

DISTRICT G NEWS



February 2023: In This Issue

Words From Our District Governor

Leader Dogs for the Blind

Great Things Going on in District G— and New District N!

District G Clubs — Showing the Love to our Communities

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Terrific Events Ahead!

Happy Valentine's Day Lions!



District G Governor Debbie Mansell

We all know about the Valentine's Day tradition to send family and friends special gifts as a token of our love. Cards, chocolates, and flowers are sent to our loved ones as a symbol of our commitment.

As Lions, we give the gift of service to our community and contribute to humanitarian efforts around the world. This gift of volunteering is a symbol of our love for humanity and desire to make the world an even better place. This gift is given freely by Lions with a service heart. Lion's love is different than Valentine's Day giving, it doesn't involve purchasing a gift, and it happens every day by Lions around the world.

Each year, District Governors are asked to deliver the Monarch Chevron Awards to honor Lion members for their dedication to community service. I was excited to

learn that one of our district "Service Superheroes" will receive their 65-year Chevron this year. It is incredible to think that this Lion has committed a majority of their lifetime to serving others! Is there a secret to achieving this membership longevity for Lions and for clubs who have served their communities for over 100 years?

Service is the secret to success! Service is like a box of chocolates. Each chocolate in the box is a little bit different and we all have a favorite. Service is the key to keeping our members engaged, motivated, and bringing in new members. We also need a variety of service projects in our clubs. For clubs to be successful they need to have service projects that interest their members. If members find the club's service projects engaging and meaningful, they will be a Lion for life!

Sometimes service projects run their course and are no longer interesting to members or relevant to the community. I'm sure our 65-year Monarch Chevron recipient has seen many different projects over their Lions tenure. Listen to your new members, they want to do projects that interest them and are relevant to the community. Look for partners in your community to create new collaborative projects. Encourage new leadership in your club to bring fresh ideas for service projects.

Enjoy your Valentine's Day, Lions! Encourage your members to find their own special meaningful service project. Help them to find their favorite piece of chocolate in the box!

DG Debbie





LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS
February 2023

Specialty Meals Make Everyone Feel Welcomed

By Rachele Kniffen from the December edition of IGDF's Vision newsletter

Right: LDB improve the client experience by meeting a variety of dietary needs



Every client who comes to the campus of Leader Dogs for the Blind for training is asked a simple question – How was your experience? Without fail, clients excitedly mention the tasty food and excellent service provided by our kitchen staff. Many add, "I was amazed at the effort they undertook to meet my dietary requirements."

"As far back as 40 years ago, we provided a special menu for our clients who were diabetic," shares Sharon Dougherty, manager of residential and food services. **"Today we support a wide variety of diets to meet individual religious or health requirements."** Our kitchen team accommodates a large variety of diets including diabetic, Kosher, Halal, gluten free and lactose free, often providing several in addition to a standard menu in each class.

But our kitchen staff don't stop there, they include fun activities centered around meals. There is fiesta night with mocktails (alcohol free drinks) like margaritas, and Michigan-centric products like apple cider and donuts (a Fall treat), barbecue dinners and ice cream drinks made with locally produced orange and ginger sodas.

Because LDB has been serving clients from Spain for several decades, some of their wonderful cultural traditions have influenced our menus, most notably the importance of including fresh fruit with every meal. We've been lucky that some clients have shared their treasured family recipes with us, allowing us to prepare traditional Spanish cuisine for the entire class to enjoy.

Welcoming diversity comes in many forms, treating individual meal requirements is just one of them. To quote English Poet William Cowper, "Variety is the very spice of life, That gives it all its flavor."



IN EVERY LEADER DOG
LIES THE HEART OF A LION.

A Leader Dog partner since 1939.

Teen Summer Camp 2023 Registration is Open!

June 25 – July 1, 2023
Application Deadline: Friday, March 31, 2023, at 5 p.m. EST

Presented by AAA – The Auto Club GroupAAA

This free program combines fun activities with exploring mobility options like guide dog travel, discovering leadership skills and building friendships with peers facing similar challenges. Campers receive a free HumanWare GPS to help increase their travel independence. They also have the opportunity to learn about living and working with a guide dog.

Teen Summer Camp is provided free of charge at Leader Dogs for the Blind's Rochester Hills, Michigan campus to those who are legally blind, 16 or 17 years of age, regardless of whether they plan to train with a guide dog. Public transportation to and from a client's home to the Leader Dog campus and accommodations and meals while training is also provided free of charge.

Go to LeaderDog.org for more information. Below: 5 teenaged campers holding hands are jumping for joy



BE OF SERVICE

LeaderDog.org/Lions

FOLLOW THE LEADER   



BE
CREATIVE

RAFFLE TICKETS GALORE!

DG Debbie says:

"I am happy to report that we have raised nearly \$2,000.00 for Leader Dog!

The quilt is being taken to all my visitations—I have done 26 so far—and the clubs are being credited for their donations to Leader Dog. The quilt drawing will take place at the 19G Spring Convention."



DISTRICT GOVERNOR DEBBIE MANSELL STANDS READY TO SELL TICKETS TO WIN THIS DELIGHTFUL QUILT TO ONE LUCKY WINNER. THE QUILT RAFFLE IS IN SUPPORT OF LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND.

NORTHWEST LIONS EYEGLASS RECYCLING CENTER

KEY STATISTICS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

	DECEMBER 2022	TO DATE 2022-23	TOTALS
VOLUNTEER HOURS	296 Hrs	2,492.5 Hrs	148.609 Hrs
Hours Reading Prescriptions for Mission-Ready Glasses	35 Hrs	241 Hrs	1,414.25 (Since Feb 2021)
Glasses Processed for Missions	339 Pairs	2,557 Pairs	9890 (Since Feb 2021)

RAW GLASSES

Raw Glasses Received	7952	105,733	3,341,865
Raw Glasses Recycled	6,200	6,200	1,982,876

MISSION INFORMATION

Eye Glasses to Missions/Events	0	0	295,939
Missions Supported	0	0	357
Mission-Ready Inventory	20,000	As of 12.31.22	

Northwest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center: "2009 Recycler of the Year."
Honored by the Washington State Recyclers Association in recognition of its practice of putting back to productive use or recycling all materials received for its eyeglass program.



TRAINING LEADERS FOR DISTRICT 19N



Lions District 19N Master Training Schedule February and March 2023



New Member Orientation third Monday of every month	
Youth Exchange Program *	1 Feb
Club Service Chair	3 Feb
NW Lions Leadership Institute	10 Feb
Zone chair roles and responsibilities	15 Feb
Update on District Mergers *	16 Feb
New member orientation	20 Feb
Brief software intro: MS Excel	21 Feb
Lions Conventions & Forums	23 Feb
The Leadership Challenge	28 Feb
The Global Membership Approach	3 Mar
Public Speaking Strategies with Presentation Software	8 Mar
Club Constitution and By-Laws	9 Mar
MD-19 Knights of the Blind committee *	14 Mar
The inevitability of change	16 Mar
Brief software intro: MS PowerPoint	22 Mar
New Member Orientation	20 Mar
Starting a new club: The Role of a Guiding Lion	28 Mar
MD-19 CARE project *	30 Mar

* Denotes special guest expert instructor

Additional topics coming soon:

Intro to grants	LCIF
Brief software intro: MS Word	The GMT method
The MD-19 web site	Visitations
Club President	Club Secretary
Club Treasurer	Retention
Club Board of Directors	IRS 501(c)(3) and Washington Charity registration

RSVP for all training to Al Hedstrom at LionAl@Hedstrom.ws.

Each session starts at **7 PM Pacific time**.

All district training sessions above are free of charge and are about one hour in length (except Secretary – two hours!).

Permanent training link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85745644261>

The online Zoom connection requires the following on your computer, tablet or smart phone: A web browser (such as Internet Explorer, Firefox or Safari) to download and install the Zoom application, microphone and speakers or headset. While a camera is optional, it is nice to see your smiling face.

Future Multiple District, Regional and LCI Institutes

Advanced Lions Leadership Institute: October 6-9, 2023, Los Angeles, CA. Info [here](#).

Northwest Lions Leadership Institute: 4-7 May 2023, Post Falls, ID. Info [here](#).

Faculty Development Institute September 23-25 2023, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Info [here](#).

Other online webinars available at the LCI Lions Learning Center and LionsUniversity.org

Updated: January 23, 2023

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY GLTC PCC LION AL HEDSTROM.



A LEADERSHIP TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

Leadership is Service



The Northwest Lions Leadership Institute



May 4-7, 2023

Ross Point Conference Center
Post Falls, Idaho

www.nwlli.org



"Leadership training at its best."

Service is Leadership

Are you ready to take the next step to build your leadership skills?

When: May 4-7, 2023

Where: Ross Point Conference Center
820 S Ross Point Road
Post Falls, ID 83854

Cost: \$350 (deposit \$150 US/CAN at par)

Applicants from Clubs in MD 19 can apply for a special fee waiver, which can reduce the cost of the Institute by \$200. See web site for details.

The cost covers:
- 3 nights lodging
- 8 meals
- All training materials

The application process includes several steps which must be complete and submitted by **April 1, 2023**.

For more information, visit our website:

www.nwlli.org

Or contact:

Dave Risley
registrar@nwlli.org
360-930-2751

INSPIRE
OTHERS



19G Membership Contest

2 ways
to win!!



1) District G Lions who sponsor a new member will be entered to win a **Melvin Jones Fellowship** recognition.

2) District G clubs that have positive membership growth will be entered to win a credit to recognize someone with a **Melvin Jones Fellowship**.



See www.19GLIONS.ORG
for contest rules.

GOOD WORK, LIONS! KEEP THOSE NEW MEMBERS COMING!

Sponsors of new members since July 1, 2022.
Thank you sponsors - for bringing in new members!

Zone G1	
CASTLE ROCK	
Keith Forsyth	1
Linda Knowles	1
Patti Melton	3
LONGVIEW KELSO EARLY BIRD	
DEAN TAKKO	1
LONGVIEW PIONEER	
Cindy Fickett	1
CINDY SESSIONS	1
GREG FIRTH	1
Kari Ann Botero	1
Katie Dillinger	1
Kenneth Botero	1
MICHAEL PARKER	2
Rose Dickinson	1
PENINSULA	
Debbie Mansell	6
Donna Reynolds	3
Doug Pellerin	2
Jefferey Archer	1
Kimberly Johnsted	2
Linda Thompson	1
Mark Mansell	1

Zone G2	
BATTLEGROUND	
Elizabeth Elfring	1
Patrick Steinke	1
NORTH CLARK	
Gail Gruber	1
RIDGEFIELD	
Angela Gardner	1
Evan Strain	1
Gene Mccann	1
Taylor Morelli	1
SALMON CREEK	
David Page	1
Douglas Ballou	3
RENAE HAMEL	1
VANCOUVER	
Gary Scott	1
GERALD POLLOCK	1

Zone G3	
ABERDEEN	
Cynthia Johnstone	1
Desiree Lindgren	1
Ervin Granahan	2
Robert Weber	1
WILLIAM O'CONNOR	1
CENTRAL PARK	
Chris Grubb	2
Steve Timmons	1
COSMOPOLIS	
Judy Stiles	1
Sally Shapansky	1
HOQUIAM	
Al Dick	1
Larry Jones	1
OCEAN SHORES	
Jeffery Moyer	5
Tina Sedlacek	1

ADNA	
Timothy Mackey	1
CENTRALIA	
Joe Dolezal	1
VADER	
Kelly Schey	1

Zone G6	
CAMAS	
ROBERT O'DELL	1
SKAMANIA COUNTY	
Mary Repar	1
WASHOUGAL	
Ryan Neace	1
Suzanne Semke-Fox	1
WHITE SALMON	
LELAND GULSTINE	1



Welcome to the newest Lions in District 19G!
We're so happy to have you!

New Lion	Club
Doug White	Ocean Shores
Lisa White	Ocean Shores
Matthew Bacho	Salmon Creek
Linda Grossman	Salmon Creek
Robyn West	Peninsula
Bryon West	Peninsula
Lottie Patten	Skamania County
Tim Elliott	Peninsula
Gina Elliott	Peninsula
Allen Cooper	Washougal
Leigh-Ann Neace	Washougal
Bethany Smith	Peninsula
Candice Kiely	Battleground

WHY DO VOLUNTEERS JOIN LIONS CLUBS?

- To Make A Difference, To Serve
- To Identify with a Cause or Project
- To Be with Friends
- To Increase Professional Development
- To Network

Engaging Prospective Members

First Impressions Are Lasting Ones

"Mix and Mingle" with guests. This is the time for us to listen to our guests and assess their interest in serving.

Follow Up

Lions club members should personally contact every guest who did not turn in a membership application.

Additional Recruitment Ideas

Engage young people to become the next generation of Lions to serve!

- Identify ways engage younger members
- Engage and partner with Leos in your area.
- Start a campus club with a local college or university in your area.

DATA TABLES PREPARED BY LION STEPHANIE O'DELL.



OH, THOSE WONDERFUL ONESIES!



WONDERFUL ONESIE PROJECT FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER

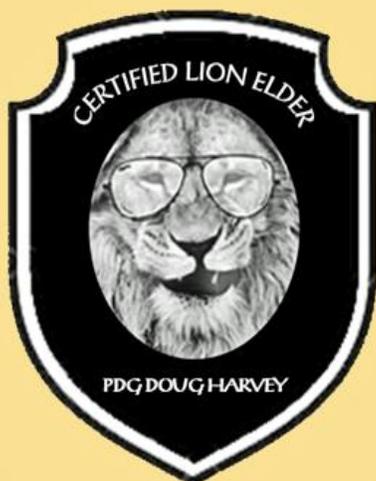
WONDERFUL ONSIES

A pre-made onesie is modified by sewing a snap placket on the outfit to allow the caregiver to attach the IV line for Chemo . The child does not have to be undressed for the treatment. "Wonderful Onesies" are being used at Legacy Randal Children's Hospital and Doernbecher Children's Hospital.



CONTACT LION EDIE BRANNON, 19-G GST (360) 608-1537

DISTRICT G — A LASTING LEGACY



February 2023 is now upon us, meaning there are only 5 months left for us to serve together as members of iconic District G. But even more, we should strive to help preserve an everlasting memory of our soon to be retired District. For 60+ years, it has stood as a humanitarian service powerhouse in MD19, so it seems appropriate that it should be recognized and remembered for its many achievements throughout those years.

Debbie Mansell, District G's final Governor, is doing her utmost to ensure that we leave an historical marker ingrained in Lions history. She developed her "SuperHeroes" theme because she knows that our members are capable of achieving great things! Therefore, she now beckons every Lion to do their part to make this, our very last year, a successful one. Here is what you can do:

Call your club together; spruce up your service projects (maybe create a new one)! Enthusiastically rouse any inactive or sluggish members to jump into the fray and coax your friends to tag along to see what Lions do! Liven up your meetings; dump the "routine" stuff and let member spirits soar! That's what SuperHeroes should do, and we owe it to DG Debbie and to our District to make it happen!

Over the years, our "G" moniker has consistently stood in the limelight simultaneously as: "Great, Generous, Giving, Gracious, Gifted and Gallant" (to name a few). Now's our chance to team together one LAST time and finish this final year in "Glorious" fashion! Our comradery, our cultivated friendships and our love for each other, of course, will continue as we enter a new realm starting in July. But, it will never, ever be the same as it is now.

District G soared in growth both before and after the Covid pandemic. But, perhaps in anticipation of the upcoming merger, some of our "SuperHeroes" may have taken their eyes off the ball, as this year's growth has slackened and some members have strayed. But it's not too late to refocus and get back on course. We need to make this last five months something we can always be proud of! What we do today will reinforce what has already been accomplished for District G's final Legacy.

Our Spring Conference is in May and this will, most likely, be the last time that all of us will join together as District G Lions. So, be sure to come and share this special time as we ALL cheer and toast to the retirement of our longtime "G" icon.

PDG Doug Harvey
Retention Chair



DISTRICT GOVERNOR HONORS WAHKIAKUM LIONS FOR SERVICE



“At the January 16th meeting District Governor Debbie Mansell presented her Superhero Award for our community service project, having Bingo at our Wahkiakum County Fair. President Terri Elfers accepted the award.”



“She also presented to Past Zone Chair Brian McClain a Key Award for bringing more than two new members into the club this year.”

“Lastly, she presented Susan Kuhn the Monarch Award for 15 years of service as a Lions Club member.”



INFORMATION AND PHOTOS COURTESY OF WAHKIAKUM LIONS FACEBOOK



NAPAVINE-NEWALKUM CLUB COMMEMORATES A PASSING

“It is with great sadness that the Napavine Newaukum Lion Clubs shares the news of the passing of our very beloved charter member, Jim Wahl. Jim was a shining example of what it meant to be a Lion and to dedicate his life to serving his community and mankind. Jim first joined the Lions Club on February 1, 1969 and has been a faithful member for 54 years. He will be greatly missed.



Jim loved to serve his community and the world. One of Jim's favorite worldwide programs was the Lions Vision White Cane Days. Each year would find Jim outside the doors of our local Walmart store collecting donations and visiting with all his old friends as they entered and exited the store. It was like volunteering with the Easter Bunny. Everyone was so happy to see Jim and catch up on old times and current events since they had last seen each other. With his 50+ year history of service to his community he had lots of friends and acquaintances. A day serving with Jim was always a good day!

I believe that is one of his great grandchildren standing at his side. As always, Jim was ready and willing to share with his friends and family. Jim's Lion's vest was so covered with Lions pins and service awards it was not an easy task to find space for that new 50-year pin.”



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LONGVIEW PIONEERS SANDBAG THE MAYOR

A publicity fine dollar was in order after three Longview Sandbaggers merry pranksters, and Longview Pioneer Lions all, were spotted on Facebook hobnobbing with Mayor of Longview MaryAlice Wallis. They were at the City of Longview community event to help the Longview Centennial Committee kick off a year of centennial festivities. 2023 is ALSO the 100th anniversary of Longview Pioneer Lions Club!

LONGVIEW MAYOR MARYALICE WALLIS IS A ROSE AMONG THE THORNS, NAMELY (L TO R) LONGVIEW PIONEER LIONS KEN BOTERO, KURT ANAGNOSTOLI AND RICK JOHNSON.

PHOTO COURTESY OF PIONEER LION ANNE CAMARDA AND FACEBOOK.



BOISTFORT LIONS BRING ON A TASTY FUNDRAISER

The Boistfort Lions will have a fundraiser in February.

“Boistfort Lions Club will hold a Hamburger Social on Saturday, February 25, 2023. This gathering will be in the Boistfort Grange Hall (995 Boistfort Road, Curtis, WA) from 2:00 PM–7:00 PM. The price, per person, is \$10 for a presale ticket and \$12 when purchased on February 25th at the Grange door. The menu includes hamburgers/cheeseburgers, French fries, cake, punch, and coffee.



Presale tickets can be purchased from students at Boistfort school, or call Larry Blatt at 360-623-0375.

Please join the Lions for this mid-winter opportunity to connect with family, friends, and neighbors. Proceeds will go towards youth activities sponsored by the Lions Club.”

— Larry Blatt, Boistfort Lions Secretary

CAMAS LIONS SERVE AND SELL

NEW GIVING PARTNERSHIP

The Camas Lions recently added another partner to its continuing mission to serve the community, namely the Camas-Washougal Community Chest (CWCC). The CWCC is the largest philanthropic organization in the greater Camas area, supported solely by local donations, with more than 95% of those donations being distributed as grants to local nonprofit organizations which offer qualifying services. Those services must advance one or more of the following purposes: education, youth activities, aid to people with special needs, natural resource conservation, health and welfare programs, crisis and emergency services, and other similar charitable or civic objectives. Through CWCC, the Camas Lions Foundation donated \$5,000 to fulfill a grant request from the Meals on Wheels People to expand the Medically Tailored Meals program to its clients due to medically tailored meals costing more to produce because they include higher quality meals, more diversity and variety of choices, and an increased quantity of food per meal. In the coming calendar year, the Camas Lions Club hopes to build on all its new partnerships to serve the community better.



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

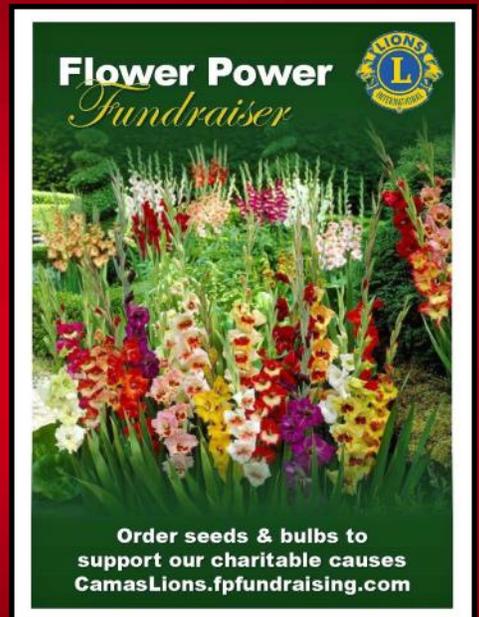
As a follow-on to the National Wreaths Across America Day (12/17) where the Camas Lions supported the wreath-laying ceremonies at the Camas Cemetery in December, January brought the task of collecting up all the wreaths for recycling. Camas Lions showed up in force to assist the Local VFW with gathering all the wreaths and ensuring all the grave markers were returned to their pre-holiday condition.

Camas Lion Su Scott and G6 Zone Chair Casey O'Dell get ready to muscle a load of collected wreaths into a trailer. At the same time (middle photo), Lion Jennifer Senescu assists Lion Tyler Brown with collecting the next batch of wreaths for recycling. Lastly, Lion Rondo Schanck just finished filling a pull cart of wreaths on its way to the collection trailer. Photos were taken by Lion Stephanie O'Dell (Club VP).



SPRING FUNDRAISER

Looking for a way to help deal with that dreary NW winter weather? How about imagining yourself in your garden in April, planting your Spring flowers? Well, you can take that first step now by ordering your seeds and bulbs while also helping some very deserving local charities! Just go to [Camas Lions Spring Fundraiser](http://CamasLionsSpringFundraiser) and get started today!



CONTENT COURTESY OF CAMAS LIONS CLUB PRESIDENT BRIAN SCOTT.

THE FOUR AGREEMENTS

BE IMPECCABLE WITH YOUR WORD

DON'T TAKE ANYTHING PERSONALLY

DON'T MAKE ASSUMPTIONS

ALWAYS DO YOUR BEST



COURTESY OF AUTHOR DON MIGUEL RUIZ.

Aberdeen Lions January 17 Facebook post:

“The Lions Club wants to take your old or used bikes off your hands! If you have bikes to donate you can drop them off at The Salvation Army Grays Harbor Corps on Tuesday’s and Thursdays from 8am-3pm.

Your bikes go to an amazing program called “Bicycles from Heaven.”



The Washington State Department of Corrections and the Aberdeen Lions Club have been in a partnership for several years to get refurbished bikes into the hands of children in need. The lions collect used bicycles and store them at The Historical Seaport. Every few weeks Aberdeen Lions members take a couple of pickup loads of used bikes to the prison at Stafford Creek and return with bikes that look brand new!

At Stafford Creek there is a bike repair

shop where they convert the used, sometimes rusty, bicycles into bikes that are practically brand new! As needed, they do sand blasting welding, powder painting, replacement of decals as well as new tubes and tires and brakes. The Aberdeen Lions Club pays for the parts, paint and tires.

The program is a win for everyone. Used bicycles are recycled, the men doing the work learn some valuable skills that they may use when their sentence is up, and children that would not ordinarily get a bike will have a shiny one that looks like new. The Lions Club has donated over 3,000 bikes to children in need.”

PENINSULA LIONS "SEE" A NEED

Peninsula Lions provide free reader glasses to the community and provide vision care assistance to those in need!

Top right: Peninsula Lions Bryan, Robyn, Marla and Debbie at the Project Community Connect event on January 26th.

Lower right: A selection of eyeglasses available for giveaway to needy community members.

Below: Peninsula Lions Kimberly, Loma, and Jean at the event.

INFORMATION AND PHOTOS FROM 1/26 POST BY DISTRICT GOVERNOR DEBBIE MANSELL AND PENINSULA LION JEAN BUSTO.



FORT VANCOUVER LIONS SEE ANOTHER KIND OF VISION

Five Virtues of Vision:

1. Clarity— when we know where we are going and our friends and families know and can see their role, it easily leads to virtue.
2. Energy— it is exciting to know where we are going/growing! If we see the vision and it not only includes us but resonates, we find it much easier to handle virtue.
3. Purity— without a strong vision it is easy to get sidetracked and derailed. By keeping our eyes on the vision and keeping that excitement level high, we reduce the risks of falling into the pitfalls of everyday life. We stay pure and focused with a great vision and energy which naturally leads to virtue.
4. Unity— when the entire team is clear on the vision, they have energy wrapped around it and they keep their minds and hearts pure or focused on the task; they enter into unity as a team. Everyone is rowing and going in the same direction, which leads directly to virtue.
5. Victory— when we operate within the VIRTUES of VISION, we find that wonderful place called victory!!

INFORMATION FROM JANUARY FORT VANCOUVER LIONS UPROAR NEWSLETTER PROVIDED BY CLUB SECRETARY SHELLY BROWN.



**OCEAN SHORES
HOLDS A SWEET
FUNDRAISER**

From Ocean Shores
Facebook:

“Koda-Berry’s
Sweetheart Market &
Fundraiser. Come shop
for your Valentine’s
Sweetheart at the
Lion’s Club Fundraiser
benefitting Lion’s Club
Children’s Christmas
Toy Fund.”



Koda-Berry's Sweetheart



Market & Fundraiser

February 11, 2023



Come shop for your Sweetheart at the Sweetheart Market & Fundraiser benefitting the
Lion's Club Children's Christmas Toy Fund

Ocean Shores Lion's Club
832 Ocean Shores Blvd NW
Ocean Shores, WA 98569



8-10 am Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast

8-2 pm Shop for your Valentine's Sweetheart



**LONGVIEW-KELSO EARLY
BIRDS HOST THE ZONE**

Longview Kelso Early Bird Lions Club hosted the second Zone 1 Meeting January 25th at the Canterbury Park Independent Living Community in Longview. Zone 1 Chair Jan Heaton introduced our District Governor Debbie Mansell, 2nd Vice District Governor of District t C Bob Johnson, club presidents who gave club reports (very active community services), and a motivating speaker, Past District Governor Mark Mansell, who spoke on Membership.

TOP PHOTO: ZONE CHAIR JAN HEATON ORGANIZES MEETING MATERIALS AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR DEBBIE MANSELL AND PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR MARK MANSELL REVIEW THE AGENDA.

BOTTOM PHOTO: LONGVIEW EARLY BIRD LIONS PRESIDENT DEAN TAKKO SHARE THE SHOT WITH ZONE CHAIR JAN AND DISTRICT GOVERNOR DEBBIE.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

TOGETHER WE CAN

When you love what you do with a team that you love, you can make every day a great day. That's what's so awesome about being a Lion. Because no matter how hard the work may be, we always have a great time getting it done.

There's really nothing that compares to the fun and fellowship of being a Lion except for inviting more people to be a part of it. So give your community the opportunity to join our team and discover what we've found. And let's keep working together to make the projects we love even bigger, better and more fun for everyone.

FIVE WAYS TO MAKE SERVING FUN

Your club is changing lives every day through its enthusiastic and innovative service. Your success comes from rolling up your sleeves and getting to work to help your community, but success also comes from creating a great member experience for your Lions.

Read [Five Ways to Make Serving Fun](#) and learn how to get your club and community excited about your next service project. Let's keep doing what we do best and make serving fun for everyone. Because that changes lives in more ways than we'll ever know.

MEMBERSHIP SATISFACTION GUIDE

Being a Lion is all about having a good time. From the friendships we form to the plans we make, we're always working together to make sure that our clubs are fun and welcoming places for all. Watch this special video message from President Sheehan that celebrates how we make serving fun.

If you're looking for ways to make your club experience even better for everyone, download the [Membership Satisfaction Guide](#) and make it a part of your next club meeting. It's the best resource available to help keep your fellow Lions engaged, happy and coming back for more.

Make it a great day,
Brian Sheehan
International President

LIONS LEADERSHIP IS A LITTLE LIKE PARENTING

1. Respectful leadership. Set firm guidelines while being respectful of clubs' choices.

There are a few guidelines which cannot be violated. Lions globally give back 100% of the money raised in the community to meet community needs. However, we must be respectful of a club's decision on how to put that money back into the community, while allowing all members to have input.

The takeaway is that we must give the latitude necessary to allow each member to develop their own service personality which reflects their passion, purpose, and values.

2. Lions need structure.

Let Lions make their own choices, as long as expectations are met.

Guide them through how things can be done better.

Expect them to do things, even when it's hard.

3. Lions need support.

Give Lions the right to their own point of view.

Respect their privacy.

Don't make constant corrections in their actions or speech.

4. Lion Leaders must be warm and welcoming.

Let all Lions know they can turn to you for help. Spend quality time with them. Be more than a dinner guest. Engage in compassionate activities together. Roll up your sleeves and help them serve.

Together, we can help Lions International evolve into a better association that is putting smiles on the faces of those we serve, those who have joined to serve, and our service partners. However, the change needed to become more relevant in the communities where we serve begins with each of us.

Sincerely,
PID Jerome Thompson, GAT CA 1 Leader

ADAPTED FROM "I TALKED TO PARENTS WHO RAISED HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL KIDS—HERE'S THE NO. 1 PARENTING STYLE THEY USED" BY MARGOT MACHOL BISNOW



OFFERINGS FROM LCI CLUB DIGEST

Learn How to Plan for Your Club's Success

Plan for Your Club's Success is a process designed to not only help your club grow, but also to inspire new ideas, engage and keep your members, and empower current and potential club leaders. Download the *Plan for Your Club's Success* guide and PowerPoint, and get started today. [LEARN MORE](#)

Promote Your LCIF-Funded Service

Develop skills to tell your LCIF grant story and promote Lions impact to others! Use your Lion Account login credentials to take the "Promoting Your LCIF Grant Project" course in the Lions Learning Center (LLC). [GET STARTED](#)

See How LCIF Grants are Providing Relief During the War in Ukraine

LCIF grants are ensuring that Lions can meet a broad spectrum of needs for those displaced by the war in Ukraine. Watch the video to see some of these life-saving projects in Poland. [WATCH VIDEO](#)

Hunger is a Problem Without Borders

LCIF's Hunger Grant helps Lions support school-based feeding programs, food banks, feeding centers and similar facilities that provide food to people when they need it most. Learn more and see how to apply. [LEARN MORE](#)

Watch the 2022 International Leo Day Video Contest Winners

Every year, we showcase Leo service through the Leo video contest. For this year's contest, Leos created videos that demonstrated the ways their club members unite and stay connected as #TeamLEO. Check out the winning videos today! [WATCH NOW](#)

LCIF Partnership Spotlight

LCIF is proud to be a founding member of The Choose Kindness Alliance, a coalition of the leading nonprofit organizations in the U.S. championing bullying prevention, intentional inclusion and youth mental wellness. Find out more about how we're supporting youth. [LEARN MORE](#)

Get Ideas for Outside-the-Box Service

Lions have been finding creative solutions to big challenges for more than a century. Watch some innovative Lions talk about how they think outside the box when planning their service projects! [WATCH VIDEO](#)

Join the Celebration of Our Worldwide Service

Lion and Leo leaders have reported more than 500,000 service activities already this year. Be sure your club's service is reported so that all our service is included in the celebration of our global humanitarian impact. [LEARN MORE](#)

Marketing Awards Submissions Now Due February 15

Great news! We extended the Lions International Marketing Award submission deadline to February 15, 2023. Don't miss this chance for your club to be recognized for your marketing efforts. [LEARN MORE](#)





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2023 Program Calendar

SUMMER



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FALL

September 29-
October 1, 2023
Connect1D Family
Camp
Warm Beach in
Stanwood, WA

July 17-22, 2023
Camp Leo High School*
Black Diamond in Auburn,
WA

July 23-27, 2023
Camp Leo Middle School*
Black Diamond in Auburn,
WA

August 18-21, 2023
Camp Leo Elementary
School*
Black Diamond in Auburn,
WA

SPRING

March 25-26, 2023
Connect1D Adult Retreat
Clearwater Casino Resort
in Suquamish, WA

May 19-21, 2023
Leadership in Training
Weekend*
Black Diamond in
Auburn, WA

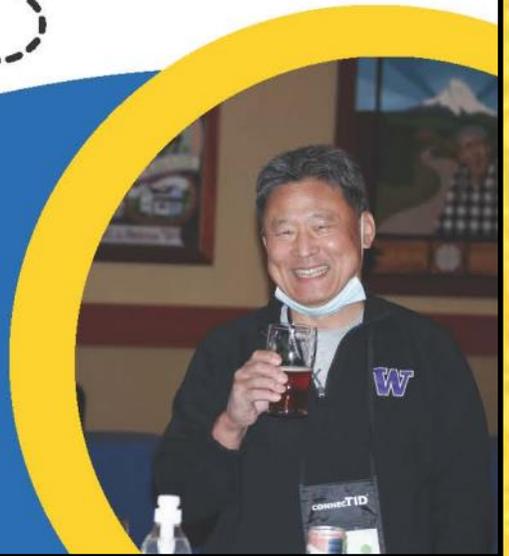
*Registration opens
January 7, 2023



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SERVICE
SUPERHEROES**

**DISTRICT 19G
SPRING CON'23**

**HEATHMAN LODGE
VANCOUVER, WA
MAY 12 & 13, 2023**



**Registration
Information
Coming Soon**



Attention
Service
Superheroes
SpringCon '23
May 12 & 13



*Registration
coming soon!*



BOSTON

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The 105th Lions Clubs International Convention is happening in Boston, Massachusetts, **from July 7 to July 11.** Make your way to this historic American city to look back at all that we've done as Lions, where we are now and where we'll go next. Join us in Boston as we forge a path for the future.

[Register today](#)

Enjoy LCIcon and explore Boston!

Boston is a vibrant city with tons of history, perfectly suited for the modern traveler. While you're in Boston for LCIcon 2023, take advantage of the many historical tours, museums and other attractions around the city. Learn about the American Revolution on the 2.5-mile red brick Freedom Trail or see how African Americans lived in 19th century Boston on the Black Heritage Trail. Want to catch a game? Then watch the Red Sox at historic Fenway Park. Or how about a little retail therapy? The city boasts a number of chic boutiques, high-end shops and historical marketplaces. If you're hungry, you're in luck — Boston is a major foodie destination with a buzzing restaurant scene. Of course, there's a Dunkin' Donuts around the corner from the convention center, but why not grab brunch at Gather instead? And if you're looking for that legendary clam chowder, oysters or scallops, then head to Legal Sea Foods in between sessions. After a great day at convention, you can end the night with dinner and drinks at Harpoon Brewery. Still not enough? Don't worry—there's something for everyone in Boston. The Boston Convention and Exhibition Center The convention center is in Boston's seaport district — a newly developed, conveniently located area that's surrounded by hotels, restaurants and bars, so you'll be able to attend convention, then duck out for a meal or simply relax. And at just 3 miles from Logan International Airport, it won't take you long to get there. See you at LCIcon 2023! We can't wait to see you at the premier Lion event in Boston, so register now for our 2023 international convention





THE RENO REVIEW



The Latest News & Information for the Reno 2023 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

A MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL CHAIR JAMA WAHL



As I turned the calendar over to 2023, it suddenly hit me that the Reno Forum is just eight months away. When you are named General Chair, there is the opportunity to gain knowledge by serving on the Planning Committee and then stepping up to Vice Chair. I have to admit there were moments moving up these chairs when the 2023 Reno Forum seemed a long way away. That is not so anymore.

Fortunately, we have an amazing Planning Committee made up of dedicated Lions willing to take on big leadership roles. And, let's not forget the Host Committee. This committee, led by PDG Linda Wagner-Griffin, is busy promoting the Reno Forum, organizing the volunteers and addressing many details. I know these Lions are working hard to bring our attendees a premier leadership event because I am copied on their emails, participate in their Zoom meetings and share phone calls. Thank you for this dedication!

Then I thought of the Lions who have already made their reservations. Thank you to those who have made these plans already, but what about those Lions who haven't made that choice? My first reaction is...please do not procrastinate like we Lions do sometimes. Yes, I have fallen into that trap myself. Registration information is on our website at www.lionsforum.org. Check it out now to make those plans.

Then I thought about adding to the Forum experience by extending the visit to Reno for a few days before or after the Forum to see a bit more of The Biggest Little City in the World. What about a trip to nearby Carson City, Lake Tahoe or Virginia City. Whether you drive, fly or take a train, why not consider adding a few days of well-deserved vacation time when making your visit to the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Reno 2023?

We want to see you Reno!

Up and Away with Leadership

Jama



RENO ADVENTURES BEFORE AND AFTER

LINDA P. WAGNER-GRIFFIN,
RENO HOST COMMITTEE CHAIR

Now is the time to start planning on making Reno your destination either before or after the Forum.

There is something for everyone to experience. Reno and its neighboring cities provide excitement and adventure for all attendees and their families. Do you want to do off-road activities, hike or mountain bike? Explore historical and art museums? Try out new restaurants or attend performing arts events? Maybe visit a ghost town, golf or go boating on Lake Tahoe? Then Reno is where you need to be in September 2023.

Reno has a River Walk just steps from The Row, the headquarters for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Stroll along the Truckee River and experience art, shopping and food and drink.

Are you into automobiles? How about visiting the National Automobile Museum, which houses over 200 vehicles from Harrah's automobile collection. Did you ever want to see Elvis' 1973 Cadillac Eldorado, Frank Sinatra's Ghia or John Wayne's 1953 Corvette? Here is your opportunity.

A family activity is the Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum, better known as The Discovery. This is a science center and museum designed for children and adults. There is something for everyone, regardless of age. Imagine 67,000 square feet of hands-on science within walking distance of The Row.

Plans are being made for tours which will include walking tours, self-guided tours and pedicab tours. There really is something for everyone from food and drink to art and history. Keep an eye on the lionsforum.org website for information on tours as it becomes available.

Remember that Reno is known as the "Biggest Little City in the World" and there is something for everyone.

**YOU CAN VOLUNTEER TO HELP AT THE FORUM!
VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP FORM ON FOLLOWING PAGE.**





Volunteer Sign-Up
2023 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
September 21-23, 2023
Reno, Nevada, USA



The Host Committee needs 350-400 volunteers. Help us make this the best Forum ever!

Name:		Club:	
Address:			District:
City:	State/Prov:	Zip/Postal Code:	
Home Phone:		Email:	
NEEDED for communication during Forum: Cell Phone:			

Please check availability to volunteer and preferences for jobs. You can do more than one job.

NOTE: ** Seated Jobs

PRE-FORUM (Some jobs may be required until 5pm Thursday)

Availability:

Wednesday, Sept 20

Thursday, Sept 21

Jobs:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Airport Greeter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prepare Hospitality Baskets
<input type="checkbox"/>	Peace Poster Display Setup	<input type="checkbox"/>	Forum Store Setup
<input type="checkbox"/>	Host Committee Office Setup	<input type="checkbox"/>	Registration Packet/Bag packing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pin Trader Set-up	<input type="checkbox"/>	Registration **
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Anywhere/As Needed

FORUM

Availability:

Thursday, Sept 21

Friday, Sept 22

Saturday, Sept 23

Jobs:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Registration **	<input type="checkbox"/>	Update Signage
<input type="checkbox"/>	Forum Store Workers	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seminar Greeter and Runner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strides Walk	<input type="checkbox"/>	Greeters/Traffic Control
<input type="checkbox"/>	Host Committee Officer Workers **	<input type="checkbox"/>	Forum Store Take-Down (Sat Only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Meal – Seat availability	<input type="checkbox"/>	Host Committee Office Take-Down (Sat Only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Meal – Display Table Signs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anywhere/As Needed
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

* Must be registered for the Forum: lionsforum.org

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:
VolunteerForum2023@gmail.com