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District N-1 Newsletter

September 2014



DG Message... Lions, as summer draws to a close for another year and those clubs who took a “summer vacation” get back to work, we need to put our plans in action to work towards our goals we have set to accomplish this year.

We had a very productive DG Team meeting mid June to set out goals for the year and reviewed the past year. It was at this meeting that I learned that PDG Lucio had chartered a new club – the Saint Leolin Lions Club with 28 members. This club is on the Acadian Shore between Shippagan and Bathurst. Congratulations to PDG Lucio and his team.

This makes 2 new clubs for District N-1 – 1 in each of the last 2 years. My District Governor Objectives this year are to promote the International theme and strengthen our Pride by Service and through growth. Every new Lion we bring into our “Pride” will help us. My goal is to increase our Clubs by 2 and to decrease our loss out the back door by 10%. This will give us 74 more Lions to serve. We have asked all clubs to submit a membership growth plan by.....**Message continued Page 2**

Lions Clubs International Nears 100

Lions Clubs International was created in 1917 by Melvin Jones, in Chicago, Ill.

That means our organization – now the largest service organization in the world – is nearing its 100th birthday !!

To celebrate, LCI is getting an early start, and 2014-15 International President Joe Preston, has issued a challenge to Lions everywhere : Become part of the Centennial Service Challenge.

Here is IP Preston’s message to Lions Clubs:

Dear Lion,

Lions Clubs International will celebrate 100 years of service in 2017! I’m inviting you to be part of this special moment in our history by supporting a new global service initiative to celebrate our centennial.

The Centennial Service Challenge encourages Lions around the world to serve 100 million

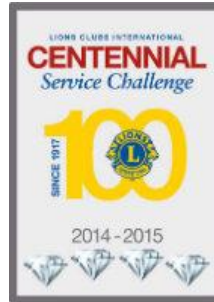
DG Messagethe end of September. There is a lot of interest in the “Just Ask” program.

Come to the September Cabinet meeting, in Dorchester. Our Directories will be ready in early September – we hope to be able to start distribution at the Zone Chair Training session September 6, 2014 at the Nackawic Lions Club. We have to appoint our Centennial Coordinator. The credentials and application for this position will follow and be posted on the website. Our GLT and GMT will be actively seeking candidates to add to our leadership pool who wish to step up to District service. Watch for Training and information sessions to be held over NB and PEI.

As an Organization, we are now 1.36M strong. In Canada we have had a positive growth for the first time in many years and in District N-1, we have had our second year in a row of positive growth. My goal is to continue that trend. We also have a prospective new Leo Club.

We have been promoting the Fall Rally, September 19 and 20 in Amherst NS and attend our Cabinet meeting in Dorchester September 21, 2014. Both PDG Lucio and PDG Stewart will have some awards to pass out to some very deserving clubs and individuals.

Let’s go Lions and remember that as **We Serve with Pride we are creating Miracles through Service.**



Shown is the banner patch that clubs will earn for their contribution to the Centennial Service Challenge, issued by IP Joe Preston.

people by December, 2017. Every club can play a part in reaching our goal. Here’s how you can join the Centennial Service Challenge:

- Host service projects throughout the year that impact Youth, Vision, Hunger or the Environment
- Report your service activities through the Service Activity Report on MyLCI
- Earn a Centennial Banner Patch with a progressive gemstone patch for each year your club participates

As Lions, we know that a single act of service can change a life. But when 1.35 million members come together to serve, we can change the world.

Learn more about the [Centennial Service Challenge](#) and share it with your club today. Then start planning your next service project to help us meet our goal of serving 100 million people. There’s never been a better time to serve than now!

Together in service,

Joe Preston, Your International President



Camp Dia-Best: Lion Harold Borden of the Lincoln NB Lions Club, District Chair (NB) for Diabetes Awareness, presents a cheque for \$18,416 to Erin Pellerine, representing Canadian Diabetes Association.

Camp Dia-Best Benefits from Cavalcade for Diabetes

Lions Clubs in the greater Fredericton area have been joining forces for several years to host the Giant Bingo for Diabetes. Proceeds from the event are channelled through the annual Cavalcade for Diabetes and are targeted to help operate Camp Dia-Best, held each year at the Grand Lake Rotary Camp.

Camp Dia-Best helps young Type I Diabetes patients learn to manage their disease, but more importantly, it helps them to understand that they are *not* the only kid their age who has to make adjustments in the way they live their life, and not the only one who has restrictions on what they can eat and what they can do.

In 2014, Giant Bingo and other fund-raising activities generated \$18,416 to help sponsor youths to attend Camp Dia-Best.

New Maryland Lions Challenge Neighbours

Following a presentation from Darryl Branscombe, fund-raising chair for the Fredericton Hospice organization, the New Maryland Lions have presented a cheque for \$5,000 to the Building and Equipment

Capital Fund for Fredericton Hospice's "Hospice House" project.

Construction is underway to renovate and restore Holy Rosary Hall, on Charlotte St., to create a 10-bed palliative care residence. The facility will also provide living space for patients' families to stay with them, as well as office and counselling space for healthcare providers. Fredericton Hospice has been providing end-of-life support to area residents and their families in their home or other care facilities for several years. The current project will provide a much-needed resource to provide respite care and end-of-life care, when needed.

As part of their commitment to Hospice House, New Maryland Lions decided to issue a challenge to all Lions Clubs in the Greater Fredericton area – pledge a donation (in fact, pledge a "stretch" donation) – to help this important healthcare project become a reality.

As noted, construction is already underway, and it is hoped that Hospice House will be ready to receive patients in early 2015.



Induction: 1VDG Doug Small inducts a new member, Lion Krista Wall, to the Pickwauket Lions Club. Sponsor, Lion Michele Gillis looks on.

Lions Quest

Lions:

I am still looking for a Lions Quest Chair for District N-1.

This very important resource for our District is not being used to its full potential and our children and grandchildren are the losers.

Thank you to all the Lions who purchased and sold tickets and congratulations to Newfoundland for being the winners.

Please see letter from Lions Quest Canada below:

DG Susan

Atlantic Director - Lions Quest Canada

Congratulations go to the Forteau Lions Club in Forteau, NL for being the winner of the 1989 Classic Mercedes 300SE.

Past International Councillor Don Gamble drew the winning ticket yesterday at our Lions Quest office here in Cambridge. We also had the pleasure of PID Bruce Murray and PDG John Daniels and his wife Denise being present to witness the draw.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Lions Districts across Canada who helped to support Lions Quest Canada through this promotional contest and we look forward to your continued support for the 2014-15 promotional draw for a 12 day trip for 2 to Bali. Watch for details and tickets arriving soon in your Club's mailbox.

We wouldn't be where we are today if it wasn't for the generous donations from your clubs. Thanks again for your continued support!

Kay

Kay Nelles, Events Coordinator

Lions Quest Canada

The Canadian Centre for Positive Youth Development, 427 Elgin Street, N.,
Cambridge, ON N1R 8G4

WANTED: Several Good Men. And Women!!

DG Susan is seeking some highly motivated volunteers, for a very important, largely neglected project.

District N-1 has been working to resurrect the Lions Quest Program, particularly for New Brunswick schools. Preliminary groundwork has been underway for the past two or three years, laying the foundations to re-introduce this award-winning program in all grade levels for NB schools. The reintroduction has reached the point of needing a larger team to work on the activities needed to take the plan from paper to classroom, so we are looking for additional volunteers.

Lions Quest is a curriculum enrichment program which provides teachers with easy-to-use tools to provide students with skills, self-confidence and self-esteem to cope with challenges such as drug temptations, and bullying. Teachers who use the program as part of their lesson plans credit the program with reducing classroom distractions, improving the learning environment.

Lions Quest was used with great success in NB schools several years ago. Unfortunately, the program was replaced by an earlier government with a different drug education program. That system has since been discontinued, as well, with the result that most schools now have no drug education curriculum. Lions Quest has content available for all grade levels, from K to twelve, and the materials can be delivered separately or woven into the regular curriculum content.

Several volunteers are already committed to working on this important project.....but extra hands are always welcome.

Representatives in different areas will help spread the word and help speed the process of successfully reintroducing Lions Quest. Our kids deserve it!!

If you think you have the motivation and the commitment to help move this project forward, please contact DG Susan to volunteer. And although several clubs have thrown committed support behind the program once again, some clubs have been reluctant to commit financial involvement, so promoting support to Lions will be another aspect of the reimplementation.

Get involved.

Contest Reminder

Eagle-eyed readers will have noticed a curious entry on the masthead on Page 1 of this newsletter – **[Insert Winning Title Here]**.

It's a graphic reminder that we are searching for a suitable name for the District N-1 newsletter.

Entries are due before the Entry Deadline, October 31, 2014. Entries can be submitted to the Newsletter Editor, Bill O'Donnell, at odonnebk@rogers.com.

Enter as often as you wish.

The winning entry will be used, going-forward, to identify the District N-1 Newsletter. The lucky entrant will receive lunch for two at the November Cabinet Meeting, in Summerside, PEI, plus a Friendship Banner from DG Susan.....not to mention, of course, the bragging rights and the honour of seeing your name on the masthead of every edition of the N-1 Newsletter !!

Enter soon !! Enter often !!



Lions honoured for Milestones

Each year Lions around our great District reach personal milestones that deserve special recognition. As District Governor, I have the honour of presenting these Milestone Awards on behalf of President Joe Preston and Lions Club International. These Milestones will be reached at some point during this 2014-2015 Lions Year.

Presented at the ST. Stephen Milltown Lions Club

Lion Douglas Dinsmore	40 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion William F. Foster	40 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion Wayne Gibson	35 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion Leslie William Mehan	20 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion Guy White	20 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion David J. Devlin	15 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion Derek J. White	10 Year Monarch	Chevron

Presented at the Salisbury Lions Club

Lion Truman Wilson	60 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion Fred Douthwright	45 Year Monarch	Chevron
Lion Gregory M. Miller	10 Year Monarch	Chevron

DISTRICT CENTENNIAL COORDINATOR

NEEDED APPLICATION ONLINE

District N-1 needs a Centennial Coordinator. The qualifications and responsibilities follows. Application form is posted on the website.

QUALIFICATIONS

The DistrictCentennial Coordinator candidate must possess the abilities and skills to identify, expand and present Centennial service projects, centennial membership goals, club and member centennial participation programs that meet the needs of their district. Additional qualifications include:

1. Extensive knowledge of district service projects, membership, new club development, club success and member participation programs; needs of district, regions, zones, clubs; LCI policies.
2. Ability to commit to a three-year term as DistrictCentennialCoordinator, accepting no other position(s) within the association that would potentially conflict with the time and effort necessary to carry out the duties and responsibilities of this position.
3. Demonstrated service and membership expertise through development of successful service projects, sponsorship of new members and development of new Lions clubs.
4. Ideally a graduate or faculty member from LCI Lions Leadership Institute (Advanced or Faculty Development) with high evaluation score.
5. Ability to effectively collaborate with GMT and GLT counterpart to address district needs.
6. Ability to travel within the district.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES OF A DISTRICT CENTENNIAL COORDINATOR

Goals:

- Supports and motivates region, zone and club leaders to participate in Centennial service projects and membership initiatives
- Collaborates with the district and multiple district on:
 - Centennial service and membership development needs in the district
 - Centennial service and membership goals and action plans for the district
- Ensures Centennial [membership development](#) is encouraged throughout the district
- Works with GMT and GLT counterparts
- Promotes Centennial service and membership to region, zone and club leaders
- Compares Centennial service and membership achievements to expectations and goals on a monthly or quarterly basis and adjusts strategies where necessary
- [Presents a budget](#) to the district cabinet to fund Centennial service and membership development plans
- Develops and promotes a [plan of recognition](#) for the district and individual Lions where significant contributions to Centennial service and membership development have been made

Communication:

- Communicate district membership goals and action plans to all members of the district.
- Communicate with district GMT and GLT coordinators regularly to enhance the overall effectiveness of Centennial efforts and service opportunities.
- Keep regions/zones/clubs informed of new centennial programs and resources through district newsletters, district website, publications, etc.
- Establish a monthly reporting system to foster open communication and monitor each club's progress.

75 Years and Counting !!

Fort Kent Lions recently celebrated 75 years serving their community . A club of over 100 members, they honoured their 75 years in the Lions Pavillion that was built and donated to the community for events.

[Congratulations, Fort Kent, for reaching such an awesome milestone.](#)



MDN Summer meetings were held in Dartmouth at the Holiday Inn. District N-1 had 5 Lions attending – DG Susan, 1st VDG Doug, 2nd VDG Brennan, GLT Coordinator PCC Stewart, MDN Budget and Audit Chair PDG Gerry Hartigan and PDG Boyd Sangster. Minutes will be posted on the website once received. Plans for the Fall Rally are well underway with several exciting seminar and interactive events being planned. Be sure to get registered for Friday night and Saturday September 19, & 20 with our first District Cabinet meeting being held in Dorchester September 21, 2014.



PDG Gerry doing some fast ciphering.



I have several awards that give an opportunity for districts and clubs large and small, no matter where they exist, to strive for excellence and be recognized.

2014-2015
International President

AWARDS FOR CLUBS



Club Excellence Award

Clubs that strive to achieve the five elements of excellence deserve special recognition.



Excellence includes:

- **Service** – Conduct three or more service projects and contribute to LCIF
- **Membership** – Achieve a net growth in membership or sponsor a new club
- **Communication** – Communicate the club's service projects effectively
- **Leadership Development** – Club officers participate in leadership programs
- **Club Management** – Meaningful

Strengthen the Pride BLUEPRINT FOR A STRONGER CLUB



The most effective Lions clubs regularly identify ways to expand their humanitarian service impact, develop leaders, and meet club members' needs and expectations. Clubs can discover new ways to bring value to the community and to club members, by developing and implementing a plan or "blueprint".

Every club is encouraged to complete a **Blueprint** and upon completion receive a special Presidential Certificate via email to recognize your commitment!

meetings, timely club reports and remain in good standing

Qualifying clubs receive a banner patch and the club presidents receive a pin to recognize their accomplishment.

See the **Pride of Excellence Award** below regarding a new district award that encourages early application (on or before May 31, 2015)!

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AWARDS FOR ZONE CHAIRPERSONS

Presidential Zone and Region Chairperson Awards

Zone and Region Chairpersons can truly make a difference by helping clubs

advance their service, grow their membership and achieve their goals. This Quarterly Presidential Award for Zone and Region Chairpersons is more than an award, it is a quarterly plan for success for the zone and region chairpersons and the clubs they support! Each quarter there is a new opportunity to achieve an award pin featuring the presidential theme and a paw print.



Zone and Region Chairpersons who achieve the award for all four quarters will also be recognized with a prestigious International

Leadership Award Medal.

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AWARDS FOR DISTRICTS

Pride of Excellence Award

District Governors have the opportunity to earn a crystal Pride of Excellence Award and the **Ambassador of Goodwill Medal** by encouraging clubs to submit their [Club Excellence Award](#) application early! The top five districts in each constitutional area that have the largest percentage of their clubs achieve the Club Excellence Award will receive the Pride of Excellence Award. The leading District Governor from each constitutional area will have the honor of receiving the Pride of Excellence Award on stage during the Convention. The other recipients will have their names prominently displayed during this historic ceremony. The District Governor with the highest percentage of clubs that achieve the Club Excellence Award worldwide will also receive the **Ambassador of Goodwill Medal**, the highest award granted to a Lion, in Honolulu!

To qualify, the clubs must submit their Club Excellence Award early on or before May 31, 2015. The award will be based on the membership gain as of April 30, 2015 and the clubs must meet the other requirements listed on the application. Membership growth must be maintained through June 30, 2015 to qualify.

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District Governor Team Excellence Award



Similar to clubs, the District Governor Team Award recognizes team members from districts that strive for excellence in leadership, achieve positive membership growth and actively encourage clubs to conduct humanitarian projects.

Qualifying zone and region chairpersons receive beautiful lapel pins, while the district governor, first vice district governor, second vice district governor, District GMT and GLT Coordinators receive prestigious medals to recognize their leadership and dedication.

[Learn More](#) 

District Governor Lions Pride Awards

Grow your district and get rewarded! Achieve consistent membership growth in your district throughout the year and earn a one-of-a-kind



Lions Pride Pin! Earn additional “paws” for your pin when you charter a club in your district or add new members to existing clubs.

District Governors who earn a pin and at least two gold paws will also receive a **Presidential Medal**. Earn four gold paws and you’ll also receive four **Leadership Medals** to distribute to your team!

[Learn More](#) 

DG Susan’s Challenge : Taking It to the Next Level

Let’s face it – a Centennial celebration is *something really special !!* It’s not every day that you get the chance to celebrate 100 Years of anything.

We have a chance to be a part of celebrating 100 Years of something we’re all passionate about anyway – helping others through our life in Lions !!

The Awards described on this and previous pages are a way that LCI has decided to encourage and recognize extended effort.

It’s a great chance for all Lions and all Clubs of District N-1 to explore new aspects of Lions service – stretch your efforts in 2014-15....and right up until the end of our Centennial Celebration in 2017 !!

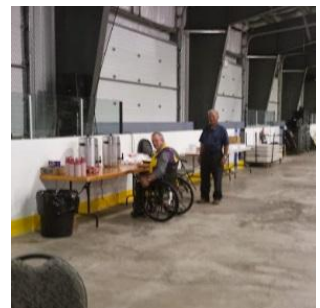
- Invite a New Lion !!
- Start a New Service Project – seek out other needs in your community to help with (believe me – they are there)
- Maybe even explore creating a new Lions Club or Leo Club

You would qualify for special recognition awards. But the best recognition would be the added satisfaction that you will have from **Helping Out!!**

**DG Susan’s Visitation Schedule –
(subject to change)**

Monday, September 08, 2014	Dorchester
Tuesday, September 09, 2014	Campbellton 7:00
Wednesday, September 10, 2014	Jacquet River 7:30
Monday, September 15, 2014	Morell Lions 8:00
Tuesday, September 16, 2014	Belfast Lions 8:30
Wednesday, September 17, 2014	Winsloe 7:30
Friday, September 19, 2014	Fall Rally - Amherest NS
Saturday, September 20, 2014	Fall Rally - Amherest NS
Sunday, September 21, 2014	First Cabinet Meeting - Dorchester NB.
Monday, September 22, 2014	Richibucto 7:00
Tuesday, September 23, 2014	Chipman Minto 7:00
Wednesday, September 24, 2014	Veronon River 8:00
Thursday, September 25, 2014	Cornwall 8:00
Wednesday, October 01, 2014	Newcastle 7:00
Thursday, October 02, 2014	Montague 7:00
Monday, October 06, 2014	Bath 7:30
Tuesday, October 07, 2014	Upper Nashwaak 8:00
Wednesday, October 08, 2014	Millidgeville Northend 7:00
Thursday, October 09, 2014	Douglastown 7:00
Monday, October 13, 2014	Fort Fairfield Lion Club 6:00 pm
Tuesday, October 14, 2014	Tobique 7:00
Wednesday, October 15, 2014	Cymbria 7:30
Thursday, October 16, 2014	North Rustico 7:30
Monday, October 20, 2014	Eastern Charlotte 8:00
Tuesday, October 21, 2014	New Maryland 7:30
Wednesday, October 22, 2014	Dalhousie 7:00
Thursday, October 23, 2014	Burtts Corner 8:00
Monday, October 27, 2014	Nackawic 7:00
Tuesday, October 28, 2014	Fort Kent Lions 6:30

St. Martins Lions Mark “Old Home Week”Annual Barbeque a Fixture



St. Martins Lions Photo Captions

St. Martins Lions, as well as friends and former members, tend to get thoroughly involved in the annual Come Home Week celebrations.

In photos on the previous page:

Photo 1 (left) - 2nd VDG Brennan (standing in blue) arrived to help the St. Martins Lions with their Annual Chicken BBQ -- painter by day, chef by weekend. Seated PCC Stewart MacDonald who has helped and co-chaired this event for many years, in background Lion Phil Hart Secretary St. Martins Lions.

Photo 2 -- Lion Cindi Beaumont (Riverview) lends a much needed helping hand at the St. Martins Lions Annual Chicken BBQ. With her is Mary Sweet (wife of President Bob Sweet). Missing from photo - Lion Bill Campbell and Lion Heather MacDonald (Pickwauket Lions Club, photographer).

Photo 3 -- This is where the action is BBQ-ing the chicken. Standing is Lion Jean-Marc Fiset (St. Martins Lions) with Chris Moyes (standing right) perennial volunteer. Missing from photo --volunteers, Lion Harold Borden

(Lincoln), a summer resident and Dallas Richardson, former Lion and perennial volunteer.

Photo 4 (right) -- President Lion Bob Sweet helps with set up at the Four Seasons Complex, which has been home of the BBQ for the past several years.

King Lion Bob extends a big thank you to all volunteers and supporters of the BBQ. Old Home week just would not be the same without the St. Martins Lions chicken BBQ.



Mark Your Calendar:

September 19-20 -- Fall MDN Rally – Amherst NS

September 21 – 1st Cabinet Meeting – Dorchester NB

September 28 – Portage Celebration – TBA

October 1 – Deadline to order Peace Poster Kits

October 15 – Club Member Goals due to DG Susan

November 15 – Peace Poster Winner to DG

November 15 – 60th Charter Summerside and Kensington PEI Lions

November 16 – 2nd Cabinet Meeting – Summerside PEI

Banner-head Explained

In the newsletter banner-head, you may have noticed that this is identified as "Vol. 8, No. 1"

District N-1 was created on July 1, 2007 through the realignment of the former Multiple District 41 boundaries.

The new District N-1 consists of most of the clubs located in the former District 41-O and 41-N, in NB, PEI and Maine.

The 2014-15 Lions year is the eight year of District N-1 operating.....hence "Vol. 8"

Your Editor hopes this identification convention will continue for future years. It will help us keep tabs on our history.