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District Governor's Message

Lions of District N1 Happy Holidays,

I am really enjoying my time as District Governor, meeting all you lions as I visit your clubs. I wish to thank all the clubs who have welcomed me with open arms on my official visits. Our International President has stated that January 2010 is going to be called "Come Out of your Den". What the international president is saying is that Lions Clubs in the district should have some kind of event open to the public at your clubs.



I think we as Lions should follow the international president's lead by having a few open houses in January. I think we should not forget our motto: We Serve. My December schedule for visitations to clubs will be out shortly. It is going to be a very small visitation schedule as clubs are preparing to close for the Christmas Holidays. I would like to remind all lions that our district convention is in PEI and the spring multiple convention is in Fredericton in May. I look forward to seeing you all there. To the zone chairs,

please work on finding a replacement for next year.



I want to wish the Lions of District NI and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you all in the new

Yours in Lionism,
Claude LeBlanc,



DISTRICT N-1 GETS THE MD PROJECT OFF TO A VERY GOOD START

King Lion Joyce Avery of the Riverview Lions Club presenting District Governor Claude with a cheque for \$1621.96 for the District N1 Autistic Guide Dog Project, the funds were proceeds from a pancake breakfast.

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**6th Annual Audie Brewer Memorial
Bowling Tournament
February 14th, 2010**

Sponsored by Rod's OK Tire St. Mary's Street & Nashwaaksis Lions Club

When: Sunday, February 14, 2010

**Where: Nashwaaksis Bowl-A-Drome Bowling Lanes
Main Street, Nashwaaksis**

Time: 9 AM

Cost: \$80.00 per team of 4 (\$20.00 per Bowler)

It is a licensed establishment. Bring your Valentine for a day of fun.

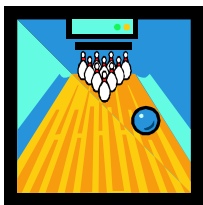
A pizza lunch will be provided at the alleys.

Upon the completion of the tournament, we will go to the Nashwaaksis Lions Community Centre for a supper and awards.

We can take up to 24 teams.

Teams must register by January 31, 2010 to allow us to arrange the lunch and supper.

Please send us the registration form along with the fee



**To: Nashwaaksis Lions Club
PO Box 3186 Station B
Fredericton NB.
E3A 5G9**



If you have any questions please contact:

Lion Diana Pike at 472-4534 or Lion Brent Buchanan at 454-2034

LIONS IN SERVICE

To all the Clubs in the New Brunswick area, please take note that the Calavade for the coming year will be held in Sussex, on the 29th May 2010.

This years Calavade Parade is being organized by Lion Mario Tanquay of the Sussex Lions Club and he has informed me he is going to try to make it one of our better parades.

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I have met with Lion Neil Hansen the Diabetes Chairperson, Lion Mario and the Sussex club and we will have much more info for the clubs at the February Cabinet Meeting

Yours in Lionism
Lion Harold Bordon
Cavacade Chair 2009-2010

Please note: Correction to telephone numbers listed in the directory

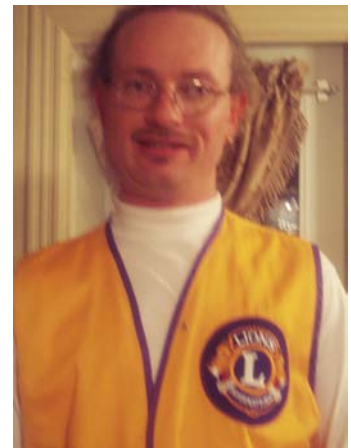
Telephone 453-0189 Cell 444-1350



New Lions members Inducted into the Burtt's corner lions Club, L-R Ethan McCarthy, PDG Kevin Guiggey, Aaron Reinhart, KL John Gordon

Lion Robbie Burt is a visually impaired member of the St Eleanors Lions Club who recently completed the Island Marathon and has qualified for the Boston marathon. Robbie is also a member of the "Blind Guys Tr Team" a group of visually impaired athletes that compete in fund raising triathalons around Eastern Canada. Robbie joined St Eleanors

Lions last year and is active in all aspects of Club activities. He encourages all clubs to contact the Canadian Council of the Blind in their area to see how visually impaired folks can work in and with your Club .



Comedy Corner

A car for Christmas

Danny had recently passed his driving test and decided to ask his clergyman father if there was any chance of him getting a car for Christmas, which was some months away. "Okay ", said his father, "I'll tell you what I will do. If you can get all your grades up to A's and B's, study your Bible and get your hair cut, I will consider the matter very seriously.

A couple of months later, Danny went back to his father, who said " I am very impressed with your commitment to your studies. Your grades are excellent and the work you have put into your Bible studies is very encouraging. But I must say I am disappointed that you haven't had your hair cut."

Now Danny was a smart young man who was never lost for an answer. " Look Dad. In the course of my Bible

studies, I have noticed in the illustrations that Moses, John the Baptist, Samson and even Jesus had long hair." "Yes, I am aware of that," replied his father ".....but did you also notice they always walked where ever they went?"

**Laughter is
the best**





Special Report to District N-1 Cabinet Meeting (November 8, 2009)
 subject : **Lions Recycle For Sight .**

Our Canadian Eyeglass Recycling Centre, located in Calgary - Alberta, is but one of 17 such centres around the world. Eye wear is collected from Coast to Coast for our program.

Glasses are normally shipped by semi- or annual shipments through our District N-1 Chairperson, Lion Gary Rideout of the Barker's Point-Northside Lions Club. (Page 17, Dist.Gov. Claude's Directory). United Van Lines, Mayflower Moving , Day and Ross Transport, or any of their agents, are but 3 moving companies in Canada who often provide this essential service at no cost to many Lions clubs and districts across our country.

Glasses are received and processed at the Calgary Correctional Centre, where the volunteer offenders sort, sanitize, inspect and repair if required. Glasses are read on one of eight Lensometers. The prescription and glasses are placed into a zip-loc bag, then placed into boxes of 350 according to type,(i.e. Reading, Single Vision, Bifocal, Progressive and Children).

Empty eyeglass frames are always used by the Calgary Centre. "Loose lenses" are of no use for distribution ., however, UNCUT lenses are adapted and fitted by local contract for empty frames. For health and border security reasons, eyeglasses cases should NOT be shipped to Calgary as they are only dumped into their local landfill. In our Charlottetown area, our club's pick-up depots are, for the most part, no longer putting cases into the collection boxes. Those cases that do reach my home are simply deposited into our large black bin container and picked up monthly by Waste Watch.

Some interesting statistics: From July 1st ,2003 to Dec, 31st , 2008. New Brunswick & PEI collected 110,773 pair of eyeglasses - an average of 20,140 pair per year. Our neighboring district of Nova Scotia collected 149,212, an average of 27,129 in the same time frame. This past year our District N1 had a *terrific increase---* spiking up to 26,864 pairs. This was mainly due to the distribution of FREE collection boxes at last February's cabinet and **more clubs getting involved in this project.**

Speaking of FREE Personalized "THANK YOU" certificates are still available for all clubs to present to any businesses in their area who support them by displaying the Lion's recycle boxes. The Club Secretary, or Project Chairperson, need only supply the individual business name and address to the National Chairman, and he will mail the engraved certificate to your club. There is even a space left on it for signature by a club officer to show your gratitude.

Another item now available, also without charge, is a very decorative 3 inch "Lions Recycle for Sight" banner patch which can be sewn unto your club banner. An excellent way to advertise your club's participation to any visitors. The National Chairman's name / address is as follows

P.D.G. Monarch Lion Bernie Gribben
 Canadian Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centre
 Box 1530, Station "T" Calgary Alberta T2H 3A3
 (Home ph.# 403-640-1056 Fax 403-255-8758)
 Email clerc@shaw.ca Web page. <http://www.clerc.ca>

Free Collection boxes , (*in lots of 25*) , are also available by contacting PDG Bernie. For any P.E.I. club requiring fewer than 25 boxes and who wishes to contact me, I'm willing to order on your behalf and then phone you when I receive them.

Yours in Lionism ,

Lion "Happy Jack" MacPherson

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 83 Oak Drive, Charlottetown , PEI C1A 6V2 (Ph.902-892-1855)





Lions International District N-1
ANNUAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Long term plaque donated by Charlottetown Lions Club with winning club to retain same for one year., "Keeper" plaque to be donated by District on an annual basis, from the budget of the serving District Governor, and be retained by the winning club permanently. **Judging period - July 1st . - June 30th . (the Lionistic year)**

Guidelines for this award shall be as follows:

- * This award is intended to be presented to a CLUB within the boundaries of Lions Club International District N-1 .
- * ALL Clubs within District N-1 shall be eligible and have an equal opportunity to win this award, irrespective of their membership numbers, financial wealth, or other property resources.
- * "Administrative Duties" of individual club officers are NOT to be taken into consideration by the selection committee.(i.e. criteria as established by the District for Best Club, Best Club President, Best Club Secretary Awards shall not be applicable when appraising the eventual winner of this award).
- * Neither shall Financial support for Lions Clubs International Foundation, the Lions Foundation of Canada, a club's granting of awards such as a Melvin Jones Fellowship, Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship, etc., be a determinant in choosing the winner of this award.

The Selection Committee SHALL base their decision on the following assessments;

- * An individual club project, or a collective number of projects promoting local community service. *Examples of qualifiable activities* would be any that support local Sight Conservation & Work with the Blind, Hearing Conservation & Work with the Hearing Impaired or Speech Action., Diabetes Awareness., Drug Awareness, etc.
- * The impact of such project(s) to benefit the community, or individual(s) in need.
- * The success of the project(s) and
- * The extent and participation of all club members, who will be working together to achieve a single goal.,
- * A club's overall commitment to the Lions Code of Ethics and Lions Club Objects.

Selection Committee :

IF the office of Regional Chairperson is adopted by the serving District Governor..... Each Zone Chairperson, from the clubs within his / her Zone, shall send one written nomination detailing the project(s) and his / her reasons for naming of club, to the Regional Chairperson, who, shall further submit from the nominations he / she has received, one written nomination to be forwarded to the District Governor as the candidate from his / her Region.

IF the office of Regional Chairperson is NOT adopted by the serving District Governor, then each Zone Chairperson shall send their nomination to the District Governor directly. At his / her discretion, the District Governor in making a final decision, may consult further with those Vice-Governor(s) serving in office during his / her year of office.

Nominations should be in the hands of the District Governor no later than July 15th. to allow time for the purchase of the keeper plaque. This award shall be presented by the D. G. at the first Cabinet Meeting following the close of his / her term of office.

As members of the Charlottetown Lions Club, we are hopeful that this award will become a prestigious honor, eagerly sought after by all clubs. May it become a symbol that each club has extended it's best efforts **TO SERVE** , thereby resulting in many stronger communities and a dynamic District N-1.



Lions Clubs International

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Important Dates to Remember



December 15, 2009	Deadline for Council Chair to submit Peace Poster to LCI
December 31, 2009	Early Discount Convention Registration Fees
January 1, 2010	New Peace Poster Kits Available
January 10-16	LCIF Week
January 15, 2010	Deadline to submit a single Lions Environmental Photo Contest entry to the Multiple District
February 7, 2010	Third Cabinet Meeting Host: Moncton Lions Club

March 1, 2010	Deadline to submit the Multiple District single Lions Environmental Photo Contest entry to Lions Clubs International
March 1, 2010	International Semi Annual Dues to be Paid
March 31, 2010	District Semi Annual Dues to be Paid



From the Editor Lion Susan
Lion Boyd and I wish all Lions a very Merry
Christmas and a Happy New Year.
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“Helping to Serve”