June 2017

The International Lions, of which we are a part, set a goal to serve 100 million people by June 30, 2018. The four campaigns have been Engaging Youth, Sharing the Vision, Relieving the Hunger and Protecting the Environment.
This goal was initiated in 1945 by helping develop the Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) charter of the [United Nations](http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/events/lions-day-united-nations.php). In 2008, we extended our international reach by signing the UN Global Compact to help fulfill the UN Millennium Development Goals. And today, international cooperation continues through Lions who are appointed to serve as representatives to:

* UN in New York, USA, Vienna, Austria and Geneva, Switzerland
* UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) in New York, USA, Geneva, Switzerland and Nairobi, Kenya
* UN Department of Public Information in New York, USA
* UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in New York, USA
* UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in Paris, France
* UN Environment Programme (UNEP) in Nairobi, Kenya
* UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in Rome, Italy
* UN NGO Committee on Narcotics and Substance Abuse in New York, USA
* UN World Health Organization (WHO) in Rome, Italy
* Council of Europe

We are reminded that our members’ dues go toward the international objectives and that our service goes beyond the shores of Mayne Island.

However, the majority of our services are directed at the people of Mayne Island where we seek to enhance the quality of life for our citizens and enjoy good fellowship while we do so.

The rental service (tents, tables, chairs, cutlery, dishes) we provide is in demand this spring and summer and we remind any interested in these rentals place their orders ASAP to avoid disappointment.  Check the Mayne Island Lions webpage for details.

The month of May saw another successful steak night at Dinner Bay on the 17th and a few members helping out with the school’s bike rodeo with bicycle prizes on May 26th!

Members **Brian Dearden** and Al and Kit Mitchell will be operating the food stand at the local baseball games.  If you are not a fan already, there’s one more reason to take someone out to the ball game.

We welcome our new District Governor for our geographical area, Joyce Boyle and hope to meet her at one of our monthly meetings before long.

In June we will be setting up the new flag poles at Miners Bay Park on June 5 and seeing our donation to the roof and stage at the Ag Hall come to fruition.  The successful candidate for the Fred Greenslade scholarship will be announced soon, and we will be part of the welcoming committee for the Tour des Isles visitors to Mayne Island.

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