



September 2015

Governor's Newsletter

DISTRICT A-16

Governor's Message



**District Governor
Lion Susan Tate
state@a16lions.com.**

Lions, Lioness and Leos

A great 'welcome back' to you all with the reminder that, even though this seems like the beginning of the year, our Lions year is one quarter done! So much Service, so little time!

Our International President, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada has instituted a Centennial Service Challenge. He would like each of our Clubs to conduct a Service project in each of the four areas of Youth, Vision, Hunger or the Environment. There are banner patches available when these projects are reported through MyLCI's Service Activity Report, but I know that all of you do not work for banner patches. You do it for the warm wonderful feeling that we all get when "We Serve".

I have received reports from a number of Clubs who have decided on their project for our District Service Action Day on October 17 and I am creating a list so the Governor's Team can come and visit each club. I need to hear from you about what you're doing, where you're doing it and what time it will be so that I can complete my list. This is a great opportunity to be in front of the public and let them see what Lions is all about, and, who knows, someone may be interested enough to want to join. Can't be all bad!

Some of you have already met my Autism Dog, Ossie. He will be travelling with me to Zone and Cabinet meetings through the year where we will be selling raffle tickets to see whose home he will be living in next year. He comes complete with a collar and leash and a name tag, but the Autism Assistant vest has to be returned to the Lions Foundation of Canada. He eats nothing and doesn't have to be walked. My project this year is to sponsor an Autism Assistance Dog team. The waiting list for these dogs is very long and there are so many children waiting. Any donations should be made to Lions District A16 and on the memo line, it should say: Governor's Project. At the end of the year a cheque will be presented to Lions Foundation of Canada.

I have become very interested in the Club Excellence Award and I'm convinced that it is doable for any Club. I will speak about this award at each Club visit I do, to try and encourage them to work on this. My vision is to have District A16 full of Excellent Clubs with an award to prove it.

I was told that there was a Governor back a few years who used to say to his Clubs:

Have fun and get 'er done!

Yours in Lionism
Susan Tate

District Governor – A16

Canada-HK New Horizon Lion Club Table Tennis Tournament - Press Conference



On August 12, 2015 the Canada-HK New Horizon Lion Club held a press conference to kick-off their 7th Annual Table Tennis Tournament. Along with the A16 District Governor Lion Susan Tate (sitting in the centre) there were several other dignitaries on hand for the event.

NORTH NEWMARKET LIONS - COATS FOR KIDS



Coats for Kids is a free service provided by the North Newmarket Lions who collect and distribute winter coats, snowsuits, snow pants, boots, hats, mitts, scarves - from infant to adult sizes. The North Newmarket Lions and the Newmarket Lioness man a "store" in Newmarket to house this important project. The store space has been generously donated to the Clubs so costs are minimal.

The store opened in 2014 at the end of November and was open on Saturday mornings from 10 am to 1 pm until mid March. Almost 200 coats were given away along with boots, hats, scarves and mitts.

Donations from the community of clean, gently used winter coats was overwhelming and the store was soon overflowing. There are enough coats safely stored to make a really good start this winter. We open on Thanksgiving weekend and will close mid March.

The "store" is located at 1271 Gorham Street, Suite #8 - at the corner of Gorham and Harry Walker Parkway - convenient, as there is public transport on both roads.

Many families were helped last winter - kids who were so quickly growing out of snowsuits and Moms and Dads who didn't have proper winter coats. Families were grateful to find a place where no questions were asked - "just help yourself to whatever you and your family need".

If you would like to donate new or gently used winter outerwear to our store please call us, and spread the word about Coats for Kids - together we can help even more families this year.

Lions Leah and Mike Springford 905-895-3039 or email Lion Leah at leahs49@sympatico.ca

Zone Chairperson

Everything you Ever Wanted to Know about Being a Zone Chair.....

Have you ever wondered what a Zone Chair's job is all about.

This is an opportunity to come and hear, with no strings attached, just what is involved.

Date: Monday, November 30, 2015

Location: Greenbank Lions Hall

Time: 6:30pm (Light Refreshments will be served)

If you are interested in coming, Governor Susan would like to hear from you.



HALIBURTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB



ANNUAL VOLUNTEER TOLL BRIDGE

ON MAPLE AVENUE AT THE BRIDGE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST FROM 8 AM TO 4PM

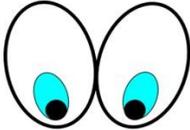
**THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS YEAR'S
VOLUNTEER TOLL BRIDGE A GREAT SUCCESS**

100% OF THE FUNDS RAISED SPONSORS COMMUNITY PROJECTS





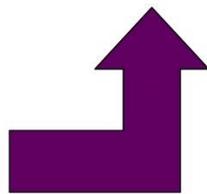
LION'S DISTRICT A16 FACEBOOK PAGE IS

LOOKING  FOR YOU

TO START POSTING YOUR CLUB'S EVENTS

GO TO THE WEBSITE AND UPLOAD YOUR PHOTO AND WRITE A LITTLE STORY TO GO WITH IT.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1423918801186446/>



STILL NOT SURE HOW TO PUT ITEMS ON FACEBOOK



GIVE US A CALL AND WE WILL ASSIST YOU OR PUT THE ITEM ON FACEBOOK FOR YOU:

Lion Carrie Clifton

705 471-7109 or carriecrash@me.com

Lion Linda Heeps

705 457-2064 or celtic.cross@sympatico.ca

District A16

HEARING SCREENING—Equipment

District A16 now has four hearing screening machines called Digital Pilots. These machines are easy to use – the test takes about 3 minutes. If your club is doing vision screening, consider adding hearing screening when you go into the schools.

Vision screening is one of the greatest services we perform as Lions, so let's get more clubs involved in hearing screening.

Please email or call me if I can help you with hearing screening in any way. I would be happy to train your club to use the Pilot and even come screening with you until you feel comfortable with the process.

Lion Leah Springford

Chair – District A16 Hearing & Speech Action Committee



Dedication - Greenfield Way



On August 29, 2015 the Greenfield Way at Lions Clubs Camp Kirk was Dedicated in honour of the late PDG Lion Clare Greenfield and PMDALP Norma Greenfield. In the photo are Richvale Lions President Lion Hugh Adams (left) and members of the Greenfield family. **Inset photo:** Three members of the Richvale Lioness Club

Markham Lions Club 1943 - 2015



72nd Charter Night - Markham Civic Centre, 101 Town Centre Blvd, Markham

Saturday November 14, 2015

Cost: \$50 per Person

Reception: 6pm

Dinner: 7pm

Dress: Formal or Business

For inquires and Tickets contact Lion George Mckelvey at 905 294 1935 kelvey@rogers.com



SOME SUGGESTIONS TO THINK ABOUT

- ⇒ Remember everything you post online is public. It doesn't matter whether or not you delete the message or text. If you've published it, it's traceable. When you post things online, you're creating a cyber fingerprint. So make sure that every post represents the values and ethics of Lionism.
- ⇒ Respect your audience: This might be the most important rule of social media etiquette. Show respect to everyone who visits your page. These are simple social skills you should already be following in real life; now, you just have to follow them online too.
- ⇒ Share your club's events and activities with other clubs so that the greatness of what it means to be a Lion can be played forward
- ⇒ Create a final checklists to ensure that your message reflects the ideals of Lionism, check for any grammar issues, check that the information and dates are correct, check that you have permission to upload the photos that you are using especially with minors, and make sure if you are linking a site that the link is valid.



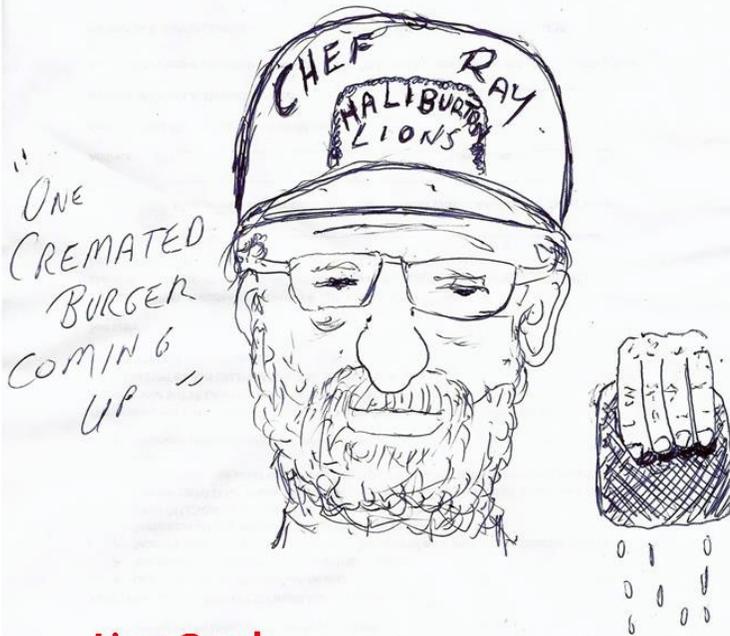
SOME SUGGESTIONS TO AVOID

- ⇒ Use all caps when you're emailing or posting something. All CAPS is a form of internet shouting.
- ⇒ Over use #hashtags. Hashtags are a good way to help get your tweets and Facebook posts categorized with similar content so when someone searches for that keyword, they find you. This does not mean that you turn every word in your posting into a hashtag because the message becomes too confusing.
- ⇒ Share the same message over and over again. People will start to jump over your posts





THE HALIBURTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB BBQ HAD ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EVENT AT THE RAILS END GALLERY AND ARTS CENTRE HALIBURTON ART AND CRAFT FESTIVAL



Lion Gord Kidd did a portrait of Lion Ray Howlett, our Lead BBQer





**HALIBURTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB
AT THE
WILBERFORCE AGRICULTURAL FAIR
AUGUST 8, 2015**



**HALIBURTON & DISTRICT
LIONS CLUB**

MENU

HAMBURGER	\$5.00	
HAMBURGER/FRIES/DRINK		\$8.00
VEGGIE BURGER	\$5.00	
VEGGIE BURGER/FRIES/DRINK		\$8.00
PEAMEAL BACON ON A BUN	\$5.00	
PEAMEAL BACON/FRIES/DRINK		\$8.00
SAUSAGE ON A BUN	\$5.00	
SAUSAGE/FRIES/DRINK		\$8.00
HOT DOG	\$4.00	
HOT DOG/FRIES/DRINK		\$7.00
VEGGIE DOG	\$4.00	
VEGGIE DOG/FRIES/DRINK		\$7.00
FRIES	\$3.00	
FRUIT JUICES	\$0.50	
DRINKS	\$1.00	





LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (LCIF)

This is our foundation. People around the world and at home are helped by Lions in two ways, by individual clubs helping people and by our foundation helping people. But the foundation gets its' money from us. It is therefore important that we support LCIF as generously as we can.

LCIF is very careful with our money. In the case of the measles initiative (1 SHOT/1LIFE) we have partnered with the Gates Foundation and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, to double our money.

LCIF just announced that they have committed \$200,000 to Refugee Relief. They are looking for donations to continue and enhance this effort. Donations will be counted toward Melvin Jones' Fellowships

For further information on the Lions clubs International Foundation, please contact me.

Lion Barry Tate 705-887-5220

email: btate@lionsa16.com



TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT THE A16 WEBSITE COMPETITION FOR 2016



ONE TROPHY FOR AN E-CLUBHOUSE WEBSITE AND ONE TROPHY FOR A CLUB OWNED WEBSITE

NEED HELP!

I AM AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU WITH ANY ISSUE THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE ESPECIALLY FOR THE 3 CLUBS WHO HAVE NOT GOT A WEBSITE UP AND RUNNING.

LION LINDA HEEPS AT:

705 457-2064

celtic.cross@sympatico.ca



CRITERIA AND SCORING FOR DISTRICT A-16 WEBSITE COMPETITION

Use of logos and emblems	5
Information about the club	
History (3)	
Service activities (3)	
Meeting time and location(3)	
Contact e-mail (3)	
Club Executive members listed (3)	15
Message from the Club President	5
Regular updates (current information)	20
Pictures and captions	10
Over all appearance	
Use of font and font styles (7.5)	
layout (7.5)	15
Text accuracy (spelling and grammar)	5
Easy to navigate	10
Working links	10
General Lions information or links	5
Total	100

YOUR WEBSITES WILL BE JUDGED DURING TWO TIME PERIODS AND THE AVERAGE BETWEEN THESE TWO NUMBERS WILL BE YOUR SCORE

2 JUDGING PERIODS WILL BE:

WEEK OF: November 15th to 22nd, 2015

and

WEEK OF: March 6th to 13th, 2016

SO IT IS TIME TO LOOK AT THE CRITERIA AND UPDATE YOUR WEBSITES



HAVE YOUR LIONS CLUB'S EVENTS ON THE A16 WEB SITE CALENDAR TO SHARE WITH ALL OF THE A16 CLUBS

Go to the A16 web site

<http://www.lionsa16family.org/>

and look in the right upper corner and click on the calendar.

Click on the [Calendar Submission Request Form](#), complete and submit the form and we will do all the rest to add your event to the calendar



To have your event listed in the calendar please complete the Calendar Submission Request Form



Any questions regarding the calendar feel free to contact one of the members of the "Communications & Networking" Team



MARKHAM LIONS - CRUISE RAFFLE

Markham Lions Club is having their annual Raffle Draw

1st Prize - Cruise to Western Caribbean or \$3500.00 Cash

2nd Prize - \$500.00 Cash 3rd Prize - \$300.00 Cash

4th Prize - \$200.00 Cash

Tickets are \$20.00 each

The Draw will take place on December 12, 2015 at 8 pm at the BaxGrove Community Centre, Markham

The proceeds from the draw will go to Lions Foundation of Canada - Dog Guides, Lions Camp Kirk Foundation and the Markham Stouffville Hospital - Presidents Project.

Contact Mark Carrington for tickets - Phone 905 472-1188



What are Signature Service Activities and Why Might I Use Them?

Most Club Secretaries, and others who complete the monthly LCI Service Activity Report, will be familiar with using MyLCI to add the activities and create the report. It can be a little quicker if you also use Signature Activities for the things your club does every year, or maybe even every month or week.

A Signature Activity is something done on a regular, repetitive basis, and it will be something your club is known for in your community. Examples: Be in the Santa Claus parade; Clean up a park or pond each spring/fall; Offer spaghetti dinners every Friday in the summer; BBQ lunch at the senior's home; many more. People will know that "The Lions do that." It's one of your club's signatures.

To add them (just once): Select Signature Activities from the My Lions Club list and then select Add Signature Service Activity and fill in the repetitive information about that activity. Save it.

To use them (many times): When adding activities, open the Signature Activity drop-down box and choose the one you want. Your activity will be populated with all the information you saved when you added it. Then just add the variable details such as # of Lions, hours, people served, etc.

Just **before you Save**, make sure "Share this story" is selected so that the good works of all your Lions can be seen and appreciated. It's great to always share.

For more help with the Service Activity Report, enter 'sar_faq' in the LCI web site search box (magnifying glass).

Global Leadership Team

District A-16

Fellow Lions:

The Global Leadership Team is planning to have a **Club Officer Training Night** for those who were not able to attend the Region sessions last spring, or those who would like a refresher, or even those who are considering stepping into one of these positions.

This fall session is to be held on **Thursday, October 29th, 2015 at the Sunderland Town Hall, 120 River St, Sunderland, ON. Sessions will be available for Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairpersons.**

There will be a light lunch served, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Please advise me, by October 22nd, how many and which positions will be attending from your Club.

My phone # is: 705-359-1305 or you can email me at: lbell@lionsa16.com

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Larry Bell PDG



District A16, Region 18 Lions Clubs Update-September 2015



Lion Ken Drynan - Region Chairperson

The first quarter of 2015-2016 is almost behind us. A wonderful summer, but now September has witnessed the release of energy from many Lions across our Region. Certainly the District Activity Reports for July/August indicated planning, organising and implementation of events, and the resumption of Regular Club meetings.

First, let's look at the baseline numbers. For August 2015, LCI recorded the following statistics. One Region, two Zones, 14 Lions Clubs, and 332 members. A good start, but surely there is room for growth. Region 18 is the most densely populated area in District A16, are we carrying our share of the load?

The District A16 planning sessions have been very helpful to our Clubs. For example, the District Directory for 2015-2016 was received on August 22. This Directory is an invaluable tool in assisting Region and Zone Chairs in their duties. The information content is remarkable, eg. does your Club Treasurer need an overview of the Lions Billing Structure? See page 52.

Many activities have come and gone, and it's difficult to keep track. However, our hardworking Secretaries are keeping us up to date. For example, the 16th Annual Oshawa/Clarington Community Picnic attracted upwards of 250 people. The Grandview Childrens Centre benefited by \$6,500.00 resulting from the Auto Fest 50/50 draw. Simply put, "we serve".

On the sports and youth side, the impact of charity golf tournaments sponsored by Lions Clubs is remarkable. One example, on July 11, Dave Dryden from Sleeping Children Around the World Foundation was on hand to play golf, and accept 300 plus bed kits for the foundation. This Canadian initiative is worldwide in scope, reminds me of Lions!

September 19/20, the 7th Annual Charity Table Tennis Tournament was held in Markham. This event draws huge crowds, 9 tables in play, Club banners, and Leo's everywhere. Also spotted was the "Tom Gordon Cup", yes, Lion Tom of the "Yes we Can" approach to lionism.

Joint Zone Meetings are coming up very soon; Zone Chairs are working hard on venues, menus and agendas, and are hopeful of a large turnout in 18 East and 18 West. We are looking forward to greeting you, the 332 Lions of Region 18.

RC 18 Lion Ken Drynan



"Help The Kids Not Fumble"



LIONS CLUB OFFER 2015

The Toronto Argonauts are pleased to extend an exclusive discount to the Lions Club, family & friends on Friday, October 30th vs. **BC LIONS** KICKOFF at 7:00pm at the Rogers Centre!

Pre-Game Field Tour
lead by Account
Executive
Donnie Bruni
Get onto field level
during warm ups and
watch the players get
ready at 6pm
**ENTER GATE 8, on
Bremner Blvd**



Lions Quest Canada

The Centre for Positive Youth Development



SECTION 116	YOUR* PRICE (taxes included)	REGULAR* PRICE
BRONZE	\$25.00 +\$10 fundraiser \$35.00	\$51.00

*Prices include HST and are subject to additional online Ticketmaster fees



TO ORDER TICKETS, PLEASE CONTACT:

DONNIE BRUNI

EMAIL: dbruni@argonauts.ca

PHONE: (416) 341-2750

Aurora Lions Club



Melvin Jones Fellowships

The Aurora Lions Club at their first meeting on September 8, 2015 presented Melvin Jones Fellowships to two outstanding Lions. Zone Chair and Past President Lion Ra'ed Dallal and 1st Vice President, Trudy Stunden. The presentation was made by PDG Lion Paul Taylor.

In the photo L - R: PDG Lion Paul Taylor, Zone Chair and Past President Lion Ra'ed Dallal, First Vice President Trudy Stunden and Lion President Don Lewis

Certificate of Appreciation



The Aurora Lions at their first dinner meeting for the year 2015/2016 Lion President Don Lewis (left) presented Zone Chair and Past President Ra'ed Dallal with a Certificate of Appreciation.

New Member Induction

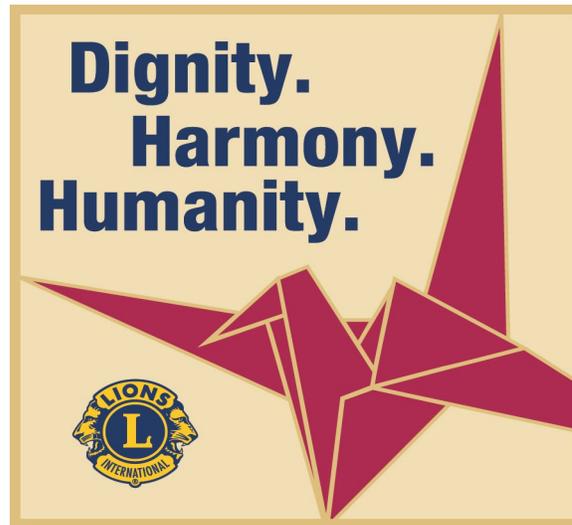


The Aurora Lions inducted two new members at their first dinner meeting on September 8, 2015.

In the Photo L- R: Lion President Don Lewis, New member Elena Zadorojnaia, PDG Paul Taylor, New member Christina Beiber and Jim Bondy Membership Chair and sponsor

Lions District A-16 Member Orientation

**Starts at 6:30 pm
Light Dinner**



- Learn about the rich history of Lions Clubs International
- Discussion on Membership Growth
- Geared towards New Lions, but open to all Lions

**Thursday, October 29th
Sunderland Town Hall**
In Conjunction with the Club Officer School

Club Membership Chairpersons:

Please present this at your next club meeting, and forward numbers of interested Lions to PDG Brian Moore at lionbrianmoore@lionsa16.com by Mon.Oct 26th for Meal Planning.



Presented by your District Global Membership Team



A central graphic with a white background and a thin blue border. On the left is a large red maple leaf. To its right, the name "TOM GORDON" is written in large, bold, blue letters with a yellow outline. Below the name, the text "Candidate International Director 2017-2019" is written in black, with "2017-2019" in red. Below that is the slogan "Yes We Can" in a black, italicized font. To the right of the text is a portrait of Tom Gordon, a man with grey hair and glasses, wearing a dark suit and a red tie. Below the portrait is the official Lions International logo, which is a yellow and blue circular emblem with a large "L" in the center and the words "LIONS INTERNATIONAL" around it.

**Dinner with
Lions Tom & Gillian**

Saturday, November 28th
 Claremont Hall
 Dinner and Silent Auction
 \$ 50 per person
 Doors open 5:30pm
 Dinner @ 6:30pm

To order tickets or make a donation for the auctions, please contact Lion Brian Moore
 lionbrianmoore@lionsa16.com
 (705) 286-6476 or
 Lioness Karen Jackson
 karenejackson@hotmail.com
 (905) 476-6871

The Minden Lions Club and Newmarket Lioness Club, in cooperation with the tomgforID campaign committee present an evening of fun and fellowship in support of Lion Tom Gordon's campaign for International Director. This dinner and auction in centrally located Claremont is your opportunity to encourage & sponsor District A-16's Candidate for the 2017-2019 term to the Board of Directors of Lions Clubs International.

Come and join us in making a difference for the future of our Association!



Oshawa Airport Lions Club Victorian Tea

Don your fascinators in support of **Simcoe Hall Settlement House** and join us for a lovely afternoon of tea, treats, scones, prizes, raffles and a guest speaker.

When: Sunday, October 18th, 1-3pm

Where: DeStefano Funeral Home – 1289 Keith Ross Drive

(west of Simcoe St. off Taunton Rd), Oshawa L1H 7K4

Tickets: \$15.00 each (*tickets will not be available for purchase at the door*)

For your convenience, we offer the following purchasing options:

- contact a member of the Oshawa Airport Lions Club
- purchase in person at DeStefano Funeral Home
- email OshawaAirportLionsClub@gmail.com to purchase via PayPay or e-Transfer

All profits from this event will be donated to Simcoe Hall Settlement House in support of the Holiday Food Hamper Program, for local families in need.

Millinery and fascinators are not required. Ladies of ALL ages are welcome!

Apple juice will be available for our younger ladies in attendance.

Tickets for the raffle will be available for purchase at the event (cash only).

Reminder

ZONE 18 WEST ZONE MEETING

***Calling all Zone 18 West Club Presidents, Secretaries,
Membership Directors, Lions, Lioness and Leos***

Tuesday October 6, 2015 - 7pm

at Maple Lions Club Hall, 8 Merino Rd. Maple, ON.

North Newmarket Lions Club



**Harvest
Dinner Dance**

Roast Beef Dinner

Saturday November 7, 2015

at 6:30 pm

Optimist Hall

56 Forhan Drive, Newmarket

Dance to the live music of

The Mick Cavanagh Band & DJ

\$25 per person - Cash Bar

**For tickets call: North Newmarket Lions at 905-895-1441
or by email: northnewmarketlions@yahoo.ca**

**Sponsored by the North Newmarket Lions Club in support
of the Lions Foundation of Canada Autism Assistance Dogs and the
Canadian Congenital Heart Alliance.**