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Next Meetings

Monday, March 14, 2011
Clarington Beech Centre
Catering: **Lions Catering Group**
Attitude Adjustment **6:00 p.m.**
Dinner **6:30 p.m.**

Monday, March 28, 2011
Clarington Beech Centre
Catering: **Hampton Stewards**
Attitude Adjustment **6:00 p.m.**
Dinner **6:30 p.m.**

Next Programs

March 14, 2011 - Lion Jim Hilborn has put together a couple of great speakers for the month of March. Our guest speaker for the first meeting is Ana Mazhar, Project Manager of the Durham Child Nutrition Program.

March 28, 2011 – Linda Sharpen from the CNIB will talk on the Eye Bank.

Highlights from the February 14th Meeting - Another fun night! The Lions catering group were certainly up to the challenge of feeding all the hungry Lions and guests, definitely a delicious meal. The musical duo of Lions Jim Coombes and Jim Cryderman provided some great entertainment so much so Lion Susan Taylor invited them out to the Millbrook Club. Speaking of entertaining Lion Bud Oke and Lion Doug Kemp provided some of their own laughs for the club. Lion Doug's introduction of his guest was the Best (you had to be there) and eagle eye Lion Bud catching District Governor Lion Gord reading the words to the Lions song was hilarious. Lion Bud's suggestion that the twister fine District Governor Gord for his infraction did not go without retribution from Lion Gord. Apparently according to Lion Gord squealers are fined in Millbrook.

This meeting fell on Valentines Day, members could invite their sweethearts to the meeting, my sweetheart was busy so I brought my wife Lynne. (Note to self: Don't let Lynne read this bulletin) Other guests included Judi Stevens, Ruth Williams Frances Huether, Lyn Oke, Linda Montgomery, Allanah Coles, Margaret Coombes, Lorraine Bennett, David Best and from the Millbrook Lions Club; Lions Monique Hills, Susan Taylor and Barbara Hulcoop. All guests received a rose at the end of the meeting. Nice touch!!

Belated Birthday wishes were extended to Zone Chair Lion Linda Duffie. Happy Birthday Lion Linda!

Lion Linda introduced District Governor Lion Gord Taylor who made his official visit to the club. Governor Gord is a member of the Millbrook and District Lions Club. He has held many offices in the club including Director, Vice President, Secretary and President. He is a Melvin Jones Fellow and is the recipient of the 100% Secretary Award, the Club President Excellence Award, and a recipient of a one Diamond Pin Award and a three Diamond Pin Award for Club Membership Growth. He has been presented with four Governor Appreciation Awards and an International President's Commendation. Governor Gord has attended the



Lions Faculty Institute and the Senior Lions Leadership Institute, International Conventions in Chicago, Minneapolis and Sydney, Australia, the USA Canada Leadership Forum in Saskatoon and moderated a session at the USA Canada Forum in Memphis in September of 2009. He has served as Cabinet Secretary, District Constitution and Policy Chair, as well as serving as Zone and Region Chair and 1st Vice District Governor.

He was the MERL Coordinator for District A3 and is also acting as the District Facilitator for the Club Excellence Process. Governor Gord has earned a Bachelor of Arts degree, a Masters of Education degree and has undertaken Doctoral studies in the area of organizational change and has been active in many community, professional and church organizations.

He and Lion Susan have been married for 41 years and have two children and two grandchildren. He spends his free time visiting his children and grandchildren and traveling.

Lion Gord opened with a presentation of the Governor's patch to President Lion Steve for our club banner. DG Lion Gord brought greetings from International President Sid Scruggs III, and highlighted some of the things our International President would like to see Lions clubs focus on. Lion Gord's goal this year is "Striving for Club Excellence" Clubs are encouraged to go back to their roots of service; encourage young people to volunteer; continue our pledge to Helen Keller to be Knights of The Blind; feed the hungry year round and service to our environment. Being out in the community, planting trees, doing road cleanups, Lion Gord believes when the public see us performing these services they will want to be part of the group.

Lion Gord brought the club up to date on the current events taking place in District A-3 he also spoke on some of the changes with this year's convention. The 2011 convention sounds like it will be a fun and educational weekend, definitely worth attending.

Lion Gord closed with what he would like to see the LIONS acronym become:

L- Loving I – Individuals O – Offering N – Needed S – Service

President Lion Steve thanked DG Lion Gord and presented him with a cheque to the Peterborough Regional Health Centre.

Lion Susan Taylor presented Vision Screening Chair Lion Jim Cryderman with a patch for the club banner. Lion Jim thanked his team of Lions and volunteers who help with the screening of the students. Lion Jim has done a great job with this program. I encourage all members to go out to one of the schools with Lion Jim and his team and see what this program is all about. It definitely can make a difference to a child who has a problem with their sight.

Correspondence

- Secretary Lion Steve Coles read a thank-you note from Lion Jack Brough.
- Lion Sarah Duthie sent a card of thanks for the flowers and well wishes after her recent knee surgery.

Lion Dianne Short presented 2 cheques to the club. The funds are from the closing of the Bowmanville Lioness Club.

Membership Chair - Lion Jim Coombes reports he has received an application for membership. Members wishing further information on the applicant can contact Lion Jim.

50/50 – Lion Jim Cryderman was the holder of the lucky ticket. His reward was \$36.00

Highlights from the February 28th Meeting - The catering group from Eldad United Church served up a great pork dinner topped off with a large assortment of pies.

Guests included Jean Welsh, David Best, Joan Anyan and Maurice Laganieri along with the students who participated in the Effective Speaking Competition. Following the dinner we were joined by a great turnout of the students family members.

Birthdays - Lion Don MacKay recently celebrated a birthday which probably didn't make him the most popular Lion at his table, but it was certainly great to see Lion Don. Happy Birthday Lion Don!



The Competitors

The 3rd place competitor Jazmyne Phillips' topic was on superstitions, covering the history of how some of the more common superstitions came to be. The Intermediate competitor Jonathon Legere gave a prepared speech of 5 – 7 minutes. He was then required to prepare a impromptu speech from a list of topics given to him following his prepared speech. His prepared speech was on Child Abuse, he chose the topic of How To Enjoy Winter Without Going South for his impromptu speech. With no other competitors in this level he will automatically move to the district competition. Based on the two excellent speeches from Jonathon I'm sure we haven't heard the last from this young man.

As mentioned above this was the meeting that features the Effective Speaking Competition with students from schools in Bowmanville. This year 9 students competed in the Junior level and one student competed in the Intermediate level. The judges for the competition were Jean Welsh, Joan Anyan, Lion Ken Burgess and the time keeper was Maurice Laganieri. Competitors in the Junior category gave a prepared speech of 3 – 5 minutes in length. The 1st place winner Natassja Caninico spoke on the topic of dreams, 2nd place went to Brooke Miura, her speech was about changing trends from the 50's to present day and her thoughts on what she might see between now and 2050.



Competition Winners



Lion Jim Cryderman congratulates the students.

This was an outstanding group of students, the speeches were excellent with a great range of interesting topics. I'm sure the winners will do well at the District Competiton. Lion Jim Cryderman and his committee once again did a great job putting together this year's competiton.

Correspondence: Lion Dianne Short filled in for our vacationing Secretary Lion Steve Coles.

- Letter received from Lions International with a patch for our banner
- A letter on Canadian Diabetes Tag Day
- A thank-you note from District Governor Lion Gord Taylor and Lion Susan Taylor
- A thank-you note from Lion Sarah Crossman and Burke Lush for the donation from the club in memory of their mother Colleen Lush.

Other items

1. Lion Ken Burgess spoke to the club on the meal program. All members are required to pay a \$15.00 deposit to cover the cost of a meal at a missed meeting.
2. Membership Chair Lion Jim Coombes presented an award to Lion Peter Lockhardt for his outstanding ability to attract new members.
3. Lion Bill Huether gave a report on the the Elimination Draw. Our portion of the proceeds from the evening was \$1607.00 and Lion Bob Williams once again sold the most tickets. Great job Lion Bob!! Lion Bill thanked everyone who helped make this another successful event.
4. Lion Jim Coombes reported that Lion Howard Wood is feeling much better following his recent surgery. We wish Lion Howard a speedy recovery.
5. Lion Bill Huether reports that **Club Elections** will take place at the **April 11th** meeting for Directors and the election of club officers at the **April 25th** meeting.

50/50 Draw: Lion Linda Duffie took home the proceeds of the evenings draw.
Congratulations Lion Linda!

COMING EVENTS

Monday, March 14, 2011	Bowmanville Lions Regular Dinner Meeting
Saturday, March 19, 2011	Marmora Crowe Valley Lions Club Stew Supper & Jam Session
Sunday, March 20, 2011	Kendal Lions Club presents The Kendal Jamboree @ The Kendal Community Centre 1-5 p.m. For more information Call Lion Carol @ 905-786-1148
Monday, March 28, 2011	Bowmanville Lions Regular Meeting
Saturday, April 2, 2011	Charter Night Of The Colborne and District Lions Club
Fri.-Sun. April 15-17 th 2011	A-3 Convention, Kingston
Saturday, May 7, 2011	Port Hope Lions Club 80 th Charter Anniversary
Thursday, May 26, 2011	Multiple District "A" Capital Experience 2011 13th Annual Lions "Stew O'Brien Golf Tournament" For more information contact Lion Andy @ 613-744-6438
May 26-29 th , 2011	MDA Convention, Ottawa
July 4-8 th	Lions International Convention, Seattle
October 15, 2011	Peterborough Lions Club 75 th Charter Anniversary



Best Positions In Bed

Hope you're not disappointed. You have to admit this pair make a cute couple.

Hymn #365

A minister was completing a temperance sermon. With great emphasis he said, 'If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river.'

With even greater emphasis he said, 'And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river.'

And then finally, shaking his fist in the air, he said, 'And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river.'

Sermon complete, he sat down. The song leader stood very cautiously and announced with a smile, nearly laughing, 'For our closing song,

Let us sing Hymn #365, 'Shall We Gather at the River.'

Submitted by Lion Bill Huether



Submitted by Lion
Robbie Montgomery.



Hope to see you on the 14th.
Lion Doug