

# **Lions Clubs International District 37L Newsletter**

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"Enthusiasm is one of the most powerful engines of success. When you do a thing, do it with all your might. Put your whole soul into it. Stamp it with your own personality. Be active, be energetic and faithful, and you will accomplish your object. Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

# **District 37L Convention**

October 31 & November 1 at NAIT in Edmonton (Registrations Closed)



**District Governor Bob Hunter** with Grande Prairie Lions and STARS staff on the occasion of the DG's official visit in September.

## District Governor Bob:

Time sure flies. Summer has come and gone and we are now entering the final stages of fall. The crops are off the fields and our snow birds are preparing to head south for the winter

I have continued with my official visits and so far have done visitations to 9 clubs. I really enjoy visiting the smaller clubs and learning about all the projects they do that are so different from what our city clubs do.

My recent trip to Beaverlodge and Rycroft demonstrates how involved these clubs are in their respective communities. They are greatly involved in the local schools and youth clubs such as Scouts and Girl Guides. The Rycroft Club continues to grow as they signed up a new member while I was there.

I recently attended the 85th Charter Night of the Edmonton Host Lions Club and had a great time. Who says Lions don't know how to have a good time? The event was well attended and all money raised went to Lions Eye Research Foundation to help with the purchase of equipment for the Royal Alexander Hospital Eye Centre.

On the weekend of October 4<sup>th</sup> the International Board of Directors gave their approval for the clubs of MD 37 to redistrict. Our new MD will consist of District 37-L and District 37-I combining to form a new district C-1. District 37-O and the Canadian portion of 37-N will form District C-2. Montang will become a district on

their own and will retain the number 37.

A special Convention will be held between 37-L and 37-l in mid January 2015 to elect the District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor and 2nd Vice District Governor for the new District C-1. A similar convention will be held on the same day in the south to elect the team for District C-2.

Our convention is fast approaching and will be the last Convention held in district 37-L as we will no longer exist as a district after July 1st, 2015. I urge as many members as possible to attend this event. The Edmonton Chinese Lions Club who are putting on the convention have done a remarkable job and I am sure those that attend will have a memorable experience.

## Notes:

Annual General Meeting of LIONS OF ALBERTA FOUNDATION (LOAF) will be held at Sylvan Lake Lions Hall on Saturday, November 8, 2015

General meeting will commence at 11:00am with the AGM to follow.

- PDG Donna Wozney, Secretary

The Grande Prairie Lions would like to thank the following for their recent donations of used eyeglasses: Aurora Eyecare Centre, FYi doctors, and Colleen McAlloon(former High Prairie Lions member).

The District 371 Convention held in Camrose October 24 and 25 had 81 registrants, and featured speakers on the Camrose police K9 unit, the Lions Eye Research Fund at the Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton, On Site Placement Services, Lions Foundation of Canada, Lions of Alberta Foundation, and an update on Lions Centennial plans presented by PID Patti Hill.



The Lions Club of Sherwood Park is hosting a

# Remembrance Day Service



Norwood Legion Hall 11150 82 St NW, Edmonton 7.00<sup>pm</sup>. November 11, 2014

No Dinner, but dainties will be available with coffee. If you want to lay a wreath (provided or bring your own), please let us know at the door. Speaker will be Dennis Galaugher, past president of Norwood Legion.

# **Editor's Notes**

I know you have been busy beating the bushes for new members, and the reports I have received are both encouraging and tantalizing we are **sooo** close to reaching the magic 1250 that I can almost taste it. Please, anything you can do to sign up new members this week, do it. **Just ask!** 

This is the shortest Lions Link I have ever distributed, so please submit your projects, events, and plans so that I will have something to work with!

Regarding re-districting, you will have heard that the Lions International Board of Dirctors has approved it, which means for us, that Districts 37L and 37I will become District C-1 next July. There will be a special one day convention meeting of both districts to elect the District and Vice District Governors in mid January. Details will follow.

Sharon and I will join an optical mission to Juchipila, Mexico (near Guadalajara) organized by Multiple District 36 (Oregon) November 13 - 23 so I will be hard to find for a few days.

The Tumbler Ridge Lions Club held a community event to help keep the residents warm and fed during these tough economic times. Anglo Mining American helped sponsor a hearty pancake breakfast, complete with ham/sausage, juice and strawberries. The Lions organized a winter clothing freebie, sharing coats, boots, hats and mitts that had been donated by community members. A large crowd enjoyed the warm food and clothing.

Lynda McKenzie



# **District Calendar**

# 2014

10-31/11-1 37L Convention	Edmonton	Bob Hiew <u>bhiew@telus.net</u>
11 7-8 37N Convention	Butte	

# 2015

1 16/17	370 Convention	Calgary	Chestermere Lions
4-30 5-1	MD37 Council Meeting	Bozeman MT	CST Tim Haight <u>cst.tim@mvpinc.ca</u>
5 1-2	MD37 Convention	Bozeman MT	
6 26-30	International Convention	Honolulu	Lions International <u>lionsclubs.org</u>

# 2016

6 24-26 International Convention Fukoku, Japan Lions International <u>lionsclubs.org</u>

# 2017

6-30 - 7.4 International Convention Chicago Lions International <u>lionsclubs.org</u>

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# **November Visitation Schedule**

District 37-L Convention
District 37-L Cabinet Meeting
Travel to USA
District 37-N Convention
District 37-N Convention
Travel Home
Edmonton South Edmonton
Council of Governors Calgary
Council of Governors Calgary
Thorsby
Vimy
Athabasca
Edmonton South Gate
Edmonton Jolly Fellows
Wabamun

There's never been a better time to serve than now! For nearly 100 years, Lions have served their communities and impacted millions of people around the world. To celebrate our 100th anniversary, we are asking Lions to help reach our Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 100 million people by December 2017. Every club can play a part in reaching our goal, and your club can earn special Centennial recognition when you serve!

There are four components to the Centennial Service Challenge:

- Engaging Our Youth
- Sharing the Vision
- Relieving the Hunger
- Protecting Our Environment

Learn more at the Centennial website: <a href="http://lions100.org/EN/index.php">http://lions100.org/EN/index.php</a>

**Lions Share the Vision in October** – This month, plan sight projects that count toward the Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 100 million people by 2017.

October LION Magazine Online Edition - In this month's magazine, read about the Lions Centennial Service Challenge.

October Lions Newswire Newsletter – In this month's Newswire, learn about Diabetes Awareness Month, the 98th International Convention in Hawaii, how to get media coverage for your club and more!



This is Lions Clubs International's new Centennial logo and theme! (You can download it at: <a href="http://www.lions100.org/EN/centennial-logo.php">http://www.lions100.org/EN/centennial-logo.php</a>)

# LIONS Worldwide Week of Service in January

The Lions Worldwide Week of Service is a special Centennial Service Challenge event that brings Lions around the world together for a week of celebration and service. It's a great opportunity to showcase your club and celebrate the birthday of our founder, Melvin Jones.



### Join the Lions Worldwide Week of Service in January

- 1) **Plan your project** Host a service project that benefits youth, vision, hunger or the environment during the week of **January 10–16**.
- 2) **Share your project** Invite your community to serve with you to showcase your club and the power of service.
- 3) **Report your project** Report your service on the MyLCI Service Activity Report to earn a Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

# **Start Planning Your Service Project**

Share this special event with your club and start planning your project today. Don't miss this opportunity to join Lions around the globe in the Worldwide Week of Service in January!







Share event photos using the hashtag #Lions100, and we'll share them on the LCI Facebook page!

lions100.org

You can download this flyer, and a similar one for the week of May 16-22, 2015 at <a href="http://lions100.org/EN/worldwide-week-of-service.php">http://lions100.org/EN/worldwide-week-of-service.php</a>