



District N-1 Cabinet Meeting  
North Rustico Lions Club  
November 6<sup>th</sup> 2016

Cabinet Meeting was called to order by District Governor Brennan at 11:00am.

District Governor Brennan asked all rise Lion Krista to lead the Lions in the American National Anthem and the Canadian National Anthem.

Moment of silence for World Peace remembering our troops and Remembrance Day and for recent passing of Lion Margaret White from Barkers Point Northside.

PDG Gerard led the Lions in our Lions Invocation

Call for approval of the agenda moved by PDG Denzil seconded by Lion Paul G Motion Carried

District Governor Brennan advised that PID Jim Sherry and Lioness Jean visited the Cabinet prior to leaving to return home to Nova Scotia. They had to return to a Lions function.

District Governor Brennan welcomed everyone to the cabinet meeting, head table, recognized the Past District Governors, you are the reason we are here today. One of the important ones they do most of our work today our Zone Chairs. District Governor Brennan, asked for any new Lions to stand, baring none District Governor Brennan recognized a prospective new Lion Vincent Plume and Lion Merrilyn from Rexton to stand, Vincent is a prospective new lion that will be inducted into the Lakeville Lions club. District Governor Brennan asked that we bring new members as we need new ideas.

District Governor Brennan requested a motion to approve the minutes as circulated for the September 11<sup>th</sup> Cabinet meeting in McAdam. Moved by PDG Luke seconded by PDG Gerard Motion carried.

Business arising from the minutes, none.

District Governor Brennan asked Lion Jason D from North Rustico to come forward, they put on a tremendous event last night for their 50<sup>th</sup> Charter. Lion Jason welcomed the Lions back to North Rustico, always a nice place to visit.

District Governor Brennan opening remarks, noted that to date he has met with all but with all but 5 clubs in Prince Edward Island, any clubs that wish to have him back will be placed back on the roster for a personal visit. To date District Governor Brennan and Lion Cindi have met with 52 of our 77 clubs since September we are close to the 30K.

District Governor Brennan is proud to say we are in positive membership growth. Our District Chairs (64) are working very hard and some he has not heard from he is sure are all working equally hard, we will hear some of these reports later.

District Governor Brennan thanked all the chairs

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We have a pair of Lion Tail Twisters here today, we will continue with our 4-minute time limit so if you see Lion Jan or Lion Nelson stand up please remember that, and carry on. Last Cabinet meeting it was about \$84.00 get your change ready.

District Governor Brennan reminded the Lions of the International Presidents theme, New Mountains to Climb. The banner that the IP has provided will be brought in and any that have not signed it are asked to sign the banner that will be displayed at our International Convention in Chicago.

CST report and roll call. Budget figures as presented any questions, PDG Doug asked about the columns, first column figures as at November 4<sup>th</sup> second column collected or billed to date. Question by Lion Jim Aucoin, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Nashwaaksis Lions Club, second page 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG expenses prior years' expenses. Request to adopt PDG Doug seconded Lion Krista.

Comments from 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Paul, Lions peter did not use all his speech last night so shared some with Lion Paul. Good Morning and congratulations to North Rustico on 50 years of service. Since the last Cabinet meeting VDG Paul has had the opportunity to visit 19 clubs some in Zone meeting which seems to work well and cuts down on travel, he hopes clubs will keep that in mind next year as well. It was great social time. Moncton Lions club put on a great steak supper. There has been training and VDG Paul spoke on the importance of training, the District put on the training and he thanked PDG Stewart and his team for bringing the training to the Lions. We are getting feedback and the District will assess the training and that allows the Lions to attend the cabinet to learn more about what is happening. Most Clubs like to focus in their community which seems to be going well. VDG Paul asked what could be done to get the Lions to attend Cabinet and Convention and if anyone has ideas to forward to the CST. Maybe we need a social committee or some entertainment, the tail twister has been an added fun item. Remember these are your cabinet meetings so take the info back to bring more people to them. Lions indicated the information of reporting at MYLCI was a great tool, thanks to Lion Dan Matthews for providing as well information on other products that LCI has provided. Also, the Zone Visitation report put out by 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Jim Aucoin. Our theme New Mountains to Climb. In conclusion If you are not prepared to be wrong then you will never come up with anything original

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Jim, we had a busy Zone meeting, VDG Jim thanked North Rustico for displaying the flags. VDG Jim has had two training opportunities, the USA Canada Leadership Forum and the Fall Conference in Corner Brook NFDL with a round table discussion on budget and Constitution. VDG Jim has in receipt Peace Posters and 5 from Hampton, we have the first Essay contest submission. A District book has been a great tool as well and distributed by GLT a great resource from LCI. The information from diabetes is on the back table. IT support Lion Dan Matthews has an info sheet on MYLCI to help secretaries. VDG Jim noted he has his proper attire as well.

District Governor Brennan asked for the auditor's report. PDG Gerard reported he has no report, just recently received the information and did not have the opportunity to review. He will have a report in February in Rexton.

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PDG Bev Centennial Report, all clubs reporting centennial activities keep reporting and if you are not please do so. When you complete your legacy project make sure you tick off the box that you have done that so you get recognition from LCI. Remember to invite family and friends to help with service projects. Appoint a Centennial Chair, invite your community to celebrate with you. Visit the page on how to celebrate. As of September, our District has achieved the following.

Youth 80% 32 clubs

Environment 33% 13 clubs

Vision 35% 14 clubs

Hunger 38% 15 clubs

Travelled most of the clubs on the Island now will be moving elsewhere, when having a Zone Meeting is you could let them know that seems to be a good way to bring the information. Encourage clubs to do a Legacy project. Some have sent their information on what they are doing.

District Governor Brennan thanked PDG Bev, and if you are thinking about going to Convention don't wait tickets are going quickly. District Governor Brennan gave us some information on the expectations of the Convention.

We just had a Fall Conference highlights, looking for a few chairs for the Multiple that are not filled youth chair is one and coming up will be both GLT and GMT. Anyone interested please contact the Multiple. Our speaker for the Multiple in Fredericton will be PID Patti Hill. If PID Patti is successful it will be our Canadian 100<sup>th</sup>. ID Rod asked for \$1.00 per member per club. PDG Peter Reid is the Communication Chair, and has asked for pictures for the multiple just as we have asked for our District Convention Lion Jerry has asked for service pictures for our convention in April. The question is will it be continued with the conference, this communication will come out soon, the question is whether it is viable. The convention shirt has been approved if you are interested in purchasing contact PDG Peter Reid. Pricing is reasonable.

LFC Dog Guide clothing is at the back, thanks to Lion Peggy and Lion Paul G for bringing the product back from LFC.

Break for Lunch

Resumed

Each year International recognizes the District Governor that served with a certificate of appreciation for their service as District Governor, I would like to present PDG Doug with his certificate signed by IPP Yamada.

While at the Multiple Conference in Newfoundland each District was asked to submit a few names of those that have contributed in service during this short period of this Lions year. Our District has two, and if I could have Lion Dan Matthews come forward, for those that do not know Lion Dan has been working to bring one of our clubs back along with an individual from Amherst and some of our executive all very important so thank you Lion Dan. Presented International Presidents Certificate of Achievement, this Certificate is third highest award.

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The second one is Lion Reg House, he is instrumental in many projects this year and there is a long list, he is part of membership team, makes calls for the District and designed the cover of the directory.

Thank you to all for helping to keep us moving forward.

Attendance report. 27 clubs 80 members attending today.

LCF Goals. before carrying on District Governor Brennan asked ion Margaret to say grace before our meals and then forgot to ask her so we are going to do that now. She is our District N-1 Chair for LFC. Lion Margaret asked we bow our heads and give thanks.

Lion Paul Gauthier LFC Chair thanked Lion Peggy for looking after the LFC clothing for our District, the dog walk has raised 1.3 million for LFC. It is still not too late to do a walk. we are asking for \$1.00 per month per member to give to the Foundation. The goal is to assign 200 service dogs this year. It is about 25K to raise a dog. Any project a club is doing, there are service dogs in both NB and PEI they will be happy to show up to give back. Lion Paul G has asked DG Brennan to come up with a project for our District, they are working on this but we have bridge costs etc., District Governor Brennan advised the project is thought to happen in our respective communities at the same time.

District Governor Brennan presented PDG Bev, Centennial Chair with a District banner patch presented to the District for our District Banner.

Our tail twisters PDG Jan and Lion Nelson called for a little fun, first asking Lion Krista to led the group in singing I got the Lions feeling. Lion Susan S and PDG Bev assisted in fine collections, while Lion nelson told some stories. The fine resulted in \$136.05 collected for LFC.

Report from GMT Lion Gerry F, reported we have a net growth of 20 new members, we have added 74 new lions but have had 54 drops, Lion Gerry asked that we work on closing the "back door". We have 7 clubs with less than 10 members and that needs to be worked on as well.

GLT Lion Stewart reported we need guiding Lions and Lion leaders to step forward.

Training has been done in the following locations since September.

St. Martins orientation and officer training.

North Rustico officer training

Riverview mentorship and orientation

Zone training for Zone 5 is scheduled.

Guiding Lions are needed to assist clubs and assist new clubs. we are taking the training to the Lions but we need to be invited to do the training.

PDG Doug reported on the PDG Association meeting, they have been charged with 4 items, Corporate support, District N-1 Memorial Forest, Charting our History and relationship documents. Committees have been established and they are working on it, it is something to begin to be worked on.

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Lion John Roberts chair for Hearing and C-pap machine collection and reconditioning has begun, there is a company in Moncton that will recondition the C Pap machines and Dalhousie University will recondition the hearing aids for redistribution. This is a new project that has come forward and has quickly made progress, response has been very positive.

Lion Dan Matthews IT Support, Zone chairs should identify clubs in their zone that have challenges with MYLCI and should refer to Lion Dan.

Zone Chair Liaison VDG Jim reported that there were 10 of the 13 Zones represented, 7 Zones have had meetings, Zone 13 has raised as a Zone 19K for a new to them truck for Bobby's Hospice. Zone 5 needs Guiding Lions for the Sackville Lions Club (once reinstated).

PDG Bev Election Chair spoke on the Nomination Committee required to accept applications for the incoming officers for our elections in April. The committee will consist of 3 Lions that do not currently hold office in the District.

Leo and Youth Chair PDG Luke encouraged Lions to contact him should they require his support with youth or Leo clubs.

PCC Susan advised on the Portage grant the district has surpassed their goal of 119K so we can release funds as or when requested. Constitution and Bylaws will have a report in February.

Lions Quest has come out with new pamphlets.

International Relations – If you have a chance you can attend the Lions Day at the UN this is a great opportunity as Lions we are invited to attend.

Lion Cindi and Lion Paul spoke briefly on Diabetes Tag Day November 14<sup>th</sup> clubs interested in participating can receive additional materials from Erin Pellerine from CDA. Lion Cindi also updated the cabinet on the many posts on the District Facebook page.

PDG Boyd reported Ron Evans Bursary has 33k currently, report attached.

Lion Reg H reported on the convention in April and that the convention will be a birthday party, fitting for Centennial. Eyewear has 84.4 % participation, we have new eyewear boxes, if your club's boxes are looking poor please contact Lion Reg to purchase new collection boxes to have them replaced.

PDG Bev reported she is on the fundraising committee for Dr. Patti Hill, you can contact PDG Bev if you are interested in purchasing her pins.

Lion Kathy B is speak-out chair and encouraged the Lions to get involved in the Speak out, always a highlight during convention.

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Lion Ron Evans reported on Portage and the Lewis fitness center, that Dr. King thanks the Lions for their support over the past 20 years. they currently have about 40 youth in residence. Don't count the day make the day count.

VDG Jim on behalf of the Peace Poster advised the Peace Essay submission in conjunction with Burt's Corner Lions club.

It was also reported that there is a book company that will donate books for distribution to schools and clubs. The books come to one location for distribution, Nashwaaksis will be that location for North NB and Kensington to be a drop as well.

#### Old Business

District Governor Brennan advised the PDG Sonny is doing well but unable to make this long trip at this point but hopes to be in Rexton, we thank those that have assisted in selling the pins at Cabinet in his absence.

We will be looking for Lions to step up and fill both the GLT and GMT chairs as both lions will be completing their term in these offices.

District Governor Brennan advised that Lion Krista will be attending the Emerging Lions Institute (if accepted) and PCC Susan will be attending the faculty development training.

Announcements Portage Christmas Party is December 4<sup>th</sup> 1:00 – 3:30 please contact Lion Lorraine for your resident's name. Gifts are asked to be on site by noon.

Lion Dan shared the information on the benefits of Volunteering and positive health effects.

District Governor Brennan spoke on the Convention in April and it will be a birthday party, please send your service project pictures to Lion Jerry K, we will not have training at the convention but we will have speakers on interest items. District Governor Brennan has received confirmation from our clubs in Maine that they will be sending representation from their clubs to the convention. Campbellton is planning on sending 25 by bus.

In keeping with the thanks on behalf of the District to host a Cabinet Meeting District Governor Brennan presented to Lion Jason D from North Rustico a certificate for a Hospitality Book for convention.

Reminder to perform an act of kindness.

Motion to adjourn Lion Dale/Lion Claude