

Lions Quest BC

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District Lions Quest chair persons from all across Canada have been meeting twice a month by Zoom since April. This has given our LQ chairs a great advantage to learn more how Lions Quest is used in all the provinces and an opportunity to collaborate with other LQ Chairs.

The Social Emotional Learning activities for families to use during this pandemic can be found on the Lions Quest Canada website www.lionsquest.ca. These activities are being used by LCI and have been sent to other LQ departments to be put into their own language.

A webinar "What the Heck is Lions Quest anyway" has been produce for Lions, Leos and Lioness to give them a better understanding of the advantages of our programs. Mini Community Workshops will be available soon by Zoom as well.

Sadly, to say 19-A, 19-D and 19-I conferences were all cancelled and all the great Lions Quest activities that were planned didn't happen.

At the MD Convention in Penticton on Saturday Morning Oct. 17, 2020, we are turning the clocks back and the participants in our panel will actually be students and be taught a LQ lesson by a teacher, who took the workshop last August in Oliver BC. (Keep your fingers crossed that this will happen).

Because of COVID19, there has not been much activity in the schools or communities with our programs. However, the District LQ chairs in MD19 continue to work hard in their respect Districts with planning for the future.

19-A – ZC Vivian Lo,

Vivian will be the LQ Chair for 19-A for 2020-21. She has been attending the Zoom Meetings and is looking into doing LQ Workshops for student teachers in her district. Also looking into the funding available through LCIF for these workshops.

19-I – PZC Lion Michael Stanford,

Yes, I will be the District Lions Quest Chair for District 19I for 2020 - 2021. My goal for this new year will be to form a Lions Quest Committee for Vancouver Island. On **June 10, 2020** at 1pm (Pacific), we will be having a District 19I Virtual Lions Quest Workshop for Cabinet. I donated \$500 to Lions Quest Canada, which I purchased 5 Lions Quest Q Bear Fan Club Members. I will be presenting the Memberships during the Virtual Workshop. With Covid19, I did not have the chance to present at the District Spring Conference. I am planning similar Workshops on Vancouver Island & will involve the Zone Chairs to help organize & invite people, so they can learn more about Lions Quest Programs first hand.

Our District has 12 School Districts on Vancouver Island. We can meet via Zoom Virtual Meetings. I am preplanning & would like to further fundraise on Vancouver Island to meet the Lions Quest District Grant Requirement. I need assistance to do the fundraising.

We have been approaching School Districts in our area. The next step will be to reach out to Teachers already trained in Lions Quest and let them know that we have upgraded our Program. This step will ultimately lead to more School Based Workshops, so we have to be ready.

Currently, we have \$3,111.18 in our District Lions Quest Account. We just received another cheque \$250.00 from a Lions Club that needs to be deposited into the account so the total \$3,361.18. The cheque is en route to our District Treasurer for Deposit.

Prior to 2018, Lions Quest was not represented at the District Level. We are slowly gaining momentum back on Vancouver Island. To quote a famous leader "By the Yard it's hard, Inch by Inch, anything is a Cinch" ~ Brian Tracy

19-D – PDG Norma Bent,

Our District has received a Grant of \$15,000.00 US dollars from LCIF for Lions Quest Workshops and programs. However, with the conference being cancelled we have not been able to spend any of it. We will be working on the MD19 Convention in October. We are also looking into doing some mini Community Workshops. I have been attending the District & MD LQ chairs meetings by Zoom. I am finding them very informative and look forward to moving on soon with lots of activity for LQ in our District.

19-H – Lion Nathan Martyn,

Currently for 19-H things are slow due to Covid. With the help of Joanne we have reached out to Langley School District, as most of the money in our account has come from Langley/Fort Langley Lions, to see if we can start a relationship, as we know when this all ends youth are going to need more SEL help than before dealing with all the struggles and changes Covid has brought. I haven't been able to make the last two team zoom meetings due to scheduling conflicts, but I do hope to make the next one. I'm working on making sure I understand the verbage of Lions Quest and once I feel comfortable enough to sell the program to other Lions clubs in 19-H I'll do what I can to speak to clubs electronically and if nothing else get the Lions Quest ball rolling for when we can resume regular activities.

Yes, of course I will be the 2020-2021 19-H Lions Quest Chair, I've got far too many things to learn about it and I'm excited to try to get it into more schools to help our youth.

Please reminder that it is important that the Lions Quest programs both Community and School Based be promoted in our Lions Districts in B.C. to bring positive youth development and "*Make a Difference for Kids*" in all our communities.

Respectfully Submitted – PDG Norma