

# District 19E Newsletter



## District 19E 2020 – 2021 Cabinet

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# District Governor's Message





2021

#### MEMBERSHIP GROWTH IS IMPORTANT

Membership is one of the most important aspects of keeping Lion Clubs alive and well. We need to continue to grow as a Lions organization. Clubs, Zones and District 19 E, all need to make membership a priority. Our district continues to lose members year after year. In fact, this year we have lost 48 members, making Multiple District 19's total loss for the year 434 members. We can end this year in a positive note by each club adding just one member by years end. How you say?

First, it's important to remember that even in this economic downturn there are some incentives for prospective members. Lions Clubs International has made joining your club easier this year by extending the elimination of the \$35.00 entrance fee through June 30. A thirty-five dollar waiver in this economic climate can and does mean a lot to many people.

Second, schedule an open house and then invite a friend, colleague, relative or neighbor. If I recall, one club in this district gained five new members by having an open house where pizza was enjoyed, while learning what Lions were all about and what their specific club supported. Remember, this doesn't have to happen in person, this can take place over a virtual call. Lions have become pretty versatile and have adapted to different ways of doing things.

Finally, speaking of doing things differently, I know that many club members are doing volunteer work on an individual or small group basis. Why not invite a non-member to join you or a small group of Lions in a service project? Our friends and neighbors need to know that we still have the capability and desire to help our community even during these trying and most difficult times.

Remember, we can't thrive, lessen the workload or develop new leadership unless we grow.



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# District Governor's Visitation Schedule

Due to the pandemic, the District Governor's schedule remains very fluid.

Obviously, visits to clubs north of the border are contingent on authorities opening up the border. Thank you for your continued support and understanding. As always, I will do my best to keep everyone involved informed.

Any club that would like to do a Zoom, or in person meeting on an open date, please contact:

DG Peggy Harriman at (208) 755-6137 or pah4610@gmail.com

<u>May 1</u>		District 19E Spring Conference-Virtual
<u>May</u>		
5th	Tuesday	Priest Lake Kaniksu6pm
5th	Wednesday	Coolin Club Branch9am
20th	Thursday	North Pend Oreille Valley6:30pm

I have shared this before, but I think it needs to be offered again.

What have you done lately to support your Lions Club, your Zone Chair Person, or your District?

Lions clubs throughout the United States and in Canada are slowly dissolving through lack of membership, participation of members, and an overall sense of apathy.

Where do you fit in in this picture? Have you been a club officer, served on a committee as chairperson, or taken any online classes to increase your knowledge of information that will make you a better Lion?

Your involvement in any of those segments of a Lions Club will help your club grow stronger, help you increase membership, and help you remind your fellow Lions that we have a mission here – "To Serve".

IPDG Frank Bega

Please submit all District Newsletter articles to: <a href="mailto:d19e.dg.newsletter@gmail.com">d19e.dg.newsletter@gmail.com</a>
Pictures need to be in jpeg format and text needs to be in either .docx or.rtf format.

Deadline for submission is the 25th of the month. Please send corrections or additional information to the above email address

#### District 19E Clubs

<u>Zone E-1:</u> Airway Heights Cheney Centennial Medical Lake Rosalia Spokane Central Spokane Shadle North Zone E-2: Almira Davenport **Grand Coulee Dam** Reardan Wilbur Zone E-3: Coeur d'Alene Hauser Osburn Pinehurst Kingston Post Falls Rathdrum Smelterville Zone E-4: Cranbrook Creston Kootenay Lake Mark Creek Zone E-5: **Beaver Valley** Northport Rossland-Golden City Trail Zone E-6: Elkford Fernie Sand Creek Sparwood Zone E-8: Castlegar-Selkirk Kootenay Slocan Nelson North Pend Oreille Valley Salmo Zone E-9: Chewelah Valley Liberty Lake Rockford Spokane Valley Zone E-10: Fairmont & District Golden & District Lake Windermere Wasa Zone E-11: Priest River

> Priest Lake Kaniksu Sandpoint

# **GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM (GMT)**

We hope all are in good health and keeping enthusiastically busy, enjoying spring May flowers and the new life spring brings to our communities and continued growth to our clubs. We also look forward to seeing you at our District E Virtual Spring Convention.

Our year is rapidly winding down, we must continue our efforts to finish this Lions year strong. May 15 is the deadline at LCI for reporting your officers for next year. (2021-2022) You should also report them to MD19 with a copy to any first Vice District Governor or Second Vice District Governor in our District. Remember International membership fees are waived until June 30.



# **New Presidential Awards for 2021**

Your team has committed itself to working together to strengthen membership and service in your district. And now there are even more ways to honor their dedication with new awards and special recognitions recently announced by President Choi.

- Club Retention Award District governors who have excelled at maintaining strong club engagement and retention can qualify to earn an International President's Award.
- Member Retention Award District GMT coordinators who have focused on maintaining strong club membership by keeping Lions active, engaged and happy can qualify to earn an International President's Leadership Award.
- **Net Gain Award** District governors can earn the opportunity to honor a Lion who has helped them achieve their membership goals with an International President's Award.
- Second Half Club Chartering Award District governors can earn the opportunity to honor a Lion dedicated to chartering new clubs with an International President's Leadership Award.

Let's show the world how much we can accomplish when we are United in Kindness and Diversity. For more information on awards, visit your updated <u>Awards Website</u>.

An idea for our youth at home, why not encouraging them to start working on the Peace Poster Contest. Have your club purchase a kit, follow instructions, and produce a world class image from our District. What is your vision of "We Are Connected"? What a great way to utilize time!

To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only). Price per kit is \$11.95.

Have a great month,

PDG Brian Ross

**GMT District 19E** 

# Please join me in welcoming the following new Lions to District 19E

CLUBNEW MEMBERSPONSORAlmiraBrett NeilsenTodd BodeauPriest RiverSusan K. MaschnerBetty SimkinsSalmoAnita Lyn HortonKen Anderson



Rathurum Lions

Gary R. Domme

### **ENVIRONMENT**

## An Incredibly Easy Environment Project for Your Club!

During a recent review of environmental projects completed by clubs in District 19E, I found that three clubs were quietly involved in a different kind of recycling project. We all know about recycling cans and bottles and collecting eyeglasses and hearing aids for reuse in poorer countries. But did you know that you can also recycle empty pill bottles?

Nearly three-quarters of our population take at least one prescription drug, and more than half take two. That's a whole lot of empty pill bottles when the medication is gone. While some of these bottles are recycled or reused, many of them end up in landfills.

One group is working to change that. Cincinnati-based <u>Matthew 25: Ministries</u>, an international humanitarian aid and disaster relief organization, accepts donations of empty plastic pill bottles that are either sent to places where medical supplies are needed or are shredded and recycled. "Our pill bottle program fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries and caring for our environment," <u>according to the website (https://m25m.org/pillbottles/</u>).

Many times, the pills people receive in developing countries are wrapped in paper scraps. They have no protection from moisture or the elements. And they certainly are not safely out of the reach of small children — you can't really safety-proof a piece of paper. Those orange pill bottles we take for granted are gratefully received in many parts of the world.

Matthew 25: Ministries accepts the following:

- Prescription and over-the-counter pill bottles
- Large and small pill bottles
- Pill bottles with and without child-resistant caps

If you wish to prepare bottles for shipment rather than recycling, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Bottles included in shipments of medical supplies must have an all plastic lid.
- Sort bottles by color and type.
- Remove labels, leaving no glue or residue (\*see tip below for removing labels).
- Wash bottles in very hot water and dish soap.
- Rinse and dry thoroughly.
- Replace lids on clean, dried bottles.
- Place clean, recapped bottles in large ziplock bags marked "Clean Bottles." These will be blended with medical supplies.

\*Tip for removing labels: You can do this by submerging the bottle in a pot of boiling water if it doesn't easily peel off. If there's still a little sticky residue on the bottle, lemon essential oil will easily remove it.

When you're ready to ship your bottle(s) off, address your package to:

Matthew 25: Ministries 11060 Kenwood Road Cincinnati, OH 45242

So next time you find yourself taking a prescription or over-the-counter medication, save the bottle — don't toss it!

That's it! You just made a difference and kept plastic out of our landfills!

Respectfully submitted,

### PDG Kim Di Rienz

District 19E Environment Chair / MD19 Environment Co-Chair

#### **GLOBAL LEADSHIP TEAM**

The L in GLT stands for Leadership: specifically Leadership Training. Our district cannot survive without our club members taking the time to serve as leaders in their clubs, and then moving on up the leadership ladder.

Please, if you feel the urge to step up to Zone Chair or District Governor, please reach out to me and let's get you going on the ladder to success. To be sure there are positions you must have held prior to becoming either a Zone Chair or a District Governor. In an effort to help you decide, I recommend that you seek more information by visiting the MD-19 website, and start looking for different classes on the Lions Learning Center.

Once again, if you feel you want to proceed, but need some guidance or help; I am here to serve you. I can be reached by email <a href="mailto:frankbega@frontier.com">frankbega@frontier.com</a>, or (208) 659-1446.

## IPDG Frank Bega

19E GLT



## RETENTION

Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.

Encourage your members not to give up and quit.

Remind them of how much they are helping someone in their community, someone that may be going without if they didn't have your help. Work with them if they need your help but always make sure that they know you are always there for them.

What, as a club, could you change to make it a place that this member would want to be and to stay? If there is a conflict talk it out ... work together. Being a Lion is a wonderful thing and being able to work and serve your community is so rewarding

## Lion Marge Bega

Retention Chair MD19

Hello, Fellow Lions:

As you know, LCIF just recently had our first ever **Tell-A-Thon**, and in a 4-hour period, Lions around the world raised**\$675,000.00!** 

Jerry Lewis, on his first ever Tele-A-Thon raised \$1,002,000.00. And wouldn't it be amazing if we could raise MORE!

So, our 1st Vice President Douglas Alexander has issued another challenge; by the end of April, let's raise \$1,002,001.00!

We are asking all Lions to donate \$10.00, \$20.00, \$50.00 or whatever you can afford to make this Tele-A-Thon a BIGGER SUCCESS, so that our Lions Clubs International Foundation can do even more service in our world!! (Even if the site says the fundraiser is over, rest assured, we can still donate!)

Remember... Ten years or so ago International President Tam challenged us to plant 1 million trees. Last figure I saw was in excess of 10 million trees planted. A few years ago, we were challenged to serve 100 million individuals, we served around 175 million people.

Lions rise to the challenge; let's help meet and EXCEED this challenge!!

To donate, please go

to <a href="https://www.facebook.com/donate/2857731397835283/">www.facebook.com/donate/2857731397835283/</a> and make your donation. If you want the donation to be credited to MJF, save your receipt and send it to: <a href="mailto:donarssistance@lionsclubs.org">donarssistance@lionsclubs.org</a>.

"We Serve" & meet (and exceed) challenges!

Thank you in advance for all you do to support Lions.

Yours in Lions, PDG Bob Yeoman MD 19 LCIF Coordinator, District D-E-F



## LCIF Campaign 100 TELL-A-THON

Together we can make a difference in the lives of those in need. Whether it's \$5 or \$500, all of the money donated to LCIF goes directly back into initiatives that directly help those in need.

www.facebook.com

## LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (LCIF)

Throughout the year many requests have been made to clubs and members to support LCIF. Even during this past year in dealing with Covid 19 many have responded and I, LCIF and recipients all thank you. District 19 E has been the recipient of 2 grants this past year totaling around \$15,000. It is important that we continue to support this humanitarian program during good times and tough times. We are about to enter our final year of *Campaign 100*. Excited to tell you that we have now raised in excess of \$200 million. The recent Tell A Thon raised \$675,000 and we are attempting to increase that to \$1,002,001 by end of April.

We need to remember the Melvin Jones Fellowship program which recognizes Lion members for supporting what their clubs do. A Lion member does not need to be in Lions for a specific time period, held certain positions, brought in multiple members, attend every meeting. While all those traits are good and are encouraged a member should be in support of what their club, district and LCI are doing. Currently we have a number of clubs that have made enough donations to request MJFs for a deserving member(s). For every \$1000.00 donated (accumulated over time) a club can request an MJF. The actual figure is 66 MJFs could be currently requested throughout the district. Some clubs have enough donation credits for multiple MJFs. I know we have many deserving members out there. Please contact me to inquire about your respective club.

Let's finish the year strong and look for additional funds we can donate to LCIF.

Mail checks to

LCIF, Dept 4547 Carol Stream, Il. 60122-4547.

Canadian Clubs mail checks to

Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF, C/o Stan Durward Sunderland, On. LOC 1H0 Canada.

Donations can also be made on LCI website under DONATE.

## PDG Bob Yeoman

LCIF Chair

### **CARE**

Thru the end of our last MD 19 reports the district has received \$1450.00 in donations for CARE. Thank you to the 7 clubs that have donated this year. It is important that all clubs in the district help support this MD 19 annual project. You have elected your District Governors with the intent of supporting them. It is the district governor and immediate past district governor that determine how the donations are distributed. Important we support this project and more importantly the girls in Haiti that will benefit from your donations. I realize fundraisers have been hard this past year but whatever you can do is appreciated. Donations can come from the club, members or outside of Lions. Also as we move towards next year please include CARE in your annual budget.

Remember that a club or member donating \$500.00 in a fiscal year can receive a Gordon F Smith Fellowship. The club or member must request that fellowship.

Mail checks to the following address with a notation on the memo line CARE.

MD 19 Lions

4141 W Maplewood Avenue

Bellingham, WA. 98226

## Lion Barbara Yeoman

CARE Chair MD19E

# **KNIGHTS of the BLIND (KOTB)**

Fellow Lions of District E.

I'm looking for any member who is Blind or Visually Impaired.

We are trying to get more Blind or Visually Impaired involved in Lions work. I would like anyone who is to contact me so I can reach out to you.

District E Rep **PDG Ken Cook** kcook12@roadrunner.com 208-964-0181



The Lions of MD19 KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND COMMITTEE

# invites you to join us on a virtual tour of THE HELEN KELLER MUSEUM

Sunday, May 23, 2021 - 1pm to 3pm (PDT) and to participate in

## **Lions Helen Keller Vision Month**





- Join us on an Exclusive Guided Virtual Tour of THE HELEN KELLER MUSEUM in Tuscumbia,
  Alabama, the birthplace and childhood home of Helen Keller and location of the famous water pump. We
  will be guided by Susan Harrel, VP of Tuscumbia, Alabama Lions Club.
- Learn about the June HELEN KELLER MONTH as we revisit Helen Keller's challenge to the Lions "to become Knights of the Blind" and showcase years of achievements in response to that challenge.
- Learn about MD19 Lions Knights of the Blind Committee and its commitment to Helen's challenge in today's world, and how you can become a part of that mission.
- Deaf-Blind Communication Methods
- Clubs are invited to participate in celebrating the Legacy of Helen Keller. We have prepared a kit filled with ideas and information to share Helen's Vision of Advocacy, Accessibility and Independence. For more details about the kit contact Art Ruben at <a href="mailto:since1965@aol.com">since1965@aol.com</a>.

**NOTE**: Although reservations are not required, you may let us know if you plan to attend, so we can prepare for the number of participants, or learn more about the Knights of the Blind, you can email kotb.md19@hotmail.com All participants other than the panel will be muted during the presentation.

## **ZOOM Connections:**

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81487439241?pwd=bk0zN01ZY0pWTGxVVTVPb1pqR0VKQT09}$ 

Meeting ID: 814 8743 9241 Passcode: 938222

One tap mobile:

from US: +12532158782,,81487439241# from Canada: +16473744685,,81487439241#

If you require ASL interpretation contact kotb.md19@hotmail.com no later than May 10 with your request and we will accommodate you as best we can.

# Out and About in the District

## **ZONE E2**

As our current fiscal year comes to an end I am happy to announce Zone E 2 has a Zone Chair for next year. Jim Reinbold from the Davenport Lions has offered to serve as ZC for fiscal year 2021-2022. Jim has been in Lions since 2015 and served as both President and Secretary. I know he will do an excellent job serving in his new role. Thank you Jim.

Almira brought in a new member this past February. Brett Neilsen is the newest Lion in Almira and Zone E 2. Please join me in welcoming Brett to Lions. Thank you Todd Bodeau for being his sponsor. Secretaries in E 2 continue to do a great job in submitting monthly membership reports. Keep up the great work.

### PDG Bob Yeoman

Zone Chair

## **CHEWELAH VALLEY LIONS**

Earth Day City Wide Cleanup!

Chewelah Boy Scout Troop 989 sponsored by Chewelah Lions Club were busy cleaning and replacing gravel edge along Highway 395 near Safeway.



# IT'S CELEBRATION TIME COME ON!!!!!!



Eager to get out and visit your fellow Lions?

Then mark your
calendar and join District 19 E for a little fun, relaxation and comradery.



June 12, 2021 Q'EMILN PARK POST FALLS, ID

More information to follow in the next few weeks.

## **BACK TO SCHOOL**



# Club Officers, Zone Chair Training 2021-2022

I finally have obtained the scheduled training for the Club Officers; Zone Chairs; and tentatively; the District Governors and Vice-district Governors. The schedules are as follows:

<u>Club Officer Training</u>: There will be only three (3) sessions, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, July 24<sup>th</sup>, and September 25<sup>th</sup>. These will be Saturday morning training Zoom classes, starting at 09:00 A.M. and finishing up at 12:30 P.M.(Pacific Time) <u>Register</u> by May 18, 2021 (Click on "register" for registration form) Email <u>t.smarsh@att.net</u> with any questions. Pre-assignment and ZOOM confirmation sent a few days before event

All incoming Club Officers for 2021-2022 are strongly encouraged to attend. There is much new information and new ways of reporting club activities to be revealed.

**Zone Chair Training**: Zone Chair training will be a two day presentation, starting at 6:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. on Friday **June 18<sup>th</sup>**, and finishing on Saturday morning, June 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. There will only be 1 Zone Chair Training Presentation.

All clubs are strongly encouraged to get your new officers elected and reported to MD-19 and LCI by the appropriate dates and even more strongly encouraged to attend the training sessions provided.

If you are new to Zoom presentations and feel uncomfortable with them or need assistance getting familiar with them, please contact me and I will set up a Zoom familiarization session. I can be reached at <a href="mailto:frankbega@frontier.com">frankbega@frontier.com</a> or (208)659-1446. I look forward to hearing from you.

<u>District Governor and Vice-district Governor</u> training will also be via Zoom presentations, but the actual date has not as yet been decided by LCI. I will try to keep all of you informed as the information becomes available.

# PDG Frank Bega

District GLT



#### ZOOM MEETINGS...

Learn to setup or just becoming more comfortable about using the Zoom platform for training or meetings, log-on to this video training session.

## **BACK TO SCHOOL**



## 2021 NORTHWEST LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

"Leadership: Unleash Your Inner BEAST"

Date: June 3-5, 2021

Location: Rosspoint Camp, Post Falls ID

Cost: \$350.00 without the Waiver (deposit of \$150 US/CAN at par)

<u>Please note</u>: Applicants from Clubs in MD19 can apply for a special fee waiver, which can reduce the

cost of the Institute by \$200.00, so don't forget to apply for that waiver!

REGISTRATION CLOSES on May 15, 2021 So, SIGN UP TODAY at www.nwlli.org

Your cost will cover 3 nights double occupancy lodging at the Harrison Beach Hotel (single occupancy available on a limited basis for an additional charge.) Dinner on June 3rd, Lunch on June 4th, Lunch & Dinner on June 5th, coffee breaks and snacks. Cost will cover all training materials, & hotel parking for 3 days. (All Breakfasts and Friday dinner are on you own.)

For more information or any questions, contact Art Weatherly: <a href="mailto:registrar@nwlli.org">registrar@nwlli.org</a> or 360-898-0060 / or call Assistant Superintendent, PDG Laura at <a href="mailto:lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com">lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com</a> / 509-999-6282

**PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth** Unfortunately, Canadian Lions will not be able to attend due to the Assistant Superintendent border closure and the pandemic.



# **USA/Canada Lions Leadership FORUM**

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

To develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International. <a href="lionsformm.org">lionsformm.org</a>

<u>Dates</u>: September 9-11, 2021 <u>Location</u>: Des Moines, Iowa <u>Theme</u>: "Cultivating Leaders"

Go online at <a href="https://lionsforum.org/">https://lionsforum.org/</a> for registration

### INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION---JUNE 25-29, 2021



#### Dear Lion Leader,

Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the board of directors voted to transition the 2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind as limiting international travel and large gatherings is key to global containment strategies.

Although we are disappointed that we won't be able to host this event in person, we are excited about hosting our first virtual international convention that can safely connect Lions from around the world. We are still finalizing the details of your new convention experience, and will share those with you as soon as they are ready.

Here are some important details about the 2021 virtual convention we'd like to share with you:

- Everyone's invited Our 2021 convention will be a virtual event that's open to all Lions and Leos around the world.
- Registration fees The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US\$30 regardless of date. Convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29. Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.
- Current registrants Lions who are currently registered for convention will receive an email soon with more information about their registration options.
- Elections Executive officer and international director elections will be conducted electronically, and voting procedures will be forthcoming.
- Convention updates Check our convention website
   LCICon for convention updates and details as they become available.

This global health pandemic has forced us all to make decisions and changes that place health and safety first. However, we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions, we continue to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our global mission of service.

We appreciate your understanding during this challenging time for our organization and the world, and thank you for your incredible service as a Lion.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi International President