

Lions Clubs International

District A-15

News Bulletin

June 2013

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"In A World of Service",

Lion Bob Rutter / PDG Nancy Ransom News Bulletin Editor bulletin@a15lions.org



St. George Lions welcome 7 new members

The St. George Lions Club welcomed seven new members into their May 8. Seen with their sponsors from left are: Lion Glen McDonald, with Cub Gerry Glaves, Lion Frank Rolson, Cub Sandy Wilson, Lion Irene Kumiuk, Cub Boris Pancoe, Cub Jim Cambacort, Lion Kim Sabatino, Cub Lyle Fair, Lion Lorraine Ferretti, Cub Bob Knowles and Lion Steve Ferretti.

Photo submitted by Lion Kevin Hewitson

Youth Exchange requires more Host families before end of June

A15 Lions:

It is that time of year again. We are short of host family's for the international youth exchange The youth arrive on the 29th June and depart on the 27th July. We need host family;s for the first 2 weeks then the youth spend 10 days at camp (13th to 23rd July) They then return to the host family;s from the 23rd to the 27th when they the return home. This is a very rewarding experience for the both the youth and the host family. You make new friendships that can last a lifetime and lets the host families learn about other cultures. The youth are posted on the district web site (http://www.a15lions.org/youthexchange2013.html). If anyone is interested please contact us. ycex@a15lions.org or john.rothwell@sympatico.ca or 519.855.4596. Thank you.

Lions John & Mary Rothwell





Breslau Memorial Forest Cleanup

Just a Reminder Time is fast approaching.

The cleanup is Wednesday, June 5th 2013 come rain or shine. We need Lions to bring their garden gloves, rakes, hoes, shovels, garden shears, electric hedge trimmers, garden tools as well as small trailers & ATV's to haul the mulch around. Please plan to attend as many hands make quick work of the cleanup and the more the merrier. The time frame would be from 12pm to 5pm for the first shift & 5pm till dark for the second shift.

Hope to see you there.
For more info Please email env@a15lions.org
Lion Linda Vinette
A-15 Environmental Chair

Lion Ian Robb: "Thank You All"

Lions of A15:

I will never be able to properly express our feelings of gratitude and support following the outpouring of concern and affection when I unceremoniously exited the convention on a stretcher.

To experience this demonstration of caring has been the most humbling experience of my life. I will simply say "THANK YOU ALL" on behalf of Shelley and I.

Everything appears to be progressing well. I am on a long road to recovery, regaining the use of my lower body slowly. My mobility is okay, using walkers and an electric scooter on loan from Lynden Lions. The tumor by my spine that felled me has been radiated 5 times and should be shrinking – May 8th follow-up visit.

Follow up to biopsy yesterday: 2nd best result (best would be no treatment). Lesions on lung are from the kidney (15 years ago) so very slow moving. The head oncologist at Cambridge Memorial Hospital wants to do 2 treatments, 1 is a daily pill, the other a once a month needle. He says both are very effective. The pill will attack kidney or soft tissue cancer, the injection is to strengthen bones.

I have the costs approved by my insurance company, so I expect to start treatments next week.

> I hope to see you all soon, Lion Ian Robb



ST. MARYS LIONS CLUB

CLASSIC & ANTIQUE CAR/TRACTOR
CRAFT SHOW - 2013









SATURDAY, JULY 6TH, 2013, FROM 8 AM - 2 PM

At the St. Marys Lions Park/Milt Dunnel Field
Water St. N (first left past the Water St Bridge)
Participant door prizes, trophies and dash plaques
Entry fee \$5.00, Spectator entry Donation please
Serving Pancake Breakfast at 8AM

FOR INFORMATION CALL

Contact Lion Evelyn at 519-703-1327 or any member of the ST. MARY'S LIONS CLUB

http:///www.e-clubhouse.org//sites//stmaryson//page-8.php

*CRAFT SHOW & SALE 8AM - 2PM

VENDER FEE \$20.00

(Self-contained tables please at this <u>outdoor</u> venue)
Contact Lion Marianne Ferguson 519-284-2875 – <u>mnr2@rogers.com</u>







Bridgeport Lions Fish Fry

Thursday, June 20, 2013

5:00pm - 7:00pm

At the Bridgeport Community Centre,

20 Tyson Drive

Kitchener

Come Enjoy a fish supper and support the Bridgeport Lions Club.

Fish Supplied by Howell's Fish with Baked Potato, Vegetable, Coleslaw, Rolls, Beverage & Pie

Adult Ticket \$15, Child Ticket (under 12): \$7

For Tickets Call Madonna 519-745-0340

or Visit Anne at the Bridgeport Community Centre



DISTRICT A-15 LIONS CLUBS® THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS



The District A-15 Spring Cabinet Meeting

Sunday June 16th, 2013, at 10:00 AM (GMT / GLT at 9:00 AM) Belwood Hall

37 Queen St, Belwood

Lunch \$7.00 per person + Optional Free Will Donation

Club Presidents: Please report Attendance Numbers to Belwood Lions Club Secretary Lion Wayne Robson at belwood@a15lions.org or (519) 843-4319 by June 9th, 2013.

Thank You

This issue of the District Bulletin represent my return as editor. During my absence, PDG Nancy Ransom has done exemplary service. For which I thank her for taking up the torch. I would also thank DG Dan Ayim for his compassion and support during my health difficulties. I look forward to serving all clubs within the District during the coming year.

Lion Bob Rutter

Is Your Lions Project Newsworthy?

Courtesy of Lions Club of Kitchener

Take pride in your Lions club's community service projects, and shout your accomplish-ments and impact from the rooftops! A great way to promote your club and let the community know how you serve is to contact local media sources and tell them your story.

But how do you know if your project is newsworthy? Ask the following questions to deter-mine what is newsworthy: Would a non-Lion find this interesting or useful?

Does the project enhance the local community, such as parks or school programs?

Is your club performing a public service, such as vision or health screenings, or drug abuse education?

Does your activity involve the general public or other community groups?

Examples of newsworthy activities include:

Holiday projects, such as Easter egg hunts, Thanksgiving food drives and Christmas citrus sales

Service projects that aid specific groups within the community, such as visually im-paired people, the elderly or children from low-income families

Eyeglass recycling projects

Major donations to local organizations, chari-ties and causes

Pay attention to your local newspaper, radio stations and TV news stations to get a feel for the types of stories they typically cover. For more information on how to publicize your Lions club projects, check out our Lions Clubs PR tools pages.

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Date: Tuesday June 4, 2013

Time: 1:00 - 4:-00 pm

The Family Centre 65 Hansen Avenue Kitchener, ON

Who Should Attend? Adults and youth who care about our children, their future, and the well-being of our community.

To Register and For More Information:

Kay Nelles 519-624-1170 ext 102 kay@lionsquest.ca Positive Practical Powerful

Join Us to Make a Difference for Kids



The 40 Developmental Assets represent everyday wisdom about positive experiences and characteristics for young people. Discover how the Asset Framework can give you a "road map" to success that strengthens what you're already doing and energizes you with new ideas. These essential building blocks for healthy children and teens are rooted in science yet make so much common sense.

Highlights

- · Learn how our simple, everyday actions can have an impact
- Shift from focusing on young people's problems to promoting their strengths
- · Commit to making a difference



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Leaders Seminar June 23

The annual District Leadership Seminar will be held Sunday, June 23 at the Wilmot Recreation Complex.

The series of seminars will run from 9 am to 2 pm. There is no cost to attend.

Dedication of park for PID Bill Moody

Dedication of the Lion William D Moody Park is Saturday June 1st 11 am. - 2

All welcome—come out for barbecue, refreshments, lots of activities for kids and the official opening of the

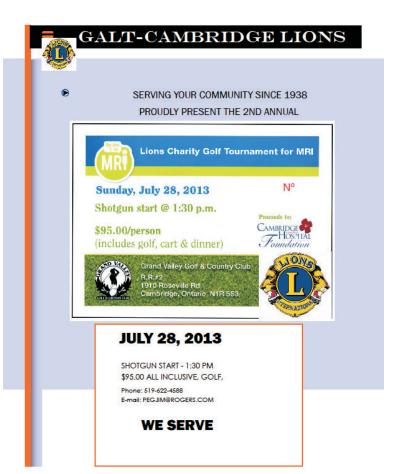
Corner of Wellington East and Newfoundland Rd (old Fairgrounds), Mount Forest

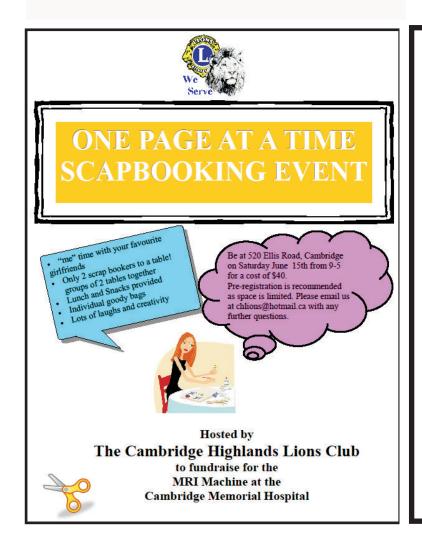


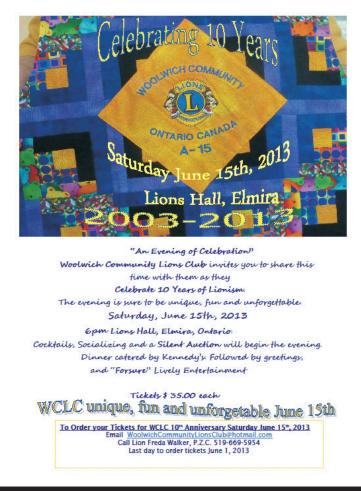
Shotgun Tee-off at 8am
Steak Lunch/Prize Table/
Special Holes
\$125/golfer

Early Bird Special - \$110/golfer

Extended to Tee-off!
A great price A great day







Helen Keller International honors LCI with award

L ions Clubs International was recognized with the Visionary Award at the 8th annual Spirit of Helen Keller Gala held in New York, USA on May 22nd. The award recognizes institutional friends whose generosity and innovations advance the mission of Helen Keller International (HKI).

First Vice President Barry Palmer represented LCI at the event and accepted the award.

"I am honored to accept this award on behalf of the 1.35 million Lions club members – men and women who serve in over 46,000 clubs in more than 200 countries." said VP Palmer.

"Lions clubs remain ever-dedicated to service and to Helen Keller's spirit, vision and her challenge to join with others to be Knights of the Blind in communities around the world."

Other award recipients at the gala event included former US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, who received the Humanitarian Award, and longtime HKI trustee Kate Ganz, who was honored with the Spirit of Helen Keller Award.

LCI has partnered with HKI through the Lions Clubs International Foundation, providing grants for Lions, their partners and health authorities to help restore sight for millions of people around the world.

LCIF continues to partner with HKI in Africa, helping to prevent river blind-ness. Together, they have distributed more than 3.5 million doses of Mectizan (thanks to Merck and many other local partners), and helped train and retain more than 17,000 health workers.

Future Lions **Conventions**

July 5 – 9, 2013 96th Lions International Hamburg, Germany July 4 – 8. 2014 97th Lions International, TORONTO

June 26 – 30 2015

98th Lions International Convention, Honolulu, HI

Legal dilemma

A police officer stops a man for speeding and asks to see his license. He replies: 'I wish you guys would get your act together. Yesterday you take away my license, and then today you expect me to show it to you!'

District A-15 Bulletin Deadlines

District A-15 News Bulletins will be published each month of the 2011-2012 year ending in June.

Submissions should be made prior to the 30th of the month preceding publication. The Bulletin will be published on the 15th of the following month. Send to: bulletin@a15lions.org.

Submissions wherever possible should not be made in pdf format unless enabled for copying of text and photos, otherwise send submissions in Word format for text and jpg format for photos.

PASSINGS



May 29, 2013 Lion John McNiven Charter Member of Ariss & District Lions Club.

A New Way to Welcome New Members

New members who are properly welcomed and orientated are more likely to remain Lions. That's why, beginning next fiscal year, new Lions clubs will receive a welcome email from the international president. LCI will also start sending an email to new-member spon-sors to thank them for their support and remind them of their respon-sibilities. For members Past District Governor and sponsors with no email address, an email will be sent to their respective club secretary. Continue to grow your Lions club by inviting new members!

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Friendly Reminders: Continue to support:

- 1. Lions Quest Canada, Centre for Positive Youth Development
- 2. Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides (LFC)
- 3. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)