



# C-1 Zone News

September 2011

## Club Excellence

*It's Easier Than You Think*

Zone Chair Tom Riley



I hope your club is doing everything it can to achieve the MD-19 Club Excellence Award. I'll let you in on a little secret: it's now easier than you think.

A couple of years back the rules for Club Excellence changed for the better. In the past, the very first item on the checklist was "Membership: Plus One" meaning that, even if you did EVERYTHING else toward the award, you would not qualify unless you had a total membership increase of plus one. This was quite unfair to many otherwise outstanding clubs, and the rules have subsequently been changed.

The new rules are based on a sliding point scale and I have included the full rules on the next page. The good news for most clubs is this: you can still achieve the Club Excellence Award even if you don't have an increase in membership. The new protocol, like the old, is designed to keep your club active throughout the year, and clubs can accumulate points toward the award by engaging in a wide range of activities.

You'll see that you all have it within your means to show your pride in your club and achieve the club excellence Award.

Areas of concentration like leadership preparation, setting club priorities, club activities, District Conference participation and club communication all have different point values.

The good news I already mentioned: It's easier than you think. The better news is this: if you use these rules to guide your club during the year, you'll not only have the opportunity to earn a nice banner patch, but you'll have a club that is doing what it needs to do to be Excellent.

That's a worthy goal all by itself.

Tom



**Zone Chair Tom and Associate Zone Chair Kim Riley**

## MD-19 Club Excellence Award Guidelines



### CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD RULES (From the MD-19 Website)

The Club Excellence Award will be based on the following criteria:

**Membership Growth:** A net gain of one (1) member will be realized by the end of the year, July 1 – June 30. **20 pts**

**Leadership Preparation:** The Club President, Vice President(s), Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Director will attend a Club Officer Training after their club election and prior to September 30<sup>th</sup> of the Lions year in which they serve.

**(3 points each, up to a maximum of 15 pts)**

**Setting Club Priorities:** A minimum of one three-hour planning session will be held during the Lions year and will be attended by a majority of club members. **15 pts**

**BONUS:** If using an outside facilitator. **5 pts**

**Club Activities:** At least one fund-raising project and one service project held during the Lions year. **15 pts**

**District Spring Conference:** The club will have at least two members registered at the District Spring Conference, one (1) of whom is an Officer of the Club. These two (2) members will not be a Zone Chairperson or District Governor. **20 pts**

**Contests and Awards Participation:** The club will participate in at least one (1) Contests and Awards competition at their District Spring Conference. **20 pts**

**Communication:**

1. The Club will publish a monthly newsletter with copies distributed to the District Governor, Vice District Governor, Zone Chairperson, Multiple District 19 Office, club members and others as desired. **20 pts**

2. The Club will publish and distribute a club brochure at club functions. The club brochure must be submitted to the MD19 Office by June 30<sup>th</sup>. **15 pts**

Maximum point value is 145 points, with a minimum of 115 points needed to qualify for this award. All Clubs who meet the above criteria must submit a Club Excellence Award form to the Multiple District 19 Office post-marked by July 31<sup>st</sup> of the following Lions year. **The Multiple District 19 Office will mail out this form to all clubs in March.**

## Tacoma Southeast Lions Holds Garage Sale

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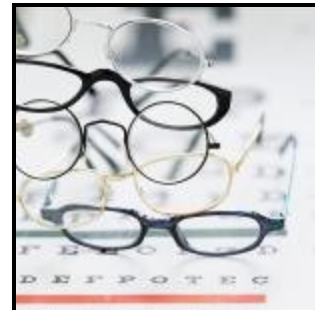


The Tacoma Southeast Lions Club held their annual garage sale August 13-14. The proceeds will benefit community programs like sight and hearing.

From left: PDG John Doyle, Club President Dan Barber, Jo Ann Barber and Zone Chair Tom Riley amidst the "treasures."

## Gig Harbor Lions Will Host Low Vision Symposium

*2011 Low Vision Symposium*  
*September 17, 2011, 10:00 to Noon*  
*Cottesmore For Life*  
*2909 14th Ave NW, Gig Harbor WA*



The featured speakers will be :

- **Dr. Tueng Shen, MD, Associate Professor of Ophthalmology, University of Washington**
- **Dr. Thomas Porter, OD, Director of Low Vision Services, St. Louis University Hospital**

In addition, other Low Vision Panel members will be **Laura Beigh**, Washington State Dept of Services for the Blind and **Joseph Buttazoni**, Western regional manager of Eisenback Optik of America.

Moderator/Program Coordinator: **Lion Dick Dixon**, Gig Harbor Lions

## First Zone Advisory Meeting Held August 29

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The first Zone Advisory meeting of the new year was held on Monday, August 29 in Lakewood.

The meeting was hosted by the Lakewood Knights Lions Club at the Sizzler Restaurant in Lakewood. There were 21 Lions in attendance and club presidents and secretaries gave reports on their plans for the year and a summary of their current activities.

Thanks go out to Lion President Balarie McLeod and the Lakewood Knights Lions Club for hosting the first Zone Advisory Meeting. Great Job!

**The second Zone Advisory meeting will be hosted by the Tacoma Downtown Lions Club on November 21, 2011, at Denny's on 6th Ave in Tacoma. Mark your calendars and plan to attend! All are welcome.**

## This & That

**Zone Visitation:** For the Month of September, Zone Chair Tom will be making his official visit to just one club: The Gig Harbor Lions. All are welcome to join ZC Tom at Madrona Links in Gig Harbor on Monday, September 12, at 0700.

**Upcoming Charter Nights:** The Gig harbor Lions Club will be celebrating their *80th* Charter Night on October 22, 2011 at Kensington Gardens in Gig Harbor, and the Tacoma Downtown Lions Club will be celebrating Their *90th* Charter Night on November 12, 2011 at CI Shenanigans in Tacoma.

**Calendars:** Gig Harbor Lions 2012 Photo Calendars will be distributed to the public starting in September. The new calendars are truly spectacular, so look for them when a Gig Harbor Lion visits your club!

**A Note From the Editor:** I'd love to feature your club in this newsletter, so please send me photos and information about your club activities and plans. Send them to me at [jkirry@centurytel.net](mailto:jkirry@centurytel.net) Thanks!

## Gig Harbor Lions Celebrate with Summer Picnic



The Gig Harbor Lions held their annual picnic and World Croquet Championships at John & Sharon Kirry's Lake Nahwatzel cabin on August 14. Above, Croquet champions Jim Panks (third) Bob Wagers (First) and Pat Phillips (second) enjoy their championship accolades.. At left: Marilyn Danby give a putting lesson to Al Hedstrom. Children, avert your eyes...

## District Governor Visitation Schedule, C-1

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### Why is this man smiling?

Because he's on his way to visit your club!

**District Governor Rick Drury has announced his visitation schedule for Zone C-1. Clubs should plan to schedule ZC Tom Riley for a visit the meeting before DG Rick arrives.**



<b>Sept 26</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Gig Harbor Lions</b>
<b>Nov 2</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Key Peninsula Lions</b>
<b>Nov 9</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Lakewood First Lions</b>
<b>Nov 9</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Tacoma Southeast Lions</b>
<b>Dec 13</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Lakewood Knights Lions</b>
<b>Jan 10, 2012</b>	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>University Place Lions</b>
<b>January 12</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Tacoma Downtown Lions</b>
<b>TBD</b>		<b>Lakewood Korean Lions</b>
<b>TBD</b>		<b>TCC Lions</b>

**And Finally....**



**SOUP FRENZY &  
SILENT AUCTION**

**SATURDAY OCT. 8th, 2011  
5 to 8 PM**

**SOUTH END NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER  
7802 S. L ST.  
TACOMA, WA 98408**

**\$7.00 each; Children 4 and under free.**

**7:00 PM DESSERT SPREE**

**COME OUT FOR AN EVENING OF FUN & FELLOWSHIP!!!**

Sponsored by; Tacoma Southeast Lions Club Contact Person; Sheila Pearce 906-6132

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**Join us in Ft. Thomas, Arizona  
to observe the annual celebration  
of the birthday of Lions Clubs Inter-  
national Founder Melvin Jones.**

**The celebration takes place on  
Saturday, January 14, 2012.**

Cost is \$525 per person or \$1020 per couple for air transportation and hotel for the first 25 registrants. First reservation deadline is September 30, 2011.

For more details

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