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Fellow Lions,

The elections are over and our new president was sworn in to office in January. Swearing in our first African American president was a historic day in our nation's history. President Barack Obama has a huge job ahead of him and we wonder how long and at what cost will it take to get the economy back on track. I don't know about you but I wouldn't want the job.

With the world in a recession and thousands of people being laid off, we will undoubtedly be affected like other service organizations. Our club has a strong presence in the community and we need to continue helping people in need. I've said it before and I'll say it again, "things will get better". Keep a positive attitude and what ever happens, there's always something good that comes from it. Someone once said, when one door closes another one opens.

We would like to welcome our new members that were inducted into the club at our dinner meeting in January. I would like to introduce and welcome Edward Uzialko and Joseph and Lorraine Dombrowski. They are a welcome addition to the Lions Club so let's make every effort to make them feel welcome.

The Billy Martin Circus was held at the Churchville high school on Sunday January 25th. This was the third year we held this fund raiser and it was very successful. The first two years the proceeds went to our club. This year the proceeds will go to the Leo's. If the Lions club takes the money made from this event the school charges us for using the gym. When the Leos sponsor this it's considered a school activity and they don't get charged. All we do is help unload and load their equipment. My thanks to all the Lions that helped. Next year the circus will be on January 24th. Mark you calendars.

The Leos are having their annual basketball game on March 1st. Check with Marty Molinari. With all us old guys in the club he can always use some young players.

We also have our annual blood drive scheduled for March 5th. Check with Joe DeLeo if you can help.

Lion President Mel

Camp Abilities Auction

Date: Sunday April 5, 2009

Time: 5:00-7:30pm

Location: SUNY Brockport
Cooper Hall
New York Room

Price: Tickets \$20/person

5-6:30 pm Silent Auction Open

7:00 pm Winners Announced

5-7:30 pm Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar Available

Camp Abilities is a non for profit week long developmental sports camp for children ages 9-19 who have visual impairments or who are deaf-blind. Our main purpose is to empower children with visual impairments or deaf-blindness to be physically active and productive members of their schools, communities and society.

Send Check Payable To
The Research Foundation/Camp Abilities
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Never A Loss of Vision*
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DATES

2/3/09	Board	
2/10/09	Business	
2/24/09	Dinner	Bob / Oliver's Candies
3/3/09	Board	
3/10/09	Business	
3/24/09	Dinner	DG Terry Loucks
4/7/09	Board	
4/14/09	Business	
4/28/09	Dinner	OPEN
5/5/09	Board	
5/12/09	Business	
5/26/09	Maher Lodge	Region Steak Roast
6/2/09	Board	
6/9/09	Business	
6/6or20	Inst. Dinner	Inst. of officers

You're Invited to The Churchville Lions Club Valentines Day Party

*Come by yourself or bring a
guest and join your
fellow Lions Club*

*members for a casual and
relaxing social event of
food, fun, friendship & love!*

When: Saturday February 14th, 2009

6:30pm Cocktails (cash bar)

7:30pm Dinner (stations)

Where: Naughton's Johnson House

Cost: \$20/person (includes gratuity)

Grazing Stations / Cash Bar

Dress: Business Casual

RSVP by February 7th, 2009 to either:

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News from the Leo Club. Save the date - Sunday March 1. We will be playing our annual basketball game against the Leos. We will be playing for the John Carr family of Chili as 5 year old Patrick is suffering from Neuroblastoma and is receiving treatments. Patrick's grandparents are Joe and Joanne Carr (Joe is former Mayor and former Churchville Lion). Probable game time about 1:00 PM at the Middle School gym where we have played

the past three years. Light blue Churchville Country Fair tee shirt will be our team jersey.

Leo Club will be going to Batavia School for the Blind Valentine Dance on Monday Feb 9, leaving the Senior High at 5:45 PM. We could use several Lions who could come and act as chaperones - we will get back to school at 9:00 PM.

Thanks to the Lions who helped at the circus last month. It was a wonderful success and also thanks to those Lions who came with their families to watch and enjoy the show. Lion Marty

If you've been there you'll laugh, if not you will be frightened.

Dave Barry writes:

... I called my friend Andy Sable, a gastroenterologist, to make an appointment for a colonoscopy. A few days later, in his office, Andy showed me a color diagram of the colon, a lengthy organ that appears to go all over the place, at one point passing briefly through Minneapolis.

Then Andy explained the colonoscopy procedure to me in a thorough, reassuring and patient manner. I nodded thoughtfully, but I didn't really hear anything he said, because my brain was shrieking, quote, 'HE'S GOING TO STICK A TUBE 17,000 FEET UP YOUR BEHIND!'

I left Andy's office with some written instructions, and a prescription for a product called 'MoviPrep,' which comes in a box large enough to hold a microwave oven. I will discuss MoviPrep in detail later; for now suffice it to say that we must never allow it to fall into the hands of America's enemies.

I spent the next several days productively sitting around being nervous. Then, on the day before my colonoscopy, I began my preparation. In accordance with my instructions, I didn't eat any solid food that day; all I had was chicken broth, which is basically water, only with less flavor. Then, in the evening, I took the MoviPrep. You mix two packets of powder together in a one-liter plastic jug, and then you fill it with lukewarm water. (For those unfamiliar with the metric system, a liter is about 32 gallons.) Then you have to drink the whole jug. This takes about an hour, because MoviPrep tastes - and here I am being kind - like a mixture of goat spit and urinal cleanser, with just a hint of lemon.

The instructions for MoviPrep, clearly written by somebody with a great sense of humor, state that after you drink it, 'a loose watery bowel movement may result.' This is kind of like saying that after you jump off your roof, you may experience contact with the ground.

MoviPrep is a nuclear laxative. I don't want to be too graphic, here, but: Have you ever seen a space-shuttle launch? This is pretty much the MoviPrep

experience, with you as the shuttle. There are times when you wish the commode had a seat belt. You spend several hours pretty much confined to the bathroom, spurting violently. You eliminate everything.

And then, when you figure you must be totally empty, you have to drink another liter of MoviPrep, at which point, as far as I can tell, your bowels travel into the future and start eliminating food that you have not even eaten yet.

After an action-packed evening, I finally got to sleep. The next morning my wife drove me to the clinic. I was very nervous. Not only was I worried about the procedure, but I had been experiencing occasional return bouts of MoviPrep spurtage. I was thinking, 'What if I spurt on Andy?' How do you apologize to a friend for something like that? Flowers would not be enough.

At the clinic I had to sign many forms acknowledging that I understood and totally agreed

with whatever the heck the forms said. Then they led me to a room full of other colonoscopy people, where I went inside a little curtained space and took off my clothes and put on one of those hospital garments designed by sadist perverts, the kind that, when you put it on, makes you feel even more naked than when you are actually naked.

Then a nurse named Eddie put a little needle in a vein in my left hand. Ordinarily I would have fainted, but Eddie was very good, and I was already lying down. Eddie also told me that some people put vodka in their MoviPrep. At first I was ticked off that I hadn't thought of this is, but then I pondered what would happen if you got yourself too tipsy to make it to the bathroom, so you were staggering around in full Fire Hose Mode. You would have no choice but to burn your house.

When everything was ready, Eddie wheeled me into the procedure room, where Andy was waiting with a nurse and an anesthesiologist. I did not see the 17,000-foot tube, but I knew Andy had it hidden around there somewhere. I was seriously nervous at this point. Andy had me roll over on my left side, and the anesthesiologist began hooking something up to the needle in my hand. There was music playing in the room, and I realized that the song was 'Dancing Queen' by ABBA I remarked to Andy that, of all the songs that could be playing during this particular procedure, 'Dancing Queen' has to be the least appropriate. 'You want me to turn it up?' said Andy, from somewhere behind me. 'Ha ha,' I said. And then it was time, the moment I had been dreading for more than a decade. If you are squeamish, prepare yourself, because I am going to tell you, in explicit detail, exactly what it was like.

I have no idea. Really. I slept through it. One moment, ABBA was yelling 'Dancing Queen, Feel the beat of the tambourine,' and the next moment, I was back in the other room, waking up in a very mellow mood. Andy was looking down at me and asking me how I felt. I felt excellent. I felt even more excellent when Andy told me that it was all over, and that my colon had passed with flying colors. I have never been prouder of an internal organ.

ABOUT THE WRITER

Dave Barry is a Pulitzer Prize-winning humor columnist for the Miami Herald. On the subject of Colonoscopies...Colonoscopies are no joke, but these comments during the exam were quite humorous..... A physician claimed that the following are actual comments made by his patients (predominately male) while he was performing their colonoscopies:

1. 'Take it easy, Doc. You're boldly going where no man has gone before!'
2. 'Find Amelia Earhart yet?'
3. 'Are we there yet? Are we there yet?'
4. 'You know, in Arkansas, we're now legally married.'
5. 'Any sign of the trapped miners, Chief?'
6. 'Hey! Now I know how a Muppet feels!'
7. 'Hey Doc, let me know if you find my dignity.'
8. 'You used to be an executive at Enron, didn't you?'
9. 'Could you write a note for my wife saying that my head is not up there?'



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