

Lions Clubs International **District A-15**

News Bulletin

February 2017





To the Lions of District A-15

A challenge, how do we make this Youth Camp Exchange the best ever? Together we can do it, "Yes we can".

Help foster "Peace and Understanding" among the young people of the world.

Please read the content of the two following pages and contact our Youth Chair Team to see how you can help.

I am happy to announce the application for the Mosborough "Busy Busy" Lions has been approved by LCI. They have 26 members. 3 members transfers from the Woolwich Community Lions and 23 new Lions. This is a Speciality Cyber Club. On line meetings and communications are their method of communicating.



Members are foster parents of the Lions Foundation of Canada Foster Puppy Program. Please join me in welcoming our newest Lions to the Pride.

I wish to thank Lions Deb Cserhalmi, Nancy Chiasson and Cheryl Bauman for their diligence and hard work. Congratulations for not only seeing a need, but also for turning this dream into a reality.

District A15 Officers

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Calling All Potential Host Families!

We know that winter is here and it's hard to think forward to the summer, it will be here before we know it! On July 8 we will have the pleasure of welcoming youth from around the world to the 42nd annual Bruce Murray Lions International Youth Exchange Program. We are looking forward to another awesome experience! Our guests will be with us until August 5th, the camp runs from July 21st until August 1st.

We have received applications and letters from fourteen countries and had an opportunity to speak with youth who are excited and grateful to be coming to Canada. Here are some of those thoughts.

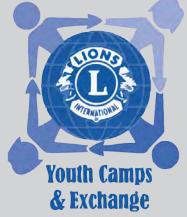
One is from Austria, he volunteers with the firefighters at home. He is excited because not only is he coming to Canada but also going to Chicago with his dad at the International Convention.

The young lady who is coming from France spoke to us via Skype, her smile was lighting up the room. In her letter to her host family she said "I'm so happy to have the chance to meet you and live this tremendous experience".

Our Greek youth says "... it is a chance to broaden horizons and start thinking differently. By visiting new places with different cultures we can realize how unique every civilization is".

The young lady coming from Italy is looking forward to cooking some Italian dishes for you and she thinks "... the world is a book and those who do not travel will read only one page of it!"

Hosting youth from around the world is a fantastic way to learn about various cultures. At the same time, we get to play a role in building relationships that will shape the way they will forever think and shape the world we live in. it really is an awesome opportunity!



Last year, a young man was at the camp and, referring to one of his fellow youth, he said to us "you know, typically people from my country don't like people from her country but now that I have met her, I can't to say I dislike people from that country".

We are asking you to consider committing to being a host family. We would like to be able to accept more youth into the program but er, we

need to ensure that they will have a host family to welcome them. If you have hosted in prior years and would like to host again please contact us as soon as possible. If you haven't hosted but you think you might be interested, we will provide you with the information.

We are asking you to think "outside the box" for ways that you could get involved Perhaps there is someone in your club who could host if club members were able to offer their support and commit to taking youth on an outing. Perhaps one of your club members has an adult child who would provide a great host family. It is not necessary for someone to be a Lions member to be a host.

Every person involved with this program, whether it be your club financially supporting the program, volunteering with your club to provide meals, or being a host family is impacting the youth of the world. Thank-you for your continued support of this program.

Lions Mark & Allison Henkell Committee Chairs/Camp Directors 228-228-0874 (Allison) 519-788-5000 (Mark) ycex@a15lions.org

DISTRICT A-15 LIONS 2016-2017 PHOTO CONTEST



Lions with Cameras

What great pictures they will take. Plan to participate in this years Environmental Photo contest.

Criteria is an 8X10 picture of your immediate surroundings of Animal life, Plant life, Urban or Natural Landscape, or Weather phenomenon

Please mail your original Photo by

April 21st 2017

to ZC Lion Linda Litt

Convention Co-host

37 Falcon Drive, Elmira, ON, N3B 3H8

PASSING
January 16th 2017
William George(Bill) Kuntz
Bridgeport Lions
"He Served"

PASSING
February 2nd 2017
Lion Ken Oliver
KW Community Spirit Lions
"He Served"



PASSING

February 4th 2017
Lion Joe Brick
Paradise & District Lions
"He Served"





LION JASON CROWE Health & Welfare Update

District A 15 Environment Chair, Lion Jason Crowe has been diagnosed with Cancer and is now in in treatment.

Many of you know that Jason, his wife Anne, and 2 young children reside at the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide Training and Breeding Facility Breslau. Both Lion Jason and Anne are active at the Foundation.

This will put a terrific strain on his family, a "Go Fund Me" account has been established through his friends at his employment.

This is an opportunity for all Lions to pitch in, follow the link to donate. Private donations may also be arranged through Elmira Lions.

Please keep Jason and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

https://www.gofundme.com/jason-crowe





Lagrange ions Clubs International has joined together with other service organizations to partner in an International Week of Service. Across the globe, volunteers – like you – are working to improve their communities. As we take on many challenges facing us today, we create personal bonds and friendships with other community members and volunteers. It is in this spirit that we ask your club to invite another local service group to volunteer with you during the last week of March. Information and resources for this event can be found at weekofservice.org. Also, visit the International Week of Service 2017 Facebook Event to RSVP and see what other clubs are planning.

Organizations participating in this event include: Lions Clubs International, Rotary International, Optimist International, Junior Chamber International, Kiwanis International, Moose International, Soroptimist, Y's Men International, Pilot International, Sertoma Inc., Zonta International, National AMBUCS and The National Exchange Club.

We simply ask that your club work with one or more other area service groups to do something together for your community. This can be an activity that is already planned for that week or something new. Then share your photos and videos from this activity at weekofservice.org, on the Facebook Event and on social media with the hashtag #weekofservice2017. Also, complete the fill-in-the-blank press release available at weekofservice.org and send it with a photo to your local media.

In addition to helping more people and communities in one week than ever before, this event will help us to promote all of our organizations, highlight membership opportunities and reinforce the importance of civic engagement and individual social responsibility. It is a chance for our volunteers to forge lasting relationships – further enabling prospects for future joint projects.

Join us in this partnership as we serve together like never before!

If you have any questions, please contact Kristopher Kempski at Kristopher.Kempski@lionsclubs.org.

Very truly yours, Chancellor Bob Corlew





PARIS LIONS





Paris Lions past president Derrick Porter and president David Arnsenault present a cheque for \$10,000.00 to Heather Marsden and Cathy Proll of the Canadian Deafblind Association, Ontario Chapter. The money will go toward the development of a café at the CDBA Ontario Resource Centre in Paris that will provide volunteer and employment opportunities related to the hospitality industry for individuals that are deafblind.



CAMBRIDGE HIGHLANDS

D.G. WAYNE LITT OFFICIAL VISIT

January 19, 2017



Secretary Lion Marg, Lion Chief Dan and DG Wayne



DG Wayne presents Lion Marg de Boer with her 25-Year Chevron for Lions Service.



NEW HAMBURG LIONESS





Prostate Cancer Canada to recent meeting. Both men welcomed the chance to share their information with our club. One of the organizations strategies is to present to groups of women in the hope they will pass on the information to their spouses and encourage them to have a PSA baseline recorded for future reference. Shown in the photo from Left to Right are: Lioness Karren Faulkner, Glen Tolhurst & Ken Steele from Prostate Cancer Canada and Lioness Janet Dawson-Brock.



KITCHENER LIONS

EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (ELLI)



The Lions club of Kitchener had three members attend this training in January, Lions Lara Meek, Erhard Kruger and Brett Wilkinson.

They all commented on what a great experience it was.

Can you find them in the picture?



CAMBRIDGE HIGHLANDS LIONS VISION & HEARING SCREENING

The team from Cambridge Highlands are active with theIr Vision & Hearing Screening program. Here is some of their recent activity from their January Report. They provided over 75 hours of service.



Chair Lion Richard Green & wife Linda





Lion Marg de Boer Vision Screening



Lion Jim Harris & wife Peggy conducting hearing screening



Linda Green Vision Screening



COPETOWN LIONS



The Lions of Copetown continue to build on their Centennial Legacy Project with an aggressive donation campaign to worthwhile organizations in the Greater Hamilton area. This past month a donation of \$3,500.00 was made to the Hamilton Health Sciences Organization and \$5,000.00 to the Cancer Assistance Program. A portion of the donations given out under their program are directly related to the Health & Welfare of some of the members and their families.



Lion Chief Doug Paddon & Lion Sectretary Barrie Conron presenting to Kate Lantagne from the Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation.

Not to be outdone, our resident team of presenters are seen with the club donation to Becky McMahon of the Cancer Assistance Program.





MD"A" Convention 2017

Kitchener – May 11th to 14th

After some 23 years, the MD"A" Convention returns to Kitchener where a loud **"Willkommen"** will greet you as we celebrate our organization's 100 years of service.

Our host hotel is the Crown Plaza which is situated right in the heart of the city. You will note some slight changes this year as we are starting the transition to the Ad Hoc Committee's "2 Day Convention" recommendation which was approved by MD"A" Council in 2016.

The annual Stew O'Brien Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, May 11th at the lovely tree-lined 18 hole Rockway Golf Course. This facility is just 7 minutes from the hotel with a tee-off time at 10:00 am.

The Host Committee luncheon on Friday will have Mr. Neil Aitchison giving us some words of inspiration. He is a former broadcaster and a theatre performer who will surely enlighten you. The opening ceremonies, with the help of the KW Oktoberfest Convention Committee, will be held on Friday at 5:30 pm followed by a social and dinner. Our Convention/International Banquet is scheduled for 1 pm on Saturday afternoon. LCI 1st Vice President Naresh Aggarwal and his spouse Navita will be our guests. Most are pleased that there will be no need for tuxedos at the Banquet but we ask that you dress appropriately.

We are hoping to address the issue of "too much running around and being hurried" by allowing more free time so we may rekindle old friendships and make new ones. To offset the often heard "there is nothing for us to do", we will be offering a session on Internet Child Exploitation, presented by Waterloo Regional Police. Also, there will be a session where Lions, who wish to participate, take the place of teachers and experience an actual but condensed Lions Quest training program. Both sessions will no doubt be of interest and provide a wealth of information. As well, we will have several other sessions, a tribute to PIP Harry Newman, Free Opportunity and Vision Screening.

After the Oktoberfest-styled dinner on Friday night we are planning to have one of the local "Oompah-pah" bands to entertain you. On Saturday, Council Chair Stew's pick is the young and talented Matt Weidinger band.

On behalf of the Lions Club of Kitchener we look forward to your arrival and trust that you will enjoy *the spirit of Gemuetlichkeit!*

OJ Lion O.J. Wilura, PDG 2017 MD"A" Host Committee







2017 MULTIPLE DISTRICT 'A' CONVENTION

"Willkommen" Celebrating 100 Years of Service

May 11th to May 14th, 2017 Hosted by the Lions Club of Kitchener

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Please Note

- 1. Everyone including guests must be registered to attend functions and meals
- 2. Cancellation must be made in writing or by email. Cancellations after **April 10, 2017** will be subject to a \$20 handling fee.
- 3. No refunds after April 25, 2017

Function Tickets	Cost Per Person	A	В	Total		
Thursday Night DG/DGE/PDG Dinner	\$45.00			\$		
Friday Inclusive	\$65.00			\$		
Friday Night Oktoberfest Dinner *	\$40.00			\$		
Saturday Inclusive	\$80.00			\$		
Saturday Convention Banquet *	\$50.00			\$		
Saturday Opportunity for Youth Dinner	\$25.00			\$		
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Friday Inclusive includes breakfast mor	ning coffee, lunch	and after	noon cof	fee with snacks		
Saturday Inclusive: breakfast, morning	coffee and Convent	tion Banq	uet bein	g held at 12:30 pm		
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Sunday Registration fee is \$10.00 cash	on arrival.	No Ro	egistratio	on Fee for LEO Members		
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By Credit Card: Name:	CVS#.	Card #:				
Expiry date: CVS#: NB: C/C payments will show as: LCK Monex Account						
Cheques payable to: MDA Convention 2017						
Mail Registration form to:						
Lions Club of Kitchener						
P.O. Box 1001, Station "C"						
Kitchener, ON N2G 4E3						
Queries: Convention Chair: OJ Wilura: 519-748-4304 or by email: ojwilura@gmail.com						
Registration Chair: Ron Ross: 519-886-0553 or by email: 1937lcktreasurer@gmail.com						
NOTE Hotel Reservation made by the member. Room rates are \$127.00 plus tax and includes parking						
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 105 King St., Kitchener N2G 2K8 - 1-800-483-7812 and use code "MDC"						

Lions Clubs International - Multiple District "A" Convention "Willkommen"

19th Annual Lion Stew O'Brien Golf Tournament Thursday, May 11, 2017 Rockway Golf Course

625 Rockway Dr., Kitchener, ON N2G 3B5 (7 minutes from the hotel)
Cost: \$ 65.00 for Golf and Cart
Staggered Shotgun start at 10:00 am

Prizes awarded for Longest Drive & Closest to the Pin

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2017 Convention Committee P.O. Box 1001, Station "C" Kitchener, ON N2G 4E3

NB: If you wish to enter a foursome, we suggest you forward all forms at the same time.

The Ticket You've Been Waiting For

Join us as we celebrate 100 years of Lions service with a sunset dinner cruise aboard the MS Chi Chemaunn

Lions
Centennial Boat
Cruise





When: June 3, 2017

Where: Tobermory, Ontario

Cost: \$59.95

To order tickets contact Lion Hank Van Moorsel

Email: hvanm@eastlink.ca or phone: 519-832-6944







Belwood and District Lions Club 40th Anniversary Saturday, April 8th, 2017

Reception: 5:30, Dinner: 6:30 \$30 per person

Memories and Entertainment to follow

RSVP by March 31st
to Lion Secretary Denis Vinette at
belwood@a15lions.org
or

call 519-843-7011



2017 District A15 Convention "Celebrate Service"



May 5th to 7th, 2017

Hosted by:

Lions Club of Elmira and The Woolwich Community Lions Club

	□ New Member Since April 2016 □ "A"-15 Convention First Timer			PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE:		
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2017 District "A"-15 Convention

"Celebrate Service"

Important Notes

- 1. Cancellation MUST be made in writing or by e-mail. Cancellations after April 3, 2017 will be subject to a \$20.00 handling fee.
- 2. No refunds after April 18, 2017.
- 3. All requests for rooms must be paid in full.

Hotel Name/Location

Courtyard Waterloo St. Jacobs 50 Benjamin Rd, Waterloo, ON N2V 2J9 Phone: (519) 884-9295



- 4. Additional charges charged to room are to be paid at desk upon checkout.
- 5. Late checkout Sunday 12 Noon at the latest.
- 6. Non-Serviced RV parking available.
- 7. Hospitality areas for candidates are available (Cost is \$50.00) -Full payment to accompany this form.
- 8, Registration badges are required at ALL functions and meals.

Pre-Registration Deadline April 3, 2017

Make Cheques Payable to:

District A-15 Convention, P.O.Box 92, Elmira, ON, N3B 2Z5

For Additional Information, Contact Covention Co-Hosts

Lions Club of Elmira PID Lion Art Woods 519-669-8091

email: convhost@a15lions.org

Woolwich Community Lions ZC 51-W Lion Linda Litt 519-669-5544

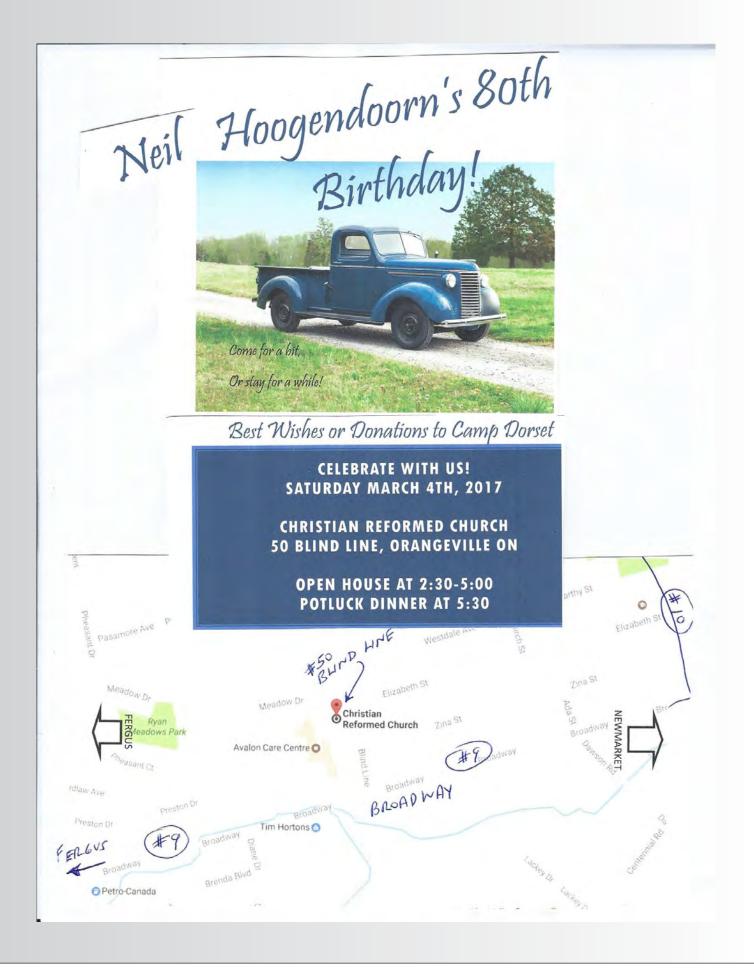
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PENNY SALE

WHEN
Sat March 25th
10 am — 1 pm

WHERE Rim Park Rooms 207/208

Waterloo. ON

FEATURING · Household Items · Childrens Toys · Gift Cards · New & Gently Used Items

Come out and join the fun while supporting a great community project!



FREE Admission

ALL AGES EVENT

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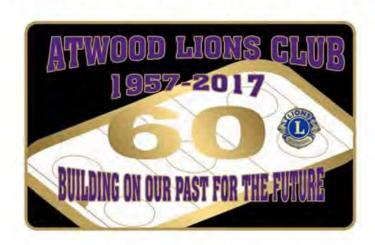
KW Community Spirit Lions Club



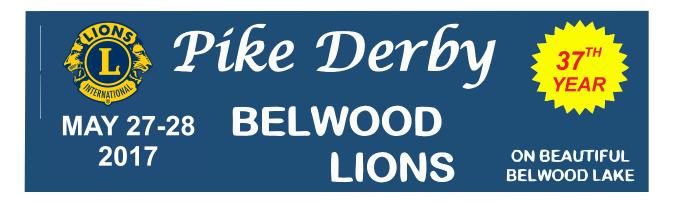
BENEFITING

Teddy Bears for Waterloo Region Sexual Assault Centre

Atwood Lions Club 60th Anniversary Dinner & Celebration



SATURDAY APRIL 1ST 2017
ELMA MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTER
SOCIAL 5 P.M. TO 6:30 P.M.
DINNER 6:30 P.M.
ENTERTAINMENT TO FOLLOW
TICKETS \$30 PP
PLEASE CONTACT:
LION CHRIS ELLIOT 519-356-8811
LION PRESIDENT RON WILSON 519-291-8567





Winning fish pictured is 2014 First Prize winner measuring 42 1/4 inches

Catch and Release
First prize for longest live fish \$2000.00
Early Bird Prize, Fishing Charter six hours for four on Lake Ontario.
Numerous award and draw prizes
Adult registration \$30.00
Youth eight to twelve \$10.00
Children under eight Free and provided a guaranteed prize

Registration on line at <u>www.belwoodlionspikederby.org starting mid</u>
<u>April</u>

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A15 LIONS SEEKING LEADERS

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District A-15 2012-2013 Revised Bulletin Contest

(Rev. 2, Jan 12/2013)

Submitted By: Applicant Club's Bulletin Editor

Submit To: District Bulletin Editor

Submission Deadline: Feb 28th of the Current Lions Year

For Awarding: Annual District A-15 Convention of the Current Lions Year

Rules:

- Submit, along with the Official Entry Form available on the District A-15 website, your best example of a Club Bulletin published between March 1st of the previous Lions Year and February 28th of the current Lions Year.
- 2. You must have published a minimum of six (6) times in the qualifying period.
- 3. Submission may be in electronic (preferred) or printed format.
- 4. For submission by email, the subject line should note Club name and state "Official Bulletin Contest Entry". Submissions by regular mail should also note on the envelope "Official Bulletin Contest Entry".
- 5. A single winner will be named along with two honorable mentions.
- 6. A four member Judging Panel will be established by the current District Bulletin Editor and will consist of the current District Bulletin Editor, the District Governor and two additional Lions who are not members of the Clubs which have submitted entries.
- Entrants are free to enter contests in other jurisdictions or run by other agencies as determined by the entry requirements stipulated by those other jurisdictions or agencies.

Judging:

- 1. The District Bulletin Editor will distribute copies of each entry, along with the grading form (available on the District website) to each member of the Judging panel.
- The grading form will list each evaluation criterion. Judges will rank each submission by each evaluation criterion (i.e., all evaluation is comparative rather than absolute).
- 3. The overall score for each submission will be the sum of the evaluation criterion rankings.
- 4. Each member of the Judging panel will then rank each submission based upon the overall score and submit their results to the District Bulletin Editor.
- 5. Determination of the single winner and the honorable mentions will be based upon the average ranking submitted by the members of the Judging panel.

CONTEST GRADING CRITERIA

- 1. All Clubs will be judged equally regardless of dollars/time spent.
- Judges will rank each submission by each evaluation criterion (i.e., all evaluation is comparative rather than absolute).

Format:

- The Cover page identifies the Club, the Bulletin Editor, mailing address, email address and website information if available.
- 2. The Zone, Region and District information are shown.

Content:

- 1. Date, time, location of upcoming club meetings, events and programs.
- 2. Report on Club activities including actions of the Board of Directors.
- 3. Coming events at the Club, Zone, Region, District and International levels.
- 4. Membership growth and retention information.
- 5. Report on previous meetings.
- 6. Constructive editorials.
- 7. Highlights of personal news about members.
- 8. General Association information at District and International levels.
- 9. Effective use of good humor (humor in bad taste will result in a demerit).

General Effect:

- 1. The Bulletin and the interest created.
- 2. A demerit will be assessed for plagiarism, unless credit is given to author or source of quotation, or acknowledged as "Author Unknown".

Ranking: 1 = First Place, 2 = Second Place, 3 = Third Place, etc.

BULLETIN CONTEST DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MARCH 31st.

LIONS DISTRICT A-15 BULLETIN CONTEST ENTRY FORM

LIONS CLUB INFORMA	TION		
Club Name			
Club Address			
Town/City		Postal Code	
Phone	Email		
Bulletin Editor			
Club President			
Submit by email to:	bulletin@a15lions.org		

or Mail to: The Current A15 Bulletin Editor

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 28.

