Ellis received the International President 's Award; Past District Governor Emerson Bishop received the Secretary of the Year Award and Immediate Past Zone Chairman Charlie Russell received the Zone Chairperson of the Year Award.

DG John

Gig Harbor Lion Bob Wagers - Citizen of the Year

On Friday, October 24 at the Chamber of Commerce Dinner several awards were given. The final award was Citizen of the Year, presented to Bob Wagers, a 27 year member of The Gig Harbor Lions Club.

Bob has read to 4th graders at Voyager Elementary School every Wednesday for a decade. The teacher was unable to attend the dinner so instead she wrote a letter. She told how Bob had been reading at the school for a decade, how the children had come to love him, respect him, how he had become a role model for them as most of them came from single parent homes. There wasn't a dry eye in the room by the time the letter was finished being read.

He received an engraved trophy and handmade gifts from the children. Seven other Gig Harbor Lions were in attendance to support the award winner.

EXTENSION DISTRICT C STYLE

VCC Jim McCown, Extension Chairman

Please make note of the chartering of the new club in Zone 3. **White River Valley Lions Club of Pacific and Algona will be chartered on November 19.** It will be held at Oscar's Hotel just off of Valley Freeway and the Algona/Pacific exit. It is the second exit going South and the third exit after leaving Sumner and Puyallup going north.

The President of the White River Valley Lions Club is Tracey Apata and the Secretary/Treasurer is Alexis Rosario. The guest speaker will be Past International Director Roger Richert. The WRV Lions Club is planning on having a great night as they become part of us. Please call Tracey at 206-992-7609 or email at traceyapata@hotmail.com or you can call Alexis at 253 315 1409 or e-mail rosarioa@Katewwdb.com.

We are also in the planning stage of starting a new Lions club in Tumwater. It will be either a morning or noon club. Anyone wishing to help put that club together, please call your Extension chairman Jim at 360-459-5469.

We will be conducting a Guiding Lions School in a few days. Anyone wishing to attend this seminar and be a Certified Guiding Lion at a new club please contact Jim at 253-315-1409 immediately. All Guiding Lions must be certified to assume this position and obtain the Guiding Lions Award at the end of your tenure.

Second Cabinet Meeting

The second Cabinet Meeting will be held on Monday, November 3. Social at 6 p.m.; meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. The meeting place is the Tillicum American Lakes Gardens Community Center, 14916 Washington Avenue SW, Lakewood. All District 19C Cabinet members are requested to attend.

Message from Al Brandel International President

Dear Club President,

You won't find a more dedicated Lion than my wife, Maureen, but when we began dating it was another story. I told her I was "a little involved with Lions." She responded, "What's a Lion?"

That shows you our challenge in getting our name out and attracting new members. People are bombarded with so much information and advertisement and so many appeals for help and volunteerism that it's easy for Lions Clubs to get lost in the clutter. That's why we need to present a clear image of who we are. We need to speak with one voice. So we've "rebranded" Lions. We've taken a long look at who we are. After conferring with many Lions worldwide, we've identified eight key characteristics of Lions.

1. We are global.
2. We serve where we live.
3. We give 100 percent.
4. We do it ourselves.
5. We are rich in heritage and pride.
6. We are in good company.
7. We're open.
8. We are dedicated to sight – and more.

You will help your club grow and become more diverse by communicating these key characteristics.

Lions Clubs International has a wide range of resources available on its Web site to help you communicate these messages. Please take a look at the impressive *We are Lions* brochure (http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/news_news_BrandFAQ.shtml) Also learn more about our rebranding (http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/lions_brand_book.pdf)

Our 21st century messages deserve 21st century media. Lions Clubs International is working hard to make sure you have access to the tools you need to communicate effectively. Our association now has a presence on the online video site YouTube. Because this site is global, yet person-to-person media, it is an excellent match for an organization whose ideals embrace both personal service and worldwide cooperation. I urge all Lions subscribe to the Lions channel on YouTube (<http://www.youtube.com/lionsclubsorg>).

Of course the best way to communicate in any century is by example. To be sure that your club is walking-the-walk as well as talking-the-talk, ask yourself the following questions.

In the past month, has my club:

- Invited someone to a service activity or to visit my club?
- Offered a warm welcome to newcomers?
- Talked with local leaders about our commitment to the community?
- Identified a problem in our community or in the world that our club can work on?
- Focused on the impact that we want to make?
- Heard someone say that our club is an asset to the community?
- Acted generously from the heart?

Lions working together can accomplish any task. Your club can ramp up its energy, spirit and membership and take its service to new levels.

As always, I thank you for all you do for your community and our world.

Sincerely,

Al Brandel
International President

Other Updates:

Lions Clubs International has partnered with the United States Office of National Drug Control Policy. As a partner, Lions clubs are encouraged to promote the National Youth Media Campaign ads and materials to members and their community by reprinting them or posting on club websites.

For more information or materials contact the Office of National Drug Control Policy's National Youth Media Campaign at <http://www.theantidrug.com/resources/> or by calling 1-800-788-2800.

LCI Web site Links

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/news_news_BrandFAQ.shtml

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/lions_brand_book.pdf

<http://www.youtube.com/lionsclubsorg>

<http://www.theantidrug.com/resources/>



AS LIONS, WE SERVED Pierce County Homeless Connect

As I am not exactly sure where to start this article, the first thing that comes to mind is WOW! What can 42 volunteers, 997 attendees, the exhibition hall at the Tacoma Dome and 8 hours equal? Pierce County Homeless Connect, that's the answer.

We had the perfect team to help many of Pierce County's homeless population receive services on one day, under one roof. We, as a team, had the Vision portion of this event, and as LIONS, we served the ones who needed our assistance, right here in our own backyard. We created the perfect team to accomplish our mission. We had LERC with Bob Pinson and Jim Labelle there with reader glasses, frames, sunglasses and a lensometer and also doing much of the screening. We had VOSH (Volunteer Optometric Services of Humanity) there with doctors and equipment ready and willing, there was Lenscrafters with opticians, labs to edge the lenses which they donated, repair and adjust, dispense and direct to appropriate offices to pick up and in a few cases returned to the Dome for urgent needs to take home that day. Two of the opticians made the trek from Spokane the night before to help and wanted to know how this was done so they could set up something similar on the other side of the mountains! They asked if we would be interested in reciprocating when they do theirs! Now, there is a thought Lions..... What started as one lab doing the work, then by mid-morning there were 4 and by the end of the day there were 7 labs working on making lives safer and giving the people a chance.

The Sight Zone Chair Cheryl Croft from C3, who is an OD, made arrangements for additional equipment, medicines and most of all, she was my professional consultant---priceless! We had Lions from the Peninsula, Orting, Lacey Sunrise, Tacoma SE, Spanaway donated monetary funds, and my very own Puyallup. If I forgot someone, please accept my apologies as my volunteer list is missing! Two of our members Terri Soliz and Kent Sharpe took the day off from their jobs to help with the event and keep me in line, which is a feat all on its own! I think they both secretly want to be eye doctors as they were doing a lot of the screening by the end of the day. There were Lions directing traffic, helping with the check-in paper work and filing. Although our own DG John has a very tight schedule, he rolled up his sleeves and dug right in. I have to admit, it was different "bossing the boss" that day. He is a working boss though. Everyone, and I do mean everyone, was incredible and an asset to our club, our community, and our world to make it just a little bit better.

Anyone of us could be in the same place. Some are there because of choice but most are not. Dr. Robert Black stated, "they all have wonderful souls but have

fallen through the cracks." I have never heard as many thank you's and appreciativeness as I did that day. All of the volunteers treated them as people first, with no other thought and that was appreciated as I heard so many times.

OK, here are the numbers you all have been waiting for! 997 checked in through the front door vs. 500 last year; 42 volunteers at the Vision venue; 358 people came to the vision venue (we had to cut it off at 2:30 p.m. as we were so in demand and had to finish by 5 p.m.); 245 pairs of glasses dispensed; 3 were walked to DSHS due to an urgent need for surgery (all had appointments within 72 hours to correct the problem---all donated). We had to have "readers" at the check-in as many homeless couldn't see to fill out the paperwork---thank you LERC!

WHEW! I might have been the Vision lead person, but it took the perfect team to get this heart warming job done and get down to basics. As many of you know, I am not the political person. I joined Lions to serve our community and to give back in some way to the ones who have donated corneas and other eye "parts" to me if only to have a quality of life.

There are so many more who need our help. We had one man there who was deaf and couldn't see....now imagine living on the streets, too? We had a woman come through who needed glasses, but needed them to do a job application there at Work Source; we put a rush on them and she had them by noon. She came over to me to let me know that she started a new job the following day because she could see the application and could then do the job. These are only a couple of the ones I know of.

Hard work, oh yeah, and I had only 6 weeks to put this together and so many said "we will be there to help wherever we can." Looking back, my only regret is that we ran out of time to be able to see each and every one. But the ones we were able to see and help, may be off of the streets in the near future because we took the time to care and change their lives for the better.

I would like to take a moment to Thank all of the LIONS who support me and keep me doing these crazy projects, because without you wonderful souls, I am alone. A special thanks to DG John Doyle for your guidance and support. From my heart to yours, Thank You!

And ..oh....see ya next year at the Pierce County Homeless Connect! They asked me to do this again!

**With Love to all of you,
Brenda Shaw, Puyallup Lions
Pierce County Homeless Connect-Vision Lead**

TEAMwork – Together Everyone Achieves More

Welcome to the LEMPR&R Corner!

Greetings from the Leadership, Extension, Membership, Public Relations and Retention Committee!

We're a busy group. In our last meeting we documented progress in a number of areas:

In the area of Extension, we have a new club to be chartered on November 19. The new club's name is the White River Valley Lions Club, and it's located in the Pacific-Algona area. They currently have 21 members. That's more hands to do more good work. Welcome to all our new Lions!

There are several new target areas around the district, which the LEMPR&R Committee and the District Governor have discussed. For more information, contact Extension Chair Jim McCown.

PZC Jan McCaffrey is leading the effort to positively impact Retention in our district. She will be contacting all of the zone chairs in the district to schedule presentations at zone meetings, and to make contact with clubs in need. Our district has had some difficulties in this area over the past year, so Jan is working hard to help our zones and clubs develop plans to improve retention.

PDG Bill Ellis is co-chairing Membership for the district this year. So far, this go-getting team has helped the District Governor send welcome letters to every new member in the district. How's that for making new Lions feel welcome? The Membership Committee recommends that clubs ensure that new Lions are a good fit for the club, and that they are well oriented to the benefits and demands of Lions. Expectations drive member retention, so we all need to make sure our new members' expectations jive with those of the clubs they join.

In other areas, the LEMPR&R Committee would like to ensure that our clubs and zones have the support they need to be successful. This includes good orientation packages for clubs, expertise for presentations, facilitation, and intervention, and help brainstorming ways to improve our great clubs even further.

If you have questions about how the LEMPR&R Committee can help you or your zone, club or you as an individual, please don't hesitate to give me a call at (360) 400-1746.

VDG Dave

LEADERSHIP NEWS

Dan Comsia, Co-Leadership Chair

District Leadership has held three events this year. In September, the committee hosted a Problem Solving Facilitation training for club presidents and zone chairs conducted by PDG Bill Ellis and PZC Dan Comsia. The two co-facilitators for this workshop have committed to do a follow-up in the zones. Our District Governor has a goal of training an additional 25 Lions in Problem Solving Facilitation so please get a training set up in your zone. In October, there was a Zone Chair/Past Zone Chair roundtable. Although not very well attended, those there participated in lively discussion around the accomplishments and the challenges that the year has brought. From the meeting, we will be planning a Zone Chair/Past Zone Chair roundtable with the incoming Zone Chairs for 2009-10. Over 25 Lions registered for the Leadership 101 course on October 25th. It was an excellent training around presentation skills, meeting management, conflict resolution skills and other helpful skills for our clubs and their leaders.

We now focus our attention on the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute that will be February 5-8, 2009. District 19C has always been a leader in the total of institute graduates in both MD19 and MD36. I do hope that we can keep that tradition going with this institute. It is three and half days of intense leadership training that will help a graduate in Lionism, work and community. The cost is \$290 but half can be paid through a scholarship with Northwest Lions Service and Leadership Foundation for MD19. People pay thousands of dollars for the quality of training that one could receive for \$145 at the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute. Dan Comsia and Marilynn Danby, Leadership Co-Chairs, have applications or you can go online at <http://www.lionsmd19.com/leadershipinstitute/Senior%20lion%leadership%20institute.htm>. The deadline for applications is December 15th. Please consider this worthwhile training and apply now.

There will be a Guiding Lion Training that will take place on Saturday, January 24, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Greater Lakes Mental Health, 9330 59th Ave. SW in Lakewood, 98499-6600. The Guiding Lion training really is for all Lions who would like to know about our Lions organization but especially for those who would like to be considered to be a Guiding Lion for newly organized clubs. There will be more about this in the coming months' District newsletters.

In the spring, there will be a workshop at the conference for this year's club officers and the incoming club officers for 2009-10 which will help transition leadership from this year to next year. There will also be, as mentioned above, a Zone Chair--Associate Zone Chair and Past Zone Chair roundtable after the Spring Conference. It really is true that Strong Leaders build Strong Clubs!!

Public Relations: Methods, Messages & Media

By Ed Kane, P.R. Chair

As the District 19C public relations chairman I have been remiss in my duties. Even before the present financial and energy crisis I knew I would not have the funds to pursue my Lions position in a manner that would best serve the district – that is traveling around to the clubs. But there are ways to overcome most issues, and this newsletter is one. So, while I will not promise to produce an issue-to-issue installment to enlighten you about the best ways to promote your clubs, I will make myself available to answer your questions and attempt to weigh in on any PR thoughts and proposals you would like to throw my way.

The big issue this month is the Lion Club logo. Unless I have greatly underestimated, I would guess very few members have latched on to the stories in last few Lion Magazines about a revision of the logo. The new logo is simplified – according to those in the know – to fall in line with contemporary thoughts on design aesthetics. I may argue that point, but what the new design does do is simplify the inclusion of the logo in everything from web applications to print. It is especially advantageous for print because it does away with the multiple colors and the design flourishes around the crest. Gone is the red of the lion's tongue and the mixes of colors that produced the brown shading of the mane. The white highlights are gone as well, leaving only two basic colors – yellow and blue. If you have ever tried to reproduce the full color of the Lion logo in printed matter you've no doubt been stunned at how that dramatically increases printing costs. That is because the four-color process – laying four different colors of ink on the pages – is so much costlier than just black ink on white paper. Now we can reduce costs by using the new logo, which is comprised of only two colors.

Lions Clubs International has advised clubs and districts to begin replacing the old logo only as you are revising materials for other reasons. They do not require that the materials bearing the older logo be discarded. But, as materials are depleted clubs are to exchange old logos with the new design. You can download the new logo in any of numerous sizes and formats. At the LCI website click on "Resources" then on "Logos & Art." If you have difficulties email me with your needs and I will provide the art needed.

On the 15th of October I presented a Power Point program to the North Mason Lions Club in Belfair. This is a presentation I have been working on intermittently for some time. The North Mason Lions Club's invitation gave me the motivation to refine the issues and advice presented in the program, and solicit the input of a real live audience. The members were great as an audience. To the last of them they were complimentary and felt they had picked up many ideas about what public relations is and can be. I was sure I would get

much more constructive feed-back, but only one member suggested that I include more visuals such as photos and graphics, which I plan to do as I refine the slides. Another member of the audience asked that we get together regarding ideas he has, and I will be seeing him soon. While I was delighted that they thought the show was fine as-is, I know I need to spice it up a bit. There are also some points I need to make but did not have time to include those slides before show time. I am creating this program in part because driving personally to any clubs that would like to see the presentation is something I cannot afford to do. When completed, this program will be available to all 19C clubs on request. I will attempt to visit clubs when affordable, but I hope the information will be entertaining and informative without me as a speaker. As it is distributed please do contact me with your observations and recommendations.

In the meantime please feel free to contact me at my email address – lakewoodnews@harbornet.com – with any questions, suggestions and your own club's experiences with PR.



New Logo



Old Logo

PEACE POSTER CONTEST



Peace Poster Chairs:
Thank You... You Are The Best!

You should now have your judging team notified to assemble on a specific date to pick one winner for each school or youth group that you are sponsoring....

Please Use the Judging Criteria That Was Sent To You

(The final format is dated 10.13.08)

Forward the Winning Poster, Postmark Date
No Later Than November 15* to:

DG John Doyle, Jr.
6660 E. Grandview Avenue
Tacoma, WA 98404

*I am available to pickup the winning posters. Contact me if you can't make this deadline, and/or would like me to attend your judging.

Iris Young, District Chair, Peace Poster Contest:
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Dave Risley
webmaster@md19clions.org

Hello Again Fellow Lions!

I've received no questions yet, but I hope that will change shortly. This month I'll take a small step into email etiquette.

When sending newsletters and announcements to large groups put only your email address on the To: line.

Put all of the other addresses on the bcc: line. This will ensure that your address lists will not be hi-jacked by people that want to send spam (unwanted emails, usually ads). It also helps people to reply only to you, instead of the entire group accidentally.

When writing an email, if you don't see the bcc: line, try clicking on the To: or cc: text. This will often open your address book and allow you to copy addresses to the bcc: block. Also, in Outlook, when writing an email click the arrow next to the Options button and then select bcc:

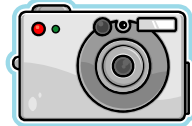
Until Next Month, Happy Computing

Environment Photo Contest Reminder

PZC Mitzi Ludwig, Environment Chairperson

The deadline for entering your photos for the annual contest is drawing near. All photos must be received by December 8, 2008 in order to be judged that evening immediately following the Zone C-3 meeting. Judges will be chosen by District Governor John Doyle. The photo each club may submit must be an 8" X 10" sent through the mail. They can no

longer be sent electronically. The five categories are: animal life, landscape, plant life, weather phenomenon, the theme picked by LCI which, this year, is "Lions Environmental Miracle Workers". This theme photo could portray Lions in action, implementing an environment project. This is the only photo that can have a person or persons in it. The photo must have a title and a 25 word or less description of the photo and why the environment being depicted should be improved, protected, or preserved. A completed official entry form should accompany the photo. This information was handed out at Zone Advisory meetings and also mailed to some clubs. The entry forms are also available on the LCI website. Just don't mail the entry to the address on the



form. It must be judged at the district level first so please mail to:

PZC Mitzi Ludwig
8143 Yelm Hwy. S.E.
Olympia WA 98513
Questions? mitziludwig@hotmail.com
(360)580-5091

The winning photo will be displayed at the 19-C Spring Conference, at the MD19 Convention, and at Banner Passing. So, good luck to all you shutterbugs.

Hearing Care

PZC Mary Jo Cady, NWLF 19C Trustee

Hearing loss is a growing problem in the United States. Many of those who need hearing care either go undiagnosed for too long or have difficulty affording the care they need.

The Northwest Lions Foundation for Sight & Hearing has several different programs to accomplish its mission of protecting and restoring hearing. In 2004, the Foundation established AUDIENT, an innovative national nonprofit program providing low-cost, high-quality hearing care for those with limited ability to pay. Additionally, the Foundation supports Lions Clubs as they serve their communities, offering prevention and detection services such as the Lions Health Screening Unit (HSU), refurbished hearing aids through the Lions Hearing Aid Bank, and financial support for sight care through Patient Care Grants and Project Support Grants.

Research is another way the Northwest Lions Foundation for Sight & Hearing serves its hearing mission. The Foundation has committed \$250,000 to help fund a hearing research project led by internationally-renowned neuroscientist Lion Dr. Ed Rubel. The research is being conducted at the Lions Hearing Research Laboratory in Seattle.

Dr. Rubel's team is involved in a project that holds the potential for reversing or ameliorating as much as 70 percent of the hearing loss that exists in the world today. By studying and reconstructing how the tiny hair cells in a bird's inner ear regrow themselves after being damaged, the team believes it can create a biological triggering mechanism to induce their human counterparts to replicate the feat. In normal hearing, it is the movement of these hairs within the inner ear that triggers electrical impulses that take the auditory signal to the brain. When the hair cells in the inner ear die as a result of exposure to loud noises or chemicals, humans lose the ability to hear certain sounds. As they continue to make small breakthroughs at the cellular level, Dr. Rubel's team has now experienced some success at hair cell regeneration.

YOUTH EXCHANGE

PZC Bob H. Kelley, Youth Exchange Chair

The Youth Exchange is going great but we still will need some host families.

I have received the applications from our visitors from Lima, Peru. Here is some information on them: Daniella Calamo, female age 19; Abigail Calle, female age 19; Paola Rondan, female age 20. These young ladies will arrive about the 22nd of December and exchange to a second family about the 10th of January, then leave for home on about the last day of the month.

We also will have two youths from Australia: Sheridan Robbins, female age 18 and Joelan Salata, male age 17. They will arrive during the first week of December and exchange to their second host family around the holidays.

Let's host some of these youths locally in District C. You can make it a Lions Club project and many of your members can enjoy their company as well as learn about their culture.

For questions or additional information contact Bob Kelley, District C Chairman, at (360) 491-7337 or e-mail address - bobleekelley@comcast.net.

**Youth Exchange Program
Travel**


Youths travelling in the program tell us that they have been transformed as a result. They feel that through meeting many challenges, they have grown within themselves.

Give youths from your community an opportunity to experience the magic of Youth Exchange.

Travel to some European countries requires an application as early as January 15th. For information, contact:

PZC Bob Kelley, 360-491-7337, bobleekelley@comcast.net

www.lionsyouthexchange.org



Contests & Awards

Judy Ann Bergvall, Contests & Awards Chair
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Calling All Club Presidents:

It is time for your club to start thinking about Contest and Awards for our District C Spring Conference, March 6 and 7 at LaQuinta in Tacoma.

Last year we had approximately 35 clubs from District C participate. With your help and encouragement we can increase that number considerably. There are eleven categories so your club can find one or two or more events in which to participate.

First of all, please read the Contest and Awards rules in the Multiple District 19 Roster for this year and notice the changes that have been made. The induction ceremony has been dropped from MD-19, but the conference committee voted to keep this contest for our district. We would like to see at least six clubs compete with their induction ceremony so put a team together soon and start practicing with your new members.

All clubs have great projects. Why not tell about one of the wonderful things you do in your community by participating in the five minute achievement speech? Remember, it must be this year's project.

Deadline for entering your club bulletins is Feb. 1. They must be in to DG John Doyle by that date to be considered for judging. For our district conference, you must have seven bulletins: July through January.

Web site addresses must be entered on the Contest and Awards application and that deadline is also Feb. 1 as these are judged ahead of time.

The deadline for all other entries is Feb. 15. Please let your Contest and Awards Chairperson, Judy Ann Bergvall, know of your intention to participate in this year Contest and Awards. This can be done by application, by phone, or by e-mail. It is a big help to the committee if we have all entries in by the date indicated.

Lastly, have fun. Contest and Awards is a great way to encourage some new Lions to participate in "convention life" and get involved.



DG Doyle inducts the newest member of Lakewood First Lions, Joe Riedinger. To the left is Riedinger's sponsor, Tom Crabill. Crabill and his wife Fae themselves are recent additions to the club. (photo by Ed Kane)

Membership

IPDG Barbara Ellis, Membership Chair

Lions, this is our fourth month of our new Lions year and we have had new members each month. However, we lost a lot of Lions from drops in July and need to work twice as hard in the coming months to get more "hands for service". Our District Governor needs each of us to invite someone to our club meetings and ask them to join. Each new member gives us another pair of hands to serve our communities. Please ask someone today.

Lions have many things to offer to new members. Not only do they get to do service in the community they live in, but they get to contribute help internationally with all the fine programs Lions has to offer. Not to mention the great friendships they will develop throughout the district and multiple. We also have leadership classes in our district and the Leadership Institute in our Multiple. These are very worthwhile and educational for everyone. Be sure and mention them when asking a prospective member to join.

You will see no sponsors names or new member names here today. Since our newsletter deadline is the 20th and comes out on the first, I have not been able to include all names for each month. I have had Lions calling me each month and telling me I left a new member's name off of the list and their sponsor. So, I will do this periodically and all names will get in.

Have good meetings, do a bulletin and a club brochure to show new prospects. When you ask someone to join you at a Lions meeting, remember to introduce them around and make them feel welcome. Most of all, have fun!

Suggestions for Club Membership Program

IPDG Barbara Ellis, Membership Chair

1. Have a specific plan....open house? Dinner meeting? Coffee?
2. Advertise in local paper, get papers to write articles on Lions projects.
3. ASK someone to a club meeting.
4. Encourage any new Lion to bring a friend to a meeting.
5. Take 2-3 minutes to discuss membership at every meeting.
6. Have a contest within your club or zone.
7. Recognize each sponsor of a new member, as well as the new member.
8. If a Lion in your club has a financial problem and is planning on dropping because of it, and they are a good working Lion, pay their dues out of your activity account.
9. Publish a brochure for your club showing what your club does. It is also important for each club to publish a bulletin.
10. Make sure your club has fun, even while working to serve your community.

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November 14 World Diabetes Awareness Day

Jan Norman, Diabetes Awareness Chair

How can you help to bring local awareness to this event?

1. Wear blue on this day.
2. Talk to someone you know with diabetes and tell them how important they are to you.
3. Talk to someone you love about being active, eating nutritiously and maintaining a healthy weight, so they don't get diabetes.

Watch for the national news about this international event that is being acknowledged by national monuments being lighted in blue all over the world.

Did you know that 25% of the population has pre-diabetes? In our Lions family this percentage could be as high as 50% because so many of us are already over weight, not getting enough exercise and are choosing to eat the things that increase our cholesterol, blood pressure and weight.

So give yourself a mighty nudge to a healthier lifestyle, ask a friend to join you and dress in blue on November 14th while you share with someone the importance of taking diabetes seriously. Call me if you have questions about International Diabetes Awareness Day. Jan Norman Diabetes Awareness Chair, (360) 459-5123.

MD19 Club Membership Director Excellence Award

The Club Membership Director Excellence Award will be based on the following criteria. The Club Membership Director can earn a maximum of 145 points, but not less than 115 points to qualify for this Award.

1. Attend a Club Membership Director training at the Zone, District or Multiple District level. **15 pts.**
2. Attend his/her own Club's Planning Session. **20 pts.**
3. Hold an Open House or Invite-a-Friend event for his/her own club. **30 pts.**
4. Organize at least one Club Orientation Presentation. **30 pts.**
5. Maintain a three (3) person Membership Committee (clubs with over 50 members) or a two (2) person committee (clubs with 50 members or less). **20 pts.**
6. Show a 5% increase in club membership. **15 pts.**
7. Attend Zone Meetings and share any new programs and their results that are being used to recruit, orient, and retain members. **(5 pts. per meeting) 15 pts. Max**

All Club Membership Directors who earn the required number of points through the above criteria must submit a Club Membership Director Form to the Multiple District 19 Office postmarked by July 31st of the following Lions year.

The Multiple District 19 Office will mail out this form to all Lions Club Secretaries in March.

The MMR and VAD report must be submitted by the 20th of the month if mailed, if online by the last day of the month.

Dates to Remember....

November 3 – 2nd Dist. Cabinet Meeting

January 12 – 3rd Dist. Cabinet Meeting

January 23-24, 2009 – MD19 Winter Council Meeting

February 5-8, 2009 – NW Lions Leadership Training, Lake Oswego, OR

March 6-8, 2009 – 19C Spring Conference, LaQuinta Inn, Tacoma



Reminder....

LIONS VISITATION LOTTO

Contact Visitation Chair PZC Bob Darrigan: C - 253-229-4148; H - 253-874-4282 or email: worldbooks@msn.com or Snail Mail: 104 S. 325th Place, Federal Way, WA 98003.



HAPPENINGS AROUND DIST. 19C



Rainier Lions Present Dictionaries -

Seventy-three dictionaries were presented by Rainier Lions to Rainier primary students. The kids were thrilled to receive their own book of words. Lions Gene Cinkovich, a Rainier High School teacher and coach, and his wife Marlene, a Rainier 3rd grade teacher, ordered the dictionaries. Each dictionary included a letter for the parents explaining the Dictionary Project. King Lion Rod Mitchell, Lions Chris Beck, Bernice Beck, Larry Warner and Bob Maddox, along with school board member, Jerry Sprouffske, attended the October 15 presentation. Rainier Lions are checking with a local christian school to see if their third graders could be included in this project.

Port Orchard Lions Meeting Location Change -

The Port Orchard Lions Club has changed their meeting location to "Bayview Java & Deli," 1213 Bay Street, Port Orchard, 98366. Phone Number: 360-874-7615. Effective October 7, 2008. Please make note of this change.

Puyallup Lions Dunk Tank For Sale -

It is a two seat natural gas heated dunk tank on a trailer. All fencing, ramps and counter are included and the Puyallup Lions will help set up the tank the first time to show the new people how to do it. No reasonable offer will be refused. Please email Lion John Budzak, Jr. at warbuff60@comcast.net for further information or to make an offer.

Puyallup Valley Lions Meeting Location Change -

Please note the new meeting place effective October 21: Puerto Vallarta Restaurant, 215 15th Street SE, Puyallup, WA 98372. Same time Noon!

Bonney Lake Lions -

Lions4Kids house has been making records this year. Between September 2006 and August 2007 there were 647 children served. This year, between August 2007 and September 2008 there were a total of 1658 served! For another comparison, the school shopping in 2007 brought in 185 kids and in 2008 it was up to 500 kids. Bonney Lake continues to improve how they serve the children in need in their community!



Date Change for DG's Visit to Milton-Edgewood Lions -

DG John Doyle's visit to Milton-Edgewood Lions is changed from November 25 to December 9.

Enumclaw Lions Club 60th Charter Anniversary & Past Presidents' Night Celebration -

Enumclaw Lions invite you to celebrate this special event with them on Saturday, November 22, 2008, Danish Hall, 1708 Porter Street, Enumclaw. Social Hour - 6:00 p.m.; Dinner - 7:00 p.m. Cost - \$25.00 per person. All guests are welcome! RSVP by November 10 to Em Bishop - 360-825-6328 embishop@comcast.net.

Lacey Sunrise Lions Club celebrate their 33rd Anniversary on Saturday, November

15 at The Chambers House Restaurant at Panorama City, 1751 Circle Lane SE, Lacey. Social hour beginning at 5 p.m.; Buffet Dinner at 6 p.m. Cost \$20 per person. RSVP by Nov. 7 to Beth Davis at anniem@oz.net or 360-584-9395. Everyone is welcome!

Key Peninsula Lions celebrate their 25th Charter Anniversary with a party on November

22. Dinner and Awards. Tickets \$16. Contact Club President George Robison, 253-853-2721.

Kent Lions Celebrate 70th Charter Anniversary -

The Kent Lions will celebrate their 70th Charter Anniversary on November 14 at the Kent Senior Center. Social Hour at 6:30 p.m.; Dinner at 7:30 p.m. Cost for event is \$15/person. Invitations are also being extended to selected VIP's and to Kent Lions Past Presidents at somewhat lower prices. Attendance is limited because of capacity of the Senior Center. If you are interested in attending, please contact PDG Pete Gomes, at (h)253-740-0493 (c)253-740-0493 by November 8.

White River Valley Lions Club of Pacific & Algona will be Chartered on Nov. 19 -

For details see page 1 of this newsletter.



District Governor's Revised Schedule November 2008 – March 2009 (As of October 17, 2008)

November 2008

November 3 District 2nd Cabinet Meeting
 November 5 DG Sumner/Official Visit
 November 6 DG C6 2nd Zone Advisory Mtg.
 November 11 DG Olympia West/Official Visit
 November 13 DG Bonney Lake/Official Visit/Noon

 November 13 DG C4 Zone Advisory Meeting
 November 14 DG Kent Lions 70th Anniversary
 November 15 DG C2 2nd Zone Advisory Mtg.
 November 18 DG Fife/Official Visit
 November 19 DG Charter Night for White River Valley Lions Club

 November 20 DG Graham Sunrise/Official Visit
 November 21 DG C1 2nd Zone Advisory Mtg. g
 November 22 C5 2nd Zone Advisory Meeting
 November 22 DG Enumclaw 60th Anniversary Charter Night
 November 27 Happy Thanksgiving

December 2008

December 1 DG Federal Way Knights/Official Visit
 December 2 DG Spanapark Early Risers/Official Visit
 December 3 DG Lacey Lamplighters/Official Visit
 December 4 DG Puyallup South/Official Visit
 December 8 DG C3 2nd Zone Advisory Mtg.
 December 9 DG Milton-Edgewood/Official Visit

December 11 DG Lacey Mid Day/Official Visit
 December 16 DG Covington/Official Visit
 December 18 DG Tacoma Narrows/Official Visit
 December 25 Happy Holidays

January 2009

January 07 DG Key Peninsula/Official Visit
 January 12 District 3rd Cabinet Meeting
 January 13 DG University Place/Official Visit
 January 15 DG Eatonville/Official Visit
 January 18 DG Lakewood Korean/Official Visit
 January 21 DG Roy Community/Official Visit
 January 22 DG Tacoma Downtown/Official Visit
 January 23-24 DG MD-19 Winter Council Mtg.
 January 27 DG Spanaway/Official Visit
 January 29 DG C4 3rd Zone Advisory Mtg.

February 2009

February 7 DG C2 3rd Zone Advisory Mtg.
 February 8 DG C5 3rd Zone Advisory Mtg.
 February 9 DG C6 3rd Zone Advisory Mtg.
 February 12 DG Tenino/Official Visit
 February 16 DG C3 3rd Zone Advisory Mtg.
 February 27 DG C1 3rd Zone Advisory Mtg.

March 2009

March 6-8 District 19C Spring Conference
 March 6 District 4th Cabinet Meeting