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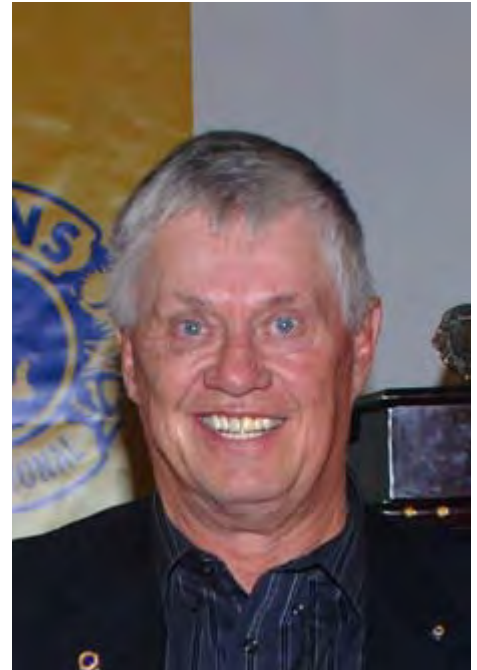
District Governor Bob Reports

A whole year has passed since I became District Governor of District 37-L.

It went by very quickly and I will feel a little sad that it has ended. I met some great Lions in my visitations to the clubs. I can only hope that these friendships will be able to continue as we go forward in a new direction.

There were many highs and a few lows during this year that have made an impression on me. Some of the highs are:

- 1 The great strides we made in membership growth during our blitz in October with special thanks going to The Edmonton Chinese Lions Club, The Edmonton Korean Lions Club, The Edmonton Host Lions Club, and The Edmonton Northgate Lions Club. Some of our northern clubs took an active part in increasing their membership. My hat is tipped to you for your dedication and commitment to Lionism.
- 2 Being able to work alongside 4 other great District Governors in the Council of Governors of MD 37. We had our differences but in the end came together to improve the Lions organization in Alberta and Montana.
- 3 Working with a great cabinet in the District. There cannot be enough said about the dedication that these individuals contributed to our great organization. Thanks to Lion Lynne Coulter who looked after our finances and kept us in check, Lion Donna Coulter for her tireless efforts along with a committee of lions from 37-L and 37-I in creating a new set of bylaws and a Consti-



tution for our new district C-1. To PDG Donna Wozney, PDG Wanda Coates, Lion David Coates for their hard and dedicated work in forming our newest club. To PDG Claude Carignan for all his work with the Peace Posters. To Lion Hank Hoekstra for keeping us informed as editor of the Lions Link. To Lion John (Walter) Cragg for his great work doing our PR and keeping the public informed about Lions. To Lion Terry Kozma for her undying devotion to Lions Foundation of Canada. To IPDG Joan Lubbers for her guidance and wisdom that got me through the year. And last but by no means least to our advisors PID Dr. Patti Hill and PID Bill Webber for having faith in us. There are so many more that deserve recognition but space will not allow for more names to be printed. To you congratulations for a job well done.

- 4 Our last ever District 37-L convention. Special recognition goes to Lion Bob Hiew, Lion Angie Loo, Lion Stacy Chan and

This is the End

District 37L will be no more. Effective July 1, 2015, we will be part of District C-1 and Multiple District C.

There will be a newsletter, and it will be automatically sent to presidents and secretaries of all registered clubs if we have your current email addresses available from LCI. This is why you must update your Club information at LCI (PU-101s if you don't go online) for the 2015 - 2016 Lionistic year.

In addition, members of MD C Council and District C-1 Cabinet will also automatically be subscribed.

If you are not amongst the groups mentioned, you will have to advise me that you wish to receive the District C-1 newsletter.

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-District C-1 Governor Elect Hank

the rest of the Edmonton Chinese Lions Club for the excellent program and the great venue that the convention was held in. The highlight of the convention was the endorsement of PID Dr. Patti Hill as the 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International. In the opinion of many within the Lions organization there is not a more qualified candidate for this position.

5 To the Millwood's Lions Club for sponsoring our newest club the Edmonton Inner City Lions Club that were officially chartered in May. Thanks to the president of the Millwood's Lions Club Wassimul Haque and the rest of the club in your faith that this club will be a benefit to LCI.

6 A special thank you to all the clubs that donated to my charity of choice The Hope Resource Centre, to those clubs that donated to S.T.A.R.S and to the Lions Foundation of Canada. It is with the generosity of Lions Clubs that we are able to help those in need.

Now for some of the lows that happened during the year.

We lost a good club when the Chetwynd Lions Club folded. They were down to 4 members and were having great difficulty in getting new members.

The almost ending of the Hinton Lions Club but this has been resolved and there will be a membership campaign in September led by PDG Ian Sinclair and 2nd VDG Ron Wackenhut.

We are losing members at an alarming rate from our high in October. We have to do something to stop this trend.

The failure of our Club Officer Training due to a lack of participation.

I do not believe that all these new club officers are as well prepared for their responsibilities as they would be if they had taken the training. PDG Wanda Coates went to great lengths to organize the workshop only to have it fail.

The fact that we still have 14 clubs that have not filed their PU 101's for the next year. This is an ongoing problem as we had 16 clubs last year that failed to report. I feel that this goes back to the training of the club secretaries.

Enough of my rambling for this newsletter. I hope that the clubs will give their support to your new executive for next year.

Governor Hank Hoekstra

1st Vice District Governor
Ron Wackenhut

2nd Vice District Governor
Kris Kozoriz

They are going to have a monumental task ahead starting July 1st as our District 37-L will cease to exist and we will become District C-1. District C-1 is the combining of 37-L and 37-I and will consist of about 117 clubs in an area that encompasses the entire province of Alberta from just north of Calgary and includes the Northwest Territories up to the Arctic Circle and 2 counties in northeastern BC. It is going to be a massive change in the way things have been done in the past and I urge you to give your unconditional support to these great leaders so that they may have all the success that they deserve.

To all the Lions of District 37-L thank you for your support and friendship in the past year and I wish you continued success in all your endeavors.

**District Governor
Robert (Bob) Hunter**



Young Jakob D'Aoust with his dog Hopi completed the Purina Walk for Dog Guides held 30 May in Morinville. Hosted by the Morinville Lions Club the event was organized by new Morinville Lions Club member Sarenah Ferguson. The event raised over \$1000 with sponsors, donations and prizes and draws for participants.

- **Lucie Roy**

28th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest Information **2015-16 Theme "Share Peace"**

Reminder that contest kits must be ordered from Lions International Club Supplies by no later than October 1, 2015. 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" and is available at \$.30 per sheet.

Any questions, please call or email:

PDG Lion Claude Carignan carignan@shaw.ca

28th 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, 2015. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, "Share 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 an award ceremony where 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.
- **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\$11.95/each \$ _____
Language Required _____ Tax \$ _____
(Available in all official languages.) Postage & Handling \$ _____
Total \$ _____

Method of payment

Club/District Acct. # _____
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 11/14

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\$11.95, 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 also included in this kit and on the LCI website.

Kits are available January 15 – October 1, 2015.

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.

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.

Lions Clubs everywhere are participating in our LIONS CENTENNIAL

Every Lions club in our District is challenged to ensure that they update their community signage – show your pride in serving your neighbourhood.

TO order the Lions Road-side Signs, visit

<https://www2.lionsclubs.org/s-57-highway-signs-accessories.aspx>

Our Lions Clubs have already submitted many great ideas for Centennial Services

- ☐ Collect and Recycle of 100,000 Eyeglasses
- ☐ 100 KM cycle / run / jog / relay
- ☐ Sponsor 10 Youth Exchange Students
- ☐ Plant 100 trees by 2017
- ☐ Donate 100 books / e books to local library
- ☐ Clean 100,000 km of highway or pathways
- ☐ Donate 1000 litres of blood
- ☐ Build 10 new community centres in Haiti, Nepal etc.
- ☐ Fund Measles inoculations
- ☐ Fund river blindness inoculations
- ☐ Serve / prepare 100 meals for homeless
- ☐ Seniors Park development
- ☐ Electric Sign at town entrance for community events
- ☐ Town clock with sign
- ☐ Build or upgrade a playground for total accessibility
- ☐ Start working with paediatric doctors and or the AHS to provide books to parents at each visit to encourage parents to read to and with their kids (book reading levels increase with each visit).
- ☐ Microwave ovens for proposed low-cost housing
- ☐ Trees for Memorial forest
- ☐ Give 100 hours of volunteer service to Habitat for Humanity
- ☐ Install Barbeques / tables for Lions Park
- ☐ Develop new picnic area with memorial forest
- ☐ Provide Backpacks for kids transitioning into foster care
- ☐ Install Buddy Benches for all schools
- ☐ Create New LIONS Sign at campground.
- ☐ Host a Lions Picnic all across Canada on a pre-arranged date, one time zone at a time.
- ☐ _____



To add your update to the list, please phone, mail, or email your idea to **Lions Centennial Committee** c/o pattihill@shaw.ca or dryfus@shaw.ca.

1ST international Vice President **Bob Corlew** visits Edmonton! Join us to celebrate!

July 21, 2015, 12:00

Central Lions Recreation Centre 11113 113 St Edmonton

12:00 BBQ lunch, \$5.00/Person Please RSVP ASAP at

lionsbbq2015@gmail.com



Bob Corlew, from Milton, Tennessee, was elected to serve as second vice president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 97th International Convention held in Toronto, Canada, July 4 through July 8, 2014.

Vice President Corlew is retired as chancellor for the State of Tennessee and a professor of law.

A member of the Murfreesboro Lions Club since 1978, he has held many offices within the as-



sociation, including club president, zone chairperson, district governor, cabinet secretary and council chairperson. He has been instrumental in the chartering of a number of new clubs. Most recently he worked to charter a new club comprised of lawyers and judges which gained more than 75 members during its first year.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the

Leadership Award, the Builder Key Award, three International President's Medals and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Vanguard of the Melvin Jones Memorial, a Progressive Lindsey-Jennings Fellow and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Corlew has been active on various boards and in several community organizations, including Boy Scouts of America, Murfreesboro City Council, Red Cross, the Jaycees, General Sessions Judge, Discovery House Museum board of directors, Recreation Commission and Water and Sewer Board.

Vice President Corlew and his wife, Dianne, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have five children and four grandchildren.



On Wednesday 10 June Morinville Lions Club members Lucien Beaupre, President Francis Fryters and Colleen Turner presented flags and colouring books to the Grade 1 students at Notre Dame School in Morinville as part of Project Pride.

- **Lucie Roy**

Aloha!

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