

# Lionaimo News Letter



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Nanaimo Lions Club

## DO YOU KNOW YOUR HISTORY?

### Some significant events from 1952:

- Louis St. Laurent was our Prime Minister.
- WAC Bennet was Premier of British Columbia.
- Winston Churchill was still Prime Minister of England.
- Harry S. Truman was President of the United States.
- Elizabeth II becomes Queen.
- Telephone Area Codes were adopted.
- 1st CBC TV station, CBFT, goes on the air in Montreal.
- Killer fog occurs in London and "Smog" becomes a word.
- Canada adopted the Old Age Security Act.
- Atomic Energy Canada was formed.
- VIA Rail was formed.
- 1st "Walk - No Walk" signs were installed in New York City.
- The French were at war in Indochina.
- Vladimir Putin and Sheila Copps were born.
- Car seat belts were introduced.
- Polio vaccine was developed.
- 1st frozen pea packages were marketed.
- 1st transistorized hearing aids were sold.
- **Lion Ken Medland joined the Nanaimo Lions Club.**

### Significant events of 1964:

- Lester Pearson was our Prime Minister.
- WAC Bennet was still Premier of British Columbia.
- 1964 was the year of the "Great Flag Debate" and we finally adopted the design of George Stanley.
- Canada introduced Social Insurance Cards.
- US Surgeon General issued their first report stating that smoking may be hazardous to health.
- The Beatles took the world by storm.
- England and France agreed to build the Chunnel.
- Mohammed Ali [then Cassius Clay] became the World Heavy Weight Champion.
- Ford introduced the Mustang [cost \$2,368.00].
- The earthquake in Prince William Sound in Alaska caused a tsunami which caused heavy damage in Port Alberni.

### Significant events of 1964 [cont'd]:

- The separatists rioted in Quebec.
- The Free Speech Movement started in the University of California, Berkeley.
- Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer first aired on TV.
- **Lion Warren Rongve joined Lions in Whitehorse, Yukon.**

### Significant events of 1977:

- Pierre Elliot Trudeau was our Prime Minister.
- WAC Bennet's son W.R. Bennet was Premier of British Columbia.
- The Queen tours Canada celebrating her Jubilee Year.
- Apple Computer was founded and produced the first mass produced computer.
- Bank of America adopted the name VISA for its credit card.
- The ban on women attending West Point was lifted.
- Canadian road signs were converted to Metric.
- Guy Lombardo dies.
- House of Commons debates were televised [yawn].
- **Lion Warren Rongve rejoins Lions and PDG John Higgs joins Lions.**



A jocular King Lion Ron recognizing Lion Warren and PDG John for their 30 years of service to Lionism.

## LEMPRR FORUMS

### DISTRICT 19I LEMPRR FORUM 2007

The LEMPRR Team has scheduled three sessions this year: one for the Lions in the North Island [Zones I-5 and I-6], one for those in Central and South Island [Zones I-2, I-3, I-4, and I-7] and one for the Lions of District 19I in Washington State [Zone I-1]. The Lions in Zone I-8 could choose to attend either the Forum in Nanaimo or in Campbell River.

The scheduled dates and locations are:

**October 20 – 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM, Nanaimo** [Kiwanis Village: 1233 Kiwanis Crescent, Nanaimo];

**October 27 – 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM, Campbell River** [2165 S. Island Highway, Willow Point], and

**November 3 – 12 Noon to 5.00 PM, Sequim, Wa.** [Sequim Valley Lions Den, Carrie Blake Park, 225 Blake Ave., Sequim, WA].

The LEMPRR Team proposes to dedicate much of the agenda at these Forums to a presentation of the

### TRANSFUSION/TRANSITION/ TRANSFORMATION

program developed by PID Mick Barrus in association with other Lions of Canada and the United States. The program consists of several modules: Recruitment, Induction, Orientation, Involvement, Retention, Recognition, Meeting Management, New Club, and Public Relations. Each of these modules will be presented in an interactive format. If you want to see what this program is all about in advance of the Forums, check on line at [www.lionstt.com](http://www.lionstt.com) or just type TRANSFUSION/TRANSITION/TRANSFORMATION in to your search engine and you will find many articles on the program.

Please mark your calendars.

## NANAIMO 2007 BC SENIORS

### GAMES , SEPT. 12-15

About 15 members of our club volunteered at the Seniors Games. From the comments we shared at our September 17 meeting everyone enjoyed the time spent and no one was overworked. Thanks to all the volunteers.

Lion Larrie

## GREY CUP RAFFLE

Lion Eric Anderson now has the tickets. Please pick up your tickets from him at the next meeting.

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Len Hannah	Sept 9
Leslie Smith	Sept 13
Al Brett	Sept 14
Jim Wilson	Sept 23
Wayne Harris	Sept 24

## COMING EVENTS

**Oct. 12-13:** MD 19 Fall Forum, Longview, WA.  
[registration closes Oct. 1]

**Oct. 15:** District Governor Sid Roemer's visitation

**Oct. 20:** LEMPRR Forum, Nanaimo

**Oct. 27:** LEMPRR Forum, Campbell River

**Oct. 27:** Nanaimo Lions Club Fall Flea Market

**Nov. 3:** LEMPRR Forum, Washington



## LEMPRR FALL FORUM REGISTRATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LION \_\_ LIONESS \_\_ LEO \_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ Zone \_\_\_\_\_ Current Office \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

STREET

CITY

PROV/STATE

Postal Code/ZIP

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend the Forum at Nanaimo, Oct. 20 \_\_ Campbell River, Oct, 27 \_\_ Sequim, Nov. 3 \_\_

Special Diet Requirements Diabetic \_\_ Vegetarian \_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

To be submitted by October 13 to

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## GAMING FUNDS INFO

Lion Jim Masyk, of the Ladysmith Lions had contacted BC Gaming regarding the use of Gaming Funds for the Lions Foundation of Canada Guide dog Program.

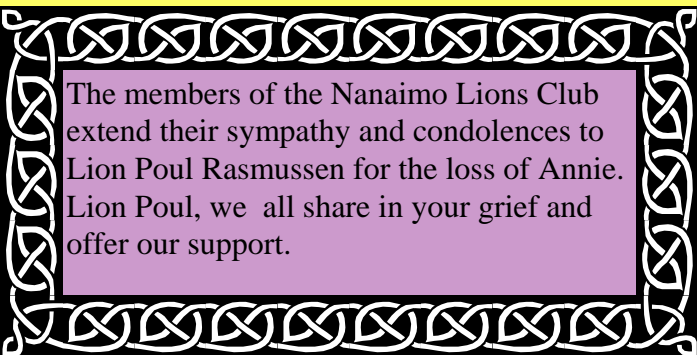
In their response to him, they advised:

*“Part 5.7 of the Guidelines, applying the Affiliation with a Commercial Bingo Hall....5.6 of the Applying for a Direct Access program Grant and the Condition outline how grant funds cannot be used. Grant funds may not be used for” out-of province or out of country aid””.*

*“The Branch has approved gaming donations from Lions clubs for the direct expenses of delivering the Guide Dog Program of the Lions Foundation of Canada. The Branch acknowledges that the gaming revenues do leave the province. However, the Lions’ clubs of British Columbia must provide accountability for those donations within British Columbia on an annual basis on their Gaming Account Summary reports. Therefore, the clubs are not required to provide recipient names, or that the recipients are from their own communities but must provide confirmation that every gaming dollar donated has been used with 12 months of receipt for BC residents. Perhaps the Lions Foundation of Canada can provide the clubs with an annual report for BC..”*

*“The clubs are not required to provide “specific segments of the program” but must confirm that the grant funds are used for program delivery within British Columbia.”*

*“Juliana Col, Bingo Affiliate Analyst.”*



The members of the Nanaimo Lions Club extend their sympathy and condolences to Lion Poul Rasmussen for the loss of Annie. Lion Poul, we all share in your grief and offer our support.

## NEWS FROM THE LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA

Since 1983, the lives of over 1200 men, women and children from the age of 8 to 84, have been enriched by the services of specially trained Dog Guides from Lions Foundation of Canada.

Lions Foundation of Canada is a federally incorporated charitable foundation founded by the Lions Clubs of Canada.

Its mission is to provide service to physically challenged Canadians in the areas of mobility, safety, and independence.

Lions Foundation of Canada was incorporated on February 20, 1983, and provides Dog Guides to Canadians through three on-going programs.

Lions Foundation of Canada operates Dog Guides Canada. In addition to training Dog Guides for people who are blind or visually impaired, the Foundation also trains Dog Guides to meet the needs of Canadians with hearing and other medically and physically limiting disabilities. All programs are funded through many sources of private donations, and are offered at no charge to clients.

Dog Guides are provided at no cost to clients and all costs are funded entirely by donations. We rely on the support of many groups and individuals, including, corporate sponsors and donors, foundation grants, volunteers, service clubs, Lions Clubs, and participants in the Purina Walks for Dog Guides, volunteers, foster families, and breeders who donate puppies.

## FROM THE EDITOR

**If you have any news you wish to share with the members, please email or send it to me by the 10th of each month**

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# Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society

Our Purpose is to foster and promote hearing conservation, aid to the deaf and hearing impaired, and related programs

**Our History:** Lions have been involved in Sight and Hearing since 1925. In 1979, MD19 formed their Hearing Foundation. In 1998, when this Foundation merged with the MD19 Sight Foundation and Eye Bank, Clubs in BC needed to find another way to serve our Communities as US Internal Revenue regulations excluded Canadian funds. Thus Existing Funds and the Bank Hearing Aids were divided and Your Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society was registered in BC on April 29, 1999.

**Our Structure:** Society Membership is restricted to Lions in good standing in a BC Club with a maximum of two members from any one Lions Club. Fiscal year is April 1 to 31 March with our AGM late April usually in the Delta-Fraser Valley area. Members are asked to attend the AGM, act as Club Representatives and be the Communication link to their communities and those persons with hearing difficulties. To ensure their Club support, the Membership Application must be confirmed by the Club Executive. Membership for up to a two year term is \$20, which is waived should the Club contribute \$300 or more with the application.

**What We Do with Your Club's Help:** We purchase and provide Hearing Aids for BC Residents who have Hearing Difficulties and are unable to pay the costs involved. We do not solicit from the public, but rather work through a Lions Club, relying on each Club to reach those persons in need, and then to determine that financial assistance from the Club is both needed and deserved. Your Society also collects used aids which are refurbished for their components or sent to third world countries.

**Client Sponsorship:** When a Club decides to help a Community Resident, they arrange with a Hearing Aid Clinic for the Hearing Test etc., and agree to pay the service charges incurred. A Sponsorship (Form 101) Request is completed and, with the Clinic's audiogram and Hearing Aid recommendations, is submitted to the Society Hearing Aid Bank Director for authorization. In most cases, the Request is accepted and the Provider given the go ahead. Should a new Aid be required (often for children) the Club is advised that FORM 105 –Client Special H.A. Request - is required.

**Other Society Involvement:** We have partnered with the BC Early Hearing Committee, a group of professionals in pediatrics and hearing. In Feb 2006, the BC Government approved their 3 year program to improve the quality of screening and testing of Newborns. This Program extends to the provision of Hearing Aids for children up to 3+ years. Hopefully, now BC will be able to reduce the average age at which hearing difficulties are determined from 44 months to 3 months or less following the lead of Washington State and other Provinces. Last year we contributed \$80,000. This year, we have set aside \$30,000 as expect to be asked to help with Hearing Aids for some children when the Government funding ends. We are also prepared to participate in the purchase of fixed or portable sound systems for BC Schools or Public Centers when recommended by a Club or Clubs..

## **What can Your Club do for Your Society:**

1. Include in each year's budget a contribution of \$300 to \$1,500 to support Your Society.
2. Listen to your community, so that You are able to Help should a Resident with Hearing Difficulties need financial assistance to enjoy a better quality of life.
3. Ensure that Hearing Aid Clinics in your community know we collect used aids and then arrange quarterly 'pick up' visits. Ask your Zone Chair where and when to send them to our Society
4. Have a Club Member become a LIONS OF BC HEARING CONSERVATION SOCIETY Member.
5. Clubs may use our Charitable Status with Revenue Canada should a business or individual wish to make a donation where they would receive a receipt for income tax purposes.

**Society Awards of Interest:** Each year at the Fall Forum, we recognize the District, Zone and Club which has provided the greatest financial support during the previous Lions Year. We consider all contributions and monies spent to further our Purpose. We also make available a Society Fellowship (\$50) Certificate with Pin or our Meade Sutherland Award (\$500) with Medal and Pin. Clubs wishing to recognize deserving individuals or members may purchase these Awards – which also count towards our annual awards