



# District N-1

District Governor  
George Mitton



## District Governor's Message

Fellow Lions,

Unfortunately, I must open my newsletter message with some bad news. Multiple District N, Council Chair Lion Len Mooney is currently undergoing some serious medical problems. He is suffering from diverticulitis and has recently undergone surgery. Please keep CC Len, Ruth and their family in your thoughts and prayers. I will endeavour to keep our District N lions informed as to his condition as updates are available.

The final countdown to convention has officially begun. With just a little over two weeks to go before we gather in Moncton, I would like to take another opportunity to remind all our clubs of the importance of submitting their Club Officers Reporting Form (PU-101) to Lions Clubs International and the district executive. This information is extremely vital for the proper distribution of information as we transition into a new lionistic year. It is my hope that as many incoming officers as possible attend the excellent leadership training opportunity, that is the Officers School. Lion Doug Small and his team have lined up some excellent presenters, and even if you're not an incoming officer, you can still attend and learn what's involved in being a lions leader. We may also have some fun and camaraderie throughout the convention weekend, wink wink, nudge nudge. I know that Lion Dale and his team have been working hard to ensure a great time is had by all.

any questions regarding the competition. I know he has the event well organized, and it should be as entertaining as ever. The opportunity to listen to the young participants show off their public speaking abilities is always a great part of our convention.

Another important aspect of our convention is the election of the district's executive for next year, but not only will we be doing this, but electing a candidate that the district will endorse to run at the Multiple District level for the endorsement for the position of International Director. Unfortunately, Lion Terry Brown had to resign his post as Elections Chair, so I went to the lion that knows the rules the best, and PDG Lion Rheel Cormier agreed to step in and chair this committee for the convention. Thank you Lion Rheel for being so committed to the cause of lionism.

A last note on convention, our international guest speaker will be Past International Director Ernest Young, Jr. PID Ernie served our association as International Director from 2004-2006, and hails from Lansing, Kansas. Please take the opportunity to acquaint yourself with our international guest in this newsletter.

In closing, please consider donating to Lions Clubs International Foundation for relief in Japan. Lions in Japan are doing incredible service following the earthquakes and tsunami, and LCIF has already mobilized upwards of 5 million dollars in relief aid. Also, any donations for Japan relief are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowships. Please consider donating.

Yours in lionism,

Lion George Mitton  
District Governor N-1

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Also, an integral part of our convention is the Speak-Out competition. Please communicate with PDG Lion Luke Stennick should you have

### Beacons of Hope

The Scruggs have shared a full life and Lions have been a big part of that. “The difference for me with Lions is that it’s hands-on. I can go back and recount the stories of the difference we made in people’s lives,” says Scruggs. Lions are “Beacons of Hope,” he says. For the next year Scruggs will bring his message of hope to Lions worldwide. “I think people see things as they are,” he says. **“Lions are different. We see things as they can be.”**



## DISTRICT GOVERNORS' VISITATION SCHEDULE

April 2011	4 Stratford and Area
	6 East Royalty
	12 Tracadie
	14 Malpeque Bay Area
	District N-1 Annual Convention
15-17 Moncton, NB	18 Fort Fairfield
	26 Tobique
	4 Harvey Station
May	12 Richibucto
	MD N Annual Convention
	13-15 St. John's NL
	18 Dalhousie



L to R PDG Rod Wright, Lion Gary Rideout, District Chair, Lion Fred Phillips

**Editors Note: Lions since this article ran in January in the Daily Gleaner, Lion Gary has collected another 13,000 pairs of glasses.**

**From the desk of CC Len:** Anyone who is considering going to the International Convention in Seattle, please let us ( your DG and myself as CC) know so that we can be better prepared as a Multiple District. CC Len Mooney mooneylen@live.com

Thank you  
CC Len



## LIONS IN SERVICE

District N-1 Lions Clubs collect 30,095 pairs of eye glasses

On November 30, 2010, members of the Barkers Point North side Lions Club delivered 30,095 pairs of glasses for shipment to Alberta on behalf of all 83 clubs from New Brunswick, PEI and the state of Maine. This year's collection is an estimated 50% increase from 2009.

One of District N-1 Lion's key activities is the eye glass collection program in which clubs from within the district collect eye glasses that citizens of their communities have out grown. There are also drop off boxes at local optometrists in which people can discard their old eye glasses after picking up their new eye glasses. The Lions Clubs take all types of glasses whether they are prescription eye glasses, sun glasses and even reading glasses purchased at the local dollar stores, for both adults and children.

The district clubs box up the glasses minus the cases and identify the total number per box for drop off for Lion Gary Rideout of the Barkers Point Northside Lions Club. Lion Gary is the District Eye Glass Co-ordinator who spends his spare time adding the new number of glasses received to his on-going tally sheet, securing the boxes and storing the boxes in his shed. Towards the end of each calendar year, the boxes are then loaded and delivered to Hoyt's Moving and Storage located in Fredericton's Industrial Park who transports the eye glasses at no charge to a prison in Alberta. The eye glasses are stored in a warehouse and then sorted and catalogued by inmates at the prison for shipment to third world countries.

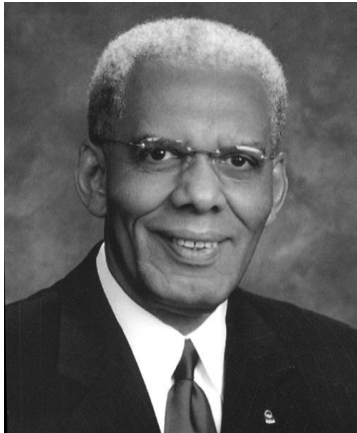
One of the members of the Barkers Point Northside Lions Club, Lion Kathy McCarthy, recently was in Jacmel, Haiti and delivered 250 pairs of glasses generously donated by Dr. Louiselle St. Amand from Perth Andover, NB. Lion Kathy made the donation to Dr. Reynold Monsanto who spoke of his overwhelming job, lack of supplies and gratefulness in receiving the glasses for distribution to the people in need.

These are heart warming stories of taking something that we normally toss in a drawer or in the garbage that can make the world of difference to someone less fortunate in a third world country. Imagine being able to read or see thanks to receiving a pair of these glasses fitted to their needs by their local clinic or doctor.

If you are interested in donating your glasses, please contact one of your local Lions Clubs in the Fredericton area or Lion Gary at 472-0054.

Together, we can make a difference!





**Ernest Young, Jr.  
Past International  
Director**

Ernest Young Jr., of Lansing, Kansas, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 87th International Convention, held in Detroit, Michigan, USA/Windsor, Ontario, Canada, July 5-July 9, 2004.

Past International Director Young is a retired U.S. Army Management Analyst and Army officer.

A member of the Lansing Lions Club since 1989, Past International Director Young has held many offices within the association, including club president, district membership chairperson, district governor, multiple district council chairperson and multiple district membership chairperson. Additionally he has been a presenter at five USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums and has served on the international elections committee. He served two years on the Lions Clubs International Membership Development Committee and was chairperson of that committee in 2005-2006. He was elected to serve as a director for the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute 2007-2013.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received numerous awards, including a 100% Club Secretary Award, 100% Club President Award, 100% District Governor Award, four International Certificates of Appreciation, a 20-member Master Key Award, the Founder's Membership Award, an Extension Award, an International President's Leadership Award, four International President's Medals, the Friend of Humanity Award, and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award, the highest award conferred by the association. He is also a Claude M. DeVorss Fellow, a W. P. Woods Fellow, and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.



**Lions Fun Golf Tournament**

June 04 2011

Gilridge Golf Club

\$35.00 person with a team of four  
Includes supper back at the Nasis Club

Registration 8 am Shotgun start 9 am

For more info

Jack Pike 472-4534

Kevin Guiggey 363-3833 or [keving@targetts.ca](mailto:keving@targetts.ca)

There are a Limited number of Carts available  
They will be a first come first serve



**"Helping to  
Serve "**

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Young has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including **service on the Advisory Board of the Kansas University Medical Center Department of Ophthalmology, the Greater Kansas City Homelessness Task Force**, and prior service on the board of directors for the Greater Kansas City Chapter of Blacks in Government.

Past International Director Young has four children and nine grandchildren.





# Lions Multiple District Annual Convention 2011



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL  
MULTIPLE DISTRICT "N"  
ANNUAL CONVENTION  
ST. JOHN'S, NL  
MAY 12 - 15, 2011



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Lioness: \_\_\_\_\_ Leo: \_\_\_\_\_ Non Lion: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Hospitality Book @ \$55.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Registration, M & G & Banquet)

\_\_\_\_\_ Registration @ \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Meet and Greet @ \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Banquet @ \$40.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Appropriate payment must accompany registration form. Please make cheques payable to: MD N CONVENTION 2011

**SEND TO:**

Lion Gordon Warford, 26 Cleary Drive, Goulds, NL A1S 1C3  
Telephone No.: 709-745-1813 E-Mail: gordwarford@gmail.com

**PLEASE**

Make your hotel reservations directly with the Shearaton Hotel before the deadline of March 10, 2011. Please indicate that you are with the "Lions Group". Room Rates \$154.00 per night. Telephone 709-758-8453 or 1-888-870-3033 or email

**MD N CONVENTION  
ST. JOHN'S, NL  
MAY 12 – 15, 2011**

An update to my previous information on the Multiple District Convention.

We have 100 City View Rooms reserved and the cost of the room is \$154.00 per night, plus applicable taxes. Check in time is 3:00 p.m. and check out time is 12 noon. The Hotel assures that every effort will be made to accommodate early arrivals or late departures depending on availability. Rooms must be booked by March 10, 2011. Rooms not booked by this time will be returned to inventory and if you decide to book after the deadline there is no guarantee that you will receive the rate offered now. It is very important when you reserve your room that you identify that you are with the “Lions Group”. We have no choice but to adhere to this time frame as we have an attrition clause in our agreement and don't want to be left with the expenses of rooms not booked. **SO PLEASE NOTE, AFTER MARCH 10, 2011, I WILL BE RELEASING ALL ROOMS NOT BOOKED.** Make your reservations directly with the Hotel at 709-758-8453 or 1-888-870-3033 or email [reservations@sheratonhotelnewfoundland.com](mailto:reservations@sheratonhotelnewfoundland.com).

As an incentive to those who register early we are pleased to advise that The Sheraton has provided us with complimentary accommodations for one night. One lucky person will be able to stay at the Hotel at no charge for one night. In order to qualify for the draw please note the following:

**Your registration must be received by the cut off date – MARCH 10, 2011**

**You must be a registered guest at The Sheraton**

Also, we have negotiated a discount with Porter Airlines. Porter is pleased to offer the Lions of Multiple District N a 20% discount on all fare classes. The discounted fares are available for booking from February 1, 2011 to April 30, 2011, for travel from May 11, 2011 to May 16, 2011. Please book online at [www.flyporter.com](http://www.flyporter.com) or call 1-888-619-8622 using the promo code **LION11**.

A reminder of our Meet and Greet. We are going back to the 50's and have some fun things planned for the night. However, while we plan these things it is up to you if you want to enjoy the night. So please, make every effort to dress the part and take part in the activities planned. Let's ensure we take the time to experience some fun and fellowship during this Convention. Transportation will be provided from the hotel to the CLB Armoury where the Meet and Greet is to take place.

All other meetings, events, Speak Out, Necrology Service, etc., will be held at the Hotel.

As a point of information, May 12<sup>th</sup> is for training for the incoming District Governors and Vice District Governors. All other sessions will begin on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Once I have a finalized schedule from the Council Chair I will forward an update.

We look forward to hosting this Convention and will do our best to ensure you enjoy yourself. If you have any questions or concerns or have any special needs please contact me at 709-753-8602 or email at [glennandpat@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:glennandpat@nf.sympatico.ca). I will be most happy to assist in anyway I can.

*Lion Pat*

Lion Pat Bursey  
Chairperson  
MD N Convention

Lions: Join Zone 11 & 12 and St. Mary's Entertainment Center for an afternoon and evening of fun at Bingo. Great prizes to be won while you support Camp Dia-best. All the moneys raised on this day go to the Canadian Diabetes Association to fund children with Childhood Diabetes attending the camp at Grand Lake.



## DIABETIC BINGO

**SATURDAY APRIL 30<sup>th</sup> 2011**

**SAINT MARY'S ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE**

**Early-Early Bird Special's start 12:00 Noon**

Sets rerun until 4:30 P M

**REGULAR EARLY BIRDS START 6:00**

**REGULAR GAMES + SPECIALS START 7:00**

**14 Regular Games AT \$ 150.00 EACH**

**\$ 1,000.00 JACKPOT**

**ALL PROCEEDS TO FUND DIABETIC CHILDREN ATTENDING SUMMER CAMP  
BINGO SPONSORED BY THE SAINT MARY'S ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE  
AND THE LIONS CLUBS OF ZONES 11 & 12, DISTRICT N-1**

**\*CANTEEN SERVICES AVAILABLE ALL DAY \***

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### Lion Ron Evan's Bursary Fund

**Lions we need your help continue to support the students at Portage as they continue their education. Please send your checks to Lion Frank Carrol of the McAdams Lions Club**

A Tribute to Lion John Stairs of Nackawic Lions Club

On Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> the Nackawic Lions Club celebrated the opening of White Cane Week - 2011. Following the official gathering, fellow Lions, family and friends of Lion John were entertained by his Musical Band.



On Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup>, the Nackawic Lions Club is proud to host the Blind Bowling Tournament for all New Brunswick, under the leadership of Lion John.



Lion John Stairs has been an active member of Nackawic Lions Club for fifteen years. He has worked with us in accepting the torch for the cause close to his heart— to help all people who are blind. He is presently President of the local chapter of the Canadian Council of the Blind in New Brunswick and is President of New Brunswick Council for Blind Sports.

Over the years, Lion John has continued with the project called “Journey for Sight” which is a walk organized to raise money for the blind. He has walked this journey for many years. Sometimes he was joined by others; however, there have been times when he walked the journey alone. The money raised by this event is used by the Nackawic Lions Club to supply eyeglasses for people in need.



Lion John is an avid sports person. Every year in our area of New Brunswick, he is involved with booking and supervising bowling, curling and golfing tournaments for the blind. In his own participation in sporting events, he has travelled as far West as Edmonton, Alberta. In August, 2010 he attended a sports meet held at the Max Simms Camp in Bishop’s Falls, NL. He was successful in winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in Javelin and Shot Putt, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Discus and his team came in 1<sup>st</sup> in Goal Ball.

Lion John is a wonderful ambassador for our Lions Club and he has tremendous support from our community and surrounding area.

We the members of the Nackawic Lions Club are proud of Lion John and certainly appreciate all his achievements. We want to thank him for his dedication to his cause and for his outstanding service to our club. We hope that his spirit of Hope” on our club and commu-



Sharon Berube, King Lion  
Marg Dressaire, PR Person  
Nackawic Lions Club



WHITE CANE  
WEEK 2011



Annex C



## District N - 1 Diabetes Cavalcade Registration



Make all cheques payable to District N-1

Club Contact:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

City:

Cell:

Postal Code:

email:

<b>Total Club Donation</b>	\$	LCIF Diabetes Research	\$
Donation enclosed	\$	Harry A. Newman Award	\$
		Canadian Diabetes Association New Brunswick Region Camp Dia-best	\$
		<b>Total</b>	\$
<u>Unallocated funds will be split: 25% LCIF 25% Harry A Newman, 50% Camp Dia-best</u>			

- If donations are from individuals or corporations, attach Annex A so that Canadian Diabetes Association can issue Charitable Tax Receipts.
- Do not send cheques directly to Canadian Diabetes Association or LCIF

All Cavalcade donations should be sent to District Cavalcade Chair

Lion Frank Caroll  
12 Rose Street  
McAdam, NB E6J 2B4  
506-784-3113



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
BURTON LIONS CLUB  
25 years serving Lionism

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
NASHWAKSIS LIONS CLUB  
45 years serving Lionism

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### From the Editor

*Send me your articles, events  
and pictures.*

*Lion Susan Sangster*  
[sangster@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:sangster@nbnet.nb.ca)

Join us for the Purina Walk for Dog Guides May 29, 2011 at Carleton Park Fredericton North beginning at 9:00am.



## Dates to Remember

### DATES TO REMEMBER

End of Each Month	Club Membership & Activity Reports to International, District Governor, 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> VDGs, CST, and Zone Chairs
March 31, 2011.	District Semi-Annual Dues to be paid
April 15-17, 2011.	District Convention & Officers School Moncton, NB, Hosted by the Rexton Lions Club
May 12-15, 2011	MD N Annual convention St. John's NL
May 28, 2011	Lion Cavalcade for Diabetes, McAdam, NB
May 29, 2011	Purnia Walk for DogGuides
July 4-8, 2011	International Convention, Seattle, Washington, USA