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# **Celebrating Melvin Jones' Birthday**



The January Donation of the Ndola Lions Club was held on Monday, January 14, 2019 - a day after the 140th birthday of the founder of the Lions Clubs International, Melvin Jones (January 13, 1879 - June 1, 1961). The Ndola Lions donated Stationery, Sugar, Pens, Pieces Of Black Board Chalk, and Cleaning Materials to Natwange Youth Community School in Chipulukusu with 800 pupils from Grade 1 to Grade 9.

During the same day the Lions Club of Ndola visited children at St. Anthony Children's village in Masala and Donated 2 Tables. 15 Chairs, Assorted Biscuits and Chocolates.



Ndola Lions handing over Stationery, Sugar, Pens, Pieces Of Black Board Chalk, and Cleaning Materials to Natwange Youth Community School in Chipulukusu



L-R FVDG Sanjay S Balid (Yellow Jacket), DG Dr. George SM Banda (Yellow Jacket) and PDG JM Patel (Yellow Jacket) at St. Anthony

## Your Submissions

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#### **VOLUME 48. ISSUE VIII FEBRUARY 2019**



**Childhood Cancer Awareness Month** February 15, 2019

**International Childhood Cancer Day** 

The next generation's ability to thrive is closely tied to the supports of the local community. Lions and Leos have seen and felt the effects of cancer on children and their families, and continue to bring hope through tangible service and support.



# LIONS STORE



# **Support Hunger Awareness Month!**

Hunger is a universal issue without borders. LCI and LCIF offer grants, programs and initiatives to help Lions like you provide meals and nutrition for those in need so that one day, no child will ever have to go hungry. Show your support in January for Hunger Awareness Month by raising awareness of our mission with these exciting new items from the LCI Store! Find out more about this global cause, and **get involved!** 



Hunger Relief Balloons
US\$15.95 per pack of 100



Hunger Awareness Eco-Friendly Pen US\$0.95



Adjustable BBQ Apron US\$21.95



Disposable Table Cover
US\$4.95



Large Grocery Tote



Apron US\$20.95



Rubber Jar Opener US\$0.95



Global Causes Euro Decal
US\$2.95

## **Preamble**

As Lions how can we build on our already impressive legacy? It's simple, we will do what Lions have always done. We will get creative and reach within our communities, clubs and selves to discover a new level of service.

We are the leaders in the second Century of service. With the centennial Celebrations behind us, we are focusing on the future. Together, we will shape our tomorrow to create a modern environment for Lions clubs.

The Global Action Team (GAT) will be the driver of all our activities, empowering Clubs through the power of action.

All clubs will have members of (GAT) hence all our activities will be bottom up starting from the clubs upwards to the Zone, Region and District.

## International President's Theme -

The international President's theme is "BEYOND THE HORIZON" and Motto "WE SERVE" has remained the main theme and this will continue for another three Lionistic years.

This will enable Lions to focus on the purpose of being a LION. And relook the power of WE and SERVICE..."WE SERVE" We are then going to focus on four areas as we start the "new century" of humanitarian service.

**REACH BEYOND** - Inculcate the spirit of exploration, Lions are being encouraged as Lions to push beyond our known or perceived limits to achieve even more – we have to think of long term goals, not short term goals. We need to base our plans on facts, not feelings.

THE FIVE AREAS OF FOCUS - Harnessing the Power of 1.45 Million Lions worldwide and 1,560 District 413

- 1. SERVICE WITH INNOVATION
- 2. MOVING MEMBERSHIP FORWARD
- 3. INCREASE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- 4. PROMOTING THE FELLOWSHIP OF LIONS
- 5. SHARING OUR STORIES

## District Governor's Theme -

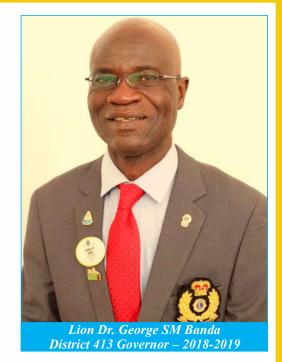
"SERVICE WITH EXCELLENCE, TEAMWORK AND TENACITY"
SERVICE- We will continue to offer freely of our Treasury, Talent, and
Time - We Serve.

**EXCELLENCE** – Our Service shall always be of high quality and distinction.

**TEAMWORK** – Teamwork will be key in all we do, - None of us is smarter than all of us "alone we can do so little, together we can do so much" - Helen Keller. Remember that the difference between success and failure is a great Teamwork.

**TENACITY** – We will carry out all our service, membership recruitment drive with new vigor, enthusiasm, persistence and determination. Apart from our usual recruitment strategy of asking people we know who are like us or better than us, we will go out to the open market and find people who have the heart to serve, we will go out to shopping malls and distribute literature about Lions, mount booths and also show service videos - To succeed in life, in today's world you must have the will and tenacity to finish the job.

Lion Dr. George SM Banda District 413 Governor – 2018-2019



### OUR DISTRICT VISION FOR 2018/2019

"To Grow the District Membership to the Point where We become a Multiple District, with Well Informed and Dynamic Lions"

> The best Way to Predict the Future is to Create it ...

> > - Abraham Lincoln







# Kabulonga Donates to Mark the Lusaka Lions Den Make Over Campaign

Lions Club of Kabulonga

THE Lusaka Lions Den Make Over Campian was launched by the Lions Clubs International District 413 - Zambia Governor Dr. George SM Banda during the Joint Zone 11 (Longacres, Lusaka, Nkwanzi, and Munali) Board Installation Dinner held at Cresta Golf View Hotel on the 7th September, 2018.



L-R Lion Dr. Osbert, Lion Margaret, DG Dr. George, Lion Mercy, Lion Christopher and Lion Sibeso

The official launch aims to provide both the Local Lions and Guest a place where Fellowship and meetings can be held regularly, as well as to share



District 413 - Zambia Governor Dr. George SM Banda unveiling the Donated stove

ideas, knowledge and opportunities, and collaborate with each other to solve problems. Therefore on the 17th January, 2019 the Lions Club of Kabulonga handed over a brand new Four (4) plate cooker Stove.

The handover ceremony was graced by Lions Clubs International District 413 - Zambia Governor Dr. George SM Banda. During the handover Governor George inducted Two Prospects Lion Margaret and Lion Mercy from the Lions Club of Kabulonga.

This initiative of involving Members and Clubs with the make over of the Lusaka Lions den is on going, and every individual(s)/Club(s) are encouraged to participate.

## Lions "Serve" to Protect Our Planet

Lions Club of Choma

On the 26th January, 2019, Lions Club of Choma planted over 60 trees worth K1, 200.00 at Mwapona school in Choma.



One of the Members from The Lions Club of Choma digging a hole at Mwapona school in Choma



One of the Members from The Lions Club of Choma pouring soil around the planted Tree

## **JOINT Tree Planting PROJECT**

Region 6 Chairperson - Lion Booker Mukupa

A joint Zone 14 (Sunningdale, Ibex, Fairview and Kapila) Environmental project which took place on the 26th January, 2019, where 134 trees in four different schools were planted following the District calendar for environmental projects, and during the same day a donation of food stuff and money was made to Living Hope Foundation in Roma, Lusaka.

The Region 6 Chairperson - Lion Booker Mukupa was invited by the Zone 14 chairperson - Lion Sheba Sinkonde to grace the occasion. Zone 14 came together with other Lions and guest from different Clubs and Institution to a total number of 45 in attendance.

The Region Lion Booker and Lion Sheba gave a speech during the handover of food and cash to Living Hope Foundation in Roma, Lusaka, and adopted the Foundation as a Signature Project.



Lion Sheba giving a speech during the handover of food and cash to Living Hope Foundation



One of the four schools where Tree Planting was done - Moomba Primary School



One of the four schools where Tree Planting was done - Lilanda Parish St. Joseph Com. Centre



Member from Zone 14 pose for a Photo During the Tree Planting at Moomba Primary School

## **NEW Years Eve Cheer Donation**

Lions Club of Longacres



Member from Longacres handing over a Hamper to one of the children's parents in admission

On the 1st January, 2019, the Lions Club of Longacres donated Hampers to Kids in Admission Ward A01 at University Teaching Hospital (UTH) as part of their Annual Signature Project.

Whilst Kalingalinga Clinic was visited by the Lions Club of Munali with a donation of baby hampers to the newly born babies at the Maternity wing.



Lion President Longacres - Dr. Gabriel Mpundu (Left) handing over one of the Hampers at UTH

# DISTRICT 413 - ZAMBIA LIONS WORLDWIDE INDUCTION DAY



Lions Worldwide Induction Day is a worldwide event that welcomes new members and gives Lions the opportunity to stimulate membership growth and increase public awareness.

Since 1917, Lions have been reaching out to people in need in their local and world communities. As demand for Lion service continues, so does the demand for quality members to fulfill the association's "We Serve" motto to helping those in need. Worldwide Induction Day is a symbolic statement to Lions in the area and the general public that Lions Clubs International is committed to recruiting quality members and meeting community needs. Participating in Worldwide Induction Day will not only stimulate membership growth, it will also increase public awareness for your club and its activities.

The Lions International District 413 - Zambia will celebrating Worldwide Induction Day on the 27th April, 2019.

For Further details: DCC - Lion Dr. Osbert N Sikazwe, MJF - osikazwe@yahoo.com







# **Lions Quest**

Because young people around the world need skills for life



### What is Lions Quest?

Lions Quest is a life skills and prevention program of Lions Clubs International Foundation, implemented in more than 50 countries around the world. Lions Quest programs teach young people skills necessary for everyday success.

### These skills include:

- Learning to accept responsibility
- · Communicating effectively
- Setting goals
- Making healthy decisions
- · Resisting pressure to use alcohol and drugs

### Lions Quest programs:

- Provide high-quality, research-based classroom resources for teachers and age-appropriate learning material for students
- Present opportunities for students to learn and practice skills that build and enhance positive relationships
- Involve the family and community in supporting the healthy development of young people

#### **Programs:**

- · Skills for Growing
- Skills for Adolescence
- Skills for Action



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# Highlights from December, 2018

Lions Club of Kansenshi

On December 8th, 2018 the Lions Club of Kansenshi donated 10 benches worth K4, 900.00 at New Mushili clinic in Ndola.





# January We Share Happiness

Lions Club of Kabulonga

As part of the Relieving the Hunger Global Service Action Campaign, the Lions Club of Kabulonga went to cook and joined in the Lunch with the kids at David and Faith orphanage in Kamwala South, Lusaka on the 26th January, 2019.

The club also donated books and cleaning detergents to the orphanage.



Lunch being served to the residents at David and Faith orphanage



Lion Webby Kaluba a Member of Kabulonga handing over books and cleaning detergents to the orphanage



Group Photo taken during the Lunch and donation at David and Faith orphanage

# The Founder that Defined Service in Lionism

Lions Club of Kafubu

The day before Melvin Jones Birthday which is celebrated yearly on the 13th January, the Kafubu Lions club of Ndola on the 12th January, 2019





donated items worth K9,000.00 to Arthur Davison Children's hospital as their signature project to commemorate the Melvin Jones day.

Among the items donated were BP machines, Glucometers, protective shoes and cleaning materials.

# Green Ndola - Kitwe Dual Carriage

Lions Club of Ndola

In commemorating the World Environment day, 5 members and a prospect of Lions Club of Ndola participated in the activity of planting trees along the Ndola - Kitwe Dual carriage way on the 26th January, 2019.





# Donation of a Wheelchair

Lions Club of Kamirenda

Members of Kamirenda Lions Club in formation of Luanshya on the 26th January, 2019 donated a wheelchair to Mr. Safu in Ndeke Township.

He has been paralysed for a while after suffering from TB of the spine.

Kamirenda is a branch of Kansenshi Lions.

# World Environmental Conservation Society With Mongu Lions

Lions Club of Mongu

The Lions Club of Mongu on the 5th January, 2019 planted trees in 13 Schools around the town of Mongu in conjunction with World Environmental Conservation Society, Mongu branch.





## Feed The Hungry

District 413 - Zambia

Great Lions, Compliments!

The hype of the festive season has now quietened down and so it's back to reality! January is the month for Lions to feed the hungry. Hunger knows no borders and we all know the various effects of a hungry community.

Job well done to all clubs who have so far carried out this particular project.

For those yet to, kindly ensure we concentrate on children centres/communities. If your club has nothing planned yet, do not hesitate to get in touch so that perhaps together we could work out something. Let's remember to publicise our activities as this gives us visibility in our various communities.

Thank you

Lion Carolyn Chipepo **DCC Hunger Relief** 

# Worldwide Induction Day

District 413 - Zambia

Good day Club Presidents, Zone Chairpersons and Region Chairpersons,

This message is meant to remind you all that, as DCC - Worldwide Induction Day, I need names of all Lions inducted between July 1, 2018 and now and their email addresses. I also need for each

sponsoring Lion to submit their name and email address or mobile. In fact each time new Lions are inducted kindly submit the requested for information. This is meant for my committee to prepare effectively for the celebration on the 27 April, 2019. District Governor is in copy.

Regards,

Lion Dr. Osbert N Sikazwe **DCC Worldwide Induction Day** 

# Cabinet Appointments and disappointments

District 413 - Zambia

Fellow Lions,

On behalf of the District Governor I am pleased to announce the Cabinet appointment for Lion Joyce M Mbuzi - DCC District Special Needs Equipment. Lion Joyce has held several positions at both Club and District level. She brings along good leadership qualities, commitment, and passion to the team. It is with regret that I wish to inform you that the Governor has with immediate effect revoked the position of Zone 12 Chairperson for failure to meet the District Governor's and District Expectations.

Region 5 chairperson Lion Tembi M Chalabesa will be in charge of Zone 12.

Yours in Service,

Lion Christine C Banda Cabinet Secretary





# Resolutions and Motions

District 413 - Zambia

Good Evening Lion Leaders, Herewith Resolutions and Motions from the 3rd Cabinet Meeting which was held on Sunday, 27th January, 2019 in Kabwe.

Kindly take note of the Action Points.

- 1. A register indicating payment status of all Cabinet Officers will be circulated by 3rd February 2019.
- Cabinet Officers that have missed Cabinet Meetings Consistently as per 2nd Cabinet Meeting's resolution to be dropped from their Cabinet Positions
- 3. The District 413 Zambia Logo has officially been approved and will be used from now onwards.



- 4. Non-confidential resolutions from Cabinet will now be shared with all Lions by the District Secretariat.
- 5. Lions who register for the RLLI Training and do not attend will have an obligation to pay the participation fee instead of the District bearing that cost.
- 6. All clubs have an obligation to start supporting the peace poster contest and the DCC in charge will from now onwards serve a Two-year term.
- Recommended Board Members of Lions Aid Zambia were presented with qualifications attached for Cabinet approval for District Governor to appoint.
  - 1. Dr. Mary Miyanda
  - 2. Dr. Mutati
  - 3. Lion Nicholas Mutale Executive Director
  - International Director Lion Hastings Chiti -Trustee
  - 5. IPDG Lion Jessica Choobe
  - 6. PDG Christine Kasonde
  - 7. Lion Mudford Mwandenga

### **Qualifications**

- Member with Thematic Competence Dr Mary Miyanda
- 2. Member with knowledge and experience in Law

# First Lions Open Day Event

District 413 - Zambia

Fellow Lions.

Please note that the first Lions Open Day event will be held this Saturday, 9th February, 2019 at Mukuba Mall in Kitwe. We will start at 09:00hrs to 18:00hrs.

- Mudford Mwandenga
- 3. Member with Knowledge and Experience in Finance to be identified.
- 4. Executive Director Nicholas Mutale
- 5. Strategic Partner 1 MOH Dr Mutati
- 6. Strategic Partner 2 LAN to be identified
- 7. IPDG 2018/2019 Lion Jessica Choobe
- 8. PDG Lion Christine Kasonde.
- 8. The following were appointed as D413 New Voices
  - New voices champion PDG Lion Christine Kasonde
  - 2. New voices leadership 2VDG Dr Peter Moto Mangani
  - 3. New voices membership Lion Matilda Katengwe
  - 4. New voices Services Lion Lucas Mwambazi
  - 5. New voices marketing Lion Grace Sakala

### **RESOLUTIONS FROM COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS**

- 1. The District Governor will appoint guiding Lions
- 2. The district will hold a local UN day and all clubs must have representation.
- 3. There will be training for all club LCIF Coordinators and Club Presidents in February 2019.
- 4. All members that were dropped in the month of January need to be re- instated immediately and must be replaced before June 2019.
- 5. RLLI graduates will now be utilized at Zone meetings, Regional workshops and this will be spear headed by GLT.
- District 413 Zambia will support the candidature of Dr Pat Hill for the position of 3rd Vice President at the International Convention in July 2019.
- 7. After the passing of PDG Liaqat Kapdi, a new chairman for the All Africa conference 2019 which will be hosted by District 413 Zambia has been appointed.

PDG Abraham Nyirongo – Chairman PDG – Mike Inambao- Vice Chairperson(S) FVDG- Sanjay Balid – Vice Chairperson(N)

8. The Zone Chairpersons have not performed to the Council of Governors expectations and it is in this vain that the COG would like to see an improvement in the way Zone chairperson's performance.

### Regards,

Lion Christine C Banda Cabinet Secretary.

The next one will be in Lusaka in March. Our aim as GMT, working with all the Lions, is to cast our net wide by "Looking beyond Borders" with "Tenacity".

Kindly support this event,

Lion Emmanuel Kangwa Global Membership Team Coordinator

# District Elections - Nominations for 2019 - 2020

District 413 - Zambia

### Club Presidents,

Kindly note that filling of nomination forms has been extended to the 2nd March, 2019. My appeal is to Region 1, Region 3-5 and, Zone 1 -13 to respond to the call. Let's take note that we can't grow to a multiple District or correct the wrongs in the District if we do not volunteer to lead in our association.

The Original Lion

Lions Clubs International

Before there were over 1.4. million Lions around the world, there was one man with a vision. He was a salesman from Chicago, Illinois, USA, named Melvin Jones. Driven by a dynamic personality and a heart filled with kindness, he helped create a service movement over 100 years ago that's still thriving today.



### The Melvin Jones Story

Melvin Jones was a dreamer, a doer and a pragmatist. He was an energetic, extroverted salesman who in private hours would reread Shakespeare. What better man to found the world's largest association of service clubs?

The Lions International Board of Directors officially designated Jones as the founder of Lions Clubs in 1958—more than four decades after Lions Clubs held its first meeting. But, no matter what his official title, Jones' impact on the Lions has been farreaching. He provided the leadership, the organizational ability, the tenacity and the muscle necessary to establish the foundation for Lions Clubs International to become what it is today.

Jones was born on Jan. 13, 1879, at Fort Thomas, Arizona, a remote U.S. Army cavalry post where his father was a scout for the Army. At age 7, Jones' family moved east and settled in Illinois. Gifted with a fine tenor voice, he considered making his career in music. Instead, he became an insurance salesman.

By 1913, Jones had formed his own insurance agency in Chicago. When he joined a networking luncheon club for businessmen in Chicago called the

Let's inspire each other and SERVE.

All nominees must be fully paid up members of their club and the nominating/seconding clubs must be in good standing by 31st March 2019.

Yours in Service,

Lion Jessica Choobe, MJF,FDI Immediate Past District Governor LCIF Coordinator District 413 - Zambia BOX 51276, Ridgeway nachanguj@yahoo.com

Business Circle, he quickly took the lead in recruiting new members and persuading backsliders to

rejoin.

But something about the club's business-only focus didn't square with Jones' different, larger vision.

"What if these men who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?"

Jones asked. He saw a new kind of club with the desire to help others.

As Business Club secretary, Jones, with help from his wife—the championship golfer Rose Amanda Freeman—wrote scores of letters to

clubs nationwide inviting them to take up his idea for a service-centered organization. Businessman interested in membership convened in Chicago, Illinois, and on June 7, 1917, Lions Clubs International was born.

Later that year, at Lions' inaugural convention in Dallas, Texas, Jones was elected secretary-treasurer, a title he would hold for many years. Eventually, the board bestowed upon Jones the title of secretary general for life.

Jones was a prolific writer who could be clear and forceful on some occasions, and sentimental the next. His hand can be seen in founding documents like the Lions Clubs Objects and Code of Ethics. His columns in LION Magazine, which are still quoted today, helped articulate the organization's principles and values.

He also loved aphorisms. Never one to sugarcoat the truth, Jones had one favorite saying neatly framed in his office: "Truth and roses have thorns about them."

Jones gave up the insurance business in 1926 to become Lions' de facto CEO and global goodwill ambassador. He played both roles brilliantly—building and managing an expanding headquarters operation and travelling constantly for club visits and speaking engagements. The pace never stopped.

# A World in Need, a Foundation of Support

Caryn Lernei

On her 16th birthday, Brooklyn Driver earned her driver's license. At 17, she was captain of her tennis team. While still in her teens, she backpacked across five European countries and became a passionate painter and skilled trap shooter. Not easy for the Lafayette, Tennessee, USA, native who at age 18 months was diagnosed with eye complications including strabismus, myopia and lazy eye, and who was told she'd never drive a car, play sports or function as a normal child because of her vision.

Thanks to Lions, Driver overcame all of these obstacles. For 10 years, she attended monthly appointments at the Tennessee Lions Eye Center at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital in nearby Nashville and performed daily eye therapy at home. "Without the influence and help of Lions, I'd never have accomplished so much and seen the world," said Driver. "Lions Clubs International Foundation made the little things in life matter, changed my life forever and made the seemingly impossible a reality." "In LCIF's rich 50-year history, Lions have steadily received grants from their global foundation..."

### **Global Foundation, Local Impact**

In many communities, Lions are best known for their service to individuals with blindness or other visual impairments. But Lions' role in success stories like Driver's isn't unique, as their work expands far beyond the realm of vision and sight. In fact, Lions are dedicated to providing comfort and care to the most vulnerable and at-risk world citizens in all these areas:

Vision
Youth
Disaster Relief
Humanitarian Efforts
Diabetes
Childhood Cancer
Hunger
The Environment

There's a world in need, and where there's a need, there's a Lion. There's also Lions Clubs International Foundation – LCIF – empowering the service of 1.4-plus million Lions globally through grant funding of life-changing initiatives that deliver hope and healing to hundreds of millions more.

### Lions and LCIF: the Power of We

Mission-driven since 1968, LCIF has awarded more than US\$1 billion in grants – funding made possible through generous support from Lions; corporate, government and foundation partners; and others passionate about serving those negatively impacted by disease, disaster and other devastation. In LCIF's

rich 50-year history, Lions have steadily received grants from their global foundation to provide service for:

### **Saving Sight**

9.1 million cataract surgeries performed 270 million treatments for river blindness administered

3 million ophthalmologists and other health workers trained

### **Transforming Children's Lives**

17-plus million students in more than 100 countries accessed positive learning environments through Lions Quest

### **Providing Disaster Relief**

US\$130 million to fulfill immediate needs such as food, water and clothing, as well as to fund long-term reconstruction of homes and vital public facilities, in response to natural disasters

### **Saving Lives**

110 million doses of measles or measles rubella vaccines procured

Impressive, yes. But there's more to do. And LCIF's current capital fundraising initiative, Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service, will ensure Lions have critical funding to: Increase service impact in vision, youth, disaster relief and humanitarian efforts.

### Fight diabetes.

Expand global causes to include childhood cancer, hunger and the environment.

### When You Know More, You Do More

When Lions see a need, they serve. It's at their core. It's what they know. It's what they do. As Lions embark on their second century of service, they see a world in need and the world of good that can be done by both doing and donating.

## We know more, so we do more to Increase Service Impact

Lions and LCIF have already made tremendous strides in the areas of vision, youth, disaster relief and humanitarian efforts.

**Vision:** Through Campaign 100, LCIF will lead the global charge to rid the world of infectious blindness, reduce avoidable blindness and visual impairment, and improve overall quality of life by providing services to people who are blind or visually impaired.

Nearly 75 percent of vision impairments are preventable or curable, often for mere dollars. Take a look at Lions' longstanding commitment to eye health and eye care worldwide.

Youth: Through Campaign 100, we'll serve youth through improved access to quality education, vital health services, inclusive social and recreational opportunities, and positive development programs. One of those development programs is Lions Quest. Our signature youth program, Lions Quest is based on the concept of social and emotional learning (SEL) and promotes positive school learning environments.

Today, Lions Clubs International is a world leader in SEL, with Lions Quest impacting 17-plus million

## **Lions Clubs** International Foundation **Announces**

CAMPAIGN | 100



Increasing Service Impact Fighting Diabetes **Expanding Global Causes** 

Visit us on the exhibit floor and look for a big announcement in the third plenary.

Learn more, or make a donation, at lcif.org.



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YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THE 41st Annual Lions Day with the United Nations on Saturday, March 9, 2019, so register today!

students through more than 600,000 educators in over 100 countries. Visit lionsquest.org to discover more about this impact.

**Disaster Relief:** Through Campaign 100, LCIF will deeply engage in disaster relief efforts and in preparing for, and responding to, natural disasters when and where they strike, providing for short-term relief and long-term recovery of communities around the world.

Natural disasters can be profoundly destructive, leaving in their wake a trail of injury, death and economic loss. Approximately 90,000 people die each year as a result of natural disasters, and another 160 million are negatively impacted by them. The United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction anticipates these numbers will only escalate, with 15 percent more disaster events occurring each year.

Since 1970, LCIF has invested US\$130 million in

disasterrelated grants, and we'll continue to empower the service of Lions, who help communities recover. **Humanitarian Efforts:** Through Campaign 100, LCIF will sponsor and deliver programs addressing

the distinct needs of at-risk and vulnerable populations such as the elderly, the disabled, females, orphans and others disproportionately impacted by social and economic factors and requiring special services.

Humanitarian service remains at the heart of our work. Campaign 100 will allow Lions to continue undertaking an extensive range of humanitarian projects, including those related to eliminating measles and rubella; empowering those with disabilities; and supporting at-risk and vulnerable populations through innovative programs.

We know more, so we do more to Fight Diabetes Diabetes: Through Campaign 100, LCIF will be a major part of the response to the global epidemic of diabetes, helping prevent this devastating disease through comprehensive health initiatives. One of the fastest-growing epidemics, diabetes is a leading cause of death worldwide, a leading cause of blindness and visual impairment, and the sixth leading cause of death among women.

Through Campaign 100, LCIF will fund large-scale diabetes prevention, management and awareness service projects, empowering Lions service toward reducing diabetes' prevalence and improving quality of life for those diagnosed through investment in: Conducting large-scale screening activities combined with comprehensive follow-up care.

Enhancing existing diabetes camps, retreats and symposiums.

Expanding health facility infrastructure to increase patient access to services.

Providing human resource training and capacity building.

We know more, so we do more to Expand Our Global Causes

**Childhood Cancer:** Through Campaign 100, LCIF will strengthen medical and social services, increasing the global life expectancy of children with cancer, and enhancing quality of life for them and their families.

Every two minutes, a child is diagnosed with cancer. The average diagnosis age is six. While the survival rate in highincome countries is 80 percent, children in low- and middleincome countries, which represent roughly 60 percent of children with cancer worldwide, may have survival chances of only 10 to 20 percent. Fueled by Campaign 100, we plan to expand successful projects to increase childhood cancer diagnosis, treatment and survival rates, empowering Lions service through investment in initiatives such as:

Improving or establishing child oncology services in developing countries.

Major medical and lab equipment for pediatric cancer screenings, treatment and research.

Vehicles enabling families to get to medical appointments.

Construction services and equipment for communal lodging families use during treatment, and for camp facilities serving pediatric cancer patients.

Hunger: Through Campaign 100, LCIF will work toward a world in which no one goes hungry, expanding resources and infrastructure needed to address food shortages around the world. Hunger remains a critical and urgent challenge, particularly for children. Campaign 100 will enable us to improve food access by:

Investing in infrastructure and improved transportation systems that increase capacity of food banks, feeding centers and distribution facilities. Supplying commercial refrigeration and freezer units. **Environment:** Through Campaign 100, LCIF will protect our communities' environmental health, generating long-term, positive ecological impact. Some of today's most profound environmental challenges are deforestation, climate change and water scarcity. Worldwide, at least 1.8 billion people still use a drinking water source contaminated by fecal matter, and 40 percent are affected by water scarcity. LCIF will:

Construct and install water tanks, wells and pumps where needed.

Secure water purification equipment for public facilities such as schools and medical clinics. Install toilets and sanitation services in regions where they don't yet exist.

There's a world in need. Fortunately, there are more than 1.4 million compassionate Lions across the globe dedicated to serving through life-changing initiatives funded by LCIF, whose volunteer leaders, technical advisors and staff provide program and grant oversight, and whose seven consecutive Four Star Charity Navigator ratings testify to its efficiency and accountability.

# Celebrating Partners in Service

Melissa Nadeau

Once a year through the International Leo Video Contest, we offer Leos the opportunity to showcase the impact they make within their communities. And just like everything else with Leos, they transformed it into something larger than we ever expected. In just three minutes, their videos raise awareness on the issues that matter and reveal the heart of the Leo program – service.

This year, we asked Leos to share how they collaborate with Lions to serve as part of the Lions family. Of the 60 submissions we received from 29 countries, the video that received the most votes really demonstrated how Leos and Lions can

Hardwired for Service, Lions-Style

Lion Anna Skinner

Service runs in my family. My mom is a Lion, and has often spoken about how much good Lions do around the world. So when the Westfield Lions Club of Indiana organized its subsidiary student organization—the LEO Club—at my school, I saw this as a unique opportunity to serve my community. I was a sophomore at Westfield High School when the LEO Club was formed, so I joined, and even volunteered to serve as president for the coming year.

Ever since I was in second grade, I've had to wear glasses or contacts, so the fact that Lions clubs help the blind and visually impaired really appealed to me. I felt like I had finally found the right fit for my passion for service.

Our club participated in some fun and unique fundraisers. One of them was the annual Brian's Trike Race. As a team, we tested our athletic prowess by racing oversized tricycles in the race to raise money for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ISBVI). It felt good to see our efforts having a direct, positive impact on others. And the way we all interacted with one another, and planned and carried out our service activities was so inspiring. Together, we were on a mission to serve. I liked that our LEO Club had a direct connection to the Westfield Lions Club. The Lions listened to us and made us feel like we were part of the family. It was really cool to have caring adults and young people all working together towards a common goal —that of making peoples' lives better.

Being involved with the LEO program also helped prepare me for my journey ahead in so many ways. I acquired valuable leadership and project management skills, learned how to work collaboratively with others and met some amazing

accomplish so much more together than on their own. And when we serve, we change lives. That's why for more than six decades, Leos and Lions have worked side by side as partners in their communities. Leos show extraordinary compassion and bring life and energy to everything they do, inspiring Lions to think innovatively and bring fresh ideas to their clubs and their service. A Leo club's impact reaches not only the people it serves, but also teaches young people how to be civic-minded

Consider sponsoring a Leo club and increasing your club's community exposure. You'll find that it will attract a diverse group of potential members, such as young professionals, students, teachers and parents. Your club, your service and your community will never be the same.

Expand your Lions family by starting a Leo club today.



people along the way. It was a tremendously rewarding year.

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**My Service Journey Continues** 

Five years later, in 2016, I moved back to Westfield after I left college, landed my dream job and got my own place. I felt that I had achieved my lifestyle milestones, but something was missing. I love people, and I love helping others. I wanted to give back to my community. I knew exactly where I needed to be: the Westfield Lions Club. They warmly welcomed me into their family as the first Leo to Lion ever

I am proud to serve alongside my Lion colleagues, but never expected the club to impact me in the way that it has in such a short time. Last winter, I received the Roy O. Hadley Lion of the Year award in recognition of my service during my inaugural year. I am the first woman to receive this award, and I am truly honored. In July 2018, I became the first female officer to be inducted into our club, where I will serve as second vice president.

My two short years with the Westfield Lions Club have been jam-packed with community service, new friendships and wonderful experiences. My fellow Lions have passed on their wisdom, humor and passion for service during my time with them thus far. I am humbled that my peers trust me for the position of second vice president, and am filled with excitement

about what's ahead for our club.

I encourage Lions everywhere to invite young people to join them in their service journey. This is so important as it will bring fresh perspectives and new ideas into clubs so they can lead the way in service in the 21st century. Young people love to give back. They're full of energy, have great ideas and are passionate about what they do.

We, as Lions, are creating leaders in our communities. There is no substitute for leadership during these times, and I am extremely blessed to give back to my community through the Westfield Lions Club.

# Three Ways to Make Your Lions Club Facebook Page the Best Ever!

Lion Richard Stevenson



In 2014, the marketing challenge for my 70-year-old club, the South Tucson Lions Club, was to build a new brand image. We wanted to stop being the "best-kept secret," and start being the talk of the town. We wanted to really connect with our community, and let them know all the great things we were doing—and how they could join us on our journey.

We started a Facebook page and began consistently posting our club's activities and signature projects, like youth mariachi and children's vision.

As of 2019, our club page now has 7,400 followers, including local mariachis and schools, school boards, nurses and other community members and organizations with goals that aligned with ours. Our brand is now well established in the community, which helped us to vision screen more than 80,000 children in the last three years. We even started a brand-new cyber club and inducted 21 new Lions last year.

How did we do it? How did Facebook help? You can increase your club's Facebook footprint in three easy steps. Just remember: it may be easy, but it also takes dedication.

Step 1: Make it appealing.

Choose an appealing cover image and a correctlysized logo for your profile image. For club members who use their personal profile to promote Lions activities, make sure their profiles are appealing as well – and not controversial. Bring your brand wherever you go! When taking photos, make sure you connect the scene with your club by including members wearing branded apparel, signs with the Lions logo, etc.

**Step 2:** Produce quality content regularly. Capture the smiles of the people attending your activities and events.

Choose one well-edited action photo to post, rather than multiple photos of poor quality.

You can never have too many cute children in a photo, but always gain permission!

With each post, provide a brief description of the "who, what, where, when and why." Share how your community is a better place because of your club.

**Step 3:** Gain followers by being an active social networker. Invite people who like your posts to "like" your page. If you have admin capabilities, simply click on the list of post likes, and it will show you who already likes the page and give you the option to invite those who don't. Invite your personal Facebook friends to "like" your page, encourage your members to "like" your page, and encourage members to invite their friends to "like" your page.

Ask people in your photos if you can "tag" them for more exposure. They have followers, too, and when they're tagged, their followers can see your page. Connect with your community partners on Facebook and coordinate posts and events. For example, my club does vision screenings at local schools. We are working with the school district marketing department and with individual school Facebook page admins to post our upcoming screenings, how we do it, what a letter from the nurse means, and how to get free exams and glasses from our Lions club.

We serve. With Facebook, you can make sure your community knows it!



# Lions' Guide Dog Wins American Humane Guide Dog of the Year Award

Madeleine Miller, ABC

They say that a dog is a man's best friend. But for Lion Holly Bonner, her dog is not only her best friend, she is her guiding light, her GPS, the eyes that see what she cannot.

Frances is a four-year old female yellow Labrador guide dog that came to live with Holly, her husband, Joe, and their two daughters several years ago. She was placed with the Bonners by Guiding Eyes for the Blind.

The world is Filled with suffering. But it's also Filled with overcoming it...I am living proof.

Frances is Holly's constant companion. She accompanies her everywhere, helping her safely navigate the streets of Staten Island, New York, to her adjunct professor job at the Metropolitan College of New York, the grocery store, doctors' appointments or to school to pick up her children. But Frances is no longer an unsung hero. She was recently voted the United States' Guide/Hearing Dog of the Year and was a finalist in the 2018 American Humane Hero Dog Awards competition. The two-hour awards show was broadcast on the Hallmark Channel in October 2018.

"Frances allows me to be the mom I want to be," Holly explained. "I can't even imagine life without her. She helps me live my life to the fullest, and is almost like another mother to our daughters."

**Putting Up a Courageous Fight** 

Holly Bonner wasn't born without sight. At the age of 19, she was diagnosed with breast cancer. She courageously battled the disease for more than a decade, enduring endless rounds of chemotherapy and radiation, along with 17 surgeries. Then, one afternoon, she took a nap. And when she awoke, she was blind. All the years of chemotherapy treatments brought on a neurological condition that caused her to lose her sight.

In less than 45 minutes, Holly went from being an active, 32- year-old married woman with two master's degrees and a fulfilling career as a social worker to being a disabled person in need of the very services she specialized in. "I was incredibly angry," Holly recalled. "I felt that I had been cheated and didn't deserve this. It was also extremely frightening. I couldn't even cross the street by myself." Her husband took some time off from his job as a detective specialist with the New York Police Department to be with her, but on the first day he went back to work, she decided to end her life.



From the Depths of Despair to Great Joy "I went down to the basement," she said, "and wrapped an extension cord around my neck. And I started talking to God... loudly. I said, 'God, if you're here and you're going to go through this with me, then you'd better show me. Because if not, I'm done. I'm going to kill myself right now.' Right after that, I began throwing up. Joe came home from work and took me to the hospital, where I found out that I was pregnant. This was the turning point in my life." Holly sought professional help and learned how to cook, do laundry and use a computer. But nothing was harder to adjust to than the unkindness of people when they learned she was pregnant. "The message I kept getting from everyone was that I was unfit to be a mother because of my visual impairment," she said. "It was so hurtful. Some people would even ask if I was keeping the baby." Nine months later, the Bonners joyfully welcomed their first daughter, Nuala, and, two years after that, Aoife was born. "My girls are the reason I get up every day," Holly said. "They've renewed my hope in life." And, with Frances by her side, Holly has another purpose in life. She's on a mission to educate children (grades K-2) about visuallyimpaired people through her Visually Impaired Education Program (VIEP). She and Frances visit classrooms in the area to help end the stereotypes associated with blindness. "My goal is to help children understand that blind people are just like everyone else," she said. A member of the North Star Lions Club on Staten Island, Holly thoroughly enjoys being a part of the club and of Lions International. "I love how Lions have such a long history of working with the blind and visually impaired," she said. "You don't realize how much this matters until you lose your sight. My club members are very supportive of everything I do. I'm so proud to be a Lion!" Holly is currently working on her Ph.D., focusing on helping clergy of all religions serve the blind and visually impaired. "The world is filled with suffering," she observed. "But it's also filled with overcoming it. Anyone who loses his vision can adapt and live a full

life with the help of these wonderful guide dogs. You

can adapt to any circumstance that life throws at you.

I am living proof."

# Host an International Exchange Student. Gain a Son or Daughter for Life

Lion Deb Arndt



Have you ever considered hosting an international student in your home? If not, you're missing out on the experience of a lifetime!

I first discovered the Lions Youth Camp and Exchange Program (YCE) in 2012 at our club's district convention. As a newly inducted Lion, I wasn't aware that Lions clubs hosted an international youth exchange, but was thrilled to learn that this was one of their programs. My husband and I have been host parents to five students in the past, and the YCE seemed like a perfect fit for us.

The first student we hosted was a young man named Guilherme Montagner Ifarraguirre from Brazil in the summer of 2014. We had planned a trip to Europe that summer, so were unable to host Gui for his first week here in the States. But no worries! I quickly learned how flexible the program was, and how generously Lions in other clubs were willing to help out with hosting.

When I finally met the 17-year-old student, we quickly developed a wonderful bond, and within a couple of weeks, I became his Wisconsin mom. We went hiking and canoeing, did a little shopping and taught him how to water ski. It was like having another son (we already have three,) and we all had a great time.

Since that summer, Gui has returned once to Wisconsin to experience our winter wonderland, having never seen snow. He loved it! He even learned how to snowmobile.

### **Putting Out the Welcome Mat**

The following year, we were asked to host a young man named Aurelien Mermet from Sarlat, France, so we invited him to be a part of our family. Aurelien and I had been skyping and texting since February, and when he arrived in June, it was like welcoming one of our kids home. I am a foodie and Aurelien was training to be a chef, so you can imagine how much fun we had in the kitchen. We took him to meet my entire family at a get-together, and threw a party to celebrate his 18th birthday.

One of the most memorable things about YCE is that you... gain a son or a daughter from another country...

Finally, we hosted 15-year-old Matthieu Miquel from Marsaille, France last summer. Matthieu's parents are actively involved with YCE in France. When they learned about Aurelien's great experience with us, they asked if we'd be willing to host their son. Matthieu's father was attending the 100th anniversary of Lions International in Chicago, and had brought him along. Despite being too young for the Wisconsin YCE camp, we were delighted to have Matthieu stay with us for several weeks. We had a lot of fun doing outdoorsy things like fishing and hiking. He was so easygoing, sweet and comical, and we enjoyed his visit tremendously.

The young people we hosted all wanted the unique experience of living with an American family, and I truly believe they had the time of their young lives. I took them to my Lions club meetings as well so they could meet other people in the community, and get a feel for what this great organization and its members do.

### The Key to Our Hearts

When each of our exchange students were ready to head back home, I gave them a key to our house, and told them that this was their forever home in the United States. We continue to keep in touch and be an important part of each other's lives.

One of the most memorable things about YCE is that you not only gain a son or a daughter from another country, but host families become extended loved ones of these young people's families. I hear from the parents of our students frequently. We continue to share happy moments and milestones in our sons' lives. This is such a blessing to me and my husband. My heart is so full being an international host mom. I encourage anyone who is contemplating becoming a YCE host parent to just do it. The experience will live with you forever.













# Lions Clubs International District 413 - Zambia

# CONDOLENCES

Lions Club of Lusaka and Members of District 413
Zambia received the news of the passing on to higher service of Lion Maj. General Kapotwe Chintu from the Lions Club of Lusaka on Friday, 11th January, 2019 and was put to rest on Thursday, 14th January, 2019 with sadness.



Major Chintu was an exceptional Lion who was dedicated to the service of others. Lions Club of Lusaka, District 413 - Zambia and Lions Clubs International will dearly miss you. May the good Lord grant comfort to the family of our departed member. Rest in perfect peace Lion Kapotwe.

**May His Soul Rest In Eternal Peace** 













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We want to thank the District Chairpersons and Clubs that took part in this Newsletter.

It is very important to keep an active, informed and growing District. Without the newsletter—think of all the information that would be lost and how many members we may lose without keeping them informed.

To all those that did not submit an article at this time—please consider it in the next coming issue.

To help us Publish a monthly Newsletter for all activities, we would like each club in the district to send us a copy of your article each month.

When you send us your article, you make our job a lot easier. We will be able to share all the wonderful things your clubs are doing, so thank you.

Keep up the great work that you and your clubs do for your community and beyond.

We hope that these few hints have helped you and if you still have questions, please feel free to contact us.

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Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world. We have more than 1.7 million members in more than 46,000 clubs worldwide.

## Where there's a need, there's a Lion.

We're men and women serving in more than 200 countries and geographic areas.

### Lions serve.

Our motto is "We Serve."
Founded in 1917, we are best known for saving sight, but we also feed the hungry, aid seniors and the disabled, care for the environment and so much more. Lions are a global service network of volunteers that make a difference in their local communities.

### Lions give sight.

By conducting vision screenings, equipping hospitals and clinics, distributing medicine and raising awareness of eye disease. Lions work toward the goal of providing vision for all. Through the support of the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions have helped provide more than 153 million treatments for river blindness and 72 million doses of a sight-saving trachoma medication through the Sight First program alongside our partners. Lions and LCIF have also helped provide vision screenings for more than 22 million children through the Sight for Kids partnership program.

### Lions serve youth.

Our community projects often support children and local schools through scholarships, recreation and mentoring.