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WELCOME BACK LIONS

TO ANOTHER FUN FILLED YEAR OF LIONISM



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

Ed Stirrett - Sept 6th

Wendy Rawlings - Sept 27th

Anniversaries

Chris & Marj Lewis - Sept 16th

Gord & Irene Campbell - Sept 17th

Terry & Susan Stevenson - Sept 17th

Get Well Wishes

Eunice Chaisson

Barb Stirrett

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.

GRAVENHURST LIONS CLUB
CONVENTION IS IN APRIL 2008
AT TABOO RESORT DON'T
FORGET TO REGISTER NOW

WIN A

Limited Edition Chip Foose-Designed Bicycle

Valued at \$1,000

Proceeds to the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide Program

Draw Date: September 18th, 2007 at the Granite Restaurant

Tickets \$2.00 each or 3/\$5.00

For more info call Lion Ron Chaisson at 687-4408





the quest Begins

Beginning in September, the Knights of Muskoka will be accompanying Lady Nan on her visits to the outer regions of King Peter's kingdom. It is critical that Lady Nan be protected from the many wandering bands of mercenaries who are eager to waylay her and keep her from her appointed tasks. It will be an arduous task, but I am confident that this quest will be a great success – one that will surely be told by minstrels down through the ages.

Our quest will also involve encouraging King Peter's subjects throughout the realm to prepare themselves to attend the festivities next April at King Peter's castle – Taboo Resort & Spa for the District A-12 Convention. Proper attire for this quest would be for the knights - armour and weaponry; and for the ladies, gowns. In addition, the black "cloaks" emblazoned with the coat of arms of Muskoka Knights would be acceptable for either gender. For those of you who require a cloak, please contact the tailor, Sir Christopher Lewis, who will outfit you in a manner befitting your stature. For those of you whose armour is rusted or in disrepair, please contact Sir David Durant.

Date	Location	Departure Time	Departure Location	Companions
Mon, Sept 24	Wasaga Beach	500 pm	McDonald's	- - - -
Wed, Oct 3	Tottenham	430 pm	McDonalds	- - - -
Thu Oct 4	Angus	500 pm	McDonalds	- - - -
Wed Oct 10	Alliston	430 pm	McDonalds	- - - -
Mon Oct 15	Schomberg	430 pm	McDonalds	- - - -
Wed Oct 17	Beeton	430 pm	McDonalds	- - - -
Mon Oct 22	Zone 36E Orillia	TBA	McDonalds	- - - -



the quest begins

Tue Oct 30	Zone 21N Sundridge	TBA	McDonalds stop at Home Depot	- - -
Thu Nov 1	Zone 8N Stayner	TBA	McDonalds	(Nancy not attending) - - -
Tue Nov 6	Bond Head	430 pm	McDonalds	- - -
Thu Nov 8	Zone 36W Port McNicoll	TBA	McDonalds	- - -
Tue Nov 13	Gilford	500 pm	McDonalds	- - -
Mon Nov 19	Zone 8S Bradford	TBA	McDonalds	- - -

Dear Club Officer,

It was a great privilege to be inaugurated President of the International Association of Lions Clubs in Chicago last month. It was a special thrill to assume the Presidency at our [90th anniversary celebration](#) in the city in which our Association was founded

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/convention/2007_index.shtml

It struck me that much has changed and much has stayed the same. What has not changed is the spirit of Lions and our dedication to service. Integrity and compassion mean as much to us today as they did to our founders.

But we no longer do business from a roll-top desk as Melvin Jones did. When we answer the telephone we are as likely to take it from a pocket as from a stand on our desk. What has changed is not what Lions do, but the way we do things.

To keep up with our fast-changing world, Lions must make even greater changes in the way we do things. I hope that you will join me enthusiastically during our leadership year as we strive to embrace the challenge of change.

One of our greatest challenges in this year of change will be to meet our [ambitious goal](#) of achieving a net growth of at least 20,000 new members worldwide. Helping to spearhead this aggressive plan are the Lions of [Team 20K](#) who are in place to help clubs with this membership challenge.

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/intprogram.pdf>

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/intl_program_powerpoint.pdf

Remember that we can hope to meet this ambitious goal only by ensuring that Lions Clubs remain relevant and meaningful to the young people in our communities. As one Lion in the U.S.A. put it recently, "People don't join Lions Clubs to go to meetings. They join to do the things that Lions do."

Meetings that are lively and brief events designed to reenergize club members and enable them to participate in innovative and fun service projects will help your club appeal to a younger generation which has innumerable choices when it comes to how to spend their time.

Remaining relevant to young people also requires us to give added importance to Leo Clubs. In our quest for high quality new members, there will be no better place to look than to active Leos. I challenge each and every Lions Club throughout the world to sponsor a Leo Club and take responsibility for nurturing its members in our culture of service.

Our membership goals are challenging and ambitious but are by no means impossible to achieve. For evidence, you need only look to the family membership initiative begun last year. When we began it was anticipated that we would realize a membership increase of approximately 9,000. In fact, more than 18,000 new members have joined our ranks as a direct result of the program. Many of these new members are women and many are under the age of 40. I am certain that we can achieve similar results from the changes we make this year.

Finally, I would like to ask you not to hesitate to make necessary changes in the way your club serves your community. Step forward and embrace the change. The future of our Association depends upon it. And, while this may seem to be only the start of our leadership year, the time to begin is now.

Sincerely,


Mahendra Amarasuriya

President

Lions Clubs International



September 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						

Sept 1 - Toll Road 8am -2pm

Sept 1 - Flag program

Sept 4 - Lions Meeting at the Granite Restaurant 7pm

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Sept 5 - Leo Meeting at the Youth Centre at 7pm



Sept 6 - Happy Hour at Leisure World 6:15 - 7:30pm



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Sept 9 - Happy Grandparents Day

Sept 10, 17, 24 - Breakfast Program at Beechgrove Public School 8:10am - 8:45am

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Sept 18 - Lions Meeting at the Granite Restaurant 7pm Bike Draw so bring in your tickets and monies

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Sept 19 - Leo Meeting at Youth Centre at 7pm

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Sept 25- Directors meeting at the Granite Restaurant at 7pm

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