

DISTRICT D NEWSLETTER

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MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK



DG Debbie's thoughts: Here it is, almost the end of November already! I have been able to visit so many clubs and hear about the great things they are doing for their communities! I will not be travelling much now that the snow has started so if VDG Mike or I have not visited your club yet, don't worry, we both plan to be back on the road in March.

As I review the District goals for this year, I find that we are on track to making most of them:

Membership: Our numbers are on the rise with many clubs not bringing in just one member, but several. I had 50 new member kits in August and have recently received another 25 so if clubs on the Canadian side need kits, please let me know.

IPDG Joyce has ordered more kits for clubs on the US side of the border so if you need a kit, contact her.

Service Reporting: Our service reporting is increasing as clubs have started getting out and doing more. Please make sure that you report all your service.

MMR: We are doing very well with our membership reporting, averaging between 98 and 100% each month. Thank you secretaries for getting this in, I know that we are all busy.

Redistricting: Clubs please make sure you vote on Dec 1, 2, or 3 so that we can make sure that our incoming DG team is in place and ready to get the training they need.

This is going to be a November to remember



Positive thinking will let you do everything better than negative thinking will. – Zig Ziglar

LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA DOG GUIDES

At Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, we're all about empowerment - Empowering Canadians living with disabilities to navigate their world with confidence and independence. By choosing Dog Guides as a recipient of your generosity, you are enabling us to continue providing these life-changing and life-saving canines. Since Lions founded LFCDG in 1983, we've grown from one to seven distinct programs. All designed to assist Canadians with a wide range of disabilities, offering the opportunity to find greater independence, mobility and safety through the help of a Dog Guide. The seven programs are:

- 🕒 Canine Vision – For people who are blind or visually impaired
- 🕒 Hearing – For people who are deaf or hard of hearing
- 🕒 Autism Assistance – For children who have autism spectrum disorder
- 🕒 Service – For people who have a physical or medical disability
- 🕒 Seizure Response – For people who have epilepsy
- 🕒 Diabetic Alert – For people who have diabetes with hypoglycemic unawareness
- 🕒 Facility Support – For professional agencies assisting individuals in traumatic situations

From breeding to training, with a life-time of follow-up services, each Dog Guide team costs approximately \$35,000 to match with a recipient and are provided at no cost. The foundation relies entirely on donations to provide these special matches and does not receive any government funding. With 1 in 5 Canadians living with a disability today, and 8 of 10 Canadians with a disability requiring aids or assistive devices, the need is overwhelming. Together, we can transform the way people live by creating exceptional partnerships between people and Dog Guides. Help LFCDG unleash potential!

Please visit our website, or if you would like further information or to discuss a virtual or in-person presentation, please reach out to Danielle Rosenblum at drosenblum@dogguides.com

LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Light up Leader Dog is just over three weeks away! For each \$10 gift, you can have a luminary placed on our campus to show your support. Many other supporters have also taken this opportunity to place luminaries in honour of special people and pets in their lives. Whether your luminary represents you or someone important to you, your gift will help our campus shine with love and support this holiday season. We hope to light up the campus with over 2,000 luminaries this year!

You are invited to campus!

You are invited to join us on campus for some Light up Leader Dog holiday cheer on Saturday, December 10 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.! You can browse the new marketplace, partake in some warm, winter beverages and great food (available for purchase), enjoy holiday music and stroll the luminary-lit paths! Admission is free, but donations are certainly appreciated. More information is available on our website at leaderdog.org/light-up-leader-dog . We hope to see you there!

DOG DEBBIE'S VISITATION SCHEDULE:

March 7: Ephrata

March 8: Othello

March 9: Wenatchee-East Wenatchee Greater Wenatchee Sunrise

March 10: Wenatchee Central

March 16: Lake Chelan

March 21: Wenatchee Valley

April 6: Quincy Valley

April 11: Waterville

ENVIRONMENT PROJECT - FALL CENTERPIECE



Centerpieces / Door prizes Created by: Lion Leah Thordarson District Governor Visit To Westbank Lions Club - September 28/22

Utilizing Recycled Materials - Living Plant can be kept in container or replanted

To make this fall (or any season) Centerpiece

- Find a glass container that can be used as a terrarium a Rose Bowl is perfect. I made 5 centerpieces all were different - the wine glass and top bowl were all from Salvation Army. Find a Wine glass that the bottom stem will fit the bottom of the 'bowl'
- Glue both pieces together
- On the Wine glass:
 - Since you will be seeing this upside down: make a cardboard circle and cover with felt - this will fit into the top of the wine glass.
 - Find 'greenery' and or items to fit into the wine glass, remember this is upside down.

- I used dried moss on top of the felt circle to keep my treasures inside the wine glass then I glued the circle into the top of the wine glass.

- Find a dessert size dish and glue the wine glass onto the dish. (I found a nice gold dish at the local dollar store)
- Top Bowl
 - Fill the top bowl with potting soil
 - Add a living plant - I used a 'Chicken & Hen' from my garden. Dampen soil.
 - Add whatever decorations to fill the bowl
- Base of wine glass and dish seemed light so I added weight by gluing Stones onto the area at wine glass top and the dish. This added stability to the whole centerpiece. Add any themed items; I used Pine cones and small dried flowers.
- To complete as a Fall Centerpiece I found Pine cones in my yard, dried them then painted Orange with gold tipped highlights and Added Dollar Store leaves.

Since I used mostly items I had at home from other 'crafting' projects and used my own garden plants and pinecones. The cost for all 5 Centerpieces was under \$20.00 or about \$5.00 each.

Since this is a living plant - a person can either plant the Chicken & Hen plant in another pot or garden or keep by watering the plant. You can swap out the decorations and add others for different occasions.

This goes to show what we can do if we think outside the garbage can!! Thanks for this great recycling project Lion Leah; I was pleased that Lion Wayne Atkinson forwarded it to me.

PZC Angus Environment Chair environmentangus@gmail.com

LCIF

I have just returned from an LCIF retreat in Winnipeg. If your club would like to know how much you have in your LCIF account that can go towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship, you can contact either me at debbie.bostock@gmail.com or PDG Joe Nilles at lionjoed2@gmail.com and we can tell you what you have available. Some clubs have enough for several Melvin Jones Fellowships. If you have a member you would like to honour, please consider presenting them with a fellowship.

I am also the coordinator for District E North.

PDG Debbie Bostock

LIONS AROUND OUR DISTRICT!!



The Kamloops Aberdeen Lions were inducted into the Thompson Rivers University President's Circle on September 12th at the Monty Creek Winery as a result of their donations to the university. *Pictured are the members of the club with Lion Izzy holding the lovely plaque they were given in recognition of their donations.*



PZC Angus demonstrating his bird feeder made from a pop bottle, at the MD19 Convention Environment Panel.

IMPORTANT DATES

December 1st, 2nd or 3rd Voting for our Leadership Team for our new District I
April 28th & 29th – District D Convention in Vernon

WEBSITES FOR MORE INFO AND RESOURCES

MD19 <https://lionsmd19.org/indes.php>

District D <https://e-district.org/sites/19d>

LCI <https://lionsclubs.org>

Border Crossing <https://lionsmd19.org/newsletters.php>

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