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THE MONTHLY BULLETIN OF THE LIONS CLUB OF BOWMANVILLE



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Elimination Draw

Wednesday, February 16, 2011 at 7 p.m. Clarington Beech Centre

NEXT MEETINGS:

Monday, February 14, 2011 Clarington Beech Centre Catering: Lions Catering Group Attitude Adjustment **6:00 p.m.** Dinner **6:30 p.m.** Monday, February 28, 2011 Clarington Beech Centre Catering: Eldad United Church Attitude Adjustment 6:00 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m.

NEXT PROGRAMS

February 14th, 2011 - Our District Governor Gord Taylor will be making his official visit to our club.. We look forward to hosting our District Governor and hearing about the events and activities within our district.

February 28, 2011- We will be having our annual Lions Effective Speaking contest this evening. We will be hearing both English and French speeches from some very capable local students. We hope to have a good turn out to support these young people.

Highlights from the January 24th Meeting: Roast Beef prepared by Hampton United Church was amazing.

President Lion Steve was fined for opening the meeting by saying "Ladies and Gentlemen" instead of "Fellow Lions". Lion Jim Coombes started the meeting with a groaner of a joke followed by singing of song #28, Smile/ Sing a Song & #34 On Top of Ol' Smokie

Birthdays: Happy birthday to Lion Robbie Montgomery (Jan 7/11) and belated wishes sent to Lion Tom Bennett whose birthday was missed in December due to change in meeting dates. Lion Jim Cryderman was fined for reminding Lion Tom!

Sunday Jan 16, 2011- 100th Birthday party for Lion Jack Brough

Lion Linda Duffie is to present an award to Lion Jack for 68 years of Lionism! This is the highest years of service by any Lion in Ontario. The Governor will be presenting awards from Lions International and District. The awards will be given around 2:00 – 2:30 pm

Lion Jack is in the Clarington Sports Hall of Fame for playing badminton. He was employed by Blaine Elliott for years as a plumber and then worked at the registry office. Lion Jack lived on Horsey Street and was the property chairman for the Lions. He would come turn out any lights out if needed!

Lion Moe Richards suggested to the members that a bursary be set up at Durham College for a student in the Heating/Plumbing course in Lion Jack's name. The bursary amount will be \$500 and used for tools. Lion Jim Coombes put a motion to floor to allow the Bursary to be awarded and it was seconded by Lion Sarah Rose.

50/50 Draw

Lion Bill Heither. did some research regarding if we can continue the tradition of our 50/50 draw. He checked with the Municipality and was told that we must have a weekly winner. The pot can not be accumulative any longer. We would need a permit to be renewed every 6 months which the cost is approximately 3% of what the pot would be at our meetings. Lion Bill advised that permit would be approximately \$20.00 using an example of collecting \$750 in 6 months. Our club would be responsible to keep records of the winning names, dates and numbers.

It was asked by Lion Linda Duffie if 50/50 draws are only to be at meetings or if we could also run them at events we sponsor (i.e.: Bavarian Night) Lion Bill advised that he had told the town it was just going to be at our meetings but will mention this when completing the application.

The 50/50 money would be used for the reserve fund for the Lion's Sponsored Van, the Duck Derby and the ATV raffle.

Lion Bill motioned for the club to apply for the permit and was 2nd by Lion Billie Kemp. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Lion Steve Coles read a letter advising that if the Bowmanville Lions Club reaches 50% that have registered with the Trillium Gift of Life Network our club will earn a badge for the banner. A survey will be sent out and he recommended that members complete it.

Lion Steve Coles also read a thank-you letter from this years Bowmanville High School bursary recipient Ty Owens who will be using the money to continue his studies. A thank-you letter was also read from Lion Howard Wood.

Presentation: A presentation of a certificate by Lion Jim Coombes to Lion Doug Kemp for his 50 years of service to the Bowmanville Lions Club. Way to go Lion Doug! What an example!!

Upcoming Conventions: Just a reminder of the upcoming convention in Kingston, April 15, 16 and 17th.

The Multi District convention will be held in Ottawa the weekend of May 26.

Treasures Report: Lion Bill advised that there was little activity and the bills are paid.

Final Figures for the Nursery School: The club was advised that \$765 was collected after selling the toys, \$100 donated to Bethesda House, \$336 donated to Clarington Project and the balance to Dreams Take Flight. The bank accounts have now been closed. The final forms have been sent to the government. The previous employees have either found employment elsewhere or retired.

Duck Derby: Lion Linda Duffie after it was debated has suggested having the date of the Derby changed to Saturday June 25, 2011 at 3:00 pm. This would make it possible for the BBQ committee to sell tickets up town along with selling pancakes. There would be no live band playing in order to cut down on expenses and allow more money to be donated to charities. The town would still have their festival up town. Lion Deb asked if the Rotary could help out with the Duck Derby since Lions assist at their Rib Fest. There was a debate on how to get the public down to the creek.

A motion was presented by Lion Sarah Rose and seconded by Lion Tom Bennett to change the date to Saturday June 25, 2011 and then the Duck Derby Committee can work out the logistics regarding organizing it along with the time.

Other matters: Lion Art Short asked that a letter from Tyler Aylott a grade 8 student from M. J. Hobbs be read. Tyler is attempting to raise funds in order to attend a ecological project this March in Costa Rica to study turtles among other things. \$2300.00 is required for him to attend and as he is from a single family he is asking for assistance from the Lions Club so that he can make this journey. Chairperson of the Youth Committee, Lion Jim Coombes advised that from their budget his committee is willing to donate \$200.00 to this worthy cause. The motion was seconded by Lion Jim Cryderman. Lion Art Short will deliver the cheque.

Líon Sarah Crossman

<u>Highlights From the January 24th Meeting</u> - Our Rural Night on January 24th was very well attended. The C.O.A.A. served a delicious roast beef dinner and the head table had a celebrity waiter, local Councillor Ron Hooper. We didn't have a business meeting this evening.

We were pleased to welcome the following guests-our guest speaker Jamie Davidson, Bill Bragg, Lloyd Ayre, Ted Watson, Paul Watson, Dave Gibson, Mark Obrist, Fred Obrist, Lois Obrist, Pat Best, David Best, Jennifer Bowman, Eric Bowman, Neil Smith, Mark Bragg, Ross McMaster, Ian Cruise, Tom Barrie, Devin Dunsmore, Dianne Dunsmore, Marg Coombes, Kyle Graham, John Coffey, Mary Ann Found, Stan Found, Brad Found, Sarah McClelland, Ron Richards, Don Rickard, Ryan Armstrong, Walter Stapleton, Dave Davidson, Ann Lane, John Lane and Terry Price.

Our guest speaker for this meeting, biologist Jamie Davidson, gave a fascinating behind the scenes look at mining exploration activities within one of Canada's most remote and environmentally unique landscapes - the Canadian Arctic. Since 2002 Jamie has worked with the local Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority leading the development and implementation of management plans for conservation lands. The allure of Canada's Arctic continues to draw Jamie north at least once or twice a year where he is a relief camp manager at remote mining camps exploring for diamonds, gold and silver. Jamie shared many interesting stories about the



It is a hard life with long hours but they also have some fun too. He showed us gorgeous pictures of the landscapes, wildlife and plant life, beautiful waterfalls and sunsets. It was easy to see from his presentation how he loves his work there and why he returns each year for this remarkable experience.

hardships of setting up camp and living in minus 35 to minus 50 degrees temperatures. When they first arrive in the spring by helicopter it is a white landscape with no airstrips for larger planes and no camp set up. They have to clear out runways so that larger equipment can be brought in for the exploration activities. They need to set up camps for geologists, geological technicians, environmental consultants, drillers, medical personnel and others necessary for a safe and prosperous camp.



Condolences: Our heartfelt condolences go out to Lion Sarah Crossman and her family on the recent death of her mother Colleen Lush. Colleen was a member of the Lioness Club of Bowmanville for many years and her husband the Late Lion Bruce Lush was a long time member of our club along with their son Burke Lush. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time.

Lions / Rotary Draw Wednesday, February 16, 2011

HELP NEEDED

- 2 strong people to pick up name boards from Legion on Monday, Feb 14 & return them not later than Friday, Feb 18. Open back pickup truck & driver needed.
- 3-4 people on Tuesday Feb. 15 at 6.30 PM to put names on board & tickets in capsules.
- 1 person on Feb. 16 to record names as called on list & 1 person to cross names off board. (Lion Jim Cryderman will record names)
- 2 people on Feb.16 to check & take tickets at the door & sell remaining tickets & get names on the board.
- 2 names as alternates if necessary on Feb. 16th

Please reply to Lion Bill Huether by Feb. 10 if willing to help!! "

Thank-you Note from Lion Jack Brough

I would like to thank all the Lions for their recognition of my 68 years of Lionism shown in the Letter of Commendation from Leo Scruggs 111, (on behalf of Lion International Certificate Presidents), the of Appreciation and the Lion Jack Brough Bursary for OIT from the Bowmanville Lions Club. I also want to express my appreciation to Lion Moe and Lion Steve for a job well done.

My family and I wish the club a successfull future.

Lion Jack Brough



Big Brothers & Sisters – Lion Dave Gibson of The Lions Club of Newcastle has challenged our club to come up with a couple of teams of bowlers. Once again the club has met the challenge. The Big Brothers and Sisters Bowling Fundraising Event which takes place on Saturday, February 19^{th.} Sounds like a lot of fun and of course the Big Brothers and Sisters will be the real winners.

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, February 12th Sunday, February 13th

Monday, February 14th Wednesday, February 16th Friday, February 18th

Saturday, February 19th Saturday, February 19th Monday, February 28th Friday, March 4th Saturday, April 2nd Fri.-Sun. April 15-17th 2011 Saturday, May 7, 2011 May 26-29th, 2011 July 4-8th October 15, 2011 Tweed Lions 20th Anniversary Kendal Lions Pancake Breakfast 9 a.m.- 12 noon Kendal Community Centre **Bowmanville Lions Regular Meeting** Lions/Rotary Elimination Draw The Haliburton & District Lions present The Amazing Kreskin For information call Tina at 457-9399 **Clarington Project - Chilli Golf Classic Big Brothers and Sisters Bowling** Bowmanville Lions Regular Meeting Bowmanville Lions Bavarian Night Charter Night Of The Colborne and District Lions Club A-3 Convention, Kingston Port Hope Lions Club 80th Charter Anniversary MDA Convention, Ottawa Lions International Convention, Seatle Peterborough Lions Club 75th Charter Anniversary

Líon Joan Putnam

Abe and Esther are flying to Australia for a two-week vacation to celebrate their 40th anniversary. Suddenly, over the public address system, the Captain announces, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am afraid I have some very bad news. Our engines have ceased functioning and we will attempt an emergency landing. Luckily, I see an uncharted island below us and we should be able to land on the beach. However, the odds are that we may never be rescued and will have to live on the island for the rest of our lives!"

Thanks to the skill of the flight crew, the plane lands safely on the island. An hour later Abe turns to his wife and asks, "Esther, did we pay our \$5,000 PBS pledge check yet?"

"No, sweetheart," she responds.

Abe, still shaken from the crash landing, then asks, "Esther, did we pay our American Express card yet?"

"Oh, no! I'm sorry. I forgot to send the check," she says.

"One last thing, Esther. Did you remember to send checks for the Visa and MasterCard this month?" he asks.

"Oy, forgive me, Abie," begged Esther. "I didn't send that one, either."

Abe grabs her and gives her the biggest kiss in 40 years. Esther pulls away and asks him, "What was that for?"

Abe answers, "They'll find us!"

Submitted by Lion Bill Huether



THE LIONS CLUB OF BOWMANVILLE

BAVARIAN NIGHT



Live Music, Dancing and a Home Style Dinner





Tickets Available From Lions Club Members or Call Lion Linda Duffie 905-623-8750

ALL PROCEEDS TO THE LIONS CLUB OF BOWMANVILLE

Tickets will be available at the February 14th Meeting