

# THE A15 TIMES



*Lion Kevin Banfield District Governor*

*Lion Gerry Haliburton, Editor*

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## MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

In my travels around the district I have been hearing and seeing many great things happening. Thank you to everyone who is sharing these accomplishments on social media - we have a lot to be proud of! However, I am still unfortunately hearing about an old and persistent issue, which is "How do we get others to step up and lead?" Although we'd like to think that Lions learn most of what they need know during our formal volunteer training, in reality, most of what we learn, we learn by doing when we're working on a project, from each other's experience, knowledge, and ideas. The goal of mentoring is effective knowledge transfer and the cultivation of volunteer talent. Through mentoring, experienced Lions get a chance to share their unique knowledge and experience directly with new recruits, and pass on the legacy of what they've learned. New Lions, whether for specific or all tasks, should be matched with a fellow Lion, who shares their expertise, wisdom, and skills with them. They should be matched with a mentor once they have completed at least their volunteer orientation. Not all of their training needs to be completed if it is a complex project - in fact, mentors may help their mentees learn better during this. Both mentors and mentees ought to be oriented to the expectations of their respective roles. Mentors and mentees should work together until the mentee has successfully completed their training or when they have demonstrated they can perform their work comfortably on their own. As a district this year we are bringing to the clubs some different ways to support our membership. We had our first of four Tech Town "hands on" training sessions. These sessions can help Lions become accustomed to the newer communication tools, such as the use of social media, that have become so prevalent. It was great to see all the Lions that came out to this program, and I look forward to the other upcoming training days. One other program which will be led by PDG Denis Vinette is a district-wide induction. At this event we will not only induct new members, but educate our New (and Current) Members about this great organization that they have joined. I would like to share with you all a quote on leadership that I have looked to for many years, and I hope our new leaders can take something from it. "Rely on your own strength of body and soul. Take for your star self-reliance, faith, honesty and industry. Don't take too much advice — keep at the helm and steer your own ship, and remember that the great art of commanding is to take a fair share of the work. Fire above the mark you intend to hit. Energy, invincible determination with the right motive, are the levers that move the world." - Noah Porter



*DISTRICT A-15 LIONS CLUBS®*  
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LIONS CLUBS**



## **The District A-15 Winter Cabinet Meeting**

Monday October 29, 2018 at 7:00 PM

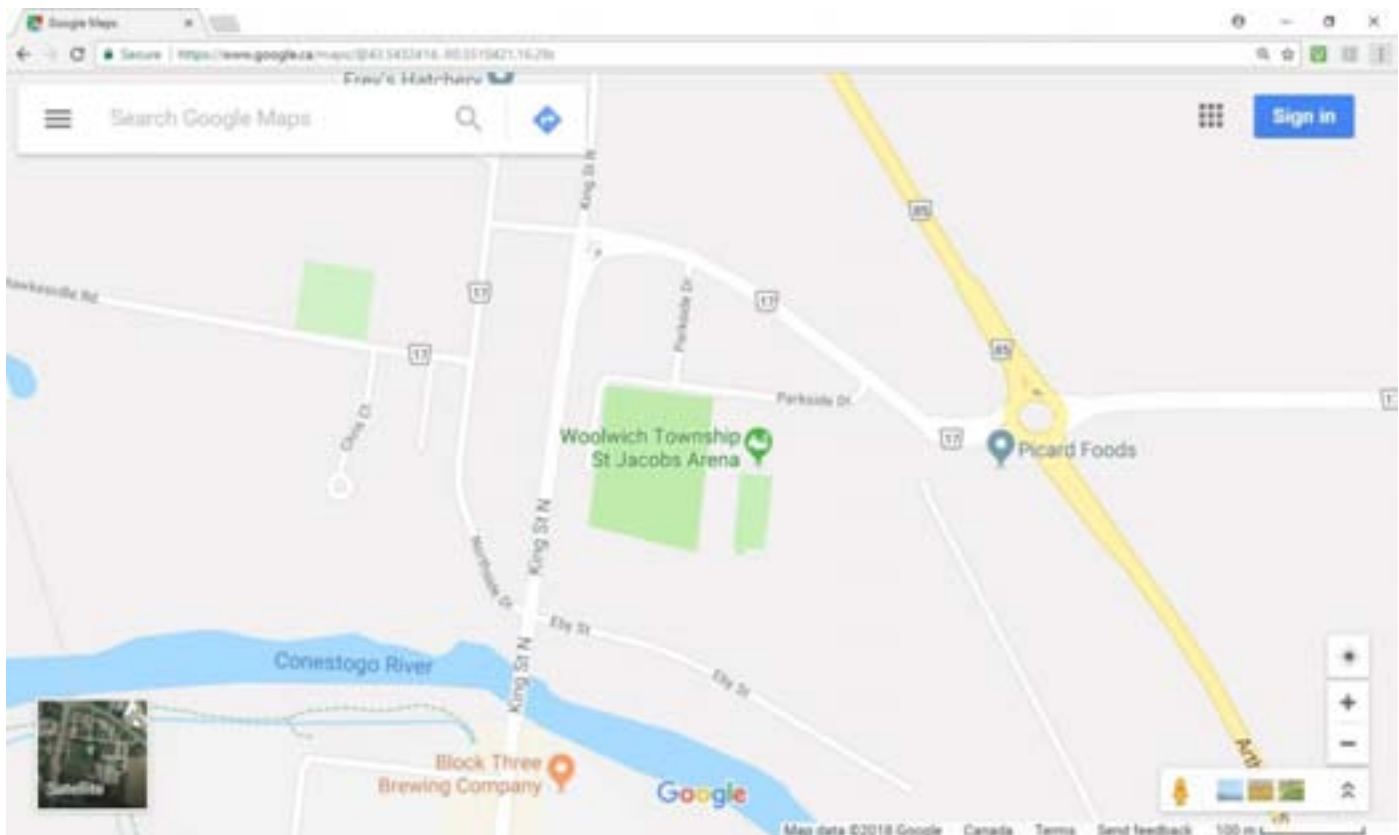
### **Host – St. Jacobs Lions Club**

St. Jacobs Lions Hall (beside Woolwich Township Arena)  
31 Parkside Drive, St. Jacobs, ON

\$20.00 per person

Club Presidents: Please report your Attendance Numbers including PDG, Cabinet and Committee Chairs to Dennis Lougheed, Club Secretary at [sec@stjacobsions.org](mailto:sec@stjacobsions.org) or leave a voice message at 519-213-1397, no later than October 21, 2018. Clubs may be billed for Lions reported to attend but who do not attend. The club cannot guarantee a meal to those reporting after October 21st or showing up the night of the Cabinet Meeting.

**Directions:** Find Kitchener-Waterloo. Take Conestoga Parkway North (85) towards Elmira. Take the third exit on the Conestoga Roundabout. From Elmira heading south, take the first exit.



## A REMINDER FROM THE EXETER LIONESS CLUB

### DIABETES IS ONE OF OUR MANDATES



## It's time to plan your diabetes service activity.

Our [Diabetes Service Journey website](#) has been informing and inspiring Lions and Leos worldwide for two months now. We've given away two Fitbit Charge 2 wristbands, and you're responding to our poll questions in record numbers.

With World Diabetes Day just weeks away on November 14, it's time to start planning your club's diabetes service activity if you haven't already.

We're here to help you with valuable planning resources, and when you get them through our [Diabetes Service Journey website](#), you'll automatically be entered into this month's contest.

Please encourage your club members to get involved by entering our contest and participating in at least one diabetes service activity. Through your leadership, we can fulfill our mission to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve the lives of those diagnosed.

Thank you for taking steps to fight diabetes.

## **GOOD NEWS FROM MILVERTON**

**HOORAY FOR LIONS!**

At our last gathering for the opening BBQ on September 27th we inducted FOUR new members to our club. If you have not yet met our newest club members, be sure to give them a big ROARING welcome at a future meeting. Lions Kendra, Jenn, Keith & Jeremy, all from Milverton and who totally did not coordinate based on the first letter of their name, are ready to learn and experience what Lions is all about. Help them out along the way and be sure to share your stories of the service, projects and events you volunteer for as a Lion.

**LIONS SPONSORED SKATING**

The Milverton Lions have sponsored the following free public skating dates at the PERC Arena: Nov 2nd Dec 29th Jan 19th Mar 9th

## **IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM DENNIS LOUGHEED**

**GLT District Coordinator      Fri, Oct 19, 9:39 AM**

**to**

**Lions**

**The 2018-2019 District Campaign season will soon be upon us.**

**Potential Candidates are advised to review as appropriate;**

**Article IV, Section 2 of the A15 Constitution (2004) - Rev. April 2018 (PDF)**

**Article IV, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 9 , Article V, Sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 10 of the A15 By-Laws (2004) - Rev. April 2018 (PDF)**

**Article 12 of the A15 Policy Manual - Rev. June 2018 (PDF)**

**The appropriate nomination forms outlining submission dates and campaign dates are available at District Officer Nomination (PDF) OR District Officer Nomination (Word)**

**Please note that while the nomination papers are to be filed with the Cabinet Secretary it is strongly recommended that you copy that submission to the Nomination Committee Chair, PDG Doug Smith at [nomination@a15lions.org](mailto:nomination@a15lions.org).**

**Lion Dennis Lougheed**

**Global Leadership Team Coordinator**

**District A-15      [glt@a15lions.org](mailto:glt@a15lions.org)**



## LANGS WELLNESS CENTRE –DONOR APPRECIATION NIGHT.

“Thank you for your support of Langs we couldn't do it without you! As we wrap up the final phase of the '*Imagine a Place...*' *Capital Campaign*, and our expanded space becomes fully operational, it is time to celebrate and give our donors more of the appreciation and recognition they (YOU!) deserve!



This was the message at their Donor Appreciation Night on September 19th, Lions Catherine and Marg represented [Cambridge Highlands Lions Club](#) for our recent donation of \$5,000 to Langs. It was a very formative and fun evening with a tour of the new addition and the unveiling of the new Donor Wall. Our club name will be engraved on this wall very soon. It was a proud moment to reflect just how Lions can make a difference.

**Meet William and Autism Dog Guide Campbell.** They have been united because of our donation towards an Autism Dog Guide this past year.



### **LFC Open House – Oct. 13, 2018**

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides Open House features a tour of the training facility, a silent auction, and live demonstrations from each of our Dog Guide programs. It's also your chance to learn about our volunteer and foster puppy programs and to meet future Dog Guide puppies.

There's no need to register to attend our Open House, as tours will be held throughout the day on October 13<sup>th</sup>. The Open House is a free event, although we are accepting donations in support of each of the seven Dog Guides programs.

## BACKPACKS FOR BOOKWORMS

**Cambridge Highland Lions club** donated 10 backpacks and supplies for the Cambridge Self Help Food Bank. Lion Janice Lajeunesse organized the shopping for the backpacks & supplies. Her darling granddaughter, Lyra helps our club in many different activities. Lion Janice's new foster puppy , Paula, enjoys a little nap time after all their hard work.

Thank you Lion Janice for your valuable time on this project and best of luck to you in the upcoming Municipal Election.



## CAMBRIDGE HIGHLANDS LIONS APPRECIATION NIGHT - Sept. 24, 2018



### MAJOR DONATIONS

LFC Canine Vision Dog Guides - \$6,000  
Saint Luke's Place - Cambridge - \$5,000  
Langs Wellness Ctr - Cambridge - \$5,000



Past President Dan presents the Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Jennifer Chaput.



Lion Catherine Pettem receives Helen Keller Fellowship & the President's choice for Lion of the Year.



Lion Janice Lajeunesse Receives Lions Quest Award

The Bruce Murray Fellowship went to Lion Angela Poort who was absent. Lion Angela also earned her 5-yr. Attendance Pin with our club.

100% Attendance Pins for 2017-2018 were awarded to Lions Christine Peynado, Janice Lajeunesse, Ferne Lindhorst, Dan Marcotte and Marg de Boer

The evening continued with Appreciation Gifts presented to Past President Dan and Past Treasurer Christine for their years of Service in their respective offices.



Special thanks was extended to Lion Parry Frank from the **Belwood Lions Club** who makes balloons for the children events at the Hespeler Village Music Festival that our club organizes each year. Also to Pat Bryan who knits squares and makes many beautiful blankets for our club to donate to needy groups in our community.



Very **hearty thanks** were given to our spouses and friends of Lions who faithfully come out and help at all our Lions Events. We cannot do what we do without you.

Last, but not least, a hearty thanks to Cambridge Times Columnist, Walter Gowing for writing up club events in our local newspaper.



# THE LIONS HISTORY PROJECT

## Peter Misersky Memorial Park, Guelph

A group effort by the Guelph Royal City Lions, Guelph Lions, and Guelph Lioness Clubs created a lasting memorial for Lion Peter Misersky in 1991. Lion Peter was a well-known Guelph businessman. He was originally a member of the Guelph Lions Club, then became the charter president of the newly formed Guelph Royal City Lions Club in 1987. He died in a tragic farm accident in 1989.

The Clubs joined forces with the Hadati Community Association and the Guelph Recreation & Parks Dept. to develop a wheelchair-accessible playground for



The master plan was designed in four phases. Phase one included installation of an accessible play climber, surfacing, and some landscaping. The first work began in the fall of 1991, with Lions members working alongside city employees. The Lioness Club was on hand with refreshments for the workers, in addition to a more modest financial contribution. Phase two was to contain a water play area, benches, waste containers, and repairs for an existing wooden gym. Phase three included more earthwork and landscaping, and a pedestrian bridge near the Hadati Road entrance. Phase four included more pathways, a teeter-totter, spring toys, and final plantings. The \$100,000 project was completed in 1994.

New signs, a Lions arch and a memorial plaque were installed in the spring of 1992, in time for the Park dedication and official opening on May 9th. The former Hadati Park was renamed Peter Misersky Memorial Park in honour of Lion Peter's energy and commitment to community betterment.





**the Hickson Firefighters for their help to plant them; D&D Electric for their electrical expertise and contribution; Frank McKay Contracting for the excavating; Allen Lumber for construction material; Bailey construction for the concrete work; County of Oxford and East Zorra-Tavistock Councils for negotiating and acquiring the land; and all the current Lions for the people hours they contributed fundraising, during construction and landscaping.**

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or have served in the community. The road sign encourages people to "Sit, Relax and Enjoy."



Jeff and Jim Harmer who organized and provided the construction activities; Peter Stam who provided

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## FROM THE ST. GEORGE LIONS

**Paris Fair –** We were ready to welcome hungry fair goers for 5 days of sunshine. It seems that the heat prompted some folks to stay home and we did not serve as many customers as usual. That being said, we did very well serving our burgers, dogs and fresh cut fries. Many thanks to those members who gave of their time on this last long weekend of the summer. We wouldn't have been able to do it without the members who pitched in to purchase supplies, load and move the trailers, cook and serve food, wipe tables, keep the condiments stocked, peel and cut potatoes, help with the tear down and clean the trailers in preparation for AppleFest. Everyone's contribution is most appreciated. There were lots of laughs, slow times, busy times, visits with old and new friends, and lots of sun.



We were honoured to be able to sponsor Melissa Condon in the Fair Ambassador competition. Melissa is the grand-daughter of Lion John Ilett. Melissa is the second from the right in this picture. She didn't win but she gave a great speech on the benefits of volunteering as well as a wonderful video on the St. George Lions Club.





Lion Merle kept our site at the fair as tidy can be. Here she raking to “reroute” some puddle water away from the dining area.



It was awesome to have some family members and spouses help out. Here is Pat Tottle still smiling as she waits for fries. We were down a fryer at the fair but none of our customers seemed to mind.



The 2018 Paris Fair Ambassador, Kaitlyn Clark, dropped by to present Lion Chief Lyle with a certificate of appreciation for our clubs support of the Ambassador program. Kaitlyn was sponsored by Lions Club of Paris.





We are most appreciative of the donation of \$5000.00 and 5 trees that we received from Ayr Farmers Mutual Insurance Company. Ayr Farmers Mutual is celebrating 125 years of business. To celebrate, they gifted 125 trees and \$125,000 to local organizations. We were fortunate to be chosen to be a recipient of this generosity. The trees have already been planted at Elliot Field. The money we received is being put toward the building costs of the new pavilion our club is constructing in King William Park next spring. We were honoured to have Doug Green attend our Sept. 26th meeting at which time he presented the club with the cheque. He spoke of the importance of clubs like ours to the core values of AFM. Pictured above from left to right are Lion Chris Price, our tireless secretary who applied for this donation, Past President Lion Rodger Lyster, Doug Green from Ayr Farmers Mutual and Lion Chief Lyle Fair. Since it took a considerable amount of time to receive the building permit from the County, the company that received the contract for the job has started with other work. Therefore, the construction will begin in the spring. Money that we have received as memorial donations will also go toward the cost of this structure. Thank you to Lion Kevin Hewitson for his efforts in making this project happen.



### Attention Lions & Spouses

“Crazy for You” will be the spring production of the South Huron Community Theatre. Being performed at the Rec Centre May 9-12<sup>th</sup>, this is an adult comedy with cowboys and Vegas style showgirls and we REALLY need YOU to participate.

The play takes place in the hustle and bustle of New York City and a sleepy Nevada town where nothing much happens AND where two unlikely people fall in love. **We really need 6 guys to be our cowboys, 1 bad guy who owns the local saloon, 1 guy to play a Hungarian show director, and the male lead of the show, Bobby Childs.** We also need 12-14 Las Vegas style showgirls, 2 sisters who arrive in hiker gear and speak with British accents and add a lot of comedy, Bobby’s New York City girlfriend, his bossy mother, and the female lead of the show, Polly Baker.

Rehearsals will take place once a week starting after Christmas although we will get together for a read through of the script in November. Rehearsals will likely be Monday evenings 7:30-9:30 pm

Honestly, being in a show is a great time, lots of laughs and fun, and for almost everyone who does it a “new thing”.

So, please consider throwing your hat in the ring too. We really do need you!!

Email [debhomuth@gmail.com](mailto:debhomuth@gmail.com)





Hello Lions!

As you know, there are many aspects to being a Lion. One of the benefits of being a member of the world's largest service organization is that you have access to a vast network of support. A very important part of that support is through grants from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). LCIF is the only global Lions' foundation and it supports the work of Lions around the world—including you. Any district has the opportunity to help its community through applying for an LCIF grant. In this issue, you'll see just a few of the many ways communities have benefitted from the funds. But in order to continue to provide this kind of support, LCIF needs your support. With a goal of serving 200 million people per year, LCIF is kicking off a three-year campaign to raise funds in order to help more Lions help more communities in need. I ask that you consider how far your donation could go and consider giving financially as another way to serve.

So, Lions, let's rally ourselves. Their goal is our goal. Yours,

Gudrun Yngvadottir  
International President,  
Lions Clubs International





I extend a warm welcome to all the MDA Lions, Lioness, and Leos to the new Lions year 2018/2019. It has been over a month since we attended the Lions Clubs International Convention in Las Vegas. While there, your Council worked very hard at the District Governor elect seminar. Lion Patty and I were there to support our Governors when attending the sessions of the seminar. We ultimately joined the DGE's for dinner along with over 40 MD'A' Lions. It has been a busy month for the new Council in preparing for the new year ahead. We held two online meetings with the Committee Chairpersons to touch base and to set strategies on how to proceed for the year. Another online meeting was held with the MD'A' coordinators of the Global Action Team to set strategies for the year. On August 13th the Administration Committee met together to review and work on the MD'A' budget. These sessions are exciting and meaningful. I could not have imagined taking on the role as Council Chairperson in February 2007 when I joined Lions and since, I enjoy every moment of being a member. I enjoy the opportunity of serving and I feel extremely good after service events knowing that I can contribute to help make the community a little better. As I continue my journey as a Lion, I realize there are many new things for me to learn, not just things related to Lions, but a lot of knowledge and skills that I can learn and improve on as a person. Along the way I expanded my role as a Lion by serving in various positions and ultimately being elected as the Council Chair. We can make history together in two significant areas. PID Patti Hill is the endorsed candidate for the 3rd Vice President of LCI. I ask you to join the campaign effort to support PID Patti on her journey of becoming the second woman and a proud Canadian after thirty-five years to be elected as our 3rd Vice President at the International Convention in Milan in July 2019.

As your Council Chair I have the responsibility as your Global Action Team (GAT) Chair. I am happy to report that we have a very strong GAT team of coordinators covering membership and leadership development along with service promotion. At the time of writing many of us are still enjoying the warm summer weather. Our Multiple District Global Membership Team is hard at work in collaboration with A-5 in an effort to start a new Lions Club in Kirkland Lake, and a Breakfast Club in Barrie with A-12. I am confident this will happen! I am looking forward to our first Council Meeting on September 7th and 8th in Markham. You will find the Council of Governors playing an active role as hosts. If you have not been to a council meeting you are welcome to attend to get to know more about your Council and for us to get to know you. Until then I will be involved in two of my other activities, they being running marathons and singing in the York Regional Police Male Chorus.

Yours in Lionism

Tim Cheung – MD'A' Council Chair



### **RESOURCES:**

**District A15** - <http://a15lions.org/pages/index.php>

**District A15 Newsletter** - <http://a15lions.org/pages/uploads/Directory/Newsletter-Apr2018.pdf>

**Multiple District A** - <http://www.mdalions.org/pages/index.php>

**Lions Clubs International** - <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php>

**Lions Learning Centre** - <http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/lions-learning-center/index.php>

**Lions University** - <https://lionsuniversity.org/>

**Lions Foundation of Canada / Dog Guides** - <http://a15lions.org/pages/Programs/LFC>

**Lions Magazine** - <http://mdalions.org/pages/Events/TheLionMag>

**Be A Donor** - District A-15: <https://beadonor.ca/a15lions>

**Cabinet Minutes** – District A15: <http://a15lions.org/pages/Events/Cabinet>





**Laugh & Learn:** This year it will be hosted by the St Catharines Lioness Club the weekend of November 9, 10 & 11th. The hotel will be the Holiday Inn @ \$129.00 per room for double occupancy or \$164.00 a night for triple occupancy. This must be booked through the hotel. The Laugh & Learn registration of \$140.00 is for Friday finger food, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner as well as breakfast on Sunday. Friday is dance night, Saturday there will be three break out sessions followed by dinner with a speaker and entertainment. If you haven't been you might just enjoy meeting other Lioness from our district and have a great time. . Lioness Karren sent everyone the registration form on September 20th.

**Laugh & Learn Silent Auction:** All clubs have been asked to donate an item for the silent auction at Laugh & Learn. Lioness Tricia motioned we ask Lioness Mary to put together a Mary Kay gift basket, value \$50.00, and this was second by Lioness Rita and carried.

**Tri County Mennonite Book:** Lioness Carol mentioned Tri County Mennonite Homes is preparing a book of 50 milestones over a 50 year history. The Lions Club of New Hamburg features prominently in two of the milestone : when 140 Waterloo Street was rented to Aldaview Services and then when the property was donated to Tri County Mennonite. She motioned we purchase a book for the club and this was second by Lioness Cathie and carried

# WONDERS of WINTER

*A Festival of Lights in Waterloo Park*

## **FREE Horse-Drawn Trolley Rides**

6:30 - 8:30 Friday / Saturday nights  
plus Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve

## **FREE School House Play**

(play runs 15 minutes, every 25 minutes)

6:30 - 8:30 Friday Dec 7 / 14  
and 6:30 - 8:30 Saturday Dec 8 / 15

## **FREE Photo with Santa**

6:30 - 8:30 Saturday December 22  
in the Old School House

**25th  
YEAR**

## **OPENING NIGHT**

**Saturday December 1**

5:30 pm Community Candle Lighting

6:00 pm **FIREWORKS**

6:00 pm Lights Come On in The Park

**Bring the Whole Family to See Waterloo Park Light Up**

**5:30 pm - 10:30 pm every night**

**Saturday December 1 - Monday December 31**

## **CLOSING NIGHT NEW YEAR'S EVE**

**Monday December 31**

6:00 pm **FIREWORKS**

Lights stay on until midnight

**WondersofWinter.ca**

**WondersofWinterFestival@gmail.com**







THE WATERWHEEL

# Tree of Light 2018

The 2018 Tree of Light Committee is hard at work on this years event .

Let's give our support to this years campaign.

*from the archives...*

## 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Tree of Light

Dec. 5, 2008

Lioness Reta Klaassen was chairperson of the Tree of Light this year. The committee comprised of Lioness Jenny N., Cheryl U, Lion

Bill M., Scott M., and Henry

S. It was decided to raise the goal to \$15000. A new sign had to be designed and purchased. Also new LED lights were purchased. This meant expenses were higher.

Donations made were \$5. to light a WHITE light, \$100. to light a GOLD light And \$500 or more to light a RED light. This year we added a Blue light on the top of the star for the generous donation of \$1000. So far we have raised

\$11650. We had a very good turn out on the evening. It was cold but as long as one was dressed warmly it was very enjoyable as we sang Carols led by the Nith Valley Junior Choir and their leader and also sipped on hot apple cider.

After the tree lighting the club members gathered at Lioness Reta and Neil's home for a social time. We appreciate your hospitality Reta and Neil.

A BIG THANK YOU to Lioness Reta and her committee for a job well done.



## TREE OF LIGHT 1984-2017 TOTAL RECEIPTS

1984	\$ 3,640.00
1985	\$ 2,894.00
1986	\$ 5,029.17
1987	\$ 7,152.00
1988	\$ 7,950.00
1989	\$ 9,965.00
1990	\$ 10,466.00
1991	\$ 8,028.00
1992	\$ 7,298.30
1993	\$ 6,533.63
1994	\$ 7,360.20
1995	\$ 7,182.09
1996	\$ 8,500.00
1997	\$ 7,819.00
1998	\$ 9,269.00
1999	\$ 9,126.96
2000	\$ 11,344.43
2001	\$ 9,316.00
2002	\$ 10,115.05
2003	\$ 11,338.55
2004	\$ 10,750.00
2005	\$ 10,265.00
2006	\$ 9,825.08
2007	\$ 13,043.44
2008	\$ 12,359.85
2009	\$ 11,482.75
2010	\$ 11,733.23
2011	\$ 10,210.50
2012	\$ 10,976.61
2013	\$ 12,058.02
2014	\$ 9,886.50
2015	\$ 11,122.00
2016	\$ 9,011.80
2017	\$ 9,289.03
<b>\$312,341.19</b>	



Life is like a piano  
the white keys  
represent happiness  
and the black shows  
sadness. but as you  
go through life's  
journey, remember  
that the black keys  
also makes music

“The biggest mistake you could ever make  
is being too afraid to make one.”

WORK FOR A  
CAUSE,  
NOT FOR  
APPLAUSE.  
LIVE LIFE TO  
EXPRESS,  
NOT TO  
IMPRESS.



THE WATERWHEEL

**Thank You!!!**

Thank you  
Lioness Mary for  
Co- Coordinating  
this amazing  
event.



**WFRC  
Poor Boys  
Lunch**

Lioness Reta and  
Trisha assisted  
with this event.

**OVER  
\$34,000**  
was raised for the  
community.

**GREAT JOB!!!**





THE WATERWHEEL

# *On The Road Of Service*



The Guelph Lions Club  
invite you to join us for a  
Roast or Toast for  
IPDG Charlene Dwyer

Place: The Guelph Country Club  
133 Woodlawn Rd. E.

Date: November 10, 2018

Time: Cocktails 6:00 pm

Diner 7:00 pm

Tickets: \$40 per person



Email [glransom224@gmail.com](mailto:glransom224@gmail.com) to reserve or purchase your tickets



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## ***District A15***



*"Let's leaf through our Lions history with our narrator and performers and explore our past while we focus on our next Century of Service and Growth!"*

### ***Lions Orientation & Re-Dedication***

***Thursday, January 24, 2019  
7:00PM***

***St. Agatha Community Centre  
1791 Erb Street, St. Agatha, ON***

***No cost to attendees!***

***[ Snacks and Beverages  
will be provided. ]***

***Email:***

***[orientation@a15lions.org](mailto:orientation@a15lions.org)***

***to reserve your seat by January 15, 2019***

***This event is open to ALL MEMBERS with a special invitation going out to NEW MEMBERS and their SPONSORS.***

***Come join other fellow Lions members from across the District and be INFORMED and ENTERTAINED about our Lions History, Organization, and our Mission in Service.***

***TO RESERVE: Email: [orientation@a15lions.org](mailto:orientation@a15lions.org) or call: (226)-343-0261***





# So you think English is easy?

*Homographs are words of like spelling but with more than one meaning. A homograph that is also pronounced differently is a heteronym.*

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- 18) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- 19) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 20) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?

xSignThomas

**PRESENTED BY:** 

**Annual Fashion Show & Afternoon Tea**

**Sunday October 28, 2018**  
**1:00 - 4:00 pm**

**Featuring the Regions Finest Bakeries & Eateries**

**HOSTED BY:**  **Petersburg, ON**  
**519-634-5479**

**DOORS OPEN AT 12:30 PM**  
**EVENT BEGINS AT 1:00 PM**

- TEA & COFFEE
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The Phone It Forward program accepts all modern smartphones.

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## LAUGH & LEARN 2018

TO ALL LIONESS

Lioness:

As we are coming down to the last month to register for Laugh & Learn 2018, I thought I would send you this letter. This year the Laugh & Learn Forum is being hosted by A2 at the Holiday Inn, Ontario Street, St. Catharines, Ontario.

On Friday night, we will have any skits after the opening, followed by our entertainment, Randy Thomas. Saturday morning after breakfast we will have our learning sessions. Saturday at lunch, we have our first speaker, Deb. Misner-Jones, followed by free time. Saturday evening after supper, we will have our parade of costumes depicting anything Canadian followed by our entertainment, Brad Boland. Sunday at breakfast, our speaker The Unstoppable Tracy Schmitt, will follow our Remembrance Day Service. It should be a lot of fun so please come and join us at the Holiday Inn, Ontario Street, St. Catharines on the weekend of November 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

If you need registration forms, I can email them to you. My email address is as follows: [bsiren@hotmail.ca](mailto:bsiren@hotmail.ca) Please do not use .com as I will not receive anything sent with this ending. Thank you.

Yours in Lionism,

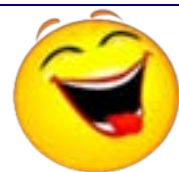
*Lioness Bev. Siren*

Laugh & Learn Chair





# The Lighter Side...



## Seenagers



I am a Seenager (Senior teenager). I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 55-60 years later. I don't have to go to school or work and I get an allowance every month. I have my own pad and I don't have a curfew. I have a driver's license and my own car. The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant, they aren't scared of anything. They have been blessed to live this long, why be scared? And I don't have acne. Life is Good!

Also, you will feel much more intelligent after reading this, if you are a Seenager because brains of older people are slow because they know so much.

People do not decline mentally with age; it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains. Scientists believe this also makes you hard of hearing as it puts pressure on your inner ear.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem; it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise. SO THERE!!

Byron checks into a hotel for the first time in his life and goes up to his room. Five minutes later he calls the reception desk and says, 'You've given me a room with no exit. How do I get out?' The desk clerk says, 'Sir, that's absurd. Have you looked for the door?'



Byron replies, 'Well, there's one door that leads to the bathroom. There's a second door that goes into a cupboard. And there's a door I haven't tried, but it has a **'Do not disturb'** sign on it.

### Keep Taking the Medicine

Patient: It's been one month since my last visit and I still feel miserable.

Doctor: Did you follow the instructions on the medicine I gave you?

Patient: I sure did - the bottle said 'keep tightly closed.'

Dylan and Charlie are talking about fishing. Charlie says emphatically, 'I am never going to take my wife fishing with me ever again, Dylan!'

'That bad, eh?' enquires Dylan smiling.

'Yeah, she did everything wrong, got nothing right. She talked too much, made the boat rock constantly, tried to stand up in the boat, baited the hook wrongly, used the wrong lures and worst of all she caught more fish than me!' bellows Charlie.



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**St. Marys Lions Club**

**Gas Card Draw**

WIN a \$200 GAS CARD from Esso  
each month in 2019

Draw completed on first day of each Month  
(purchaser must be 18—years and older)

\$10.00 each

Lottery License # MB08908

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*SAMPLE*

The St. Marys Lions Club runs a draw each year for a monthly prize of an Esso gas card valued at \$200.00. Winning tickets are returned to the pot for a second chance. Tickets are \$10.00 each and have sold out early in recent years. Lion Marianne Ferguson is the program chair.

### KOATS FOR KIDS



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4 KIDS**

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**DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT AT:  
ALL LOCAL BANKS, CASCADE  
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St. Marys Lions run a program mid Nov to mid Dec annually to supply free coats, mitts, hats and scarves to those in need. Despite the name, adult sizes are also welcome. Donation boxes are located in the local banks, and the Law Office of Lions Bill and Sylvia Galloway. Marlene Foreman of Cascade Cleaners cleans the donations. Pickup is at a local store which is presently vacant, and the use of the space has been donated by the owner- former St. Marys Lion Stephen Clark. Racking is set up and removed by local businessman Randy Barber.

A local ladies' group donates new knitted items to the effort.

Lions Georgina McGregor and Matt Wakem are the co chairs.

Poster design by Lion Matt - Great Job!!!!



The New Hamburg Lions & Lioness pooled their resources together to purchase and paint with their logos, a car for the first Annual Soap Box Derby as part of the June Wm Scott Festival in New Hamburg,



Innerkip Lions Club member Bill Taplay was presented the Melvin Jones foundation award by Zone Chair Gabrielle Paff and Melvin Jones recipient Wayne Wright at an October meeting.

The Innerkip Club wants to recognize the work lion Bill has done to collect over 12,500 pairs of glasses from several local clubs and get them delivered to Calgary for distribution throughout the world.



## COMPUTER TRAINING -EMPHASIS ON THE USE OF FACEBOOK

NOV 24, 2018

SEE DETAILS BELOW-ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED



Tech Town chair VDG 2 George Corrin

### The Formation of Tech Town

Over the last few years, I have had the opportunity to discuss at Club meetings, as Zone and Region Chair, about our available resources within the District and how to use the current technology. Mentoring has been, and always will be, a very important part of who I am. These training sessions will give a venue for individual Clubs to openly communicate and share their knowledge and experience with each other.

Many members expressed the desire to have a hands-on training session on the use of computers, focusing on retrieving our resources and to better manage our day to day club activities. I approached District Governor Kevin and requested to develop hands on Computer training in a computer lab environment. Recently we visited a Leo club to obtain input and perspective on Social Media. Thus, the formation of Tech Town

Our First Tech Town session was held on Sept 29<sup>th</sup>, On Email and District web site. It was a success with 33 attendees. The second session is scheduled for Saturday November 24<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM at Conestoga College; with our focus being on Facebook. Lion Hilda DeVos will be the lead instructor covering the following: (Theme; "Living Room")

- 1)Understanding the basics
- 2)Using Facebook for your personal use,
- 3)Marketing tool for your Lions Clubs

*An email has been sent out to all district members. You will receive a confirmation of your registration. Registration is limited to 40 Lions. All attendees MUST pre-register no later than November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018. After the 40 seats have been secured if you try and register you will be notified the session has been filled.*

Please remember that this project is a work in progress, as we strive to make changes and improve with each new session.as we embrace the future



**Face Book Instructor Hilda Devos**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

PDG – FWS Diane Smith



PDG GST OJ Wilura



PCS- GLT Dennis Lougheed



PCS Ted Rypma



Additional volunteers are:

GMT Bill Robinson , Hilda DeVos -Ingersoll Lions, Nancy Chiasson -Mosborough Busy Busy Lions Club, Debbie Zimmerman -Rocton Lions, Lawrence -Clark Hickson and District Lions, Kristin Darling -Drumbo Lions, Erhard Kruger -Kitchener Lions.

Kitchener Leos: Grace Sabo, Adrian Dragoiescu, Duru Uluk



## PASSINGS

It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of

**Lion Ernst K. "Ernie" Kaethler** from the **Ariss and Maryhill Lions Club.**

Lion Ernie passed peacefully, on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at St. Joseph's Health Centre in his 77th year.

Lion Ernie joined The Lions Club of Guelph in 2005, and served on many club committees. He worked with, and served with, the St. Jacobs Lions Club, The Breslau Lions Club and in the last few years with The Ariss and Marryhill Lions Club. Lion Ernie also worked tirelessly at district level serving as our Effective Speaking Chair for a number of years.

**Lion Albert Blom of the Belwood and District Lions Club.**

Lion Albert passed peacefully, on Thursday, October 25, 2018 at Groves Memorial Hospital in Fergus. He was in his 77th year. He was a lover of animals and working on his farm. Outside of Lions he enjoyed singing in the St. John's United Church Choir.

**Lion Pearl Misersky from the Royal City Lions Club**

And

**Lioness Jean Gray**

And

**Lioness Virena Swanston both from the Rockwood Lioness.**

Lion Pearl passed, on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 in her 80th year.

Lion Pearl and her family were involved with Lions for years. Her husband the late Peter Misersky was the charter President of the Guelph Royal City Lions Club. The Guelph Royal City Lions club honoured Lion Pearl with Life Membership.

## PASSINGS - CONT'D

**Lioness Jean Marie** passed away peacefully at St. Joseph's Health Care Centre on Tuesday, October 23, 2018.

**Lioness Virena** passed away peacefully at St Joseph's Health Care Centre on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 in her 82 year.

She was active outside of The **Rockwood and District Lioness Club** as a charter member of the Presbyterian Twilight Auxiliary. She also volunteered for 23 years with Meals on Wheels.

### **PDG Lion Catherine Tyler**

After battling breast cancer in 2013, just to have it spread to her bones, Catherine Anne Tyler-Bock (nee Doyle) passed away on October 28th, 2018.

I have been in contact with her daughter Kelly, and we will be holding a Lions Memorial Service at Memory Gardens, 2723 Victoria St N, Breslau, Ontario this Thursday November 1st at 7:30 PM sharp.

I would ask that all Lions assemble at 7:15 pm so we can all go in together.

PID Art Wood will lead us in our Memorial Service.

We send our thoughts and prayers to the families and friends of the departed members of our Lions family.

Their service will always be remembered.

Kevin