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LIONS 19 A-6 MARCH 2008 BULLETIN**CONGRATULATIONS**

To Powell River Club for hosting our recent #3 zone meeting

To PZC Georgina Covey for letting her name stand for A-6 zone chairman 2008-2009

To Sunshine Coast Club for committing themselves to a Eagle in the City for Sechelt & selecting a well know artist to paint the Eagle. Also for "forging ahead" with the new Seniors Housing Project by hiring experienced consultants-an architect firm and a construction management firm.. Also for holding the annual Easter Egg hunt complete with colouring books & crayons given out to each participating child.

To Pender Harbour Club for holding their annual Easter pancake breakfast (265 paid breakfasts served) + holding the annual Easter Egg hunt as well. The Lions Park was buzzing with anxious children. Also for hosting the recent, lively meeting (jointly with Egmont) re. DG Henry's official visit. (one member got a special raffle prize-a live crab at a cost of \$15).and a Melvin Jones Fellowship was given to President Billy Griffith (funded by Egmont, Pender Harbour & Sunshine Coast clubs).

To our efficient secretaries who made it happen-19 A-6 was the first zone to complete the timely submissions of the March 2008 reports.

MEMBERSHIP

Powell River recently accepted a transfer member from Bellingham Central and Pender Harbour recently added three new members (as a result of the new Soccer Fields project). Gibsons has two prospective members in the wings. You non A-6 Lions may have noticed various drops in our zone-which were absolutely necessary & now each A-6 Club has very active, hardworking members.

ZONE MEETING #3 (March 16/08 in Powell River).

What else can I say-this was definitely the outstanding event during my term as zone chairman. Nine non-A-6 Lions were in attendance (thanks to everyone for attending-they had a long day-leaving Horseshoe Bay on the 7:20AM ferry & arriving back there at 9:00PM. We also were fortunate to have two distinguished guests, Patty Allen, secretary treasurer from the MD 19 office in Bellingham and PDG Mike Gayda from Tacoma.

Powell River was amazed at the support as we had to charter a bus at Saltery Bay and over 40 people were present for the lunch. [For those of you unfamiliar with BC, Powell River is only accessible from Vancouver via two ferries & it amounts to a 4.5-5.0 hour trip each way]. Also four A-6 members attended who had never visited outside their own Club-the visiting and fellowship is an integral part of Lionism.

19A DIABETES VAN

All five Clubs in the zone contributed to travel costs for the van & driver so it was available for viewing for members and the public. On Monday, April 17th, we were able to obtain the services of the head health nurse, free of charge, and she was able to do some testing in both Sechelt & Gibsons. As a result, two patients learned that they had very high sugar levels in their blood and they were advised to visit their physician immediately-this discovery just points out how worthy this 19A project is (and all Clubs should be encouraged to make a donation this year to the 19A Diabetes Foundation).

SPRING CONGERENCE

Hopefully, the entire district of 19 A will show a good turnout at the conference in Burnaby to show support and a BIG THANK YOU to our hard working and devoted DG Henry-see you there.

Respectfully submitted,

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