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**Winter A-15 Cabinet Meeting Minutes**  
 7:00 PM January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
 Thamesford Community Centre

1. Call to order – DG Dan Ayim at 7:00 PM

Attendance as indicated:

**VOTING CABINET**

IPDG Norma Peterson	DG Dr. Dan Ayim	1st VDG Denis Vinette	2nd VDG Tim DeBlock
CS Dennis Lougheed	CT Peter Oswald	RC Vaughan Braby	ZC Victor Bovington
ZC Jeff Jongeling <b>(R)</b>	RC Paul Anstett	ZC Rev. Dr. Stephen Hendry <b>(R)</b>	ZC Sherman Roth
RC Diane Smith	ZC Charlene Teasdale	ZC Wayne Litt	

**COMMITTEE CHAIR**

Lion Ted Bickell	PCC Bill Carson	PCC Tim Cronin <b>(R)</b>	PDG John Daniels
PRC Charlie Davis <b>(R)</b>	Lion Jim Harris	PDG Thom Herrmann	Lion Ernie Kaethler <b>(R)</b>
Lion Ferne Lindhorst	Lion Ajit Manku	PDG Karen McNeight	Lion Joanne McQuiggan <b>(R)</b>
PRC Bob Montgomery	PID Bruce Murray	Lion Ken Oliver <b>(R)</b>	PDDG George Patton
PDG Nancy Ransom	PCS Ian Robb	PRC John Rothwell <b>(R)</b>	Lion Mary Rothwell <b>(R)</b>
Lioness Mary Rumble	PCC Dave Rumble	Lion Marysa Rumble-Lauriault	PRC Gerry Runstedler <b>(R)</b>
Lion Bob Rutter <b>(R)</b>	PCS Ted Rypma <b>(R)</b>	Lion Jeff Sullivan	Lion Raymond Taylor <b>(R)</b>
Lion Linda Vinette	PDG Larry Wainwright <b>(R)</b>	PCC Todd Wilson	PDG OJ Wilura
PID Art Woods			

In attendance also were approximately 46 other Lion Members

**(R)** - Regrets

2. Welcome – Lion Tony Redix of the host Thamesford Lions

3. Moment of Silence

4. O Canada, Toast, Lions Grace & Dinner

5. Introduction of Head Table – DG Dan Ayim

6. Setting of Protocol – VDG1 Denis Vinette

7. Additions to and Approval of the Agenda

Item 14.3 Long Service Chevrons added

MOVED by RC Paul Anstett and seconded by ZC Wayne Litt to adopt as amended. Carried.

8. District Governor's Remarks

In welcoming you to our third Cabinet meeting this Lions year, I cannot help but wonder how fast time flies! Thank you for being here.

A few weeks ago we were all excited in anticipation of the festivities at Christmas and New Year. I trust you all enjoyed yourselves during the holiday Season. May 2013 bring us peace, harmony and fulfillment of our desires and expectations.

At our August Cabinet meeting, I mentioned, in my opening remarks, I.P Madden's Theme for the year – "In a World of Service" and his focus on fighting illiteracy. All clubs in our District were encouraged to support the Reading Action Program. Let me ask you, at this point in time, what progress has been made in your club regarding this program; and how many Lions who are musicians in our clubs plan to participate and win the RAP video award? If not, I encourage you to seriously consider it.

I am pleased to learn that some clubs in our district have applied for or are seriously considering CEP, and I encourage those who have not done so to think about it.

Your positive response to my appeal for membership growth is paying off, our district numbers continue to remain in the black, but let us not relax because we still have a long way to the end of the fiscal year. If your club has not yet submitted its membership plan, I urge the membership Chair to do so without further delay. In like manner I ask District Chairs to submit a synopsis of their business plan for the year.

We must continue our support for the Global Action Programs we have been involved in, such as Lions Quest Canada, aid to the blind and visually impaired, fighting hunger and protection of our environment.

I particularly appeal to all clubs to consider increasing your support for Lions Quest Canada as it struggles to eliminate its fiscal obligations, in order to clear the way for helping our youth to grow with positive life experiences. For this purpose, A15 Governors Team has sent a special letter of appeal to all club Presidents. We



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encourage you to recognize a worthy member of your club or community with the Lions Quest Fellowship. We anxiously await a positive response.

Let me thank all clubs in A15 for the vivid discussions that took place among us on Rezoning proposals and Sick Kids Ophthalmology Dept. redevelopment project. Cabinet has thoroughly considered your responses and submissions; the consensus is that there is no urgent need at present to proceed with rezoning. I can assure you that examination of this issue was useful. Proposals for possible rezoning will be kept for future use should the need arise. We will consider A15 Lions' response to Sick Kids project later at this meeting.

I wish to conclude my remarks by asking all Lions of A15 to plan to attend the upcoming Regional Orientation sessions as well as officer training seminars scheduled for the spring. Last but not the least, remember to register for our convention which begins on March 22, 2013, at Holiday Inn, Cambridge. It will be a time to celebrate our accomplishments, renew acquaintances, while meeting new friends.

I thank you all for the hard work you do to make a difference in your communities, to assist people in need, and to maintain A 15 as the leading District in MDA.

9. Approval of Minutes of the October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Cabinet Meeting

MOVED by IPDG Norma Peterson and seconded by ZC Charlene Teasdale to approve the minutes of October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Carried.

10. Matters Arising

10.1. Constitution & By-Laws Referral Re: Future Funding of Additional Charter Member Kits beyond the International Package

Refer to the Constitution & By-Laws Re[ort Attached. No addition to policy will be made. Each case will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

10.2. Visitation Award – Banner Patch Design – A show of hands polling of those present favored Design #3 as proposed.

11. New Business

11.1. Sick Kids Hospital Ophthalmology Redevelopment Project

WHEREAS we recognize that the Sick Kids Hospital Ophthalmology Redevelopment Project as proposed by A711 Project Chair PDG Bill Speck is worthwhile and within the Lions Sight Conservation service area, and WHEREAS we feel that the project is worthy of support but not as an A15 District Project

MOVED by RC Diane Smith and seconded by RC Paul Anstett

that A15 Clubs are free to support the Sick Kids Hospital Ophthalmology Redevelopment Project according to their desire and means, AND

that a District A15 ad hoc committee be struck to act as a resource for information on the project and act as a liaison between District A15 and the initiative already made by District A711, AND

that contributions be submitted to the District A15 Treasurer for forwarding to the appropriate agency.

Discussion from the floor and Cabinet regarding; the origins of the project, the support request made of the District Governors by MDA Council, the short turn around time on that request, the requests from Cabinet of the membership for opinion on the proposal, the extensive Cabinet consideration of all input received, the actions take by District A711 at International before all District Governors had reported back, the rejection of all eleven grant requests made by District A711, the complexity of the three clause motion and the reasons for inclusion of the second and third clauses, led to a friendly amendment to the motion which was accepted by both the mover and the seconder.

MOVED by RC Diane Smith and seconded by RC Paul Anstett

that A15 Clubs are free to support the Sick Kids Hospital Ophthalmology Redevelopment Project according to their desire and means.

Further discussion regarding whether the passing of the amended motion might imply tacit approval of the project and whether Clubs needed such a motion to become involved if they so chose led to a further friendly amendment to withdraw both the amended and original motion which was accepted by both the mover and the seconder.

11.2. Adoption of a District A-15 Zone Chair Visitation Report Form

As information, the District Cabinet is adopting a revised Zone Chair Visitation Reporting Form which will include all information required by the existing MDA form, add information more useful to A15, reflect the annual International Theme and allow for Clubs to provide feedback to Cabinet.



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- 11.3. Camp Kirk Presentation – Henri Audit, Executive Director  
Camp Kirk has provided service to children with Learning Disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorders as well as high functioning Autism Spectrum Disorders for the past twenty years. The nature of the campers and the services they need results in a very high camper registration fee even after substantial subsidization through funds raised by Camp Kirk. We are thanked for our past support, asked to continue or consider support in the future and encouraged to look for kids in our own communities who might benefit from attending the camp.
- 12. Treasurer’s Report
  - 12.1. Report & Financial Statements  
In the Treasurer’s absence members were invited to eMail questions regarding the Treasurer’s report to CT Peter Oswald.  
MOVED by RC Vaughan Braby and seconded by VDG2 Tim DeBlock to receive the Report and Financial Statements as provided. Carried.
  - 12.2. Youth Camp Budget  
MOVED by VDG2 Tim DeBlock and seconded by ZC Charlene Teasdale to approve the Youth Camp Budget as included in the Youth Camp Exchange Director’s Report. Carried
- 13. Cabinet Reports – See attached reports  
MOVED by ZC Vic Bovington and seconded by VDG1 Denis Vinette to receive the reports of Cabinet as provided. Carried.
- 14. Committee Reports – See attached reports
  - 14.1. Convention Committee  
MOVED by RC Vaughan Braby and seconded by ZC Sherman Roth to approve the Schedule of Events as proposed by the District 2013 Convention Committee. Carried.
  - 14.2. MOVED by RC Paul Anstett and seconded by VDG1 Denis Vinette to receive the Committee reports as provided. Carried.
- 15. Special Presentations & Awards
  - 15.1. Club Excellence Awards – PID Bruce Murray  
Ariss & District Lions – Lion Brian Kurtz; Guelph Lions, ZC Charlene Teasdale; Innerkip & District Lions, Lion Barb Pallister; KW Community Spirit Lions, Lion Joanne McQuiggan; Paris Lions, Lion Maryssa Rumble Lauriault; St Jacobs & Breslau Branch Lions, CS Dennis Lougheed
  - 15.2. Zone Chair Excellence Awards – PID Bruce Murray  
RC Vaughan Braby, Kitchener Oktoberfest Lions; PZC Fran MacFarlane, Innerkip & District Lions; RC Paul Anstett, Exeter Lions; RC Diane Smith, Woolwich Community Lions
  - 15.3. Region Chair Excellence Award – PID Bruce Murray  
PRC Rob Montgomery, Waterloo Lions
  - 15.4. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Excellence Award – PID Bruce Murray  
VDG1 Denis Vinette, Belwood & District Lions
  - 15.5. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Excellence Award – PID Bruce Murray  
DG Dan Ayim, Galt-Cambridge Lions
  - 15.6. District Governor Excellence Award – PID Bruce Murray  
IPDG Norma Peterson, Fergus Lions
  - 15.7. LFC Walk For Dog Guides – ZC Charlene Teasdale
    - 15.7.1. Platinum Standard – Woolwich Community
    - 15.7.2. Gold Standard – Wellesley & District, Bridgeport, KW Community Spirit, Kitchener, Kitchener Oktoberfest, Kitchener Pioneer, Waterloo and St Jacobs Lions
  - 15.8. Long Service Chevrons – VDG2 Tim De Block  
PDG John Daniels – Galt Cambridge Lions for 40 Years service  
DG Dan Ayim – Galt Cambridge Lions for 30 Years service
- 16. Good & Welfare
- 17. Adjournment 10:00 PM



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**TREASURER'S REPORT TO CABINET – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 - Peter Oswald**

For December 31, 2012, the financial records have been balanced and reconciled to the bank statements. The financial statements presented here fairly reflect the financial position of the District.

**ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTS**

- As of January 11, there are 2 Clubs with outstanding District dues not paid. Statements have been sent and Cabinet has been advised.
- Our financial position remains very healthy. All accounting is up to date with the exception of the transfer of \$391.50 collected in 2012-13 for the International Director Fund.
- The budget summary is presented as of January 12 to include items processed in January. To date, revenue is \$18,252 & close to budget with additional funds to be received for pins and interest during the remaining months. Expenses are within budget for those paid to date with a number of items normally paid later in the year.

**TRUST ACCOUNTS**

- The balance sheet for the Trust accounts is an accurate reflection of all balances held in Trust and all accounts have been reconciled to the Bank records as at December 31. All Committee Chairs have been provided with an activity report if applicable.
- The remaining portion of the LCIF Grant for the Woodstock hospital (\$32,543.19) remains in our account. Arrangements need to be made to forward these funds to the Hospital Foundation and close this account.
- Regarding Effective Speaking, earlier in the year there were outstanding expenses to be paid and \$1,000 was moved from Trust account to Effective Speaking account to provide cover. This month, Effective Speaking has collected sufficient funds and \$1,000 will be moved back to the Trust account.



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District "A"-15 Lions - Admin  
Balance Sheet  
As of 31 December 2012

	31 Dec 12
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Cash	
CIBC - Bank Account	13,273.47
CIBC - Investments	30,000.00
CIBC USD Account	30.13
International Director Fund	4,125.73
New Club Assessment Fund	5,851.84
Total Cash	53,281.17
Total Chequing/Savings	53,281.17
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	115.58
Total Accounts Receivable	115.58
Other Current Assets	
Accrued Interest Receivable	121.00
Convention Gifts	450.00
Undeposited Funds	1,195.00
Total Other Current Assets	1,766.00
Total Current Assets	55,162.75
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>55,162.75</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
A/P USD for LCI	-0.03
Total Accounts Payable	-0.03
Other Current Liabilities	
Convention Fund	5,458.12
DGE Partner Travel	1,500.00
International Director Suspense	391.50
Total Other Current Liabilities	7,349.62
Total Current Liabilities	7,349.59
Long Term Liabilities	
International Director - Contra	4,125.73
New Club Assessment - Contra	4,962.59
Total Long Term Liabilities	9,088.32
Total Liabilities	16,437.91
Equity	
Balance - July 1/00 - Net	690.54
Emergency Reserve Fund	20,000.00
Retained Earnings	5,732.55
Net Income	12,301.75
Total Equity	38,724.84
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>55,162.75</b>



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 18/01/13  
 Accrual Basis

**District "A"-15 Lions - Admin**  
**Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**  
 July 2012 through June 2013

	Jul '12 - Jun 13	Budget	Over Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
Advertising	500.00	500.00	0.00
District Directory	460.00	250.00	210.00
District Dues			
Dues - Collected	13,311.00	13,285.00	26.00
Dues - Rebated	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total District Dues</b>	<b>13,311.00</b>	<b>13,285.00</b>	<b>26.00</b>
Interest Earned	228.58	770.00	-541.42
Leadership Seminar Income	1,350.00	1,350.00	0.00
Membership Assessment	2,349.00	2,344.00	5.00
Pin Sales	54.00	1,500.00	-1,446.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>18,252.58</b>	<b>19,999.00</b>	<b>-1,746.42</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>18,252.58</b>	<b>19,999.00</b>	<b>-1,746.42</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>Awards</b>			
Awards - Cabinet	868.17	1,500.00	-631.83
Awards - Other	0.00	500.00	-500.00
<b>Total Awards</b>	<b>868.17</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>-1,131.83</b>
Badges & Patches	531.45	700.00	-168.55
Bank Charges	169.36	200.00	-30.64
Cabinet Expense	493.62	1,400.00	-906.38
Convention Expense	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
District Chair Expense			
Comm Chair Expenses	110.11	1,000.00	-889.89
District Chair - Other	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00
Global Leadership & Membership	88.60	3,600.00	-3,511.40
Leo Clubs	0.00	750.00	-750.00
<b>Total District Chair Expense</b>	<b>198.71</b>	<b>6,850.00</b>	<b>-6,651.29</b>
District Directories	1,633.45	1,780.00	-146.55
Governor's Newsletter	0.00	150.00	-150.00
Internet	84.23	100.00	-15.77
Leadership Seminar	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00
Miscellaneous	-0.66	0.00	-0.66
Pins Purchased	1,768.67	1,770.00	-1.33
Postage & Telephone	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Printing & Stationery	101.70	800.00	-698.30
USA / Canada Forum	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>7,348.70</b>	<b>19,950.00</b>	<b>-12,601.30</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>10,903.88</b>	<b>49.00</b>	<b>10,854.88</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Other Expense</b>			
Exchange Gain/Loss	-17.20		
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>-17.20</b>		
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>17.20</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>17.20</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>10,921.08</b>	<b>49.00</b>	<b>10,872.08</b>



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District "A"-15 Lions Clubs Trust  
Balance Sheet  
As of 31 December 2012

	<u>31 Dec 12</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
CIBC- Lions Quest Imprest	4,380.11
CIBC - Eff.Speaking Impst	803.98
CIBC - Grant Hospital	32,543.19
CIBC - Trust Account	12,609.37
CIBC - Youth	
Youth Exchange Imprest	20,658.14
Youth Investments	12,168.93
<b>Total CIBC - Youth</b>	<u>32,827.07</u>
Investments	
QUEST - Investment	6,036.00
Investments - Other	5,000.00
<b>Total Investments</b>	<u>11,036.00</u>
Youth Camp Capital Fund	7,645.11
<b>Total Chequing/Savings</b>	<u>101,844.83</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>101,844.83</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>101,844.83</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Camp Huronda	500.00
Diabetes Tag Day	364.35
Effective Speaking Contra Acct	-196.02
Hearing Equipment	303.07
LCIF - Grant Hospital	32,543.19
LCIF - Measles	100.00
Lions Foundation of Canada	
Leash Free Park	4,955.90
<b>Total Lions Foundation of Canada</b>	<u>4,955.90</u>
LIONS Quest Contra Account	10,416.11
Peace Poster	2,871.02
Sight Conservation	4,543.60
Vision Screening	4,971.43
Youth Camp / Y. Ex. Contra Acct	32,827.07
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<u>94,199.72</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	94,199.72
Long Term Liabilities	
Youth Camp Capital	7,645.11
<b>Total Long Term Liabilities</b>	<u>7,645.11</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>101,844.83</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u>101,844.83</u></b>



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**CABINET REPORTS**

**1<sup>st</sup> VDG – Denis Vinette**

Since my last report, I have been working extensively with our GMT and GLT to promote the Club Excellence Program and to attend as many functions as possible to ensure I make myself always available to clubs and members in the District. With the ever increasing club interest, and the support of the District facilitators, I think we've now established the momentum we needed to convince all clubs to participate.

I attended the November 3rd 2012 Council meeting in Markham and participated in 1st VDG training the Friday night before. That weekend also included MD"A" GMT planning and strategy sessions and I had the opportunity to lead a presentation on Strategic Membership Recruitment. I say lead, as I received a great deal of assistance from 3 key members from our own District GMT/GLT team. To them, I say a heartfelt thank you for your support and assistance.

As part of the International DGE training this year, I was required to complete 3 online assignments by December 15th. Two of the objectives from these assignments were the development of a District Leadership plan and District Membership plan for 2013/2014. Yes! LCI also ask us to PLAN!

With your approval, for which I am truly thankful, I was given the opportunity to present and discuss these plans at St. Jacobs on January 13. I believe that opportunity you gave me to share my vision early will undoubtedly help us all to hit the ground running with a clear direction for the coming year. I assure you that I will extend this offer to the next 1st VDG if requested. I strongly support the view that as a TEAM, we can take a common vision forward right from the start. Lion Dan, I have and will continue to support your vision this year and am very confident that your team is empowered and committed to the betterment of the clubs and the District.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VDG – Tim DeBlock**

It is a great feeling when your part of a team that is accomplishing good things. That is what I feel about the progress we have made since the start of this Lions year. There has been good response to looking at ourselves and where we are, and exploring new possibilities through CEP. The Cabinet Team are also working together and throwing around some new initiatives to see if we can grow with the ever-changing world around us.

Congratulations on the service you are doing and please keep in mind we are all in this together. So communicate, communicate, and communicate!

**IPDG – Norma Peterson**

Nothing to report.

**RC 9 - Vaughan Braby**

Since my last report I went with PDG OJ to Sheffield to talk on the CEP program. I made an official visit to North Brantford & Inducted a new member & I also conducted a zone meeting in Sheffield as The Zone Chair was out of Province because of work. I attended the Charter night For the Lynden Lions Leo Club. I attended a Zone Meeting for Zone 9E at Kitchener Lions Club. Attended the Kitchener Lions Christmas Party, Attended The Waterloo Lions Christmas Party, I also attended the Zone meeting for 9S At Kennedys, attended Pre cabinet meeting in St Jacobs.

**ZC 9E – Vic Bovingdon**

Visited Cambridge, Cambridge Highland, Bridgeport and Kitchener Pioneer

Bridgeport was Veteran's night an annual event that Bridgeport puts on. It was a honour to be included and share the head table with such distinguish guest who have really have given us the best gift of all freedom.

Cambridge Highlands inducted new member Victor Chaux welcome to A15

Kitchener Pioneer Club inducted Bob Dunlop

**ZC 9S – Jeff Jongeling**

No Report Submitted.

**RC37 – Paul Anstett**

Since our last meeting, I have been actively implementing my Action Plan as submitted to GMT/GLT.

I have been in working with Zone Chairs via email and telephone in an attempt to help have MAP's submitted to PDG Larry Wainwright and also in consultations to find successors for the 2013-2014 year.

Visitations & Special Meetings have become some of the highlights of my tenure this year.





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- Attended the CEP Training Workshop in Toronto.
- Attended the 75th Anniversary celebrations of my home club, the Exeter Lions in November 2012
- Participated in the CEP presentation at the Zone 37S meeting in Thamesford.
- Attended a meeting in Sweaburg and assisted Zone Chair Stephen in the induction of 5 new members.
- Attended the Zone 37W Zone meeting in Zurich and assisted with CEP information presentation.
- Attended the Region Rally in St.Marys the following evening.
- Assisted the Marsville Lions Club at their Annual Breakfast with Santa in December.
- Assisted PCC Bill Carson in the induction of 3 new members in my home club.
- Visited Paradise & District Lions & assisted VDG2 Tim with CEP info session and recruited the Paradise Lions for a CEP Session.
- Attended the pre-Cabinet meeting in St.Jacobs.

Plans are underway for the three Orientation Nights and with Region Chairs Diane & Vaughan we are excited and hopeful for a good turnout at these events.

Plans are also in the works for the Joint Zone Meeting to be held in Woodstock. This will be a chance for those individuals who are running for Zone & Region Chair to present themselves.

Lions, I am extremely excited this year to have witnessed some great events happening in our District. We have momentum growing and I wish to see it continue. With that wish, comes my desire to continue working on Cabinet and have sought the approval and support of the Exeter Lions Club to nominate me again as Region 37 Chair for the 2013-2014 year.

**ZC 37S** – Stephen Hendry  
No Report Submitted

**ZC 37W** – Sherman Roth

My Official Club visits to the nine clubs in 37W are completed and I was happy to be involved in inductions ceremonies in 3 of the clubs, Bayfield, Vanastra and Zurich. My presentations included IP Lion Wayne Madden's theme of teamwork and membership growth, DG Lion Dan's theme of Dedication and Teamwork including female membership growth for clubs. My own message, which included IP President Lion Wayne theme as well as DG Lion Dan's theme, that club growth does not always imply numerical growth but rather growing the club you have. Also, I stressed the importance of encouraging club members' to come forward and be involved in District and Zone levels such as Zone Chair or Region Chair, even being involved on committee functions.

From the office of PID Arthur Woods the Zurich Lions Club was informed of the importance of having the Annual Filings on the Clubs Incorporation up to date. This filing must be done as soon as there are changes to the Clubs Officers. This info was passed on the RC Lion Paul and CS Dennis issued a notice to all clubs.

At the present time plans have been made for the 4 Vanastra Club to host the second Zone Meeting for 37W on February 6, 2013 and I am working with 37S ZC Lion Stephen on the Joint Zone Meeting scheduled for February 27, 2013 hosted by the Woodstock Club.

**RC 51** – Diane Smith

Since the last Cabinet meeting I had the privilege of attending the Appreciation Night for IPDG Norma Peterson. As well, I participated in the Region Rally hosted by the St. Mary's Lions on November 29th.

I have been receiving regular updates from the clubs in Region 51 through their newsletters and from the zone chair reports and I continue to be gratified by the degree of involvement in community service particularly over the Christmas season.

The majority of clubs in the Region remain strong, reports are being filed more promptly and we now have several clubs wanting to undertake the Club Excellence Process. In conjunction with RC 9 and RC 37 I am planning the three Orientation nights scheduled in February and March.

I have begun to campaign for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor and I am getting to know better the clubs beyond my Region – a most rewarding experience.

**ZC 51E** – Charlene Teasdale

Holy Cow, how fast has the time flown?? Happy New Year to everyone and I do hope that you enjoyed the holidays with family and friends. It certainly has been a busy and enjoyable few months since the October Cabinet meeting.



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So far I have made my official visit to the Marsville, Hillsburgh, Fergus and Belwood Lions Clubs as well as performing my first new member induction along with a member transfer. Thank you to all of the members for their warm hospitality as well as sharing their Lions enthusiasm with me.

I was also very honoured to attend the Lynden LEO Club Charter evening in November, what a wonderful display of youth, enthusiasm and Lions pride. Some other fun activities included working along side the Marsville Lions Club and their Breakfast with Santa, this was a great example of how various Lions Clubs work together to ensure a successful event for the host Club, great job everyone! Another Breakfast with Santa was held by the Belwood Lions Club and Santa again was kept very busy visiting with the children while a delicious breakfast was served. I have also assisted the Guelph Royal City Lions Club with their 50/50 Draw at the Guelph Storm vs the Belleville Bulls OHL hockey game.

To date there are 2 clubs who are committing to the Club Excellence (Enhancement) Program and I continue to promote this very worthwhile exercise to the various Clubs that I am visiting. Some Clubs have noticed a drop in some membership numbers but at the same time are inducting new members into their Clubs but again the emphasis is on membership growth as well as membership retention which are also a very important component.

As I look ahead into 2013, I am encouraged with the enthusiasm and camaraderie from the Clubs in Zone 51 East and I am also looking forward to our second Zone Meeting being held on January 23<sup>rd</sup> hosted by the Guelph Royal City Lions Club. Thank you again for allowing me the honour to serve as your Zone Chair for 51 East and I look forward to continuing my service.

**ZC 51W – Wayne Litt**

Official Club Visits complete except St Jacobs. Two Zone Meetings, St Jacobs Oct and Woolwich Com. Jan 14th. All clubs advised on Intl President Wayne Maddens and DG Dan's challenges for this Lions year. One club has made the first step towards the CEP. Congrats guys. All clubs are visible in their communities. Campaign visits are now the highlight of the next couple of months. Thanks to all clubs for their hospitality. Looking forward to a great convention. See you at the Hospitality Room.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**NO ACTIVITY**

**District International Relations** – PID Art Woods, **GLT Liaison** – VDG2 Tim DeBlock, **GMT Club Success Team Leader** – VDG2 Tim DeBlock, **Information Technology** – PCS Ted Rypma, **Lions Opportunities For Youth** – Lion Jeff Sullivan, **Long Range Planning** – PDG Thom Herrmann, **Protocol** – PID Bruce Murray, **Public Relations & Club Visits Liaison** – PCS Ian Robb, **Youth Camp Meal Chair** – Lion Ted Bickell,

**NOT SUBMITTED**

**Campus Clubs** – Lion Ken Oliver, **Diabetes Awareness** – ZC Stephen Hendry, **Essay For Visually Impaired** – Lion Jeff Sullivan, **Five Oaks Liaison** – Lion Marysa Rumble –Lauriault, **Hearing & Speech Action** – Lion Jim Harris, **LEO** – Lion Raymond Taylor, **Lions Quest** – PCC Tim Cronin, **Lions Services For Children** – Lion Joanne McQuiggan, **MDA Lions Magazine Liaison** – PDG Nancy Ransom, **No Child Without** – PRC Gerry Runstedler, **Youth Camp Exchange Director** – RC John Rothwell & Lion Mary Rothwell

**RECEIVED**

**Alert** – PRC Robert Montgomery,

At this time I would like to report that I have finished a webnair with International and the Canadian Red Cross on emergency response procedures. I am also putting together an Alert Plan for A-15 with the help of Lions International. Prior to the holidays there was a Personal checklist sent out and how many Lions have their personal checklists together and in order.

I have spoken to the emergency team here in Kitchener-Waterloo and I have gained some valuable information and ideas. I still need four Lions from Regions 51 and 37 to assist me on this endeavor.

If anyone is interested please contact myself alert@a15lions.org and I will be more than willing to assist you with information and a website.



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**Camp Coordinator** – PRC Robert Montgomery

I have been in contact with all the camps and they have wish lists on their respective websites. Please check out their websites to see what these camps require, and if you are making any donations to these camps send your donation through Lion Peter our Cabinet Treasurer.

Since we last met Steve Woolman of Lions camp Dorset was presented with a Melvin Jones for his hard work and dedication to the camp. Congratulations

I have also been in contact with Steve to see if A-15 can have the 1st weekend in May to come up and do some cleanup, it all depends on what the weather is like up there at that time.

**Constitution & By-Laws** – PDDG George Patton

At the last cabinet meeting the committee was tasked with the following:

MOVED by RC Paul Anstett and seconded by IPDG Norma Peterson to fund the cost of additional Charter Membership Kits for the Lynden LEO's Club beyond those provided free by International. Carried.

Cabinet will investigate making changes to District Policies or By-Laws to make this a standard practice for all future LEO Clubs.

Treasurer Peter was kind enough to supply the relevant information from Lions Club International:

**Financial Obligation**

The Leo club organization fee is US\$100 or the national currency equivalent. This one-time fee includes:

- The costs involved in processing the Leo club application
- A certificate of organization
- A Leo club officers' kit
- A Leo club sponsor kit
- 20 Leo new member kits (including lapel pins, membership cards, and certificates, a welcome letter, and Leo decals) for the first 20 members of the club

NOTE: If there are more than 20 originating members in the new Leo club, each additional member is assessed the new member fee of US\$5 and provided with a new member kit. This fee is charged to the sponsoring Lions club at the time of certification (in addition to the US\$100 Leo club organization fee). Lions clubs are also responsible for the annual Leo club sponsor levy of US\$90 or the national currency equivalent. The levy pays for Leo Club Program materials, mailings, club record maintenance, communications, awards, and Web site maintenance. The annual sponsor levy is prorated for clubs certified within the fiscal year.

Although the amount is paltry, there is a philosophical question about the District interfering in what is solely a club responsibility. A Leo club is a club project and owes no responsibility, financial or otherwise, to the District. In the "He who pays the piper calls the tune" argument the District should not involve itself in the actions of a club even if for all the 'right' reasons. Also, the likelihood of this situation recurring often is very low and enacting policy may be overkill.

It would be the recommendation that no addition to policy be made to enshrine this action but that it be dealt with on a case-by-case basis. However, should Cabinet decide that this situation should be spelled out for future occurrences, then an addition to policy will be provided for approval at the June cabinet meeting.

**Convention Host** – PCS Ian Robb, PDG John Daniels

All systems are go for March 22, 23 & 24, 2013.

ID Marvin Chambers has been confirmed as our International Guest and arrangements are being finalized for all functions as we go along.

We need you, the Lions of A15 to register now, so you avoid line-ups on Friday night or missing out on events.

There are already several requests for hospitality rooms and we expect more. A special presentation will follow opening ceremonies on Friday evening and a presentation by LFC is set for Saturday afternoon to add to your enjoyment.

50/50 draw tickets have been sent to all clubs.



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**Cultural & Community Activities** – Lion Ajit Manku

Tickets are on sale now for the District A-15 Lions International Festival which will be held on March 2, 2013, 6:00 p.m. at the United Kingdom of Cambridge Club, 35 International Village Road, Cambridge. Please buy tickets before February 16, 2013, either by calling me at 519.620.9507 or by email [manku25@gmail.com](mailto:manku25@gmail.com) or [cultcomm@a15lions.org](mailto:cultcomm@a15lions.org). Ticket price: \$20.00.

This year, we are celebrating the Ukrainian culture. For your entertainment, Ukrainian group "PRYVIT" will perform traditional folk dances that will beat the Laws of Gravity. So remember to make a note on your calendar to attend the District Festival.

**District Bulletin** – Lion Bob Rutter & PDG Nancy Ransom,

A special holiday issue of the District Bulletin was published at the beginning of January; hilitating Christmas events undertaken by Clubs. The next issue will be posted at the end of February.

A final rendition of the District Bulletin Contest Rules and Judges Form has been posted on the A-15 website as well. Please review as the rules have changed from past years. The contest entry submission deadline is February 28, 2013. One winner and two honorable mentions will be announced at the Governor's Convention during the weekend of March 22-24.

Please continue to share photos and stories of your Club special events for the Bulletin, so all Lions may enjoy and share your success.

**District Historian** – PDG Nancy Ransom

I am continuing to collect and save photos and articles from the Clubs in A-15. The plan is to post them as soon as a new History website has been established by our tech people, and becomes functional for all Lions to browse. Presently, I have received items from approx. half the Clubs in A-15. You may submit by email, mail, or personally given to me at various Zone and Cabinet meetings. I will scan and return all loaned materials to the Clubs at a future meeting. I will be glad to receive articles any time you may come across something of interest in your archives, scrapbooks, etc. I will continue to add to the data base as additional information is gathered. I have taken the liberty to save various items from the District Bulletin in this manner as well.

Remember our emblem, the two-headed Lion, we can feel pride in looking at our past, and the past can sometimes provide inspiration for the future. We have much to be proud of in A-15!

An updated District History is now available by selecting "District History" on the District A15 Web site and then choosing "Club Activity Centre".

**Effective Speaking** – Lion Ernie Kaethler

Service is what we enjoy and we do best! Opportunities for Youth is a very important part of District A-15 service profile.

The Effective Speaking program is a successful and vital part of our contribution to youth development. Some clubs are very consistent and active in holding contests. All clubs can help by supporting this worthwhile program financially.

Please, send a much needed contribution to District Treasurer: Peter Oswald. Although a Cabinet approved amount of \$250 is ideal any amount say \$100, or even \$75 is GREATLY APPRECIATED.

The District A-15 Effective Speaking finals will be on Saturday March 2nd, 2013 in St George, hosted by the St George Lions Club. Think big, Dig deep and support this Opportunities for Youth program

**Elections & Credentials** – PCC Bill Carson

Zone and Region Chairs were encouraged at our previous Cabinet meeting to take action to ensure that not less than two Lions from your respective Zones prepare to equip themselves to become candidates to take over your leadership role. We are seven weeks away from Convention, and anxious to field a full slate of candidates, so as to avoid the need for our incoming Governor Elect making appointments to fill any of those positions.

We remind you that District A15 is recognized as fielding the best of the best leadership in MDA & the world of Lionism. Names of those nominated to date will be recorded at Council Meeting. Nominations will be accepted only until one month prior to our election at Convention, only slightly more than 3 weeks from now.

Candidates for Zone and Region Chair shall demonstrate only at upcoming Joint Zone Meetings, while those nominated for 2nd and 1st VDG, as well as District Governor positions shall demonstrate only at Friday evening session at Convention.

Formal duties and responsibilities of this Chair are under way, in preparation for issuance of credentials and conducting the election. As of January 28th, 2013 the candidates are

DG - Denis Vinette; 1st VDG – Tim DeBlock; 2nd VDG - Diane Smith; RC 9 - Vic Bovington; RC 37 - Paul Anstett; RC 51 - Wayne Litt & Charlene Teasedale; ZC 9E - Ajit Manku; ZC 37S - Marg Overveld; ZC 51E – Jim Davis



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**Environment** – Lion Linda Vinette

A Crimson King Maple tree was planted at the Mount Forest playground on October 23rd, 2012 by PDG Lion Doug Smith, PDG Lion Larry Wainwright & Lion Hilda Wainwright, 1st VDG Lion Denis Vinette & Lion Linda Vinette. It was a perfect day to plant a tree as it rained most of the time. This beautiful Maple was donated by District A-15 in Memory of PID William D. Moody. A commemorative service will be planned by the Mount Forest Lions in 2013 & I will keep you informed of the date.

Please plan to participate in the Environmental Photo Contest. The categories are of local Animal Life, Landscape, Plant life & Weather Phenomenon in a 8"X10" photo. Please submit your photos to me by Friday, March 8th 2013. Display & Voting will occur at our 2013 District Convention. The winning photo will be sent to the 2013 MDA convention in Richmond Hill. Special Dates to remember are, the Breslau Memorial Forest cleanup is planned for Wednesday, June 5th 2013 and the Memorial Forest Rededication Service will be Saturday June 8th, 2013.

**GLT District Coordinator** – PDG Karen McNeight

The District A15 Leadership Seminar will be held on Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Wilmot Recreation Complex, 1291 Nafziger Rd, Baden. This Seminar is provided at no additional cost to participants. Snacks and lunch are provided. The event is open to all Lions however all Club Officers including President, Vice Presidents Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairs, whether new or returning are strongly urged to attend.

**GMT District Coordinator** – PDG O. J. Wilura

Finally GMT and GLT are getting busy. We will be starting the Club Excellence Process with one club shortly and presenting the program information to 5 other clubs who now have expressed interest. Club Membership Action Plans are still trickling in. Please make sure your club has a plan that encompasses the growth of your club and service to your community. A15 is only one of two districts in MD "A" with positive growth this fiscal year. Club Membership reports submitted by the Club Secretary to LCI are due no later than the end of the month. This document is very important in many ways. It will tell the District Officers how many members we have in A15 and allows LCI to determine the semi annual invoice for dues. I was speaking to a Club President this past October who stated that LCI was absolutely wrong in their July billing. They had 3 less members than noted on the statement. Guess what? I suggested he check with the Secretary because that had been no WMMR submitted in since the spring of the year and LCI didn't know that 3 members had resigned between April and June.

Your Club may have "ticked all the boxes" but the Secretary not submitting the WMMR report monthly, as required, results in the failure to obtain the Club Excellence Award for your Club and President.

One way of curbing lack of reports and missed billings is for the Club President, Secretary and Treasurer to have access to the LCI WMMR site. This is allowable and being done by quite a few clubs already.

In changing the subject, I offer up a challenge to you and that is to find a person you don't know and in a minute or less tell them three things you believe make Lionism great. You may be surprised by the reaction.

**GMT Family & Women's Membership** – Lion Ferne Lindhorst

I have registered a booth at the upcoming "Total Women" for Feb. 9th and 10th, under the name of Lions Clubs International.

Many Lady Lions from different clubs in A-15 will be working both days. Hopefully, having the booth will promote Lionism in our area and introduce ladies the opportunities to be gained by joining a Lion's Club.

**GMT Membership & Club Growth Team Leader** – PDG Larry Wainwright

First may I start my report by thanking all the clubs that have submitted their Membership Action Plan (MAP) for this year. You have followed the suggested pattern for this plan and many of you have indicated a willingness to learn more and/or participate in the Club Excellence Process (CEP). The unfortunate part is that only about 55% of the clubs in District A15 have taken the time to prepare and present a plan.

I find this extremely aggravating, maybe a lot less so, if this was something new, but we have gone through this process eight years ago. In all of MDA only 2 Districts showed an increase in membership last year; the other district also utilizes club plans. The preparation and following of a plan has worked for eight years and in every one of those years A15 has shown an increase in membership. It works Lions! It boggles my mind that for some clubs it is like pulling teeth when all we are doing as leaders in our District is trying to help Clubs grow and retain members. I stated at the beginning of this Lions year that we would achieve 100% for Gov. Lion Dan. We will achieve this.

A special thanks to the District Cabinet and Committee Chairs that to have submitted a plan. I understand that some have worked very hard for many years on a District Committee and feel they should not be required to do this. The same as for



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Clubs, if you don't have a plan you don't have a direction and you have nothing to check on to see if you are having success or where there might be areas to improve upon. Again like the club it only makes our district better, your committee more productive or better, thus making your job hopefully a little easier and more rewarding. This was Gov. Lion Dan's challenge to his cabinet and committee chairs this year and I respectfully request that his challenge be honoured. If any club is having difficulty in preparing a plan do not wait, call me or email me and I will assist you wherever you have a need. Committee Chairs, the same for you, just call me or email me if you are not sure what we are looking for. I know saying this gets tiresome to some, but we in A 15 do belong to the best District. It is because we have dedicated, caring Lions members and leadership that thinks ahead and tries things that to some in other districts are way outside the box. Not everything works but at least the leadership in this district is always willing to listen and give ideas a try. I have had the honour and the privilege of serving this District for the past 10 years on MERL and GLT and GMT. Please let's all continue to work together for the best of our District but more importantly for the best of each and every club and their members. Remember "FAIL TO PLAN, PLAN TO FAIL."

**Honorary Committee/A15PDGA – PCC Todd Wilson**

The PDG's residing in A15, met on the 30th of November in Stratford. The meal was excellent, the discussions lively and it was confirmed once again that A15 is truly a world leader in Lionsim.

The next meeting will take place on Saturday March 23rd at the A15 Convention in Cambridge.

**LCI Convention 2014 – PDG OJ Wilura**

In my last report I described all the Committees of the 2014 Host Committee. This submission will focus on Manpower, a very crucial group of volunteer Lions led by Directors PCCs Ron and BJ Finlay. This group is also includes the Sergeant at Arms and the Crisis Management teams.

The convention requires about 600 volunteers for 29 areas including, the Plenary Sessions, DGE Training, Parade, at Hotels, Interpreters, Exhibit Hall, Registration, Voting and Transportation, just to name a few. Each area requires a certain number of people for example; the Parade will need roughly 150 Lions and the Exhibit Hall about 50 per day. The shifts will be 4 to 5 hours in length although some volunteers may work longer. You can also work one day or as many as you like. Briefing, training and detailed information will be provided prior to your assignment.

Volunteers, for the most part, will be required to register for the Convention, as per LCI policy and a wear an identifiable coloured vest so our guests can locate you regarding possible assistance.

Lion Ray Charbonneau is the Deputy Director of the Sergeant at Arms. This group will be in charge of the official entry points, crowd control issues, seating, translation headsets, emergency procedures and other key areas such as Media Members, Special Guests, Hearing Impaired Attendees, Executive Officers' Delegations and Second Vice President Candidate's Delegation. At the Exhibit Hall, volunteers should be able to answer questions or direct concerns to the Information Desks and be familiar with the layout of the building in order to guide people to the correct meeting rooms.

The Crisis Management Team will be led by Deputy Director PDG Thom Herrmann. A plan will be compiled to help LCI manage a major threat or occurrence at the International Convention. Should a circumstance occur that causes injury to attendees or impacts LCI's reputation and credibility, the Crisis Team will be asked to assemble to gather facts, assess the situation and implement an appropriate and timely response. The response would include providing a liaison with emergency services; giving assistance to those directly involved and their relatives; talking to the media and insuring the proper public image for the association.

Communications will be paramount not only within this working group but with the Host Committee and LCI staff.

For further information, please contact Ron or BJ: [finlay@bmts.com](mailto:finlay@bmts.com) and checkout our website at [www.lionsconvention2014.com](http://www.lionsconvention2014.com). Here you will find the volunteer form.



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**LCIF – PCC Todd Wilson**

Lions of A15 have been generous in their support of victims of Super Storm Sandy. LCIF has made and will continue to make donations to those in need. Lions have also been active in getting to those in need with much needed supplies and helping to clean up wherever possible.

The Lions Measles Initiative, One Shot, One Life, has reached its goal of raising 10 million dollars, and received the 5 million dollars from the Gates Foundation. Lions from around the world rose to the challenge and completed this task sooner than anticipated.

The Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF enables Lions in Canada to personally contribute the LCIF. Donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt, something that has only been available for about one year. Remember as well that 100% of your donation will make it to people in need. There are zero dollars used for administration or advertising, very few organizations can make this claim and Lions should be proud that our organization can. The donation form is on the A15 web site in the "Forms and Publications" section, or by the following link – [www.a15lions.org/forms/lionsofcanadafundlcifdonation.pdf](http://www.a15lions.org/forms/lionsofcanadafundlcifdonation.pdf)

**LFC – ZC Charlene Teasdale**

Wow, what a busy year it has been for LFC. The demand is ever growing for Dog Guides in the various programs and this is due in part to the wonderful work the Lions Clubs and members are doing to provide funding as well as promotion through such things as the Walk for Dog Guides as well as the various awards and sponsorship.

Thank you all for your hard work this past year to support The Lions Foundation of Canada. Did you know that 153 Dog Guides were trained last year, there have been 1900 Dog Guide graduates with this number ever growing as we speak, 269 families volunteered to foster puppies in their home for the first year of the future Dog Guide puppy's life? Awesome isn't it?

The Lions Foundation of Canada is currently working on expanding programs to meet the ever-growing need for these wonderful canines. What a blessing this service is to a disabled person and we can all be very proud to be an important part of it.

There is currently Seizure Response Dog Guides who are trained and ready to be matched with their "life partner" so if you are aware of anyone who has a seizure disability, please contact the Lions Foundation of Canada's Executive Director Sandy Turney and she will ensure that this person is contacted to begin the process of qualification.

I am enjoying my service as your A15 Chair of LFC but there is much work to do and I am very proud to continue to promote and represent The Lions Foundation of Canada. I am very excited to have my first speaking engagement soon on behalf of LFC and look forward to much more! Thank you again for your wonderful contributions and I am currently working on a fun type of fund raiser to also help bring in more income to continue our service of providing Dog Guides to qualified disabled Canadians at no cost to them!

"Want to see what unconditional love looks like? Look into the eyes of your dog."

**Peace Poster – Lion Jeff Sullivan**

The winning Peace Poster for A-15 this year was drawn by Madyson Snofl, an 11 year old who attends St. Agatha School.

The sponsoring club was the St. Agatha & District Lions Club and President David Cole. Madyson's entry was not successful at the MD "A" level but we were very proud of her efforts. Madyson will be recognized at a reward ceremony in the first part of this year. The winning entry at the MD A level of judging was from Marmora in District A3. The entries submitted from each district can be seen at the following link: <http://mdalions.org/pages/Youth/2012Posters>.

**Sight Screening – PRC Charlie Davis**

At the end of December 2012 the Cambridge/Galt, Kitchener, St. Jacobs, Breslau and Woolwich Clubs with the help of the KW Community Spirit and Waterloo Clubs have attended; 51 Schools, Screened 2922 Children, Referred 912 Children.

This is a much greater number of Students Screened than in the past due to the hard work of Lion Ron Ross who worked with The Waterloo Region District School Board to have a negative response form introduced. If a form is not returned by the parent, the child is screened. In the past the parent had to sign a form giving permission for the child to be screened and it was felt that many parents of ESL students did not know what the form was about. I would like to thank all of those who helped with the screenings last year and look forward to your help this year. Any Lion interested in the program please feel free to contact me.



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### Youth Camp Chair – PCC Dave Rumble & Lioness Mary Rumble

#### 1. Proposed Budget

	2011 Actual	2012 ACTUAL	Proposed Budget 2013
Transportation	\$ 4,070.26	\$ 4,426.21	\$ 4,500.00
Name Tags	\$ 87.01	\$ 87.01	\$ 100.00
T-Shirts	\$ 1,284.00	\$ 970.91	\$ 1,200.00
Icecream for everyone	\$ 110.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 140.00
Maid of the Mist	\$ 281.82	\$ 192.15	\$ 380.00
Imax/Minolta Tower - Skylon 4d	\$ 329.40	\$ 327.75	\$ 340.00
Oh Canada Eh	\$ 972.00	\$ 1,175.93	\$ 1,200.00
Wonderland	\$ 972.00	\$ 991.00	\$ 1,200.00
Dinner at Wonderland	\$ 580.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 640.00
Dinner- Mandarin	\$ 746.18	\$ 747.95	\$ 800.00
CN Tower	\$ 349.79	\$ 328.50	\$ 400.00
Rogers Centre _ Jays Game	no game	no game	\$ 450.00
Display Boards	\$ 101.81	\$ 47.58	\$ 100.00
Groceries	\$ 171.92	\$ 559.60	\$ 300.00
Pizza	\$ 252.03	\$ 313.69	\$ 250.00
Set-up dinner	\$ 100.00	\$ 91.25	\$ 125.00
Camp booklet	n/a	\$ 248.24	
Toronto Tours	\$ 972.00	no go	?? No go
Meals -no club			\$ 250.00
Airport Hotel		\$ 173.77	\$ 375.00
John Wedge - National Anthams	\$ 44.00	\$ 67.69	\$ 75.00
Youth Exchange Pins/ptchs	\$ 292.90	\$ 325.00	\$ 300.00
Backpacks	\$ 188.44	\$ 25.00	\$ 250.00
Waterbottles			do not need any
Mascott for 2011	\$ 63.28	\$ 56.50	\$ 65.00
misc supplies	\$ 390.18	\$ 193.00	\$ 200.00
Printer (used by effective speaking)			
Galaxy theatres	\$ 305.25	\$ 232.50	\$ 325.00
Skating		\$ 125.50	\$ 150.00
Journey Behind the Falls		\$ 118.23	NO GO
 \$200.00 Transportation Fees	 \$ (3,150.00)	 \$ (3,800.00)	
 Total	 \$ 9,514.27	 \$ 8,654.96	 \$ 14,115.00 less bus fees

#### 2. Report

The 2013 Bruce Murray Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange Program is ramping up and we expect to have a full complement by the time the exchange and camp begin.

We have accepted, as of this time, five youth with applications coming from nine more. We are expecting others to be coming in over the next two or three months. It is only January and the rush hasn't started as of yet.

We need host families and we need host clubs if we are to reach our goal of 24 youth. We still require clubs to step forward and offer to supply meals for the camp. We need your financial support along with your physical support in order for the camp to run properly. Meals will be booked on a first come, first served basis. No one has a lock on supplying meals. Letters have gone to all clubs seeking their support for meals, financing and host family involvement. Lion Ted Bickell is in charge of the meal bookings and his address and phone number are in your directory along with his email address.

As a reminder to all clubs that will be supplying meals, FIVE OAKS CAMP IS PEANUT FREE. It is that simple, NO PEANUTS OR PEANUT PRODUCTS.

Please do not forget about the Bruce Murray Fellowship. A one-time \$400.00 donation to the camp, 01 it can be accumulative. It is for financial donations only and cannot be provided for meals. You must apply for this fellowship. It is not automatically given.

Camp clean up has been scheduled for Friday evening May 24<sup>th</sup>, if we get enough volunteers committed to be there for the evening and Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup> ending usually mid afternoon. Please bring your gloves, shovels, rakes, chainsaws, and hammers. We have a couple of roofs that need to be shingled as well as the basic clean-up. Spouses we can always use your assistance. Breakfast (If necessary) and lunch will be provided on Saturday. Lots of helpers make for a fun and fulfilling day.

Over the past couple of years the number of members in attendance has been down and we haven't been able to get some things completed. This year we are issuing a challenge to each of the clubs in the District. SEND US TWO OF YOUR MEMBERS, and we will get a lot accomplished.





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## Youth Camp Outgoing Youth– Lion Marysa Rumble –Lauriault,

Applications are being received for outgoing youth exchange for the 2013 year. At this time I have one youth approved and accepted, one awaiting approval from overseas, and a third who has expressed interest in the program and is awaiting club approval from our end.

I would like to send as many youth out this year as possible. The last three years we have sent under eight youth total, and I would like to double that number! So be sure to encourage your club members to think of any youth who might be interested, and make them aware of the program. I am always available for any questions or concerns.

## VISITATION AWARD BANNER PATCH PROPOSALS

