

# **SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES**

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# ZC Debbie's Remarks

Boy we have been hit with horrendous weather. Mother Nature just keeps us on pins and needles waiting for the next shoe to drop. Personally, my heart goes out to all our evacuees that have been displaced and their lives turned upside down. First with forest fires now with flooding issues. Please keep these people in your thoughts and prayers, and if there is anything you hear that we as Lions can help with please contact me. We are working on a grant from LCIF for the longer term needs but if there are some immediate needs anyone knows about that we can help with, let's do that too.

If you are thinking about attending the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute you need to register as soon as possible. Go to <u>www.nwlli.org</u> to do so. There are limited spaces available. I know of at least two of our members that is going to take this course at Harrison Hot Springs May 5 8 8, 2022. It doesn't get any closer than that if you are hesitating. Anyone who has attended this Institute has come away with really positive comments. The experience has brought new friends and great training to help in Lions, work and life! *ZC Debbie* 

### **MD19** Convention

We had a great convention. It was well done with lots of great 'panels'. Our guest speaker International Vice President Patty Hill was terrific. What a great speaker. If you did not attend you missed a wonderful opportunity. Fun night was a very informative trivia based evening. Those of us who attended had lots of fun. Although not the same as having an in person convention, it was still so good to see familiar faces and to catch up with our fellow lions and friends.

### Public Relations

If we want to be seen and heard in our communities, this is a very important item that your club should be looking after. Does your club have a brochure that you have available to hand out to individuals or businesses that showcases what you do? Do you have a handout sheet listing all the donations you make in your community? Do you wear your Lions pin every day? Do you have a business card that you can give to someone who wants to have contact info for any reason? Being visible in our communities is important and a great way to gain new members. Just ask Ashcroft & District Lions, they do a great job of this.

Defeat is simply a signal to press onward. - Helen Keller

# Zone Theme

The theme for our zone this year is Serving our Communities. I want to hear what you are doing in your area. Send me an article and pictures so I can put it in the Bulletin. We are all serving; some of us are doing individual service, such as shopping for someone, taking them to appointments. Volunteering at a Thrift Shop, or at a seniors' residence, helping other organizations. This is all service to your community. Make sure that your club is recording the service on MyLion.

# Service Project Idea



When DG Joyce and I were visiting Williams Lake Lions we helped them with one of their service projects. They went to the Dollar Store and purchased Halloween note pads and candy bags. Then we stuffed the bags with 3 chocolate bars and a note pad with the club's name stamped inside it. We filled 300 bags, enough to deliver to all the seniors in the 2 complexes in Williams Lake. They did this same idea for Valentine's Day. It cost less than \$200 for the project. But what a great joy it brought to the residents of the 2 seniors homes there.

This is something that could be done for Christmas too. So if your club is looking for a service project to do at Christmas this could be one.

Another service that can be done at Christmas time is to adopt a family in need. There are probably going to be quite a few in need after the evacuations and homes that have been destroyed, so think about that. And of course you can always volunteer to man a Salvation Army Christmas Kettles; they are always in need of volunteers. There is also the need for the homeless in the way of warm coats and personal items.

If you have an event, project, function or program that you would like to promote, send it to me and I will put it in the bulletin. <u>debbie.bostock@gmail.com</u>

# District Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> vice District Governor Visitations

DG Joyce Nov. 22, Kelowna Okanagan Mission 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Debbie Dec. 2, Kamloops Brock Central

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Mike Nov. 24/21: Westbank Lions

#### Websites:

- MD19 https://lionsmd19.org
- District D https://e-district.org/sites/19d
- LCI https://lionsclubs.org
- Border Crossing https://lionsmd19.org/newsletters.php

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