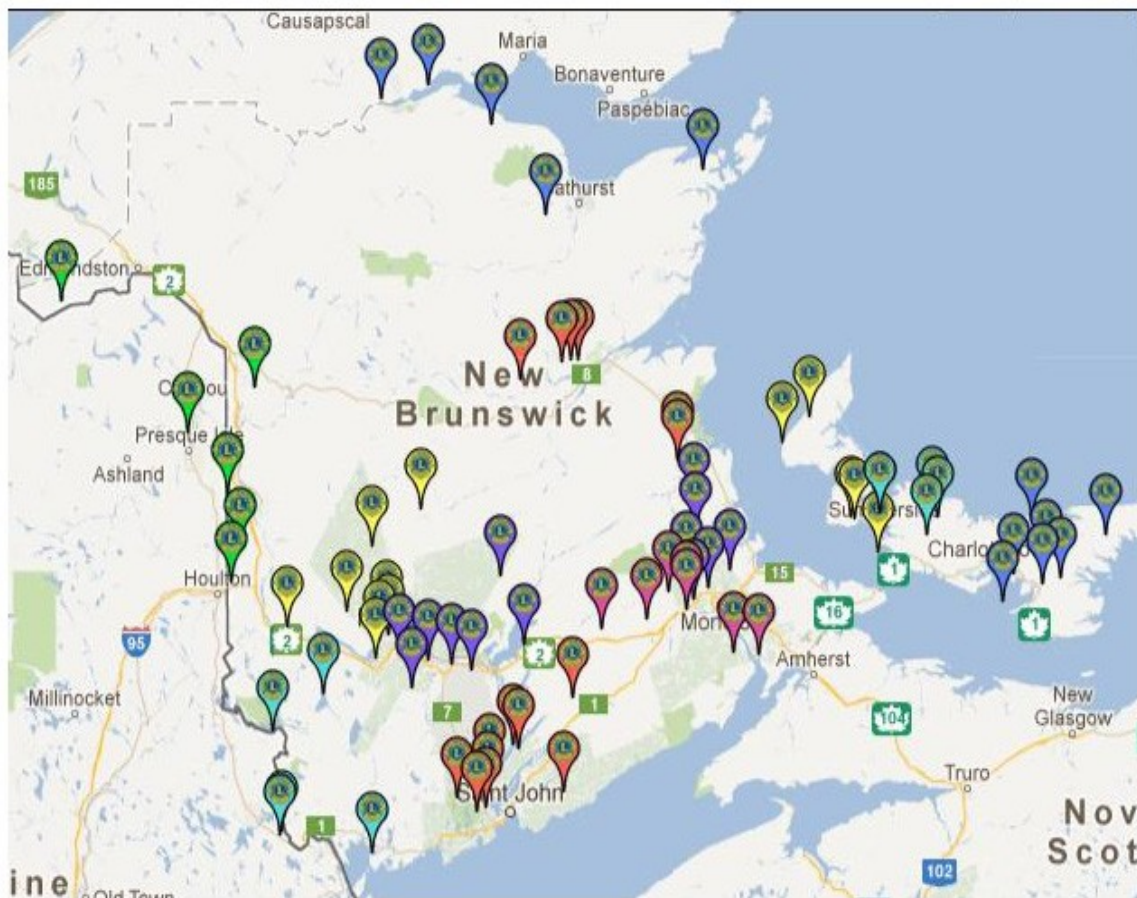


District N1 Newsletter



2013 - 2014

District Governor: Lion Lucio Cordisco

First VDG: Lion Susan Sangster

Second VDG: Lion Doug Small

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From the International President

Usher in a New Era for Lions

It's easy to be awed by athletes and entertainers, but the most impressive people I know are the women who have been part of my life. My dear mum, now 97, was loving, and caring and a great role model as well, volunteering at church and school and for Scouts. As a Realtor, I hired and counted on women. **I quickly learned they were particularly determined to grow their skills and be successful. As a Lion, I've been amazed by the generosity and gifts of women.** As just one example, Australian Lion Pauline Henebery has run the remarkable Education Builds Bridges, enabling Lions to help disadvantaged children in Indonesia.

Perhaps the greatest move ever made by Lions Clubs International was to admit women. Probably the second-best initiative would be to swell our ranks with them. We're lagging behind in this regard. 52% of the world population is female, yet only 24.5 percent of Lions are women. **My dream is to increase female membership by 5.5 percent this Lions year to bring us up to 30 percent and then to achieve a 50/50 ratio by our centennial year in 2017.**

We don't want more women so we can puff out our chests and boast of membership equality. **We need the gifts and talents of women.** They bring a different perspective, a different skill set and a new bundle of can-do energy and enthusiasm. *They set goals, take on tasks and accomplish objectives in a way that men can't, don't or won't.* I don't want to stir up trouble by saying women are our better half, but they certainly are half of humanity and carry the same talents and capabilities.

Be sure to make your club welcoming to women. **Seek them out and invite them in.**

Barry J. Palmer

Your Lions Clubs International President



Lions of this great District N-1

It is hard to believe that over two months of this Lionistic year have already gone by and summer has gone for yet another year. With the majestic reds and golds of fall colours heralding the change of season, we need to be thankful for all we have and for all we can do. We all have a dream - whether personal or professional or maybe both. Now let's add another and join International President Barry Palmer and Lions everywhere in fulfilling the dream of stronger clubs, stronger communities and stronger Lions. When we achieve this dream, think of the Service we can deliver in our clubs, our communities and the world – Think of the child who will live a healthy life because we provided a measles vaccine – think of the youth who now has a place to go because we helped fund a community center – think of the vision impaired person who now has independence because we provided a Guide Dog – and think of the hundred's of people we helped during the most recent natural disaster.

In President Palmer's words if we practice "the 3 R's of Service – **RESPONSIBILITY**, **RECOGNITION** and **REACH**" we will achieve our dream. "As Lions we all have a strong sense of awareness for the needs of others and a strong sense of **RESPONSIBILITY** in continuing our quest to make our communities better. We all know that Responsibility means taking care of others, being accountable and being trustworthy. **RECOGNITION** is a key component of member satisfaction. Recognition is a behavior deeply rooted in the Lions' heritage and tradition of service. It should be implemented on a regular basis. Timely recognition of the achievements and contributions of the all members keep club life fresh and members motivated. **REACH**ing out to others is embedded in our history. You see - we don't work for membership growth simply to increase numbers. The aim of membership growth is to increase our capacity to serve ... Each act of service brings us one step closer to our dream. Positive Club atmosphere and meaningful club service are the most important factors in member satisfaction." So Lions of this great District N-1, lets **REACH** out to each other in kindness and abide always in our Code of Ethic and Purposes and to our community and friends to help us achieve our dream. Let's **RECOGNIZE** all the members of our clubs – not every member has the same available time and resources but thank them for contributing what resources they can and accept the **RESPONSIBILITY** of making our Clubs, our communities and the world we live in a much better place and heritage to pass down to our children.

Shortly I will be sending to all members information on the International Convention in Toronto. We are in the process of finalizing the information and costs to charter a bus to help make this exciting event more affordable for all Lions. It will be extremely important to book early once the information has been distributed as there will be only so many seats available. Booking will require a financial commitment that will be applied toward your trip but will be non-refundable. I want to extend my congratulation to DG Lucio and wish him much success as I pledge my assistance and cooperation in whatever way I can. To 2nd VDG Doug Small, welcome to the team. Your journey is just beginning and mine continues as we serve this great District N-1. Lions - thank you for your support - I am at your service

..... 1st VDG Susan

From the desk of 2nd Vice District Governor Lion Doug Small
Fellow Lions,

Time is fleeting by. We are almost a quarter of the way through this
challenging Lions year. I hope you are all busy at Lions work /
meetings / fun.

I'm looking forward to seeing many of my Lion friends at the
September Cabinet meeting in Simonds as long as it doesn't conflict
with the USA / Canada Forum in Kansas. If not, I hope to catch up with
you at Lions functions around the District.

I am also looking forward to attending the Forum as it will be a great
learning adventure. If you look back in your Lions life and remember
some of those very memorable experiences, you know the ones you still talk about today. Well, that may
occur a few times in your life, but at the Forum those memorable learning experiences can occur many
times in the span of a few days. Just ask anyone who has attended a Forum and they will easily relate
some of their memorable learning experiences.

Although I can't get to see all of you this year I am still looking forward to hearing about what the Lions
in the District are up to. This is easy for me to do if you send me a copy of your activity report each
month. I know the directory will be out soon but I would appreciate it if you could copy me at
smallr@nbnet.nb.ca on your monthly reports. (Thanks to those secretaries that have done so already.)

PDG Stewart is the N-1 Global Leadership Team Coordinator this year and will be letting you know
about upcoming training opportunities. I hope that all Lions will review these opportunities and take
advantage of them if you can. These courses are produced by Lions Clubs International, using your dues,
so you should be happy to get value for your money. As always, you can search around the Leadership
section of the LCI website to find out more details and also take courses.

As far as membership goes, Lion Gerry (N-1 Global Membership Team Coordinator this year) tells me
that there are hundreds of people out there that would love to be Lions, but nobody
has asked them. So what are you waiting for..... JUST ASK.

Till next time,
Lion Doug....



PEI Lions Clubs Support Diabetes Research and Children's Camp

The 23rd Annual Lion's Cavalcade for diabetes was recently held
by twelve Lion's clubs from across PEI and together they raised a total of \$15,560 to
support diabetes research and camp for children living with type 1 diabetes on the Island.
The Cavalcade, hosted by the Kensington Lions Club took place on June 1st 2013 and the
cheque was presented to the Canadian Diabetes Association at the Children's Diabetes
Camp (Camp Red Fox) on July 31st at Canoe Cove. Accepting the cheque is Stephane
Richard, Manager of Camps and youth programs Atlantic Canada, Terry Lewis, Manager
Community Engagement Atlantic Canada from the Canadian Diabetes Association.

The cheque is presented by Paul Gauthier, Ian Hunter Parkdale/Sherwood Lions Club and
Grant Milligan, Alberton Lions Club.



MULTIPLE DISTRICT N FALL CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 1ST – 3RD 2013

CONFERENCE PLACE: HOTEL GANDER NL 1 709 256 3931

HOSTING CLUB THE GANDER LIONS

PLEASE NOTE: REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED AND MAILED BY OCTOBER 15TH

SEND TO: MDFC

c/o DELORES JONES

15 HENLEY ST.

GANDER NL A1V 2T6 (Phone # 1 709 651 2443 email lionrjones@gmail.com)

GANDER HOTEL ROOM RATES: SINGLE/DOUBLE _____ \$86.00 + TAX

TWO DOUBLE _____ \$103.00 + TAX

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL ADVISING YOU ARE BOOKING UNDER THE GANDER LIONS CLUB FOR SPECIAL RATES.

OCTOBER 1ST IS THE BOOKING DEADLINE TO RECEIVE SPECIAL CONVENTION RATES.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

1. HOSPITALITY BOOK COMPLETE (Covers Registration, Meetings, Banquet, Meet & Greet)

Postmarked by OCTOBER 4th Early Bird - \$50.00 - after \$55.00.

2. MEET & GREET Postmarked by OCTOBER 4th Early Bird \$12.00 after \$15.00

3. BANQUET ONLY Postmarked by OCTOBER 4TH Early Bird \$35.00 after \$40.00

4. REGISTRATION AND MEETINGS ONLY \$5.00

CONVENTION BOOKING and CONTACT INFO.

Name : _____

1st Convention Y__ N__ Lion__ PDG__ Leo__ Lioness__ Guest__

Name _____

1st Convention Y__ N__ Lion__ PDG__ Leo__ Lioness__ Guest__

Hospitality Book: # _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____

Meet & Greet Only: # _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____

Banquet Only : # _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____

Registration & meetings only: # _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone # _____ Club _____ N-1__ N-2__ N-3__ N-4__

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO THE GANDER LIONS CLUB MDN CONFERENCE

Please note full refund for cancellations before October 1st will be honored. After October 1st to the 15th 20% will be retained and 80% will be reimbursed. After October 15th all monies received is final.

Riverview Lions giving Donation to Baseball, NB



L to R – Lions President Jim Belliveau, Kyle Donahoe and Mike Donahoe

The Riverview Lions Club recently made a donation to Baseball New Brunswick to support their Canada Games team trip to Sherbrooke, Quebec to participate in the 2013 Canada Summer Games. Lions President Jim Belliveau presents a cheque to Kyle Donahoe, team player - second base for the New Brunswick team and Mike Donahoe, Zone Commissioner, Baseball N.B. The summer games are scheduled August 2 to 17, 2013.

The Stratford And Area Lions club are doing two of their major fund raisers this month. On Sept. the 28th we are doing a breakfast for the local school to help with their breakfast program. Last year at the same event we raised app. 2500.00, we hope to do as well this year. Also we begin our sales of apples and apple pies and continue into Oct. and can sell as many as 2500 pies plus pounds of apples. A good fund raiser but lots of work. LOUIS OSTRIDGE

LCIF DISTRICT N-1

All clubs in District N-1 are encouraged to consider donating \$100.00/month to their favorite charity; Diabetes, Eyesight, Disaster – MAKE SURE YOU NOTE ON CK - MJ CREDITS. When doing up your budget for the year, consider the above and it will result in your having a \$1,200.00 donation (MJ CREDITS) to LCIF. This would provide your club with one Melvin Jones Award or Progressive MJ. It would be an easy way to do it, rather than taking out the full amount all at once. Just simply pass a motion to have your Treasurer send the \$100.00/month to LCIF and then get on with rewarding one of your deserving Lions at the end of the year.

I want to thank all those Clubs who supported LCIF last year, your donations were greatly appreciated and put to great use.

PCC/PDG Tim HOBAN



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Renovation at South End School



SAINT JOHN – A \$50,000 renovation at a south end school will mark a fresh beginning for children who ate lunch under the program once run by convicted child sex offender Donnie Snook, community members say.

Local business owners and individuals have launched the effort under a new south end Lions Club. So when close to 300 children receive free lunches at St. John the Baptist-King Edward School this fall, the healthier meals will be served up from a shiny, new, industrial-grade kitchen.

“There’s a need, and we want to work in the lower south end, and help out, get the confidence back, earn the people’s confidence and get involved so they can help themselves,” said Holly Singh, who with her husband Ken Singh owns Thandi’s restaurant uptown.

Singh is the acting president of a newly formed Lions Club in the south end.

As soon as the club established a charter, they set out to help the school, which they knew was in need of a lift.

“It was desperate,” said Singh, who used to run the school cafeterias in Hampton. “I don’t know how they were doing it.”

When Singh saw the state of the kitchen, she asked Coun. Gerry Lowe, another member of the new Lions Club, if he thought they could raise money for a new commercial kitchen. Now, only a few weeks later, they are close to their goal.

The club has already ordered new equipment, including a stainless steel fridge and freezer, a commercial dishwasher, commercial stove, large mixer, stainless steel tables, pot sinks, storage and dishes.

“We’re going to be ready to roll for September,” Singh said. “It’ll be equipped like a regular cafeteria kitchen.”

But the work won’t stop at the upgrade. Singh and the club, which includes other restaurant and business owners, will help provide nutritious meals based on Canada’s Food Guide. Singh wants to help the group plan a menu made of wholesome foods – such as pasta, meat and fresh fruit and vegetables – that the children will enjoy.

Coun. Gerry Lowe, who was elected in May to fill the seat of Snook, a former councillor, said he was motivated to do something for the same school he attended as a youngster.

“People in the community were hurt, and they still are,” he said, referring to the aftermath of Snook’s conviction. “We’re hoping this will help the kids.”

Uptown restaurants will help provide the food for Mondays, the YMCA will volunteer for Wednesdays and Irving Oil assists on Fridays, she said. Now the group is looking for donations of time and money for Tuesdays and Thursdays.

“Everyone’s very excited and coming forward and wanting to be apart of it,” she said. “I’m excited to see the community taking ownership of the program again.”

Zoë Watson, superintendent of the Anglophone South School District, said the school officials are overwhelmed by the donation of equipment. District staff will be working with the group on plumbing and electrical work.

“We are very fortunate to have so much support for schools,” she said in an email.



Lions Clubs International
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Dear Lions, Did you know that up to 80 percent of global blindness is preventable? Lions and LCIF are working hard to reduce that number and I am happy to say that we are making a difference. An example of this is our efforts and partnerships aimed at eliminating onchocerciasis (river blindness), a disease that can lead to blindness. Last month, I was able to join former U.S. President and Lion Jimmy Carter at a special celebration in Colombia. Through the work of LCIF and Lions, The Carter Center, the Colombian government and other dedicated people and organizations, Colombia became the first of six countries in the Americas to [eliminate river blindness](#). I am so proud of our role in this achievement. It is through the [SightFirst](#) program that LCIF helps Lions deliver services that target diseases such as river blindness, cataract and trachoma; build or expand facilities; train professionals; and build awareness about eye health in underserved communities. LCIF also supports many services for the visually impaired, including education and rehabilitation. Just last week, LCIF's SightFirst Advisory Committee approved 32 SightFirst grants for a total of US\$7.5 million. These projects will help Lions in Belize, the United States, Brazil, Nepal and other countries complete diverse sight-saving projects. I was recently able to see a great example of a project in the United States at the Spectrios Institute for Low Vision in Illinois. There, dedicated staff and doctors help people with low vision obtain tools, technology, training and support. An LCIF grant helped expand a portion of the institute, and it was inspiring to hear the stories of the people who have been helped. From helping a country eliminate a blinding disease to helping a person with reduced vision realize that they can still read, you are making a difference. And LCIF is here to help you make that difference.



Sincerely,

Lion Wayne A. Madden Chairperson

Lions Clubs International Foundation

Generous Commitment to LCIF during Convention In a surprise announcement, Board Appointee and Past District Governor Aruna Oswal and her husband, Lion Abhey Oswal, committed US\$5 million to Lions Clubs International Foundation on stage during the annual Lions Clubs International Convention. "My husband has always supported me...he wanted to pledge something for society, for humanitarian causes. So he pledged US\$5 million to be spread globally," said PDG Oswal of India. "I feel this is the best Foundation. I have seen it working...I have felt it with my heart and soul. That is why I am so passionate about LCIF, because I have seen the success stories. Today, it was a very big deal for all of us. Let us try to make this world a beautiful world and let us create a difference in society." In addition to this incredible commitment, Lions in attendance generously made donations at the Foundation booth. LCIF relies on the generosity of individuals to carry out worldwide efforts to restore sight, provide disaster relief, support youth and address humanitarian needs. Thank you for [your support](#).



Lions and Special Olympics: Partners in Unity LCIF [announced a five-year expansion](#) of the partnership with Special Olympics during the 96th Lions Clubs International Convention in Germany. Through [Opening Eyes](#), Lions already help provide vision screenings and eyeglasses to Special Olympic athletes. Now, Lions and LCIF will help create leadership opportunities for Special Olympics athletes, increase the health work of Special Olympics, conduct outreach to families for additional support and reach more young people through inclusive sports and advocacy programs. Learn more [in this video](#) about the announcement:



LCIF at the USA/Canada Forum

Experience the impact of [Lions Clubs International Foundation](#) at this year's USA/Canada forum from September 19 through 21 in Kansas, USA. LCIF will have a booth in the exhibit hall where staff can answer questions regarding grant programs and the application process, provide

informational materials, and accept donations. Contributing Member and Melvin Jones Fellow replacement pins will be available at the booth. Please stop by and inquire about the Lions Measles Initiative and the [recently announced GAVI partnership](#). This year, there are a number of LCIF [informational sessions](#), open to all Lions in attendance:



[Lions Quest](#) will have pre-forum session taking place on Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the convention center in Courtyard Rooms 4-5.

On Friday, take part in a focused presentation on [LCIF Emergency Grants](#) (session 35) from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in Leatherwood Room 3 at the Sheraton Hotel.

Also on Friday, learn about [SightFirst](#) grant opportunities in the U.S. and Canada through Knights of the Blind: Qualify for a SightFirst Grant (session 64) from 2:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. in Leatherwood Room 2 at the Sheraton Hotel.

- **Chairperson Madden** will host a session on Saturday (session 36) from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. that will provide an overview of Foundation initiatives and grant opportunities. This session will take place at the convention center in Courtyard Rooms 4-5.
- **LCIF Coordinators** are invited to a special session in Courtyard Rooms 4-5 in the convention center at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday.

A Generous Chef

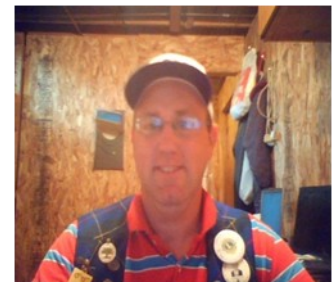


MD N Council Chair Stewart MacDonald and the Pickwauket Lions participate in Canada Day Celebrations in Hampton NB.

Words to live by:

I found a paradox that if you love until it hurts, there is no hurt, only more love. – Mother Teresa.

I am very pleased to have been chosen by District Governor Lion Lucio Cordisco to be the District Newsletter Chairman for the 2013-14 Lionistic year. This year, if feasible enough, I plan on getting a newsletter out every two months between now and April. The one in June will be a wrap-up of the District events within the year.



I have been a resident of Miramichi for 39 years and I have been a member of the Douglastown Lions Club for 18 years. Within the club, I have done the bulletins and newsletters and have had some positive feedback from different people over the years. It is great to be doing it for the District this year. I look forward to working with you and keeping things up to date for you.

Lion Michael Hambrook, District Newsletter Chairman.