



Simply the Best

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From the Outgoing President...

Greetings Fellow Lions, Lionesses and our wonderful community!

The end of the Lionistic year has brought us to the handover- takeover of the Lions Club of Triangle Presidential portfolio to our incoming President Lion Eliphas. First and foremost I would like to take this opportunity to convey my deepest thankfulness to you all fellow Lions, Lionesses and our community for your support during my term of office. Let this be a motivator of your strong lionism spirit and I, as your out-going President admire you for continued determination to serve the needy communities locally and internationally.

During this period, I had the great privilege of serving to greater heights Simply the Best Lions Club of Triangle as your president for 2012-13 Lionistic year. I had the opportunity to meet people from different social status and backgrounds providing many forms of service, meeting the various needs of our own community. Being socialized as a Lion amongst fellow Lions gave me the opportunity to learn more about being an ethical and objective Lion.

As a result we have managed to;

- Maintain our membership though some are at large.
- Maintain a healthy clubs financial situation, District and International dues updated timely.
- Comply with the monthly deadlines for membership returns and MMR.
- Maintain all our projects and programmes on our annual calendar.

- Came up with a Twitter Blanket Project providing blankets for an orphanage and old people's home.
- Plan for the Band Night on August 3, 2013 which has aroused a lot of interest excitement.
- Attend four Zone Meetings at Masvingo, Zvishavane, Chiredzi and Triangle.
- Attend two District 412 Conventions, held in Nyanga and in Mangochi Malawi.
- Held all our Business and Committee meetings throughout the Lionistic year.
- Held our Christmas Dinner timely in December as per schedule.
- Donate plates and clothes to Zororo Village floods victims.

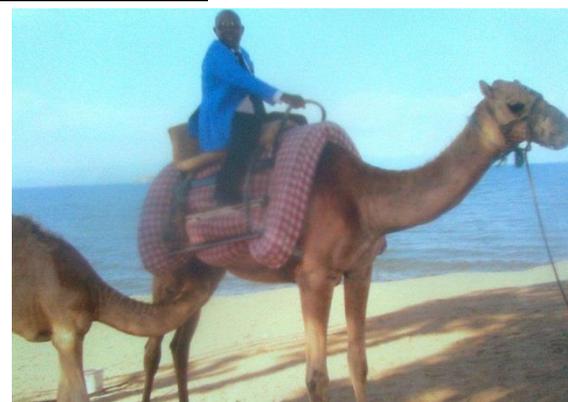
This confirms why Lions Club of Triangle is Simply the Best and this is not about the leader but full participation of individual Lions who all have a role to play towards a common goal. How we became Simply the Best happened by design, not by accident.

I would like to believe that 2012-13 was a remarkable year and would like to hand over the Lionistic relay stick to Lion Eliphas our incoming President. In a World of Service, we Lions transform lives, communities and the global village.

In conclusion, I would like to wish Lion Eliphas the incoming President the best of the best Lionistic year.

Thank you

Andrew J. Musiiwa
Immediate Past President





Introducing the New Boss! *Incoming President Lion* *Eliphas Zizhou*

Lions, greetings! It is my pleasure to serve together with you and an honour to serve in the capacity of President during the coming Lionistic year. Just as a new year brings 'new' expectations, a new President also brings 'new' expectations!

Let me share with you some of my excitement regarding the coming year. Having our meetings as regularly as we have done all along has proved to be a strength that we need to uphold and cherish. Apologies are coming in, with minimal absence. Our traditional projects have found a home within our club and I would be grateful if it stays that way. In this regard, we need to come up with a calendar of our events for the year as a matter of priority and this way, help the forgetful among us, like me to keep the projects in our plans and avoid squeezing projects in limited gaps in other people's plans.

The Lions family requires us to give it a little more thought! I am thinking of bonding as a club. Much as I appreciate its importance, I do not have the formula for it to happen but encourage us all to do something towards that! I feel that there is still a lot of room for improvement in this area. This should help, not only for retaining membership but also for good old friendship's sake. Lion Andy is battling with his health, lets keep praying for him. I wish him strength and a speedy recovery!

Gaining members is always welcome, yet we just need to go by the book! No need to re-invent the wheel, lets just use it! Enough on membership!

We need to work on the Recycling center!! First, we need to sell the cups and plates we have made so far. Then we need to acquire (beg, borrow or steal) a mould for a larger plate and a tumbler which I think are more marketable and can give us the cutting edge for moving this stuff. Second, we also need to try all means possible and explore new avenues for disposing glass and cans! If we do not win, then we may have to bury the stuff as a last resort. Third, we may have to be a nuisance in the various Tongaat offices to make some kind of headway with them, one way or the other regarding these waste disposal initiatives but I feel that if it is what it takes, then, let's be equal to the task! They just need to take part!

We need to go on attending Zone meetings and the Convention(s)! As long as our passion remains to serve, we are on the right track! The smallest contribution we can make is worth doing, and our reward? It is the smiles, a thank you and the more comfort we give even without anybody around to say thank you! It is also the satisfaction of helping another in need! That is the spirit we need to take us through another year of service!

In Service to the community,
Lion Eliphas .





Tree Planting Day on the Estate Schools!

The Lions Tree Planting official presentation was a huge success at Dunuza Primary School and Terry Goss High School.



Mr Mugwenjedzi, the Head of Dunuza Primary School and Mr Mapomba, the Deputy Head of Terry Goss received the donations of 20 avocado pear trees on behalf of the 2 prospective schools.

Mr Nyamaropa, who donated the trees through the Lions Club of Triangle was also there to grace the occasion.

We are happy to report that the 2 ceremonies were well attended by school staff and pupils of both schools.



We hope these trees will go a long way to assist the 11 schools in Triangle in fundraising by selling the fruit and also provide nutrition.

The remaining 9 schools promised to collect their 120 trees soonest.

Thank you all the Lions who managed to make it. We Serve!

Lion Fidelis (Convenor)





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Twitter Blanket Drive to Lirhanzo Children's Village

May 18th, 2013, marked the day when Lions Club would make another trip to Lirhanzo, to donate blankets to the children, in time for the long winter nights.

This particular trip, also brought along a few fresh faces.

Lions had teamed up with some American College Students, who wanted to visit the orphanage and see



how they could help these kids.

Lion Glenn and I were to lead the team, and presented Lions Club of Triangle. We were joined by students from a group called Winter Outreach Ministry from the USA. Tim Ferris, Triangle native, who went to Murray Mac, and Peterhouse after that. He is a swimmer, and studies business admin. He was accompanied by Michelle Perez. She is from Venezuela, and also studies business admin. She has been to South Africa on a mission trip, and has been involved as an interpreter for missionaries in her own country. Also with them was David Syput. He is from America, and he studies accounting. He has been to Ecuador before on a mission trip, and he has been involved in many ministries in the states.



We were also joined by Jo-Anne and Nicole Sandwith, from Triangle, who were

keen to visit with the children and help out. Lailah Patel, from Murray MacDougall, came along to see the kids, and also participated in group activities.

As usual, the children were happy to see us, and they spent their day colouring wonderful pictures, before other fun activities. The boys got to play soccer on their field. This was the first time we had such interactions with the children, and it's something we should look at doing in the future trips. The girls stayed behind and painted their nails. Such girls. We handed over the blankets discreetly, as we didn't want to disturb the festivities going on. We also danced and sang songs. The final activity involved story telling, and Bible verses, led by Tim, and was all about sharing.

The point of this visit, especially by the students, was to establish a connection with the orphanage and maybe be able to assist wherever they can.

We left the orphanage around 1pm, to head home. I have no doubt in my mind that the children kept the smiles on their faces for the rest of the day.

Lion Les Grobler





Cooking Competition

The Lions Cooking competition was held on the 2nd June 2013 and as usual, it was intended as a social function to bring people of the community together. Planning started late and extra advertising could have ensured that a better turnout could have been achieved.

This year's event attracted 7 teams of cooks who turned out with all their gear in tow and a pleasant morning was spent observing their cooking antics. Four judges were then selected to sample the Potjies and then decide on the overall winner. This year's winning Team was Estelle van Rensburg and her aunt Sue Barnes who were awarded with the Supreme Motors floating trophy.



68 meals were sold and a small contribution of \$256 was realised for our charity account at the end of the day. Input from competitors, guests and lessons learned from this competition will be considered for the next event. This year due to the late start in the preparation, a raffle was not done which as can be

seen from last years finances, could have gone a long way to raise more funds. This will definitely be included in our next years plans.



Thanks to Gullam Patel for the donation of the meat, to Marc Ribeiro for the use of the trophy and to Triangle Boating & Angling for the use of Sweetwaters. Thanks to the entrants for preparing such great meals and to the Lions Members who assisted in making the day a success.

Lion Glenn Margerison
Convenor





Hear it first from Lion Shelton Masukume

- Ralph Ransom says, "Life is a series of steps. Things are done gradually. Once in a while there is a giant step, but most of the time we are taking small, seemingly insignificant steps in the stairway of life." How true about my life..I guess for all of us, don't you think?!
- When we met, something touched a tuneful love chord..I knew, she knew. She was the one, I was the one. It is indeed a very long time ago, 27 odd yrs! That's far. Thank you Lord for giving me such an understanding, accommodative and considerate wife..See we come from far...
- I believe our families set us in motion, they propel us, and we revolve around them. Being there for your children, spending quality time together, will pay in the end product of those children. I am proud of our two daughters who are focused and determined to get somewhere as women..I guess I am lucky.
- I am passionate about my work and will always give of my best. I am strict and fair with children, serious but loving and full of fun....Sir!
- Candour and friendship are true friends for life. My friends are genuine, my friends are real, my friends are helpful and my friends know I am grateful!
- Someone said that the bush is therapeutic, it soothes the soul and massages the aches and pains, Chilojo

Cliffs, Chipinda Pools, Motopo Hills, even our game park...the bush has refreshing and healing powers, I believe.

- If I did not play sport, I probably would be hooked to something else...I can't imagine what. My family, my sport, my friends, my life! I wish I could sing though.
- I heard once that pride is an expensive commodity, try kindness and humility. Taking the hand of someone who has fallen down, steadying them and watching them walk away is very rich. The helpful feeling will live forever!
- Inspired, yes. My father was my inspiration, still is. He taught me how to read, he watched me play sport, we had lots of quality time together, he didn't say he was busy!

Traditional foods are still my favourite; a braai is always irresistible over a couple of beers. To me television watching is any live sport, Nat Geo Wild, Nat Geo Knowledge and investigative movies. I don't understand Big Brother, it is kind of blasphemy to my intelligence! Worse still, the Nigerian African Movies..cry, cry, sorrow, sorrow; when shall happiness come. Anyway, Who am I to judge?





World Environment Day!

World Environment Day ("WED") is celebrated every year on 5 June to raise global awareness of the need to take positive environmental action. It is run by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

It was the day that United Nations Conference on the Human Environment began. The United Nations Conference on the Human Environment was from 5–16 June 1972. It was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 1972.^[1] The first World Environment Day was in 1973. World Environment Day is hosted every year by a different city with a different theme and is commemorated with an international exposition in the week of 5 June. World Environment Day is in spring in the Northern Hemisphere and fall in the Southern Hemisphere.



"Stockholm was without a doubt the landmark event in the growth of international environmentalism", writes John McCormick in the book Reclaiming Paradise. "It was the first occasion on which the political, social and economic problems of the global environment were discussed at an intergovernmental forum

with a view to actually taking corrective action." World Environment Day is similar to Earth Day.

Southern Rocks U13 Cricket

Five boys from Murray MacDougall, four from Hippo Valley Estates and three from Chiredzi Government Primary made up a Lowveld select side that played a Masvingo select side in a 4 day tournament that ran from the 2nd April to the 5th April.

The games were played at Masvingo Sports Club and Kyle Preparatory School. However, day 2 of the tournament was disrupted by rain resulting in the boys playing 3 games. Despite the failure to play a normal on the rainy day, both teams had coaching sessions courtesy of Zimbabwe Cricket's Southern Rocks Franchise. The Lowveld side lost the first 2 games by 4 wickets and 15 runs respectively. However, they managed to win the last matches by 1 wicket.

The purpose of the whole exercise eventually came up with a Southern Rocks Under 13 side to play in an interprovincial tournament to be hosted by Prince Edward School in Harare some time in early December. Wishing the boys all the luck!

Lion Lewis Tsododo
Youth & Environment Officer





Jazz Invitation

ONE of Zimbabwe's leading Jazz music sensations, Jazz Invitation, popularly known as JI is coming to the Lowveld and set for a highly anticipated enthralling Lion's Fund Raiser performance at Sweetwaters Dam, Triangle.

The band is making its way to Triangle for a highly-anticipated action packed bash on Saturday 3rd August 2013.

Known for its captivating Jazz, Motown, Rock and Roll, African rhythms, and contemporary new beats, Zim's leading Jazz band led by its inspirational and highly-talented Kelly Rusike, is set for an alluring performance meant to leave a imprint in the Lowveld.



The life-injecting band says through its leader Rusike that: "We are coming for serious

entertainment business that will leave the Lowveld talking and asking for more."

Jazz Invitation is Zimbabwe's foremost Jazz band that has seen its existence for more than a decade now. As a group, Jazz Invitation musicians have managed to captivate and thrill the global eye and attention which has built them a world acclaimed CV. The band has played with world acclaimed artiste in the likes of Mirriam Makeba, Rosalla Miller, Louis Mhlangu, international platinum selling artiste Randy Crowford and Ringo Mandlingozi. Locally in Zim, Oliver Mtukuzdi has several times played with the band that has also performed in Italy at an Italian Jazz festival.

These guys are simply great and trust me, their visit to Triangle will be perceived too short as people will defiantly crave for more...this is a perfect time for

families and friends to put on dancing shoes for there will be no slow moments.

Pegged at \$10.00 entry at the Sweetwaters Dam is likely to be a hive of activity from as early as 18:30 hours before celebrated Jazz team sets foot on the stage.

Cash bar is available and people should take advantage of the pre-sold tickets which are available from the following Triangle Club Lion Members/Triangle Country Club/at the gate.

Come out and support this worth Fund Raiser as you won't be disappointed.



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