

JANUARY

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Zone Chair Sharon Cain

HERE'S THE NEWS from December!!

December 3:

ZC Sharon Cain visited the Lumby Lions with 1st Vice DG Steve Sweeney. ZC Shelley Sweeney was also in attendance. During the meeting 1stVDG Steve inducted two new members to the Lumby Lions Club.



1stDG Steve Sweeney, Lyn Hansen sponsored by Lion Bev Lawrence



1stDG Steve Sweeney, Melanie Weznoski sponsored by Lion President Linda Vlasveld

December 4: 1stVDG Steve Sweeney visited the Lake Country/Winfield Lions Club.

December has come and gone and it's a new year - 2025. Our Lions year is 1/2 over. Don't forget to take care of dues this month.

HERE'S THE NEWS Happening in January, 2025

District I Cabinet meeting was held on Saturday, January 11 via Zoom.

The District and plans are being made for the district to send \$12,000 to Camp Winfield. The district has voted to ratify the results for Wanda Eddy to be our next Council Chair.

There are rules and regulations for clubs to take part in Contests and Awards. The bulletins are sent to the DG and they are automatically judged. Other categories need to be sent digitally to the Chair of Contests and Awards in April in order for them to win in 19I and to qualify for the MD convention in May. Scrapbooks will be judged at the fall convention. The dates for submission will be announced soon.

The MD 19 Convention, May 16-17 at Chilliwack will have training available for all club and district officers. The Secretary training, which is vital for the success of clubs, will be taught by Executive Director Peter Anderson and Administrative Assistant, Michele Barrie of the Multiple District 19 Office in Bellingham, WA. The course is very important for all Secretaries, Club Administrators and Service Chairs to attend. All other offices – President, Treasurer, Membership etc. will also have excellent instructors.

I-10 Zone Meeting

Our zone held its second Zone Meeting on Jan.12 hosted by the Vernon Lions Club. Thank you Lion Trudy Parke for inviting us to use the meeting room at her apartment for the meeting. Also thank you to Lion Simon DuFresne for preparing and serving our lunch. Delicious soup and sandwiches were served following the meeting.

It was a great meeting with 26 people in attendance.

The clubs all reported their activities and plans for the remainder of this year. Outlines of these reports will be included in the meeting minutes. All clubs are active, financially stable and enthusiastic about what is ahead for their clubs. A discussion of how the clubs in our zone can help the new Salmon Arm Club with some start-up supplies such as a sandwich board sign to use at events, bank of flags, bell and gavel, Canadian and US flags and stand, etc. The clubs will discuss how they can contribute and get back to zone chair soon.

Rod Derksen of Lake Country Lions presented a request for help with the purchase of a food truck for the food bank hub in Winfield which would be used to service the Food Banks in our area – Lumby, Cherryville, Armstrong, Enderby, Winfield and south as well as limited use at the Mission in Vernon. Clubs are to discuss at their meetings for a decision whether to participate in the funding. It is not a Lions project but is a project of the Lake Country Food Bank. The Lake Country Lions are proposing to match donations up to \$5,000 for this endeavor.

Michele Materi-Baker of Vernon Lions and Manager, Community Partnerships & Philanthropy – Okanagan Region of the BC Lions Society presented a power point outlining some of the projects, income and costs of the BC Lions Society. Very well presented. Michele is willing to visit individual clubs for a presentation – just give her an invite.

The training at this zone meeting was “Leadership” and how effective leadership provides vision, guidance and motivation for

Lions Clubs to continue to provide quality, relevant service to the global community. There are abundant leadership trainings available to Lions at all levels.

New Member Orientation is available on-line, available by zoom the 3rd Monday of every month by Al Hedstrom and even better if the club leadership holds an in person orientation for new members.

There is club officer training available in the Learning Center at www.lionsclubs.org for all officers elected to your boards.

There is district training for zone chairpersons, District Governor team on-line as well in person training at Conventions.

Your Zone Chairperson is asking that each club focus on developing leaders in your clubs.

Encourage new members to get involved, promote cabinet positions and zone chair replacements every year. Nominations are open for the 2025-26 Zone Chair for District I. Each club is to consider nominating a qualified person (President or Secretary – current or former) for Zone chair.

We ended the zone meeting with The Vernon Lions Tail Twister explaining what tail twisting is about and then reading a great story about wishes and bridges. Very fun. Thank you Lion Peggy Price.

Upcoming events:

2024-25 MD Annual Convention – held in Chilliwack May 16-17, 2025.

District I Convention – held in Penticton October 3-4, 2025. Theme is “Roaring Through the Twenties” Increasing Leadership, Membership, Service and support of LCIF.

Lions International Convention – held in Orlando, Florida July 13-17, 2025.