



Lions Clubs International – District A-1

Governor's Newsletter



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Message from our District Governor Lion Evelyn Spiering

Greeting my Fellow Lions, Lioness/Lions and Leo's

As we leave Covid behind us we must not really let our guard down. We have seen and witnessed this Pandemic and what it can and continues to do to our family, friends and neighbors not just here at home but across our world. I feel so fortunate that we were able to get our vaccination's and start the road to getting back to a new normal. We all have our own way of dealing with the effects of the Pandemic and we must continue to be kind and respectful of those Lions that are still uncomfortable.

As we start our new Lions Year, I want to say to you all 'Make it a Great Day and a Great Year'.

My goals are simple ones but important ones. My first Goal for our District is that each club sit down with your membership and make a plan. Plan your year ahead, from fundraising to membership

What are your Plans?

PLAN YOUR YEAR, THEN WORK YOUR PLAN. Set Goals and work at accomplishing those Goals. Every club is different but we all matter. We all have a stake in the success of our District. Remember we are the "District that made Lions International"

I am excited and looking forward to working with FVDG Sydney, SVDG Keith and our new cabinet and committee officers, we are here for you, whatever you need. I look forward to hearing about all the great things you will accomplish this year and celebrating those accomplishments.

Lions continue to **Serve from the Heart** and **Together we Can**, make a difference in someone's life and I know that **together we will** continue to make our District "A1"

Best Wishes for an incredible year ahead,

Lion Ev

Your District Governor



From the first Vice District Governor



A Message from 1st VDG Sydney MacLean

I hope that everyone is enjoying the summer.

Last Lions year was the beginning of my journey to get to know the district and visit clubs. It was a great pleasure to meet members from around our district and learn about their clubs and activities. This year that journey continues, and I am looking forward visiting more clubs. In September I will be attending the USA Canada Forum for the first time. This year it is in Calgary, and it will be a great opportunity for both learning and meeting new Lions. I will begin club visits towards the end of September and plan to meet with 13 clubs this fall.

I encourage members to take look at the various cabinet and district chair positions. Reach out to those people for information and support. Perhaps you are interested in a position. Cabinet members and district chairs are happy to give you more information about the position and next steps.

I hope to see many of you at our first cabinet meeting on August 21st in Chatham.

Keep well,
Lion Sydney MacLean, FVDG

Enjoy the video!

#LCIcon2022: Lions Clubs International Parade of Nations in Montréal VIDEO

<https://youtu.be/1KodpA-enxg>

*A man walks into a library and asks the librarian for books about paranoia. She whispers,
"They're right behind you!"*



1st Vice District Governor Lion Sydney MacLean

Sydney joined the Hyde Park Lions in November 2015 and has been a very active member. She served as club president 2019-2020 and has sat on most club committees. Some of the positions Sydney has held include the London Clubs Walk for Dog Guides chair, Peace Poster chair, Zone 4 chair and Second Vice District Governor



For training, she has attended the Regional Lions Leadership Institute, the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, District training, Multiple District training and well as independent study through the Lions Learning Centre and Lions University. Sydney is a Certified Guiding Lion and has been honoured with a Dog Guides Fellowship award.

2nd Vice District Governor Lion Keith Ryan

Keith Ryan has been a member of the Strathroy Lions Club for 17 years. During that time, he has held several positions within his club, including Membership Chair, Bulletin Editor, Director, Secretary, President, Club Service Chair and currently the club's 1st Vice



President. He recently served as Zone Chair. He sits on or chairs several committees within his club, including the installation of the Disc Golf Course in Strathroy. In 2015, he received the Helen Keller Award.

He has been married to Shannon for 20 years and has lived in Strathroy for 18 years. They have 2 daughters, Madeline, 21, studying Kinesiology in Toronto and Sophia, 17, at Holy Cross. Lion Keith is a certified Chef and Purchaser for the practical culinary labs at Fanshawe College.

Lion Keith comes from a family of Lions; both his parents and siblings were all members of the Vanastra and District Lions Club. He is looking forward to use his years of Lions experience to serve District A1 as 2nd VDG and help the clubs in the District grow.

A man walks into a library and orders a hamburger. The librarian says, "This is a library." The man apologizes and whispers, "I'd like a hamburger, please."



Calling ALL District A-1 LIONS

**Come and join Governor Ev for her
First Cabinet Meeting of the year!!!!**

**ALL Lions are invited to the District Cabinet Meeting
on Sunday, August 21st, 2022**

Meeting to start at 9:30 am (refreshments available)

**Active Lifestyle Centre;
20 Merritt Avenue, Chatham, ON**

Please confirm your (& your club's) attendance:

To: Rosey Kennedy ... a1cabsec@gmail.com

or call 519.773.2751

NO LATER than 13th August 2022





District A-1 Region and Zone Chairs

Regional Chair 1 – Bill Finley

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Regional Chair 24 – Barb Tuxford

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District A-1
Multiple District
Lions Clubs

www.districta1lions.com
www.mdalions.org
www.lionsclubs.org/en

Zone 1 Chair - Denise Poisson

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Zone 2 Chair – vacant

Zone 3 Chair – John Hughes

jhughesrt40@gmail.com

Zone 4 Chair – Darlene Snyder

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Zone 5 Chair – Richard Lucas

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Zone 6 Chair – Peter Pakalnis

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Zone 7 Chair – vacant

*The new **District A-1 Directory 2022-2023** will be available soon for download from the District A-1 web site. The password is 'weserve'.*

Please check your info is correct.

Email Cabinet Secretary Lion Rosey with any changes at a1cabsec@gmail.com

You can find info on the MD'A' council here:

<http://mdalions.org/pages/Directory/Council>

Global Action Team Lead

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Global Service Assistant

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DISTRICT A-1 LIONS CLUBS BY ZONE

42 CLUBS

Zone 1

Belle River Lions Club
Essex & District Lions Club
Lighthouse Cove & District Lions Club
Stoney Point Lions Club
Tecumseh Lakeside & District Lions Club
Windsor Downtown Lions Club

Zone 2

Chatham Lions Club
Highgate & District Lions Club
Kingsville Lions Club
Leamington Lions Club
Wheatley Lions Club

Zone 3

Belmont Lions Club
Dutton & District Lions Club
Lions Club of Port Stanley Lioness
Port Stanley Lions Club
Rodney Lions Club
St. Thomas Lions Club

Zone 4

Dorchester Lions Club
Hyde Park & District Lions Club
Lambeth Lions Club
London Central Lions Club
London East Lions Club
London West Lions Club
Thorndale Lions Club

Zone 5

Ailsa Craig & District Lions Club
Ilderton & District Lions Club
Lucan Lions Club
Parkhill Lions Club
Poplar Hill Lions Club

Zone 6

Arkona Lions Club
Petrolia Lions Club
Sarnia Lions Club
Tilbury Lions Club
Wyoming Lions Club
Wyoming Lioness/Lions Club

Zone 7

Delaware Lions Club
Delaware Lions-Lioness Club Branch
Glencoe District Lions Club
Melbourne & District Lions Club
Mt. Brydges Lions Club
Strathroy Lions Club
Strathroy-Caradoc Lions Club

District A-1 Leo Clubs

Port Stanley Leo Club
Petrolia Leo Club
East Elgin Leo Club
Lakeshore Leo Club

The District A-1 Directory has details



Message from the DG Newsletter Editors



Welcome to a brand new Lions year!

Lion Wayne and I are excited and proud to look after the District Governor's Newsletter this year.

We hope we will do the District proud. Lion Henry will be a hard act to follow.

If you notice any errors or omissions, please let us know. We will be grateful for all feedback.

This magazine depends on your club's submissions, so please send all your news to be included. Any Lion can submit events, news, fund raisers, or other news or anything that will be of interest.

In your submission, please give as many details as possible and make sure you identify people in any photos you submit.

I have also scoured every club's Facebook and/or web page for upcoming events, and am adding flyers etc for the ones I found on the last few pages. I am sure there are more events and fundraisers coming up. Please send these to me and I will try to include them.

We wish all our Lions a successful year with many exciting projects.

Lions Wayne Morrison and Christine Aben

Email us at lionchristine@rogers.com

Next District Governor's Newsletter

Deadline for submissions: August 28 2022

Publish date: September 5 2022 (unless Murphy dictates otherwise)



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL ~ OUR LEADERS 2022-23



International President
Brian Sheehan
Bird Island
Minnesota, USA



Past Intl President
Douglas X Alexander
Brooklyn, New York
USA



First International VP
Dr. Patti Hill
Edmonton
Alberta, Canada



Second International VP
Fabricio Oliveira
Catole do Rocha
Brazil



Third International V.P.
A.P. Singh
Kalkota, India

Multiple District 'A' Governor's Council Chair – Mark Kelso, District A-3, email: councilchair@mdalions.org

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Diabetes



Environment



Hunger



Vision



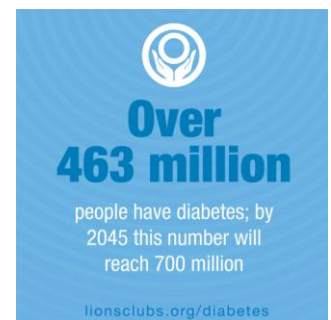
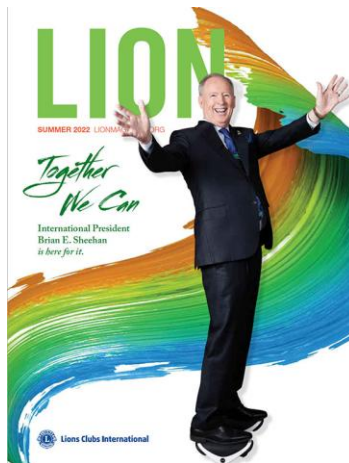
Childhood
Cancer



Young People



Respond to
humanitarian crises





WORTLEY VILLAGE

10th

Jazz & Blues

FESTIVAL

Sunday, August 21 2022, 2:00-6:00

Wortley Road between Askin/Craig and Elmwood

7 bands, 3 stages, 4 hours of non-stop music...

Home Cookin' Dixieland Jazz Band

Doug Varty Beatles in Blue

Chris Murphy Mardi Gras Mambo

Stanley Brown Blues Band

Marque Smith & Friends

Soul Sausage

London Jazz Collective
feat. Don Di Carlo

Bring a lawn chair!
Hope for sun!
Pay what you can!

The Wortley
www.wortleyroadhouse.com



@wvjazzblues



Webpage



**Dr. Pennie
Thornton**

**VILLAGE
AUTOCARE**

PHARMASAVE
Wortley Village Pharmasave

**TUCKEY
Home
hardware**

CURIOSITIES
GIFT SHOP



IMPRESSIONS

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John's
valu-mart

Marks & Associates
MORTGAGE BROKERS

**Old South
Village Pub**



LIGHTHOUSE VARIETY CUSTOMER APPRECIATION PARTY

Friday, September 2nd

5pm to 10pm

at **LIONS PARK**

Limit of 300 tickets sold

\$10 EACH ~ includes a \$5 food coupon



**LIVE MUSIC WITH
Toast & Jam**



Let's Get Our Community Together

All Proceeds go to Lions Park Improvement

MUST BE 19 OR OLDER TO ATTEND



Farm Fresh Produce Sale

A London Central Lions Club Fundraiser

Just harvested from local farms!

Saturday August 13 2022

9 a.m. till 4 p.m. or until sold out
Trinity Lutheran Church parking lot
746 Colborne St (at Oxford)



Potatoes
Sweet potatoes
Cucumbers
Green & yellow beans
Peaches
Pears
Apples
Blueberries
And more





Dear Lions,

Amidst the past 2 years, we know that we, along with many other clubs, are looking for methods to safely transition Lions back into consistent and effective in-person service projects. The West London Lions Club is excited to share a summer fundraiser for Orbis Canada with you! Orbis is an international NGO that focuses primarily on the prevention of blindness and the treatment of blinding eye diseases, particularly in developing countries. They have a number of innovative, first-of-their-kind technologies and services to facilitate travel, assist with training local ophthalmology staff, and help people with reversible blindness. To learn more about the organization, please email Nikhil Patil (patilnikhil1002@gmail.com), who can help facilitate a connection.

In 2021, we hosted our first fundraiser with Orbis where we were able to raise over \$3200. Given the success of the first fundraiser, we decided to host a second fundraising event with Orbis by creating a Canada Lions for Orbis team for their **Plane Pull for Sight** event! The event involves a friendly competition between other teams at the event to see who can pull a plane 20ft the fastest. For more information about the event, please visit <https://orbiscan.akaraisin.com/ui/planepull2022/t/CanadaLions2022>.

In conjunction, we will be hosting a virtual charity run that will be held concurrently with the Plane Pull for Sight on **September 25th** for Lions who were not their club's nominee. Participating members will be asked to walk or run between **1 to 5 km** and have their respective clubs donate in support of the cause and the participants. Please sign up through the link here - <https://forms.gle/gzoG4kjd9wP3V1Wp7>.

We are asking for any individual donations from your club members and/or a club donation of \$100-\$250. Overall, we hope to raise \$3000 by September 24th (~20 club donations, including \$250 from our club). You can donate here: <https://orbiscan.akaraisin.com/ui/planepull2022/t/CanadaLions2022>. **For clubs that donate 200\$ or more, we welcome them to nominate a member to join our team for the in person Plane Pull for Sight Event in Toronto on September 25.** Please donate first and then email westlondonlions@gmail.com with your club's nomination - due to team size limits, only the first 18 nominees will be able to join the in person team! If you are unable to donate online, please send us a cheque addressed to the West London Lions Club and we can make the donation on behalf of your club. Please mail your cheque to our President, Renay Rahman, at 2471 Nichols Drive, Oakville, Ontario, L6H 6Y5. Every club and individual (with their permission of course) will be recognized on the fundraiser page and our club's Instagram page, as well on our district newsletter.

We are a small club made primarily of students and we are hoping that with your clubs' generosity, we will be able to work together to make a big difference! Lastly, if you could forward this letter to help us connect with other Lions and Leos in Canada and encourage your club members to share this with their personal networks, we would greatly appreciate it!

We deeply appreciate the time and consideration you have given us.

Sincerely,

West London Lions Club