

MD 19 - LEO REPORT

LEOS the new word in the vocabulary of Lions Clubs.

I'm so excited to share that I am being approached on almost a weekly basis from Lions Clubs on both sides of the Border to provide information packages and participate either at in-person meeting or by Zoom.

I had the distinct privilege of attending the Everson Lions on January 21st to give a presentation introducing the wonderful world of Leos supported by a further presentation by Leo Advisor Rosemary Walkup of the Skagit Valley Leos. Also in attendance was a Lion from the Lynden Lions whose Club is interested in entertaining the start up of a Leo Club.

It is so wonderful to see so many Lions Clubs jumping on the Leo train and reaching out to find out what they can do to start their own Leo Clubs. **SO ENCOURAGING.**

I have spoken to the North Delta Lions, Nelson Lions, 100 Mile House Lions, Everson Lions and Lynden Lions to name a few, giving them the scoop on Leos, who they are, what they can do for Clubs, what Clubs can do for them, as well as working through paperwork. **SO ENCOURAGING.**

I am looking forward to attending District Governor Beth James' conference being held on March 21st and 22nd in Anacortes with several Canadian Leos in tow. We will also be joined by several Leos from Skagit Valley Leos and the Coupeville Leos. What a blessing to have Leos from both sides of the Borders connecting, sharing ideas and building friendships.

The other huge thing on the Leos horizon is LeoCon being held in Langley, B.C., at the end of June, 2025. This Conference is being put on by the Leos for Leos. **JUST ASK** me if you would like to get involved or have any questions.

Talking with active Leo Advisors as well as potential Leo Advisors, I am encouraged that the program seems to be coming to life and taking on a whole new direction. **LEOS FOR THE WIN.**

LEOS provide so much energy and enthusiasm in all they do.

LEOS are our future, help me to help them be the best they can be.

Respectfully submitted,
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