

Lions Clubs International – District A-1

District A-1 Lions Newsletter



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Diabetes



Environment



Hunger



Vision



Childhood
Cancer



Young People



Respond to
humanitarian crises



Message from our District Governor Lion Sydney MacLean

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year and a warm welcome to our new members. There are a lot of activities going on in our district right now. Keep up the great work. Convention registration is now open. See you there March 22-24th.

DG Sydney





*From 1st Vice District Governor
Lion Keith Ryan*



February newsletter

As we just over halfway through the year, it's that time of year where we start to look so what our next Lions year will bring us. We know that the convention is just around the corner and registration forms are out. We also know that this is when we elect the new cabinet for 2024 - 2025 at the conventio. It is also the time of year where you go back to your club and start voting on your new executive for the next Lions year. Take a look around and look at those who have the potential to move up. Maybe its because they have not been asked or afraid to put themselves forward. Take this opportunity to recruit new Lions to help lead your club.

My Lion offers all the training and information you need as we move forward through the Lions. Take the time to have a look at it, read it and see what interests you. You'll be surprised on how these topics and information relate not only in Lions but in your lives as well. The training is free and you can do it at your own pace. Want a quick snapshot of what Lions has to offer. Be sure to attend the speed learning at the convention. 12 topics to choose from, quick information sessions and it will only take about an hour. If you need any help or have any questions, feel free to reach out always happy to help.

Thank you for all your work that you've done this far and for the work that you have planned for the spring. I wish each and everyone of you all the best with your club, elections activities and fellowship Illian.

Can't wait to see you all at the convention.

Yours in Lions,
Keith Ryan
FVDG



*From 2nd Vice District Governor
Lion Darlene Snyders*



Hello fellow Lions. I hope you are all staying warm and not having to do too much shoveling. Well, I hope you are staying warm...lol...We have completed half of the 2023-24 Lions year. I have had the pleasure of attending 22 clubs this year. I have to say, what a blessing to meet such wonderful people along the way and all the great stuff you are doing in your communities. I have to confess; I have shared some of your ideas with other clubs and I may have used a few with my club. When I see an amazing idea, I just feel the need to share it. Networking is one of the greatest things Lions clubs can do with each other.

It is so nice to see other clubs lending a helping hand to other clubs. We are all aware that sometimes we can use some extra hands to accomplish our visions. Well done, Lions!

We are fast approaching the time to bring forward nominations for your Club Officers 2024-2025. Keep an eye out on some of your new members for some of your positions. Even though they may be a Lion for a short period of time. They are bringing in a wealth of knowledge from their career or life experiences. Utilize your new members. Allow them to organize a project that they have brought forward, with your club's full support. Think back to when you were a new Lion, and what you wanted from your fellow members. Be that member for them! Retention is a big part of keeping your club fresh, new and welcoming. If we can retain our members, then your club can focus on reaching the goal of getting 3 new members. I know we can do this. Like they said back in the 60's "This is the dawning of the age of Aquarius!"

Speaking of the 60's. I hope you are planning on sending some members to the District A1 Convention, March 22 – March 24th. The theme being "Feeling Groovy!" The convention committee has been hard at work, coming up with new ideas and ways to engage our members. I would like to challenge each club to pick a mentor and a new member to attend the convention together. Ask them to bring a report back to your club. It may be very interesting to see how the comments differ from the mentor and the new member. Maybe your club might think about subsidising the cost for your members.

Congratulations to all the clubs in the district who won the Club Excellence Award. An email was sent out inviting your club to attend the Saturday Awards dinner at the Convention, to be presented with your award and be acknowledged and celebrate amongst your peers. Hope to see you at Convention!

Respectfully yours in Lionism

Lion Darlene Snyders, SVDG



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District A-1
Multiple District
Lions Clubs

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

*The new **District A-1 Directory 2023-2024** is available now for download from the District A-1 web site. The password is 'weserve'.*

Please check that 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>

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Message from the DG Newsletter Editors



Dear fellow Lions,

Lion Wayne and I hope you will enjoy this February issue of our District Newsletter.

Thank you to all the clubs and individual Lions for all your submissions. We were very pleased with them!

The next issue will be our April issue. Please send us your news; preferably "as it happens" so we can work on it at a bit more leisurely pace as it comes in. And please send your submissions to lionchristine@rogers.com.

Lions Wayne Morrison and Christine Aben

A message from our previous Editor Lion Henry Vanderweyst:

A few years ago I was researching some details for the Lioness Club, upon my request several Lions were kind enough to help by giving me some Hardcopy District A-1 Directories (adding to my collection)!

So I have a collection of most Hardcopy District A-1 Directories from 1984 through to 2021:

Don't know if anyone in the District is interested for archiving or researching and might be interested in having the Directories??

Can you let Lions In District A-1 know that I have them and any Lion would be welcome to get them from me!

District A-1 Directories (Hardcopies)
1984 through to 2021 (Missing 1986-87 & 2007-08!)

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Deadline for the A-1 Convention is Feb 22

Please contact evelyna1lions@gmail.com

Next District A-1 Newsletter

Deadline for submissions: March 26 2024

Publish date: April 1 2023

Check out our District's Projects here:

<https://www.districta1lions.com/projects.html>



We Remember Those Who Served



Lions, It is with a heavy heart that I inform you of the passing of Past District Governor Earl Oliver of the Norwood Club.

He was a true gentleman who will be missed by all. Details will be sent out as I receive them.

Lion Stan Champ a member of the Dutton & District Lions Club since 1996 passed away on Sunday.

He will be missed greatly. He was a very proud Lion.

There will be no funeral or burial services.

The family has asked that donations in his name be made to Heart & Stroke.

Lion Dianne Purcell

It is with great sadness that I let you know, Lion Dorland (affectionately known as Dorlie) Clark has passed away last night. Lion Dorland joined Lions in 1974 and was sponsored by Lion Henk Van Dyk. Over the years Lion Dorland held office of President twice as well as many other positions within the club. In the 50 years as a member, he was always there to help out if he wasn't asked. His years of experience in construction help with project throughout the community, helping individuals in need and the rebuilding of the Lions Hall. Lion Dorland will be sadly missed by the Lions and the community of Strathroy.

A Lions Service for Lion Dorland was held on Sunday January 14th at 2pm, at Dennings Funeral Home in Strathroy.

Lion Keith Ryan, President Strathroy Lions

From the Glencoe Lions: It is with a heavy heart that I regret to inform you that our dear friend and fellow Lion Gary McNaughton passed away last night. Please keep Susan, Mike, Monte and families in your thoughts and prayers as they navigate through this difficult time. He will be greatly missed in the Lions community as well as the Breakfast program at Ekcoe school. There will be no Lions Service but a Celebration of Life will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion in Newbury on Sunday February 4th from 1pm to 4pm.

It is with a heavy heart that London East Lions announces the passing of one our Lions family. Fred Wambera passed away January 14th, 2024. Fred was a member of the London East Lions Club since 2018. But due to illness he had not been able to help out as much as he wanted to in the last couple of years. But he enjoyed serving his community, especially at our Cruise nights in the Wortley Village. He always had a smile and a friendly welcome for everyone. Fred leaves behind 2 adult children. There will be no funeral or celebration of life. If you could just take a moment during your busy day to think of him, the London East Lions would appreciate that. Good bye fellow Lion.

DISTRICT A-1 LIONS CLUBS BY ZONE

38 clubs

Zone 1

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

Zone 5

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

Zone 2

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

Zone 6

Arkona Lions Club
Petrolia Lions Club
Sarnia Lions Club
Wyoming Lions Club
Wyoming Lioness/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 7

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

District A-1 Leo Clubs

Port Stanley Leo Club
Petrolia Leo Club
East Elgin Leo Club
Lakeshore Leo Club
Hyde Park Leos

The District A-1 Directory has details

Youth Exchange



After a successful camp last year, we are looking forward to another successful camp in July 2024. Our plan is to bring in another 10 youth to our camp this year.

The youth will be 17-19 years of age and will arrive in Canada on June 27th, 2024 and this will be the start of the first host family session for 10 days. Change over for the youth to go to a different host family will occur on July 7th, 2024. Camp will interrupt the second host family stay as camp will start on July 16th, 2024 and end on July 25th, 2024 at which time the youth will return to the second host family until they return home on July 27th, 2024. This will allow the youth an opportunity for sleep and slower paced days prior to going to the Pearson airport.

In order to bring in 10 youth I need to have approximately 20 host families. I would like to see club participation in the youth that are staying within their area as well.

Is Hosting Right for Me?

Are you interested in learning about other cultures and ways of life while sharing your own customs and experiences?

Are open-mindedness, tolerance and cultural competence of high importance to you?

Do you have a desire to contribute towards peace, international understanding and the creation of global citizenship in youth?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may enjoy being a host family for the Lions Youth Camps and Exchange (YCE) Program!

Benefits of Hosting

Hosting an exchange youth is guaranteed to be a rewarding experience because:

- You experience the joy of sharing your culture and daily customs
- You learn about the exchange youth's customs and culture
- You open a new world of possibilities and thinking to the exchange youth
- You make a new friend - maybe a friend for life

Host Family Eligibility

The Host Lions Club must approve all host families. To be eligible to become a host family you must:

- Be familiar with Lions clubs and the goals of YCE
- Be able to provide a bed and meals for your guest
- Follow all local laws related to youth protection
- Police check for all persons over the age of 18 occupying the house
- Pick-up and/or return youth to Toronto Airport if possible

If you are interested in more information please contact me and I would be more than happy to talk to you about hosting. We are also able to send youth from our communities on an exchange somewhere in the world. What should a youth expect in regards to their stay:

As a YCE exchange youth you can expect to be immersed in a unique cultural experience with Lions and Leo club members supporting your YCE journey. Your host family will treat you as a member of the family, expecting your engagement in typical daily routines and family meals. You will participate in social activities, possibly service projects and visit cultural places of interest. You are expected to familiarize yourself with the customs, expectations and basic language of the host country prior to your visit and have a desire to learn more.

If I have not yet been to your club to speak about Youth Exchange all you need to do is ask me and I will arrange a date to come to your club to speak and show you a short video on where the youth went during camp in 2023.

Lion Dianne Piggott
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**CAMP DORSET CORPORATION
LIONS CAMP DORSET
1087 Camp Dorset Road, PO Box 306, Dorset, ON P0A 1E0
Dialysis Resort for Patients with Kidney Failure
CHARITY # 0551853-65 BN-Registration 133218958 RR 0001**



January 8, 2024

Dear District A1 Lions Clubs,

Thank you for your ongoing support of Lions Camp Dorset. Without the generosity of the Ontario Lions Clubs, this exceptional one of a kind Camp would not exist, leaving the vast majority of the Ontario Dialysis community without a place for family retreat and respite from their day to day challenges.

The District of A1 so generously donated a John Deere Gator in 2014, since then this vital piece of equipment has served the Camp well. It continues to run well and be a necessary staple to effectively and efficiently maintain the property here all year long.



We are hoping to ask for your support in purchasing 2 new replacement seats, as over the many years of operation they have become badly torn from use. I have been searching for the best price and found seats direct from John Deere. The cost is \$378.88 plus tax and shipping for a new set of 2 seats. For your consideration, I have provided the link below:

<https://www.greenpartstore.com/john-deere-gator-seat-set-vg11696.html>

If District A1 is agreeable to this purchase we would be, as always, most grateful for your help and support. However, we also respectfully acknowledge this may not be a purchase/donation the Lions Clubs of District A1 are prepared to support at this time.

Once again, please accept our deepest gratitude for the past, present and future support of District A1. We could not do this work without Lions like you.

Yours in Lionism,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeremy Schumacher', with a stylized, cursive script.

Lion Jeremy Schumacher

Camp Manager

manager@lionscampdorset.com

(705)766-2780



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January 15, 2024

Dear Lions Family,

Our creative minds are bursting with ideas and events to support Lions Camp Dorset. These events help to ensure our Ontario Dialysis community continues to have an affordable option to experience a much needed respite from their day to day challenges, all while sharing a family vacation.

We welcome you to join us for an evening full of East Coast flavours with food, wine and music.

Accommodations are available for anyone wanting to stay onsite.

Our JIGGS Dinner will be held Saturday, March 16, 2024. Doors open at 5 PM for mingling and cocktails. Dinner will be served at 6 PM. Tickets are \$50 per person (includes Main Meal, Dessert and 1 complimentary glass of authentic Newfoundland wine). This will be a licensed event with live East Coast style music, raffle prizes and a 50/50 draw. Tickets can be purchased in person, over the phone, or online through the link available on our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/friendsofLCD>. There are a limited number of tickets available and sales will close the evening of Thursday, February 29, 2024, to allow for the most accurate preparations.

All funds raised from this event will directly support our medical centre rebuild. We are getting closer to our goal of making this vital project a reality.

If unable to attend we are asking for the support of all Ontario Lions Clubs, in an effort to ease the expense of purchasing materials and ingredients needed to make this event a great success. Any amount your Club is able to contribute will go a very long way to keeping our costs low and helping us get closer to our goal. Please include 'JIGGS Dinner' in the memo line of cheques or include a small letter informing us that this is where your donation is to be distributed.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (705)766-2780. We would be happy to speak with you.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Jeremy Schumacher
Camp Manager
manager@lionscampdorset.com
(705)766-2780



"Feelin' Groovy"

49th Annual District A-1 Convention Registration

March 22nd -24th 2024 at the Four Points By Sheraton, London, ON

1150 Wellington Road South, London, ON N5E 1M3

Reserve rooms directly with the Hotel 519.681.0600 using confirmation code A1 Lions Convention 2024

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY and COMPLETE ALL BOXES



Registrant (A)	Registrant (B)
First Convention? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	First Convention? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Lion <input type="checkbox"/> / Lioness Lion <input type="checkbox"/> / Leo <input type="checkbox"/> / Guest <input type="checkbox"/>	Lion <input type="checkbox"/> / Lioness Lion <input type="checkbox"/> / Leo <input type="checkbox"/> / Guest <input type="checkbox"/>
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Special Diet/Food Allergies	Special Diet/Food Allergies

CUT OFF DATE FOR EVENTS is 29th February 2024

NEW

Event Fees	Reg A	Reg B	Price	Total
REGISTRATION & Meal Package: Saturday Breakfast, Saturday Lunch, morning and afternoon breaks & Saturday Banquet			@ 180.00	
LEO Registration & Sunday AM			@ \$12.50	\$
Registration			@ \$25.00	\$
Saturday Banquet			@ \$78.00	\$
Share the Wealth Tickets			3 for \$5	\$
All Exhibitor/Vendor tables	#		@ \$25.00	\$
TOTAL (payment MUST be made to confirm registration)				\$

PAYMENT METHODS:

☐ Cheque payable to
"District A-1 Convention" and forward to:
PDG Val Burningham, 130 Sunnyside Boulevard,
LaSalle, ON N9J 3J2
519.790.9056

☐ etransfer a1convreg@gmail.com
Please advise Registration Chair when you send an etransfer

<p>★ Every Lion, Leo or Guest MUST be registered using this form and payment must be made.</p> <p>★ All Cancellations must be in writing. No Refunds after February 29th, 2024, except in the event the convention has to cancel due to a pandemic or gov't regulations.</p>	<p>ROOM RESERVATIONS</p> <p>♦ Room Reservations must be made directly with the Four Points By Sheraton, 1150 Wellington Road South, London, By calling 519.681.0600</p> <p>Booking code is "A1 Lions Convention 2024"</p> <p>♦ Reservations must be made by 21st February 2024 in order to be eligible for the group rate.</p> <p>♦ If you have special room requirements, please advise the Four Points at the time of booking.</p> <p>Check in time is after 3pm Checkout time is 11 am.</p>
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Additional Notes or Comments:

REGISTRATION USE ONLY
Date Rec'd

Paid by

- ☐ cash
☐ cheque # _____
☐ etransfer



NOMINATION AND ENDORSEMENT FORM

The Lions Club of _____

Endorses Lion _____

For the office of _____ For the Lion Year _____

A motion making this endorsement was passed at a General meeting held
on _____

The motion was moved by Lion _____ and seconded by
Lion _____ .

The above information pertaining to the nomination and endorsement is
certified as true and correct.

By: Lion _____
Secretary of the Lions Club _____
Date: _____

This nomination and endorsement for the above named office of
District A _____ is accepted by _____
Date _____ , _____

Note: This notice of nomination and endorsement shall be filed with the District
Governor not less than 30 days prior to the District Convention.

A Candidate for the office of District Governor shall

1. Be an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in his/her single or sub-district.
2. Secure the endorsement of his/her club or a majority of the clubs in his/her single or sub-district.
3. Currently be serving as the first vice district governor within the district from which he/she is to be elected.
4. Only in the event the current first vice district governor does not stand for election as district governor, or if a vacancy in the position of first vice district governor exists at the time of the district convention, any club member who fulfills the qualifications for the office of second vice district governor as set forth in the Lions Club International by-laws or constitution and who is currently serving or who has served one (1) additional year as a member of the district cabinet, shall fulfill the requirements of item 3 above.

A Candidate for the office of First Vice District Governor shall

1. Be an Active Member in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in his/her single or sub-district.
2. Secure the endorsement of his/her club or a majority of the clubs in his/her single or sub-district.
3. Currently be serving as the second vice district governor within the district from which he/she is to be elected.
4. Only in the event the current second vice district governor does not stand for election as first vice district governor, or if a vacancy in the position of second vice district governor exists at the time of the district convention, any club member who fulfills the qualifications for the office of second vice district governor as set forth in the Lions Club International by-laws or constitution shall fulfill the requirements of item 3 above.

A Candidate for the office of Second Vice District Governor shall

1. Be an Active Member in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in his/her single or sub-district.
2. Secure the endorsement of his/her club or a majority of the clubs in his/her single or sub-district.
3. Have served or will have served at the time he/she takes office as second vice district governor:
 - a) As president of a Lions club for a full term or major portion thereof, and a member of the board of directors of a Lions club for no less than two (2) additional years; and
 - b) As zone chairperson or region chairperson or cabinet secretary and/or treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof.
 - c) With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

A Candidate for the office of Region Chairperson shall

1. Be an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions Club in good standing in his/her Region.
2. Secure the endorsement of his/her Club or the majority of the Clubs in the Region.
3. Have served or will have served by the time he/she takes office as Region Chairperson:
 - a) As President of a Lions Club for a full term or major portion thereof and as a member of the Board of Directors of a Lions Club for no less than two (2) additional years; or
 - b) As Zone Chairperson of a District, or a Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof;
 - c) With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

A Candidate for the office of Zone Chairperson shall

1. Be an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions Club in good standing in his/her Zone.
2. Secure the endorsement of his/her Club or the majority of the Clubs in the Zone.
3. Have served or will have served by the time he/she takes office:
 - a) As President of a Lions Club for a full term or major portion thereof and as a member of the Board of Directors of a Lions Club for no less than two (2) additional years;
 - b) With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

DISTRICT A1 CONVENTION
FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON, LONDON
ON MARCH 22-24, 2024

“IMPORTANT INFORMATION – CONVENTION VOTING”

Lions, Lioness/Lions

Our District Convention Is fast approaching and, as Credentials Chair for the Convention, I wanted to give you some updated information.

Candidate for Office

If your club has a candidate running for Zone Chair, Region Chair, Second Vice District Governor, First Vice District Governor and Governor, then they must submit a nomination form 30 days prior to Convention to the District Cabinet Secretary Lion Rosey cabseca1@gmail.com and the District Governor lionsydneymaclean@gmail.com notifying them of your intent. Again, the deadline for submission is February 22, 2024

If you have a member in good standing and has been a club President and who is interested in seeking a position on Cabinet as Zone Chair, Region Chair please fill in a nomination form and submit it by the deadline. For the position of Second Vice District Governor the candidate must have served as a Zone or Region Chair or Cabinet Secretary or Cabinet Treasurer to be eligible.

Voting

Your club will be receiving the voting Credentials Certificates for your club and any PDG's within your club 30 days prior to convention, so by February 22nd, 2024. Once received, if you feel there is a discrepancy, please reach out to me at evelyna1lions@gmail.com and I will gladly look into it.

Your club delegate will cast a ballot for the following positions Governor, First Vice District Governor, Second Vice District Governor and if there are two candidates for Zone Chair within your zone, you will vote for one. Plus, location of the 2026 Convention. ***If you are the delegate, please remember your signed membership card.***

More information will be forwarded to you regarding time that the credentials desk is open and when you may cast your ballot.

Registration for the convention is \$25, and you must be registered to attend and cast your ballot, however, if you are planning on only attending on Sunday the fee is \$12.50.

Registration forms and Hotel info will be going out shortly so please register early and encourage your Lions to attend. Remember you are supporting your District Governor by attending the Convention.

Lion Ev Spiering-Waite, IPDG

Credentials Chair District A1 Convention 2024

HOSPITALITY ROOM REGISTRATION

DEADLINE 20th February 2024



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**ANYONE WISHING A FRIDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY ROOM MUST
COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR CONFIRMATION.**

HOSPITALITY ROOM REGISTERED IN NAME OF:

EMAIL FOR CONFIRMATION:

If you require a Hospitality room – you book a guest room.

Forms to be returned to:
PDG Val Burningham,
130 Sunnyside Blvd, LaSalle, ON N9J 3J2
Email: a1convreg@gmail.com

FOR REGISTRATION USE ONLY

Date Rec'd _____

Confirmed: _____

ROOM # _____

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

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Convention Penny Draw

Lions and Leos;

The time has come to start thinking about the 2024 District A-1 Convention which will be held on March 22nd to 24th at the Four Points by Sheraton, London, Ontario. Plans are well underway to make it another great convention this year.

The Convention Committee is again asking for your support for the "PENNY DRAW" which benefits us all by helping to defray some of the convention costs. We are asking each Lion and Leo club to donate a gift for a truly successful draw.

Please confirm as soon as possible if you will be donating a draw prize [unwrapped] so that the proper identification can be made up prior to the convention.

If you are donating money- please make cheque payable to "St Thomas Lions" so that the money can be the prize.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL DRAW PRIZES MUST BE RECEIVED prior 6:45 pm on Friday Night. Should this be an inconvenience please call to make arrangements.

THE PENNY DRAW WILL CLOSE no later than 1:30 pm on Saturday afternoon – draws taking place immediately after. A list will be posted as soon as possible and gifts will be available for pickup. We would ask you to please pick them up no later than 5 pm Saturday.

Thanking you in advance for your continued support and participation. Should you require any further information concerning the Penny Draw, please do not hesitate to give Ev or Rosey a call.

Yours in Lionism

St Thomas Lions

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EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION

DEADLINE 20th February 2024

49th Annual District A-1 Convention ***"Feelin' Groovy"***

March 22nd to 24th, 2024

at the Four Points By Sheraton

1150 Wellington Road South, London, ON N6E 1M3

Reserve rooms directly with the Hotel

Hotel 519.681.0600 using confirmation code A1 Lions Convention 2024

**ALL EXHIBITORS MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR
CONFIRMATION OF SPACE**

EXHIBITOR

EMAIL:

What is the exhibit on:

WILL THERE BE A FREE DRAW WINNER TO ANNOUNCE SUNDAY MORNING:

	# of tables	@ \$25.00	\$
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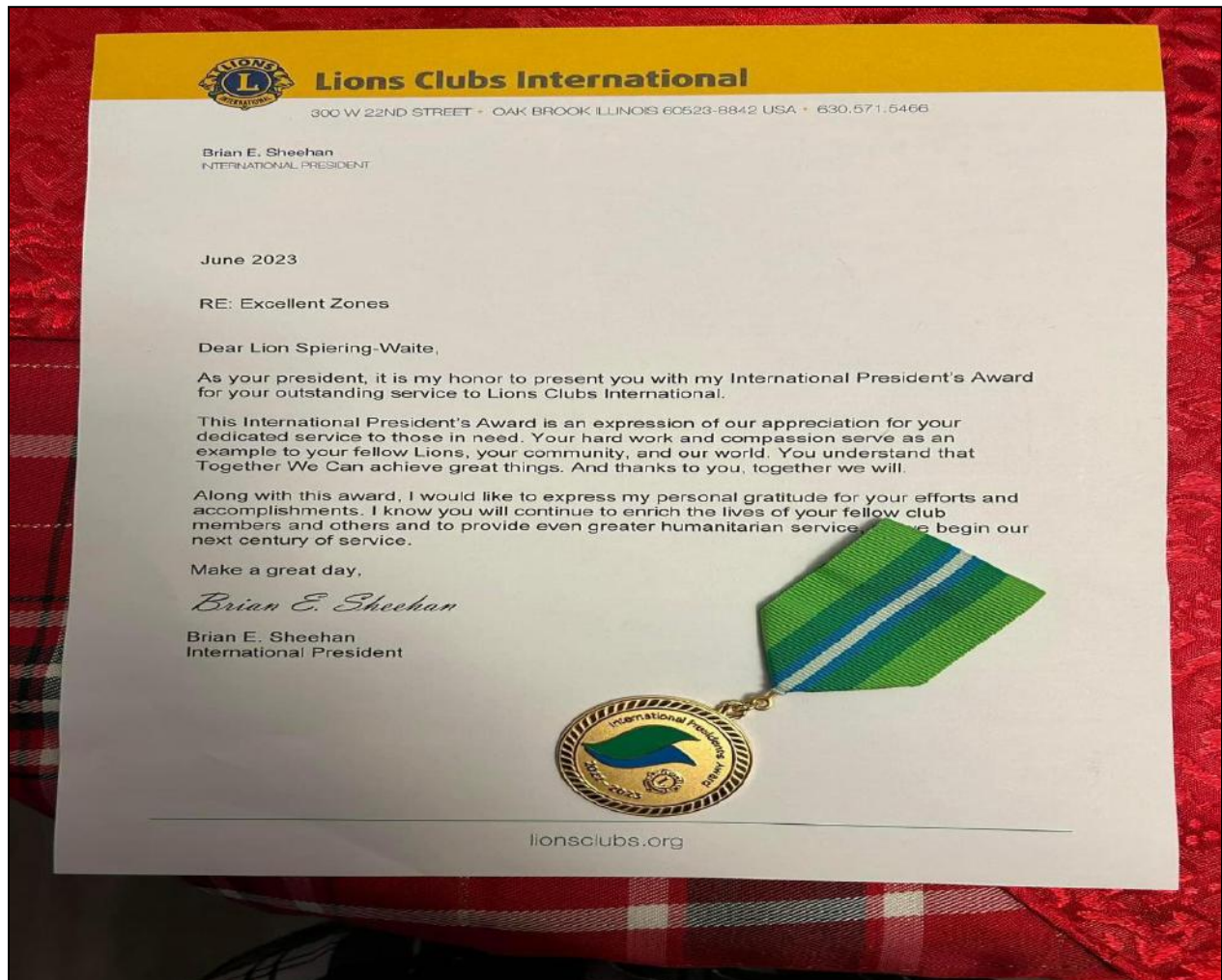
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From PDG Lion Ev Spiering



Lions of District A1

Just before Christmas, I was honored to be presented with the Presidential Medal, from our Immediate Past International President Lion Brian Sheehan. Well, as you can imagine I was in shock, but as I reflect back on my year as your Governor I must give credit where credit is due. So to the Zone and Region Chairpersons, Cabinet Secretary and Treasurer, Committee Chairpersons and of course our PDG's and to each and every one of you, the Lions of District A1 Thank you. You embraced the Theme of "Together We Can" as we all found our footing after the Pandemic. Without your dedication and commitment to our Association this would not have been possible, so I will wear it proudly knowing that all of you played a part in my receiving this great honor.

E-Clubhouse Nook – How to Add Images

We are quite fortunate that when the Lions organization set out to provide a platform for local clubs to use that they developed one that is both robust and reasonably easy to use. I would like to share some of the processes that I am using in London Central's here to help make your online projects both easier to do and improve the final product. One important thing to recognize is that at least as of now we have no storage level restrictions so you have lots of room for uploads.

There are three ways to add information to the various pages. Firstly using direct text addition either by direct typing or from copying it from a text editor. Secondly it is possible to create a page from outside the system by saving it from a word processor in jpeg format. It can then be directly copied into the systems storage area and then assigned to the page you want to use it on. It is also possible to create links to pages for remote viewing from one host page. This allows you to share multiple documents on that page. To do this the documents have to be in PDF format and must be uploaded to your site. You would then assign links to them from the host page you want them to appear on.

Main E-Clubhouse Menu

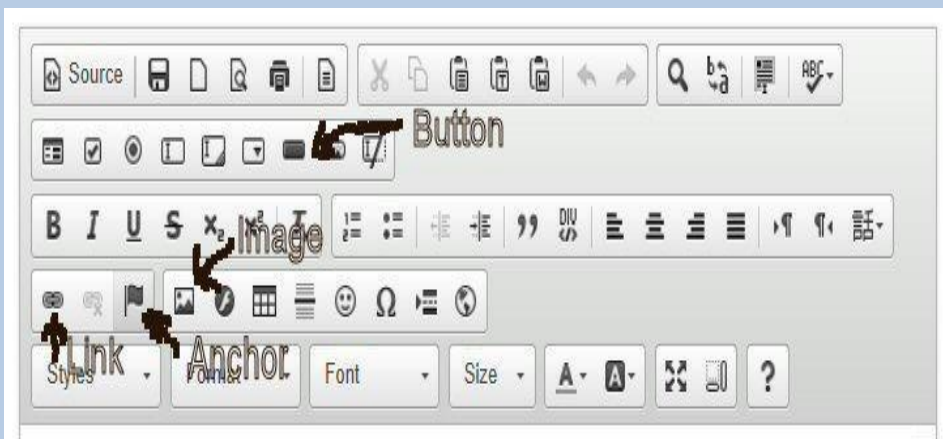
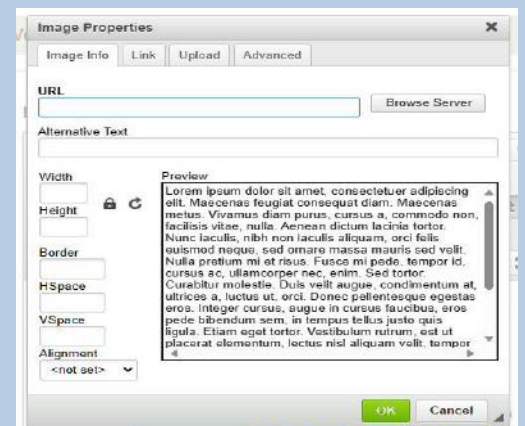


Image Properties Sub Menu



The easiest thing to add is a picture so we will start there. After clicking your cursor into the page and assigning a position for it, click on the Image icon to start and the next menu starts the process. Shown to the right is the master image menu and from there it is possible to upload select and place an image into your webpage.

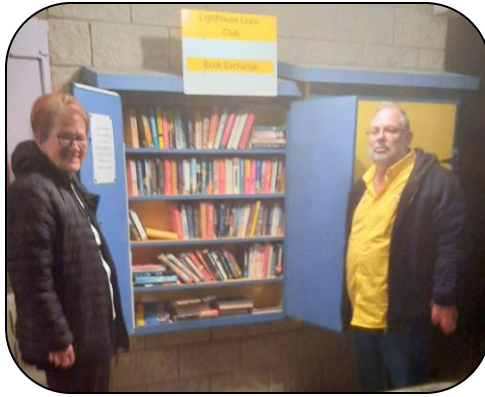
I have used this technique to place graphics on most of our sites pages. I especially like the image we use on our Lions Line access page. The link to it is below.

[London Central Lions Club - Lions e-Clubhouse](#)



Belle River Lions Club

Submitted by Lion Joyce Mahovlich



Picture top left: Zone 1 Chair Debbie Lemire's Official Visit to Lighthouse Cove Lions Club. Left to Right: Glen Salisbury Treasurer, Zone 1 Chair Debbie, Acting President Jack Clifford and Bill Stephenson, Secretary.

Picture top middle : On Zone 1 Chair's Official Visit to Lighthouse Cove Lions Club on November 15/23, the club's Exchange Library was viewed by Lion Debbie & Lion Mark Mahovlich.

Picture top right: On Nov. 21/23, Lion Walt Desrosiers received the Harry A. Newman Award in appreciation for all the unseen volunteer hours that Walt has contributed to our club. Left to Right: Lion Debbie Lemire, Lion Walt Desrosiers and Lion Joyce Mahovlich.



Above left: On Sunday, December 3, 2023 the Belle River Lions Club hosted the annual Children's Christmas party for their members and families. From the youngest to the oldest, a good time was had by all. Here is Santa & Mrs. Claus with little Emily getting their picture taken. Mrs. Claus read "Twas the Night Before Christmas" for the children and then presented to each family their own copy of the book for their libraries at home.

Above right: On December 6th, the Belle River Lions Club donated 75 Christmas cakes and 75 turkeys to assist with the baskets at the Food Pantry. Left to Right: Lion Joyce Mahovlich, Lion Mary Mahovlich, Hannah Haskell, Program Co-ordinator, Food Services, Mayor of the Corporation of Lakeshore Tracey Bailey and Kamal Mann, Manager.




Belle River Lions Club

Submitted by Lion Joyce Mahovlich



NAME: Juno
BREED: Golden retriever



PERSONALITY: Active, Comical, Thoughtful
GENDER: Female
FAVORITE TOY: Deer antlers
ZODIAC SIGN: Sagittarius
LINEAGE: Dam/Mom: Maysaa, golden retriever
Sire/Dad: Bucky, golden retriever
GROWING UP IN: Michigan



Left: The Lakeshore Leo Club has sponsored their 4th Leader Dog Puppy named Juno!



FIGHT LIKE MASON 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.

On Tuesday, December 19th, our club presented a donation to the Fight Like Mason Foundation. Here in the picture is Lions Mark Mahovlich, Club Treasurer, Joyce Mahovlich, Club Secretary, Zone 1 Chair Debbie Lemire and Iain Macri, Vice President Fight Like Mason Foundation.

The Fight Like Mason Foundation is a Registered Charity organization formed by Iain Macri and Chantelle Bacon, parents of Mason Bacon-Macri. Their son, Mason was diagnosed with Rhabdomyosarcoma (a form of childhood cancer) on May 4th, 2015 at the age of two. Mason fought this terrible disease head-on, like a Superhero, because he was a Superhero. Unfortunately, just after his 4th birthday Mason passed away.

Iain and Chantelle thought they would do Mason no greater honour than to carry on his name, his way of life and legacy in the form of a foundation. They decided to turn their life-shattering tragedy of losing a child into something positive. With their experience and compassion, they pledged to make a difference and give other children a chance to fight just like Mason did.

There are so many families that are shattered, broken and suffering from something that is of no choice of their own. This disease is in no way "rare" to any family going through it. Iain, Chantelle, the Fight Like Mason Board of Directors and volunteers will continue to do their part to honour Mason and provide research funding, medical equipment, support programs and valuable resources to help improve the lives of children and families who are currently fighting just like Mason did. They will continue their work until the villain is defeated for good.



Iain and Chantelle wanted to create something fun for any child going through cancer treatment. In the picture is Iain dressed as Spider Man and cancer patient Dominic beside one of the created IV poles dressed and designed in the child's favourite Super Hero. Iain and Chantelle also dress up as Super Heroes and visit children in children's wards throughout Ontario. The Foundation receives no government funding. The Foundation could not exist without support from clubs like ours. September is childhood cancer month and gold ribbons are placed throughout Belle River. Recently, boxes have been created to give to each child when diagnosed with cancer some support. The boxes include such items as a t-shirt, Polaroid camera, etc. These boxes have been distributed to children with cancer in the Province of Ontario which unfortunately is now 400 plus. Fight Like Mason Foundation has raised over 1.6 million over the past 6 years. The Foundation has now opened an office just behind Tim Horton's in Puce.

Picture above: Our club donated to Fight Like Mason Foundation on Dec. 19th. I do not know if you can put this page into the newsletter or not. If you cannot, just let me know and I can send you the pictures and write up separately.

Picture Left: Lakeshore Leo Club donates to Fight Like Mason Foundation. Left to Right: Leo Tambre Alford, Leo Karyna Ducharme, Leo Klaryssa Ducharme, Leo Landon Diesbourg and Vice President Iain Macri from the Fight Like Mason Foundation.



Belle River Lions Club

Submitted by Lion Joyce Mahovlich



Left: On January 16, 2024, awards were presented by Lion Joyce Mahovlich and Zone 1 Chair Lion Debbie Lemire to some long time serving members. Left to right: Lion Joyce Mahovlich, Lion Jerry Ducharme (Helen Keller Award), Lion Debbie Lemire and Lion Jim Taylor (Leader Dog Award).

Right: At the Dinner Meeting on January 4, 2024, it was Zone 1 Chair Lion Debbie Lemire's Official Visit. Here in the picture left to right is: President Tom Trotechaud with a Certificate of Appreciation from the club for selling Christmas cakes & shortbread at Joe's Garage, Zone 1 Chair Debbie Lemire, Lion Adrian Diesbourg (35 Year Service Award), Lion Joyce Mahovlich (30 Year Service Award), Lion Mark Mahovlich (35 Year Service Award), and Lion Jim Tellier accepting an award for his son Brian Tellier (25 Year Service Award).

Editor's Note: Wow! Congratulations!



THE CHATHAM LIONS CLUB: 2023 - 2024



Back row: Lions Mike Hiatt, Phil Piggott, Rudy Boogerman, John Dawson, Region 1 Chair Bill Finlay, Stu Patterson.
Middle row: Lions Lorea Boogerman, Jim Faubert, Mary Symons, Aldo Gonzalez, Roy Graham, Seppo Kuokkanen, Andy Stockdill.
Front row: Lions Elda Faubert, Cynthia Hiatt, Michaelanne Kerrigan. Absent: Lion Bob Book.



Delaware Lions Club



Submitted by Joyce Feher



Above: Christmas was quickly approaching and December has seen our Lioness group continuing with activities. The first weekend in December saw Lions and Lioness working together to prepare Delaware Community Centre for the annual senior's appreciation event. This longtime event is a way of thanking the seniors in the area for their contributions to the community over the years.



Left: Lioness Christine Mann graciously hosted our December meeting at her home. A brief meeting was held to take care of pressing business and resolve outstanding issues. Lioness Christine was then presented with a pin in recognition of her 30 year contribution to Lions. A time of fellowship with good food, drink and laughter followed.

Unfortunately a few of our group were unable to attend the festivities. Darn Covid!!!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all from the Delaware Lioness!



Dutton & District Lions Club



Dutton & District Lions Club



Presents

2024 Curling Bonspiel

In memory of Don "Breezy" Campbell

Proceeds to the Breezy Bursaries and the new Caledonia Three

Saturday February 24th
at the Glencoe Curling Rink
Entry Fee: \$160 per rink
Lunch Included

First Draw - 8:55 - Two 8 End Games
Second Draw - 10:55 - Two 8 End Games
Draw Prizes, 50/50, Raffle Table

Contact Diane at 519.719.6667
countryside590@yahoo.ca



Lets make Breezy Proud





Hyde Park & District Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Pamela Harbottle



Left - PCC Dan Armstrong performing the New Member Induction Ceremony

Middle Left - Leo Advisor Lion Rob Leos Evan and Matthew Leo Advisor Vicky, Lion Gerard and President Lion Larry

Top Right - Leo Even with Leo Advisor Lion Rob lighting the candle of service in the new member induction ceremony

Above: It was a night of celebration on Monday November 28, 2023.

We welcomed Lion Gerard and Leos Even and Matthew to our service family. Thank you Past Council Chair Lion Daniel Lee Armstrong for a meaningful blindfold induction ceremony. We experienced a wonderful Super Hero Hyde Park Santa Claus Parade on November 26th - Did you know that Hyde Park has its very own SuperHero - Sheilah is an environmental hero. Daily you can see her in Hyde Park in her wheelchair collecting trash from the streets. We are so grateful for Sheilah and wanted to recognize her as our own community hero. The Hyde Park & District Lions Club presented a Community Service Award to Sheilah. (below Left)



November 26, 2023 - The Hyde Park Lions in partnership with the Hyde Park Business Improvement Association presented A Superhero Christmas for the community of Hyde Park. There were approximately 25 000 spectators young and old, and some dressed in superhero costumes. The lions collected 2430 pounds of non-perishable food items and \$23 000 was raised for the community. Not only is this a great community event of service, it is a wonderful opportunity to collect food. I just love how the business and community come together for such a successful event year after year.

Above middle and Right: Parade - Santa and Mrs Claus at the Hyde Park Lions Super Hero Santa Claus Parade ready to visit the boys and girls of London ON



Hyde Park & District Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Pamela Harbottle



Above: December 2, 2023 - Breakfast with Santa. The Hyde Park Lions and Leos with the Hyde Park Business Improvement Association were at Oxford Dodge for a morning of Christmas fun. The Lions served roughly 3000 people which means approx 6000 pancakes were flipped by our members. Families got to visit with Santa and get their pictures taken. Children were able to write letters to Santa and participate in a variety of crafts all while enjoying dancing with Mrs Claus. Santa's sleigh was filled to the brim with new toy donations for toys for tots and teens.



City of London
Councilor Corrine
Rahman is always
helping the lions serve
our community.





Hyde Park & District Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Pamela Harbottle



Left: Hyde Park & District Leos
Right: Hyde Park Christmas Market

December 2nd and 3rd - The Hyde Park Christmas Market - The lions worked with the Hyde Park Business Improvement Association and sold soup at the weekend market. The lions also sold beer and wine tickets with a portion of the proceeds going back to the club for community projects. Mrs Claus was on site on Santa's Sleigh getting pics with families and people young and old who wanted to experience the magic of Christmas.



Above: Lions selling beer and wine tickets

Left: Lion Anne and Mrs Claus

Right: Soup sales at the Christmas market





Hyde Park & District Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Pamela Harbottle



Above Left: Leos with Mrs Claus
Above middle: Mrs Claus
Above right: Lion Rob with Steve Plunkett
Middle Left: Lion Joelle and DG Lion Sydney
Middle: Lions Karen and Linda with the cup of sauciness game
Middle Right: Lions Prya and Anne
Below Left: Reindeer Games
Below Middle: Santa Leo
Below Right: Tent Crew

December 11, 2023 - The Hyde Park Lions had a wonderful Christmas party at The Lord Gainsborough Restaurant. The restaurant opened up just to host our party. We brought in unwrapped toys for Life Spin who were in great need of donations for children. We enjoyed the cup of sauciness game and reindeer games with our President Lion Larry. We enjoyed fellowship and shenanigans together.



London Central Lions Club



Submitted by Jason Cheese & Sarai Guerrero



Left: Kirsti Cheese took this picture of a tired Lion (Nicholas Cheese) in the Argyle/East London parade on December 6.



Left, Right and Below: These photos were taken by Lion Sarai Guerrero at our Breakfast with Santa on December 17





London East Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Darlene Snyders – London East Lions President

This Christmas season has been so busy for the London East Lions. We sponsored a Magical Day with Santa. This event was free to the public. Over 100 children and their families attended. Santa played music, made balloon animals and did magic tricks. The children and their families had so much fun dancing and singing with Santa. As well crafts and cookie decorating. We also did a membership drive during this event and we had a little helper. How could you say no to that handsome face. Thank you, Henry.



He even ROARED for us!



We also participated in the Argyle Business Improvement Association's Santa Claus Parade. We submitted a float collaboratively with London Central Lions. A big thank you Lion Tom Whitworth for all your hard work and your nieces for allowing us to use their play house for our Candyland float. It was such a great time working with the London Central Lions. London East Lions also sponsors a Free Family Swim every 3rd Friday of the month if anyone is interested in taking the kiddies for a swim at East Lions Community Centre. You must register on the City of London website. London East Lions also had the great privilege of working with the Argyle Business Improvement Association on their Santa Social. We had the great opportunity to work with some high school student volunteers from Clarke Road Secondary School. They were a great group of students and they were really hard workers. Always a great time when you get to network within your community. We look forward to our upcoming Spaghetti Dinner with the Canadian Council of the Blind, with all proceeds going to the CCB. We can't wait to see what 2024 holds for the London East Lions.



Petrolia Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Bill Fell



Chili Cook-off Dec. 1st. 2023.

Santa Claus Parade Dec. 2, 2023.

Christmas for Everyone Cash Draw.





Petrolia Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Bill Fell



Left: Bob Newman of the Christmas for Everyone Campaign draws the winning tickets along with Lion Bryan Chair of the project.

Winners are:

1st prize Alice Hawke.

2nd prize Carly Egan.

3rd prize Dave Russell.

Petrolia Lions hosted the ***PCR*** hot lunch on Dec 8! Only 14 people showed up for the hot lunch (disappointing, we usually get 30)...the remaining meals were placed in the ***PCR*** refrigerator.

By morning- all the remaining meals were gone!

We appreciate the ***Petrolia Lions*** providing the hot lunch and look forward to the lunch they will host on ***Friday, December 22!***

Pictured are ***Petrolia Lions*** members at St Paul's United Church kitchen - what a great crew that took the time to help others in our community!





Petrolia Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Bill Fell

3rd. Place, Dave Russell



*Cheque
Presented
by Lion Karen
Wilson*

2nd. Place

**Carly
Egan**

*Cheque
Presented by
Lion Bryan
Piggott*



**1st. Place
Alice
Hawke**

*Cheque Presented by
Lion Karen Wilson*



Proceeds of \$8,000 from this draw presented to Christmas For Everyone to purchase food baskets items and toys for the children of the Petrolia area.

Editor's Note: What an amazing fundraiser!
Well done, Petrolia Lions!



Lions Club of Port Stanley Lioness



Submitted by Sharon Larmour



December 13th the club gathered at The Kettle Creek Inn for our annual Christmas dinner. The members were asked to bring in hats, mitts, and socks for us to donate to our local homeless shelter and the members stepped up. The Inn received 165 pairs of socks, 20 hats and 20 mitts/gloves. A couple of pictures from that evening.

We also utilized our time leading up to the Christmas season to make a number of donations to local youth groups and charities (I am attaching some pictures please use the ones you want).

We participated in the Dickens Days parade and also made a donation to a local minor hockey team at the parade.



Caboose Crushers



**St. Thomas
EXPRESS Steam
U-13**



*Port Stanley Minor
Hockey-Sailors*





Lions Club of Port Stanley Lioness



Submitted by Sharon Larmour



On January 20 the Lions Club of Port Stanley Lioness and the Optimist Club of Port Stanley made a presentation to Dr John Hofhuis board member for Hospice of Elgin. A donation to Hospice of Elgin in the amount \$10,000. Each club donated \$5,000 which were the proceeds from our very successful Ladies night Wine and Cheese event. A great combined project bringing together two hard working community minded service clubs.

Incredible work!



I finally watched the documentary on clocks. It was about time.



Port Stanley Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Rick Waite



Below: our donation to the Elgin Hospice for
\$125,000

Left: Lion Bob Nemett getting his Sixty Year pin from
PCC John Johnson.

Editors note: Congratulations, Lions!



"When I was young, I was called a rugged individualist. When I was in my fifties, I was considered eccentric.
Here I am doing and saying the same things I did then, and I'm labeled senile." - George Burns



Strathroy Lions Club

Submitted by Lion VDG Keith Ryan



We have been busy with Highway clean up, smile cookie campaign with Tim Hortons, and parade.



Thorndale Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Matthew Adams

THORNDALE LIONS CLUB
PRESENTS

Valentine's Day Bingo

& 50/50

MONDAY, FEB. 12th
7:00PM

Thorndale Lions
Community Centre

\$10 for 2 cards- 20 games
Licenced bar (19 years+)
Lottery licence #M841574



Here is a list of our upcoming events and
what we've been up to.

Lions Valentine's Day Bingo- Feb 12th

Lions Easter Bingo- Mar.4th

Social Gaming Night - Mar.23rd

Tickets can be purchased for the Social
Gaming Night by visiting Thorndale Lions
Club Facebook or by going to
www.thorndalelionsclub.ca

THORNDALE LIONS CLUB PRESENTS



SOCIAL GAMING NIGHT

MARCH 23RD, 2024
8PM - 1AM

THORNDALE LIONS COMMUNITY CENTRE

\$20 PER TICKET
GAMES | BAR | MUSIC | LATE BUFFET

FOR TICKETS, GO TO
WWW.THORNDALELIONSCLUB.CA
OR CONTACT A LOCAL LIONS CLUB MEMBER

LOTTERY LICENCE #SOG135558



EASTER BINGO

AND 50/50

MONDAY, MAR. 4TH
7:00PM

THORNDALE LIONS COMMUNITY CENTRE

\$10 FOR 2 CARDS (20 GAMES)
LICENCED BAR (19 YEAR +)
LOTTERY LICENCE # M841574



Thorndale Lions Club



Submitted by Lion Matthew Adams



On Dec. 8th, we held our annual Lions Santa Claus parade. There were over 30 floats and we collected over 300 kg of food for the Dorchester Food Bank. Afterwards, community members joined us in the Thorndale Lions Community Centre for free hot chocolate, cookies, hot dogs. Children had the opportunity to have their picture taken with Santa Claus, and there were activities, crafts, and entertainment, which included a dance routine from JNS Dance.

On Jan. 3rd, Lion Diane Piggott visited our Club to talk about the Youth Exchange and present us with a certificate in gratitude for our support.

Also that meeting Lion President Tyler Wilson presented Lion Scott McClaren with Life Membership award.





Wyoming Lioness Lions Club



Submitted by Lioness Barbara Jardine



Centre Left: "Leanne Smits being presented the Winter Warm Up Basket by Wyoming Lioness Lions Marjo Nieuwenhuis. Proceeds from fundraiser go back to support our community."



Above and Left: "December was a busy month for the Wyoming Lioness Lions. Vicky Ducharme and Beth Aicken made a few stops before the holidays began."

- Petrolia Food Bank
- The Salvation Army in Canada
- River City Vineyard
- Inn of the Good Shepherd





Zone 5 Club Reports



Ilderton and District Lions Club Report

Ilderton and District Lions have been busy selling Beavertails at Tree Lane Farms on weekends leading up to Christmas. We also held our Christmas Celebration with our wives joining us. The Club continues to do monthly Wing Nights from November to April with a Fish Fry in October and May as well. Members assisted with Hockey Day in Ilderton, cooking hot dogs for players while dodging snowflakes. We made donations to Lions Quest, Lions Youth Camp, and the Lions Effective Speaking Program. There was a donation to the Ilderton Girl Guides, as well as Ilderton Minor Soccer. The Club also made a donation to Eyes Right.

Club Secretary, Lion Chris Christensen

The **Parkhill Lions Club** handed out Pointsettias to all the residents of the Parkhill nursing home. Financial donations were made to the Ailsa Craig & area Food bank, Womens Rural Resource Centre, Parkhill Santa Claus Parade, Lake Joe, Effective Speaking, Parkhill West Williams Public School and more.

Thanks,
Lion Carrie

Poplar Hill & District Lions

Pres. Jamie Zavitz

Membership 33

Recent Activities

PHLions held a very successful Santa Claus Parade with about 500 hot dogs and hot chocolate handed out.

The ever popular Poplar Hillbillies got in Parkhill, Hyde Park, London Argyle, Lucan and Ailsa Craig Santa Claus Parades

Held our Annual Seniors Dinner on Nov 26th, 185 invites were sent out with 138 showing up.

Still doing monthly Bingos in London

Trees Middlesex with 348 trees sold for an April 20th pickup in our park.

Donations to:

Eyes Right

Diabetes

Youth Exchange

Peters Bus

Women's Rural Resource Centre

Adelaide - Macdonald School donation to cover the cost of new books

Upcoming:

All hands on deck for our 21st annual Trivia Night Feb 24th 2024

Trees Middlesex pickup in Poplar Hill Park April 20th 2024

Respectfully Submitted by Corresponding Secretary

Jack St Louis