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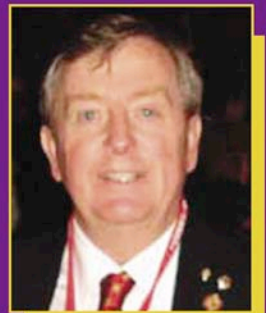
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# Orillia Stanley Cup



The Orillia and surrounding area Emergency Services with assistance from local service clubs are constructing a Children Safety Village. The portable safety village will be used to teach youngsters how to play safe within their community, focusing specifically on vehicle, fire, health and electricity safety. As part of a fundraiser the Orillia O.P.P. were able to have the Stanley Cup come to Orillia. Lion Dan Rajsic, a member of the Children Safety Village committee, is pictured as an "early" cup recipient. Sorry Mr. Alfredsson.


Reported by Lion Dan Rajsic

"I pledge to serve Lions in Canada to my utmost."  
Vote To Endorse -Cathy Bock


# Cathy Bock

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## International Director



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# Good Luck Caylen



On the back page of the April issue of The Lion, there was an article from the Chesterville Lions of A4 regarding a small project they had undertaken to help little Caylen Laberge who was the victim of an unfortunate lawn mower accident. The Fabulous Fenwick Lions Of A2 responded immediately with financial assistance. We as a club decided to donate the proceeds of both our fish fry's in May to this project. On May 31st four Fenwick Lions members made the twelve hour round trip to hand deliver a \$5000 cheque to the Chesterville Lions. Pictured left to right: Lion Bert Marissen, Lion Bruce Bissell, Lion Rob Henson, (Lion John Edgerton holding Caylen, Lion Martha Wheeler both from Chesterville) and Lion Harry Cumming.

Submitted by Lion Rob Neal

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## Getting Younger People To Join Lions

**Y**ou've probably heard or read about Generation X and Generation Y. These terms describe the age groups that followed Baby Boomers. The underlying assumption of naming people born in the same era is that they share a common identity, shared values or similar interests.

Lions in their 50s, 60s, 70s and even older came of age at a time when joining a service club was almost as automatic as enrolling your children in school or belonging to the church down the street. Civic involvement was considered almost automatic. But those days are gone. Members of Generation X and Y and those coming up behind them, as well as many of the later Baby Boomers, don't automatically do many things at all. They pick and choose and decide what they prefer. Their passion for service is probably no less genuine but they don't feel the same need to be part of a traditional service club.

So we Lions have our work cut out for us in recruiting new members. If we continue as we have, unmindful of how the world has changed, we won't be successful in adding members. But if we adjust and show flexibility, there will be more opportunities to recruit "new blood."

Change is not easy. Many clubs need to change, modifying practices and procedures. Even the more successful clubs need to anticipate the future and make subtle changes. We don't need to change who Lions are and what we do. But we do need to change how we do things.

My presidential theme is Challenge to Change. The world has changed and we need to change with it. A club has to find new ways to attract members. It has to find new ways to make meetings more interesting. So maybe a club can try out karaoke singing at its meetings. That may not work for every club but it may work for yours.

Or maybe the answer is a cyber club. Or maybe it's a new project that will more fully engage members, better attract the attention of the public and better serve the community.

Unless we understand younger people and their needs and wants and reshape our clubs accordingly, we won't be able to entice them to join. But if we are savvy about what we do and how we present ourselves to the public, it won't be just Generation X and Y that people will hear about. They'll know about Generation L, those service-minded younger people who become Lions.



## Convention 2008 CORRECTION

**T**he entertainment for the Friday night dinner theatre was to be "Harbour High, the 50's". It is with regret that we, the Convention Committee must announce that this show has had to be cancelled.

In spite of this setback in our plans to provide the Lions, Lioness and Leos' of MD'A with a convention you have come to expect, we are very pleased to announce that we have secured a replacement show which we know you will enjoy. Besides the full course dinner, our variety show entitled "Remembering the 50's, Lets Rock Again" will feature Wolfman Jack as the MC who will introduce the following acts during the evening. Buddy Holly, Roy Orbison, Elton John, The Everly Brothers and Jerry Lee Lewis.

We ask that Lions and Lioness still dress in the style of the 50's, drainpipe pants, Poodle skirts, (not together!) leather jackets etc. We apologize for any confusion, but please be assured that this show "Remembering the 50's" will provide all our guests a fun filled evening, fine food, great entertainment, audience participation and much more.

## Lions Convention Update

### International Lions Conventions

**June 23 - 27, 2008**

Bangkok, Thailand

**July 6 - 10, 2009**

Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA

**June 28 - July 2, 2010**

Sydney, Australia

**July 4 - 8, 2011**

Seattle Washington, USA

### MDA Convention

**May 29 - June 1, 2008**

Etobicoke (Toronto)

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## Mahendra Amarasuriya President

**M**ahendra Amarasuriya of Colombo, Sri Lanka, was elected president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 90th International

Convention, held in Chicago, Illinois, USA, July 2-6, 2007.

He is a graduate of the University of Ceylon with a Bachelor of Science degree. He has participated in the Top Management Course at the International Institute of Management in Lausanne, Switzerland. He has also acquired considerable experience in the field of management over the last 40 years as a director and chairperson of many prestigious companies in Sri Lanka. International President Amarasuriya is the chairperson of the Commercial Bank of Ceylon Limited and three other blue chip companies, as well as a board member of many other blue chip companies in Sri Lanka. He is also a past chairperson of the International Chamber of Commerce of Sri Lanka, Employers' Federation of Ceylon, the Employees' Trust Fund Board, the Institute of Management of Sri Lanka and the National Agribusiness Council of Sri Lanka.

A charter member of the Lions Club of Galle (pronounced Gaul), he has held many offices within the association, including district governor from 1978 to 1979, council chairperson from 1979 to 1980 and international director from 1991 to 1993. In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor bestowed upon association members. He has also received the 100% District Governor Award, the Extension Award and the 15-Year Perfect Attendance Award. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

International President Amarasuriya resides with his wife, Lion Kushlani, also a Melvin Jones Fellow, in Colombo, Sri Lanka.



## Albert F. Brandel 1st Vice President

**A**lbert F. Brandel of Melville, New York, USA, was elected to serve as first vice president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 90th International Convention, held in Chicago,

Illinois, USA, July 2-6, 2007.

Vice President Brandel is a retired police detective.

A member of the West Hempstead Lions Club since 1975, and an associate member of the Melville Lions Club, Vice President Brandel has held many offices in the association, including club president and district governor. He has also served as a presenter and panelist at USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums and worked with the Long Island Lions Eye Bank as a transporter. He has been the Lions Representative to UNICEF in New York for 10 years and he helped coordinate Lions in LCIF relief efforts at the World Trade Center following September 11, 2001.

In recognition of his contributions, Vice President Brandel has received numerous awards, including the 100% Club President Award, the 100% District Governor Award, the Supreme Extension Award, a 30 Member Key, 14 International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest award the association grants to its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Brandel has served as a Little League volunteer and is active in his church as a Eucharistic minister. He is a former member of the board of directors of the United Nations Association of the USA.

Vice President Brandel's wife, Dr. Maureen Murphy, an anesthesiologist and a Lion, is now practicing at a community hospital.

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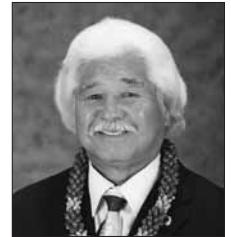
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# A New Vision For SightFirst In Latin America

by Kristen Eckert

**A**s grant administrator for three SightFirst projects in Colombia, Lion Jairo Contreras has personally seen the look of joy on the many faces of those who can see for the first time.

"A woman once visited my office, who just days before- after being blinded by cataracts- was notified that she was going into surgery. She asked if after her operation she could meet the person who helped her," he said. "To my surprise, she kneeed before me in my office with tears of happiness, giving thanks to the Lord for His miracle. I was very moved, and I will always remember it." Not typical to the day-to-day life of a civil engineer, this moment was made possible thanks to the SightFirst program. Before SightFirst, patients in Colombia waited up to four years for cataract operations.

SightFirst has prevented the loss of vision of 27 million people. However, the threats of blindness have changed over time. New complications and eye diseases emerge, therefore necessitating Campaign SightFirst II. CSFII aspires to achieve "Vision for All" and prevent the blind population from doubling from 37 to 74 million by the year 2020. The ongoing campaign hopes to raise at least \$150 million, with a target goal of \$200 million.

In Latin America, 342 SightFirst grants have been approved for a total of nearly \$24 million.

SightFirst began in 1990, and Contreras has been involved in three projects that performed 4,500 cataract surgeries in northeast Colombia. Poverty is intensified by regional violence and its resulting forced displacement. Many people do not have access to health care, let alone eye care. This district is about to begin a new project undertaking 2,000 operations.



*Children in Argentina can rejoice in improved vision thanks to Lions' SightFirst efforts.*

Dr. Felix Torres is an ophthalmologist at the National Arzobispo Loayza Hospital in Lima. He recently became a Lion after working with the clubs for the past five years on cataract surgery campaigns. After seeing firsthand the results Lions have achieved, he is also ready to begin a new SightFirst project to carry out 1,500 free cataract surgeries. Due to the high rate of school dropouts, as many as 1.2 million Peruvian children have visual problems that could be corrected by prescription glasses and Lions are working to fulfill that need, too.

## FRIENDSHIP ARCH

Multiple District "A" encourages all Lions clubs to consider the purchase of an Arch. An Arch in the community is symbolic of a successful Lions Club and communities that support and care about the great work we do.

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Dr. Francisco Schreiber is a SightFirst advisor to Argentina and project chairperson to an ongoing grant in the northeast. "SightFirst's impact in the community is very positive. In addition to motivating the volunteerism of the Lions, it also encourages other institutions to participate in this noble work," he said. In fact, one provincial government implemented a public cataract program after the successful Lions' cataract campaigns. This relationship helps LCIF and Lions further leverage funding and support for the program.

Until now, all of the projects in Argentina have been cataract surgery campaigns, but Lions are developing long-term, sustainable projects. "As a doctor, I am convinced that the best actions are those of preventative education, even if it doesn't have the same immediate impact as the cataract surgery campaigns. In the long run, however, we will be able to measure our efforts by a decrease in visual problems," said Dr. Schreiber.

Through Campaign SightFirst II, Lions can ensure that no one will wait to receive eye care. No one with preventable blindness will be denied the right to sight.

# Lions Use Cutting-Edge Technology



*Firefighters at the Cowlitz Fire Department demonstrate the thermal imaging camera purchased by Lions.*

by Erin Crouch

**T**hermal imaging shows firefighters where victims lie helpless in their homes. Vacuum molded replicas teach the blind how dangerous implements work, without risk. Cancer treatment is administered by video. Paperless classrooms allow disabled students to trade heavy bookbags for USB ports. None of these projects came from science fiction novels. Instead, these are examples of successful LCIF grant projects.

Champions of humanitarian causes for decades, Lions today are embracing technology and assisting people in need in novel ways. One example is the thermal imaging system installed for the Cowlitz County

Fire Department in Washington by the Lions of District 19-G, with a \$20,000 grant from LCIF. According to the U.S. Fire Administration within FEMA, the United States has a fire death rate of 12.4 deaths per million, one of the highest in the industrialized world. More than 100 firefighters are killed during rescues every year in the United States.

Thermal imaging cameras sense temperature variations in buildings and create an image on a small television screen. Instead of searching the smoke-filled building for survivors manually, firefighters equipped with thermal imaging cameras use the television screen to identify anyone trapped inside and plan their rescue in advance.

The inspiration for this project came from Lion Duane Bailey of the Longview-Kelso Earlybird Lions Club, who saw a special on thermal imaging cameras on NBC's Dateline. He became the driving force to provide these cameras to the local fire department. The Cowlitz Fire Department has now used the thermal cameras for four years, and not one fire-related fatality has occurred in that time.

In another technically-inspired project, Lions in District 330-A, Japan, are helping the visually impaired understand the world around them through touch. Vacuum forming machines create small, tactile replicas of everyday objects that are either dangerous or too large to touch. By creating a lightweight, durable model, visually impaired children and adults gain object recognition of items that would otherwise be unavailable.

Three-dimensional maps formed with the machines communicate spatial information to the blind and visually impaired and molded items with sharp edges can be explored by children without fear. Some 2,700 individuals are expected to see the world in a whole new way—with their fingers—through the use of these molding machines in Japan. The four molding machines were purchased through the assistance of a \$10,000 grant from LCIF.

Lions' projects run the gamut from cutting-edge genetic research to simple water filters, addressing the needs of the communities around them. As technology moves ahead and the Lions move with it, projects that seem beyond imagination become reality, thanks in part to LCIF grants.

## 2007/08

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Arcona	60 yrs	2/21/48
Mt Brydges	60 yrs	4/30/48
Wheatley	60 yrs	12/2/48
Sarnia	75 yrs	9/21/32
Kingsville	75 yrs	5/3/33
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Port Dalhousie	60 yrs	11/24/47
Jarvis	60 yrs	1/23/48
Jordan	60 yrs	3/31/48
Grimsby	70 yrs	3/7/38
St Catharines Central	85 yrs	7/11/22
A-3		
Havelock	50 yrs	1/9/58
Millbrook	60 yrs	1/5/48

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Kemptville	50 yrs	1/22/58
Douglas	60 yrs	12/19/47
A-5		
Espanola	60 yrs	12/12/47
Mattawa	60 yrs	5/17/48
Kapuskasing	65 yrs	6/11/43





# Tail Twister

Tail Twister, Tail Twister! I've known you of old;  
 You've robbed my poor pockets of silver and gold;  
 You've kicked me and cuffed me; you've been my  
 downfall;  
 You've cheated and crooked me; but I love you for all.

Fort Worth Texas

In the 1941 Lion magazine we "Of all the novel and rich experiences which await a new lion, none strikes him so forcibly as the introduction to that 'Demon of the Dime' that 'Debunker of Dignity' known as the Spizzerinkter or Tail Twister."

No lexicographer has successfully challenged the Lions' claim to having thought up or dreamed up this term all by themselves. In the July 1936 Lions Magazine this erudite source said; some readers may be wondering about the word Spizzerinkter used in conjunction with tail twister. Spizzerinkters began to pop up in clubs throughout the association some months ago. They are close relatives of tail twisters-blood brothers in fact, and there is a definition-not by Webster- of their name.

**Spizzerinkter** n 1. A fire eater, a live wire, a gouger, a snapper, a pusher, a trail blazer, a wise cracker. 2. A lion with the qualities of dynamite, pepper, ginger, great heat, TNT 3. an official in a Lions Club who is redheaded, sharp, witty, alive, awake, quick, sizzling, speedy, high stepping, gate crashing,. Implies reckless partiality. 4. One who is in a state of perpetual eruption, as a volcano? One who has great zip?

The spizzerinkter has also been variously described as worse than a revolution, more touching than your most shiftless relative, and about as subtle as an avalanche, and as a new name for an old fashioned affliction – tail twister.

Melvin Jones said "that back in the early 1920's we were trying to find some way to liven up Lion meetings. About this time membership in Pep Committees had begun to dwindle and the survivors got the idea that they

should be the ones doing the fining. One Sunday afternoon 3 or 4 of us were discussing the matter of putting pep into meetings. One fellow who had been born on a farm said that what we need to do what they used to do on the farm. When a cow refused to go through the gate some one would grab her tail and twist. We all laughed but one of the boys said "Why isn't that a good name – tail twister?" We had already decided on the name Lion Tamer for the sergeant at arms, so it seemed logical to confer the title of tail twister on the chairman of the pep committee."

But the International Board in a huff of offended dignity issued an edict to the clubs against the use of low comedy term. MJ remembers the issue came up in Ohio in 1920. Word came out of the room where the board was in session before luncheon that the term tail twister was prohibited. The rank and file membership took matters in their own hands during the luncheon by passing a motion in favour of tail twisting. The matter stayed around for years with the general consensus of the Boards remaining pretty much the same. That the terms tail twister, cub, lion tamer, and den should be dropped from Lionism."

PIP Ray Riley finally suggested that they were taking themselves too seriously, and suspected that clubs would go right on having tail twisters whether the board liked it or not.

*In all thy humours, whether grave or mellow,  
 thou art such a touch, testy, pleasant fellow;  
 hast so much wit, and mirth, and spleen about thee,  
 there is no living with thee nor without thee.*

By Lion "Curly" Keith Donaldson

Source; The World's Biggest Doers by Robert Casey and W.A.S. Douglas, 30th anniversary book of Lions History.

Lion Ray Charbonneau  
 MD"A" Historian

## Anniversaries

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Burlington Nelson	50 yrs	4/14/58
Etobicoke Kingsway	70 yrs	3/16/38

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Howick	65 yrs	6/4/43
Mount Forest	70 yrs	5/17/38
Wingham	70 yrs	6/1/38
Goderich	85 yrs	8/7/22



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MacTier & District	60 yrs	11/28/47
Bracebridge	65 yrs	11/23/42
Bradford	70 yrs	9/29/37
Midland	70 yrs	11/22/37
Orillia	70 yrs	8/26/37

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Exeter	70 yrs	12/1/37
Galt-Cambridge	70 yrs	1/31/38
Vanastra & District	70 yrs	1/20/38

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Maple	60 yrs	2/25/48
Cannington	60 yrs	1/8/48
Beaverton	60 yrs	12/12/47
Richmond Hill	70 yrs	2/28/38
Stouffville	70 yrs	12/17/37
Port Perry	70 yrs	11/16/37

## JUNE 27-JULY 1, 2007

### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

1. Denied vice district governor election complaint in District 300-C1 (Multiple District 300 Taiwan) and declared Lion Chen-Chin Liu as vice district governor of District 300-C1 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.
2. Denied vice district governor election complaint in District 321-B2 (India) and declared Lion Kiran Singh as vice district governor of District 321-B2 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.
3. Appointed Lion Md Mazibul Huq Chunnu as district governor and Lion Nishat Parveen Huq as vice district governor of District 315-B1 (Bangladesh) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.
4. Upheld the vice district governor election complaint for District 324-E3 (India), declared the vice district governor election for the 2007-2008 fiscal year to be null and void and of no force and effect, and declared that there exists a vacancy in the office of vice district governor in District 324-E3 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.
5. Denied vice district governor election complaint for District 315-B4 (Bangladesh) and declared Lion S.M. Ishaque as the vice district governor of District 315-B4 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.
6. Revised board policy regarding electronic distribution of Board Policy Manual and Board Meeting Minutes to all those entitled by policy to receive copies of those documents, and to reflect actual procedure and practice with respect to the review of proposed changes to board policy by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee.
7. Revised the Standard Form Club Constitution and board policy with respect to the Club, District and Multiple District Dispute Resolution Procedures, the District Governor and Vice District Governor Election Complaints Procedure and the Constitutional Complaints Procedure.
8. Revised board policy with respect to the policies on the use of the Lions' name and emblem (trademark policies).

### DISTRICT AND CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE

- Approved charter cancellation of 328 Lions clubs (3,772 members) with regret.
- Denied the redistricting proposal submitted by Multiple District 307, Indonesia, for not meeting the minimum requirement.
- Approved change of district designation of District 111-OW, Germany, to 111-OM, effective July 6, 2007.
- Revised the status quo and cancellation rules in the Board Policy Manual.
- Deleted the 2-year grace period rule granted to transitional districts in the Board Policy Manual.

### FINANCE AND HEADQUARTERS OPERATION COMMITTEE

- Approved modifications to evaluation benchmarks for the General Fund and Emergency Reserve Fund investment policies.
- Approved the final budget for fiscal year 2007-2008, which is a surplus.
- Approved the 2006-2007 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter forecast, which is a surplus.
- Approved a minor housekeeping modification to the Finance Chapter of the Board Policy Manual.
- Approved the adoption of the Executive Officer Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy.
- Approved the revised Board Policy Manual Chapter XXII – Speaking Engagements, Travel Rules and Reimbursement.

### LCIF

- Approved the transfer of LCIF investment holdings in Citigroup Smith Barney to the Russell Investment Group.
- Approved the establishment of an account with Scottrade, in order to facilitate the donations of securities to LCIF.
- Approved a SightFirst Spending Policy.
- Approved a separate LCIF recognition for Leos and youth, with a minimum donation of US\$500 and authorized the LCIF Chairperson to choose the name of this recognition from the entries submitted by Leos and youth attending the 2007 Chicago convention.
- Expanded the Humanitarian Partner Program to include additional levels.

Appointed Mr. Neville Mehta, the International Secretary for India, South Asia and East Africa, to represent LCIF before the tax authorities and for representation before Charity Commissioner in connection with registration of Lions Clubs International Foundation under The Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950.

Extended the Core 4 funding priority programs of diabetes and low vision for three years, until June 30, 2010.

Approved a US\$180,000 contract with Service Learning Life Skills Network for technical services to the Lions Quest program for six months.

Approved 58 Standard, International Assistance and Core 4 grants totaling US\$2,423,257.

Tabled five grant applications.

Denied four grant applications.

Approved an allocation from the Humanitarian Grant Budget Reserve in order to provide for grants approved in Resolution 9 and other eligible grants that cannot be covered by the FY2006-07 unrestricted grants award budget.

Authorized the International President to appoint a Past International President or Past International Director as the LCIF representative to the Multiple District 111 SightFirst Advisory Board.

Approved a LCIF Privacy Policy, which outlines how donor and recipient information is used.

Selected Dr. Timothy Shriver as the 2007 Humanitarian Award winner.

Changed the registered agent for Illinois to Corporate Creations Network, Inc.

### MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

1. Extended the student member program criteria to former Leos and qualifying young adults contingent upon the adoption of the Student Dues provision by the delegates.
2. Approved the implementation of the Africa Plan and allocated US\$76,000 to fund the program.
3. Revised text to clarify the Family Membership Program and Family Dues provision.

### PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

- Increased Tournament of Roses funding from US\$30,000 to US\$50,000 beginning with fiscal year 2008-09.
- Designated the International President's visit to Tournament of Roses as "official."
- Placed Team 20K and Campaign SightFirst II Coordinators on the same line in the Order of Precedence, directly after District Governor.

Increased Ambassador of Goodwill Medals from 35 to 40, Presidential Award Medals from 775 to 975, and International Leadership Award Medals from 980 to 1080 for Lion year 2007-08.

Correctly stated that records of awards be kept at Lions Clubs International headquarters.

### SERVICE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

1. Approved a concept for a proposed Lions Clubs International Vision Screening Course to enable Lions to help reduce visual impairments resulting from uncorrected refractive error.
2. Named 23 Leo club members as "Leos of the Year" for 2006-2007.

For more information on any of the above resolutions of the International Board of Directors, please refer to the LCI website at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) or contact the International Office at 630-571-5466.

# A1

## Lions Fight for Sight



London Central Lions Club presented \$8,296 to Jessica Gentner, mother of Mackayla, a 3 year old blind girl born with a rare visual disorder, Optic Nerve Hypoplasia, and growth impairment. Treatment is only available in California. The money was raised at a recent Central Lions dinner & silent auction fundraiser and will be used to furnish a Snoozling Room. Presenting the cheque to Jessica are Central Lions President Ron Lindsay, left, and Chairman Stu Rayner

Submitted by Lion Marilyn Madacsi

## London Life



London Central Lions Club presented Life Memberships to two 40-year members: Lion Ron Craig and Bob Lucas. Shown, left to right: Central Lions President Ron Lindsay, Lions Ron Craig & Bob Lucas and PDG Joe Elliott.

Submitted by Lion Marilyn Madacsi



## Online Convention

Did you attend the 2007 Convention or did you miss it?

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[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

# A2

## Fenwick Arch



The Fabulous Fenwick Lions Club recently installed a Friendship Arch in recognition of all charter members for their commitment to the community and those less fortunate throughout the last 58 years. A big thank you from the current membership. Pictured are some of the long serving members. Standing from left to right: Lion Irv Muir and Lion Al Beamer. Sitting from left to right: Lion Don Summers, Lion Bill Farion and Lion John Clare.

Submitted by Lion Rob Neal

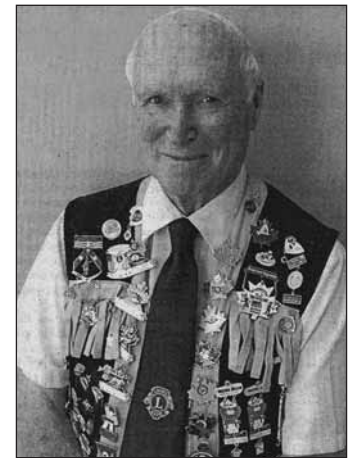
## Hearing Lions Lioness

Community Development and the Sarnia Canadian Hearing Society office welcomed and thanked all honoured guests to the grand opening of the brand new Communication Devices and Accessibility Centre. This was a special occasion in that this Centre is not only highly visible but is hands-on, allowing the consumer to touch, feel and test the devices and explore the technology. Increasingly people with a hearing loss rely on these devices for everyday living. This will help individuals improve access in their home, employment and in the community.

Among the attendees at the opening were Lions from Lambeth, Sarnia Township, Petrolia and Lioness from Wyoming.

Submitted by Lion Marilyn Madacsi

## Larry Marks 50



Larry Morningstar has a roaring record. In his past 50 years of membership in the Niagara Falls Lions Club, Lion Larry hasn't missed a meeting. He was honored by his fellow Lions at the Club's 85th anniversary celebration June 1.



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## **Lions Appreciation Day at the CNIB Lake Joseph Center**

On August 18, 2007 on a warm, sunny Saturday CNIB welcomed Lions and Lionesses from across Multiple District "A" for its annual Lions Appreciation Day. The event, which has been running for more than a decade, was created to recognize the special partnership between Lions and the CNIB Lake Joseph Centre, and to thank Lions and Lioness Clubs for their ongoing, tireless support of Lake Jo.

This year's Appreciation Day was a great success, with about 100 Lions and Lionesses in attendance. A great number of CNIB representatives from across the province also participated, including Dick Hale Sanders, CNIB's National Board Chair and Jim Sanders, CNIB's President and CEO. Jim's presence was particularly appreciated, since his career with CNIB started 21 years ago as a sailing counselor at Lake Jo.

The afternoon was the perfect opportunity to mingle with other club members or to just sit back in the Muskoka chairs and enjoy the beautiful lakeside scenery. Over the past year Lake Jo has been undergoing an exciting renovation (to which several clubs and club members had contributed), and many Lions and Lionesses got to experience the new, fully accessible facilities for the first time. With representatives from each CNIB region attending, the day was also a great opportunity to establish and strengthen personal connections between Lions and CNIB at the local level. This year's event also had a unique surprise: one of the counselors working at Lake Jo is a prospective Canadian Idol! Lance was more than happy to start off the evening with a wonderful rendition of the national anthem.

Of course the day would not have been complete without a cheque presentation. Ted Hughes, MD"A" Sight Conservation Chair, took the stage to present a cheque for \$19,615. This impressive amount was raised by clubs of MD"A" in support of Lake Jo – specifically, to provide camp subsidies to Lake Jo guests in the coming year. CNIB staff were very pleased to learn that Lion Ted had also been selected to sit on the Lake Joseph committee, aimed at further strengthening the Lions' commitment to the camp. We are sure Lions International values his input and dedication to this relationship as much as we do.



Jim Sanders, CNIB President and CEO, and Lion Ted Hughes, Sight Conservation Chair of MD"A".

All in all, this year's event was a fun day for all that further strengthened the partnership of Lions and CNIB in support of Lake Jo. Thank you Lions, for your ongoing commitment to this one of a kind facility and to CNIB!

# Road Clean



In May the Port Dalhousie Lions cleaned up the town! In an ongoing Adopt-a-Road commitment, Port Dalhousie Lions prowled the streets picking up every imaginable, and some very unimaginable, items. Drivers, bikers, joggers and neighbours voiced their encouragement and thanks for the job being done. When the dust had settled, 4 km of Port Dalhousie Main Street was sparkling clean (was it the rain?) once again!!

Pictured are Club President Gunther Bujtas and Lion Mike Storosko - "Why do we get all the good spots to clean up?"

Submitted by Lion Dick Thomas

# A3

## Relay



Six members of Marmora Crowe Valley Lions participated in the Belleville Relay For Life in June. Shown marching in the parade are Lions Bonnie Danes, Jeannette Goodchild, Wilma Bush, PDG Russell Mitchell, Marilyn Maloney and Mary Jane Goodchild.

At the June business meeting of Marmora Crowe Valley Lions Club Certificates of Appreciation were presented to PDG Russell Mitchell, 3rd VP Bonnie Danes and PRC Winston Wylie for the extra effort they put into Lions projects for 2006-2007.

Submitted by Lion Wilma Bush

# Campbellford Lioness



The Campbellford Lioness Club celebrated 40 years of service to the community on May 6, with a gala luncheon. Guests included dignitaries from District A3 Lions and Lioness Clubs. Many former Lionesses, some who have relocated, also attended the festivities and many old friendships were renewed. The afternoon ended with the endowment of Life Memberships on the four charter members who are still active in the club. Pictured left to right: Lioness Ruth Oliver, Lioness Joan Sharp, Lioness Manreen Dikun, Lioness Marilyn Pollock.

Submitted by Lion Fred Lee

# Volunteer of the Year



Bowmanville Lion Moe Richards holds a Volunteer of the Year plaque presented to him by the Town of Clarington in July. Lion Moe has served this community in many ways through Lionism. He also is the current President of the Older Adults Centre - which originally was the Lions Centre. The Bowmanville Lions Club is very proud to have Lion Moe as a member.

Submitted by Lion President Iain Maciver

# Homemade Jam



All new members in the Kendal Lions Club have been involved in most or all of the Club's fundraising activities since they've joined - TGIF Roast Beef Dinner, Pancake Breakfasts, Food Venue at Orono's Antique Show & Market, BBQ fundraiser to be held at Orono's 175th Birthday Celebrations at Orono Park to name a few.

And now the Club has a new musical group - "Homemade Jam". They're just starting out and getting better all the time! The photo was taken at the Club's recent 3rd Anniversary BBQ held in June. Left to right: Lions Shirley Robinson, Lion Carol Robinson and Lion Angie Austin.

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# Soap Box



The Lions Club of Brighton hold a Soap Box Derby every Canada Day for the local kids. The kids are encouraged to build their own cars with parental help, but the Lions have built a few cars for those not able to provide their own. Prizes are awarded and kids, parents, other spectators and Lions alike have a great time...

Submitted by Lion Ruth Moore

# Togo



Bowmanville Lions Club President Iain Maciver in Togo, in West Africa. He was there with Sleeping Children Around The World, one of the projects the Bowmanville Lions support. In the photo are children who have received a bedkit thanks to a donation from the Bowmanville Leo Club.

# Bowmanville heritage

Bowmanville Lion Jim Coombes and his wife Margaret share a Certificate of Achievement plaque presented to them from the Province of Ontario. This recognizes their efforts in saving and restoring a heritage home and relocating it to a new location in town.



Submitted by Lion President Iain

# East Peterborough update

The members of the East Peterborough Lions at their regular meeting in February presented a \$10,000 cheque to Greg Mather for the PRHC Foundation. Last November the members gathered at Lansdown Place where they donated \$900 worth of toys to the Salvation Army & CKPT Christmas Toy Drive. Among other club donations: the largest being Festival of Trees - sponsor Heritage Breakfast \$4000; Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Fund \$2000; and several other donations including two Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards. A very busy club indeed!

# A4

# Don's Helen Keller



Flanking Helen Keller Fellowship Award recipient Lion Don Fraser, from left, are District A4 chairman for hearing and speech Don Redtman, Lion Joe Gauthier, Renfrew Lion Randy Godin, DG Jerome Andre and Renfrew Lion Doug Headrick. Lion Don celebrated 61 years as a member of the Renfrew Lions Club. Lion Joe was also presented a Judge Brian Stevenson Award.

Mercury photos by Peter Clark

# Shoes for Afghanistan



We are so lucky to live in this most generous community. Thanks to the residents of the Ottawa Valley, the Shoes for Afghanistan campaign was a wonderful success. With a joint effort between the Pembroke Petawawa Lions Club and the parish of St. Martin and St. David Presbyterian Church in Ottawa, a total of 700 pairs of shoes were sent overseas to Afghanistan for people in need. A group of Canadian soldiers headed up by Captain Doug Nahirney of IRCHA had the task and the joy of handing out hundreds of pairs of shoes to grateful adults and children. The Shoes for Afghanistan campaign is now over, as Captain Nahirney will soon be returning home from his six month tour of duty. Thank you to Joanna Nolan for spearheading this worthy project, and for collecting and sending the shoes.

Submitted by Lion Shawna Whyte

# Car Show

The Gananoque Lions Club Cruise-in-Car show held on Sunday June 3rd with a turn out of 130 entries. Lion Bryan Jones, the co-ordinator of the show, had hoped for around 300 entries but the threat of inclement weather put a damper on the turnout. Lion Bryan says thanks to all the volunteers/Lions who helped! The club made \$3,000, which will go to and local Lions charities.

Lion Stewart Wright celebrated his 95th birthday on Sun. June 17. Lion Stewart "Wiggle" Wright has been a Gananoque Lions Club member for 48 years. He joined the club in 1959 and his sponsor was Lion John Conley.

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## Donation Laurentian



The Teachers' Lions Club in Sudbury recently served the community by raising money to increase a previously established endowed bursary for students in the School of Education at Laurentian University. The donation of \$5200 presented to Dr John Lundy, Principal of the School of Education, will bring the Teachers' Lions bursary fund to \$17, 000. According to Lion Susan Stuart, incoming Club President, "Money raised at our annual dinner auction in November allows us to assist two future teachers every year as they struggle with financial burdens during their last year in the program."

The Teachers' Lions Club has members from across the province, although most members are from the Greater Sudbury area. The Teachers' Lions Club is a group of men and women who have a particular interest in education at all levels. They work to identify needs within the educational community, from primary to post-secondary, and work together to fulfill those needs. Standing left to right: Patricia Danyluk, Practicum Supervisor, Laurentian University; Dr John Lundy, Principal, School of Education, Laurentian University; Lion Susan Stuart; Lion Ellen Fletcher.

Submitted by Lion Susan Stuart



# Sudbury Melvin



VDG Lion Ellen Fletcher a member of the Teachers' Lions Club in Sudbury has been named a Melvin Jones Fellow by Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), in recognition of her commitment to serving the world community. Lion Ellen is also an associate member of the Valley East Lions Club and a charter member of Walden Lioness Club. Lion Ellen is widely known for her tireless effort in all aspects of the Lions' community. DG Bob Kingsnorth presented the award to Lion Ellen Fletcher, while PID Jack Isaman looks on.

Submitted by Lion Susan Stuart

# Toll Road



The Argyle Lions Club held a very successful "Toll Road" on June 29th and June 30th, raising over \$1700 for local children who are suffering serious health problems. Lions Scott Davis, Mike Legault, Paul Dobbs, and Mark Peever happily braved the raindrops to support this worthy cause.

Submitted by Lion Julia Moore

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## East York Danforth Well

What a year it has been for the East York Danforth Lions Club! Last October, the Club celebrated its 75th Charter Night. The club's eldest member, Lion Norm Clarke, received a Melvin Jones Fellowship at the party. In November, Lion Norm's family held a surprise 85th birthday party to which all the Lions were invited.

In December, rather than have the traditional gift exchange at the Club's Christmas party, a new club member suggested that each Lion and guest bring in a toy for Toy Mountain, a charity that makes Christmas a little merrier for needy kids. The club also held a raffle that night, with the proceeds going to the Flemingdon Park Food Bank. In February, several Club members were present to make the donation of a special chair to the Toronto East General Hospital Oncology Clinic. This was the Club's second chair donation. These \$2,000 chairs are a design that is especially manufactured for the comfort of cancer patients receiving chemotherapy treatment. Nurses at the Clinic explained that often patients are required to sit for several hours while they receive treatment and these chairs are a real blessing.

As spring approached, the Club was looking forward to its annual participation in the M&M fund raising barbecue for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation. Then we were into major fundraiser on Canada Day. By the end of the school year, with the assistance of the Toronto Board of Education, at least two needy students were chosen to attend Camp Balleleo. If the Club did not cover the camp cost, these children would not be able to enjoy a summer vacation outside of the city.

Lions presentation to the Toronto East General Hospital Oncology Ward of the chair used for chemotherapy sessions. From left to right are: Lions Doug Harvey, Bill Gardiner, Ken Thompson, Roly Sheaves, Ian Bailey, Basil Ince. Seated is Lion Norm Clarke.

Reported by Lion Ken Thompson



# A 9

## Lucknow Melvin



At Lucknow and District Lions 50th Anniversary Lion Ambrose Redmond was named a Melvin Jones Fellow. PDG Grant Chisholm made a personal donation to CSF II and chose to honour Lion Ambrose for his years of dedicated service and initiating the pop can collection project. Here with Lion Ambrose, center, is PDG Grant and Club President Nancy Ackert.

Picture from the Lucknow Sentinel

## Mount Hope Melvin



Mount Hope Lions proudly presented RC Lion Mark Gunby with the Melvin Jones Fellow award in May. PDG Don Stevely presented Lion Mark with his award.

Submitted by Lion Suzanne Gunby

## Formosa Melvin



PID Bill Moody & DG Jim Kempster presented ZC Lion Pat Strauss with the prestigious Melvin Jones Award at the Formosa District Lions' 30th Anniversary dinner in May. Lion Pat is the seventh Formosa Lion to receive this Award. Pictured also are the four Formosa Melvin Jones Fellows who were present at the event.

Left to right: Charter President Mike Hallahan, Club Secretary Hank Soers, PP Bill Borho, PID Bill Moody, Melvin Jones Fellow Lion Pat Strauss, DG Jim Kempster, PP & Club Treasurer Joan Borho. Missing Melvin Jones Fellows PRC Harold Kuntz and Lion Bob Schnurr.

Submitted by Lion Joan M. Borho



# Meaford Donation



Thanks to a generous donation from the Anderson family and fundraising efforts supported by the community, the Lions Club of Meaford has made a \$3000 donation to the Heart and Stroke foundation – Chase McEachern Fund.

The donation is earmarked for the purchase of a defibrillator for placement at the Meaford Arena in memory of PP Lion John Anderson.

Left to right: Club President Laverne Crosskill, Lion Alex McLean, and Stuart Anderson.

# Making History 25 Years later

Lion President Moira Kempster is the first ever female Sauble Lion to become President of our Club. Lion Moira has spent the past year, (2006-07) performing her duties as 1st. Vice President; conducting meetings when P.D. President Bob Richardson was unavailable, chairing committees, pitching in wherever & whenever help was needed, accompanying her husband Governor Jim on his visitations and still finding time for our regular scheduled meetings. I wonder what she did with her spare time! There is no wonder why or how Lion Moira was voted Lion of the Year for our club! A born leader??? Yes, Indeed!!

Congratulations Lion President Moira ... you'll make an Awesome President!

Submitted by Lion Marion Collins

# Amaranth Awards



PID Bill Moody on behalf of the Amaranth Lions presented several awards at a recent awards night. Lion Jim Melen was the recipient of a Melvin Jones fellowship, Lion Phil Williams was honoured with a Life membership, Lion Don Sawyer was presented with a Helen Keller award, and ZC Bruce Blears received a Judge Brian Stevenson fellowship.

Left to right: PID Bill Moody, RC Bruce Blears, Lion Don Sawyer, Lion Phil Williams, Lion Jim Melen, Club President Roy Mashford

# 3 Amigos



Sauble Beach & District Lions Club presented an award to 3 Charter Members. From left to right: Lion Barry Bettridge, Lion Russ Middleton and Lion Jim Howe received this award in appreciation for over 25 years of service to Lionism. These Lions were the birth of our Club.

The Sauble Beach & District Lions Club are celebrating another club first. Newly elected President Moira Kempster is the first ever female Sauble Lion to hold the President's position in the Club. Lion Moira was also voted Lion of the Year in her club last year.

Submitted by Lion Marion Collins



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# Project Pride Canada



Teeswater Lions club members Lion Don McKague and Lion I.R. Patel presented Canadian citizenship certificates and Canadian flags to Grade One students of the Sacred Heart School. Lions Donna and Ray Pennington prepare the certificates with individual students names on each. Lion I.R. solicits some extra gifts from some sponsor's. The proud and happy faces on the children makes the annual project very worthwhile.

Submitted by Lion I.R. Patel



## Sauble Devil

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Lion Frank Lamont of the Sauble Beach & District Lions Club, representing 41 years of

Lionism. Received his Award from DG Jim Kempster. If you say it quickly, it doesn't sound like a lot...but in actual fact, Lion Frank has been active in Lionism for nearly all of his life! He shows up at all the functions, from road clean-up to the Rubber Duck

Race, always ready and willing to lend a hand! He has certainly been a huge asset to the club. Quiet for the most part, however, Frank does like to play the devil's advocate at regular meetings...always keeping the rest of the members on their toes!

Thank you Frank...you are an inspiration to Lionism!

Submitted by Lion Marion Collins

## Defibrillator



His Worship, Lion Harry Hughes, Mayor of Oro-Medonte, accepted a defibrillator from John McEachern, of the Chase McEachern Tribute Fund. This lifesaving instrument is located at the Oro-Medonte Arena in Guthrie, and was purchased with funds provided by the Oro District Lions Club in memory of the late Lion Jim Mould of Guthrie.

Front Row, left to right: Gord Dixon, Project Chair; Eric Rechnitzer, Club President; John McEachern; Mayor Hughes. Back Row, left to right: Councillors John Crawford and Sandy Agnew.

Reported by Lion Frank Lawson

## Orillia Arch



In June the Orillia Lions Club held a dedication ceremony for the newly erected Lions Friendship Arch, attended by several club members. The ceremony was officiated by Orillia Mayor Ron Stevens, DG Jim Hilt and Club President Bill Belfour. The Mayor proclaimed the day Lions Day, being part of Lions week in the city. The Orillia Club is celebrating 70 years service to the community. The arch is located on the waterfront in beautiful Couchiching Beach Park.

Submitted by Lion Bill Belfour

# 1000 Pairs



On June 6 the Barrie Lions Club presented 1,000 pairs of used eye glasses to continue support of this very worthwhile project "The Gift of Sight" Left to right: Lion Carol Ellis, Lion Jim Sproul and Judy Dorion of Lenscrafters.

Reported by Lion Carol Ellis

# Fish Fry



As part of Magnetawan's annual "Heritage Week-end," Saturday evening was the Magnetawan Lions Club Pickerel Dinner held at the Community Centre. Over 285 fresh and tasty dinners were served to the many hungry supporters of this annual event.

The deep fried pickerel fillets were liberally surrounded by freshly baked potato or a mound of french fries and garnished with fresh coleslaw salad prepared through the Magnetawan restaurant. For dessert, nothing less than a huge portion of home baked pie completed a yummy and filling meal. A sincere thank you for all the ladies who helped the club in the making of the many pies needed for this dinner and for their cheerful assistance in the serving of dessert. All net proceeds will go towards the support of various community projects and assistance provided to the area through our lions members.

Deep frying the battered pickerel fillets, left to right, Lion Mark Langford, Lion Harry Bell, and Lion Doug Langford.

Submitted by Lion Randy Soth

# Arizona Melvin



Dwight Lion Rye Tapley received a Melvin Jones Award from the club he works for during his winter vacation: The Downtown Lions Club of Tucson, Arizona. DG Jim Hilt made the presentation.

Submitted by Lion Bob Johnson

# Helicopter Ball Drop



Georgette Henderson, of Collingwood, is presented a cheque for \$1,500 by Event Co-ordinator Lion Bill Frieday while Wasaga Beach Lions Club President Richard Ratensperger, centre, looks on.

The Helicopter Golf Ball Drop took place at Wasaga Sands Golf Club. Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit the Canadian Diabetes Association's children's Camp Huronda near Huntsville.

# Bottle Collection Shed



Dan Benson is the first person to donate beer bottles to the Dwight Lions Club's new bottle collection shed at the Dwight landfill site. Lion Moe Jones, on the left, one of the carpenters who helped build the shed and Lion Neil Barnhart, right were on hand to assist. Proceeds from the bottle collections will go to help the club fund local projects.

Submitted by Lion Bob Johnson

# Hospice Simcoe



The "Count Me In Campaign" for Hospice Simcoe saw the Oro District Lions Club and the Barrie Lions Club members participating in this worthwhile project. From left to right: Oro District Club President Eric Rechnitzer, Heather Shortreed of Hospice, Lion Carol Ellis and Barrie Club President John Ellis.

Submitted by Lion Carol Ellis



# MD "A" 2007 Scrapbook





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# Innisfil Gives



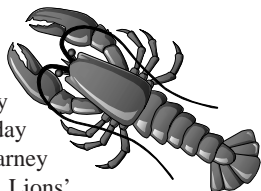
The Innisfil Lions Club presented numerous cheques in the Community. Health and Welfare, Alzheimer Society, Lake Simcoe Foundation, RVH Cancer Center, Eat Well to Excel, Grieving Children, and CNIB. To date The Innisfil Lions have donated \$19,000 back into the community this year.

# Kearney Lobsters



The Kearney Lions' Club once again hosted their annual Kearney Lobsterfest supper, Saturday June 30. Held at the Kearney Community Centre, the Lions' motto "We Serve" was in evidence as 250 scrumptious lobster dinners and an additional 102 roast beef dinners were served up to the many hungry patrons who enjoyed an evening of wining, dining, and just plain socializing. Judging from all those happy supporters, this year's sellout dinner was a huge success with all proceeds supporting the local club's area projects.

Kearney Lion Rick Flavelle, centre, oversees fellow Lion "masterchefs" in the preparation of the steaming lobsters.



Submitted by Lion Randolph Soth

# Dorset Melvin



On June 9th the Dorset Lions Club celebrated their 35th Charter Anniversary at Nor'Loch Resort in Dwight, Ontario. Pictured is PDG Doug Wilson presenting charter member Lion Ted Morris, left, with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. The following day PDG Doug presented charter member Lion Fred Baum with a Melvin Jones Fellowship in the garden at Huntsville District Memorial Hospital. Standing left to right: former Lion Gina, Club President Jim Speers, Lion Fred Baum, and PDG Doug Wilson. Unfortunately Lion Fred Baum passed away on July 2nd 2007.

Submitted by PDG Douglas Wilson

# Peninsula Car Wash



The Peninsula Lions Club held their first car wash in June. Profits were good, and everyone had a blast working the wash. Thanks to Cxrowder Garage in Minnett for use of their lot. Left to right: Lion Ed Campbell, former Lion 93 year-old Archie Pain, who collected the money for a truck wash from Brock Napier.

Submitted by Lion Edwin Campbell

# Women & Children



Lion Kate Heels, right, presents a cheque to Sylvia Patfield, Director, Women's & Children's Centre in Barrie, on behalf of the Oro District Lions Club.

On another date, Oro District Lions Club President Eric Rechnitzer presented a cheque to Liz Westcott, Executive Director, Greenhaven Shelter for Women in Orillia. The Oro District Lions Club supports shelters in both Barrie and Orillia.

Submitted by Lion Frank Lawson

# Quilt Draw



The Dunchurch Lions Quilt & Bowl Raffle draw was held in May at the Legion Hall in Dunchurch. Congratulations to the two winners: Melinda McMurphy of Parry Sound who won the beautiful quilt donated by the Dunchurch Women's Institute and the Cottage Country Quilters; and Peter Lozzotto of Brampton who won the carved bowl donated by Dieter Keck.

Pictured left to right prospective Lion member Marnie Cox, Lion Dieter Keck, quilt winner Melinda McMurphy, Lion John Domerchie, Lion Charlie MacDermid.

# Swim Class Grads

Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup> was graduation day for all the children who participated in this year's "Swim Class" programme held at the Centennial Park in Magnetawan. These classes are offered each summer and last for three weeks. Registration is free and open to all children (no age limit). The swim classes are run by two certified instructors and an assistant and all costs are covered by the Magnetawan Lions' club. This year, 86 children took part in the classes. To celebrate their graduation, there was a free BBQ and awards presentation with participants receiving a swim class certificate with crest. Trophies are given to the most improved boy and girl in the class.

This year's certified swim instructors were Kyle Langford and Donna Comartin with assistance from Nicole Frasier. The Swim Class Programme is co-chaired by Lion Jake McGarry and Lion Nick Moor from the Magnetawan Lion's Club.

Front row: a young Swim Class graduate with Instructor Donna Comartin; Back row: Instructor Kyle Langford, most improved girl Sarah Mulloch, centre, and Instructor Nicole Frasier.

Submitted by Lion Randy Soth



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## Big Brothers Bowl



Cambridge Highlands Lions Club members, left to right: Lion Isabelle Langley, Lion Len Hallman, Lion Joan Strome, Lion Melissa Mayot, Lion Isabel Weir & Lion Marg de Boer, with their grandchildren, bowling for Big Brothers. They raised over \$800 for the charity.

## White Elephant



A few showers couldn't dampen the spirits of the hundreds of bargain hunters who turned out at the Magnetawan Community Centre parking lot Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> to support the Magnetawan Lions Club's annual white elephant sale from 8 am to 1 pm.

Since last fall, a building full of donated items have accumulated from local supporters to ensure that this year's huge sale is always a continuing success. And as always, the selection was huge, the bargains were many, and the many supporters left with smiles on their faces ... finding those special treasures by the boxful.

For all those who supported this event, a special "thank you" from the Magnetawan lions; all proceeds support the many local and area lions projects. Lion Jim Shaw, left, and event organizer, Lion George Brooks, right, help sort through the thousands of items donated to the White Elephant sale.

Submitted by Lion Randolph Soth

# Royal City Home Show



Royal City Lions and Guelph Lions Club were pleased with their first annual 'Home and Garden Show', held in April. Two arenas at Guelph's West End Recreation Centre provided ample space for over 100 vendors and 3500 visitors. The vendors were happy with the event and appreciated the 'vested' Lions' presence. Royal City Lions Club President & RC Wolfgang Boelke, centre left, and Guelph Lions President Ernie Kaethler, centre right, are seen cutting the cake for the opening ceremony. They are flanked by two Guelph City Councillors. Special thanks go to Fergus Lion Larry Wainwright who provided guidance for this first effort.

Reported by Lion Keith Spengen

# Crochet



Cambridge Highlands Lions Club members knit & crochet squares all year and Lion Pat Bryan puts them all together. They are then donated to seniors homes, out-of-the-cold shelters etc.

In other Club news, Lion Chief Feme Lindhorst presented Lion Sheila Brown a bouquet of flowers for being chosen as "Lion of the Month." Looking on are ZC Chris Duncan and Club Secretary Nancy Brash.

# Coordinator Award



Royal City Lions Club President Wolfgang Boelke presented Lion Secretary Stephen Jones with a Campaign Sight First II Group Coordinator Award. Lion Stephen's fund raising efforts have placed him within the top five coordinators of sector two (exemplary per-capita giving to Campaign Sight First Two"). District A15 has raised close to \$400,000 and is #1 in North America. The District has eighteen model clubs.

# Western Festival



The Waterloo Lions Club had a wonderful day on June 16 as they had the chance to SERVE again. This time it was beer served for the thirsty crowd of the Country and Western Festival in Waterloo. This was the first major event in the last four years for the club and they were happy and proud to have raised a significant amount of funds with it. Everyone from the club helped out in some manner, with some additional friends and family also playing a large role

Submitted by Lion Orsi Baird

# Pioneer Melvin



Kitchener Pioneer Lions Club members Don Madill, left, and ZC Chris Duncan each received a Melvin Jones Fellowship award, presented by PID Bruce Murray.

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# Life Directorship



On May 23 the following Pioneer Lions members were awarded Life Directorships at Lions Camp Dorset. From left to right: Lion Robert Montgomery (A15 Camp Dorset Chair), Lion Ann Montgomery, Lion Steve Sproule, PID Lion Bruce Murray was the presenter.

Missing from the photo is Lion Mary Lou Sproule.



# Electric Motors



When ZC Neil Hoogendorn's cousin told him about his experience at Lions Camp Dorset and how impressed he was with the facilities, Lion Neil was so proud to be a Lion. His cousin, who enjoyed boating, told Neil that the only problem he had was, that it was quite an effort to row the boats, after his treatment. That comment gave Lion Neil an idea. He presented the idea to the clubs in his Zone 51 East, District A15, to raise enough money to donate 5 electric motors and batteries to Lions Camp Dorset. Wonderful things happen in Lionism, as most of the clubs in the zone and a couple from outside the zone donated enough money and two days before his cousin passed away, Lion Neil was able to tell him that 5 electric motors and batteries were going to be donated to the camp. His cousin was so pleased to hear this, he knew he would not get a chance to use them, but most certain, others would. Lion Neil gives a big thank you the clubs who made his cousin's wish come true. Pictured, from the left, A12 DG Jim Hiltz, ZC Neil presenting the motors and batteries to Camp Director Steve Woolman. PDG John Brash, and PDG Nancy Brash.

# A16

## Lindsay Lions Club



Several members were honoured at the Lindsay Lions Club's wind-up BBQ in June. Among those honoured were Lion Bob Rodd who received a Judge Brian Stevenson Award in recognition of his leadership in organizing the local Walk for Guide Dogs for the last three years as well as his numerous other contributions to the Club. Lion Marilynne Golden, left, and Lion Linda Craig, right, received Melvin Jones Fellowships

– the presentations were made by PDG Hank Tamblyn, centre. Lion Marilynne was also honoured with a Helen Keller Award. Lion Marilynne has been very active in the Club and amongst other things has chaired the annual grocery raffle and Christmas Cake sales for the last several years. Lion Linda is a long-time member of the Club and has also been very active in District A16 where she has served as Secretary.

Lions Suzanne Garvey and Carol Cameron were presented with Lions Camp Kirk Foundation Fellowships. Lion Suzanne has chaired several projects for the Club including its monthly Bingos; Lion Carol has been Secretary and Bulletin Editor for the past two years. Eleven members received President's Appreciation Awards and twenty one members received 100% Attendance Awards.

Reported by Lion Jim Young

# Markham Recognized



Six Markham Lions were honoured with Ontario Volunteer Service awards for the donation of their time and efforts to help those that cannot help themselves in the Markham community. Standing, left to right, at the award ceremony are: Lions Carl Vanselder, Jack Dawson, Mike Hiatt, Steve Kowalchuk, and Lion Bill Hosking (missing Lion Ken McFarlane).

Submitted by Lion Jack McBride

# Classic Car Draw



Proceeds from the annual Classic Car Draw held by The North Oshawa Lions have supported a number of projects. Among the recent donations was \$6,000 towards a Guide Dog for Oshawa resident Sue, shown with her companion Norton and Lion John Kellam and Lion Doug Terry as they promote the current draw for another 1968 Camaro.

Also receiving funds were Oshawa Boys and Girls Club (\$500 for summer programs). Club President Kevin Pumphrey presented the cheque to Lisa McNeer-Baker, Executive Director. A \$1,000 cheque was presented to Penny Smith, Executive Director of Windreach Farms by Club President Kevin Pumphrey to assist with programs for special needs clients.

Submitted by Lion Doug Terry

# Oshawa Life Member



In recognition of over 58 years of Lions service, Lion Ed Hayden of the Oshawa North Lions Club was awarded a Life Membership in Lions. A charter member of the Oshawa North Lions Club, he remains active with near perfect attendance. Lion Ed, right, reviewed his award with Lion Doug Terry, while Club Secretary Peter Stephenson looks on.

Submitted by Lion Doug Terry

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# Canada Day



The Cannington Lions threw their third annual Canada Day Party in McLeod Park. The event this year was the best yet and well attended with all day live music, lots of good grub and a spectacular fireworks display.

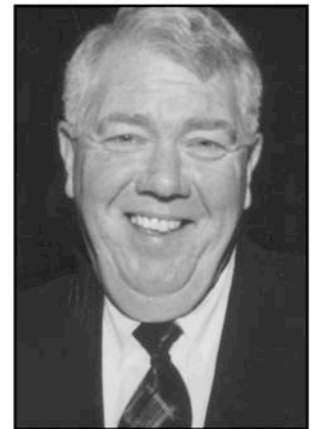
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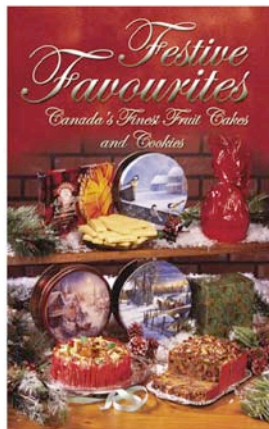
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