

Lions Club of Courtice



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LIONS CLUB OF COURTICE Information/Recruitment

Lions Clubs International: Our Beginning

Melvin Jones, a Chicago insurance man, wondered why local business clubs could not expand their horizons. He felt they should move from purely business concerns to the betterment of their communities and the world at large. The association began in 1917 and became international in 1920 with the formation of the Windsor, Ontario Club. There are about 1,300,000 members world wide.

Our Name

The proper name of our association is "the International Association of Lions Clubs". Many Lions prefer the use of the shorter form "Lions Clubs International".

Our Motto " We Serve"

Our Slogan "LIBERTY, INTELLIGENCE, OUR NATIONS SAFETY" (LIONS)

Club Structure

Our club has a board of directors, consisting of:

- President
- Immediate past President
- Up to three Vice Presidents
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Lion Tamer
- Tail Twister
- Membership Director

There are four (4) additional Directors who are elected for one and two year terms. This is so continuity is maintained.

Code Of Ethics and Objects

All members are required to abide by the Association of Lions Clubs Code of Ethics. These are intended to encourage Community Service Minded people to serve without personal financial and other rewards and to promote ethical standards in all they do. These include their professional and private endeavors.

Police Check

All of our members are required to have a police check every year.

Membership Fees

There is a fixed initiation fee of \$30.00.

Club Annual Dues

Currently \$ 95.00 based on a 10-month year September 1-June 30. Dues may be paid on a quarterly basis.

Membership and International Initiation fees are paid with the membership application.

Types of Membership

- A. **Active.** Entitled to all rights and privilege and subject to the obligations of membership.
- B. **Affiliate Member.** A member, who is not able to fully participate as an active member of the Club, but desires to support the Club in its activities. Membership dues are increased by an additional 25%. That is because this member does not usually attend the dinner meetings and participate in the Club fines and 50/50 draw.

Time Requirements

Meetings: Two dinner meetings per month--the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. These are approximately 2 hours in length. Dinner meetings are not held during July and August.

Board meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month. These are approximately 2 hours. All members are welcome to attend these meetings.

We meet at the Swiss Chalet, 1427 King Street East, Courtice at 6:30 PM.

Other Potential Time Requirements

- Social Events
- Fund Raising
- Work Parties
- Committees
- Conventions

Community Interest Opportunities

A. Youth

- Peace Poster
- Effective Speaking
- Youth Exchange
- Lions Quest

B. Health

- Vision Screening
- Organ Donation
- Hearing Services
- Visually Impaired Services

C. Environment

- Adopt-a-Road
- Courtice Millennium Trail
- Recycling

Club Committees

- Fund Raising-Our primary fund raising is through the sale of Nevada Break Open Tickets at the Courtice Flea Market each weekend
- Health and Welfare
- Membership
- Recycling
- V.I.P
- School Programs
- Media
- Promotion

Lions Grace

Oh Lord Thy Blessings now let fall
Upon Thy Lions as we call
May All Our Tides of Friendship be
Forever Strengthened Lord by Thee.

Lions Toast

Not Above You
Not Beneath You
But With You.