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DG Donna being recognized at International Convention in Busan, Korea for her "Believer" Award for leading District 37L to growth this year.
 - reported by PID Patti Hill

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 November 2 & 3, 2012
 Edmonton
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DG Donna's Notes

Fellow Lions
 My final message to my Lions family - it's hard to believe that this is number 12. I'll be on my way home from the International Convention in Busan as you read this. It's been an

interesting and at times, trying year. We were doing so very well with our membership increases and I was so excited that we were on the plus side for the whole year but in the past week we have lost 28 members with the closure of four Lions Clubs - very sad time for Lions of 371.

This is the Last Issue of the Lions Link

sent to the current year's mailing lists. If you are **NOT** a member of Cabinet, a President or Secretary of your Lions Club in District 37L, a member of the MD37 Council, or otherwise on incoming DG Wanda Coates' hit list, you will **STOP** getting the Lions Link **UNLESS** you let the editor know you want to keep getting it. Email me at: hankh@telus.net or snail mail at 4816 - 144 Street NW, Edmonton, T6H 4G8

As you are all aware PID Dr Patti Hill has indicated her intention to run for 2nd vicepresident of Lions Clubs International. Lets all show her our support by asking someone to become a member of this fine organization. We need to increase our membership to 1250 by the end of September or we will not be able to nominate a candidate for this office. We can do it. Just ask!

At a recent cabinet meeting it was decided that District 37L will be presenting a "Person of Distinction" award at the upcoming convention in November. This annual award will only be given to a NON LION in our district who has distinguished themselves by serving others. In the August Link we will publish the criteria and you will be invited to nominate someone you think would be an outstanding choice.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention a number of Lions who made this year notable - First of all - Hank Hoekstra who makes the Lions Link happen - thank you, thank you. This is a great newsletter and those of us in 37L appreciate the work you do to make the Link happen.

I need to thank the Vice-Governors, Wanda and Joan for their help this year - they are all-stars - and this district will be in great hands being led by these two wonderful Lions. Kudos to all those Lions that planted trees in this district - we're at the 4000 mark and climbing. I'm sure by the time you read this that our numbers will be topping 5000 trees planted in 371.

You all know Lion Don Finnamore from Yellowknife Lions Club - president of a club with 5 members. In May his club with the help of his community held a walk for Juvenile Diabetes and they raised over \$23,000 dollars. Great work - and great community spirit.

PCCs Lynne and Donna Coulter - thank you for your direction and advice and for all your support - this district needs more Lions like you two.

Lion John Cragg continues to amaze us with his promotion of Lionism -

he has our logo shown prominently at Capital Ex parade, Heritage Days, and Impact Drum Corps.

Of course I can't forget Lions Patti and Bill- our cabinet advisors. These two are always the voices of reason. They are involved in so many things but always have time for a question or some sage advice.

Thank you to Council Chair Tom Hodgson, for all the times you let me bend your ear, vent and pick your brain, sometimes in the same sentence.

And I thank the members of the 37L cabinet for doing such an outstanding job. I appreciate your contributions to Lionism. This space in the Link is just too small to mention everyone by name.

I saw many, many Lions parks and campgrounds, Lions pools and buildings, Lions gazebos and benches this past year. It shows why we are so valuable to our communities.

Thank you to all of you everyday Lions who make these projects happen.

And finally the Fort Saskatchewan Lions Club who have supported me this past three years - I do know that their treasurer (me) wasn't always up-to-date or at their meetings but they still hung in there and were very patient with me. And to my friend and fellow Lion, Robert Fischer, I pray for you. Thanks you to every one of you. And this isn't good-bye - I'll be out there working on increasing our membership.

Have a good summer!

Donna

LIONS!

By Shae-Lynn Schumacher

Give me a disaster, give me an emergency,
Stand me at the head of the crusade
without a remedy,
Show me the weak, show me your blind.

Be Steady on your feet
No matter the trouble you meet.

Lions make you brave
Lions give you faith
Lions are our everyday heroes
You don't have to feel safe to feel unafraid.

Find me at the bottom looking at the vultures

Standing in the heart of the disaster,
I'm looking for the thunder; I'm
looking for the blackness
I'm learning how to get up off my knees

Lions are there to help me.

Be ready on your feet
No matter the trouble you meet.

Lions make you brave
Lions give you faith
Lions are our everyday heroes
You don't have to feel safe to feel unafraid.

I'm not the hunter
I'm the seeker
Just looking for those men and women
To serve as they are needed.

Lions make you brave
Lions give you faith
Lions are our everyday heroes
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I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.

MORINVILLE LIONS CLUB 6TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



Saturday August 18, 2012
Cardiff Golf & Country Club
3 km East of Hwy 2 Cardiff Road
(TWP 554)

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Lion Pei San Chan was honoured this Spring by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Alberta with the presentation of that group's Merit Award. Lion Chan is a member of Edmonton Chinese Lions. Her biography as it appeared in the Institute's **Spotlight** magazine



Pei San Chan is being honoured with an Early Achievement Award for her professional achievements and her extensive volunteer commitments, including her work with the Edmonton Chinese Lions Club. In the spring of 2003, shortly after receiving her CA designation, Pei San joined the largest service club in the world—Lions Clubs International—through its local chapter, Edmonton Chinese Lions Club. The club is a not-for-profit organization that focuses on community service projects in inner-city Edmonton. Since then, she has served as President of the club for two years, along with serving on a number of committees, and has led a number of charitable projects. These projects include the preparation and serving of meals at a church for over 300 people in three hours, and hosting a literacy fair at a local elementary school, which was attended by over 100 families. Pei San presently sits on the Board of Lions District 37L as a Zone Chairman. Besides participating in community service projects through the Lions, Pei San also volunteers her time as a loan reviewer for the Canadian Youth Business Foundation (CYBF), through its community partner Alberta Women Entrepreneurs. CYBF provides loan funding to youth, ages 18 to 34, for start-up financing to help them launch and sustain a successful business.

A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way.

- John C. Maxwell

Tumbler Ridge Reports

Lions Grace, Nellie, and Glen take a well earned rest after a busy day at a garage sale that netted close to \$2000. Thanks to the contributions of Tumbler Ridge residents the yard sale was able to offer a host of items ranging from golf clubs, videos/DVDs, household goods, to electronics. The Lions are extremely grateful to the community not only for donating so many items, but for showing up to make the fundraiser a success. The money raised will go to developing a new playground at the Lions campground.



EDMONTON HERITAGE DAYS CLUB FUNDRAISER...

Lion Carole Henson

As mentioned in previous Link issues, 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. Your club will earn approximately \$33 per person per shift, of non-gaming money.

I am still very short on volunteers for the following shifts:

Sunday, August 5, 1pm to 6pm

Monday, August 6, 1pm to 6pm

Monday, August 6, 2pm to 7pm

If you are at all interested in volunteering during one or more of these shifts, please let me know as soon as possible.

Contact me by email: clh@tbwif.ca or leave a message at 780-962-9342.

Thank you to the following clubs who have so generously volunteered members to date:

Edmonton Host, Edmonton Jolly Fellows, Edmonton Northgate, Sherwood Park, and St. Albert Host.

MD Leadership Retreat

Lions District 37-S will be hosting the "Big Sky Leadership Retreat" September 7-8-9, 2012 at Bear Tooth Mountain Youth Camp near Red Lodge, MT. This Leadership retreat is open to every Lion in Montana and Alberta.

Many Lions in Montana have traveled long distances to attend the Lions Leadership Institute over the past several years, all have come away greatly impressed. Now for the first time ever, it will be coming to Montana and the first time in 7 years in the MD.

- "This is beyond huge", said District Governor George Chenoweth. "Everywhere I go in 37-S I hear Lions Clubs asking for help in developing new upcoming leaders. Lions provide incredible leadership programs, like the Rally's and USA/Canada Forum. The Leadership Retreat may be the crowning jewel, and we are bringing it to Montana for the first time. I almost cannot contain my excitement."
- Registrations forms are now being accepted. \$50.00 covers lodging, six meals and materials. Lions are encouraged to get

their registrations in as soon as possible. This will help organizers with planning.

- All Lions in MD 37 are invited
- First class starts at 1pm Friday September 7th and will end Sunday September 9th at 1pm.
- Those who cannot get off work on Friday afternoon; please contact District Governor George Chenoweth to make special registration arrangements.
- Bobcat and Grizzly fans, the Cats and Griz will be on the road that weekend.

DG George is not the only one who is excited. Other District leaders have

expressed their opinion.

ID Dave Hajny: "Life changing experience"

VCC Dan Krum: "This will enhance your leadership, in you club, the District and Multiple District. It will give you leadership that can be used in your Lions and personal activities."

DGE Lary Garrison: "Leadership training improves all aspects of our lives from personal to professional!"

37-N DGE Laura Dickerson: "The ability to forge working relationships and friendships with other Lion leaders is the additional bonus from advanced

training opportunities. These Lions bring a wealth of experience and knowledge that become your future resources in your service and journey in Lionism."

"We need to give a big thank you to the Billings Lions Club. They run this camp, Jerry Leggate and the club have really help make this possible," said DG George.

If you have questions or discuss further, please contact ID Dave Hajny at 596-4596 or DG George Chenoweth 581-0958.

**2012 Montana Leadership Retreat
 Bear Tooth Mountain Youth Camp
 Lake Fork Road outside Red Lodge Montana
 September 7-8-9**



Name: _____ Name on Badge: _____

Club: _____ District: _____ Title: _____ 2012-2013

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ E-mail/Fax: _____

Registration Fee:

() \$50.00 per Lion

Cash () Check () Money Order ()

Please make checks payable to: 2012 37-S Leadership Retreat (US Funds)

Registration form due no later than August 24th, 2012
Monies are due no later than check in on September 7th, 2012

Mail Registration to:

Leona Deane
1336 Holly Dr
Bozeman, MT 5971
ldeanemt@hotmail.com

Contact:

GMT/IPDG George Chenoweth
406 581-0958
osugeorge@gmail.com

Meals: Friday night dinner at 7pm, Saturday breakfast, Saturday Lunch, Saturday night dinner, Sunday breakfast and Sunday Lunch.

Special Dietary request: _____

Check in: Friday at noon. Retreat starts at 1pm
Check out: Sunday at 1pm.

If you have conflict with getting off work on Friday, you are still warmly welcomed. Call District Governor George Chenoweth by September 6th at 581-0958 discuss any job related conflicts.

Fort St John Lions Club Says Good bye

We have closed the Fort St John Club. It has been a terrific run for over 52 years. A big thank you to the Lions Clubs of Tumbler Ridge, Chetwynd, Hudson's Hope and Dawson Creek for support and friendship over the years. And thank you to the other clubs in the District. It was great to share with you at conventions, meetings Charter Nights, and other events.

We will miss you, from

Marilyn Hunter, Michael Stephenson, Brian Horst and Arlene Goodkey.



Pictured are three generations of Grande Prairie Lions: Lion Winnifred Stevens (93 years young), Lion PCC Donna Coulter (her daughter), GP Lions Club President Rob Coulter (son & grandson).

District Calendar

2012

7	19	CapitalEx Parade (Lions Float)	Edmonton	John Cragg jcragg@telusplanet.net
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	Carol Moeller cmoeller@telus.net

2013

5	17-19	M<D37 Convention	Helena, MT	
7	5-9	International Convention	Hamburg, Germany	Lions International lionsclubs.org
11	?	37L Convention	Westlock	Vimy & District

2014

5	16-18	MD37 Convention	Calgary	
7	4-8	International Convention	Toronto	Lions International lionsclubs.org

2015

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

Breaking News: Lions Clubs International's Leo of the Year: **Julie Lym from Vancouver, BC**
- *PID Patti Hill*

Thorsby and District Lions Club held its' Charter Presentation on June 14 in Thorsby. A local radio station recorded it on video for archives. To watch the event, please see the link below.

<http://www.leducradio.com/?content/video.html>

A leading authority is anyone who has guessed right more than once.

Kindest Regards,
Mitch Williams
President, Thorsby and District Lions Club

Period. aren't funny. SMS jokes.



REGISTRATION

MORINVILLE LIONS CLUB

6TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



Saturday August 18, 2012

Cardiff Golf & Country Club – 3 km East of Hwy 2 Cardiff Road (TWP 554)

ATTENTION GOLFERS

The 6th Annual Morinville Lions Club Golf Tournament With Proceeds Going To **CAMP HE-HO-HA (Health, Hope & Happiness)**

Location: Cardiff Golf & Country Club
 Tee Time: 11.00 am Start
 Format: Texas Scramble
 Mulligan's: \$ 5.00 each - Max 4 Per Person
 Registration Cost: \$ 100.00 per person – this includes; 18 holes of Golf, Power Cart & BBQ Steak Dinner, with Silent Auction
 BBQ Dinner (ONLY) Tickets \$ 25.00 per person

RSVP BEFORE SATURDAY AUGUST 11 - 2012

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

BBQ ONLY:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Note * Teams will be made up of 4 individual golfers
 Note * Name the 4 individuals that you prefer to golf with

Make Cheque Payable to Morinville Lions Club
 Mail: Morinville Lions Club
 PO Box 3150 Morinville AB T8R 1S1

Contact: Chairman: Francis Fryters
 Phone: 780-939-3741 Fax 780-939-3727
 Email: jfryters@shaw.ca



District 37L Convention 2012
November 2 and 3
Sands Convention Centre, 12340 Fort Road, Edmonton



Name: _____
 Lion ____ Lioness ____ Leo ____ Non-Member ____ First District 37L Convention ____
 Mailing Address: _____
 Postal Code/Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: _____
 Fax Number: _____ E-mail: _____
 Club: _____ District: _____
 Companion Name: _____ District: _____ Club: _____
 Lion ____ Lioness ____ Leo ____ Non-Member ____ First District 37L Convention ____

Early Registration Cut-Off Date is October 10, 2012

Special Meal Request **Diabetic** **Vegetarian** **Allergies**
Please note it may not be possible to accommodate all special meal requests

Early Registration _____ X \$100 = \$ _____
 Late Registration _____ X \$110 = \$ _____

Registration includes Friday evening light lunch (entertainment HOJA's - don't miss them) Saturday lunch and banquet.

Extra Tickets _____
 Governor's Banquet _____ X \$30.00 = \$ _____
 Grand Total \$ _____

Convention Committee Contact:

Lion Carol Moeller
 Phone: 780.475.2898 Cell: 780.983.1882
 E-Mail: cmoeller@telus.net

REGISTRATION PAYMENT
 Please make cheque payable to:
DISTRICT 37L CONVENTION
 P.O. Box 20089 Beverly
 Edmonton, Alberta T5W 5E6

Cheque Money Order Visa Master Card

Card # _____ Expiration Date _____

Name on Card _____

Signature: _____

Refund Policy: Before requesting 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 October 20, 2012.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS
Sands Convention Centre Phone: 780.474.5476 or 1.888.444.3402

Please let the hotel know you are registering for the Lion's Convention as a block of rooms have been reserved for the convention at a discount rate of \$79.99 (only 30 rooms are available at that rate so book early)

Other accommodations:

Century Casino Hotel 13103 Fort Road – phone 780.643.4000
 Holiday Inn 13742 - 50 Street – phone 780.476.9898 or 1.800.476.9898

Sessions include: Social Media, Dotmocracy, Hands-on—Club Excellence, Shorts, and In the Lions Den

Registration # _____
 Amount _____