

# WE LIGHT UP CHIREDZI

LIONS CLUB OF CHIREDZI QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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Lion President David Saunyama (centre) poses for a picture with the Club Leo Advisor Lion Sam Homera (left) and his assistant Lion Theresa Mapfumo (right) after the successful re-launch Chiredzi Leo Club



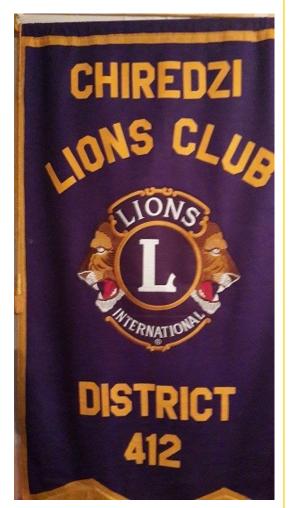
# SERVING THE YOUTH

'Service through Integration' 'Follow Your Dream'



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"With Ordinary Talents and extraordinary perseverance, all things are attainable"

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

## LIONS CLUB OF CHIREDZI VISION FOR 2013 - 2014

#### **Fund Raising**

- 1. Stock the Lions' Den with beers and soft drinks.
- 2. HAZ Accommodation vouchers.
- 3. Gate manning Lowveld Agricultural Show.
- 4. Hippo Valley one tonne bag sales
- 5. Golf Tournament duties
- 6. Social Soccer between Triangle FC and Hippo Valley FC. This activity to be combined with the family day function.
- 7. Member contributions for admin purposes.
- 8. Donations from friends of Chiredzi Lions Club. Speculating twinning with other countries.

## **District and International Dues**

60% of accommodation vouchers sold and any payments paid by members to immediately go for Dues without fail.

## Membership 2013 / 2014.

To increase by 10 members.

## **The Blind Community**

- 1. To acquire a stand from Chiredzi Town Council Bus Terminus to build Toilets and Showers for the Blind and Disabled.
- 2. Food hamper towards Xmas.
- 3. Sight Projects:
  - a. Samba to be complete.
  - b. 2 primary schools.
  - c. 2 secondary schools.
  - d. Get 10 pairs of glasses from PGD Frances Palmer for those prescribed.

## Chiredzi General Hospital

- 1. To establish a play ground for young kids.
- 2. Donations of clothes and other goods during Xmas.

## **Children or Youth of Our Community**

- 1. Renovate one recreational park in town.
- 2. Sponsor a Soccer or Netball Tournament for the less privileged youth of our society.
- 3. Place tins for donations at strategic places.
- 4. Donations of reading books in one of the Children's Homes / Crèche.

## RAP

1. Secure and stock books at Samba Primary School (Library for the Community)



2. Secure and stock books at Chingele Children's home.

## Signature Projects

- 1. Dog Dip tank at Agritex
- 2. Build a Bus Terminus at Farmec / Croco.
- 3. Official Opening for Chingele Piggery Project.

#### **Leo Involvement**

- 1. Hippo Valley Secondary School (30) plus two teachers.
- 2. Chiredzi Christian College (30) plus two teachers.
- 3. Two hundred (200) donated by Lion Stephen to be planted by Leos in these schools and two other rural schools.

#### Lions' Den

- 1.Get 40 chairs and tables well decorated.
- 2.Entertainment equipment Dish / TV /
- 3. Work to improve the Parking Area and Re
- Draw Lions Club International Logo.
- 4.Stock 40 water glasses.
- 5.Stock 40 tea cups and tea spoons.
- 6.Stock 1 Tea jar (5 liters').

#### **Compacting Hunger**

- 1. Establish vegetable gardens.
- 2.Poultry project
- 3.Two boreholes.

#### Social

- 1.Cookout Competition.
- 2. Weekend out 2 weeks before Xmas.
- 3.Every 2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting to have Braai and other Social Games.



## MEET THE 2013 - 2014 BOARD



Lion Piraishe Mabhena First Vice President



Lion David Saunyama President



Lion Anthony Siyavunda Second Vice President Tail Twister



Lion Judith Ndlovu Treasurer



Lion Mathias Nyangani Immediate Past President Membership Director



Lion Nyengetero Chaduka Secretary



Lion Amon Pasi Lion Tamer



Lion Sam Homera Leo Advisor



Lion Jacob Nyazungu Projects Director



## LEOS RELAUNCHED



In the picture above: Lion President David and The Leo Advisors Lion Sam and Lion Theresa pose for a picture with Leos from Chiredzi Christian School.

In line with Lion President David's vision, the Lions of Chiredzi led by Past President and the most senior of Chiredzi Lions, Lion Sam Homera the Leo Advisor successfully re-launched the Leo Program. Chiredzi has always had an Omega Leo Club but this club has been ailing due to the movement of the Leos as they grow to pursue their studies and employment.

The Club through the efforts of DAC Lion Piraishe, PLDP Lion Antony and Lion Theresa (Assistant Leo Advisor) has initiated the formation of two Alpha Leo Clubs at Chiredzi Christian and Chiredzi Government Schools. This idea has been well received by the school authorities and the teachers. Already several projects have been identified for the Leos, among them Tree Planting in which the new Leos have pledged to plant 200 trees by the end of the year.

The official induction ceremony for the new clubs will be done on the 1st of November at a venue to be advised.







Picture 1: Lions Sam, Anthony & Theresa discuss the way forward with teachers at Chiredzi Government High School.

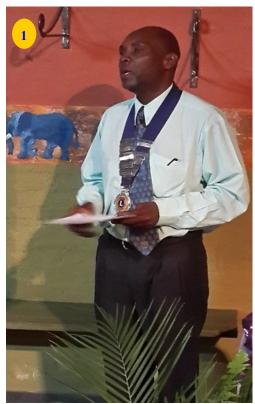
Picture 2: The prospective Leos go through schools of instructions at the Lions Den.

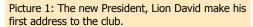
Picture 3: Lion Steve handovers a donation of trees to the Leo Advisors. He donated a total of 400 for planting by the Leos.

"If you want to get somewhere you have to know where you want to go and how to get there. Then never, never, never give up." - Norman Vincent Peale -



## THE INDUCTION IN PICTURES



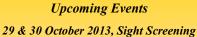


Picture 2: IPP Lion Mathias presents a certificate of appreciation to Lion Theresa.

Picture 3: Region 3 Chairman, Lion Cosmas inducts the new President Lion David.

Picture 4: Part of the audience to witness the induction.

Picture 5: Its show time, Lady Lions invade the dance floor!



1 November 2013, Chiredzi Leos Induction
1-3 November 2013, Region 3 Conference
9 November 2013, Zone 3A Meeting
23 November 2013, 2nd Cabinet Meeting
4 December 2013, National Tree Planting
25 December 2013, Chiredzi General
Hospital Visit











## DG & IP's THEMES 2013 - 2014





International President Lion Barry Palmer

## LIVE YOUR DREAM

- Architect Jorn Urtzon had a dream to design a structure renowned worldwide for its aesthetic design while defining its surroundings as well as defying modern architecture
- •1957 His Sydney Opera House design was best out of 200 entries
- •1959 to 1973 –14yrs hard work to realise the Urtzon dream
- •Jorn Urtzon withstood many a dream-stealer and detractor as they say
- Jorn Urtzon's Sydney Opera House is now the worldwide symbol of Sydney
- •"If you can dream it, you can achieve it"

## **FOLLOW YOUR DREAM**

- •"If you can dream it, you can do it." -Walt Disney of Disneyland
- Dr Martin Luther King did not say, "I have a goal." Or "I have an aim."
- The most powerful words in Dr M L King's famous speech were "I have a dream"
- •Indeed
- •"If you can dream it, you can achieve it."

#### **MOTIVATION TO SUCCEED**

- Everyone should have a dream a vision a goal, and something as unique as our very DNA.
- •Challenges to Success include:
  - -firstly identify your dream, and then
  - Share your dream with your team / club
- -Finally work to achieve your dream.
- •There is nothing more disheartening than a dream unfulfilled.





District Governor Lion Clever Mugadza

## 'SERVICE THROUGH INTEGRATION'

TEAMWORK and there is no 'I' in

T. E. A. M. Together Each Achieves More

> "It is only when we develop others , That we permanently succeed" James Firestone

"We must lose ourselves in the service of others to find ourselves." **Mahatma Gandhi** 

'We must do the best we can, where we are, with what we have." Nelson R. Mandela

Politicians and Lies

A plane carrying politicians crashed into a farm. When the police arrived, they found out that the farmer had already buried them.

The following conversation ensued:

POLICE: Are you sure they were dead?

FARMER: Yes, I'm very sure, though I heard some screaming "Help me! I'm still alive o!", but you know these politicians, they lie a lot!



## Common Questions about the Leo Club Program

Must Leos be sons or daughters of Lions? No. Leo club membership is open to any young person of good character. Eligibility is determined by the Leo club committee of the sponsoring Lions club.

What is the relationship between the sponsor Lions club and a Leo club? The sponsor Lions club is responsible for guiding and counseling its Leo club. By working closely with Leos, Lions ensure that their sponsored club operates within the policies of Lions Clubs International. Lions work with Leos in an open, constructive manner.

What is a Leo club advisor? In consultation with the Leo club, a Lion is appointed to serve as an advisor for the Leo club. This individual should be someone who enjoys working with youth. The leadership provided by an advisor often affects the success of a Leo club. The advisor, along with two other appointed Lions, forms the Leo club advisory committee. Often, schoolbased Leo clubs are required to have a faculty member as an advisor. If the faculty member is not a Lion, a Lion co-advisor should be selected to maintain close rapport with the Lions club.

Are there age limits for Leos? Yes. Leo club members must be between the ages of 12 and 30. Within this age range, Alpha Leo clubs are designed for young people between 12 and 18 years old. This track focuses on the individual and social development of teens and preteens. Omega clubs are tailored for young adults between 18 and 30 years old. This track focuses on the personal and professional development of young adults.

What are Leo districts? When there are six or more officially certified Leo clubs in a Lions district, the district governor can approve the formation of a Leo district. The territorial boundaries of the Leo district must match those of the sponsoring Lions district. All Leo districts must follow the guidelines stated in the Standard Leo District Constitution approved by the International Board of Directors. When there are ten or more Leo clubs in a Lions multiple district, a Leo multiple district may be organized. Leo membership within the multiple district must exceed 100. The council of governors must approve the formation of a Leo multiple district. All Leo multiple districts must follow the guidelines stated in the Standard Leo Multiple District Constitution approved by the International Board of Directors.

#### THE LEO EMBLEMS







## LEO MOTTO

The Leo club motto — Leadership, Experience, Opportunity — says it all:

**LEADERSHIP:** Leo members acquire skills as project organizers and motivators of their peers.

**EXPERIENCE**: They discover how teamwork and cooperation can bring about change in their community and the world.

**OPPORTUNITY**: Leos develop positive character traits and receive recognition for their contributions.

"Walking a new path in making a difference"

"WALKIN' THE TALK, ENERGIZIN' SERVICE"



## MEMBERSHIP



Dear Fellow Lions,

On behalf of the membership committee I would like to announce the following guidelines which we need to observe as we usher in new members;

#### New Membership Procedure

Before the prospective member is invited to the Club, you are required to submit the name and credentials of the prospective member to the Club's general meeting and if there are no objections you can proceed to the next step.

Encourage the prospective Lion Member to attend at least 3 meetings and participate in at least one club project before taking the oath to serve.

The prospective member should go through a formal pre-induction.

The Membership Committee will make a recommendation to the Board for the formal induction of the new member to be done after the above conditions have been satisfied.

The Sponsoring member is highly encouraged to mentor the new member on an ongoing basis.

## **Member Retention**

We shall as the membership committee endeavor to do the following to ensure that we retain our membership;

Arrange for schools of instruction to assist new and current members on a quarterly basis in one of the General Meetings.

Follow up members who are no longer attending meetings and projects and remind the members of their oath to serve.

Meet regularly to review performance of members in participation of Lions Club duties.

Promote retention of members through regular consultation and club functions.

## Members of the Membership Committee

IPP Lion Mathias (Chairman)
PP Judith Ndlovu
PP James Mugwisi
FVP Lion Piraishe Mabhena



We welcome Lion Stanley to the Lions Family! In this picture IPP Lion Mathias inducts Lion Stanley in the company of his Sponsor, Lion David and his spouse.

## CHIREDZI SHINES IN MOZAMBIQUE

The Lions of Chiredzi are heavily involved in efforts to extend the District's membership in Mozambique through the efforts of GMT Member, Lion David Saunyama. Chiredzi has delivered Lions Club of Beira and are in the process of Sponsoring a Club in Gondola.

## Laughter is the best medicine

An illiterate woman boarded a plane from Enugu to Abuja. She was booked for an economy class but just after the plane took-off, the woman stood up and went to sit in the first class cabin.

The flight attendant went to ask her to go back and sit in economy class because that's where her ticket allowed her to sit, but she refused. She had paid and wanted the best seat.

Then the attendant informed the junior pilot. The junior pilot went and spoke with the lady and she still refused. Then the junior pilot went to inform the chief pilot.

The chief pilot said, "I am married to an illiterate, I'll go and talk to her."

The chief pilot went and whispered something to the woman and she peacefully stood up and went to her economy class seat. Surprised, the flight attendant and junior pilot asked the Chief pilot, "Sir, what did you tell her?"

Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.

John F. Kennedy



## PROJECTS REPORTS





We would like to thank Delta Beverages for donating seed stock to our bar at the Den. This new found relationship with Delta will see the Lions selling liquor at the gazette prices and keeping a well stocked bar for our club functions and meetings. Profits thereof will be targeted towards our Admin account.

In the picture above: Region Chair Lion Cosmas Chisare addresses club members and Senior Management from Delta Beverages acknowledging the seed stock donated by Delta to the Lions Club of Chiredzi.



## Region 3 Workshop

The journey of life is not about being right or pretending that you know it all- its about learning and growing every step of the way.

We can learn from successes –our own as well as that of others but we can learn even faster from our failures and of those around us. The key point, no doubt, is 'keep learning'

Lion David, Lion Nyenge, Lion Fungai & Lion Piraishe attended the Regional Workshop in Gweru held on the 13-14th of August 2013.



# In the picture above: Lions pose for a late night picture after successfully completing the Show gate duties on behalf of the Lowveld Show Society. Well done to all the Lions who took part in this activity.

#### The 2013 Lowveld Show

The Lions went out to man the gates at the Lowveld Show held on the 5-7th of September 2013.

The Lowveld Show being itself a brain child of the Lions and later handed over to the Show Society is one of the major fundraisers for the club as 10% of the gate-takings collected are paid out to the Lions to enhance their charity activities.

Several Lions namely Lion Judith, Lion Piraishe, Lion Alex, Lion Theresa, Lion Faith, Lion Stephen, Lion David, Lion Newton, Lion Jacob, Lion Marjorie & Lion Nyenge worked over the 2 show days to man the gates and raise funds for the Club assisted by Leos Tino and Simba.