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Happy New Year Everyone,

The Lions Canine Challenge is taking place on Saturday, January 13th from Noon - 4pm at the Lions Foundation of Canada. The Lions Foundation of Canada is located at 152 Wilson Street, Oakville.

The Gravenhurst Leo Club is putting a team of 4 in the challenge. This is a fun, interactive demonstration of Dog Guides and the important role they play in the lives of people with disabilities. The Foundation will have a demonstration of the three types of dog guides: Canine Vision, Special Skills Dogs & Hearing Ear Dogs. You will be amazed!

If you would like to go as a spectator please let me know. We can meet the morning of the challenge to car pool. Lunch is included for the Leo team of 4 and all spectators. It is a fabulous day to see how the training facility works.

I hope that you can go.

Lion Marj Lewis

Lions Foundation of Canada Chair



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Gravenhurst Lions News & Announcements



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR
FOUNDING FATHER MELVIN
JONES ON JANUARY 13TH.**



Birthdays

Carol Keith - Jan 4th

Gerry deVreeze - Jan 14th

Ken Kloepfer - Jan 17th

Barb Stirrett - Jan 25th

Nancy Watt-Durant - Jan 27th

Doug Campbell - Jan 29th

Anniversaries

Ron & Eunice Chaisson - Jan 10th

Get Well Wishes

Eunice Chaisson

Carol Kloepfer

Harvey Ramer

And anyone else out there who I was not told about our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Mobile Driver Reviver Station - Chicago takes notice!

Just received a phone call from the American Academy of Sleep Medicine in Chicago. They saw the article in the Huntsville Forester last week on the Mobile Driver Reviver Station and have requested a backgrounder on how the program started, cost of the MDRS, comments on changes in driving behaviour as a result of the MDRS/DRS. I'll be forwarding the info asap.

Your efforts in promoting road safety have taken the international stage!

Provincial Constable Harry Rawluk

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REMINDERS FOR JANUARY

LIONS DOG GUIDE CHALLENGE IS JAN. 13TH IF YOU CAN GO PLEASE LET LION MARGJ LEWIS KNOW SO SHE CAN LET THEM KNOW.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM AT BEECHGROVE SCHOOL STARTS BACK UP ON JAN.8TH FROM 8:15 AM TO 8:45AM

LEISUREWORLD HAPPY HOUR NEEDS VOLUNTEERS TO HELP SERVE DRINKS FROM 6:15PM TO 7:15PM IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE SEE LION SHEILA

Dear Club Officer,

The coming year will be a very special one for Lions Clubs International. Lions from all over the world are invited to "come home to Chicago" for our 90th International Convention in July. There will be many other celebrations and events marking our 90th anniversary beginning with a special feature in an upcoming issue of The LION magazine. Information on other events will be available throughout the year at www.lionsclubs.org.

Other parts of our association family will be celebrating significant milestones as well. This year will mark the 50th anniversary of Leo clubs, the 20th anniversary of the Peace Poster contest and the 20th anniversary of women's participation as Lions club members. These anniversaries will also be featured in The LION magazine and on the Lions Clubs International Web site.

While we will be taking special note of the past in this year of anniversaries, we will also be moving ahead with the new paradigm for our organization. As part of this new paradigm, we are focusing membership extension efforts on "target markets" that are underrepresented in the association. Urban populations and the "baby boomer" generation are two important examples.

But perhaps the most important group we can reach out to is young people. It should be obvious to everyone that the youth of our communities will be the Lions club members of the future. That is why I am asking all Lions clubs throughout the world to consider sponsoring a Leo club.

The association is placing great importance on Leo clubs in their 50th anniversary year. In a letter to all Leo Club members throughout the world (http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/youth_leo_convention.shtml)

I have invited them to come to Chicago and participate in a special Global Leo Conference during our International Convention. I believe that knowing that Lions Clubs International is dedicated to providing activities and programs that are specially tailored to young people will energize existing Leo clubs and be a powerful motivation for the formation of new ones.

I hope that your club will also place great importance on Leos in the coming year. The month of April has been designated as Leo Awareness Month. I strongly urge you to show your members and your communities what young people can accomplish by joining with a Leo club in your area for a special service project in April.

You have my best wishes during this holiday season and for a joyful, service-filled new year.

Sincerely,

Jimmy M. Ross
International President
Lions Clubs International

THANK YOU LIONS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

LION ROB GRIMES HAS ASKED ME TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT HE REALLY APPRECIATED ALL THE HELP AND SUPPORT YOU GAVE HIM THIS PAST SUMMER FOR THE FLAG PROGRAM, WITHOUT THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION OF THE LIONS THE WORK WOULDN'T GET DONE AND THE MONIES WOULDN'T BE THERE FOR OUR COMMUNITY SEVICE THAT WE DO. TTHANK YOU AGAIN AND HOPE YOU WILL BE THERE SUPPORTING THE NEXT LION WHO TAKES ON THE JOB AS CHAIRPERSON FOR THE FLAG PROGRAM.

LION ROB GRIMES

Fellow Lions,

I am passing along this message from Nicole Brown, from LCIF. Please share this with other Lions Club members.

Lion Dan Uitti

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December 26 will mark the second anniversary of the tsunami that struck South Asia. Because we have 160,000 Lions members in the four most affected countries, we were able to respond immediately and quickly assess long-term community needs. As LCIF prepares to allocate the final

\$2 million of \$15 million in funding, Lions and LCIF continue to rebuild both communities and lives. In two years, we have rebuilt nearly 3,400 homes as well as orphanages, hospitals and community centers. Plans are currently underway for projects to help rebuild the economy through job training programs and vocational centers. With some key media placements over the next week, we are excited to share the great news with the general public.

The Chicago Tribune is doing a story on LCIF and Lion's work in Sri Lanka with an interview with Benjamin Futransky, LCIF Humanitarian Grants Coordinator, who just returned last week from visiting some of the villages being built in Sri Lanka. The story is scheduled to run early next week. The Oak Leaves newspaper, which serves Chicago's Western suburban communities of Oak Park and River Forest, will also run a story in their December 27 issue with an interview with Ben.

While you're enjoying your time off at home, we also hope you'll have the opportunity to watch the local news. Ben is being interviewed by WGN on December 25 between 8 to 9 a.m. to speak about what he saw while in Sri Lanka. International Director Russell Sarver from Illinois will be on the ABC news at 11:45 a.m. on December 26. Peter Lynch, LCI Acting Executive Administrator, is being interviewed by CBS December 26, time to be determined.

International President Jimmy Ross will speak about Lions? and the Foundation's response to the tsunami on CBS in Lubbock, Texas at 12:20 p.m. on December 26. He is tentatively scheduled to appear on CNN International on December 26 as well. That same day he can also be heard on WGN Radio, a nationally syndicated program, at 2:10 p.m.

Earlier this week, the president was interviewed by the Lubbock Journal and San Antonio Express newspapers in Texas.

This is an excellent opportunity to showcase Lions and LCIF. Please share this information with Lions, friends and family.

Very Respectfully,

Nicole Brown
Manager, LCIF Communications

THANK YOU TO CHAMBERLAIN'S TIM-BERMART

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE CHAMBERLAIN TIM-BERMART FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF A GENERATOR. WE ARE NOW ABLE TO HELP A FAMILY WHO NEEDS THE GENERATOR. WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE HELP AND SUPPORT IN OUR MEANS OF HELPING OUT OUR COMMUNITY .

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROUS DONATION CHAMBERLAIN'S TIM-BERMART FROM THE GRAVENHURST LIONS CLUB



January 2007

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Jan 2 - Lions Meeting at the Granite Restaurant at 7pm

Jan 3 - Leo Meeting at the Youth Centre at 7pm

Jan 5 - Happy Hour at Leisureworld at 6:15 to 7:15pm

Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 - Breakfast Program at Beechgrove PS

Jan 13 - Guide Dog Challenge in Oakville

Jan 16 - Lions Meeting at the Granite Restaurant 7pm

Jan 17 - Leo Meeting at 7pm at the Youth Centre

Jan 18 - Happy Hour at Leisureworld at 6:15 to 7:15pm

Jan 23 - Directors Meeting at the Granite Restaurant at 7pm

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