



# Apsley Lions

May 2019

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Finally, the sun is shining and it's starting to feel that spring might be coming! On Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> the Easter Bunny came to Apsley. We were hoping that all of the snow would be melted and that the forecast of rain would hold off until his visit was over.

On Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, the Lions Club will once again be holding their annual **Mother's Day Brunch**. The cost is \$10.00 per person and \$5.00 for children 10 and under. Come on out and make it a special day for the Mother in your life.

Our annual **Flea Market** is on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. We will start accepting *gently used* items in the Lions Park on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm until Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. July 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> we will be accepting items at the Zamboni doors at the arena. We will also accept items from Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at the Zamboni doors at the arena from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Please do not leave items in the park when there are no Lions there to accept them. We **cannot accept** the following items: *microwave ovens; televisions; clothing; white plastic outdoor furniture; mattresses; sofa beds; paints and oils.* If you need clarification of the items, please ask before bringing them to the park.

Don't forget **Canada Day**, on Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> the parade will be at 4:00 pm starting at the school and ending at the NKCC. Come on out and participate in the parade and show your Canadian pride. If you are interested in being part of the parade, show up at the school at 3:30 pm. After the parade, there will be entertainment and children's games in the Lions Park and of course at dusk, there will be a giant fireworks display.

Are you a student looking for community hours? We will be looking for volunteers for the Flea Market every morning from July 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to noon.

Come on out for Bingo! It's every Wednesday evening from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm at the NK Community Center.



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## Free Well Water Testing in NK

*Spring Melt Brings Higher Risk for Bacterial Contamination*

Peterborough Public Health and the Township of North Kawartha are again providing free well water testing via sample drop offs throughout the summer months.

Now, water samples can be dropped off at the Municipal Office located at 280 Burleigh Street, Apsley – just in time for the change in season to warmer weather and the increased health risks to families.

Testing applies to both drilled and dug wells, but is especially important for dug wells, as they are shallow and more susceptible to contamination.

Water sample bottles can be picked up from the Municipal Office during office hours and they can be dropped off Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and are sent to the PPH Lab for testing. In 2018, 240 samples were received and tested as part of this service.

Water sample bottles are free at the NK office. Samples are time sensitive, so residents are encouraged to carefully read the instructions included with each kit.

Well water samples are tested for two types of bacterial contamination: total coliforms and E. coli which indicates the water has been contaminated with fecal material and may contain disease-causing microbes. These organisms can cause severe gastrointestinal illness. Anyone can become ill if they consume contaminated water, but the young, elderly, and immuno-compromised are at a higher risk.

Residents will receive water quality results by mail. To find out how to test for contaminants other than total coliforms and E. coli, contact Peterborough Public Health at 705-743-1000, X 232 or go to **PeterboroughPublicHealth.ca**.



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