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Governor's Newsletter

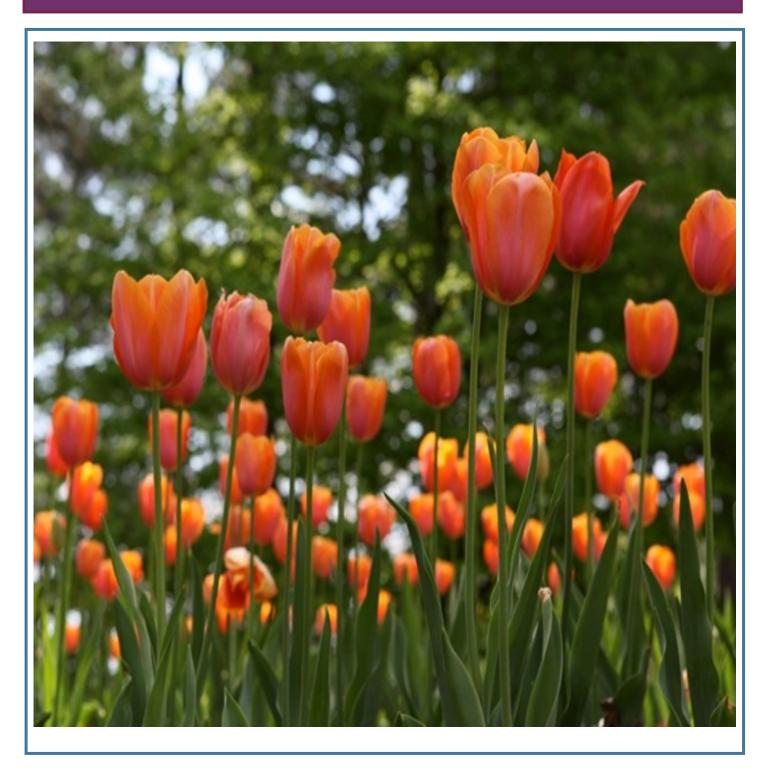
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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR DISTRICT

VIRTUAL CONVENTION NEWS

It's all about Teamwork!

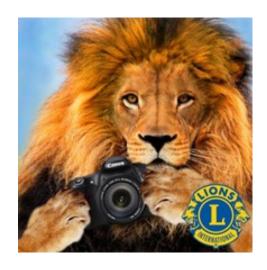
Thank you for the honour and privilege of being your 1st Vice District Governor of A-4 starting on July 1, 2021.

It certainly was a pleasure serving with our District Governor Jean Lauzière over the past year even with all of our hurdles and struggles. 1st Vice District Governor Renee Devenny has been so supportive and has taught me many ways to serve.

I look forward to having Lion Barry Chisolm as our 2nd Vice District Governor as I feel confident that together we all will be able to serve our Clubs to the best of our abilities.



Susan Tunnicliffe
1st Vice District Governor ELECT



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VIRTUAL CONVENTION NEWS

District A4 Lions Club members gathered at the first Virtual convention over the weekend of April 17 and 18, 2021 to share ideas and learn new ways to serve their communities. Congratulations to the following Lions in our District who received **Awards** from **DG Lion Jean:**

- 1) District Certificate of Appreciation to PDG **Lion Rick McCauley** of the Perth Lions Club for his numerous years as Convention Chair.
- 2) CNIB Colonel Baker award to PDG **Lion Andy Etherington** of the Cumberland Lions Club for all his work with vision.
- 3) Lions Quest Fellow Award to PDG **Lion Susan Wilkes** of the Merrickville Lions Club for her work as Lions Ouest Chair.
- 4) Lions Quest Fellow Award to **Lion Barry Chisholm** of the Aylmer Lions Club. Not for Lions Quest but for his quest for Lions.

International President's Certificate of Appreciation (this includes his lapel pin) to the following:

Lion Joyce Firlotte of the Perth Lions and the Perth Lioness Club

Lion David Howard of the Mountain Township Lions Club

Lion Margaret Tucker of the Barrhaven Lions Club

Lion Raja Wysocki of the Russell Lions Club

The third highest award in Lionism, The **International President's Leadership Medal** to **Lion Wayne Bent** of the Westport Lions. There is also the International President's lapel pin.





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District Cabinet 2021/2022

District Governor	Renee Devenny
Immediate Past DG	Jean Lauzière
First Vice DG	Susan Tunnicliffe
Second Vice DG	Barry Chisholm
District Secretary	Sandra Baldwin
District Treasurer	Joyce Firlotte
Zone 13 N	Yves Goulet
Zone 13 S	Jacques Duquette
Zone 30 S	Margaret Booker
Zone 30 W	Liz Christie
Zone 41 N	Helen Porteous
Zone 41 S	Jerome Andre (interim)
Zone 22 E	
Zone 22 W	
GMT	Barry Chisholm & Ameet Bhalla
GST	Roxanne Backes
GLT	James Johnston
LCIF	Jim Devenny



VIRTUAL CONVENTION NEWS

District A4 Voting Results on Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws Abbreviated version – original sent to Clubs prior to convention

Vote Number 1 – Amend Total Time for Cabinet Officer Nominee Speeches Rationale for the Amendment This proposal amends three sections of the By-Laws. Article II Section 2, Article II Section 3 and Rule 6.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO TEXT

Current Text - Article II Section 2, last sentence. A candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration, and one seconding speech of no more than three (3) minutes duration. Proposed Text Change Each candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech and one seconding speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration for both nominating and seconding speeches combined. Current Text - Article II Section 3, last sentence. Each candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration, and one seconding speech of no more than three (3) minutes duration. Proposed Text Change Each candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech and one seconding speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration for both nominating and seconding speeches combined Current Text - Exhibit "A" Rule 6 - District A-4 Convention Rules of Procedure. Nominations for the offices of district governor, first and second vice district

governor and such other offices to be filled by the convention shall be limited to nominating/ seconding speeches not to exceed 8 minute(s) for each nominee. Proposed Text Change Nominations for the offices of district governor, first and second vice district governor and such other offices to be filled by the convention shall be limited to nominating and seconding speeches not to exceed 5 minute(s) in total for each nominee.

Approved with yes vote

Vote Number 2 – Amend the hours for the registration and certification of Voting Delegates described in Rule 3 (b). Rationale for the Amendment The amendment changes and corrects the times when the Credentials Committee can register and certify Voting Delegates.by removing the last time period of between 1:45 & 5:00 PM.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO TEXT

Current Text - Exhibit "A" Rule 3 (b) - District A-4 Convention Rules of Procedure, Page 31 (b) The registration and certification of delegates shall occur on the following days of the Convention.

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VIRTUAL CONVENTION NEWS

District A4 Voting Results on Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws Abbreviated version – original sent to Clubs prior to convention cont'd.

On Friday between the hours of 3:30 PM and 7:00 PM and on Saturday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 11:30 AM and then again from 1:45 PM and 5:00 PM local times. Proposed Text Change (b) The registration and certification of delegates shall occur on the following days of the Convention. On Friday between the hours of 3:30 PM and 7:00 PM and on Saturday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 11:30 AM local times.

Approved with yes vote

Vote Number 3 – Clarify Terminology, Deadlines for Payment Dues and Signing Authorities for District Bank Accounts.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO TEXT Current Text - ARTICLE VIII - District Administration Fund, Page 28 Section 1. DISTRICT REVENUE. To provide revenue for approved district projects and to defray the administrative expenses of the district, an annual District administrative Dues fee of \$10.00 Canadian is hereby levied upon each member of each Club in the District. This fee shall be collected and paid in advance by each Club in one (1) annual payment of \$10.00 Canadian following receipt of an annual dues statement from the District Secretary or Treasurer. These funds cover the annual

period July 1 to June 30; with billings to be based upon the number of members recorded on the roster of each Club as of the first day of July. Said fee shall be paid to the cabinet secretary or cabinet treasurer (or secretary-treasurer) by each Club in the district, except newly chartered and reorganized Clubs, which shall collect and pay said tax on a prorata basis from the first day of the second month following the date of their organization or reorganization, as the case may be. Said fees shall be disbursed only for administrative expenses of the district and only upon approval by the district governor's cabinet. Disbursement therefrom shall be by cheques drawn and signed by the cabinet treasurer and countersigned by the district governor or one other Lions Cabinet member who has been designated as an alternate signing authority by Cabinet.

Approved with yes vote





Important International News

REMINDER TO CLUB SECRETARIES

Each May, Club Secretaries are expected to file the PU-101 (Publication 101) with Lions Clubs International and with the PA Lions State Office. When Club Officers are known for the 2021-2022 Lions year, the report should be **filed but no later than May 15th**. The report for LCI should be filed online **through MyLCI**.

All Club Secretaries received a reporting form from the State Office when they received the State Convention voting credentials. That form should be completed and returned to the State Office prior to May 15th. These reports are important to LCI, PA State Lions and to our District and for a number of reasons. The most important reason being communications that come to local Clubs concerning a host of topics and that the appropriate Club Officer receives the information. Having these reports filed each year is especially important to the District since most communications going to Clubs comes to the Club through the District Governor and District Cabinet members.

All Club Secretaries are encouraged to be timely in filing the PU-101 and if assistance is needed, contact the District Cabinet Secretary.





ow is the time for you to get an article in spotlighting your Club or a special event. Do you have a "Did You Know" article? Pictures will be used whenever possible. Do you want to share why you became a Lion? Maybe you can inspire others.

The submission deadline for June is May **15th**.

Please send to the Editor, Lion Margaret Tucker at lionmargaret@gmail.com



May 2021 Strengthen Membership Month

- **15** Officer Reporting Form (PU101) filings due
- 17 LCICon Backstage Pass: Get Connected Session 1 (English only)

How can you interact with Lions at the International Convention? Get tips on how you and your Club can connect with other Lions at this year's virtual event, including watch party ideas and getting Leos involved.

https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2519348790011326988

June 2021

- **1** Helen Keller Day
- 7 Lions Clubs International birthday

Mahatma Gandhi once said, "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

CLUB NEWS — The Lions in our district do extraordinary work in the community. Here is a selection of some of the amazing projects undertaken.

Athens Lions Club





MacEwen's thanked for their generous support

(L-R) Athens Lions Club Treasurer Jeff Baker and President Kevin Gainford present MacEwen's Divisional Manager Robert Taylor with a Certificate of Appreciation for his generous donation in support of the Lions Club Community Support Programs and for MacEwen's continued support of the Farmersville Exhibition. Photo courtesy of Lion Walter Schaafsma





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Calabogie Lions Club

The **Calabogie Lions Club** had a visit from the Easter Bunny on Saturday April 3rd. Following all Public Health Ontario guidelines, the Club conducted an Easter drive thru in the Calabogie Community Hall parking lot. Children received Easter baskets and dropped off their entries for the colouring contest.

Lion Ursula Strachan, 3rd VP Lion Tamatha Strachan, President

The **Calabogie Lions Club** is excited to announce a new venture for our Club: **Catch The Ace**. Ticket **sales start May 7th**, online only. We are pleased to have 4 excellent beneficiaries and believe supporting them will be of interest to many of your readers.

Thank you. Lion Tamatha Strachan President Calabogie Lions Club





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Make Your Dad's Day With the Winning Ticket

Winner \$3000.00 Prize package includes:

- Yamaha 9.9hp Outboard Motor

form Urban Sport Value: 2700.00

- \$100.00 Cash from FryDayz Chip Stand
- 2 Single Rounds of 18 Holes of Golf from Calabogie Highlands
- Some Sweet Swag from Calabogie Brewing Co

Buy Your Ticket Before June 13th to get in on the Early Bird Draw!

One Early Bird Winner of a \$349.00 Mustang Experience Sponsored by Calabogie Motor Sport

All Money Raised Stays in Our Community



Draw June 20 2021 1:00 pm Calabogie Community Centre



The Early Bird Draw June 13 2021 1:00 pm Calabogie Community Centre



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Westport Lions Club



Lions Wayne "Smokey" Sherwood and Julie-Anne Baird install a new sign at Westport Lions Re-Use & Recycle Sales Centre.

Westport Lions Club Re-Use and Recycle Sales Centre

The idea for The **Westport Lions**' new Re-Use and Recycle Centre started when a resident offered the Club a piece of furniture to sell and keep the proceeds. This donation got Lion Jim Scala reflecting on the need for a community facility that would keep useful items out of the landfill and generate money. Any individual or business can donate acceptable items, which we sell online. Check our Westport Lions Re-Use & Recycle Centre at https://www.facebook.com/wlc9190.







Bruce Kinkade, Past President of the Richmond & District Lions Club

