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The Lions Pride  
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The Lions Club of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario  
District A-5 Zone31 West

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**International President, Lion Barry Palmer’s Theme:  
“Follow Your Dream”**

Next Dinner Meeting is on **2014 04 09**, Wednesday, 6:30pm at **North 82 Steak & Seafood Co.** at 82 Great Northern Road. The 'Lions Pride' is published monthly.  
**April 2014** – There is a saying, “April showers bring May flowers”, let’s hope the showers start soon!

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**Lions Clubs International**  
**District 201 V2 Victoria - Australia**

**INVITATION**

The Lions of District 201V2 in Victoria, Australia extend an invitation to Lions living in Canada to participate in our "Operation Friendship" Program.

The purpose of the program is to promote and encourage friendship and understanding between Members of our International Lions Family.

Our District comprises seventy Clubs, spread from Melbourne over south-western Victoria to the South Australian border.

One Lion and his or her partner is invited to spend up to four weeks as guests of our District. During this period all accommodation with Host Families, and travelling within our District, will be provided by V2 Lions.

Costs of travelling to and from our District, together with general expenses incurred during the visit, must be borne by the guests, and no funding is available from either our District Administration or any Members.

A varied itinerary will be organized, with opportunities to meet many of the Lions of the District, and every effort will be made to include any special interests of the visitors in the activities arranged by the Host Families and their supporting Clubs.

The visiting Lion and partner will be required to attend and give a short presentation at our District Convention, which will be held on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in Geelong. It is suggested that the intended visit commence early in October for a period of four weeks and finish in November, soon after the Convention. It is also necessary for the visiting Lion to speak conversational English.

Applicants who wish to be considered for the program are asked to complete an Application Form, and signatures of both the applicant and their District Governor are required.

Application Forms are available by emailing me at [opfrienv2@gmail.com](mailto:opfrienv2@gmail.com) . Completed applications must be returned to me by **30<sup>th</sup> June 2014**. A decision will be made on the successful applicant soon after the closing date, and all applicants will be advised accordingly.

Bob Badham  
201V2 District Chairman, International Relations

International web site

Roxy, a large black Labrador, was sitting up in his seat at the movies, wagging his tail, growling at the villain and barking excitedly at the hero's escapades. The woman in the seat behind was intrigued. "Excuse me," she said, tapping Roxy's owner on the shoulder, "that dog is extraordinary. I've never seen anything like it!" "Yes, he's surprised me, too," said the owner. "He hated the book."

Reader's Digest

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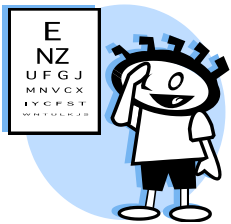
## Donations Approved by The Club:

**Support for a person with Stargart's Disease** – A donation was made to support the expenses this person incurred while obtaining treatment.

**High School Bursaries** – High school bursaries will be provided to all high schools that request support.

**Canadian Hearing Society** – funding was approved to purchase a "Duit System", similar to a "Pocket Talker".

## Activities



**Vision Screening** – Vision screening is now ongoing in the public elementary schools. A special thank you to the retired teachers as they are carrying the ball on this very worth while project. Vision screening is to be completed by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

**Used Eye Glasses and Hearing Aid Recycling** – Lion Ron Houghton reported that a total of 2,910 pairs of used eye glasses have been collected and shipped! Seven hearing aids have been collected and recycled.

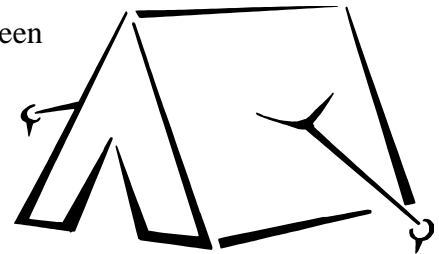


**2310 Army Cadets** – The cadets had 34 on parade. Two cadets will travel to the east coast to compete in the National Biathlon Competitions and the change in command will take place in June, Captain Pierre Breckinridge will take over as Commanding Officer.



**Pointe des Chenes Family Campground** – One can see the committee has been very busy from reading the minutes of the committee meetings. A new campground manager has been hired, Charles Frenette and his assistant will be his wife Cheryl. Charles (Chuck) was a former Lions Club member. Thank you to all of the committee members for putting in so many hours.

**Public Relations** - A sign will be put in place in the entrance of North 82 with the Lions logo and meeting times.



It was approved the purchase 2000 tent cards, fifty percent of the cost will be paid for by the Rose Day profits.

District A-5 Convention – Zone Chair, Lion Glen Thompson will be dispensing voting cards for the convention, our Club is allowed four delegates.

Service Award – President, Lion Rick Boucher presented Lion Ralph Winslow his twenty year chevron. Congratulations Lion Ralph!

Volunteer Award – President, Lion Rick Boucher has been nominated to receive a “Volunteer of the Year Award”. Congratulations, Lion Rick!

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Blonde with a cell phone! A young man wanted to get his beautiful blonde wife, Susie, something nice for their first wedding anniversary. So he decided to buy her a cell phone. He showed her the phone and explained all of its features. Susie was excited to receive the gift and simply adored her new phone. The next day Susie went shopping. Her phone rang and, to her astonishment, it was her husband on the other end. “Hi Susie,” he said, “how do you like your new phone?” Susie replied, “I just love it! It’s so small and your voice is clear as a bell, but here’s one thing I don’t understand though.... “! “What’s that sweetie?” asked her husband. “How did you know I was at Wal-Mart?”

Jake’s Place

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**2014 – 2015 Slate of Officers:** The following was prepared by Lion Carol Russell, First Vice-President. Thank you Lion Carol.



Our Nominating Committee is proposing the following slate of officers for our 2014 - 2015 Board of Directors.

To the best of our knowledge all Lions were contacted to see what their interest would be with the exception of those whose dues are still unpaid, or are currently a member at large. We apologize if we missed anyone. If you would be interested to let your name stand for any position, let us know and you can be nominated on Wednesday April 9th, 2014.

Nomination Meeting, April 9th, 2014 North 82

Election Meeting April 23rd, 2014 North 82

Sault Ste. Marie Lions Club Proposed Slate of Officers 2014 - 2015 Board of Directors

Immediate Past President ..... Lion R. Boucher  
President ..... Lion C. Russell  
1st Vice President ..... Lion D. Vardy  
2nd Vice President ..... Lion R. Winslow  
Secretary .....Lion D. Cameron  
Treasurer ..... Lion G. Thompson  
Lion Tamer ..... Lion B. Rains  
Tail Twister ..... Lion J. Atkins  
Membership Chair ..... Lion J. Russell

1 Year Director ..... Lion Andy Pedersen  
1 Year Director ..... Lion P. Thompson  
1 Year Director ..... Lion J. Zachary Curtin  
2 Year Director ..... Lion Andrea Pedersen  
2 Year Director ....., Lion R. Houghton  
2 Year Director ..... Lion Z. Good



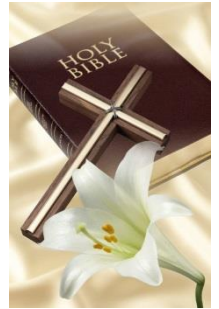
Nominating Committee

President R. Boucher, Lion C. Russell, Lion R. Anderson, Lion J. Atkins

Thanks to all the Lions for letting their name stand for the various positions for the next Lions year.

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It is with heavy hearts that we note the passing of President, Lion Rick Boucher's mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lion Rick and his family at this time.



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### Club Presidents

Let me congratulate you on your effort this year to put District A5 back on positive membership growth.

We started the district off in July with 1,269 members. At the end of March we are sitting at 1,262 members, which is a overall decrease of 7 members in the past 9 months. In the last 3 months we have seen net membership growth of 12 members. Congratulations.

I am also encouraging your club to not drop members without

a) finding out why they are leaving

b) offering an affiliate membership until they can return to full active membership. We don't know members are thinking of quitting until they don't pay their dues. If a member hasn't been out to meetings call them to find out why.

Let's keep the momentum going! I really would like this district to have a net increase in membership for the first time in 10 years!

I also would like to see all the clubs update their membership. There are 20 clubs in the district who have not updated their membership statistics since last year. I know there are a few clubs who have added new members but either don't have time or are having difficulty in the LCI webpage. If you need any help, please contact either Lion Jackie Labelle or myself and we will be happy to help you..

Keep up the good work



DG Lion Brian

**New Member Induction** – At the dinner meeting, there will be an induction of a new member, her name is Lion Diane Adams. Her sponsor is Lion John Atkins. Governor, Lion Brian Closs will be in attendance to assist in the induction ceremony. Congratulations!

On a sadder note, the Nomination Committee accepted the resignations of Lions Dave and Jennifer Belyea and Lion Mildred Brodie with regret. The members present approved the appropriate motion.

**Breakfast/Brunch Social** – The Membership Committee is planning a breakfast/brunch social to be catered to at Lions Place. The purpose is to bring out new prospective members. The date for this event is 2014 05 24, Saturday. More details will follow.

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**Thank You** – I would like to thank Lion Ron Houghton for taking over the secretary duties in my absence. Thanks Lion Ron, you did a great job!



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**Up and Coming -**

Business Meeting – April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Wednesday, 7:00pm at North 82, Great Northern Road

