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### **Leadership Corner**

#### By PCC Al Hedstrom

I'd like to talk about change and leadership. We all recognize that change is inevitable. But when it comes to changes that affect us personally, we don't like it. Because we are naturally resistant to change. It's a dichotomy with which we all struggle.

In the late 1960's we repeated the slogan, "question authority". Why? Because many old pathways and failed practices lost their benefits to society, did not open new doors and did not move us forward. We are rediscovering that in our Lions organization.

You've heard, "change is good – you go first." Not good enough. Mahatma Gandhi said that we must be the change we want to see. Because it starts with you. We can't rely on others to change our club, to change our zone, to change our district. It starts with you and me.

I am of the opinion that many of our Lions difficulties membership loss, community service loss, club loss – can be turned around through positive leadership.

"Change is inevitable. You can either help route its course or you can get run over by it."

Poor leadership can lead to organizational failure. Good leadership helps the organization thrive. Positive leadership brings positive change.

Lions leadership always starts at the club. And that's where we need to see our changes. Some members brought fullydeveloped leadership skills when they joined Lions. Others grew into leadership, thanks to their Lions club. So why am I talking about this? Because we have a leadership problem. You've seen this: a club secretary or president for seven consecutive years. Zone chairperson positions unfilled for two or three years. And many other examples. Rather than talk about the multitude of reasons for this problem I want to talk about what we can do about it.

I repeat: Positive change comes about through positive leadership.

You might think that this is not your problem, that someone else needs to pick up the ball. But it is your problem – our problem. Some Lions can't commit the time and energy necessary for the job. Entirely understandable. Or maybe you just don't want to do it. It's not your problem. You just want to be a Lion. Because being club secretary isn't fun. You've seen the problem with declining leadership in our clubs, zones and districts. You've seen the unfortunate consequences of it. Like declining membership.

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### **Link to More Information**

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

Now Accepting PR Grant Applications https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit

LCICon 2023 Information here:

https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org

Registration form:

https://www.mcisemi.com/lci2023/#\_ ga=2.82774550.1482567956.1670903004-115161841.1655421180

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

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

Looking for District Convention information? Take a look at the MD19 website (front page, under On the Horizon...)https://lionsmd19.org/

#### OFFICER TRAINING

July 27 – Thursday, 5:00pm-9:00pm https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsc-isqDloG-9wqE9Cn9N7y0R-kUehCMjaW

August 26 - Saturday, 8:30am-12:30pm https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZElce2opz0sH9c-Np6CdKBf4CNN-Hr6gbzhz

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## **MD19 Council Chairperson**

## **Lyndon Harriman** Passing the Torch

This will be the last article I write for the Boarder Crossing as your Council Chairperson.

Upon reflecting back over the past year, it has been a wonderful experience for the most part. There were some



glitches and bumps over the course, but we soldiered on. (Read my article on traveling to and from the International Lions Clubs Meeting in Montreal to get an idea of some of the glitches. This appeared in the August/September 2022 issue.) I still have several important, as well as enjoyable, tasks yet to perform. I look forward to them and hope to finish with a flourish. I also want to thank every Lion in our Multiple District 19 for the outstanding support you gave me. Thank You!

This article isn't about me, instead it is about our newly elected Multiple District leaders. Our candidates ran unopposed. For Vice Council Chairperson is Patty Allen White, and for Council Chairperson is Steve Nobel. Both of the Lions are outstanding in their leadership skills and potential. They will guide our members, clubs and district into a fully functional Multiple District consisting of five newly formed districts.

I know that every Lion in our Multiple District will give them their support, help and encouragement during this crucial first year. They will be ready to serve you as your leaders, and I feel very comfortable placing the future of our Multiple District in their very capable hands. Please welcome them with open arms and a can do attitude.

## 2023-2024 Key Leadership Dates

#### June

June 10 (Sat): 1st Club Office Training, ZOOM, 9:00-1:00 (FREE Registration Required)

June 16-17 (Fri/Sat): Spring Council of Governors Meeting, IN PERSON – Pasco Holiday Express Hotel & Suites

#### July

July 6-9: International Lions Club Convention, Boston, MA (Registration Required)

July 27 (THURSDAY): 2nd Club Office Training, ZOOM, 5:30-9:30 (Registration Required)

### **August**

Aug 26 (Sat): 3rd & Final Club Officer Training, ZOOM, 9:00-1:00 (Registration Required)

#### September

Sept 21-23: USA/Canada Leadership Forum, IN PERSON, Reno, NV

#### October

Oct 12-14: MD19 Annual Convention, IN PERSON, Surry, BC

#### November

TBD (90 min): ZOOM - Succession Planning for ZC/DGE/VDGE/GAT (90 Minutes) (Prior to December 31 completed application filing)

#### January

TBD (4 hours): ZOOM - Guiding Lions Training (4 hours)

#### **February**

TBE (90 min): Succession Planning for Clubs & Potential

Club officers (prior to Mar/Apr elections)

## **Zoom Links for 2023 Club Officer Training Sessions**

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## The Trek of a Lions District Governor

A Poem By PDG Doug Harvey, read at District G Spring Convention 2023

Picture Geese, in "Vee" formation, Winging their way across turbulent skies. Only ONE leads this mass migration, Parting headwinds as it flies.

The resistance is overwhelming, Undaunted, it leads the way. All others loyally following, But this ONE truly carries the day.

After miles of combating the pressure, It's strength and tenacity drained. It YEILDS to another successor, And the process begins YET again.

And so GOES the District Governor, At the beginning of a year-long trek. Attuned to the upcoming endeavor, Just ONE chance to get it correct.

After months of preparation, Goals and duties properly placed. With confidence and inspiration, The year starts at a gingerly pace.

To most, the duties look easy, Just meeting and talking with clubs. A façade that LOOKS bright and breezy, Hiding the details and depth of the job!

Cabinet and Council dates add to the lot, Zone meetings occur through the term. Add G.A.T. sessions with an occasional S.W.O.T., Time management becomes HARD to affirm.

STILL, no words give an accurate description, Of the scope of this ARDUOUS role. Former Governors who've filled the prescription, Are the ones who TRULY know!

> Finally, time seizes the moment, Both travel and stress take their toll. INTEGRITY replaces excitement, The END, becoming the goal.

SpringCon is the final action, That encases the Governor's year. Final reports plus recognition; Reflection, comradery and cheer!

June 30th, marks the date of completion, A new Governor, INSPIRED, steps in. Just a moment for quiet reflection. Then the SCENARIO repeats yet again!

So, it's never really over,
Just another passing phase.
Crowned "Immediate PAST District Governor",
Leaving little time for praise.

Now, you've heard their inspiring story, We'll honor these committed few. They've never searched for glory, That can ONLY come from YOU.

Each hero will NOW come forward, To be honored for their UNSELFISH year. Each gave us their ALL, to keep "G" standing tall!! (NOT BAD FOR A VOLUNTEER!)

## **GAT Success Story**

By PDG Lorne Bunyan

Wearing your pin can make a difference and sometimes it can start a conversation that makes you very proud to be a Lion. It seems like a small thing to do, but if you're proud of what you're doing, why not show it?

A good example of every day events had me cross paths with a grateful family who were introduced to a companion for their autistic son.

One day while in the city of Victoria, I was standing in a line at an alteration shop. I noticed a mother busy working with her daughter and the seamstress putting together her graduation gown. The mother, whose name was Alice, rose from the floor where she was pinning the hem of her daughter's gown. She came over to me and said, "Are you a Lion?" I replied, "Yes I am." She said she had noticed my pin and wanted to thank me. She told me her son has autism and as a youngster, he simply could not go outside his house or even be left alone. Alice, or her husband, had to be with their son 24-7. She said their situation was daunting, and it showed no real hope of improving.

But then something amazing happened. Alice told me that a Victoria Lions Club heard of their situation and offered to help. They arranged for her and her son to travel to Oakville, Ontario, to meet and work with an autism dog from Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. She went on to tell me that they were able to make the trip, her son was matched with a service dog and their lives changed forever. He was 12 years old when he received his dog. Mom was so excited to tell me that her son (plus his dog) was joining his sister in graduating from high school. This is a small example of the difference we make as Lions. And I only got to hear this wonderful story by doing something as small as wearing my pin.

I have been successful in getting people interested in becoming a Lion simply by wearing my pin or even my Lions jacket or shirt. Our crest is recognized worldwide. Wearing your pin may be the start of a conversation you will long remember.

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## MD19 is going to Boston....July 7 to 11, 2023

Registration is still now open. Go to the LCI website and click on LCICon and all the info will be there for you.

Important.....Once you have registered, please advise the MD19 International Chair George Sim or the MD19 Office so that we can keep you up to date with the latest convention information. At this point we are only aware of 20 MD19 Lions attending (LCI will not share names of registrants due to their privacy policy!) Also include your cell phone number so that we can add you to the WhatsApp application that we will use for communicating with all attendees.

Thank you. George Sim, 778 838 8727, georgesim@shaw.ca

MD 19 International Convention Chair



## **Boston Parade uniform**

- MD 19 Green Shirt
- · Beige pants, shorts or skirt
- Comfortable shoes
- Hat (the one in the photo is \$6 on Amazon)
- Water bottle
- "BOSTON 2023" stick on/iron on patches are available for \$5



## **Golf Trophy Challenge**

By Lion Bob Curtis

Hey fellow Lions, are you ready to take on another challenge. A fun one! The Bellingham Central Lions would like to challenge other Lions Clubs in District H, soon to be O, to compete for a perpetual trophy at our Charity Golf Tournament taking place June 23rd. If so, there are a couple of requirements we would like you to take note of:

Competition will be a handicapped event. If you don't have a handicap, take an honest swag. This will work because Lions are honest by their very nature which means there isn't a sandbagger among us.

When you sign in on our website, please select a Team Name using your club name followed by Lions. Example: Lynden Lions Club would have a Team Name of Lynden Lions. Registering in this manner denotes your team as a competitor for the trophy.

All team members must be Lions. The fee is \$150 per golfer or \$600 per team.

The attached brochure will give you an idea of the other prizes you can compete for.

We will be playing at Shuksan Golf Course.

I know every golfer is itching to get to golfing again. This competition will test how far you've come since the winter layoff. We're hoping to see some of our Canadian Lions joining in on the fun.

Bellingham Central invites/challenges you to come an take away our trophy. Questions, contact me at curtisbob9216@ hotmail.com.

See page 8 for additional information on the golf tournament.



As part of the global initiative, environment, Chilliwack Dogwood Monarch Lions Club donated trees. They are not able to go tree planting, so they asked the city to find a spot and plant the appropriate trees using a donation to purchase the trees from a local grower. The city of Chilliwack initiated the Street Tree Program over 30 years ago. Since then, thousands of new trees have been planted around the community. Using a mix of species, the City is ensuring a diverse and sustainable street tree inventory. The Street Tree Program also replaces ones damaged by storms, vehicle accidents, or poor tree health. Find our more about the program: Street Tree Program.

Club members in photo (left to right): Lion Kathy Oftebro, Lion Sharon Hoffman and Lion Bree Canfield.

Submission & Photo credit: Lion Debbie Martin



Lion Jackie (Chilliwack Dogwood Monarch Lions Club) presents a donation of \$7,500.00 to help the Chilliwack Youth Health Centre continue its outreach programs to youth in need. A few of the youth that have been helped out have found their way into the CYHC offices. This is a rare thing for these youths. They are now getting into rehabilitation and a place to live in a supportive environment with maybe the hope of re-integration into their families lives.

CYHC is a space that provides integrated health and wellness services to youth and young adults (ages 12-26) on a drop in basis in a safe and supportive environment.

Submission & Photo credit: Lion Debbie Martin

## **PARADE LOGISTICS**

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL 105<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION PARADE BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, USA JULY 8, 2023 - STEP OFF AT 09:00

Brian E. Sheehan, International President
J. Frank Moore III, Past International President, Chairperson, Convention Committee
Parade office: Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, North Lobby
Office hours: Thursday, July 6th, 9:00-17:00, Friday, July 7th, 8:00-17:00

**PARADE ROUTE:** The parade runs through the beautiful Back Bay neighborhood of Boston, Massachusetts, westbound on Boylston Street. The parade route is less than one mile (approximately 1 kilometer) in length.

#### **ARRIVALS**

- CONVENTION SHUTTLE: Buses from hotels will drop off on Tremont and West Streets.
- BANDS: Buses will drop off on Tremont Street, north of Boylston Street, unless advised otherwise by the parade marshals.
- FLOATS: All parade floats will assemble at 07:00 on July 8, 2023, approximately 2 hours prior to step off.
   Location is subject to change, and delegations will be notified in advance.
- **PRIVATE CHARTER BUSES:** All private buses must register with LCI to receive the official LCI Parade of Nations vehicle label for access into the drop-offs. Delegations with private-chartered buses are required to inform LCI of the final bus count by **June 2, 2023**.

**ASSEMBLY AREA:** Marchers will assemble in the northwest corner of the Boston Common. Parade management and marshals in the assembly area will direct participants to their designated color-coded assembly areas. The parade will then begin on Charles Street, between the entrances of the Public Garden and Boston Common.

**PARADE VIEWING:** Parade viewing in the assembly area is not permitted. The parade route offers excellent viewing along Boylston Street.

**JUDGES/VIP REVIEWING AREAS:** The judging area is located at Boylston and Dartmouth Streets, in front of the Boston Public Library. The reviewing area is located at 500 Boylston Street.

No stopping or delay of the forward motion of parade units is permitted for special maneuvers or presentation in the judging areas. Contest units in violation will be penalized judging points.

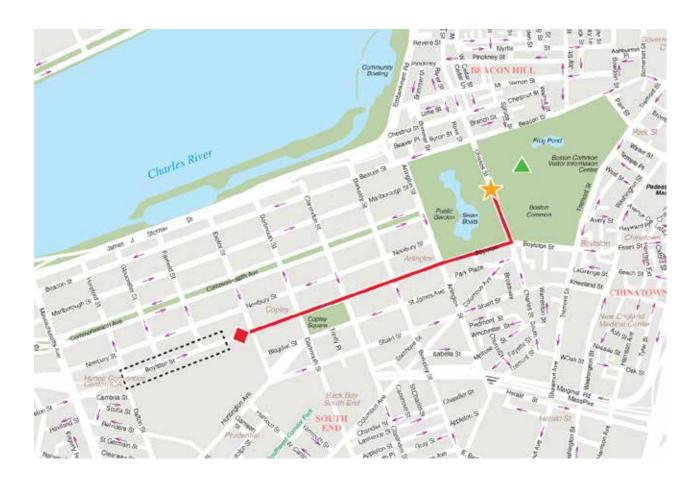
DISPERSAL AREA: Marchers will disperse from the parade end at Boylston and Fairfield Streets.

#### **DEPARTURES**

- CONVENTION SHUTTLE: Buses will be staged on Boylston Street. Marchers are welcome and encouraged
  enjoy shopping and dining on Newbury Street, and the Public Garden and Boston Commons at their leisure.
  Shuttles will return marchers to the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center.
- BANDS: Bands will disperse from the parade end to the pickup point, as directed by parade marshals and staff.
- FLOATS: Floats will disperse from the parade end and will be directed to the exit roads by the parade marshals
  and staff.

**FIRST AID:** Paramedics will be stationed along the parade route. If medical assistance is required, please notify the nearest police officer or parade official for help. We suggest you assign a qualified person within your unit to look out for any problems with participants.

## **PARADE MAP**



## **LCICon 2023 Boston Registration and Housing**

LCICon 2023 Boston Registration and Housing Registration Fee

Now till June 30, 2023, the registration fee is **US\$250** July 1, 2023 through on-site registration, the fee is **US\$325** 

Register on the LCI site by clicking on LCICon our use this link... https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/attend/registration-information/

Also...once you have registered please provide your email and cell number to the MD19 office or International Convention Chairperson George Sim <a href="mailto:georgesim@shaw.ca">georgesim@shaw.ca</a> so that you will be added to the MD19 list of attendees and receive updates and convention information.









## SAVE THE DATE

SEDRO-WOOLLEY LIONS CLUB PRESENTS:

## **SKAGIT TAKES A SWING AT DIABETES**

SATURDAY, SEPT. 23, 2023

**SHOTGUN START AT 12:00** 

#### **AVALON GOLF LINKS**

November is National Diabetes Month and it's time for planning ahead to support our community in 2023 and to a help prevent DIABETES.

"Over the last 20 years, our Nation has seen a significant rise in the number of adults diagnosed with diabetes..." <a href="www.census.gov">www.census.gov</a>

#### IT'S TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The Sedro-Woolley Lions are planning a golf tournament at Avalon Golf Links in Sept., 2023 to raise funds to help residents in our county. We will need your sponsorships to help us make a difference. 100% of profits will go to this cause locally. More information will be coming very soon. Check our website: <a href="mailto:sedrowoolleylions.com">sedrowoolleylions.com</a> to register or "Lions Club of Sedro-Woolley" on Facebook for updates.

## PLEASE PLAN AHEAD TO JOIN US IN THIS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sedro-Woolley Lions Club Foundation is a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Your donations are tax deductible.

## **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. **2023-2024 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:

**2023-2024 MD19 Roster Only:** Cost is \$7.00 U.S. Funds plus shipping and handling. Add \$3.00 S/H for U.S. Addresses and \$5.00 for Canadian Addresses.

#### 2023-2024 MD19 Roster plus Hard Copy of Border Crossing:

Mailed to U.S. Addresses: Border Crossing \$16.00 plus Roster \$10.00 = \$26.00 USD Mailed to Canadian Addresses: Border Crossing \$20.00 plus Roster \$12.00 = \$32.00 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 Nun	Phone Number / Email Address		
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**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 Compan	y or Club:			
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If paying by credit card, please complete the following:		( ) Visa ( ) Maste	r Card	
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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.

### **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.

#### Secretaries have two options for their year-end report:

Activities Summaries. A summary of the year's activities shall be prepared by the Secretary and received by the MD19 Office, with a copy to the District Governor, no later than July 25th. A sample summary report and format are included in this Contests and Awards Book following the Secretary of the Year Award Winners.

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The MyLion Metrics report shall be printed and submitted directly to the MD19 Office by the Club Secretary with a copy forwarded to the District Governor no later than July 25th. For those secretaries who have the capability, it is possible to take a screen shot, paste it to a Word document, save it and email it to the MD19 Office; otherwise, the report must be mailed directly to the MD19 Office.

Other MD19 Recognition – Notification has been emailed to Secretaries. Forms found on MD19 website under "Toolbox > Forms > Club Forms"

- MD19 Club President Recognition of Excellence Form. Deadline postmarked by July 25th.
- 2. Club Membership Director Recognition of Excellence Form. Deadline postmarked by July 25th.
- 3. Club Treasurer Recognition of Excellence Form. Deadline postmarked by July 25th.

MD19 2023-2024 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.

The 2023-2024 MD19 Roster: The MD19 2023-24 Rosters will be mailed out in August in a very restricted manner. They will automatically be sent to each Lions Club Secretary ONLY. There will also be available the PDF version of the roster that can be sent to anyone who wishes it. For those wishing to purchase a hard copy of the MD19 2023-24 Roster be aware that there will be a limited supply available after sending to the Club Secretaries and once they are gone then your only option will be to receive the PDF.

**IMPORTANT:** LCI and MD19 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.

**Be Aware** that Lions Clubs International has raised their dues to \$46.00 per year per member starting July 1. MD19 dues will remain at \$25.60 for the 23-24 year.

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## Percentages of WMMRs received for month of May 2023 and Second Half Dues Paid for 2022-2023

	WMMRs	DUES
19-A	54%	83%
19-B	52%	100%
19-C	61%	95%
19-D	100%	98%
19-E	100%	88%
19-F	63%	85%
19-G	68%	97%
19-H	80%	96%
19-I	100%	94%

#### 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.

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And maybe you just watch and criticize from the sidelines.

I understand all that. I really do. So I want to approach this question from a different angle. I'm challenging you in several ways:

Go back to your club and subtly tap the shoulder of two or three fellow Lions that you think MIGHT have leadership potential. But wait - don't ask that Lion if he or she would take the next committee chairperson or club president. No. So, how do you do it? You do it gently, with small steps. What are those small steps?

- Ask two or three Lions who have never led a club project to attend the next club board meeting with you. Personally invite two or
  three Lions to attend your club's annual planning session. If your club doesn't do a planning session, ask them to participate in a
  review of the different service projects and fundraisers in order to improve those efforts. In other words, invite them to suggest
  how your club can change for the better without specifically asking that question.
- Ask two or three Lions to go with you to a club meeting of two or three of your neighboring Lions Clubs. Ask two or three of your fellow Lions to accompany you to the next zone meeting. Since you're inviting them, it may be necessary to bring them to these meetings.
- Ask them to participate in the club officer nominating process.
- Ask them to attend the various club officer training sessions, especially if they don't anticipate ever taking office. Ask them to take the online courses offered by LCI and Lions University.
- Ask them to attend the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute next year and help them with the application process.

Last, I want you – each of you – to get online, find your way to the MD19 website assembled by PCC JD Nellor and search for a document called "The Lions Journey". Download it, print it and use it. Even if you're not a sponsor. Especially recommended for incoming club presidents. It's an excellent checklist developed for tomorrow's club and zone and district leaders.

Ask these Lions to help improve your club's service to the community by improving the leadership of your club. Is this the perfect answer? I don't know. But it's a different answer. We know that doing the same thing over and over while expecting different results is the definition of insanity. We are an insane organization! So let's try something different.

An inspirational quote: Lea Ann Womack, the great country music singer, said, "Never settle for the path of least resistance." I like this because we know that bringing about change and challenging the status quo is not an easy process.

George Bernard Shaw, "Progress is impossible without change and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything."

It's time now to stop talking and start doing.

	Special Donations 2022-2023	
	LCIF	CARE
19-C	PDG Emerson Bishop In Memory of: PZC Jean LaCross	200.00
19-C	PDG Emerson Bishop In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp	300.00
19-F	Yakima Lions Club In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp	500.00
	PDG Paul Kauzlarich In Memory of: PCC Mike Gayda In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp	100.00 100.00
	PDGs Ray and Melba Fujiura In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp	100.00
	John and Denise Herman In Memory of: PCC Jim Kemp	25.00
	PDG Breakfast @ Annual Convention	340.15
19-H	Michele Barrie In honor of her Children	150.00

Memorials for April 2023						
Α	1	Vancouver South	Sonny Klair			
C	2	Olympia West	David M. Backstrom			
C	4	Port Orchard	Philip E. Groff			
D	2	Leavenworth	Karen Brennick			
D	2	Leavenworth	David E. Severance, Jr.			
Ε	4	Creston	Maurice Murphy			
Ε	8	Nelson	Bruce Halstead			
G	1	Longview Kelso Earlybird	Bob Galivan			
G	1	Longview Pioneer	William T. Fulton			
G	2	La Center	Myrna L. Viles			
G	4	Winlock	Jeanie L. Emmenegger			
Н	2	Concrete	Wayne P. Barrett			
Н	7	South Whidbey	Clayton S. Engebretsen			
I	1	Forks	Jack E. Zaccardo			
ı	3	Mayne Island	Chuck Zuckerman			
Memorials for May 2023						
C	5	Orting	William D. Cope			
D	3	Kamloops Paddlewheelers	Angus V. Benedict			
D	5	Ephrata .	Robert H. Sieverkropp			
Ε	2	Grand Coulee Dam	Dena Avey			
Ε	3	Pinehurst Kingston	J. R. Newcomb			
G	1	Longview Pioneer	Patricia Parker			
G	3	Willapa Harbor	Thomas G. Sell			
G	4	Vader	Theresa R. Fegles			
Н	1	Lynden	Nancy D. Kuelz			
Н	6	Sasquatch	Ray Blackstock			

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**Council of Governors** 

Spring: Tri Cities - WA June 16-17, 2023

**Convention Time** 

LCICon 105th Annual Boston, MA July 7-11, 2023

Register here https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/

MD19Con 102nd Annual Surrey, B.C. October 13-15, 2022

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