

Alberni Valley Lions 60th Charter Anniversary



The Alberni Valley Lions Club celebrated its 60th Charter Anniversary on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at the Hospitality Inn. Invited guests included District Governor Lion Brian Phillips, his wife Joanne, Zone Chair, Lion Mike Orrick and his partner Parksville Lioness Irene Holland, Past District Governor Lion Leslie Smith, (Secretary, Nanaimo Lions), Past Zone Chair Lion Betty Ann Herbert (President, Nanaimo Lions), Mayor Mike Ruttan and his wife Bonnie, Director of Parks and Recreation, Scott Kenny and his wife Linda, former journalist Kris Patterson, and friend of Lions Gillian Trumper. Former Alberni Valley Lions Club members and a number of other guests also joined us.

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PZC Lion Don Hudson introduces guests.

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The crowd listens intently.

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Zone 7 Chair, Lion Mike Orrick, addressed the crowd. He couldn't resist displaying his “star” status - note the Christmas tree in the background. (Photo courtesy of Sonja Drinkwater).

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PZC Betty Ann Herbert addresses the audience.

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Port Alberni Mayor, Mike Ruttan, outlines the contributions of the Lions Club over the years.

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Parks and Recreation Director, Scott Kenny, accepts a Certificate of Appreciation for his support of the Lions Club.

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Gillian Trumper accepts a Certificate of Appreciation and flowers for her long-term support of the Lions Club.

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Kris Patterson notes appreciation at being invited to this event and accepts a Certificate of Appreciation from the Lions Club for the contributions of the Patterson family.

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District Governor, Lion Brian Phillips, notes the leadership provided by the Alberni Valley Lions Club for the Vision Screening Project and complimented the club for its many activities.

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*Following Russ' response to the addresses of our invited guests a 15-minute **Powerpoint Presentation** was shown to the audience. The presentation was developed by PDG Lion Ron Metcalfe with substantial contributions from club members, the Alberni Valley community and documents from Lions District 19-I.*

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The Hospitality Inn cooks and serving staff were thanked for a fine meal.

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Alberni Valley Lions Executive. Standing (from the left) are Past President Gary Price, Director Ron Jorgenson, Membership Director PDG Rob Dalton, Director George Smith and Director PDG Ron Metcalfe. Seated (from the left) are Treasurer Russ McLaughlin, Vice President Dianna Dalton, President Tom Hall, Secretary PZC Don Hudson and Lifetime Director Winston Joseph.

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