



LIONS DISTRICT N 1



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Organizational Meeting - Hampton Lions Club

August 17, 2019 1:00pm

District Governor

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The meeting was Call to Order at 1:05pm followed by the singing of the National Anthems, a Moment of Silence for World Peace and Deceased Members and the Lions Invocation. DG Lloyd Soucie asked for any additions to the agenda. Hearing none, Lions Susan Stennick moved to Approve the Agenda. Lion Dale Carter seconded. **MC**

CS Susan Sangster explained she had circulated a sign in sheet but that she would still do Roll Call. District Governor Lloyd welcomed all to Hampton and introduced the Head Table and recognized the Past District Governors, Lioness & Leos. Host President Lion Isabel Simpson welcomed all to Hampton, thanked the Lions and non Lion helpers in the kitchen and hoped all enjoyed their lunch.

We watched President Choi's video presenting his theme "Pay it Forward " We need to be the instrument of change – when you see something that needs to be done, do it. Diversity means many things and is the primary word from President Choi , Diversity within our District and MD n will be a challenge. We need to diversify – to color the silver clubs by introducing the younger members. One person can get a little done, many members can do a lot and we Lions do a lot.

DG Lloyd updated from July team Meeting. Fort Kent is celebrating 150 milestone. One of the contest was a fishing prize of \$2,000 for the largest Muskie. One of his objective is membership growth – a net growth of 1 member per club for our District and retaining those we already have. DG Lloyd has some visits scheduled – September 16,17, 18 on PEI to do 3 Zones and hope to do the North shore before the snow flies. Our 2018-19 Awards Banquet is September 7. If you have any plaques, please get them to us for printing.

1st Vice District Governor Paul Gauthier is looking forward to working with you and all other members of our Cabinet and Executive this year. We have been elected to serve, you the lions in our District. Most clubs are preparing for another great Lions Year and I wish them great success in serving the people in their community as well hoping they will all make a contribution to Lions International. International has been very generous with grants and supports our District with a lot more than they receive from us. I do not have much to report at the present time. I attended our District N-1 Team meeting in Fort Kent and the Multiple District Summer Council meeting in Halifax and I will be attending the US/Canada Forum in Spokane Washington in September and will also be attending Morell lions Club 50th Anniversary August 31st. There are still a few tickets available. In July I attended the Lions Memorial Service for PDG Shirley Dickinson. I also accepted an invitation to attend Diabetes Camp Day at Camp Triumph. The organizers of the camp are very pleased and thankful for the money raised by our district and matched by International. The \$40,000.00 US is to be used for the camps on PEI and New Brunswick. There were 33 campers attending the camp. They were thankful for the Diabetes camp being available on PEI and sponsored by lions. I met with Lori Barker, Director of Development Ronald McDonald House Charities. They are in the process of obtaining funding to build a new Ronald McDonald house. They have also launched a new fund raiser, Community Champions. My home club, the Parkdale Sherwood Lions Club was the 1st



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organization to make a donation to this fundraiser. Our donation was \$10,000. I spoke to DG Lloyd and we invited Lori to do a presentation on Ronald McDonald House at our Cabinet meeting in September.

2nd Vice District Governor reported that he is looking forward to serving this year. He will be the Zone Chair liaison and chaired his first meeting this morning. He attended Vice District Governor training, our District N-1 Team meeting in Fort Kent and the Multiple District Summer Council meeting in Halifax and I will be attending the US/Canada Forum in Spokane Washington in September

DG Lloyd reported the Directory should be ready by the September cabinet meeting. He was happy to attend Greenhill Lake Camp Dragonfly. The numbers there have increase to 60 which is 15 more than last year. They are very pleased with the Grant because it costs \$1,000 per child. It was a great experience to see first hand the value provided by the Camps.

Cabinet Secretary Susan reported Roll Call Summation as follows – Clubs represented 16 of 78, Presidents in attendance 4 out of 78, 5 secretaries out of 78 and 25 members for a total of 34 Lions out of 1791 and one very welcome Non Lion guest. The Minutes of the District Convention was emailed and will be done September 8. There is no new Correspondence that has not been circulated. There was a good discussion on the use and the frustration with the MyLCI/MyLion system. It has new applications and a very different way to use it that is challenging and time consuming. Membership is reported through MyLCI and Service is through My Lion. An effort is under way to separate the reporting of fundraising activity and service activity. It will take some time to get all the bugs ironed out but LCI is working on it. It was pointed out that we are volunteers and should not be expected to use our service time to figure out and fill out reports. It last system was much simpler even if LCI had to work harder to isolate the information they want.

DG Lloyd spoke on membership identifying several areas – northeastern, northwestern, and campus clubs - where New Brunswick is much underserved. We need to work in these areas. Branch clubs can be started with 6 interested members. There are opportunities with campus clubs but DG Lloyd pointed out that he can't work in Maine –even in his home town – to credit District N 1. Any new activity in Maine is the “property” of District 41 since redistricting in 2007. So our membership building would have to be in NB/PEI.

Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer's Carlos reported that the banking arrangements have been changed over and the set up is done. Clubs can expect to see their checks begin to clear. The Financial Statement process for audit of 2018-19 is ready to be done. You will notice the 2019-2020 columns are without figures. This will be updated for the September Cabinet meeting.

Reports - **LCIF** – report attached. President Choi is asking every member to donate \$100 per year for the next 3 years. As District Governor's elect, they committed to 5 years. We have received some sizable grants from LCIF. Clubs need to look at their records for donations to LCIF and include in their budgets. DG Lloyd will be asking the question when he visits.

Peace Poster – Chair Isabel Simpson reviewed the history of the Peace Poster. Journey to Peace is the theme for this year. The international prize is \$5000 and a trip for the winner and a chaperone to the International Convention. She had 366 students from the 3 schools in the Hampton area. One of the students accumulated \$350 in winnings by taking 1st place through all 3 levels. She expressed an interest in running a similar competition at Portage- further discussion required.

New Voices is a program to attract the female membership because that is where the most opportunity for growth exists, The seminar in Ottawa which CS Susan and PDG Boyd attended was about equal men and women. The speakers were all professionals one of whom was 3rd International Vice President Brian Sheehan and his wife Lion Lori. Report attached. Young Voices are also extremely important

Any Ideas for a district fundraiser would be welcome. Send the DG an email with any ideas. VDG Paul is willing to organize the "Grand Prize " if we chose to go with the higher cost ticket. The Ride-on mower prize sold very well and the District profited approximately \$2000. The cause is of DG Lloyds choosing and he would like to hold off naming the recipient till after the presentation by Ronald MacDonald House in September. All of us with children and grand-children know of the value of these locations when you have a sick child.

The Parade of Checks will continue. DG Lloyd would like to see an increase in the number of Dog Walks in our District. He would also like to investigate holding a Regional Lions Leadership Institute. There are \$1200 grants available to help with these.

Conventions – N 1 will be in Presque Isle, ME April-17/19, 2020 and the MDN Spring Convention in Fredericton, NB May 15/17, MD N Fall Conference is in Gander, NL November 1-3, 2019. Registration forms will be our shortly.

Constitution and By-Laws have been updated and will soon be posted to the website.

DG Lloyd has targeted a net increase of 1 new member per club as his goal – to accomplish we will need approximately 180 new members and retain as many as possible. Unfortunately we have already lost 5 o6 to death this year. Through MyLion our target is to serve 175,000 people. DG Lloyd is encouraging all Presidents and Secretaries to download MYLION so they will have access when it does work. The target goal for donations to LCIF for District N 1 is \$19,000US. We have to get the message out regarding reports - there are still many clubs that are months behind on their reporting. DG Lloyd will be delivering this message as he visits the clubs and zones.

Old Business –We have received this year's invoice for 200 Multiple District pins to be passed to the pin chair but the discussion is for the number to order for next year, The MD N chair needs to have this number – the number of 200 was discussed and need to be confirmed.

New Business – Dr. Patty Hill was elected as our 3RD Vice President of Lions Clubs International. The celebrations were great. We are looking forward to the next 5 years coming up through the leadership roles. She will serve us well. PCC Lion Bev will be the Chair for Lions 2020. The Lions of Canada will celebrate our 100th milestone with a goal of planting 100,000 trees. JD Irving is willing to donate all the trees we want to plant just let DG Lloyd know – goal is to plant 10 trees per member. Lion Cleve has some blue pens to distribute. There will be more information coming.

Lion Blake Hetherington won the ticket draw. Meeting adjourned on a motion by Lion Gerry Forsythe, seconded by Lion Susan Stennick. MC

Announcements and Dates to Remember

- September 7 Awards night Nashwaaksis Lions Club Registration form on the table 6:30pm
- September 8 Cabinet meeting Nashwaaksis Lions Club Zone meeting 9:30am Cabinet 11:00am
- October 5 Geary Lions Club 50th Charter night past MLA Jody Carr guest speaker
- October 12 Millidgeville Northend Lions Club 40th Charter night
- October 19
- October 26 Eastern Charlotte Lions Club 45th Charter night

Important Dates to Remember 2019-20

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time (Atlantic)</u>
September 7, 2019	PDG Awards Banquet	Nashwaaksis Lions Club	TBD
September 8, 2019	N 1 Cabinet Meeting	Nashwaaksis Lions Club	ZC 9:30, Cabinet 11 am
September 19-21, 2019	USA/Canada Forum	Spokane, WA	
October 1, 2019	Deadline to order Peace Poster Kits & Essay Contests from LCI		
October 2019	Vision Awareness Month		
October 5, 2019	Geary 50 th Charter Night		
October 10, 2019	Application deadline for Matching, Diabetes, Hunger (pilot), Childhood Cancer (pilot), SightFirst, and Lions Quest grants to be reviewed at the August 2020 board and LAC meetings		
October 12, 2019	Millidgeville Northend Lions Club 40 th Charter night		
October 19, 2019			
October 26, 2019	Eastern Charlotte Lions Club 45 th Charter night		
October 11, 2019	World Sight Day		
October 15, 2019	White Cane Safety Day		
October 24, 2019	United Nations Day		
October 31, 2019	New Voices nomination deadline		
November 2019	Diabetes Awareness Month		
November 1, 2019	International Leo Day Video Contest submissions due		
November 1 - 3, 2019	MDN Fall Conference	Gander, NL	
November 9 – 11, 2019	Advanced Lions Leadership Institute	Chicago, IL	8-26-19 Deadline
November 14, 2019	World Diabetes Day		
November 15	Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning Peace Poster (per contest) to the district governor		
November 17, 2019	N 1 Cabinet Meeting	East Royalty Lions Club	ZC 9:30, Cabinet 11 am
November 17, 2019	Deadline for Peace Poster & Essay Contest submissions to DG (delivered to Cabinet meeting)		
December 1, 2019	Portage Christmas Party at Portage	Cassidy Lake, NB	Tentative
December 1, 2019	Postmark Deadline for Peace Poster and Essay Contests to Council Chair		
December 5, 2019	International Leo Day		
December 15, 2019	Council Chair deadline to postmark Peace Poster and Essay Contest winners to LCI Public Affairs Division		
January 2020	Hunger Awareness Month		
January 11, 2020	Last day for early discount on convention registration fees		
January 13	Melvin Jones Birthday		
January 13-17, 2020	LCIF Week		
January 15, 2020	Leo Club Program Advisory Panel nominations due Peace Poster Kits go on sale from Club Supplies Sales		
February 2020	Childhood Cancer Awareness Month		
February 1, 2020	A-B-C's of Lions	Riverview Lions Club	Tentative
February 1, 2020	International Peace Poster contest winners will be notified on or before this date		
February 2, 2020	N 1 Cabinet Meeting	Riverview Lions Club	ZC 9:30; Cab. 11 am
February 11-13, 2020	First Vice District Governor/District Governor-elect Seminar (Days 1-3)		
February 13 2020	Application deadline for Matching, Diabetes, Hunger (pilot), and Childhood Cancer (pilot) grants to be reviewed at the May 2020 board and LAC meetings		
February 15, 2020	International Childhood Cancer Day		
April 17 – 19, 2020	N 1 Annual Convention	Presque Isle Inn & Convention Center, Maine	
May 1 – 17, 2020	MDN Spring Conference	Fredericton, NB	