



District A4 Lions *Mardi Gras* Convention 2018 Information Update

(February 2018 edition)

*It's time to plan to attend the 2018 District A4 Lions Clubs Convention!
Please review this updated convention information and plan to attend.*

Friday, April 13th to Sunday, April 15th, 2018

NAV Centre, 1950 Montreal Road, Cornwall, ON

Convention Theme *Mardi Gras* (Bring a costume if you like)



Convention Program

The program of workshops for the convention includes:

MyLCI for every Lion Introducing & discovering the MyLCI web site

Hearing Explore the ways a club can support and understand the issues facing people who are hearing impaired and the ways a club can help.

Developing a fundraising plan As more organizations compete for funds, Lions Clubs need a structured approach to raising funds. This session will provide an overview of the steps needed to develop and deliver a successful fundraising campaign.

Discovering the 'Lost Villages' Another discussion of the history of the Cornwall area.

Events & Entertainment:

Friday evening 'Meet 'n Greet' with our International guest

Past International Director Yves Levéillé from Ormstown Quebec Lions Club

AM/FM - 50's & 60's Rock 'n Roll - Cornwall group



Saturday Noon Celebration Luncheon with special presentation/speaker(s) -

Topics include Lions Foundation of Canada & War Amps

The cost for this hot plated dinner (not buffet) is \$26 per person. (reserve through Renee Devenny)

Saturday evening Governor's Banquet with the International guest Lion Yves Levéillé

Featuring a hot plated dinner served to you for \$40 per person! Business attire (or white jackets for PDG's) suggested. (Reserve tickets before April 2 through Renee Devenny)

There will be two (2) special projects happening at the convention Can you & your club provide support for the following?

1. **"Hair be Gone"** - **Lion Al Stewart** is again putting his hair to the test!
A young child in Addison suffering from cancer could use our help to financially support her and her parents financially with treatments and travel expenses. Support from Lions Clubs and individual Lions would truly help this project of Seeley's Bay Lions Club and Zone 30S.



Please consider this request and send in contributions or bring to the convention.

Saturday, April 14, 2018 is the target day for Lion Al's new hair style for this worthy cause!

2. North Dundas Leos ~ Collection For St. Kitts



The special donation area this year will support **North Dundas Leos** in a project for school students and a seniors residence in **St. Kitts**. Please see the list below for suggestions of items you or your club could donate.

Let's support the Leos on this journey in May!

Schools	Lined Paper	Duo-tangs	Pencils/Pens	White out	Erasers
	Pencil sharpeners	Pencil cases	Pencil crayons (No wax crayons)		Rulers
	Highlighters	Markers			
	Books: new or gently used books for students, kindergarten to grade 8.				
Senior's Residence	Deodorant	Nail polish remover	Razors	Shaving cream	
	Puzzle books	Tooth Paste/brushes	Hair Brushes	Hand cream	
	Shampoo/Conditioner		Hair pins	Nail polish	

Contributions to this project can be brought to the **District A4 Convention April 13th to 15th, 2018.**

Have questions? Contact Lion Roxanne Backes at roxanne.backes@ucdsb.on.ca

Election: This will be an exciting convention - Don't let your club votes be wasted

**1. Two excellent candidates are running for 2nd Vice District Governor:
Lion Dave Campbell and Lion Jean Lauziere**



2. Lion Dave Howard 1st VDG and Lion Beth Lewis 2nd VDG need a 'yes' vote to move on in their positions as District Governor elect and 1st Vice District Governor elect.

**** Credentials for voting are being sent out this week.**

Dues must be paid for your delegates to be eligible to vote.

Hospitality: The larger hospitality rooms on the 5th floor (Red) have been booked. Anyone wishing to have one of the regular rooms on that floor can book through Lion Ed Firlotte, PDG efirlotte43@gmail.com and **NOT** directly through the hotel. All other room reservations are done through the NAV Centre.

Draw Table: These two fun programs assist with raising funds to offset the costs of the convention.
50/50 Raffle: Valuable prizes from the draw and/or a potential take home of over \$1500 will make your weekend.

Clubs are encouraged to donate a gift for the Draw Table and to purchase tickets sent to the club for the 50/50 draw. (Expected draw for 50/50 winner could be \$1500.)

Poker Run: The **Poker Run** is happening again with the proceeds to support **Diabetes** initiatives.



Registration: Convention registration forms are available on the a4lions.ca web site. **Please** registrar early. **All persons must be registered to attend meetings or events. The cutoff date for meal reservations is April 2nd.**

Reservations: Lions are responsible for own reservations with the hotel: **866.243.9193** or reservations@navcentre.ca Indicate you are a Lion for the Lions rate. The reserved block of rooms will be released on March 6, 2018 - reserve before that date if you can.



NOTES: *It is important that when making reservations Lions need to tell the NAV Centre if they wish to have breakfast in the restaurant so the Centre can plan accordingly. (This is a conference centre - and not a hotel.) Prices are reasonable.*

**Please share convention information with your club members, put in club bulletin, etc.
As further plans are developed updated information will be provided.**