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## Lions Clubs International District C-1 Newsletter

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Newsletter Submission  
Deadline: October 26

*"For all the advances in  
medicine, there is still  
no cure for the common  
birthday."*

- John Glenn



**Presentation of an International President's Certificate of Appreciation** to PDG Joan Lubbers at the Stony Plain Lions 60th Charter Anniversary on September 16. Past District Governor Joan is accompanied by Past International Director Dr. Patti Hill, District Governor Kris Kozoriz, and Past International President Judge Brian Stevenson.

### DG Kris' Notes

I have been visiting clubs and attending charters and having a great time. October has more club visits and if you wish a visit from the DG Team please let us know as soon as possible so we can make sure that your date can be accommodated. I would like to provide a reminder of the Special Convention on October 7th in Sylvan Lake, location is the Lions Hall (5119 50A AVE) to endorse Lion Dr. Patti Hill as our candidate for 3rd International Vice President for Milan. We are one month

away from the C-1 convention in Edmonton. Information on the convention is available on the C1 website.

**District C-1 Regular  
Convention  
November 3 and 4  
Radisson Hotel,  
4440 Gateway Blvd  
Edmonton  
Entry Forms and  
Information at:  
[lionsc1.org](http://lionsc1.org)**

## September Membership Anniversaries

**5 years:** Frances Blatt (Athabasca), Rod Potvin and Richard Potvin (Edmonton Jolly Fellows), Wendy Sperle (Edmonton Millwoods Breakfast), Ainslie Bovee and Sharon Johnston (Edmonton Northgate), Sharon Hoekstra (Edmonton South Edmonton), Marlene Lane and Shelley Srahulek (Edmonton Southgate), Norman Ion (Evansburg), Shirley Cermak (Grande Prairie Trumpeter), Pius Donhauser (Innisfail), Lois Advani (Lacombe), Andy Zmijewski (Leduc), Judy Reddecopp (Rimbey), Adam Hall (Tofield) and Ian Shank (Vimy & District).

**10 years:** Rae McClure (Forestburg), April Wiltse and Brenda Burridge (Fox Creek).

**15 years:** Reta Diduck (Andrew), Jerome Wildeman (Clive)

**20 years:** Rick Leyland (Sherwood Park Breakfast)

**25 years:** Mary Flexhaug (Alix), Merle Leibel and George Rogers (Leduc)

**40 years:** Marshall Kachmar (Edmonton Host), Betty Ann Robson (Grande Prairie), David Smale (Oyen)

## Lions Club of Morinville -Highs & Lows

The Lions Club of Morinville has been very busy volunteering at the Blood Donor Clinics, Meat Draws and numerous events - some in conjunction with the town.

The next big event is the Lions Breakfast with Santa to take place 25 November at the Rendez Vous Centre. It is held in conjunction with the Town of Morinville *Lite Up the Nite Christmas Festival*.

The Lions Club has two current members, Lawrence Giffin and Neil McDougall, running in the Municipal Elections for Morinville Councillor.

The Club has two new moms, Maigen Butler welcomed a baby

## Notice: Special District C-1 Convention

The District C-1 cabinet has approved a Special District Convention to be convened October 7, 3:00 PM, at the Sylvan Lake Lions Hall, Sylvan Lake, Alberta

Purpose of this convention is to endorse the candidacy of Lion Dr. Patti Hill for the office of 3rd International Vice President of Lions Clubs International.

All members are encouraged to attend. Each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International, and this district shall be entitled to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club.



## SMOKY LAKE LIONS CLUB 70TH CHARTER NIGHT Saturday Nov 18, 2017

**At the Smoky Lake Agricultural Complex**  
**Cocktails at 5 pm**  
**Dinner at 6 pm**

The Smoky Lake Holubka Dancers will perform  
**Guest Speaker—Judge Brian Stevenson**

**Tickets**  
**\$35.00**

**For information or tickets contact:**  
**Lorrie @ 780-656-0351**  
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boy named Logan in June this year and Sarenah Paquette welcomed a baby girl named Hunter in August.

The club lost two members in September.

Lion member Lucien Beupre passed away 17 September 2017 at the age of 72. The funeral was held 22 September. He joined the Lions Club of Morinville April 2003



**Morinville** reports the passing of Lions Lucien Beaupre on September 17, and Lion Anna Fryters on August 13.

and was an active member, very seldom missing a meeting and held the position of Tail Twister.

The Club members also attended a Memorial Service for Anna Fryters, who passed away 13 August at the age of 69 years. A Memorial Service was held 20 September. Anna is remembered by her spouse of 47 years Francis Fryters. Francis has been and still is an active member of the Lions Club.

He joined in 1984 and for 33 years he has held numerous positions including Vests, Mints, Meat Draw Coordinator, Peace Poster, Project Pride, Can Tabs, Citizen of the Year Committee, eyeglass collection

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**Millet helps the Food Bank.** More details at: <http://www.pipestone-flyer.ca/community/millet-food-bank-aided-with-lions-club-donation/>



## 50<sup>th</sup>. Charter Anniversary Celebration

**DATE: Friday, November 17, 2017**

**Place: Royal Canadian Legion**

**4911 – 49 st.**

**Rocky Mountain House, Ab.**

**Cocktails @ 6:00pm**

**Dinner @ 7:00pm**

**Tickets - \$35.00 per person**

**Guest speaker – PIP Judge Brian Stevenson**

Come Out and help us celebrate 50 years of service to our community and the world of Lionism.

**Cutoff Date: for tickets - Nov. 01, 2017**

For tickets contact: PDG Lion Bob Cadue @ 403-845-7108 or Club Secretary: Lion Donna Kirsch @ 403-844-5508. ( make cheques payable to Rocky Mountain House Lions Club)



**Lions Clubs International  
FOUNDATION**

## Fort Saskatchewan Lions Club Centennial Project

The Fort Saskatchewan Lions Club is delighted to show off our gift to our community celebrating Lions Clubs International's Centennial.

Five years ago we sponsored the Lions Community Fish Pond, a spring-fed former gravel pit in the river valley, adjacent to the North Saskatchewan River. Every fall we add between 2000 and 3000 trout to the pond, not little, minny fish but those that are five to seven inches long. Now it's not uncommon to catch trout about a pound to a pound and a half.

And that brings us to our Centennial gift - a floating dock for everyone who loves to fish or even to just sit and relax at sunset. The dock is sixty feet long, between 6 and 8 feet wide and the end is divided into three wings with benches.

On July 1st the Lions cut the ribbon to the dock and it's been busy ever since. The accompanying photo shows a group of seniors in wheelchairs who were bussed to Fort Saskatchewan from the assisted care facility in Lamont so they could go fishing. For some this is the first time in years that they could be over the water instead of sitting at the side of the water in their wheelchairs. This type of usage is happening every single day.

The dock is also a great setting for a photo op - weddings, family photos, graduations, and selfies - its all happening!

On July 27 Fort Saskatchewan hosted the third day of the Riverfest celebration. Literally hundreds of visitors were on our dock during the whole day (not all at one time).

The Fort Saskatchewan Lions invite everyone to come to our City and enjoy our dock and fishpond. We couldn't be prouder of this gift and the enjoyment it has brought to so many.

- PDG Donna Wozney



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# We Did It!

The **Lions Eye Research Foundation** is reporting that the recent campaign to raise \$140,000.00 for a RETCAM at the Royal Alexandra and University of Alberta Hospitals has reached its goal in a short nine month campaign. Congratulations to all Lions Clubs who responded so generously! Well done!

Since January, twenty three Lions Clubs pledged and donated \$46,000.00, a total that was matched by the Lions of Alberta Foundation and also by the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation. Jeff Buhr, Royal Alexandra Staff Representative, is working on ordering the camera, which will permit the ophthalmology team to begin to use this device in the very near future. Children at the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit needing accurate and efficient assessments will be able to receive these shortly.

- Sylvan Lake**
- Wetaskiwin**
- South Edmonton**
- St Albert Breakfast**
- Spruce Grove**
- Morinville**
- Clive**
- Busby & District**
- Leduc**
- Tofield**
- Fairview & District**
- Edmonton Strathcona**
- Evansburg**
- Grande Prairie Trumpeter**
- Radway**
- Devon**
- Thorhild**
- Castor & District**

**Edmonton (Host)**  
**Drumheller**  
**Lamont**  
**Rycroft & District**  
**Beaverlodge**  
**Oyen**  
**Edmonton The City of Champions**

**Our thanks to Edmonton Millwoods for taking the lead with promotion and a pledge of \$25,000!**

Well done, Lions!

- Sharon Hoekstra

# A Vision Mission

Lions are great at collecting eye glasses; clubs send them to the collection location; and the glasses are cleaned, organized and distributed as requested. This happens here in Alberta but also across Canada, the States and around the world. We do not always see the next steps when the glasses are given to needy people who could otherwise not afford to obtain the glasses.

Vision missions are organized by Lions Clubs around the world. One such has been going on annually in rural Mexico for the past 15 years. Organized by Portland Oaks Bottom Club (PDG Sharon Elder, her husband, Tony, and 30-40 Lions and friends from Oregon, Washington, Montana and Alberta) these clinics are planned, following the invitation by a local Mexican Lion Club. With 9000 pair of glasses (packed in big Rubbermaid tubs) the Lions descend on the selected location and prepare to assess upwards of 500 people per day for five days. After a blood sugar

assessment, vision is checked by one of two optometrists and a prescription is issued for regular, bifocal, reading or other glasses, and/or names can be collected if glaucoma or cataract surgery is deemed necessary, or a white cane can be issued to someone who is blind. Glasses have been sorted by prescription number and volunteers attempt to find several pairs close to the prescription issued. Then the client tries these on and select the pair that they feel best matches their need. Glasses are cleaned and fitted to the face. And before leaving the clinic, each client is invited to select a small gift that the Lion volunteers have brought along from home.

Having been a participant in this vision mission for several years now, I am looking forward to my fourth trip this fall. Our destination is Tepic, Mexico, not far from Puerto Vallarta. The dates of the clinic are November 3 – 8. Accompanying me on her first vision mission will be Lion Linda Wakenhut, from Stony Plain, and two prior participants also from Edmonton. We be in Mexico for two weeks, including a short holiday in addition our volunteer days. We look forward to doing what Lions do best - serving!

If you have questions, or if you think this sounds like fun, contact me. Information for the next trip is usually sent to prior participants in April or May.

- Sharon Hoekstra  
**South Edmonton Lions**

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# District C-1 Calendar

## 2017

9	16	Stony Plain 60th Charter	Stony Plain	<a href="mailto:members@stonyplainlions.org">members@stonyplainlions.org</a>
9	21-23	USA/Canada Forum	Portland, Oregon	<a href="http://lionsforum.org">lionsforum.org</a>
10	7	C-1 Special Convention	Sylvan Lake	Suzanne Leshchyshyn <a href="mailto:infinitelite@shaw.ca">infinitelite@shaw.ca</a>
11	3-4	District C-1 Convention	Edmonton	Details TBA
11	5	District C-1 Cabinet meeting	Edmonton	Suzanne Leshchyshyn <a href="mailto:infinitelite@shaw.ca">infinitelite@shaw.ca</a>
11	17	Rocky Mtn House 50th Charter	Rocky Mountain House	PDG Bob Cadue @ 403-845-7108
11	18	Smoky Lake 70th Charter	Smoky Lake	Lorrie 780 656 0

## 2018

6-29: 7-03	International Convention	Las Vegas	<a href="http://lionsclubs.org">lionsclubs.org</a>
9 20-22	USA/Canada Forum	Columbus Ohio	<a href="http://lionsforum.org">lionsforum.org</a>

## 2019

7 5-29	International Convention	Milan Italy	<a href="http://lionsclubs.org">lionsclubs.org</a>
9 19-21	USA/Canada Forum	Spokane Washington	<a href="http://lionsforum.org">lionsforum.org</a>



45 Years  
WE SERVE

SUNDRE & DISTRICT LIONS

COME CELEBRATE WITH US

NOVEMBER 18, 2017

7:00 P.M.

ELKS HALL  
113 1 AVE SW

BUFFET DINNER  
GUEST SPEAKER  
50/50

TICKETS \$40.00  
CALL SANDRA 403-875-5745  
OR  
CALL SUE 403-638-5395

