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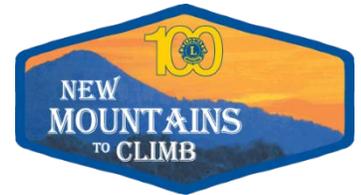
Governor's Message

District A-16



District Governor
Lion David Mills
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It's really hard to believe that we're 1/3rd the way through our Lions year! While travelling to various clubs and functions can be somewhat exhausting, the reward of seeing great Lions performing great deeds of service is exhilarating. My thanks to all my Lions Family for their great work.



Special thanks to Lions Micheline and Rick Lush for taking on the role of Newsletter Editor. They represent what every Governor of A16 comes to realize.... where there's a need, you can count on an A16 Lion to get the job done!

There are so many highlights of our year so far that to put them all here would be impossible so I'm including a few. Our Facebook pages have already shown some great work and using this tool to inform our Lions family and the general public of our work is so valuable.

September saw our International President Bob Corlew and his wife, Lion Dianne visit MDA in Toronto for dinner and then the next day to Breslau where he planted a 30-foot maple tree.

October saw our District Governor's Service Action Day and you have seen numerous pictures on Facebook. My gratitude goes out to all who participated. Special thanks to the clubs who ventured into new territory.

November was crazy busy. One highlight was the Harvest Dinner put on by the North Newmarket lions in support of Lioness President Pat's and my projects. Lioness Pat is raising funds for the Five Counties Children's Centre and I am raising funds for the Music Therapy Programme at Sick Children's Hospital. We appreciate any financial support you can give us.

International President Bob Corlew visits MDA



Blackstock Lions BBQing at the school funfair



Haliburton Lions teamed up with other agencies to conduct a Wellness and Volunteer Fair.



**Get your raffle ticket for the DG
project!**



**Lion Leah Springford won
an autographed Maple Leaf
hockey stick at the Harvest
Dinner.**



We have done a great job in membership recruitment. At the end of July we sat at 1218 members and as of the time of this writing we sit at 1252. We still have time to continue to bring people into our great family and provide them the opportunity to serve. Our Leos are expanding and I'm happy to hear the more Lioness are on the way.

Our first-ever Social media Workshop was a huge success. Many thanks to our fabulous communications team. We were overwhelmed by the response and did our best to help those who came. We'll be setting up another workshop in the New

Year and we're looking for presenters to help us out. If you have the skills and are willing to help, let 2nd VDG JC know.

November 12 was a very special day as we celebrated the Charter Night of the Angus Glen Lions Club. Huge thanks to all who supported this wonderful event. So many new and vibrant members to our Lions Family!

It is very rewarding to see partnerships happening as we continue to serve our communities. If it is true (and it is) that the only resource we have is the individual willing to serve the community, then it makes sense to reach out and prove that many hands make service a reality. Be creative!

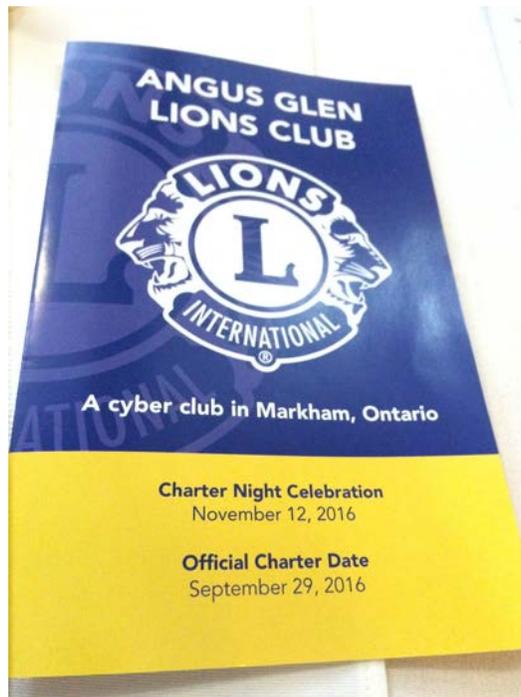
**Aurora Leos have inducted 9 new members and
Oshawa West Leos have inducted three.**



Oshawa West Leos conducted a bottle drive and also collected food for a local Food Bank



A great night to welcome a new club to our A16 Family.



Haliburton Lions and Haliburton Rotary working together to continue the Good Food Box programme.



The Markham Lions celebrated 73 years of service and recognized the service that PDG Dick Peel has given by presenting a Judge Brian Stevenson Award. Lion Dick and Monica have moved to Toronto. Our loss is A7/11's gain.



The dedication to service that Lion Betty and I see in our travels is truly inspirational. Thank you for the warm reception we feel every single time we attend a function or club meeting. It really is great to be a Lion.... We Serve.

Cheers

DG David

"Be a bush if you can't be a tree. If you can't be a highway, just be a trail. If you can't be a sun, be a star. For it isn't by size that you win or fail. Be the best of whatever you are."

Martin Luther King Jr.

**Visit to Box Grove Lions. See the lady in bright red?
Came as a guest...left as the next newest member of the club!**



**My last visit before publication. Ontario York Region Heritage Lions.
Even got to enjoy Birthday Cake before the trip back to the land of snow!**



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Here are some guidelines that should be followed to submitting content to the DG news letter and The Lions Magazine.

These guide lines 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.

Do not submit multiple submissions with in the same email, please separate them, this will help us keep track of each submission.

Do, Include all content in the email. If content is to much for a single email then please make sure to reference that there is 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” or “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

Sample Subject: “Webmaster/IT – DG Newsletter Submission”

Cabinet Officers Submissions

Zone 18 East Meeting, October 4, 2016

Submitted by RC 18 Lion Ken Drynan

Held at the St Andrews United Church, in Markham.

The inaugural Zone 18 East Meeting for the newly formed Region 18 was an outstanding success. 56 Lions attended, including DG David Mills and Principals of the Lions organisation from across District A 16.

A highlight of the evening was the welcome for the newly formed Angus Glen Lions Club, a "cyber Club" that has attracted 20 members to date. President Kelvin Yeung acknowledged the warm reception.

Clearly a diverse and interesting Zone, six of seven Clubs were represented. Zone Chairperson Patty Ko in a gracious gesture presented first time attendees with a "gold coin" of appreciation. Back to business, Lion Patty invited each Club to highlight their objectives for the year. Moving the agenda along smoothly, the District Officer Reports were received with great interest, DG David stated that District A 16 currently has 1241 members, the objective is 1300 Lions by Convention time. With 53 Clubs counting, clearly this can be achieved!

In summary, a well organised and executed Zone 18 E Meeting.

Committee Submissions

SCAW – Sleeping Children Around the world

Submitted by Lion Kenneth Tranter



**SLEEPING CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD
A LIONS DISTRICT A16 PROMOTED CHARITY**

*The guiding principle of this organization is
“that the basic right of every child is to have a comfortable night’s sleep.”*

To that extent, we at **DISTRICT A16 LIONS CLUBS** donate money in order to buy **BED KITS** at a cost of \$35.00 (Canadian). These kits are produced locally in the country in which they will be distributed. This does two things:

- 1) It given employment/production in that region.
- 2) It cuts down costs, as the kits are directly delivered and manufactured there.

Teams from Canada (at their own expense) go to the location, assemble and deliver the kits to the children in over 34 countries. By end of 2015, 1.4 million kits have been distributed.

Every dollar that you donate goes 100% to purchase these kits. The administration of **SCAW** is funded from a **LEGACY FUND** setup by Murray & Margaret Dryden the originators of **SCAW**.

Please consider making a donation by sending a cheque made out to:

- Lions District A 16,
- mailed to the District Treasurer, Lion Gail Neiman
- 14A Centre St., P.O. #187, Millbrook, ON L0A 1G0.
- In the memo line write “SCAW”

Or you may want to dedicate an event (Spaghetti Dinner, Bake Sale, Card Night etc) to **SCAW**.

I am also available to talk to your club or setup a display table.

Contact Lion Ken Tranter 705 738 6839 or ktranter@lionsa16.com

District A-16 Vision Screening

Submitted by Lion Larry Doble

This year with 7 Plusoptix Screeners on the go we are rapidly increasing the number of children that we are helping in the schools. New formal agreements have been negotiated at the School Board level and many new clubs are accepting the challenge to do vision screening in their area of service.

With this increased service the vision screening committee needs your support to purchase more stickers and screening pamphlets.

For donations to this expanding program please mail a donation to our Cabinet Treasurer Gail Neiman 14A Centre St. Box 187 Millbrook, Ontario L0A1G0. with a memo Vision Screening

For further information on the program, contact:

Larry Doble

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Vision Screening Chairman

Lion District A-16

Club Submissions

Ajax Lions Club

Submitted by RC 33 Lion Micheline Lush

The Ajax Lions Club once again had another very successful Victorian Tea. This years was the 4th Annual tea. The event took place on November 13th and was sold out very quickly.

There were lots of donated items to choose from for the raffle, ranging from children's items to kitchen ware and everything in between. The committee also had various sponsors for the event.

Members of the Victorian Tea were dressed in time-period attire and looked wonderful. Some of the guests also came in time-period dress and others in fascinators. And other just in regular attire. Everyone had a fun time.

Net proceeds of \$1250.00 from the event went to Herizon House Women's Shelter in Ajax.

Would like to give a big shout out to all those who came to the event, to the members who worked tirelessly to have the event go off as a rousing success, and to the members and friends who showed up after the event to help with the cleanup to have the hall look sparkling once again.



Angus Glen Lions Club

Charter Night

November 12, 2016

Submitted by Lion May Fung

The Angus Glen Lions Club was chartered on September 29, 2016, and the celebration was held on November 12, 2016.

From the personal welcome at the door, the enthusiastic turnout of families and friends, the generous support of Lion colleagues, to the encouraging greetings from dignitaries, our Club was finally put on solid ground and became the 53rd club of District A16.

And so...

Yellow ties, build the team
Yellow scarves, bind the hearts

Baby Lions eyes open wide
Seasoned Lions roaring cheers

Coming in from far away
Passionate and inspiring

Eagerness in getting it right
Teaming up a dedicated base

Hosting of our very own
Pride and joy in serving thy cause

Solemnness of ceremony
Hence...
Baby Lionism in the making...

Thank you Charter Night Committee for your diligent, cooperative, and wonderful work, as President Lion Kelvin had it, "it was simply beautiful".

Cheers everyone!





The New Lions of the Angus Glen Lions Club



Gavelling a formal and ecstatic celebration

**Angus Glen Lions Club Badminton Day
1st Club Service Project !**

Submitted by Lion May Fung

On Thanksgiving Monday, October 10, 2016, our Club's very First and Official event – Badminton Day - took place in an enjoyable and pleasant environment. It was recreational badminton organized for the Consumers and their Families/Caregivers of Hong Fook Mental Health Association, Family Support Group.

We may not all understand mental health issues, but we can certainly appreciate that a social event with some fun and physical activities can be beneficial to anyone – physically, mentally, and socially. We may not all comprehend the extent to which families/caregivers have to sacrifice and endure, but we may be able to help relieve some of that pressure by providing an event like this – friendly and interactive, healthy and entertaining, all of which promotes an atmosphere for sharing and communicating, support and wellness.

The idea for this event came about during the early stage of our Club's formation, and thanks to the efficiency of the organizing committee, it was processed in time just as our Club's charter application was approved. There could not be a better timing to celebrate the start of something new and meaningful.

We had invited a coach who led us through some warm up exercises; we had the help of his assistants who demonstrated some skills that were deemed 'basic', but which aroused more 'oohs' and 'ahhs'; it aroused such energies that our guests and Lions gladly took turns at the courts and the shots with aspiration!

Needless to say, it was a successful event, not only just for the fun of it, but that a simple, timeless, recreational and social activity as such, that brought out and involved both consumers and their families was very much needed in their journey to recovery.

And what is more appropriate, than to Give to those who need and to Thank to those who love, on this Thanks-Giving Day of all time!



Angus Glen Lions at the Badminton Day



Participants enjoying the game on the day!

Aurora Lions Club

Submitted by Lion Kathi Lewis

Brenda Induction:

New Lion Brenda Braendel was inducted by ZC 18W Ra'ed Dallal and is pictured with her sponsor Lion Don Lewis



Don Melvin Jones:

Melvin Jones Fellow Award was presented to Lion Don Lewis by ZC 18W Ra'ed Dallal. Lion Don is approaching his 35 year anniversary with Lions.





HALIBURTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB LION



PICKING UP LITTER ON COUNTY ROAD 21



Haliburton & District Lions Club member Lion Jane vanNood has got into the environmental and service spirit and started picking up litter on County Road 21 for one hour three times a week during warm weather.



Lindsay Lions Club

Submitted by Lion Ken Huelin



For many years, the Lindsay Lions Club has collected pop-tabs from the elementary schools within the city of Kawartha Lakes. The revenue from this program was originally directed to the Ross Memorial Hospital for wheelchairs.

With more Service Dogs being introduced into the school system, most notable Autism Assistance and Diabetic Alert Service Dogs the Lindsay Lions Club feels it appropriate to re-direct the funds from the pop tabs collected from the elementary schools to Lions Foundation of Canada to help sponsor a DogGuide for a child in the name of the Elementary School Children of the City of Kawartha Lakes. This year to date we have already collected over 185 kg of tabs.

Should your club be interested in implementing a similar project, we would be pleased to share our process with you, or if you would like to collect tabs and send them to us for processing, we would handle them as a District A-16 donation.

For information please contact Lion Ken Huelin

khuelin@lionsa16.com

(c) 705-340-8643

Minden Lions Club

Submitted by Lion Brian Moore (District A-16 GMT Coordinator)

Halloween Night

The club gave away hot dogs and hot chocolate to anyone that was costumed, and we collected for the local foodbank as well. In total, we served over 200 little goblins, witches, princesses, and ninja turtles.

Even the Lions got in the spirit and dressed up, with Don Quiote Manning, SuperLion Kelly, Colleen the Peasant girl, Larry the Roadworker, Scarecrow Fwin, Steve the Hosebag, Biker Paul and Daryl the Elf. This was our service action day project this year. In total, we had 10 members involved working the night.



Pefferlaw Lions Club

Submitted by Lion Cheryl Bahen

Nov 6th - Our club has just hosted the Remembrance Day Service at the Pefferlaw Hall...It was a lovely service and well attended...MP Peter Van Loan, Mayor Margaret Quirk attended.

Dec. 3rd - we will be participating in the Sutton Xmas parade.

Dec. 4th - we will be hosting the Children's Xmas party...this is a free event to the community.

Dec. 12th - is our annual joint Xmas dinner with the Pefferlaw Lioness.

Respectfully submitted.

Cheryl Bahen

Secretary

Pefferlaw Lions Club.

Thornhill and District Lions Club

Submitted by Karl, & B. Mahler

A Dog Walk through Old Thornhill:

Organized by Lion Rob Drover and assisted by Lion Darryl Goldstein and the staff of Pet Value Store at 7355 Bayview & Laureleaf Ave. in Thornhill ON L3T 5Z2, our table and Lions Club Banner were set up as shown. The Lions Foundation of Canada PURINA WALK FOR DOG GUIDES gives many Canadians A NEW LEASH ON LIFE. Our Purina Walk turned out to be a resounding success!

Being located next to LONGO'S Supermarket attracted many shoppers for conversations with us, thus leaving donations for training of Guide Dogs whose costs are exclusively carried by the Lions Foundation of Canada.

Without government funding, the Lions Foundation meets its mission through raising the necessary minimum of

\$ 25,000 per Dog Guide through donations. Guide dogs are currently raised to serve in six categories, namely:

1. Canine Vision [for blind or visually impaired people]
2. Hearing Impaired [deaf or hard of hearing people]
3. Autism Assistance [for children having autism spectrum disorder]
4. Service Guides [for people with physical disabilities]
5. Seizure Response [assisting people with epilepsy]
6. Diabetic Alerts [for those exhibiting type 1 diabetes suffering hypoglycemic unawareness]

The Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides' mission is to assist Canadians with a medical or physical disability by providing them Dog Guides at no cost. Training takes place at 152 Wilson Street, Oakville, ON L6K 0G6.

In the image from left to right:

Lion Darryl Goldstein (Pres., 1996-97)

Lion Barbara Mahler (Pres., 2015-16)

Michelle Drover (wife of Lion Rob Drover)

Lion Rob Drover (Dog Walk Chair)

Frances Carullo (wife of Lion Joe Carullo)

not shown: Lion Karl Mahler (Pres. 2004-05, Editor)



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FOWLERS CORNERS	GOODWOOD	GREENBANK	HALIBURTON
HOLLAND LANDING	KESWICK	KINGCITY	KINMOUNT
KIRKFIELD	LINDSAY	MAPLE	MARKHAM
MARKHAM MILLIKEN MILLS	MINDEN	MOUNTALBERT	NEWMARKET
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