



# District A4 Lions Convention 2020 Information Update

Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
NAV Centre, 1950 Montreal Road, Cornwall, ON



It's **Convention Time** again and your Convention Committee is working hard to present a fun filled and informative Lions weekend. Below is a summary of the activities being planned. There are changes and new items. For more detail please see the attached documents.

**Theme:** Fun ~Friendship ~ Fellowship ~ New Friends ~ Old Friends Think "Disney"! Dress up on the Friday evening as your favourite Disney Character! **Prizes!**

**Program:** A filled weekend of fun, friendship, celebration and learning – there will be learning sessions planned in such a way that each person can take in two sessions. Final details will be sent soon on the actual programs.

**International Guest:** Our International Guest this year is Past International Director Sam Lindsey from Hilltop Lakes, Texas, USA.

**Show Your Colours:** **Bring your Club Banner – you must have a stand for it to be displayed.** This can be stand up banner or your Lions Club banner.



**Events & Entertainment:** Friday evening 'Meet 'n Greet' with the International Guest. Meet 'n Greet in the theatre area. Games for fun. Great music with Jim Hallman from Gananoque.

Saturday Morning Opening ceremonies; learning sessions; displays

### Saturday Noon

Inspiration Luncheon with special presentation/speaker(s). The topics you will hear will make you feel so proud to be a Lion. The cost for this hot plated dinner is \$29 per person.

Saturday evening Governor's Banquet with the International guest - a hot plated dinner served to you for **\$43 per person**. The company will be superb!

**Registration:** Please register soon if you plan to attend. Early registration is of great help to the registrar, Lion Larney Moke and saves time at the convention.

Reservations for the Celebration Luncheon and the Governor's Banquet are needed by April 2<sup>nd</sup> in order for us to advise the conference centre of our reserved meal numbers.



**Group Induction:** Have a new member? There will be a new member induction ceremony occurring at the group Region Meeting. Please let the committee know if you have a member/sponsor to participate. There is no registration fee for these new members being inducted. If they wish to participate in the luncheon they will be the usual luncheon cost.

- Voting:** Voting for officers will occur on Saturday afternoon only.
- Nominations:** There is always room for more great Lions to be included on cabinet. The deadline for nominations for office is March 15, 2020. Forms are on the District A4 website.
- Reservations:** Please contact the NAV Centre directly for room reservations (Other than Hospitality rooms which are booked through Roger Wills). Form attached.
- Region Meetings:** These will be held on Saturday afternoon. A joint Region meeting with the International Guest and District Governor will occur prior to the individual Region meetings to discuss common issues. Following that will be the separate Regular Region meetings with club reports.
- Special Program:** In support of children at Ronald McDonald House, we will be welcoming donations. Plans for this program are still in discussion BUT the details will be forwarded as they come available.
- Promote your Club Events:** The Convention Program book is an excellent venue for clubs to promote club events, show support for candidates running for office, and show your successes. Or invite local businesses to share their corporate message to all of Eastern Ontario – approximately 60 communities. Revenue from these ads helps defray convention costs. See attached form for pricing. Deadline for ads is March 1, 2020.
- 50/50 Draw:** This is your opportunity to be in the draw for cash! Please support the convention 50/50 draw. Purchase the tickets that were sent to the club and buy more. You could win upwards of \$1500. A second draw for a weekend getaway at the NAV Centre is also available on the same draw.
- Hospitality:** Look for great hospitality on the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Red of the conference centre. That's where we know there will be great fun and hospitality beyond belief. You will have a great time!
- Draw Table:** Valuable prizes can be won from the draw/auction table. The returns from this table help defray costs of the convention. **Clubs (and individual Lions) are encouraged to donate a gift for the Draw Table and support sales at the table.** You could win!
- Scavenger Hunt:** Saturday events will include a Scavenger Hunt. There will be a fee for this event and a prize. Proceeds will be donated to the Governor's projects supporting Camp Banting East and Childhood Cancer.
- Note:** Much of this information is also attached as pdf documents for easier printing and distribution. Share this material with your club/Lions family.

*Please consider coming to the District A4 Convention!  
Your presence to support our district is appreciated.*

If you have questions about the convention please contact:  
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***Please share convention information with you club members, put in club bulletin, etc. & join us in Cornwall!***