



Lions International Christmas Ship



P.O. Box 31563 Bellingham WA 98228-3563

Dear Fellow Lions,

Preparations are now being made for the 71st Anniversary sailing of the “International Lions Christmas Ship”. As in previous years we will bring “a Visit with Santa” to over 800 Island children of all ages as well as a visit to Residents of Care Facilities on Salt Spring Island. All will receive a gift and a treat bag, (valued in excess of \$15.00). The sailing dates this year are **Saturday, December 15th and Sunday December 16th. We are pleased, once again, to be utilizing the ship Victoria Star II owned by San Juan Cruises of Fairhaven WA. Our Lions crew is made up of 55 Lions from many different Lions Clubs. If there are Lions in your club who might wish to join us we have attached an application form along with the requirements. You can also find this information and an application form on the District H web site www.e-district.org/sites/19h and the MD 19 web site www.lionsmd19.com**

Lions wishing to sail must send in an application by Oct.15th. Be assured all participating Lions will enjoy one of the most gratifying of all Lions adventures. As we make these final preparations we note that the cost of this project is now in excess of \$20,000.00. These costs include the ships rental, a 5 member crew, fuel, as well as all the toys and treats. This project is an official District H project and needs the help of all Lions Clubs in our great District to continue to sail.

For those whose Clubs have helped this project be a success in past years, we Thank you and hope that you will continue with your seasonal contribution. If your club has not participated previously we ask that you please consider donating this year.

Please help us keep the Lions Christmas Spirit alive, send your donation today:

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