The Year of the Volunteer!



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CRESTON LEO - CRESTON VALLEY 76TH BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

Our **Creston Lions** and **Leos** were very active and thrilled onlookers at the Creston Valley 76th Blossom Festival on Saturday 20th May.

That's our very talented Leo Tanner on the unicycle!

Leo Tanner was photographed by many, cheered on by all in attendance - admiring his skill!

Well done a huge boost community spirit - way to go Leos!.



CRESTON LIONS BLOSSOM FESTIVAL STREET FAIR

By Lion Myrna Johnson

Great crowd, fun and an enjoyable day - THANKS

Little worried, it rained all night, stopped in the morning at 8:37 am - , just in time for all





We Serve!



CRESTON LIONS CHILDREN PARADE - BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

A warm, +26 sunny Monday morning greeted all participants and viewers for the running of **Creston Lions Childrens' Parade** at the **76th Creston Valley Blossom Festival.**

Excitement and hearts took a leap at the start when our **Creston Fire Rescue** turned on their firetruck's lights and sirens - showing and announcing to all the parade was starting.

Mayor Ron Toyota lead the costumed children through town - some were walking, other rode their decorated bikes and in wagons.

BreeRex added joy and energy to the parade. All children in the parade were given balloons and a ticket to be used at the Childrens' Picnic at Centennial Park for a hot dog, juice and **Creston Dairy Queen** coupon for an ice cream cone! Enjoyable time for all.





2 - \$1,000 Bursaries presented by Sparwood Lions Club

Sparwood Lions Past
President, Lion John Baher
presents the first Bursery, for
\$1,000 to a Sparwood
Secendary School 2017 Grad
student, for VOLINTEERING
they have done, both in School
and the Community.

The second bursary will be presented at a later time, as the second winner is graduating from a different school at a latter date.

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Welcome New Members

Listed below by Zone and club are our new members added in the month of May 2017 and their Sponsors. Welcome to all the new members and thank you to all.

Club	Zone	New Lion	Sponsor
Spokane Central	E01	John Daschel	Steve Ball
Spokane Central	E01	Mark A. Robershotte	Ronald Clark
Reardon	E02	William Robinson	John Nelson
Rathdrum	E03	Jim J. Reynolds	Larry Quimby
Rathdrum	E03	Connie L. Frank	CHERRY HEITSTUMAN
Rathdrum	E03	Sue Chambliss	Mary Hassler
Post Falls	E03	Christopher A. St. Pierre	Brianna Noel
Post Falls	E03	Christian J. McClure	Brianna Noel
Beaver Valley	E05	Shelley A Verhelst	Roy Plummer
Beaver Valley	E05	Catherine Ann Ellison	Helen Underwood
Nelson	E08	Gregory Eliuk	reinstated
Salmo	E08	Jerry Sikora	Ken Anderson
Chewelah	E09	Helga Atwood	Carole Jones
Chewelah	E09	Terry L Ely	Cathy Schick
Liberty Lake	E09	Eric Hoglund	Bill Ash
Liberty Lake	E09	Donald W Russell	Bill Ash
Liberty Lake	E09	Joanne Percy	Wendy Van Oman
Lake Windermere	E10	Douglas T. Anakin	Herman Anders
Wasa	E10	Mike Gall	Jim Hill

A Message from Our 19E District Governor

This message goes out to all of the clubs in District 19E. During my year as Governor many clubs gave me gifts, made donations to most worthy causes in my name and a number of clubs gave me money to help offset my expenses during the year. You have no idea how helpful our clubs have been. I am overwhelmed with you generosity. I thank so very much. This is just another way 19E has shown why our district is such a great district, thank you so much.

YIL, Glen Barry DG 2016-2017

To our falle	Lion, our thanks for your past service and condolences to	
your family and friends, you will be missed.		

C lu b	Departed Lion
Lake Windermere	Eugen Seel
Spokane Central	Sandford Gerber

Annual Zone 19E6 Service Project Held 12 May 2017 by PZC Bill Moir

On May 12, the 4 Clubs in Zone 19E6 served Hotdogs, Watermelon, Fruit juice and Bottled Water to all the grades 4 to 7 in all four communities at their Annual Kikomen Creek Run held at the Provincial Camp Ground in Jaffray, BC.

All costs were equally split between the 4 Zone Clubs of Sand Creek Lions (in Jaffary), the Fernie Lions, the Sparwood Lions and the Elkford Lions in B.C.

Working the event to feed all Kids, Parents & Teachers were 2 Lions from Elkford, 7 Lions from Sparwood, 3 Lions from Fernie and 2 Lions from the Sand Creek Lions Clubs.

Served were 720 hot dogs, 20 large water melons, 24doz Juice boxes, 10 doz. Bottled water, and 12 boxes of tomatoes.



Lions-Dinosaur-Games-Food-Juggler- Splash Park By Lion Myrna Johnson

Lions - Dinosaur - Games - Food - Juggler- Interactive Stations - Splash Park all took place at the **Creston Lions Childrens' Picnic** - is the last scheduled event of the 4 day long **Creston Valley 76th Blossom Festival** held each long weekend in May.

A great turnout of "501" enjoying our hot +29 sunny afternoon at Centennial Park on Monday 22 May, that is a record! Great music, games, food, fun activites organized by our Creston Leos to name a few - Olive Pit Spitting Contest, Hammer That, Tug of Wars and so much more, partnering with Library, Fire Fighters, Face Painters added to a fun and enjoyable afternoon for all.

We had a wonderful enchanting surprise guest - **BreeRex**. Our dinosaur was out and about - dancing, playing and visiting. BreeRex took a refreshing and cooling stroll in our Splash Park with kids and adults! Thank you to all organizers, participants and families - see you next year!



Creston Valley Rod and Gun Club & Creston Lions on Weather Network

This little guy is a true sportsman ready to sign in with a smile, energy, compete with his family and other participants at the Creston Valley Rod and Gun, 3-D Archery Shoot at Kidd Creek regardless of what Mother Nature sent for weather. Getting to the site was a challenge for all this morning, having to navigate and cross a flooded road, compete in the rain, blowing cold wind, 11 degrees, deep puddles, all done with smiles, sportsmanship, joy of competition, everyone finished courses in the morning and afternoon. **Lions** had the grill going all day. An enjoyable day for all ages and families!



CRESTON LIONS SETTING UP - PANCAKE BREAKFAST

By Lion Myrna Johnson

Saturday 20 May 2017 started out with heavy rains, +4, cold winds and puddles for setup. Mother Nature - smiled and changed her mind at 8:37 am, gave us sunshine and heat.**Lions** and **Leos** wish to thank **JUICE FM** for their on site broadcast and to all **400** who came for **their breakfast**!.



CRESTON LEOS CHALLENGE LIONS - PLANTING CHALLENGE TO BRING BACK THE BEES

Creston Leo Andreas challenged our Lions in a Planting Challenge!

This competition is between Leos and Lions to assist and help "Bring the Bees Back" to our Creston Valley. Members are to plant the seeds given and take pictures before and after.

Winners will be judged by their photos. Bonus if you get a photo of a bee on your plants!

Overall winner is our community = bringing back the bees, improving environment, boosting community spirit and pride, community project involving families and neighbours. Plantings are going in everywhere - yards, senior complexes, planters, vacant and used property, along railway tracks and highways. This will be adding colours, beauty, sound of bees and humming birds, smells of flowers, joy and smiles as people pass by and admire Mother Nature. A great challenge - thank you to all who donated seeds. Wait till you see our pictures from our challenge.

Lion Myrna Johnson

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What do you call a Car Full of Smiling Lions?

By Lion Myrna Johnson

A car full of smiling Lions! The weather conditions, changed from heavy rains to sunshine just in time for the **76th Creston Valley Blossom Festival Parade**. **Creston Lions** are enjoying their sweet ride in this wonderful convertible during the parade - check out the colour - matches their vests!. No wonder these great volunteers are all smiles, sunshine and out participating in Blossom Festival Events this weekend. What do call a Car Full of Smiling Lions? Great volunteers are part of the backbone of each community.



Creston Lions Club honored by Creston Valley Rod and Gun Club Creston Lions Club are honored with assisting the Creston Valley Rod and Gun Club at their 3-DArchery Shoot on 6 & 7 May 2017 with Concession goodies! Great to see families out, all ages competing with smiles - regardless of their weather conditions. These individuals were out in anything but ideal conditions in wet, rainy, blowing cold wind, 11 degrees, flood roads for the joy of competition



OUT OF MUTUAL RESPECT:

I would like to thank everyone for coming out to help make 19Es spring conference a success.

While at our conference I was approached by a small group with a very legitimate question. Why do we sing America and Canada's national anthem but not the US's national anthem? America is not the national anthem. Why indeed.

For our banquet Saturday night we sang the US's national anthem and Canada's national anthem and that is the way it should be

Our district is very fortunate to be an international district and therefore we should, out of respect for each other, sing each other's national anthems. Unless some previous arrangement (previous to the event in question) the two anthems should be sung.

TO DO THIS EACH CLUB AND ORGANIZING COMMITTEE SHOULD BE PREPARED BY:

- -Having both countries flags and current words to each other's national anthems and someone to lead in the singing of same. Or possibly pre-recorded music or music with words of the anthems that maybe appropriate.
- -Now if there someone from a country other than ours, their anthems should be sung if possible, or music of the visitors or guests anthem.

And lastly which one gets sung first? The rule of thumb is the visiting country gets their anthem sung first.

So, let's do this out of respect for both of our great nations and its peoples.

YIL

Glen Barry DG

A Message from our 19E District Goernor

I would like to thank all those Lions and Leos from our district that traveled to Castlegar to help make our conference the success that it was. It was also very nice to see all the guests from outside our district join in and enjoy our conference. I must say it was so nice to see the Leos join into the training and other events. Thank You. I would like to thank all the Lions Clubs and Lions members that help with registration, certification, Memorial

Service, raffle, elections and hospitality room. Thanks go out to all Cabinet Members that contributed with events and reports.

Our International guests ID Howard Hudson and his wife Lynn were a great addition to our conference. They were a delightful couple and blended in very well with our group. Thanks to you both.

Special thanks go out to PZC Joanne and PZC Kirk for the tremendous effort they put in to making our conference work well.

So far as the accounting is concerned we did not make a huge profit but more importantly we did not lose any money. This is in thanks to those Lions and Lions Clubs that supported our raffle by supplying raffle items and items to our hospitality room and of course thanks to all those Lions that purchased tickets. All these efforts and the efforts of our Conference Chairs exercising cost savings measures, means our District accounts are safe.

I would like to personally thank Rosemary, Steve, Rob and Hal for coming to our conference. These Lions also served as Governors with me 15 years ago. It also turned out ID Howard was also a fellow DG 15 years ago.

YIL

Glen Barry DG

CARE by Barbara Yeoman 19E Care Chair

CARE has developed a program framework for Girls with Opportunities initiative, which intends to reach 100,000 girls nationwide over a 10-year period. The proposed project is part of a broader program framework, and achievement targets have been established to contribute to this broader goal. As part of this broader initiative, CARE seeks funding for the two-year Girls with Opportunities pilot project, which will target 4,569 girls at 19 schools in the departments of Huancavelica and Ica in southern Peru. The focus of this project is to empower adolescent girls from rural and marginalized urban areas with better quality education and opportunities to learn important social skills.

As you know MD19 is Partnering on this project for 2017 & 2018. The 19 E goal this year is \$4005 so far we are at \$3725, we are SO CLOSE! Please make you contribution if you have not already done so.

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Lyndon E. Harriman^{2nd} *VDG/1stVDG Elect*Writing Member Friendly Articles

Having enjoyed the camaraderie of Lions for the last seventeen years, I chose to step up into leadership positions. This was not a spontaneous decision, but one that developed over several years. Having held most local offices more than once, I chose to run for zone and then district positions. Throughout my years as a Lion in various leadership positions I have noticed a disturbing trend in our communications. The use of anacronyms has increased dramatically, and without the requisite explanation behind the anacronym.

For the following example, *I purposely go to the extremes to illustrate the disconnect between leadership and the loyal rank and file member*.

Over the past month I have met with the IPDG, PDG(s), ZC, PZC(s), and the DG Elect. We discussed several issues of critical importance to Lions and determined we needed further guidance and information. Therefore we instituted a conference call with the GLT, GMT, IPCC, PCC, VCC, and CC. Their information provided much needed clarity and enabled our committee to rapidly come to a consensus.

So, if you use anacronyms, <u>please</u> do so sparingly, and ALWAYS start by first using the full title before using the anacronym.

To make things clear, and since I just used several anacronyms, I will follow by example and state what each one represents: Immediate Past District Governor, IPDG; Past District Governor, PDG; Zone Chair, ZC; Past Zone Chair, PZC; District Governor, DG; Global Leadership Team, GLT; Global Member Team, GMT; Immediate Past Council Chair, IPCC; Past Council Chair, PCC; Vice Council Chair, VCC; and Council Chair, CC.

Thank you,

Green Bluff Lions Club by PDG Bob Yeoman

Certified Guiding Lion Our newest club has recently changed their name. Last June we restructured Spokane Suburban North Lions with 17 brand new lions. The club meets at Big Barn Brewery on Green Bluff and many of the members live in that area. As many members live in the area and they are focusing early projects in that area they recently changed their name to Green Bluff Lions. Since restructuring the membership has grown to 28 members, with projects of highway clean up, reading with children at school, collecting winter clothing and more. Good start Green Bluff Lions.

LCIF by PDG Bob Yeoman

Many of you know that LCIF recently passed a milestone as we have awarded more that US **\$1 billion** in life changing grants. This since 1968 when LCIF was started. This has been made possible by Lions, and those that we have partnered with around the globe. We have accomplished so much but there is still much to do. Please continue to support LCIF with your club and individual donations.

Lions Club Centennial Commemorative Coin: If you have not ordered your coin yet please do so soon. For every coin purchased \$10.00 will go to LCIF. To purchase your coin go to LCI website and log into Lions 100 and follow the prompts. Purchases can be made for \$51.95 plus \$2.95 handling fee. Do not wait, when these are gone there will be no more.

Club LCIF Coordinators: The Club LCIF Coordinator is an ambassador for LCIF at the club level. This person shares LCIF stories, motivates fellow Lions to support LCIF and enables LCIF to advance our humanitarian work both locally and globally. This position is crucial to the promotion of our foundation. Talk to your club president if interested in volunteering for this position.

Individual Donations: Members have always been able to make individual donations to LCIF. This year members are being encouraged to do such. Attractive lapel pins will be awarded to members making an individual donation. A bronze lapel pin will be awarded for a \$20.00 donation, silver pin for a \$50.00 donation and gold pin for \$100.00 donation. Please support LCIF by making an individual donation.

District 19 District Governors Elect and Zone Chair Elect Trainig

Ever the period May 25-27, 2017 District 19E Officers and Zone Chairpersons attended training for their respective positions. The school was held at the University of British Columbia Campus in Vancouver, BC. Those able to attend were DGE Harry Lippincott, 2nd VDGE Frank Bega and Zone Chairpersons, Roger Schramm E1, Brian (Kiwi) Kirk E3, and Margie Walters E9 While at times the training was fairly intense it was well planned and informative. There were individual sessions for the District Governor, the Vice District Governors and the Zone Chairpersons. There were sessions using the team concept with all coming together for certain subject areas. A busy time but also a fun time with District teams getting together for food and drinks.



Spokane Shadle North lions who attended 19 E Conference

Pictured left to right are members from Spokane Shadle North lions who attended District 19 E conference. Barbara Yeoman, Roger Schramm, Denise Murray, Tammy Callahan, Job Murray, Bob Yeoman, Dan Cummens and Matt Jones. Great fun was had by all on Friday night.

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ZC Roger Selby addresses Kootenay Lake and Creston Lions Club

Zone chair Roger Selby addresses the members of Kootenay Lake and Creston Lions Club. Great meal was served celebrating Kootenay Lakes 38th anniversary.

