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District N-1 Newsletter

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Lions of District N-1, it is October already (almost Hallowe'en !).

Since July, it has been a very busy time for me as your District Governor. I have attended the International Convention in Chicago, USA. , Multiple District N Meeting in Halifax , District N-1 Organizational Meeting in Kensington, PEI, District N-1 Awards Night in Riverview , 1st Cabinet Meeting in Riverview, Portage Atlantic for the official opening of the new Gym, 1st Anniversary Charter Night for the Moncton Resurgo Lions Club, Steak Dinner at Moncton Lions Club, Charlottetown Lions Charter night, Grand Washademoak Lions Charter night, Jemseg Lions Charter night... plus multiple visits to clubs, so you can see there is not much downtime. It has been great to do all of the above and I look forward to all the meetings and club visits in the coming months.

I want to thank all Lions in the District for their cooperation and also those Lions who have taken on positions as Committee Chairs, to fill the 46 positions in the District -- without you the District would not be where it is today! Great job by all... **THANK YOU.**

With the International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal's theme being "**WE SERVE**", as I visit club in the District, it is obvious to see that the clubs in this District are very involved and engaged in their communities as they practice the Motto "**WE SERVE**". It is evident by what they do in their communities.

As your District Governor, I have set a goal of increasing membership by 100 members (net), by adding one new club with 30 members, and one branch club with 15 members, plus having clubs bring in additional new members to make up the balance.

Helping the Blind has always been a main focus of the Lions over the years. Right now Diabetes takes center stage in service. Lion Cindi, DC Chair (NB) and Lion Peter, DC Chair (PEI) will have info in this newsletter on Diabetes Canada. I would like for every club in the District to think about making donations to (LFC) Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, Portage Atlantic, and (LCIF) Lions Clubs International Foundation.

The new Global Action Team is now in place and it consists of Leadership, Membership and Service -- clubs wishing to receive any training can make arrangements through their Zone Chairs.

I am here to assist you. If I can be of any help, please feel free to contact me. Have a great Lions Year !

Lion Paul Cousins, DG
District N-1



Fellow Lions of District N-1

It gives me great pleasure to write my first letter to you as 2nd VDG. The year has gotten off to a good start as we enter a second century of Service to our communities, nation and world. It is through our efforts that we make this world a better place for all to live in.

From reports received from our Zone Chairs, many service activities have begun and continue to be developed in the areas of Service that we have focused upon for the last century and the 'new' additional focus areas of Diabetes and Pediatric Cancer.

Our Zone Chairs have been faithful in their reporting to me what is happening throughout the District and their concerns when there are some. At present, we must all strive to work towards DG Lion Paul's goal of 100 additional members in N-1 by his administration's end, come July, 2018. Let us look at innovative ways to communicate with and teach the younger generation what Lionism is all about.

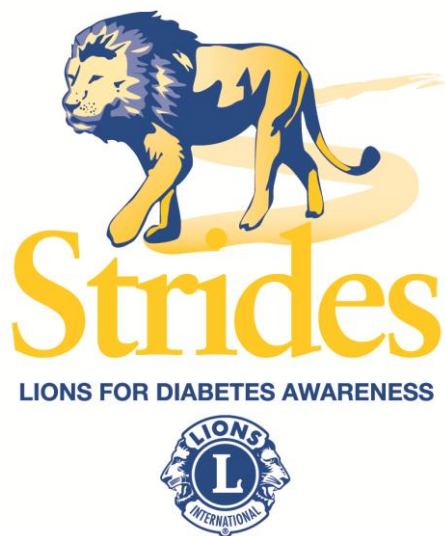
I want to thank my Zone Chairs in keeping me informed and on top of things throughout this vast district.

Just a short synopsis of my happenings. The USA/Canada Forum was all that it was panned out to be, a very jam packed weekend of training activities. Unfortunately, one cannot attend all that is offered but can only hope the ones selected provide you with what will be needed to lead the District in a couple of years. Enjoyed to the point that I am considering next year's event in Columbus, OH. Will have info available. I did meet up with a few people who will be at ALLI training with me in Denver on Nov. 10 - 13, which I am anxiously awaiting.

I wish to impress on the few clubs yet to report this year's officers, late on reports or dues, or any other issues, it is much easier to work through and correct at an early stage. Do not be afraid or bashful to ask for help.

In Lionism - We Serve

Lion Lloyd Soucie
2nd Vice District Governor
District N-1



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Diabetes Becomes New Focus

Hello fellow Lions,

Lion Peter Gallant (PEI) and I [Lion Cindi Beaumont (NB)] are District Provincial Diabetes Chairpersons for District N-1.

Last month, CC Lion Brennan and I attended the Canadian Diabetes Conference in Winnipeg Man., along with all other representatives from Canada.

This conference was to brain storm Lions' continuing involvement with Diabetes Canada. There have been a lot of changes within both DC and Lions. At this gathering, it was in hope of bringing together all Lions with the common denominator of Diabetes.

One outcome is that a "Diabetes Canada National Liaison Committee" was formed, Executives were elected and, as the first order of business, to revise and adopt our Lions "Terms of Reference". Next it was advertise and promote that CDA (Canadian Diabetes Canada) has changed to DC, or Diabetes Canada.

In the most recent Lions Magazine, it is highlighted that our second century Core 4 project for Lions around the world will be Diabetes initiatives. We are being called upon to help fight this Global Epidemic of Diabetes. For those who were at September's cabinet meeting, you heard that Tag Day has been stopped. That's not saying Lion's shouldn't do any fundraising in November, (Diabetes Month) -- it just means there will be no Tags or Posters anymore. All Lion's are encouraged to hold some kind of project to raise money and awareness.

Cavalcade, unlike Tag Day, is being revamped and continued -- we are just trying to do something a little different. Each year, Cavalcade has been getting smaller and smaller, and while the Host club puts a lot of effort into organizing a Cavalcade event, and very few show up at them. So this year our District is asking every club to do their own Diabetes Awareness Day in their own communities. Hold a fund-raising event like a Supper, BBQ, Breakfast, Dance -- whatever

you can do -- making money and raising awareness to help fund the 12 camps in our 9 provinces, for Diabetic Youth. In these 12 camps, 350 program staff and 330 medical staff are needed. There are 572,300 units of insulin, 105,470 blood glucose test strips and lancets used. The average cost for one child to attend a one week camp is: \$2,500.00 per child.

Diabetes Canada is hoping that the 1,530 Lions Clubs in Canada become the main sponsors of the D-Camp Program. Having personally visited Camp Dia-Best in NB, I have witnessed the amazing program these diabetic children are involved in and personally believe it is a tremendous and much needed program.

Between NB, NS and PEI, we have 4 of the 9 camps in Canada. We are asking that all clubs do their best to raise money for these camps. At our Spring Convention DG Paul is going to allow us to have a parade of cheques instead of doing Cavalcade this year. We will call out the club names and hopefully someone from each club will come forth and present a cheque, and tell how their club raised those funds and awareness for Diabetes.

We surely hope to have 75 cheques presented and if the 3 American clubs choose to donate to our District Camps, we will appreciate those funds also.

The Cavalcade trophy will still be given out to the club that raises the most money in our District and the car stickers and cavalcade pins will be available for those who collect them.

Lion Cindi, DC Chair (NB)

Lion Peter, DC Chair (PEI)





Remembrance Day....

Is Saturday, November 11, 2017.
Encourage members to participate in Remembrance Day events. Honour the veterans who have served our nations, protecting our freedom.

Service Shorts...

Charlottetown Lions Club



Monarch Lion Rodney Mctague, left rear, with Monarch Lion "Happy Jack" MacPherson, right rear, holding the Charlottetown Lions Club banner, while Monarch Lion Don Spence holds the box of Raffle tickets for a Foodland employee who was drawing the winning ticket for the Thanksgiving Day basket on Oct. 4th.

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Summerside Lions Club....

Summerside Lions Club have been off to a busy start to their year



Photo shows several Summerside Lions who volunteered to drive the teams at the recent under 15 baseball championships held in Summerside.. Over 500 man hours were logged by members over the course of the tournament.



Above: Lion Keith Small and blind bowler Pierre Arsenault.
Below: Lion Jamie Houde and bowler Thelma Blanchard prepare for the next shot.



More Summerside Activities



Participating in the annual Lobster Festival parade.



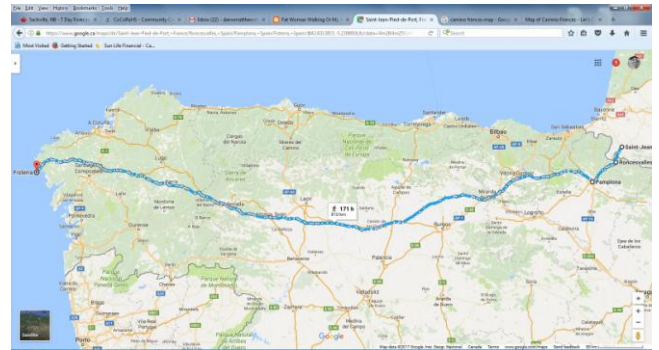
More than 425 diners were served during the annual Roast Pork Dinner on October 21.



Summerside Lions Ed Arsenault, Keith Small, Bernard McKenna, Andrew Gallant, Jamie Houde, Cleve Rix, Allan Landry, Mike Arsenault and Les Matheson. Getting ready to serve a turkey dinner for the local blind organization at the annual dinner and auction fundraiser. Saturday Oct 28th.

Dorchester Lions Club....

Lion Leslie Gratton's "Little Walk"



Lion Leslie Gratton has undertaken the challenge of walking the Camino de Santiago across Northern Spain.

She was diagnosed with diabetes a few years ago and among the recommendations made to her was that she should exercise more. To that end, she decided that walking was the exercise of choice. The options for walking routes around Dorchester are limited and varying the route was always a challenge.

The story that I spread, explained husband and Lion Dan Matthews, was to the affect of: 'I take Leslie out to the wilds of New Brunswick and abandon her in the woods, but she always manages to walk back.'

She would walk to Memramcooke, and I would go fetch her in about two and one-half hours to pick her up and proceed for a coffee. The same would be for her walking to Sackville. She would set out and in 2.5 or 3 hours I would pick her up and we would go for coffee. Leslie left on September 13 and will not return until November 2.

She is working on her second week and has 150km under her belt, which is getting smaller, all ready.

You can check out her progress on her blog, "Fat Woman Walking"

at <https://fatwomanwalking.blogspot.ca/>

If you have any interest, feel free to contact me with any questions and/or queries.'

Lion Dan Matthews

Dorchester Lions Club.....Epilogue

October 28, 2017

Slouching into Santiago - I DID IT!

Well, we did it. Santiago at last - 800 km/500 miles whatever way you want to look at it. And there are pictures with more to come: the one you may be interested in now show me munching on my sangria.

Last night the girls in my albergue were discussing tattoos and the ones they planned on getting upon completion of their journey. Somehow the topic of a €5 tattoo came up. My contribution to the discussion was if any artist was offering a €5 tattoo, he was likely known as Hepatitis Harry.

We went to the Pilgrim office and got our certificates, then to our respective albergues and after that, supper with a lot of Sangria.

Now, I am tired, more than a little overwhelmed and slightly awash in sangria and now it is time for bed.

Love you my Snuggly



Editor's Note: The above are excerpts from Lion Leslie's blog site, shown in the story. She MADE it !!, completing her journey on October 28!! **CONGRATULATIONS, Lion Leslie !!**

New Maryland Lions Club



NM Lions....

New Maryland Lions Club, together with members of the New Maryland Fire Dept, and students, teachers and staff of Fredericton High School recently hosted an FHS "Breakfast for Breakfasts". All proceeds of the event will support FHS' "Kat's Kitchen", for their Breakfast and Lunch programs.

Nearly \$3000 was raised, which will support the program for over a month's operations.

NM Lions provide a donation of \$1000 to the event, which supplies the food requirements for the event, and leaving extra cash, allowing the event to be fully clear proceeds for the program. Shown in the photo, opposite, are NM Lions, taking a breakfast break. From left, Mayor (and Lion) Judy Wilson Shee, Lion Chris Sloat, FHS Mascot, Lions Brenda Charters and Ann Gallant.

New Maryland Lions Legacy Project



Construction was recently completed on the two sections of enhanced playground at New Maryland Elementary School. Top photo shows the K-2 area, while the lower photo serves 3-5. More information will follow, following official opening ceremonies, planned soon.

Fort Kent Lions Club



Fort Kent's "Summer Outing", held at Lions Saucier's, Dana, Gary, Glenn, Dean and Dave, compound!

Fort Kent Lions partnered with the Fort Kent Community High School Athletic Boosters to raise over \$6,000 for assistance with athletic programs and equipment. It was done with assistance from the local Ford dealership, owned by Lion Steve Pelletier, whereby for each person test driving a car, Ford would donate \$50. All proceeds went to the Athletic Boosters.

We are also raising monies for the Edgar J. Paradis Cancer Fund, used to assist families in need as they undergo cancer treatments out of the area. Monies are distributed on an as need basis by a governing Board of Directors in partnership with Northern Maine Medical Center. Volunteer members have been asked to forego shaving through the month of November. Members donate \$20 to participate and look for sponsors for additional funds.

Facial Hair 4 Cancer Care Challenge! "I'm a dad, husband, son, brother, family member, friend. I've been given the ability to do lots of things, but I can't cure cancer alone. This year some of my fellow Fort Kent Lions members and I are challenging each other to what we are calling Facial Hair 4 Cancer Care Challenge. Our purpose is to raise money for our local Edgar J. Paradis Cancer Fund. Some of us are "growing" or trying to grow beards, mustaches, or patches to give awareness. And there are others who aren't able to but like us are pledging. If you are able to fuel this challenge with any nomination of funds it will be greatly appreciated.

McAdam Lions Club

On a recent Friday evening at the weekly Chase-the-Ace, held at the McAdam Legion, members of the McAdam Lions Club presented a cheque to the executive for \$1,000. This \$1,000 was the first installment of a commitment of \$10,000 over a ten year period, to sponsor a room.

This initiative was in response to the Lions Centennial Legacy project.

The McAdam Heart and Home Corporation was formed to address the need in our village for permanent living quarters for adults with intellectual challenges.

The intention is to construct a facility with 10 - 15 individual apartments to give some level of independence depending on the client's abilities. There will be a group dining room and common living area. All are to be designed and built within provincial guidelines, and operated by provincially qualified staff.



Several members of the McAdam Lions Club make a ceremonial presentation of the first installment of their Centennial Legacy Project commitment. McAdam Lions have committed to providing \$10,000 over the next 10 years, in support of the Heart and Home Project. Executives of the H & H Project receive the cheque from Lions.

