

DISTRICT A-3



REPORTS TO CABINET

Sunday, September 27th, 2020
Land O' Lakes Lions Club

BEREAVEMENT REPORT to Cabinet-Sept 27, 2020

Governor Don and Lions Family, our sincere sympathies go out to the families and Clubs of the following Lions.

Lion Art Berry, Kingston Lions
Past Region Chair Bill McMurtry, Tweed Lions
Lion Art Hewer, Wellington and District Lions
Lion George Peyton, Lakefield and District Lions
Lion Erin Caron, Campbellford Lions
Lion Reg Levert, Marmora and District Lions
Lion Gary Peters, Denbigh-Griffith Lions
Lion Will Kennedy, Trenton Lions

Please stand or a moment's silence, in memory of these dedicated Lions.
May they rest in Peace.

Respectfully submitted.
A3 Bereavement Chair - R11C Dawn Hansen



SECRETARY'S REPORT to Cabinet, September 27, 2020,

Land O' Lakes Lions Club

DG Don, fellow cabinet members, Lions, Lioness and Leos

Thank you for allowing me to serve as Cabinet Secretary. This is my first report to cabinet. There is only two correspondence items – I received a thank you and tax receipt from the Trenton hospital for the donation and a request for financial support expenses incurred for the MDA Effective Speaking Contest.

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Albert Munneke

TREASURER'S REPORT to Cabinet, September 27, 2020,

Land O' Lakes Lions Club

DG Don, fellow cabinet members, Lions, Lioness and Leos

Governor Don, thank you for trusting me to serve as the District Treasurer.

This is my first report to Cabinet for 2020–2021.

The district bank balance is \$ 53,853.10 as of Sept 24/20, the 3 G I C,s have been renewed in August 2020, copies attached to my report.

35 clubs have paid their dues and \$ 10,745.00 MD-A share has been sent.

Currently there is \$ 8,635.00 accounts receivable and \$ 37.71 us accounts payable.
(approximately \$50.65 Cdn)

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Albert Munneke

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT TO CABINET

Cabinet members, Lions all,

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your District Governor. This has been a very different start to our Lions year. From the cancellation of conventions, meetings, fundraising activities and, service projects to a virtual installation ceremony, this is certainly not what any of us expected.

The global pandemic has disrupted the opportunity to train our officers properly, and forced us to alter our fundraising and membership goals.

We were able to conduct very basic training for our Zone and Region Chairs thanks to the hard work and dedication of SVDG Linda and PDG Janet with the hope of offering ongoing support as required.

Lions Theresa Pomerleau and Barb Johnson put an excellent training session on MYLlon to help our new secretaries with service reporting. We learned that there are gaps in the communication with LCI highlighting the need for a District Administrator and I would like to thank PDG Lion Bill Zwier for accepting that appointment. Having FVDG Mark and, SVDG Linda in attendance assured that we all know the difficulties and concerns our secretaries may have.

We are continually trying to improve the communication between the District and our clubs. I would like to thank PDG Lion Frank for bringing our Website, Facebook page and E Clubhouse up to date, as well as Lion Karen Christopher for producing our District Newsletter. Our District Directory has been delivered to most of our clubs and I cannot find the proper words to express my gratitude to Lion Theresa Hewitt for the incredible effort in putting our book together.

We are all aware that Covid19 has changed the way we must approach our Lions journey with Provincial Health regulations and Local Health Unit rules ever changing, we must adapt how we serve

As our District's Leadership Team we must find ways to support and encourage our clubs to stay engaged, active and visible, while maintaining their personal safety and comfort level. Dr Choi reminds us we serve through Kindness and Diversity and I would stress the kindness component of his message. We need to support the members of our clubs with patience, understanding and empathy. Lions Linda Mark and myself are here to provide our support to assist with your efforts.

Now it is time to get to work, together we can meet the challenges that Covid19 places in our path. We may just need to be a little more creative.

Respectfully submitted
Lion Don, DG A3

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Committee report to cabinet 26 Sept 2020

DG Lion Don, fellow Cabinet members, Lions and guests;

This is my first report to cabinet for the Lions Year 2020-21 as the District Constitution and By-Laws chair.

Our District Constitution and By-Laws are in good shape. I have received no requests for amendments thus far this Lions year.

In my February report I noted that there were 2 (two) proposed amendments that required approval at the International Convention in June. Since this convention did not happen, these amendments are on hold until the next convention. They affect mandatory wording within the Constitution and as such I will be recommending their adoption once finalized.

I expect that there will be some additional changes made at LCI over the course of this year and will have more in depth report for the Nov Cabinet meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Lion Mark Kelso - Constitution and By-Laws Chair 2020-21

DISTRICT A3 LCIF REPORT

Cabinet Meeting September 25, 2020

DG Don and Cabinet Members.

We know the Covid-19 virus has had a tremendous impact on all clubs. Some with keeping the doors open, others with maintaining support and contact with our community partners. However, this will not stop us from doing what we have always done, provide the best service to our community.

The activity funds in most clubs are at an all-time low. To ask for major support for LCIF is almost impossible. Some clubs do have funds that can support LCIF. I will be asking them to support Campaign 100. The district has benefitted from previous unrestricted donations in the form of a District and Club Community Impact grant. Our continued support for LCIF will reap further monies coming back to the district.

LCIF is the best charity for the Lions to make a personal contribution. Like many of you, I have continued to support LCIF through my monthly contributions. A3 has received several grants with the Trenton Lions receiving over \$108,000.00 USD for the IV Pumps at the Trento hospital. With matching grants, it's easy to meet a goal when you only need to raise half of the funds.

I am asking Secretary Albert to email the attached letter to all the clubs in A3.

This report respectfully submitted,

PID Terry Graham - A3 LCIF Chairperson

Attachment:**LCIF - Campaign 100- Empowering Service**

Dear Lion President and LCIF Chair

Our Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is empowering your service through its most ambitious fundraising campaign in history. \$300 Million

These are challenging times. As Lions, we have always considered challenges to be opportunities. COVID-19 has changed the way we do business. Fundraising has been limited however our community service has been at the forefront in meeting the needs of our foodbanks and frontline workers. We see stories on face book of new and creative ways to serve. Living up to our motto "WE SERVE" and "Where There's Need ... There's A Lion"

Last year was a good year for donations from the clubs and individual donations. Thank you for your contributions.

Our district received a LCIF grant for the Trenton Memorial IV pump campaign. A cheque for approximately \$108,000.00 from LCIF was presented as a matching grant contribution to the campaign. A3 also received a \$10,000.00 US grant for our frontline workers. Our A3 Facebook page was full of the many ways the Lions supported the frontline workers. A3 receive approximately \$7700.00 US from previous contributions. This was from District and Club Community Impact grant program. 15% of all non-restricted funds come back to the district for A3 projects.

Clubs still have LCIF in their budgets. Please send those donations to LCIF. LCIF is the best charity for the Lions to make a personal contribution. Like many of you, I have continued to support LCIF through my monthly contributions. All your donations are tax deductible, if sent to "Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF".

LCIF District Chair: PID Terry Graham
tdgraham375@outlook.com 613-392-9726

Make chq's payable to: Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF (all club and personal)

Mail to: PDG Stan Durward, Box 38, Sunderland, Ont. L0C 1H0

Personal donations: lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca

Tax Receipts provided for all donations (checks and online)

IPDG REPORT - September 15, 2020

District Governor Don, Fellow Cabinet Members and members of the Lions Family,

This is my first report to cabinet for this Lions year.

District A3 had two active Lions Clubs International Foundation grants at the end of the previous Lions year.

1. The Emergency Grant, EMR18311/A3, was completed in July. The required documents, news articles, photos, and original receipts were organized and compiled into a binder and sent to LCIF. I received notification that the final report and documents have been accepted and our grant is now completed. A sincere thank you to IPCC Kevin Banfield for encouraging us to apply for the grant. The clubs responded immediately to the "Adopt a LTC Facility" idea and we were able to assist and encourage the staff of the facilities. Many of our clubs have continued to serve to their assigned homes.
2. The Trenton Memorial Hospital foundation Grant, MAT 17958/A3, was approved in June and due to a gap in communication we did not get the funds right away. The presentation to the Trenton Memorial Hospital Foundation was made on August 15 with Lions from Trenton, Brighton, Batawa, Frankford in attendance as well as the IPDG and DG. Lion Jeff Moorhouse is the coordinator and he let me know that the Smart IV Pumps have been ordered and he is waiting for the paperwork from TMHF.

Report respectfully submitted,

IPDG Susan

LEADER DOGS For The Blind first cabinet report for September 26th 2020

Good afternoon District Governor Don and members of cabinet. I am your district A3 Leader Dogs For The Blind chair John Morris.

In spite of the virus we have been very busy with lots of things going on. First Lion Lyn and I attended Leader Dogs first virtual Bark and Brew and we learned lots about changes at Leader Dogs For The Blind during the virus.

Leader Dogs has been opening gradually since May 29th and will start their 3rd class on the 20th of September. These classes consist of people that can drive to Michigan for now anyway and they have gone very well. They have also done 4 home deliveries in the area.

We had a lot of fun at the Bark and Brew and Mark our next year's governor was there and also attended the Virtual Lions Summer Visits. There was also another Leader Dog chair from another part of Canada. We had around 150 to 200 people at these Zoom sessions.

I also attended Leader Dogs chair sessions in August and have more coming up. Speaking of Zoom my Wife Lyn knows how to use Zoom so if any of your clubs want a talk about Leader Dogs or any of the Leader Dog programs like sponsor a puppy or the buy a brick program we are very much available. Please contact Lyn at her email address: tadandgayle@gmail.com or call us at 1-705-876-1905 and we will set it up as soon as we can. You can still contact me at john.morris1998@gmail.com for other information than setting up a Zoom meeting with your club

Leader Dogs has started a new fund raising program. It is called dollars for dogs. You get up to 5 kits from Leader Dogs or you can just get one. You take it to a local business like a pet store and inside are little dog tags worth \$1.00 or \$5.00 or \$20.00 The goal is for the business to raise up to \$500.00 to sponsor a puppy. The business does not have to donate any money at all. The money comes from the customers. After this is done the business will get a plush putty that they pick from a list provided and if the club has put their name on the form they get a puppy as well and also pictures of the puppy and information about it just like clubs have done before. Clubs can still do it the way they did before and just fill out the form with the kit. It is just a new way to get businesses and Lions working together.

Thanks to our committees new member Lion Dale Warren that is what the Chemung Lake Lions club did on Tuesday the 8th of September. They sponsored Ela. I would like to on behalf of Lyn and I welcome Dale to our little committee. We thank you my friend. Also our friends at East Peterborough have taken a kit to help us out. We appreciate this very much. Also our friend Janet Marisen has ordered a kit and has offered to help in any way she can to spread the word about what we are doing. Also Pet Supply Warehouse here in Peterborough has gotten a kit and their goal is to sponsor a puppy. Stay tuned for more updates from our committee because we will have more news to share soon. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

John Morris your district A3 Leader Dogs For The Blind chair and his team.

LFC – LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA REPORT

September 15, 2020

District Governor Don, Fellow Cabinet Members and members of the Lions Family,
This is my first report to cabinet for this Lions year for the Lions Foundation of Canada.
Like everywhere else, the Lions Foundation of Canada is having to change the way they operate.

1. Career Change Program. This program has been started to adopt dogs who are no longer in training to their forever homes.
2. Essential veterinary services and screenings are being maintained.
3. Breeding program is on hold.
4. No new clients are being trained until this can be done safely. This has created a backlog in the potential client list and applications from new clients is suspended. Applications are being taken only from successor clients who need a new dog guide
5. The breeding program is also on hold.

In District A3 we are also adapting our approach to raising funds. I started the “Pop Tabs for Puppies” program that was introduced to me by the Lindsay East Lions club. My main purpose is to keep LFC in the forefront of our Lions awareness.

The Wellington Lions Club held a successful event at Boston Pizza and raised almost \$400 for the foundation. Well Done Lions

Report respectfully submitted
IPDG Susan

DISTRICT GST COORDINATOR/DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

Cabinet Report Sept. 27, 2020

Even though Covid19 has made many hardships within clubs when it comes to fund raising and service activities, many clubs are now thinking outside the box when it comes to fund raising and service. We still have many clubs who are reluctant to do service/fundraising/have meetings due to a fear of contacting the virus.

We, as a District, need to help these clubs survive in their time of need. I have attempted to research ideas of simple activities easy to organize and circulated these ideas to clubs. For example, there are many ideas to address the pillar of Hunger and I have distributed them. I will continue to encourage clubs to stay strong, stay safe and do what is comfortable for them.

Governor Don has made me District Administrator. This means I can access the info on MyLion and MyLCI for all clubs in the District. I can edit information and make changes for any club. This means that, most of the time, clubs no longer have to call LCI for help, they can call me. I edit information only at the request of the Club's secretary or President. I am also required to keep a Log of any changes I make.

I assisted with the MyLion training and have answered many phone calls and requests for assistance since then. In only one circumstance was I unable to assist and had to refer the Secretary to LCI. I want Secretaries who may still be having problems to pick up the phone and call me. We will keep at it until the problem is solved.

Respectfully, PDG Bill Zwier
District GST Coordinator and District Administrator

FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT

District Governor Don, Cabinet members, guests
This is my first report to cabinet as your 1st VDG.

This new Lions year has started with us finding ourselves still under the threat and restrictions of the COVID 19 pandemic. This has placed a great deal of stress on many of us as we try and navigate our way forward. This has made it so that we must look for new ways in which we can still serve and meet as Lions.

I have a license for Zoom and have led a number of meetings and attended a few others and find it a good way to meet while we can't get together physically. In fact, I had the honour of inducting some new members in the East Peterborough club during one of these meetings. I am more than willing to help any club who wants to give it a try.

I continue to be in awe of the service being done by our clubs, despite the restrictions in place due to COVID. I am also impressed by the amount of information that is being shared through social media keeping our clubs front and center in their communities. At the recent MDA council and First Vice District Governor training I was extremely proud when District A3 was centered out as the example for the Multiple District on how to get the word of Lions service out. We are moving away from being the best kept secret in town. Keep up the great work.

I had plans on what I was going to accomplish this year but they have been put on hold for now and I am concentrating on helping the DG team serve the Lions of the district in whatever way we can. It was fun and rewarding participating in the Zone and Region chair training that was superbly executed by our own 2VDG Lion Linda and PDG Lion Janet as well as the Secretary training with Lions Barb Johnston, Theresa Pomerleau and PDG Lion Bill Zwier.

As the District GLT leader I will be working with our team to get more training events planned and want to encourage everyone to take advantage of the Lions Learning center courses and the numerous Virtual seminars provided by LCI.

I am truly excited about what we can accomplish this Lion's year, despite the COVID restrictions, as we work together as a team. Remember that just like the rest of the Cabinet team I am here to help and I am just a phone call, text or e-mail away.

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Mark Kelso
2VDG District A3

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HONORARY COMMITTEE REPORT

Re: Land O Lakes Lions Hall - 1st Cabinet Meeting Date: September 27th, 2020
Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 1st report to Cabinet as the District A3 Honorary Committee Chair. This is one of the committees that I feel proudest to be a part of. This committee is made up of Lions that have brought this District to where it sits today.

I have spoken with several of the members of this committee and while we haven't been able to meet in person, I have been in touch with roughly 80% of them through email or regular mail.

We are currently planning a PDG Picnic at the Port Hope Lions Hall where I hope to be able to sit down with the group and discuss what the goal of this committee is and its past and present plans. I think it is important that we use both our experience from our more experienced members as well as the exuberance of our younger members as we continue to serve.

One of the unsettling statements I heard when talking with several of these potential mentors when I commented about doing more for the District was the statement, "We tried that is the past and we were told we were trying to run things." Well I am here to tell you that this fellow isn't here to run anything, BUT he is here to try and make a difference in our District.

I won't go further into this until I get a chance to talk with the other PDG's but I would like to say thank you for allowing me to chair this committee and I only hope that I can give it the honor and prestige that it deserves. And to help bring the pride back into what it means to become a PDG for this District.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lion Frank Hewitt - Honorary Committee Chair

INTERNATIONAL ADVISOR REPORT

September 2020

DG Don, Cabinet Members and Lions All

Many past practices at LCI had to be changed due to COVID-19. Our International President and International Directors served an extra year. This was due to the cancellation of our International convention in Singapore. We may be in the same position for next year in Montreal. I am sure LCI is working on a resolve for voting so we can move on with executive moves that have to be made for the coming year.

Our MDA endorsed candidate PDG Allan Snider will be elected to the International Board in July and he will serve with Canada's sitting director Lion Allan Hunt. ID Hunt will be finished in July 2021.

1st VDG Mark has been completing his on-line assignments. Will he go to VDG training in person? Hopefully yes. Either way he will be prepared to lead our district next year.

Our guest speaker is an issue this year. We may have to have a virtual speaker for our convention. I will work with DG Don for the best possible solution.

Report respectfully submitted,

PID Terry Graham

A3 International Advisory Chair

SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR Cabinet Report

Sept. 27, 2020 Land O'Lakes Lions' Hall

It has been a very busy past 3 months.

Gov. Don had asked me to organize the RC/ZC training for the Learning Day that was supposed to take place in May. However, Learning Day did not happen, due to the pandemic. We had to generate an alternate plan and still adhere to the Provincial Health regulations. It took many, many hours and many, many rewrites, to adjust the training content to reflect our changing times. There were 3 training sessions – one in each Region. It still remains to be determined how successful – or not – this training was.

With Gov. Don, I assisted in organizing 3 training sessions re: MyLion – one session in each Region. Club Secretaries & Club Administrators were encouraged to attend, along with anyone else who had a desire to become more proficient with MyLion. With the expert guidance of instructors Lion Barb Johnston, Bath, Lion Theresa Pomerleau, East Peterborough and PDG Bill Zwier, Sharbot Lake, the attendees were led through a hands-on, intensive 3 hours of learning. The results of this training is already evident. More club reporting is being done on MyLion.

Club secretaries who are still experiencing difficulties are reaching out to my house – where I immediately put them on the phone to Bill LOL – and to Lions Barb and Theresa. Even though there are still difficulties, it is heartening to know that our Lions realize they have a lot of support and a lot of expertise to call on, and that they will not be left on their own, or brushed off. If one of us does not know the answer for you, we will find out and get back to you. As well, many of my evenings have been spent participating in virtual meetings, both with MD “A”- NAMI (North American Membership Initiative) and with the other 2VDGs of MD “A”. There have also been various learning sessions presented in a virtual setting.

I have had the opportunity to touch base with many clubs throughout the District, in one manner or another. Many clubs are struggling to continue to provide service or fund raising. I hope that in my conversations with these clubs who have reached out to me, that I have alleviated some of their fears and guilt feelings. I continue to re-iterate that one club cannot be compared to another, due to so many differing factors. I emphasize that the Leadership Team is here to offer support, encouragement and assistance when needed.

I will continue to be available for conversations, assistance and club visits, when appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Linda Zwier 2VDG

GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM

Re: Land O Lake Lions Hall - 1st Cabinet Meeting

Date: September 27th, 2020

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 1st report to Cabinet as the Global Membership Coordinator. This has been an interesting position to accept. I have been sending some of the Club membership Chairs info that I feel may help them get a bit of a clearer picture of what we need to do with Membership. Unfortunately, some clubs have no membership chairs and other clubs have chairs that aren't even responding.

I have invited Lion Kate to join me on this venture as I hope that we can not only spark the clubs to start looking at ways that we can still bring members into the clubs but also ways that we can retain the members that we currently have. After looking at our clubs through the Club Assessment forms and viewing some of their retention numbers we hope to be able to tell which clubs need retention help and which clubs are in need of new members to add to their clubs. We feel that both are particularly important to try and maintain a balance.

Currently we have seen the addition of 18 new Lions to our District, however we have also seen a drop of 28 members. We hope to be able to change these numbers around and start heading to a positive through various methods such as asking members to transfer if they aren't happy rather than having them drop Lions, encouraging club leaders to follow up on with their members as often as possible.

Communications is one of the key things of helping to keep Lions in your clubs. And keep all members involved as often as possible. Too many times we see small groups working every event and sometimes it is because members get along better with those people. We need to work together and learn that people are different from each other, but we need to respect those differences. We have collected some of the past committees notes to try and put together a program to help Membership Chairs on a different level than we have in the past and yet still get the same message out to them.

One of the things that does concern us through all of this is the "NAMI" program. It seems to be doing exactly the same things as the Global Membership Team should be covering but overlooking the GMT people we currently have in place. Unfortunately, I am still trying to learn the NAMI program, but I will do my best.

I understand that Zone 43 South will be looking into promoting this at their Zone meetings. Hopefully, it will work but what concerns me most is we are teaching each zone differently by doing this. I am always open to trying new things, but I wonder if this shouldn't have been taught at the Zone Chair training sessions rather than one Zone at a time?

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Frank Hewitt - Global Membership Coordinator

LIONS QUEST Chair Report to Cabinet

September 27, 2020

While many of us are finding all the limitations of Covid very trying, it has been a time of great collaboration and excitement for those of us involved in Lions Quest!

Historically, our main reason for existence was the planning and providing of workshops for educators and community members as they work with the children and youth in the schools and community.

These workshops were interactive, informative and IN PERSON. None of us had ever considered that maybe there might be a way to reach even more educators and community members. With the advent of restrictions on travel, sizes of group gatherings, social distancing and the uncertainty of when some or all of these restrictions might be lifted, Lions Quest Staff and District Chairs and Trainers have been meeting very regularly on Zoom.

Our Executive Director, Joanne McQuiggan has also been meeting with Lions Quest staff in Chicago and facilitators from around the world as together they worked on workshops that would give participants as close to the same workshop experience as our in person workshops provided, but in the comfort and safety of their own homes. These workshops are now ready to be presented across Canada! We have four dates in October and November already booked and now we are looking for educators and people who are interested in finding out about our School Based programs to join in a virtual workshop.

We also have two other shorter sessions for Community members and Lions who want to find out more about the impact that Lions Quest can have for the children and youth in our Country. These could even be presented at a Lions Meeting as a learning session. These are also virtual sessions. The technology that is used provides for small group discussions as well as full group participation and you can attend in your pajamas!

While all of this is very exciting to those of us who are directly involved, **we do need your help and support.** We need money to keep our staff and we need money to provide the materials and resources to the workshop participants. Without the support of the Lions Clubs in District A3, we cannot provide these sessions. Over the last couple of years, we were able to provide four very successful workshops. The people who attended rated the sessions as very worthwhile. We had a grant from LCIF which assisted with half of the cost of these sessions. This was greatly appreciated. Our Lions Quest funds are now depleted and without the monetary support from our Clubs, we cannot provide these virtual workshops.

Research clearly outlines the many stresses and challenges that families and especially children and youth are facing right now. Social and emotional learning is one of most critical skills that children and youth need. Lions Quest programs focus on how educators and community members can help children and youth to develop these crucial life skills. It cannot be over emphasized just how much stress our children and youth are facing right now at the same time as their parents and families are struggling with many of the same issues. Lions Quest can help but only when we have the funds on hand to provide the workshops and resources that are needed.

Please challenge your club, your zone clubs, your region clubs and our District to support Lions Quest. Without your support our children and youth will not have access to the workshops and programs we have available. District A 3 has been a leader in providing these sessions. Please do not let our children and youth down now.

Respectfully submitted.

Janet Marissen. District A 3 Lions Quest Chair.

Please contact me if you have any questions or visit the Lions Quest Canada web page or facebook page.
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REGION 10 CHAIR REPORT

Re: Land O'Lakes Lions Club - 1st Cabinet Meeting

Date: September 27th, 2020

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 1st report to Cabinet as the Region Chair for Region 10. This has truly started out to be an unusual year. I realize that it has been for everyone but as the Region Chair for this year I find it a quite different experience than the past time.

With few meetings happening the Zone Chairs are having a tough time putting their Zone meetings together. As of the time of this report I have only spoken with one Zone Chair that has been trying to schedule his events and I have heard from one that reports that he will be starting his club visits right away.

I have spoken to many of the Club President's and it is great to hear that many of the clubs are working away on projects and carrying forward our message of We Serve. I have been doing my best to keep an eye on the membership numbers for our region and it seems that several clubs have included new members since this Lions term began however we are still down in this Region by a small margin. Region10 does sit with the largest number of members (currently 449). I am sure this will change as things progress, but many members are of the opinion that there is no way to bring new members into something if we are not doing something. So, I am hoping that myself and my Zone Chairs can meet to discuss a plan going forward.

I have offered to allow each of them to use my Zoom program for online sessions if need be but at this time, I have not received a request from any of them. I have held three different club meetings through Zoom however and the members seem receptive to doing so. It is always a bit of a challenge, but we managed to get through them all.

I am hoping that things will eventually open back up and we can plan in person meetings, however I am working on a Region Rally that can be presented online. I am waiting to see what happens with this NAMI event that has popped up to see what the District proposes for the rest of the District.

As I reported earlier this has been a different year and a real challenge to keep Lions enthused about what we are doing and involved but we will continue to work on things as they progress and hope for the best. After all this old Lion doesn't know the meaning of lying down.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Frank Hewitt – Region 10 Chair

DISTRICT PUBLIC RELATIONS & LIONS INFORMATION

Chairperson, Lion Kim Carr

Hello everyone. This is my first report to Cabinet.

I have received various flyers and activity reports which I have posted on Facebook. I still need them to be in .jpg format. I can attach a Word or PDF link to Facebook, but it doesn't have the WOW factor that a picture does. I've noticed several clubs posting their own flyers which is great.

I have also forwarded several activities from clubs to Lion Bob for the Lion Magazine some of which were in the last issue. The only problem Lion Bob has, is any pictures have to be high-resolution. Any lower resolution pictures won't print properly. The easiest way to give me high resolution pictures is to have the photographer send me the picture directly. Forwarded emails cause the resolution to downgrade and by the time Lion Bob gets them, they can't be used. I was really amazed at the ideas various clubs have come up with to serve with the times being the way they are.

Thank you
Kim

REGION 11 CHAIR Report to Cabinet-Sept.2020

Governor Don and Cabinet members,

This being my first report I am finding the clubs in Region 11 are trying to do their best to keep going through this unsettled time. Clubs that have their own halls are holding drive through meals, yard sales, car washes and garlic festivals, so they may continue their service projects. At least one has opened up their hall to small gatherings to help pay their bills. Those that depend on community halls are unable to hold their usual fund raising activities. In spite of this, many continue to provide service activities such as donating masks to schools, refurbishing a local park, and providing snacks etc. to front line workers.

As I have been having difficulty accessing My Lion, I do not have a good sense of all club activities. All but 2 clubs have paid their International dues. These clubs are having some difficulty obtaining the dues from members. I have sent emails to all clubs offering my assistance wherever needed.

I watch for posts on Facebook and know that Bath Lions have inducted 3 new members. Land O' Lakes, Sharbot Lake, Amherstview and Bath have all had their first meeting and have had the installation of their officers. There may be others that I am not aware of at this time. I encourage all clubs to post their activities on social media. I continue to keep in touch with our Zone Chairs.

Respectfully submitted,
Region 11 Chair, Dawn Hansen

REPORTS Zone 11 EAST

Carman Fisher, Chair ... (Note: Following club reports submitted to ZC have been shortened/condensed for this Cabinet report)

Bath & District Lions Club

During pandemic, services and activities included;

Ongoing access to our Medical Mobility Equipment Program led by Lion Andrew Hobbis. This program enables us to lend medical equipment to patients in our community who could otherwise not afford the proper equipment to recover from any altering injury or illness. All of the equipment has been donated to the club and Lion Andrew maintains the equipment

Our food bank has continued to be a shining beacon in our community for those in need. Lion Tom Houston is the chairperson for this program. When the lockdown was implemented by the provincial government, Lion Tom wanted to make sure our community members would not go hungry.

Our Club President, Lion Daniel McGrath, has also continued to help serve the community by volunteering his time for the meals on wheels program.

Once some of the provincial restrictions were lifted and the Bingo Hall opened for business, we were happy to hear that we would once again be receiving funds from the OLG even if we were not yet allowed to send volunteers to work the Bingo's.

The club reunited at the beginning of September with Governor Don Radnor and his lovely wife, Ruth Anne, joined us for an outside bar-b-que at our club president residence. The governor performed the executive induction ceremony for the 20\21 season, as well as the induction of two new members to our club.

With the new season under way and funds finally coming in, we have been back to work looking for ways to help our community.

We partnered with our local pharmacy, Bath Pharmasave, and we purchased \$1000.00 worth of masks at the pharmacist's cost price. We started by providing our local elementary school with 270 reusable masks. We realize that this mask situation is a very new concept for everyone and we wanted the students in our community to feel safe.

We are also in the process of providing our local Scouts group with a donation of \$500.00 to help them purchase what they need so they can continue to safely meet.

Last but not least, Lion Dave Bryant, came up with the brilliant idea of helping out our local churches so they could open their doors to their congregations in a safe and healthy environment. We have 3 churches in our community and each will be given \$1000.00 to help with the restrictions of the pandemic.

Our membership Chairman Lion Fred Brown has been very busy with recruitment. After the induction of the 2 new members on Sept. 2, 2020, Lion Fred has recruited another 2 members. We are all very proud of his hard work and dedication to the club.

In the next couple of weeks, our club will be unveiling the bench being placed in honor of Lion Doug Hawley (RIP) which is being placed in downtown Bath, across the street from the Royal Bank.

We are continuously communicating through phone, text, email as well as our monthly Virtual Zoom Business meeting.

Storrington Lions Club

The Club's Chicken BBQ dinner on August 29th was a resounding success. 237 meals were sold, generating a net profit of almost \$3000.00. The Club is planning a Pork Roast dinner on October 24th (see flyer attached). Hall rental bookings have resumed in the Storrington Club in full compliance with infection control measures and protocols issued by Public Health.

The Club feels it is not fair to ask members to pay dues during the Covid-19 pandemic and has decided to cover all membership dues during this global health crisis. Members are aware many, if not most, Lions Clubs and members are experiencing challenges and financial hardships because of the Covid-19 pandemic. Lions International should have forgiven membership dues this year. This is adding additional strain on our Club as we are not generating the usual revenues to cover our operating costs (heat, hydro, insurance, etc). We hope to be able to survive until regular hall use resumes.

D'Arcy Marconi is the new Club president. Johan Beskers and Catherine Reynolds will share the role of Secretary. Vicki Shaw is the new Treasurer.

Sydenham Lions

Membership: Reduced by 2 to 18 members due to death of long standing member Lion Bud Young and sudden serious medical condition of Lion Dr. Paul Radford.

Activities: Since the June 2020 Report included distribution of the snacks to Kingston Rideaucrest Long Term Care Facility and planting of 500 seedlings in the Sydenham area as part of the 100 years of Lions in Canada and the planting of 100,000 trees in Canada.

Our Club submitted a Community Grant application to South Frontenac Township and has worked with the Township for a 3rd bench and wheelchair pad in the Sydenham Village Point Park. The park bench will arrive on Oct 8 to the Township Yard for staff to install at the Park.

Our Club meets at the Community Room at Sydenham Library and South Frontenac Township has only now opened up Facility and Halls for Meetings in compliance with COVID-19 Ontario Provincial Stage 3 Restrictions. Sydenham Lions 1st meeting will be Monday Sept 21st at the Sydenham Library Community Room.

Newburgh-Camden Lions

The halls are still closed in Stone Mills Township so no meetings held since August 8, 2020.

Fifty-eight (58) hours of maintenance by 3 Lions members and 2 community members have been done at Centennial Park during the past month. Lawns have been mowed, limbs have been picked up and a sign stating the Centennial Park name has been refurbished and installed. Each day the washrooms are checked and on the weekends they are cleaned/disinfected by 2 Lions.

Three pieces of medical equipment were donated to the Club and picked up by the Club September 6th.

The Club will hold an Electronics Recycling event (OES approved) on September 19th in Newburgh from 8:00-4:00. Good clothing will also be collected for the Ontario Federation of Cerebral Palsy at this event.

A meeting is planned for September 10th at the home of Lions Victor & Mary Ann Smith since there are several business matters to be discussed.

Amherstview Lions Club

Membership 23. A New member Randy Evans joined July 15, 2020

Supported VON Meals on Wheels \$477. The club paid for 92 meals for senior residents of Amherstview and Area

Supported Lionhearts' Inc., a registered charity is providing up to 300 meals three times a week to residents of Amherstview and Area.

Supported 1st Amherstview/Bath Scouting Group ... The scouting group of beavers, cubs, and scouts are now forced to meet outdoors. The group required a new barbeque and supplies for meetings and for fund raising activities. The club supported these youth activities.

Purchased sneeze guards (size 23" x 31") \$(113)... The Guards will be made available to groups that need them on a loan basis. The Kingston, Lennox & Addington Alzheimer's Society have made a request. The guards will be used during club projects.

Sale of masks \$61. One of the members is making masks and selling them to members of the club for \$8.00. The totals of the \$8.00 will be donated to the Administration Account.

Membership Dues have been reduced to \$75.00 and are being collected. Membership dues to A4 and MD and Lions International have all been paid. Event - Car Wash September 26, 2020 raising funds for Christmas Baskets

Pittsburgh Lions Club

No report as their hall is closed on Gore Road Army Navy Airforce Club. Have tried to get in touch with them by email and telephone.

Kingston Lions Club

They have been getting shares from the Bingo that they are doing, but they have not had a general meeting at the Royal.

They are getting Christmas cakes ready to hand out to seniors who want them, also have donated \$2,000 to the food bank in Kingston.

\$1,000 towards Easter Seals.

\$500 to Mother Table and \$320 to Trillium Long Term Care.

Sent from President Jim.

Kingston Lakeshore West

No report as their hall is closed, but have had outdoor meetings with 14 members present. Got shares from Bingo Hall on Bath Road.

Copied from President letter for report to ZC.

ZONE 11W - CABINET REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2020

The Clubs of my Zone continue to cope despite restrictions imposed by COVID-19. Club presidents are certainly aware of the limitations and negative effect this pandemic is having on the members' ability to serve to the standard they have been used to. Fund raising activities continue to be held back and consequently, donations are less than usual. Activities that have been tried, although successful, have proven to be less beneficial than before the global crisis.

I'm pleased to see that members of our clubs understand that the lethargy currently experienced is by no means caused by lack of leadership. If I read the vocal signals of our presidents correctly, the caged lions are profiting from the imposed rest, building strength and ambition in order to go wild once we release them to the normal world. My hope is that health experts soon find a cure so that all lions return to what they best like to do, i.e. serve our communities in unison with their team members.

I'm satisfied with the results of the activities initiated by each club and the guidance offered by each president.

Respectfully submitted

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ZONE 43 WEST – REPORT TO CABINET September Report:

This is my first report to the cabinet of the District A3 Lions year 2020/2021. With the COVID crisis escalating once again, Lions are finding it difficult to perform in ways we have become accustomed to.

However, like a phoenix, we are rising to the situation and adjusting to the requirements and adapting to what is required to interact with the general population. Ingenuity is occurring and new or modified fundraisers are being developed to continue our efforts to serve our communities.

Meetings are being conducted with appropriate cautions in place, or performed by internet. It is a time of cautious optimism, with ingenuity and compromise our guide. Below are activities and donations by individual clubs.

Report respectfully submitted by Lion Bill Shaw,
Zone Chair, 43 WEST

Campbellford:

The only activity this fall is our yard sale and BBQ last Saturday Sept 05, with final total to come for the next report.

Havelock:

The havelock Lions are holding meetings with all protocols in place. General meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month. The first Tuesday being our board meeting. No activities were planned over the summer as meetings were started in June. It has been a hard struggle to get club motivated to do any activities as our members are fearful about gatherings.

Keene:

As discussed at our last meeting, here is the report from the Keene Lion's Club.

- All our regular fund raising activities have been cancelled since last March, this includes our weekly Bingo Night and Summer Events with the Food Trailer.
- We still managed to have some fund raising events, such as a successful Bottle Drive for the Keene Food Cupboard, raising \$1448.70; two Fish Fries (August and September) and one more scheduled for October 16, 2020. We also have someone leasing our Kitchen 3 days a week at this time.
- We added two more scholarships for this year, knowing that most students could not find work for the summer.
- Our yearly budget for donations has been decreased by 40% for 20/21.
- We again started our first Tuesday of the month meeting, but decided to cancel the monthly Dinner Meeting until next calendar year(?).
- All our members are looking at different way to fund raise, but it is not an easy task.

Norwood:

Since March Norwood has not held any physical meetings. The board of Directors conducted monthly meetings by Zoom. In August the Directors were hosted by President Terry on his large screened in porch. A Directors Meeting is planned for Sept 10 and a Club Business meeting on Sept 17 in the Millennium room at the Norwood Community Centre.

- **ACTIVITIES**

In May we partnered with a local landowner and planted 500 trees.

With the LCIF Disaster Grant we presented 6 chairs for the staff at Pleasant Meadow Nursing Home to use in their staff lounge.

We also presented a number of planters to the Maple View retirement Home

We donated \$500 to a fire victim and \$250 to a fellow who had been injured in a car accident

We donated \$250 to a woman for help with eyeglasses.

We donated 4 \$500 bursaries to graduates of Norwood High School

- **FUNDRAISING**

We are presently selling our Community Calendars

We are presently selling tickets on our "Fair Draw "

We are holding an E waste and textile collection on Sept 19

Zone 43 South, Report to September 27, 2020 Cabinet Meeting

District Governor Don, Members of the District A-3 Cabinet, Lions and Leos:

Communications:

I have been able to maintain communications with all of the clubs in Zone 43 S through an end of month phone call. Four of the five clubs are healthy, but I am concerned about one of the clubs. No new executive members have stepped forward for the 2020-2021 Lions' year so last years' executive have remained in place. Two members of the executive resigned and left Lions in the spring.

Monthly reports for July and August were distributed to the District Governor, the First District Vice Governor, the Second District Vice Governor, and the Region 43 Chair. September's report will be forthcoming closer to the end of the month.

Membership:

Membership in the Zone remains basically unchanged with the good news of 5 new members for Trenton Lions. With the exception of Trenton, membership numbers are basically unchanged. Four Lionesses have converted to Lions' membership and one new member has joined the club. Unfortunately, Trenton lost one of their life members, Lion Will Kennedy who passed this week.

Service:

The limitations imposed on all clubs due to the Coronavirus Pandemic have impacted most club service activities. Major annual service events in almost every locale have had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Clubs have responded with tremendous creativity to identify new service activities in support of first responders and health care personnel in all the communities in 43S. **The District A-3 Facebook Page** is proving to be a tremendous resource for the sharing of ideas on service activities. Most of the Zone 43S clubs also have their own Facebook page.

The Secretary training sessions attended by a few of the secretaries is helping with the Service reporting through MyLCI. This must be constantly monitored and reporting encouraged.

Meetings:

Scheduling regular membership meetings for the 4 of 5 clubs in the zone who do not own their own facilities is proving to be a challenge. All clubs are meeting regularly either in-person or virtually. Brighton were able to start meetings September 8 but have been bounced from their 2nd and 4th Mondays by municipal council meetings. Colborne Legions is open but only late in the week, impacting Colborne Lions out of the shared meeting space. Batawa were able to meet at their facility up until this week. The new Ontario regulations limiting attendance to 10 people at unstaffed locales have forced them back to Zoom meetings. Zoom and conference calls are filling the gap, but not without shortcoming.

I have scheduled all my ZC visits to the five clubs but these visits may have to change due to COVID-19 constraints. The second and third (and maybe a fourth) Zone Advisory meeting will be scheduled based on the results of our first meeting.

The first Zone 43 South District Governor's Advisory Meeting, now called the Zone 43 South Workshop (focused on the LCI North American Membership Initiative (NAMI)) is going to take place Thursday evening September 24. PID Terry Graham and PCC John Whyte have worked with me over the last month or so putting the workshop together. I am fortunate to have two such knowledgeable, experienced, and hardworking Lions to put the workshop together. Zone 43 South has been named a pilot site of this initiative. The results of which will be shared in the next couple of weeks. COVID-19 regulations limited attendance at the Trenton Lions Hall to a total of 34 people. The intent was to have the President, Secretary, 1st Vice President/Service Chair and Membership Chair from each club. We feel fortunate to have 17 attendees coming but one club was unable to send anyone due to personal illness and concerns related to COVID-19. Four out of the Five Zone 43 S clubs will be represented.

PDG Frank Hewitt has been invited to attend as an observer and is being asked to report our success back to the District Leadership.

Report respectively submitted,
Lion Ted Cook
Zone Chair 43S

WEBMASTER & TECHNOLOGY

Re: Land O Lakes Lions Hall - 1st Cabinet Meeting
September 27th, 2020

Date:

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 1st report to Cabinet as the Technology & Webmaster Chair. I would like to start off by saying how pleased I am to be given this position. It certainly was a challenge and one that I was eager to get into.

As you may have already seen I stripped down what was there from the past and took the chance to rebuild the site in what I hope was more up to date and a more user-friendly format. If you haven't already had a chance to check out the site, I invite you to go to <http://www.e-district.org/sites/a3/> and take a look. I do want to say that I am proud of what has been accomplished in such a short time.

Of course, it will be an ongoing job as we need to make sure that it is kept up to date and as secure as possible. The new Directory has been loaded up and it will be updated as the corrections happen. Any changes made are done in **RED** print so that we can keep track of them as well the date is changed every time an update is made so that people can tell it is the latest version.

One of my major concerns at the moment is the information that is on the page. In this day of instant contact I realize that people feel the need to have the information at their fingertips but this also possess a security risk as the Directory itself contains home address, email addresses and phone numbers (both cell and home) and in some cases spouses names. As we all know anything posted online is always open to being downloaded and with it on our webpage it really is not secure. But it can always be updated for everyone to see. One of the things I would like to recommend is that we start to consider using the MEMBER'S ONLY section that is a part of the page system already. Anything that contains people private information could then be added to that section requiring a password for members to enter. It also provides other programs as well for our use such as a private message board, the ability to do e-vites to events, the ability to do polls across the District as well as Newsletters and Group emails. Some of these programs may prove to be quite useful and some maybe of no use but they would still be available.

Currently one of the security measures in place is removing some of the address and phone numbers and just using an email link with the person's name or pictures. This way if you click on

the photos it will either send them an email directly to that person OR some photos have been linked to the other clubs e-webpages so people can see what is happening at the other clubs.

This way we hope to be able to have the clubs update their websites for public use as well. One of the things I find strange is that our e-webpages are provided free of charge and with a bit of practice can be a huge asset to clubs. Yet, many clubs feel the need to spend money purchasing a site that they still need to look after. However, each club has the right to do what they feel is necessary. IF any club would like to learn more about setting up their webpages, I do my best to make myself available to help out OR if you would like the Young Adults of Peterborough Branch Club is always willing to keep it up to date for a nominal fee.

Also, I have purchased the Zoom Meeting program and I understand that several others have as well. I have offered meeting times out to the clubs in my Zone and have had one or two clubs take advantage of that availability. I realize that everyone is hoping this will all end soon, however this gives everyone the chance to still meet and to do so safely. So I will continue to offer it out.

Respectfully Submitted
Lion Frank Hewitt
Technology and Webmaster Chair
