



District 19C NEWSLETTER



DG Rick Drury *"Quest for Miracles through Service"* February 2012

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

This month, I want to address three things:

The first item deals with membership. As we are now in the final five months of this Lions year we need to address the importance of membership. Right now the district is down 66 members. I want to challenge the clubs within the district to bring in three new members each over the remaining months of this year. It is also important that the number of drops each month be reduced to zero. If this challenge is accepted, the district would be in the positive at the end of the year. I know that we can do this and that there is a lot of hard work ongoing within clubs throughout the district. Keep it up.

The second item deals with a great activity that has been ongoing for the past few years – the provision of dictionaries to schools throughout the district. To the clubs that have participated in this activity, I want to give you my personal thanks for doing this. During my visitations, I have heard numerous clubs talk about the impact that the dictionaries have on the kids who receive them. I have also heard from members who have assisted in delivering the dictionaries and the impact of seeing the excitement in the kids when they receive them. What they say is very moving. To the clubs who are participating – Thank you so much. To the clubs who have not yet taken on this activity – You don't know what you are missing. Let's keep this program growing and maybe reach a 100% level of participation by clubs within the district. I would like each club who participated this year to send me an email and let me know how many schools you covered and how many dictionaries were handed out.

Finally, I want to address something that will be coming up on April 13th and 14th. If you have not already heard, that is the weekend of the district's Annual Spring Conference. There are a lot of great activities planned. Numerous seminars, contests and awards (pie baking contest – "Beat Bill Zidel's Best Pie" and a chili cook off) and another activity that has started as a challenge from PDG Dave Pratt. During some of my club visits and Zone Advisories, I have touched on the challenge. If you remember, PDG Dave took pies to the face to raise money for two or three different charities. With that in mind I accepted the challenge and I have stated that I will take a pie to the face for every \$100 raised. I have asked the clubs to do it as a club; however, individuals can also take me up on my challenge. The money raised will be divided equally between the American Cancer Society and the American Diabetes Association, and presented at Saturday's luncheon at the Conference. So help me raise money for these two great organizations. With that in mind I would like

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DG Rick (cont.)

those wishing to participate to let me or 2nd VDG Marilyn Danby (Conference Chair) know by March 30th so we can contact the two organizations and have their representatives present. Thank you in advance for your support. To date, 4 have accepted the challenge.



1VDG Dave's Dispatch

Fellow Lions,

I'm beginning to get lessons from Lions Clubs International and being tasked to plan for the upcoming Lions year. It's also time for each club to start preparing. This is the time for Club Presidents to form a nominating committee for next year's offices. The rules for elections are found in the "Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws" revised July 8, 2011 (www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/la2.pdf), starting on page 14.

Key Dates:

March - Nominating Committee meets and submits the names of the candidates for office to the club. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

April - Elections are held. No nominations may be made from the floor at the election.

15 days after the election: Report of election should reach LCI, but **no later than April 30th**.

Though the deadline to meet reporting for club elections is April 15th, there is no penalty for early elections :-)

UPDATES/CHANGES

The **Gig Harbor Lions Club** is now meeting at **7:30 am** rather than 7am (still on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month at the Madrona Links Golf Course)

Starting in March, the **North Mason Lions Club** will meet at **7pm** on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays; board meetings will change from the 4th to the 3rd Wednesdays following the regular meeting (location still the same).

2VDG Marilyn's Memo

What a difference a few weeks make. Just over 2 weeks ago we were in a deep freeze with snow, ice, power outages, and people getting cabin fever from being stuck inside. Now we are encountering spring type weather with the temperatures in the high 50's and low 60's (at least at the time I was writing this article).

With the weather in Spring mode, I guess it means that the District C Spring Conference is just around the corner. This year it will be held on April 13th and 14th at the LaQuinta Hotel.

The theme for this year's conference is "The Way We Were - Lions Night at the Prom". We want everyone to dress up in prom attire for the dinner and fun night Friday night. Now this can be the attire you wore to your prom or what you would have wanted to wear. I can see it now, PDG Ida Malone wearing a Lady Gaga dress, District Governor Rick in a nice powder-blue tux, PZC John Kirry dressing like the Rhinestone Cowboy including tons of lights and bling, and for me, well I see lots of polyester in my future. PZC Al Hedstrom is in charge of fun night and has a lot of surprises in store for everyone.

New this year is our Facebook page. If you go to www.facebook.com and type in: Lions District 19C Annual Convention you will find updated information about the conference. We have posted some of the seminars and also information about the New Member drawing. Keep checking our Facebook page because we will be updating this more frequently as the event gets closer.

Then there is the big question - Why should I attend? Well besides from watching DG Rick take some pies in the face on Friday afternoon, you will have the opportunity to attend some great seminars, vote for next year's leadership, have fun, and connect with some great Lions from around our District.

So what are you waiting for – registration forms are out in the Zones and even attached to this newsletter, so I hope to see everyone at the La-Quinta. Contact me if you have any questions.

CLUB SUPPORT TEAM – WHO TO CONTACT

Leadership: PDG Bill Ellis 253-925-5865 lionellis@aol.com	Training: PZC Ron Smircich 360-491-6427 rsmircich@msn.com	Service: Sharon Sikes 360-412-0225 Sharon.sikes@DoGreatThings.net
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Environmental Photo Contest – We've Got Talent!

Judging for the District 19C Environmental Photo Contest was held on January 12. A total of 34 entries were submitted to the district for consideration, and all photos were exemplary and worthy of merit. When the judging was completed, the photo by Lion Kevin Davenport of the Lacey Sunrise Lions Club (at right) was identified by the judges as the Overall Winner for District 19C and was advanced to Multiple District 19 for competition at that level.



Winners in each category of the competition are to be congratulated for their efforts and participation in this great contest.

Category

Contestant

Lions Club

Landscape - 1st Place

District Overall Winner

Kevin Davenport

Lacey Sunrise

Landscape - 2nd Place

Sheila Pearce

Tacoma SE

Landscape - 3rd Place

John Kirry

Gig Harbor

Animal Life - 1st Place

Jackie Hollingsworth

Eatonville Daybreak

Animal Life - 2nd Place

Lyell Clark

Lacey Sunrise

Animal Life - 3rd Place

Sheila Pearce

Tacoma SE

Plant Life - 1st Place

Dottie Ridgeway

Poulsbo Evening Pride Branch

Plant Life - 2nd Place

Sheila Pearce

Tacoma SE

Plant Life - 3rd Place

Sandy Bradley

Gig Harbor

Protecting our future with trees - 1st

Kim Riley

Tacoma SE

Protecting our future with trees - 2nd

Terry Storey

Lacey Sunrise

Protecting our future with trees - 3rd

Jackie Hollingsworth

Eatonville Daybreak

Weather Phenomenon - 1st Place

Dottie Ridgeway

Poulsbo Evening Pride Branch

Weather Phenomenon - 2nd Place

Jackie Hollingsworth

Eatonville Daybreak

Weather Phenomenon - 3rd Place

Kim Riley

Tacoma SE

UPCOMING EVENTS

C-1 Zone Meeting
Monday, March 5, 6:00 pm
 Joeseppi's Italian Ristorante
 2207 N Pearl St, Tacoma
 Hosted by Gig Harbor Lions Club

C-3 Zone Meeting
Tuesday, March 6
 Hosted by Kent Lions Club

C-2 Zone Meeting
Thursday, Feb. 16 (note date change)
 6:00 Social 6:30 Dinner (\$15/person)
 Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (new location, too)
 Hosted by Olympia Cap. City & Oly West Lions
RSVP by Tuesday: mike.tracy.evans@q.com

C-4 Zone Meeting
Monday, Feb. 13, 6:30 pm
 Family Pancake House
 3900 Kitsap Way, Bremerton
 Hosted by Bremerton Central Lions Club

District 19C Spring Conference
April 13-14

LaQuinta Inn, 1425 E 27th, Tacoma
Don't miss out on all the fun,
informational seminars, great
speakers, and the excitement of
contests & awards!

Register now (form on p. 7)

Find us on Facebook:

Lions District 19C Annual Convention

CLUB ACTIVITIES

TACOMA SE LIONS CLUB
25th Annual Potato Bake
Saturday, March 24, 1-5 pm
 AMVETS Building, 5717 S Tyler St, Tacoma
 Ham, Baked Potato & all the fixings
 Door prize and raffles All for only \$10.00
 Info: Frank Pearce
 (253) 840-3533 (H) or (253) 906-1445 (C)

SPANAPARK LIONS CLUB
15th Annual Bowling Classic
Sunday, April 1, Noon check-in
 Paradise Village Bowl, 12505 Pacific Ave
 \$25 Prepaid \$30 At the Door \$15 Kids
 Info: Rose or Don at (253) 473-1855

CLUB ACTIVITIES

FEDERAL WAY LIONS CLUB
4th Annual Helen Keller Day
Basketball Challenge
Saturday, February 18, Noon
 Decatur High School
 Federal Way Police vs South King Fire & Rescue
 Free Admission (Donations Accepted)

PUYALLUP VALLEY LIONS CLUB
18th Annual Spaghetti Feed
Saturday, February 25, Noon – 6:00 pm
 United Methodist Church, 1919 W Pioneer Ave
 Adults: \$7.00 Military/Seniors: \$5.00
 Children Age 6-12: \$5.00 5 & Under: Free

LIONS MASQUERADE BALL & AUCTION
Saturday, February 25, 7:00 pm
 Port Orchard Pavilion, 701 Bay St
 \$25/person includes buffet dinner, dance band,
 silent auction & live auction of hand-painted,
 celebrity-signed ceramic piggy lion banks!
Proceeds go directly to Project New Hope
 Tickets/Info: Frances Freeland, 360-271-1625
 ZC Mike Peterson, 360-698-0369

EATONVILLE DAY BREAK LIONS CLUB
10th Charter Anniversary
Saturday, March 3, 6:00 pm
 (rescheduled due to bad weather)
 Lions Hall, 123 Rainier Ave in Eatonville
 No Cost – Bring a dish for the potluck dinner
 Bring a “birthday gift” for the raffle & auction
 Please RSVP: Jackie Hollingsworth
 360-832-2416 or jhollingsworth6@yahoo.com

SUMNER LIONS CLUB
2nd Annual Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday, March 4, 1-4 pm
 Schafer's Bar & Grill, 16202 64th St E, Sumner
 \$20/ticket
Proceeds benefit Project New Hope
 Info: Sandy Nolen, 253-826-6049

LACEY SUNRISE LIONS CLUB
Pancake Breakfast & Car Show
Saturday, March 17, 7-11 am
 N. Thurston High School, in Lacey
 Adults \$7 Children \$4 (12 & under)
 Info: Donna Fincke, donnafincke@q.com

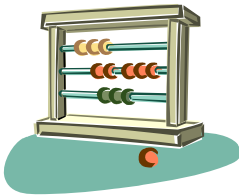


13 NEW MEMBERS!

Club	New Member	Sponsor
Bonney Lake	Iona Catonio	Bibiana Burrill
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Brem. Chief Kitsap	Tamara Brewton	
Federal Way	Donn Porter	Bob Darrigan
Fife	Robert Johnson	Bill Barnett
Lacey Mid Day	James McDermott	Dee McDermott
Orting	Andrea Aksamit	Rena Larson
Orting	Barbara & Richard Ford	Marvin Grover
Orting	Edi Ume	Mary Anne Shea
Orting	John & Vicki Williams	Joann Tracy
Puyallup	Michael Henry	Richard Adamson

In Memoriam

<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>
John Gates	Olympia West
Patrick Jaques	Puyallup



BY THE NUMBERS

District Membership as of July 1, 2011: 1625 Total Members

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Northwest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center Update

Jeannie Phillips, President

The list of programs our MD-19 supports is growing. The NWLERC came into existence in 2004 as a District C project founded by Dr. Bob Pinson, Roberta Pinson and Terry Wright. Since then we petitioned the Council of Governors to accept our project as an MD-19 Program.

We realize the outer clubs don't have the hands-on exposure some of the rest of us living close by have, however take pride in knowing the glasses you've sent to the LERC facility have provided thousands of eyes with clear vision for the first time.

This year we sent a letter to each of the clubs on the U.S. side asking for funds to support our general budget – your response has been outstanding. **THANK YOU SO MUCH!**

We have what we feel is a windfall; the opportunity to purchase our facility on 1.7 acres. We had anticipated having to move our entire operation to another location, which in the long run would have cost more with nothing to show for our \$\$\$\$ but receipts. We will be sharing how you/your club and our community at large can become a part of the NWLERC's future.

I can't say it often enough – you/we are changing lives,
one pair of eyeglasses at a time.



Please read the February issue of our Focus magazine – it's at
<http://www.lionsnwlerc.org/images/focus-02-2012.pdf>

DG Rick's Schedule (subject to change)

DATE	CLUB	TIME	ZONE
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FEBRUARY

2/14	Lakewood Knights	6:00 pm	C-1
2/15	North Mason	7:00 pm	C-4
2/22	White River Valley	5:30 pm	C-3

**CLUB GROUP PICTURES**

At the Spring Conference we will once again be showing a photo of each club during the Roll Call of Clubs.

SO if last year your club's picture was blank OR you would like to update and give us a new one, please get your members together and take that "special photo" (digital please) and send by e-mail to 2nd VDG Marilyn Danby at mdanby@comcast.net. **All photos need to be received by March 15th.**

WANTED: Coffee Sponsors for Spring Conference

In order to have hot coffee prior to the opening session, and through the day on Saturday, we need Lions Clubs who are willing to sponsor a Coffee Hour at the Spring Conference. The cost is only \$30 per club, and in return your club's name will appear at the coffee table on Saturday and also in the program. This is a great way for clubs to participate and show their support at the District C Spring Conference. Please contact 2nd VDG Marilyn Danby, Conference Chair, at mdanby@comcast.net if your club is interested.

Lions Quest and Joint Base Lewis-McChord**Cheryl Comsia, 19C Quest Chairperson**

Last month I shared information on how Lions Quest was helping military families achieve wellness. In February's issue of the *Lion* magazine, Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM) is highlighted for piloting Lions Quest in collaboration with the Army's Child, Adolescent & Family Behavioral Health Office. In the past, the Army has included Lions Quest training for ROTC instructors. In District 19C, several high schools have benefitted from receiving Lions Quest materials in collaboration with local Lions clubs. Last August, teachers and staff from the JBLM schools in Lakewood were trained on how to better meet military students' needs by using Lions Quest curriculum.

The U.S. Army recognized Lions Quest as an avenue to help address the emotional stress, problems and difficulties children have when a parent is deployed, and even after that parent returns. Lions Quest has a proven record for improving academic and behavioral issues. In addition, Lions Quest received recognition from Penn State University Clearinghouse for Military Family Readiness as a "promising" middle school program and the U.S. Army's Surgeon General recognized Lions clubs as "a positive example of a community collaborative partnership."



For more information about Lions Quest, please contact Cheryl Comsia at tahoma@comsia.net or 253-840-0116.

GOT NEWS? Send information for the newsletter to Editor Jacqueline Pratt at LionJ.Pratt@comcast.net

DEADLINE: 1st of the Month (but you don't have to wait until then!)



District 19-C 64th Spring Conference The Way We Were - Lions Night at the Prom



April 13th – 14th, 2012
LaQuinta Inn – Tacoma, WA
1425 East 27th, Tacoma WA (253) 383-0146

REGISTRATION FORM

(Please fill out one form for each person attending)

Name:		Club:		Zone:	C-__
<input type="checkbox"/> Lion <input type="checkbox"/> Leo <input type="checkbox"/> Guest <input type="checkbox"/> First Conference <input type="checkbox"/> Special Meal Request					
<u>Please Explain Special Meal Request:</u>					
Address:				Current Lions Position Held:	
City:		State/Province:		Zip/Postal Code:	
Phone:		E-Mail:			

	Price	Total \$
Registration (Separate sheet required for each attendee)	\$10.00	
Couples Registration Fee (attach separate form for 2 nd person)	\$15.00	
Friday Fun Night Without Food	\$5.00	
Friday Fun Night – with Food: (5:00 Social – 5:30 Dinner) Please Select Dinner Entrée:		
_____ Chicken Caesar Salad	18.25	
_____ Vegetable Stir Fry	24.50	
_____ Stuffed Pork Chops	27.25	
Saturday Lunch – Deli Sandwich with Potato Salad & fresh fruit (12:15 PM)	\$18.25	
Saturday Evening Dinner (6:00 PM Social 6:30 PM Dinner) Please Select Dinner Entrée:		
_____ Fettuccine Primavera	\$24.50	
_____ Alder Smoked Salmon	\$29.75	
_____ Roast Prime Rib of Beef	\$29.75	
TOTAL		

LaQuinta Inn Room Rates = \$105.00 per Night (includes the Continental Breakfast Buffet)

Reservations may be made by calling 253-383-0146 & identifying yourself as a member of the District "C" Lions Convention.

Please make checks payable to: **Lions District 19C**. Mail your check and Registration Form to:
2nd VDG Marilynn Danby, 4323 S Warner Street #A, Tacoma, WA 98409 or by e-mail to:
mdanby@comcast.net

Registrations must be received by: **March 30, 2012.**

Transaction Number (District Use) _____

American Diabetes Association and Washington Association of Diabetes Educators

Diabetes Day at the Capitol

Meet with your local representative

Listen to special guest speakers



Advocate for diabetes rights!

Meet others fighting to Stop Diabetes®!

Diabetes Day at the Capitol gives people a unique chance to raise awareness about diabetes and the severity of the disease. This one day event includes guest speakers, talking point training, visits with your local representatives, and opportunities to meet other advocates from across the state.

Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2012
 Time: 9:00am — 3:00pm
 Where: Columbia Room of Capitol Building, Olympia, WA

RSVP online at: www.diabetes.org/pugetsound
Contact Justin Platts for more information
Phone: (206) 282-4616 x7202
E-mail: jplatts@diabetes.org

