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Governor's Message

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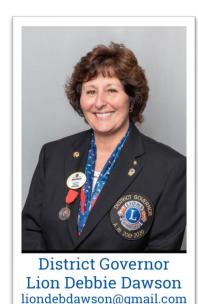
Happy New Year!

It is hard to believe we are more that halfway through this Lions year. As I travel around this glorious district, I have had the opportunity to meet many of you for the first time while reacquainting myself with many friends I have not seen in a while.

I want to thank all of you for the warm hospitality that I have received on my official visits and at the various events I have attended.

We had a very successful service week. Thank you to GST Lion Betty Mills for her insightful joint zone meeting activity that was able to inspire our clubs "to serve". Thank you to all who participated.

We kicked off 2020 with a bang! Thank you IPDG JC (GMT) and IPID Tom for a hands-on session on building your membership plan. The feedback was phenomenal, and I



urge those clubs not in attendance to please take advantage of this program. Both 1^{st} VDG Glenn and 2^{nd} VDG Barry will be available to assist you with your plans under the Clubs Forward umbrella.

As for your District Governor, I am continuing my official visits and club events. I am taking a side trip up to Haliburton for the Polar Bear Challenge 2020 on February 15th. Drop by if you are in the neighbourhood. All my funds raised are going to The

Hospital for Sick Children – Garron Family Cancer Centre. Lion Jim Lawr and I are challenging each other to see who will raise the most funds! Cheques can be made to Haliburton and District Lions Club, and in the notation line, supporting DG Deb! Sorry Lion Jim.

I have chosen LCIF Campaign 100 as my project this year. We should all be proud of the incredible work of this Foundation. **ALL** the funds raised go right back into serving the community. **Please make cheques payable to Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF- and send to District Treasurer Lion Kelly Moore.** I would like to see every Lion and Lioness club donate to our foundation to make District A-16 a 100% LCIF donor!

I find it hard to believe that our District Convention is just around the corner! April 17-19 in beautiful Peterborough. We have an incredible International guest that I know you will all want to meet. Space is limited so please register today. The Governor's Team, along with the Haliburton Lions, are working hard to make our convention fun and interesting for everyone in the district to enjoy.

I want to thank all of you for your friendship, support and your service to your community, District A-16 and Lions Club International.

Yours in Lionism

DG Deb Dawson

We Serve Through Diversity

Submission Guidelines



Following these Guidelines will help us make sure your story is processed appropriately

Please Send submissions to governornews@lionsa16.com
Emails sent to any other address, may be misplaced

Here are some guidelines that should be followed to submit content to the DG Newsletter and The Lions Magazine.

These guidelines will make it easier for us to make sure your submission is properly processed. Failure to follow these guidelines may result in your submission being missed or directed incorrectly.

<u>Do not</u> submit multiple submissions within the same email. Please separate them as this will help us keep track of each submission.

<u>Do</u> include all content in the email. If content is too much for a single email, then please make sure to reference that there are multiple emails related to your submission (Example: You can add "Email 1 of 3" in the subject line)

The Email's subject should include:

"Club Name" <u>or</u> "Committee Name" **and** "DG Newsletter" **and/or** "Lions Magazine" submission. **Club submission**

Sample Subject: "Ajax Lions Club – DG Newsletter and Lions Magazine Submission"

Committee submission

<u>Sample Subject</u>: "Webmaster/IT – DG Newsletter Submission"

If you have any suggestions or comments, please let us know. Just send us an email at governornews@lionsa16.com



District A16 Convention 2020

APRIL 17,18,19 2020

HOLIDAY INN WATERFRONT – PETERBOROUGH ONTARIO







Governor Debbie has

secured an Amazing
International Guest



COME AND JOIN WITH THE HALIBURTON LIONS AS WE CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF LIONISM IN CANADA

THE HOLIDAY INN IS NEWLY RENOVATED WITH EXCELLENT AMENITIES.

YOU'LL HAVE A BLAST!



REGISTER EARLY. YOU CAN ACCESS THE FORM ON THE HALIBURTON LIONS WEBSITE... HALIBURTONLIONS.COM

BOOK YOUR ROOM /HOSPITALITY ROOM DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL....INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REGISTRATION FORM..EASY PEASY

INDOOR/OUTDOOR POOL..YEAR ROUND

A DYNAMIC SPEAKER WILL JOIN US FOR THE LIONS/LIONESS BREAKFAST. HER PRESENTATION IS FASCINATING AND TIES IN WONDERFULLY WITH NEW VOICES.

WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE AT EACH OF THE NEXT JOINT ZONE MEETINGS WITH REGISTRATION FORMS AND WE CAN ACCEPT PAYMENTS BY CREDIT CARD OR DEBIT. OF COURSE, WE ALSO LOVE CHEQUES AND

YOU'LL HAVE A GREAT TIME ON FRIDAY NIGHT!



We'll have some fun, competitive games to play that were popular in the 1920's. Our local museum is partnering with us!!!!

District A16 Nominations

District A16 is always seeking energetic Lion Leaders to take us into the next century of Lions in Canada.

As nominations chairperson, I would love to receive nominations for the following positions:

- Second Vice District Governor
- Region Chairperson
- Zone Chairperson

Qualifications and job descriptions can be readily found in the District A16 Constitution and By-laws which is available on the District a-16 website. You can also find the nomination form required. All nominations must be submitted prior to March 18 2020.

Our District is well known for providing excellent training and support for all our officers.

Don't be shy! We need you. For more information, don't hesitate to contact me –

PDG David Mills, (705)457-1354

The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects it to change. The leader adjusts the sails.

John Maxwell

Announcing the "Everything You Wanted to Know about being a District Officer" Information Session

We have received several requests to include materials for Region Chairpersons and Vice District Governors in the January 30th Information Session. So we are expanding the scope of the Session to provide information on Region Chairperson and Vice District Governors.

If you want to know more about:

- what is it like to serve beyond your club?
- what is it like to serve as a District Officer?
- what is required to become a Zone Chairperson, Region Chairperson, Vice District Governors?
- would that be something for me?
- would I be interested?

To learn more about the roles of these District Officer positions, come to the following information session

"Everything You Wanted to Know about being a District Officer".

You will learn about the duties and responsibilities involved with these positions. You will know more on how your club will interact with your district officers. You will find out if it is something for you.

When you attend the session, it does not mean that you will have to be the next Zone Chairperson, Region Chairperson, or Vice District Governor.

There is no string attached.

Thank you to the support from Goodwood Lions Club, the session will be held on *Thursday, January 30th, 2020* at *Goodwood Community Centre* at *268, Highway 47, Goodwood ON*.

A light meal will be served at **6:30pm**, and the session will begin from **7pm to 9pm. There is no cost for attending.**

Please advise me how many from your Club will be attending by **Monday**, **January 27th**, **2020** so that I can prepare the course materials and the amount of food accordingly. Please also let me know if there are any dietary requests from the attendees.

I can be reach at 905-479-1902 or email at tcheung@lionsa16.com.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Tim Cheung A-16 Global Leadership Team coordinator



Using MyLION to submit your club Service Activity Reports

We all know the importance of reporting your club service activities via MyLION. At times, you may experience difficulties on how to use MyLION as the reporting tool.

Here are two training videos from Lions Clubs International that will take you through the steps on how to create a New Activity and how to report a Past Activity in MyLION. Please follow the two links to the respective video posted on YouTube accordingly:

"MyLION Demonstration: Create a New Activity" https://youtu.be/npuTGERBctE

"MyLION Demonstration: Report a Past Activity" https://youtu.be/kP3498MrHxE

If you have questions or need more information on the two processes after viewing, feel free to contact me.

Happy viewing!

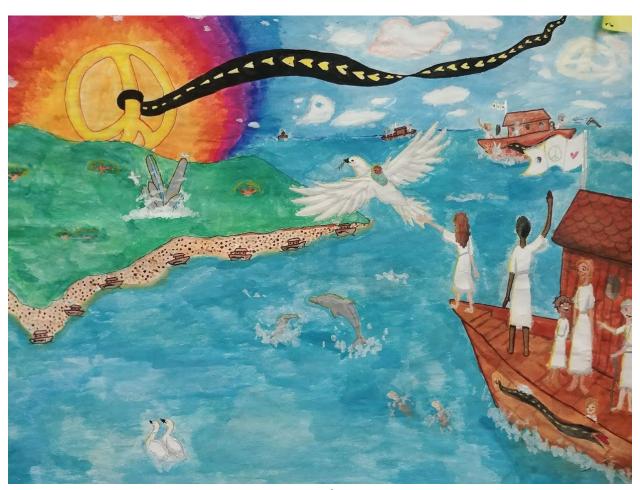
Your A-16 Global Leadership Team coordinator, Lion Tim Cheung

Peace Poster Contest 2019-20290 Journey of Peace

Thank you to all the clubs that participated in the Peace Poster Contest this year. We had wonderful posters from the Cannington Lions, Fowler's Corner's Lions, Sunderland Lions, Newmarket Lions, Newmarket Lioness, Whitby Lions, Blackstock Lions and North Oshawa Lions.

It was a difficult task for all of us at the Cabinet Meeting to pick a winner. After counting the secret ballots and then revealing the club that sponsored the winners the results are as follows.

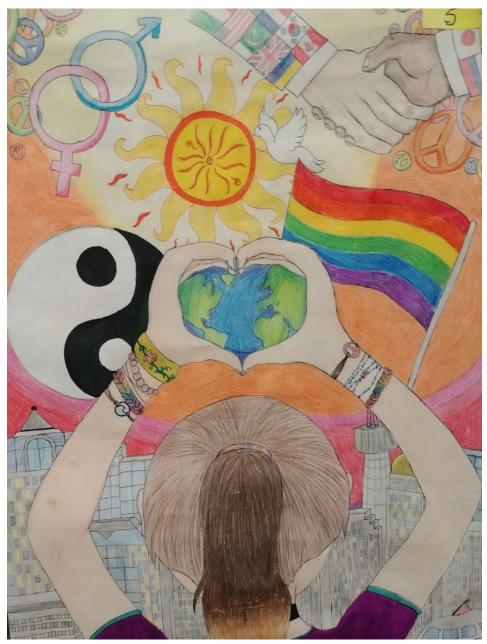
District A16 Winning Posters



First Place
Edana Lynch
Kedron Public School
Oshawa North Lions Club



Second Place
Aeva Chesebrough
Cartwright Central Public School
Blackstock Cartwright Lions Club



Third Place Veronika Antoshko John Dryden Public School Lions Club of Whitby

Angus Glen Lions Club

Raising diabetes awareness on World Diabetes Day



At our October club meeting, we asked Lions to wear blue to raise awareness of diabetes as the World Diabetes Day is coming up on November 14th. We had our Region Chair Sudha Verma visiting us. The Angus Glen Lions at the meeting were so into the meeting that the wearing something blue turned into some very creative and fun postings by all.

Angus Glen Lions Club 2nd Annual Badminton Tournament



It was an exciting day on November 24th, 2019 for the Angus Glen Lions Club.

We had invited 12 teams of badminton players to participate in our 2nd Annual Badminton Tournament - a club service project to promote active lifestyle to the community and to raise funds for our Club.

Each team consisted of 4 to 6 men and women players. The morning session was for the round robin games. The first two teams at each group moved on to the elimination rounds in the afternoon.

It was a fun event for both the participants and the Lions. IPDG JC Lagrange was there coming out to support us on the day!

Thank you for the support and participation from all the players and the volunteers!

To see more pictures and videos from the event, follow us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/angusglenlionsclub/

See you next year!

Submitted by Lion Patty Ko Club President, Angus Glen Lions Club

Blackstock Lions Club

Lion Ken Hudson presenting Lion Connie Ashmore with appreciation certificate



Lion Debbie Dawson Presenting Lion Ken Hudson with a certificate of 25 years in Lions



Bobcaygeon & District Lions Club

Challenged to do something different for Service Week 2019, Bobcaygeon's Lions Club decided to hold a 'Free Soup and Sandwich' event on Sunday, October 20th. The event was aimed at seniors and Food Bank clients but ended up attracting a much wider audience.



During the season of thankfulness, we invite you to come share a variety of our delicious Soups and Sandwiches... Free.



As this was our first time doing this, we really had no idea how many people it could attract. Our Marketing & Strategy Director, Lion Jeannie Slade, made sure that the event was prompted on our Facebook Page, in local grocery stores and banks. And we also featured it on our website.

On the day, we had three or four different flavours of soup, and several different types of sandwiches, all made by our Members.

We ended up serving about 50 people, which was close enough to our event 'first time goal' of 60. Even passing

members of our local Police Department dropped by, as did a group of parishioners from the church across the street from our Hall!

This was an important event for us to try out. We wanted to rise to DG Lion Debbie Dawson's challenge to do something different for our community during Service Week. The Free Soup and Sandwich event fitted in perfectly with our 2019 – 2020 goal of



increasing our community service activities, while not losing sight of our annual fundraising goal.



We have already decided to repeat this in 2020, around the same time of the year. What we do for the Service Week has yet to be figured out...

Lion David Savournin

Haliburton Lions Club

Come out and be part of the fun at the Haliburton & District Lions Club's Polar Bear Challenge 2020

(an event at the Haliburton Village Frost Festival)

Cheer DG Deb Dawson on into the freezing waters of Head Lake as she goes dipping for SickKids' Garron Family Cancer Centre

All proceeds directed towards SickKids' Garron Family Cancer Centre OR Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

Date: Saturday, February 15, 2020

Place: Head Lake Park at Rotary Beach, Haliburton, Ontario

Registration: 10:00 am -12:00 pm & event starts at 1:00 pm

Pledge forms available at Cranberry Cottage, Haliburton Foodland, West Guildford Shopping Centre, Todd's Independent or on-line at haliburtonlions.com

Prizes awarded to the top individual pledge dollars and top team pledge dollars and also the best costumes.

For more information, contact Lion Jim Frost at 705 457-4031



HALIBURTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB SPONSORS THE



POLAR BEAR

CHALLENGE 2020

Have a refreshing dip in Head Lake and raise money for the Hospital for Sick Children's Garron Family Cancer Centre or

nus Health Service Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation

Hospital for Sick

Children

PRIZES FOR THE BEST COSTUMES

Garron Family Cancer

Center

PRIZES FOR THE MOST PLEDGES

Haliburton Highlands Foundation

HALIBURTON FROST FESTIVAL 2020

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2020

HEAD LAKE PARK ~ POLAR DIP VENUE

REGISTRATION: 10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

EVENT STARTS: 1:00 PM

All proceeds to the Hospital for Sick Children or Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation

Pledge forms available at: Cranberry Cottage, Haliburton Foodland, Todds Independent Grocers and West Guilford Shopping Centre and on the website: https://www.haliburtonlions

You can mail your pledge forms & cheques to:

Haliburton & District Lions Club, Box 457, Haliburton ON KoM 180

For more information call Lion Jim Frost at 705 457-4031

Lindsay Lions Club

For 21 consecutive years, the Lindsay Lions Club has partnered with LaMantias Country Market to provide Christmas dinner to 150 families in our area. With the help of OPP Special Constables, chickens, potatoes, turnips, carrots, cabbages and more were loaded up and delivered to the Salvation Army for distribution to needy families. We are to help families less fortunate than ourselves to have a nice Christmas.



Markham Lions Club

MLC's donation to the restoration of the Morgan Pool. We currently have an arch there and as the pond is being renovated our contribution and involvement are also being included.







LUNCH WITH SANTA Newmarket Lion Kirby Brock

Of the many events the Newmarket Lions host at Christmas, the most gratifying is our Lunch with Santa Program for the less fortunate children and their parents every third Sunday in December. Ten days before the event, the Salvation Army sends us the names of all Newmarket residents who qualify for assistance from the Newmarket Lions. This year over 1000 names were received. From that moment, 20 Newmarket Lions phoned all 300+ families inviting them to the event.

With the support of over twenty merchants, 150 Santa Fund donors, and over 60 Lions including Friends of Lions, four months of preparation boil down to four hours of community service. This year, 470 citizens including 300 children came to see Santa and enjoy the Christmas spirit our club provides. Children had their pictures taken with Santa, received a loot bag, had their faces painted, decorated cookies, and worked on crafts. Parents received food vouchers, family dental kits, and a small gift of their choice. For lunch, there were hot dogs (345), hamburgers (300), pasta (20 lbs.), French Fries (150 lbs.), Nanaimo bars (9 large boxes) and lots of good cheer.

As one parent said, "I can't believe that so many people care about us and the whole thing is Free. Thanks so much".

AND best of all... the looks on children's faces!

North Oshawa Lions Club

The District 16 Peace Poster winner from Kedron Public School was presented with her winner certificate and cash prize at the North Oshawa Lions Club dinner meeting on Nov. 26th. The theme for the contest was "Journey of Peace."







Marian Timmerman from Durham Region Hospice was the guest speaker at our Jan. 9th North Oshawa Lions Club dinner meeting. A donation was given to assist in building the Durham Region hospice facility in Clarington near Newcastle which will provide 9 beds to serve those who are facing a palliative diagnosis.

North Oshawa Lions Club members volunteering at the Boys & Girls Club of Durham "Breakfast With Santa". Each year, our members look forward to this event as the room is filled with the most wonderful, well-behaved (and hungry) children you can imagine. Our cooks arrive early in the morning to start making batter for the pancakes then sweat over the hot stoves to make sure there will be an ample amount to feed the hoards of kids and parents that tumble in after nine. Then come the egg scramblers making trays and trays of this delicious staple along with fried potatoes. A good time was had by all.





Oshawa Airport Lions Club



The Oshawa Airport Lions Club held another successful Victoria Tea on Oct 20, 2019.

A total of 1,750.00 was donated to Hearth Place.

Hearth Place was established in 1997, as a drop in centre, in the comfort of a home like atmosphere, Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre is committed to providing community support for people diagnosed with cancer and their families through individual and group support, information, a resource centre, wellness programs and an ongoing lecture and discussion series. Hearth Place is a support centre where cancer patients and their families can come and share their experiences, find resources and discover new ways to care for themselves and each other.

As many Lions know one of the signature causes that Lions support is Diabetes. World Diabetes day was on November 14, so at the Oshawa Airport Lions meeting held on November 27 members were asked to wear blue to show support for this cause.



Other annual evens that brings good cheer is the Oshawa Airport Lions, Gingerbread House Decorating and the Breakfast with Santa. Both events are well attended and great fun for both attendees and Lions Club members.

The "Gingerbread house decoration Event" is a partnership between the Oshawa Lions and the staff of Mount Lawn Funeral Home. Santa Claus was there to spend some quality time with

some children both old and young.





The "Breakfast with Santa" is held at the DeStefano Funeral Home. This is also an annual event that everyone enjoys. All profits from this event were used to sponsor a local family in need over the holidays through Simcoe Hall Settlement House.



Oshawa West Lions Club



Oshawa West Lions own Leo the Lion

Oshawa West Lions Club have had a very busy fall. We have ongoing projects - Bingo every Monday afternoon; Catch the Ace ticket sales with a weekly draw every Thursday evening; used eyeglasses pickup; aluminum can pickup.

As well the Lions served lunch to 150 participants in the Kidney Walk; constructed a float & participated in the city Christmas parade; wrote Christmas cards for 160 residents at a senior's nursing home & distributed gifts to 16 who have no visitors over the season. We filled a 2 litre bottle with dimes & had \$450 to donate to LCIF.

As well we donate funds raised to various local charities. Submitted by Lion Gail Bates, Secretary, Oshawa West Lions Club



The Kidney Walk Team! Regional Chair John Henry, Lion President Debby Guerreiro, Lion Heather Dunphy, Lion Gail Bates, MP Colin Carrie. Three members were missing - picking up the food.



Rolling dimes collected from members for the LCIF donation!



Oshawa West Lions ready to march in the Oshawa Santa Parade!

Victoria Markham Square Lions

Victoria Markham Square Lions Club's Holiday and Food Drive Event



On December 7th over 60 people including VMSLC members and their families gathered together to celebrate the upcoming holidays. They participated in an annual Food Drive for those who are not as fortunate.

The gathering was a lovely finish to the year of 2019 for Victoria Markham Square Lions Club members. Each member and their respective family took the initiative to share something special with the group. The variety of performances included singing, dancing, and a few good jokes from the group. This made for a well entertained group for the entirety of the evening.





This event was only better with the addition of a great cause, donating non-perishable food to the Good Shepherd homeless shelter. This shelter is located in downtown Toronto and provides vital services to the homeless which includes food, shelter and clothing. We at Victoria Markham Square, view the Lion's global cause as one of our most important goals which made this event very successful.

The addition of guests like 2nd Vice District Governor Lion Barry MacDonald, Lion Tim Cheung, Region Chair Lion Sudha Verma, and Zone Chair Lion Carolyn Stephenson not only made the event much livelier, but also brought attention to the progress the club has made over the years. All in all, the Lions managed to raise over 500 pounds of nonperishable goods that were donated to the homeless for the coming winter. Our New Year's resolution? To continue being active contributory members and in our communities.



Websites Listings

Multiple District A	http://www.mdalions.org/pages/
District A-16	http://www.lionsa16family.org/

Agnus Glen	http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/angus_glen/
Ajax	http://www.ajaxlionsclub.com/
Aurora	http://www.aurao-lions-club-ontario.com/
Beaverton	http://www.beavertonlions.ca/
Blackstock Cartwright	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/blackstock/
Bobcaygeon & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/bobcaygeon/
Boxgrove	http://www.boxgrovelions.com/
Brechin & District	http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/brechin/
Brooklin Ashburn Myrtle	http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/brooklin ashburn myrtle/
Canada Hk Unionville Doncrest	http://www.newhorizonlionsclub.org/
Cannington	http://www.canningtonlionsclub.ca/
Claremont	http://www.claremontlions.ca/
Coboconk	http://www.coboconklions.ca/
Dunsford & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/dunsford/
Fenelon Falls & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/fenelonfalls/
Fowler Corners & District	http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/fowlersc/
Goodwood	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/goodwood/
Greenbank & District	http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/greenbank/
Haliburton	https://www.haliburtonlions.com/
Holland Landing & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/hollandl/
Keswick & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/keswick_district/
King City	https://sites.google.com/site/kingcitylionsontario/Lions-Club-of-Nobleton
Kinmount & District	http://www.kinmountlionsclub.com/

Kirkfield & District Lions Club	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/kirkfield_district/
Lindsay	http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/lindsayon/
Lindsay East	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/lindsayeast/
Maple	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/maple/
Markham	http://www.lionsclubmarkham.org/
Markham Millikens Mills	http://mmlionsclub.com/
Minden & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/minden on/
Mount Albert District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/mountalbert/
Newmarket	http://www.newmarketlionsclub.com/
Newmarket North	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/northnewmarketca/
North Oshawa	http://www.northoshawalions.org/
Oak Ridges	http://www.oakridgeslions.com/
Oakwood & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/oakwood/contact.php
Omemee & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/omemee district/
Ontario York Region Heritage	http://www.heritagelionsclub.org/
Oshawa Airport	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/oshawaairport/
Oshawa West	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/oshawaweston/
Pefferlaw District	http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/pefferlaw/
Port Perry	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/portperry/
Richvale	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/richvale/
Stouffville	http://www.stouffvillelions.ca/
Sunderland	http://www.sunderlandlionsclub.ca/
Sutton And District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/suttonwon/
Thornhill & District	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/thornhill_district/
Udora & Leaskdale	http://udoraleaskdalelionsclub.ca/
Uxbridge & District	http://www.uxbridgelions.com/
Victoria Markham Square	http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/vicmarkhamsquare/
Whitby Lions Club	https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/whitby/
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