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**HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY**
FROM THE
GRAVENHURST
LION'S CLUB



The Lions Club of Gravenhurst

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Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., Granite Restaurant, Highway 11N, Gravenhurst

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Gravenhurst Lions News & Announcements



Birthdays

Archie Howard - May 3rd
 Brandon McGregor - May 14th
 Bill Daoust - May 15th

Anniversaries

Doug & Margi Hewittson - May 8th
 Fred & Isobel Collins - May 14th
 Ian & Barb Gray - May 18th
 Archie & Irma Howard - May 20th

Get Well Wishes

Eunice Chaisson
 Carol Kloepfer
 Harvey Ramer
 Bill Daoust
 And anyone else out there who I was not told about our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Hosted by

The Gravenhurst Lions Club

June 3rd, 2007

10am Registration at

McDonald's

Contact Lion Marj Lewis

-- **687-2144 for more info**

LIONS "ACRONYM" LIST

ACRONYM	DEFINITION
IP	INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
ID	INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR
PIP	PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
PID	PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR
CC	COUNCIL CHAIR
PCC	PAST COUNCIL CHAIR
DG	DISTRICT GOVERNOR
PDG	PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR
VDG	VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR
DDG	DEPUTY DISTRICT GOVERNOR (now Region Chair)
PDDG	PAST DEPUTY DISTRICT GOVERNOR
CST	CABINET SECRETARY TREASURER
PCST	PAST CABINET SECRETARY TREASURER
RC	REGION CHAIR
PRC	PAST REGION CHAIR
ZC	ZONE CHAIR
PZC	PAST ZONE CHAIR
PP	PAST CLUB PRESIDENT
LCI	LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
LCIF	LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION
LFC	LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA (Dogguides)
MJF	MELVIN JONES FELLOW
JBSF	JUDGE BRIAN STEVENSON FELLOW
CSF	CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST
CSFII	CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II
LQ	LIONS-QUEST (Thrive!)
MDA	MULTIPLE DISTRICT "A"



USA CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM
FORUM NEWS

"MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH THE CHALLENGES OF CHANGE"
31ST ANNUAL USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

We are getting closer to being "Hooked on Grand Rapids" and the registration is continuing to grow. The Host committee under the direction of PCC Gary Anderson is getting ready to put the red carpet out for all of you. There are so many events in addition to the Leadership Seminars for you to see and do while in Grand Rapids. The Friday Night Event is "The Celebration on the Grand". There will be bands in several locations so many restaurants to choose from and the evening will end with a fabulous fireworks display. The speakers and seminars are some of the best we have ever had. They are dynamic and will have you so inspired that you will want to share all you have seen and heard back at your clubs and help to rejuvenate all the members. This is what the Forum does, inspires Lions, Lioness, Leos and guests to share Lionism with others to help make our membership grow.

We do hope all of you are making plans to get "Hooked on Grand Rapids" at the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum September 6 - 8, 2007 in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Let's all make this the best forum ever. Alone we do so little, together we do so much.

You are encouraged to visit <http://usacanadalionsforum.org/> to learn much more about the Forum in its entirety.

Vision without action is only a dream...so come and be an active part of this 2007 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.



In Lions Service,
Ed McCormick, PID
General Chairperson

Dear Fellow Lions,

LCIF is able to fulfill its mission of helping Lions serve worldwide through your support. In this message, I would like to update you on a convention fundraiser for LCIF, grants awarded at the March Board Meeting, a milestone in Melvin Jones Fellowship donation, Campaign SightFirst II, new Lions Quest grants awarded and non-traditional ways to support LCIF.

As part of the International Convention, attend "Lions Night at the White Sox" on Wednesday, July 4th, 2007. For every ticket sold to Lions, the Chicago White Sox baseball team will donate US\$5 to LCIF. This is a great opportunity for Lions to come together and enjoy an exciting Chicago experience. Lions are encouraged to bring family members and friends. Tickets to the Chicago White Sox baseball game against the Baltimore Orioles are now available to Lions for purchase (\$25 Lower Reserved, \$21 Bleacher, \$15 Upper Reserved Seats). Start time for the game is 6:05 p.m., and free shuttle service from official Lions convention hotels to the ballpark will be provided. President Jimmy Ross is expected to throw the first pitch and Lions will be recognized during the game. Fireworks will follow the game. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit <http://2007lionsconvention.com/>

More than US\$4.7 million in grants were approved at the March 2007 LCIF Board Meeting. Lions clubs from all over the world were granted funds to assist many humanitarian projects, such as: constructing a high school for disadvantaged children in England, equipping a hospital in India, repairing a residential facility for abused children in Japan, expanding a medical facility for diabetes care in Mexico and equipping an eye surgery unit at a hospital in California, USA. **View the complete list** of approved grants online. With these funds, Lions clubs worldwide will continue their service to their communities and begin new challenges to improve the lives of countless individuals.

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_gr_standard_recent.shtml

LCIF recognized its **250,000th Melvin Jones Fellowship donation** in February. Kazuhiro Seno, a member of the Ima-bari Lions Club in District 336-A, Japan, became the 250,000 Melvin Jones Fellow when he donated \$1,000 to LCIF. Seno designated his donation to Campaign SightFirst II. His club has made a \$500 per member pledge to the Campaign and has a total of 92 MJFs. Most of the funds raised during the first Campaign SightFirst were through MJF donations.

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions_lcif_lcif.shtml

Lions surpassed a major campaign milestone by reaching more than US\$75 million raised, half of their Campaign Sight-First II minimum goal of US\$150 million to fight preventable blindness around the world. With 15 months remaining in CSFII fund raising, we are making great strides in reaching our ultimate goal: saving sight by raising funds to continue the SightFirst program. I encourage Lions to now begin focusing on our next benchmark of raising US\$90 million by the association's 90th anniversary this July. **Learn how** you can get involved in the Campaign. <http://www.lions-csfii.org/live/content/index.shtml>

The Lions Quest Advisory Committee awarded \$560,300 during its January meeting. The grants will enable Lions to implement the program in five new countries and expand existing Lions Quest programs in several countries. Motivational banners are now available to Lions for purchase online as a bridge tool to help establish Lions Quest into your area schools. **Lions Quest** is a school-based life-skills program for children from kindergarten to 12th grade. More than 11 million youth have taken part in a Lions Quest classroom, and more than 330,00 educators and other adults have been trained to implement the programs in school and community settings. <http://www.lions-quest.org>

Did you know there are a number of **non-traditional ways to donate** to LCIF? One such example is donations from an Individual Retirement Account. Under the Pension Protection Act of 2006, you can use funds from an IRA to make a charitable gift free of taxes. This law allows individuals ages 70.5 or older to make gifts now to LCIF using funds transferred directly from an IRA. Lions can also donate stock, make bequests, give life insurance, donate real estate and support LCIF in numerous other ways. <http://www.wpg.cc/stl/CDA/homepage/1,1006,627,00.html>

I thank you for your continued support of the Foundation. Your support is integral to what we can accomplish together this year and in the future.

With a Passion to Serve,

Dr. Ashok Mehta
2006-2007 LCIF Chairperson

DRIVER REVIVER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Every Member of our club is invited to participate if they wish. The more volunteers we have the merrier. Fill in your name whenever you are available to come out to the Muskoka Tourist Centre on Hwy 11 in Kilworthy on

Friday, May 18, 2007 between **9 am and 6 pm**.

CHAY 93.1 Radio will be onsite with us all day.

SHIFT TIME	NAME
8:30 AM SET UP -road signs, put up tents, display, coffee urn, supplies, etc.	Kathy, Bill, Bud (installing road signs), Rob (delivering coffee urns, other supplies, etc.)
9 AM – 11 PM	Kathy, Nancy, Dave
11 PM – 1 PM	
1PM – 3 PM	Fred, Glen, Archie
3 PM – 5 PM	Kathy
5-6 PM CLEAN UP -tear down after 5 and before 6 will depend on how busy the station is with visitors	Kathy, Rob (picking up the tables & coffee urns, etc.), Bud (take down road signs), Gord

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR A CLUB SHIRT, YOUR PIN & NAME TAG, & A HAT if needed.



THE GOVERNOR GENERAL
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BIJOU HALL
OTTAWA

Through the SightFirst Program, the International Association of Lions Clubs has ensured that millions of people around the world are not left in the dark.

The SightFirst II Program will help to build on this success by raising the necessary funds to offer services and professional help to those who need it most. For years, the visually impaired throughout Canada and the entire world have benefited from the generosity of those involved with the Lions. The SightFirst campaign is a perfect extension of the Lions Club service as "knights of the blind," a role they have upheld since 1925. Effectively and efficiently, the program works towards the goal that no one, man, woman or child, should have to experience preventable blindness.

As all of those involved work towards this goal, I commend the organizers of this campaign for reaching far and wide to offer assistance to care for the eyes of the world. I wish everyone much success with SightFirst II.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michaëlle Jean".

Michaëlle Jean

July 2006



May 2007

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May 1 - Lion Meeting at the Granite Restaurant at 7pm

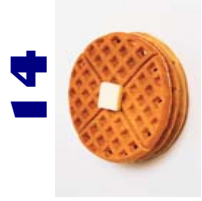
May 2 - Leo Meeting at the Youth Centre at 7pm



May 4-6 - Lion Convention in Wasaga Beach



May 7, 14, 28 - Breakfast Program at Beechgrove School



May 12 - Lions Spaghetti Dinner at the Centennial Centre



May 14 - Happy Mother's Day



May 15 - Lion Meeting at 7pm at the Granite Restaurant

May 16 - Leo Meeting at 7pm at the Youth Centre

May 21 - Victoria Day

May 22 - Directors Meeting at YIG at 7pm



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