

**District Governor's Report to Cabinet
Cabinet Meeting #2, November 20, 2011
Napanee Lions Hall**

The time since our last Cabinet meeting, August 28, 2011, has been a busy time for all A3 Lions. The planning that has been done by club executives, cabinet members, district committee chairs and many others has moved into the action mode. We are beginning to reap the benefits of that planning.

A3 Lions have been telling friends and colleagues about the many services to mankind done by Lions and the benefits of belonging to this great service organization. As a result, as Cabinet officers make their many official club visits, several new Lions are joining. In my case I've seen ten new members inducted in the last and one-half weeks.

New members are very important to our district to provide more needed services. I would take this opportunity to remind Lions of my goal to reduce the number of members leaving our district. Please take advantage of the Global Membership and Leadership teams for ideas to keep members interested and excited about being Lions. President Tam stresses that all Lions must be treated like family.

My official visits have been very interesting. The hospitality has been wonderful. Most important are the multitude of services I hear about being done throughout A3. Remember also to look at the LCIF website to read accounts of how you and I as Lions are improving the quality of life daily for so many globally.

When attending the Governors' Council meetings, it is interesting to see first hand the connection between individual Lions, their clubs, multiple district and LCI. It's amazing to see how this large organization fits and works together.

The planning of the International Convention, taking place in Toronto July 4-8, 2014, is well under way. This is an unparalleled opportunity to experience such an amazing event so close to home. Anyone who would like to take part in the organization and/or running of this convention, please contact me. It will require lots of Lions.

We're in the 5th month of this Lions year and speeding right along. I would ask that clubs give serious consideration to working through the CEP (Club Excellence Process) sometime during the next two or three years. It's a process to allow members to state confidentially their opinions about their club's operation, take a serious look at needed community services and generally refresh Lions and clubs. It can have very positive results.

Carol and I wish the Lions of A3 the very merriest of the Christmas season and hope for everyone a wonderful 2012.

Respectfully submitted, DG Earl.