



MARCH NEWSLETTER

Good Day Fellow Lions,

Well, here we are in March and just a few short weeks away from Spring. I hope everyone is well and enjoying the relatively mild winter we are having. As you know Covid is still in our communities, so I will not be doing any club visitations this month. I will revisit the situation at the end of the month. I encourage all Clubs and Lions to adhere to any restrictions put in place and consider whether an event you are planning is essential or not to your community's well being.

At the Winter Cabinet I talked about the roll out of the vaccine and the possibility of clubs assisting with this through their community health contacts. If your club is helping with this, please let me know so I can see who is able to help.

As discussed at the Winter Cabinet, I have been pondering over whether we should dispense with the trophies and awards for this year. After hearing back from many clubs and Lions, I have decided that I will not be giving out the traditional awards next Fall. I appreciate all the great work that those Lions who felt comfortable enough to go out and work in their communities have done. But, at the same time, I appreciate all those who felt they could not do so with the Covid pandemic. It is a trying year for all, and I am immensely proud to say that I am your District Governor this year. You should all be proud of yourselves for holding on and supporting your communities the best you can.

I have been speaking with Lion Tammy Carew, District Drug Awareness Chair and she has stated that she has only heard from a couple of clubs. So, if you are participating with it and have not reached out to Lion Tammy please do so right away.

Club Officer Elections should be well on the way. I have asked all clubs to try and have them done by April 15th. This will allow LCI time to input the information online by the beginning of next year. Covid seems to have slowed things from getting done on time.

On March 17th, the Lions of Canada/Lions Du Canada website will be launched, and VP Dr. Patti Hill will be hosting a St. Patty's Day party. More on the launch of the new website in the coming weeks.

LCIF is holding a Tell-a-thon on April 11th, a fundraising initiative to raise funds this year

and to spread the word about Lionism. This is for non-Lions as well. They are reaching out for entertainment across Canada and they are hoping for a good turnout. More information will be sent out as it comes in.

On Saturday May 1st, the Lions across Canada are holding a “Day of Service” in memory of PDG Chris Lewis who recently passed away and was our Canadian GAT Leader. If your club would like to organize a service project for May 1st, please reach out to me and let me know. It can be a service your club is already doing, whether it is collecting eyeglasses, driving someone to an appointment, raking lawns, etc. Anything in the name of service counts.

Information for our Spring Convention will be coming out the end of the month. We may have to change the date from April 26th to May 15th.

We will keep you informed in the weeks to come.

Remember, the District Team is here for you. The GLT and GST are working hard at organizing training sessions. Reach out to your zone chair if you need more information on training, orientation or what is going on in the District.

Stay safe, stay strong and remember our motto.

WE SERVE

Yours in Lionism,

DG Lion Jane