

There has been no activity for ALERT since my last report.

I was going to speak about an event (drill) that will be coming up called the Great Alaskan Shakeout, but my work computer is having issues and I have been called into work at the Fairbanks FedEx station and will not be there for the Committee Reports.

It is a statewide Earthquake Drill that will take place in October and everyone is encouraged to register and participate.

I will forward the info to my Lions distribution list as soon as I can get my work computer up and running.

Thanks again,

Lion Steve
ALERT Chair

The Constitution & By-Laws Committee has no report at this time.

Submitted by PCC Everette Burk
Co-Chair

To: LIONS of District 49 A – Third Cabinet Meeting
From: Kris Sharp Diabetes Chairman
Re: District Activities
Date: April 26, 2013

Diabetes has become the medical epidemic of our lifetime. Every year, more people are diagnosed with this debilitating — and often fatal — disease than with cancer, heart disease or HIV/AIDS. The cost of caring for someone with diabetes is \$1 out of every \$5 in total healthcare costs. By 2050 as many as 1 in 3 adults will have diabetes. In Alaska there are 68,500 Alaskans affected by diabetes. Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in the United States and a major factor in blindness across the world. Since 1984 LIONS have been dedicated to the cause of diabetes care, cure & prevention. It has been my pleasure to work with LIONS to reach our mission: to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. It is now time to take steps to stop diabetes.

DG Esther has chosen Camp K as one of her projects. Camp is a time for children with diabetes to be part of the norm. They never have to explain why they count carbs, test for blood sugar or take an injection. Everyone at camp does this. It builds confidence in them so that they can handle their diabetes, and they have a great time doing all of the traditional camp activities.

Camp kids form friendships that are an important part of their lives. To keep in touch between camps, they call, text and email each other. They participate in Family Link events, which are held several times a year around the state which allow them to keep in touch.

It is the philosophy of the ADA that any child who wants to go to camp, we will make it happen. Through the generosity of groups like the Lions, we have been able to help all the children who want to go to camp. We have helped with scholarships, airfare, being host families for campers to stay with before and after camp and many other needs as they occur.

DG Esther is challenging each Lion's club to provide a \$400 scholarship so that a child can go to camp. She would like to make sure that every child can go to camp. So please budget for this project. If you need some ideas for a fundraiser, just let me know and I will help find just the right project. Thank you to all of the clubs who are making this happen.

We have 18 children registered for camp and 2 more on the reservation list. We want to thank the 9 Lions clubs and the 2 Leo clubs who have donated scholarship money for the camp. We also want to thank Zone 4 who raised money at the First Cabinet Meeting. A Thank you goes out to the 6 clubs who donated money for T-shirts, Airfare, and the general needs for camp. Without your support, it would make camp a much more difficult project.

Opportunities:

- Provide lunch for the camp kids and families on the day they leave for camp
- Hold a fundraiser for Camp K
- Volunteer to be the Team Captain for Step Out Walk Lions Pride Team
- Volunteer to help with the Tour de Cure or Step Out Walk

Upcoming events:

- Tour de Cure June 9 at Mt View Lions Park
- Camp K July 28 – August 2
- Step Out Walk to Stop Diabetes - October 13, 2013 at the Sullivan Arena **Need a Team Captain**

Global Membership Team (GMT)

Membership, Extension, and Retention

Membership

- Strengthen your club's membership
How?
 - Club Excellence Program
 - Mentoring Program
- Membership Programs
 - o Leo to Lion
 - o Student
 - o Baby Boomers
 - o Young Adults
 - o Family

Extension

- Start a new Club
 - o Branch
 - o Leo
 - o Special Interest
 - o Family Club

Retention

- Member Orientation
 - o New
 - o Refresher
- President's Retention Campaign
 - o Focus on Working Together
 - o Focus on Meetings
 - o Focus on Dynamics
 - o Focus on Involvement

The above a just a few of the things that the GMT can help you and your club with, should you need any information about them or the others please contact Lion Lawrence, GMT Coordinator for District 49A.

As of end of March 2013 reporting period, District 49A has 40 clubs with 1,562 which is a net gain of 51 members.

Clubs are encouraged to have a membership drive to increase membership in the district, any assistance that you may need from me please let me know.

Extension: Lion Ed Burke is working on a club in Hoonah that may be a branch club. A club in Sitka is being worked on and discussion about other possible clubs around the district.

A New Member Orientation is being worked on just need a time that is good for the most new members and a place to hold the orientation. The BP Energy Center may be a great place to hold.

I have made a no presentations since the 3rd Cabinet meeting. I do have one schedule with Muldoon in June.

I am looking for a Lion who is interested in replacing me as the D49A GMT Coordinator when my term is over, which will be June 30, 2014.

Topics and Activities, I am working on and exploring;

Orientation for New Members

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Lion Lawrence Camp

GMT District 49A Coordinator

GLT 49A

Chairperson

Joy Blackburn

Visited Anchorage Muldoon club to explain the CEP. They agreed to join with the Mt View Club and do the CEP in four segments which was completed on the 18th of April. I will revisit clubs in 6 months to see how their goals and action plans have worked out.

April 20th went to Ketchikan to train officers. Unfortunately the new Branch Club was not in attendance. The President of the Ketchikan Club took the extra packets and was going to turn them over the Branch club. Had three days of beautiful sunshine.

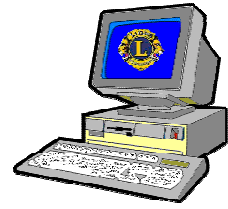
Lots of paper and sorting still to do.

I have sent a package of requested to Juneau for their information.

Joanne Koss
Historian



District 49A 2012-2013 – 4th Quarter Information Technology Chair Report



I don't have much to report for the months of February, March, or April. Still working on a glitch in the email link for calendar updates and trying to catch up on events that did not get posted for one reason or another.

I have to re-work how the Alaska Star Articles are saved for Zone 6, and still need to take some time to re-work the calendar and implement the user login access, and member profile info.

I did manage to get together class material for a Social Media class ... that somehow slipped through the cracks, but I ended up agreeing to do it anyway in place of Howard's planned class on a similar topic anyway.

Still trying to sift through all my emails... it is still an arduous process.

Yours in Lionism,
Gregory A. Nelson
District 49A Webmaster
2012 – 2013 Information & Technology Chair

49A LCIF CHAIRMAN

PDG JERRY BLACCKBURN

REPORT FOR MD CONVENTION

SINCE LAST CABINET MEETING I HAVE VISITED ANCHORAGE MULDOON CLUB AND MADE VISITS TO ZONE 4 MEETING, ZONE 5 MEETING AND AM PLANNING TO MEET WITH ZONE 6 AT MD CONVENTION IN FAIRBANKS

Welcome to Fairbanks M.D Convention

49A has 4 Leos club

all are here today

we do also have some new Leo's club in the making just waiting for the Lion's club

I have received report from

Bear MT Leo's
Anch.1st Hmong's Leo's

I would Like to thank Gov. Esther for the invites to all Cabinets meeting .

I would like to thank all the Leo's Adviser for the many hr.s they put into these clubs

I would like to thank you lions for your support
with money, Plane tickles. and more Thank You

this week-end is going to be a mile stone for Alaska Leo's 49A and 49B

We have two days of Planed Events for are Leo's

Just check out there Schedule full

..Skipping with other Leo's that could not make it to Fairbanks. a 1st wow so cool

more on Saturday Lunch

Leo's Chair 49A
Lion Marianne

Lions District 49 A

2012 Mid-Winter Final Report - 4th Cabinet Meeting

MD 49 Convention – Fairbanks – April 24-27, 2013

To: Lions District 49A District Governor Lion Ester West

Lions District 49A Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Lion Karan Hupperten

Copy: 1st and 2nd Vice-District Governors and Zone # 7 Chair Lion

SUBJECT: Final Mid-Winter Activity Report

- a. Event: 2012 Lions District 49A Annual Mid-Winter Conference – November 8-10, 2012
- b. Host Clubs: Juneau and Mendenhall Flying Lions
- c. Location: Juneau, Alaska – Holland America Juneau Baranof Hotel

My 3rd Cabinet Report covered the majority of information needed for the conference summary so I will not repeat that information.

Follow-up on Finances: All invoices and bills paid in full. No funds received or requested from District 49A Cabinet. After the bills were paid there was some funds left over that were deposited into the Juneau Lions Club Administrative account which will be used for Lions Club operations – including the ability to attend the MD-49 Convention.

Pending Work: As promised, I am including a helpful information and check list, that we hope will be passed along to any club that volunteers or is requested to Host a Mid-Winter Conference. When I accepted the Chairmanship for the Mid-Winter we were not aware there was not helpful guide available to a club that had not hosted one of these annual events. Some of my fellow Lions and I, after we learned the hard way, have put together some information that we hope will help to avoid last minute issues when hosting a conference. Our attempt as helping is included with this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Ted Burke

Juneau Lions Club, Mid-Winter Committee Chair Lion

Enclosures: Conference Host Club Helpful Hint Guide

April 26, 2013

District 49 A Convention
April 26-27, 2013
Wedgewood Hotel
Fairbanks, Alaska

Nominations and Elections Committee Report

The Nominations and Elections Committee has received Letters of intent to run from the following Lions to take leadership positions for District 49A. All letters were received before to the end of February well before 45 days prior to this convention.

Lion Lewis Quinn for District Governor
Lion Cindy Beardsley for 1st Vice District Governor
Lion Michael Brown for 2nd Vice District Governor

No other letters of intent to run or endorsements have been received. I also received letters of endorsement from each of their clubs endorsing them for the office. Since a letter of intention to run has been received for each position, nominations are closed. Therefore, I present the above Lions for election at this convention:

Elections will be held Saturday morning April 27, 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Larry Helgeson
Nominations & Elections Chairperson

Attached Draft Ballot

Ballot

International Association of Lions Clubs District 49-A
April 27, 2013

Please cast a vote for each leadership position:

District Governor:

_____ Lion Lewis Quinn (officially nominated)

_____ Write in _____

1st Vice District Governor:

_____ Lion Cindy Beardsley (officially nominated)

_____ Write in _____

2nd Vice District Governor

_____ Lion Michael Brown (officially nominated)

_____ Write in _____

After voting please fold the ballot in half and place in the ballot box

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DISTRICT 49 Multiple Convention

April 24-27, 2013

Fairbanks, AK

DISTRICT 49A PIN CHAIR REPORT: Lion Amy Orange-Posma

To: District 49A Governor Lion Esther West

From: Lion Amy Orange-Posma

Date: April 23, 2013

Subject: District 49A Pin Chair Report

There are still a good number of Multiple District 49 pin/pin sets left. If the pins were intended for distribution at the Midwinter Conference in Juneau, I have not received any directive to disburse them to attendees or to clubs that were in attendance. Prices advertised at Mid-Winter are still in effect; I have had no problems using flat rate priority boxes for sending orders out of Anchorage.

I was asked to continue as Pin Chair for the 2013-2014 year; however, after that it will be necessary to find a new chair. An ideal Pin Chair is someone who actually/avidly collects pins and who enjoys the marketing aspect.



They're Here!!!



please note: pins look much better than the photos show!!!

2013 Multiple District 49 Pins are available for sale:

Call Lion Amy: 907-240-0932

or email

md49pins@gmail.com

Individual Pin (District or District with Hamburg, Germany rocker): \$2.25

Sets (one District and one District with Hamburg, Germany rocker):

- \$4.50 per single set
- \$4.25 per set for 2-9 sets
- \$4.00 per set for more than 10 sets

Only cash and checks are accepted for payment; make checks out to **Lions Multiple District 49A**.

Mail orders of nine or more sets will be mailed using a USPS small flat rate priority box that can hold up to 20 sets; USPS fee as of Jan 27, 2013 is \$5.80 for one small flat rate priority box. Postage & handling for 1-8 sets is \$4.00. Please include the price of shipping with your final total.

2012-2013 DISTRICT 49A PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

SUBMITTED BY: FINIS SHELDEN PCC MD49 LIONS, DIST49A PDG/PR CHMN

ON TRACK TO HONOR BLOODBANK 3YR(\$30k) COMMITMENT IN 24 MONTHS VS 36 MONTHS. DG ESTHER AND I PRESENTED FIRST \$10K INSTALLMENT TO BLOODBANK IN AUGUST 2012, HAVE SINCE COLLECT \$17,000 PLUS FUNDS FROM DIST49A,AND EXPECT TO COLLECT REMAINING \$3k IN 'PARADE OF CHECKS' AT MD CONVENTION IN FAIRBANKS APRIL 2013 HOPE TO PRESENT \$20,000 CHECK TO BLOODBANK ON JUNE 3,2013 AT THEIR STAFF MTG.

DG ESTHER APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED LCI MATHCING PR GRANT FOR \$1750 AND I HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF \$1600 COLLECTED FROM DIST 49A CLUBS TOWARDS THE DISTRICT 49A MATCHING PORTION. EXPECT TO RECEIVE THE BALANCE AT MD CONVENTION IN FAIRBANKS APRIL 2013. HAVE ENGAGED

KTUU CH. 2 IN FIRST FLIGHT OF ADS STATEWIDE THE FIRST FEW DAYS OF APRIL,1013. THE SECOND FLIGHT OF ADS ON KTUU CH.2 TO BEGIN THE FIRST WEEK OF MAY,1-13 A TOTAL INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC RELATIONS OF OVER \$3500.00. THE MOST EVER BY DIST 49A.

DG ESTHER MADE APPEARANCE ON KTUU CH 2 PROMOTING 'CAMP K' IN MARCH 2013.

WASILLA LIONS INSTALLED CIRCULAR 'LIONS' `18" METAL SIGNS ON COMMUNITY WELCOME SIGNAGE AT ENTRANCE TO TOWN ON WASSILA LAKE

EAGLE RIVER 'STAR' NEWSPAPER CONTINUES TO SUPPORT LOCAL LIONS CLUBS WITH A ¼ PAGE 'LIONS CORNER' FREE SPACE. GREAT JOB TO LION

KAREN BURNS FOR ASSURING AD CONTENT IS IN AND TIMELY.

KTUU CH.2 AND OTHER MEDIA PROMOTED OUR 'PEACE POSTER' FINALIST

PROMOTED VISION SCREENING AGAIN ON KTUU AT STATE FAIR FALL 2012

PRODUCED 'MEDIA LIST' ANC CIRCULATED SAME AT 3RD CABINET MEETING IN WASILLA AND ENCOURAGED CLUBS TO PROMOTE THEIR PROJECTS IN THE MEDIA

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

FINIS J. SHELDEN, PCC MD49 LIONS,DIST 49APDG/PRCHMN

April 15, 2013

Since accepting DG Esther's offer to be District 49A's Sight Chair, I feel that I am finally getting in the swing of being a Lion. It only took me 10 years to finally attend a tour of the Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired on Feb. 21st. What a marvelous resource for our visually challenged Alaskans. I am very proud of the support we as Lions give the Center.

I attended the Center's movie night on March 28th at the Curtis Menard Sports Center. Thirty-eight people were there to view "Going Blind: Coming Out of the Dark about Vision Loss." It was a wonderful movie and I learned many new things about glaucoma and macular degeneration, to name just a couple of eye conditions. Afterwards, a panel answered questions about their personal experiences with being visually challenged or blind. That helped many people in the audience to open up about their experiences. There was one young woman who had gone blind 8 months ago, just 3 days after finding out she had a rare auto-immune disease—very emotional story! I want to thank the Palmer Lions Club for providing finger foods to nibble on before the movie. I also want to thank the Phillips' from the Willow Lions and Paul Felthausen and Robin Bumgardner from the Palmer Lions for attending and showing Lions support.

Finally, I will have the opportunity to meet Dan Bigley this Thursday, April 19th at a book signing at the Center from 4:30-6:30PM. He will be there to sign copies of his book Beyond the Bear: How I Learned to Live and Love Again after being Blinded by a Bear. Hopefully, I will have seen many Lions in attendance :D!

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Sherie Vieira

District 49A Sight Chair