# District A-3 Committee Reports 2024 - 2025

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	Historian	PDG Frank Hewitt	Χ
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23	Facebook & Club Communications	PDG Frank Hewitt	X
	Webmaster & Technology	Rachel Ste. Croix	
24	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG	Bryan Adams	X
	GLT	Bryan Adams	
	Honorary Committee	PDG Linda Zwier	
	International Advisory Committee	PID Terry Graham	
	Grants Committee	PZC Jim Peters	
	Accessibility	Devon Wilkins	
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	Lions Fellowship	Theresa Hewitt	
	Leo & Lions Service for Children	PDG Dave Hansen	
	Global Service Chair	Angie Perrier	
	Hunger	RC Kirby Park	
	Vision Screening	PRC Nancy Lane	
27,28	Childhood Cancer	Lydia Elliot	Χ
29	Diabetes Awareness	Heather McKellar	Χ
30	Environment / Environmental Photo	ZC Debbie Fortin	Х
		Brown	
31	Camp Dorset	Steve Scally	Χ
	Hearing Services for the Deaf	Susan Flannigan	
32	Region Chair 10	RC Kirby Park	Х
33	Leader Dogs for the Blind	John Morris	Х
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	Zone 10 North	ZC Rachel Ste Croix	
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	Zone 10 South	ZC Randall Ross	
36	Region 11	RC Nawar Hage	Χ
37	Literacy Chair	Coleen Power	Χ
	Effective Speaking	PCC Graham Lewis	
	Lions Quest	Stacy Perrier	
38	Zone 11 East	ZC Ron Duesharm	Х
39	Zone 11 West	ZC Mike Hage	X
40	Region 43	Sue Pierce	X
	Special Olympics	Robert Clement	
	Peace Poster	Ed Balsdon	
41	Zone 43 East	ZC Deb Fortin Brown	Х
	Zone 43 West	ZC Cynthia Reid	
	Zone 43 South	ZC Gail Lynch	



### Bereavement Report

# First Cabinet Meeting in the 2024-2025 Lions Year Saturday, September 14, 2024

On July 7, 2024 Bath and District Lions Club mourned the passing of Lion Jack Hamilton. His visitation was held on July 10<sup>th</sup> and his funeral was on July 11<sup>th</sup> with a reception that followed at 12:30 p.m.

On July 16, 2024 the Norwood Lions mourned the passing of Lion Don McLaughlin. A Celebration of Life was held on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

On August 5, 2024, Lion Dawn Hiscocks of the Lakefield Village Lions Club passed away. A visitation was held on August 13<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with the service following at 12:00 p.m. A reception followed thereafter.

These are the deaths in the District for the 1st quarter of this Lions year.

Respectfully submitted,

**PCS Lion Lori Loucks** 

District A3 Bereavement Chair

# **Cabinet Secretary Report to Cabinet**

September 14,2024

District Governor, Cabinet, Lions & Guests

This is my first report to Cabinet for this Lions year and time has been spent updating & correcting names, addresses, emails etc. Aside from this work there have been no issues or problems to report.

Respectfully submitted.

**Cabinet Secretary** 

Francis English

# **District A-3 Treasurers Report**

Sept 6, 2024
DG Kevin,
Cabinet, Fellow
Lions This my
first report for
2024 -2025
I apologize that I will not be attending the 1st cabinet meeting.
All the clubs were invoiced for MD-A and District dues mid July, I have received payments from 40 clubs and have forwarded payment to MD-A for 30 clubs totaling \$14,910.00.
The budget committee has prepared a budget to present to the first cabinet
meeting for their approval. I will be asking for the cabinet approval to renew the 3 G
I C's, which all becomes due in November.
There was a fraudulent cheque written on the district bank account, fortunately the bank caught it and recommended we close the account and set up a new account. This has been done.
The current bank balance is \$21,853.86, this amount includes funds from various committees. Our receivables are \$4,015.00 and current payables are \$2,922.50.
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submit
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Albert

9:58 AM 09/06/24 Accrual Basis

### District A-3 Lion Clubs Balance Sheet As of September 6, 2024

	Sep 6, 24
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
T-D Canada Trust	21,853.89
Total Chequing/Savings	21,853.89
Accounts Receivable Accounts Receivable	5,802.50
Total Accounts Receivable	5,802.50
Other Current Assets G I C's	
GIC 605-8650804-01	20.000.00
GIC 606-8650804-02	30,000 00
GIC 606-8650804-03	20,000,00
GIC 605-8650804-04	6,000,00
Total G I C's	76,000.00
Total Other Current Assets	76,000.00
Total Current Assets	103,656.39
TOTAL ASSETS	103,656.39
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
G A T Subsity Grant	1,251,36
Liabilities	,
Camp Huronda	
Camp Huronda - Other Donations	200.00
Total Camp Huronda	200.00
District Leo's	1,485 60
I D Campaign	1,968.49
MD-A convention income	5.693.00
Vision & Hearing machines	7,754.26
Youth programs	
Effective speaking	1,514.73
Lions quest	11,252.61
Literacy	100.00
Peace poster	333.41
Special olympics	3,928.85
Total Youth programs	17,129.60
Liabilities - Other	100.00
Total Liabilities	34,330.95
Total Other Current Liabilities	35,582.31
Total Current Liabilities	35,582.31
Total Liabilities	35,582.31
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	-12.680.15
Unrestricted Net Assets	-12,680.15 62,722.98
Unrestricted Net Assets	62,722.98
Unrestricted Net Assets Net Income	62,722.98 18,031.25

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	2 2025	Revised	Sept 4/24	1	
Account Name	Budget 23 / 24	Actual	Budget 24 / 25		
A-3 dues assessment to Clubs	11,970.0	0 11,970.00	12,060.00	10,360.00	
M DA dues assessment to Clubs	20,947.5	0 20,947.50	21,140.00	18,130.00	
Dues - Levy for New Clubs	1,200.0	0.00	1,208.00		
Interest Revenue	150.0	0 1,995.00	3,375.00		
Bank acc't balance rebate	48.0	0 50.65	59.40	9.90	
Miscellaneous Revenue	0.0	0.00			
GAT	0.0	0 1,000.00			
A 3 Convention Income (refund)	0.0	0.00			
Total Income	34,315.50	35,963.15	37,842.40	28,499. <b>9</b> 0	
Badges, Crests & Name badges	2,000.0	3,000.39	1,475.00		
Bank Charges	90.0	75.43	90.00	9.90	
M D A clubs dues forwardwd	20,947.5	20,947.50	21,140.00	14,910.00	
District A3 Convention (seed money)	0.0	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Eye glasses collection boxes	0.0	0			
	0.0				
District Equipment	1,600.00	406.80			
Incoming cabinet training & milage	400.00	100.00	600.00		
New Club Regalia	600.00	0.00	600.00		
Club Officer training	3,000.00	\$ 500.00	1,500.00		
Cabinet officer training/Extra Training	300.00		1,500.00	730.97	
GAT	600,00	465.50	,		
2VDG Training milage	190.00	185.37	200.00		
Meals - Cabinet	300.00	150.00	450.00		
Room Rent-Cabinet	400.00	150.00	600.00		
Honorarium-Secretary	400.00	400.00	400.00		
Postage/Courier/Supplies/Printing/Milage	450.00	31.62	450.00		
'Honorarium - Treasurer	400.00	400.00	400.00		
Postage/Courier/Supplies/Printing/Milage	450.00	504.50	450.00		
Audit Honorarium	150.00				
District awards	500.00	239.44	500.00		
Awards• DG	800.00	10,000.00	1,000.00		
Zone I Region / VDG,s Honorarium	1,300.00	1,300.00	2,100.00		
Honorarium LCIF & Service chair			300.00		
Software & Licence	1		300.00		
Convention Guest	1,500.00	0.00			
Donation A-3 Convention Guest Speaker	400.00	400.00	500.00		
nternational Spouse Travel	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00		
Misc Expense	300.00		300.00		
District officers election	150.00	0.00	150.00		
ALLI training ( cabinet members )	0.00	0.00			
Total Expenses	39,227.50	41,156.55	36,005.00	15,650.87	
Profit/Loss	-4,912.00	-5,193.40	1,837.40	12,849.03	



Re: 1<sup>st</sup> District Cabinet Meeting

Date: Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

# **Cabinet report**

Dear governor and cabinet

This is your first report for the year 2024-2025

We have had 2 meeting so far and things are looking good for the convention. We are asking the cabinet for \$1500.00 seed money to cover off the cost of the mail outs in late December or first of January. Also any other things that may come up. We have been in contact with the best western and as of yet do not have a contract to sign out we are booked and things are moving well

The registration form is on the lions web page. When the cabinet makes there visit we are asking them to invite lions to come help us celebrate the lions year Respect fully submitted

PDG Bill Lewis

Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests,

This is my first report to the District as your District Governor, I face the butterflies of decisions, writing reports and hoping I am doing the right thing. Or the responsibility of doing the right thing as a Governor. But you know the help that is at my fingertips is enormous. And everyone has made it aware to me just call, and I thank everyone for that. I do have your number on speed dial.

But the day, month and year will end, I will say this I will GET R DONE to the best of my ability. Most of all the support team that I talk about is here for everyone, don't be afraid to pick up the phone. We started of this year with a higher membership then last year. We will end this year better then we started, because our District is inducting new members almost every week #Mission1.5.

We currently sit at 1230 members, and we seem to be on our way towards our goals. As your District Governor it feels great to be talking with so many of you these past few weeks and to watch as the District Committees are working away at getting their committees up and running. It has been so much fun working with those that are eager to learn and just as eager to keep moving forward on their own. A huge thank you to IPDG Lion Frank for taking care of the Club communications and making sure that everything is going quickly and efficiently. Also so much more, as you will see by his reports. Also, I am so thrilled with the way that the District Global Action Committee is working together. I have had the opportunity to speak with them several times already this year. We all seem to want to "Make your Mark", just as our International President Lion Fabricio Oliveira wants us to do. We have had a couple days of training for our Zone and Region Chairs that was facilitated by PCC Lion John Whyte and IPDG Frank Hewitt. Also a big thank you to our District Administrator Theresa Hewitt, I think she wore out at least one phone and computer. Dealing with Lions International about issues over Lions Portal.

And we have already begun meeting with the District Convention committee to make sure everyone has an opportunity to celebrate another fantastic year in Lions. Keep up the great work everyone and always remember I am just a call away. So Lets GET R Done.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Kevin Kimmerly

Kevin Kimmerly - District Governor



Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests,

This is my first report to the District as your Immediate Past District Governor regarding the Incoming Officers School. Unfortunately, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Bryan Adams and I have not really had much of an opportunity to talk about this event, but we are planning to hold one in the near future.

As I have taught at this event before I am hoping that I can call on my past experiences to help put together an exceptional event for all. One idea that I have is to forward a 'suggestions' form to the clubs to see if we can get a better idea of what the Lions would like to see presented at the school. Of course, we would include the President, Secretary and Treasurer courses to help keep the club officers up to date with changes and happenings within Lions, but it would be great to base one or two courses on the regular Lions choices as well. Perhaps one or two of the District Committee Chairs could be enticed to do a small presentation there as well during the opening ceremonies or even during lunch.

As we all know, Lions are slowly moving into the 'Technology' era, and it is important that we prepare our Lions to move forward along with it. In the past it has always been a challenge to find ways to get other Lions to attend, but we are hoping that by approaching the members early and asking their opinions we will be able to encourage as many new officers to attend as well as many regular Lions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Frank Hewitt

1st VDG Lion Bryan Adams

Frank Hewitt – Incoming Officers School



Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests,

This is my first report to the District as your Immediate Past District Governor and I must tell you, I couldn't be more honored to continue to serve this wonderful district, District A3.

Since I have started this next adventure in Lions, I find myself remembering the duties that I have done in the past and I am so pleased to be able to assist our current District Governor Lion Kevin Kimmerly. To me this is one of the biggest and proudest duties that an IPDG (Immediate Past District Governor) can do.

DG Lion Kevin knows that I am always available to assist both him or the other members of the Cabinet with the things that I learned during my year serving as DG and the phone lines are open 24 hours day. That is not to say I have all the answers, but I will do what I can to answer as best as I can and will always be open and honest with my answers.

It has been comforting to receive phone calls from other lions' members asking questions and looking for advice and I have received many. Thank you all. As the IPDG part of our mandate is to help the incoming DG, but not only him, the other cabinet members as well.

It was a pleasure having a couple of the incoming officers call for assistance and ask for clarity on issues, ask for advice on their positions and to offer an opinion on matters that they may face during their year. However, I always remind them that this is DG Lion Kevin's year, and I also remind them that what they do needs to represent them, not me.

I attended our first PDG picnic this past month and while I found it enjoyable to hear from others that have gone before, I still find that I am not sure exactly what this part of our organization is for. I do apologize for those that think I am being ignorant or rude, but to me holding a position or a title in any organization should stand for me then "been there, done that".

This is truly one of those positions where we can certainly represent the International President's theme of "Make Your Mark" or even Our own District Governor's theme of "Get-er-done! Have Fun!" So I will continue to try and always keep that in mind as we work together to make this another great year in Lions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Frank Hewitt

Frank Hewitt – Immediate Past District Governor

2024 - 2025



Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests

This is my first report as District Global Action Team (GAT) Chair. As the GAT my hope is to not only inspire those coming up the ladder behind me but to help create a better working environment between the Global Leadership Team, The Global Service Team, and the Global Membership Team

As the District GAT my job, as I understand it, is to bring the three teams together to help coordinate and implement plans that will help us to develop skilled leaders, strengthen membership and to expand the service provided by the Lions in the District. A small part what I will be attempting to do is be the driving force behind these wonderful Lions to ensure our District a strong and growing future focused on serving others.

Part of our duties is to get a GAT Team ready for next year. We will be looking for Leaders so we again can have more that one candidate running for a position.

As a small breakdown here of what I hope to accomplish as the GAT Chair:

- Ensure that we have qualified Lion Leaders for these positions, which we surely do with Lion Bryan Adams as the GLT, Lion Dave Mackellar as the GMT, Lion Angie Perrier as the GST, and Lion Frank Hewitt as the GET (Global Extension Team Chair)
- Ensure that we offer our District officers any additional training and the online courses throughout the year.
- Ensure that we support as many of the community service projects as possible throughout the district. Attend as many of the events as possible and show recognition to the clubs for all they do.
- Share the successes, the opportunities, and the needs of the clubs with our District Officers, the Multiple District Officers and Lions International.
- Allow as many Lions as possible to play an important role in what happens within our District.

I am excited to be working closely with our GAT Team which have already been moving forward with their Regions and Zones.

# Lion Kevin Kimmerly

Respectfully submitted, DG Lion Kevin Kimmerly-GAT Chair.



# District Administrator Report District A-3 Cabinet Meeting September 14, 2024

District Governor Kevin, Cabinet Members, Committee Chairs, Lions and Leos of District A-3,

Please accept this as my first report of the 2024-2025 year as District Administrator.

While the Lion Portal went live in April, there was much frustration during the roll-over to the new year. Information that was input in June wasn't retained, and if new club officers weren't assigned before June 20, they weren't assigned in the Portal on July 1, 2024. This created havoc for Secretaries updating their membership lists – more than one quarter of our clubs needed help to get officers assigned, and a few have indicated that a Lion Portal learning day would be beneficial. I continue to get requests from Clubs for assistance, either to add in new officers or to show officers how to add or edit their membership.

I'm sure there will continue to be growing pains as the rest of the world comes online to the Lion Portal. Please remember that 1.4 million people are all coming online at the same time, and that there will be glitches to be worked out. LCI member services are working diligently and as quickly as possible to fix any and all issues. They are getting calls from many highly agitated/angry people and still answering the phone with a smile. Let's show them that District A-3 Lions are understanding, caring, and patient while they help fix our issues.

In July it was discovered that last year's GLT didn't have access to register the participants of the Lions Learning Day training held in May. As District Administrator I was able to enter the information in the Training tab so that LCI recognized that District A-3 held a leadership training session.

SERVICE ACTIVITY IMAGES ARE BACK! When inputting a new service, you can now Upload Photo or Drag and Drop a photo to the Activity page! It's a great tool to show off your members having fun! It looks like more than one photo per event can be uploaded  $\bigcirc$ 

While change is difficult, it's also exciting! During this transition to the Lion Portal, remember to take care of yourself and take care of each other.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Lion Theresa Hewitt District Administrator

Constitution and By-Laws Committee report to cabinet 14 September 2024

Governor Kevin, Vice District Governors, Region and Zone chairs, committee members and guests.

This is my first report to cabinet for the Lions Year 2024-25 as the District Constitution and By-Laws chair.

Delegates to the international convention voted on a Constitutional change, this vote approved the proposed amendments resulting in changes to the International Constitution and By-laws that affect District A3. As per our C&BL these changes become effective automatically.

The change made was to add additional qualifying criteria for 2nd and 1VDG candidates. The text is included in the LCI LA-1 C&BL but has not yet been incorporated in the text of the Standard Form C&BL and is as follows;

"As zone chairperson, region chairperson, district global extension team coordinator, district global leadership team coordinator, district global membership team coordinator, district global service team coordinator, district LCIF coordinator, or cabinet secretary and/or treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof."

I will continue to monitor the Standard Form for text changes reflecting this amendment and make the appropriate changes to our document.

In addition to the C&BL amendments I will continue working to review and propose revisions to the District Policy and Procedures Manual, Committee Job Descriptions and the Convention Procedures manual as I was last year. I will have a progress report available for the next cabinet meeting.

Respectfully submitted IPCC Lion Mark Kelso Constitution and By-Laws Chair 2024-25

September 9/2024

District Governor Lion Kevin, members of Cabinet, Lions all,

I would like to thank District Governor Lion Kevin for the opportunity to continue in the role of LCIF chair for the Lions year 2024/25.

It is with great disappointment that I inform you that District A3 had the least amount donated to LCIF in 2023/24 of the ten Districts of the MDA. Our total donations, both club and individual totaled \$18,995.05, remember we received over \$17,000.00 in grant funding for the Land O Lakes Lions EPP project.

This summer Lion Ruth Anne and I had the opportunity to witness the power of Lions service, the power of LCIF and the importance of supporting our foundation. We all saw the devastation caused by wildfires in Alberta and BC, the immediate response of local Lions, the way LCIF supported that service. We had family that were evacuated from their home, funny how things have more meaning when they are personal. While in Newfoundland we saw the devastating impact of Hurricane Fiona and despite not applying for LCIF support, Lions from across Canada were a huge part of a \$1.34 million relief effort.

We met an 83 year old women forced to leave her home of 63 years because she is now in the direct path of the next wave to come ashore.

Meeting people that have been directly affected by climate disaster only served to strengthen my belief in the importance of our association and the necessity of supporting our Foundation, I only hope I am able to relate my experience to our clubs and their members.

I will make myself available to all of our clubs, Zone Chairs, or anyone else seeking more information about our foundation, Grant opportunities, success stories and ways to give.

Respectfully submitted

Lion Don

# CHAIR for MARKETING AND PUBLICITY STEVE SCALLY REPORT TO A3 CABINET MEETING SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

This is my first report to Cabinet for this current Lions' year.

I am eager to grow these concepts within the clubs of our District. Public Relations and Marketing are an integral part of the growth of Lionism and membership. There are far too many people who still are not aware of who we and what we do. Showing our good works in a positive light to the general public (along with how much fun we have) is the best way to draw the attention and interest of the people.

I have many ideas and suggestions to share with the clubs on how to go about improving the awareness of Lions and am willing to work with our membership to develop new approaches.

To that end, our District Governor, Lion Kevin, and I are developing a simple and effective poster project. A kit will be given to each club to be set up at various functions, which will provide print information on the values of membership in Lions, contact information and membership applications. This kit does not require a member to operate it, allowing individuals to feel less pressured as they browse.

As an aside, Governor Kevin, First Vice District Governor Bryan, Second Vice District Governor David, and several other members of the Bancroft Lions club (including myself) attended the Denbigh-Griffith Car Show in August. By simply asking, one new member application was filed for Denbigh-Griffith, and one more for the Bancroft Club.

The cars were interesting too.

I remain available to all Club, Zone and Region Meetings to speak on behalf about the much-valued need for Marketing and Public Relations for all Lions Clubs.

Respectively submitted, Lion Steve Scally

Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests,

This is my first report to the District Cabinet as your Immediate Past District Governor in the position as District Historian. I would like to start off by saying a huge THANK YOU to Lion Dr. Doug Galt for all his work that he has done with preserving the history of District A3 and the clubs that make it up.

I would like to encourage all of you to please stop by the District A3 webpage and take a few moments to look at the work that he has done thus far. Simply go to <u>District A-3 - Lions e-District Houses</u> and go to the OUR PROUD HISTORY page. Once there you will see many, many different displays of our history including the listings of the District Officers are recorded each Lions year along with a special section titled "*The History of District A3 begins with District A711*" – submitted by Lion Ray Charbonneau the MDA Historian. It truly gives you a fantastic view of the beginnings of this District.

I have taken this position to hopefully continue this work by Lion Dr. Doug Galt and to help others to learn just how much has happened in the past to help create this wonderful District that we have become. A district that we can all be proud of and one that we hope will continue well into the future.

I am hoping that during my year I can continue this work by having clubs submit different articles to me that can be added to the website and / or stored in files and preserved for future Lions to enjoy and to be proud of.

As a special addition to this report, I have included info of the Lions Logo and how it has evolved. This past while I have seen several Clubs in our District that have changed the design of the Lions Logo, and I am hoping that by including this we can show the importance of what has been created by Lions International to represent our organization and how important it is that we continue to use the proper logo that has always stood for the same idea, our motto: We Serve.

On a side note, the moto we serve was created by a Canadian Lion. Just one more thing that we can be proud of. The Lions motto "We Serve" was submitted by Lion D.A. Stevenson of Font Hill, Ontario Canada in 1954. It was adopted as the official motto of the Association at the 37<sup>th</sup> Convention in New York City.

Respectfully Submitted,

# Lion Frank Hewitt

Frank Hewitt – District Historian



# Lions Logo Refresh

In nearly 100 years of use, the Lions logo has changed and evolved. But it has always stood for the same idea:

We Serve



1917: Note the visual pun in this early logo: a Lion and a club.

1920: This rendering with monogrammed L and back-to-back lions is the basis for the logo today.





Recent



Current



Centennial

lions100.org #Lions100

Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests,

This is my first report to the District as your Immediate Past District Governor as the District Reporter for the Lions Magazine.

Currently I have yet to receive any reports that clubs would like to have submitted to the Lions Magazine, however I have spoken with Lion Bob Pearson who is the current editor of the MDA Lion Magazine and had the following conversation:

"Good evening, Lion Bob, I hope you are enjoying this wonderful warm weather. I know it can sometimes be unbearable, but it sure feels good out in the sunshine. Bob, I have been asked to be the District Reporter and be the link to sending information for District A3 to you for any upcoming magazines. I was just wondering how do you want the articles sent? Do you want the information in the body of an email or in a separate attachment that you can copy and paste from? And with pictures do we send the descriptions of the photos in the email, or would you like the picture and information sent as one attachment on a separate page?

I want to try and make this as easy as possible for us both and to hopefully get our District in that magazine as often as possible. So, any advice you can pass my way would be appreciated. Thank you."

### **Response:**

"Lion Frank

The information for the event and the identification of the members can be contained in the body of the email and the photos can be attached.

Alternatively, all the info and the photos can be contained in a Word document. Photos should be of the highest resolution available.

Looking forward to good stuff from A3 clubs.

Thx

Lion Bob"

Now, let's get those stories in and see if we can get as many clubs as possible to submit articles. Be proud of who you are and what your club does, my friends. We are District A3, and we need to leave our MARK!

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Frank Hewitt

Frank Hewitt – District Reporter



Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests,

This is my first report to the District as your Immediate Past District Governor serving as your Facebook and Club Communications Chair. It has certainly been an interesting committee so far.

I have heard from 8 clubs in our district and 1 district committee chair and have posted them all on the District Facebook page as they come in. The formats coming in from the clubs have been many and varied but normally I am able to use the snipping program and created either .jpeg or .png format that is mostly used by Facebook. This enables me to send two different versions of the ads to Clubs as well, so that it can be opened easily and /or sent to the other club members.

To assure that club members are receiving these posts and messages I have taken to sending them to both the club Presidents as well as the club Secretaries. This will hopefully help to ensure that at least one of the two club officers receives the notice, and it can be forwarded by either of them. And while I BCC (Blind Carbon Copy) the emails out to all the clubs I always try to remember to CC (Carbon Copy) the original sender so they can see that it has gone out to as many people as possible throughout the district.

I look forward to helping as many clubs and committees as possible during this Lions year and encourage you all to make use of this committee as much as possible.

And don't forget to encourage your membership to go to our Facebook page and join up as followers. The address is: (13) Lions Clubs of District A3 | Facebook and while your online check out our E-Webpage as well at: District A-3 - Lions e-District Houses , Lion Rachael Ste Croix is doing a fantastic job of getting the page updated as the Lions year goes on.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Frank Hewitt

Frank Hewitt – District Facebook & Club Communications



### First Vice District Governor/GLT Report to Cabinet

This is my first report to cabinet in the lions fiscal year 24-25. We have completed to 2 training sessions of zone chairs and region chairs. A third informal BBQ training session will be held on 20 October 2024. This will complete training for all zone and region chairs and is following the District Governors goals with respect to training. A training grant was applied for and is currently being considered as a waiting list application. If this grant becomes available, we will continue with the grant process.

I have begun my visitations and will continue throughout the fall, bringing the District Governors message and plan as well as continuing to look for possible leaders for future positions within the cabinet.

Respectfully submitted

Bryan Adams 1VDG A3



Good morning, DG Kevin, fellow cabinet members, Lions, Leos and guests, this is my first report to cabinet as SVDG and Membership Coordinator for 2024-25.

I attended the first of several SVDG training events in Markham On. The amount of new on line and in person training is considerable. I am on the road again on the 28 - 29<sup>th</sup> September for training for my second hat GAT membership coordinator.

The district has completed 2 training sessions for Region and Zone chairs training. A third informal training event has been planned, it be held on 20 October 2024 at Lion Heathers and my home. Please note *that your significant others are invited*. This will complete the Region and Zone chairpersons training as per our Districts goals.

At the Denbigh Griffith Show and Shine, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Bryan and myself manned a table to entice members of the public to join Lions. It was a successful day with one new member signing and we talked to a previous member who showed an interest to rejoin. If any club wishes to have us set up a table at their event, I would be happy to assist.

During the summer months Lion Heather and I attended the MDA Convention and USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Both events were very enlightening and gave a real new vision on what we do and how important our service is as Lions.

Also, at the Forum I received my Lions University Bachelors diploma. I strongly the recommend this free leadership training to any Lion or Leo.

All club presidents, I will be starting visitations on behalf of the Lion Kevin our District Governor on the 24<sup>th</sup> September at Brighton and will continue on from there passing on International Presidents Fabricio Oliveira Message on Mission 1.5 and his moto Make Your Mark Plus our A3 DGs Moto, Git-R-Done to every Lions Club, Lion and Leo. I am asking that 1 committee chair to come along with me on my visits to spread their ideals and passion (*you will be paying for your own meal*).

Respectfully submitted Lion Dave McKellar A3 SVDG

Location: Trenton Lions Hall

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions and Guests,

This is my first report to the District as your Immediate Past District Governor serving as your District Global Extension Chair.

Being as this is a newer position; I would like to take a few minutes to explain the position. The GET (Global Extension Team) Coordinator is an optional position with the district GAT (Global Action Team) dedicated solely to chartering clubs. It splits off chartering responsibilities from the GMT (Global Membership Team) coordinator.

The benefits of having a GET Coordinator are that it can show that chartering is a district priority, it increases capacity for number of clubs your district can form each year, and it allows GMT coordinator to focus on recruiting new members and providing a great club experience to existing members.

During the District Governor Elect's training session, they were required to list 20 locations thorough our district where someone might be able to attempt to form a new club. Part of my job, along with the GMT if to narrow down this list and then discuss ways that we can approach these communities about forming a NEW Lions club in their area. Allowing us to increase the number of Lions members in our district, but more importantly to allow us to serve more of the people within our communities. After all, as the saying goes, "Many hands make lighter work."

So, adding 20 NEW people to form a NEW Lions Club allows us more ways to carry through with Service to so many people. And these may be people that are being missed by a neighbouring community. Or people that don't understand they can approach any Lions club for assistance, so they continue to be in need.

One of the biggest hurdles that we run into is the adage "Not in my backyard" when we attempt to start new clubs, but it is sometimes the backyards that get forgotten. We need to remember what it is we all joined for, why we have Lions Clubs and show our pride about sponsoring new clubs, revitalizing older clubs and encouraging existing clubs to grow.

I can honestly admit to all that I am in no way doing this position to hurt any other club or to discourage others from inviting new members in. But I am here to support and help anyone and any club that I can.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Frank Hewitt - Global Extension To (A)





# PLEASE JOIN THE CHEMUNG LAKE DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

FUNDRAISER IN SUPPORT OF CHILDHOOD CANCER
ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 FROM 4.30PM TO
7.30PM

AT OUR PAUL J. ENGLISH LIONS PARK, WARD ST, BRIDGENORTH

# AND

FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT, LISTEN TO THE MISFITS VOCAL BAND

ALL FUNDS RAISED FROM THIS CAR SHOW WILL BE DONATED TO PRHC, PEDIATRIC CANCER UNIT





### LIONS HELP SUPPORT CHILDHOOD CANCER

### **DISTRICT A-3 LIONS CLUBS**

In support of Childhood Cancer, the Chemung Lake District Lions, Frankford Lions, and Lakefield Village Lions are partnering with the Stirling & District Lions, who are spearheading this event on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 in conjunction with the Canadian Cancer Society.

The Society is asking for <u>natural</u> hair only with no treatments, perms or dyes; minimum of 12" to be cut off and donated to the

**Canadian Cancer Society for Childhood Cancer.** 

In addition, the Society hasn't forgotten about our Seniors – so if anyone with natural gray or silver hair wishes to donate their hair, it would be donated to the Seniors.

HAIR LIKE THIS COULD HELP A CHILD WHO HAS LOST THEIR HAIR DUE TO CANCER

WON'T YOU PLEASE DONATE YOUR HAIR TO HELP OUR CHILDREN?

If you are unable to donate your hair but wish to support Childhood Cancer, check with your hairdressers if they would save the hair cut at their salons for you to donate.

The Canadian Cancer Society will also accept monetary donations.

Ask about the donation form available.

Dates for each Club for donated hair to be confirmed.

CALL DISTRICT A-3 CHAIR, CHILDHOOD CANCER Lion Lydia Elliott at 705-745-7033 for further details and to register.



District Governor Kevin, Cabinet members, Lions, Leos and guests this is my first report of 2024/2025.

The Quilt raffle (sponsored by the Trenton Lions) raised \$2000.00. This helped to send kids to camp from A3. Rumor has it that 20 kids attended D-Camp this year.

District A3, this year, starting from January has donated \$3550.00. The funds raised from the Camp Huronda Wish List Project were used to purchase a new Kiln for the camp.

SVDG David and I also participated in August on day one of the Diabetes awareness week At the Empire Theatre in Belleville put on by Lorraine O'Quinn. We were able to give away a lot of goodies, as well, lots informative pamphlets and paperwork.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Heather McKellar

A3 Diabetes Awareness

Chairperson



DG Lion Kevin Kimmerly, Cabinet members, Lions and guests:

This is my first report to the Cabinet for 2024-2025.

\* DG Lion Kevin asked me to continue as Environment Chair this year. It is a short report this time.

\*i am slowly receiving information from clubs regarding what they are doing for the environment. I am hoping it picks up.

\* I am continuing to send emails to the clubs each month with tips as well as links to appropriaate sites that pertain to the environment with the hope that the information is passed on to all the members of the clubs.

Respectfully submitted
Lion Deb Brown,
Environment Chair for District A-3

"With your help, we can make a difference!"



# STEVE SCALLY LIONS CAMP DORSET CHAIR REPORT TO A3 CABINET MEETING SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

This is my first report to Cabinet for this current Lions' year.

I have contacted the current camp manager Jeremy Schumacher and received an update on the current status of the camp. At that time the camp was continuing to operate as per normal, however, donations have been much lower since the onset of the Covid Pandemic and the camp is a tight financial position.

Current financial reserves would allow the camp to function for a couple more years and then Camp Dorset would have to close. This situation can be reversed easily if donations would return to and exceed pre-covid levels.

A recent change in regulations for space requirements per dialysis beds means they do not have enough floor space for all their machines. A rebuilt medical facility is now needed to accommodate the maximum number of beds. This change was a direct result of the pandemic.

Manager Schumacher felt confident that the required changes could be accommodated if donations return to a healthier level.

An open house at Camp Dorset was scheduled for late August but was postponed due to poor weather. A new date has yet to be set.

More information about Lions Camp Dorset can be found at their website and Facebook page.

I have had an unplanned opportunity to speak about Camp Dorset to the Odessa Lions Club and was well received. I remain available to all Club, Zone and Region Meetings to speak on behalf of Lions Camp Dorset

Respectively submitted, Lion Steve Scally

# Region 10 Report

On August17th, 2024 I attended district A-3 Region and Zone Chair training at Grace United church. The training helped me with how to set the region rally. I have set the date of Region 10s rally to be On February 1, 2025 at Grace United Church in Peterborough.

I have contact the Zone chairs of region 10 for their club visitation dates and datges of their zone meetings.

Submitted by Kirby Park

Region 10 Chair

My Leader Dogs For The Blind Report for Saturday the 14th of September 2024

Good morning district Governor Kevin and members of cabinet. What a great summer it was for your Leader Dogs For The Blind district A3 chair. Thanks to past district Governor Frank and his wonderful Wife Teresa and their Daughter Nicky my Leader Dog Casey and I got to take a trip of a life time down to Leader Dogs For The Blind in Rochester Hills Michigan. There were lots of laughs and some tears from me but it was so great to meet so many people I have talked to over the years and they had a wonderful welcome and lunch for us and everything. I know it is a bit of a trip friends but if you get the chance to go there you will never forget it I can tell you that for sure. I hope you have seen all the pictures Frank took and once again Frank thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I also want to tell you how proud I am of this district. This year we thanks to all the wonderful clubs that have donated to Leader Dogs For The Blind as of July 11<sup>th</sup> we raised an amazing \$5. 319.75 Thank you so much for your donations to Leader Dogs. No matter how large or small every amount make it possible for someone like me to get a new Leash on life and it is appreciated more than you will ever know.

Speaking of dogs I wrap up this report with more great news. For those of you that know Barb Robinson she got her new Leader Dog and it is a little Black Lab and her name is Jody. Congratulations Barb.

Please watch for more news from me soon and always give me a call or send an email I don't text and we will try and answer any questions you might have about Leader Dogs For The Blind and its programs. This year 224 has had many Canadians go to Leader for their different programs.

My contact information is:

John Morris,

Phone 1-705=-876-1905

# Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides September 14, 2024.

Have you heard the news? LFCDG is building a new "state of the art" building for our 7 Dog Guide programs!! We are in the process of raising \$50.000,000! While Lions across Canada are not expected to raise all this money themselves, we are in need of your support to make a donation to *The Difference Campaign*.

There is currently a HUGE hole in the ground in Oakville from which the new building will rise. By the November Cabinet meeting you may be able to see some pictures of the progress towards the completion of the facility in early 2025. Hopefully our District Governor and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor will come back from their visit to the Lions Foundation for Canada Dog Guides, in early October, with a new understanding of the need for the new building and an increased appreciation for the gift our Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides provides for Canadians from across Canada who can benefit from the provision of a fully trained service dog.

NOW is the time for you and the Clubs in District A3 to step up and make a pledge or donation to **The Difference Campaign**.

<u>Individual donations:</u> Individual donations of \$250. or more are recognized with a very special pin recognizing your donation. A tax receipt is also provided to individuals. (any donation over \$20.)

<u>Club donations.</u> Club donations of \$5,000 will have the name of the club on a wall in the new facility. Larger amounts are eligible for the naming of different areas or parts of the new building and gardens etc. These donations may be pledged over several years. The current facility is over 40 years old. The new facility is designed to take us into the next century so your club name will be around for a while! Please consider a donation or pledge now so that we can prove that this Foundation is truly ours and we support it to the best of our ability.

Let's make sure that every Lion in District A3 knows and tries to support our Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Marissen A3 District LFCDG Chair

# Lions Quest Report to Cabinet September 14, 2024

There is not a lot to report about Lions Quest at this time as schools are just starting up again for 2024-2025. Having said that, Lions Quest Canada is always in need of support from Lions. Unlike some other Foundations and organizations who received generous and ongoing corporate funding donations, Lions Quest relies almost exclusively on the donations from Lions Clubs and Lions across the country.

There are three important ways you can help.

- 1. <u>Make Lions Quest Canada a line on your club budget each year</u>. This is critically important so that there is stable funding to prepare workshops and presentations across Canada. Cheques should be made out to Lions Quest Canada, P.O. Box 2947 Station Main, At Mary's Ontario, N4X 1A6
- 2. <u>Individually, make a donation to "Step Up for Kids"</u> Any donation of \$20 or more will receive an income tax receipt. Be sure to include accurate donor information.
- 3. <u>Do both:</u> As a Lion and a Club member you can assist greatly by making sure you provide ongoing support through a Club donation yearly and you personally support the Lions Quest programs that provide our children and yours with a proven program to assist in the development of social and emotional skills.

This is a very challenging time in the lives and our children and youth. Investing in Lions Quest is showing that you care about the future of our youth.

If you have any questions or your club would like any further information, please do not hesitate to call or email me. I will do everything I can to ensure that Lions in District A 3 know how important supporting this program is.

Janet Marissen- 613-970-1831 (jgmarissen@gmail.com)

Visit https://www.lionsquest.ca/pages/support-us to view Step Up for Kids

# Region 11 Report

Presented to: DG Kevin Kimmerly and District Cabinet Members

During: Cabinet Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> of September, 2024

By: Region Chair Nawar El Khouri Hage

### Dear DG and Cabinet Members,

Training:

Attended Region Chair Training.

Completed courses of Bachelor Degree of Lions Leadership Institute

- Inducted 3 new Lions at Storrington Lions Club, Sept 10.
- ❖ Both Zone Chairs are doing a great job with setting up their Advisory Meetings with great agendas, thanks ZC 11W Mike and ZC 11E Ron.
- ❖ Attending Odessa & District Lions Club 50<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary as one of the speakers.
- Region 11 Rally: Set for Oct 26 ...

Style: Competition inter Zones 11 E&W Topic: Social Media and Youth Engagement

Agenda, location and time to follow.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Nawar It's National Tree Day Sept. 25, 2024 Here is a Tool kit that Lions could use to organize a service project for this theme.

https://treecanada.ca/ntd-toolkit/

I am away on holidays until late Sept. 24. Lion Coleen Power

## Zone chairperson 11 East Lion Ron Duesharm

Hi everyone its been a great summer and time for me to get back to work. I've been setting up my zone meetings. My first one will be on Monday September 30th. At our Lions club Kingston Lakeshore West Lions club. We will be having a special guest speaker past Governor Lion Frank Hewitt speaking on global membership and also storrington lions club Marie talking about guilts. Supper will be salad and lasagna. \$20 per person. Everyone welcome. Contact Lion Donna Duesharm 613-542-4217.

I have been busy contacting my district clubs for my official visits. I have been asked to induct three new members to the Amherstview Club on September 10th.

Respectfully yours
Zone chairperson Lion Ron Duesharm
11 East

# Zone 11 W Report

To: DG Lion Kevin Kimmerly and District Cabinet

**Members** 

Cabinet Meeting Sep 14, 2024

By: Zone Chair Mike Hage

# Greetings,

It is my honor and pleasure to be addressing this esteemed cabinet, I look forward to be working with all of you and with the Lions Leadership of the clubs of 11 W towards a fruitful and exciting Lions year ahead.

We commenced this you by attending the Zone Chair orientation session in Cobourg on July 13, which was both educational and inspiring.

I followed that on July 16, by what turned out to be the first induction in A3 for this year, whereby I inducted 1 new and 1 transfer Lions at Tamworth and District Lions club,

I would also like to report that I proudly inducted on Aug 07, at my home club of Land O'Lakes, 3 new Lions.

Finally, I'd like to inform the cabinet that the 1st zone meeting of 11W is scheduled for Oct 05, at 11:00am followed by a luncheon at Tamworth Arena, hosted by Tamworth and District Lions Club, topic is Leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Mike Hage

ZC 11W, District A3

District Governor Kevin, 1VDG Brian, 2VDG Dave, Cabinet and Guests

This is my first report to cabinet for the year 2024/2025.

I have attended two training sessions for Region Chair.

I have been in contact with my three Zone Chairs. They are all actively organizing their official visits to their clubs. Two have scheduled their first Zone Advisory meeting.

I am looking to hold my Region Rally in early March, with date to be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted

Region 43 Chair

Sue Pierce



Sept 7, 2024

DG Kevin, FVDG Bryan, SVDG Dave, Cabinet members, Lions and guests.

This is my first report as 43East Zone Chair for 2024-2025

I have done on line courses and in class sessions to help me prepare to be a Zone Chair this year.

I have sent out an email to the clubs in my zone outlining my visits to each of them and they have been confirmed. My first visit will be on Sept. 10, so a secondary report will be added to this for the Cabinet meeting. I also have my first Zone Advisory meeting planned and it will take place on Sat. Sept 21 at 10am in Stirling. Emails with an agenda has been sent to the clubs in my Zone.

I am looking forward to starting this new adventure in my Lions journey.

Respectfully, Lion Deb Brown Zone 43E Chair