



District 19E Newsletter



District 19E
2020 – 2021 Cabinet

District Governor's Message

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2021

NEW YEAR

It's time to say goodbye 2020. It certainly wasn't one of our best years, and I doubt anyone is sorry to see it go. However, we can't let this past year define who we are. Just as in years past with other pandemics, wars, and disasters, Lions have survived and became even better serving their communities. I know we aren't out of the woods yet, but there is light at the end of the tunnel.

We've done some great things so far this year in spite of all that has happened. Clubs have been able to find ways to meet and raise funds either in person or virtually, many clubs have continued to serve their communities as best as they possibly could with restrictions set before them, and clubs have been able to increase their membership.

Congratulations to Newport Lions for inducting seven new members in November and Priest Lake Kaniksu for six new members in December. What an accomplishment.

As your District Governor, I held cabinet and club meetings and was able to procure a grant with the use of emails and Zoom, and this District's Zone Chairs have already held two Zone meetings. Multiple District 19 held its two Council of Governor meetings, officer training sessions, and the convention virtually. The USA-Canada Forum held planning meetings and the forum virtually, and the same is true for the International Lions, as well as board meetings and the installation of 2020-21 District Governors. Was it ideal? No, and attendance may not have been what was expected or hoped on some occasions, but as I mentioned in an earlier article, "Lions are resilient." We all do the best we can to SERVE because that's what Lions do.

So, I want to thank all of you for being the wonderful, resilient Lions that you are. **Thank you** for continuing to **SERVE** your communities in spite of the **DIVERSITIES** that we have and will continue to endure. **Thank you** for being so kind to one another, because **KINDNESS MATTERS**.



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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 meeting on an opening date, please contact DG Peggy Harriman.

<u>January</u>		
5th	Tuesday	Davenport
19th	Tuesday	Cheney Centennial
<u>February</u>		
2nd	Tuesday	Osburn & Smelterville--together
		at Smelterville Lions Bldg.
6th-7th	Fri-Sat	Council of Governors Meeting
16th	Tuesday	River City Club Branch
26th	Friday	Smelterville 65th Charter
<u>March</u>		
2nd	Tuesday	Priest Lake Kaniksu
3rd	Wednesday	Coolin Club Branch
6th-7th	Saturday	3rd Cabinet Meeting

SPRING CONFERENCE

SAVE THE DATE

May 30 – April 1-2, 2021

Spring Conference

Red Lion, Post Falls Id.

We are putting together the registration form
should be out the 1st part of February.

Please think positive we can make it work

PDG Ken Cook
Conference Chair



District 19E Clubs

Zone E-1:

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

Please submit all District Newsletter articles to: d19e.dg.newsletter@gmail.com

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

PROS and CONS

Here, based on my observations and experience is a list of Pros and Cons pertaining to being the District Governor. My intention is to spark some interest in pursuing the training and commitment to make becoming District Governor for District 19E a goal to be sought.

PROS:

The positions you need to fill before running for District Governor will provide you with skills that reach beyond being a Lion Leader.

The training you will need is easily accessible through LCI and Lions University. This training will also extend beyond just being a Lion Leader.

While many of the training sessions are via the internet now, the positive side is that you don't need to travel; don't need to make hotel reservations; spend money now and waiting for reimbursement; and you still get to meet and become familiar with other Lions throughout the district and multiple district.

Most of all, you are learning and growing as a Lion, this will help you, even if you do not pursue a leadership position. Ultimately we hope the information you learn and the people you meet will provoke you into stepping up and assuming a leadership position.

CONS:

This will take your commitment and dedication to serving your entire district. You will have to build your schedule around the meeting times and dates.

You probably will not have as many interactions with the rest of the District or the Multiple District due to the meetings and trainings being held online.

You will be required to submit reports and applications for reimbursement on a monthly basis.

With these things in mind, please consider putting your skills and knowledge to work in serving your District and making it a better District than when you started.

IPDG Frank Bega

RETENTION

I can't emphasize this enough.

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

With what we are all going through now and the restrictions we have to live by makes it so difficult to find ways to continue to serve our community. It can be done and your new members may have some great ideas to make them happen, JUST ASK THEM that maybe all it takes to keep them, if a member feels they are needed and their ideas and suggestions are important they will stay. They don't want to hear "we never do it that way" "there is always a new way and maybe a better way, JUST LISTEN.

May 2021 bring us all renewed faith and strength to continue serving our Communities.

Lion Marge Bega

Retention Chair MD19

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WHERE IS THE FUN IN FUNDRAISING?

Before Covid-19 hit, most fundraising was done face to face allowing for personal interactions. This one-on-one interaction built a great camaraderie between Lions and members of the community. Lions had an opportunity to laugh, joke and entertain as they raised funds for community projects. Car washes, raffles, golf matches, dinner parties and many other activities helped give Lions a rapport with their communities.

Today, it is difficult to recapture those feeling of connectiveness with members of the community. Due to limited interactions, reduced numbers, social distancing and masking, Lions have had to resort to other methods of fundraising. Most of the alternative methods involve the Internet. Presales of many products hosted by the Lions can be very successful. Several companies cater specifically to organizations like the Lions to enable these sales. Examples include; Terry Lynn candies and nuts, order forms can be emailed to everyone on our contact lists, their replies with orders can be tabulated and the club can then order the exact amount and keep their net profit, no loss on inventory to keep and store. Another example is finding a local representative for a company. An example; would be Avon or Tupperware. A Zoom meeting attended by potential buyers, invited by Lions, would then watch demonstrations of products and make their selections. The dealer would then collect the cost of the items, send the club the profits and deliver the ordered products. Emailing friends, family and co-workers to sell raffle tickets is another way to connect through the Internet. Our job as Lions is to continue to support our local and international communities. Now we need to fundraise any way possible to keep our commitment: We Serve!

WE ARE A RESOURCEFUL AND INNOVATIVE GROUP, BUT CAN'T WAIT TO GET BACK TO MEETING, CONVERSING, HANDSHAKING AND HUGGING.

PDG Lyndon Harriman
Extension Chair

2021 NORTHWEST LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

"Leadership: Unleash Your Inner BEAST"

Date: June 3-5, 2021

Location: Harrison Beach Hotel, Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia, Canada

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

Please note: 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 APRIL 1st, 2021 (No Fooling!) 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: registrar@nwlli.org or 360-898-0060 / or call Assistant Superintendent, PDG Laura at lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com / 509-999-6282

PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth
Assistant Superintendent

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ENVIRONMENT

New Year, New Habits

'Tis the season for making new year resolutions. Why not include some changes that will be good for our environment? Here are just a few ideas:

- Avoid using aerosol sprays.
- Reduce your use of paper towels; consider using washable hand towels in the kitchen.
- Use your own bags when you shop. Until COVID is a bad memory, this might mean that you have to bag your own groceries, but that's a small price to pay to keep plastic out of the landfills.
- When shopping, pick foods packaged in paper and glass.
- Drive less. One positive thing about the pandemic is that it has caused most of us to reduce the number of trips we make to town in order to reduce our chance of exposure to the virus. Continue to keep your trips to the minimum necessary. It will reduce the vehicle emissions and keep your gasoline costs down too.

There are more easy changes that can be made that will be in next month's newsletter.

Respectfully Submitted,

PDG Kim Di Rienz

District 19E Environment Chair

GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM (GST)

Summer's Coming! Start Planning Service Projects.

Yay! We have passed the shortest day of the year. Days are getting longer. Summer is on its way!

This is a perfect time for clubs to look forward to the snow-free season and make plans for service projects. Some clubs in our district are continuing to meet – virtually – using an online program called Zoom. It's not perfect, but it is better than not getting together at all.

Some clubs are even using Zoom to conduct service activities. I have heard of clubs that put together craft materials into kits and made them available to local children. Then on a set day and time, they offered an online class showing the kids how to put together their kits to create a craft project.

I have heard of clubs who have even held their holiday parties using Zoom. It's a tool to keep members connected.

So, thinking of service projects for next year, let me share one that Salmo Lions Club has been doing for the past year. They have a Railway Garden Park that they have volunteered to maintain. This year, in addition to flowers and shrubs, they added food crops such as rhubarb, tomatoes, kale, and peppers to the flower planters for the benefit of the homeless, less fortunate, or anyone that could use them. What a great idea! If your club has a park, large or small, that you maintain, consider adding some food crops to planters and if you have Master Gardeners in your community, see if they would like to partner with you for garden maintenance.

And for a service project that y'all can do right now, consider offering your service for snow removal to elderly or disabled members of your community. It's a great way to help others while still maintaining social distancing.

And check out the Multiple District 19 COVIC Campaign website (<https://www.md19covidcampaign.com>) periodically to learn about service projects that other clubs are doing. Who knows, one of them might just fit your club perfectly.

Respectfully Submitted,

PDG Kim Di Rienz

District 19E GST Coordinator

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GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM (GMT)

Now, starting the 2021 year, we are putting the 2020 year behind us as part of our past. We will continue to move our lion's efforts toward the future. Many hearts and individual's futures were touched with our giving of ourselves and humanitarian aid in 2020. Sadly, many communities are still suffering due to restrictions.

December was a busy month for giving, sharing, reaching out to your communities, and gifting to those less fortunate. As you look to the future of our organization be on the lookout for those that you have noticed enjoy helping others, show leadership, and have the same big heart as you. These are the types of people, humanitarians, that will lift our Lions communities and move us forward.

We are immensely proud of the efforts of our District. "Covid 2020" has tried to hold us back but as Lions we continue to support our many humanitarian needs. As we evolve, we are Zooming with our members and can view our members, friends, families, and neighbors. Our membership appears to be moving in a positive direction. December has seen growth, though sad to say, we have many clubs under the charter number of 25. We hope with some effort we may be able to create a spark that will ignite in our District E membership and increase our gain. We may be starting new efforts to grow some new clubs. Keep up the boundless efforts and keep "Asking".

PDG Brian Ross
GMT District 19E



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

CLUB

Castlegar
Liberty Lake
Nelson
Priest Lake Kaniksu

NEW MEMBER

Robin Hewgill
Mary Shelton
Devin J Penner
Deanne M Pryor
Steven M Pryor
Douglas R True
Mary T True
Kerri Wagner
Kurt J Wagner

SPONSOR

transferred
Leah Gumede
Micheal Marshall
James Moffitt
James Moffitt
Gilbert Tumey
Gilbert Tumey
James Moffitt
James Moffitt



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COOPERATIVE FOR ASSISTANCE AND RELIEF EVERYWHERE (CARE)

Hope that this letter finds each of you healthy and safe. Would like to take a moment to remind you of our CARE program for this year. We are attempting to raise funds in an effort to help with education of 12-19 year old girls in Haiti.

I encourage each and every club to donate to CARE and help with education of these girls in Haiti. To date only 4 of 46 clubs have donated for a total of \$650.00. Our goal for this year is \$4000.00.

Any club or individual donating \$500.00 or more becomes eligible for a Gordon F Smith Fellowship. The district has not had a Gordon F Smith Fellowship in a number of years. Let's make that change this year. The \$500.00 must be donated all in the same fiscal year. Questions please let me know.

Donations to CARE should be mailed to the MD 19 office. On the memo line mark notate CARE.

Barb Yeoman
CARE Chair

LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (LCIF)

This past year has been like no other we have ever encountered. Health care systems have been stressed, economies halted and more than 1 billion worldwide staying home in order to stay safe. COVID-19 has caused millions to suffer physically, emotionally, and financially. Powerless against the deadly intruder hundreds of thousands have lost their lives.

Facing a disease of epic proportion would have been enough, but 2020 has seen many disasters. From January through September, the United States 16 weather relates disasters. These include wildfires, hurricanes, flooding and more. Losses top \$ 1 Billion dollars. COVID-19 struggles continue, Natural disasters come like clockwork, globally stealing 90,000 lives annually and impacting another 160 million. For some of us it's hard to imagine while for others it is a reality. **It's imperative to deliver hope.**

Since 1990 Lions Club International Foundation SightFirst grant program has done just that, giving historic progress by restoring and improving vision for 488 million worldwide. More than \$371 million in LCIF SightFirst funding has created hope. **Locally we have received 2 grants from LCIF in the last 7 months. First off we received a grant for PPEs, and just this month we received another grant to help replenish lost items in the Malden fire. Continue to work for a third grant to help replenish/supply needed items for firefighters in Zone 2.**

That's why I continue to ask each club and member to support LCIF. All clubs should have in their budget to support LCIF. Asking all members to consider a one time donation that can be done online. Members can also set up monthly donations from their checking account. To donate online go to Lions Website and select DONATE.

Happy New Year---Let's hope 2021 is better than 2020.

PDG Bob Yeoman
LCIF Chair

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PEACE ESSAY CONTEST

As part of the Peace Poster Contest, the Peace Essay was created to give an opportunity for visually impaired young people to express their feelings of peace. Lions work with local schools and area families to identify young people (ages 11, 12, or 13) who are interested in participating and benefit from this program. One grand prize winner will receive an award and \$5,000 from Lions Club International.

A first for District 19E! Coeur d'Alene Lions Club sponsored Emma Erckenbrack whose essay was chosen to represent District 19E and MD19 in the International Peace Essay Contest.

Congratulations and good luck Emma Erckenbrack!

Zone E 2

The month of December saw limited activity due to COVID 19. Davenport Lions were visited on 12/15/2020 for the only Zone or District Governor visit for the month. All clubs have been visited by Zone Chair with Davenport and Almira not visited by District Governor, due to COVID19. Possible make ups are being looked at and considered.

Davenport Lions recently cleaned up a 2 mile section of Highway 2 East of town. Davenport also had a Turkey Raffle Fundraiser. Funds raised will be used for various Community service projects and programs.

Zone had a combined zone meeting on 12/5/2020 with Zones 1,3 and 9.

Thank you to all the clubs for all they do locally and recent donations to both LCIF and CARE.

Zone Chair

PDG Bob Yeoman

INTERNATIONAL PIN TRADERS AWARD

Congratulations to Jim and Wendy Moffitt for winning the International Pin Traders Award three out of the past four years.



The Winning Pin!

As everyone knows, the 2020 International Convention did not take place this year which left the pin traders with a large surplus of pins. Please support Jim and Wendy by purchasing a pin or two. They are \$4.00 each with shipping.

You can order your pin(s) by calling the Moffitt's at (602) 738-1514.

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GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM (GLT)

EXPERIENCED
FACILITATORS



VIRTUAL
LEARNING
ENVIRONMENT

You're invited to our Winter Picnic for Guiding Lions!

JANUARY 16, 2021

TIME 10:00—2:30 PDT

CERTIFIED GUIDING LION LEARNING

A VIRTUAL LEARNING EVENT

for Lions in GAT Areas 1-H and 2-A and BEYOND

BECOME A LIONS INFORMATION EXPERT!

This event is not just for future Guiding Lions—it's for ANY LION whose goal is to possess the tools and information to help his/her club.

ALL LIONS WELCOME!!!!

REGISTER NOW TO SAVE YOUR SEAT
RSVP by email to Lion Anne Smarsh, PID

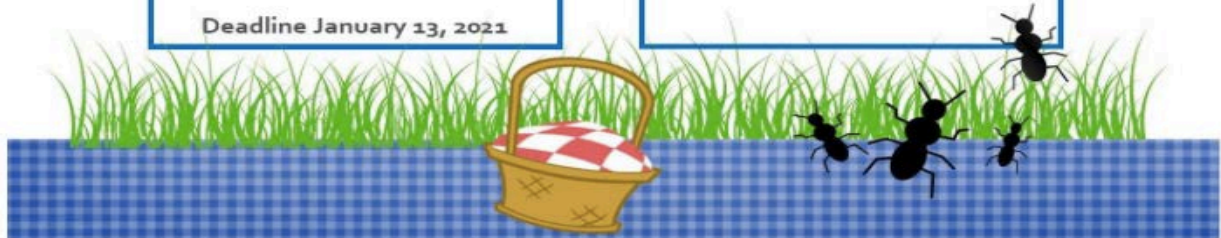
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Deadline January 13, 2021

Sponsored by Global Area Team Leaders

PCC Polly Voon and CC Al Hedstrom

Virtual treats will be served!



IPDG Frank Bega

District 19E

Global Leadership Training Coordinator (GLT)

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.

lionsforum.org

Dates: September 9-11, 2021

Location: Des Moines, Iowa

Theme: "Cultivating Leaders"

Go online at <https://lionsforum.org/> for registration

KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND

On December 1, 2020, we had our meeting to elect officers of the KOTB Council and ratify our Constitution. During the meeting we accepted the structure that was proposed and discussed at the November meeting. We had our elections and below are the results. At this time, we have three open positions and are reaching out and communicating with members in the open districts to hopefully find representatives to fill said positions.

Summary of Election Results:

Chair: Andy Arvidson

Vice-Chair: Danette Dixon

Secretary: Colette Arvidson

District A Representative: Bill Conway

District B Representative: Janet George

District C Representative: JR Kinnison

District D Representative: Open

District E Representative: Ken Cook

District F Representative: Sally Mayo

District G Representative: Open

District H Representative: Chris Jones

District I Representative: Open



The approval of the structure and elections took our full 90-minute time frame so we will have our ratification of the Constitution at our January 5th, 2021 meeting.

As the first Chair of the newly formed MD19 KOTB Committee I will be working with our elected District Representatives to contact all District Governors, Zone Chairs and Lions Club Presidents to inform them of what we are, who we are and the main purpose that we are striving to achieve as a committee, as noted in our Mission Statement: To accept and act upon the Helen Keller challenge made to Lions to become the "Knights Of The Blind," which includes the improvement of the quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired.

Also, I will keep in contact via our District Representatives with the District Governors so that they will know the steps we are taking. It is also our plan that the District Representatives will communicate with the District Governors the workings of KOTB so that we will be transparent.

Some of our primary focus will be to help bring the information, be it websites, club applications, scholarship applications, etc. into an accessible format. We also would like to help educate the Lions about sight loss so that more Lions know the truth about what sight loss is all about, including the ability of their blind members when they have full access to Lions resources.

If you have any questions, quandaries, suggestions, become a member or anything else please contact me at the email address or phone number below.

In Lionism,

Andy Arvidson, Chair KOTB

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CHEWELAH VALLEY LIONS

After Vision Screening at the Mid-School and Gess Elementary, the Chewelah Valley Lions, as part of their Literacy Project, presented 50 books to Denice Ross and Lori Paluck, for their Kindergarten students.



LIBERTY LAKE LIONS

The Liberty Lake Lions Club held a drawing for over \$800 worth of donated toys, stuffed animals, Christmas decor, gift certificates, and food items on December 16th. Mayor Shane Brickner drew the winning raffle ticket at City Hall picking Rod Higgins' winning ticket. We offer him our congratulations for helping us with our huge Christmas stocking raffle along with everyone who purchased tickets for our fundraiser.

The Lions support many worthy causes, especially eyesight/recycled eyeglasses, diabetes, hearing, childhood cancer, Camp Stix, and Leader Dogs. In our ten short years as a club, we have contributed to a different family every year all the trimmings for a Thanksgiving dinner as well as gift items and food for Christmas for the chosen family. It is something we all look forward to because that is what Lions do, "We Serve."

The picture shows our President, Bill Ash, behind the table with the cage of tickets and Mayor Brickner holding the winning ticket. Eight Liberty Lake Lions members showed up for our drawing event.



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SPOKANE SHADLE NORTH

For Christmas the Spokane Shadle North Lions attempted to share some Christmas cheer with individuals in nursing homes, assisted care facilities and more. Member Denise Murray purchased generic Christmas cards and fuzzy socks. After writing a Christmas note on each card she sent them to Spokane. Local members delivered the cards and fuzzy socks to residents at local facilities.



Spokane Shadle North Lions Club has a year-round fundraiser:

<https://shadle-north-lions.terrilynn.com>

Order Gourmet Nuts, Baking Nuts, and so much more!
Choose from Fancy Pecans, Giant Cashews, Healthy Mix,
Colossal Pistachios, Milk Chocolate Raisins, Deluxe Mix,
Walnuts (Light & Dark) and LOTS, LOTS
MORE!! SHIPPING IS \$5.00 no matter how much you
order!!



The theme for the 2021 Rose Parade is "Dream, Believe, Achieve" which highlights the value of education in our world. Lions float is titled "Quest for Kindness." LCIF Quest team developed messages about how the Lions Quest curriculum empowers children and young adults to develop positive social skills leading to "kindness" to each other. This theme nicely aligns with the "Kindness Matters" value statement. Each year the float design tells a story about outstanding service projects Lions Clubs provide in their communities and throughout the world.'

The Rose Parade is canceled due to COVID19 but there will be a special 2 hour presentation
January 1, 2021 8am-10am on ABC, Hallmark, KTLA, NBC, RFD-TV, Univision