

# Lions Clubs International

## District A-1

# GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER



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**Multiple District 'A' Website**  
**Lions Clubs International Website**

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[www.lionsclubs.org/en](http://www.lionsclubs.org/en)



# Lions Clubs International District A-1 District Governor's Newsletter

Issue # 7 February 2021



## Message from your District Governor

Welcome Lions, Lioness and Leos, to a new month..... A month that begins with a four-legged fellow (a potential Lion perhaps) called Willie sticking his head out of the ground... a fellow that went underground to avoid the end of last year; which is something our membership chose not to do..... choosing instead, to continue providing Service where needed.

This is also the month where traditionally the United States of America has its annual State of the Union (SOTU) address. During the first century of the US the SOTU addresses were typically written in a letter and delivered to Congress in written format vs the current tradition of holding the SOTU address with the President speaking to the members of Congress et al. It was Woodrow Wilson who started the current tradition back in 1913. It was also Woodrow Wilson who was the President during the Spanish Flu Pandemic and in last SOTU address at the end of 1920 said, in part.... "By this faith, and by this faith alone, can the world be lifted out of its present confusion and despair ...."

For my SOTU, I would submit to you all that while personally I believe that faith is important and necessary ~ Service is just as important. Your Lion Hearts and Service have never been more proudly on display and needed more than during the past 12 months. They will be needed just as much during the next 12 months, but with one major difference. WE can now see signs of hope; of recovery; of a return to some sense of normalcy, with evidence on the horizon.

In my visitations, whether physical or virtual, I have been overwhelmed with all the innovative and positive approaches that the A-1 membership have come up with to continue to serve during these challenging times. But: I have also heard some concerns expressed as to whether or not we have made any impact; when we continue to see friends, families and communities encounter losses and difficult times.

When I think back to our four-legged friend, Willie, I have often wondered why the warmth and bright sunny weather foretells (to some people) the doom and gloom of 6 weeks of more challenging weather/times..... but cloudy weather brings (again for some) relief and hopes for better times. Our opportunities to Serve; to help others overcome difficult times..... Can be offered whether the sun shines or whether it is cloudy out.

Today.....tomorrow or 6 weeks from now. We Serve as Lions no matter what the challenges are or what the weather is like. We find a way to Serve and to make a difference.

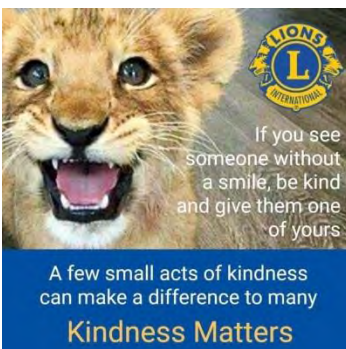
A fellow DG and I were discussing our favourite seasonal movie and found that we both consider "It's A Wonderful Life" to be one of the best classic holiday movies there is; and with one of my personal favourite actors ~ Jimmy Stewart. In this movie, the protagonist George BAILEY ~ despite his many problems ....is shown what his community would have looked like; if it hadn't been for all of his good deeds over the years. A community where everyone and everything were worse off in their lives ~ because he had never existed. His good deeds would not have happened.

Lions/Lioness/Leos..... I shudder to think what our own communities would look like if our clubs had never existed, and there hadn't been all the SERVICE you have all provided over the years, .....especially during the pandemic.

Thank you all for making a difference and for the Service you provide. You are my Heroes. My fellow Servants.

Kindness Matters

DG Lion Dan and Lion Gayle



Source: Dorchester Lions Club Facebook Page



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***From your District A-1 DG Newsletter Editor***

**KEEP INFORMED AND KEEP OTHERS INFORMED**

ALL Clubs are encouraged to continue to use local media, local publications, Lions MD'A' Magazine, A-1 DG NEWSLETTER to let others know of your SERVICE and SUPPORT to LOCAL and WORLD COMMUNITIES and CAUSES!

**LION Magazine MD'A'**

District A-1 Contact -- Lion Michelle Mundy [michellemundy@live.com](mailto:michellemundy@live.com)

Send submissions for the LION Magazine to Lion Michelle Mundy! Articles & Photos/ Service Activities, Awards, ...

**District A-1 – WEBSITE**

District A-1 Webmaster -- Lion Michelle Mundy [michellemundy@live.com](mailto:michellemundy@live.com)

**Check the District A-1 Directory for changes and Updates!** <https://www.districta1lions.com/>

For info and changes re Club Information contact Webmaster Lion Michelle!

**DISTRICT A-1 LIONS CLUBS & MEMBERS – SUBMISSIONS for DG NEWSLETTER**

SERVICE by The LIONS FAMILY – Lions, Lioness & Leos – has been outstanding in these times!

Donations, Fundraisers, Service Activities are what we are all about – in Service to others, our

Communities, and Global Causes! Keep the stuff coming! Your work, your ideas need to be shared!

Yours in Lionism, PCST Lion Henry Vanderweyst District A-1 DG NEWSLETTER – EDITOR

Hopefully, I haven't lost any emails or missed putting them into this issue!

Please Read (proofread) all pages and let me know of any errors/and/or omission!

**Next Publication Issue # 8 March 6, 2021**  
**Deadline for Submissions >>>> Wednesday, March 4, 2021**

**As the Pandemic stretches on, District A-1 Lions, Lioness & Leos continue to SERVE in SAFE ways!**

- Virtual Meetings
- Assisting with Food Bank Donations and Help
- Collecting Used Eye-Glasses
- Donations to Lions Programs and other Needy Causes
- Providing & Delivering Dinners to Seniors
- ...

**WE ARE ALL LOOKING at a BETTER YEAR!**

**Congratulations and all the best to Poplar Hill & District Lion Trevor & Carrie Podolinsky who are looking at a GREAT 2021 as they await their addition to the Family!**





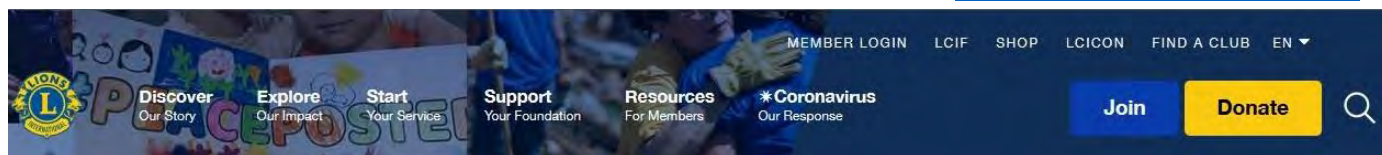
## LCI Website

## MyLion

## MyLCI

**PLEASE NOTE: This is only FYI for any interested Lion! Hopefully all info is correct! Please let me know of any errors – so that I can send out corrections if necessary!**

**LCI WEBSITE For Lions Clubs International – RESOURCES** <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en>



### **MyLion Reporting & Reviewing Club Membership, Service, Support to Local & Global Causes, ...**

ALL Lions have ACCESS to Resources, Reports by Clubs, SERVICE by LIONS!

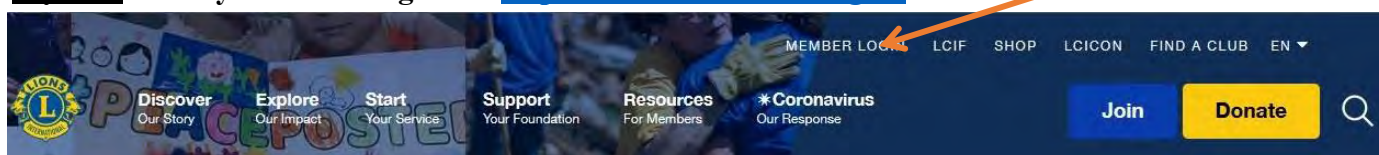
Our Leaders – LCI, MD'A', District A-1 all have access and review what you do!

Congratulations & Thanks to ALL District Clubs using **MyLion** to let our officers know what is happening and providing Membership and Activity Info and Numbers, ...!

**However, as stated in her District A-1 Report to Cabinet at the January District (Zoom) Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Lion Valerie Burningham noted:**

“When looking at Metrics in **MyLion**, I find that several of our clubs are not doing their reporting there, to give a complete picture of what we are doing. I see that some clubs have put in a service activity, but they are not showing how many people were served or how many hours that Lions and/or volunteers are so generously donating to complete this service. I know there is more service being done because I have seen posts and pictures on **Face Book**. Please, secretaries, presidents or membership chairs put in your complete numbers so everyone can see what you are doing. If you need help please reach out, help is there for you.”

**MyLion** or MyLCI Login at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en> **‘MEMBER LOGIN’**



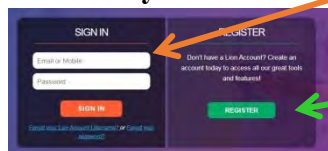
**Signing-In: Already Registered**

**SIGN IN**

**New to Member Login**

**REGISTER**

**Welcome to your Lion Account Universal Login System.**



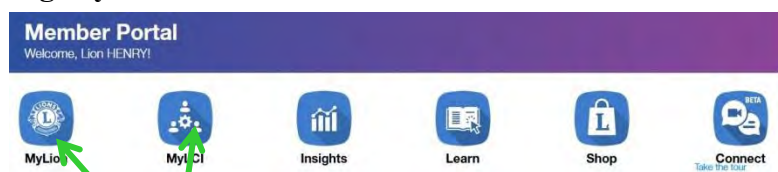
Your MyLion Account username and password allows you access to Lions applications.

**MyLion users who have Registered – SIGN IN**

**MyLion users not yet Registered – can register with a MyLion username and password**

**You must register for your MyLion Account!**

### **Using MyLion**



**All Lions can view reported info and Activities.**

**All Lions can Report ‘Future Events / Activities’**

### **Using MyLion**

- **ALL Lions have access to Activity Reports and Info Metrics**
- **ALL Lions /Committee Chairs can Report Upcoming (Future) Activities, Events, Meetings, ...**

### **Using MyLCI**

- **Designated Lions have Access – President, Secretary, Treasurer, Club Administrator**
- Secretaries, Presidents, Treasurers, Club Administrators  
Report Club Activities: Service, Donations, Fundraisers, ...  
Include Details: Number of People Served, Donation Amounts, Number of Lions (Volunteers)
- Secretaries, Club Administrators (Frequently – at least Monthly!)  
Report Membership – Changes OR No Changes (Add Members, Drop Members, Member Info)
- Treasurers (At Least Monthly!)  
Check & Retrieve Financial Statements / Invoices (Pay on Time!) - Print Membership Cards
- Presidents - Have access to the Reporting Tools & FOR FYI Purposes – Check Club Activity and Coordinate with Secretaries / Treasurers / Club Administrators – to keep the Files updated.



# Let's talk FACEBOOK

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Lions Clubs can use social media to make a bigger impact.

## Facebook is FREE, let's use it to:

- Show your local and global community how you serve.
  - Show your community what you have done.
  - Connect with other community organizations, leaders and the general public to spread the word about your club.
  - Engage current and potential members.
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### DO

- Create an organization page
- Post clear photos and posters
  - Try to post once daily
- Share mindful Lions related posts
- Have at least 2 admin on your page

### DO NOT

- Create a group page
- Post blurry/pixelated pics
- Overload your page
  - Litter your page
- Get stuck with only 1 admin



**Any questions? Need Assistance?**

**Contact: Lion Michelle Mundy**

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### District A1

### Virtual Effective Speaking Contest 2021

NOTE: An Introductory Letter, Poster, Guidelines and Registration Form for the 2021 Contest have been forwarded to all Clubs in District A1 via DS Lion Dianne Piggott. The Chatham Lions Club and Effective Speaking Program Chair encourage all Clubs to make an effort to post the information, promote the Contest and invite local Youth to Participate!!

- The contest will be held on April 25<sup>th</sup> by a Zoom meeting where the youth will present their speech.
- The clubs are asked to **submit the Registration Forms of Contestants by April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021.** to the Chatham Lions Club (chathamions.on@gmail.com) !!
- The contestants will be sent the Zoom connection prior to April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- On April 25, each contestant will present a prepared speech on Zoom in the presence of a timer and judges. The judges will determine the winners.
- Winners will be awarded the monetary prizes as usual (1st, \$100; 2nd, \$75; 3rd, \$50).
- No MD'A' Effective Speaking event this year -- so no impromptu speeches.
- The schedule for the Zoom sessions for each of the categories (Junior, Intermediate, Senior) will be determined following receipt of the registrations.

Posted here on behalf of:

Lion Seppo Kuokkanen

Lion Curtis Marwood

Chair, Effective Speaking

President, Chatham Lions Club

Lion Curtis Marwood (PZC)

Chatham Lions Club

519-350-2555 (Mobile)

<http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/chathamion/>

### CLUB SECRETARIES & PRESIDENTS:

**ALL relative Letter & Info Document and Registration Form have been forwarded! PLEASE pass the Effective Speaking Program 2021 info on to your Club Youth and/or Effective Speaking Chair!!**

LION SEPPO & LION CURTIS

Please Note: To fit in limited space, I have outlined the contents of your letter and posted pertinent info!

Hope this is satisfactory!

Please let me know of errors or changes required!

Thanks!!! Lion Henry Vanderweyst DG Newsletter Editor

**Sun. April 25, 2021**

organized & hosted by the Chatham Lions Club

Contestants will participate Via ZOOM

Registrations due by April 12

Categories: English & French

Junior: grades - 4, 5 & 6

Intermediate: grades - 7, 8 & 9

Senior: grades - 10, 11 & 12

For more information

contact the Chatham Lions Club

at [lionseppo@cogeco.ca](mailto:lionseppo@cogeco.ca)

Please consider donating to this worthwhile project.



## **DISTRICT A1 LIONS, LIONESS & LEO's**

The District A1 Convention Team has been meeting to plan our VIRTUAL A1 Convention to be held April 9,10,11 2021.

Planning is underway to make the best use of our time on that weekend.

Attached with this email is our Convention 50/50 Draw information which is being handled by our District Lioness. This draw is taking the place of our "Penny Draw"

Please check our District A1 Web Site for further information on the Convention as it becomes available. Check under the menu item "District A1 Convention 2021" password #weserve

Covention Team Chair

PDG Eric Dolansky





# DISTRICT A-1 CONVENTION

2020-2021

## Share the Wealth Draw

50% of proceeds to support A-1 Convention

50% of proceeds will be shared equally by three winning tickets drawn on

Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

*3 tickets for \$5.*

**How to purchase tickets:**

Send by cheque to:

A-1 Lioness Vice President Kelly Pearson

PO Box 52, 51134 Broadway Street, Springfield, ON N0L 2J0

**OR** e-transfer to: [kcpspr@hotmail.com](mailto:kcpspr@hotmail.com)

When payment is received you will be e-mailed or contacted confirming your payment and ticket numbers by A-1 Lioness President Kim Garside.

Please provide contact information.

Winners will be notified after draw.

***Deadline for Purchase: March 31st, 2021***

## LIONS MEETING in PANDEMIC TIMES 2020-2021

Sources: Various A-1 MD 'A' Websites & Clubs' Social Media

District A-1 and MD 'A' Lions are keeping in touch, with proper distancing by holding ZOOM MEETINGS! Just a few Screen shots of Lions Meeting!



**DORCHESTER  
LIONS  
CLUB  
MEETING**  
(I think!)



**DELAWARE LIONS CLUB MEETING**



**MD 'A'  
GOVERNORS' COUNCIL  
MEETING**

### Looking for a guest speaker for your Zoom meetings?

Why not invite LFCDG and a local Dog Guide graduate! Message me with the date and time of your meeting and I'll be happy to make the arrangements.

Don't forget, the Walk for Dog Guides takes place in May.

Need help setting up a Zoom meeting? I'm happy to help with that too.

Stay safe, meet virtually.

Lion Wendy Durante, District A-1 LFCDG Chair  
On Facebook: @kingsvillelionsclub  
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Submitted by PDG Lion Joyce Mahovlich Belle River Lions Club

## Belle River Lions – SERVE!! – Donate \$1500 to EYES RIGHT!



Left to Right: Lion President Steve Mahovlich, Immediate Past President Debbie Lemire, Eyes Right Treasurer Mark Mahovlich

Belle River Lions Club Annual Donation to Eyes Right (District A-1 Sight Conservation Foundation).

This donation would not be possible without the proceeds from the bingos the club works at



Breakaway Gaming located at 655 Crawford Avenue,

Windsor, Ontario.



**EYES RIGHT**  
DISTRICT A-1 LIONS  
SIGHT CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

## WHAT IS "EYES RIGHT"?

[www.lionseyesright.ca](http://www.lionseyesright.ca)

"Eyes Right" is the commonly used name for "District A-1 Lions Sight Conservation Foundation". It is a registered charitable foundation. It is administered by the Lions of District A-1 (Southwestern Ontario). Its Mission Statement is: *"To improve vision health by providing funding for equipment in Centres of Eye Care Excellence in southwestern Ontario and promoting cornea donations."*

Some of the Eyes Right Projects include:

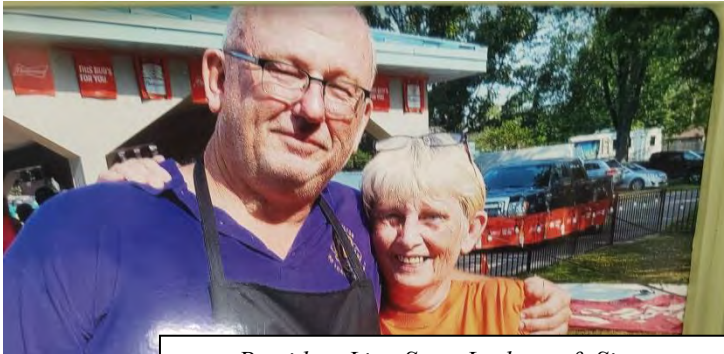
London Health Sciences Centre (Keratoscope, Orb Scanner), St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital (Phaco Machine, YAG Laser), Chatham-Kent Health Alliance (A/B Scanner, I.V. Fluorescein Angiography Unit), Sarnia General Hospital (Phaco Machine), Hotel Dieu Grace Hospital-Windsor (Alcon Laser, DSAEK machine - Corneal Transplants), Strathroy-Middlesex General Hospital (Phaco Machine, Cataract Surgical Chairs, Phaco Handpiece), Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital, Petrolia (Phaco Machine), Ivey Institute-St. Joseph's Health Care, London (2 Cryo Systems – retinal repair, Cataract Surgery for newborn babies) and every hospital in Windsor (emergency diagnostic eye equipment).

***WE SERVE SO THAT OTHERS MAY SEE!***



Submitted by Lion Steve Lashmar Leamington Lions Club

Leamington Lions – SERVE & DONATE



President Lion Steve Lashmar & Sister  
Volunteering at the Annual  
"Hogs for Hospice" Lions Club Breakfast.



Lion Candy Westlake  
Secretary  
Leamington Lions Club



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Dawn Pears and Melissa Parker -- **Erie Shores Hospice**  
receiving a Cheque for **\$1000**  
from the Leamington Lions

Cheque presented by Dennis Edmonson  
Leamington Lions raised funds working  
at Chances Gaming Lounge in Leamington

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Leamington Lions Club  
Donated **\$850** to  
**Toys for Tots for Christmas 2020**  
Raised by  
working at Chances Gaming Lounge  
and private donations.  
Lion Dennis Edmondson presenting  
Lorne Bradt with the donation.



**Source: Leamington Lions Website!**  
**Hope these are current & correct!**  
**Please, let me know if NOT!**



## DISTRICT A-1

## LUCAN DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by PDG Lion Mike Tuxford Lucan District Lions Club*

Lucan District Lions Club held Halloween and Christmas food drives!

Brought in over 12000 lbs of food plus some cash!

Gave the foodbank the 4th \$1000 Donation!

# We Serve!





## DISTRICT A-1

## PARKHILL LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by Lion Carrie Brophy Parkhill Lions Club*

### Parkhill Lions – Serve

The Parkhill Lions club purchased poinsettias in December for all the residents at Chartwell Gardens Nursing home as we do every year.



We knew this year was more important than ever to help brighten their days.



Our club is mourning the loss of our Club Treasurer Beatrice Reidy, who passed away from cancer in January. She was very active in many community groups and will be greatly missed.

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## DISTRICT A-1

## PETROLIA LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by Lion M.B. Wilson Petrolia Lions Club*

### Petrolia Lions – Donation

Thanks to the Lions Meat Raffles at Helen's Tap and Grill and proceeds from Jackpot City in Sarnia,

Petrolia Lions Club were able to make a

**Donation  
\$9,000  
To  
Parents for Parks  
in Petrolia.**



L-To-R Lion member Charlie Conrod, Parents for Parks Emily Denham Weed, Lion President Kevin Storozuk, Parents for Parks Erin Hawryluk, Lion Marlene Conrod.



**DISTRICT A-1**

**PORT STANLEY LIONS CLUB**

## **Port Stanley Lions – Donation**

*Submitted by Lion Bob Nemett Post Stanley Lions Club*



**Donation  
\$2,000.00  
To  
Violence Against  
Women Services  
Elgin County  
(VAWSEC)**

**By  
Lions Club  
of Port Stanley**

**DISTRICT A-1**

**ST. THOMAS LIONS CLUB**

## **St. Thomas Lions – Donation**

*Submitted by Lion Anne Neill St. Thomas Lions Club*

**Lion President Rob Neill  
St. Thomas Lions Club**

**Presenting  
Cheque for \$1,000  
To  
General Manager  
Karen McDade  
of  
St. Thomas-Elgin Food Bank.**





Dear Lions,

Amidst the past year's challenging circumstances, we know that we, along with many other clubs, have found it difficult to arrange consistent, safe, and effective service projects - particularly for Lions Clubs International's pillar of vision. The West London Lions Club, a club made up of Young Lions (19-22 years old), is excited to share a 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 that would not otherwise be addressed. For example, in 2019, Orbis' Flying Eye Hospital (a plane equipped to teach and conduct a variety of vision related medicine) trained more than 1,000 medical professionals on board including lectures, workshops and hands-on training. Not only do they take advantage of technology through the Flying Eye Hospital, but they have also founded a telemedicine platform called Cybersight for ophthalmologists and technicians across the world.

Recently, our club had guest speakers from Orbis join us at our general meeting (virtually, of course) and they led a very insightful presentation about some of the issues faced around the world and how Orbis helps address those in a unique fashion. If any of your clubs would like to be connected to Orbis representatives to learn more about their organization, please don't hesitate to reach out to me (Nikhil Patil - [patilnikhil1002@gmail.com](mailto:patilnikhil1002@gmail.com)) and I can help facilitate that connection. You can find the Orbis website here: <https://can.orbis.org/en> for more information as well.

We are asking for any individual donations from your club members and/or a club donation of \$100-\$250. Overall, we hope to raise \$2500 by March 19 (~20 club donations, including \$250 from our club). Here's where you can donate: <https://orbiscan.akaraisin.com/orbisonlinefundraising/CanadaLions>, or 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 treasurer, Justin Lin, at 41-1548 Richmond street, London, Ontario, N6G4W7. Our preference is that you donate online at our fundraising page so that we can track our real-time donation total. Every club and individual (with their permission of course) will be recognized on the fundraiser page, our club's Instagram page, and will be invited to attend a Zoom recognition social sometime in the Spring.

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 as many 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,

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West London Lions Club Vice President  
Young Lions Task Force Canadian Representative  
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Leo-Lion Kyle Boutilier  
West London Lions Club President  
Former Leo Lion Board Liaison (2018-2019)  
[kyle.e.boutilier@gmail.com](mailto:kyle.e.boutilier@gmail.com)





## DISTRICT A-1

## DELAWARE LIONESS CLUB

Submitted by Lioness Donna McManus Delaware Lioness Club

### Delaware Lioness – Serve! Making life a little more pleasant for nursing home residents!

Two local nursing homes are in the midst of outbreaks.

The Delaware Lioness individually and as a club, responded to the needs of staff and residents.

Donations included Gift Cards, books, puzzles, games and toiletry items.

Other Lioness wrote inspirational messages on cards or had their children draw pictures to help brighten the day.

One creative Lioness made individual gnomes for the staff.

One nursing home staff stated, "*All the outpouring of generosity from our small community has been overwhelmingly emotional. All efforts are immensely appreciated!*"







## Youth Exchange

Youth are encouraged to use their travel opportunity to share and experience different cultures!

Exchanges typically last for 4-6 weeks with the help of host families sponsor and host clubs, districts or multiple districts.

Club Support is crucial to the Success of the Camp Program.

In the current situation Youth Exchange had to be cancelled for 2020 but we need to look forward to 2021 in the hopes that it will happen next year!



District A-1 Chair     Lion Dianne Piggott     [dianne.piggott@gmail.com](mailto:dianne.piggott@gmail.com)

## **YOUTH EXCHANGE – UPDATE – February 2021**

Lions,

Once again we have made the decision to cancel the Youth Exchange Camp in District A1. Just as many camps around the world are currently in the process of cancelling as well.

Currently with the travel logistics and mandatory quarantines, the lock down and the fact that the vaccines are delayed, these all play into my decision to cancel the camp for 2021.

My goal is for it to be safe for the youth as well as host families and Lions involved and therefore I am unable to proceed at this point with the camp.

We are certainly looking forward to 2022 when we can hopefully once again have youth from around the world back in our District.

Thank you Lions for your continued support in Youth Exchange.

Lion Dianne Piggott  
Youth Exchange Chair



## LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

Just a few LCIF world supported projects!  
Your support is really important!



In November 2020, tropical storm Eta caused death and displacement in Guatemala. Lions utilized a LCIF grant to provide food, blankets and cleaning supplies to 3,354 people.

Support for LCIF enables Lions to SERVE (safely)!



"Lions clubs were really good at the initial response and it made us all realize the real power that we have as Lions, the power that we sometimes forget." When a powerful earthquake hit the Aegean Sea on the western coast of Turkey last fall, Lions and Leos were the first non-governmental organization at any of the rescue sites.



Thanks to a US\$36,900 Childhood Cancer grant from [Lions Clubs International Foundation](https://www.lionsclubs.org/globalcauses), a passenger van was donated to the Association Heart for Children (AHfC) in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina in November 2019. The van was purchased to visit cancer survivors and provide healthcare based on individual needs.



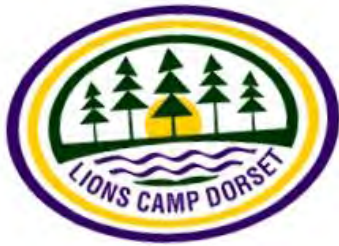
The Lions Caravan Timișoara Bastion covered 468 km to bring joy to 57 children from 17 families. They received gift boxes full of clothes, hygiene items, sweets, and toys, as well as food and basic necessities.

Our environment is more than a background: it's our home.  
And Lions are committed to caring for it.

Learn more at [lionsclubs.org/globalcauses](https://lionsclubs.org/globalcauses). #WeServe







# CAMP DORSET CORPORATION

## LIONS CAMP DORSET

A Dialysis Resort for Patients with Kidney Failure  
CHARITY # 0551853-65 BN-Registration 133218958 RR 0001

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### Lions, Lioness and Leo's

I had hoped this letter didn't have to be sent this year as clubs are struggling to meet, let alone fund raise.

As you all know Lions Camp Dorset did not open last summer for our dialysis patients and as a result our major funding from entities such as the Kidney Foundation and others was nonexistent as funding is based on patients dialized. As a result only our General Manager was kept on the payroll and expenditures reduced to only the most necessary.

Our Manager rented out cottages for Snowmobilers for the winter months to help in cash flow but with the shutdowns we have had to cancel all of our rentals.

Through the generosity of a few clubs our repairs and maintenance program continues ensuring that all buildings are kept in good repair.

As I write this letter it is apparent that the camp more than likely will not open for part or all of this coming summer as our guests on average have a compromised immune system.

I am appealing to you to help us financially to get through this turbulent time. Any monetary donation would be greatly appreciated.

Lions Camp Dorset is here for those with kidney failure and will continue to be here well into the future, we just need a bit of help.

Clubs could buy members an Honorary Director Plaque at \$100.00 each and we are still selling Bricks in our main entrance, a brick with your club or members name on it for \$350.00

Any and all funding is appreciated

THANKYOU

Respectfully Submitted

Lion Russ Carroll

President Lions Camp Dorset





Introduce your club, region, zone or district to the legacy Lions started. Give us 15-20 minutes at your virtual meeting and we can present:

- Leader Dog's Programs
- Meet a Client
- A Puppy Raiser
- How We Train Guide Dogs
- How Does the White Cane Work?
- And more!

Contact Lion Kathleen Breen at [KBreen@leaderdog.org](mailto:KBreen@leaderdog.org) or 248.218.6407 for more information and to schedule.

Not sure about running a virtual meeting? We can help!  
We can also connect in to your face-to-face meeting!





## The Lighter Side

