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# News from District C-2



### From District Governor Michelle Harris

By now you should have heard that the District C-2 Convention has been moved to February 25-26, 2022. We felt that with the restrictions that have been placed on everyone, it would be better to move the Convention to February.

We want to keep everyone safe and if we want to have a meals the capacity drops exponentially. The site is able to hold the allotted amount, but

when we would have meals we would be limited to only around 50 people. So we felt better to move it so we can have everyone fully attend.

We will still be located at the Badlands Community Facility. As well, the host hotel will be the same - the Quality Inn.

Please keep the date open!

### **The District C-2 Convention** is still coming!

It has been moved to February 25-26, 2022 Drumheller, Alberta

**Past International President** Chancellor Bob Corlew is the special guest.

As well - there will be elections including 2022-2023 2nd Vice District Governor.

Register now at lionsofdistrictc2.com

### Monthly Events to Focus On - From LCI

October 2021

October 10-16

October 14

October 15

November 2021

December 2021

December 5

January 2022

February 2022

March 2022

March 11

**April** 2022

Celebrate Community Week

World Sight Day

International White Cane Safely Day

**Diabetes Awareness Month** 

International Leo Day

Hunger Awareness Month

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Annual Lions Day at the United Nations **Environmental Awareness Month** 

Leo Club Awareness Month

May 2022 Strengthen Membership Month

June 2022 **LCI** Convention



You can do anything. You just have to wake up the Lion inside you.



### Calgary Heritage Lions Club

On Tuesday September 28th the Calgary Heritage Lions attended Variety Park in South Glenmore Park to assemble a car for 2 year old Emma. We were approached by Variety - The Children's Charity and asked if we would participate in their Go Baby Go program, which provides motorized vehicles to children all across Alberta. Emma faces some unique life challenges in addition to vision impairment. Lions Bob W, Bill S, Greg C and Jill M together with Jana, Kari and Larry from Variety Alberta were able to assemble the car and present it to Emma and her Mom.

The pictures tell the story. Variety Alberta has other young children who would benefit from a motorized vehicle both in Calgary as well as Red Deer and Edmonton. They just need sponsors to step forward and purchase the vehicles.

If interested contact Kari Richardson of Variety Alberta at 403-875-0210.









### Cochrane Lions Club

The Cochrane Lions Club continues to stay active within our community.

From September 3-6 we held our 53rd annual Cochrane Lions Rodeo Weekend. We were forced to cancel our 2020 event due

to COVID and were glad to be able to present the event to thousands of guests. With additional restrictions placed on outdoor events just prior to that weekend, we had to make a plea to our MLA and AHS asking for an exemption to the latest restrictions in order to proceed. Our Rodeo Directors, Lions Kevin Firkus & Chris Connon, were successful in their request for an exemption based on the amount of preparation and financial commitment already made.

Our 2021 Rodeo surpassed our 2019 event in all areas and was well attended by both locals and people from outside of Cochrane. Due to the new restrictions we were required to move the rodeo dance outside of the Event Centre. Luckily the weather couldn't have been better! The band relocated to a flat deck trailer in the arena and the hillside surrounding the arena became the dancehall. Ironically, with the event outside we were able to allow entry to more people than we could have if the

dance had been held inside as previously planned. Overall attendance was 15,000 at the rodeo & 800 at the dance which helped set a new record for the event.

Two Pharmacy, a local business, makes a yearly donation from

proceeds to a worthy community event. This year during the rodeo, a donation of \$4,087.43 was made to our Club in memory of Lion Bob Smid who sadly passed away in May of this year. Lion Bob had been a member of our Club for 34 years and was active within the Multiple District as well as caretaker of the Lions Youth Camp near Cremona. He is sadly missed.

In addition the Club has made donations to

several worthy groups and causes within Cochrane & area. These include Stockman's Foundation Movie Night (\$300), Cochrane Dodge Employee Hardship Fund (\$500), Equine Therapy Program for a local child (\$300), Jody Renwick Golf Tournament for an injured local resident (\$1,000) and the Cochrane Generals Hockey Club (\$1,000).



Submitted by Lion Jim Thorne



#### Chestermere Lions Club

The past summer, our club continued to support blood donor clinics in Strathmore. The Alberta Blood Services blood drive is held once per quarter. Our members provide hands-on support handing out juice and cookies.

September 11th was set to be our day for the Fall Fair pancake breakfast. However Mother Nature had other ideas and the rainy weather forced us to cancel the event. However the weather on September 19th was back to clear blue skies and the club took part in the annual Lions Walk for Dog Guides. Nearly \$7,000 was raised for the Walk.

Information and pictures submitted by Lions Jamie Rozema-Stinson and Steve King





Each October, the Chestermere Lions Club host an event called the Lions Pumpkin Patch. It is a fun event where both children and adults pick their special pumpkin for Halloween. Over the years, this event has grown into a fun family day filled with picking the perfect pumpkin, story time provided by the Chestermere Library, games, family pictures against a backdrop of the beautiful Alberta outdoors, and the Lions Club providing hot chocolate, coffee and hotdogs.



Fast Forward to Pumpkin Patch 2021

Held this year on Saturday, October 16th. The weather was fabulous with a great turnout of families.

As well as pumpkins Lions provided a free pancake breakfast as well as popcorn supplied by local realtors. Every pumpkin was sold!



It was truly a family day.
An event the Chestermere community looks forward to each fall.
Congratulations Lions!









## Calgary Chinatown Lions Club

On September 17, 2021. Calgary Chinatown Lions Club 2021 celebrated Mid-Autumn Festival via a zoom Kick Off with Minister of Community and Social Services - Jason Luan. Seniors from Calgary Area were invited to join and many seniors were delighted to hear from our Minister wishing them a happy and healthy Mid-Autumn Festival. Calgary Chinatown Lions Club President, Dr. Thomas Cheuk, also wishes everyone a safe and happy celebration. He thanks the Minister for taking the time from his busy schedule to participate with the seniors. He also acknowledged Frank Lam, manager from the Oi Kwan Foundation's Senior Building, who encourages seniors from the building to join the zoom kick off with

social distancing. Apart from sending their greetings, both the Minister and Dr. Cheuk hopes that events like this will bring about positive energy to the seniors and contribute to their mental wellbeing.



Minister Jason Luan was sworn in as Minister of Community and Social Services on July 8, 2021.

Submitted by Lion Dr. Thomas Cheuk President



# Calgary Wildrose Lions Club Celebrate 17 Great Years



The Calgary Wildrose Lions Club recently celebrated their anniversary after being founded and chartered in May of 2004. They were able to get through the challenges of the new restrictions and guidelines and were able to revel the moment. It was truly a well attended event complete with decorated tables and backdrop for the leaders at its head table. Our District Governor and her Team of Vice District Governors joined in and assisted in the awarding of several Lion members who deserved receiving their certificates of achievement as

volunteers and outstanding members of the Club. It also paved way to honoring three youth achievers who had successfully finished their High School and are now on the road to bettering their future with post-secondary studies. A night filled with great food & entertainment; the club members also enjoyed the inspirational message from our District Governor Lion Michelle Harris. They truly have found their calling as servers of their community.

CONGRATULATIONS!!





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### Calgary Wildrose Lions Club (Continued)

Sensory Back packs and the job they bring . . . a project worth the while for families.

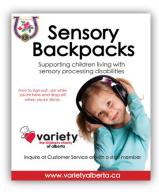


The Calgary Wildrose Lions Club ventured on a very noble project just last summer. With the support of Variety -The Children 's Charity, the two organizations were able to spearhead an undertaking to support families with kids that have sensory challenges i.e. kids with autism spectrum. process of application started with one of Wildrose Lions ' youth

achiever Rica Delos Reyes to apply for a grant from the provincial government.

A meticulous procedure was followed but was successful at the end. The finale was the assembly of each backpack that would contain items that are proven to be extremely helpful in caring for children with this type of disability. There were toys, and items that will capture the attention of the child and help soothe their restless mind. The distribution





to participating establishments was carried on with great pride and joy and CWLC was able to deliver them in no time. The result was undeniably heartwarming and gratifying. Not only that the Club was instrumental to reach out to these families, they were also able to realize that their volunteerism paved a way to ease the hurdles these families experience. Truly an application of what

Lionism stands for... "We Serve ".

To date, these backpacks are available at both the Genesis Centre and the VIVO For Healthier Living recreational facilities in the North East.

The Club is continuously searching for institutions who would like to participate. The Club has more than 20 back packs still left to share. The back packs are free to be used by families who will visit the participating establishment which can also be grocery stores, malls, educational facilities, etc.

The Calgary Wildrose Lions Club 's Program and Activity Chairperson leads up the registration of interested services. For more information and to join and learn how this works, CWLC 's Lion Catherine Del Rosario will have all the answers. Please email <a href="mailto:calgarywildrose2019@gmail.com">calgarywildrose2019@gmail.com</a> and post subject in your email SENSORY BACKPACK.

Submitted by Lion Estrella Delos Reyes



#### Airdrie Lions Club

One of our charter members James Reid passed away Aug. 26,2021. Jim joined in 1965 and has been an active involved Lion since that time. He has held most positions in the club, including president, and was an active volunteer until his passing. He was the last charter member in our club

The Airdrie Lions set up a booth at Airdrie Fest to help promote the Lions club presence in our community. Airdrie Fest is a promotion of businesses, service organizations, and city services. A large number of residents attended the day and we were able to have discussions about Lions with several interested people. It is always a reminder of our community endeavours.

Submitted by Lion Gerry Henderson, Secretary



# BEARSPAW Bearspaw Lions Club

Our Calgary Drop In Center (DI) let it be known that they were in dire need of regular sunglasses for their clients given the current heat waves. In conversation with a few Lions, it was felt that the Bearspaw Lions group would reach out to our Canadian Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (CLERC) to see if they had donated sunglasses to share with the DI. As a matter of fact, CLERC was able to give us 500 sanitized, adult sunglasses and 600 children 's sunglasses for the clients of the Drop In Centre.





From left: Lions Angie and Doug Schulz, Ken Kalynchuk of Bearspaw Lions, Drop In Centre Rep.

Along with a donation of other critical items of need (can openers and personal care products), the Bearspaw Lions were able to take these donations to the DI donation center, where their team happily accepted them. We were given a quick tour of the center 's donation area and in future will continue to stay in touch with Karan, their Logistics Manager, regarding future sunglass donations and items of need.



What a beautiful day for some exercise and a chance to help our environment!

Bearspaw Lions members Pedro Acuna and Doug Schulz were helped by friends Colleen and Eric to clean up a 3 km stretch of Highway 1A outside of Calgary. After collecting numerous bags of garbage from the ditch, the team was amazed at how much garbage they accumulated. As this event is a partnership program with Alberta Transportation, they gladly provided bags and vests for the team to use and picked up the garbage left at the edge of the highway. If your Lions group is looking for a team building event contact Alberta Transportation and arrange for an area along the highway to clean up. Your group will also get a sign advertising your involvement along your stretch of the highway.

Well done Bearspaw Lions!



Submitted by Ken Kalynchuk, President



# Calgary Woodcreek Lions Club A Virtual Club Dedicated to Youth and Leadership



#### We are in good company - because together is better.

Every year in May the leadership group of the Lions Waterton Leadership Camp congregate in Red Deer for lunch to finalize camp plans for the upcoming year and to say hello face to face. The year of 2020 was a little different. Lockdown restrictions were just being lifted and lunch was in an open space but we knew this wasn't the biggest change we were to face - camp was canceled.

We sat and reminisced about past years at camp and caught up on life but there was a feeling of sadness in the air. At the end of lunch, Tony Prettegiani, the Camp Director, gathered us around and asked if we'd like to participate in a specialized virtual Lions Club. Without hesitation we all agreed and our excitement was renewed. Tony and the leaders contacted a few other members previously involved in the camp and youth exchange program to participate, and the idea of this virtual club was born.

In October 2020, the Woodcreek Lions Club was converted into a virtual Lions Leadership Club to continue the legacy of the leadership camp, currently over 30+ years in existence, and to cultivate a sense of community (no matter where people are). The creation of the Club lays a foundation and continues the traditions of the camp by developing and instilling leadership in today's youth, because together is better.

With restrictions around group gatherings including overnight camps likely to continue into 2021, a decision was made to once again cancel camp for the upcoming year. We are utilizing the time to refocus and reinvigorate the curriculum, activities and experience of camp - there is nothing like a global pandemic to make you pause and reflect on life's purpose and to act on it. We are excited and ready to take on 2022 and continue to represent the Lions Club vision of being a global leader in the community.

#### Action through diversity -because we ca do hard things.

The global pandemic of the COVID-19 virus has drawn us to reflect inwards and to action change. Whether this has been a personal observation, changes to work and home environments, or to hobbies and personal interests, we have all been asked to adapt, reframe, support and to carry on. This reflection is the same for any Lions Club and its members, and to the mandate of the Lions vision and mission.



When I was younger, my parents were Lions Club members. I remember going with them to volunteer or to participate in activities - the excitement and friendships that were formed can still be recalled in my memories. Now, stepping into my first adventure as a Lions Club member, I have a very similar introduction to the Club. In our Club, some of us know each other, others are new faces but we are all dedicated to the same cause: to serve our community.

With our 14 members hailing from across the country, mainly in Alberta, we meet virtually once a month to bond and to drive the mandate of the camp and the Club over Zoom. We are currently creating our own Club traditions in getting to know one another and endeavoring to develop the same fellowship that I knew growing up.

We've been busy trying to establish the administrative functions of the group, such as updating the club charter, right down to working on rebranding the Club name. We still have lots of work to do as we venture into the world of Lions Clubs.

Woodcreek Lions Newsletter May 2021



Attending camp in 2003, I learned the importance of discovering myself to ground my leadership style. I won't forget the feelings of anxiety

on my first day which shifted to comradery and confidence by the end of the week. I still have my original notes tucked away in a Lions Club tin to remind me of my time there, and each year I con-

Attending camp in tinue to add new notes from the 2003, I learned campers.

I have the Calgary North Hill Lions Club to thank for the experience that helped shaped me into the person I am today. Without their support over the years the camp would not exist. I, and our club members, are excited to continue the work to keep the youth leadership camp in action.

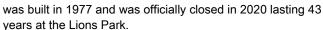
Together in service, Lion Sasha Anderson, President



#### Vulcan Lions Club

On July 1st 2021, the Lions Club of Vulcan were pleased to have the GRAND OPENING of the Vulcan Lions Community Pool.

Over the past number of years, the Vulcan Lions have worked diligently raising money for pools within the Town of Vulcan. The first pool was built in 1946 in Memorial Park and lasted 31 years. The second pool



Our third pool is second to none in southern Alberta. The pool consists of 2 slides, 1 1/2 storey and 2 storey, at the east end sliding into 2 runways at the base. There is a diving board at the east end of the pool along with a rock climbing wall. At the west end of the pool, there is a wading pool and ramp entering the pool for wheelchair access; a spray park is tucked over in the corner and there is a hot tub for those who like them. There are four lifeguard stations at each corner of the pool area.

The outside perimeter of the pool has an area for individuals to sit and enjoy a snack or two and a set of bleachers for people to



sit and view kids swimming. Along the back wall there is a concession stand, lifeguard room, washroom facilities, changing rooms and exterior lockers.

The Vulcan Lions Club has contributed over \$800,000 towards this new pool to date. Funds for this pool were raised over four years and consisted of funds from Canada Day celebrations, Silent and Live Auctions, Car Raffle, 2 Side by Side Raffles, Breakfast Donations, Farm Field Project, 50/50 Draws, Casino and a Winter Pool Party.

Unfortunately, there was no record

kept on the number of man hours put into this project but it was a very large number.

This year, the Lions Club covered the cost of swimming lessons for 527 youth at \$45.00 per youth totaling \$23,715.

We invite all Lions to drop by and have a look at this superb facility when it re-opens next May.

#### I am sure you will be impressed.

Submitted by Lion Peter Wallis Photos by Mason Dodds, Glacier Valley Photography Inc.







### Foothills Lions Club

The Foothills Lions received a Banner Patch for donations to Lions Clubs International Foundation. It is for donations in the year 2020-2021 reflecting that, on average, each member gave at least \$50 to LCIF. Contributions to LCIF "supports critical humanitarian needs in 208 countries and geographic areas around the world. Donations may help provide a vaccination to a child in the developing world or give food and shelter to the homeless after a disaster strikes their country." (from letter below)





### Lil Legendary Leo Club





The Lil Legendary Leo Club has been making Bird House Gourds as a fund raiser. Every house is different and very original. They were to be sold at the C-2 Convention scheduled to take place at the end of October 2021 in time for Christmas giving. However now they will be sold at the C-2 Convention in February 2022 in time for spring and Easter.

The Leos also received a certificate of Appreciation from the Town of Turner Valley for their help with the Summer Celebration Event.

On May 30th, 2018, the Foothills Lions Club 's newly formed Leo Club received their official charter from Lions Clubs International. The Lil Legendary Leo Club has been active in the Black Diamond & Turner Valley communities contributing to community events through fundraising as well as member participation.

Submitted by Lion Tim Beer



This is the final year to donate and pledge your club support to reach Campaign 100 's vision to raise \$300M globally to support humanitarian causes.

Campaign 100 's District C-1' s coordinator is Lion Terry Kozma and District C-2 's is Lion Tony Prettegiani. MDC 's coordinator is Lion Sharon West.

These are the Lions to contact with any questions or further information on how your club can participate.

District C-2 is the top district in Canada for total contributions from 2017-2021 with \$224,230.

**Congratulations District C-2!** 

## C-2 Nominations for District C-2 2nd VDG

#### Lion Glenn Garalde, Westwind Lions Club



My Fellow Lions,

I hope you are all staying safe amidst the 4th wave of COVID 19. Please take care of yourselves and others that may require some extra assistance during these challenging times.

I was advised by PIP Judge Brian Stevenson that my nomination for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor has been approved.

Please allow me to introduce myself. I am a proud Lion of 11 years, a loving husband, and a father to three beautiful and gifted daughters.

My years in Lions have been very rewarding, and I'm honoured to have an opportunity to join the current District Governor team as a vital member during these demanding times.

At this time, I would like to ask you for your club's support. I hope to contact you in the coming weeks to hear about how your Club is doing and what I can do to further help.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions and I appreciate your time and consideration of me for the 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG position.

Yours in Lionism, Glenn Garalde, Westwind Lions Club garalde\_glenn@yahoo.com

#### Lion Tony Prettegiani, Calgary North Hill Lions Club



Lions.

I am honoured to put my name forward for the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor elect at the District C2 Convention. After 29 years in Lions. I believe it Training: is time to step up and serve the district. I would appreciate your support and welcome the opportunity to meet and discuss how we may all better serve.

Below please find a list of Positions,

Awards and trainings held by Lion Tony P.

#### **District Positions:**

- LCIF Campaign 100 Chairman July 2017 current
- Zone Chairman 2016-2017
- Youth Exchange Chairman-Inbound 2015-2017
- Youth Exchange Chairman 2000-2006, 2017 current Club Positions:
- President (Twice)
- Treasurer (2013 current)
- Chairman, Lions Pot Of Gold (Major fundraiser with the Stampede)
- Youth Exchange Chairman (1998 current)
- Director, Lions Waterton Leadership Camp (2005 Cur rent ) (staff from 2000-2004)
- Chairman, Lions Tournament of Dreams Golf Tournament ( 2006-2012)

#### Awards:

- International Presidential Medal 2019
- International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation 2016
- Melvin Jones Fellow (progressive 2)
- Lion Bill Webber Fellowship
- Lion Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship

- Lion Jack and Denise Isaman CNIB Fellowship
- Lion Dr Gregory Powell Stars Fellowship
- Lion Lionel Bird Youth Camp Award
- Lion of the Year

- 2002 Senior Lions Leadership Academy at Oakbrook III
- Canada/USA Leadership Forum Memphis
- Canada/USA Leadership Forum Milwaukee
- Canada/USA YEC Forum Dallas February 2020
- "Speaking as a Leader"
- "Humans Being More" "Breakthrough America" per seasonal development courses.
- Lion Mentoring Program

#### Presentations:

- Waterton Leadership Camp-since 2000 have presented leadership sessions to the participants of this camp. Have also presented all the introduction and rules. Since 2005 have recruited staff for the camp, guided the seminar material for the morning sessions and provided end of night reflections at the campfire to wrap up the achievements of the
- 2001 With Lion George Takashima and Kimberly Lyall we conducted a leadership retreat weekend in Waterton. Retreat was attended by 18 DG and PDGs.
- Youth Exchange Presentations as requested at District Convention and at the Officers training school in Strathmore.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours in Lionism,

#### Anthony Prettegiani

Lion Anthony Prettegiani ("Lion Tony P") Calgary North Hill Lions Club.

tonyp@pretteg.com

### District Zone Chairs and Clubs In Each Zone

Zone 1



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Clubs in Zone: Bowden, Didsbury, Innisfail, Olds, Sundre & District, Torrington, Trochu

Zone 2



**Leslie Cunningham** amber775@msn.com

Clubs in Zone: Airdrie, Beiseker, Carstairs & District, Cremona, Irricana, Keoma, Madden

Zone 3



Jessie M. Irion 81sweetpeppers@ gmail.com

Clubs in Zone: Castor & District, Morrin, Oyen, Veteran & District

Zone 4



Jessie Irion 81sweetpeppers@ gmail.com

Clubs in Zone: Carbon, Drumheller, Hussar, Rockyford, Rosebud, Standard

Zone 5



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Clubs in Zone: Caresland, Cheadle, Chestermere, Cluny, Gleichen, Strathmore

Zone 6



Francis Liu goldeos@gmail.com

Clubs in Zone: Bearspaw, Canmore, Cochrane, Cochrane Lioness, Springbank

Zone 7



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Clubs in Zone: Calgary Chinatown, Heritage, Korean, South Asian, Southridge, Woodcreek

Zone 8



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Clubs in Zone: Bowness, Calgary, Calgary Northeast Eyeopener, Calgary Sarcee

Zone 9



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Clubs in Zone:

Calgary Eastport, Filipino, North Hill, Properties, Westwind, Wildrose

Zone 10



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Clubs in Zone: Blackie, Claresholm, Foothills, Highwood, Nanton & District, Okotoks

Zone 11

To Be Determined

Clubs in Zone: Arrowwood, Carmangay, Champion, Lomond, Milo, Mossleigh, Vulcan

Zone 12



Michael Casson cassonm@telus.net

Clubs in Zone: Blairmore, Coleman, Cowley, Ft. Macleod, Pincher Creek, Pincher-Cowley Roaring

Zone 13



Clubs in Zone: Enchant, Lethbridge, Lethbridge West, Picture Butte & District, Taber, Vauxhall

Zone 14

To.Be . Determined

Clubs in Zone: Cardston, Magrath, Raymond, Stirling, Warner

Zone 15



Gerald Gaede gerry@adcellar.com

Clubs in Zone: Bow Island, Brooks, Irvine & District, Medicine Hat, Medicine Hat CV, Redcliff

If you are interested in becoming a Zone Chair contact District Governor Michelle Harris at michharris55@gmail.com

## **Our District Global Action Team**

#### A Great Resource for Clubs and Leaders



#### **GAT Leader**



DG Michelle Harris michharris55@ gmail.com

#### **GMT Coordinator**



PDG Brent Johnson brentajohnson@ me.com

#### **GST Coordinator**



PDG John Goodrich pdgjohngoodrich 2011@gmail.com

#### **GLT Coordinator**



Lion Anne Kennedy lionannek@ outlook.com

The Global Action Team (GAT) structure is a "bottoms up" approach to support clubs.

It is a bridge between Lions and the international association. It is especially designed to connect clubs, districts and leaders to resources which will improve their service impact.

# Developing Service Impact are the key goals in this program.

The GAT began as a series of separate teams - the Global Membership Team

(GMT) established in 2008; the Global Leadership Team (GLT) established in 2010; and, the Global Service Team (GST) established in 2017. These three teams were united in 2017 to form the Global Action Team.

The goal of the GAT is to create a unified approach to action in Service, Membership, Leadership, and LCIF.

Each club president is automatically the club 's Global Action Team club chairperson. This chairperson reports directly to the GAT district chairperson - the district governor.

At the district level, the district governor is automatically the GAT district chairperson. Under the district governor are the GLT, GST, and GMT coordinators appointed by the district governor. Depending on the constitution and bylaws of the district, the appointments can be from one to three years.

The Multiple District Council Chair is automatically the GAT MD chairperson and appoints the GLT, GST, and GMT chairpersons.

# Twisting the Lion's Tail

There is nothing like an enthusiastic and creative club Tail Twister to put fun into meetings and gatherings.

LCI writes that a "Tail Twister is the 'pep master' of their club. Their duties are to instill enthusiasm and good fellowship in the meetings and to keep harmony. In many instances the success or failure of a meeting may hinge directly on the lively imagination of a good Tail Twister."

Ideas are paramount. But don't despair or be discouraged! There are lots of ideas floating around the web from clubs and, in fact, there is a website specifically for promoting ideas for a Tail Twister to use. So



here are a few websites that are worth having a read. Just Google them!

- Tail Twister history and ideas
   District 1A Governor Ernie Lapid
- finding advice and stunts go to www. resources.mdalions.org
- 100 Great Ideas for Tail Twisters www.lionsmd19.org
- tail twisting handout from Lions University at www.lionsuniversity.org

#### AND

there is a facebook site with hilarious stories and stunts that are sure to pep up any meeting, no matter how serious! facebook.com/LionTailtwisters

Be Daring and Have Fun!

### Club Membership Chairperson

# An Important Officer for All Clubs Submitted by GMT Chair Lion Brent Johnson



Does your club have a membership Chairperson? If not, why not?

Do you have Membership on your meeting agenda? If not, why not?

It only takes 5 minutes each meeting to discuss new members, potential members and membership retention.

The following article describes the roll of the Club Membership Chairperson

#### **Term**

One year elected position as a club officer and member of the board of directors.

#### **Position Overview**

As the GMT club membership chairperson, you will bring Melvin Jones 'dream to life - that every need can be met by a Lion or Leo. By bringing new members into your club, not only will you develop new friendships, but you will ensure your club will have a stronger foundation to serve your community and the world. You will impact lives!

#### **Actions for Success**

- Collaborate with the district Global Action Team on membership initiatives, and participate in relevant district, region and zone meetings and events.
- Develop and lead a membership committee to help implement action plans to achieve the club 's membership goals and to positively increase the member experience.
- Encourage all members to participate in membership growth by inviting prospective members to the club. Follow up with prospective members promptly.
- Promote a harmonious club atmosphere by listening to and addressing, with the support of the club board of directors, concerns that prevent a positive member experience. This may include a survey or other opportunities for feedback.
- Engage new members in activities that are of interest to the member.
- Collaborate with the club service chairperson as well as other club committees to promote membership opportunities.
- Understand the different membership types and programs offered and promote membership programs to club members.
- Ensure that new members are provided with an effective orientation so new members understand how the club operates within its district, multiple district and Lions Clubs International, with the support of the Club 1st Vice President/Club Leadership Chairperson.
- Attend the district governor's advisory committee meeting of the zone in which this club is located when appropriate.

#### **Measuring Success**

- Conducts at least one more membership drive in the community than the prior year.
- · Contacts a minimum of two former members about returning to the club.
- · Increases total membership over the previous fiscal year.
- Retains 100% of members.
- · New members participate in new member orientation.

# Recommended Qualifications

- · Passionate about Lions and is invested in the club 's future.
- · Leads by example; actively sponsoring new members.
- Strong project management, public speaking, and presentation skills.
- Able to use technology (Email, Microsoft Office, MyLCI, LCI website, social media).

#### Reporting

- The GMT club membership chairperson reports to the GMT district coordinator.
- The GMT club membership chairperson, GST club service chairperson, and the GLT club leadership development chairperson report to the Club Global Action Team chairperson ( club president ).

If you need assistance, reach out to the District Governor Team or myself - Lion Brent Johnson, PDG GMT District C-2.



# USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum 2022 September 15-17 in Calgary

# The Forum is Coming! The Forum is Coming!

Don't miss going to this Forum. It won't get any closer than Calgary. and While you are there, why don't you

volunteer for a few hours?



For all the information on Registering and Volunteering go to:

www.2022lionsleadershipforum.com

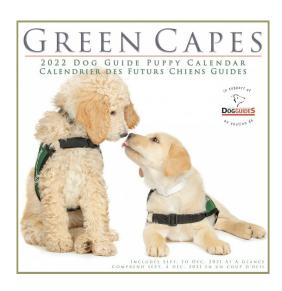
# **Bought Your LFC Puppy Calendar Yet?**

Support Lions Clubs and Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides Program.

50% of sales go to LFC.



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# Some Facts about the Dog Guides Program.

- The 2021 Virtual Walk For Dog Guides raised an impressive \$818,466.50
- The Calgary Walk raised \$9,435.
- LFC trained trauma dog Jake and handler from Airdrie won the Alberta Community Justice Award this past July.
- All funds raised go to the Dog Guide Program with none going to administration which is funded by investment proceeds.
- The annual On-Line Auction will be held on November 15 see LFC website for details.
- It costs approx. \$35,000 to train a Dog Guide with no cost to the recipient.
- LFC receives no government funding.

# What's Coming . . .

February 26, 2022 District C-2 Convention Drumheller, AB Registration Form

March 4/5, 2022 District C-1 Convention St. Albert AB Registration Form

April 22, 2022 MD C Convention Red Deer, AB mdclions.org

July 1-5, 2022 LCI Convention Montreal, Quebec lcicon.lionsclubs.org

September 15-17, 2022 USA/Canada Forum Calgary, AB 2022lionsleadershipforum.com





### District C-1 Convention

Time to Get Our Pride Back Again and Share Fun & Fellowship

Dates To Remember

Make tracks to join us this spring in St. Albert. Tentatively the date is March 5th, 2022!

Convention theme will be

"Service From the Heart"

Registration on district website at lionsc1.org

Hope to see all of you again.



#### **Fellow Lions:**

Due to the recent new guidelines in Alberta for COVID the CLERC Executive has determined that we will cease hosting Eyeglass Work Parties until further notice. As much as this is disruptive to you and your clubs, the CLERC board values our volunteers and wants everyone safe. We will send out a notice when it is safer to resume this part of our process.

We will still accept glasses but that is the extent of it. We can be reached at 403-640-1056 for any inquiries. When the time comes that we can safely open up we will continue with the schedule that your club is booked into.

I can be reached at 403-852-2407 to answer any questions as well. Please stay safe, be well and continue to do the community work that Lions do so well.

In Lionism. James Lee. CLERC Chair



District Governor Michelle Harris (3rd from right) attends the Westwind Lions Club ceremony installing new members. Club President Lion Melba Buenaventura (2nd from right) also presented the District Governor with a cheque for \$1,000 for a charity of her choice.

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#### We welcome those Lions who have joined us August & September

Calgary Eastport Lions Club Charlotte Grant

Calgary North Hill Lions Club Dmetri Berko

#### Calgary Westwind Lions Club

Erlinda Alberto Edna Balasbas Ludy Rosales Meraflor Rosero Ellen Umali Tomy Umali

#### Claresholm Lions Club

Ed Bourassa Sherry Bourassa

#### **Cochrane Lions Club**

Ian Abbs

Morgan W. Groves

#### **Cochrane Lioness Lions Club**

Melba Copithorne

#### **Cowley Lions Club**

Donald W. Mckinnon Linda D. Mckinnon

#### Ft. Macleod Lions Club

Dale G. Blakley Sophie M. Blakley

#### Innisfail Lions Club

Gurcharan Gill

#### Veteran & District Lions Club

Melissa Trask

Welcome Lions!



Airdrie Lions Club

James Reid

Calgary Heritage Lions Club

Rocky Oishi

Calgary NE Eyeopener Lions Club

Paula C Hagel

Cardston Lions Club

🤳 Joan M. Strang

Cartstairs & District Lions Club

Eric Stopford

. . . and honour those who have left.

**Foothills Lions Club** 

Brian E. Corson

Bob Nelson

Innisfail Lions Club

Lance E. Riley

#### Fall Back in 2021

The first Sunday in November is the day - November 7th at 2:00 am - to move your clock back 1 hour.

Daylight Saving Time is the concept of making better use of the day 's light by moving one hour of daylight from the morning to the evening.

On July 1st, 1908 the residents of Port Arthur ON, now Thunder Bay, turned their clocks forward by 1 hour to start the world 's first Day Light Saving Time (DST) period.

Your club can be featured in this Newsletter too!



Email your service stories and photos to Lion Carol at chassell@shaw.ca



### **Tabbee Project**

Start a project to collect can tabs in your club or your community.

"Lend A Hand"

All proceeds help to send
Diabetic Children to Camp Jean Nelson

For more information contact Lion Jill Mcneil

403-592-0377

This project is approved by District C-2.

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