

# Positive Pride



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### *Happy Valentine's Day To Everyone*



The Lions Year is moving along very fast, only one month to our **SPRING CONFERENCE**, and it would be very nice to have every Lion in our District at our Conference to share in the fun and excitement of our theme — **PROJECT PRIDE** — celebrating our International District. Have you sent your registration to Dave Coppin yet? Be sure to bring along a friend who can also enjoy our fun and fellowship.

It is wonderful to see the many activities our Lions members and clubs are doing in our communities — doing what we do best, helping those less fortunate than ourselves. Don't forget to give your neighbor or your friends an opportunity to assist you and your Lions on a project your club is doing. They may just appreciate being asked; and who knows, they may want to be a Lion themselves.

As we are past the half way mark for our Lions Year, it is time to start looking for those Lions that want to step forward and be leaders in your Clubs for next year. Elections for your new executive is coming up soon.

It is great to see President Don Webster and his Executive Committee of Lions Camp Horizon, our District Project, moving ahead to make this a most exciting year for our camping friends, which is so exciting for all those who attend Lions Camp Horizon this summer. Congratulations to all of you for “making a difference.”

By Spring Conference, all our Zones will have elected their Zone Chairs for next year; and it sure looks like a wonderful group of Lions to be your leaders. Congratulations to all of you! Our Spring Conference will see elections for our District Governor, with VDG Mel Stokes being a candidate and PZC Virginia Edgelow a candidate for Vice District Governor. Good luck to both of you!

There are many happenings in our District, and I urge you to make use of our MD and District web pages to find out more. Visiting other Lions Clubs can and usually is a very pleasant experience and may make your membership in Lions a more meaningful experience.

Enjoy the fun and fellowship provided through membership in our Lions Clubs and remember, **WE DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**



— DG Grev Edgelow



## News from District H Leos

### News from Camp Horizon Leos:



We Camp Horizon Leos have lots of things going on, and we want to tell you about them.

With EXCOM approval, we would like to host a Easter Egg Hunt and get together for our special needs friends on April 5th @ 1pm here at Camp Horizon. We know that this is the same day as our next EXCOM and BOD meetings.

At least 17 of us - and maybe as many as 25— plan to attend the Spring Conference. We have requested permission to do the invocation at the Saturday luncheon...Lions Camp Horizon style. We are willing and able to help with the table or panel, if needed.

We want to come and help with the Spring Clean-up - March 29-30, and spend the night...with parental permission, of course. Probably 20-25 of us will come. Also, we are willing to take on the Surplus window and door project.

With EXCOM approval, we would like to paint the interior of the Craft Building a soft grey and then during camp, for part of the arts and crafts rotation, use poster paint and let the campers put their hand print on the wall with their name under it. We'll paint the bathrooms, as well. We will provide the paint needed for this project. The foundation may need to help with the tools needed...i.e. the brushes, rollers and maybe a tarp or plastic to cover the floor.

With EXCOM approval, we would also like to take on painting the interior of the Conference Bldg, including the Hallway and library. Here's our idea... we want to paint the walls an off-white or soft gray and then deco splatter the walls with many colors. We would like tie-dyed curtains and are willing to sew them. We are going to ask about making it a project for the sewing class at Blaine High School.



Some Leo's and Campers (sponsored by Everson Lions) are going to attend an Everson Lions Club meeting with our sponsor, Cindy Bryan, on either Feb 5th or 19th. Also, several of us are attending a surprise B-Day bowling party in Anacortes, for one of the campers on Jan 20th.

### The LEOS OF SAN JUAN write:

At the suggestion of Lion John Towson, Nick Groseclose and Mitch McCormick began soliciting the idea of starting a LEOS Club at Friday Harbor High School. Soon the word spread to Spring Street School, and Alex Oettinger took on a key role of recruitment there. By January of 2007, the group had formed as the Leos Club of San Juan and officers were elected with the charter slate including Nick Groseclose as President, Mitch McCormick as Vice President, Alex Oettinger as Treasurer, and Christine Olshefsky as Secretary.



A Charter Night Celebration was held at the San Juan Island Yacht Club on January 20, 2007, with 27 charter-members in attendance. Also present were many Lions from clubs all over Washington State. It was indeed a celebration and the start of a very productive first year for the Les Club of San Juan. Some of the projects undertaken were assisting the Soroptimists with their annual dinner, building a replacement dock on Egg Lake (the first was built forty years ago by the San Juan Lions), assisting Island Rec with the Children's Festival, a block-buster golf tournament – garnering over \$1,400 in one afternoon, an Extreme Home Makeover – for an elderly woman being forced to move out of her home due to health and financial difficulties. Many Leos worked hard at chopping and delivering fire-wood to the elderly, helped with the Christmas Ship and the San Juan Island Prevention Coalition's New Year's Eve Party, among many other projects, as well as administrative tasks such as adopting the Chapter's Constitution and By-laws.

On July 1, 2007, our Awards Ceremony and induction of officers for the 2007-08 year was held. Incoming president Mitch McCormick, who is also a Eucharistic Minister at St. David's Episcopal Church, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and this invocation that he had prepared:

*"Heavenly Father, we ask for Your blessing on our gathering at this time. May we serve You better through our commitment to Leos as we learn what a great benefit our work is in helping others and this community. We ask for Your help in our efforts to serve others in the future as we have in the past. We also ask that you bless our food. May it nourish us so that we may help others and thus serve You. Amen"*

Awards for successful projects completed January through June of 2007 were given to project chairs. A guest speaker was present and fun was had by all.

The Leos have several projects on the horizon for the spring, with new members each month. We have also lost a few, so currently we are still at 27. We will keep you updated on our efforts.



## *A Special Event to support SightLife*



**Join us for SightLife Hockey Night!**

What could be better than a day of great food, drinks, men on ice skates, and raising money to help someone who is blind see again?

It's SightLife Hockey Night! Come watch the Seattle Thunderbirds take on the Spokane Chiefs at KeyArena on February 10 at 5:05 pm!

**Tickets are \$20, and \$5 from each ticket you buy will help provide sight-restoring cornea transplants.**

Join us at the Foundation for a pre-game party with eye bank tours starting at 2:00 pm. **Plus, every ticket purchase includes a SightLife shirt to show your pride in helping make this extraordinary service possible!**

Call 206-682-8500 to reserve your tickets today!



Seattle Thunderbirds vs Spokane Chiefs

Sunday, February 10  
5:05pm at KeyArena

**Best Seats  
in the Key  
for only \$20!**

\$5 from your  
ticket goes  
directly to  
SightLife!

To order tickets,  
call SightLife at  
206-682-8500.

For more info on SightLife and the Northwest Lions Foundation, visit [www.nlfoundation.org](http://www.nlfoundation.org).



### **MONTHLY REPORT February 1, 2008**

World-wide report day is fast approaching. We are now in the home stretch. Presently the Lions Club International Foundation has received \$132 million dollars which is still a fair distance from the \$150 or \$200 million dollar CSFII goal. Our District 19-H (USA) goal of \$109,000.00 could be reached if we make a major effort as we approach the finish line for this campaign. MD19-H (USA) total funds raised (plus club commitments) equals \$92,138 from 1/1/2004 to 1/14/2008.

As the District Coordinator for MD19-H (USA) I believe three things need to happen for us to reach our goal:

1. Clubs that have not yet given anything to this campaign need to "look in the mirror" and take action with at least one major fund raiser. —
2. Clubs that have given to this campaign are asked to dig deep and give a little more. Remember one easy way to continue contributing is to purchase "Melvin Jones Awards" throughout the next five years. Pledge that amount now (\$1000 per award) and then as you pay for the awards over time the funds get credited as CSFII contributions from your club. — and
3. All individual Lions need to consider giving of themselves as individual giving is tax deductible and even small \$ gifts add up to make a big difference. I believe there are many Lions that if approached through their club or individually will give in a heart beat.

All individuals who donated to Sight First should be well thanked as real "Knights of the Blind." Many people will be saved from blindness due to these Lions that have given so graciously.

Yours in Lionism, Rock T. White, District Coordinator, MD19-H (USA)

#### ***A Quick Reminder***

**District Cabinet Meeting - Saturday, February 23rd  
10:00 a.m. at the Fire Hall, 307 -19th Street  
in Lynden, Washington.**

At the USA/Canada Leadership Forum  
September 18-20, 2008  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan



**A GOOD OLD DAYS PARTY - 5:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. - FRIDAY, SEPT. 19** will be held next door at Prairieland Park. It is Saskatoon's Western Development Museum, widely recognized as a world-class facility. The WDM features 1910 Boomtown, a re-creation of a wooden side-walked prairie town Main Street of a hundred years ago which is the longest indoor museum street in Canada. Highlights include over 40 buildings on displays (many staffed and operative), plus a collection of authentic steam powered farm tractors, a transportation gallery of old vehicles, a full-sized steam locomotive whose bell International Vice President Al Brandel (picture right) loves to ring, a remarkable walk-in display called "Winning the Prairie Gamble" complete with sod house, a gift shop, and eating facilities. Your ticket will include admission to the Museum and all exhibits, a walk-around meal, and entertainment on two stages. Additional refreshments will also be available. Shuttle buses will be running at a nominal fee. Visitors are encouraged to dress according to their favorite era.



**SPRING CONFERENCE RAFFLE TIME!!!**



Lions of District H, it's time to look around your homes, Lions dens and secret cupboards. Spring Conference will be upon us before we know it, and we need lots of RAFFLE PRIZES AND SILENT AUCTION ITEMS!

Raffle Organizer for Spring Conference, PZC Chuck LeBlanc, [lionchuckles@shaw.ca](mailto:lionchuckles@shaw.ca) is ready and willing to receive any Lions donations for either the Raffle or the Silent Auction for your Spring Conference "Project Pride" - March 14-16/08 - at the Ramada Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Abbotsford, B.C. Registration forms are easily found on the District H webpage and also on Page 5 of this bulletin. Thank you to all Clubs and Lions who support our raffle each year. The Spring Conference this year promises to be a great time and full of fun. Your generous donations of raffle prizes and silent auction items help to make this event possible.



— DG Grev  
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**An important note —**

about hotel accommodations at Spring Conference just received from PCC Surlinder Gahir:

If you need a hotel room, best to book now, as there is a Hockey Tournament in Abbotsford the same weekend.

Some options are: Best Western Bakerview Inn has 12 rooms left for that date. It is located at 1821 Sumas Way.- Phone: (604) 859-1341 or 1-800-528-1234 Cost is \$120.00 per night plus taxes.

Coast Hotel has 8 rooms left for that date. It's at 2020 Sumas Way, Phone: (604) 853-1880. Cost \$135.00 per night plus taxes.

# District 19-H Spring Conference, March 14 - 16, 2008

## Registration Form



Date Rec'd _____
Reg. # _____

**Ramada Plaza and Conference Centre, Abbotsford BC**  
**Please Book Rooms Directly with Ramada Plaza and Conference Centre**  
 Local 604-870-1050, Out of Town 1-888-411-1070  
**Special Rate \$109.00 Canadian per night, Suites \$149.00**

Lion / Lioness / Leo \_\_\_\_\_ **Special Diet** \_\_\_\_\_  
Attach additional sheet if necessary  
 Club \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_ First Spring Conf. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Partner/ Lion / Lioness / Leo \_\_\_\_\_ **Special Diet** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Function	Qty	Canadian	Total
Registration Only		\$10.00	
Conference Pin ( First 300 Only )		\$ 3.50	
Friday Night, Welcome Dinner only		\$30.50	
Friday Night Welcome Dinner / Contests & Awards / Fun Night		\$40.00	
Fun Night / Contests & Awards		\$10.00	
Saturday Breakfast		\$22.00	
Saturday Lunch		\$25.00	
Governor's Banquet		\$40.50	
Sunday Brunch		\$30.50	
<b>Total</b>			

Payment may be made by Cash, Cheque/Check, Money Order, Visa or MasterCard

Card Name \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature if using Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_

Make Check/Cheque payable to Lions 19H Spring Conference and mail to.....

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Please Note; No Meal Tickets will be sold at Conference.  
Meal registrations must be received by March 03, 2008

**Early Bird Draw Friday Feb. 14, 2008**  
 Registrations *received by Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>* are eligible for Early Bird draw.