



Governor Ted Hughes

## DISTRICT A-4 GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

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Ensemble on va réussir"*



June, 2006

### Greeting to all the members of the A4 Family,

My year as Governor of this great District, A4, is coming rapidly to an end. It has been a great year of fellowship and fun that I enjoyed and will not forget for a long time.

I have so many people to thank for making this year so great. First, among many, is my wife Lion Sally who has always been there providing support, as she has done for the past 47 years. So many nights when I came home after a club visitation, she would get out of bed, even if it was 2a.m., to ask about my visit.

I am grateful to the Brockville Lions Club for their support, as well as my visiting Lion companions, without whom none of this would have been possible: Lions Annette, Don, Dave, Tom and Cec. Past District Governor Dave Voisey, Council Chair, the 2005-06 District Cabinet, VDG Lion James, the Region and Zone Chairs and all the committee chairpersons and in particular Treasurer Lion Sam and Secretary Lion Tom provided immeasurable support and encouragement.

In Cornwall on several occasions many of you heard me state that the 2006 District Convention was the best district convention I had attended in my 31 years in Lionism. It was! I would like to give a very big thank you to the co-chairs, Lion George and Lion Barry and all the members of the Finch & District Lions Club and the Maxville Lions Club for taking on this task and doing it so successfully. Lion Gus, thank you for your expertise and guidance.

When recalling the convention and the excitement that it fostered in our goal to assist PIP Dr. "TS" Tae-Sup Lee in the Sightfirst II Campaign, I would be remiss not to recognize Lion Al Stewart for agreeing to having his head shaved. His effort raised close to \$6000.00. Thank you Lion Al! Thanks to all the clubs that participated in raising \$20,000 for Sightfirst II. I am very proud to state that every club in the district did take an active part in supporting this initiative. That is why we are the best District in the MDA!

This has been a wonderful experience. I would like to thank all the Lions of A4 for the hospitality shown to Sally and me and my friends in Lionism on our many visits. It was you that made my year so great.

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### Salutation à tous les membres de la famille A4

Salut à tous les membres de la famille des Lions du District A4

Mon année comme gouverneur de ce grand District A4 approche sa fin. Ce fut une grande année de camaraderie et de plaisir que j'ai appréciée et que je n'oublierai pas pendant longtemps.

J'ai tant de gens à remercier pour avoir fait de cette année une année si mémorable. D'abord, parmi plusieurs, est mon épouse Lion Sally qui toujours avait donné l'appui, comme elle a fait pendant les 47 dernières années. Tant de nuits je suis arrivé à la maison après une visite de club, elle se levait du lit, même si c'était 2 heures du matin, pour s'informer de ma visite.

Je suis reconnaissant au club Lion de Brockville pour le support, aussi bien que mes compagnons lions, sans eux aucune de ceci n'aurait été possible : Lions Annette, Don, Dave, Tom et Cec. Ancien Gouverneur du District Dave Voisey -Président du Conseil, le Cabinet du District 2005-06, Lion James Vice-Gouverneur du District, les présidents des Régions et des Zones et tous les présidents des comités et en particulier Lion Sam, trésorier du Cabinet et Lion Tom, secrétaire du Cabinet ; ils m'ont donné de l'appui et de l'encouragement incommensurable.

À Cornwall, à plusieurs reprises, un bon nombre d'entre vous m'ont entendu déclarer que la convention 2006 du District était la meilleure convention de district que je m'étais occupée en mes 31 années dans l'organisation des Lions. Ce l'était! Je voudrais exprimer un très grand merci aux co-présidents, Lion George et Lion Barry et tous les membres du club Lion de Finch & District et le club Lion de Maxville pour avoir pris cette tâche et de l'avoir fait avec tellement de succès. Lion Gus, merci de votre compétences et conseils.

En se souvenant de la convention et l'enthousiasme qu'elle a stimulé dans notre but d'aider le Dr. "TS" Tae-Sup Lee, Ancien Président International dans la campagne de Sightfirst II, je serais négligent pour ne pas souligner Lion Al Stewart pour avoir été d'accord de se faire raser la tête. Son effort a ramassé près de \$6,000.00. Merci Lion Al! Merci à tous les clubs qui ont participé à la collecte de fonds de plus de \$20,000.00 pour Sightfirst II. Je suis très fier de déclarer que chaque club dans le District a pris une part active en supportant cette initiative. C'est pourquoi nous sommes le meilleur District dans le District Multiple A!

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In closing I would like to mention two events that you will be hearing more about in the months to come, related to fundraising for Sightfirst II in the district. The first is a Sports Memorabilia Draw. Clubs will be asked to sell tickets and any money raised will be forwarded to LCIF credited to that club's Sightfirst II account. The second is an Olympic style touch run from Parliament Hill in Ottawa to London, Ontario in April/May 2007 coinciding with the opening of the 2007 MDA Convention. Runners will be asked to collect pledges for Sightfirst II. This event is in the very early planning stages and as one of the organizing committee members I will keep you informed of the progress.

I wish the very best to our incoming Governor Lion James and ask that you show him the support and fellowship shown to me.

Thank you all and I hope to see you in Brockville, the site of the 2007 District Convention.

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Ceci à été une merveilleuse expérience. Je voudrais remercier tous Lions de A4 de l'hospitalité que vous avez montrée à Lion Sally et à moi-même, ainsi qu'à mes amis Lions au courant de nos visites. C'est grâce à vous tous que mon année a été superbe.

En terminant, je voudrais mentionner deux événements reliés à la collecte de fonds pour Sightfirst II dans le District. Vous en entendrez plus au courant des mois à venir. Le premier événement est un tirage de memorabilia sportifs. Les clubs seront invités à vendre des billets et l'argent sera donnée à LCIF et crédité au compte de Sightfirst II de ces clubs. Le second événement est une course, style de torche olympique, à partir de la colline du Parlement à Ottawa jusqu'à Londres, Ontario en avril/mai 2007 en coïncidence avec l'ouverture de la convention du District Multiple A en 2007. Les coureurs seront demandés à collectionner des gages pour Sightfirst II. Cet événement est aux étapes très préliminaires de planification et en étant membre du comité d'organisation, je vous tiendrai au courant du progrès.

Je souhaite le meilleur à notre nouveau Gouverneur Lion James et je demande qu'on lui accorde le même appui et camaraderie que vous m'avez donnés.

Merci à tous et toutes et j'espère vous voir à Brockville, site de la convention du District on 2007.

Dr. Tae-Sup Lee  
Past International President  
Lions Clubs International  
Chairperson, Campaign Sightfirst II  
A306, Tower Palace  
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Dear Dr. Lee

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your participation in District A4's 32nd Annual Convention held in Cornwall, Ontario, Canada, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Your inspirational talk at all the Region Meetings and your address to the Lions Saturday evening at the Governor's Banquet will not be soon forgotten. You instilled in all the Lions gathered a desire to meet the goals set for Sightfirst II. I know I will have a difficult challenge meeting the goals you set for me but I pledge, with the help of all the Lions of this great District of ours, A4 we will double the 80 thousand raised for Sightfirst. I hope you had a nice visit with your grandchildren in New York and I am looking forward to meeting you again in Boston.

On behalf of my wife Lion Sally, all the members of the A4 Family and myself,  
THANK YOU.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Ted DG A4



**Plantagenet Lions Club Fundraiser  
for the Canadian Diabetes Association** by: Lion Ray Lebeau

It is estimated that more than 200 million people have diabetes. As a result, they are at risk of losing their sight due to diabetic retinopathy. Diabetic retinopathy affects the retina, the light-sensitive tissue at the back of the eye that transmits visual messages via the optic nerve to the brain. When this delicate tissue is damaged by diabetic retinopathy, the result may be visual impairment or blindness.

**Diabetes Awareness was adopted as a long-term commitment of the Lions Club Association.** The primary objective of the Lions program is to reduce the number of cases of blindness caused by diabetic retinopathy through diabetes education, early detection and treatment, and support of research. All Lions Clubs are especially encouraged to conduct awareness activities to promote how diabetes affects the eyes.

In support of the Canadian Diabetes Association second annual Diabetes Tag Day, the **Plantagenet Lions Club held a Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser, 26 May 2006**, and the residents of the Village of Plantagenet, and surrounding communities, came out to offer their support. All of the valuable research and program dollars raised, a total of \$ 500.00 were donated to the Canadian Diabetes Association to help promote the health of Canadians through diabetes research, education, service and advocacy. Locally, funds will be used to support Camp Banting for children with type I diabetes and our community outreach programs.

The Plantagenet Lions and other volunteers from the community were proud to be able to put their dedicated support behind the Canadian Diabetes Association and are looking forward to hosting their third annual Diabetes Tag Day in May 2007.

Thanks to the Plantagenet Lions and all the volunteers and participants who contributed towards making this year's Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser for the Canadian Diabetes Association such a resounding success.

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**LCF DONATIONS**

The Lions Foundation of Canada (LFC) donations for the current Lions year to date from our District is \$13,394. The funds were raised in three categories.

The first category was donations received by the District A4 Treasurer for LFC in the amount of \$2,581.00 in the forms of cheques from numerous clubs.

The second category was monies forwarded directly to LFC by clubs in the amount of \$10,275.00 This amount constituted the contribution made by 35 of our District A4 Lions Clubs for various things such as the purchasing of Judge Brian Stevenson awards, Life Memberships in LFC, a Purina Dog Walk, the Memorial Forest etc.

The third category was at the District A4 Convention. A draw was held for a group of 28 MDA pins belonging to the late Lion Moodie Campbell, PDG, and a member of the Renfrew Lions Club. A number of these pins were rare and uncirculated. The lucky winner of these pins was Lion Albert Morrow of Calabogie Lions Club. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Lions Margaret MacNeill, Shirley Fraser and Dorothy Ardington (otherwise affectionately known during the convention as "Lady", "Tramp", and "Patches" in wonderful dog guide costumes) from the Navan Lions Club for a job very well done. Due to their tireless efforts over the two day convention, we were able to realize \$538.00 from this project for LFC.

Lion Ed Firlotte  
Past District Governor  
District A4 Chairman LFC

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## DISTRICT A-4 AWARDS

### Lion John Cowell Award:

(Presented for outstanding leadership in Lionism.  
Sponsored by the Ottawa Vanier Lions Club)

1999-2000	Lion Miza Davie	Gloucester North
2000-2001	Lion John Brummell	Carleton Place
2001-2002	Lion Isabelle Boissonneault	Beachburg
2002-2003	Lion Ted Hughes	Brockville
2003-2004 (tie)	Lion Lynn Mathewson	Pembroke-Petawawa
(tie)	Lion Arthur Heroux	Merrickville
2004-2005	Lion Ray Trudel	Barrhaven

### Lion Fred Chapman Memorial Award:

(Presented to an outstanding Club Secretary in memory  
of "Mr. Secretary" Lion Fred Chapman.  
Sponsored by the Ottawa West Lions Club)

1983-1984	Lion Ken Macdonald	Arnprior
1984-1985	Lion Don Redtman	Kanata-Hazeldean
1985-1986	Lion Al Tanner	West Ottawa
1986-1987	Lion Gus Este	Barrhaven
1987-1988	Lion Moodie Campbell	Renfrew
1988-1989	Lion Moodie Campbell	Renfrew
1989-1990	Lion Don Pierce	Chalk River & Area
1999-1991	Lion Leonce Delpanche	Vankleek Hill
1991-1992	Lion Jack Sauriol	Cumberland
1992-1993	Lion Jim O'Gorman	Winchester
1993-1994	Lion Bill Merifield	Low & District
1994-1995		
1995-1996	Lion John O'Connell	Perth
1996-1997	Lion Patricia Mathewson	Beachburg
1997-1998		
1998-1999	Lion Trevor Roberts	Greely
1999-2000	Lion Emily Voldock	Quadeville
2000-2001	Lion Josee McCabe	Merrickville
2001-2002	Lion Jack McLaren	Russell
2002-2003	Lion Eileen Burke	Chalk River & Area
2003-2004	Lion Ivan Saunders	Bryson
2004-2005	Lion Ron Pottinger	Brockville

### Leo Club of the Year

2002-2003	Whitewater LEO club
2003-2004	Whitewater LEO club
2004-2005	Barrhaven LEO club



## BULLETIN AWARDS

Presented to the Club Bulletin Editor(s) for outstanding publishing skills and promoting Lionism.

### Category 1: Bulletins published monthly with 40 plus members

1990-1991	Lion Doug Headrick	Renfrew
1991-1992	Lion Tim Bertrand	Renfrew
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1993-1994	Lion Wayne Pratt	Renfrew1
1994-1995	Lion Ross Butler	Brockville
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1998-1999	Lion Roy Miller	Brockville
1999-2000	Lion Karen Doyle	Barrhaven
2000-2001	Lion Jack Stanford	Athens
2001-2002	Lion Roy Miller	Brockville
2002-2003	Lion Gus Este	Barrhaven
2003-2004	Lion Gus Este	Barrhaven
2004-2005	Lion Jim Bennett & Lion Donna Beauvais	Perth

### Category 2: Bulletins published monthly with less than 40 members

1990-1991	Lion Gord Higginson	Almonte
1991-1992	Lion Jim Sanders	Barrhaven
1992-1993	Lion Bill Rodgers	Nepean
1993-1994	Lion Robert Fortin	Hull
1994-1995	Lion Robert Frotin Jr.	Hull
1995-1996	Lion Gerry Langevin	Manotick
1996-1997	Lion Karen Doyle	Barrhaven
1997-1998	Lion Gerry Langevin	Manotick
1998-1999	Lion John W. Cowell	Vanier
1999-2000	Lion Margaret Tucker	Nepean
2000-2001	Lion Eileen Burke	Chalk River & Area
2001-2002	Lion Isabelle Boissonneault	Beachburg
2002-2003	Lion Miza Davie	Navan
2003-2004	Lion Gerrie Kautz	Greely
2004-2005	Lion Scott Harris	Osgoode & District

### Category 3: Bulletins published twice a month with 40 plus members

1990-1991	Lion Cliff Smith	Elgin
1991-1992	Lion Bill Gray	Gananoque
1992-1993	Lion Ed Firlotte	Perth
1993-1994	Lion Rick Fleming	Gananoque
1994-1995	Lion Cliff Smith	Elgin
1995-1996	Lion Gerry Saumur	Perth
1996-1997	Lion Bob McNichol	Perth
1997-1998	Lion Bob McNichol	Perth
1998-1999	Lion John MacLeod	Gananoque
1999-2000	Lion Bob McVeigh	Perth
2000-2001	Lion John McConnell	Perth



2001-2002	Lion John McConnell	Perth
2002-2003	Lion Jerry Sawdon	Perth
2003-2004	Lion Lannie Lowry and Lion Jim Bennett	Perth
2004-2005	Lion Bruce Logie	Gananoque

**Category 4** – Bulletins published twice a month with less than 40 members

1990-1991	Lion Gary Freeman	Cornwall
1991-1992		
1992-1993	Lion Marcel Sabourin	West Ottawa
1993-1994	Lion Marcel Sabourin	West Ottawa
1994-1995	Lion Marcel Sabourin	West Ottawa
1995-1996	Lion Marcel Sabourin	West Ottawa
1996-1997	Lion Marcel Sabourin	West Ottawa
1997-1998	Lion Marcel Sabourin	West Ottawa
1998-1999	Lion Bob Porteous	Winchester
1999-2000	Lion Jack Anderson	Smiths Falls
2000-2001	Lion Art Heroux	Merickville
2001-2002	Lion Rick MacKenzie	Iroquois-Matilda
2002-2003	Lion Thomas Loyen	Ottawa West
2003-2004	Lion Thomas Loyen	Ottawa West

**THIS CATEGORY HAS BEEN ELIMINATED (2005)**

**Category 5** – Bulletins published by a Lioness Club.

1990-1991	Lioness Linda Dziejcz	Barrhaven
1991-1992	Lioness Karen Doyle	Barrhaven
1992-1993	Lioness Joanne Hollywood	Perth
1993-1994	Lioness Karen Doyle	Kanata-Hazeldean
1994-1995	Lioness Charlotte Thompson	Perth
1995-1996	Lioness Joyce Firlotte	Perth
1996-1997	Lioness Joyce Firlotte	Perth
1997-1998	Lioness Joyce Firlotte	Perth
1998-1999	Lioness Anne Hunt	Thousand Islands
1999-2000	Lioness Roxanna Beddington	Elgin
2000-2001	Lioness Roxanna Beddington	Elgin
2001-2002	Lioness Verna Poole	Perth
2002-2003	Lioness Roxanna Beddington	Elgin
2003-2004	Lioness Renee Saumur	Perth
2004-2005	Lioness Georgina Flexman	Thousand Islands

**International President's Award of Appreciation**

Sam Madden, Tom Keates, Margaret MacNeill, Stuart Holmes

Mike Hayes, Betty Lalonde, Bob Fournier, Alex Flexman (Deceased)

**Helen Keller Award**

Don Shaw, Brian Stevenson, Dave Barr



Lions Clubs International
MDA Effective Speaking Contest
Ottawa, Ontario 2006

District A-4 Effective Speaking Program had five contestants representing the district at the MDA Effective Speaking Contest held in Ottawa on May 5th - 7th at the Travel Lodge Hotel, Ottawa.

Speakers were:

Table with 3 columns: Contest Level, Contestant Name, and Club Name. Includes Junior English, Junior French, Intermediate English, Senior English, and Senior French.

The results by district were:

Table with 3 columns: District, Contestant Name, and Contest Level. Lists winners for Districts A-1 through A-15.

The 2007 MDA Effective Speaking Contest hosts are from District 711, and will be held at the Holiday Inn Select Toronto Airport on May 4-6, 2007





## LCIF AIDS INDONESIAN EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

Dear Fellow Lions,

Our hearts and prayers are with those suffering in Indonesia and elsewhere as a result of the devastating earthquake on May 29. I know that Lions in the affected areas are doing all they can to help save lives and bring comfort to survivors. LCIF will help Lions as they meet immediate needs such as food and water and then as they respond to longer-term problems.

Two days after the earthquake, LCIF approved a US\$150,000 Major Catastrophe grant. Lions in Indonesia are forming an earthquake committee to plan rebuilding projects.

LCIF also approved a US\$10,000 Emergency Grant for District 307-B. Indonesian Lions are using the funds for basic needs such as food, medicine and other necessary short-term supplies.

Lions quickly responded to the disaster. Japanese Lions in Multiple Districts 330-337 are expected to make a large donation to LCIF to help the earthquake victims. Indonesia is comprised of two Lions Districts: 307-A covers Sumatra, while 307-B covers Java, Kalimantan, and Sulawesi. MD-307 is comprised of 153 Lions clubs, with 4,414 members. LCIF also set up a designated fund to help earthquake victims. The fund is called Indonesia Earthquake Relief - 2006. (Per LCIF policy, donations to a specific cause such as this earthquake are not eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowships.)

U.S. donors can:

- . Mail a check in U.S. dollars to LCIF. Make the check payable to LCIF and write "Indonesia Earthquake Relief" in the memo field. Send the check to LCIF, 300 W. 22nd St., Oak Brook, IL 60523, USA, Attn.: Donor Services.
- . Make a credit card donation with a MasterCard, Visa or American Express by calling LCIF at 630-571-5466, ext. 517 or 554. Call between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. CST.
- . Non-Lions also can make donations for earthquake relief. U.S. dollar checks should be made payable to LCIF. LCIF issues a receipt for tax purposes for donations of US\$20 and more. Or cash can be given to a club and the club can forward a check to LCIF. LCIF will issue a receipt for tax purposes for donations of US\$20 or more and when the donor's name and address is included.

Donors outside the United States can:

- . Make a credit card donation with a MasterCard, Visa or American Express by faxing to LCIF the name of your credit card, credit card number, expiration date and amount of donation. LCIF's fax number is 630-571-5735.
- . Mail LCIF a U.S. dollar check drawn on a U.S. financial institution. Make the check payable to LCIF and write "Indonesia Earthquake Relief" in the memo field. Send the check to LCIF, 300 W. 22nd St., Oak Brook, IL 60523, USA, Attn.: Donor Services.
- . Make a direct deposit of local currency into an existing LCI account. Specify "Indonesia Earthquake Relief" on the deposit slip and send a copy to LCIF via fax (630-571-5735).
- . Do a direct wire transfer. For assistance with this option or the other donation options, contact Gerry Bara of LCIF Donor Services at [gerard.bara@lionsclubs.org](mailto:gerard.bara@lionsclubs.org) or by phone at 630-571-5466, ext. 581.



## LCIF INFORMATION FOR LIONS CLUBS

Imagine if you and members of your Lions Club could give sight to the blind, provide victims of floods and earthquakes with food and water, and establish a health clinic in an impoverished village. Well, if you've ever contributed to LCIF, you've done just that or at least made these things possible.

Lions and LCIF are doing extraordinary service around the world. Please take a few minutes to get updated on the very latest news from LCIF.

Throughout the world, Lions are volunteering and gearing up for [Campaign SightFirst II](#). The campaign is off to an excellent start with more than US\$36 million in donations.

The [efforts of Lions to counter trachoma](#) are featured on the [New York Times Web site](#). A [link](#) to the Lions Clubs International Foundation's Web site accompanies a story on trachoma that originally appeared in the newspaper's print edition. Dear Lion Roderick,

Supported by LCIF, Lions in the Gulf Coast are helping victims of [Hurricane Katrina](#). In South Asia, Lions and LCIF are rebuilding homes in communities devastated by the [tsunami](#). Additionally, Lions and LCIF are aiding earthquake victims in [Pakistan](#).

LCIF has two new handy, pocket-size brochures that concisely explain what the foundation does. Please [download](#) the LCIF Fact Sheet and LCIF At a Glance brochures and distribute them at your club meeting. (Scroll down to LCIF Background Brochures.) You also can request hard copies from LCIF via [e-mail](#).

Did you know that many employers will match your gift to LCIF? [Find out](#) how to double your contribution to LCIF. Supported by LCIF, Lions in the Gulf Coast are helping victims of [Hurricane Katrina](#). In South Asia, Lions and LCIF are rebuilding homes in communities devastated by the [tsunami](#). Additionally, Lions and LCIF are aiding earthquake victims in [Pakistan](#).

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The 2005-2006 LCIF Chairperson SightFirst recently approved [US\\$4.7 million in grants](#) to prevent blindness and to bring sight to the blind through cataract surgeries.

Thank you for your past support of LCIF and please continue to donate to LCIF. We serve the world community ... and your community or a community like yours.

Yours in Service,

Dr. Clement Kusiak  
2005-2006 LCIF Chairperson

## LCIF E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Campaign SightFirst II

<http://www.lions-csfii.org/live/content/index.shtml>

Lions Counter Trachoma

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif\\_nytimes.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_nytimes.shtml)

New York Times Web site

[http://www.nytimes.com/ref/health/2006\\_BRINK\\_SERIES.html](http://www.nytimes.com/ref/health/2006_BRINK_SERIES.html)

LCIF's Trachoma Web Page

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/trachoma.shtml>

Hurricane Katrina

<http://www.lions-katrina.org/index.php>

Tsunami – LCIF & Lions help rebuild.

<http://www.lions-tsunami.org/index.php3>

Pakistan – LCIF & Lions help rebuild

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif\\_pakistanearthquake.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_pakistanearthquake.shtml)

LCIF Fact Sheet and LCIF At a Glance brochures

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[e-mail](#) your request ([jcopp@lionsclubs.org](mailto:jcopp@lionsclubs.org))

Employers match your gift to LCIF

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif\\_matching.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_matching.shtml)

Recent SightFirst Grants

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif\\_sfgrantsjan2006.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_sfgrantsjan2006.shtml)



## RENEWING THE VISION CAMPAIGN

Just over 5 years ago, when the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Board asked the Foundation if they would undertake a major fundraising campaign, the Foundation, although relatively new and inexperienced, decided to do a feasibility study. When the report came back, two things were stressed: first, we should begin with an aggressive canvass of the major businesses and local governments and second, if we wished to be successful, ensure that we had the local Lions' Clubs on side. As Foundation Chairperson, as well as being a Lion, I was extremely proud but at the same time apprehensive as to small clubs like ours meeting such a huge commitment. The feasibility people felt the people in the area might contribute \$6 – 8 million but the hospital needed \$12 million and later this became \$15 million when the project was re-evaluated. As part of the Renewing the Vision Campaign team, I remember speaking to all the Lions clubs as well as other service organizations and soon realized that again we, as Lions often do, would lead the way.



Today, we are here to celebrate our part in reaching the \$15 million dollar goal a little over a year ago. It has been noted that this total represents \$555 for every man, woman and child in the referred population of the hospital. The Lions Clubs of Cardinal, Chesterville, Edwardsburgh, Finch, Greely, Iroquois-Matilda, Metcalfe, Morrisburg, Mountain, Osgoode, Russell, and Winchester, as well as the Leo Club of North Dundas all pitched in to meet their individual goals whether in one payment or over a five year pledge. We worked on projects alone and on raffles or bike-a-thons together to achieve our commitments. We are pleased to announce that this is the final year of those pledges and all clubs are on line to honor them. Our community members supported us while at the same time giving individually and their support is essential in any of our endeavours. With their continued help our final total contribution to the Renewing the Vision Campaign is \$334 640. This is outstanding, when you consider that we had just finished establishing an Ophthalmology Unit at the Hospital to the tune of \$180 000 with help from LCIF our International Foundation. Then some clubs donated to the drive for a Dialysis Unit. Yesterday, I was in the Foundation office and asked Carrie if she could do a quick overview of what we had given since 1998. She was able to rapidly determine that we have given over \$540 000 in the last 8 years. What an achievement for such small clubs in a rural area. I personally am proud of what we have done as Lions and ask that each one of you here today take back to your club the news that we are leaders in our communities. .

## VISION SCREENING AND THE ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRISTS

Here is some info on the drop out of the Ontario Association of Optometrists position on eye care for children. The policy of the OAO has changed from recommending comprehensive eye examinations yet supporting vision screenings for children, to supporting only COMPREHENSIVE EYE EXAMINATIONS. Research has shown that vision screenings are not in the best interests of all children and in fact may delay the diagnosis and treatment of eye conditions; therefore the OAO can no longer support such screenings. Any club doing eye screening is to make sure there is no reference to the OAO on any of our forms when doing the testing and to make sure those being tested are aware that they should consider a professional examination to make their testing complete. The OAO recommends all children even those with no signs or symptoms of vision or eye health difficulties receive a comprehensive eye examination at age six months, at 3 years, and thereafter annually or as recommended by the eye care professional. We still have a mandate to be Helen Keller's knights of the blind and our vision screening program should continue. We can also find problems with the students and direct them for further professional testing if need be.

Jim McGlade



## BAIT 2006

BAIT was held on May 26-28 at the Nangor and all went great. We had 29 teams. Our Vice-District Governor/Governor Elect in his message at the Friday night dinner promised that the weather would be great, well it was beautiful! In the fishing department all records were broken, i.e., the biggest fish over 17 lbs, total weight by the winning team over 51 lbs (six fish), and the total weight of fish was over 300 lbs. Our blind anglers had a great time, and our volunteers who were there for the first time found out what Lionism is all about. Next year the sponsoring Lions Club will be Renfrew—I trust that you will fully support them for the 19th BAIT.

Thank you to all the Clubs and volunteers for the continuing success of this event. If you wish to see some photos of the year's event, go to the District web page to BAIT.

YIL  
Bob Fournier  
BAIT Chair 2006

## THE TROPHIES

### Catch of the Day

Team 1            51.96 lbs  
Angler - Mike Augot  
Blind Anglers—Grace Leech

### Biggest Pike

Team 10          8.20 lbs  
Angler — Rick Klatt  
Blind Anglers - Darrell Furgoch  
Bob Austin

### Biggest Walleye

Team 15          5.46 lbs  
Angler - Ray MacFarlane  
Blind Anglers - Martin Collicott

### Number of Pike (Tie determined by weight)

Team 22    6    16.78 lbs  
Angler - Chris Roy  
Blind Anglers - Michael Hayes  
Peter Henry

### Number of Walleye (Tie determined by weight)

Team 27    5    8.56 lbs  
Angler - Brian Wells  
Blind Angler - Florence Pye

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## AND ON THE TOPIC OF SPORTS

It's not too early to be reminded of the upcoming Governor's Golf Tournament to be held Sat. September 9th at the Irish Hills Golf Course in Carp Ontario. The event is being hosted by the Greely Lions Club, and promises to be a terrific day!

Registration forms are being mailed out to all Clubs.

A4 Lions who operate businesses or have access to promotional items are asked to help by donating items for the distribution of welcome gifts to all golfers in attendance.

You can obtain more information from John Stacey at [stagra@magma.ca](mailto:stagra@magma.ca)

YIL..... Paul Elford

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The Brockville Lions Club  
Invites you to the  
" District A-4 Mini - Convention"  
In Brockville, at the Quality Hotel Royal Brock Conference Centre

April 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> 2007

Pre-Registration Form

Attention: Everyone must register to attend functions

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One: LION \_\_\_\_\_ LIONESS \_\_\_\_\_ LIONETTE \_\_\_\_\_ LEO \_\_\_\_\_

# OF SPOUSE / PARTNERS ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

IF AFFILIATED WITH A CLUB, WHICH ONE? \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Rates

Lions, Lioness, Lionettes.....	\$25.00
Spouses.....	\$ 5.00
Leos.....	\$ 5.00
Children under twelve.....	Free

Early Pre-Registration Draw:

1 Free Night Accommodation at the Convention (up to \$100.)  
Deadline to enter: March 1/07 Draw to be held: March 19, 2007

**MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: A-4 CONVENTION 2007 COMMITTEE.  
MAIL TO: BROCKVILLE LIONS CLUB, c/o PP LORNE MALLORY,  
P.O. BOX 153, BROCKVILLE, ONT. K6V 5V2**