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Leadership Corner

By Debbie Bostock, MD19 GLT

Two Exciting Leadership Development Opportunities:

I'm excited to announce a fantastic opportunity for our Lions to participate in the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) hosted by MD-4 in Anaheim, California! For the first time, MD-4 is opening its ELLI training to all Lions in Constitutional Area 1B, and we'd love to see some Lions from MD19 take advantage of this valuable program.

Event Details:

- Date: Friday, March 21 Sunday, March 23, 2025
- Check-in: Thursday night, March 20, 2025
- Location: Anaheim Hotel, 1700 S Harbor Blvd, Anaheim, CA 92802
- Cost: \$650 per Lion (includes lodging, meals, and workshop materials)
- Target Audience: Lions and Leos who have not yet served as Lions club presidents

Why ELLI?

ELLI strives to prepare Lions and Leos for leadership at the club level, focusing on essential skills for effective leadership. Special sessions you won't find elsewhere include:

- Change management
- Mentoring
- Creative thinking

This is an opportunity to gain leadership skills and tools to help drive your clubs and service initiatives forward.

Registration Process:

This is a first-come, first-served opportunity, so please act quickly! Lions interested in attending should reach out directly to PDG Manny Sanchez at his email: lionmanny@ gmail.com for registration and additional information. Important: The deadline is fast approaching, and with limited time to plan.

Another great opportunity: NWLLI 2025

The next edition of the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute will be held May 1 - 4, 2025 at Ross Point Camp and Conference Center in Post Falls, Idaho. Sign up for this terrific opportunity to develop your unique Leadership style and make an Impact as you prepare for new challenges and responsibilities. There will be plenty of time for networking with Lions to learn from them and share

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Link to More Information

Explore How LCIF Grants Can Help You Serve https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum https://members.lionsforum.org/

CARE Program

https://youtu.be/Md8S_XSXItw

Wondering about the future? Look here https://lionsmd19.org/calendar.php

Lions Quest Canada

https://www.lionsquest.ca/

Lions Camp Horizon

https://lionscamphorizon.org

Lions Member Resource Center

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/member-resource-center

Lions Virtual Events Center

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/virtual-events-center

Lions International Calendar

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/ lions-events-calendar

Lions Easter Seals Camps - BC/Yukon

https://www.eastersealsbcy.ca/summercamp/

MD19 Calendar

https://lionsmd19.org/calendar.php

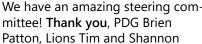
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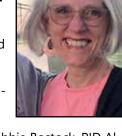
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MD19 Council Chairperson

Patty Allen-White

It's coming! Wait for it!
It's an MD19 LIONS CONVENTION
and it's really happening!
May 16 – 18, 2025 in Chilliwack,
B.C., at the Coast Hotel and around
the town!





Croitor, ZC Roger Chevrier, GLT Debbie Bostock, PID Allan Hunt, Exec. Dir. Peter Anderson for getting it off the ground! Oh! My goodness the ideas and plans are spilling out all over the place! I was worried there for a minute with all the many challenges with which we have been faced, but NOT ANYMORE!

The theme is "From Growth to Impact: Hitting the Mark!" and like all good Lions, they are indeed "Hitting the Mark"! There will be a talent show Friday Night, and you will hear some of the most amazing 5-Minute Speeches about Lion and Leo projects that you have ever heard in your life throughout the convention!

Keep your eyes open for the FAQs on the MD19 Lions website, and Facebook! If you come, you will laugh a lot and learn a lot! We will be celebrating our successes and learning how to be better Lions.



Celebrate, Celebrate, Dance to the music!

There are so many things going on out there in the world that make me extremely proud to be your Council Chairperson. Thank you all for reaching out to help the Lions and those in the communities that

have lost everything in the devastating wildfires in California. Your compassion and generosity are what make you great. You are always part of the solution to every need.

Thank you for continuing to work at growing Lions Service through the organization of new clubs. We are all looking forward to hearing more about the two new clubs being organized in District 19-I. I read about a specialty club being discussed in 19-L and another coming to the forefront in a zoom meeting soon to be held.

You continue to reach out and ask people to help with your projects so that they will see what Lions do and want to be a part of your club. Thank you for working so hard on your District Conventions to make them fun and different and educational. Lions, you are making their mark.

I just read about an Emerging Lions Leadership Forum happening in Anaheim, CA. (Wow! Something positive happen-

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DG Kevin Borde Bio

By 19-O DG Kevin Borde

I grew up in Forks WA and am a lifelong resident of the state of Washington. After High school there, I attended junior college in Port Angeles then university in Pocatello, ID where I earned a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy. After Graduation, I moved to Clallam Bay, WA and took over my grandfather's pharmacy business.



My grandfather was a charter member of the Clallam Bay – Sekiu Lions in 1950, and immediately proposed and sponsored me for membership. I spent 20 years there before the economy forced closure of the business and I moved to Port Angeles and transferred my membership there. I retired from Pharmacy in 2020 and spend my days playing golf, tending my yard, and serving with the Lions.

IRS 990 Annual Tax Filing Reminder

Taken from Legal Division, Lions Clubs International - Click for link

Please remember that all Lions clubs, districts and multiple districts with annual gross receipts less than US\$50,000 that are not required to file Forms 990 or 990-EZ must file the e-Postcard (also known as the 990-N). Please be advised this filing relates specifically to the 501(c)(4). If your Lions club, district or multiple district has a foundation, which is a separate legal entity, the appropriate form will need to be filed as well.

Please review the Annual Tax Filing Information below. Thank you! Annual Tax Filing Information

Please note that Lions Clubs International is not authorized to provide guidance regarding your filing. For specific questions, please contact a local tax professional or the IRS.

MD19 Annual Convention

The MD19 Annual Convention will be held in Chilliwack, B.C. May 16-17, 2025.

There will be new training for Zone Chairs, Vice District Governors and District Governors as well as members of the GAT immediately proceeding the Convention. The theme for our Convention is "From Growth to Impact: Hitting the Mark". Join us at the COAST Chilliwack Hotel, 45920 First Avenue, Chilliwack BC and watch out for the details to come!

CARE Dollars Working in Honduras

By Michelle Nunn, President and CEO of CARE

I am just back from a trip to visit our CARE Honduras team, who continue to do amazing work in the face of 60% poverty rates. The challenges are particularly severe among women – they are less able than men to engage in paid work, less likely to have a bank account or own a home, and face one of the world's highest rates of femicide. In some communities, migration has seemed like the only viable path to opportunity.

But the main takeaways of my trip were not the challenges, but the resilience and ingenuity of the micro-entrepreneurs and smallholder farmers I met. I sometimes worry that in bearing witness to suffering we can spread more despair than hope – so, in that spirit, here is one example of ingenuity:

Sometimes simple innovations can be revolutionary. An afternoon with María Barahona, Nelo Porras, and their daughters Alexa and Nohelia was a compelling window into what a biodigester can do to change the quality of life of a family and community. María and Nelo showed us the miraculous changes this simple technology has brought to their life – they combined their pig manure and water into the biodigester and then demonstrated how it produced gallons of rich fertilizer that is nourishing their garden, providing gas for household cooking, reducing dangerous smoke inhalation for the family, and saving María 8 HOURS of daily collection of firewood. The biodigester is estimated to last 20-plus years and pays back its value within the first year. And on top of all that, each installed biodigester sequesters more than 10,000 tons of methane a year, can fuel cooking and power lights for more than eight hours, and completely eliminates the odor of the pigs! The CARE Honduras team is looking to partner this powerful solution to thousands more farmers in Honduras and, with a little bit of philanthropic seed capital, families can afford to purchase the technology directly. As María and Nelo told us, the biodigester provided many gifts, one of them was the ability to dream about how much more they could accomplish for their family and community.

Grandpa's White Cane

EDUCATION – we need your help to make a difference

Lions across Washington state and British Columbia including the Pierce County Virtual Lions Club (PCVLC) are coordinating with the Lions Knights Of The Blind Committee (KOTB) and blind individuals in our communities to demonstrate just how the long white cane supports the independence, mobility and safety of those with significant vision loss. By sharing this children's book, "Grandpa's White Cane", and providing interactive presentations in elementary schools throughout MD19, we are promoting the dignity and abilities of the blind, as well as resources available for these individuals.

Along with presentations, KOTB and PCVLC have joined with the authors to help with a second printing of the hard cover version of this wonderful and educational book on how individuals can interact with visually impaired people.

Our goal is \$20,000 for 2,500 books for libraries and schools. KOTB and PCVLC can accept online donations at https://piercecovirtuallionsclub.square.site/. Checks or money orders may be paid to: Pierce County Virtual Lions Club, PO Box 314, Puyallup, Washington 98371, include on the memo line: "GWCB." 100% of donations made for the Grandpa's White Cane reprint book project will go to the reprinting of the books.

Large donations, needing to be given through a 501c3, should contact Lion Colette Arvidson, who is with the Anacortes Lions Club and the KOTB Committee secretary, at 360-391-5880 or colette.arvidson@gmail.com.

Share this information with others. Together, we can make a difference. Blind and low vision individuals are receiving greater respect from the sighted population in those communities where presentations have occurred.

KOTB and PCVLC want to continue to distribute, nationally and internationally, the book Grandpa's White Cane. Your donation can make it happen! Thank you!

Click to donate to the Lions Clubs International Disaster Relief Fund to support communities impacted by recent flooding and other disasters.



Prince Rupert Lion's Club Spreads Holiday Warmth

Taken from The Northern View, Local News

The Prince Rupert Lion's Club has purchased 50 boxes filled with warm clothing, coats, rain gear, boots, and more for those in need.

The club applied for the Government of Canada's "Reaching Home Program," which is administered locally by the Kxeen Community Services Society, and received \$15,000 for this initiative. They then purchased a variety of useful items that can assist people in need.

"This will go to help those who are less fortunate over Christmas...These clothes will be used to help keep people warm who otherwise maybe don't have them," said Michael Kaardal, treasurer of Prince Rupert Lion's Club.

The Lions have dropped off all the winter gear at Crane's Crossing Shelter, which will be distributed with the help of the North Coast Transition Society over the coming months.

The Prince Rupert Lions Club has been making these donations for the past three years and has previously received \$10,000 annually. However, this year, they have the opportunity to help even more people with the increased funding.

Danielle Dalton, a member of the Lions Club, dedicated five weeks to shopping for this project, focusing on purchasing as much as possible from local businesses. She visited stores such as Slickers, Sea Sport, Ansens, The Bargain Store, Fashion Tailoring and more, taking advantage of their Christmas sales.

Kaardal mentioned that when the stores learned about the cause for which she was shopping, they offered her generous discounts and were extremely helpful.

Also, in 2023, the club donated over \$18,000 and this year \$10,000 to the local food bank in Prince Rupert.

According to Lions Clubs International, they are the world's largest service club organization, boasting more than 1.4 million members across 49,000 clubs in nearly every country.



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your own ways to bring Service to your communities. Applications are available now online. Do this now! The application deadline is April 1, 2025. Cost for the amazing weekend is US\$350.00 or CAN\$375.00 with a US\$150.00/ CAN\$175.00 deposit due with application. Special fee waivers of \$200.00 are available to all MD19 applicants. Visit www.nwlli.org for more information.

We are also working on the sessions for the incoming MD19 Convention being held on May 16 – 18, 2025. We are looking forward to a great turnout for this convention. More about what we will have for you in the way of sessions in the next Border Crossing.



New Lions Event - Come Stride for Sight

Attention runners and friends of runners! Registration is open now for the brand new Lions Stride for Sight in Lacey, WA April 12.

Sponsored by Olympia Host Lions, Stride for Sight will offer a 5k/10k walk, run or roll along the Chehalis Western Trail. A free one-mile course will give families a chance to get in their steps as well.

Runners will be running a timed race on a certified course. Blind running teams are welcome too – and the sighted guide/partner runs for free.

Sign up now at HTTPS://runsignup.com/Race/WA/Lacey/StrideForSight.

Entry fee is just \$35 per runner or get a \$5 discount for each runner and your club name on the event Tshirt when your club signs on as a Sponsor by March 31.

All proceeds benefit our District 19N Lions Low Vision Resource Center in Olympia - making strides for sight throughout western Washington.

Register now to run, or call James Reddick at 360 338-1838 to learn how your club can be a sponsor.



Does Your Lions Club Welcome Younger Members and Their Families to Meetings?

Picture above was captured during the opening ceremonies of the Bellingham-Central Lions Club.

5K/10K RUN/ WALK/ROLL

April 12, 2025

9 a.m. start Chehalis-Western Trail Lacey, Washington





Run with the Lions to fight vision loss

Sponsored By



Olympia Host Lions Club



PARC Foundation



Law Offices of Harold D. Carr Family Friendly
USTAF Certified
Free Tshirt
Blind Runners Welcome

(Sighted guide/partner runs free)

Register Now

Https://runsignup.com/race/wa/ lacey/strideforsight



Proceeds benefit Lions Low Vision Resource Center in Olympia, WA

VISITATION "Just Two a Month!" AWARD RULES

This contest will encourage Lions Clubs in MD19 to:

- Visit other Lions clubs within MD19 more often.
- Achieve a minimum number of visitations in a Lions year.
- Recognize Lions Clubs which achieve the minimum number of visitations.

With the catch phrase, "Just Two a Month", clubs are made aware that they only need to do an AVERAGE of two visitations per month (not including the summer) to earn this banner patch.

The Rules listed in the Visitation of the Year Award must be followed for the Visitation "Just Two a Month" Award Rules.

To be eligible for the Visitation "Just Two a Month!" Award, Clubs must:

- 1. Visit 20 different Lions Clubs in a Lions year (July 1 June 30th)
- 2. Include a visit to each club in their own zone
- 3. To enter the Visitation Contest, the monthly Visitation Report Form must be mailed or emailed to the MD19 Office by the last day of the month. When no visitations are made a form is not required.
- 4. The MD19 Visitation Report Form is found on the MD19 Website.
- 5. Visitations must be submitted for the month in which they are made. Visitations not reported in the month they were made will not be counted.
- 6. This form can be submitted by the Club Secretary, the Club Visitation Chairperson, or a designated member of the participating club.

VISITATIONS ALLOWED FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

- 1. A club visitation consists of a visit of 2 or more club members in <u>"Active Standing"</u> (Maximum of 6 members) of the same Lions Club to:
 - a. REGULAR Lions Club
 - b. CLUB BRANCH meeting when held on a different day and/or time than the Parent Club
 - c. CHARTER PRESENTATION NIGHT
 - d. CHARTER ANNIVERSARY NIGHT of other Lions clubs
 - e. INSTALLATION of another Lions club
 - f. ZONE MEETING of own zone
 - g. ZONE MEETING of another zone, EXCEPT when held in connection with a District Conference
 - h. MULTIPLE DISTRICT19 ANNUAL CONVENTION
 - i. DISTRICT CABINET MEETING
 - j. DISTRICT SPRING CONFERENCE
 - k. Lion's participation in a zone, a district or another club's service project(s) and/or fundraising activities. Since more than one club may be involved in a single project or activity, all points will be calculated as if it were one visit.
 - I. Visitations made outside MD19 will require only 1 member.
 - m. When attending the USA / Canada Leadership Forum or Lions Clubs International Convention, only 1 member is required.
- 2. No visiting club shall be given credit for more than three (3) visits to any one club during the same Lions year. Points will not be allowed for special club meetings held in conjunction with a District Conference or the MD 19 Annual Convention.
- 3. The District Governor cannot count as one of the two members making the club visitation.
- 4. To participate in this contest, the club visitations must be submitted monthly by the last day of the month rather than submitting them all at the end of the Lions year.

Recipients will be announced at our MD19 Annual Convention

Funding of MD19 Border Crossing:

The salary for The Border Crossing editor is partially funded by a grant from the MD19 Lions Service and Leadership Development Foundation. This is an example of your leadership dollars at work in the Multiple District.

Vital Information

The MD19 Second Half Dues statements were emailed January 13-15, 2025 to Club Treasurers or Secretary/Treasurers. If no email address was available or returned as undeliverable, they were mailed January 18th. Dues are based on the December 31st membership total or from the most recent WMMR received at LCI. If your club has not received an MD19 dues statement, please contact the office ASAP – md19admin@lionsmd19.org or call 360-733-4911.

Notification of dues: An Aweber notification will be sent informing all on our email listing about these dues being sent. Before asking us to resend the statement please ask your treasurer first to see if they have received the MD19 second half dues statement. Make sure they also check the junk/spam folder of their email program as the statements may be sent there instead of the inbox. COPIES of these statements were also sent to your Zone Chairpersons, District Governors and Cabinet Secretaries.

Secretaries and Treasurers: Check the MD19 Website (www.lionsmd19.org) under "Toolbox>Stats" to make sure your dues were received and posted. If you've sent a check/cheque it could be that it has not yet been received. Check with the office to confirm. Canadian Clubs do have the option of sending their dues payment as an e-transfer. Contact our office on how to make that happen.

District Spring Conventions: Club secretaries will either receive an email with information on their delegate allotment or be sent a hard copy letter with their delegate/alternate slips. To keep you informed, you should receive from your district leadership items on what you will be voting on at your district convention.

Dues: A club must have their MD19 2024-2025 Second Half Dues **paid** prior to the District Convention for delegates to vote.

Club Officers for the Lions year 2025-2026 should be elected prior to April 15th. Your PU101 (International) must be completed and received by LCI AND the MD19 Office on or before May 15th. Since we are now using the new Lions Portal, instructions on submitting new club officers to LCI (as well as MD19) will be sent in March via An AWeber notification.

Canadian LCIF Donations: Send donations directly to LCIF. Canadian clubs requiring a tax receipt send checks to: Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF, C/O Stan Durward, Box 38, Sunderland, Ontario LOC 1H0. If only an acknowledgement letter is needed (no tax receipt required) send your donation to: Lions Clubs International Foundation, P.O. Box 2425, Station "A", Toronto, Ontario M5W 2K5. All cheques must have proper identification of donors (full club name / club number and member name and number). US clubs send your checks to: LCIF, Department 4547, Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547, USA.

CARE Donations: both US and Canadian are sent to the MD19 Office. For US Clubs send to: 4141 Bennett Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226. For Canada send your CARE cheques to: P.O. Box 1621, Aldergrove, B.C, V4W 2V1. Make checks out to: MD19 Lions CARE.

NWLLI

This May 1- 4, 2025 at the Ross Point Camp & Conference Center in Post Falls, Idaho you can develop your unique Leadership style and make an Impact as you prepare for new challenges and responsibilities. You will have many opportunities to role play and conduct self-assessments; as a strategist, manager, communicator, mentor, and team member. There will be plenty of time for networking with Lions; learn from them and share your own ways to bring service to your communities in MD19, potentially MD36 and possibly other MDs.

NWLLI applications are available now online. Click this link http://nwlli.org/renderpdf.asp to find a fillable form that is due by April 1, 2025. Cost for the amazing weekend is US\$350.00 or CAN\$375.00 with a US\$150.00/CAN\$175.00 deposit due with application. Special fee waivers of \$200.00 are available to all MD19 applicants. Visit www.nwlli.org for more information.

Border Crossing Ordering Options

The *Border Crossing* is automatically emailed by AWeber as a link to all club, zone, district and multiple district officers. Those wanting a hard copy of the newspaper, including the above listed officers, will need to purchase a subscription. **2024-2025 Lions Year**:

Border Crossing: 6 issues in hard copy format. Subscription begins with the August issue. \$16.00 to U.S. Addresses; \$20.00 to Canadian Addresses.

Roster and Border Crossing:

2024-2025 MD19 Roster Only: Cost is \$7.00 U.S. Funds plus shipping and handling. Add \$4.00 S/H for U.S. Addresses and \$6.00 for Canadian Addresses.

2024-2025 MD19 Roster plus Hard Copy of Border Crossing:

Mailed to U.S. Addresses: Border Crossing \$16.00 plus Roster \$11.00 = \$27.00 USD Mailed to Canadian Addresses: Border Crossing \$20.00 plus Roster \$13.00 = \$33.00 USD

Send form below with your check or money order to cover all items ordered to MD19, 4141 Bennett Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226. No Credit Cards Please. All orders are pre-paid only. Questions: 360-733-4911 or md19lions@lionsmd19.org

Print Name on Line Above	Phone Number /	Email Address	
Print Mailing Address	City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code

Border Crossing Link! IMPORTANT! All club, Zone, District and Multiple District Officers and Email Border Crossing subscriptions will receive an email from Peter Anderson, via our AWeber email communications system sometime in late July with the Subject: "Confirm You Subscription". Within that same email is a link that you need to click on in order to give us permission to send you the Border Crossing link and other important MD19 information during the year. You must confirm your "subscription" in order for us to communicate with you by following this procedure. If you do not confirm that you will accept further communications via AWeber, your email will be automatically removed from the list and nothing further can be sent to you.



Border Crossing / AWeber (Emailed Ads and Fundraising Events sent to MD19 Lions)

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Border Crossing / AWeber (Emailed Ads & Announcements sent to MD19 Lions)
2023-24 Rates cover inclusion in 1 issue of The Border Crossing and 1 AWeber Message.

Full Page \$160.00 (8.5 x 11)

 1/2 Page
 85.00

 1/4 Page
 50.00

 Business Card
 35.00

The *Border Crossing* is published August, October, December, February, April & June with a publication date of the 10th of the month. All ad information **MUST** be in the MD19 Office by the last day of the month previous to publication.

The AWeber announcement with the ad will be emailed out to all subscribers within 10 working days of the *Border Crossing* in which the ad is published.

Submission Guidelines: Camera ready artwork in either a .jpg, .png or .tif file. When submitting written copy only, not camera ready, an additional \$25.00 will be charged for ad design. You will be asked to sign off on any ad created for you. Specify ad size and number of issues the ad will run.

IT'S A TALENT SHOW! - "MD19 LIONS GOT TALENT!"



On <u>Friday night, May 16th at the Annual Convention</u>, we are having an honest-to-goodness **Talent Show!** We tried this at a district convention, and it was great fun! We're calling it "MD19 LIONS GOT **TALENT!"** I have heard and seen some of this talent over the years traveling around as the Executive Director and it's time to show it off to the rest of the MD19 Lions!

The District Governors will select the talent contestants to represent their district in the Talent Show. The Governors can do that in the manner they see fit.

Here are the ground rules:

- Each District is allowed three entries (total) from the District's Lions and Leos.
 Governors, you select the talent to represent your district in the talent show. Leos
 will compete against Leos and Lions against Lions. From each district, there must
 be at least one Lion entered. In other words, all your entries cannot be Leos.
- 2. Each contestant is allowed 5 minutes to perform. (8 minutes max for performance including set up)
- 3. Entrants must bring their own accompaniment.
- 4. Entrants can perform in a group, but space is limited so we may have to limit the number of people allowed in the act. It will be decided on an individual basis. There will be a phone number on the entry form to call if more than 3 people want to perform at the same time.
- 5. There will be monetary rewards and bragging rights for the 1st and 2nd place winners for both Lions and Leos. The check for each prize will be made out to the contestant's individual Club, but the winner(s) get to say how that money is spent or on what project it will be used.
- 6. For this Talent Show, we are eliminating jokes, skits or funny stories.
- 7. Your district can have up to three entries, so, yes, you could enter two Leo entries and one Lion or two Lion and one Leo or two Lion and no Leo. If your district has no Leo Clubs this year, then you are allowed only two Lion entries.

We know that every district has people who can play a musical instrument whether it is a saxophone, a keyboard, banjo, or guitar etc. We know you have singers and people who can dance ballroom or jive, yodel or even impersonate Elvis singing! We want to see them perform at the first ever **MD19 Lions Got Talent** show! There will be judges and we will let the judges decide which district has the most talent. Will it be someone from 19-L, 19-I, 19-O, 19-N or 19-S?????

Entry Forms and prize amounts will be sent out very soon to the Governors. Watch for 'em! Make sure your Governor knows about the talent that is hiding in your district. Your District just might have one of the winners!

	Special Donations 2024-2025	
	LCIF	CARE
19-O	Michele Barrie In honor of her children	150.00
19-N	PDG Emerson Bishop In Memory of Tom Burrell and PDG Carl Freeland	300.00
19-N	PDG Emerson Bishop In Memory of PZC Bob Howard	200.00

Percentages of Second Half Dues Paid for 2024-2025, January 2025			
	DUES		
19-L	8%		
19-I	14%		
19-O	40%		
19-N	99%		
19-S	44%		

Memorials for December 2024

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I	10	Enderby & District	Ronald A. Surry
0	3	Port Coquitlam	Carole May Treloar
0	5	Lynden	Mark Hildebrand
0	8	Everett Central	Robert E. Jones
0	10	Redmond	Donald C. Bruce
0	11	Renton	Ray Peretti
0	11	Seattle Bituin	Vilma Laveturria Carver

N 1 Bremerton Central

Memorials for January 2025

James C. Karosich

L	Α1	Vancouver Chinatown	Chuck Lew
L	Α6	Sunshine Coast	Phil Jones
L	17	Nanaimo	Ronald Lillie
I	12	Kamloops Brock Central	William Jackson
0	4	Chilliwack	Bill Lyle
0	6	Concrete	James A. Parker
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0	7	San Juan	Don Galt
0	7	San Juan	Robert Schwartzberg
0	9	Seattle First Hill	Jan Kumasaka
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0	10	Redmond	Robert O'Keefe
0	11	Renton	Greg D. Fisher
Ν	5	Hoquiam	Rudy Spanich
S	1	Naches	George D. Pickard
S	7	Moscow Central	Richard C. Bull

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ing in California!) The target audience is Lions and LEO's who have not yet been a Club President. Your GLT Debbie Bostock submitting a grant application to our Leadership Foundation for significant financial assistance to this wonderful leadership event for the first twenty Lions who apply. Stand by! Be watching for information. Be sure to read the GLT article on the front page of the Border Crossing to learn more.

Check out this Christmas Tree that is raised by the Lions on an old smokestack in Stanwood, WA every December. I think there will be a 5-Minute Talk given on this project at the 19-O Spring Convention. There's a lot of history behind that project and the various holiday decorations that make appearances on that smokestack.

Encourage your club to participate in Contest and Awards at the District Convention. Show off your club card, website, bulletin, project. You are amazing and the world needs to know!

Consider having a **club planning session** with an outside facilitator in June. Set some SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Timebound) goals with a plan. Ask PCC Al Hedstrom how that works!

I know I have forgotten something important that I should be saying. However, I do want you to know that I am looking forward to seeing you at your Spring MD19 Convention so that I can tell you personally, "Thank you for being a Lion and for leaving your positive mark on a world that is better because of your continuing acts of kindness."

"Friends of the Garden" donations are always welcome from individuals or Lions Clubs. The Garden at MD19 office can't exist without contributions. Encourage your Club to budget annual support (\$1.00 per member would be spectacular!)

For more information, contact the MD19 office at 360-733-4911

MD19 Calendar of Events 2024 - 2025

2025

MD19 Memorial Garden Work Parties 9 am at MD office: March 8, 2025, April 12, 2025, May 10, 2025, June 14, 2025, and July 12, 2025

District 19-O Annual Conference Anacortes, WA March 21-22
District 19-L Annual Conference Sidney, B.C. March 28-30
District 19-N Annual Conference Vancouver, WA April 18-19
District 19-S Annual Conference Selah, WA April 25-27
District 19-I Annual Conference Penticton, B.C. October 3-4, 2025

NW Lions Leadership InstitutePost Falls IDMay 1 - 4Spring Council of Governor'sChilliwack, B.C.May 15 - 16MD19 Annual ConventionChilliwackMay 16 - 17

Lions International Convention Orlando, FL July 4-8, 2025

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Atlantic City, NJ September 18-20, 2025

The Border Crossing
MD19 Lions Office
4141 Bennett Drive
Bellingham, WA 98226 USA

The future depends on YOU! Ask someone to become a Lion!