



## Welcome to your Chairmanship!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, and our club membership, I would like to thank you for taking on the responsibility of committee chair! Your job is an important one – you will be developing and executing plans that will benefit the community, and our members. Remember, however, that you are not alone. Our club boasts sixty years of service, history and experience. Look to the members of our club for guidance and input. All of our “seasoned”-members are honoured to be asked for advice – their passion for Lionism can be contagious. Review the committee job descriptions. Work through your committees. Involve the members.

Don't be afraid to try something new. Nothing is ever a failure. Theodore Roosevelt once said,

“It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled, or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes short again and again, who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, and spends himself in a worthy cause, who at best knows achievement and who at the worst if he fails at least fails while daring greatly so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.”

I encourage you to remember that perhaps your greatest responsibility is to celebrate success. Ensure that you are publicly recognizing your committee and the membership for all that they have contributed. People may say they don't need praise, however I challenge you to find someone who doesn't appreciate a simple thank-you.

I look forward to an exciting year working with you. I am sure that you will bring great success to our club and to the community.

Lion Chris Lewis  
President-elect  
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