

## Tribute to Lioness of A-15

The Lions of A-15 wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to all the Lioness who have served over many years, and provided much needed support for their communities and for many other charities.

The earliest formed Lioness Clubs were known by different names - 1950's - Ingersoll Lionettes, 1954 - Guelph Lady Lions, and 1974 - Woodstock Lionettes. Many of our district Lioness Clubs were formed during the 1970s and 1980s. They served as partners to their local Lions Clubs (which in those days had all male membership), with similar structure and programs. Over the years the Lioness Clubs spearheaded many successful projects, contributing countless dollars to all Lions causes, as well as many needs in their own communities. Our world is a better place because of their service.

The Lioness District A-15 was made official by Lions Clubs International in 1989-90, under first District President Janice Dawson Brock. Lioness Janet has also served as Lioness A15 District President since 2003-2020.

In 1996 Lioness Janet Dawson Brock organized the first Lioness Laugh and Learn Leadership Forum in Multiple District A; having just returned from a USA/Canada Forum. PIP Judge Brian Stevenson was the main speaker, with Lioness attending from Ontario, New York, Michigan, and Minnesota. The Lioness Forum was a very popular event, held annually in different locations, up until the past two years.

### A Photo of Several Past District A-15 Lioness Presidents

*(below left to right)* Janet Dawson Brock 1989-90, Nancy Brash 1990-91, Ferne Lindhorst 1991-92, Kathleen Siertsema 1992-93, Mary Rumble 1993-94, Liz Rooney 1994-95, Delphine Dewar 1995-96.

