

Pet Valu Walk Results

We are very excited to announce the grand total for this year's Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides is **\$1,017,626!** Thanks to Pet Valu and our local sponsors, all donations from these events go directly to our seven Dog Guide programs. Thank you so much to all of the walk organizers, sponsors, donors, volunteers and participants for all of your hard work, support and dedication. We couldn't have done it without you!

Congratulations to our fundraising prize winners:

- \$100 Happy Active Gift Card Joseph from Haileybury, ON
- Fujifilm Instax Mini 40 Instant Camera Heather from Whitby, ON
- Apple iPad 64GB Ava from London, ON
- Samsung 50" Smart TV Faith from Whitby, ON

We have a number of Pet Valu Walks for Dog Guides taking place this fall. To check out the locations hosting in September and October, please visit the Walk Locations page of the Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides website <u>www.walkfordogguides.com</u>.









LFCDG Puppy Sitting Coordinator a "life saver" for the Foundation

Meet Sandi Jenkins, one of our incredible volunteers who manages all our puppy sitting requests.

From time to time, fosters are not able to look after their foster pups - maybe they are going on vacation, or have to attend a special event. Whatever the case, Sandi is always there to help! She arranges puppies to go to a sitter when their fosters are unable to look after them.

Last month, there was an unprecedented number of sittings requested, and Sandi was able to place all 188 dogs with a sitter!



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"Puppy Staff are constantly on the move, interviewing new volunteers, running training sessions and much, much more, so I suggested I was more than happy to offer my services booking sitters," says Sandi. "I have medical limitations that have prevented me from working, so I love that I can put my talents to good use from my own home on my own time. I feel useful again."

In addition to being our Sitter Coordinator, Sandi is also a foster and takes care of Ina for us, a four-year-old LFCDG breeding dog. Her dedication as a volunteer is truly remarkable!

Elliot Lake Dog Guides Radiothon

On September 16th, 94.1 Moose FM will be hosting a Radiothon to raise money for Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. Tune in from 6 am-noon to hear interviews from Dog Guide CEO Bev Crandall, Lions Club member Robert Kerr and Diabetic Alert Dog Guide recipient Marc Bois. They will be collecting donations all morning long. Many thanks to Lion Robert Kerr for organizing the radiothon, we look forward to listening!



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Sparky's Dog Days results

We have had so much fun this summer with the Sparky's Dog Days of Summer events. Thank you so much to the Oakville Fire Department and to Panago Pizza at Cornwall in Oakville for inviting us to be a part of these wonderful local park events. Together we were able to raise \$3,559. A HUGE thank you to all of the foster families and volunteers who joined us over the past 7 weeks and helped out at these events.



Congratulations to our Ontario 50/50 Raffle Winners!

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Ontario Summer Online 50/50 Raffle. We raised \$21,270! Keep your eyes peeled for our next raffle coming up this fall.

Congrats to our WINNERS:

- \$500 Early Bird Prize Winner Denise from Etobicoke, ON
- \$10,635 Grand Prize Winner Cathy from Etobicoke, ON



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Celebrating our Dog Guide Graduates

All year long our clients and Dog Guides have been working hard together, and it's time to celebrate their achievements! On Tuesday, October 4th, we will be recognizing 40 new Dog Guide teams from all seven programs. More information will be posted on our website and social media channels closer to the date. We look forward to celebrating with you then.

Volunteers Wanted for Bingo Nights

We are looking for volunteers around the Oakville area to help us with Delta Bingo Nights in support of Dog Guides. Delta Bingo has been a regular supporter of Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides for many years, and once a month they host a Bingo night benefiting Dog Guides. To help us receive funding, Dog Guide volunteers assist with activities like greeting patrons at the door and calling out Bingo numbers.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for future Delta Bingo events, please contact Sara Gionet at <u>sgionet@dogguides.com</u>. It is a very easy way to help Dog Guides receive funding for our programs and services.

New Dog Guides Website Launch

We have some exciting news to share! The new Dog Guides website has just been launched. Visit <u>www.dogguides.com</u> for success stories, program information, how to donate, volunteer, events and more.

This new website gives us the opportunity to share our story in a way that will have greater impact, and in a way that will be more relevant and reflective of our own organization growth. It is a starting point from which we have limitless opportunity to connect with our stakeholders meaningfully. It marks a new chapter for the Foundation, which we are very excited to embark on.



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Golf FUNdraising Season

It's prime time for golfing and many of our supporters have been hitting the tees in support of Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. We would like to give a shout out to the following golfers and events:

- Red Deer Lions Golf Tournament, Red Deer, AB (raised \$2,200)
- Sylvan Lake Memorial Golf Tournament, Sylvan Lake, AB (raised over \$17,000 for a sponsorship)
- Pen Lakes Golf Tournament in Honour of Pat Jaskula, Fenwick, ON
- Estevan Lions Club 27th Annual Golf Tournament, Estevan, SK (raised \$5,700)
- BOMA Spring Golf Classic, Gormley, ON
- Ontario Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Association (ORAC) Annual Charity Golf Tournament , Kleinburg, ON

Golf can be a great way to get out on the green and raise money for your favourite charity. If you are interested in organizing a golf tournament in support of Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, please contact Merilyn DeFazio at <u>mdefazio@dogguides.com</u>.







Pawtners in Success

Boehringer Ingelheim

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides has many incredible partnerships with organizations that support the mission and vision of LFCDG. One of those organizations is Boehringer Ingelheim, and they truly are a "pawtner" in success. Since 2015, they have supplied our the veterinary clinic with all



Nexguard, Heartgard, Spectra, Metacam, and vaccines for both Dog Guides in training and puppies in the foster program at a heavily discounted rate. From the time a future Dog Guide puppy is born till it is ready to go home with its handler as a working Dog Guide, all veterinary care including vaccines and preventive medication such as Flea, Tick, and Heartworm, are provided by the veterinary team at Lions Foundation. With no government support and relying on donations and fundraising, the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is so grateful to have the support of Boehringer Ingelheim.









Litter Updates

We are pleased to announce the arrival of 7 new LFCDG puppies!

• E Litter: Erie and Happy – 7 puppies on August 9th

Welcome to the Dog Guide world little ones!





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