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Club President
Lion's Clubs of District 23A

Dear Lion's Club President,

Good Afternoon! I am the International Relations Chairperson for the District 23A Cabinet and I writing to introduce you and your club to some exciting opportunities.

In conjunction with Lions Club International, our local clubs are encouraged to become more involved at an international level, especially as we celebrate our Centennial Year of Lions Club International. The third purpose of Lions Clubs International is

"to create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world...."

Along these lines, I present to you three endeavors:

Youth and Camp Exchange A Lion's Club can sponsor or host a young person, ages 15 to 22, for participation in the Lions International Youth Camps and Exchange Program.

Lions Day at the United Nations will take place in the spring of 2018. Nearly 850 Lions and Leos from 36 countries attended the 39th annual Lions Day with the United Nations held on Saturday, March 4, 2017. More information will be forthcoming.

Club Twinning is an excellent opportunity for Lions to extend their service mission beyond their international borders. Twinned clubs are encouraged to seek opportunities to serve together, using social media and virtual communication tools to plan joint activities and share results, photos and stories with fellow Lions. The International Lions Website has a complete description of the Twinning process, including an "International Club Twinning Recognition Application," which must be submitted in order to receive a Twinning Patch Award from international. Already, the Seymour Lions Club, Inc. #9000 and the Masaka Lions Club #052962 have already commenced a twinning relationship and we are excited to hear their results!

Please contact me with any questions or comments and keep me posted if you setting up a club twinning in the near future!

Yours in Lionism, Dianne E. Yamin
International Relations Chairperson, District 23A