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MESSAGE FROM DG SYDNEY



How time has flown. It seems like just yesterday that I began my journey as District Governor of our District and in a blink of an eye it's over.



It has truly been an honour for me to have served as your District Governor. DC Sandy and I sincerely thank you all for your friendship, warm hospitality and for welcoming us into your Clubs. We loved meeting Lions across the country and learnt so much from all of you! It has been a long and sometimes difficult year in many respects and not without challenges but nonetheless it has been a great year with many more positives than negatives and many more friends than ever before! It has definitely been the best year of my Lionistic journey!



One of the highlights was attending the International Convention in Montreal in June last year. To be in a city together with around 35,000 Lions from around the world is something so incredible and heart-warming to experience. The street parade on one of the days was without doubt a highlight, seeing countries from around the world wearing their national dress was spectacular! Unfortunately, from South Africa it was only my fellow District Governor from District 410W DG Charlie Flanagan and myself, with our 4-metre banner, however, that did not deter the public lining the streets from cheering, waving and showing support, even taking photographs of the two of us.



We will always remember all our visits to Club Meetings, Projects and sometimes Fellowships! Lions we salute you and thank you for what you have taught us, for the work you do and the difference you make through all the very worthwhile projects you do!

You have helped change many lives - this year Lions across the world have served over half a billion people and for that we can all be very proud!



Conferences and Conventions are always a highlight and Rockin' the Maluti Midyear Conference at the Golden Gate Hotel, in the beautiful Golden Gate National Park was a huge success, extremely well attended and proved that LIONS ROCK! We planted 5 Lions International Roses, in the Lions Garden in the Town square in Clarens, to raise awareness of Lions and our 5 pillars of Service! We still hope to charter a Lions Club in Clarens in the near future!



It was a pleasure to have our International Director from Africa Dr. Ahmed Salem and his wife Lion Hanem as our guests at Convention in Durban. The Convention did indeed offer Oceans of Opportunities going forward as well as highlighting our important Environmental Projects.



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Things have started to slow down and for now we are enjoying attending the Presidential Induction functions of various Clubs – it is so exciting seeing all the new Leadership stepping up and we wish all our new Presidents and leaders a very successful and happy year in office!



And to DGE Lindie, we send our very best wishes, safe travels, and happy landings – enjoy every minute of the International Convention in Boston – it is the experience of a lifetime!

Yours in Service, #oneteamonedream

Sydney

District Governor

LIONS ROAR FEATURING DG SYDNEY



DG Sydney was in studio on the MixFM Lions Roar giving an account of his year as District Governor and sharing some of the stories and wonderful experiences he and DC Sandy had during the 2022/2023 fiscal year.



DG Sydney paid tribute to **DC Sandy** for being his pillar of strength, his harshest critic and most importantly his rock throughout not only this year but for 48 years.



Their road trips whilst visiting Clubs enabled them to make new friends, see parts of the country that they had not previously seen, experience the service that the Lions of District 410E do daily and learn about new and innovative projects. DG Sydney's closing remarks were "the highs outweighed the challenges and am looking forward to contributing my continued service to Multiple District 410, District 410E and my home Club, the Lions Club of Wilro Park."



"DGE Lindie has my full support, and we look forward to another great year of service under her leadership."





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INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTS LATEST MESSAGE – 11 MAY 2023



Dear Lion,

When you love what you do as much as we do, you can't help but share that joy everywhere you go. And this year, I am so amazed at all the incredible ways that you have shared your service and the joy of being a Lion.

I am so proud to have been a part of this extraordinary year of innovation, optimism, and generosity. Your service has made a difference in the lives of millions of people around the world. And I want you to continue to share the joy, the fun, and the incredible pride of being a Lion everywhere you go.

Let's make a great day. That's the message I've closed my letters with and those are the words I want you to remember. Because together, we have made a great day for so many people around the world. And Together We Can make a great day for so many more.

It has been an incredible joy and the greatest honour of my life to serve you as international president.

Make a great day, Brian Sheehan International President



Celebrate our Service

Service is more than something we do. It's who we are. And this year we've made a big impact. In fact, over the past year, we have served more than half a billion people around the world. That's a new record for our association! And that's worth celebrating.

Watch a <u>special video message</u> from President Sheehan about how your kindness, courage and generosity has made this an unforgettable year for so many people around the world.



Herewith the hyperlink to the full Online Newsletter: https://app.e.roar.lionsclubs.org/e/es?s=94443966&e=13382 05&elqTrackId=320bc4c47118450db330ff5e51511b5f&elq= 7ee59d9e4195458eae72b66d780d402a&elqaid=29756&el gat=1

WHAT WERE DG SYDNEY & LION SANDY UP TO IN JUNE?

In the words of District Governor Sydney

5th June 2023)



Done and dusted!!!! Donated my **179th pint of blood** this morning.





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10th June 2023 Lions Clubs of Benoni Host & Benoni van Rhyn



Visited the Lions Club of Benoni Host and Benoni van Rhyn on Saturday. The two clubs are to be merged at the end of this Lionistic year. Zone Chair and Club President Leslie has done a great job in facilitating the merger and I am confident that the newly formed club will be a strong club going forward.





I also had the honour of presenting LP Leslie with a Presidential Plaque from the Club for all her hard work and leadership. Well done LP Leslie.

10th June 2023 Lions Branch Club of Sandton



What an honour and great occasion it was on Saturday to undertake the Induction of Lion Karabo as the President of the newly formed Sandton Branch Club and the induction of two new Lions into the Branch Club.



Welcome Lions Wanga and Tariro to the Lions family. The Sandton Branch Club has only taken a few months to get started thanks to the hard work undertaken by DGE Lindie.



I am confident that the Branch Club will be Chartered as a full Lions Club before the end of the next Lionistic year. I want to wish everyone at the Sandton Branch Club every success for the future.





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17th June 2023 Lions Club of Wilro Park



Visited my home club, the Lions Club of Wilro Park, on Saturday morning to sincerely thank my Fellow Lions for their support to during my year in office as District Governor. DC Sandy and I were often away attending meetings and projects around our District and their support was much appreciated! I presented Lion President Johan my Banner and Certificate of Appreciation.



Congratulations to LPE Rene and I'm confident that she will have a wonderful year leading this great club. Enjoyed some Father's Day fellowship after the meeting.



17th June 2023 Lions Club of Pretoria Jakaranda



What an honour it was to attend the Jakaranda Lions Club Presidential Induction on Saturday afternoon.



The Induction of PDG Patricia as President was undertaken by DGE Lindie and I'm sure it must be a record having a PDG and DGE mother and daughter from one club and having the mother inducted by her daughter. Enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of fellowship. I'm confident that Jakaranda Lions Club will grow from strength to strength this coming Lionistic year as there is a newfound energy within the club after the recent start of the new Sandton Branch Club.



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25th June 2023 Lions Club of Midrand



Attended the Induction of LPE Yolandi at Midrand Lions Club on Sunday.



What a wonderful occasion it was to be with friends and enjoy great fellowship.







I also handed out Long Service Chevrons to Lion Barbara, Lion Dawn, and Lion Trevor. Well done to everyone at the Lions Club of Midrand for a most enjoyable Induction.

WHAT IS DG SYDNEY SAYING TO DC SANDY?

During The Editor's various Facebook Trolling exercises, she came across this picture....



Would love to know! A pity pictures can't speak, but we can hazard a guess looking at DC Sandy's face!





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ENVIRONMENTAL DATES - JULY 2023 (DC Environment, Lion Alna Jackson)



ENVIRONMENT CALENDER - JULY 2023

Date	Event	
Month of July	Plastic Free Month	
31 July	World Ranger Day	
#happyearth		
	#gogreen	

#savetheplanet

Plastic Free Month - 1 to 31 July 2023



Join millions of people reducing their plastic waste. Plastic Free July is a global movement that helps millions of people be part of the solution to plastic pollution so we can have cleaner streets, oceans, and beautiful communities.

World Ranger Day - 31 July 2023



World Ranger Day is celebrated worldwide each year on the 31st of July to commemorate Rangers killed or injured in the line of duty and to celebrate the work Rangers do to protect the planet's natural treasures and cultural heritage.



REMINDER: TIME IS RUNNING OUT



Evolving the Lion Digital Experience

ANTICIPATED LAUNCH DATE MID 2023 (JULY)

Click on the hyperlink to take you to the website which has all the necessary information.

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/digitalproducts/portal-updates



NEW MEMBERS "ONE TEAM ONE DREAM"

(As reflected on the June 2023 WMMRs)

LION STEVEN ARMSTRONG Sponsor: Lion Heinrich Riddle Lions Club of Komga

LION ESTELLE ELS Sponsor: Lion Alletta Bezuidenhout Lions Club of Komga

LION WANGA MANYALA Sponsor: Lion Lindie van Wyk Lions Club of Pretoria Jakaranda (Sandton Branch Club)

LION TARIRO MUNEMO Sponsor: Lion Natalie Laas Lions Club of Pretoria Jakaranda (Sandton Branch Club)

LION JACOB TITUS ALEXANDER

Sponsor: Lion Mark van Heerden Lions Club of Pretoria South



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LION NONI M JACOBS Sponsor: Lion Phil Ferreira Lions Club of Pretoria South

LION RAYMOND ERASMUS Sponsor: Lion Pieter du Toit Lions Club of Reitz



THE WORKS OF THE DISTRICT 410E TEAM APRIL 2023 (Thank you to the 18 Clubs who submitted their articles)

Lions Club of Wilro Park



Lions Club of Wilro Park were the winners of the 2023 Annual Trivial Pursuit Trophy hosted by the Lions Club of Helderkruin on 6th of June 2023. LPE Rene Benjamin with LP Crystal Richardson & LP Johan Els with the coveted Trophy!



Thanks are extended to the Lions Club of Helderkruin for hosting a lovely day of fun & fellowship and a delicious lunch!



Happy Earth & Happy Kids! 140 pupils of Roodepoort Primary School took part in the Lions Happy Earth, Earth Day & World Environment Projects.



On 15th of June, members of the Lions Club of Wilro Park visited the school to hand over their Happy Earth Certificates, Button Badges, and Teacher's mugs. Small hands can make a difference!





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"Brighten their Day" - 19th of June a make-over for Simunye.



The Lions Club of Wilro Park bearing gifts of bright & beautiful blankets lovingly made by our Knitting Angels – warming little bodies & souls at Simunye Creche in Newlands. They also received jerseys, soup, and other gifts to brighten their day.



To make their day even brighter, the Lions Club of Wilro Park got a playground makeover.





On the 27th of June, Lion Delphine visited Divine Mercy for Pregnant Girls with a donation of blankets and linen.

Lions Club of Johannesburg The Wilds



The Lions Club of Johannesburg The Wilds supported the Lions Club of Benoni Lakes Strides for Diabetes Walk on Sunday the 4th of June 2023 at Ebotse Estate, Benoni. Lion President Mark Meltzer ,Lion Nothando Khoza with sisters Noma and Fanisa Khoza participated in the 5 km walk around C R Swart Dam. They received a badge on completion of the walk and were tested for Diabetes by a nurse who was on duty to perform tests on walkers and Lions. An enjoyable outing in cool sunny weather.



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Sunday, the 18th of June 2023 at Old Ed's Club in Houghton, Lion Chris Bull who has collected banners over the years had them on display at the Presidential Induction Lunch of LPE David Griffith of the Lions Club of Johannesburg The Wilds.



LPE David takes over from LP Mark Meltzer who has served as President of the Lions Club of Johannesburg The Wilds for the past 8 years. On this special occasion, LPE David was inducted by DGE Lindie.





Lion Faniso Khoza a member of the Lions Club of Johannesburg The Wilds with Fanisa his youngest daughter at Cycle Lab Bike Park on Sunday 25th June 2023 for an afternoon of cycling on off road tracks.

Lions Club of Stilfontein

A tribute in the Klerksdorp Record to an icon of the Lions Club of Stilfontein and District 410E. Gone but never forgotten.







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Lions Club of Scottburgh



The Lions Club of Scottburgh do Diabetes Screening on the first Tuesday of each month at the Scottburgh Mall. This picture was taken on the 6th of June 2023.



On Saturday, the 17th of June, the Lions Club of Scottburgh enjoyed working at the Local Flea market. This is done twice a month to raise funds for their various projects. Secondhand clothing, books and other items are donated which they sell at low cost to community members who are less fortunate.



Some of the members of the Lions Club of Scottburgh visited Shayamoua Crèche outside Umzinto on Monday, the 19th of June with a swing, seesaw combo and climbing frame.





The children also received beanies amidst much excitement and joy.



The Lions of Scottburgh donated dog food to 4 Paws and a Tale a NPO who rescue abandoned, abused and neglected Animals.





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Lions Club of Pretoria City



DGE Lindie inducted LPE Susette Curry at the Lions Club of Pretoria City Presidential Induction & "Coronation" event.



A great "catch up session" with good friends Lions Carrie and Ezelle.

Lions Club of Port Alfred



The Lions Club of Port Alfred (LPE Lorinda, Lions Francois and Illana) visited the Kuyasa Combined School, where they handed over much needed toilet rolls and eggs required for the 90 students attending the Grade 12 holiday get away prior to them starting exams.

Lions Club of Midrand



On the 4th of June, Lion Melanie Browne and two of her friends participated in the Lions Club of Benoni Lakes 5km Diabetes Strides Walk. A very well organized and enjoyable function in beautiful surroundings raising awareness around the "silent killer" Diabetes.



Previously loved Bric-A-Brac valued at approximately R5000 were donated and handed over on the 6th of June to Animals in Distress. These will be sold in their Barn Charity Shop to enable them to raise much-needed funds to continue taking care of those who don't have a voice.



Turning fruit cakes into cash. A stall was set up on the 24th of June at The Boulders Shopping Centre and our awesome Lions Fruit Cakes were repackaged into various options i.e., the full 1kg, 500g (half) and 250g (quarter). Thanks to Lion Willie for the slicing, dicing, and packaging.



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A wonderful Presidential Induction Function was held on the 25th of June and the Lions Club of Midrand was honoured to host Lions from District 410E, friends and family.



A fitting way to thank LP Roy for his leadership over the past two years and facing forward under the leadership of LPE Yolandi.

And yes, we know who has the gavel and the clock!

Lions Club of Manzini



The Presidential Induction of the Lions Club of Manzini was held on the 3rd of June 2023 and officiated by DGE Lindie accompanied by Lion Willie (Lions Club of Midrand). In the photograph from left to right is LP Patrick (incoming Zone Chairperson), LPE Shaneiz, DGE Lindie and Lion Willie.



President Shaneiz Samuel introducing her board for the 2023/2024 fiscal year.



(Written by Lion Mike)

On Saturday, the 17th of June, members of the Lions Club of Manzini visited Malindza Refugee Reception Centre, where they donated secondhand clothing, which had been collected from the Lions, friends and from the public at various fundraisers.



On this visit they were accompanied by Lions Ray and Ann Staniland, visiting from the Lions Club of Sandwell in the UK. The lady in charge of the refugee centre, Bongekile, advised that this is not a refugee camp, but a reception centre for refugees. Once refugees are processed, they are allowed to leave the centre. But many stay. There are currently approximately 2000 refugees in the country and about 500 reside at the centre. These are refugees from all over Africa, escaping troubles in their own countries, from as far as Somalia and Ethiopia.



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She further explained that many have fled, sent by their parents, to avoid recruitment by El Shabab, who would otherwise kill the youngsters who refuse to join. The centre has a kitchen, which feeds unaccompanied children, the elderly and disabled, and new arrivals. Otherwise, the refugees are expected to cook for themselves.



The Lions were shown around the centre, which is large, but somewhat overcrowded. UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) had been supporting the centre, however more recently, all their resources have been directed to the Ukrainian conflict, where so many refugees are fleeing. This means that the Government of Eswatini are expected to now take over the expenses. Unfortunately, their contribution is not sufficient. Primary education in Eswatini is free, but the Government have refused to pay for the education of the primary age refugees, as they are not Swazi.

Whilst the contribution from Lions seemed insignificant compared to their needs, the centre were grateful for the donations from the Lions and will hand out clothing to refugees a few at a time, to ensure it all goes to those who need it most.



Some good news – Malindza Refugee Centre to receive support from US Embassy.

See hyperlink below for the story as published in EPN (Eswatini Positive News) on Friday 30th June 2023

https://eswatinipositivenews.com/2023/04/04/malindzarefugee-centre-to-recieve-support-from-u-s-embassy/











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Lions Club of Klerksdorp



On the 4th of June, the Lions Club of Klerksdorp delivered knitted jerseys to the Grade RR classes at Unie Primary School and MeiringsPark Primary School.



The modelling school children are all from MeiringsPark Primary. Six members of the Lions Club of Klerksdorp were in attendance and ended off with a coffee morning.





On a chilly 18th of June, the Lions Club of Klerksdorp decided that a Wine tasting and Hamburgers get together was just the thing needed to warm themselves up.



Lions Club of Kingsburgh



Some warm clothing was donated to Elders Voice House in Amanzimtoti. Beanies and scarves were donated to Usizo for the underprivileged people in Ezimangweni.



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LP Tony promoted the Lions Club of Kingsburgh to members of the Women's Institute.



Two pensioners Loraine van Brandenburg and Debbie Steyn were taken to the supporting optometrist by the Lions Club of Kingsburgh for eye tests. Spectacles will be ordered for them from Lions BrightSight.



The Lions Club of Kingsburgh is busy with a very exciting eye screening project mostly funded by LCIF where we have screened over **675 primary school children** with the SPOT machine.





Screening was done very quickly and thus only two days were required. Arrangements have been made for 61 of these children to be tested by their supporting optometrist.



The monthly grocery collection at Checkers Seadoone yielded a supply valued at approximately R3500.



This food was donated by the Lions Club of Kingsburgh to needy families in Lower Illovo.



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The Lions Club of Kingsburgh hosted the Incoming Club Officers Training via ZOOM for Zone 8.



They were joined by the Lions Club of Cowies Hill and Amanzimtoti on the 10th of June.



A total of twenty attendees who they ensured were fed and watered.



Lions Club of Howick-uMngeni



The Lions Club of Howick-uMngeni had a great month raising funds, for Hospice by making pancakes and donating all proceedings to Hospice.

Birthday celebrations!



On the 20th of May the Lions Club of Howick-uMngeni celebrated the 90th birthday of Pat Nurton. Pat has been part of their Lion's family since 1984, thus serving 39 years with the Lion's.



On the 3rd of June, June Humphries celebrated her 90th birthday. June has been part of the Lion family since 1974, thus making her 49 years as a Lion lady. June was Mayoress of Howick from 1990 – 1991. Pictured with her is another long-standing Lion family member, Shirley Houghton. Shirley has been part of the Lions family since 1986, thus giving 37 years to Lion's. She was also a Mayoress of Howick from 1989 – 1990. Thank you for your service, ladies, we wish you all happy retirement from the Lion's family.





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Lions Club of Gonubie



At the Lions Club of Gonubie's Charity Craft Market held on the 3rd of June at Kings Mall, they raised R1 300.00 the proceeds of which were in aid of Spay A Stray. They simultaneously manned a stall outside Pick 'n Pay collecting cash and pet food.



The Lions Club of Gonubie were recently very spoilt by their Lions friend, Louise, who knitted more beautiful teddies for them to distribute where needed.



Their chosen charities this year were Guardians of Hope which is a home providing love and care for abandoned babies, Breath of Life which assists women in crisis pregnancies with the destiny of their unborn and Carel du Toit Centre where deaf children learn to speak.





Little one fast asleep with their teddy



Lion Aletta with a tiny newborn



Tree with red hearts which depict the 250 babies adopted from this home

Recently Lion President Rodney and 1st Vice President Aletta visited Guardians of Hope and Breath of Life gifting each baby with their very own teddy to cuddle.



They also visited the Carel du Toit Centre presenting each child with a lovely teddy and delicious cupcake.



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Oooo....cupcakes so yummy 😂

Lions Club of East Coast



On the 8th of June, the Lions Club of East Coast CHOC team visited Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central hospital. The children completed a coloring activity, which resulted in pretty and unique birds, they even had a young musician in their company showing off with the guitar he received from the Robinhood Foundation. In the words of the team "it was heartwarming to see these kiddos with their little beanies on as well.



The Lions Club of East Coast's outreach team distributed 24 hampers to families in the Riet River Area on the 11 June 2023. The families were so grateful for all the assistance.





The St. Theresa's Children's Home was established in 1925 and serves the community of Sydenham. Once again the Lions Club of East Coast's outreach team sprang into action and provided meals to 120 children that call this establishment "home".



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The Lions Club of East Coast were pleased to assist a budding wheelchair basketball player from Open Air School to achieve his dreams with a contribution towards this specialised wheelchair. Lion Ashu , who is an educator at Open Air School, presented the learner with the cheque.



What is Lions without fun....the Club had a "Par-tee" on Sunday, the 25th of June 2023. Members enjoyed a round of adventure golf and some socialising.

Lions Club of Cowies Hill



Another visit to Albert Luthuli Hospital on Wednesday the 2nd of June was made by the team from the Lions Club of Cowies Hill. The girls and Mom's loved the beading, making necklaces and bracelets. Lots of beads found their way to the floor and the children loved helping us clean up.



The boys love cars, animals, plastic soldiers and of course Lego is an all-time favourite. We also spent time matching words with pictures and copying designs.



On 7th of June 2023, the visit to Albert Luthuli Hospital pediatric oncology ward saw the favourites which were colouring in and bead work, with blocks always a firm favourite.



There were 16 children in the wards, the most they have ever had. However, it was such a pleasure for the team to see one of the boys that has been really sick for the last couple of weeks, looking much better.



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Wednesday 14th June, the Lions Club of Cowies Hill members had fun with Lego blocks in the playroom as well as in the wards.



"It is very difficult not to get too involved with the children that have been in the wards for a long time".



On arrival on the 21st of June at Nkosi Albert Luthuli Pediatric Oncology Ward the members were reminded of why they do what they do.... as many of the children clapped and jumped off their beds to come and see what they had for them to do.



On this day, there were 11 children in the wards and time was spent doing a variety of activities with them.





Lion Elaine collected knitted items from the ladies of the Dutch Reformed Church in Malvern on the 7th of June 2023. The Lions Club of Cowies Hill is so grateful for their generosity.





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Lion Rebecca delivered 14,86kgs of bottle tops and 3,56kgs of bread tags to Quadpara Association of South Africa in Gillitts on the 8^{th} of June.



The Lions Club of Cowies Hill are doing their bit to save the environment by recycling e-waste. Lion Rebecca delivered items on the 8th of June to Computer World for recycling.



Westville Senior Primary School recently collected pre-used spectacles and spectacle cases in support of Lions BrightSight. This donation of 75 items was fetched by PDG Lyn Botha from the Lions Club of Cowies Hill and will be sent directly to Lions BrightSight in Benoni. PDG Lyn thanked Westville Senior Primary for their support of this worthy initiative which will benefit individuals all over South Africa who are unable to afford new glasses. *Pictured with Lyn Botha are learners Sisekelo Guma and Mishka Parsotam.*



On the 9th of June the Lions Club of Cowies Hill was seen having fun at Pinehaven Retirement Home. Certainly, looks like everyone enjoyed themselves.



As reported in the Highway Mail on 1st of June 2023. "Recently, the Lions Club of Cowies Hill, together with Visionworks, at Watercrest, and Lions BrightSight - a project of Lions International that provides low-cost prescription spectacles to people - provided spectacles to a young disabled man, Thembisani Ndlovu. Lion Bronwyn Paijmans said that last year, the optician at Visionworks contacted the Lions Club of Cowies Hill and said they had tested the eyes of a young man who didn't have the finances to get the required highly specialised prescription spectacles and asked whether the Club would be able to help him with spectacles from Lions BrightSight. "We agreed to help and received the prescription, sent it to BrightSight, received the spectacles and handed them over to the very delighted recipient. At the time of the handover, the optician found out that this young man has an identical twin brother with severe sight deficiencies and is also disabled." The Club agreed to assist, and an appointment was made for the young man to be tested and the prescription to be sent to Lions BrightSight. Once the spectacles were received, Thembisani was contacted, and an appointment was made for the spectacles to be fitted by the optician, together with Lions, Rebecca Bullough and Pat Kirk."





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A wheelchair was donated to a gentleman, Colin, by the Lions Club of Cowies Hill since his original wheelchair was beyond repair. He is extremely happy and grateful for the new wheelchair.



Incoming Club Officers Training on the 10th of June. Thank you to the Lions Club of Kingsburgh for welcoming them all.



On the 20th of June, Lion Shanneen Wadehn handed over sewing haberdashery to sewing group at Mariannhill Monastery. These ladies are learning to sew however did not have the basic things like needles, cotton, and scissors.



LPE Karen handing over toys on the 22nd of June donated by Claire Perks to Laura for Siyajabula Preschool Class.

Lions Club of Centurion





In June 2023 the Lions Club of Centurion did a Winter Blanket Drive where they handed out 60 blankets to very grateful recipients.



The Lions Club of Centurion Presidential Induction and 25th Charter Anniversary took place on 24th of June officiated by PCC Rob Fowler. Best wishes to Lion President Vusi Mndaweni for a wonderful year ahead!



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Lions Club of Benoni van Rhyn/Benoni Host



The Lions Club Benoni Van Rhyn/Host continued with their knitting projects in June.



At the last General Business Meeting of the Lionistic year held at Benoni Host's Clubhouse on the 10th of June, DG Sydney attended and swopped banners with Lion President Leslie. He also handed Lion Leslie a plaque on behalf of the Club for her tenure as President. During her time as President, Lion President Leslie, took the Club from being a Lioness Club to a Branch Club, to the joining of Benoni Van Rhyn Club and is in the process of merging the Club with the Benoni Lions Club (the oldest Lions Club in Benoni).



A Bric n Brac Stall was hosted by the Lions Club of Benoni van Rhyn/Host at the Bunny Park on the 24th of June.

Lions Club of Benoni Lakes



The Lions Club of Benoni Lakes had the pleasure of hosting their 1st Strides for Diabetes fun walk and wellness morning on the 4th of June at Ebotse Golf and Country Estate. It turned out to be brilliant weather and they had a field of 51 walkers and a few runners. The fastest runner finished the 5km course in 22 minutes.



They conducted 38 diabetes glucose screening tests and had one referral. Everyone had fun exploring some of the vendor partner stalls that set out to promote the benefits of leading a healthy lifestyle such as sugar free drink alternatives and exercising for health and fitness.



They extend a big thank you to Benoni / Van Ryn's Lion Club for their assistance with registrations and also to the Lions Clubs of Johannesburg The Wilds, Edenvale, and Midrand for their participation. A great day was had by all.





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Congratulations to Lions Nicole and Darren for respectively receiving the Project of the Year and Lion of the Year awards for 2022-2023 presented at the Presidential Induction Function held on 24th of June.



DGE Lindie performed the induction ceremony of Lion President Diane for the fiscal year 2023-2024.



A warm welcome to their three new members - Andrew and Catherine Heyes and Helga Sergel.

Facebook Uploads (as posted by the respective Clubs):

Lions Club of Alberton



On the 1st of June, the Vision Team of the Lions Club of Alberton conducted screening at the retirement villages in South Hills with 23 people in total screened.



What a delicious lunch on the 2nd of June the first time Lion Sandra has seen the kids eating even for a 3rd time. They loved the pasta and mince, Easter eggs and juice . Fyreworx also donated pronutro and milk. There is still enough for another meal.



Thursday lunchtime on 16th of June at the nursery school in Alberton North. As always, some very happy children and very happy Lions.



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Lots of excitement at the nursery school in Alberton North on 22nd June and blessed with wonderful donations. Lion Sandra cooked and delivered Cottage pie, cold drink, bananas, oranges, chips and marshmallows for lunch donated by Fyreworx. Also, pronutro milk sugar from Fyreworx. Lunch enough for tomorrow. 15 very happy children.



Clothes groceries baby products donated from Happy Hearts Junior Academy in Germiston. Groceries, baby products from the Golden Girls.



An awesome service project sponsored and packed 100 food parcels for our beneficiary on the 3rd of June. This is what being a Lion is all about making a difference in our community and having fun while we do so.





On Thursday the 3rd of June we packed and delivered 25 mommy care bags to the moms at the South Rand hospital.



Lions Angela and Cindy packed and delivered 25 mommy care bags to the new moms at the South Rand Hospital on the 15th of June. A big thank you to everyone who continually donates toiletries as well as the beautifully knitted blankets and goodies which are made with so much love and care.



Our mommy care bag project was amazing as always, the moms were so grateful and appreciative of our Lions who visited on 26th of June.



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20 Court care bags were delivered to the social workers in Alberton on the 3rd of June. The bags go with the social worker when they go to court with children, so the children have a snack and a toy with them because this could take the whole day.



When you get lemons, you make lemonade. Thank you Amcare for the donation of lemons that were collected and delivered by Lion Cindy to the elderly residents in South Hills on the 8th of June.



A big thank you to everyone who attended and supported our quiz evening on the 9th of June. Thank you, Lion Clint for coordinating the fundraiser. Reading Golf Club for an awesome venue. The quiz master for doing a sterling job of getting our grey matter working.





A morning filled with lots of fun and laughter at bingo held at the Alberton Retirement Village on 10th of June. Thank you, Alberton Lions, for sponsoring the prizes. Thank you to the Lions bingo team.



Thank you, Lion Sandy, for taking two pensioners for eye testing at Osmans on the 14th of June.



Father's day gift bags were delivered to gents at the retirement residents in Alberton North. Thank you, Lion Cindy, for putting the bags together and to Lion Keith for making the 15th of June a little more special.





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Eye screening team conducted screening at Winchester Ridge Primary School on Tuesday 13th June and Wednesday 14th June.



482 learners screened with 79 requiring complete eye examinations.



Lions in service on 16th of June with meal preparation at Amcare kitchen assisting LOTS, increased service through networking. Many laughs and a whole lot of fun.



What an amazing food drive, a big thank you to 86ofGP, Gas Babes Cartel, Swift Speed and Flamingo Shopping Centre for hosting the event. What incredible support thank you Nikita for your coordinating and arranging of the event we are truly grateful and blessed.



A big thank you Lions Melinda and Mukesh for assisting at the event on the 25th of June.

Lions Club of Ballito



A hugely successful charity golf day hosted by the Lions Club of Ballito powered by TotalEnergies and OK Express was held on the 24th of May. A cheque of R75,000.00 was presented to St Vincent's De Paul a contribution to purchase a vehicle which will be used to deliver hot meals to the house bound community in the local Township.



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A joint project carried out by the Lions Club of Ballito and Stanger Rotary in Stanger KZN.

Lions Club of Centurion Lifestyle



What a memorable morning at our awards ceremony on Saturday the 24th of June 2023. Thank you to all our special guests for your friendship & attendance from the Lions Club of Centurion Lifestyle.

Lions Club of Durban Host



Planting Seeds of Love for Mother Earth... One school at a time...Our Climate Education Program with School Children continues.



In the spirit of climate collaboration, we have partnered with OneVoice South Africa (OVSA), working with their school facilitators and educators. Last week Thursday, 11th May 2023, Religions for Peace RFP Interfaith Youth Climate Forum (RfP-IYCF) hosted in partnership with OneVoice South Africa, Religions for Peace South Africa (RfP-SA), Lions Club of Durban Host and The Habitat Foundation an interfaith youth climate program with Lockhat High School in Osindisweni. The Journey took us right into the heart of Rural Kwa-Zulu Natal and we were graced with beautiful African landscapes. With an approximate attendance of 200 pupils from Grade 8, OVSA facilitator, Nokukhanya Mkhize and four adult volunteers, the program focused on Youth Advocacy by empowering school learners to be responsible leaders and agents of change of positive climate action. Knowledge was imparted on how to reverse the effects of climate change through planting of certain trees and plants e.g., spekboom and vertiver plants, on how to create food gardens by planting vegetables and connecting to the earth and their spirituality by engaging in the Earth Meditation. Learning was made fun through songs and dance. Emphasis was placed on leadership and the importance of being positive for peace, light and love to be guiding beacons to navigate a world filled with youth challenges and difficulties. The school also took part in our <u>#Earth</u> Day 2023 Artwork Competition and certificates and prizes were awarded to participants.

RfP-IYCF provided sponsorship of compost, vegetable and flower plants and gave gifts to the School for further learning through Educational Posters and books. We thank Pat Reddy from Lions Club of Durban Host in sponsoring trees for our program and Shamla Moodley from Habitat Foundation for sponsorship of spekboom cuttings that were distributed to kids. We also thank Lionel Murugan from Ecoscape Garden Services and Jonathan Pillay from Print IT for being great service providers to the RfP-IYCF. It was a fun engaging and educational day for all and we thank all volunteers and organizers. We look forward to our upcoming partnership school programs.





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Lions Club of Durban South



The Lions Club of Durban South set up "come and meet us" information stall at the Welcoming of the Whales Festival at Ansteys Beach on 24th of June.

Lions Club of Edenvale



A lovely afternoon was had by everyone at the Presidential Induction on 24th June. Thank you to De Molen Restaurant for the delicious food and service and congratulations to LPE Evelyn.

Lions Branch Club of Fourways



A morning of serving and supporting on the 24th of June. We were at Doorway To Dignity where we served and fed approximately 65 people.



We also visited Lions Club of Northcliff, Johannesburg who are selling books and doing a food collection at the Heathway Centre

Lions Club of Helderkruin



Helderkruin Lions hosted the annual Zone 1 Trivial Pursuit competition on Sunday 4th of June. We started off at 10am with coffee, tea and muffins and then settled down to answer some easy, some hard, (but all interesting) questions put to the players by LP Chrissie, ably assisted by Lions Pieter and Glynn. Helderkruin Lions would like to thank the Clubs who participated: Weltevreden, Wilro Park (2 teams) Northcliff, Lenasia (37 attendees altogether) We broke for a tasty lunch of curry and rice with the necessary accompaniments of sambals, coconut and banana , followed by an assortment of sweet desserts. A huge Thank You to our Secretary, Lion Jonquille, for organising the food for the hungry competitors - the lunch was delicious! The winners of the Floating trophy were 1 of the Teams from Wilro Park and judging by the remarks passed at the end of the day, everyone had a most enjoyable day.



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Helderkruin Lions sponsored a hole at the Des Walker Golf Day on the 20th of June, the proceeds of which will go to enabling Des Walker to have his much-needed Hip Replacement surgery. LP Chrystal and Lions Jonquille and Dee had a lovely (and busy) day, pouring shooters for all the 4 balls who participated. It wasn't difficult to persuade these gentlemen that a shot of Jagermeister or Cactus Jack would help to improve their game!



We also entered a 4ball which consisted of Lions Karl, Pieter and Glynn, with Friend of the Lion's, Tony, who all thoroughly enjoyed the day!

Lions Club of Hilton



Tea treats for Seven Heaven Old Age Home. Lions Charles Mathues and Marguerite had a jolly time on the 28th of May.



Thank you to our amazing past Tablers, known as 41ers, and all the incredible Round Table members who assisted us at this year's Royal Show 2023! We couldn't have done it without your dedication and support. The teamwork and camaraderie we shared during the event, from the enthusiastic Tablers of Ballito 221 in the NNCA to our very own Drakesberg Tablers from Estcourt 74, Tugela 202, and many fantastic chaps from Hilton 242, your presence made a huge difference. The Lions Club of Hilton were on hand to provide valuable assistance during the Royal Show. Your collaboration and support was instrumental in making this event a resounding success. Together, we have shown what can be achieved when organizations come together for a common goal.

Lions Club of King Williams Town



Type 2 diabetes screening events are an important way to help your community understand their diabetes risk and take steps toward prevention. On a chilly Saturday morning, 24th of June, in Qonce (formerly King William's Town), the KWT Lions held a successful screening at Nick's Food Daily Spar. With the help of a local nurse, Lynn Furstenburg, a few community members were given some dietary advice and pamphlets for further information. Diabetes screening and promotion of Lions done simultaneously.



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The King William's Town Lions Club held a steak evening to raise funds for Amy Jeacocks, 17, of Schornville who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and had a large tumor removed which resulted in many health changes. The funds raised from this event will assist her with check-ups and other needs.

Lions Club of Krugersdorp



Saturday 24th June was a big day for our Lions! We hosted our annual awareness day - but upsized at the Cedar Tree market at the Khosa Sports Club where on offer was:

VFree diabetes testing

An opportunity to donate blood: a pint for a pint

Christmas cake taste testing

100% raw honey for R100 a bottle

Donation of money towards Friends of Rescued Animals (FORA) (parking fee)

A chance to win a fabulous hamper at our infamous photobooth.







Lions Club of Letaba Tzaneen



The Wine Tasting & Auctions that was held on Friday, 2nd of June by the Lions Club of Letaba Tzaneen, was an event these Lions can be proud of! Six different Boschendal Wines, provided by Amanda Smit from DGB Wines were tasted and paired with no less than six delicious dishes prepared by chef Brenda Lubbe from Fairview Hotel Spa & Golf Estate, in one of their stunning venues. During the evening Israel Pienaar, Principal, Directress and Founder Partner of Liam's Voice Montessori, gave some background of the school.



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Owner Willem Oosthuizen explained about some of the challenges faced to expand the school, in order to provide a safe environment for children, not only with disabilities, but to continue to provide the best education as the children grow older. A new classroom is planned and will be equipped with Montessori material for ages above 6 years. The highlight of the evening was the Wine Auction, and guests opened their hands and hearts to raise funds for the school. A **total profit of R53,500** was made and will be donated to Liam's Voice Montessori School.

Lions Club of Nelspruit



All the very best to Lion President Gery van Gelder and members of the Lions Club of Nelspruit for a wonderful year ahead, as per PDG Patrick Mills who was the inducting officer at the Presidential Induction held on 17th of June. An absolute honour to be part of the induction ceremony.

Lions Club of North Durban



North Durban Lions packed their monthly food parcels on the 14th of June. 130 elderly folk and families in crisis will receive these. Thanks again to the generosity of all the Durban North La Lucia and Umhlanga shoppers who made this possible.

Lions Club of Northcliff



The morning of 24th of June brought a delightful surprise as the Lions Branch Club Fourways stopped by our R10 Book Sale. We extend our heartfelt thanks for your support and book purchases.



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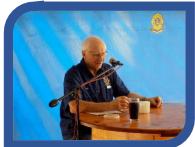
Lions Club of Port Shepstone



Sheppie Lions hosted another afternoon of fun and games for our senior folk at the Sheppie Lions' Den on Saturday 24th of June. We hosted 50 guests from the Flower Foundation, Mbango Retirement Centre and other private addresses.



Our Lion Ladies provided the guests with delicious snacks and cakes and our Lions, together with 4 volunteers from Port Shepstone High School served the guests with refreshments.



Lion (Dr) Hilton Horsley ran the afternoon's games and did a superb job of keeping the guests entertained.





A very big thank you to Mrs Estelle De Klerk of Shelly Beach who very kindly knitted and donated lovely babies' items of clothing to our club for distribution to underprivileged / abandoned babies. This was a true labour of love.

Lions Club of Pretoria South



Called to higher service - It was with great sadness that the Lions Club of Pretoria South said goodbye to their dear friend and longtime employee Elias.



We had another wonderful Ice-Skating Event on the 3rd of June, entertaining 70 children with disabilities from various schools around Pretoria. Well done to the project lead, Lion Dave Cousins and everyone involved. Thank you to the management of the Grove Ice Rink for giving us the opportunity to create so much joy and jubilation in the lives of these special children!



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Early morning of the 10th of June saw LS Gizella and LP David manning our stall at the Pretoria Boeremark.



Lions Carien and Kristin delivered a donation of 30 jerseys and beanies, knitted by The Golden Girls to Kungwini Welfare Organisation Early Childhood Development Centre in Zwavelpoort. This service is provided to children whose parents are not able to afford conventional preschool fees. Each child is provided with the opportunity to attend school five days a week and receive two meals a day. The teachers are women from the community who were previously unemployed and are provided with on-the-job training and they obtain NQF4, 5 and 6 qualifications at a teaching college.



Lion Riaan dropped off much needed food items such as oats, All Bran Flakes, pasta, rice, milk and Oros to In His Honour Outreach Foundation.



Since it was Youth Day (16th of June), the kids were treated to a meal at McDonalds - the happy faces, says it all!



Lion Brian delivered a donation of blankets, jerseys, and beanies to the Neonatal Ward for premature babies at the Mamelodi Hospital on the 23rd of June.



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Well done and totally deserved Lion Theo Nel on receiving a Melvin Jones Fellowship on the occasion of the Presidential Induction Dinner held on the 24th of June 2023.



Lion Johnny Pretorius received his PTASLC branded scooter at the same function. Lion Johnny is struggling with mobility and this funky scooter will make a huge difference in his life.



The induction of Lion President Elect Graeme Logan was a very glamorous event held at our venue on Saturday, 24th of June. Members, guests, friends of the Lions and esteemed dignitaries enjoyed an evening of glitz and glam. Two new members were inducted, and numerous members were awarded for their outstanding service during the past Lionistic year.



Thanks to Lion Peter's delivery of 30 donated knitted jerseys and beanies to The Tshwaraganang Orphanage in Itireleng, a lot of children will not experience the icy weather this week. He also built a small chapel for this orphanage community a few years ago.

Lions Club of Ramsgate



Thank you to the team helping at the diabetes screening on the 17th of June and to Lancet Margate for their support.



148 people were tested with 21 people referred for further investigation.



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Lions Club of Vereeniging



What a great day we had at the Vaal Wine Festival held on the 4th of June!



A little kindness goes a long way: a small recipient of a specially knitted jersey beanie and mitts: added to which our knitter Hester bought from her own funds a tracksuit! Kindness is still alive and well and living in the hearts of those around us.



Lion Esme at Baragwanath with Sr Pinky of the Breast Clinic on the 21st of June – the Lions Club of Vereeniging supplied food and tea/coffee to the ladies attending, as well as 64 soft breast prostheses knitted by our knitting group.



It was a day of giving on the 22nd of June with Lions MJ and Monique handing out blankets in the centre of Vereeniging to needy folks.



120 pairs of specs and boxes sorted on 23rd of June and ready to donate to Lions BrightSight for recycling. Thanks to Vaal Mall, the community and local opticians for all their collection and donations!



Busy busy! This shows the Mr and Mrs Diamond of the Vaal folk with the 153 knitted dollies from our Club that were handed out at local children's shelters and made many little ones very happy!



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This pic shows the staff at KFC with their new blankets donated by us.

Lions Club of Vryheid



At the Paddam market on the 3rd of June – The Lions Club of Vryheid thanks Spar Vryheid and the public for all their support.

FINAL GOALS VS ACHIEVEMENTS 2022-2023 (As per District Governor Sydney)

District Goals	Status as at 30 June 2023	Status
Membership		
Grow	Start of year: 982	940
Membership to		-42
a minimum of	Very positive is that 40	
1,100 members	clubs out of the 66 clubs in	
	the District Inducted new	
	members	
Charter 3 new	Chartered 2 Lions Branch	2 Branch
Clubs and start	Clubs this year – Lenasia	Clubs
2 new Club	and Sandton. We have 4	No new
Branches.	potential full clubs that we	clubs
	are working on, Fourways,	chartered
	Stytleville, Jefferies Bay and	and 4 in the
	Clarens.	pipeline

District Goals	Status as at 30 June 2023	Status
Membership	M/a dramma d 200 marsh	
Implement a Retention	We dropped 208 members	
Programme to	this year. We did implement a follow up	
ensure drops do	strategy to contact all	
not exceed 120	members that resigned	
members.	during the year. A	
inclusers.	staggering 62% resigned	
	due to Conflict in the Club	
Reporting		
100% of the	We came very close to	98% average
Clubs to report	reaching our goal of 100%	membership
their	of clubs report	reporting for
membership	membership.	the year.
(WMMR) every		
month by the	We ended with a	
25 th of each	respectful 98% of clubs	
month via	reporting.	
MyLCI.		0.004 /
100% of the	Again, we managed to get	98% Average
Clubs to report	to a respectful figure of 98% of clubs reporting	reporting for
their Activities by the 25 th of	service activities	the year.
each month via	service activities	
MyLion.		
Service		
District 410E via	We managed to serve	
our Clubs to	536,527 people and doing	
serve 800,000	4,669 projects across the 5	
people during	pillars of service,	
the fiscal year	An incredible feat and we	
2022/2023	know we have made a	
covering the	difference in the lives of all	
service	the people we served.	
campaigns and		
five pillars of		
Lions.		
Training	Maating bour bar 1.11	
A long-term	Meetings have been held	
strategic initiative to	with all Region and Zone Chairs who will start rolling	
empower and	out the Strengthen 410E to	
strengthen	all clubs.	
clubs in District	an clubs.	
410E		
("Strengthen		
410E") will be		
further		
developed and		
implemented		
on a regional		
basis.		



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District Goals	Status as at 30 June 2023	Status
Training		
10 Guiding Lions to be trained this year and used to build old clubs in need of assistance and start new clubs	21 Trained and Certified so far this year.	Double the goal. District now have 41 Trained Guiding Lions
Training provided to Lions across the District	We trained 468 Lion across the various topics and positions	Great success
LCIF		
40% of clubs to support LCIF.	33 Clubs donated funds to LCIF this year	50% clubs have supported LCIF
Clubs to contribute USD 18,000 to LCIF.	Great effort by club donating funds to LCIF this year. We did not reach our goal, but an excellent achievement none the less.	USD 14,590.67 was contributed by clubs this year.

Whilst we did not achieve all our goals, you the Clubs that make up this awesome District 410E contributed to huge improvements in many areas and the service offered to the communities was without doubt above and beyond and I thank you most sincerely.

This is not the end - as another fiscal year begins, we will continue to build on the foundations that have been laid under the leadership of DGE Lindie and her Cabinet members who are ready, willing, and able to continue moving forward.

Sydney

You took the meaning of **Teamwork** to a whole new level. hank You.

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