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Lions Clubs Internationa

District N-1





District Governor's Message

Fellow Lions,

At this very special time of year, I can't help but think of our International President's theme this year. Sid Scruggs III has challenged us to be "Beacons of Hope" in our communities, and as part of this challenge, he has asked us to "Shine a Light on Giving." Nowhere has this been more apparent than at the recent Portage Atlantic Christmas Party. Lions representing almost half the clubs in our great district took part in providing presents for the residents of the facility. These gifts are not mere presents, but mean much more to

the individual recipients. I could not have been more proud to be a Lion. I would like to thank Lions Lorraine, Sharon and Fred, and of course the many clubs and other lions who participated, for doing so much to make the day so special.

me the opportunity to see firsthand all that you do, and it truly is the best Christmas present one could ask for.

The International Peace Poster Contest was recently completed at the district level and it was very rewarding to receive many great entries from middle school children throughout our district. I'm very glad I did not have to do the judging. The top three entries were submitted by the Nashwaaksis Lions Club (Alyssa Eddy), First, the Nackawic Lions Club (Kaylee Hill), Second, and the North Rustico Lions Club (Noah Blacquiere), Third. The winning entry was submitted to the Multiple District for consideration with the winning entry coming from District N-4. This contest is such a great opportunity for Lions Clubs to show their involvement in the community, I would really like to applaud those clubs who took part, and to encourage those who did not, to think about sponsoring the contest next year.

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I know that so many clubs are very busy in the run up to Christmas with catering, food & toy drives, and making sure the needs of their

4 communities are being served. I sincerely hope that once the rush is over they are able to take

BEACON hope

the time to reflect on the joy of the season and realize the true impact each and every lion has on their communities. Serving as your district governor affords In closing, I would like to extend my best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year. I see great things for our district in 2011, and I look forward to working with all of you in furthering the cause of lionism and serving our communities. I would also like to acknowledge all the lions who have been serving the needs of the communities hit hard by the recent flooding in south western New Brunswick and along the Saint John River. The district is working to secure an Emergency Grant from LCIF to help with all your efforts.

Yours in lionism,

Lion George Miiton
District Governor N-1



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."

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DISTRICT GOVERNORS' VISITATION SCHEDULE

December 6 Woodstock

7 Barker's Point-Northside 8 Millidgeville-Northend 9 Grand Washademoak

January 2011

10 Parkdale-Sherwood

11 Alberton

12 BrackleyBeach-Northshore

13 Cornwll 17 Simmonds 18 Quispamsis

19 St. Martins & District

20 McAdam 21 Kennebecasis 24 Fort Augustus 25 Hunter River

26 Dundas
27 O'Leary
1 Lincoln
2 Rexton
3 Bathurst

63rd Cabinet Meeting -Simmonds

7 River Valley

8 Upper Gagetown RiverRoad

10 Sackville 15 Summerside 16 Cymbria 17 Souris

21 Charlottetown 23 Vernon River

24 St. Eleanors

28 St. Stephen-Milltown



Having just returned from a visit to Portage at Cassidy Lake, I am filled with a tremendous sense of pride for being a part of Lionism and I have an overwhelming sense of gratitude for

all the blessings I have in my life.

My Christmas wish is that all Lions feel the same sense of pride and gratitude each day of the year.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all lions and their families in District N -1."

....1st VDG Lion Gerry Hartigan

N-1 Lion working in Haiti



Good Day my fellow Lions,

Well it was a great morning, started off by teaching a French class outside with the sun and students wanting to learn bright and early at 8:00am.. Then I meet the local optometrist... the only one in Jacmel and surrounding area. I have attempted on several occasions to deliver the glasses but he wasn't at his clinic. Today was the day.... When I took out my Lions vest he had this look on his face as was very aware of the Lions club organization then he left!??? However when he returned he had a Lions crest wall statue. He informed me that his father use to be a Lions Club member and he kept this plague. Attached is a photo of me and the doctor. Dr. Reynold Monsanto from Jacmel Haiti. On this day he received 250 pairs of glasses generously donated by Dr. Louiselle St.Amand from Perth Andover, NB. We talked about his overwhelming job, lack of supplies and that he use to receive glasses from the Lions vision program but hasn't in years. I have taken his business card and perhaps we can make something happen. He was very happy and appreciative to receive these glasses today- I believe they will be put to great use!

Hugs Lion Kathy

Lion Kathy McCarthy is a member of the Barkers Point Northside Lions Club

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The only real blind person at Christmas-time is he who has not Christmas in his heart.
......Helen Keller

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LIONS IN SERVICE



Summerside Lions Club teams with the Kinsmen to raise funds for The East Prince Family Violence Prevention (EPFVP).

For the second year in a row, the Summerside Lions and Kinsmen have

teamed together, sponsoring a Breakfast to raise funds for the EPFVP. The Kinsmen did not have sufficient manpower or resources but the Summerside Lions had plenty of both. On the 13th of November a pancake, sausage and egg breakfast was prepared and served by a team of five Kinsmen and 12 Lions. They also did the cleanup. The EPFVP representatives sold tickets at the door, conducted a 50-50 draw and when it was all said and done,

approximately \$1250.00 was raised for a very worthy program. There are many ways to "Serve," and teamwork ensures "we all serve!"



Diabetes Screening Clinic/ Educational Seminar

The Nashwaaksis Lions Club partnered with Brookside Mall , Sobey's, VON Fredericton, Lawton Drugs, Curves, Quality Respiratory Care, Spectrum Vision, The Medicine Shoppe, The Canadian Diabetes Association—PEI & NB, CDA Fredericton & District Branch, Diabetes Education Center, UNB Faculty of Nursing (3rd Year Nursing Students) District N-1 Diabetes Chair, CDA Chair of the National Advocacy Council to provide an afternoon of Diabetes education . The 3rd Year Nursing students provided Blood Glucose and Blood Pressure screening. Also participating was Roy Banister, who at a very young age received an insulin pump with the help of the Nashwaaksis Lions.



PDG Claude LeBlanc, 2009-2010, presented Lion Ron Evans with the first N-1 Humanitarian Award





For many years Lion Ron has been involved in his community sponsoring house sports teams, working Food and Toy drives, working on catering teams all to help those less fortunate than he. As a member of the Nashwaaksis Lion Club , he is the first to volunteer wherever he is needed. Lion Ron has served on the Portage Board helping to bring the "Making Miracles Happen" campaign to success. Nearly in tears saying than you, Lion Ron said it all "I work to help others because I can" CONGRATULATIONS LION RON!

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The Grand Washademoak Lions Club facilitated the Remembrance Day Service. Approximately 220 people attended



The picture of soliders ---- Grant Grills; Norman Lavoie; Art Lavoie; Cst. Branton Languey; King Lion Irene Lewis; Rick Cormier; Devon Zinc.

The picture of vets is----- George McConnachie; Doug Phillips; Chet Miller; Terry Malley King Lion Irene Lewis; Alfie Viger; Bob Dyer; Therse Tanguay LeGood; Cecil Burnes; Leon Sleep



To all our Lions Family



Wishing you and your family Peace and Joy through this Holiday Season. May you be blessed with good health safe travel the spirit of giving and a Prosperous New Year.

2nd Vice DG Stewart MacDonald and wife Heather

N-1 Peace Poster Winners

- Alyssa Eddy—Nashwaaksis Lions
- 2. Kaylee Hill—Nackawic Lions
- 3. Noah Blacquier—North Rustico Lions





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Lions,

Lions Clubs International I am the LCIF Coordinator for this great District N-1. Many of you have heard about the Canadian Friends of Lion Clubs International Foundation that is coming into being.

We are waiting for the last step of the process to be complete - status as a Canadian Registered Charitable Organization; this will enable the Canadian Friends of LCIF to issue Canadian tax receipts for income tax purposes.

We will hope to partner with the Canadian Government to match donations for disaster relief. We can be included for Estate Planning and Trust planning, and really start seeking Corporate and non-Lion support here in Canada.

In the meantime, your donations to LCIF are as important as always. LCIF programs make a difference all over the world as well as right here at home. There is a new donor recognition program for individuals initiated by LCIF. The recognition takes the form of lapel pins:

Bronze for \$20. USD donations Silver for \$50. USD donations Gold for \$100. USD donations

For any Lion who wants to donate to LCIF and finds a Melvin Jones Award is too large a step to make, this new recognition makes it possible for many Lions to give to LCIF, at their own pace. Many of us donate to many causes \$20.00 here, \$50.00 there - the demands are endless, and so worthwhile. Now you can contribute to LCIF the same way. The process to donate is simple. I have the forms and Bronze pins and can order Silver and Gold pins as needed. Three important things:

- -through LCIF you can help the world.
- -through LCIF your Community can be helped.
- -through me, you can learn more about LCIF and what you and your Club can do for the foundation, and what LCIF can do for your Community LCIF Coordinator. I would be very interested in meeting with your Club or Zone to present LCIF to you

Lion Norah Davidson-Wright

LCIF Coordinator.

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7th Annual Audie Brewer Memorial Bowling Tournament

February 13th, 2011

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

Where: **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.

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, 2011 to allow us

to arrange the lunch and supper.

Registration forms will be sent out in December

Nashwaaksis Lions Club
PO Box 3186 Station B, Frederic-

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If you have any questions please contact:

Lion Diana Pike at 472-4534 or jpdpike@nb.sympatico.ca



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Lion Member Orientation

Zone 11 and 12 are hosting a Lion Member orientation on January 15, 2011 at the Nashwaaksis Lions Club on Kilarney Road.

Session facilitator PDG Rod Wright

Sessions will begin at 11:00am. We will break for lunch at 12:00pm.

These sessions are fun and informative for all Lions but are vitally important to any member who has not attended an Orientation session. All are welcome.

Lunch cost \$5.00 Please RVSP before January 10, 2011 to ZC Susan Sangster 506-450-3262 or sangster@nbnet.nb.ca or ZC Sue Stennick 506-357-7287 saf1127@hotmail.com



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CHRISTMAS AT PORTAGE



Thank you Lions of District N-1 for caring! That was the message we received today from the residents of Portage. More than 100 Lions packed the auditorium of the new Campus at Portage to tell these young people that we care and are supporting them however we can.

Most of these youth have had nothing but pain and grief for a very long time—Christmas was just another day they had to get through and presents—well they might get a fix or a shot while living on the streets.....but not this year. This year is different for these 49 youth.

With the help of the Portage Staff, Gordy , Luc, Katrina and Randy ,to name a few, our Drug Awareness Chair Lion Lorraine Pollock of the Sussex Lions Club organized a gift for each of the residents—something they wanted from their wish lists. The Lions Clubs from District N-1 shopped, wrapped and delivered the gifts to Santa and Elfie who arrived today to pass them out.

The day began with the residents proudly

giving guided tours of the new Campus after which the residents and staff served a beautiful lunch for everyone. Director Gordy Gould again thanked the Lions for their many years of hard work to realize the Campus structure they have today. "We could not have done it without you" he said. "We are so very proud of what we have accomplished together."





District Governor George Mitton thanked all the Lions for coming especially the first timers, who he had stand and be acknowledged. He told the youth how proud we are to be able to help them along their road to recovery and not to give up on their dreams—"You are strong. You can do anything you think you can"





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Lions Disaster Relief

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The heavy rains that caused severe flooding in south eastern New Brunswick affected many areas. Bonny River and St. Stephen were two of the areas affected. In Bonny River the high flood waters damaged many house beyond repair and some with heavy damage can repaired. In some instances furniture, decorated Christmas trees and presents could be seen floating around living rooms.

Eastern Charlotte Lions club hall located in Pennfield became an instant collection and distribution centre for food, clothing, furniture toys and anything else you could imagine. Lions members and volunteers manned the hall and their "Lions Den" became a toy room.

The St. Stephen/ Milltown Lions club had a different but no less important role. Their area did not have many flooded homes but the flooding of the main shopping centre put many lower income sales and service employees out of work in the three weeks before Christmas. Their community service role was to help these affected families in the Christmas season.



Lions International is the largest community service organization in the world with nearly 1.5 million members. In New Brunswick we are part of District N-1 that includes all of New Brunswick and PEI and three clubs from Maine. Island view lions club is based in Quispamsis and serves the areas of Quispamsis, Rothesay, and the Kingston Peninsula.

When news of the disaster in was received in our club it was natural to look to our Lion brothers and sisters in the area to provide direct aid to the victims. Eastern Charlotte and St.Stephen/ Milltown Lions clubs had already set up assistance programs. Lion President Jim Herrington and Treasurer Bob Johnston delivered cheques for \$1500.00 to each of these clubs.

Lion Bob Johnston was quoted as saying, "this was my best Christmas present to see the smiles on the faces of these Lions members when we gave them a cheque for \$1500.00 to assist them in their work"

Story and pictures by Lions members Royden Brien and Bob Johnston









Pictures 1 and 2 - Eastern Charlotte Lions main room

Pic 3 - Lions Den - now the Toy Room

Pic 4 Jim Herrington and Scott Tracy, President of Eastern Charlotte Lions

Pic 5 - Bob Johnston and Donald Adams, Secretary of St. Stephen Milltown Lions Club.

Pic 6 - Jim Herrington, President Island View Lions; Scott Tracy, President of Eastern Charlotte Lions; Donald Adams, Secretary St. Stephens/Milltown Lions club; Bob Johnston, Treasurer Island View lions





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From the Editor

Send me your articles, events and pictures.

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Dates to Remember

DATES TO REMEMBER

Club Membership & Activity Reports to International, District Governor, $1^{\rm st}$ & $2^{\rm nd}$ VDGs, CST, and Zone Chairs End of Each Month

February 6, 2010. **District Cabinet Meeting**

Simonds Lions Club, Saint John, NB

February 19-22, 2011. Faculty Development Institute, Oak Brook, Illinois, USA

March 1, 2011. International Semi-Annual Dues to be paid

District Semi-Annual Dues to be paid March 31, 2011.

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