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Lions Clubs International District A-15

News Bulletin

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We sometimes come in contact with people that make our journey through life a little better. They are uplifting and always have a kind word to say. For this, I am very thankful.

There is more to Thanksgiving for me than the food and festivities. It is also a time to reflect on the good people and memories that have come into my life. I ponder the many lessons that I have learned.



Family and friends are an important part of my life. A special Thank You to all my friends in the "Lions family". We not only make a difference in the things that we do for the less fortunate, we also make a difference in fellow Lions around us.

May all the good things of life be yours, not only at Thanksgiving but throughout the coming year.

Yours in Lionism
D.G. Wayne

Here are two important upcoming events

Oct 23rd 10.00 AM- 2.00 PM Membership
Workshop Innerkip Lions

Oct 29th 10.00 Am to 2.00 Pm Membership
Workshop Hillsburgh Lions

District A15 Officers

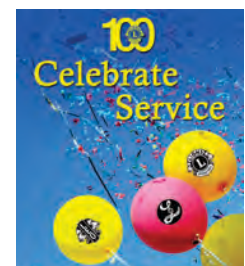
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LCI'S Centennial Bus Tour rolled into the area on September 22nd and made a stop at the Lions Foundation Training Facility in Breslau.



There was a strong turnout of Lions from MD "A", shown in the photo from Left to Right are DG John Harvey A-2; CC Stewart Patterson; Diane Willcocks and DG Bill Willcocks A-711; Betty Mills and DG David Mills A-16; Gillian Gordon and Tom Gordon, Endorsed Candidate for International Director; DG Wayne Litt A-15 and Linda Litt; DG Leonard Day A-12; Chancellor Bob Corlew, International Director; PID Arthur Woods and Carole Woods.

more photos on the following pages.....



**International President Corlew with
PID Art Woods from the Elmira Lions**



**Chancellor Corlew and wife, Lion
Dianne planting the Memorial Tree
positioning the plaque**

ObserverXtra

The following are excerpts from an article from the Elmira ObserverXtra, reprinted with permission.
Written by Liz Bevan- Photo Journalist

Recognizing the Local Group's contributions, Lions International President Bob Corlew paid a special visit to then area last week. Corlew, who hails from Tennessee, and his entourage made a stop in Breslau to plant a large maple tree at the Lions Foundation of Canada Training Farm, commemorating the visit and taking a look at what Lions Club members in the Waterloo Region have been up to.

Art Woods, a member of the Elmira Lions Club since 1972, was on hand to greet Corlew at the farm, as well as hosting a lunch for the visitor and the local Lions in Elmira.

"It is a big deal in the world of Lionism. We are an organization of 1.4 million members around the world so to be graced by his presence is a rare experience. It is something that we appreciated-the fact that he would take the time visit our area and fire up the troops a little bit" said Woods.

While at the dog training facility, Corlew used some heavy machinery to plant a tree among the many already growing there. The trees are dedicated to individuals or groups from all over Canada, and now, Corlew is part of Elmira Lions History.

"We started 19 years ago to really give some protection for the buildings at the farm. These are Memorial trees there in memory of Lions and friends of Lionism from every province and territory in the country, and from the USA as well". said Woods.



**Chancellor Bob Corlew
& Lion Dianne Corlew.**



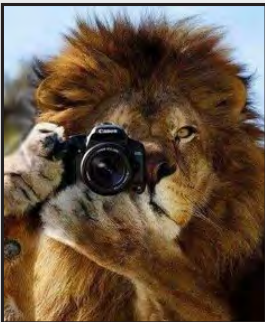
**Chancellor Bob
& Friends**



Lion Chief David Lloyd from St. Mary's Lions with International President Corlew.



Hillsburgh Lions were on hand and Chancellor Bob Corlew is shown with Hillsburg Lion Sheila Kirk. Lion Doug Smith is in the background with PID Art Woods.



Thanks to Lions Linda Litt, Woolwich Community Lions, Marianne Ferguson, St, Mary's Lions and Kim McKinely, Hillsburgh Lions for the photos on the preceding pages.





READING ACTION PROGRAM

In 2014, President Palmer encouraged Lions to continue their efforts to address illiteracy and improve access to education as part of the READING ACTION PROGRAM (RAP).

At that time, Lions reported over 69,000 education and literacy related projects, serving 8.4 million people worldwide.

During my visits to A15 Clubs, we have seen Little Libraries established, mentoring programs introduced, involvement with the CNIB reading program. One club donated books to a library in Africa.

A partnership with scholastic and early reading and book distribution saw the purchase of books at half price.

In conjunction with Vision Screening, books purchased through Scholastic will be distributed in the next few days. Clubs that have made donations for this purchase will receive the equivalent in books. The books will be given to the schools of their own choosing.

We have targeted children in kindergarten as children who do not have a good grounding in reading by Grade 3 may never catch up.

**Submitted by PZC Lion Aline Chan,
Literacy Chair.**

Clubs are encouraged to submit items that fit this program, see Lynden Lions activity described on the following page





LYNDEN LIONS

This past summer the Lynden Lions initiated a local program in conjunction with the Dolly Parton Foundation's Imagination Library . The project provides a free book each month, for each child enrolled until their 5th birthday. This program encourages parents to read to the younger children and as the children mature it encourages them to "read" their books as well.



The books are mailed directly to the child ,in their name, and as such the child develops a sense of ownership and soon anticipates the arrival of their next book. Children must live within a designated area to qualify for the program(each group wishing to get involved would support their designated area).

We have chosen to support the Lynden,Jerseyville and Troy postal codes as our designated area. I have taken the liberty of contacting our neighbouring lions clubs to see if there is any interest on their part to begin the program in their areas. I hope to arrange visits to these clubs this fall to discuss details and such.

Our club has a "Children's Fund" that is wholly supported by our annual "Children's Fund Golf Tournament" that is held each July. This program compliments our mandate of the children's fund and provides an age balance to another initiative as we award two annual scholarships to local youth enrolled in a post secondary education program.

Children are our future, both in society and in Lionism, programs such as these merely secure our future ! I can provide more detailed information if needed, feel free to contact me at ejfritsch@icloud.com.

Submitted by Lion Ed Fritsch, Lynden Lions



NEW HAMBURG LIONESS



Congratulation to Lioness Kathy Lantz who was presented with the Township of Wilmot Citizen of the Year award for the Senior category, at the recent Wilmot Agricultural Fall Fair. Shown with Lioness Kathy is the Mayor of New Hamburg, Les Armstrong, MPP Michael Harris and MP Harold Albrecht,



Lion Paul Mackie inducted two new members into the New Hamburg Lioness Club in September. Shown are: Lioness Carol Massel, sponsor to Lioness Tina Toman, Lion Paul Mackie, Lioness Shelley Hink with President Janet Dawson-Brock who stood in for Shelley's sponsor, Lioness Dawn Henshaw.

“A15 SERVING THE COMMUNITY”

LYNDEN LIONS - SHEFFIELD LIONS



Lynden Lions had their food booth at the Ancaster Fair. With the assistance of church members, the local volunteer fire department and the Sheffield Lions they raised funds to be directed towards their many areas of community service. The happy band of volunteers in the photo are, left to right, Lion Peter Evans, Leos Andrea Bosma and Sydney Turpin, Lions Mike Gough and Charlie Lawson and Life Member Ray Edworthy.

COPETOWN LIONS



The Lions of Copetown were also on hand at the fair with their food trailer. As with Lynden & Sheffield Lions the great weather was a plus. Great help from student volunteers was a plus!!!



ATWOOD LIONS



The Lions of Atwood inducted three new members at a recent meeting. The ceremony was conducted by PDG Tim DeBlock. Shown from L to R are: Anthony Quipp and his sponsor Lions Chris Elliott, Lion Scott Eveland who sponsored Wyatt Elliott and Jamie Fisher sponsored by Lion Mike Smith and PDG Tim.



GUELPH ROYAL CITY LIONS Melvin Jones Fellows



Lions Bob Rutter and Wayne Keefe were recently recognized for their contributions to Lionism and were awarded Melvin Jones Fellowship awards. Vice District Governor Charlene Teasdale made the presentation.



BOBCAYGEON LIONS

District A-16

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

**The Lions Club, it is the place
Where thousands volunteer
And people of most ev'ry race
Work hard throughout the year!
So many things, the Lions do,
Their motto is 'We Serve'
They help the handicapped and poor
The sick, their health preserve.
The largest and most organized
The world has ever seen
The Lions Club it works for all
Young, aged and in between!
Enthusiasm is the key
Each one of them devout,
Take party in your community
Your neighbourhood, help out!**

**Written by Ann Dudley Duncan
Bobcaygeon Lion '2016'**

editors note: Lion Ann Dudley Duncan
was inducted into the Lions Family in
September of this year.
Thanks to A16 District Governor
David Mills for sharing this.



ST GEORGE LIONS



"Community Presence"

Applefest - Although we were not selling apples, the folks that bought food at our trailer were not disappointed. Even on Saturday, when it rained all day it seemed, folks arrived with their umbrellas, raincoats and appetites. Sunday was busier and yet we managed to keep the line relatively short. One gentleman told us it was the best meal he'd had all week, although he asked us not to repeat that to his wife.



Lions Dave Brandon, Tony Davidson, Karen Martin and Lorraine Ferretti with Carolyn and Wally Kitchen.



Lion Roy kept the tables clean, and the condiments full!



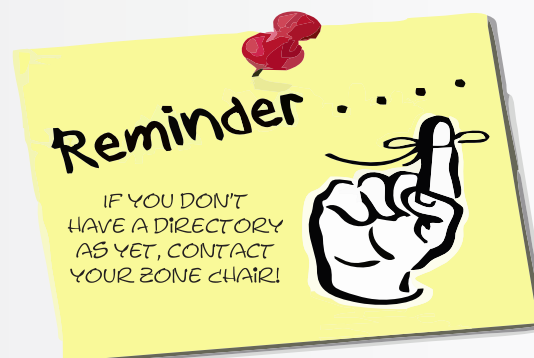
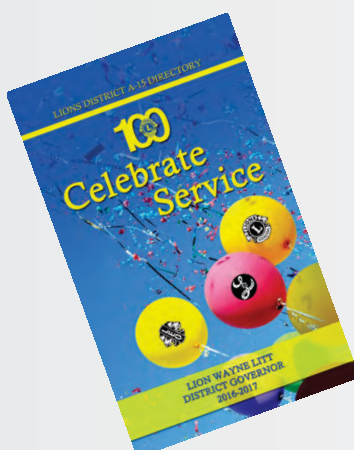
Brady Richardson, and his grandmother Gloria Ilett (Lion John Ilett's wife) worked tirelessly.



CAMBRIDGE HIGHLANDS LIONS



The Cambridge Highlands Lions Club wanted to help the Aguilares Lions Club in El Salvador to install new washrooms with running water in a local school. Our contact from Kitchener, Vilma Guzman, does annual fundraising for the poor in El Salvador. She is shown presenting our donation of \$3000.00 to the President of the Aguilares Lions Club in El Salvador. Also shown is one class of students, the school accommodates approximately three hundred students, sharing the one large outdated washroom.





NEW HAMBURG LIONESS NEW HAMBURG LIONS



The New Hamburg Lioness hosted an event in conjunction with the Youth Exchange Program in July at the “Canoe the Nith” facility. The club has hosted this event for ten years, it starts with a paddle from the canoe facility to the railway bridge in New Hamburg then returning for a lunch prepared by our the New Hamburg Lions, then another paddle after lunch down to the Waterlot area for ice cream, and then returning later in the afternoon. It's always a fun day and the weather each year has been fabulous.





COPETOWN LIONS



At the general meeting of September 30th, Ms. Bobbi Jo Smith, Executive Director of the Cancer Assistance Program was on hand and outlined their mandate and how service clubs can help out with financial assistance, donations of equipment and volunteering for transportation duties. The club committed to assist and started the ball rolling with a donation of \$1,000.00. Shown in the photo with Ms. Smith are Lion Chief Doug Paddon and Treasurer, Doreen Wilson.

INNERKIP LIONS



Innerkip Lions Cheryl Weiland and Wayne Wright present a cheque to the coaches of Innerkip PeeWee Boys Baseball. The team went on to win the Canadian Championship for PeeWee Boys in Saskatoon this August. The donation helped to pay for some travel costs. Congratulations to the hard working team.



GUELPH LIONS



Attached is a photo of our Lion Chief Jim Sanders along with Westminster Woods Public School Teachers Maryann Payne-Randall and Sara Furnival.

Guelph Lions recently donated Video Conferencing equipment to Westminster Woods Public School in Guelph. Since, some of the students had the opportunity to connect globally with marine biologist Asha De Vos who spoke with the students about sharks. World renowned marine conservationist Mark Erdmann and traveled electronically to Madagascar to meet Travis Steffens, an expeditionist. The students looking forward to October 24th when they will connect with Col. Chris Hadfield. Westminster Woods teachers Maryann Payne-Randall & Sara Furnival came to our meeting to thank the Guelph Lions Club & show what an impact the equipment provided is making in the students learning at the global level. They are shown in the photo with Lion Chief Jim Sanders.



42nd YEAR

DISTRICT A-15

1975-2017

BRUCE MURRAY LIONS INTERNATIONAL



YOUTH CAMP



ONTARIO - CANADA- JULY 21- August 1

We are excited to announce that the Bruce Murray International Exchange Camp has a new home for 2017! We have confirmed the use of the facilities at Blue Springs Scout Camp which is located just outside of Acton. This venue offers plenty of space for campers so we are looking forward to having lots of host families which will allow us to increase the number of youth able to travel to our camp in 2017.

The dates for the 2017 exchange have been confirmed. The youth will be arriving Saturday, July 8 and staying with their host families until Friday, July 21. That evening, they will travel to camp and will stay at camp until Tuesday, August 1. At that time they will return to their host families until they fly out on Saturday, August 5. The dates this year are a little later than they have been in the past. This will accommodate those of you who wish to attend the International Convention in Chicago and also host youth.

We are so grateful for all of the host families who have stepped up and opened their homes to the International youth year after year. We look forward to having those families host once again and we are also looking forward to welcoming new families to the hosting experience. If you are interested in hosting or have any questions about the experience please contact us. We would be happy to share with you our experience as a host family. We would like to start confirming host families early so that we know how many youth we can accept into the program for the upcoming year.

We have had the privilege of hosting 16 youth since we became involved with the exchange program in 2008. We enjoyed the experience so much that we became camp counsellors for 2015 and 2016. We are taking over the role of Chair of the Youth Camp and Exchange for the 2017

Exchange. From a quick look at Facebook we can count 58 youth from around the world that we wouldn't have the privilege to know if not for this amazing program. We look forward to working with Lions in A15 to make this another successful year for the exchange program!

Lions Mark & Allison Henkell

ycex@a15lions.org, (Allison 226-228-2874 Mark 519-788-5000)



MD'A' Council of Governors is Seeking a Secretary

Multiple District 'A' Council Secretary John Stewart will officially be concluding his five-year term as the MD'A' Secretary on June 30, 2017. The Council of Governors has authorized the Administration Committee to seek a replacement MD'A' Secretary. The term of office is from July 1, 2017 until June 30, 2022, subject to annual reviews. The position is a home based operation.

A summary of the position requirements and Secretarial duties are as follows:

Responsibilities:

The Multiple District Secretary shall manage the Multiple District administration functions as detailed in the Multiple District Policy & Procedures Manual under the direction and supervision of the Council of Governors.

Qualifications:

- ✓ Knowledge of the International Association of Lions Clubs
- ✓ Knowledge of the Multiple District Lions organization
- ✓ Knowledge of Secretarial Duties
- ✓ Capabilities of preparing Agendas & recording Minutes of meetings
- ✓ Computer Literate
- ✓ Previous Management/Administration Experience
- ✓ Ability to Communicate
- ✓ Motivation and Enthusiasm

Expected Key Results

- Receive and send correspondence on behalf of Council
- Attend Council and other meetings as requested by Council, the Council Chair & MD'A' Committees.
- Keep accurate minutes of all Council Meetings
- Assist the Governors' Council in conducting the business of MD'A', and perform such duties as are required by the LCI & MD'A' Constitution & By-Laws, as well as those that may be assigned by the Governors' Council from time to time.
- Assist the MD'A' Convention Advisory Committee with the planning of the MD'A' Convention
- Maintain databases and the MD'A' Directory
- Maintain a 'Motion Book' for the benefit of the Governors' Council
- Provide regular updates to the MD'A' Web Master and LION Magazine Editor
- Provide for updated hard copies of essential documents to the Governors' Council and MD'A' Committees

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

A full MD'A' Secretary Job Description is included in the MD'A' Policy & Procedures Manual which is available on the MD'A' Web Site by clicking 'Policy & Procedures Manual'.

REMUNERATION

The MD'A' Secretary receives an honorarium as outlined in the MD'A' Policy & Procedures Manual as well as full travel expenses and essential office expenses. Some office equipment is provided.

APPLICATION

Resumes from interested applicants must be received no later than **Friday, March 31, 2017**.

All applicants are required to send a copy of their resume by email to the Lions listed below.

PCC Bob Tanner
MD'A' Administration Committee Chair
lionbobt@bell.net
(519) 882-0765

PDG John Stewart
MD'A' Council Secretary
secretary@mdalions.org
(519) 523-4528

INTERVIEWS

Interviews for qualifying candidates will be held in Markham in April, 2017



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To Do List

- Donate to Lions Quest Canada
- Honour someone with a Lions Quest Fellowship
- Include Lions Quest Canada in your club budget annually
- Share this information with every Lion you know
- Put a copy of this flyer in your club, District, Multiple District newsletter
- Include a speaker about Lions Quest at a club meeting
- Host/sponsor a Lions Quest workshop for your school or community
- Visit our website at www.lionsquest.ca and sign up for the newsletter

Contact Us

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800-265-2680

Making a Difference

Have you ever wiped the tears away from a loved one's eyes when they were bullied? Are you concerned about the risks young people face on a daily basis? What are your hopes and dreams for your children and grandchildren?

Lions Quest Canada believes in 5 things all kids need:

- Strong positive relationships with people who care about them
- Safe and caring places to live, learn, and play
- Opportunities to provide service to others, learn and try new things
- Healthy habits
- Hope for the future

What are we working on right now?

Updating programs for our schools – The US revision of **Skills for Growing**, **Skills for Adolescence** and **Skills for Action** is complete. We need to invest \$90,000-\$100,000 to further revise and adapt the Lions Quest material for our Canadian schools. This will ensure that we continue to deliver the most effective programs to support the social emotional development of our young people and remain a leader in the field.

Expanding our work into communities – We have workshops and train-the-trainer options to involve all adults in supporting our children and youth with the same positive youth development approach we use in schools. We say it "takes a village to raise a child" – we need to help the villagers be effective in their role.

How can you help?

For **\$250**, you will be recognized as a **Champion Club**, and we'll send you a banner patch.

For **\$500**, you can honour someone with a **Lions Quest Fellowship**. The application is available on our website at www.lionsquest.ca.

Make sure Lions Quest is part of your annual club budget.

Contact us if you are interested in bringing Lions Quest training to your school or community.



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City, Province, P.C. _____

email: _____

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1087 Camp Dorset Road
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Ariss and Maryhill Lions Club

Jumbo Wing and *Veggie Night*



Saturday, October 29

4 - 8 PM
Licensed LLBO

Entertainment
Beer & Wine

1 Pound (8)
\$10.00

Additional
Wings \$1.25 ea.

Take-out
Available

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Fries \$3.00
Extra

Dessert \$3.00
Extra

Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre
58 St Charles St E., Maryhill

Come and support Lions community and world wide projects



St. Marys Lions Fellowship Breakfast

St. Marys Pyramid Recreation Ctr.
317 James Street S., St. Marys, ON

Sunday, Oct. 30th, 2016 – Breakfast Served at 10:00 a.m.

Cost: \$20.00



Guest Speaker:

Past International President Judge Brian Stevenson



Features:

- Entertainment
- Pin Trader Tables
- LFC Clothing & Merchandise
- Kathy Joslin Jewelry etc.
- Special Presentation – **P.I.D. Patti Hill**
- Ticket Draw for **1,001** Lion Pins

MD'A' PDG Meeting to Follow:

Attendance - Email PDG Nancy Durant
cdnenvro@muskoka.com



Please RSVP by October 17th for the Fellowship Breakfast:

Phone: Club President David Lloyd - 519-229-6226

Email: PDGKarenMcNeight@gmail.com



2017 MULTIPLE DISTRICT 'A' CONVENTION

"Willkommen" *Celebrating 100 Years of Service*

May 11th to May 14th, 2017
Hosted by the Lions Club of Kitchener

A. District _____ Club: _____
Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Leo ☐ Highest Office _____ Past ☐ Present ☐
Name: _____ Name on Badge: _____
Address: _____
Phone #: _____ Email: _____

B. District _____ Club: _____
Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Leo ☐ Partner in Service ☐ Highest Office _____ Past ☐ Present ☐
Name: _____ Name on Badge: _____
Address: _____
Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Please Note

1. Everyone including guests must be registered to attend functions and meals
2. Cancellation must be made in writing or by email. Cancellations after **April 10, 2017** will be subject to a \$20 handling fee.
3. No refunds after **April 25, 2017**

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Function Tickets	Cost Per Person	A	B	Total
Friday Inclusive	\$65.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Friday Night Oktoberfest Dinner	\$ 40.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Saturday Inclusive	\$80.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Thursday Night DG/DGE/PDG Dinner	\$45 .00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Saturday Opportunity for Youth Dinner	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Total for Function Tickets				\$ _____

Last date for ticket orders will be **Thursday, May 04, 2017**

PLEASE ADVISE SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS: Diabetic, Vegetarian, Gluten Free or Specify

For A _____ For B: _____

Friday Inclusive includes breakfast. morning coffee, lunch and afternoon coffee with snacks

Saturday Inclusive: breakfast, morning coffee and Convention Banquet being held at 12:30 pm

Registration Fee of \$25.00 for A -	\$ _____	Pin Trader Table	\$25.00	\$ _____
Registration Fee of \$25.00 for B -	\$ _____	Vendor Table -	\$25.00	\$ _____
Vender/Pin Trader fee of \$25.00 -	\$ _____	Convention Pin -	\$ 7.00	\$ _____

Fees plus Function tickets = \$ _____

Sunday Registration fee is \$10.00 cash on arrival.

No Registration Fee for LEO Members

Payment Method	Cheque <input type="checkbox"/>	Visa <input type="checkbox"/>	Master Card <input type="checkbox"/>
By Credit Card: Name:	_____ Card #: _____		
Expiry date:	_____ CVS#: _____		
NB: C/C payments will show as: LCK Monex Account			

Cheques payable to: MDA Convention 2017

Mail Registration form to:
Lions Club of Kitchener
P.O. Box 1001, Station "C"
Kitchener, ON N2G 4E3

Queries: Convention Chair: OJ Wilura: 519 -748-4304 or by email: ojwilura@gmail.com
Registration Chair: Ron Ross: 519-886-0553 or by email: 1937lcktreasurer@gmail.com

NOTE

Hotel Reservation made by the member. Room rates are \$127.00 plus tax and includes parking
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 105 King St., Kitchener N2G 2K8 - 1-800-483-7182 and use code "MDC"