MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

On behalf of all Lions in District 37N I would like to say **congratulations and great work** to those clubs in the district that have shown positive membership growth this year. While Lions Clubs elsewhere in the world and particularly Asia, and India have experienced growth those clubs in North America have not seen or been a part of that growth to the same extent. Our district 37N is an exception and it is because of Lions like yourselves. Club membership growth to the end of March 2013 includes growth percentages like Columbia Falls 25, Crownest Pass 125%, Lethbridge Lakeview 21%, Redcliff 35%, Lolo 17% and include many other clubs that have had similar but smaller gains, like Claresholm 6 members, Coleman 3 members, Medicine Hat Community View 6 members, Medicine Hat 3 members. Coutts Sweetgrass 5 members. Evergreen 5 members. Also many other clubs have added 1 or two new members throughout the year. I want to say to all clubs **keep up the good work**.

Like International President Madden indicated in his last new letter in April, we are three quarters through our Lionistic year with three months to go. Now is not the time to save fuel, but the time to accelerate to the finish line and win the race. To those clubs that have seen positive growth again congratulations, but to the rest of our clubs and that includes my club, lets remember why we joined Lions, to help others, to assist and make a difference in our communities and the World we live in. To have fun, foster friendship, and to work together with others like ourselves, to make the World a better place. Remember if we don't ask then others won't know about Lion's and the work we do. Let's remember that we are not alone, invite that friend you have been meaning to speak to about Lion's, ask that neighbor who has helped you with a project but has not joined, consider your spouse, would they like to join and share some quality time with you while making a difference in your community?

Lets's accelerate to the finish and see our Lions grow, if you need assistance or ideas give me a call or email me at foe@telus.net. If you have some ideas for growth or want to share what has been so successful in your club or region, please let me know so I can pass it on.

Lion Nicholas Hayes GMT Chair 37N



Lions Club of Warner 2nd Annual Show & Shine

Sunday, September 1, 2013

Registration: 9:00 A.M - 12:00 PM

Show & Shine: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

\$ 10.00 Per ENTRY CRUISE

Lethbridge to Warner Rodeo Grounds
Depart at 9:00 AM from a location TBD

SWAP MEET/FLEA MARKET

Registration: 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Vendor Fee: \$10.00 (bring your own table and shade)

Open 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
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Food Concession

Sponsor Prize Draws

Entertainment

50/50 Raffle
Family Fun



Lions Clubs International Multiple District 37 Convention May 17 & 18, 2013 Helena, Montana



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Convention Headquarters: Red Lion Colonial Hotel – 2301 Colonial Drive Phone: 1-800-733-5466 or 406-443-2100. Room rates in the Lions block are \$100 plus taxes per night. (Rooms on hold until May 3, 2013).

Refund Policy: If possible, have another Lion take your place. Full refund will be issued only if written request is received prior to April 19, 2013. Refunds may be allowed within a 30 day period after the convention provided the Lion contacts the host committee and a written application is made to the Council Chair through the District Governor and Club President.

Other Accommodations:

Howard Johnson – 2101 East 11th. Ave Helena, MT 406-443-2300 Rates: from \$70 plus taxes. Helena Super 8 – 2200 11th. Ave. Helena, MT 800-800-8000 or 406-443-2450 Rates: from \$57 plus taxes. Fairfield Inn – 2150 11th Ave. Helena, MT (406) 449-9944 Rates: from \$94 plus taxes

Camping:

Lincoln Road RV Campground Starting at \$36.00/night full service plus tax

Attractions:

Are on your own. Guidebook will be included in your registration package.

Silent Auction:

A silent auction will be held. Please ensure that your club brings at least one (1) silent auction item. Funds raised will be donated to Montana Sight & Hearing Foundation, Lions Eye Research Foundation (Edmonton) and Lions Eye Centre (Calgary)

Theme:

Wild Wild West, bring your western gear and prepare to cowboy up for a good time!



Call For Nominations from the Canadian Lions of MD 37

At our MD 37 District Convention to be held in Helena, Montana on May 17 – 18, 2013, there will be an election for the following office:

Alberta Provincial Director for Lions Foundation of Canada (Dog Guides) for 2014 – 2017.

Nominations for this position are to be received by the MD 37 Office before **April** 1, 2013. They can be sent by email to cst.tim@mvpinc.ca or mailed to MD 37 Office, 147 Rocky Ridge Bay NW, Calgary, AB, T3G 4E7

The following are the qualification for the position for you information:

ARTICLE 5 QUALIFICATIONS FOR PROVINCIAL DIRECTORS

Section I: To qualify as a Candidate for Provincial Director on the Lions Foundation of Canada Board, he or she must;

- (a) Be a Lion in good standing; and
- (b) Any one of the following:
 - (i) Served as a District Representative for the Lions Foundation of Canada as appointed by the Provincial Director
 - (ii) Served as a District Representative for the Lions Foundation of Canada as appointed by the District Governor
 - (iii) Served as the Multiple District Representative for the Lions Foundation of Canada as appointed by the Council Chairman
 - (iv)Has served as District Governor, and has participated in the Lions Foundation of Canada's orientation program;
 - (v) Has served as a Representative, appointed by the Lions Foundation of Canada Board promoting and supporting one of the Lions Foundation of Canada projects.
- (c) It shall be the duty of the sitting Director to advise the selecting body of the qualifications required to be nominated as a Provincial Director.

Section 2:

- (a) All nominations as a candidate for the position of Provincial Director shall come as the result of whatever process has been adopted by each individual province for selection of its Provincial Director, and all such nominations, together with a resume of the candidate's Qualifications, including but not limited to his/her Business Experience, Community Activity, Lionistic Record and Current Involvement, must be received at the Foundation's Head Office in Oakville, on or before December 31st, of the year immediately preceding the year the Director would be elected to office.
- (b) It shall be the duty of the current Director to notify the Corporation in writing of the name and address of the candidate for Director for his or her Province &/or Territory.

Section 3: All nominations received by Lions Foundation of Canada for the position of Provincial Director are subject to final approval, without prejudice by the Board of Directors of the Lions Foundation of Canada provided the nominee meets the qualifications set out in Section #1. Such approval shall be at the mid-winter meeting held each year. (See Policy Manual: Appendix 1, for Provincial Selection Procedures).

<u>FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE</u>

Canadian Diabetes Association presents Outstanding National Partnership Award to Lions Club International Canada

VANCOUVER, **BRITISH COLUMBIA** (October 22, 2012) – The Canadian Diabetes Association has presented Lions Club International Canada with the 2012 Outstanding National Partnership Award. This prestigious national award recognizes partners in any sector that have worked with the Association on a national level to contribute to the organization's mission, creating a significant outcome.

The mission of Lions Club International is to conquer and support blindness, the leading cause of which is diabetes. The Lions have made a formal commitment to conduct and support local and large-scale efforts leading to the control and treatment of diabetes and its complications.

Lions Club International Canada was named recipient of the 2012 Outstanding National Partnership Award in recognition of their loyalty and tremendous contributions to the Canadian Diabetes Association, particularly in the areas of fundraising and volunteerism. For many years, the Lions have been a service club upon which the Association can rely to raise funds, support diabetes camps and the children who attend them, and raise awareness of diabetes. In Saskatchewan alone, the Lions have raised over \$1 million on behalf of the Association.

"Lions Club International Canada is a very worthy recipient of this year's Outstanding National Partnership Award. It seems that in any part of the country, whenever the Canadian Diabetes Association is in need of support, we can rely on the Lions," said Fred DeFina, Director, Community Giving, Canadian Diabetes Association. "Loins clubs all across the country work tirelessly to raise funds and awareness for the Canadian Diabetes Association. Their support is significant and is an important part of the Association's ability to help make a difference in the lives of people with diabetes."

"The Canadian Diabetes Association is thrilled to formally acknowledge the outstanding work of our volunteers and supporters through our national awards program. Volunteers are critical to the success of our mission delivery," said Michael Cloutier, President & CEO of the Canadian Diabetes Association. "Lions Club International Canada has demonstrated a true dedication to making a difference in the lives of more than nine million Canadians who are living with diabetes or prediabetes. On behalf of the Association, I'd like to congratulate the Lions for their tremendous contributions and express our sincere appreciation for all those who were nominated."

Lions Club International Canada was recognized at the Association's National Awards Presentation recently held in Vancouver. The event is held in conjunction with the Canadian Diabetes Association's Professional Conference and National Annual General Meeting. The 15th Annual Canadian Diabetes Association and Canadian Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism Professional Conference brings together more than 2,000 leading diabetes clinicians, researchers and educators from across Canada and around the world to share their knowledge, ideas and experiences on diabetes.

The conference serves as an important opportunity to collaborate and share the latest ground-

Lions Links

District 37N Lions: http://e-district.org/sites/37n/index.php

Multiple District 37 Lions: http://www.md37lions.org/
Lions Clubs International: http://www.lionsclubs.org/

USA/Canada Forum: http://www.usacanadalionsforum.org/

Lions Quarterly Video Magazine: http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/lnn/lq-view.php?id=25

Lions Clubs International Foundation: http://www.lcif.org/

International President's Theme: http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/

international_theme_highlights.pdf

Leader Dog Newsletter, The Mane Event: <u>leaderdog.org/lions/reports</u>. LFC Guide Dogs Newsletter: http://www.dogguides.com/newsletters.html