



# PRAIRIES to PEAKS



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From DG Pauline

Well, here I am again – don’t know if my list of things to do is getting any shorter – just when I think am making some progress, someone adds something else to my list! However, in just a few weeks, it really won’t matter. I don’t mean that the way it sounds- it DOES matter. But it is something like Christmas – it comes whether you are ready for it or not! So get to it Pauline!



The last MD 37 Council of Governor meeting was held in Bozeman, MT at the end of April and then we celebrated with the last MD 37 Convention. PIP Judge Brian Stevenson was our International guest and throughout the convention, there were stories and other reminiscing about our past and some thoughts about our future. The general consensus is that the friendships that have been forged over the yeas will remain strong – regardless of borders.

Friendships formed in the association with Lions was a theme throughout the weekend and was never more evident with the generosity of those present in fundraising for the earthquake disaster relief of Nepal. The earth-

quakes continue and the aftershocks are stronger than many earthquakes in other parts of the world. PID Tom Lehman generously donated an “antique” vest with an embroidered MD crest on the back for a Chinese auction. DG Don Edy from 37-O took the prize!

There has been tension and dissention regarding the redistricting of our MD, and I must say, it made my heart ache - but coming together, face to face and with a common goal, I have to believe that everything will work out. And speaking of workout, I have a another pile of paper to move so, until next month when I write my final words as your District Governor, stay safe, and be happy.

(By the way, VDG Cathy Anderson is recovering quite well from her surgery and appreciates our thoughts and prayers. She was sorry to miss the MD Convention but I think she will make up for it – just as soon as the doctors say she can!)

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# ***CLUB OFFICER TRAINING***

## ***Let us Help You***

***Once again we will be holding Club Officer Training to help our incoming club executives with the tools they need to perform their job in 2015-2016.***

***Training will be held at the Lethbridge College Saturday  
May 23 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm***

***Please RSVP if your Club will be attending, the number attending and for which positions you would be interested in. Thank you***

***For further information please contact PDG Lion Sharon West District  
GLT Co-ordinator e-mail: [lionsharonw@gmail.com](mailto:lionsharonw@gmail.com) or call 403-327-  
1122***



There is no shot so simple that  
it can't be messed up.



There are a couple of golf tournaments coming up in southern Alberta in June. The pictures above are MY idea of golf – and know that there are golfers out there who have similar ideas! However, it is always good to be able to commiserate/celebrate with like-minded individuals. Please contact the appropriate clubs (Claresholm & Bow Island) and join in the fun.

*The **Claresholm Lions** would like to extend an invitation to your club members to participate in our annual men's golf tournament. The tournament is a best ball scramble format and will be held on **June 7** at the Claresholm Golf Club. Cost includes a meal. Registration can be done as a four man team or as an individual with the proshop at 625-3500. We would appreciate it if you would pass this information to your club members. For any further information please contact **John Cope at 403-625-3525***

**Lions Club Bow Island** Golf and Steak Night

**June 26, 2015**

Bow Island Golf Course

6 PM Shot Gun Start

9 Holes of golf and Steak \$40.00

Steak supper \$20.00 Golf Carts Extra

**RSVP By June 19**

**Maryanne 403 545 2871**

**The following is an excerpt from the "Flatwillow Express Newsletter" from DG Jim Johnke, District 37-S**

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**District 37, Lions of Montana, need your help:**

Hopefully, your club has held elections for Fiscal year 2015-16

We could use the names, phone numbers and email addresses of all your club officers plus any other lions interested in receiving notices from District 37, and the Lions of Montana. We know you sent all this info in on your Club PU101 form, but it takes a while for it to all get back and distributed where it needs to be. We want to be ahead of the game with the new District 37 as far as info about clubs, officers, contacts, and anyone interested.

If you could reply to this email with names, addresses, email addresses, phone numbers for your club's new officers, we would greatly appreciate it. It will go a long way towards getting ready for the important communications between the District 37 Leadership and all of you.

Please forward this info on to the other clubs in your area as we know we don't have all the club info we should have. Any help you can give us will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,  
District 37 Communications Team

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**[MONTANALIONS.ORG](http://montanalions.org)**

<http://montanalions.org> is the address for your website for the New Montana District 37.

It will be replacing <http://md37s.billingslions.org/> which is the current MD37S website. Currently, both addresses direct you to the same website. This will change as of July 1, 2015.

There will be new email addresses and tons of information to help us adjust to the new District.

There is already a lot of information about the New District 37 with more coming. There is convention reports, soon to be the map of zones, regions and clubs in Montana.

There is a place where club happenings can be entered to inform the rest of the District the great things Montana Lions are doing.

Keep checking back. [montanalions.org](http://montanalions.org) is always changing.

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Foothills Charity Golf Tournament**  
**& Silent Auction**

In support of CLERC – Canadian Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centre  
Corporate & Club/Individual sponsorship available

Registration Deadline – July 19, 2015

Tournament – Friday July 24, 2015



Registration forms available at: District website: <http://e-district.org/sites/37n>

More info contact Tyler Bray: email – [tylerbray6@telus.net](mailto:tylerbray6@telus.net) (Cell # 990-3715)

## Mark Your Calendar for the following dates:

		Contact
May 23'15	Club Officer Training, Lethbridge, AB	PDG Sharon West <a href="mailto:lionsharonw@gmail.com">lionsharonw@gmail.com</a>
May 30'15	Training, (See note below) Missoula, MT	Lion Judy Lehman <a href="mailto:tjlehman@q.com">tjlehman@q.com</a>
May 30'15	Purina Walk for Dog Guides – Lethbridge, AB	
May 31'15	District C-2 Directory input due date	1VDG-E Gail Haight <a href="mailto:Gail@mvpinc.ca">Gail@mvpinc.ca</a>
June 5-7, 2015	Lions Cavalcade Campout & BBQ – Vegreville, AB	
Jun 7'15	Claresholm Lions Golf Tournament Claresholm , AB	John Cope – 403-625-3525
Jun 20, 2015	Redcliff Lions Show & Shine Redcliff, AB **	
Jun 26'15	Bow Island Golf & Steak, deadline for registering Jun 19, Bow Island AB	Maryanne 403 545 2871
Jun 26-30'15	International Convention - Hawaii	<a href="http://www.lionsclubs.org">www.lionsclubs.org</a>
<b>July 1'15</b>	<b>NEW DISTRICTS COME INTO EFFECT</b>	
July 24, 2015	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Foothills Lions Charity Golf (for CLERC) – Turner Valley, AB	
Sep 17-19'15	USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Grand Rapids, Michigan	<a href="http://www.LionsForum.org">www.LionsForum.org</a>
Oct 9-10'15	District 37 Convention, Helena, MT	To be announced
Oct 16-17'15	District C-2 Convention, Lethbridge, AB	To be announced
info also on District website: <a href="http://e-district.org/sites/37n">http://e-district.org/sites/37n</a>		

## Detail for Training sessions to be held in Montana

***The following information was taken from the "Flatwillow Express Newsletter" from DG Jim Johnke, District 37-S***

*FROM: DG Jim and DGE Lion Richard Gessling*

*We are having the following training sessions for club officers past, present and future at the following locations and time.*

*In Missoula May 30th at the Southgate Mall, 3025 Paxton St. Missoula from 10 am till 3pm. please RSVP Judy Lehman [tjlehman@q.com](mailto:tjlehman@q.com) by May 28th.*

*In Huntley Project May 31st at Homestead Hall , 754 Railroad Highway, Worden. From 10 am til 2pm. please RSVP PDG Lary Garrison [ljgson@aol.com](mailto:ljgson@aol.com) by May 28th.*

*The following are proposed subjects that will be offered. General for everyone. LCI website, [montanalions.org](http://montanalions.org) website, MyLCI, Centennial goals, Lions University, Lions Learning Center. Strong Clubs(CEP Program) Great meetings, Breakout session for specific topics as President/VP Director, Secretary/ Treasurer, Tail Twister/ Lion Tamer.*

*We will attempt to answer every and all questions? We have been very poor at getting people to these trainings over the past years and we need to do everything we can to turn this around. To have a strong District to serve Montanans we need strong clubs with well informed and trained leaders. I'll be at both Trainings, Hope to see you there. Thanks for all you do for Lions.DGE Lion Richard Gessling*

***THANK YOU TO ALL CLUBS FOR VOTING  
& REPORTING YOUR NEW CLUB EXECU-  
TIVE FOR 2015-2016 TO BOTH LCI & THE  
NEW DISRICT EXECUTIVE (DG-E HAZEL  
& DGE-RICHARD)!!***



**(AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVEN'T YET, YOU WILL, RIGHT? VERY SOON!)**

**Please also remember to respond to 1VDG-E Gail Haight ([Gail@mvpinc.a](mailto:Gail@mvpinc.a)) regarding the District –C-2 Directory that is being compiled for 2015-2016. There are opportunities for clubs in the new District to advertise both events and perhaps supporting businesses. (Document was emailed to club executive with email addresses)**  
**This info is required by the end of May, 2015**





## CELEBRATING MONTANA LIONS SERVICE



***Save the date for the Montana Lions  
District 37 Convention.***

October 9-10, 2015, at the newly remodeled  
Red Lion Colonial Inn in historic Helena, Montana.

This is the first modern day convention since the last one  
held in Great Falls, Montana, on May 13-14, 1927.

Have lots of fun and learn more about what the Montana  
Lions are doing to help those less fortunate. All attendees'  
names will be recorded for this historical event.

***Be a part of history for the first  
Montana Convention in 88 years.***

