

Lions Clubs International District 37- I Convention October 18-19, 2013 St Paul, Alberta.

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Contact; Lic	Contact; Lion Scotty Duff, Phone 780 645 1965, e-mail colten1@telus.net				
You are respons	ible for your own hotel reservations.				
Super 8 Motel,	5008, 43 Street, St Paul, 1-866-866-0688				

Refund Policy, if possible have another Lion take your place. Full refund if written request is received before 30 Sept, 2013

Please try and bring an Auction item to benefit various lions supported charities.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THE LIONS DISTRICT 37L CONVENTION

November 1&2, 2013

WESTLOCK INN & CONFERENCE CENTER

10411-100 Street Westlock, Alberta

Hosted By THE VIMY & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

Friday, November 1, 2013 "FUN & GAMES"- Registration-4:30PM to..., Opening Ceremonies,

Games, Entertainment, Prizes, No host Bar, Light snacks- 7:00PM to ...

Vimy Lions will host a hospitality room from 1:30PM to 6:45PM.

NEWS: We've just engaged a "World Renowned" Magician to entertain us this evening. DRESS: Casual.

<u>Saturday, November 2, 2013 "LET'S GET SERIOUS"</u> - Registration- 8:30AM to 2:00PM, Sessions- 9:00AM to 4:30PM, Lunch, Credential Certification, Voting, Celebration of Life, Elections & Bids, Awards...

Some topics to be presented: Re-districting, What's Happening to Lions Internationally & Locally?, What makes a successful Lions project?, Having a safe & enjoyable holiday trip, Lions meetings that lead to good attendance and other timely topics.

DRESS: Lions Apparel

Saturday Evening "TIME TO SIT BACK & ENJOY OUR GUEST" - Banquet - Guest

Speaker: International Director Stacey W. Jones from Miami Beach, Florida.

DRESS: Semi-formal (No jeans or t-shirts)

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Individual Registration - \$115.00

Club Registration - 1 or 2 members from the same Club - \$115.00 each

- 3 or 4 members from the same Club \$105.00 each
- 5 or more members from the same Club \$95.00 each

Club registrations must be on the same form and paid by one cheque, money order or credit card.

ACCOMMODATIONS

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS. RESERVE EARLY as this is a busy time in our area and rooms may be scarce.

Westlock Inn - 1-888-768-9959 or 1-780-349-4483

Best Western - 1-780-349-4102

Ramada Inn - 1-888-319-2245 or 1-780-349-2245

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

P.D.G. Henry Romanchuk Convention Chair Phone: 1-780-349-4684 e-mail: horoma@telus.net

Fax: 1-780-349-4684



Dear Lions.

Did you know that up to 80 percent of global blindness is preventable? Lions and LCIF are working hard to reduce that number and I am happy to say that we are making a difference.

An example of this is our efforts and partnerships aimed at eliminating onchocerciasis (river blindness), a disease that can lead to blindness. Last month, I was able to join former U.S. President and Lion Jimmy Carter at a special celebration in Colombia. Through the work of LCIF and Lions, The Carter Center, the Colombian government and other dedicated people and organizations, Colombia became the first of six countries in the Americas to eliminate river blindness. I am so proud of our role in this achievement.



It is through the <u>SightFirst</u> program that LCIF helps Lions deliver services that target diseases such as river blindness, cataract and trachoma; build or expand facilities; train professionals; and build awareness about eye health in underserved communities. LCIF also supports many services for the visually impaired, including education and rehabilitation. Just last week, LCIF's SightFirst Advisory Committee approved 32 SightFirst grants for a total of US\$7.5 million. These projects will help Lions in Belize, the United States, Brazil, Nepal and other countries complete diverse sight-saving projects.

I was recently able to see a great example of a project in the United States at the Spectrios Institute for Low Vision in Illinois. There, dedicated staff and doctors help people with low vision obtain tools, technology, training and support. An LCIF grant helped expand a portion of the institute, and it was inspiring to hear the stories of the people who have been helped.

From helping a country eliminate a blinding disease to helping a person with reduced vision realize that they can still read, you are making a difference. And LCIF is here to help you make that difference.

Sincerely,

Lion Wayne A. Madden Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

Generous Commitment to LCIF during Convention

In a surprise announcement, Board Appointee and Past District Governor Aruna Oswal and her husband, Lion Abhey Oswal, committed US\$5 million to Lions Clubs International Foundation on stage during the annual Lions Clubs International Convention.

"My husband has always supported me...he wanted to pledge something for society, for humanitarian causes. So he pledged US\$5 million to be spread globally," said PDG Oswal of India. "I feel this is the best Foundation. I have seen it working...I have felt it with my heart and soul. That is why I am so



passionate about LCIF, because I have seen the success stories. Today, it was a very big deal for all of us. Let us try to make this world a beautiful world and let us create a difference in society."

In addition to this incredible commitment, Lions in attendance generously made donations at the Foundation booth. LCIF relies on the generosity of individuals to carry out worldwide efforts to restore sight, provide disaster relief, support youth and address humanitarian needs. Thank you for your support.

Lions and Special Olympics: Partners in Unity

LCIF <u>announced a five-year expansion</u> of the partnership with Special Olympics during the 96th Lions Clubs International Convention in Germany. Through <u>Opening Eyes</u>, Lions already help provide vision screenings and eyeglasses to Special Olympic athletes. Now, Lions and LCIF will help create leadership opportunities for Special Olympics athletes, increase the health work of Special Olympics, conduct outreach to families for additional support and reach more young people through inclusive sports and advocacy programs.

Learn more in this video about the announcement:



LCIF at the USA/Canada Forum

Experience the impact of <u>Lions Clubs International Foundation</u> at this year's USA/Canada forum from September 19 through 21 in Kansas, USA.

LCIF will have a booth in the exhibit hall where staff is can answer questions regarding grant programs and the application process, provide informational materials, and accept donations. Contributing Member and MelvinJones Fellow replacement pins will be available at the booth. Please stop by and inquire about the Lions Measles Initiative and the recently announced GAVI partnership.



This year, there are a number of LCIF <u>informational</u> <u>sessions</u>, open to all Lions in attendance:

- <u>Lions Quest</u> will have pre-forum session taking place on Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the convention center in Courtyard Rooms 4-5.
- On Friday, take part in a focused presentation on <u>LCIF Emergency Grants</u> (session 35) from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in Leatherwood Room 3 at the Sheraton Hotel
- Also on Friday, learn about <u>SightFirst</u> grant opportunities in the U.S. and Canada through Knights of the Blind: Qualify for a SightFirst Grant (session 64) from 2:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. in Leatherwood Room 2 at the Sheraton Hotel.
- Chairperson Madden will host a session on Saturday (session 36) from 10:00

 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. that will provide an overview of Foundation initiatives and grant opportunities. This session will take place at the convention center in Courtyard Rooms 4-5.
- LCIF Coordinators are invited to a special session in Courtyard Rooms 4-5 in the convention center at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday.

International Convention

The International Convention in Hamburg was a very interesting and enjoyable time. The first day was solely for check in and getting your picture taken with Incoming President Barry Palmer of Australia. Days two, three, and four were spent in DGE Training where I met district governors from several states as well as England, Norway, Greece, Turkey, and India. Many of the same issues such as membership growth face them as well as us. There was a lot of discussion on many topics such as communication, conflict resolution, and the opportunities and challenges with Lions. We created a dream board which unfortunately did not place at the DGE banquet. The training group to which DGs Darby and Joan were a part of did place third.

The International Parade was on Saturday and the weather was perfect for a big event like this. Over 15,000 Lions participated in the parade and represented over a hundred countries and districts. The variety in their native dress was simply astounding in their color and styling. For more on the parade and other events at the convention go to the LCI website, enter international convention 2013, and select on line convention. We appear briefly in the parade highlights video #2.

The next few days were spent at the plenary sessions where a variety of entertaining programs and speeches from the new members of the International Board and incoming 2nd vice president Jitsuhiro Yamada of Japan were heard and appreciated. It was all capped at the 3rd Plenary Session when Lion Joan Webber removed my DGE ribbon and I officially became your District Governor.

It was a very interesting, informative, and expensive (things cost a lot and the euro is worth more than our dollar) time in Hamburg. But, I wouldn't change a thing.



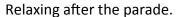
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Tony Benhow of Australia



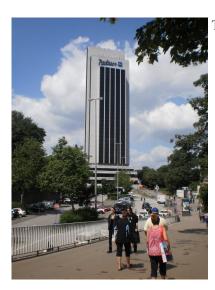








Our favorite open air restaurant



The DGE Hotel

On Hamburg
Riverfront with
DG's Darby

Joan and Brian



<u>Peace Poster Contest Information</u> <u>2013 – 14 Contest "Our World, Our Future"</u>

Contest kits must be ordered from Lions International Club Supplies by October 1, 2013. Please see the PR 785 form on the next page.

*Helpful Hint – when approaching a school to participate, let them know that the contest and topic of peace fits very well in their existing curriculum under the following – "Relationship general outcome/interactions / R – 6.6 / 7.

If you need poster paper, I have a supply of 50 lb. paper 17" x 23" available at 30 cents per sheet.

Any questions, please call or email:

PDG Lion Claude Carignan carignan@shaw.ca

Ph# 780-478-3935

26th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest



Sponsor a Lions International Peace Poster Contest and join clubs worldwide in sharing children's visions of peace with your community.

How the Contest Works

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students 11-13 on November 15, 2013. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, "Our World, Our Future."

One winner for each contest sponsored by a club is chosen to advance to the district governor for judging. On the district level, one winner is selected to go on to the multiple district competition and from there one winner is forwarded to International Headquarters for the final judging. Entries are judged at all levels on originality, artistic merit and portrayal of

During the final judging, 23 merit award winners and one grand prize winner are chosen to represent the many entries submitted from around

Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging are

- · International Grand Prize Winner receives a trip to the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations (subject to change). At the ceremony he/she will receive a cash award of US\$5,000 (or local equivalent) and an engraved plaque. Two family members (one being the winner's parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring Lions club president or a club member (as designated by the club president) will accompany the winner to the award ceremony. The award ceremony is scheduled for March 2014
- · 23 Merit Award Winners each receive a cash award of US\$500 (or local equivalent) and a certificate of achievement.

Mail or fax your order to: LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CLUB SUPPLIES SALES DEPARTMENT, 300 W 22ND ST. OAK BROOK IL 60523-8842 USA; Fax 630-571-0964

Peace Poster Contest Kit (PPK-1)	_ Qty. @ US\$10.95/each \$ _	
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(Available in all official languages.)	Postage & Handling \$ _	
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Lions Club Name		
Officer's Signature (Required)		

The protection of your payment data is important to us. Your credit card* purchases of Lions merchandise must be made directly online at www2.lionsclubs.org. Please do not include your credit card number in any written communication or correspondence. *Visa, MasterCard, Discover.

PR 785 11/12

Lions clubs must order a Peace Poster Contest kit from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. Available in all 11 official languages, it costs US\$10.95, plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. Each kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor one* school or organized, sponsored youth group:

- · Official Club Contest Guide & Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules
- Participant Flyer may be duplicated and given to each participating student to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

*Clubs can sponsor more than one contest in either the same or multiple school(s) and/or youth group(s) by purchasing more than one kit. Clubs will send one poster per each contest sponsored to the next level of judging,



NEW 3 in this kit and on the LCI website. The Lions International Essay Contest entry form is included

Kits are available January 15 - October 1, 2013. SORDER Purchase your kit early to allow adequate time for shipment and contest planning.



To order the Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) submit the form below, order through the online Lions Store (Item search: Peace Poster Kit) or call Club Supplies at (630) 571-5466 or (800) 710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).

Visit www.lionsclubs.org [search: Peace Poster] for more contest information, deadlines, to send a Peace Poster e-card and view past finalists' posters.

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Postage/handling Charges:

United States/Canada - Postage/handling charges will be added at the time of processing your order. An additional charge will be added if second day service

Overseas - Postage/handling charges will be added at the time of processing your order. Duty/taxes may be required upon receipt of your order, Lions Clubs International is not responsible for payment of these duties or taxes.

Sales Tax:

We are obligated to charge sales tax in Illinois and Canada.