

Lions Link



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DG Donna's Notes

Happy Spring, Lions of 37L

It's hard to believe that this Lionistic year is three quarters over and there is still so much to do. Although we have had positive numbers throughout the whole year we still haven't been able to get the number of new members I had hoped for. Our district has been going in the right direction but it has been a slow process. I am hoping that all Lions will join with me for a final quarter push in new membership.

World Wide Induction Day and Officer Training will once again be combined and held in two locations as in previous years. We will be in Grande Prairie on April 14 at the Lions Learning Centre and in St. Albert on May 12. Lion Carole Henson is sending out personal invitations to all the new members in 37L. Plan to attend and to help us welcome all those new Lions into Lionism.

On June 15th we will be adding one new Lions Club into our family of Lions. On that day the Thorsby Lions Club will be chartered and you will hear more about the celebrations in the weeks to come. It's been a number of years since this district has had a new club and I am very excited.



PDG (37B) Mike Skuba celebrated his ninetieth birthday on March 18. Mike, who chartered with Smoky Lake Lions Club a long, long time ago, now lays claim to 65 years of perfect attendance.

We have surpassed our projected number of trees planted by close to double the 1153 trees that I had pledged for this district to plant. But.... spring is just about here and we need all of you to get out the spades and start digging those holes. There is nothing wrong with us planting five times the number of trees pledged is there? Let's plan on getting our clubs together and making us the top tree planting district in the MD.

Westlock, along with the Athabasca Lions Club will be hosting our Multiple District 37 convention on the May long weekend. The registration form is at the back of this issue of the Link. I encourage all of you to attend and I especially want you to bring along your new members so they can see what Lions are all about.

June is the month for Project Pride. Giving flags to those little grade one students is one of the most enjoyable

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***A Smile is contagious;
 just smile at someone
 and see the reaction.***

**Multiple District
 37 Convention
 May 17 - 19, 2012
 Westlock Community
 Centre
 Entry Form at the end of
 this Lions Link**

things I have done as a Lion. Flags can be ordered from PID Bill Webber – just give him a call. (wwandjawebber@gmail.com), 780 459-7023. As we did last year, the district is once again coordinating an order for the Lions colouring books for those who want to give them along with the flags. My club distributed the colouring books last year along with the flags, and the teachers were amazed at the content of the books – teaching children the value of volunteerism and what Lions are all about. The cost should be around thirty eight cents per book. District Governor Elect Wanda Coates is taking orders with a deadline of April 1st.

Until next month, - Donna

(Some of) PCC Lynne's Rules to Live By

"If I had to live my life again, I'd make the same mistakes, only sooner."
- Tallulah Bankhead

"Enjoy life....there's plenty of time to be dead."
- Steve Allen

"I'd rather regret the things I have done than the things I have not."
- Lucille Ball

"We could never learn to be brave and patient if there were only joy in the world."
- Helen Keller

"A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable but more useful than a life spent in doing nothing."
- George Bernard Shaw

"When you're through changing, you're through."
- Bruce Barton

"The great pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do."
- Walter Bagehot

"Mix a little foolishness with your prudence. It's good to be silly at the right moment."
- Horace



Seniors In Need Campaign The North Edmonton Seniors Association thanked the Edmonton Northgate Lions Club for their continued support and donation of \$2,000. Picture: Lions Rod Zohner and Terry Hancock present cheque to campaign

At a recent Edmonton North Zone Soccer Association (ENZSA) "Powerpoint" tournament the **Edmonton Northgate Lions** members were present to hand out medals to the participants. The Lions members were thrilled to see the energy and sportsmanship from the children.

EDMONTON HERITAGE DAYS CLUB FUNDRAISER

Lion Carole Henson

Call to all clubs for volunteers to earn NON-GAMING MONEY for club piggy banks!!

The Lions have been invited to participate in the Heritage Days Festival again this year, to sell MEAL TICKETS at the participating pavilions, same as last year. August 4, 5, 6, 2012.

Please do not wait to call me. If you have the slightest inkling that you and your "over 18" friends would like to participate, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH ME ASAP. It takes a lot of work to put this all together, and the sooner I know, the more efficient I can be on behalf of the Lions.

Commitments already received from **Korean Club** and **Edmonton Host** – join the bandwagon and have a great weekend of fun at the same time.

Contact me by email: clh@tbwifi.ca or talk to me and/or leave a message at 780-962-9342 – yours will be my favorite phone call/email that I get, without a doubt!

Thorsby Club to Charter

Good news - on Friday June 15 we will be chartering the Thorsby Lions Club. They will become club #60 in 37L. Our membership numbers will remain the same but our club number will increase. Congratulations are in order to PDG's Dan Claypool and Ian Sinclair for all their hard work. They have spent many hours mentoring this new club and we thank them sincerely.

- DG Donna

Camrose, Alberta

That's where the MD 37 Lions Cavalcade for Diabetes Awareness Campout, Parade and BBQ will be held on **May 25 - 26, 2012**.



Camrose has facilities for RVs, Motels, Shopping, Restaurants, Golfing and is located on Highway 13 east of Highway 21. Come on out and join us for a great time.

Watch your district newsletters and check on our website for further information as it is available.

Our website address is,

<http://cavalcade.md37lions.org>



Prime Minister Stephen Harper drops in on an MD37 Cabinet meeting in Lethbridge in October. The PM was in town for a Progressive Conservative Party function, and dropped in to say hello. Why didn't anyone think to recruit the PM?

Lions Display at the Greater Edmonton Teachers Convention.

Organized and staffed by Edmonton Strathcona Lions.



PU-101s? You probalby think incoming DG Wanda Coates is a nice lady, and you are right, unless you neglect your year end forms...

District Calendar

2012

34	14	Northern Officer Training and World Wide Induction Day	Grande Prairie	Carole Henson clh@tbwifi.ca
4	26-29	Leadership Institute	Gold Creek, MT	Mary Kay Flanagan mkflanagan@theglobal.net
5	12	Southern Officer Training and World Wide Induction Day	St Albert	Carole Henson clh@tbwifi.ca
5	17-19	MD37 Convention	Westlock	PCC Gordon Topps ghtopps@msn.com
5	25-26	Cavalcade for Sight	Camrose	http://cavalcade.md37lions.org
6	22-26	International Convention	Busan, Korea	Lions International lionsclubs.org
9	14-16	USA/Canada Forum	Tampa Bay, FL	Lions International lionsclubs.org
10	12-13	37N Convention	Kalispell MT	
11	1-2	37L Convention	Edmonton	Edmonton Northgate

2013

7	5-9	International Convention	Hamburg, Germany	Lions International lionsclubs.org
11	?	37L Convention	Westlock	Vimy & District

2014

7	4-8	International Convention	Toronto	Lions International lionsclubs.org
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2015

5	14-16	MD37 Convention	Bozeman	
6	26-30	International Convention	Honolulu	Lions International lionsclubs.org

LIONS LEADERSHIP LEARNING EXTRAVAGANZA!
GRANDE PRAIRIE

FOR ALL INCOMING CLUB EXECUTIVE AND
FOR ALL INTERESTED LIONS – SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Saturday, April 14, 2012
LIONS LEARNING CENTRE
9625 Prairie Road
GRANDE PRAIRIE, ALBERTA

Registration starts at 08:30am – Assembly at 9:00am – 3:30pm wrap
Good Food and Coffee Breaks
and lots of fellowship!

Training for Presidents, Vice-Presidents/Directors, Treasurers, Secretaries,
Tail Twisters, and Zone Chairs

And....you don't have to be a Club Officer to attend a Training Session
All new Lions are encouraged to sit in on the training session of their choice

~Induction of New Lions~

Family members and sponsors – join with fellow Lions around the world, and take part in our
significant and meaningful
Special Candlelight Ceremony

Club Presidents: please encourage your club officers to attend, and cover their costs – this is classed
as an “Educational Event”
~Small charge for lunch~

Email Lion Carole Henson to book your attendance clh@tbwifi.ca
before April 1, 2012

COLOURING BOOKS

Please contact Lion Wanda Coates
coates.wanda@gmail.com

780 479 5887 if you want to add
your club name to the colouring
book and how many you want to
order. Last year we managed to get
the price down to the .47 per copy
range, maybe this year we can go for
the .37 per copy range.

Order deadline:

April 1

• Edmonton - Millwoods Lions Breakfast Club • Edmonton Northgate Lions Club



- Edmonton Strathcona Lions Club
- Fort Saskatchewan Lions Club



are pleased to provide this colouring book for you.

**Lions Clubs make your community a better place to live, and as you colour your
way through this book you will see why.**

**Please take time as your summer begins to attend a July 1st Canada Day
Celebration in your community.**

**It is very important for us to remember and be thankful for all the
freedoms we have.**

Wave your flag proudly and have a great summer!

**LIONS LEADERSHIP LEARNING EXTRAVAGANZA!
EDMONTON**

Club Officer Training and
World Wide Induction Day St Albert

FOR ALL INCOMING CLUB EXECUTIVE AND
FOR ALL INTERESTED LIONS

Saturday, May 12, 2012

**BERTHA KENNEDY COMMUNITY SCHOOL
175 Larose Drive, St. Albert, AB**

**Registration starts at 08:30am – Assembly at 9:00am – 3:30pm wrap
Good Food and Coffee Breaks
and lots of fellowship!**

**Guest Speaker Extraordinaire – PDG Leo Bruseker
(on a very timely and interesting topic!)**

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or phone 780-717-1835

before April 30, 2012

Please book early for catering purposes and space assignment

**UPDATE: LIONS LEADERSHIP LEARNING
EXTRAVAGANZA! EDMONTON**

EXCITING ADDITIONS TO OUR SCHEDULE:

Leo Chair, **Lion Paul Cheung** and his team, the **Social Media Tactical Team** (SMTT) is made up of Leos and the Campus Club. This team is “social media savvy” and will be presenting on how Lions can use exciting social media tactics to grab the attention of, and recruit younger members. Don't miss this informative and first-time fun session!

And a must-attend session by sponsors and all Lions who are concerned about keeping our new Lions happy..... don't miss **VDG Lion Wanda Coates'** seminar titled “**Are You Guilty?**” that will cover *the most important topic of membership retention from the perspective of the new Lion*. As always, her sessions are full of good information presented in unique “Lion Wanda Style” – full of energy and packing a wallop!

“**WELCOME NEW LIONS**” – presented by none-other-than **Past Int'l Director BILL WEBBER**, World Traveller and Ultimate Educationalist on all things Lionistic – bring your questions!

Happy 25th birthday to our very own “Peace Poster”! **PDG CLAUDE CARIGNAN** will remind us all of this wonderful on-going event that involves our youth, and how your club can participate in the prestige of school sponsorship.



THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
LIONS CLUBS
MUTIPLE DISTRICT 37

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March 15, 2012

Fellow Lions of MD37:

This letter is to provide additional information regarding resolutions delegates will be voting on at the MD Convention in May. Some explanation is required so delegates can make an informed decision. Most of the Resolutions are housekeeping and intended to make the MD 37 operations smoother. Resolution 3, for example, adds 10 days to the MD 37 billing deadline, since LCI tends to deliver the Healthy Club reports around the 17th of the month, sometimes later, which provides the numbers on which the MD and the Districts base their bills.

Council has agreed to remove all reference to the operational aspects of the MD Rallies from both the Constitution Article IX and the Bylaws Article VIII. This will simplify the process if changes are necessary to the rally format and not bind the MD to a requirement in the Constitution and Bylaws. The Rallies remain as part of the Policy Manual where the articles will be restated once the resolutions are approved.

Resolutions 6 and 7 deal with items that Council should not be providing direction to the Districts. They deal with the District Organization and District Cabinet these are contained in the *Lions Clubs International Standard Constitution and Bylaws* as well as in each District Constitution and Bylaws. Council cannot interfere with operations of a District and the District Governor.

Resolutions 2, 4, 8 and 9 are to ensure the Council remains current with the technology, which we now embrace. Our recent survey indicated that most clubs want to receive this information electronically. Clubs can still request hard copies of resolutions and /or the Convention Report which will be mailed.

The final resolution is your opportunity to select your candidate as the next Vice Council Chair who will assume the duties of Council Chair in 2013-2014.

Club delegates make the final decision. Please provide this information to all delegates – see you at the Convention in Westlock, in May.

Yours in Lionism

Tom Hodgson

Tom Hodgson,
Council Chair, MD 37

25th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Imagine Peace



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

Lions clubs sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students 11-13 on November 15, 2012. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, "Imagine Peace."

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 theme.

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

Awards

Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging are recognized as follows:

- **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 2013.
- **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 \$ _____
 Language Required _____ Tax \$ _____
 (Available in all official languages.) Postage & Handling \$ _____
 Total \$ _____

Method of payment (select one):

- A. Club/District Acct. # _____
 Lions Club Name _____
 Officer's Signature (Required) _____
- B. Visa/Mastercard/Discover # _____ Exp. Date _____
 Cardholder's Signature (Required) _____
 3-Digit CVC code (shown on back of card) _____

PR 785 11/11

How to Enter

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.



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

Kits are available January 15 – October 1, 2012.
 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 for more contest information, deadlines, to send a Peace Poster e-card and view past finalists' posters.

Ship order to:

Name _____

Address (No P.O. Boxes) _____

City _____ State/Province _____

Zip Code _____ Country _____

Daytime Phone # (Required) _____

E-mail Address _____

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 is required.

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.



MULTIPLE DISTRICT 37 CONVENTION
 May 17, 18, & 19th, 2012
 Westlock Community Centre
 Registration Form



Name: _____

Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Non-Member _____ First Multiple District 37 Convention _____

Mailing Address: _____

Postal Code/Zip Code: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Companion Name: _____ District: _____ Club: _____

Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Non-Member _____ First Multiple District 37 Convention _____

Early Registration Cut Off Date is April 15th, 2012
 Special Meal Request { } *Diabetic* { } *Vegetarian* { } *Allergies*

Please note that it may not be possible to accommodate all special meal requests

Registration No. Total Amount

Early Registration _____ X \$100.00 = \$ _____

Registration(s) _____ X \$110.00 = \$ _____

Please note that registration includes Friday Lunch and banquet, and Saturday lunch and banquet.

Extra Tickets

Governor's Banquet _____ X \$30.00 = \$ _____

Grand Total \$ _____

Contact person: **PCC Gordon Topps**
 Phone: (780) 675-4626 Cell: (780) 213-1471
 E-Mail: ghtopps@msn.com

REGISTRATIONS PAYMENTS	
Please make cheque payable to:	
MULTIPLE DISTRICT 37 CONVENTION	E-MAIL:
P.O. Box 143	kenpiket@gmail.com
ATHABASCA, Alberta	ghtopps@msn.com
T9S 2A2	
Check { }	Money Order { }
Visa { }	Master Card { }
Card # _____	
Expiration Date _____	
Name on Card _____	
Signature: _____	

Refund Policy:

Before asking for a refund DID YOU TRY TO GET A LION TO TAKE YOUR PLACE? A full refund will be granted if a written request is received by the Convention Committee prior to February 28th, 2012. A refund may be granted after March 1st, 2012 upon approval of the District Governor.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS: *Please let the Hotel know you are registering for the Lion's Convention as a block of rooms have been reserved for the convention.*

HOTEL NAME:	Ramada Inn	Westlock Inn	Best Western
PHONE #:	780-349-2245	780-349-4483	780-349-4102
	Convention Hotel		