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## Good Leaders Say Thank You

By PDG Wanda Carisse, MD19 GLT Leadership Coordinator

It's that time of year when, as presidents, you are finishing your term, and transitioning to a new executive. As a leader of your club, it's important that you take the time to reflect on the year. The things you did well and recognising the individual Lions that contributed to the years' success.

As a good leader, it is essential to tell your club members that you are grateful for their commitment to your year and our motto "We Serve." Stress that this years' success is because of them. Reinforce why volunteering is so important and highlight how volunteering can contribute to your community and the people served by the clubs' service projects.

Recognising your members can be done in many ways such as presenting certificates of appreciation, plaques, trophies, giving small gifts or presenting significant MD19 and Lions Club International Awards, such as a Melvin Jones Fellowship or a Gordon F. Smith CARE Fellowship (benefits MD19 CARE Project) or a Mead Sutherland Fellowship (benefits the Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society) are a great way to recognise members.

You can also acknowledge each member's contributions by saying Thank You. Yes, it is that simple. Here's a little poem I found – there are many more if you google it!

### Shake a Volunteer's Hand

Volunteers are a very special breed.

They're not afraid to step in when they see the need.

They're always willing to lend a hand,  
To lift someone up who's sinking in quicksand.

They always have something encouraging to say,  
And they manage to say it in the kindest way.

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[www.lionsmd19.org/downloads/roster\\_updates\\_march\\_april\\_2019.pdf](http://www.lionsmd19.org/downloads/roster_updates_march_april_2019.pdf)

19-C Conference Song audio file can be found here <https://www.lionsmd19.org/audio/9-To-5-WA-Lions.m4a>.

The 2019 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be in Spokane, WA! Register now at <http://members.lionsforum.org/>  
Help is needed, to volunteer contact  
Host Chair PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth at [lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com](mailto:lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com)  
or host committee vice chair, PZC Ed Brandstoettner at [brandsen@comcast.net](mailto:brandsen@comcast.net)

LCIcon 2019 Milan, Italy register here  
<https://lcon.lionsclubs.org/>

2018-2019 LCI Club Excellence Award  
<https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-excellence-awards>

## MD19 Annual Convention Official Call



Pursuant to Article VI, Section 4 of the Constitution and By-Laws of Multiple District 19, Lions Clubs International.

I hereby issue the **OFFICIAL CALL** for the **MD19 ANNUAL CONVENTION** to be held at the Wenatchee Convention Center, October 17 – 19, 2019

/s/ J.D. Nellor, Council Chairperson, & John Kirry, Immediate Past Council Chairperson, Multiple District 19, Lions Clubs International

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## MD19 Council Chairperson

### John Kirry

#### ENERGY, ENTHUSIASM, HEART FOR SERVICE

A favorite cartoon of mine sums up my thoughts as I close out my term as your Council Chairperson.

It shows a tuxedo-clad conductor with his back to the audience, standing at the podium ready to direct an orchestra. On the podium in front of him is a single sheet of paper upon which is written the following words: "WAVE THE STICK UNTIL THE MUSIC STOPS, THEN TURN AROUND AND BOW."



Your energy, enthusiasm and heart for service made 2018-19 a resounding success. Waving the stick has indeed been a privilege, but YOU did all the work and it is YOU who should take all the credit. So, take a bow.

Like a great orchestra, you have played magnificently. Our 11,200 Lions in 410 clubs have flourished. But in many ways, you didn't need me up there waving the stick. Throughout the year your efforts have made MD19 what it is today, an outstanding group of service minded Lions.

My sincere thanks to PCC Jon Whitman and VCC JD Nellor for their warm friendship and leadership as members of the "Three Johns to serve you, no waiting" trio.

Our Global Action Team of PDG's Wanda Carrise, Dave Walk, and Crystal Walk was simply spectacular this year! New directions, new clubs and new service initiatives were their hallmarks. They will continue to do their great works next year!

Our DG team of Dr. Ken Liu, Donna Oiland, Sharon Sikes, Dr. Wayne Atkinson, "Lynoon Harrison" Lyndon Harriman, David Heath, Dr. Mark Mansell, Gord Graves and Mike Dukes is an unparalleled group of leaders who each held wonderfully inspiring Spring Conferences and led their Districts to new horizons.

My personal appreciation also goes to hard-working Administrative Assistant Michele Barrie and Receptionist Forrest Gust who juggled a thousand details and kept the office running smoothly and efficiently this year.

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## DG Gord Graves

By Gord Graves Governor 19-H

I have always been a team player and as a young boy in school I played hockey, soccer and rugby. When I left school, I apprenticed and became a heavy duty field mechanic, a job where I was trouble shooting and repairing equipment all over the province of B.C. In 1976, I challenged myself to become a Port Coquitlam Firefighter, and then set a new goal to achieve the rank of Captain. In 2003, I took a crew of firefighters from Port Coquitlam up to Kamloops B.C. to fight the Bairurie and Strawberry mountain forest fires. It was an honor and a privilege to help out when the province was on fire.



I joined the Port Coquitlam Lions Club in 1989 and enjoyed being Zone Chair in 1996/97 as I visited my zone clubs and learned more about their activities. When Ron Wilkinson passed away in 2016, I was grateful for the opportunity to finish Ron's year as 2nd VDG. This led to more club visitations, and more opportunities to see the great things our Clubs can accomplish. At this point, my hat was in the ring for District Governor. As DG elect, Patti and I got to go back to Ontario to Lions Foundation of Canada to the Dog Guide School and it was great experience. Additionally, it brought back memories of when I was a three-year Director for the Foundation from 2005 to 2008.

As a District Governor, I can say that the club visitations have been wonderful and I am happy to say that Lions are living our motto "We Serve". Now that the year is just about over who knows what the next challenge is for Patti and I?

Lion Gord has lived in the city of the City of Port Coquitlam since 1972, has 4 grown children, 5 grandchildren, and retired as Captain from Port Coquitlam Fire Rescue after 30 Years. He is now enjoying retirement with his partner in service Lion Patti Easterling.

He became a member of the Port Coquitlam Lions in 1989 and during 29 years in Lions, has chaired many club events and projects and enjoyed them all. He is proud to have received both a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship, and a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Beyond the club level, Gord was Zone Chairperson 1996 – 1997 and again in 2014 – 2015, and he has been a member of our District 19-H Cabinet since 1998. Additionally, he was BC & Yukon Director for Lions Foundation of Canada Guide Dogs 2005 – 2008 (Canine Vision, Hearing, Service Response, Autism Assistance, Diabetic Alert, Seizure Response dogs).

## First Ever 3 Minute Video Film Festival

JOIN US IN WENATCHEE FOR THE FIRST EVER 3 MINUTE VIDEO FILM FESTIVAL.

Promote your club. Show off your energy, enthusiasm and heart for service.

Inspire others by creating a three minute video that promotes some aspect of your club: a service project, a fundraiser or a special social event that captures the essence of your club.

So get started creating videos and then share them and inspire one another at our next Multiple District Convention in Wenatchee next October 17-20, 2019.

Here are the simple rules for creating a "3-Minute Video" to promote your club, district, multiple district or foundation.



- Videos can be 3 minutes max
- Videos must be uploaded to YouTube
- Send the link to John Kirry : [lionjk@comcast.net](mailto:lionjk@comcast.net)
- We'll have a FILM FESTIVAL in Wenatchee to share!

### MD19 Memorial Garden Work Parties Set

MD19 Office, 4141 W. Maplewood Avenue, Bellingham, WA

Work parties are on Saturday, July 20 and August 10 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am

Memorial Dedication for the 2018-2019 plantings:  
August 17 at 1 pm

### Good Leaders Say Thank You - continued

They share their skills, talents and time.  
And in return, they don't ask for a dime.

So the next time you meet with some volunteers,  
Shake their hands, and let them know you're happy they're here.

However you choose to THANK and RECOGNISE the members of your club – your sincerity is the most important message... THEY are appreciated and THEY make a difference. Your sincerity will make a lasting impression and strengthen your club going forward.

As my first year as MD19 GLT Leadership Chairperson comes to a close, I want to thank the people who have support me as I learn this new role. Thank you to the GAT (Global Action Team) members; my predecessor, PDG Bob Ayotte; our Executive Director and our amazing MD19 Staff; our fantastic bulletin editor; and the many participants in our Leadership events and workshops. I have learned so much and will continue to grow and expand our leadership efforts in the Multiple District. Thank you for everything you did to support me! Hugs to you all! Yes Hugs – I don't shake hands!

### Wenatchee Sparkles!

We're ramping up the fun factor at the MD19 convention in Wenatchee! Fun night is "Hattitude-Bring It On" so wear your most sublime, wacky or outrageous hat Friday night.



Our Saturday banquet will be DRESSY with a twist. The attire will be "Dressy / Business Attire / Club Uniform.



NO WHITE COATS!  
And the sparkling twist-Wenat is this: wear GLITTER SHOES to the banquet! Bling them up and you could win a fabulous Prize for best GLITTER SHOES!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

**MD19 Annual Convention**  
**October 16-20, 2019**

This will be "Simply the Best" convention of all times! Wenatchee, Washington is in the center of our fantastic Multiple District and promises to educate you and entertain you. The Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel will be your home and the Wenatchee Valley will be your neighborhood to explore and enjoy. Hotel information on page 5.



## Lioness News May/June 2019

By Linda Schaffrick, MDLL

Another year of Lionism is coming to a close. We can reflect back on all of the projects and services we have done over the past year and feel proud of our accomplishments.

Think of all the "old" friends we have met again, remember the friends that have gone to the great beyond, and cherish all the new friends that we have made. We can look forward to a new year to see if we can continue as we have in the past, or if we can improve for the future.

May everyone have a safe and happy summer.

**Kelowna D-7    28 Members    Hours: 583**

Attended Spring Conference. Continue to volunteer at the hospital, Gospel Mission, baby clinic and care facilities. Knitting for babies and children, provide luncheon for Camp Winfield meeting, attending to Hospice gardens and planting flowers at Camp Winfield. Planning for a "trunk" sale and installation of incoming officers.

**Moses Lake D-5    20 Members    Hours: 93    Donations: \$600**

Making blankets for the Rest Homes and Cancer Foundation. Opened the Space Burger Booth. Members attended the District D spring conference. Donations made to 4-H, the Dog Park and the Basin Community Theater

**Nanaimo Harbor Lites I-7    9 Members    (no report)**

**Oliver D-9    8 Members    Hours: 154    Donations: \$1,000**

Hot lunches are being delivered to the elementary schools twice a week. Holiday tray favors were made for the hospital patients and residents of senior homes; attended the Mayor's volunteer breakfast; Interior Health volunteer lunch; Spirit of Oliver Volunteer awards breakfast and the District D spring conference. Provided concession for the car show/swap meet. Celebration of Life tea; Camp Winfield Spring Clean-up. Walk for Guide Dogs

Donations to Camp Winfield, toys for the pediatric ward at the hospital, food bank, medical expenses for a young mom, Diabetic pump for a child and the Lions Foundation of Canada

**Parksville I-7    17 Members    Hours: 142    Donations: \$4,350**

These gals continue to prepare food for the needy and seniors. They held a plant sale and are preparing for a garage sale and Beachfest. They are sponsoring a "Coffee for all Program" along with the Parksville Chevron Station.

Donations include a University bursary for an adult student, the Lacrosse Association and the Beachfest society

**PORT McNeill I-6    16 Members    (no report)**

**Priest River E-11    35 Members    (no report)**

**Sooke District I-2    27 Members    Hours: 111    Donations: \$250**

Provided Concession for the Sooke Philharmonic; help at the museum and food bank and wherever there is a need. Donation made to a family for a child in the hospital

**Toledo G-4    12 members    (no report)**

**Vancouver Chinatown A-1    25 members    Hours: 6**

Busy with Legacy bingo.

**Victoria Chinatown I-2    27 Members    Hours: 347**

Assisted with senior's medical transportation, the Chinatown Community Services Centre, the dragon boat festival and the Women's transition house. Working with the School breakfast program and Soap for Hope. Made Mother's Day Boxes and participated in the Victoria Day parade.

**Williams Lake D-10    17 Members    Hours: 93    Donations: \$4,490**

Helping at the Red Cross and a tea at the museum. Assisted the Lions in sell raffle tickets and participated in the celebration of life tea and Mother's Day market.

Donations made to The Glass slipper (free clothing for underprivileged grads), Camp Winfield and Camp Kakhamela, to Jubilee care, the Jump-start program and the Children's festival

**Winlock G-4    (no report)**

**Charity is doing an act of kindness not because we are supposed to  
but because we know it will make a difference in the world -  
as Lioness "We Serve Too"!**

## It's a Small World or Sometimes You Don't Know Who You're Talking To

By ZC Barry Shiles, MD19 Leo Chairperson

Leos/Lions often don't see the results of their donations at work. The Earl Marriott Leos had \$800 to donate.

On a recent Wednesday at our Earl Marriott Secondary Leo meeting the Leos discussed year end donations and decided to give a \$300 scholarship. They had just finished feeding the homeless, preparing and paying for the food on a previous Saturday night for 70 people.

Afterwards, they discussed donating to the Lions Foundation Of Canada with the funds to go towards a service dog. For the last five years, this Leos group had donated \$500 each year and this was very commendable. I shared that I had recently heard that someone in Surrey had received a service dog from the Lions Foundation of Canada about four weeks ago. I didn't know who the service dog was given to. You can then understand how stunned we all were when one of our Leos put his hand up and explained that the dog was given to his brother who is profoundly deaf and a student in their school. You can all also understand how this old Lions heart swelled with pride and the impact on our Leo members when this was revealed.

Our hard work as Leos/Lions is not often rewarded with this type of a wonderful explanation of the results of what actually happens when Lions reach out to the world with a donation or service project. We take on faith that the donations we give will do the good we are told it will do. This is proof positive of what happens when "We Serve" our community.

## Book Your Hotel Room for 2019 MD19 Lions Annual Convention in Wenatchee!

The following is the information needed to book hotel rooms for the 2019 MD19 Lions Annual Convention in Wenatchee, October 16-20, 2019.

Host Hotel: Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel

Phone: Direct 1-509-662-1234

Reservation link: Coming Soon!

Reservation Email: [fom@wenatcheecenter.com](mailto:fom@wenatcheecenter.com)

Website: [www.coasthotels.com](http://www.coasthotels.com)

The room rate is \$119.00 for single or double occupancy, \$129.00 for triple occupancy and \$139.00 quad occupancy (plus taxes and lodging fee). When you phone the hotel, tell them you are with the MD19 Lions Convention in October to get this rate. For those wanting to extend their stay to enjoy Wenatchee, the hotel will honor this rate three days before and three days after the convention. Deposits are refundable if cancellation is made 48 hours in advance. Reserve by September 17, 2019 to get these rates!

As part of the package deal...

- Connected by Sky Bridge to the Wenatchee Convention Center
- Casual Dining Restaurant. Lounge on the 9th floor
- Complimentary parking, high-speed wireless and Business Center
- In-room coffee makers
- Walking distance to Downtown shopping, movies, restaurants, night life, Art on the Avenue and Pybus Public Market

If you have any questions, please contact:

Convention Chairpersons

Patti Sparks and Lori Reed

509-888-1539

[2019lionsconvention@gmail.com](mailto:2019lionsconvention@gmail.com)

## News from the Lions clubs International April Board Meeting

**International Convention in Milan:** For plenary sessions, Lions will go through metal detectors and MUST carry all personal items in their clear bag into the convention center. Voting delegates must be assigned by the club secretary on MyLCI prior to the convention. Voters will be voting to add Africa as a new Constitutional Area. Atlanta, Georgia, will host the 2026 International Convention.

**Service:** Club Twinning and Children's Symposium programs will be retired on June 30. Women's Symposium Grants WILL still be available. Service activities sub-categories will be available on July 1. Diabetes mini-grants for CLUB level will be available starting July 1, besides the current district and multiple district grants. The Environment initiative will emphasize PLASTIC RECYCLING.

**Membership:** Global Action Team changes -ALL GAT positions will now be annual positions and no longer 3-year terms at every level: district, multiple district and area. The absolute final sunset date for Lioness clubs is June 30, 2021. Until then, if converting an entire Lioness club to be a Lions club, the entrance fee is waived. Also, all Lioness who convert to Lions, whether as a full club or individuals, will pay only half-priced Lions dues through June 30, 2021.

**New Voices:** 37% of the new members worldwide in the first nine months of 2018-19 are WOMEN!

**Leadership:** The 2020 DGE school in Illinois will be Feb. 11-13, 2020. DGEs last day of training will be June 26 in Singapore. District Governors, please promote one Leo-Lion as a non-voting advisor on your district cabinet, similar to the international board which adopted this practice two years ago. Also, all GAT and LCIF coordinators at district level are nonvoting advisors, the same as they are currently on the International Board.

**Marketing:** Beginning July 1, 2020, only TWO paper editions of the official LION magazine will be printed per year. All remaining editions will be digital only. By doing this, our association can save \$2.2 million!! International dues will not be reduced by this decision. The change allows LCI to invest those members' dues dollars in marketing, communication and technology divisions, which are our association's pathway to the future.

**LCIF:** A new investment broker has been procured for LCIF. Campaign 100 will now recognize awards for donations when the total cash for the pledge is received from the donor, NOT when the pledge is made. At no cost to LCIF, the new LCI technology team is supporting LCIF and Campaign 100 with IT programs to support the campaign.

**Finance:** Club billing for dues and club supplies will no longer be mailed but will be sent electronically to save expenses.

## Going to LCIcon?

By VCCE Al Hedstrom

Here are some important things to remember:

### Milan Airport Shuttle Service

Taxi service is available at the Milan Airports (Linate Airport and Malpensa Airport) and can be found curbside after you exit the main doors of the airport arrival terminal on the ground floor. There is a sign indicating the taxi loading area.

Official Taxis are white and have a taxi logo with the taxi number displayed on the front door, as well as inside the back door. There is an electronic meter inside the taxi that shows the cost of the ride.

The average taxi cost from Milan, Linate Airport to the Milan City Center is €55 one way.

The average taxi cost from Milan, Malpensa Airport to the Milan City Center is €95 one way.

Most taxis accommodate up to 3 persons and 3 pieces of luggage (2 large and 1 small).

Taxi costs include 10% VAT (value added tax) and additional charges apply for service after 20:00 (8 pm) and before 07:00 (7 am).

Additional costs for Luggage apply. €4, per each piece of luggage are calculated in addition to the taxi fare.

Tip/gratuity are not included and is at the passenger's discretion. All major credit cards are accepted for payment as well as Euros. No other currencies are accepted.

Alternatively, trains run regularly for approximately €13. Purchase your ticket from a kiosk; validate it in a small machine nearby so that when the conductor asks to see it you will be in compliance.

<https://www.airportmalpensa.com/airport-train.php>

<http://www.malpensaexpress.it/en>

<http://www.trenord.it/en/the-lines/malpensa-express.aspx>

### International Parade of Nations

Our spectacular Parade of Nations is on Saturday, July 6, 2019. An estimated 10,000 Lions from over 125 countries with many in native dress will march. The Lions of Italy Host Committee will provide water in plastic bottles to all parade participants. Glass and metal containers are strictly prohibited by the city for this event and cannot be brought to the parade site. All participants planning to march in the parade must display their convention name badges as required by the local authorities. Thank you for your cooperation!

See you in MILAN

## Elections Report

May 20, 2019

Elections for MD19 Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson 2019-2020 were held at each of the nine spring conferences in MD19. Each ballot was placed in a locked box by the Lion voting. The locked boxes were collected by the MD19 Executive Director and kept at the MD office until the last spring conference.

The last spring conference was District 19-G in Kelso, WA. The ballot boxes were unlocked and the ballots were counted the conclusion of the conference May 19, 2019, 8:00 AM.

Present at the unlocking and counting of the ballots were MD19 Executive Director Peter Anderson, Elections Chairperson PDG Steve Noble, CC John Kirry, PID Don Shove, PZC George Sim, PDG Tom Smarsh, PID Roger Richert.

Scrutineer for Al Hedstrom was Terry Sutfin. Scrutineer for John Moralek was Frankie Moralek. Scrutineer for JD Nellor was Susan Nellor.

The majority of votes for Vice Council Chairperson were cast for Al Hedstrom. All present were in agreement. The scrutinerizer was satisfied. Al Hedstrom is elected as MD19 Vice Council Chair person, 2019-2020.

The majority votes cast for JD Nellor were "yes". All present were in agreement. The scrutineer was satisfied. JD Nellor is elected as MD19 Council Chairperson 2019-2020.

Only ballots with a check were counted. Ballots with an 'x' or other mark were not counted, as per international rules. Both candidates agreed to this procedure before counting had begun.

Recommendations...

I recommend that the policy manual be updated to allow ballots to be accepted with any mark that is legible and clear. Ballots should be counted based on the intent of the voter. The international rule of disqualifying "X" is based on some cultures using an "X" to mean no. That does not apply in the USA and Canada.



Elections Chair  
Steve Noble

## Leo Advisors

*By Barry Shiles, MD19 Leo Chairperson*

The paperwork never ends and your Leos have had a good and rewarding year.

Now is the time for our Leo Advisors to honour all the Leo's hard work for this year. It is early, but we need to have our "Leo Club Excellence Award" nominations in to your DG's for all Districts by **August 1, 2019**. They will be sent in to LCI in time for the August 15, 2019 LCI deadline for this prestigious award.

Last year we had 5 awards...LETS GET ALL AWARDS AVAILABLE TO US THIS YEAR!

The nomination forms are here for everyone to fill out:

<https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/leo-awards-and-recognitions>

## USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum 2019 - Creating Better Leaders

A great delegation of Lions from our multiple district attended USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Columbus, Ohio. We were there not only to participate in the great seminars, but to also shadow counterparts and promote the Forum MD19 is hosting this fall in Spokane. It was so exciting to listen to our members enthusiastically share all there is to do and see in Spokane and to hear the pride in our multiple district. Thanks so much to each person who took the time to work our booth. You are so appreciated!

The Forum will feature great seminars, new exhibits, new sponsors, and awesome keynote speakers. During the opening ceremony, The High Street Show Band will be entertaining us. We have partnered with a Tour Company to provide a variety of pre and post Forum tours. We will also be providing blood sugar and blood pressure screenings for participants by nursing students from WSU College of Nursing.

**A special thank you to NW Lions Foundation, who is our Featured Sponsor.** We are appreciative of the financial support of the Forum.

**Now, we are asking each Lion to promote the Forum in your club. We would love to see representatives from each club attend the Forum. This is OUR Forum.**

The Forum website is now open for registration: [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org). More information will be added to the website frequently, so check back often. There are several hotels to choose from which are all close to the convention center.

The Forum Facebook site is also open. Go to Facebook and search USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Click like. We also need your help at the Forum. The Spokane website will be open soon with a sign-up form for volunteering. We will have a wide variety of opportunities for volunteering, but it will take many to make the Forum successful.

Help share the pride we have in our communities. We are providing gift bags for attending dignitaries. We would like to provide gifts which show who we truly are as a multiple district. We are asking clubs to bring small items representing your community to your district spring conferences/conventions (where we will collect them) so that each bag we make will have something a little different. Thank you in advance of your generosity and pride in your community.

Want to learn more about Spokane visit: [www.visitspokane.com](http://www.visitspokane.com)

Feel free to contact us if you have any questions: Host Chair: Laura Wintersteen-Arleth [lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com](mailto:lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com)

## New from the 2020 Northwest Lions Leadership Institute - See You There!

Meet Lion Melissa Smith, from the Potlatch Lions, in Idaho. She attended the 2018 Northwest Lions Leadership Institute and now is serving as the Public Relations Chairperson for the 2020 Institute. Here is what she has to say about her experience:

"I attended the 2018 NWLLI in Vancouver, BC. It was a three-day, highly informative series of workshops that helped me improve my public speaking, leadership and Lionism skills. These skills not only have helped me to become a more involved Lion, but they also translate to my professional life as well. Speaking in front of crowds now is not nearly as intimidating! Since the Institute I have gone on to serve as President of my local club and I will also be serving as Zone Chairperson for District F in Zone 7 in 2019-2020. I wouldn't trade the skills, experience, or friendships made at the Institute for anything!"



Whatever the next step in your personal growth, the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute will facilitate that challenge in a supportive atmosphere free of failure. Small group sessions with new Lion friends from across the Multiple District make it easy to build and practice new skills that will serve you well.

Where do I sign up, you ask?! Your next opportunity is June 4-6, 2020, in Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia. Just in case you are wondering, Harrison Hot Springs is home to the infamous Sasquatch, hence the theme: LEADERSHIP: Unleash Your Inner BEaST!

Go to [www.NWLLI.org](http://www.NWLLI.org) to register after July 1st. Questions? Contact [registrar@nwlli.org](mailto:registrar@nwlli.org) or 360 480 4392

## 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.

2018-2019 Lions Year:

Border Crossing: 6 issues in hard copy format. Subscription begins with the August issue. \$16.00 to U.S. Addresses; \$19.80 to Canadian Addresses.

Roster and Border Crossing:

2018-2019 MD19 Roster Only: Cost is \$4.00 U.S. Funds plus shipping and handling.

Add \$3.00 S/H for U.S. Addresses and \$4.00 for Canadian Addresses.

2018-2019 MD19 Roster plus Hard Copy of Border Crossing:

Mailed to U.S. Addresses: Border Crossing \$16.00 plus Roster \$7.00 = \$23.00 USD

Mailed to Canadian Addresses: Border Crossing \$19.80 plus Roster \$8.00 = \$27.80 USD

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

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)**

Name of Company or Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address / P.O. Box

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State/Prov.

Zip/Postal code

Size of Ad: \_\_\_\_\_ #of issues: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

If paying by credit card, please complete the following: ( ) Visa ( ) Master Card

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (payment will be in US Funds)

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## Vital Information

**Communication Link:** Whenever a new name is added to the MD19 **AWeber email list**, the person will receive an email from Peter Anderson with the subject: "Confirm your 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.

Club Presidents and Secretaries who don't have an email address, please provide an email address to MD19 so you receive information that is emailed via AWeber.

**Activities Summaries:** Secretaries have the option of creating an Activities Summary in the format that is found in their roster under MD19 Contests and Awards Book or they can email a copy of their LCI Annual Report, which is created from the "Summary of Activities Reports (SAR)" that are submitted on line each month with the WMMR. Either is due in the MD19 Office on or before July 25.

### Other MD19 Recognition – Notification has been emailed to Secretaries.

Forms found on MD19 website under "Contests and Awards" next to their rules:

1. MD19 Club President Excellence Award Deadline postmarked by July 25
2. Club Membership Director Excellence Award Deadline postmarked by July 25

**MD19 2019-20 First Half Dues Statements:** In late July or early August, the 1st Half MD19 Dues Statements will be emailed out to Lions Club Treasurers or Secretary-Treasurers. If no email address has been provided on the LCI Club Officer Report Form, the Dues Statements will be mailed as hard copies.

**Lioness Clubs:** The Lioness Annual Administrative Assessment Statements will be sent out in late August.

**The 2019-20 MD19 Roster:** The rosters will be mailed out in August. They will automatically be sent to each Lions and Lioness Club President and Secretary, the MD19 Committee Chairpersons, members of the Council of Governors, all Vice District Governors, Zone Chairpersons and anyone who has purchased a roster. If you ordered a roster or your name appears on the list above, but you do not receive it by the end of August, please contact the MD19 Office.

**2019-20 Club Secretaries:** Incoming secretaries will be receiving a packet of information from the MD19 Office in early July. There will be instructions for using the MyLCI site for reporting your Club's WMMR and MyLion Service reporting and information about the upcoming MD19 Annual Convention in Wenatchee, WA.

**IMPORTANT:** LCI and MD19 will no longer give dues credit for dropped members reported on the July and January WMMRs. Dropped members need to be reported on the June and December WMMRs in order to avoid paying for members no longer in the club.

## 2019 MD19 Convention Pin

Have you ever thought about starting a Lions pin collection? One way to start is by obtaining your MD19 convention pin. This year's 2019 MD19 pin, depicting a northwest theme, and highlighting the Milan International Convention is now available for purchase. This is the second in a series of four highlighting a Northwest theme.

The purchase price is \$1.50 for the regular pin and \$2.00 for the Prestige (larger) pin plus any applicable postage. You can purchase an individual pin or the 2-pin set. Quantities of the larger pin are limited.

These pins can be purchased by contacting these individuals:

Don Shove [adshove@comcast.net](mailto:adshove@comcast.net), 206-854-4324  
Jim Moffitt [pintraderjim@aol.com](mailto:pintraderjim@aol.com) 602-738-1514  
Stephen Staudinger [ssstaudinger@comcast.net](mailto:ssstaudinger@comcast.net) 360-608-8361





### **Who We Are**

We are the MD19 Lions Service and Leadership Development Foundation

### **What We Do**

We provide funding for training in service and leadership development

We sell scarves to help raise funds

We ask Lions Clubs in MD19 for donations to help further our mission

If you would like to know more about us, check out the website at:

[www.lionsleadershipfoundation.org](http://www.lionsleadershipfoundation.org)

*People learn to lead because they care about something.* – Charlotte Bunch

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## **MyLion Now Available on Smartphones and Laptop/Desktop Computers**

Attention: All Lions are asked to create a Lion Account if they have not already registered on MyLion.

For those of you using MyLCI, it has transitioned to one "Universal Login" called MyLion. Please register and set up your MyLion account. The purpose is for you to have one login and password for all Lions applications, (MyLion, MyLCI, Shop and future applications). <https://app.mylion.org> Board officers need to be signed up and registered to complete your monthly reports on MyLion. This program is not just for club officers, the goal is for all Lions to use it to communicate with other Lions within your club, zone, district, nationally and worldwide.

Type: <https://app.mylion.org> do not use www. It works best on Google Chrome. If you do not have Google Chrome as your search engine, you will need to install this program onto your laptop/desktop. If you have difficulty registering, call the MyLion help desk at 630-468-7000 OR [mylion@lionsclubs.org](mailto:mylion@lionsclubs.org) for assistance.

Be sure to sign up today if you haven't already!

This information was copied from:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MyLionSupport/>

It's a great resource for questions.

\*Thanks to 19-C3 ZC Lisa Ikeda for this article.

**"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 PDG Ed Brunz at 360-708-0370 or MD19 Office at 360-733- 4911

## Leo Club President Presented \$1,000 Check

Emilie Scott, Leo Club President at Klahowya Secondary School in Silverdale, WA has been presented a \$1,000 scholarship from the MD19 Lions Youth Exchange Foundation. Pictured presenting the check are PZC John Gardner, Leo Advisor for the Silverdale Lions Club, and PDG George Robison, President of the Foundation.



Emilie will use the funds to assist in a Youth Exchange Program visit to Spain, where she will be hosted by two families in towns near Seville. Emilie applied for the scholarship through the Foundation after hearing about it from PDG Al Hedstrom of Silverdale.

Emilie was one of three youth applying for the scholarship for this year. All three received \$1,000 awards. One of the other students will go to Australia and another student will go to Italy. The Foundation plans to accept applications again in late 2019. All youth in MD19 from the age of 16 through 21 are eligible. District Youth Exchange Chairpersons can provide more information.

Each youth also receives, from the Foundation, two personalized polo shirts and MD19 Youth Exchange banners and pins to present during club visits during their travels. Sponsoring clubs usually provide additional materials for youth to present to hosts and clubs. Upon return, each youth is expected to present an oral report to the sponsoring Lions Club and submit a written report to the Foundation.

In District 19I, Comox Valley, Comox Valley Monarch and Gabriola Island Lions Clubs provide scholarships and are sending youth to visit Japan, Switzerland and South Carolina. The Foundation only provides polo shirts, banners and pins, along with some assistance to District YE Chairperson Robyn Berry.

## MyLions Youth Exchange Experience, Making Global Friends and Citizens

By Gabi Wilkinson

Below is an article by a Lions Youth Exchange youth sponsored by the Rainier Lions Club (19C), where her parents are members. Her mother, Jill, is currently the President.

I grew up in a military family and have experienced living in different areas. I assumed that this meant I had a better understanding of different cultures. Well, in August, 2018, I realized this was far from the truth.

Last August, I was fortunate to have the Lions assist me in traveling to Italy. What an amazing experience! My time was spent between Central Italy, Sicily and Rome. A wonderful and gracious family hosted me while I was in Central Italy, Citta de Castello. Everyone was so welcoming! The local Lions Club made every effort to show me local sites and include me in many activities.

Our camp group met in Rome and we spent a couple of days touring around their amazing city. Our group consisted of youth from all over the world. After Rome we traveled to Sicily, where we spent the majority of our time. It was interesting learning about everyone's culture. I realized how I had viewed the world from my local area in Washington. There were some girls that said they could never be friends with some of the other youth because of past conflicts between their regions. But from learning about each other, at the end of the camp, they all became friends. What an amazing experience to witness two groups of people overcoming past atrocities and developing a friendship!

This summer, after I finish my military school, I plan on traveling to Belgium to visit a friend I made last summer at camp. Traveling and spending time with people from other countries made me realize that the world is actually a smaller place and that through spending time together we can develop an understanding for other cultures. I am so thankful for the opportunity I had to travel and experience so many individuals from other cultures, thanks to the Lions Youth Exchange Program!

## 2019-2020 MD19 Committee Openings

The committee members and committee chairs serving the MD19 Council of Governors, and all of MD19, for the 2019–2020 fiscal year are now being filled.

If you are interested in serving on an MD19 committee, getting a taste for what serving Lions is about beyond your club, zone or district, or are just curious what MD19 committees do, just drop Vice Council Chair J.D. Nellor an email and he will hook you up with the party or parties who make such appointments (which may well be him).

Want to know what positions are available? Just hop on over to the Brain Trust tab in the About page <https://lionsmd19.org/committees.php> on our website for a list of all committees, appointees and the persons serving in those positions for 2018–2019, pick one or two you might be interested in, and let VCC J.D. know.

It will not hurt one bit... Guaranteed... Just do it!

### Special Donations

#### 2018-2019

	CARE
19-B Cindy Vicars	\$250.00
19-C PDG Dan & Cheryl Comsia	\$250.00
PDG Emerson Bishop	\$50.00
Suzanne Gayda	\$100.00
PZC Bob Johnson	\$100.00
PDG Jan and PZC Art Weatherly	\$100.00
Tacoma Centennial Lions Club	\$50.00
<b>Donations above in memory of PCC Mike Gayda</b>	
Nadine & William Morris	\$50.00
Jeris Ockfen	\$25.00
PDG Emerson Bishop	\$500.00
In memory of Lea Bishop	
19-E Richard Bako (Coulee Dam)	\$10.00
For DG Lyndon Harriman	
19-F PCC Jim and PDG Erma Kemp	\$25.00
In memory of Lea Bishop	
19-H Michele Barrie	\$150.00
For Dylan, Dami and Ian Barrie	
1st VDG Patty Allen	\$20.00
In memory of PCC Bob Bradford	
19-H Cabinet	\$585.25
For DG Gord Graves	

### Memorials for April 2019

A 2	Lynn Valley	James Sim
B 1	Snohomish	George Nowadnick
C 3	Federal Way	Kent Hamilton
C 5	Puyallup South Hill	George Eric Myers, Sr.
D 9	Oliver	Richard Shaffrick
E 1	Spokane Central	Jim Abrahamson
G 1	Kalama	Calvin Cox
G 3	Aberdeen	Peter J. Majar
B 1	Bellingham Central	Lewis W. Bernier
B 1	Bellingham Central	Richard Hempler
H 6	Chilliwack Dogwood Monarch	Shirley Hutton
H 7	Coupeville	Roger M. Sherman
I 4	Duncan	Roland J. Taylor
I 4	Malahat	Gordon Maber

### Memorials for May 2019

B 1	Everett South	Wilma Tilly
C 1	Gig Harbor	Robert R. Schmidt
C 4	Bremerton Central	Charles Jackson Simmons
D 5	Ephrata	Herbert Reynolds
E 6	Elkford	Peter A. Schwab
E 11	Bonnors Ferry	Marjorie L. Pinkerton
G 2	Vancouver	Donald Behrends
G 2	Vancouver	James A. Tangeman
H 4	Tsawwassen Boundary Bay	Walter Melnyk
I 1	Quilcene	Dave Hamilton

### Travel Tips:

Before you head out...

Check out the MD19 travels to Milan Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MD-19-travels-to-Milan-526699487809411/>

Big thank you to George Sim for keeping us informed!



### Percentages of WMMRs received, SARs completed for month of May 2019 and Second Half Dues Paid for 2018-19

	WMMRs	SARs	DUES
19-A	71%	36%	84%
19-B	34%	41%	94%
19-C	82%	58%	91%
19-D	64%	47%	91%
19-E	90%	46%	94%
19-F	47%	28%	91%
19-G	58%	38%	90%
19-H	86%	79%	96%
19-I	100%	50%	96%

## Leader Dog Request

By PDG Carol Whitman and Debbie Mansell, MD19 Leader Dog Co-Chairs

The end of our 2018-2019 Lion's year is quickly approaching. Has your club made its annual Leader Dog donation yet?

Last year the clubs in our Multiple District collectively donated \$41,416.82. According to the Lions Contribution Report found on the Leader Dog website, the third quarter collective donation total shows MD19 giving only \$23,192.77. Our MD19 contributions are down over \$18,000.00 thus far.

MD19 has to the end of June to make our 2018-2019 club donations. Lions' donations make a difference in the lives of individuals who receive a Leader Dog. Your club contributions give independence and increase mobility to the blind and visually impaired Leader Dog clients.

If your club has already made a donation, thank you very much. Those dollars are already making a difference! However, if your club has a donation line item for Leader Dogs and you haven't mailed your check in yet, please do so as soon as possible.



## MD19 LIONS LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION

The MD19 Lions Service and Leadership Development Foundation Board thanks you for your support in the past! Created in 2003 from a generous bequest, it supports **Service** and grows **Leaders** in MD19 by

- Providing financial assistance to those attending NW Lions Leadership Institute
- Helping to fund District Leadership & Membership programs
- Training Youth in Leadership Skills

Talk to anyone who has taken the training. They will tell you, it gave them skills to be better leaders.

Costs continue to go up. Support your Foundation. Put us in your Annual Budget. Make a donation to help train Leaders. No amount is too small.

Send Donations to your Foundation Treasurer:

Lynn Logen, 15017 SE 43rd Place, Bellevue, WA 98006

## MD19 Memorial Garden Information

In remembrance of a Lions Club Member or Family Member, plant a living memorial on the grounds surrounding the MD19 Office in Bellingham, WA

### Cost of the Memorials includes:

Plant, Planting soils, Care and watering, Engraved metal plaque on the Memorial Wall

### \$100.00 will Purchase:

A bush or shrub, such as a Rose, Mahonia, Viburnum, Forsythia

### \$50.00 will Purchase:

A flowering perennial or decorative grasses, such as hardy Geraniums, Helianthemus (sun roses), Lavender, Russian sage, Blue Fescue, or other small grasses.

Specific plants will be decided upon based on the needs of the garden and desires of the donor. **Currently the garden cannot accommodate additional trees.**

Send Checks to the MD19 Office, 4141 W. Maplewood Ave., Bellingham, WA 98226. Make checks out to MD19 Lions. Include a note with check indicating the name of the person being honored. Questions about type of plant to be purchased, contact PDG Ed Brunz, 360-708-0370

### Saturday 2019 Work Parties in the Garden will be:

July 20  
August 10

Lions and friends gather in work clothes with tools and energy to spruce up the gardens: weed, trim, and plant from 9 - Noon. Join the fun and be part of the transformation!

### 2018/2019 Dedication of Memorial Garden Plantings

August 17

It will begin at 1:00 pm with memories shared of each Lion that has been honored in this Lions year. There will be refreshments served at the close of the service.

**New Idea – Great Club Environmental Project:** Lions Clubs encouraged to “adopt a garden”. Set up your own work schedule to care for one of the specific garden areas:

Rose garden	Garden around the Pond
Flag or Light Garden	Gate Garden
Rhododendron Row	

Signs will identify and credit Clubs that take charge of a section of our Memorial Gardens. Contact Ed for a Job List for the Club Independent Work Schedule. Besides weeding, specific needs will be identified in the spring after the scheduled workdays begin.

For more information, contact PDG Ed Brunz at 360-708-0370 or MD 19 office; 360-733- 4911

## MD19 Council Chair Continued

And finally, my thanks to the great duo of Peter and Rebecca Anderson. Peter has done a spectacular job in his first full year as Executive Director, coupling managerial excellence with a marvelous sense of humor and fun. It's hard not to like a guy who colors his hair and beard Blue or Neon Raspberry for conventions! Rebecca has made truly significant upgrades to our MD19 newsletter, the *Border Crossing*, which has strengthened our communications throughout the MD. She also did great work as our in-house blue/raspberry hairstylist.

So, queue the trumpets and take a bow, Lions of MD19. Congratulations on a truly great performance. It has been my honor to be your guest conductor and serve alongside you.

Your energy, enthusiasm and heart for service has been magnificent. I bid you farewell and wish our upcoming team lead by CCE JD Nellor the best of everything for the coming year!



## Lions International Convention

July 5-9, 2019  
**Milan, Italy**

To see the schedule of events, go to:  
<https://licon.lionsclubs.org/about/event-schedule/>

**Seminars and Events**

Lions Clubs International hosts several official events during the course of the convention week, including:

**LCI Convention Service Projects**

Looking for an opportunity to serve while in Milan? LCI Convention Service Projects are large scale, hands-on volunteer opportunities aligned with our global causes and local needs. A variety of projects will be offered at the convention center and around Milan throughout convention. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. The US\$25 non-refundable registration fee includes transportation, a commemorative t-shirt, and refreshments. Indicate your interest in serving when you register for convention.

**International Parade of Nations**

Our spectacular Parade of Nations is on Saturday, July 6, 2019. An estimated 10,000 Lions from over 120 countries, many in native dress will march through the streets of Milan. Visit the **Parade of Nations** page for the Rules and Regulations that include the delegation assembly times, judging criteria, a parade route map, and parade application forms.

**International Show**

All registered convention attendees are invited to attend the International Show on Saturday, July 6, 2019.

Details about the show, the entertainers, etc will be available soon.

**Melvin Jones Fellowship Luncheon**

The Melvin Jones Fellows Luncheon is Monday, July 8, 2019.

All Melvin Jones Fellows and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow are invited to this annual recognition luncheon event.

Awards will be presented to 100 percent MJF clubs and humanitarian partners.

To Register, go to:  
<https://licon.lionsclubs.org/EN/attendees/registration-information.php>

### 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.

## MD19 Calendar of Events 2018 - 2019

Memorial Garden Work Party	9:00-11:30am	MD19 Office	July 20, 2019 August 10, 2019
Memorial Garden Dedication	1:00pm	MD19 Office	August 17, 2019
MD19 Spring CoG	Howard Johnson Hotel	Yakima, WA	June 12-13 2019
MD19 DGE & ZCE Training	Howard Johnson	Yakima, WA	June 13-15, 2019
LCIcon 2019		Milan Italy	July 5-9, 2019
98th MD19 Annual Convention		Wenatchee, WA	October 17-19, 2019



Remember back in the day when lots of us wore those big "ASK ME ABOUT LIONS CLUB" pins like this one? They were great conversation starters and could be again. Your club can design its own and have it made very inexpensively. All your members can have one, and even your new A-Frame can wear one in its lapel whenever it goes stepping out.

***The Border Crossing***  
**MD19 Lions Office**  
**4141 W Maplewood Ave**  
**Bellingham, WA 98226 USA**

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