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Well it is hard to believe we are all ready into September, and what a gorgeous month so far. Other than our ongoing challenge with Covid, we at least are not having any fire issues in our areas. We cannot say the same for our neighbors to the south of us. Our thoughts are with all those affected by the terrible fires. And on that note, the community of Malden Washington, south of Spokane, has been destroyed by fire, although not in our District, it is in our Multiple District and the Rosalea Lions Club is collecting monetary donations for the victims of this fire. If your club would like to donate please make the cheque out to Rosalea Lions Club and send it to them at PO Box 364, Rosalia, WA. 99170.

I had hoped to have some form of a Zone Meeting in September, but due to meeting restrictions I am not sure it will happen. If anyone has an idea for holding one, let me know. I could hold a virtual one via Zoom or Go To Meeting if clubs can access that. Let me know on that score as well.

**MD19 2020 VIRTUAL CONVENTION** — The MD19 annual convention has been rescheduled as a virtual event on **Saturday, November 7, 2020**. The convention features live rap sessions for zone chairs, club presidents, secretaries, treasurers and membership chairs, and up to 50 seminars that participants will be able to access at your leisure during the convention and 30 days thereafter. Registration is only \$25<sup>00</sup> CAN. And as an added bonus, you can be a part of this convention by presenting a seminar— MD19 is looking for seminars from MD19 Lions, Lioness and Leos to fill those 50 available seminar spots, that can be produced, recorded and shared— videos from 15 minutes to an hour on a topic you are passionate about are ideal. Contact [Executive Director Peter Anderson](#) for details and to sign up for the convention. Online registration will be available soon, check the MD19 website for the link and sign up for MD19 Convention 2020!

For your information, there is now a Canadian mailing address for MD19 where you can send your dues etc. This is also where you should send your club donations for our CARE project. The address is **Multiple District 19, Lions Clubs International, P.O. Box 1621, Aldergrove, BC V4W 2V1**.

The CARE project for the next 2 years will be in Haiti, supporting education for girls in the Central region of Haiti. CARE is partnering with the Haiti government in support of this plan to increase girl's access to education. Please consider supporting our CARE project, this is going to be a tough year for donations but if your club can help please consider CARE in your budget.

For club LCIF donations they should be made out to **Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF** and mailed to **Stan Durward, Box 38, Sunderland, Ontario L0C 1H0**. We are in the 3rd year of Campaign 100, so please remember to support our Foundation, our District has received more monies from the Foundation than we have donated to it. Think about honouring a member with a Melvin Jones fellowship, this supports our Foundation and is a good way to recognize a long time lion for all their service.

IPDG Debbie

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*You are never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream. - C.S. Lewis*

## Club Activities

I would love to feature your club in an activity that you are doing during these challenging times. There are things we can do. You may need to think outside the box for ideas. But there is always something that we can do. Maybe it is clearing a yard, walking trail, beach, street, etc. Perhaps a senior needs some assistance with getting ready for winter, I know, we do not want to think about that time of year!! Let me know what you are doing.

## District Governor Visit

As with everything else, this too is a challenge to carry out. As our District Governor lives in Washington, not only do we have the Dr. Bonnie Henry guidelines to follow, we have a border that is closed to all but essential travel. I know we all consider our DG Joe an essential part of our District, this problem prevents any visits for the foreseeable future in person. DG Joe may carry some of these out via virtual Zoom meetings. The other part is we do have our 2nd VDG here in Canada. 2nd VDG Debbie Allan lives in Kamloops and when and if possible she may take on some of the official visits for DG Joe. We just need to keep working with what we can do and be ready to do what we have to, to get things done. So I will keep you posted as time goes on.

### 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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*Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will. - Mahatma Ghandi*