

Lions District A15

2024 - 2025 Directory



DG BILL ROBINSON
STRATFORD LIONS CLUB



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL



FABRÍCIO OLIVEIRA INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

Service defines who we are.

It is the very reason we exist as a global organization, and it is the mission that unites us. When we serve, we make an impression in the hearts and the lives of the people we serve. It is the mark of compassion and kindness. It is the mark of a Lion, a mark that gives encouragement to our communities and hope to the people we serve. That's why my presidential message is "Make Your Mark."

To make our mark, we all have to step up in our clubs and our communities. We have to reach out to the people who need us. We have to change lives in the way that only Lions can. It requires that you—that all of us—work to be our best every day, so we can make every day better for someone. One of the most important ways you can make your mark is by growing your club and your district so we can achieve our MISSION 1.5 goal of reaching 1.5 million members by July 1, 2027, and serve more people than ever before.

It's simple—the more we grow, the more we can give. And no one gives like a Lion.

Think of the incredibly good we will do around the world when we reach our goal of 1.5 million Lions. Imagine how many more lives we will be able to change together.

When Lions work together, we can achieve great things. So be the leader your club and your community needs. Take action when you see a need. And never forget what brought you into our incredible organization, and what keeps you here.

Together, we will make our world a better place for all people, and together we will make our mark everywhere and every time we serve.

At your service,

Fabrício Oliveira International President

For more information about the Presidents message or theme, scan or click the QR code .



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

JOANNE OGDEN INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR



Joanne Ogden from Emo, Ontario, Canada, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 105th International Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, July 7 through July 11, 2023.

Director Ogden has more than 38 years of experience as a registered nurse. She is currently health program supervisor for the Naicatchewenin First Nation, where she oversees and supervises programs for community health and home care nursing. Previously, she worked for 18 years in Intensive Care and has also published several articles on wound care.

From a young age, she was taught the importance of doing her best for her family, neighbors and community. Although she did not originally intend to become a Lion, she chose to join the Emo and District Lions Club in 2010 in order to assist her community in chartering a new club. Since then, she has made an even bigger difference in the lives of her neighbors and community. In 2020, she transferred to the Northwestern Ontario Cyber Lions Club where she continues to serve to this day.

She has held a number of offices within the association including Guiding Lion and multiple district GMT coordinator. She has served as multiple district 5M's director for KidSight as well as the Lions Foundation of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario.

Additionally, she was a district strategy planner for the NAMI pilot.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR



DG Bill Robinson (PDG Tracey)

dg@a15lions.org

“Gear up for Service”

Our Lions International President Fabrício Oliveira’s message is “Make Your Mark”. How do we make our mark? Well, we do it with kindness and compassion, change and hope every time “We Serve”

For the most part, a majority of us take a lot for granted in our daily lives. For example, when we are hungry, we just go to the cupboard or refrigerator and get something to eat or if our shoes fall apart, we just go to the store or order a new pair online. But for a large number this is not the case. These individuals have to make a choice to buy food or pay for heat or hydro. When we Gear up for Service and help those less fortunate everyone gets to experience a better quality of life today and tomorrow.

Please join me in making 2024-25 the year when District A15 improves the quality of life for an individual in our community or make the community we live in a better place for future generations to enjoy, “Make your Mark” and let the world know that Lions live up to their motto “We Serve”.

Lion Bill

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

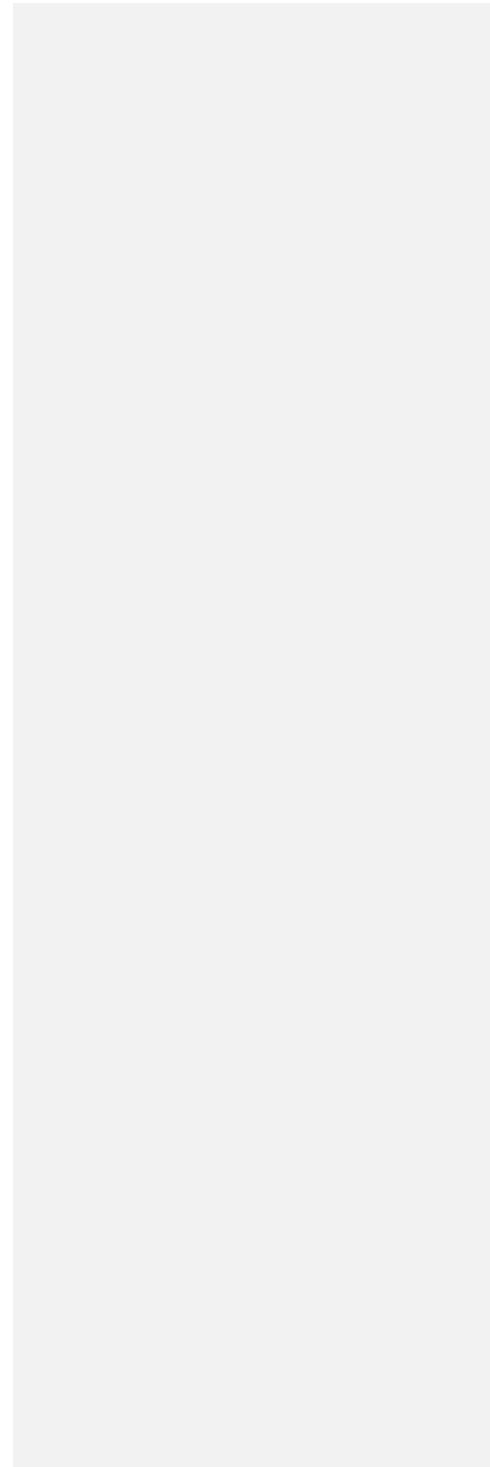
Past International Director in District A-15



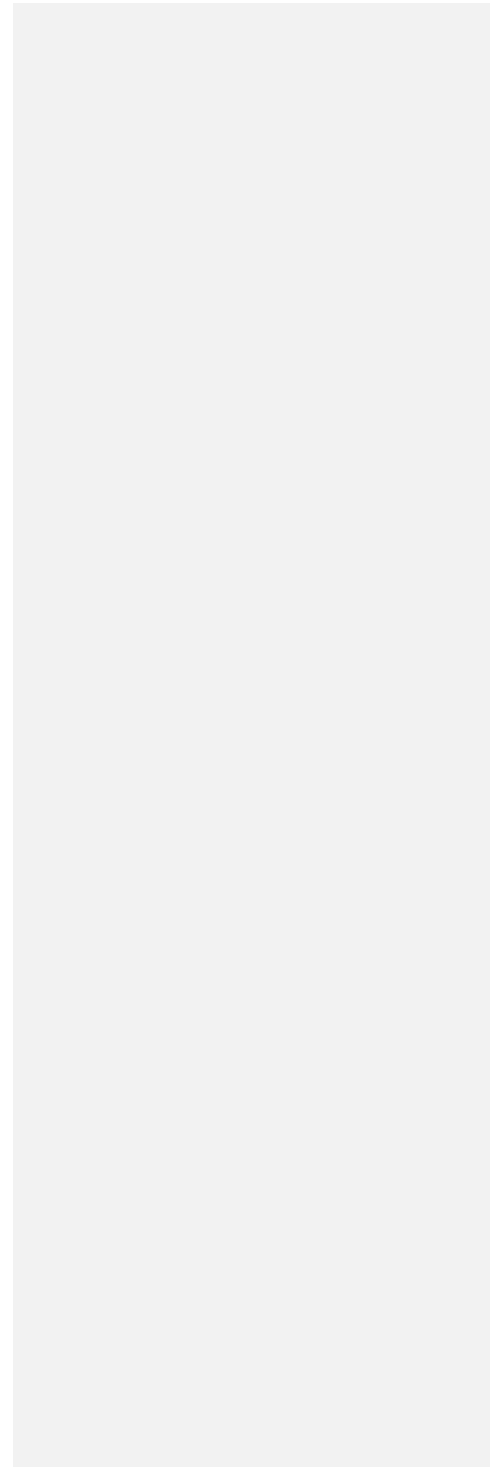
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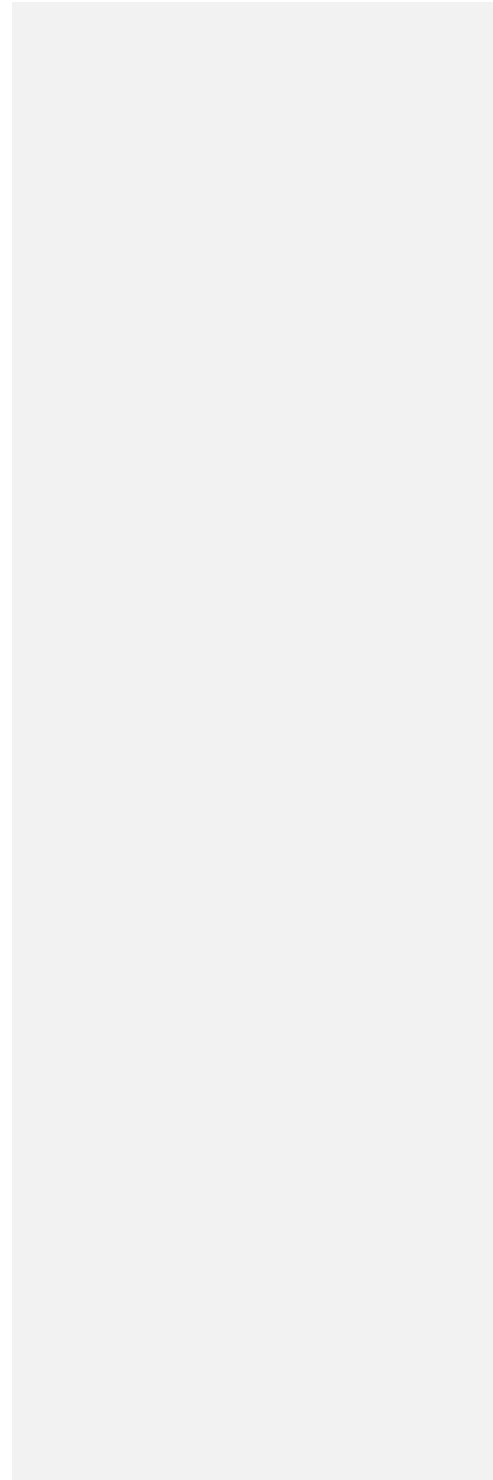
**MD "A" COUNCIL OF
GOVERNORS**



DISTRICT A-15 CABINET

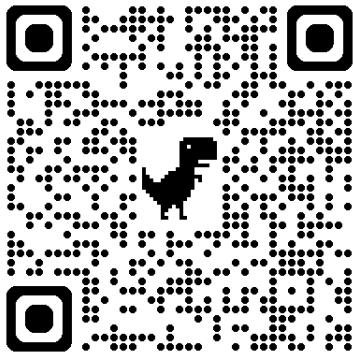


**DISTRICT
A-15
COMMITTEES**



CLUB VISTS AND MEETINGS

For all dates and times for visitations, please visit the District A-15 web site, at <https://a15lions.org/pages/Events/Zone> or scan the QR code below.



CABINET MEETINGS

Location	Date	Time
Stratford	Sat. August 24, 2024	1:00PM
Monkton	Sat. November 9, 2024	1:00PM
Plattsville and District	Sat. January 25, 2025	1:00PM
Stratford	Sat. April 5, 2025	TBA
Stratford	Sun. April 6, 2025	10:30AM
Woodstock	Sat. June 21, 2025	1:00PM

LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

Location	Date
Mexico City, Mexico	July 4-8, 2025
Hong Kong	July 3-7, 2026
Washington, DC	July 2-6, 2027
Singapore	June 23-27, 2028
Minneapolis, US	June 29-July 3, 2029

USA/CANADA LIONS FORUM

Location	Date
Louisville, Kentucky	September 5-7, 2024
Atlantic City, New Jersey	September 18-20, 2025
Memphis, Tennessee	September 3-5, 2026
Huntsville, Alabama	September 16-18, 2027

CLUB MILESTONES

Marsville & District	50th
Wellesley & District	50th
Rockton	60th
Sheffield	60th
Elmira	70th
Guelph	80th
St George	80th
Milverton	85th
St Marys	85th
Stratford	100th



2024/2025 DISTRICT CONVENTION

“Make your Mark”

April 4, 5, & 6, 2025

Chairperson: Lion Michele Kurtz
convhost@a15lions.org

Location:

Quality Inn and Conference Centre Festival
1144 Ontario St, Stratford, ON, N5A 6W1



519-273-1150



“Western” Theme

Dust off your cowboy boots and hat and let's have some fun!

DISTRICT A-15 CLUBS



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HONORARY COMMITTEE

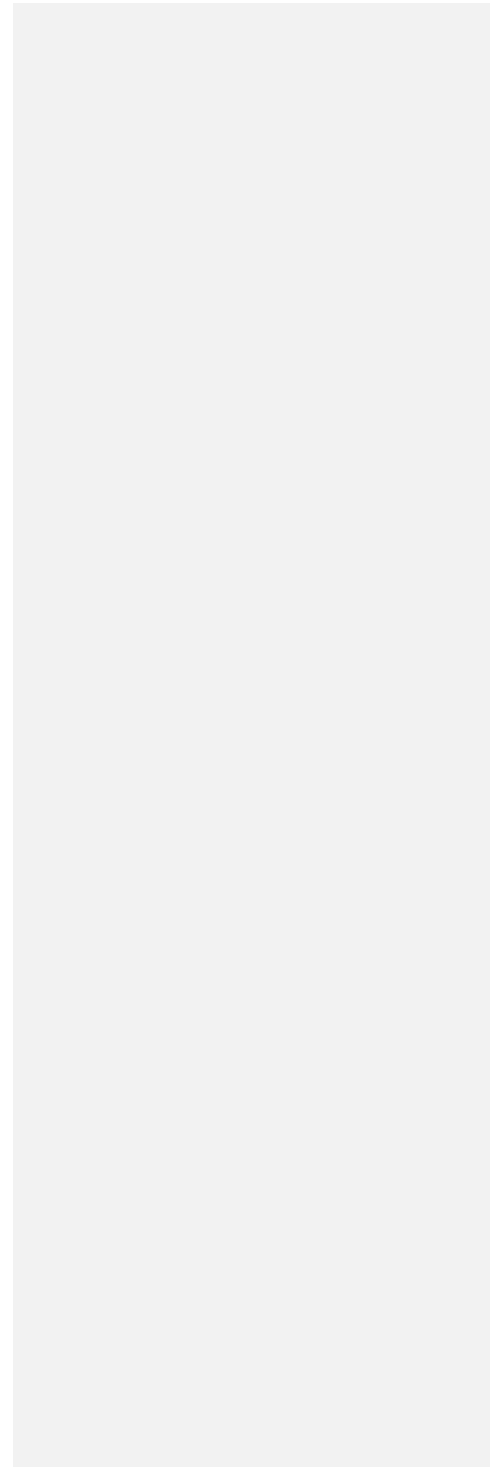
Victor Dinnin (D)	Zurich	1953-54	A-1
Don Gamble (D)	Galt-Cambridge	1964-65	A-8
Len Snider (D)	Waterloo	1965-66	A-1
Keith Cook (D)	Brantford North	1965-66	A-9
Elwood Tucker (D)	Kitchener	1972-73	A-9
Bruce Murray (PID) (D)	St. Marys	1974-75	A-9
Dougald Campbell (D)	Elmira	1976-77	A-15
Dave Monkman (D)	Brantford	1977-78	A-15
Dr. Jack Bishop	Kitchener	1978-79	A-15
Dr. Ron Finlay	Guelph	1978-79	A-9
George Teather (D)	Thamesford	1979-80	A-15
Warren Wicks (R)	Hillsburgh	1980-81	A-15
Jim Baird (D)	Waterloo	1981-82	A-15
Cliff Ditchfield (D)	Hillsburgh	1982-83	A-711
John Paff (D)	Wellesley	1982-83	A-15
JohnStephens (PCC) (D)	Exeter	1983-84	A-15
Dr. James Loucks (D)	St. Marys	1984-85	A-15
John Daniels (Denise)	St. George	1984-85	A-2
Bob Taylor (D)	St. George	1985-86	A-15
Art Woods (PID)	Elmira	1986-87	A-15
John Brash	Kincardine	1987-88	A-15
LarrySales (D)	Sweaburg & District	1988-89	A-15
Larry Wainwright (Lion Hilda)	Ariss & Maryhill	1989-90	A-15
J. Douglas Smith (Bev)	South Wellington Comm.	1990-91	A-15
David Rumble (PCC) (D)	Burford	1991-92	A-15
John Verkley (R)	Atwood	1992-93	A-15
Larry Inder (D)	Kitchener	1993-94	A-15
Pat Longworth (D)	Waterloo	1994-95	A-15
Larry Taylor (Sandra)	Thamesford	1995-96	A-15
David Whitehead (D)	Fergus	1996-97	23A
Don Robertson (D)	Rockton	1996-97	A-15
Mike Hilling (D)	Kitchener	1997-98	A-15
Thom Herrmann (Carol)	Guelph	1998-99	A-15
Ron Pinke (R)	Kitchener	1999-00	A-15
Tim Cronin (PCC) (Lion Karen)	Paradise & District	2000-01	A-15
Dan Moore (D)	Paris	2001-02	A-15
Michael Salter	Tiny Township	2002-03	A-15
Jim Ryan (D)	Vanastra & District	2003-04	A-15
Nancy Brash	Kincardine	2004-05	A-15
David Cole (R)	Paris	2005-06	A-15

Nancy Ransom (PDG Garry)	K-W Community Spirit	2006-07	A-15
Bill Carson (PCC) (Lion Diane)	Exeter	2007-08	A-15
OJ Wilura (Lion Shirley Ruller)	Kitchener	2008-09	A-15
Karen McNeight (Lion Bill)	St Marys	2009-10	A-15
Todd Wilson (PCC) (Lynda)	Elmira	2010-11	A-15
Norma Peterson (Lion Eric)	Fergus	2011-12	A-15
Dr. Dan Ayim (Lion Afua)	Galt-Cambridge	2012-13	A-15
Denis Vinette (VDG Linda)	South Wellington Comm.	2013-14	A-15
Tim DeBlock (Lion Fran)	Monkton	2014-15	A-15
Diane Smith (Lion Paul Shutsa)	Woolwich Community	2015-16	A-15
Wayne Litt (Lion Linda)	Elmira	2016-17	A-15
Charlene Dwyer (Russ)	Guelph Royal City	2017-18	A-15
Kevin Banfield (PCC) (Jennifer)	Kitchener	2018-19	A-15
Tracey Robinson (DG Bill)	Stratford	2019-20	A-15
George Corrin (D)	Thamesford	2020-21	A-15
Harvey Wood	Rockton	2021-22	A-15
Tony Davidson (Cheryl)	St. George	2022-23	A-15
Garry Ransom (PDG Nancy)	Guelph	2023-24	A-15

(D) – Deceased

(R) – Resigned

AWARDS, CONTESTS & RECOGNITIONS



DISTRICT A-15 AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

A-15 Club Visitation Award:

This Award is presented to clubs who have shown an interest in increasing their knowledge of Lionism by visiting other clubs in District A15.

See District website for additional details @ <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

A15 Proud Lion Award:

The Proud Lion award is presented to encourage new member involvement in all levels of Lionism with added emphasis on increasing membership.

See District website for additional details @ <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

A-15 100% Club Secretary Award:

This award recognizes Club Secretaries who have performed their duties in a reliable and consistent manner throughout the Lions year.

See District website for additional details @ <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

A-15 100% Club Treasurer Award:

This award recognizes Club Secretaries who have performed their duties in a reliable and consistent manner throughout the Lions year.

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A-15 100% Membership Chair Award:

This award recognizes Club Membership Chairs who have performed their duties in a reliable and consistent manner throughout the Lions year. A net growth of at least one member is one of the requirements.

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A-15 Long Tail Lion Award:

This award is presented to a Lion that has visited every club in District A15.

See District website for additional details @ <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Bruce Murray Youth Camp Fellowship:

This recognition is awarded to a club member who has shown to be an outstanding Lion as determined by the club directors.

See District website for additional details @ <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Art Woods Golden Tree Award:

This award honors P.I.D. Lion Art Woods for his unselfish contribution of time and effort towards the betterment of the District and Lions Clubs International.

See District website for additional details @ <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Melvin Jones Fellowship:

The Melvin Jones Fellowship is recognition of a commitment to humanitarian work. (It is not an award in the tradition of Lions awards presented for specific accomplishments.)

See District website for additional details @ <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

LCI Club Excellence Award:

To qualify the club must further the objectives of the association, adhere to the association's constitution and by- laws and policies, and meet requirement in areas noted below during the Lions fiscal year.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

LCI Life Membership:

This recognition is used to reward a member for long-time service within their community.

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MD "A" AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

MDA Life Membership:

This recognition is used to reward a member for long-time service within their community and in our Multiple District.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Helen Keller Fellowship:

This award was established by the Board of Directors, Lions Homes for Deaf People, to honor outstanding Lions, Lioness, and Leos throughout Multiple District "A" and deserving members of the community.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

LIONS CAMP RECOGNITIONS

Knight of Camp Lake Jo:

The Lake Joseph Centre is one of the CNIB's most cherished programs dedicated to people of all ages who are blind, visually impaired and deaf blind.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Camp Kirk Fellowship:

Established in 1993, Camp Kirk is a residential (overnight) camp for boys and girls 6 to 14 years of age who have learning disabilities and/or Attention Deficit Disorder, including those with incontinence or bedwetting difficulties.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Camp Dorset Honorary Life Directorship:

In 1984 the Board of Directors initiated the Honorary Life Directorship Program as a means of providing an ongoing source of funds for Camp Dorset.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Campfire Circle (formerly Camp Trillium):

(Campfire Circle is the result of merging two different youth camping programs.)

The Trillium Childhood Cancer Support Centre offers and promotes recreational experiences to bring children with cancer and their families together.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

LIONS NATIONAL PROGRAMS

LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA

Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship:

To recognize outstanding Lions and other deserving recipients, PIP Brian Stevenson has endorsed this fellowship.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

LEC Fellowship:

A new Fellowship award to be given to the "all 'round good Lion" who consistently provides excellent service to the club or to the Lions Foundation of Canada.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

LEC Life Membership:

Available to Lions, Leos and Families this award is a great way to honour a fellow member, a past president, or a family member.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

LIONS QUEST CANADA

Lions Quest Fellowship:

The Lions-Quest Canada Fellowship was established in 2003 to recognize Lions and other deserving recipients who truly care about Canadian children, regardless of the challenges they may face or the gifts they may possess.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

OTHER PROGRAMS

DIABETES CANADA

Harry A. Newman Award:

Harry A. Newman was the first Canadian President of Lions Clubs International in 1924-1925. During this year, Helen Keller challenged the Lions to become Knights of the Blind.

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

Camp Huronda – Honorary Guardian:

Camp Huronda was established in 1971, and is located on the shores of Lake Waseosa near Huntsville. Its Mission is "To provide a camping experience that fosters the life-long well being of children with diabetes."

See District website for additional details under <https://a15lions.org/pages/Directory/Awards>

DUES AND FEES

CLUB MEMBER ANNUAL DUES STRUCTURE

LCI (Annual)	\$48.00 (US)** (\$35 US for chartering club members)
LCI (Initiation)	\$35.00 (US) (for new Lion or Lion reinstated after 1 year)
Student Members	Fees waived
Leo Clubs (One fee)	\$100.00 (US)
Multiple District "A" (Annual)	\$17.50
District "A-15"	\$13.15* (* subject to budget approval includes: - \$8.50 member dues, - \$1.40 convention levy, - \$1.50 membership assessment - \$1.50 new clubs levy, - \$0.25 Intl. Director levy - \$25.00 / Club – Assessment for Annual Leadership Seminar

*** Changed from \$46.00 in 2024-2025

I'M GLAD I AM A LION – PID Art Woods

I'm glad I am a Lion
And here's some reasons why;
No job's too big,
No job's too small
For a Lions Club to try

We sponsor minor baseball teams

And help the Boy Scouts too
We work to make the community
A better place for you

And somewhere there's a needy family
Whose hearts were full of despair
Has found that life's worth living
Because the Lions care

We build arenas, halls and pools
And trails for walking too
We help to keep the roadsides clean
And plant young trees for you

This Lionism reaches out
To lands beyond the sea
Yes, in every corner of the world
We serve humanity

I think we've made our place on earth
And perhaps in heaven too
For God looks down with loving care
He knows the good we do

Yes I'm glad I am a Lion
It's important so to me
This world is now "FOR SURE"
A better place to be.

Lions Code of Ethics

To Show my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

To Seek success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

To Remember that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself. Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubts against myself.

To Hold friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given. Always to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

To Aid others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

Lions International Purposes

To Organize, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.

To Coordinate the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.

To Create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

To Promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.

To Take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

To Unite the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

To Provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

To Encourage service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.