Iroquois-Matilda Lions District A-4 Zone 41 South

2nd and 4th Mondays Iroquois Legion

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Lions Year Events

March 2023

08 - International Women's Day 18 - St. Patty's Party

April 2023

Environmental Awareness Month
Family & Friends Month
Leo Club Awareness Month
21-23 District A4 Convention, Kingston
22 - Earth Day
22 - Roadside Cleanup
27-29 Club's Play at Upper Canada
Playhouse

May 2023

Strengthen Membership Month 15 – House of Commons Tour 28 - World Hunger Day

June 2023

03 – WDMH Murder Mystery Night07 - Lions Clubs Birthday17 - Galop Canal Bluegrass Chicken BBQ

July 2023

22 - Seniors Ice Cream Social

September 2023

16 – Iroquois Apple Festival Chicken BBQ22-24 – Williamsburg Harvestfest

November 2023

25 - Seniors Christmas Party

St. Patty's Party

If you haven't gotten your tickets for this fun evening there are tickets are still available. Just over half have been sold and more are expected to sell so act soon!

Lion Maureen Mulchair, chair of this year's event is still looking for silent auction items. Contact her if you have something to donate.

2023-24 Club Executive (Upcoming Year)

The Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws from Lions International defines the officers of the club as the president, immediate past president, the vice president(s), secretary, treasurer, service chairperson, marketing communications chairperson and membership chairperson.

It goes on to define the members of the board of directors as the club officers, Lion tamer (optional), tail twister (optional), club LCIF coordinator, program coordinator, safety officer (optional), branch president, if so designated, and all other elected directors and/or chairpersons.

At this time of year, the 1_{st} Vice-President is compiling the incoming club officers for the upcoming year. This is a time-limited process since the list of incoming officers must be presented to club members three times before the final call for nominations. The results can be electronically submitted up until the end of June. The new officers take up their positions on July 1. To efficiently compile directories and contact lists, LCI, MDA and District A4 request names and positions to be submitted several weeks in advance. It is a standard Lions practice for members to progress through a sequence of positions, gaining knowledge and experience until assuming the position of Club President. The progression at the Iroquois-Matilda Club has been:

- 2-year Director
- 1-year Director
- 2nd Vice-President
- 1st Vice-President
- President

LCI has substantial support material for club officers to help them fulfill their duties. The following briefly describes their roles.

<u>Club President</u> - The club president is the chief executive officer of the club. He/she presides over meetings and calls the club to action to fulfill its program of service works; coordinating the efforts of board members and chairpersons to implement all activities of the club in both fellowship and service.

<u>Club First Vice President</u> – The club first vice president not only serves as a leader ready to step in for the president, but as a catalyst to annually assess club activities and then implement new goals in the next fiscal year as club president.

<u>Club Second Vice President</u> – The club second vice president also stands ready to be in succession and serves as requested by the club president to lead specific committees or projects.

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Meetings

2022

September 12

September 26

October 3 - Chinese food

October 24 – Oktoberfest dinner

November 14 - Yefsi's

November 28 Chili/sandwiches or lasagna/spaghetti (Guest speaker House of Lazarus)

December 12 - roast beef

2023

January 9 (Guest speaker Dundas County Hospice)

January 23

February 13

February 27

March 13

March 27 (Iroquois Firehall)

April 10 (Guest speaker J.W. MacIntosh Seniors Support Centre)

April 24

May 8

May 29

June 12

June 26

<u>Club Secretary</u> - The club secretary keeps the history of the club's official proceedings, an accurate accounting of the club membership roster and assists in every communication effort to members. This board member serves as the communications liaison between club, district and association.

<u>Club Treasurer</u> – The club treasurer serves as the main bookkeeper for the club's financial accounts; both administrative and public funds (service activities). This includes the administration of membership dues invoicing and collection, making deposits and recording expense receipts. The treasurer prepares, distributes and retains all financial reports and records.

<u>Club Membership Chairperson</u> – The club membership chairperson leads the charge in recruiting new members, orienting them into involvement opportunities with the club and nurturing relationships between established members and new members.

<u>Club Service Chairperson</u> – The club service chairperson coordinates all the service activities chosen by the club as its program of works.

<u>Club Marketing Communications Chairperson</u> – The club marketing communications chairperson keeps all the activities of a club in the public eye and promotes the club and its service to the community.

<u>Immediate Past Club President</u> – This officer serves as a welcoming host for all new prospective members and greets members and visitors at each meeting.

<u>LCIF Club Coordinator</u> – This position educates club members of the many projects provided by LCIF and encourages members to become involved and directly support the efforts of LCIF.

<u>Lion Tamer</u> – This position takes care of the club paraphernalia and assists to prepare for each meeting as a sergeant-at-arms.

Lion Tail Twister – This position promotes the fun and good fellowship at meetings

Besides the Club Officers and members of the Club's Board of Directors, the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club has organized its service activities as committees. Each of these is led by a Committee Chair who is responsible for the service activity and reporting progress and results regularly at club meetings and asking for any necessary help or resources to complete the service successfully. It takes many members to run an active Lions Club. As well as the progression through the chairs to Club President, regular turnover in committee chairpersons contributes to a robust and healthy club.

If you are interested in a position either as a club officer, board of directors or as a service chairperson, you can get more information from the LCI website or by speaking to the current chairperson.

If you decide to volunteer for any of these positions, please make your interest known to 1st Vice President Renée Devenny.

Thanks for helping make the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club a success!

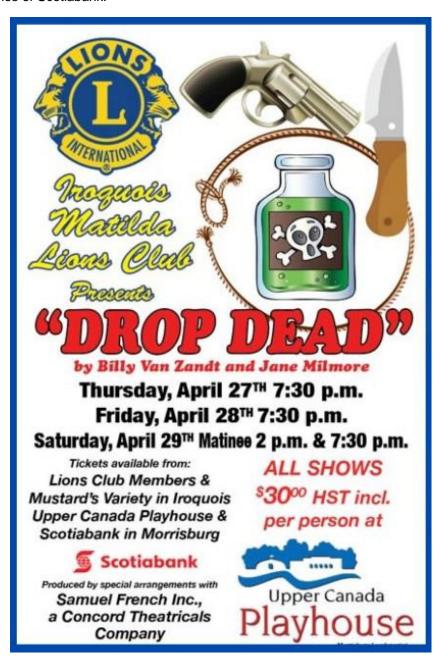
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Lions Play - Drop Dead!

The Upper Canada Playhouse has been booked, the cast has started rehearsals and set building will begin in late March. For all play tickets sold at Scotiabank (Morrisburg), they will again donate a matching amount to the club to a maximum of \$3,000. If you are purchasing tickets for this year's play, please consider buying them at the Morrisburg or South Mountain branches of Scotiabank.



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SmartServe

On November 9, 2021, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) announced a new 5-year Smart Serve recertification requirement, effective July 1, 2022. This means that anyone involved in the sale, service, delivery, or sampling of liquor, or who takes liquor orders from customers must complete the Smart Serve training program every five years.

If you hold a certificate issued PRIOR to July 1, 2018, your certificate will expire on June 30, 2023. Anyone certified on or after July 1, 2018, will have 5-years, from the date of issue, to recertify.

It is the certificate holder's responsibility to recertify BEFORE their certificate expires. All valid Smart Serve certificate holders can recertify for a discounted price of \$29.95 if you do so prior to their certificate expiring.

There are 4 easy steps to renewing your Smart Serve certificate

- Step 1: Login or register to get started at the AGCO website https://smartserve.ca/
- Step 2: Purchase (recertification is \$29.95, first time certification is \$44.95) and complete the online training
- Step 3: Take the proctored Final Test (mobile friendly)
- Step 4: Download, save or print your eCertificate

Iroquois-Matilda Student Lions

For anyone interested in painting (pictures not houses), you can have an entertaining and helpful evening improving your skills on March 8th and at the same time help Seaway and District High School's Prom Committee. If you'd like more information, contact our Student Lion, Vanessa Latulippe.

