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March 2016

Governor's Newsletter

DISTRICT A-16



District Governor Lion Susan Tate state@a16lions.com.

Governor's MessageWELCOME SPRING!



As I write this report, the sun is shining and, while it is still cold outside, my tulips and daffodils are up and looking very healthy although not yet blooming. Many robins frequent our front lawn and we know that 'real' Spring is not far away -- a season of re-birth and growth.

Just so with Lions. We are entering the beginning of the final quarter of our Lions' year. We have lots of time to complete our existing projects and still enough time to consider new projects. Just think, another Service project to add another 'gem' to that Centennial Service Challenge patch to reach President Yamada's goal of 100,000,000 people reached. Have you covered all the areas: Youth, Hunger, Vision, Environment?

My Club visits are almost completed and I need to tell you how much I

have enjoyed them. Even on a day when staying home seems like a good idea, I am so energized after visiting a club. It has been a wonderful experience to see the variety and richness of our Lions' expression and their commitment to "We Serve" and to meet all the Lions in our District.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming District Convention in Lindsay. The Lindsay Lions Club has been working hard at all the details to make this a successful Convention but it can't be totally successful without our Lions participating so get out there and register now. You know what Conventions are like: hat decorating, hospitality rooms, wonderful, moving, opening ceremonies, fellowship, a little business, Induction of new members, some information, win Ossie, food, elections, more food, hospitality rooms, greet old friends, have fun with new friends and meet our International Guest, International Director Bill Phillipi and his wife Lion Vickie from Kansas. Club Presidents, please notify me if you have someone to be inducted on the Saturday morning at 11am. You are responsible for providing New Member and Sponsor Certificates and pins but please let me know the names.

Then, of course, we have the Multiple District Convention in May in North Bay, where the election will be held for our own International Director for Canada. We need to get out and support our very own Tom Gordon. Tom and his campaign team have been working very hard to get him elected because we know he is the best candidate, but he needs every vote in A16. So, everybody needs to be there.

So, you see, we have a busy time ahead of us. Let's go into this final quarter with a spring in our step and finish with a bang.

Yours in Lionism,

D.G. Susan

COLWELL AWARD

The Colwell Award was created in 2007 in memory of Past Vice District Governor Bruce Colwell, and has been presented annually at our District Convention. The criteria for this Award includes:

- A project involving youth which is new to the subscribing Club this year
- Money spent is of no consequence
- Numbers of youth affected is of no consequence
- Media coverage and publicity generated is to be considered

If you have a project that matches this description, notify the District Chairpersons by the end of <u>March</u> that you will be submitting an entry at the District Convention and will need a display table. The entry display must be free standing.

Please include a description of your project and how it fulfills the criteria for this award when you make your submission.

A winner will be chosen at the District Convention. The judges will be the International Guest, the District Governor, and the District Chairperson.



Lion Micheline Lush

For Region Chair of Region 33
2016-2017

Committed to the Lions Clubs Slogan

"We Serve"

In my community and District A-16

Using my talents and skills to help those in need

Looking for your vote of support at the A-16 Convention on April 22-24, 2016



Cordially invites you to the

Aurora Leo Club Charter Night

Saturday April 16, 2016

6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Royal Canadian Legion

105 Industrial Parkway North

Aurora

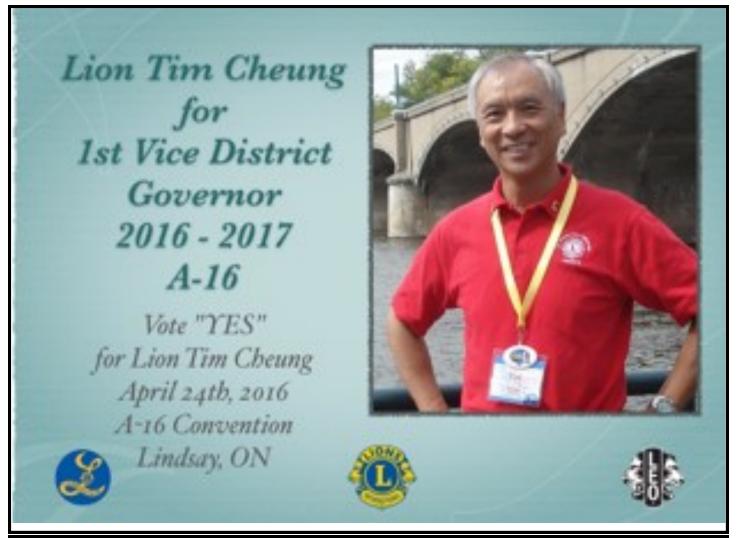
Charter Presentation and Speeches

Sandwiches, Veggies, and Deserts

Tickets \$12.00

Call Aurora Lions Club to order tickets at 905-727-6079 On or before Friday April 8, 2016

Tickets NOT available at door





Omemee Lions Club

Omeme Lion Dan Kuijpers presents a cheque for \$100.00 to Teresa Jordan, Executive Director of Community Living Kawartha Lakes, in support of HELMS project.

HELMS is a program to assist individuals in an activity called sit skiing, to help people with developmental challenges and to achieve their unique personal goals.



A letter from our President.

English is considered one of the most difficult languages to learn. Why? Sometimes the words don't make sense. There is no ham in hamburger. Nor is there an apple or a pine in pineapple. I'm being partly facetious, but it is true that many words are problematic. Non-English speakers struggle with the difference between homework and housework, moral and morale, collage and college.

But one word that makes a lot of sense, especially as used by Lions, is "foundation". The foundation of a home is the concrete or masonry that supports it. Appropriately, "foundation" also means a fundamental principle, or supporting material or the base on which something rests. Our forebears made a wise choice in1986 to name our grant making arm, Lions Clubs International Foundation. This entity is indeed the main support of what Lions do. It embodies our fundamental principles. It's our sturdy, reliable base for Lions' service.

Lions clubs could conceivably function without LCIF. But the world would be a much less pleasant place. Millions more would be blind. After disasters, people would go hungry. Youths would not learn self-respect or learn to avoid drugs and alcohol. (Thank you, Lions Quest!) Measles would kill many more children. Local communities would not be able to avail themselves of health clinics, schools and playgrounds for those with disabilities.

LCIF is a brilliant, remarkably effective way for Lions to multiply our impact. It's the way we pool our resources and channel our good will. It's our tool for clubs to serve on a much larger scale than they could do on their own.

Please continue to generously fund it, as Lions have done for nearly half a century. Help Lions help others through LCIF.

English may not be the easiest language to learn, but as a language it's wonderful for expressing truths and describing reality. So I can't say this any clearer. LCIF is our great foundation that does a world of good. Please keep supporting it.

Dr Jitsuhiro Yamada Lions Clubs International President

PLEASE SUPPORT LCIF

The Committee to Elect Tom Gordon International Director 2017-2019



Lion Tom Gordon is one of three candidates running for International Director from Canada for the term of 2017 – 2019.

Each club in Multiple District 'A' is eligible to send their delegates to the Multiple District 'A' convention in North Bay from May 26 to May 29, 2016.

The voting will be held on Sunday, May 29 from 7:00 am to 10:00 am. With three candidates, there could be a second ballot which would be held from 11:00 am to 12:00.

Lion Tom and Lion/Lioness Gillian have made 66 visits so far and they are scheduled to attend all ten of the District conventions and the Multiple District 'A' convention over the next two months. The reception to Lion Tom's message has been positive with support being shown in all of the districts.

The committee would like to thank all of the Lions who have accompanied Lion Tom on these visits. The committee would also like to thank those Lions and clubs who have donated their time and finances to this campaign. Lion Tom is grateful and motivated by the overwhelming support shown by District A16.

The committee has tried to impress upon all the clubs that every eligible vote in our District needs to be cast for Lion Tom as we are the youngest of the ten districts and have the least number of eligible voters. Each Zone Chairperson has been asked to contact the clubs and get the names of their delegates for this vote. Discussions are currently underway to set up transportation on the Sunday for voting.

The voting delegates will have to have their Membership card for this year, *signed* by the club Secretary or Treasurer, a *delegate form signed* by the club Secretary, and their clubs will have to have all of their dues paid up-to-date and their accounts with Lions Clubs International current. It is imperative that every eligible vote in District A16 be cast for Tom's campaign to be successful.

If you are registered before you arrive at the convention, you will be e-mailed a confirmation slip that will allow credentials to be processed quicker when you get there. Every voter will have to registered for the convention. If you travel up to North Bay on the Sunday morning, your registration fee is just \$10.00. The convention registration forms can be found on the Multiple District 'A' website. (www.mdalions.org)

The committee would like to extend its gratitude and thanks for all that you are doing to elect Lion Tom 'Yes, we can!' Gordon as one of the 34 International Directors, and the only one from Canada, on the International Board of Directors of Lions Clubs International.

Check out the campaign website at www.tomgforid.ca for updates.

DISTRICT A-16 ZONE REALIGNMENT As of July 1, 2016

ZONE 18 WEST	ZONE 18 EAST	ZONE 33 NORTH	ZONE 33 SOUTH	
Aurora	Box Grove	Blackstock	Ajax	
Can HK New Horizon	Markham	BAM	Durham Region Comm.	
King City	Milliken Mills	Claremont	Oshawa Airport	
Maple	ON YR Heritage	Goodwood	Oshawa North	
Oak Ridges	Stouffville	Greenbank	Oshawa West	
Richvale	Vic. Markham Square	Port Perry	Whitby	
Thornhill		Uxbridge		

	ZONE 45 EAST	ZONE 52 NORTH	ZONE 52 SOUTH	
Holland Landing	Beaverton	Bobcaygeon Dunsford		
Keswick	Brechin	Coboconk	Fowlers Corners	
Mt. Albert	Cannington	Fenelon Falls	Lindsay	
Newmarket	Pefferlaw	Haliburton	Oakwood	
North Newmarket	Sunderland Kinmount		Omemee	
Sharon	Udora-Leaskdale	Kirkfield	Woodville	
Sutton		Minden		

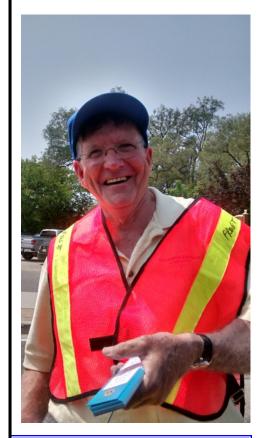


LCIF recently presented the results of its collaboration with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in Serbia, Macedonia FYROM and Montenegro at the annual meeting of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs in Vienna. Shortly after, political leaders, academics, and charitable organizations from around the world gathered in New York, USA, to discuss comprehensive strategies to tackle the world's drug use problems. This is be the largest UN event concerning drug use in nearly a decade, and LCIF attended to demonstrate on the world stage Lions' commitment to drug prevention and the healthy development of all children through programs like Lions Quest.

Lions International

The Haliburton & District Lions Club proudly endorses 1st Vice District Governor, Lion David Mills, for the position of

District Governor, A-16, 2016-2017.



Vote
"YES"
For Lion David Mills
District Governor
A-16
2016-2017

Lion David has served our District:

- Governor's Newsletter Editor
- Constitution and By-laws Committee
- Zone Chairperson 52 N (3 terms)
- Region Chairperson 52 (3 terms)
- Cabinet Secretary (3 terms)
- 2nd Vice District Governor (2014-2015)
- 1st Vice District Governor (2015-2016)

In his year as 1st Vice District Governor, Lion David:

- Has attended all MD"A" and LCI training sessions in preparation for his role as District Governor.
- Successfully led the steering committee on District Realignment.
- Attended the USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Grand Rapids
- Attended the Faculty Development Institute in Schaumberg, USA and completed follow-up leadership proiects.
- Helped to lead training sessions for Membership, Zone Chairpersons and Certified Guiding Lion.

I would be so proud to lead the

Lions Family of District A-16

as we enter our next 100 years of service to our

communities



DISTRICT A16 WEBSITE CONTEST 2016





THE LAST WEBSITE ASSESSMENTS BEING COMPLETED NOW SO STAY TUNED FOR THE PRESENTATION OF THE E-CLUBHOUSE AND OWN WEBSITE TROPHIES AT THE A16 CONVENTION IN APRIL, 2016







The Markham Lions Club

Proudly presents

Lion Ken Drynan

Candidate for

Region ChairpersonRegion 18

2016-2017

Committed to serving the Community through Lions Clubs in District A16

To make a difference in the lives of those who are less fortunate than ourselves



We respectfully request your support and your vote at the Convention on April 22-24,

HAVE YOUR LIONS CLUB'S EVENTS ON THE A16 WEB SITE CALENDAR TO SHARE WITH ALL OF THE A16 CLUBS



Go to the A16 web site

http://www.lionsa16family.org/



and look in the right upper corner and click on the calendar.

Click on the Calendar Submission Request Form, complete and submit the form and we will do all the rest to add your event to the calendar

NOTE: IF YOU PUT YOUR EVENT ON THE A16 FACEBOOK PAGE. I COPY IT AND MAKE AN EVENT ON THE A16CALENDAR AND ATTACH YOUR POSTER TO THE CALENDAR EVENT







Markham Lions Club - Dog Walk

The Markham Lions Club is hosting a Purina Walk for Dog Guides on Sunday, May 29, 2016 starting at 1:00 pm. Walkers will assemble at Grace Anglican Church, 19 Parkway Avenue, Markham. All persons are encouraged to support this very worthy cause on behalf of the Lions Foundation of Canada. Donations can be made at anytime to the Lions Foundation of Canada or on the day of the walk. Pledge forms are available.

Contact Lion Mark Carrington at 905 472-1188.



Omemee Lions Club 35th Annual Sweetheart Bonspiel

If you're looking for a fun time with a bunch of fun Lions, the Omemee club is the place to be. The 35th Sweetheart Bonspiel, sponsored by the club at the Omemee Curling Club, held on February 13 was such a success, curlers were already talking about next year's event.

Thanks to all the Lions, Lioness, families and friends who participated, making a warm-hearted event of one of the coldest days of the year. Not only a day to get out and curl (or learn to), but an opportunity to meet Lions from other clubs and make new friends.

12 teams were on the ice with various levels of knowledge and ability. A16 teams from Blackstock, Goodwood, Fowler's Corners, Lindsay, and North Newmarket joined the Omemee club as well as West Hill Highland Creek and Millbrook teams from outside the A16 region. The youngest team, chaperoned by Omemee Lion, Dan Kuijpers, was a group of Junior Lions from Lindsay and Omemee.

Coordinating the event, with the assistance of the rest of the Omemee club, were Lions Shannon Brohm and Karen Thompson. A hot homemade lunch was offered with a delicious catered dinner and awards ceremony following the final games, making for a truly memorable day. What a great job! Congratulations all round!

Visitors included: Region 52 Chair, Ken Huelin, who graciously filled in on the Junior Lions team, 2nd Vice District Governor, TIm Cheung, and 18 West Zone Chair, Patty Ko. Tom Gordon, candidate for International Director, dropped in with promotional pins for all the Lions.

Who has more fun than the Omemee Lions Club!

New members always encouraged.





Winners: The Fowler's Corners Lions Club accepting the trophy





Omemee President Lion John Patterson is presenting the draw winnings to Lion Dan Kuijpers of the Omemee Lions. Club



EFFECTIVE SPEAKING CONTEST

The A 16 Effective Speaking Contest will be hosted by the Newmarket Lions Club and held at Trinity United Church in Newmarket on April 12, 2016. The church is located on the corner of Main Street and Park Ave. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. and the competition will begin approximately at 8:30 a.m. As soon as all the entries have been submitted we will set up a programme for the morning. All entrants and participating clubs will then be contacted and provided all the necessary information for the event. Please send us your entry forms as soon as possible so that we can better prepare for the event and make it as special as possible for our contestants.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Financial update:

District A 16 obligation to MDA Effective Speaking Convention is \$2,000.00 (\$45.00 per club) MDA thought a few clubs might not contribute. This money is used for prize money for the contestants.

The cost to send our 5 winners and a parent on the May 9th week-end to Algonquin College in Ottawa for the MDA Convention is approximately \$1,070.

Cost of hosting the A16 Effective Speaking Competition is approximately \$1500.

The cost includes prize money for 5 divisions (1st - \$75, 2nd - \$50,3rd- \$25) plus \$10 Tim Card for all participants, a small honorarium for our judges, and refreshments and a light lunch for all attending.

IF YOUR CLUB HAS NOT HAD A CHANCE TO MAKE THEIR DONATION TO THE YOUTH COMMITTEE FOR EFFECTIVE SPEAKING PLEASE DO SO. WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF EVERY CLUB IN A16.

SEND YOU CHEQUES TO OUR TREASURER LION DICK PEEL

MAKE THE CHEQUE OUT TO "DISTRICT A16 MEMO: EFFECTIVE SPEAKING.

Many thanks for your continued support,



THE HALIBURTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE COMMUNITY FOR ALL THEIR SUPPORT IN MAKING THE 2ND ANNUAL CHUCK WAGON DINNER AND HOE DOWN EVENT A GREAT SUCCESS. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR

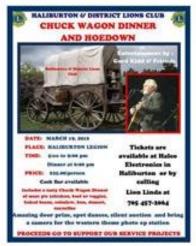


LION JIM AND BOB COUNTING THE MONEY





WINNER OF THE 50/50 DRAW



THE AMAZING LINE DANCING LADIES WERE HAVING A GREAT TIME



OUR DOOR PRIZE WINNER



GORD KIDD TAKING TIME OUT TO DANCE WITH A FRIEND



SILENT AUCTION WAS A BIG HIT!



Omemee Lions Club 35th Annual Sweetheart Bonspiel cont'd



Social time for clubs to get to know each other from Blackstock, Goodwood, Fowler's Corners, North Newmarket, West Hill Highland Creek, Millbrook, Lindsay.and Omemee





LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL





OPEN TO ALL DISTRICTS AND LION CLUBS ENTRY MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 1, 2016

				ETIN) AND WEBSITE CONTESTS EGISTRATION FORM BELOW:		
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Click on the link below to get complete details and Entry Form

http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/serve/contests/international-contest.php#.V

Haliburton & District Lions Club

For kids sake



It's all in the wrist. And in the hat. CHAD INGRAM Staff



The luck of the Irish was with participants at Bowl For Kids Sake, a fundraiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton at The Fast Lane in Minden March 2.



Lions Clubs from Minden, Haliburton and Kinmount, along with other community members, took part in the fun, raising money for Big Brothers Big Sisters Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton.



THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2016 . Minden Times 5

Brian Moore of the Minden Lions Club fires one down the alley at the Bowl for Kids Sake fundraiser March 2.



The competition was almost as fierce as the headgear.

HALIBURTON & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB WERE NOMINATED BY THE HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE 2015 NOT-FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS AWARD













Coboconk & District Lions Club

On February 18, 2016 the President of Coboconk and District Lions Club, Lion John Byrne presented the owner of Riverside Inn, located in Norland, Ont. a Certificate of Appreciation. The Riverside Inn has continually supported the Coboconk and District Lions Club over the past several years. Without their support it would have been much harder for our club to hold several successful events year after year..

Where do all those used eyeglasses go?

Each year Lions from the US visit (at their own travel expenses) Puerto Vallarta in Mexico to hand out free eyeglasses to those who cannot either afford nor have access to new ones. They bring with them each time anywhere from 5-8000 used eyeglasses that have been repaired if necessary, cleaned and tested to identify each pair's prescription information.

The visiting Lions include one or more Ophthalmologists and often plus one or more Opticians; this year was no exception when approximately twenty Lions, from different clubs in North Dakota were hosted by the local Puerto Vallarta Lions for 5 days and distributed glasses to over 800 people.

Each individual goes through a structured eye examination which includes a test for both distant and reading for each eye, a visit to the Ophthalmologist if these earlier tests indicate serious problems, and then a visit to the Optometrist for determining which of the eyeglasses on hand best suite the patient. The patient is then given one or more appropriate glasses to try on for both fit and determine if they enable them to see both at a distance and/or for reading.

As in previous years both Monica and I had the privilege again this year of helping for two days and, as in the past, came home with several stories to tell – perhaps the most moving was when a lady, appearing to be in her 60's, put on a pair of glasses and when shown a page to read her whole face lit up – apparently she had been a teacher up until about 15 years ago when she had to stop teaching because she could no longer read the textbooks and now, after all that time, regained the ability to enjoy reading. Now that, I think you will agree, is what Lions is all about.











Lion Dick Peel

To all Lions, Lioness and Leos of District A-16

This is a follow up to the email sent in January. In that notice I had advised you that we are attempting to obtain grant money from sources other then government. In this regard there are some different requirements. One of those being we need proof from our supporters (your club) that they have arranged and completed a fund raiser and that the money raised from this particular event was donated to Lions Clubs Camp Kirk Foundation. As mentioned in the previous notice it really does not matter dates or amounts, what I need is something on your clubs letterhead (very important) that you donated money from the event. I have received letters from the clubs listed below and donations from several.

To those clubs I thank you for your reply and great support. If you are not on the list please make this happen at your earliest convenience.

This will be a different process but in the end the hope is we will be succeeful and if that happens we all benefit.

The real winners will be the kids who use our camp because that is what we are all about.

Thank you for your help, and of course don't feel embarassed if you need to send more money, it all helps.

Yours in Lionism

Lion Ray Howlett PDG

Fundraising Chairperson

Lions Clubs Camp Kirk Foundation

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Ajax Lioness Club North Newmarket Lions Club

The Lions Club of Aurora North Oshawa Lions Club

Beaverton Lions Club Omemee & District Lions Club

Fowlers Corners and District Li-

ons Club

Oshawa Airport Lions Club

Pefferlaw & District Lioness

The Lions Club of Stouffville

Udora & Leaskdale Lions Club

Goodwood Lions Club Club

Haliburton & District Lions Club Port Perry Lions Club

Keswick & District Lions Club

Lindsay Lions Club

Maple Lions

Markham Lions Club

Please help to m

Mount Albert Lions Club

Newmarket Lions Club

Newmarket Lioness Club

Please help to make this list

complete.

TIP A WEE DRAM

Sharon Lions Club Scotch Nosing

An evening of good friends and conversation while enjoying some very fine single malt beverages. Dinner and prizes.

Guest speaker: Lion Adam Jackson will be reprising his role as the Scotch Nosing Master of Ceremonies.

Friday, May 6, 2016 • 6:30 p.m. • Price is \$50.00 Sharon Temperance Hall 18974 Leslie Street

