

# DISTRICT 412

## PASSION IN SERVICE



MAY 2015

LIONS DISTRICT 412 GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER



The Lions and Omega Leos of Chiredzi pose for a picture with the Prospective Board Members for Mutendi High School Alpha Leo Club after a successful orientation session.

# OUR YOUTH OUR FUTURE

‘Service with Passion’  
‘Strengthen the Pride’



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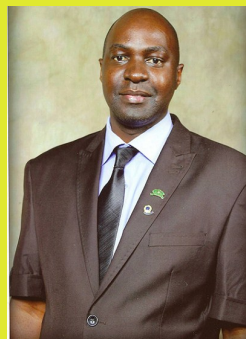
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a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam and shared via social media.

"occasional selfies are acceptable, but posting a new picture of yourself every day isn't necessary"

### Editorial Comments



Fellow Lions,

Its been a busy Lionistic month with the District Convention and the Regional Lions Leadership Institute in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe! What a treat in the City of Kings!!!!

We re now on the home stretch for the 2014 - 15 Lionistic year and it is my hope that you have made the best of the year and you are actively preparing for 2015 - 16.

The month of June promises to be quite busy as well with the numerous Regional Club Officers Orientations (RCOOL) Workshops lined up across the District. Encourage your Club Officers and Club members to attend and start the year strongly!

All roads lead to Mozambique during the last third of June as we welcome on board yet another new Club in District 412, Gondola Lions Club. Well done to all those who worked tirelessly to get this club going!

Fellow Lions, if you have not shared any story in this publication this year you have one more chance in the final bulletin coming at the end of June.

We continue to serve with Passion right up to the finish line, lets finish strongly fellow Lions!!

*Lion Piraisha Mabheka*

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## FROM THE DG's DESK



Fellow Lions,

With a month to go, what is our story dear Lions? Is it that of success? I trust we are rapping up with the same vigor that we started with? We can do something in the remaining four weeks. We can invite new members! We can start a

new club! We can launch a signature project! At what note would you want to end the year on? Let us plan to exit with pomp.

Lion Leaders, it is time to finalize plans for your handovers. It is my belief that all clubs elected their new Leaders. If not, time is now to do so. Be sure to file your PU101 to LCI. Region/Zone chairs, time is now to plan training for new club officers IN conjunction with your GLT/GMT in your areas. The district has a new contingent of Lions who are ready to take up leadership positions in our clubs. These are graduates of RLLI in Bulawayo. To our graduates, receive our congratulations. We look forward to your contribution to the District. To members of the faculty, we say thank you for serving the District.

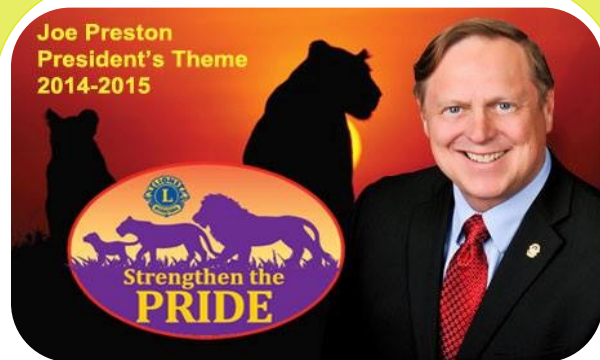
Let me at this point, thank all of you who attended the District's 53rd convention in the City of Kings, Bulawayo. I believe we all had an enjoyable and memorable gathering. Our big thank you to the conveners. We thank you for all the arrangements. During convention, we honored those who had made an outstanding contribution to the District. To all those who received awards, we once again say congratulations! I believe, you will continue to serve the District with Passion.

Once again, let us all aim to finish the year strong, with the same Passion we carried through out the year.

Our last issue in June will be a celebration issue. As such, I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING FACES OF ALL OUR 2014/2015 CLUB OFFICERS. In that case, please send a group photo of your club to Lion Piraishe.

My best wishes as you rap up with PASSION

DG Jean



May 13, 2015

District 412

Zimbabwe

Dear Lions,

Thank you for attending the Lions District 412 Convention. When Lions gather, amazing things happen. We connect with friends and celebrate our accomplishments. We learn from each other and re-energize ourselves as Lions. We define our new goals, which help to provide clarity and a sense of purpose. When Lions work together for the common good through service, we strengthen the pride.

This convention is also a time for you to reflect upon your personal goals as a Lion. It's a good time to remember why you became a Lion and what keeps you coming back year after year. As Lions, we have accomplished much, but there is much more to be done. Your participation at this convention demonstrates your commitment to service and making the world a better place.

I wish you all the best in your continued efforts to serve your community and the world.

Together in Service

Lion Joe Preston





## DISTRICT CONVENTION 2015

### *Convention 2015 - Done and Dusted!!*

The weather and venue were perfect for Convention in the City of Kings. The Convention Committee worked hard during the planning, implementation and during Convention, a sincere thank you to the committee Lions Glenys Morgan, Thembi Zulu, Bev Wood, Moffat Ndlovu, Dave Wood, Piraishe Mabhena and Esmay Scott.

100 delegates were in attendance, 92 from District 412, the visitors were PID Lion Sunil Kumar and his spouse Khavita from India, PDG Lion Hastings Chiti plus 4 Lions from Zambia as well as Lion Colin Mansell from Newbury UK.

The Welcome Social was a time to enjoy fellowship and meet new Lions. Next morning Simon Spooner from Zimbabwe Democratic Development Trust was the Guest Speaker at the MJF Breakfast.

At the Opening Ceremony, the presentation of the countries Flags by T S Matabele Sea Cadets will long be remembered. Thanks to Rotarian Peter Rollason and the well drilled squad of Sea Cadets.

The Mayor of Bulawayo Mr Martin Moyo opened Convention and has subsequently been invited to attend a Lions meeting. A Mini Fashion Show with a demonstration on skin care was enjoyed by the ladies who attended, this event was well organized by Lion Colleen Bateman, the clothing sourced from Femina Garment (Pvt) Ltd and Lions were models. There was a shopping spree in the afternoon Lion Regina commented that having spent all her money she would have to walk back to Malawi.

Schools of Instruction were informative and provided a wealth of information. The Royal Theme evening was attended by Sir Winston Churchill, Queen Bee, Maharajas and Maharanis joined the crowd as did Queen Victoria and Mr Brown, Cleopatra, the King of Pop Michael Jackson and his Jazz Queen Ella Fitzgerald to name but a few characters.

Up early the next day for voting which went smoothly the following Lions were elected:  
District Governor Elect Lion Dr Alva Senderayi  
First Vice District Governor Elect Lion Eric Musesengwe  
Second Vice District Governor Elect Lion Jona Machaya

The Business Session was lively with many presentations and the bid for the 2017 Convention being awarded to Malawi. Lion President Ruth raised a commendable sum,

just short of 2000 dollars, for Medic Alert with her winning ways.

After lunch it was a free afternoon and Lions were invited to visit the site of the Children's Pediatric Eye Clinic being built by the Lions of Hamburg Germany.

All too soon it was the Banquet with a stirring speech by PDG Lion Hastings Chiti, a final address by PID Lion Sunil Kumar and presentations made by DG Lion Jean Mathanga.

The DG also took time to honour the clubs and Lion members who excelled in the year 2014 - 15 notably;

Lion of the Year: Lion Jona Machaya

Lion Club of the Year: Triangle

Lion President of the Year: Lion Piraishe Mabhena

Lion Secretary of the Year: Lion Nokukhanya

Lion Treasurer of the Year: PDG James Honold

Membership Hero of the Year: Lion David Saunyama

Thank you to Mrs. S Masuku and the staff of The Grand Vista for providing sumptuous meals. Zone 3B for the teas, to Perfic for the music and last but not least Lion Enos Mutongwizo as the Convention driver and Council for the Blind for the use of their bus.

Delegates, guests and "workers" thank you for attending and making Convention 2015 in the City of Kings a success!!

Bless you all  
Lion Maureen Barrett  
Convention Convener



The Convention Committee led by Lion Maureen Barrett





## LIONS CONVENTION IN PICTURES



Plenary Session in progress



DG Lion Jean honors Zone Chair Lion Thompson George from Hwange for a job well done in 2014 - 15



The DG Lion Jean presents her banner to the Guest of Honor, His Worship the Mayor of Bulawayo Clr Martin Moyo.



Lion Piraishe and Lion Cystain enjoy a light moment with Rotarian Peter Rollason



Right: Always On Point! Lions from Harare the Phoenix dictating the pace with regards to Club Regalia.  
Left: The Phoenix on Royalty night







## DISTRICT CONVENTION 2015

PID  
2012 - 2014

Dear DG  
Jean  
Mathanga,

Greetings!

It is wonderful to witness the innovative manner in which you have been working on your District Convention. I am delighted that you have been "inspiring members" to keep them committed to the great cause of Lionism. It will be my pleasure to be associated with this event you have designed.

Lionism can be more relevant – meaningful and create a positive change when everyone involved is able to share unselfishly their capabilities with as much humility. This District Convention, I am certain, will be an important foundation where through your excellent efforts the brotherhood between Lions will register higher levels of accomplishment.

A growing organization must consistently demonstrate growing impact! As the needs of societies have extensively changed, in order to maintain relevant, we must be able to effectively relate to each other and the service we do.

I sincerely hope that our District Convention will be an important milestone that will drive the point Working together works.

Let us collectively pool our strengths and realize greater success in all that we do. Congratulations for your superb Leadership and do keep the tempo as active during the rest of the year as well.

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours

**Past International Director  
Sunil Kumar**



Lion Jean congratulates the membership champion, Lion David Saunyama.



Lion Jona Machaya is honored as the Lion of the Year 2014 - 15.



PID Sunil Kumar and his Good Lady Lion Khavita present gifts to the DG Team



THE BEST CLUB IN DISTRICT 412 in YEAR 2014 - 15  
SIMPLY THE BEST, LION Club Of Triangle





## CHIREDZI CATCHING THEM YOUNG



The Lions and Leos of Chiredzi with the Prospective Leos of Mutendi High School

On Africa Day, 25 May 2015 the Lions of Chiredzi and the Chiredzi Omega Leos Club travelled to Mutendi High School to do orientation of the Prospective Leos. Mutendi High School is situated some 150KM from Chiredzi.

The Chiredzi Lions, led by Lion President Piraishe Mabheha rolled out a 4 hour orientation session that was directed by Past Leo District President and also First Vice President of Chiredzi, Lion Anthony Siyavunda.

Some of the topics covered in the orientation session included The History of Leoism, Qualities of a good Leo Member, Team work and Leo Club Administration.

The event was well attended with 14 Lions and 5 Omega Leos making the long trip. In attendance was the Zone Chair, Lion David Saunya who immediately gave the Prospective Leos a challenge to encourage their guardians to join the Lions.

The Leo Club at Mutendi has been in existence for a few years operating without a charter and lacking the necessary guidance from a sponsoring Lions Club. The Patron of the Club, Prospective Lion Mudefi thanked the Lions of Chiredzi for their efforts and pledged to work closely with the Lions of Chiredzi to ensure that the Club is chartered and run according to the set guidelines.

The Prospective Leo Club has a membership of 50 Leo members.

On the 30th of May, the Lions of Chiredzi extended their Leo catchment to Great Zimbabwe University, some 250km from Chiredzi. They staged another orientation session which was ably supported by the attendance of Triangle Lions, The Leo District Chairperson, Lion Sharai & PDG Ray Sibanda, Region 3 Chairman, Lion Cosmas Chisare, Zone Chairman, Lion David and the Leo President Elect Leo Amanda.

A 25 team of Prospective Omega Leos from GZU was successfully oriented and immediately pledges to make a difference in the community. Plans are underway to apply for the charter of this Omega Club.

The orientation of GZU takes to 5 the number of Leo Clubs being sponsored by the Lions Club of Chiredzi.



GZU Omega Leos Orientation





## RLLI BULAWAYO



**REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**



District Trainer Lion Vimla and Institute Coordinator PDG Col J. Ramkumar (Right) preparing the modules.



Caps, Name Tags, Faculty and Participant Manuals, Placement Cards and Certificates all ready before the Institute.



Lion Cheryl Karim at the registration desk

The long standing demand for quality Leadership Development and the necessity to conduct a Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) in our District became a reality in May 2015 when the RLLI was conducted at Holiday Inn Bulawayo from the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May 2015 till the 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2015.

Ever since the Protective Programme that was in force for Zimbabwe from 1990 was withdrawn in 2009, the District has been faced with decline in membership and the only way forward was to improve the quality of leadership in the District especially Zimbabwe. It was with a view to equip our leaders with the necessary tools that the District leadership embarked on a highly subsidized RLLI utilizing funds that had been collected for over five years

The spade work for conducting the highly subsidized RLLI started in 2013 and at the District Convention at Harare in May 2014 the sanction was obtained on the floor of the Convention to utilize funds kept in FD. Lions Clubs International was approached in April 2014 and sanction was granted to conduct the RLLI in May 2015. The District GLT Coordinator Dr Pateson Mapanda embarked on an exercise to select participants for the RLLI and a total of 69 participants were successful. Of these 69 participants, 5 from Botswana, 1 from Malawi, 1 from Mozambique and 62 from Zimbabwe were selected.

The Institute Coordinator PDG Ramkumar along with District Trainer Lion Vimla Ramkumar embarked in real unrest upon planning the conduct of the RLLI in April 2014. Budget, schedule, selection of Faculty, the preparation of modules and sending them to the Faculty, ordering name tags and caps for the faculty and participants, liaison with Holiday Inn, Bulawayo the venue for the RLLI and all the ground work that was involved in conducting the RLLI.



Team effort. Noreen Goddard supporting her team to increase the height of the tower!



Handing over of certificates to participants at RLLI Bulawayo 03-05 May 2015





## RLLI BULAWAYO



### *The Institute Faculty*

PDG Tekemanangathe Ramkumar  
PDG Pateson Mapanda  
Lion Vimla Ramkumar  
PDG Hastings Chiti  
DGE Lion Dr. Alva Senderayi  
FVDE Lion Eric Musesengwe  
PDG James Honold  
PDG Faisal Karim



Onismo & Diana Nhondova



Eric and Joana Musesengwe



Phineas & Lucia Butete



Alva & Sophia



Brian & Lynette Le Roux



Cosmas & Fran Chisare



Ephraim & Mandirunga  
Gavaza



Tekemanangathe and Vimla Ramkumar



Albert & Cathrine Muchechetere

*Lion Couples*





## RLLI BULAWAYO

I had an awesome exposure at RLLI, definitely a must for all club officers I realize. Am looking forward to enroll for the advance level soonest.

**Lion Rebecca Lunga**

The experience was great, as it afforded me an opportunity to develop necessary leadership skills, which I will be able to use for the benefit of my Lions Club, and in my daily life." - **Lion Ruth van Rensburg**

After the training, I am sure old lions will now accept new ideas from young lions for clubs to enjoy successes.

**Lion Benjamin**

It was a GIANT STEP to Leadership development, looking forward to next level.

**Lion Jephias**

It was awesome; I learnt a lot both personally and as a lion. Looking forward to more training programmes.

**Lion Thabani**

The workshop was just wonderful educative and informative it will be very good if my club members are also going to have the same experience.

**Lion Kenneth**

The May 2015 RLLI in Bulawayo was a life changing experience - a rare opportunity for introspection and a springboard for a giant leap into the future for D412. Well done to all.

**Lion Willie**

It has been a great experience; please reduce such to Regional level so we can have all Lions to download such useful tools of a lion!

**Lion Costain Dodo**

It was a very informative and interesting workshop, and think all the other lions in our club really missed out on such excellent training. Go YELLOW power....

**Lion Daniel**

What an eye opening course!!

**Lion Anthony**

The training was an eye opener every lion must go through RLLI!

**Lion Robert Marapira**

Oh Wow! the training was 'spot on', topics were relevant, informative and very professionally presented. I had a good time.

**Lion Lillian**

I enjoyed myself despite the hectic schedule. No wonder it's a requirement for leadership in Lions!

**Lion Eliphas Zizhou**

A vibrant and determined set of participants, who interacted very well and gave their best to the different sessions.

**Lion Vimla Ramkumar**

The 2014-15 Lionistic year has seen a steady increase in our District membership, this was partly to compulsory COOL workshops which took place across the District. Now having gone through R.L.L.I. in May I see a better grown District in membership & club management in Lionistic year 2015-16. This opportunity of the Institute in SD 412 has brought excitement & a new lease of life & knowledge. I look forward for another one.

**FVDGE Lion Eric Musesengwe**

The Institute was awesome and demonstrated the true meaning of Lionism.....you deserve to have the ALLI

**PDG Hastings Eli Chiti**





## SIMPLY THE BEST

### The Journey For Sight Walk



Lions interacting with the participants after the walk

On the 9<sup>th</sup> of May, Lions Club of Triangle had a 5km walk around the Triangle Village for the Journey For Sight programme as an awareness to the community. The event started off at 0730hrs and had a massive turnout from the local community with a total number of 70 people attending.

The walk apparently was a very short distance for a number of people therefore they covered the walk within a very short space of time. After the walk all the participants enjoyed a hearty breakfast that was provided by the Lions Club and we managed to feed everyone. Lion Chris "Master Chef" was demonstrating his egg flipping skills.

Thereafter we had medical staff who volunteered to come and assist us with the eye screening, Blood Pressure and Blood sugar testing of participants who wanted. The Mission of the Lions Sight First program (journey for sight) is to support the development of comprehensive eye care systems to fight the major causes of blindness and vision loss and care for the blind and visually impaired. At least 11 people were found to be in need of attention and were referred to the Hospital for further assessments.

Thank you Lions for making this day a great success. Thanks also to the Chiredzi Lions for supporting us and the medical staff who came to assist.



Mr. Ncube testing Blood Sugar on a participant

### Into Africa Evening

Lions Club of Triangle hosted this year's edition of "Into Africa Celebrations". The event is planned for the Africa Day "theme" where the main attraction is the African cuisine washed down with Afro beat music. 45 Adults and more than 20 kids paid to attend as well as 15 Lion members who were serving food, manning the gates and running the bar. A total of USD\$295.00 was raised after paying off all expenses.



Triangle Lions Den - The venue for the function!

The celebrations were live up to about 2am the following morning. The Zone Chairman Lion David Saunyama (had his secret whisky which he shared with the birthday boy – Lion Enock Zere.) and Chiredzi Lions Club President Lion Piraishe Mabhe-na attended and enjoyed the food and activities till late.

The clean up started slowly in the morning around 10am and ended at 5pm as the fellowship with patrons from the previous night continued. The public was left calling for more of such festivities. A simple initiative with a huge impact..... It really was good to see couples and families having a good time.

Lion Fran Daphne Chisare  
Convenor



Member of the public brave the chilly weather to attend the Into Africa function





## ZONE OF THE MOMENT

The Zone of the moment, Zone 3A closed the year in style with their final Zone meeting hosted by Zvishavane Lions club at their Den.

54 Lion members from across the Zone attended the lively meeting which later culminated into a celebration of success by arguably the best performing Zone in District 412.

In his address the Zone Chair, Lion David Saunya-ma thanked all the Presidents for making his year at the helm of the Zone a success. Among some of his key achievements was the increase in Lion members from 61 at the beginning of the year to 121 at present! The number of reported projects in the Zone also went up from 39 in the previous year to 69 this year with Triangle and Chiredzi topping the service charts on 31 and 25 projects respectively.

The Zone Chair took time to award and recognized efforts by members and clubs. Lions Club of Triangle scooped the Club of the year trophy. Chiredzi were recognized for the outstanding work in the Leo Program while Zvishavane were awarded for bringing in the most members. Lion Glen Margerison of Triangle was awarded the best Treasurer in the Zone while Lion Ephias Mugari of Chiredzi was awarded the best Secretary.

The event was also attended by the District Governor Elect, Lion Dr. Alva Senderayi and FVDGE Lion Eric Musesengwe and President of Redcliff Lion Charity Sithole. The DGE took time to explain the themes of the incoming International President, Lion Dr. Yamada from Japan and his theme as District Governor.

The Incoming Zone Chairman for Zone 3A, Lion Piraishe Mabhena took the opportunity to thank his predecessor, Lion David for a job well done and promised to continue flying high the flag of Zone 3A. Lion Piraishe presented his theme for the 2015 – 16 year which was well received by the Incoming Presidents and the Zone members and highlighted his objectives for the year. His theme is 'Walking the service path of excellence'

There was more fun and fellowship till late in the



Hon. John Holder presents gifts the DGE Lion Alva and Lion David



DGE Lion Alva and Lion David present the trophy for the best club in Zone 3A to Lion Onismo Nhondova the President of Triangle



Zvishavane honored for the highest number of new members in Zone 3A. Lion Emmanuel collect the award on behalf of the club.

night as Lions danced the night away in the City of Zvishavane in the company of the local leaders who included the Member of Parliament for Zvishavane, Hon. John Holder! The honorable member also presented some gifts to the DGE and the Zone Chair and was delighted by the work the Lions were doing in his community.





## LIONS WEEK OF SERVICE

### NURSERY SCHOOL PROJECT

LET THERE BE LIGHT!



Charity begins at home! For Lion Zac and Stella Hara of Blantyre Lions Club District 412 the call was to embark on an education project in their home village. About 70km from Blantyre city, Majawa

village in Zomba district wears a sad face marked with rampant illiteracy, early marriages and abject poverty. The nearest primary school to the village is about 4 km away hence children start school when they are relatively older. When they get to Standard 3 or 4, they are already teenagers and thinking about marriage.

Having noticed the above challenges, an idea of bringing education closer to the people was conceived. This led the birth of a nursery school which we christened St Francisco after Lion Stella's late grandfather. The overall vision is to have a few STELLA's (stars) come out of this village by 2035!

Motivated by the call from Lions Clubs International for the Lions Week of service to initiate a service which will benefit the youth, vision, hunger or the environment, we decided to officially launch our one year old St Francisco Nursery school project to a higher level of commitment.

The launch which happened on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2015 was very colorfully marked with parents' educational comedies, children recitals, speeches, gift presentations and luncheon – the village style. We also provided the learners with free uniforms and school accessories which were donated by Lions of Blantyre Lions Club.



Boy learners who got extra clothes from Lion Victor Jere pose for a photo with Lion Zac, Stella and Maureen and their teachers (in red bibs)

### THE PROJECT FACTS

- Just before the launch there were 26 children between the age of 2 and 7; the number has more than doubled after the official launch
- We have 2 lady volunteer teachers
- We provide maize flower, rice and sugar for children's porridge
- Periodically, we provide some second hand clothes and groceries to the volunteers to keep them motivated
- We have recently introduced a small fee of K200 (\$0.40) per month per learner to instill parents commitment. The money is collected by teachers and used for their upkeep.

### FUTURE PLANS

There is an evident need for additional infrastructure at the premises to cater for Standard 1. It is our plan therefore to launch Standard 1 the next academic year which start September 2015. We will therefore be soliciting more funds for the construction and anticipated increased provisions.





## We Serve in Karoi

### KAROI



The Tiling

### Tiling The Police Station

The Lions and Leos of Karoi reached out to assist their community by making a difference for the Law enforcement agents in their community.

The Lions identified a need at the local police station where the floors needed some attention. Led by their enterprising President Lion Benjamin Chidarara, the Lions set out to do a project aimed at improving recognition and acceptance by their local community by tiling the floors at the local police station.

They contributed from their pockets to fund this project and contracted someone to do the tiling. The project took 1 week to complete.



Karoi Lions and Leos feeling satisfied with their efforts

### Gaborone Convention 2016

Dear Fellow Lions,

The Convention Committee would like to advise that a payment plan has been approved for Lions wishing to attend the Convention in Gaborone next year. The Committee have decided to make it easier for Lions to pay the fees as follows:

1st Payment - 50% of the fee (US\$ 68)

2nd Payment - US\$ 67

These two payments should be made no later than 31st December 2015. After this date no installment payments will be allowed.

Payments and registrations can be done with any one of our members at Cabinet meetings.

Lion Tshidi Serema  
Convention Chairperson

### RIP Lion Marlene

Marlene Gray Cameron was the only child of William Thomson and Jessie Gladys Fettes. She was born in Glasgow on 1<sup>st</sup> September 1933 and then spent most of her early years living in Prestwick, Glasgow.

In 1956 she met her late husband, Ian Hugh Cameron through his best friend Gavin Stevenson. They married later that year on 22 September 1956 and in December of that year came out by sea to what was then Rhodesia.

On 11 September 1957 their only child a daughter was born – Colleen.



They lived the rest of their lives in Harare. One of Marlene's greatest pleasures was her swimming pool in their garden. It seemed like she spent hours in the pool doing her style of breast stroke. She found it relaxing and at times she "sorted" out the world. Sadly, her husband Ian Cameron passed away on 8 June 1991.

Marlene decided in March 2002 to sell her house in Marlborough and down size so she then moved to Westreign Home in Mabelreign where she lived until her untimely death.

Through her son in law, Mike Revell, Marlene joined the Lions Club of Gwebi in February 1992 where she enjoyed many happy times and was greatly involved in the activities of the club and always contributed in whatever way she could. Despite her advanced age, Marlene was a keen and active Lions member, attending all meetings and taking part in most activities.

From the time that she had the first chest x ray on 4 March 2015 to the time she died on Wednesday 6 May at 00:25 it was only two months.

She was in hospital for just under two weeks and unfortunately she contracted pneumonia which did not help her breathing and lead to her demise.

Marlene is survived by her only daughter Colleen and 2 grandsons, Bernard and Sean. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.





## On a Lighter Note

### MEN WILL NEVER LEARN.....

A woman and a man are involved in a car accident. It's a bad one, caused by the woman's reckless driving. Both of their cars are demolished but amazingly neither of them are hurt.

After they crawl out of ... cars, the woman says; "So, you're a man. That's interesting. I'm a woman. Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but fortunately we are unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace for the rest of our days."

The man replied, "I agree with you completely. This must be a sign from God! The woman continued, "And look at this, here's another miracle. My car is completely damaged, but this bottle of wine didn't break. Surely God wants us to drink this wine and celebrate our good fortune." Then she hands the bottle to the man. The man nods his head in agreement, opens it, drinks half the bottle and then hands it back to the woman. The woman takes the bottle, immediately puts the cap back on, and hands it back to the man. The man asks, "Aren't you having any?" She replies, "Nah. I think I'll just wait for the police to come and collect their evidence."  
(drunk driver offence)

Adam ate the apple again! Men will NEVER learn!  
Women will Never change!! ...

## Mother

[muht<sup>h</sup>-er] - noun

1. Someone who will love  
you unconditionally, till  
her last breath.

### RICH MIND RICH MAN

This is a mind-blowing economics lesson!

An economics professor at a local college made a statement that he had never failed a single student before, but had recently failed an entire class. That class had insisted that socialism worked and that no one would be poor and no one would be rich, a great equalizer. The professor then said, "OK, we will have an experiment in this class on socialism"

All grades will be averaged and everyone will receive the same grade so no one will fail and no one will receive an A.

After the first test, the grades were averaged and everyone got a B. The students who studied hard were upset and the students who studied little were happy.

As the second test rolled around, the students who studied little had studied even less and the ones who studied hard decided they wanted a free ride too so they studied little. The second test average was a D!  
No one was happy!!

When the 3rd test rolled around, the average was an F. As the tests proceeded, the scores never increased as bickering, blame and name-calling all resulted in hard feelings and no one would study for the benefit of anyone else.

To their great surprise, ALL FAILED and the professor told them that socialism would also ultimately fail because when the reward is great, the effort to succeed is great, but when government takes all the reward away, no one will try or want to succeed. Could not be any simpler than that.

These are possibly the 5 best sentences you'll ever read and all applicable to this experiment:

1. You cannot legislate the poor into prosperity by legislating the wealthy out of prosperity.
2. What one person receives without working for, another person must work for without receiving.
3. The government cannot give to anybody anything that the government does not first take from somebody else.
4. You cannot multiply wealth by dividing it!
5. When half of the people get the idea that they do not have to work because the other half is going to take care of them, and when the other half gets the idea that it does no good to work because somebody else is going to get what they work for, that is the beginning of the end of any nation.