

# Lions Clubs International

## District A-1

# GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER



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## Message from our District Governor

This month as we recognize Remembrance Day on Wednesday November 11<sup>th</sup> .....

I encourage all Lions to:

**Wear a Poppy** to show that you remember and support our Canadian Troops and Veterans for those whom we have lost and for their willingness to serve at any given moment, without hesitation.

**Visit a War Memorial.** There are several war memorials across Canada that you can visit, like the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier or The National War Memorial in Ottawa. I appreciate that this may be a challenge with Corvid-19 and 'numbers' in some locations, however, many communities also have their own memorial that you can visit.

**Write to Armed Forces Members or Veterans** and thank them for their service through the Postcards for Peace e-cards.

**Pause for Two Minutes of Silence to Honour, Reflect** on and remember our soldiers at 11:00 a.m. on November 11th.

Lions ALL are taking time to thank you, fellow Lions, who have served in the Canadian forces in the past and/or who are currently serving in some capacity.

***Neither Canada ~ nor Lionism in Canada ~ would enjoy what we all have  
without the SERVICE of all those Men and Women.***

**DG Lion Dan Armstrong**

## ***BITS & PIECES by District A-1 DG Newsletter Editor***

*Lions, Lioness, Leos,*

Hope you and yours are all Well and SAFE!

The current situation has changed the way WE SERVE! You will notice that Clubs and Members are fully involved in SERVICE to Community, Global Causes, and Humanity!

The new look of Fundraising is evident in the submissions to the DG NEWSLETTER! Please continue sharing your Clubs efforts and ideas!

**A SPECIAL WELCOME to the**

## **PORT STANLEY LIONESS LIONS CLUB**

**The First LIONESS LIONS CLUB in our District!**

**District A-1 – Directory (Clubs / Lions / Lioness /Leos) Changes**

**Note: New Email Address:**

**President Lion John Hughes, Dutton & District Lions Club**

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**DISTRICT A-1 ZONE 5 MEETING DATE CHANGE!!!**

**Zone Meeting November 21, 2020 at 11:00 AM at Crown and Turtle Dram Room**

## **LION Magazine**

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

Send your submissions for the LION Magazine to Lion Michelle Mundy!

Articles & Photos – re your Service Activities, Awards, ...



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**NOVEMBER 2020:**



**REMEMBRANCE DAY – NOVEMBER 11, 2020**

Lest we forget! I encourage all to take the time to honour all those Men & Women who in some way contributed to the efforts for the freedom we enjoy every day!



**WORLD DIABETES DAY – November 14, 2020**

As a Lions Clubs International GLOBAL CAUSE we can contribute locally and beyond our borders! Take a few minutes to become more aware of the impact Diabetes has on our society!

Diabetes affects 463 million people worldwide! LCI invites each of us to participate in an awareness activity by taking just a few minutes to make us all more knowledgeable about

this dreaded disease! Complete a variety of short, convenient online activities and your minutes are added to the Minutes Total!

The Goal is to log 100,000 total minutes by World Diabetes Day, November 14, 2020!

**52,321 Minutes have already been logged!**

For Lions Clubs International World Diabetes Day Awareness Activities, use the following link where you can complete the activities and the minutes will be logged automatically! Complete an activity or several activities to share and become more aware of the DIABETES Global CAUSE!

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/diabetes/world-diabetes-day>

We all might learn something about diabetes that affects us directly or indirectly – family, friends, co-workers, neighbours!

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

Since the beginning of this Lions Year, I have received numerous submissions indicating how Clubs are coping and Serving under the Restrictions imposed due to Covid-19!

This gives us an opportunity to share ways of raising the funds needed to support local community needs and Global Causes!

Your ideas might just register with a Lion, Lioness, Leo for an Club activity that is successful and that can be used by others in our District!!!

As well, it is great that so many Clubs are recognizing the work that Members do by living the Motto "WE SERVE"! Note also that the Awards in most cases also come with donations to worthy causes such as the Harry A. Newman Diabetes Canada Award, Dog Guides LFC Fellowships, Hellen Keller Fellowships support Lions Homes for Deaf People, ...

Keep the stuff coming!

Hopefully, I haven't lost any emails or missed putting them into the issues!

**District A-1 DG NEWSLETTER**

**NEXT ISSUE**

**Next Publication Issue # 5 December 5, 2020**

**Deadline for Submissions >>>> Thursday, December 3, 2020**





# Lest We Forget!



## *In Flanders Fields*



In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae  
~ May 3, 1915

Just **Remembering** the many Veterans  
of Canada's involvement in the  
various world and area conflicts!



### THE POPPY CAMPAIGN

For several decades the Legion has depended on a small, but sacred symbol to express the importance of remembering those killed in war or in other Canadian Forces missions. Each year, millions of red Poppies blossom on jackets, dresses and hats, but where did the idea come from?

### BRIEF HISTORY

The origins of the Poppy's use in Remembrance date back a full hundred years before it was adopted in Canada. During the Napoleonic Wars a news correspondent noted how quickly Poppies grew over the graves of soldiers in French Flanders. No one strengthened Canada's bond to the Poppy more than Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae of Guelph, Ontario, a Canadian Medical Officer who served in the First World War. The soldier-poet penned

**"In Flanders Fields"**  
on a scrap of paper while serving on the Western Front, and to this day the words of that poem remain enshrined in the inner-most thoughts and hearts of all soldiers who hear them.



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**SOURCE:** STATS from the LEGION GUIDE For more info:

<https://www.legion.ca/communities-youth/youth-education/teaching-guide>

REMEMBRANCE SERVICES will be greatly limited this year due to the COVID-19 situation Restrictions!

Check Legion and Community Sites for info as to what's happening!!

Also: For Video on 2 Minute Silence <https://youtu.be/S4LFCf-nFoQ>

**If not attending a service, take 2 minutes to play the Video on November 11, 2020 at 11:00 AM!!!**

## Canada - WW2 BY THE NUMBERS

Source - Legion Teaching Guide

The following is presented for quick reference only. In some cases the numbers are approximations.

<b>06/06/44</b> Date of Allied Normandy landings	<b>6</b> Approximate speed (in mph) of an amphibious, dual propeller-driven Duplex Drive (DD) Tank, nicknamed Donald Ducks by the troops
<b>1 MILLION</b> Canadian men and women active in Canada's armed services by June 1944	<b>42</b> Royal Canadian Air Force operational squadrons overseas on D-Day. Thirty-nine of them either flew sorties on that day or were on standby
<b>12 MILLION</b> Population of Canada in June 1944	<b>14,000</b> Landmines planted by the Germans between the towns Courseulles-sur-Mer and Bernières-sur-Mer, a distance of some three kilometres
<b>100,000</b> Canadians directly involved in the prep work for D-Day and subsequent Normandy campaign	<b>340</b> Canadians killed or died of wounds while serving with 3rd Canadian Infantry Division on June 6, 1944
<b>8</b> length (in kilometres) of Juno Beach	<b>328</b> 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion losses (killed, wounded or missing) between early June and late August
<b>14,500</b> Canadians landed on Juno Beach by the end of the day, June 6, 1944	<b>47</b> Canadians taken prisoner on D-Day
<b>110</b> Royal Canadian Navy vessels that contributed to the common cause of the invasion	<b>18,444</b> Canadians wounded or killed in the Battle of Normandy between early June and late August 1944
<b>10,000</b> RCN sailors that supported the invasion	<b>5,021</b> Canadians killed in Normandy between early June and late August 1944
<b>16</b> Canadian Bangor-class minesweepers deployed to help 'sweep' approach channels to the assault area	

**OPERATION OVERLORD** Codename for the 1944 Allied invasion of occupied Northwest Europe.

**OPERATION NEPTUNE** Codename for the assault phase (the Normandy landings and associated operations) of the 1944 Allied invasion of Normandy.

**D-DAY** Allied staff term for the unnamed day on which an operation commences or is to commence. The letter D is a military symbol standing for the day the operation is to happen.

**JUNO** The Allied codename given to the Normandy beach where Canadians landed on June 6, 1944.

## STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

The important point to remember when reading statistics of war service is to appreciate the fact that every number represents a person. These are men and women who grew up, had families and left loved ones behind. The numbers for the Afghanistan mission are approximations as of January 2012.

### CANADA

	First World War	Second World War	Korean War	Gulf War	Afghanistan
Participants:	628,736	1,081,865	26,791	4,074	40,000+
Died:	66,573	44,927	516	0	160
Wounded:	138,166	53,145	1,558	0	2,000+
Prisoners of War:	2,818	8,271	33	0	0

### NEWFOUNDLAND

Participants:	16,922	19,406
Died:	1,593	704
Wounded:	Unknown	Unknown
Prisoners of War:	180	Unknown

### SECOND WORLD WAR INTAKE

Approximate numbers of enrolment in the armed forces by province.

Note: Newfoundland was not a Canadian province during the Second World War.

W.B.	9,309
N.S.	59,355
N.B.	45,137
QUE.	176,441
ONT.	398,808
MAN.	76,444
SASK. (Incl.	80,605
N.W.T.) ALTA.	77,703
B.C. (Incl. Yukon)	90,976
WOMEN	49,963
OUT OF CANADA	17,124

### MERCHANT NAVY LOSSES

The names of 578 Canadian and Newfoundland merchant sailors killed in U-boat attacks are listed in the Book of Remembrance in the Parliament Buildings. Enemy action during the war also claimed an undetermined number of Canadians serving in foreign flagged vessels.

Approximately 12,000 served in the Merchant Navy. More than 1,600 Canadian and Newfoundland men and women—perhaps as high as 2,000—lost their lives due to enemy action in the Second World War.

## Canadians Fighting for Our Freedom

The Legion honours and supports Veterans of Canada from all wars – recent and past.

<b>Afghanistan War</b> 2001 - 2014	<b>Persian Gulf War</b> 1990 - 1991	<b>Korean War</b> 1950 - 1953
<b>Second World War</b> 1939 - 1945	<b>First World War</b> 1914 - 1918	<b>South African War</b> 1899 - 1902

## & Serving on Peacekeeping Missions

In Lebanon, Somalia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Haiti, Sudan, and others.





**PORT STANLEY LIONESS**



The first **Lioness Lions Club**  
in District A-1

We are proud, honoured &  
excited for you to join us.

Looking forward to meeting  
& working with all of you!

## DISTRICT A-1

## AILSA CRAIG & DISTRICT LIONS CLUBS

### Ailsa Craig & District Lions - Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner Fundraiser

*Ailsa Craig  
Lions Park*

*October 16, 2020*



Pictured Left to Right: Craigwiel Gardens Board Chair Jennifer Gillies, Kim Drew of Ailsa Craig (picking up her dinner), Lions President Joe Mulhall and Craigwiel CEO Ernie Harris

The Sold-out event raised \$1000 for "Building a New Craigholme" capital campaign, launched in August.

The \$1.25 million capital campaign is part of an \$18.6 million project which will see the rebuild and renovation of the Craigholme Long-Term Care Facility at Craigwiel Gardens in Ailsa Craig.

The new Craigholme Long-Term Care Home will feature 92 beds (up from the current 83), including 46 private beds and 46 semi-private beds. The new rooms will be larger than the existing rooms, and the facility will include enhanced dining and common areas, as well as courtyards. There will also be a new chapel and a common welcome area.



Crystal Trevithick adding salad and extra bits... next step delivery and dessert



Potato wrappers busy in the morning!



All ready to go!

*Pictures Submitted by IPDG Lion Barb Tuxford Ailsa Craig & District Lions Club*



## DISTRICT A-1

## BELLE RIVER LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by PDG Lion Joyce Mahovlich Belle River Lions Club*

### **Belle River Lions Club AWARDS November 5, 2020**

Belle River Lions were recognized and thanked for their Service at their November 5, 2020 Dinner Meeting!



Zone 1 Chair Denise Poisson presented  
Service Awards to Members of the Belle River Lions Club.

Pictured Left to Right::

Lion Steve Mahovlich (30 yrs.),  
Zone 1 Chair Denise Poisson, Lion Helen Howe (45 yrs.),  
Lion Fran Dingman (25 yrs.),  
Lion Susan Dozois (15 yrs. son Tyler accepting the award on her behalf)  
Lion Dennis Blain (10 yrs.)



As part of our 75th Anniversary, our club is honoured to present Lion Lindsay Clarke with a Harry A. Newman Award for all her assistance as our club's Bingo Chair.



Zone 1 Chair Denise Poisson presented to Lion Steve Mahovlich a Leadership Award for Service Reporting Challenge 2019 to 2020 from Lions Clubs International.  
Lion Steve accepted this award on behalf of all the members of the Club.



Well, every now and then, no matter what you do, everything goes wrong. This kind of incident deserves the Kraft Dinner Award given to Lion Debbie Lemire.



## Belle River Lions Club FUNDRAISERS & SERVICE ACTIVITIES

On Diabetes Day Sat., Oct. 17/20, Lion President >>  
Steve Mahovlich presenting a Certificate of  
Appreciation to Brian Chauvin, Manager of Foodland  
to thank the store and staff for supporting us. Also in  
the picture Leo Keirstyn Ducharme and Lion Debbie  
Lemire.



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On  
Diabetes Day, Sat., Oct. 17/20, Lion President Steve  
Mahovlich presenting a Certificate of Apprication to Bonnie  
Pope, Manager of Shopper's Drugmart to thank the store and  
staff for supporting us. Also in the picture Lion Mary  
Mahovlich and Leo Kaillée Ducharme.



On Diabetes Day Sat., Oct. 17/20, Lion President >>  
Steve Mahovlich presenting a Certificate of Appreciation  
to Eric Bleau, Manager of Valu-mart to thank the store and  
staff for supporting us. Also in the picture Lion Tyler  
Dozois and Lion Joyce Mahovlich.  
At the 3 locations the Belle River Lions Club managed to  
raise 32% more than last year!



<< At our Yard Sale at the Belle River Lions  
Clubhouse on Sun., Oct. 18/20, here are some of  
the "treasures yet to be found" donated by  
members and community individuals.



At the Yard Sale - here is Lion Pat Beaulieu, >>  
Lion Debbie Lemire, Lion Mary Mahovlich and Lion  
Joyce Mahovlich getting ready to start the day! The club  
managed to raise enough to do some much needed minor  
repairs to the clubhouse.





**The Lions Club of Belle River is selling:**



**Christmas Cake at \$10 per cake  
&**



**Shortbread at \$10 per box**

Contact one of the following if you need more supplies:

LION DEBBIE LEMIRE    PHONE: (519) 728-0340    OR  
LION MARK & JOYCE MAHOVLICH    PHONE: (519) 682-9422  
E-MAIL: [brlionmm@aol.com](mailto:brlionmm@aol.com) OR [lionjoycemahovlich@bell.net](mailto:lionjoycemahovlich@bell.net)

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**



**THANK  
YOU!**



**CHATHAM LIONS CLUB  
Presentation of Plaques of Appreciation to:**



The Chatham Lions Club held BBQ events at the store in 2017 and 2018 raising funds for Club projects;  
In 2018 the Club sold tickets for GT gift cards while raising funds for the Hope Haven Men's Shelter;  
In 2019 the recipients were The Carlo Rossini Memorial Diabetes Association and also the Chatham-Kent Children's Treatment Centre Foundation.

Club president Lion Curtis Marwood presents the plaque to Mark Lush Giant Tiger manager.



At the Sobeys' Grocery store, the Club has held BBQ events to raise funds for Club projects, a client with diabetes who had leg amputations, Outreach for Hunger food bank - the event included a Fill the Bus food drive that raised food valued at \$2 400; also an event in support of the local Acquired Brain Injury and Stroke Recovery organization.



Lion Curtis presents the plaque to Pam Tanton of Sobeys.

## DISTRICT A-1

## DELAWARE LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by Lion Henry Vanderweyst Delaware Lions Club*

### Delaware Lions Club Recognized Service Of Members!

Delaware Lions are making a special effort to recognize and thank the Members for Long-Time Member contributions to the Club, Community & Humanity!

The Annual Awards Night was organized by the CLUB OPERATIONS COMMITTEE Chaired by PCST Lion Henry Vanderweyst., at the October 19, 2020 Club Meeting!

The Club Recognizes Lions for Annual and Long-Time Service for 100% Attendance at Meetings and Participation in Club Service & Fundraising Activities & at the Club, Zone & District Meetings & Activities! The Club also Recognizes Lions presenting them with special awards for Special Service such as those to Past Presidents and Long-Time Members for Contributions to Lionism & Community!



IPP Lion Eric Cornelis presented  
**Dog Guides - Lions Foundation of Canada Fellowships**  
to Past Presidents  
**Lion Mike Ernewein (1997-1998 & 2001-2002)**  
**Lion Barry Montgomery (2000-2001)**



Charter Member PP Lion Darcy Gegear presented  
a  
**HARRY A-1 NEWMAN DIABETES AWARD**  
to **Lion Pieter deJeu**  
for his 45 years of Service as a Delaware Lion –  
Especially for his many years dedicated to the  
Club's **Diabetes Canvass**  
(18 Years on Committee, as Chair 14 Years)



PP Lion Mike Rombouts  
presented a  
**Dog Guides - Lions  
Foundation of Canada  
Fellowship**  
To  
**Lion Luc Cornelis**  
for his Long-Time Service  
and commitment as a  
Delaware Lion  
(32 Years)



Lion not available –so to be  
presented at a later date.

**Dog Guides - Lions  
Foundation of Canada  
Fellowship**

**Lion Bill Groenewegen**  
for his Long-Time Service  
and commitment as a  
Delaware Lion  
(40 Years)





Lion Mark Nagel presented the

**LION of the YEAR Award**  
to  
**PP Lion Mike Rombouts**

for his relentless dedication to  
Lionism, Community & Humanity!  
Especially for his commitment to  
Leadership as President,  
Membership Growth  
(Sponsored 16 Lions),  
Club Fundraisers (Trivia),  
Outreach Program to El Salvador,  
Children with Life Threatening  
Illnesses & their Families,  
Always uplifting Lions, Friends,  
Neighbours with his renowned  
'Birthday Sign' and Sincere "Hello!"



IPDG Lion Barb Tuxford  
presented  
Delaware Lions Club with an  
Appreciation Certificate  
for being nominated for the  
**KINDNESS MATTERS AWARD**  
LCI Initiative

(Not a Winner but a very impressive application!)  
Accepted by President Lion Mike Ernewein

She also presented Lion Mike with her  
Turtle Race Ailsa Craig Lions Pin!

IPDG Lion Barb represented the District on behalf  
of DG Lion Dan Armstrong  
(Not available due to another commitment!)



Lto R: Lion Charles Scott, Lion Darcy Gegear, IPDGLion Barb Tuxford

Delaware Lions Recognized LONG-TIME MEMBERS

IPDG Lion Barb Tuxford presented LCI Congrats & Tabs

Lion Nick Hedges (10 Yrs)

**Charter Members Serving in their 50<sup>th</sup> Year**  
Lion Darcy Gegear & Lion Charles Scott

Also serving in their 50<sup>th</sup> Year and will be recognized  
next year (as they were reported to LCI on July 1, 1971)  
Charter Members Lion Joe Clark, Lion Harold Moore,  
Lion Henry Vanderweyst & Lion John Vanderweyst

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Not in Attendance      Lion Frank Berze (15 Yrs)  
Lion Ernie Comerford (20 Yrs) Lion Peter Geene (30 Yrs)

**Delaware Lions Club Recognizes & Thanks Members for  
Long Term 100% Attendance / Participation**

Lions achieving 100% in Multiple Years for Attendance  
at Meetings and Participation in Service, Fundraising,  
and Social Activities are credited and recognized with

**100% Awards (Tabs) at 5 Year Intervals.**

*5 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Richard Andreychuk Lion Carl Kennes

Lion Peter Needham Lion Joe Peel

Lion Adrian Roes Lion Matt Vanos

*10 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Mark Paquet Lion Mike Rombouts

*15 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Mike Ernewein

*20 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Dave Beaumont Lion Phil Ernewein

*25 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Barry Montgomery

*30 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Luc Cornelis

*40 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Bill Groenewegen

*45 Years of 100% Attendance/Participation*

Lion Pieter de Jeu Lion Roy Ireland



## DISTRICT A-1

## DUTTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUBS

*Submitted by Lion Dianne Purcell Dutton & District Lions Club*

### Dutton & District Lions FUNDRAISER Draw Queensmen – Fire Ring

The Dutton & District LIONS Club draw for the Queensmen ‘one of a kind’ ‘Fire Ring’ was held October 31, 2020 on the Lion's Patio.

The Dutton Dunwich Mayor, three members of the Queensmen MC and four Dutton & District Lions attended the event.

The net profit from this fundraiser was \$1,320.49.

The winner was Chris Purcell of Ingersoll.



Fire Ring Winner:

Chris Purcell of Ingersoll

picking up his prize.

### Draw Participants: L/R

Lion President John Hughes

Lion Draw Chair Gord Ward

QMC Member Everton McLaughlan  
& QMC Member Paul Shepherd



## DISTRICT A-1

## KINGSVILLE LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by Lion Wendy Durante    Kingsville Lions Club*

### Kingsville Lions - Fundraisers & Awards

Covid-19 hasn't slowed down Kingsville Lions. We continue to meet virtually and have been together for a few community fundraisers. Most recently, Kingsville Lions were selling pumpkins, fruitcakes, puppy calendars and reusable utensils at the 51st Migration Festival Marketplace and Jack Miner's Migratory Bird Sanctuary.



Lions Darlene & John Priestley with President, Lion Debbie Cross in the Lions pumpkin patch.

### AWARDS

At our virtual meeting in October, Past-President Lion Joan Cope presented awards to three Kingsville Lions members and thanked them for their service during her term as president last year.



**Lions Foundation of Canada  
Dog Guides Fellowship Award**  
was presented to  
**Lion Wendy Durante**  
in appreciation for her contribution  
and support to the Foundation, for  
serving as the Kingsville Lions Club  
**Chair for the Annual Walk for Dog  
Guides**, and for her service as **Dog  
Guides District Chair**



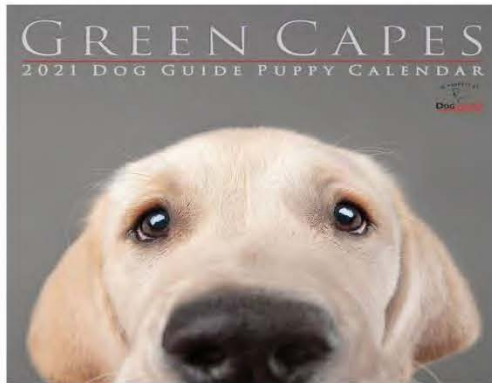
**President's Appreciation Award**  
was presented to  
**Lion Heidi Rexer**  
for her outstanding efforts as  
**Committee Chairperson for  
Environmental Services**  
in 2019-20.



The **Helen Keller Award** was  
presented to  
**Lion Gayle Palmer**  
for her outstanding dedication to her  
various leadership roles in the club,  
for her compassion, humanity  
and living her creed,  
**"Service to Others".**



# Kingsville Lions Fundraiser



**Calendars**  
**\$20**

**Fruit  
Cake**  
**\$15**



**Re-usable  
Utensils**  
**\$6**



## DISTRICT A-1

## LONDON CENTRAL LIONS CLUB

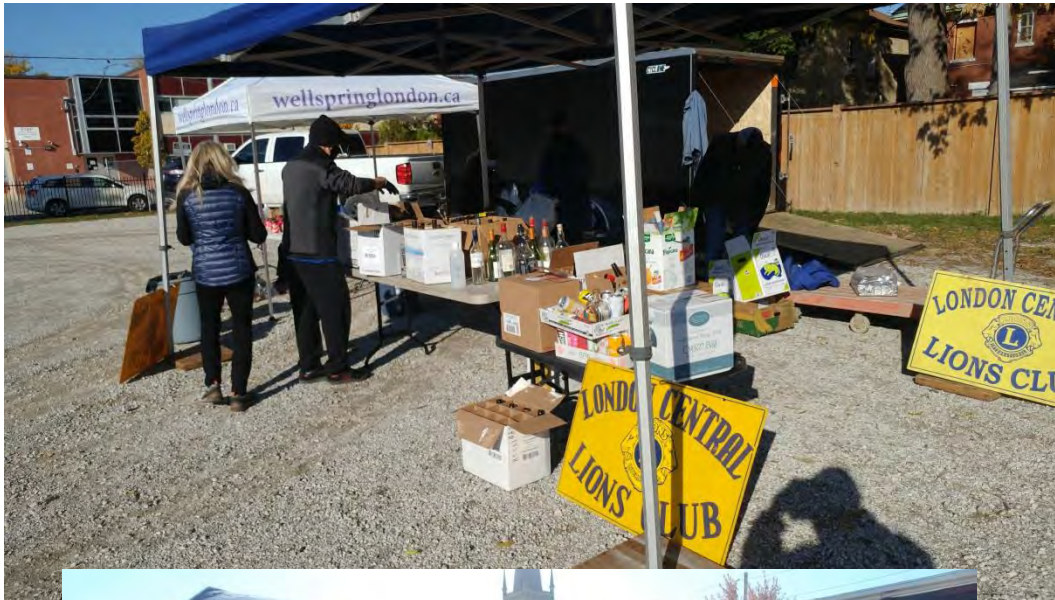
*Submitted by Lion Christine Aben    London Central Lions Club*

### LONDON CENTRAL LIONS – FUNDRAISERS / COLLECTIONS

#### Bottle drive and Bicycle Collection

#### BOTTLE DRIVE for WELLSPRING

From Lion Pat Nolan - London Central Lions Club organized a Bottle Drive for Wellspring, an organization that supports cancer patients, on Saturday October 17. It was a bright sunny day and we had lots of generous people drop off their empties at our tents in the Start.ca parking lot. We raised \$1242.20 for a wonderful charity. During the day we handled more than 2200 liquor and wine bottles, 70 cases of beer bottles, and 6 thousand beer cans. A big thank you to all those who helped out.



#### BICYCLE COLLECTION

Lion Wayne Morrison and his team have been collecting bikes for next year's bike sales. Bikes are being collected from as far away as Tillsonburg. London and (wider) area are filling up the bike storage very quickly! Thank you for spreading the word!

**HAVE A BIKE to donate??? Contact Lion Wayne at London Central Lions Club!!!**



## DISTRICT A-1

## MOUNT BRYDGES LIONS CLUBS

*Submitted by Lion Ron Madill & Lion Pete Evans Mount Brydges Lions Club*

### Mount Brydges Lions Club - Drive-Thru Dinner Fundraisers

On October 16, 2020, Mount Brydges Lions Club held a **Drive-Thru Pork Chop Dinner** Fundraiser. The club sold over 300 of the \$20 tickets, each of which included pork chops, carrots and potatoes from Appin BBQ Service and Catering. An assembly line of volunteers armed with PPE served up the meals to ticket holder customers.

This second such fundraiser in less than a month follows the Club's **Fall Rib Take-Out Dinner** on September 25<sup>th</sup>, which also sold out of tickets.

Proceeds from the fundraisers is designated for Lions Park improvements, such as the installation of bathrooms..



Back Right to left  
Lions - Jan S., Jerry V., Bob J., George W., Jack A. ( President), George A.,  
Chris G., Ron M., Dave M., Brian M., Stu R.  
Front Right to Left  
Lions - Marty V., Ted S., Janice T., Marie K., Peter E., Lorne H., Jim H.



Lion George Arts & Lion Ron Madill



Lion George Arts – Delivering Dinner to Customer



<<< Mt. Brydges Lions form an assembly line as they prepare Take-Out Dinners

and ticket holding customers drive up for them!







Mt. Brydges Lions made a \$1000 Donation to the Salvation Army in Strathroy  
Presenting the Cheque - Lion Ron Madill, Lion Jerry Veale & Lion Jan Solomans



Mt. Brydges Lions donated \$500 to the CARING CUPBOARD in Mt. Brdyges  
Lion Jan Solomans & Lion Ron Madill presenting cheque to St. Jude's Caring Cupboard staff!



## DISTRICT A-1

## PORT STANLEY LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by Lion Bob Nemeth Port Stanley Lions Club*

### Port Stanley Lions support local Firemen's Association



Port Stanley Lions Club President David Marr presenting a \$2,000.00 cheque to the Port Stanley Firemen's Association for the critical work they do for the Community.

## DISTRICT A-1

## STRATHROY-CARADOC LIONS CLUB

*Submitted by Lion Mary Rothwell Strathroy-Caradoc Lions Club*

### Strathroy-Caradoc Lions – WORKING FOR OTHERS!!!

#### FOOD DRIVE for SALVATION ARMY

The Food Drive has just been completed. During the hard time our food drive was very successful.

We are so pleased that our small town helps us out during their ruff time.

The food was donated to the Salvation Army in town.

#### SOCK DRIVE for HOMELESS

Next Service Project  
Sock drive for the homeless!!!



## DISTRICT A-1

## ST. THOMAS LIONS CLUB

Submitted by Lion Anne Neill St. Thomas Lions Club

### St. Thomas Lions – Donations

Lion Anne Neill (right) presented a cheque to Laura Woermke (left), Executive Director of St. Thomas-Elgin Public Art Centre in support of their Inspire a Student Program. Thank you to Jackpot City St. Thomas for supporting our communities since 2013!



Lion Rob Neill is pictured presenting a cheque to Lisa Nixon, Information & Referral Specialist from Parkinson Society of Southwestern Ontario for the Walk the Block Campaign. Thank you to Jackpot City St. Thomas, supporting our communities since 2013.



Lion Rob Neill is pictured presenting a donation to Lori Fitzgerald of Inn Out of the Cold. Thank you to Jackpot City St. Thomas for supporting our communities since 2013.



Lion Evelyn Spiering (right) presented a donation to Summer Camp Director Lindsey Feltis (left) from Pearce Williams Summer Camp & Retreat Facility. Thank you to Jackpot City St. Thomas for supporting our communities since 2013.





## DISTRICT A-1

## WYOMING LIONS CLUBS

*Submitted by The Wyoming Lions Club Via District A-1 Secretary*

The Wyoming Lions Club has recently launched an **Online 50/50 Draw**  
<https://wyominglions.thelottofactory.com/>

The Wyoming Lions request your help to spread the word and raise essential funds for the community.

Here's how you can help:

1. Purchase your ticket(s) now at <https://wyominglions.thelottofactory.com/> by clicking BUY NOW!
2. Print the attached poster and display it in your club and/or mention  
The Wyoming Lions Club Online 50/50 Draw at your next meeting
3. SHARE this message with friends, family, and anyone who could use a little extra cash .  
(THAT'S EVERYONE)! The more people who play, the more money towards supporting our Lions Club's efforts AND the bigger the jackpot for you!

We also wanted to pass this campaign along to other clubs because using The Lotto Factory could be an easy and impactful way to raise funds for your community too. It allows us to host a raffle safely, despite social distancing restrictions due to COVID-19. The pandemic has certainly created challenges for raising funds for our communities, but we are all in this together!

Thank you,

The Wyoming Lions Club





Harken back to the original

# Kick Off Celebration Luncheon!

Grab a lunch and join us for a *virtual* event:

**Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**

**Noon – 1pm, Eastern**

Kick Off is open to **all** Lions of Districts 11-A-1, 11-A-2 and A-1, at no cost, and will showcase the legacy and partnership with our “hometown” Lions.



**RSVP to receive the Zoom log in information. Attend online or on the phone.**

RSVP via computer, [click here](#) or go to <http://bit.ly/ldb-kickoff>  
(log in details will be emailed after you completed)

RSVP via email or phone, contact Lion Kathleen Breen, Lions Events and Logistics Coordinator at  
[KBreen@leaderdog.org](mailto:KBreen@leaderdog.org) or 248.218.6407

*Celebrate **Leader Dogs for the Blind** and  
Lions clubs of 11-A-2, 11-A-1 and A-1*



## DISTRICT A-1 LIONS PROGRAMS “WE SERVE”

**DON'T FORGET THESE ALL IMPORTANT LIONS PROGRAMS**

**YOUR SUPPORT / DONATIONS ARE REALLY NEEDED!**

*Sources: Various – including the NEW & FANTASTIC DISTRICT A-1 WEBSITE!*

*Check out the Website [www.districtallions.com](http://www.districtallions.com)*

*Great Source of links to useful guidelines and information!!*



### **Lions Foundation of Canada**

From guiding their handlers through their daily lives to getting help when it's needed most, Dog Guides play a crucial role in the lives of Canadians with disabilities. Lions Foundation of Canada's mission is to assist Canadians with a medical or physical disability by providing them Dog Guides at no cost.

#### **LFC DOG GUIDES PROGRAMS**

[www.guidedogs.com](http://www.guidedogs.com)

**Canine Vision** for people who are blind or visually impaired

**Hearing** for people who are deaf or hard of hearing

**Autism Assistance** for children who have autism spectrum disorder

**Service** for people who have a physical disability

**Seizure Response** for people who have epilepsy

**Diabetic Alert** for people who have diabetes with hypoglycemic unawareness

**Support** for use by professional agencies with individuals in traumatic situations

District A-1 Chair    Lion Wendy Durante    Kingsville Lions Club    [kingsvillelions@gmail.com](mailto:kingsvillelions@gmail.com)



### **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)



### **EYES RIGHT**

Over 100,000 patients have received eye care employing equipment funded by EYES RIGHT.

Supporting vision healthcare in Southwestern Ontario.

We are always looking for another project.

Chair Regional Rep - Lion Gail Tanner  
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Vice Chair PZC Murray McDonald  
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## **Lions Quest Canada**

Centre for Positive Youth Development!

Lions Quest Canada is dedicated to fostering positive youth development by producing and supplying effective tools including innovative and well-researched programs, products, training and services for youth, parents, educators, and community leaders to have an influence all aspects of young people's lives.

Proudly Supported by the Lions Clubs of Canada

District A-1 Chair PDG Mike Tuxford

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[Lions Quest Canada](#)

## **Peter's Bus**



### **Transportation to Lake Joe Summer Camp**

Peter's Bus takes campers of all ages to the CNIB Camp on Lake Joseph in beautiful Muskoka Ontario Canada. This bus trip, supported by the District, is organized by Lion Peter Best of the Windsor Downtown Club and is unique to District A1.

District A-1 Chair Lion Peter Best

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## **Gift of Life**

In Ontario, over 1,500 people are waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant, their only treatment option, and every 3 days someone will die because they did not get their transplant in time.

But you can help. When you register your consent for organ and tissue donation, you let those waiting know that you would help them if you could.

District A-1 Chair PRC James Rigney

[jdrigney@yahoo.ca](mailto:jdrigney@yahoo.ca)

Register at [Ontario.ca](http://Ontario.ca)



## **Lions Camp Dorset**

Lions Camp Dorset was founded & continues to be supported by the Lions & Lioness Clubs of Ontario. Camp Dorset has grown to enhance the dialysis patient's vacation experience. Despite its size, Camp Dorset manages to maintain its grass roots style. While services expand, the client's cost is kept to a minimum. The result is a state-of-the-art dialysis treatment facility which provides a place for a family getaway into the heart of Ontario's vacation land.

District A-1 Chair

Lion Murray Sutherland

[msutherland3@cogeco.ca](mailto:msutherland3@cogeco.ca)

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



**Diabetes**

## **Diabetes Canada**

Diabetes is the signature cause of Lions and Leos around the world. Diabetes can lead to serious diseases affecting the heart and blood vessels, eyes, kidneys, nerves and teeth. In most high-income countries, diabetes is a leading cause of cardiovascular disease, blindness, kidney failure, and lower limb amputation.

Lions want to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed.

District A-1 Chair

PDG Jacqui Flood

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[Diabetes Canada](#)





## Hearing & Vision

### Hearing

We serve to prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired.

We have a long history of serving the blind and visually impaired, the deaf and hearing impaired. We remain committed to continuing this mission into our next century of service.

We collect & recycle both eyeglasses & hearing aids and have collection boxes throughout our communities.

District A-1 Chair Lion Robert Neill [lionrobneill@rogers.com](mailto:lionrobneill@rogers.com)



### Peace Poster Contest

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

District A-1 Chair Lion Cheryl Schleihau [lioncheryl368@gmail.com](mailto:lioncheryl368@gmail.com)  
[Lions Club International Peace Poster information](#)



## Environment

### Environment

We serve to sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.

Lions and Leos serve to strengthen the relationship between the community and its environment. We've seen how our stewardship of natural resources can improve quality of life and increase engagement in our local communities.

District A-1 Chair PDG Dale Taylor [dale.taylor@gmail.com](mailto:dale.taylor@gmail.com)



### Leader Dogs for the Blind

At Leader Dogs for the Blind we believe that everyone deserves a life of independence and mobility. All of our services are provided free of charge to our clients, including travel in the U.S. and Canada, room and board, equipment and training. This means that no one is excluded from living their most fulfilling life due to lack of funds.

District A-1 Chair Lion Will Raymond [will.raymond@bellmedia.ca](mailto:will.raymond@bellmedia.ca) [Leader Dogs for the Blind](#)



Junior, Intermediate & Senior Speakers  
March 2020

### EFFECTIVE SPEAKING

District A-1 and MD'A' annually promote and host the Effective Speaking Program for Youth of Elementary and Secondary School Age!

Lions Clubs host Effective Speaking Programs for local Youth with local Winners advancing to the District A-1 Speak-Off and Winners advance to the MD'A' Speak-Off!

District A-1 Chair Lion Seppo Kuokkanen & Chatham Lion Club  
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