Excellence In Service

Dignity. Harmony. Humanity

DISTRICT 412 GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

JULY 2015









District Governor Lion Dr. Alva Senderayi and his Spouse Lion Sophia Senderayi in the company of the International President Lion Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada and his spouse Lion Dr. I. Yamada

THE YEAR OF EXCELLENCE BEGINS



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Editorial Comments



Fellow Lions,

We are in for another exciting year of service to our communities. The new era has started brightly with numerous acts of service reported across the District.

As we begin this year, I would like you to pause and reflect on the previous year and as a Lion, as a Club, as a Zone, as a Region and perhaps as a District do a critical analysis of our success and past failures. If we are to better our service efforts, there is need to manage our weaknesses and take advantage of the opportunities around us for the betterment of our communities.

With regards to the Newsletter, some Clubs have done relatively well in the past year and contributed almost every other month namely Gaborone, Phoenix, Bwaila, Triangle, Matopos, Chiredzi and Capital City. If we could all emulate what these clubs did last year, we'll have a well informed and interesting District Bulletin.

Our Target for this year is to publish 12 Bulletins (1 each month); Article submission deadline is the 25th of every month; Our Publication deadline is the first week of every month; As a Club if you target to send 1 article every two months (6 articles per year) then we'll walk together and achieve excellence in service this year.

The passion for excellence has begun, stay aboard.....

Lion Piraishe Mabhena, RLLI

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FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S DESK



"Aloa" District 412 (Warm greetings or love in Hawaiian language)

May I report that the District Governor Seminar and the 98th Lions Clubs International Convention in Hawaii Honolulu from the 22nd of June to the 1st of July 2015 was fantastic in its various ramifications - leadership development, experience exchange, networking and relations' fostering and fun and pomp that results from the same.

Lions CARE, Lions SERVE, Lions ACCOM-PLISH! We serve as our motto directs and

I also believe you serve in District 412 and do so effectively!

As we have already shared our International President's theme Lion Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada is **Dignity Harmony Humanity**. He underscores that we should fortify, provide, restore, preserve and promote dignity to those we serve. He humbly insists that we can foster Harmony of Peace with not only seriousness of purpose but also with determination, dedication and skilled leadership of 'homo sapiens' - with Humanity. Amongst other issues he strongly proposes that we should through the Children's initiatives make a difference to the suffering 1 billion children in the world in many ways available: renewing their spirit, feeding them and giving them comfort in hospitals and children's homes and through the Reading Action Program.

He states that we should be motivated in **vision**, **hunger**, **youth** and **environment** programs of the centennial challenge where the expectation is that by 2017 we should have served 100 million people.

We are also being reminded as Lions to work diligently and with endurance as demoiselle cranes of Japan that fly seasonally in difficult conditions between Mongolia and Japan.

I also concur that as a District we should continue to increase membership. We started on the 1st of July with 1042 members. Today we stand at 1028 members . We gained 25 and lost 38 members resulting in a net negative variance of 9 members. They are two doors and unfortunately whilst we open the front door we forgot to close the one behind. Twenty five members is a club lost!

We need to retain members in as much as we want to have growth in membership to the threshold of 1250 members. We seriously need to charter 4 clubs of a minimum of 20 members every 3 months to attain that number by June 30, 2016. At the same time the membership of below 20 in many Clubs needs to be improved upon. We need more family and women members. There are Centennial Awards for membership increase.

I look forward to at least 6 graduates each for both the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute and the Faculty Development Institute in Nigeria in February 2016.

There shall be Regional Lions Leadership Institute before the end of the Lionistic!

Best Regards,

Lion Dr. Alva M Senderayi (MD) MCPCP (Z) FDI MJF

Dear Lion,

It is truly an honor to serve as your new international president of Lions Clubs International. With thirty years of experience as a Lion, I know how dedicated Lions are to their communities and the people they serve. It is a commitment I have embraced both as a Lion and a medical doctor.



As a young neurosurgeon, I devoted my professional life to caring for my patients and fighting for the dignity of human life. But I was also looking for another way to serve society. I found it in 1985 when my father, who was a Lion, passed away. My uncle recommended that I fill my father's shoes by joining the club.

I knew I had made the right choice when I became the donor-patient coordinator of my club's kidney donation program. The program was a great success that saved lives and changed my own. I realized that many more lives could be impacted by working together as a club. Imagine how many lives can be changed—and saved—when more than 1.4 million members work together.

We are the global leader in humanitarian service. I look forward to working with you to bring dignity and harmony to humanity.

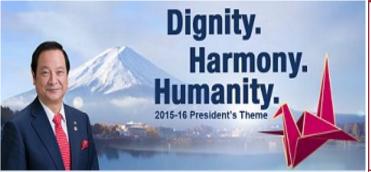
Sincerely,

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada

Your International President



IP & DG THEMES 2015 - 16



Join International President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada and Lions around the world in bringing dignity to others. Here are some great resources that can help expand your service and strengthen your club to better serve humanity.

Bring Hope and Dignity through Service

Centennial Service Challenge. Help us reach our goal of benefit ting 100 million people for our 100th anniversary.

Lions Children First. Get resources to develop hands-on projects to help children in need.

Reading Action Program. Find out how you can give the gift of literacy.

Leo Spotlight on Children. Learn how Leos bring hope to vulnerable children through this international project.

Strengthen Your Club to Better Serve Your Community Centennial Celebration Membership Awards.

Earn special awards for inviting new members and helping to organize new clubs.

Ask One – Get the tools to energize your membership efforts and build a stronger, healthier club.

Blueprint for a Stronger Club . Map out your plan for ongoing club success in three simple steps.

Club Quality Initiative (CEP). Get your club performing at its highest level through an interactive CEP workshop. Choose CEP Pro or CEP Lite.

Your Club, Your Way. Learn how to customize club meetings to meet the needs of your members.

Club President's Award . Implement the 7 Keys to Success and earn recognition.

Create Harmony through Effective Leadership

Leadership Resource Center. Get the resources to take your leadership to the next level.

Lions Learning Center. Develop your leadership skills with engaging online courses.

Global Leadership Team. Learn how Lions are working together to support present and future Lions leaders.

Build Bridges for Humanity

LCIF. Learn about LCIF's life-changing work and how you can support it.

Club Twinning. Make new friends and build harmony as a Lions club twin.

Missions. Partner with another club to organize an international humanitarian mission.

Youth Camp and Exchange Program. Sponsor the next generation of leaders and ambassadors of peace.

Peace Poster Contest. Learn more about our international contest that gives kids the opportunity to express their visions of peace.





EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE

"Excellence in Service" in the thundering smoke

Excellence means going an extra mile!

The District Governor's targets for 2015 - 16 are as follows;

- We need to grow the district to full SD by 2016
- We need to charter 4 clubs every trimester
- We need to have a minimum of 21 members in a club
- We need thereafter to accelerate to 30 members
- ♦ We need to escalate leadership skills
- ♦ Therefore aim at annual RLLIs
- We need to attract the SLLI programme to the district
- We need to have a minimum of 5 FDI graduates
- We need to have a minimum of 6 SLLI graduates

Cabinet Meeting Notification

Please be advised that the first cabinet meeting for the Lionistic year, 2015/16 of "Excellence in service" together with the inauguration ceremony of the District Governor will be held on the 29th of August 2015 in Harare, at a venue TBA.

The occasion is most likely to be graced by the past international President Lion Barry Palmer who will attend the All Africa Forum for the Leos in Victoria Falls.

Inserted by Lion Shuvai Phiri Cabinet Secretary



MESSAGE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT





Dear Lion Leaders,

I will be communicating with district governors throughout the Lion year. I'm forwarding my message so you can stay informed and better support your district governor. You are part of a team that your district governor will be relying on to accomplish key goals in your district, and each of us has an important part to play in achieving success. Let's work together to bring dignity to others!

Sincerely, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada Your International President

Dear District Governor,

I want to thank you for your hard work at the DGE seminar in Honolulu. My theme, "Dignity. Harmony. Humanity." encourages Lions to work together to bring hope and dignity to those who need us. And no one has a greater role to play than you.

Under your leadership, we can make our clubs stronger and inspire our clubs to achieve excellence. And most importantly, we can expand our service to improve the lives of even more people around the world.

You are the men and women who will lead and support your districts. You are the leaders who will guide and inspire your clubs. You are the Lions who will make our motto, "We Serve," a reality. I truly believe that we can make this one of the greatest years in the history of Lions.

Together, we can meet the challenges and seize the opportunities that lie ahead. And when we do, we can change the world.

Sincerely,
Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada
Your International President

Earn Your Lions Dignity Award

The **Lions Dignity Award** is an exclusive rewards program designed to recognize district governors who achieve strong and consistent membership growth throughout the year. There are two ways to earn:



- Grow membership in existing clubs
- Charter new clubs in your district

Earn one-of-a-kind pins, Leadership Medals for your district team, and a Presidential Medal. Put your district plan into action, and start earning your <u>Lions Dignity Award</u> today!

Promote the Centennial Celebration Membership Awards

The Centennial Celebration Membership Awards gives all Lions and Lions clubs an opportunity to earn special recognition by inviting new members and helping to organize new clubs. It's the perfect way to



grow membership in your district and earn your Lions Dignity Award.

Motivate your clubs to earn their limited-edition Centennial awards. Share the <u>Centennial Celebration Membership</u>
<u>Awards</u> throughout the year during your club visits!

Support Children's Dignity Week

Encourage your clubs to help children in their community by organizing a special service project for Children's Dignity Week during August 30 – September 5.

This Centennial Service Challenge event is a great opportunity for your clubs to help children, find new members and support our Centennial goal of helping 100 million people.

Aug 30-Sept 5

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new
Centennial

SAVE THE DATE

Encourage your clubs to plan a special service project for Children's Dignity Week.



THE 2015 - 16 CABINET

DISTRICT OFFICERS

District Governor Lion Dr. Alva Senderayi

Immediate Past District Governor

Chairperson—Honorary Committee

First Vice District Governor

District Governor Appointee

Lion Eric Musesengwe

Lion Ken Banda

Lion Jean Mathanga

Second Vice District Governor Lion Jona Oram Machaya

District Cabinet Secretary Lion Shuvai Phiri

District Treasurer Lion Brian Le Roux

Assistant District Treasurer - Zimbabwe Lion Bothwell Nyajeka

Assistant District Treasurer - Malawi PDG Faisal Karim

District Guest PDG Anil Patel

District Guest PDG James Honold

DISTRICT ACTIVITY CHAIRPERSONS

Cultural & Community Services Lion Onismo Nhondova

Environment Lion Cosmas Chisare

GMT Success Team Leader Lion Patrick Chifamba

GMT Membership & New Club Growth Lion David Saunyama

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Hearing Preservation, Awareness & Action

GMT Family & Women Specialist

Diabetes Awareness & Action

District Sight Preservation, Awareness &

Action

International Relations Lion Maureen Barrett

Constitutional and Legal Affairs

Long Range Planning

Convention Sergeant at Arms

Lion Maareen Barrett

Lion Cathrine Marapira

Lion Dr. Patricia Mapanda

Lions Quest Lion Meera Chandra

Lions Services for Children Lion Bev Wood

Lions Opportunities for the Youth Lion Charity Sithole

Youth Camps and Exchange Lion Willie Dhlandhlara

Lions Quest Zimbabwe

District & Medic Alert PDG Mike Molyneaux

Convention Chairpersons PDG Tekemanangathe

Ramkumar

Lion Tshidi Serema

DISTRICT ACTIVITY CHAIRPERSONS

Leo District Chairperson Lion Sharai Sibanda

Information Technology Lion Piraishe Mabhena

Public Relations & Lions Information

Peace Poster Contest Lion Ruth Van Rensburg

Centennial Coordinator PDG Clement Ndala

LCIF Coordinator PDG James Honold

GLT Coordinator PDG Pateson Mapanda

GMT Coordinator PDG Ray Sibanda

District Governor Appointee Liaison

for Mozambique Extension

PDG Clever Mugadza

Reading Action Program Lion Lynette Le Roux

REGIONAL & ZONE CHAIRPERSONS

Region 1 Chairperson Lion Henry Mathanga

(Malawi & Mozambique North)

Zone 1 Lion Jorge Manuel Njanje

Zone 1A Lion Hilda Singo

Zone 1B Lion Abraham George

Zone 1C Lion Lucky Penumulungu

Zone 1D Lion Chisomo Gunda

Region 2 Chairperson Lion John Mwinjilo

(Zimbabwe North-East)

Zone 2A Lion Jephias Mundondo

Zone 2B Lion Bibi Sungwa

Zone 2C Lion Noreen Goddard

Zone 2D Lion Sophia Senderayi

Zone 2E Lion Richard Ziki

Region 3 Chairperson Lion Maurice Nyamuda

(Zimbabwe South West)

Zone 3A Lion Piraishe Mabhena

Zone 3B Lion Moffat Ndlovu

Zone 3C Lion Thompson George

Region 4 Chairperson (Botswana) Lion Tshidi Serema

Zone 4A Lion Krishna Chinniah

Zone 4B Lion Faith Mukoko

Zone 4C Lion Sangeeta Aswin



Cabinet Officers' Desk



RESTORE & PRESERVE

Dear Lions of District 412,

As we push ahead with this year's theme, Dignity, Harmony, Humanity! And strive for Excellence in Service! Our Environmental Campaign motto is 'Restore & Preserve' and our theme is 'In Harmony with Nature'

Our strategy for all clubs is to get into

smart partnerships with town authorities and concerned organizations in Waste management initiatives. Recycle, Reuse and make money for Admin. Clean up campaigns regularly, Restore nature... Green is life.. through Sanctuaries, Tree planting in partnership with other organizations.

Environmental campaigns do not cost you money, they get you visibility, friends and partners in service, good and free publicity, future sponsorship and recognition.

Let's go Green and Serve with Dignity to achieve Excellence!

Lion Cosmas Chisare
District Activity Chairman - Environment



WOMEN AND FAIMLY MEMBERSHIP

Lions leaders,

I am Lion Catherine Marapira, District GMT-Family and Women's Specialist for Lionistic year 2015-2016. My responsibility is to oversee recruitment, growth, retention and participation of women and family members

throughout district 412. I share this responsibility with you fellow lions. Firstly, I would like to share with you some dashboard statistics of our district 412. We have 53 clubs in D412. In these 53 clubs, with a membership of 1061, only 400 are WOMEN. Out of these 53 clubs only 30 have family members, Zimbabwe has 18, Botswana 8, Malawi 4 and what about the other remaining 23 clubs????

Lets start recruiting our spouses, grown up children, uncles and aunts. I know some zones have already furnished their membership growth information for this year, but you need to ask yourself among those new members how many will be women and family members. ZONE CHAIRPERSONS I appeal to you to impart this statistical data to all clubs in your zone. Lets have the following inf-



LCIF CONTRIBUTIONS

- ADVERTISING IN THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Dear Fellow Lions,

I trust you have started the year of Excellence in Service on a high note.

In the year 2014 - 15, the total contribution to LCIF was around \$4,000 for

the whole District. Surely we can do better than this fellow Lions. As we make various proposals to measure up to the LCIF challenge, I would like to share with you a proposal from the Publicity Team.

We would like to sell advertising space in our monthly newsletter. Companies and businesses in your community can take advantage and flight an advert in our newsletter which will be circulated in the 4 countries.

The advertising fee will be receipted by the Club and sent through to LCIF through our LCIF Chairman, PDG James Honold to ensure that due recognition is given to contributing Clubs / individuals. The Club will send a soft copy of the advert to the Publicity Team.

My proposal for the advertising fees is as follows;

Full A4 page - \$40 A5 (half a page) - \$25 A6 (quarter page) - \$20

If all Clubs can target to get just 1 advert in throughout the year, we are guaranteed of US\$1,000 to LCIF. Just ONE!

Fellow Lions rise up to the challenge!!!

With Passion and Excellence - We Care! We Serve! We Accomplish!

Lion Piraishe Mabhena District Publicity Chairman!

Family Membership Continued....

-ormation per club before our first cabinet meeting in August: Women members/ Family members/ Prospective Women/ Family members. Lets start recruiting women members from our communities. As a team this mammoth task can be achieved, any suggestions are welcome as we strive for excellence in strengthening the pride.

Best Regards Lion Cathy



Cabinet Officers' Desk



PEACE POSTER CONTEST

Dear Fellow Lions,

Congratulations to all new Club Officers for 2015/2016!

Fellow Presidents, I hope that you have been encouraging Schools and Recreation Clubs to participate in the Peace Poster Art contest! If you

have, please can I have a report by 15 August 2015 as I would like to compile a report for Cabinet.

Should you need any advice on this fantastic Contest do not hesitate to email me! Let's strive for Excellence in service! This year's theme for the Peace Poster Contest is "Share Peace". This is in line with our International Presidents theme "Dignity. Harmony. Humanity." as you will gain these by sharing peace!

We can do it if we all work together!

Thanks and appreciation in advance!

Sincerely in Lionism, Lion Ruth



DISTRICT & INTERNATIONAL DUES

Fellow Lions,

I would like to speak on the subject of Dues and its importance to us as District. For us to do the things that we have budgeted for this year, it is vitally important to get our clubs to pay their dues.

Understandably the financial situations for members varies from person to person. However this aside we as Lions know that

dues unfortunately are as important as our work that we do but our failure to pay them in the end is a failure to our communities that we serve as we fall under the LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL Family.

This belonging allows us many opportunities and access to funding and experienced Lions in assisting and helping the less fortunate. I applaud all the Treasurers in our clubs in a thankless job in trying to get our members to pay. Our Club Treasurers work tirelessly to perform this awkward task. Let us make this a memorable year in getting all our dues both International and District to a 100%.

Have a great year Fellow Lions..

Lion Brian Le Roux [Cabinet Treasurer]



THE 2016 CONVENTION

Dear Fellow Lions,

It is with great excitement that I present to you an important decision made by the Convention Committee to allow Lion members to comfortably pay for the 2016 convention to be held in Gaborone, Botswana at the Ave Maria Pastoral

We have decided to structure the convention payments as follows;

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

2nd Payment - US\$ 67

These two payments need to be no later than 31st December 2015. After this date no installment payments will be allowed. Payments and registrations can be done with one of our members at Cabinet meetings.

Lion Tshidi Serema Convention Chairperson!

BANKING DETAILS FOR DEPOSITS FOR CONVENTION 2016

BANK:

BANK OF BARODA, PLOT 1108, AKD HOUSE, QUEENS ROAD, MAIN MALL, GABORONE P.O.BOX 21559, BONTLENG, GABORONE

NAME OF ACCOUNT:
GABORONE CONVENTION 2016

ACCOUNT NUMBER: BWP: 95210100010681 US\$: 95211100005898

ROUTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS IN US\$

INTERMEDIARY BANK [FIELD 56A] BANK OF BARODA NEW YORK

SWIFT: BARBUS33 ACCOUNT: 026 005 322

LOCAL BANK [FIELD 57A]
BANK OF BARODA, BOTSWANA
SWIFT: BARBBWGX
ACCOUNT NAME & NUMBER [AS ABOVE]

ACCOONT NAME & NOMBER (AS ABOVE)

FOR TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS IN BWP

BANK DETAILS: AS ABOVE FOR LOCAL BANK OF BARODA

ACCOUNT DETAILS : [BWP] AS ABOVE

SWIFT: BARBBWGX



Excellence in Service

Lions of Beira donate foodstuffs to the handicapped and orphans in Dondo, Mozambique.





Lions Clubs of Triangle and Chiredzi partnered to assist fire victims in Chiredzi and Triangle by donating foodstuffs, clothes and blankets to the affected families.





Lions Club of Gaborone provided warmth and comfort to the needy and under privileged elderly women. The club organized a blanket distribution at Thamaga district. The event was attended by the Minister of Transport and Communication.





Lions Clubs of Harare The Phoenix organized a Reading Action campaign program at Kasipiti orphanage in Harare. The event was attend by the District Governor Lion Dr. Alva Senderayi.







Excellence in Service

Lions of Zvishavane donated a wheelchair to an amputee in Chivi Ward 8 at a touching event attended by the ward councilor, Mr. Vuta and the Zone 3A Chairman Lion Piraishe





Lions Clubs of Harare West have successfully chartered the Trust Academy Leo Club. A charter celebration was organized during the Club's change over ceremony.





Lions Club of Triangle organized two activities in one day! A hernia operation for a senior citizen and donation of crutches to a young girl.





The Harare Lions led by PDG Clever, SVDG Lion Jona & Region Chair Lion John attended the send off ceremony for the Zimbabwe Paralympics team in Harare. While PDG Clement and some senior Lions saw off the Malawi team in Lilongwe. The Lions partnership with the Special Olympics continues to strengthen.







Excellence in Service

Lions of Triangle made their annual visit to Mtikizizi Old People's Home in Bikita where they donated foodstuffs, clothes and blankets to the senior citizens and spent the day with them, cooking and cleaning for them.





Grooming Leaders of tomorrow!

Immediate Past Leo District President,
Leo Tanya was invited to address the
Global Social Impact Summit in Los
Angeles, USA.





Lions Club of Redcliff donated a walker to Mr. Dhliwayo, a member of the Redcliff Community. They plan to send him for physiotherapy until he recovers.





Lions Club of Gweru hosted an induction session for over 120 Leos from 6 schools in and around Gweru at their den. Thanks to Lion Sharai for coordinating the Leos who attended together with their prospective Patrons







On the Lighter Side

THE PUSH TO SUCCESS

A wealthy man had only one daughter.

When the daughter was of marriage age, the father sent news around town that all the eligible young men should come to compete in a test which would determine who was fit to marry his daughter.

On the set day, all able-bodied young men came out. Some came with paper and pen and others with cutlasses and swords.

The rich man then took them to his swimming pool and addressed them:

"Any of you who can swim from one end of this swimming pool to the other would marry my daughter. In addition, I'll give him 15 million Ghana Cedis, a car and a house so they can start life well. I shall be waiting to meet my son-in-law at the other side. Good luck!"

As the young men, all very excited at the prospect of winning, started taking off their shirts, a helicopter came over the pool and dropped snakes and crocodiles into the pool.

Immediately, all the men turned back and started wearing their shirts. Disappointed, some of them said,

"That's crazy, no one will."

All of a sudden, they heard a splash in the pool & everybody watched in amazement as one gentleman struggled his way across, avoiding the snakes and crocodiles. Finally, he made it to the other side.

The rich man could not believe it. He asked the young man to name anything he wanted but the man was panting uncontrollably. When finally, he got himself together, he made a request saying,

"SHOW ME THE PERSON WHO PUSHED ME INSIDE THIS POOL!"

MORAL:

- You may not know what you are capable of doing, until you are PUSHED!!.
- 2. Sometimes it takes going through bad moments to bring out the BEST in us.
- 3. Trials are raw materials for Triumphant Testimonies...
- 4. Push might take various dimensions: some people needed to be sacked before realizing their potentials and reaching their goals in life.
- 5. The more adversaries work to prevent from reaching your destiny, the more they drive you close to it.

My Wish for You this Month: **SOMEONE OR SOMETHING WILL PUSH YOU TOWARDS YOUR SUCEESS.**

