

June
2023

LIONS DISTRICT C-2 ALBERTA, CANADA

Around the District

News from District C-2



No Lion or Club Stands Alone

I would like to thank the clubs of District C-2 for their support over the past year. Having fallen ill I have had to reschedule many of my visits and your cooperation with this is most appreciated.

Most DG visits have been completed and the team intends on seeing every club out there. I am encouraged by the number of new members being inducted and the prospects I have met. We encourage clubs to plan and attend interclub meetings and hope many of you will visit your twin club.

Overall the district is down one club and 23 members which I consider to be excellent considering we are coming out of COVID. In a realistic view we actually have a net gain as more than 40 members have passed away.

Our Training School promises to have sessions for all Lions not only incoming officers. It will be held June 17 in Strathmore.

The International Convention is in Boston and we hope as many of you as possible will attend to see the swearing in of our own Patti Hill as the President of this great organization.

It has been encouraging to hear about the many success stories from your clubs and look forward to many more.

Remember as our International President says "Together we can and Together we will". No one Lion or club stands alone and we

have a responsibility to help those in need wherever possible.

I wish next year's DG team and cabinet all the best. If you need help or just an ear to listen feel free to contact me.

Lion Darryl Rawleigh
2022-2023 C-2 District Governor.



SAVE THE DATE
February
9/10, 2024
for the
District C-2
Convention
Details Coming Soon!



There will be a Special Edition of the District C-2 newsletter in Summer, 2023. It will contain information on the 2023-2024 District C-2 officers (picture above right), Zone chairs, Multiple District officers, and a plethora of absolutely need-to-know information.

Lions Leaving Lasting Legacies

Stories of Lions Making A Difference



Calgary Wildrose Omega Leo Club

The Calgary Wildrose Omega Leo Club had made a tremendous and great impact to the Community of Skyview in the NE last May 6th 2023. Together with the City of Calgary's Pathway & River Cleanup program, the Leos did a great job and the activity was a resounding success. There were 10 Leos who registered and participated as well as 4 of the Calgary Wildrose Lions Club's members. Together with other hundreds of volunteers all over the city, this annual cleanup made volunteers collect garbage in every quadrant of the city. The litter is collected in bags and placed beside pathways



or in City garbage bins. City staff pick up the bags and transport them to a designated dump site where they are properly disposed of by Waste & Recycling Services. Each year, volunteers help remove litter in Calgary's parks, greenspaces and along nearly 300 kilometers of pathways and river banks.

Since the Pathway and River Cleanup began in 1967, thousands of Calgarians have volunteered their time to cleanup with many returning each year after year.



"I am proud to be a Leo helping our community and making a difference in our city's efforts to maintain a clean and safe environment", said one of the Leos when asked how he feels about this program.

Wildrose Leo Club's Vice President Leo Alia Syed led the said volunteering activity and she had truly demonstrated her great skills in leadership. Our congratulations to these Leos for making their one weekend a worthwhile day of fun and service.



Forming a Leo Club

Information on Leo Clubs can be found at "Start a Leo Club" under Resources on the LCI website. It includes items such as financial issues, the Leo Constitution & Bylaws, formation meetings, types of Leo clubs and qualifications. Go to www.lionsclubs.org/resources.



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Magrath Lions Club



Sat Apr 29th, 2023



Magrath Lions Club held their 18th Annual Food Drive April 29th, 2023.
Volunteers collected 4,731 lbs. of food valued at \$15,186.
The club rented a 20 ft. U-Haul and filled it about 3/4 full.
The donations were delivered to the Lethbridge Food Bank.



Is Your Club Information correct . . . for the District Directory?

To make sure, enter your 2023-2024 club information in MyLCI
by June 30th, 2023.

Advertising is also available in the Directory.

Contact Raqual Garalde for details at garalde_raqual@yahoo.com.

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Calgary Heritage Lions Club



Peace Poster Contest Club Winner

In October and November 2022, the Calgary Heritage Lions again had three schools involved in District C-2's Peace Poster Contest. The schools that submitted posters were St. Henry Newman, St. Cyril and Hull School. Lion Sandy Milne, the club's peace Poster chair, is pictured on the left with Abby McGuire from St. Henry Newman. Her poster was submitted to the C-2 District Peace Poster contest.

Peace Poster Deadlines 2023-2024

"Dare to Dream"

- Oct. 1 - deadline for obtaining kits from LCI.
- Nov. 15 - deadline for clubs sending winning poster to DG
- Dec. 1 - deadline for DG to send winning poster to MD C
- Dec. 15 - deadline for MD C to send winning poster to LCI
- Feb. 1 - International winners announced.



CLERC's Lion James Lee (on left) is shown presenting Heritage Lions Club member, PDG Lion Greg Clarke, with the **2022-2023 Volunteer of the Year Award** for being a super eyeglass reader. PDG Lion Clarke has volunteered as an eyeglass collector and Wednesday eyeglass reader since CLERC began 25 years ago. **Congratulations!**



On June 10th and 11th, club members Lions Charles and Ron took part in the Centennial Tree planting project. Over the two days, plans were to plant 10,000 seedlings which will reach the 50% mark toward the goal of planting 50,000 trees in Calgary. Lion Otto Silzer of the Calgary Lions Club is the chair.



Tabbee Project

The collection of can tabs is one of the major projects of the Heritage Lions Club. On June 13th, the club held a "Thank You" dinner for their tab collectors as well as donating \$2,500 to Diabetes Canada. The club President (on left) presented the donation to a Diabetes Canada representative who also gave a most interest talk on their D-Camps.

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Rockyford Lions Club

ROCKYFORD RODEO
64TH ANNUAL - JULY 28 & 29

DREW GREGORY
Playing Outdoor Concert
Saturday Night!

C.P.R.A. RODEO

Friday
Slack 2pm
Rodeo 7pm

Saturday
Free Pancake Breakfast 7:00am
Parade 10:00am
Rodeo 12:30pm
Local events following rodeo
BBQ Beef Supper 5:30pm
Stampede Wrestling 7:00pm
Cabaret 9:00pm

Saturday following rodeo performance:
Wild Horse Race
Mutton Bustin
Mini-wild pony races
Catch and Keep

Admission
Friday:
Adults \$25
12yrs & under free
Saturday:
Adults \$30
12yrs & under free
Weekend Family Pass \$200

Dry camping included

Information: 403-901-6659 • 403-901-6408
Or go to www.rockyford.ca/residents/rodeo

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ROCKYFORD LIONS PRESENTS
Bull-a-Rama

FRIDAY, June 30

GATES OPEN AT 05:00PM
AT ROCKYFORD RODEO ARENA

Admission
Adults \$30
7-17yrs \$20
6yrs + under free

MUTTON BUSTIN & MINI WILD PONIES 6:30pm
BULL RIDING 8:30pm
CANADA DAY FIREWORKS TO FOLLOW

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact 901-6408 or 901-6659 or Go to ROCKYFORD BULL-a-RAMA on FB

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"Experience the ultimate thrill at the Rockyford Bull-a-rama on June 30th and the Rockyford Rodeo on Friday night and Saturday, July 28-29. The Bull-a-rama offers a heart-pounding showcase of fearless bull riders taking on mighty bulls, while indulging in delicious treats and drinks from our beer gardens. The Rockyford Rodeo kicks off with a full-fledged rodeo experience on Friday, followed by a Saturday morning parade and a day filled with thrilling rodeo events, including bull riding, barrel racing, and roping. Unwind at the beer gardens and enjoy Stampede wrestling in the evening, followed by a sensational cabaret performance by Drew Gregory. Don't miss these electrifying events, where adrenaline, community, and entertainment collide for a weekend of unforgettable experiences.

As proud members of Lions International, we are honored to host these exhilarating events. We warmly encourage all Lions to join us and proudly wear your Lions shirts and pins. Your presence will greatly enhance the spirit of camaraderie. We eagerly look forward to seeing you there!"

For more information on both events please go to: <https://www.rockyford.ca/residents/rodeo>

Follow our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/rockyfordrodeo>

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Beiseker Lions Club



Beiseker club members attended the MD C Convention in Vegreville on May 28th, 29th. Picture on left shows Beiseker Lions with Lion Lori and International President Brian Sheehan—who is always ready for an “action” shot! On June 10th, Beiseker Lions hosted their annual

Country Fair and led the parade (picture centre). Other attractions at the fair were a tailgate market, kids zone, show and shine, slow pitch tournament and 4-H Show and Sale. At a tri-club meeting with the Keoma and Irricana clubs, 2nd Vice District Governor elect Leslie Cunningham inducted new member Trevor Onstine. Shown (picture right) is Lion Trevor, his club sponsor Lion John Richter and Zone Chair Leslie.



Lion members recently received Chevrons from V.D.G.E. Leslie. Lion Matt Schmltz (picture) received his 55 year chevron, Lion Bob Carley his 25 yr., Lions Manfred Ziebart & Matthias Fink their 15 yr. chevrons.




BEISEKER LIONS

8th ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

Thursday, August 10, 2023

STARS
Foundation

 **Muirfield Lakes GOLF CLUB**
Lyalta, 20 minutes east of Calgary

MISSIONS 2020/1 - 1436
Average 8 missions per day
Over 45,000 since 1985



STARS
SHOCK TRAUMA AIR RESCUE SERVICE
FOUNDATION

Gold Sponsor

 **the co-operators**
ProPlan Financial Group

Registration Fee \$190.00
Charitable Receipt \$80.00-\$90.00
Roast Beef Dinner Buffet
Registration from 11:00 AM
Texas Scramble Starts 12:30 PM

18 Holes of Great Golf
Power Cart
Prizes
Texas Mickey Raffle
50/50 Raffle
Auction (Cash/Chq/Credit Card)

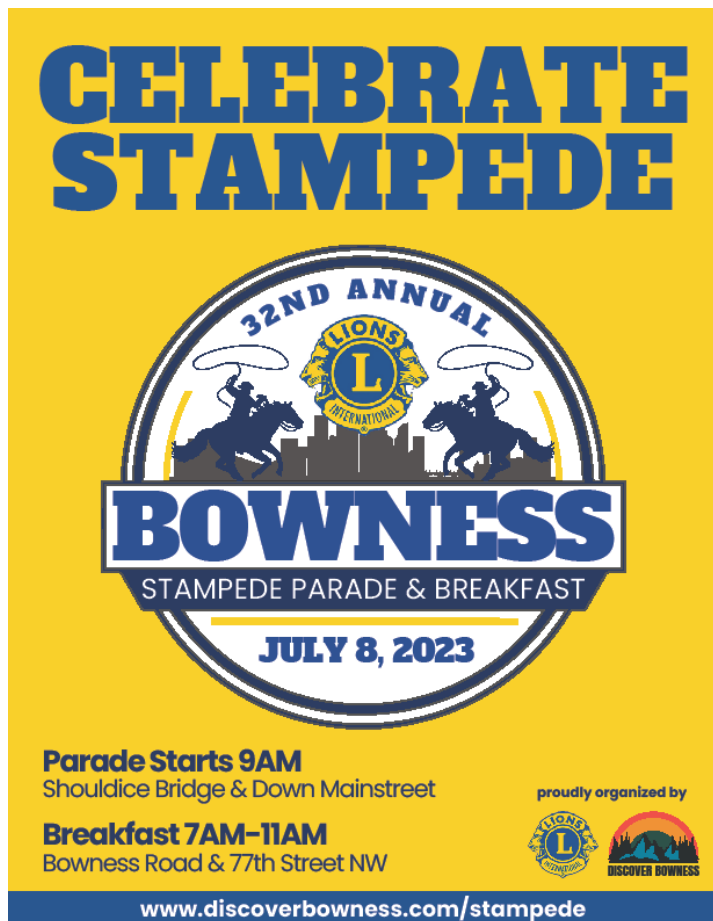
All Proceeds to STARS
Gross Proceeds to Date \$160,000

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Calgary Bowness Lions Club



This is the 32nd year of the Stampede Parade & Breakfast. If you wish to volunteer, there is a link at www.discoverbowness.com/stampede. Or, if you wish to make a financial contribution to the event, contact Bowness Lions Club President Harold Graham at happyharold@telus.net. See ya 'll there!



Lethbridge West Lions Club



Lion club president Holly Bandelow presented Adam Parker with a donation to support Kids Cancer Care Ride of a Lifetime. Adam's goal is to raise \$25,000 for the Ride and so far has raised \$20,625.00.

Ride for a Lifetime is a 3-day fundraising motorcycle ride through the Rocky Mountains. It is on June 23-25, 2023 starting in Calgary into the heart of the Kootenays of BC.



On May 17th, the club held a Membership Event at the Paradise Canyon Golf Resort. Each member was asked to submit 5 names of those they felt might be interested in joining Lions. It resulted in 15 of those invited attending on May 20th along with 15 club members. Drinks and snacks were provided. VCC Brent Johnson presented information on Lions and its global mission. Prospective new members was the result.

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Carstairs Lions Club

Beef & Barley Days



An annual event held in Carstairs, the town's Beef & Barley Days is being planned once again for 2023. It takes place on July 14-16, 2023. A highlight of this celebration is the Carstairs Lions Parade.

It has been organized for the past 42 years by the Carstairs Lions club. For the past few years Lion Leslie Cunningham is the driving factor in ensuring the parade's success.

In 2022, the theme was "Salute to Ukraine". This year, it is "Carstairs Wild West". Judging is done on the parade entries with cash awards as well as ribbons. Judging is done before the parade in the categories of antique cars, antique tractors, horse & rider, wagons pulled by horses, mules, donkeys etc. There is great rivalry amongst the town and area businesses and organizations.



Pictures from past Carstairs' parades.



Keoma, Irricana, Beiseker Lions Clubs

On March 27th, three clubs in Zone 7 met together for District Governor Darryl Rawleigh's official visit. Also in attendance was Zone Chair and VDGE Leslie Cunningham.

Zone Chair Leslie had the honour of inducting 4 new Lions—1 to the Beiseker club and 3 to Irricana Lions Club. What a delightful task!

Congratulations to the following new Lions—Garry Pettigrew, Todd Wren and Maurice Dean from the Irricana Lions Club; and, Lion Trevor Onstine from the Beiseker Lions Club.

(The new Lions' sponsors were also acknowledged at the meeting.)



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Carbon Lions Club



75th Charter Night Celebration

Over 150 Lions, friends and family members attended a dinner in March of this year in celebration of the Carbon club's 75th anniversary. The Carbon Lions club was chartered on January 19th, 1947. The keynote speaker was MLA Nathan Cooper representing the electoral district of Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills. Kneehill County Council member, Debbie Penner, gave the Council's congratulations for the continuous service the Carbon Lions have given to their community. District Governor Darryl Rawleigh was also in attendance. The Lions Club of Rockyford presented the Carbon Lions with a 75th Charter Night plaque.



So - how do you know when the Summer season starts - or Fall or Winter or Spring seasons for that matter?

It really depends on which group you want to camp out with-the meteorological one or the astronomical one. Here's how they differ.

Astronomical Seasons

This camp uses the dates of the equinoxes and solstices to mark the beginning and end of seasons. Spring begins on the spring equinox, summer on the summer solstice, fall on the fall equinox, and winter on the winter solstice. The actual dates can vary year to year.

Meteorological Seasons

This camp uses the first day of the month that include the equinoxes and solstices as the first day of each season. Spring starts March 1st, summer June 1st, fall September 1st and winter December 1st. The dates don't vary year to year.

Now you know. Choose your camp!

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Cowley Lions Club



The Cowley Lions Club is a very active 43 members taking part not only in addressing their local community needs but also in supporting district-wide initiatives. Their members have clocked over 900 volunteer hours involving club events, meetings, fundraisers and activities in the months March to the beginning of June.

In April members travelled to Black Diamond to visit the Foothills



Lions Club. The Foothills Lions donated firewood for the Castle River Campground (picture far left). The Clothing Sort & Give-away, held in early June, was attended by 500 community members (picture centre). As well, four Cowley members attended a CLERC Workshop and processed over 1200 pairs of glasses (picture right).



Other activities included a Spring Pancake Breakfast; Meet &



The Cowley Lions Castle River Campground is operated by the Cowley Lions Club. It is a family-oriented campground with a playground, basketball court and with fishing, hiking canoeing and kayaking available. The campground consists of 80 sites, 75 of which are powered. There are ample facilities for group events to be held such as graduations, weddings, etc.

"Beaver Fever Festival", June 24th
Garage Sale, July 15th
Dinner for Foothills Lions Club, July 15th

Greet brunch at the Campground; joining with the Cowley Pincher Roaring Lions Club in raising \$6,000 for the Pet Valu Dog Walk; and, attending the Dedication of the Memorial Forest in Olds on June 4th.

Cowley Lions regularly donate to:

Pincher Creek Legion Medical Cupboard
 Cowley Community Hall
 Diabetes Canada D-Camp
 Ronald McDonald House
 Make A Wish Foundation
 Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides
 to name a few.

For additional information
 on the Cowley Lions Castle River
 Campground, go to:

castlerivercampground.com

*Information submitted by
 Lion Millie Loeffler.*

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Drumheller Lions Club



Limited spaces so book now.
No serviced sites.
Go to Drumheller Lions
Youthcamp on Facebook or
403-823-8543.

Drumheller Lions Pig Roast & Camp Out July 21-23, 2023

\$50 per trailer \$25 per tent
\$50 per adult \$25 under 14 Under 6 free

Right on the river-Firewood for sale on site.
Bring your own refreshments-enjoy the valley.
Friday supper-hamburgers & smokies.
Saturday/Sunday breakfasts & Pig Roast included.
Late night snacks.

Gather around the firepit and enjoy the company.



Edmonton Host Lions Club

The Edmonton Host Lions Club
invites you to
a party in celebration of

LCI PRESIDENT DR. PATTI HILL
Tuesday, July 18th, 2023

to be held at
St. John's Cultural Centre

10611 – 110 Avenue, Edmonton, AB
in the Solarium
(entrance at the back of the building
& seating is limited)

Dress: Business Casual
Doors open at 5:00 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm

~~ MC Lion Jessica Bresler ~~

Dinner tickets - \$30 per person



To purchase dinner tickets and
reserve your seat

please click on the payment link be-
low no later than **Friday, July 7th**

****Number of tickets are limited****

Debit or Credit Payment link:
[Tickets- A Celebration of Dr. Patti Hill](#)
(donation requested but not
required).

Tickets are not available at the door

If you wish to attend and pay at the
door, please contact
Lion Carole Henson
carole.henson@outlook.com
with details.

Lions are invited to share their favorite "Patti
Story" (3 minutes max).

Please contact Lion Blair Ching at
bdching@shaw.ca

to be added to the program.

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Calgary Chinatown Lions Club—45th Charter Night

The Calgary Chinatown Lions Club celebrated its 45th Charter anniversary and hosted a Hunger Awareness Fundraising Banquet on May 12th, 2023, at the Calgary Chinese Cultural Centre Restaurant.

The event was co-emceed by Ansel Wong and Mai Vong. Among the invited dignitaries were the Past International President, Justice Brian Stevenson; Members of Parliament, Greg McLean and his wife Ruth, former MP Joan Crockatt and her husband Peter. Representing the Provincial government was MLA Leela Aheer and her husband, **Malkeet Aheer**, former MLA Jamie Kleinsteuber; from the District C2 International Lions Club were Immediate Past Council Chair Cathy Anderson, and Past Vice Council Chair Pauline Cooper (both travelled all the way from Lethbridge to attend). Northeast Eye Opener Lions Club's president – (sponsoring club of the Calgary Chinatown Lions Club), Brian Glenn and his wife, Judi Glenn. 1st Vice District Governor, Kevin Gibbons and Leslie Gaqui; Lions Malcolm Brown and Don Eddy and members of the Westwind Lions Club were all there to help celebrate.

To kick off the celebration, former President of the Calgary Chinatown Leo Club, Sylvia Li, also representing the Harmony Guzheng Ensemble, welcomed guests with a lovely performance of Guzheng. The title sponsor of the event was Micheal Pak, Sun life

Keylink Financial Solutions Corporation. Over 230 people attended the fun filled event.

As the ten-course meal was being served, the Calgary Chinatown Lions Club's senior musical group - the Yee On Performing Art Group-began their musical performance entertaining the guests.



As the evening program progressed, special Calgary Chinatown Lions Club's Community Volunteer Recognition Awards were presented by former MP Joan Crockatt to Tony Wong, President of the Chinese Cultural Centre; Clara Tong, Director of the Chinese Cultural Center; Jack Yee, President of the Calgary Chinatown Development Foundation; Laurie Lee, President of the National League; Yu Wai Hang, Director of

the Calgary Chinese Elderly Citizen Foundation and Ken Chan Kong Fai, the former President of the Calgary Chinese Cultural Society – Chinese Language school.

The Past International President, Justice Brian Stevenson, also presented Melvin Jones awards to the incoming President, Dr. Miao Li; members of the board, Milan Lam, Albert Lam and Francis Liu. A progressive Melvin Jones was awarded to Dr. Thomas Cheuk, Chair of the Global Causes, Hunger Initiative. MP Greg McLean also presented a Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Pin to Dr. Thomas Cheuk for his outstanding community works (picture above).



Lions Youth Camp, Cremona



In late February our septic field stopped draining the liquid from the septic tank. At the time we thought that the septic field had frozen due to the lack of snow and extreme cold in Dec. 2022, and Jan. 2023. We now think that there was a blockage in the line from the septic tank to the distribution junction of the field lines. In the meantime, we have had the septic tank cleaning company coming to site about twice a month to drain the septic tank to keep the Camp operational. On Wednesday, May 24th, we had a contractor come to site. The contractor excavated the feeder line, and then located the entrance to the septic field. He then cleared the blockage and installed clean-out accesses in the field lines to give us easy access in the future. This repair costs us just under \$2,000.00.

We have purchased and installed new windows in Cabins 1 to 8. The windows in Cabin 9 were newer vinyl windows and in good shape. We have also purchased and installed new vinyl plank laminate flooring with rubber baseboards in all 9 cabins. This flooring makes all the cabins appear the same inside and much easier to clean. We also have replaced the old gas



heater in the Main Hall with a new energy efficient unit. We also have ordered new energy efficient gas heaters for all nine cabins to replace old costly inefficient electric heaters.

The Youth Camp Board would like to express a heartfelt thank you to the Calgary Heritage Lions Club, The Strathmore Lions Club, and the Cheadle Lions Club for donating the funds to accomplish the above-mentioned upgrades.

Up to June 18th, for the 2022 – 2023 Lionistic year we have had a total of 24 rentals comprised of 64 nights and 2706 campers for a rental income of \$64,467.50 plus \$3,850.00 in deposits for confirmed 2023 - 2024 rentals. We have two more rentals scheduled for the remainder of the current Lionistic year.

So far during the 2022 - 2023 Lionistic year, we have received a total of \$67,059.50 in donations from District C-2 Lions Clubs, and interest in the amount of \$2,239.00. Financially we are getting back on our feet, with our income returning to the levels prior to the COVID-19 period.

Submitted by: Lion Glenn Robertson - Lions Youth Camp Chairperson.

A Few More Pictures from Calgary Chinatown Lions Charter Night



News From Lions International

Lions International Name



Lions International
At the MD C Convention in Vegreville, the International President, Brian Sheehan, announced the addition of the name “Lions International” for global use.

“ The Lions International brand brings Lions Clubs International (LCI) and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) together under one master “umbrella” brand so we can talk to the world about our collective service and impact.”

Lions International is introducing a new tag line “Serving the world in need”. This tag line is for use in external or public messages to tell the world what we do as Lions International. It does not replace our “We Serve” motto.

Global causes are still the focus of Lions International. The global causes of Lions International, LCI, and LCIF have been combined.

They are:

childhood cancer, diabetes,
disaster relief, hunger,
the environment, vision,
humanitarian efforts, youth.

Lions International Logos

Melvin Jones explained its meaning. The emblem, Jones said, “represents a lion facing the past with pride and the future with confidence, looking in all directions to render service.”



The iconic blue and gold colours are the primary colours. Purple is part of the Lions legacy, so it is being used again in some of the branding only as an accent colour. If you need to know the exact pantone colours, they are in the Lions International Branding Guidelines on the LCI website. Or, copy and paste from the three shown.



The three logos to the right are the approved logos. Many Lions clubs are still using the logo with the red tongue & lighter yellow which has long been lovingly retired. This is no longer an official logo of Lions.



Whenever and wherever your club is using it, try to replace it with one of the three shown.



Lions Learning Centre

There are a number of ways to access training in club officer positions. One is through the Lions Learning Centre at your Lions member website. You can take courses at your own speed and individual interest.



Here's how you get there-

1. login to your Lion account at LCI website
2. click on the “learn” icon at the top
3. click on the “Go” button under Lions Learning Centre
4. select a course by clicking on a title
5. click the button under the course title to start.

If you need assistance accessing the Learning Centre contact:

elearning@lionsclubs.org

The Lion Portal

- We're taking the functionality of our current digital tools and creating one streamlined experience.
- The new portal is built on Salesforce, an industry-leading platform used by over 150,000 organizations — including 40,000 nonprofits.
- MyLion, MyLCI and Insights, along with some additional tools and functionality will be accessible through an updated portal for members.
- The portal will have all the same features and functionality currently available with separate tools, but with a more consistent and efficient experience — whether you're on your computer, your tablet or mobile device.
- We're aiming to launch in mid-2023. And a preview of the portal will be available before that. Stay tuned for more information.

From LCI website

News From Lions International

International Dues Adjustment 2023

as explained by Richard Stevenson, Lions Global Forum

Why was an international dues adjustment proposed?

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services Lions Clubs International has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The Board of Directors undertook an extensive review of Lions Clubs International's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust international dues. A dues adjustment proposal was originally introduced in 2019, but was postponed due to the cancellation of our 2020 International Convention and the move to a virtual convention in 2021.

What is the proposed international dues adjustment (increase)?

The proposed dues adjustment includes a \$7 increase to the current \$43 international dues, spread out over three years. Under the proposal, international dues would be adjusted according to the following schedule:

\$3 increase on July 1, 2023
\$2 increase on July 1, 2024
\$2 increase on July 1, 2025

When were international dues last adjusted?

International dues have not been adjusted since 2011 even though annual inflation has been increasing the cost of operations required to do business around the world.

What are international dues currently used for?

Lions Clubs International is a global organization that supports more than 1.4 million members in 50,000 clubs around the world. Through the support of Lions International staff and programs, we are able to serve globally on the level that we do, keeping members and clubs fully supported with service resources and programs, training events and software, club operational support, international convention and meetings, language services in 14 languages, technology and digital products, global marketing, PR and advertising, leadership support, and legal support and liability insurance.

How do Lions Clubs International dues compare to other service organizations?

Currently, Rotary International dues are \$70 per year. Kiwanis International charges \$60 per year for most countries, which includes an \$8 premium to receive their magazine.

Has Lions International taken steps to reduce expenses?

Lions Clubs International completed a rigorous financial review and took the following steps to reduce expenses:

- * Operating budgets were reduced.
- * Vendor contracts were negotiated to yield savings.
- * Programs were cut after thorough review and consideration of value to members and return on investment.
- * International staff was reduced in 2020 to align costs and revenue during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Will this change my local club dues?

The adjustment to international dues is independent of your club, district or multiple-district membership dues. It is up to each club, district and multiple district to establish dues that allow them to operate and serve as needed in their communities.

We Are Almost There!



Greetings Lions and welcome to “spring”. Sunshine and warm weather has returned to the prairies!! I cannot stop thinking about summer, hopefully more sunshine as we plan our trip to the International Lions Clubs Convention in Boston July 07-11, 2023.

Yes, only 2 weeks away, have you got your bags packed? I check the Convention Registration list every Monday and notice that only a little over 300 Lions from Canada are on my list. Gathering in Boston will open the door to a new adventure for us. We will have a new International President, Dr. Patti Hill, Canada’s opportunity to showcase the strong leadership of Constitutional Area 2.

Please consider attending the Boston convention this July. Register Today! I want to thank the Lions who have signed up for the Patti Campaign volunteer group at the Boston convention. The list has doubled since our last newsletter. Thank you, and please make sure your Lion friends volunteer too. Volunteer by joining the web at: <http://pattibostonvolunteers.ca>

Hope you all have a great month!!
PID Marvin Chambers, Global Chairperson



Have your club support Lion Patti with a donation. Contact Lion Bill Webber at wandjweber@gmail.com or Dr. Patti Hill Campaign
11305-103 St Grande Prairie, AB
T8V 2Y6



The 105th Annual Convention
LCIcon Boston 2023
July 7-11, 2023

Register at www.lcicon.lionsclubs.org

Three reasons to attend LCIcon 2023.

#1

To support Lion Patti Hill as President of Lions International.

#2

Connect with Lions and Leos from around the world and make some new friends.

#3

Listen and learn at seminars on how to enhance your Lions experience.

A Dedication to Dignity and Peace.



It was a day to remember. Lions and friends gathered at the Lions of Southern Alberta Memorial Forest in Olds to dedicate the Forest to the memory of Lions who have left us but will never be forgotten.

It has long been the passionate initiative of Lion Henry Czarnota of the Olds Lions Club to establish a peaceful area where families and friends of passed Lions can visit. On Sunday, June 4th that dream materialized with the formal dedication of the beginning of the Forest. It was attended by over 150 Lions, friends and families.

Piper Lion Brian Barnes opened the ceremonies at 1:30 pm on a warm afternoon by piping in the flag procession with local cadets carrying the Alberta, Canada, and Lions flags.

Hosted by Past International President Justice Brian Stevenson, the program included remarks from MD C council Chair Frances Sawiak, District C-2 Governor Darryl Rawleigh, and Mayor of Olds Her Worship Judy Dahl. The History and Purpose of the Memorial Forest was given by Lion Henry Czarnota (see next page).

The names of the fifty-six Lions currently remembered in the Forest were quietly read out giving their families and friends time to reflect, just for a moment, on the past. The ceremony concluded with a moment of silence followed by a Dedication said by all in attendance:

*We dedicate this Memorial Forest and these trees
to the memory of those departed Lions and friends of Lions.
As these trees grow, may they help us recall
each of their lives with thanksgiving.*



At present, there are 56 Lions who are within our Memorial Forest, sponsored by 14 clubs, primarily from District C2. We have 5 Lions in our Forest who served their club and community for 50 years or more. Another 4 served at least 45 years. They as well as the rest of the Lions who we commemorate with trees were our models for volunteerism in their communities.

We honour their contributions with this dedication ceremony.
Continue to honour them by making periodic visits to our Memorial Forest.

Memorial Forest History



Lions International celebrated 100 years as an international organization of Lions Clubs in 2019. The idea of a Memorial Forest for Lions of Alberta was discussed as a centennial project for District C-2.

A Memorial Forest does exist in Breslau, Ontario, with 125 Lions of C-2 within that

Forest. Distance makes it very difficult for family and friends to visit and pay their respects to the Lions that are commemorated there. The concept was brought to the membership of the Olds Lions Club.

The club voted to pursue the project with participation by all clubs in the District in mind.

On June 1, 2019, Doug Wagstaff, Director of Community Services from the Town of Olds, and I constructed an agreement between the Town and the Olds Lions Club to develop a Memorial Forest within a new five phase expansion of the Olds Cemetery. The Town will use the space to place columbaria for placement of ashes. Hard surfacing of paths and roadways will be completed by the Town and all maintenance will be done by its parks department.

The first stage of the cemetery expansion included the planting of 110 trees. The trees were chosen from a selection of 18 recommended by landscape architects that would be suitable for our climate. The trees would be 6 to 8 feet high and would be planted by experienced staff.

The cost of the 110 trees planted in the Forest was \$20,000. In order to establish the Forest as a Lions project, the Olds Club agreed to pay for the trees over a two year period at 0%

interest. The Memorial Forest agreement was then shared with the District and was made available to all Lions Clubs in Alberta. District C-1 soon pursued its own Forest so our Memorial Forest became a project for C-2.

The Olds Club hired a local welding company to construct 110 aluminum pedestal frames to which an engraved sign which included a deceased Lions name, his or her club and the years of service as a Lion if known would be attached. The total cost of a tree, pedestal and signage is \$230. Clubs in C-2 began to purchase trees and engraved signage for Lions who passed as members in their club.

The club in Olds, District C-2 and other clubs in our district contributed another \$38,000 for the sponsorship of this gazebo. Plans for its use have yet to be finalized.

Submitted by Lion Henry Czarnota.



From left: Mayor of Olds, Her Worship Judy Dahl; Doug Wagstaff, Town of Olds; PIP Justice Brian Stevenson; Lion Henry Czarnota.



The Global Lions Forum, found on Facebook, is a place to share informative and even controversial views on all things Lions. If you have never been

there, it is worth your time taking a look.

Lately, there has been ample discussion concerning the focus of clubs—should it be on member numbers or service projects. What it inevitably comes down to is it is up to each club to decide what is needed in order to serve their community in the most effective way possible.

There is no doubt as club members become more senior, their club has a tendency to morph into a donation only club mainly using Casino funds for this purpose. But is this enough? On

the other hand, smaller clubs with not the advantage of large Casino funds tend to focus on service in their community. However these smaller clubs must ensure a steady influx of newer members to continue performing the service programs.

It is a conundrum with no easy answer. Some have suggested that these club progressions are inevitable as long as new clubs are being established to take over service in a rethought, vibrant way—new ideas – new processes—new goals. Is it not easier and more successful to start a new club rather than trying to change the processes and composition of older more established clubs?

If there is a topic you wish to speak on, you must apply to become a member of the Forum. It is not onerous. Just a precaution to confirm that you are a Lion in good standing.

Plan the Future with Imagination & Wisdom



Build a Vision

Last Newsletter I discussed how to build a team. The importance of getting your club on board in the recruiting process. This month I will talk about Building a Vision.

One of the definitions of vision is **the ability to think about or plan the future with imagination or wisdom.**

So, with this in mind;

1. What do you want your club to be?

- What does your club want to focus on?
- What do your members want your club to be?
- How do you envision your club next year? Five years from now?

2. What do you want your club to accomplish?

- What types of service projects does your club want to conduct?
- How often?
- Where?

3. What are your goals?

Use the on-line recruiting goals to define your club membership goals. Be sure to consider how new members will fit in with your objectives.

- **Why does your club want new members?**
Before you begin inviting new members, it is important to identify why. The answer should be clear, tangible and relevant, not simply “for more service.” For example: “If we had three more members, we could pack 100 more lunches for the homeless each month.” When you are recruiting new members, be sure to tell them what the club can accomplish with their help. This will help set clear expectations and ensure the satisfaction of those new members.
- **What benefits can new members bring to a club?**
Once your club has decided who they will recruit, conduct additional research on your prospective members. Recognize where these people can be found in the community and using social media channels to learn about events or other groups to which they belong.

- **How do we engage with these prospective new members?**

While club members work on cultivating relationships with prospective members through social media, participate in local events, inviting them to your club's service projects and projects that support specific community causes. Explore the Recruitment Engagement Profile templates for recruitment and service idea to see if they correspond to the target audiences, you're attempting to recruit. Consider using the Lions International service project planners for our five global causes.

- **Who will we recruit?**

Determine which individuals or community members you want to join your club. Ask all your members to consider individuals in their immediate network for the greatest possible reach.

Here are some additional tips:

- Consider using lists that have already been compiled. Look at organizations or businesses that share common interest with your club.
- Hold a brainstorming session with your club members. Ask each member to write down the names of three businesses or organizations that focus on the same areas in which you club does service.

Examples: could include your local chamber of commerce, community centers, pediatric hospitals, food banks or an NGO charitable organization.

Did you Know?

Lions International has many resources available to support your club. Contact the Membership department at membership@lionsclubs.org or go to the Lions International website. The resources can all be found at lionsclubs.org/MembershipChair.

I hope you found this useful and make sure you check out all the resources available on the LCI website. I know you will find information there that will help your club grow in all the right ways.

Next newsletter watch for information on “Building a Plan”.

Yours in Lionism Brent Johnson
VCC and GAT Chair for Multiple District C.

48% of C-2 Clubs Contributing!



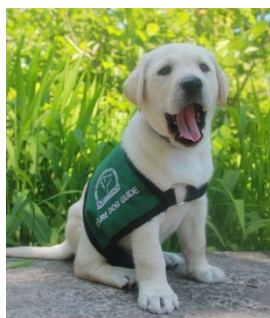
Hi, it's me, Buddy from Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides.

Boy, what a fun time I had with all my friends at the recent walk to raise funds for Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. Sure was a tired pooch after though!

Sooooo many people showed up and brought soooo many pledges, I'm sure we'll easily meet our goal of raising \$1.4

million dollars to help keep our programs going, so we can help more and more Canadians with medical or physical disabilities.

Thanks to everyone who took part, and of course to everyone for all your generous pledges. Our training wouldn't be possible without you! Speaking of training, I know my friend Hope has some exciting news about the difference our Lions friends are making with The Difference Campaign.



Yeah, that's right Buddy! The past couple of months have been really busy with donations rolling in from our Lions members and Clubs from all across Canada.

So far, Lions have donated \$2.3 million to go toward the building of our new training facility. That's over halfway to the goal of \$4.5

million from Lions Clubs in Canada! That certainly makes my tail wag! I can't wait to see my new kennel that's going to have the name of a sponsoring Lions Club on it. Maybe it'll be a Club from District C-1 or District C-2.

Lots of Clubs have already donated \$10,000 to name a kennel. Some have been really generous and donated \$25,000 to name one of the new Client rooms! And Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides are making it real easy for Clubs to make that large commitment, by letting them pay for it over 5 years. How awesome is that?!

You know Buddy, when I mention awesome, I want to give a tail wag to all those AWESOME Lions Clubs in District C-1 and C-2. They continue to send in their donations on a regular basis, and District C-2 has even had 48% of their Clubs contribute to The Difference Campaign! If I could lick all their faces, I would!

I sure hope more Lions Clubs will donate to The Difference Campaign. That would mean our new training facility could be open by 2025, which means even more of us can get trained, which means we can be matched with more and more Canadians, which means the waiting list for us Dog Guides will get shorter, which means.....we will SERVE more! Thank you for making that happen.

For information on The Difference Campaign, thedifference@dogguides.com. To get a personal Club presentation, contact our two legged friend, DGE Dave Leshchyshyn, davensuzie@shaw.ca

Hope & Buddy



Well Done Clubs of District C-2

These Lions Clubs have contributed to The Difference Campaign.

District C-2 also contributed at the February 2023 Convention.

Airdrie
Beiseker
Blackie
Blairmore
Bow Island
Bowness
Calgary Eastport
Calgary NE Eye Opener
Calgary Woodcreek

Calgary Filipino
Calgary North Hill
Calgary Heritage
Canmore
Champion
Cheadle
Claresholm
Cochrane
Cowley

Foothills
Fort Macleod
Gleichen
Highwood
Hussar
Lethbridge W. Lethbridge
Lethbridge
Madden
Medicine Hat

Milo
Morrin
Olds
Pincher Cowley
Standard
Raymond
Taber
Torrington
Vulcan

Here Come the Dogs. . .



Calgary

May 28th, 2023 was a perfect summer day to go for a walk in the park. And many dog lovers did just that in support of the Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides.

It was held in Bowness park as in previous years.

It was a very noisy and busy gathering of dog owners, Lions, friends and family. The dogs were excited (some more than others) as BBQs were set up and the smell of

hot dogs and hamburgers drifted through the park.

There were raffles for donated gifts as well as an on-line auction held prior to the walk. Bags of doggy items were handed out to owners as they registered. For the over 60 people who attended, there was not a shortage of food to eat, prizes to win, or new dog owners to meet.

It was a great success thanks to the organization by PDG Hazel Hiebert and Lion Raqual Garalde.



Lion Evan Hamilton and Hearing Dog Nana.



Teenage Boy (bottom left) and Autism Dog along with his family.



Lion Nikita Smith and Vision Dog Destiny.



Lions Denise & Darryl Axenty (volunteers) and Pet Valu representative (right).



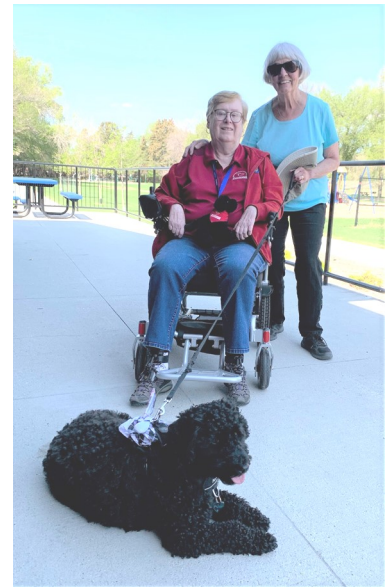
DG Darryl Rawleigh, PDG Hazel Hiebert

... and more dogs



Medicine Hat

The Walk for Dog Guides was held on May 13th, 2023 at the Lions Park in Medicine Hat. Even though it was a small group of Walkers, \$4,500 was raised surpassing their goal of \$3,000. Catherine Heberle (picture at right on left) is District C-2's Lions Foundation of Canada (LFC) Chair.



Lethbridge West Lethbridge

The Lethbridge Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides was held on May 27, 2023. Despite the rain, there was a fabulous turnout. Guest Speaker Nikita Smith and her Dog Guide Destiny (below right) attended as well as past recipients of dog guides. There were also refreshments, prizes and a colouring contest. We even had a couple of goats! So far we have raised \$14,560.00 for Lions Foundation of Canada

Submitted by Holly Bandelow, Club President



Airdrie

The Airdrie Lions Club is planning to hold their Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides on September 16th, 2023 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.
Nose Creek Park, Airdrie

Come Celebrate With Us!

You Are Invited to CLERC's 25th Anniversary Celebration & Open House

Saturday, September 9th, 2023

1:00 to 4:00 pm

*Bay #2, 1216 - 34th Avenue NE
Calgary*

*RSVP by August 29th to
jamio@telus.net*

Your Guest is welcome.



This quarter CLERC shipped 198,251 pair of eyeglasses. Thirty-six different groups requested eyeglasses that went to 20 countries. Look at just how many lives our program continues to affect with positive outcomes. The commitment of Lions across Canada and Alberta drives this program. We at CLERC extend huge gratitude for the gift of many hands. The annual CLERC 2022-23 Volunteer Award will be presented to PDG Greg Clarke from the Calgary Heritage Lions. Greg has been coming for years every Wednesday and reads a ton of eyeglasses on every occasion.

Submitted by James Lee, Chairman

Is Your Club Part of CLERC's Unparalleled Success?

In looking back over the past 25 years, many Lions and organizations have contributed to the success of improving eyesight to many living in third world countries. CLERC is grateful for those who attend Work Parties as well as those clubs that have donated and those that continue to donate funds regularly.

To date, CLERC has placed 5 million glasses on faces in 92 countries at no cost. Donations from Clubs and their fundraisers are vital to the ongoing sight commitments that Lions worldwide embrace.

CLERC's Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, June 24th, 2023 at 2:00 pm. All are welcome.
info@clerc.ca



Below is the diverse and varied list of countries and pair of eyeglasses received that originated from Canada.

Malawi	28,000	Swaziland	27,000
Ghana	830	Honduras	9,000
Ivory Coast	21,250	Costa Rica	9,000
Mexico	600	Ukraine	500
Philippines	350	Kenya	7,200
Sri Lanka	6,000	Nigeria	1,833
Guatemala	800	Haiti	1,833
Cuba	300	Morocco	9,000
Dominican Rep.	750	Ecuador	7,000
Ethiopia	730		



MD C Convention 2023

Vegreville, April 28/29 International Guest, President Brian Sheehan

Before the Kick-Off

Vegreville was a quiet, blustery town when the International President began his visit with Lions on April 28th. IP Sheehan had come into town late Thursday night and by late Friday morning was "ready to roll" with meetings and activities.

While members of the Vegreville Lions Club were preparing the Community Centre for the crowd to arrive to take part in the

evenings festivities, IP Sheehan met with the Council members over lunch, had a trip to Vegreville's famous pysanka, and dined with MDC's Past District Governors at the local Seniors Centre. And the convention had not yet begun!

The host couple, PDG Ron Wackenhut and Lion Lynda, had the pleasure of ensuring that the president got to where he was supposed to be when he was supposed to be there. A busy job, but no hiccups there.

Meanwhile, back at the Centre, registration had opened and Lions were slowly drifting in to view the displays & auction items.



At The MD C lunch on Friday, the International President enjoyed an informal discussion on anything Lions. He was presented with a very large container of Red Vines licorice, his favourite snack, to keep his energy flowing.



Later that afternoon, a visit to Vegreville's claim to fame, the Ukrainian pysanka, was in order. From left: CC Frances, PIP Brian, DG Darryl, IP Sheehan, Lion Lori Sheehan, DG Suzanne Leshchyshyn, and Host Couple Lynda and Ron Wackenhut. As you can see, it was a very windy day.



At dinner, IP Sheehan joined Past District Governors at their meeting held at the Seniors' Centre. This was followed by taking part in the Conventions' Friday night activities.

And the Convention Begins.

Friday evening was a time for renewing friendships, meeting new Lions, and enjoying the camaraderie. There was much to see, listen to and take part in.

There was no shortage of local talent who performed bravely for the crowd. Two music students entertained on both the piano and violin as well as an enjoyable toe-tapping trio on a variety of instruments.

The perimeter of the room was laden with Lion items to purchase and silent auctions items to bid on. It included a plethora of toy Lions from stuffies to carved wooden Lion statues. All up for bids.





MD C Convention 2023

Saturday and Down to Business

The Convention was opened by Council Chair Frances Sawiak followed by the protocol reminders, flag ceremony and anthems. Leo Ivy led Lions in the anthems.

Most unusual , but not suprising, was the International President welcoming the Lions along with the usual dignitaries. There is no doubt of his enthusiasm and dedication to Lions. IP Sheehan never misses any opportunity to speak to Lions, whether formally, informally, or one-on-one.

The MDC 2024 Convention will be held in Lethbridge in April with no bids put forward for the 2025 convention. There are discussions taking place for having only one convention a year

which would combine district and multiple district business over three days. No doubt it will be a topic of discussion among Lions and districts over the next few years.



Five speakers made presentations throughout the morning and into the afternoon. Two topics were new to Lions—Kristen McChesney from the Saffron Sexual Assault Centre on the use of Faculty Support dogs (on right in picture with support dog Yukon & Leos) and Lion Lori Sheehan on the Lions in Motion fundraising campaign.

Later in the afternoon, IP Sheehan did what he likes to do best—talk to Lions. He focused the discussion on membership, the role of LCI and changes coming up that affect clubs and districts, including the Lions Portal.



DGEs Kevin Gibbons (C-2) on left and Dave Leshchyshyn (C-1) on right with IP Sheehan.

2022-2023 Hall of Fame

Each year Districts 1 and 2 can nominate candidates to be inducted into the MDC Hall of Fame. A maximum of two nominees from each district will be inducted.

This year, District C-2 submitted two names and both were inducted.

Dan McKinnon, Airdrie Lions Club
(picture right)

Doug Irvin, Cheadle Lions Club
Deceased
(Medal accepted by DGE Kevin Gibbons)





MD C Convention 2023

An Evening of Recognition & Inspiration

2022-2023

International President's Certificates of Appreciation

Lion Tim Beer
Foothill Lions Club

Leo Ivy Gregoire
Lil Legendary Leos Club

Lion Vi Gibb
Swans & Roses Lions Club

Lion Carol Hassell
Calgary North Hill Lions Club

Lion Renata Mauchline
Foothills Lions Club

PCC Betty Ann Robson
Grande Prairie Lions Club

2022-2023

International President's Medals

PCC Cathy Anderson
Lethbridge West Lions Club

Leo-Lion Alicia Kiri Beer
Foothills Lions Club

Lion Blaine Brooks
District C-1

Lion Carol Hassell
Calgary North Hill Lions Club

Lion Barb Riley
St. Albert Host Lions Club

Lion Glenn Robertson
Blackie Lions Club



Lions, Leos and guests were greeted at the entrance of the Centre by two community members in full Ukrainian dress. They also offered a "shot" of a traditional Ukrainian drink—just to get things started. Of course, our CC Frances and piper Lion Brian Barnes had the added pleasure of taking the Toast to the Piper.



To start off the Banquet evening,

After the Grand March, national anthems, and acknowledgements, a very mouthwatering traditional Ukrainian dinner was provided. Spicy—yes, flavourful—yes, and most delicious. Acknowledgements and awards were bestowed as well as ratification of PDG Michelle Harris as the 2023-2024 Vice Council Chair.

The District Governors' teams were introduced and presented with their crests. The Host Couple, Ron & Lynda Wackenhut, were also honoured.



IP Sheehan was not left out from receiving honours as he accepted the Judge Brian Stevenson Diamond Fellowship from the Multiple District. It is one of the highest Canadian honours a Lion can receive.



"The newest Lion of our Lions family"

Sydney Lalonde, C-2 Lil Legendary Leo Club, was inducted by International President Sheehan as a Leo-Lion of the Foothills Lions Club.

Leo-Lion Sydney has been VP and President of her Leo Club.



MD C Convention 2023

The Message from IP Sheehan - Entertaining, Loud & Clear!

There is never any doubt of the ability of IP Sheehan to deliver his message of the Joy of Lionism in a novel and engaging manner. His presentation at the Governor 's Banquet Saturday evening was no exception.

Not only can IP Sheehan hold the audience talking unaided, but when he adds his use of technology expertise to the mix, the result is extraordinary.

His message to Lions is clear and powerful.
"Think outside the box & have fun doing it!"

Lions is about advocating.

We have to make sure that our communities know what Lions do and what we are all about.

Lions have to change with the times.

Technology can help us change in order to get new members. Getting new members will infuse our clubs with new ideas and help us change. Clubs have to be ready to adapt.

Trust must be earned.

There must be trust in our leaders and trust in our clubs.

Communication is essential among Lions and Leaders.

Lions must listen more than talking. New members need to be listened to especially when it comes to Service. Teamwork isn 't successful without good communication.

Teamwork makes Lions successful.

It is thinking differently how we accomplish things. Teamwork is evident in everything we do in our lives—business, families, friends. Lions is no exception.

Encourage a positive attitude.

It is easy to focus on the bad things in a club. Focus on the good things instead. Have energy, be positive, and be encouraging. Attitude is everything.

Look for confidence in our Leadership.

Confidence will allow members and clubs to move forward.

Challenge Yourself.

Make a decision to step forward to do what is needed even though it may be new to you.

Leadership is not a position. It is an event.

Leaders find ways to get things done. Leaders create leaders. They inspire, teach and motivate to make Lions better.

Lions is a family.

We look after the members of our family.

Quality of a Lions club member is worth far more than the number of members in a club.

"MAKE A GREAT DAY!"



2023-2024 Multiple District C Council

From Left: C-2 1st Vice District Governor Glenn Garalde; District Governor Kevin Gibbons; Council Chair PDG Brent Johnson; Vice Council Chair PDG Michelle Harris; C-1 1st Vice District Governor Lyle Gustafson, District Governor Dave Leshchyshyn; 2nd Vice District Governor Ted Mikkelsen.
(C-2 2nd VDG Leslie Cunningham absent).

Past District Governors Awards

Our Multiple District recognizes Past District Governors who have continued to be active in the Lions family long after their District Governors ' term has finished.

The Senior PDG Medal is given to those who have remained active for 10 years. The Masters PDG Medal is awarded to those who have remained active for 25 years after the finish of their District Governor term.

2022-2023 PDG Awards went to:

PDG Scotty Duff, PDG Masters Medal
PDG Wanda Coates, PDG Senior Medal



Welcome to Lions Who Have Joined Us in March, April, May, 2023

Bearspaw Lions Club

Lorne Doell

Blairmore Lions Club

Kim Cunningham

Gail Doucette

Bowness Lions Club

Christine E. Barlow

Calgary Eastport Lions Club

Nikita Smith

Calgary Filipino Lions Club

Erjericho Peralta

Jane Peralta

Calgary Korean Lions Club

Eunmee Kim

Jin Jong (Joseph) Lee

Miyeon Ryu

Calgary North Hill Lions Club

Candida Tocci

Calgary NE Eyeopener Lions

Nahla Boury

Calgary Westwind Lions Club

Cathia Anne E. Garalde

Catrina Anne E. Garalde

Calgary Woodcreek Lions Club

Cheryl R. Davidson

Calgary Wildrose Lions Club

Gloria Bayuca

Cynthia Lacey

Cora G. Mandadero

Carbon Lions Club

Shawn Gustafson

Glen Piercy

Daylon Schmidt

Carmangay Lions Club

Peter Miedema

Carseland Lions Club

Richard Gordon Grier

Robert Page

Carstairs Lions Club

Danielle Mykaela Ryrie

Cochrane Lions Club

Steve G. Irwin

Coleman Lions Club

Andrew Bradley

Cam McLeod

Arthur Pich

Foothills Lions Club

Jason Freisen

Hussar Lions Club

Brian LeBlone

Irvine & District Lions Club

Collin B Beierebach

Corey Burkitt

Della Burkitt

Amber Coderre

Denis Coderre

Matt Ivanoff

Peter Johnson

Andrea I. Judge

German Linares

Cindy K. Lutz

Darren D. Lutz

Lethbridge W. Lethbridge Lions

Judy Holmes

Raj Mehta

Laura Stenger-Shipalesky

Leanne M. Winchester

Picture Butte & Dist. Lions Club

Robert John Morrow

Raymond Lions Club

Conn Baker

Pam Baker

Redcliff Lions Club

William Crozier

Strathmore Lions Club

June E. Pirie

Crystal L. Riley

Veteran & Dist. Lions Club

Bradley F Pay

Brian W. Pay

Kevin B. Ulseth

Vulcan Lions Club

Dale A. Doner



. . . and honour those who have left.



Bearspaw Lions Club

Alex Kowalchuk

Cardston Lions Club

Andrew Strang

Champion Lions Club

Plenny H. Anderson

Irvine & Dist. Lions Club

Nora Sept

Garth Simpson

Milo Lions Club

Alvin John Winch



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