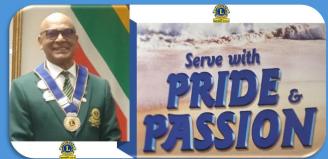


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"BETWEEN THE LIONS" (DG PERRY CHETTY)



Dear Fellow Lions,

Welcome to our first Newsletter of the year! As your District Governor, it is both an honour and a privilege to connect with you through these pages. As we embark on this new Lions year, I want to express my deep gratitude for your unwavering commitment and enthusiasm. Your dedication to service truly exemplifies the spirit of Lions International.



Our District is starting this year with a renewed sense of purpose and energy. The challenges we face are opportunities for growth and innovation, and together, we will rise to meet them. Each of you plays a vital role in our collective success, and your passion for service drives our mission forward.



In the coming months, we will focus on several key areas:



1. Strengthening Community Impact: We will continue to support local initiatives and respond to pressing needs within our communities. Your involvement in service projects is crucial, and I encourage each Club to explore new ways to make a meaningful difference.



2. Membership Growth and Engagement: Expanding our membership base is essential for sustaining our impact of service. Let's work together to recruit new members and ensure that our current Lions are engaged and inspired. I am pleased to announce that as at 18th of August we have a nett growth of 19 members, to the Clubs that have contributed I say thank you.



3. Leadership Development: Investing in the growth of our leaders is vital for our District's future. We will be offering various training sessions and leadership opportunities to help you hone your skills and take on new challenges. The new Lion Portal has several resources for training and development.





4. Celebrating Success: Let's take the time to recognize and celebrate the achievements of our Clubs and members. Sharing our successes not only boosts morale but also inspires others to contribute to our mission. Let's use social media to further our cause.

I am excited about the journey ahead and confident that, with your support and dedication, we will achieve great things. Your feedback and ideas are always welcome, as they help us shape our path forward.

Thank you for your commitment to serving others and for your ongoing support of our District 410E. Together, we will make this year a remarkable one. I thank you.



Perry

District Governor District 410E 2024-2025



Editor's Note: We wish DG Perry a speedy recovery as in his words when sitting down to write his message he is known as One Eyed Jack! ③

WHAT HAS THE DG BEEN UP TO



DG Perry hit the ground running following his return from Lions International Convention in Melbourne.



His first official duty as District Governor was attendance at the induction of Lion President (aka SVDG) Mark van Heerden of the Lions Club of Pretoria Jakaranda and Lion President Natalie Laas of the Club Branch of Sandton as well as new members on 29 June 2024.







Off to Midrand for the District 410E Welcome Home Function on 30 June and the official handover of the Chain of Office by IPDG Lindie van Wyk. The Cabinet Secretary "trommel" was also handed over to Cabinet Secretary Melinda Strydom by PCC Jacqui Hocking. 😂





On this occasion, DG Perry officially announced the District 410E Cabinet for 2024-2025.



dent Lizette is eager to spearhead community service projects



for models

On 6 July 2024, DG Perry had the honour of inducting Lion President Lizette van der Berg of the Lions Club of Newcastle









From Newcastle back to Johannesburg to join PCC Cliff Hocking and IPDG Lindie van Wyk on the MixFM 93.8 Lions Roar on 10 July 2024 discussing the year that was (2023-2024) and the year to come (2024-2025).







Then hop on a flight to Durban to attend his Home Coming Banquet hosted by his Club, the Lions Club of Durban East Coast on 13 July 2024.



Back to Johannesburg to start preparing for the District 410E 1st Cabinet Meeting hosted by the Lions Club of <u>Midrand on 21 July 2024. "Ready Steady Go"!</u>





On 27 July off to Muldersdrift for the 1st MD410 Council Meeting.



Numerous Virtual Meetings, telephone calls – Long Range Planning, Finance Committee, GAT, etc.





Whilst feeling extremely ill, DG Perry was at OR Tambo International Airport to Welcome IPIP & LCIF Chairperson Dr. Patti Hill on 18 August 2024.

VISIT OF IPIP & LCIF CHAIRPERSON DR. PATTI HILL



District 410E was honoured to host the visit of IPIP Patti Hill and her husband Lion Greg Holmes from 18 – 19 August 2024. IPIP Patti is not only an accomplished teacher, administrator, psychologist, and small business owner, but she is also a visionary leader who has dedicated her life to making a meaningful difference. Changing the World and Making Her Mark.





Arrival at 09:10 at OR Tambo International Airport from Cape Town (District 410W) on Sunday 18 August 2024.



On to the Premier Hotel Quartermain in Morningside for an early check in driven there by chauffeur PCC Bernd Gerhard and the luggage vehicle of IPDG Lindie van Wyk



Meeting with District 410E Executive & District 410E & MD410 GAT Teams hosted by the Lions Club of Wilro Park. A collaborative and open discussion with IPIP Patti sharing her ideas regarding membership growth, leadership development, service projects, and many other topics. The meeting was followed by a delicious light luncheon was shared with the attendees amidst much laughter and trips down memory lane.



Then off to visit the Zone 1 Lions Legacy Project – the Lions Sensory Garden and Trail for the Blind at the Walter Sisulu Bontanical Gardens. Many Clubs from District 410E were represented and got to meet IPIP Patti and Lion Greg.









IPDG Lindie van Wyk to the rescue as it was a looong and hot walk. Thank you Lion Dee Easton for loaning your trusty mode of transport to our IPIP.



Back to the hotel for a bit of rest and a freshen up and then on the road again with chauffeur PDG Sydney van Heerden to Midrand for the Meet and Greet Function where it was the distinct honour of the Lions Club of Midrand to host the function.



We were privileged to hear from this inspiring woman whose passion for positive change radiated through the room. With many Club Members, Presidents, Past District Governors and Cabinet Officers in attendance, no one left without feeling moved and grateful to belong to such a remarkable organisation.





IPIP Patti also inducted Lion Richard as a new member into the Lions Club of Edenvale with Lion President Evelyn as his sponsor....at that stage the newest member in District 410E.



Herewith a collage of photographs of the Clubs present with IPIP Patti and Lion Greg. Left to right starting with the top row. Lions Clubs of Pretoria Jakaranda, Johannesburg The Wilds, Midrand, Clearwater Cyber, Edenvale, Wilro Park, North Durban, Pretoria South and Alberton. Thank you for making it such a memorable evening.



And the evening ended with the much spoken about Amarula, in IPIP Patti's words "this has been a long time coming and is a celebration of my love for South Africa".



"Home" to the hotel for a much-needed rest and recharging of the batteries for IPIP Patti and Lion Greg.



The morning of Monday 19 August 2024 started with a visit to MD410 Flagship Project, Lions BrightSight. A walk about to view the extremely professional facility ably run by Manager: Kirsty MacKenzie and Angie Tshabala.







IPIP Patti and Lion Greg discussing the various grants available which Lions BrightSight could make use of and some innovative vision projects for Clubs to do with some the Management Committee Members present.



The discussion was rounded off by a superb South African Luncheon prepared by Kirsty (a lady of many talents) – vetkoek and savoury mince or jam and cheese, milk tart and koeksusters. Then a "scenic drive" with IPDG Lindie in the lead car with a very confused chauffeur PDG Sydney van Heerden via the industrial areas of Germiston and Isando having missed the turnoff to the highway.



What a welcome on arrival at the Angels & Us Day Care Centre for the handover of spectacles to 22 "Little Angels" aged 17 months – 6 years.



This is a project of the Lions Club of Midrand and funded by the Lions BrightSight LCIF Grant and what an afternoon of celebration it was.









The children loved IPIP Patti and Lion Greg and the Principal Lindiwe and her staff are a credit to their community loving each child as if they were their own.



It was a joy to have these little ones finally able to see the wall charts and read / see things properly – the gift of sight thanks to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).



Bye Bye Patti as per all the children from Angels & Us Day Care Centre.



Back to hotel to pack and then off to OR Tambo International Airport for a light supper (steak, boerewors, <u>pap and sous)</u> prior to "wheels up" on route to Zambia.



What a wonderful and inspiring visit, District 410E thanks you IPIP & LCIF Chairperson Dr Patti Hill and Lion Greg Holmes.

LCIF NEWS – JULY 2024



Dear Lions and Leos,

Welcome to a new Lion year!

I am excited to serve alongside you as LCIF chairperson. We are starting the year strong, following tremendous generosity and successful service efforts last year. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our foundation, both financially and as an ambassador for the work we do together. Because of your generosity and leadership, LCIF raised more than US\$70 million to empower our future service.



As you read this month's newsletter, I hope you are inspired to continue finding ways to support our foundation by donating, exploring grant opportunities and sharing stories of impact. I look forward to seeing the grant projects and programs that Lions and Leos will implement through LCIF funding this year, and I hope to have the opportunity to visit with many of you as we continue to change the world together.

Yours in Service, Dr. Patti Hill Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

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LCIF NEWS – AUGUST 2024



Dear Lions and Leos,

At Lions International, we are all on a mission to grow. As we strive to achieve *MISSION* **1.5** and encourage community members to join us in our humanitarian service, remember to share how Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) enhances our impact. Every service project empowered by an LCIF grant enables us to better meet growing needs and expands our global reach. This month's newsletter highlights just a few examples, and I hope you will tell others about them.

These life-changing grants are only made possible through the generosity of Lions and Leos like you. Your "<u>gifts to</u> <u>LCIF</u>" enable the foundation to continue awarding grants and implementing programs that help us serve even more people when they need us most. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours in service, Dr. Patti Hill, LCIF Chairperson

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Bring Possibilities to Life with LCIF

With 100% of every donation to LCIF benefiting grants and programs, each gift makes a difference to someone in need.

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LIONS INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT FABRÍCIO OLIVEIRA



As a Lion for almost 40 years, International President Fabrício Oliveira has always given back to his community. His entrepreneurial spirit has driven him as a business leader and a Lion, inspiring ambitious projects and others to join him in service. With a strong sense of purpose and positivity, President Fabricio believes that there is a leader inside every Lion, and we can all make a lasting mark on the world.



Make you Mark

Everywhere we serve, every time we give, we bring kindness and compassion, change and hope. And we make our mark on the lives we touch, the communities we serve and the world we share.





Shaping Our Future

President Olivera's programmes and initiatives will focus on four key priorities for Lions International that are critical to our mission of service.

- 1. Growing our membership and Clubs for greater impact.
- 2. Becoming stronger together through LCIF support.
- 3. Taking the next step as Lions and Service Leaders.
- 4. Capturing the imagination of our communities through great marketing.





To learn more about Lions International President Fabrício Oliveira – watch the video via hyperlink: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fzl60R10oqs

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE – JULY 2024



Dear Lion,

Growing up in Brazil as part of an entrepreneurial family, I learned how important it was to have a vision and a plan to achieve it. And I also learned how important community is to each of us who call it "home."

That's the spark that led me to Lions. I saw something special in Lions—an opportunity to give back to the community that had been so good to me. As Lions, we have the opportunity to leave a lasting mark every time, and everywhere, we serve.

That's why "Make Your Mark" is my message to Lions and the world.

So let's make our mark by inviting others to join our clubs. Let's make our mark by serving more people than ever before. And let's make our mark together.

It is my honour to serve as your International President.

At your service,

Fabrício Oliviera International President



Entrepreneurs of service

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE – AUGUST 2024



Dear Lion,

Making your mark is easier when you invite others to help you meet the growing needs of your community and our world. That's why we launched *MISSION* **1.5** and set a goal of reaching 1.5 million members by 2027.

Everyone has a role to play in growing our service, so be sure growing your club is central to your plans for the year. It's important to keep in mind "*why*" growing is so important. When our clubs and districts grow, our service grows. Our visibility grows. Our influence grows. And we grow as Lions. So, lead the way by inviting friends and family to join you in making your mark!

At your service,

Fabrício Oliveira International President



Growing the good starts with you

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LION MAGAZINE – SUMMER 2024 EDITION



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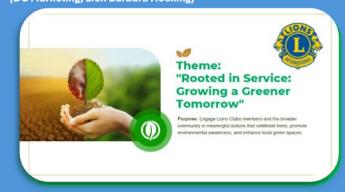


Arbor Week 29 August – 4 September 2024

Saturday 15 February 2025: Big Walk for Little Warriors (Childhood Cancer)



ARBOR WEEK – DISTRICT 410E (DC Marketing, Lion Barbara Hocking)



Arbor Week (28 August – 4 September) is just around the corner, and it's the perfect time for our Lions Clubs to step up and make a green impact in our communities! We've outlined several exciting ideas for your Clubs to execute during the week:

Activity Ideas:

- Tree Planting Drives: Organize a community tree planting event in local parks, schools, or public spaces.
- Adopt-a-Tree Campaigns: Encourage community members to adopt and care for a tree, with certificates and tree care guides.
- Tree Parties: Host festive tree planting events combined with picnics, music, or family-friendly activities.
 - Youth Engagement: Partner with schools or Scout groups to hold educational workshops or tree care demonstrations.

Social Media Campaign:

We encourage you to share your Club's activities online and engage your communities through social media. Here are a few ways to amplify your efforts:



- Hashtags: Use #LionsForTreesSA or #LionsPlantHope to create a unified campaign across clubs.
- Photo Challenges: Post pictures of tree planting activities, encouraging others to share their own using the club's hashtag.

Stories & Impact: Share the stories behind your trees and how they're making a difference in your community. Highlight before-and-after photos or showcase youth involvement.

Engage with Followers: Invite your followers to join in by planting their own trees and tagging your Club in their posts.



Let's make this Arbor Week unforgettable by inspiring our communities to get involved and showing our collective impact online.

THE SOCIAL MEDIA CONTENT CAN BE FOUND IN THE BELOW LINK:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Ah6SuyPeqJwIyA RZ3JB2hpjPBAvgC41S?usp=sharing

Thank you for leading the way in service and sustainability!





"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now." - Chinese Proverb





DISTRICT 410E UPCOMING GST CALENDAR

(DC GST, Lion Sandy King)

Dear Lions of District 410E,



We're already well into our new Lionistic year and I'm thrilled to see all the service being done by all Clubs. On behalf of your communities, I thank you!

Below is a calendar of suggested events for Service Projects in the year. DG Perry has specifically requested that we do <u>Diabetes Projects around Diabetes Awareness</u> Day: 14 November, and please don't forget our **Big Walk for** <u>Little Warriors on 15th February.</u> If any of the Clubs need help in planning a walk, please contact me.

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	Sept		Childhood Cancer Month (Cupcakes)
		01-07	Arbour week - tree planting
	October		Vision Awareness Month (Brightsight)
		10	World Sight Day
	Nov		Diabetes Awareness Month
		14	Diabetes Awareness Day
	January		Hunger Awareness Month
		4	World Braille Day
		13	Melvin Jones Birthday
	February		Childhood Cancer Awareness Month (Shavathon)
		15	Big Walk for Little Warriors
	March	3	World Hearing Day
	April		Environment Awareness Month
		1	Autism Awareness Day
	May	28	World Hunger Day
	June	5	World Environment Day
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Since we very successfully held a few District and Multiple District projects and campaigns last year, we'd like to expand on that and try and do at least one District/MD project for each of our pillars this year.



Environment:

Arbor Week is 29 August to 4 September and we hope that most Clubs will be involved in planting a tree or two or more. The tree of the year is the Searsia Lancea, Karee Searsia Leptodictva, Mountain Karee. AS PER THE INFORMATION DISTRIBUTED BY THE MARKETING TEAM, PLEASE MAKE USE OF THIS.



Childhood Cancer:

SEPTEMBER IS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH and many clubs will be registering to participate in the Cupcakes of Hope project/campaign.

We are also going to be repeating our pride and joy BIG WALK FOR LITTLE WARRIORS ON THE 15TH FEBRUARY. We hope that we'll have a fullhouse of Clubs participating this year

"PLEASE START BOOKING YOUR VENUES FOR THE 15TH FEBRUARY."



Vision:

October is Eye Care Awareness Month to raise awareness about the importance of eye health, specifically around the prevention and treatment of avoidable blindness. WORLD SIGHT DAY, 10 OCTOBER 2024, will highlight the critical importance of prioritising child eye health, and give children everywhere the opportunity to love their eyes. Please do as many Sight related projects during this time.





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Diabetes:

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL DIABETES MONTH, a time when communities across the country seek to bring attention to diabetes. I'd like to encourage all Clubs to hold Diabetic Screening or an Awareness project of some kind near the 14TH NOVEMBER WHICH IS WORLD DIABETES DAY. I'm very excited to hear that Zone 8 is planning a Diabetes Camp this year.



Hunger:

One idea that has been mentioned to do country-wide is a COLLECT-A-CAN PROJECT AT VARIOUS SHOPPING CENTRES throughout District 410E and MD410. Each Club or Zone could collect tinned food, build a tower at the shopping centre, and then afterwards distribute them to the people in need in their respective communities.



Once again, thank you for making a difference in your communities. Please don't forget to **report on your service projects on the Lions Portal**.

UPCOMING DATES - DISTRICT 410E LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

2024-2025

(DC GLT, PDG Patrick Mills)

Member Orientation	 New and prospective Lions 	Online	Tue 27 Aug 2024			
(Lions 101)	 Any other interested Lions 	19h00-21h00	Tue 25 Feb 2025			
Marketing Matters!	Club PR & Marketing Chairs	Online	Wed 28 Aug 2024			
MD Marketing Workshop	 Any other interested Lions 	19h00-21h00				
Leadership Toolkit	 Current first-time Club Presidents 	Online	Sat 7 Sept 2024			
Workshop	 Aspiring Club Presidents 	3 full days (09h00-16h00)	Sat 5 Oct 2024			
	 Lions who have served at board level but never been Lion Presidents nor Cabinet Officers 	spread over 3 months	Sat 2 Nov 2024			
Club Presidents Mid-Year Review	Club Presidents	Online 19h00-21h00	Tue 26 Nov 2024			
Guiding Lions training	Lions interested in starting new Clubs, Club Branches or re-building existing Clubs	Online 09h00-13h00	Sat 29 Mar 2025			
Incoming Club Presidents training	 2025-2026 Club Presidents 	In person (on a regional basis) 09h00-16h00	Sat 24 May 2025 Sun 25 May 2025			
Incoming Club Officers	coming Club Officers 🄄 2025-2026 Club Treasurers, Secretaries,		Sat 7 June 2025			
training	Membership, Service and Fundraising Chairs	and online, 1 hour per portfolio	Sun 8 June 2025			
District 410E District 410E Developing Leaders Empowering Service The success of any organization hinges on the continuous development of its greatest asset: its people. Providing proper training in a low an on-time event but a sustained commitment to growth, excellence, and innovation."						

MID YEAR CONFERENCE

Look out for further information on the Mid-Year Conference from Convenor, MDC Shirley Gerhard

















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LION NIEL ALMERO KRUGER **Sponsor: Lion Mukesh Dayah Lions Club of Alberton**



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