

#### **CC Lion Tyler Bray**

Lion Tyler was born and raised in Montreal, Quebec. In 1975 he joined the RCMP and completed his training in Regina, Saskatchewan. His first posting was Ottawa, Ontario where he was involved with duties related to the Montreal Olympics. In 1976 he transferred to Red Deer, Alberta. His postings included Red Deer, Sylvan Lake, Mannville, Calgary Immigration & Passport, Slave Lake, Morinville, and Turner Valley, Alberta. In 2007 he retired after 32 years of service. His last post was that of Detachment Commander, Sergeant, in Turner Valley, Alberta.

Along the way he met and married, Diane, his wife of Forty-Four Years. They have three children and Eight Grand Children and one Great Grand Child.

Lion Tyler first joined Lions in 1986-89 in Mannville, Alberta. He held several positions including that of Club Treasurer.

In 2004, Lion Tyler joined the Foothills Lions Club, and held several positions in the club executive including club president 2007-2008 and again in 2013-2014. He was also the club trail twister in 2009. He has sponsored Six new Lions to date.

Lion Tyler attended and completed the Lions advanced Leadership Training Course held in Calgary, Alberta in 2015. He also completed the Guiding Lions Training in February 2018. In recognition of Lion Tyler's service he has received a Melvin Jones Fellow, a Lion Lionel Bird Youth Camp Award, a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship, and an International Lions President Leadership Medal, along with many club and District recognition certificates.

Lion Tyler was the District C-2 District Governor for 2018-2019, Lion Tyler has been appointed the 2022 USA/Canada Leadership Forum Host Chairperson.



#### **VCC Cathy Anderson**

Lion Cathy was born in Raymond, Alberta and has lived in various towns thru out Southern Alberta (Wrentham, Bellevue, Glenwood, Taber and eventually settling in Lethbridge).

Lion Cathy has held the positions at the Club, District and Multiple District Level. She is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and a Life Member of Lions Foundation of Canada. She has received numerous District Governor's Certificates of Appreciation, several International President's Certificates of Appreciation, many 100% attendance awards

and was recognized by the Lethbridge West Lethbridge Lions Club as the Distinguished Lion of the year for her efforts at the club level. Lion Cathy is also a graduate of the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute. In 2018-2019 she was recognized by the MD with a certificate for her commitment to New Voices in the area of Service. She was further recognized at the International level by being named the New Voices – Representative for Constitutional Area II. She was recently presented with the International Presidents Medal: which is awarded at the discretion of the International President to Lions who have shown a significant level of commitment to the principles of Lions and outstanding contributions in the world of service beyond the club and district levels.

Lion Cathy is married to Edwin Anderson; they live in Lethbridge with their Cat Lucky and Dog Molly. Ed and Cathy have been blessed with 2 Children and 11 beautiful grandchildren.

After 36 years working for the Lethbridge Public Library she retired and outside of Lions she also enjoys, knitting, camping, reading, relaxing with friends and most of all spending time with her grandchildren.



#### **DG C-1 Prince Bewaja**

I came to Canada in 1972 and lived in Vancouver until 1976. We moved to Edmonton at that time and have lived there since. In 1991 I managed to charm Mandeep and convinced her to marry me. We have 2 sons, who are also Lions.

Throughout my career have been involved customer and client interacting roles. I have served in a variety of industries from insurance,

travel, restaurant's, and retail to finally my current role in banking. Over the years I have served on many boards and clubs. In 2003 I became a full time member of the South Edmonton Lions Club.

Over the years I have served in various capacities within the club, district, and multiple district. I have been blessed to be mentored by many past District Governors who have stoked my fire and passion for Lionism. Empowering people to share in the vision that service and community are not just words, but rather the thread that binds us.



#### **1VDG C-1 Melodie Franko**

Lion Melodie was born in Drayton Valley, Alberta and raised on an acreage East of Ardrossan. She graduated high school in 1986 then college in 1994 from Canadian University College (now Burman University) in Lacombe, Alberta. Upon completion of her studies, she went to work in finance and administration for an upholstery company where she met her future life mate, Kirk. Lion Kirk brought her into The Stony Plain Lions Club in 1996,

where they were engaged and then married in 1997. Their only daughter, Loreen was born in 1999.

Lions Kirk and Melodie live in Stony Plain, Alberta and made the decision to have at least one stay-at-home parent, so Lion Melodie

started 3CPO Accounting Services Ltd. in 2001. She continues to work part-time as an accountant and bookkeeper.

Lion Melodie served as Club Treasurer of The Stony Plain Lions Club for 11 years and received 100% attendance for those 11 years. Served as Club Convention Chair in 2008 where she received an International President's Certificate of Appreciation and a Melvin Jones Fellowship. She is also a recipient of a Bill Webber Fellowship and a Lion's Quest Fellowship. She has received numerous Club awards. She was appointed Zone Chair under her mentor, the late PDG Bill Ingram. At the District level, she has served as Lions Quest

Chair and has taken the teacher's training. She has also attended a USA/Canada Leadership Forum.

The Franko's have hosted three youth exchange students from Peru, Brazil and Finland.

Lions Kirk and Melodie Franko transferred their membership to The St. Albert Host Lions Club in 2009 where Lion Melodie continues to serve. She has served as Club Director, Vice President and President 3 times. She also serves on various committees.

Lions Kirk and Melodie love to camp and you will find them soaking up the rays at their cottage at Lessard Lake. As the Franko's move towards retirement, they look forward to many more years of service to their Cl



#### **2VDG C-1 Suzanne Leshchyshyn**

Lion Suzanne was born and raised in the rural farming community of Vimy, Alberta. After graduation from high school in Legal, she went on to NAIT and graduated with a Diploma in Dental Assisting. She later earned her BSc in Home Economics from the U of A in 1986. Suzanne has worked at Alberta Hospital Ponoka, and even a few years with Red Deer College. She worked for many years with Alberta Agriculture in the Peace Region as a District Home Economic and Business Development Specialist and in Central Alberta with Livestock Diversification. In 2004 Suzanne earned a Premier's Award of

Excellence as a team member in the development of Legislation for confined feeding operations in Alberta. Suzanne currently works full time as an Office Administrator for the Central Region of the Natural Resources and Conservation Board in Red Deer.

Suzanne was involved in 4H as a youth, and then went on to volunteer her time as a 4H leader for many years mentoring and working with youth. Lion Suzanne was involved for many years with the Alberta Ride for Sight event raising awareness and funds for vision research and cures through the Foundation Fighting Blindness. Lion Suzanne and her husband Dave were avid motorcyclists up until a few years ago when Lion Dave lost his vision.

Lion Suzanne has been a Lions member since 2011 and has held many positions at the Club, District and Multiple District Level. She has received numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation and many 100% attendance awards. In 2018-2019 she was recognized by the MD with a certificate for her commitment to New Voices in the area of Leadership. Lion Suzanne received a Leadership certificate after completion of the Lions Faculty Development Institute program in Reno in January 2019. She also completed the Guiding Lions Training in 2017 and 2019. As a Lions Certified Instructor, Lion Suzanne taught the Guiding Lion program in 2019 and was a faculty member at the 2020 Regional Lions Leadership Institute in Edmonton. Lion Suzanne has attended two USA/Canada Leadership Forums where she earned her Bachelor's and Masters from the Lions University in 2018 and 2019 respectively. In recognition of Lion Suzanne's service she has received a Melvin Jones Fellowship and a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship. Lion Suzanne takes pride in calling, The Blindman Valley Lions, District C-1's newest Lions club, her Lions family.

She will continue to work at inspiring others to learn more about Lions, our cause and how we serve in our communities and globally. She will encourage members to reach new and higher goals for themselves in their club and other levels of Lions, and to empower our younger generation to become Lions.

Lion Suzanne is married to Lion Dave; they live in Sylvan Lake and have two adult daughters.



#### **DG C-2 Dustin Southgate**

Lion Dustin was born in Calgary, Alberta. He spent his early childhood in Okotoks until his family moved to Nanton in 1978. He still resides in Nanton with his wife, Brenda, and their three sons, Morgan, Trey and Dallon. After working as a Journeyman Automotive Technician for a few years, he hired on with Canadian Pacific Railway in 1994 as a Trainman, and later became a Conductor and an Engineer.

Lion Dustin has been involved with many local organizations for many years in Nanton, both as a participant and a volunteer. These include the Nanton Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Service, J.T. Foster School Queen's Ball Program, Nanton Night Rodeo, Pine Coulee Bow

Benders, Willow Creek Junior Dancers, Nanton Minor Hockey, Nanton Minor Ball and Nanton Minor Lacrosse. Lion Dustin is also a certified instructor of the Canadian Firearms Safety Course as well as the Alberta Hunter Education Program.

Following in the footsteps of his grandfather, father and uncle, Lion Dustin joined the Nanton and District Lions Club in December of 2001. He has held many club officer positions including serving as President a total five times between 2005 and 2014, has been Club Membership Chairperson since 2011 and Skatepark Chairperson from 2010 to 2015. Lion Dustin, at the District Level, has served as Zone Chairperson for Multiple District 37-0 and Multiple District C-2.

In 2010, with the goal of engaging the youth, Lion Dustin organized the charter of the Nanton & District LEO Club. The club grew very quickly, increasing from eight members to twenty-two in just over two years. Lion Dustin was key in establishing the LEO Clubs status as a society in 2017.

Lion Dustin has attended the Club Officer Training in Strathmore multiple times. In March of 2017, he became a certified Guiding Lion. In April 2017, Lion Dustin completed the MDC Regional Lions Leadership Institute program.

In recognition of Lion Dustin's distinguished achievements, he received the International President's Certificate of Appreciation at the MDC Convention in May of 2017. At the MDC convention in May of 2018, he received the International President's recognition of Distinguished Leadership medal. The Nanton JT Foster High school presented Dustin and his wife the Volunteer Of The Year award in both 2017 and 2018.

"Having fun is a fantastic way to motivate and inspire confidence and sustainability within our LION/LEO Clubs



#### **1VDG C-2 Michelle Harris**

Lion Michelle was born and raised in Fort Macleod. She has lived Lions as long as she can remember, with her dad being a Lion and her mom being a Lionette and then becoming a Lioness, then a Lion. Michelle and her three younger sisters always knew what the Lions Motto "We Serve" meant.

Michelle enjoys her position as the Front Store Manager for a Local Pharmacy, where she has been for over 14 years.

Michelle joined the Fort Macleod Lioness Club when they charted in 1986. In 1992 she became a Charter member of the Lethbridge Coulee

Lions. She moved her membership to the Fort Macleod Lions in 2002.

Michelle has held many positions at the Club level including, Director, Secretary, and President. At the District Level, District Convention Chair and two terms as Zone Chair.

Her numerous awards for service include District Governor's Certificate of Appreciation, International President's Certificate, a PID Bill Webber Fellowship, and a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

In addition to her Lions activities Michele is involved with several sports groups and other community organizations in the Fort Macleod area. Every year she volunteers to help with the Fort Macleod Triathlon.

Lion Michelle and husband Murray Sopher, also a Lion, have 6 children, 10 grandchildren, 1 dog, and a cat. (A houseful)



#### 2VDG C-2 Darryl Raleigh

Darryl was born in Lethbridge in 1960 and moved around Alberta following his dad who worked for ATB Financial. He graduated high school in Taber and followed in his fathers footsteps and also worked for ATB, becoming a branch manager at 26. He has lived in all corners of the province from Cardston in the south to High level in the north.

His volunteering started at a young age. He helped raise money for Rycroft's first indoor arena, St. Pauls' annual Rodeo, coached Little League Baseball, refereed hockey at all levels, even some international games. He also coached

some ladies hockey.

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#### MD C Secretary, Lion Ann Kennedy

Lion Anne joined Lions the Northeast Lions Club in 2000 and then took a leave starting in 2004 due to the passing of her parents and then her husband. She joined the Calgary Properties Lions Club in 2009. She then transferred to the Eastport Lions Club in 2019 and has held most Club positions. For the District Cabinet she has been the Peace Poster Chair, Lions Quest Chair, Sight & Hearing Chair, Zone Chair and Secretary. She has provided training at the District Training School and assisted with Zone

Chair training. She believes in serving her community and also volunteers for many other organizations.

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### MD C Treasurer, Sandra Goodrich

**Bowness Lions/Sundre Lions** 

Member of Lions for 10 Years

I have served as fundraising Chair, Membership Chair, Vice President, Club President, Chair Stampede Parade & Breakfast, Public Relations Committee and Assistant to the Casino Treasurer.

Cabinet Positions, Zone Chair, LFOC Chair

Most of my career has been spent in the accounting field, banking and the customs clearance field.

I am happily married to PDG John Goodrich, we have 4 children, 11 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. Our best days are spent with the family camping, teaching the grandchildren, working at the campground and golfing.

I have received numerous awards thru Lions and I am proud of each one. I love to volunteer and make our community a better place to live in and reach out and help people in need.

It is an honour to attend training for Lions such as the Alli and ELLI to learn how to be an amazing asset to Lions. The best part is to be able to go to Forums and Conventions to renew your belief by meeting people who give you the spirit and confidence to do our job as a Lion 100% all the time.



# LCI THIRD VICE PRESIDENT DR. PATTI HILL

Dr. Patti Hill from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada was elected to serve as third vice president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 102nd International Convention, held in Milan, Italy, July 5 through July 9,2019.

Vice President Hill is president of H.I. Consulting. With 30 years of experience as a psychologist she has mentored graduate students and psychologists in training. She has also championed the rights of children and youth who are deaf and/or blind.

A member of the Edmonton Host Lions Club since 1990, Vice President Hill has held many offices within the association, including district chairperson for Membership, Environment, Convention and International Cooperation and Understanding. Additionally she has served as a committee member for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, multinational coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II, secretary for the Lions Eyebank (Alberta) Society, Vice President of the Lions Eye Research Institute of Northern Alberta and presenter and multiple forums and conventions.

In recognition of her service to the association, Vice President Hill has received numerous awards, including several International President's Awards. She has been honored with the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. She is also a Bill Webber Fellow, Judge Brian Stevenson Fellow, Denise and Jack Isaman Fellow and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to her Lions activities, Vice President Hill is active in numerous professional and community organizations. She is a member of the Psychologists Association of Alberta, the Canadian Psychological Association and the Community League. In the past, she served as president of the Alberta Association of Psychologists and the Association of Canadian Educators of the Hearing Impaired.

Vice President Hill and her husband, Gregory Holmes, also a Lion, have two children.

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### Past International President Judge Brian Stevenson

Judge Brian Stevenson, of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, was elected to serve as president of The International Association of Lions Clubs following his election at the association's 70th International Convention, held in Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China, July 1-4, 1987.

Past President Stevenson has served in private law practice and as a special prosecutor in the Canadian Department of Justice. In 1974, he

was appointed for life as a Judge to the Provincial Court of Alberta. He recently retired as Assistant Chief Judge of the Criminal Division of that court in Calgary.

A Lion since 1966 and currently a member of the Calgary (Northeast Eyeopener) Lions Club, Past President Stevenson has held numerous offices in the association. These include terms as district governor, a member of the association's board of directors from 1977-79 and as a presidential appointee to the international board from 1979-81 and again from 1998-1999. He also served a three-year term as the chairperson of Campaign SightFirst, one of the largest and most successful fundraising campaigns in the history of the association.

In recognition of his many contributions to the association, Past President Stevenson has received numerous awards including the 100% District Governor Award, the Membership Advancement Key, 18 International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor granted by the association to its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his work as a Lion, Past President Stevenson has served as president of the Calgary Social Planning Council, as a board member of the Calgary United Way and as a member of the City of Calgary Social Services Committee. He has also served as president of the Alberta Provincial Judges Association and as chairperson of the International Year of Disabled Persons Committee for the Province of Alberta. In 1996, the City of Calgary recognized his numerous voluntary contributions by awarding him the Grant MacEwan Lifetime Achievement Award of Merit.

Past President Stevenson is a member of numerous professional organizations and has authored a number of articles on legal matters. He and his wife, Patricia, have four daughters, eight granddaughters and two grandsons.



### PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR JACK ISAMAN

Jack Isaman, of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, was elected to serve a twoyear term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 80th International Convention, held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA, June 30-July 5, 1997.

Past Director Isaman is a professional accountant and business manager.

A member of the Calgary (Northeast Eyeopener) Lions Club, Past Director Isaman has been a Lion since 1980. He has held many offices within the association, including club president, district governor and council chairman. In addition, he is the director of both the Lions of Alberta Foundation and the Multiple District 37 Lions Eye Bank. Past Director Isaman also served as director of the Lions Christmas Telethon and author of his multiple district's policy manual.

In recognition of his service to the association, Past Director Isaman has received the 100% District Governor Award, an Extension Award, a Leadership Award, three International President's Certificates of Appreciation, three International President's Awards and an Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor granted by the association to its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Past Director Isaman's wife, Denise, is also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.



## Past International Director Bill Webber

Bill W. Webber, of St. Albert, Alberta, Canada, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 72nd annual convention, held in Miami/Miami Beach, Florida, USA, June 21-24, 1989.

Past Director Webber is a retired district manager of a utility company.

A Lion and member of the St. Albert Host Lions Club since 1964, Past Director Webber has held the positions of club president, district governor and council chair. He serves as a director and vice chair of Lions Quest Canada, as coordinator of Lions Project Pride, and director and past chair of his multiple district eye bank. He also served as a national coordinator for Campaign SightFirst.

For his contributions to the association, Past Director Webber has received the 100% District Governor Award, six International Certificates of Appreciation, eight International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor granted by the association to its members. He is a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Active in the community, Past Director Webber has served on the Edmonton Emergency Planning Committee, the Canadian Gas Association Customer Service Committee and the St. Albert Board of Education.

Past Director Webber and his wife, Joan, also a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two daughters, two sons and six grandchildren.