

Lions holding early-bird draw in advance of their fund-raising gala

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of these plants already growing, set buds late last summer so they won't be harmed by unexpected frosts.

Pansies may also be planted in the ground or in containers in a sunny location. Frost may damage fully out blooms, but tight buds will survive. Pansies need to be deadheaded almost daily to keep new blooms coming and their soil should be kept damp (not soggy).

It is still much too soon to plant annuals, and many seeds outdoors even though they are already for sale in supermarkets and some garden centres. There are usually no returns or refunds if they are frost killed.

Now is the time to lightly

dress asparagus and rhubarb with compost or composted cattle manure and spread compost or composted cattle or horse manure on vegetable gardens to be worked in as soon as the ground is diggable.

Nobleton Lions

The Nobleton Lions Club annual draw and fund-raising gala is being held June 14 this year, but the extra early-bird draw, new this year, is fast approaching.

The early-bird prize draw will be held May 19, for a cash prize of \$1,000. Tickets must be purchased by May 16 to be eligible. The draw itself has changed from the elimination type format. This means that unless you've already won some cash, you're in the

draw and eligible for the big prizes right to the very end. This year the ticket price has dropped to \$40, and tickets are now for a single person, not a couple, so singles pay less, and a couple buying two tickets will have two chances at the cash prizes, which total more than \$9,000. Tickets are now available from local businesses, and from Lions members, often at the Nobleton Plaza.

Where else can you have an exciting night out, not have to travel too far, while enjoying a hot dinner, dancing to DJ music, cash bar, and perhaps even pick up a bargain at the silent auction - all for \$40 per person? This event is the major fund raiser for the club, and proceeds

from the event go to sponsor numerous organizations in and around town. Your support is greatly appreciated by the Lions, and those who we support, in keeping with our motto, "We Serve."

For information on tickets, or on the event, please call Glen Gauslin at (905) 859-4456, or Manny Pereira at (905) 859-1331.

Nobleton United Church

This Sunday (May 4) the congregation of Nobleton United Church will travel to Kleinburg United Church to celebrate together their anniversary. The service will be at 9:30 a.m., and the guest speaker will be H. Mizuno who has made a number of trips to Guatemala as a volunteer with the organization, Hearts

and Hands.

Kleinburg United Church is at 10418 Islington Ave. in Kleinburg.

Our spring luncheon is May 7, at 12:30 p.m. This year, we welcome Dr. Lois Wilson, former moderator of the United Church of Canada. She is a very uplifting speaker, with a very rich background, including serving in the Canadian Senate and on the World Council of Churches. Tickets are on sale now at \$12 each. For tickets, call Mary at (905) 859-0448 or Helen at (905) 859-0744.

St. Mary annual pasta night

Our annual pasta night is to be held May 7. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. It is to be

held at the Nobleton Community Town Hall on Old King Road, starting at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available after mass.

Nobleton seniors' activities

The winners of the April 22 evening euchre were (for the women) Doris Clarkson, Ethel Ireland, Gwen Potter, (for the men) Walter Bell, Paula Latanville and Walter Hill. The most lone hands were played by Walter Bell. The winners of the lucky draw were John Burbridge, Walter Bell and Bill Groombridge.

May 6 is our trip to Drayton. The bus will load at the Senior's residence at 10 a.m. and at the Nobleton Arena at 10:15 a.m. We will play bid euchre May 6 at 7:30 p.m.

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