

Life is too short, so relax and have a little fun.  
lesson from a lion.



## DISTRICT A-3



### NEWSLETTER

June 2016



As I sit down to write this my final article for the District Newsletter as you District Governor, I have many thoughts and feelings going through my head. In many ways it does not seem possible that the year is almost gone. It seems like only

yesterday that we were packing and getting ready to leave for Honolulu and the International Convention of 2015. It has been quite a year! There have been highs and lows. Highs when I was able to induct new members into clubs and lows when we had to say a final farewell to too many Lions. Highs when we were able to work with members of different clubs on their activities or projects and lows when hurtful words or unkind actions caused a member to leave Lions.

Perhaps the greatest high for me was our District Convention. It is impossible for me to name each of the many Lions who dedicated themselves to making the Convention a success. The host committee under the leadership of Harm Zylstra met all winter making plans and giving their time to ensure that the "Go Dog Go" party and the rest of the convention was great fun. Who will ever forget all those dog cookies!

The business sessions ran smoothly and were lively and fun. Bev Berger helped us all realize how important supporting our Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is and Larry Martin gathered up our quarters and dollars to help raise over \$2,500 for Leader Dog. We definitely celebrated our dog theme all weekend.

The workshops sessions were varied and informative. The evaluations were very positive. A sincere thank you to our presenters for the time and effort they put into preparing and presenting the workshops.

The banquet was a very special time to celebrate together and recognize some of the many Lions in our district who work so tirelessly on our behalf. Special certificates from our International President Dr. Yamada were presented to Wilma Bush, Gord and Susan Taylor and Kathy Marchen. The International President's Leadership Medal was presented to Earl Oliver. Our International Guest even inducted a new member during the Banquet.

Driving around on our first "District Wide Day of Service" on May 7 made me so proud and happy. Seeing so many of you working together on so many different projects and services in your communities made the cold and rainy weather almost disappear as there were smiles everywhere we went. My only regret was that we could not visit all the clubs that day. Thank you for making the day all that I had hoped it would be.

I have learned a lot this year. I have learned that there is no one way to do anything in Lions. Leaders and members have so many different ideas and suggestions. Each club has its own way of serving the community and working together. I wish that more Lions would travel a little and visit the clubs in the same zone and region to see and hear about what others are doing. I have learned that our International President's theme for this year needs to be carried forward for the years to come in the way we work together in our clubs, and District.

As I finish this year and hand the gavel over to District Governor Elect John Whyte, I want to thank each of you for all that you do for your club, our District and Lions Clubs International.

*Janet Marissen*

# Why LCIF?



## Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**

The huge disaster suffered by our fellow Canadians in Fort McMurray has once again proven the generosity of people around the world and in Canada. The urge to help in any way we can drives us to donate material needs as well as money. Young children to elderly seniors dig as deep as they can to try to ease the pain of strangers.

Lions are no different. Emails and calls started coming into our home almost as soon as the images hit the news. The questions were all focused on how can we help now? The first publicized way to donate was to the Red Cross. Individual Lions and clubs donated quickly to that organization. That money will be well used and the victims will receive benefits from those gifts.

What was missed in the rush to do something was that Lions were already giving from our own Lions Clubs International Foundation. Our donation of \$100,000 was already there! I am very proud of that! Our Foundation was able to do that because Lions Clubs around the world put Lions Club International Foundation in their budgets every year! Unfortunately it will not be long before the next disaster occurs somewhere around the world. LCIF will be there too.

Did you know that:

- ◇ Every dollar you donate to LCIF goes out in grants where needed?
- ◇ Just this year, Canadians have received grants that far exceed what Canadian Lions have donated to LCIF?
- ◇ Our district received \$42,000 American dollars this year, but has only donated approximately \$10,000?
- ◇ As an individual you can make a charitable donation to LCIF and receive a tax receipt and know that every dollar goes out in grants?
- ◇ LCIF is rated as one of the top five non-governmental organizations in the world?
- ◇ Making a club donation to LCIF is one of the criteria for earning a club excellence award?

Why donate to LCIF?

Because we are Lions and it's our Foundation.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Lions Club of Cobourg Canada Day Celebration



**Under the Tent at Victoria Park in Cobourg**  
**TWO** Great Organizations! **TWO** Great Events! **ONE** Great Night!

*Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup> 2016*  
**Victoria Park**

Strawberry Social: ADVANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE BY CALLING  
 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm **THE LIONS CENTRE**  
 \$15.00 in Advance or **905-372-6217**  
 \$20.00 at the Tent Northumberland  
 Includes: United Way,  
 Assorted Cold Cuts, Jonesy's  
 salads, tea, coffee and Barbershop,  
 Strawberry Short Cake! Carlson  
 Net Proceeds from the Strawberry Social Wagonlit Cobourg  
 go to Northumberland United Way



**Local Craft Beer Event!!**  
 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm  
 Free Admission to Tent  
 Music provided by Your Kind of Music  
 Food Truck and Local Craft Beer



NET FUNDS RAISED FROM THE CRAFT BEER EVENT GO TO LOCAL CHARITIES AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION!

The Chemung Lake District Lions Club & The Ennismore Curling Club **present**



**A CLASSIC CAR SHOW & MONTE CARLO NIGHT**  
**SATURDAY AUGUST 15, 2015**  
**ROBERT E. YOUNG RECREATION COMPLEX**  
**ENNISMORE CURLING CLUB**  
**555 ENNIS ROAD, ENNISMORE**

**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FEATURING TAMMY J. WILDE**  
**FOOD, REFRESHMENTS and GAMES**

MONTE CARLO EVENT STARTS AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CURLING CLUB  
 Admission \$10.00 per person (minimum age 19)

CLASSIC CAR SHOW STARTS AT 4:00 P.M. IN PARKING LOT (open to all ages, no charge)

**IN SUPPORT OF YOUTH AND SENIORS' PROGRAMS IN OUR COMMUNITY**



**40<sup>th</sup> Annual**  **OMAHA**

The Mission of the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

To develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International.

Visit: [lionsforum.org](http://lionsforum.org)



## Stirling & District Lions Club BINGO

Monday nights at the Lions Hall

Upstairs in the Stirling Arena

June Dates: 20th & 27th

Doors open at 6 p.m., eyes down at 6:30 p.m.

Nevada tickets are available and the canteen is open.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## RCMP Musical Ride

Hosted by the Apsley Lions

September 5, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Lions Park

McFadden Road

Apsley, Ontario

Mark your calendars and  
bring your family out for a  
wonderful show!



## Kendal Lions Club



### Strawberry Supper

Friday — JUNE 24th, 2016

Kendal Community Centre  
Doors Open — 5:30 pm  
Supper — 6:00 pm

Adults: \$18.00 single  
\$35.00 couple  
Youth—\$8.00 (ages 6-12)  
Children under 6—Free

Come One ~ Come All

Enjoy a delicious  
Cold Salad Plate supper...  
topped off with our yummy  
Strawberry Shortcake  
dessert.

**Advance Ticket Sales**  
**RSVP by Wednesday, June 22nd**

For tickets, contact:  
• Lion Shirley Robinson (905) 786-2484  
• Lion Carol Robinson (905) 786-1148 email: ronandcarolr@gmail.com

Tickets will also available at the Kendal Post Office

**THANK-YOU** All proceeds from our fundraising supper will  
be donated to local and global Lions projects.

~ Kendal Lions Club



# UPCOMING EVENTS



WELLINGTON DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

PRESENTS

Weekly Bingo In the County!



Join us for entertaining Thursday evenings

Starting March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Wellington Community Centre, Highline Hall

Belleville Street, Wellington

Doors Open at 6:00 p.m.

Lightning Rounds start at 6:45 p.m.

Regular Bingo at 7:00 p.m.

For more info call: Betty at 613-399-3105 or Art at 613-399-3846

100% of funds raised will go back into the community!



Organized and run by the Wellington District Lions Club



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OR  
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OR  
3 FOR \$10

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DRAW JULY 19TH 3PM  
CENTRE HASTINGS PARK



Fred Brown, MC  
and his host band:  
Joe Saunders  
Chuck Daoust  
Bill Barkley  
Ernie Smith

With guests  
Ivett Vandebogart  
Dennis Whitty  
Linda Faith  
Old Habits

Follow your HEART  
to the COUNTRY

Dancing  
Cash bar  
Free parking  
Classic country music  
Homemade refreshments

**LIVE MUSIC  
OPEN  
STAGE**

Storrington Lions Club Hall

Sunday, **June 26** from **1-4 pm**



Hosted by **Storrington Lions Club**

\$8 admission to support the Storrington  
Lions Hall Revitalization Project

Find us @ 2992 Princess Road, Inverary ON (613) 353-6920

**BREAKFAST**

**Parham**

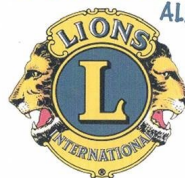
ALL YOU CAN EAT

**United Church**

C.E. Building

1035 Wagarville Road, Parham

**Saturday, June 18th**  
8:00 to 11:00 a.m.



\$7.00 per adult

\$3.00 ages 6 - 12



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*Denbigh-Griffith Lions  
Legacy project—new sign installation by Lions and volunteers.*

*Chemung Lake Lions  
Lions Park Dedication in honour of Lion Paul J. English—May 14.*





**Belleville Lions**  
Presented a \$10,000 donation towards the Children's Safety Villages overall fundraising goal.



**Marmora Crowe Valley Lions**  
Lion Winston Wylie with District Governor Janet Marissen in Marmora Memorial Park.



**Havelock Lions**  
Presentation of \$2,310 to LCIF for Fort McMurray Fire Relief



**Happy Birthday Zone Chair Linda Zwier!**



**Cabinet Team—District A-3 for 2016-17**



*Bowmanville Lions  
Two of Bowmanville's newest Lions, sisters  
Nicole and Lindsey serving pancakes at  
Maplefest on May 7th.*



*Frankford Lions  
Lion Ray Rumney and Lion Ray Bauer being presented with  
their 50 year pins by Lion Barb,  
Past District Governor, A-12.  
Congratulations!*



*Cobourg Lions  
Cobourg Lions raised \$1,225  
At their Vintage Tea event in support of  
Northumberland's Biggest Coffee  
morning.*





*Stirling & District Lions*

*Lion of the Year 2015-16 Lion Kenn and  
2015-16 President Lion Gayle*



*Courtice Lions*

*Induction Ceremony*



*Cobourg Lakeshore Lions*

*Cobourg Lakeshore Lions along with Guide Dog Ryden,  
did their part cleaning public areas in the community.*



**Marmora Crowe Valley Lions**

**Lion Kevin Roy and Lion Wilma Bush at the BBQ in  
Marmora Memorial Park on the Day of Service, May 7th.**



**Frankford Lions**  
**Lion Harold being presented with his 40  
year pin by District Governor  
Lion Janet.**



**Denbigh-Griffith Lions**  
**Installation of Officers by Lion Mary Ann Smith**



**Madoc Lions**

**Darlene Jackson, Education and Support Coordinator Centre  
Hastings Alzheimer's Society Prince Edward-Hastings along with  
OPP Officer Brian Kennedy and Janette Cox, Program Support and  
Administration Alzheimer's Society, made a presentation to the  
Madoc Lions Club for a new unique opportunity in being able to find  
and track those with Alzheimer's disease, Autism and Down's  
Syndrome. For more information contact  
Darlene Jackson [darlene.jackson@alzheimershpe.ca](mailto:darlene.jackson@alzheimershpe.ca)**





*DG Janet and Friend at Final Cabinet Meeting for 2015-16*



*Warsaw and District Lions  
2nd Vice District Governor Bill Zwier presenting Lions President Richard Cullen and Charter Member Lion Wayne Tedford a certificate marking their 43rd anniversary.*

*Stirling and District Lions*

*On May 7th, our Day of Service, members of the Stirling and District Lions Club came out to clean up the gardens at the covered bridge in Stirling. Most of the Lions even brought plants from their own gardens!*



*Belleville Lions  
Congratulations to Lion Darryl Joudrey for winning Best Dressed at the Walk-A-Mile in her shoes event!*



***Cobourg Lions***

***Over 200 people attended breakfast on the  
"Day of Caring".***



***Madoc Lions***

***BBQ in support of Hospice House.  
Great job Lions Len Karbrandt, Larry Bradley and  
Kevan Doucette.***



***Belleville Lions***

***Toll road in support of CNIB***



***Sharbot Lake Lions***

***Lion Dave Hansen was welcomed into the "Half  
Century Club" celebrating his 50 years as a Lion by  
President, Bill Zwier.***

# Your Club Your Way

## Makeover Your Meetings

Meetings are often the heart of Lions clubs. They're a time to get informed, share ideas, set goals and of course, have fun. Are your meetings addressing the needs and interests of club members? Does the tone of your meetings fit with the membership climate? Are some traditions feeling outdated? The good news is that meetings can be tweaked in little ways or be completely reinvented—it's up to each club to make the call. LCI's "Your Club Your Way" guide provides a blueprint for evaluating and updating meetings. Here are a few factors from the guide to consider:



**Determine the goals of your meetings.** Are they to plan events, enjoy a speaker, conduct a service project, enjoy the fellowship, have fun or all of the above?

**Determine the frequency of meetings.** Some clubs meet once a week, while others meet once a month. Determine the amount of time needed to plan, communicate and get your members involved.

**Identify channels of communication.** While announcements during meetings can be exciting and motivating, take advantage of email, text messages, Facebook, Twitter and your club's website.

**Determine meals and location.** While meeting over a meal is a long-standing tradition, it's not a requirement and may lengthen and add to the cost of membership.

**Question traditions.** Many clubs open with a song or a pledge, but your club can determine which traditions you would like to keep and which to drop. Ask younger members to provide input.

**Read the "Your Club, Your Way" guide and find more guidance on reinventing meetings. The guide includes ways to increase involvement, program ideas and a survey for club members to fill out and share their input on the future direction of meetings.**

## Winning Website

Does your club's website stand out in the crowd? Enter it in the annual Lions Clubs International Contest for a chance to showcase your club's hard work and creativity and receive some recognition. The contest is open to all clubs, districts and multiple districts. Entries are judged on the quality of content and design and must be received at International Headquarters by May 1st. Find the entry form at [lionsclubs.org](http://lionsclubs.org).

## #LionsClubSelfie Wall

[Lions SMiLE](#) invites you to post your Lions selfie on Twitter, Instagram, Google+ & Tumblr using hashtag #lionsclubselfie. Only one rule..... the selfie must show the Lions logo! Have fun!



Dear Lion, As we approach 100 years of service, I'd like to thank you for your tremendous efforts leading up to our Centennial. I also want to encourage you to report your club's hard work and continue working toward your end-of-year goals. Reporting allows your club's accomplishments to be recognized and shared with Lions around the world. Here's how your club can finish the year strong and help usher in our next century of service:

- Invite and retain at least three new members to help your club grow and make Lions even stronger!
- Host a youth, vision, hunger and environment project in support of the Centennial Service Challenge.
- Plan a Legacy Project during the Centennial Celebration to create a visible reminder and a lasting legacy of your service to your community.

As our 99<sup>th</sup> year comes to a close, we can all take pride in our accomplishments. Let's keep up the momentum so we can continue to serve and turn our humanitarian vision into reality!

Sincerely, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada  
Your International President



## Share Your Centennial Celebration!

The #LIONS100 hashtag allows Lions everywhere to show the world how they're celebrating the Centennial through service. Are you on social media? Be sure to share your club's Centennial activities with the hashtag #LIONS100 on your Facebook, Twitter and Instagram posts, and you might see your club featured on LCI's social media channels!





## IN MEMORIAM

Because of you...

Someone will have enough to eat tonight.

Someone will have decent clothes to wear.

Someone will have shelter.

Someone will receive medical care.

Someone will learn the skills they need to survive and succeed.

Someone knows there's at least one person in this world who cared.

Rest in Peace

*Lion Bill Scott—Cobourg Lions Club*

*Lion Bob Williams—Bowmanville Lions Club*

*Lion Bonnie Sharpe—Madoc Lions Club*

*Lion John Van Bakel—Bancroft Lions Club*

*Lion Joyce Taber—Wellington District Lions Club*

*Lion Tony Killingsworth—Chemung Lake District Lions Club*

*Lion Vern Benn—Napanee Lions Club*



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