



Simply the Best

LIONS CLUB OF TRIANGLE

We serve

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Greetings from the Club President

THE PRIDE SERVING WITH PRIDE

It is a very humbling experience to take over the leadership of such a huge club, huge not necessarily on membership but the level of service to the community.

I will start by thanking my predecessor, IPP Lion Eliphas Zizhou (an elephant being the Lion King?) for all that he did for our club during his tenure.

I welcome the new Lions into the pride. On behalf of the members of the Lions Club of Triangle I pledge our full support to helping you serve with pride.

The LCI President is urging us to strengthen “The Pride”. The strength of a pride of lions comes from its accomplishments. Unity, progress and fellowship (Zone Chair Lion David Saunyama’s Mission) and being passionate about everything that we do as Lions (Passion in service – District Governor Lion Jean Mathanga’s Mission) will bind us into a closely knit club. Membership can only be increased if we make ourselves visible to potential Lions. This can be achieved by reaching out and serving our community (Reach out and serve – Region Chair Lion Cosmas Chisare’s Mission).

Serving starts with

Some Lion(s) mobilising

Every other Lion to

Respond to the

Various social and

Environmental needs

of our community.

When one Lion initiates a project or activity and the rest of the club members join in to support, we achieve things as a club and we will have shared pride which will bind us together. I challenge each and every Lion to initiate a project or activity they are passionate about and the whole club to come in full support. Then will my mission will be accomplished, to have the pride serving with pride. This Lionistic year we will live up to our motto, “Simply the best” more than ever before.

Everything will simply be the best. Brace yourselves

for some hard work and hard partying too! It will simply be the best year through and through!

THE PRIDE SERVING WITH PRIDE.

Lion Onismo Nhondova
Club President (2014-15)

Club Officers 2014-2015

President	Lion Onismo Nhondova
First Vice-President	Lion Lesley Grobler
Second Vice-President	Lion Brian Ziki
Secretary	Lion Diana Nhondova
Treasurer	Lion Glen Magerison
Membership Chair	Lion Eliphas Zizhou
Den/Bar Convener	Lion Cosmas Chisare
Tail twister	Lion Fidelis Harry
PRO	Lion Lesley Grobler
Youth	Lion Lewis Tsododo
Senior citizens	Lion Fran Chisare
Paraplegics	Lion Ethel Dambanemweya
Leos	Lion Mandy Gavaza / Lion Esnath Zizhou

THE PRIDE, SERVING WITH PRIDE



Greetings from our International President

2014-15 International President
No Ordinary Joe



Meet Joe Preston.

You've met him, or at least a Lion like him. Certainly, you don't become an international president by being an ordinary Joe. But the contours of his life are routine and familiar. He's the fleet manager for Sanderson Ford dealership, the largest Ford dealer in Arizona. He and his wife, Joni, have three grown children, all of whom fondly recall idyllic family times including vacations in San Diego and fall Saturdays in the football stadium at Arizona State enthusiastically cheering on the beloved Sun Devils. They have seven grandchildren under the age of 7, all boys.

Lions in Arizona first met Preston in 1974 when he joined the Mesa Host Lions. He was 21. A work colleague invited him to the meeting. Preston never left.

"It was amazing—you'd go out and work on their service projects and there'd be somebody that was 80 loading bags of newspapers into the bin and helping to recycle. It was pretty hard to say you weren't going to do your share of the work when they're working like that.

As a young Lion, Preston found himself working with youth. He did [eye screenings](#) and [promoted reading](#). His willingness to step forward

cemented his status as a Lion and presented him with his "day I became a Lion" revelation. He volunteered to drive blind people 20 miles to a blind center in Phoenix. The blind he drove bubbled over with anticipation at seeing their friends. The realization that he was bringing joy to others struck him full force. "It was amazing what I got out of it. I knew that I was making a difference in somebody's life," he says.

Preston's growth as a person and at his job was tied to his increasing role as a Lion. "Being a Lion I've learned so many skills that I was able to use in my business life. You join for certain reasons. And you stay for certain reasons. But there are so many side benefits to being a member. It's the friendships, the relationships."

Lions delivered one relationship in particular. Joni was a member of the Pinnacle Peak Lioness Club. The incoming district governor, Joe showed up for the installation of the charter members. Joni and Joe ran into each other again at the state convention.

"What attracted me to Joe was his energy, his enthusiasm for life and just his good heart. I could tell right away he was a good man," says Joni. Their Lions-themed life together continued with their children. The Prestons took them to Lions conventions and to service projects.

Those who have served alongside Preston attest to his people skills, dynamic personality and solicitude for others. The praise makes Preston uncomfortable. He prefers the focus to be on the task ahead. "During my tenure I want to do everything I can to increase the amount of service that we provide and help our clubs be more productive and more efficient," he says. "We have to take new strategies to what we are currently doing and take it to the next level."

Preston believes every Lion can make an impact and every Lion can be impacted by being a member. "I think one of the important things about Lions is you don't have to be rich. You can be successful by bringing your leadership to the table or by building relationships within our association," he says.



Chiredzi Children's Home Visit

Lion Fidelis had sighted a need for the Lions Club of Triangle to assist the two babies, Miriam who is 3 months old and Paul who is 10 months old at the Chiredzi Children's home. Lion President Onismo, Lion Fidelis, Lion Cosmas, Lion Enock, Chiredzi Lion President Piraishe, Zone Chair Lion David, Lion Ethel, Tapiwa, Mr. Shumbanhete, the OK Triangle Branch Manager, Mr. Moyo the OK Assistant Manager and myself visited the home on 23 August 2014.



A few basics for the babies to the amount of \$152 were purchased using the OK Shopping Card which was donated by to Lions OK. The items were namely diapers, peanut butter, petroleum jelly, bath soap and baby milk formula. In addition to this Lion Ethel donated some cups and saucer which were a donation from The Anglican Church and we also donated flour which was a donation from Mr. Tony Leatt from N Richards. There were also baby clothes, a donation through Lion Les from Mr. and Mrs. Saunders from Malilangwe.



The Children's home has 47 children of various ages and they have Care Givers, mothers, who work in

pairs at the 5 houses at the Orphanage. The Head Mother was present together with the other Care Givers and the few children who were at the Orphanage at the time of our visit. The rest of the children had gone to Harare to take part in a sports tournament, on a Tongaat Hulett bus organized by the Chiredzi Lions.

The Head Mother thanked the Lions club for the donations and advised that the items will go a long way in normalizing the babies lives. She really appreciated the assistance that Lions Club gave them.



We will continue to assist where possible, considering that we have other cases within the Triangle Community that require our assistance. Thank you fellow Lions for making this happen. We will live to our motto **"Simply the Best"**.

Lion Taurai
(Member)



Annual Soccer Gala Fundraiser

The Lions Club of Triangle Soccer Gala fundraiser which was started in August 2009 became an exciting annual event and has gained momentum attracting teams from all over Chiredzi District. This fundraising, by public demand became a dream come true through the unwavering sponsorship from Main Protective Clothes (Private) Ltd. year after year.

This year's soccer fundraiser was held on August 30, 2014 and had 13 soccer teams, 6 netball teams, 2 tug of war teams and 2 donors, Main Protective Clothes (Private) Ltd. being the main sponsor as usual.



Below are the donors and their donations in cash or kind;

DONATIONS

	<u>KIND</u>	<u>CASH</u>
1.	Wildlife Management	\$20.00
2.	Les Grobler	\$25.00
5.	Lion Ishmael Patel	-
6.	-30 kg Meat	-
6.	Main Protective Clothes (Private) Ltd.- Soccer kits	-2 Sets
	-2 Sets Netball kits	
<u>Donations Total cash</u>		<u>\$45.00</u>
	-40 Floppy hats	

<u>Teams and games registration fees-799.00</u>	-5 Work suits
<u>Total takings</u>	<u>\$844. 00</u>
	- 2 Cutting smoke

Less \$147.00 Expenditure

NET PROFIT **\$697.00**

Participants had a lot of fun for the whole day interacting with Main Protective Clothes (Private) Ltd. as the main sponsor. It was like a beehive of activities whilst people and sponsors partner with the lions and contribute to the accomplishment of our mission.

The most exciting event was the women versus men tug of war where men were nearly defeated by ladies who proved the essence of gender equality.

This fundraiser is helping us to take major steps to rebrand lionism across the local community social classes and to project an image of lions as important and relevant. The local community now understands and appreciate the purpose of lions. This was evidenced by the support given by the local community as per table below.

Special thanks must go to Main Protective Clothes (Private) Ltd. for the outstanding sponsorship of the tournament, Lion Ishmael Patel for the donation of meat, donors from our Business Community, Triangle Community Development Department for the use of Gibbo Stadium and the Triangle Community for their support.

Below is self-explanatory table on Soccer Fundraisers held from 2009-2014

EAR	AMOUNT RAISED	SOCCER TEAMS	NETBALL TEAMS	TUG OF WAR TEAMS	DONORS	OTHER GAMES	SPECTATORS
2009	\$558.00	6	2	2	12	20	83
2010	\$561.00	9	4	2	13	34	83
2011	\$754.00	14	6	2	7	26	159
2012	\$957.00	13	6	4	13	60	190
2013	\$640.00	12	5	3	6	12	161
2014	\$844.00	13	6	2	3	0	115
TOTAL	\$4314.00	67	29	15	54	152	791



Congratulations Lions on believing in ourselves and inspiring others to believe in us.

Thank you Lions of Triangle, for your unwavering support which contributed to the success of this project, now we can lift off and fulfil our mission of service year after year.

Lion A.J.Musiwa
Project Convenor



President's Induction Dinner

This was held on the 12 July, 2014. The purpose of this was to induct our new President, Lion Onismo Nhondova, as well as to induct 3 new members, Lion Taurai, Lion Kuda and Lion Ethel. Invited guests included O.K. Triangle staff (Mr Nhungudza and Mr Chikonzo), as well as members from Chiredzi Lions Club, which also included our Zone 3A Chair, Lion David. Our guest of honour for the evening was Mr Collen Nyengera, from THZ, who was accompanied by his lovely wife.



A pleasant evening was had by all. O.K. kindly made a big donation of \$1000 to our club. Our club got the first address from our new Zone Chair, Lion David, and he went on to induct our new Lions.



Presidential Awards for the lionistic year 2013/2014 were handed out to members, recognizing their hard work and commitment throughout the year.

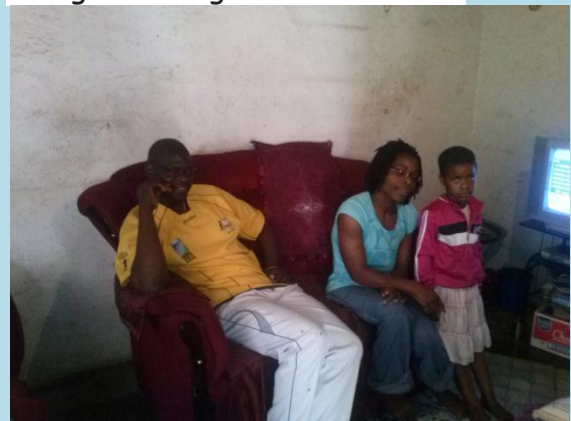
Lion Cosmas won the Lion of the Year award again, which he passed down to Lion Diana, our Club Secretary, who has been keeping all our Lions admin up to date.



Finally the IPP, Lion Eliphas, inducted Lion Onismo as our new President. After a couple of speeches, the formal stuff was over and the festivities continued until late hours of the night.

Memory Kohwai visit

Lions Ethel, Taurai and Enock wanted to meet Memory after the report given about her wheelchair at the last meeting. We managed to pay her a visit on Sat 9 August. We had a nice time with her. Thanks to the Lion ladies who brought some groceries for her.





MURRAY MACDOUGAL 2ND TERM- KARATE GRADING 2014

CONGRADULATIONS **are** in order to all the karate students that participated in the grading on 2nd August 2014. All their hard work, commitment and dedication paid off. Grading was conducted by grading panel, namely- Sensei Andrew J. Musiwa 3rd Dan qualified examiner, assisted by competent black belt instructors namely, Golden Musiwa, Monica Peters, Wonderful Mamunye and Collen Manunye. The grading started off with a thorough pre-grading session with Sensei Andrew, demonstrating techniques as per standard requirements then followed up by the actual grading. The results of the grading were as follows:-



1	Anesu Makopa	Blue Belt – Stripe 1
2	Liyanda Ncube	Green Belt- Stripe 1
3	Tapiwa Ganga	Green Belt- Stripe 1
4	Jaden Forbes	Green Belt- Stripe 1
5	Angela Chinhuru	Green Belt- Stripe 1
6	Tariro Mazambani	Green Belt- Stripe 1
7	Tinashe Manyonga	Green Belt- Stripe 1
8	James Khan	Green Belt- Stripe 1
9	Lailah Patel	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
10	Simbarashe Maisiri	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
11	Ropafadzo Maisiri	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
12	Tanaka Shereni	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
13	Saun Pfavayi	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
14	Brendan Kuttner	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
15	Tadiwanashe Nigel Mkudu	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
16	Kumbirai Mutamba	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
17	Rufaro Ndlovu	Orange Belt – Stripe 1
18	Nandipa Chelsea Dhlodhlo	Yellow Belt – Stripe 2
19	Anotida Muhwandavaka	Yellow Belt – Stripe 1
20	Christebell Manyonga	Yellow Belt – Stripe 1

Benefits of grooming junior karateka's

1. Rigorous academics require discipline

Karate helps with the development of a lot of skills that students need, a student is one who understands that life is not a free-for-all, where they can just do what they want when they want. Good students do their homework even when their favourite show is on TV. In order to get good grades, they must complete their homework, turn it in on time and study and prepare for tests. The trait necessary for achieving all these is **discipline**. Karate helps to develop this discipline because it helps students learn structure, order and most importantly, how to have self-control.

2. Good students have to be able to focus

With all the opportunities and channels of entertainment available to today's children, it can get difficult to focus at times. In order to cope with rigorous schoolwork, students must learn how to listen to the teachers and not get distracted by their surroundings. Karate can help your child to develop this very important character trait; **focus and concentration**. When in karate class, they learn to shut out distractions, whether they're external (classmates playing around) or internal (negative thoughts and doubts).



3. Setting and achieving goals is critical to success

Success comes from achieving a series of smaller goals which ultimately culminates in the accomplishment of larger goals. In school, this could mean finishing an essay on time or reading a few chapters ahead of the class. In karate, it means passing an evaluation and earning a new belt. As a karate student, your child learns to enjoy the **satisfaction of accomplishing goals** and this will spur them to seek out opportunities to replicate in school and at home.

The grading ended with a dynamic display on kata 'Enpi' - which means 'flying swallow' in Japanese by the black belts. They also demonstrated realistic practices of self - defence that most of the parents benefited from.



Thank you for your continued support JKA Shotokan karate.

*'The ultimate aim of karate lies not in victory or defeat,
but in the perfection of character of its participants'*

Thank you,

Sensei Monica Peters
2nd Dan Black belt

Trip to Lirhanzo Childrens Home

On the 17th August, Lion Chris and Lion Glenn took off to Lirhanzo Childrens home, for a courtesy visit, as well as to deliver some clothes, donated by Mrs Saunders from Malilangwe. They also took some flour and green washing soap. The children were also given some goodies.



We will continue to make regular visits to Lirhanzo, as and when.

The passing of Mr Clive Zerf

It is with great sadness to hear of the passing of Mr Clive Zerf (Lion Leon's dad). We had been assisting him financially while he fought his battle with cancer. Unfortunately he passed away 20th August 2014. Our heartfelt sympathies out to his wife, daughter Melissa, Lion Leon and all the family. MHDSRIP.

Lions Club of Triangle will continue to raise money, through our Cancer fund, to help the cancer patients.



Recycle Centre Photoshoot

Lion President summoned members to the recycle centre recently, to discuss our future plans. Lead by Den Convenor, Lion Cossie talked (and talked and talked) his way through new ideas, plans to get our recycle centre back up and running, which includes the Bailing plant.

At the same time, we decided to have a random photo shoot, dressed in our best – the Red Project shirts!!!

We had an evening of laughter and fellowship. We are hoping that next time, we will have all members, sporting our blazers!!



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Induction Dinner & Social (Part 2)

Round Zim & Gr 6 Bushtrip

And lots more



Drinker's corner!!

