

District N1 January & February Newsletter



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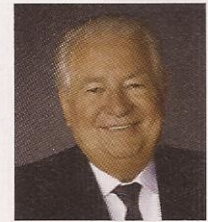
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International President's Report

Hail to the Former President, a Proud Lion Like Us

How strong are we when we serve together? “Individually, we are one drop. Together we are the ocean,” wrote a Japanese poet. “The secret is to gang up on the problem not on each other,” said an American businessman. **“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much,” insisted the great Helen Keller.**

Former US President Jimmy Carter explained in his own words the power of partnership. *The Carter Center and Lions have saved the sight of millions of people.* A Lion, former President Carter understands the value of serving together. We are proud of his accomplishments, proud of him as a fellow Lion and proud to serve alongside his center in preventing blindness.



Barry J. Palmer
Lions Clubs
International President

Lions Clubs epitomize collaboration and partnership. It's easy to write a check. But effecting lasting change requires banding together with like-minded people to knock down barriers to opportunity and self-realization.

Dreams mean little and amount to nothing if we keep them to ourselves and try to achieve them all on our own. To Follow Your Dream necessitates going down the path of teamwork and collaboration. Your clubs are dream makers. You dream it, and your fellow Lions can achieve it.

Anyone who has accomplished great things realizes that family, friends, or mentors paved the way. **We Lions have one another.** We must lean on one another to recruit and retain members, especially women, help the need through microfinance and other means, and increase our visibility through social media. Remember that every great dream begins with a dreamer who has lost patience, passion, and a preference for partnering.



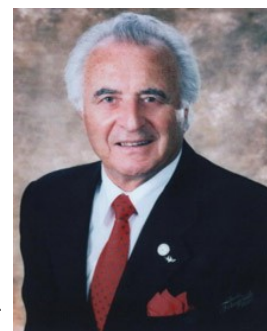
Barry J, Palmer

Your Lions Club International President.



The Values of Lionism A Plea for Peace in the World

I come from the village of Montefalcone nel Sannio, which is in the Province of Campobasso, Italy. I was born in 1936, and when the Second World War was declared in 1939, I was three years old. When I was five years old, a group of armed soldiers invaded my village. I found myself surrounded by tanks, and by armed men, whom I did not know, and who descended near us in green buses. They took our food, blew up the bridge that connected us to other villages to prevent the enemy from moving through, and also blew up our house. There was nothing left for us. Two soldiers came by and insisted that my grandmother give them the last piece of lard that was left in the house. She had tried to hide it away from them under the mattress, in order to feed us. When she tried to ask them to leave some of it for us, one soldier pointed his revolver at her temple (her head), but the other soldier, had the presence of mind to turn away his hand, to prevent him from firing. Meanwhile, my grandmother had fainted and fallen on top of me, as I was on the ground, seated near her.



In a child's eyes, war can sometimes be perceived as a game. It is an aspect of our times that children encounter on television every day. But reality can be different, when one comes to the realization that those who we love are no longer with us; that the place we need to sleep is no longer there, because we do not have a place in which to stay; and that the land in which our vineyards had once been cultivated, has been destroyed.

Obviously, many years had passed by before reconstruction was achieved. Montefalcone nel Sannio is still there. However, nothing resembles what existed before, and employment opportunities are sparse. I had a chance to visit the place last year, while returning back from Hamburg. My mind was a mix of all sorts of good as well as bad memories. When I was 17 years of age, I left Montefalcone with my family, to settle in Belgium, where there was a chance to obtain work. My father wanted me to become a cobbler, but I decided to learn to become a tailor. In 1956, a Canadian delegation visited us in Belgium, and invited those of us who had a profession, to come and settle in Canada. There were promises for the opportunity to establish a good life, to have a good salary, and to have our own houses in which to live. At that time, Canada had also lost many workers, and clothing as well as tissue mills were flourishing, but there was a lack of specialized workers. I still remember the short promotional song that they had made us learn, and that we had heard every day on the radio. « La petite maison au Canada, Entourée de fleurs, On y entend les oiseaux chanter... »

The invitation by the Canadian government to occupy those places encouraged us to reflect on the advantages of having a stable and comfortable future. I had to emigrate first, to prepare the groundwork, before bringing over my family. Those among us, who emigrated during those years, still remember those difficult decisions that we had to make. I arrived in Canada in 1957. I have now been a Canadian for 57 years. Our uprooting was difficult. There were no small houses that awaited us. It would be difficult for anyone to imagine our feelings of strangeness and loneliness, unless they had experienced it.

During the 60's I had heard people speak about Lions Clubs International. I was immediately attracted by its statements of values and principles. I could hardly believe that there was such an organization which did not adhere to any political party or religion; that did not differentiate between races, languages and peoples; that stood for the promotion of equality and peace in the world.

As a child, I had been witness to so much horror and misery, that I came to understand, over the years, that wars were all the result of racism, religious conflicts, and of government policies which exhibited a thirst for exerting power over others. Lions Clubs International, thus seemed to me to be a haven of peace, a way for countries, races, and religions, to coexist in harmony.

It was on the 2nd of February, 1968, that I took the decision to become involved in the Lions Clubs International movement, and it was on the 13th of February of the same year, that I was initiated as a member. Since then, I have not stopped discovering the joys of giving the gift of self, friendship, and generosity, for others and for the planet.

Peace, Love and Understanding

Another greater and more challenging path presents itself to our great LCI organization. This is the path that leads to peace in the world. Everywhere in the world, entire populations are being destroyed by the explosions of bombs, machine guns, and the use of torture. Children are stolen, to be used as soldiers and torturers. Today, in Syria, children are tortured because their parents do not conform to the same religion or clan as the leaders of their country.

I request all Lions Clubs in our greater District N-1, to participate in this year's **Peace Poster Contest**, which began on the 15th of January. We should teach a vision of Peace to our children, not war. We should guide our children to reflect on what a world of Peace might look like. The **Peace Poster Contest** is the path that LCI has chosen to teach the idea of peace to children. For the year 2013-2014, under the competent leadership of Lion Jim Aucoin, 353 children have had a chance to imagine a vision for Peace. Only six Clubs out of 80, in our District, have so far participated. It is within our grasp to teach the idea of peace to our children. This year will mark the 27th year of the annual **Peace Poster Contest** competition. Let's join hands for Peace. The world is hurting. The child that I was in 1940, has seen it.

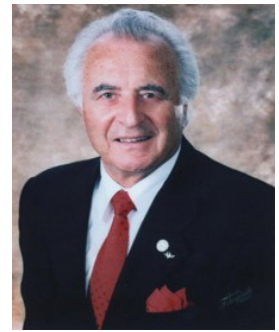
DG Lucio Cordisco, District N-1



Les valeurs du Lionisme

Une réponse à la paix dans le monde

Je suis originaire du village de Montefalcone Nel Sannio dans la province de Campobasso en Italie. Je suis né en 1936 et c'est en 1939 que la 2^e guerre mondiale est déclarée. J'ai alors 3 ans. À 5 ans, les militaires envahissent mon village. Je me retrouve au milieu de tanks, des hommes armés que je ne connaissais pas arrivent en autobus verte. On nous prend notre nourriture, on fait exploser le pont qui nous relie aux autres villages pour empêcher l'ennemi de passer, et on fait exploser notre maison. Il ne nous reste plus rien. Deux soldats sont venus et a exigé que ma grand-mère leur donne le dernier morceau de lard qu'il restait et qu'elle avait essayé de cacher sous les pailles. Ma grand-mère a alors demandé de nous en laisser un morceau, le soldat a alors appuyé son revolver sur sa tempe (tête), mais le 2^e soldat a retiré son bras pour l'empêcher de tirer. Ma grand-mère s'est évanouie.



À travers les yeux d'un enfant la guerre ça peut parfois sembler à un jeu. C'est ce qu'ils voient à la télévision tous les jours. Mais la réalité est cependant toute autre quand on se rend compte que les personnes que nous aimons ne sont plus, que nous nous avons besoin de dormir mais nous n'avons plus d'endroit où loger, que nos terres où poussaient nos vignes sont ravagées.

Bien sûr, cela a pris des années pour tout reconstruire, et Montefalcone Nel Sannio est encore debout, mais plus rien n'était comme avant et les emplois étaient rares. J'y suis allé l'an passé en revenant de Hambourg. Que de bons et tristes souvenirs.

À 17 ans, je quitte Montefalcone avec ma famille pour m'installer en Belgique où il y a des emplois disponibles. Mon père voulait que je devienne cordonnier, mais moi je décide d'apprendre le métier de tailleur. À l'époque je ne parlais que peu le français, mais je parlais un peu l'espagnol ce qui ne m'aidait pas vraiment. La Belgique étant un pays francophone, tous les cours se donnaient en français. Un ami étudiant qui était bilingue, c'est-à-dire qui parlait l'italien et le français accepte de me donner un coup de main. Tous les jours il traduisait en italien la matière du cours que nous recevions en français. Petit à petit, c'est ainsi que j'ai appris le français.

En 1956, une délégation canadienne vient nous rencontrer en Belgique afin de nous inviter, ceux parmi nous qui avons un métier, à venir nous installer au Canada nous promettant que nous y ferions une belle vie, de bons salaires et que nous aurions une petite maison pour nous loger. Le Canada aussi avait perdu de la main d'œuvre et les manufactures de tissus et de vêtements étaient florissantes, mais on était en manque d'ouvriers spécialisés. Je me souviens encore de la petite chanson promotionnelle qu'on nous avait apprise et qu'on entendait tous les jours à la radio : La petite maison au Canada, On y entend les oiseaux chanter... L'invitation par le gouvernement canadien à venir occuper ces places nous a fait miroiter un avenir stable et aisé. Je devais émigrer le premier pour préparer le terrain afin d'y faire aussi venir ma famille. Ceux qui ont émigré au cours de ces années connaissent bien ces difficiles démarches. Étant entouré de francophones, j'ai quand même réussi tant bien que mal à apprendre quelques mots d'anglais. Mais cela a été difficile.

Je suis donc arrivé au Canada en 1957, et je suis maintenant canadien depuis 57 ans.

Vers les années 60, j'entends parler des Clubs Lions International. Je suis tout de suite interpellé par ses énoncés de valeur et ses principes. J'avais peine à croire qu'il existait une organisation qui n'adhérait à aucune politique, aucune religion, et qui ne faisait aucune différence entre les races, les langues et les peuples, une organisation où on faisait la promotion de l'égalité et de la paix dans le monde. Enfant, j'avais été témoin de tellement d'horreur et de misère, j'ai compris au cours des années que les guerres étaient toutes les résultats du racisme, des conflits religieux et de la politique des gouvernements en soif de pouvoir sur les autres. LCI m'a alors apparu comme un havre de paix, une façon de vivre en harmonie entre les pays, les races et les religions.

C'est le 2 février 1968 que je prends la décision de m'engager dans le mouvement des Clubs Lions International. Le 13 février 1968, je suis initié.

Depuis je ne cesse de découvrir des sentiers parsemés de don de soi, d'amitié, de générosité pour les autres et la planète.

Peace, Love and Understanding

Un autre sentier plus grand et plus difficile encore s'offre à notre grande organisation LCI. Le sentier qui nous mènera vers la paix dans le monde. Partout dans le monde des populations entières tombent sous le coup des bombes, des mitraillettes et de la torture. On vole des enfants pour en faire des soldats, des tortionnaires. Aujourd'hui en Syrie on torture des enfants parce que leurs parents ne sont pas de la même religion, du même clan que les dirigeants de leur pays. Chez nous dans notre grand District N-1, je demande à tous les Clubs Lions de participer au concours de Peace Poster Contest qui a débuté le 15 janvier. Nous devons enseigner la Paix aux enfants, pas la guerre. Nous devons amener nos enfants à réfléchir à ce que serait un monde de Paix, Peace Posters Contest c'est le sentier que LCI a emprunté pour enseigner la paix aux enfants. Pour l'année 2013-2014, sous l'habile direction de Lion Jim Aucoin, 353 enfants ont imaginé la Paix. Six clubs avaient participé et nous avons 80 Clubs dans le District. Nous avons en main tous les outils pour enseigner la paix à nos enfants. Cette année, c'est le 27^e concours annuel de Peace Poster Contest. Ensembles donnons-nous la main. Le monde est blessé. L'enfant que j'étais en 1940 en a été témoin.



DG Lucio Cordisco District N-1



Lions Clubs International District N-1



Lions of this great District N-1

4 months and a few days till Canada shine's in Toronto! Has everyone registered? You will not get a much closer opportunity to show our Pride in our contribution to the many acts of service we provide and to celebrate our great nation with the rest of the world.

Again, it's time to measure. Have we made any of our Dreams a reality? Have you applied the 3 R's of Service to your club? Where are we in the practice of 3 R's of Service – **RESPONSIBILITY, RECOGNITION and REACH**? We continue to accept the **RESPONSIBILITY** helping to make our communities better. From the reports we receive from our clubs, this is evident but all the Clubs are not filing their reports. When you don't fulfill the responsibility of filing all your reports, you are taking away our ability to prove that District N-1 is the best. We must remember that Responsibility extends to our Club members as well and our Communities and to LCI. **RECOGNITION** is the one way we can say "Thank you" in a public way to our members and supporters for all their hard work and financial contributions. As Clubs prepare to hand the reins over to another team, they will want to use one of the many ways to say thank you – presentations of Life Memberships, Melvin Jones Fellowships, Certificates of Appreciation - Simple recognition of a job well done. Ask for any assistance you need or use the LCI Web site to find information on any of the Recognition items. I am very proud to say that our **REACH** is still expanding. We are still asking people to help us serve. District N-1 has grown by 10 members to the end of January. Keep up the good work Lions!

We have received responses from 35.9% of the 78 clubs with 24.36% agreeing to support the APSEA project. It is not too late to help this project. Please ask you clubs to support our children with hearing and vision disabilities. Just drop me an e-mail, telephone call or fax with the amount you can contribute. Thank you so much to all the clubs who have pledged a contribution. You may make your check payable to District N-1 and send it to CST Stewart. The Total pledged amount is \$6,354, 31% of the target \$20,500. Thank you!

Have you tried a Webinar? Go to <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/leadership-development/development-programs/webinars.php> and register to give it a try. Here is a couple to try.

Conducting Your Own New Club Development Workshop Learn how to set up and facilitate your own workshop on forming new clubs in your district. [Wed, Feb 12, 2014, 5:00pm AST NB time](#)

Family and Friends Month April is Family and Friends Month and your opportunity to invite family and friends to learn, serve and celebrate with your club. Listen in for ideas on how your club can participate and learn about the Lions World Lunch Relay and contest. [Feb 18, 2014, 4:00pm AST NB time](#)

You've been a Club President...What's Next? Explores district-level leadership opportunities including committees, chairperson opportunities and the zone chairperson role. **Intended Audience:** Current and past club presidents who want to explore district-level opportunities [Fri, Mar 7, 2014 9:00 pm AST NB Time or Wed, Mar 12, 2014 2:00 pm NB time](#)

Election Time is coming. It's time to get your nominating committee together and hold your elections before the May 15th deadline to file your PU 101's with LCI and District N-1.

In Lionism
VDG Susan

1st Vice District Governor | Susan Sangster |

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

After all of the rush of the holiday season we finally have time to sit down and take note of where we are. It is only then that you realize that we are 2/3 of the way through our Lions year. Where did that time go? And to top it off, it is the busiest period coming up.

I hope you are ready for it. Have you been following your dream?



In the short term we are looking ahead to Club elections which should be completed in time to send the new Club officers to training at the annual convention in the Miramichi. I hope to see all of you at our convention. I know the team from the Newcastle Lions is planning all sorts of treats for you. The training will be beneficial to both old and new Club Officers and also for the general Lions membership. And don't forget the Multiple District Convention in late May in Cornerbrook. It will be a treat and treasure for everyone who attends plus a chance to create new and foster old Lion friendships.

In the near term, do consider attending the Regional Lions Leadership Institute that will take place at Camp Brigadoon, Aylesford Lake, NS in early May. This is a rare learning opportunity for any Lion who hasn't been a Club president yet (or is interested in any leadership role).

Then in July is the ultimate of Lions adventures. I'm talking about the International Convention in Toronto. I'm going to be there. They don't get this close very often.

This is followed by the ultimate learning experience, the USA/Canada Forum being held this year in San Juan, Puerto Rico in September.

Opportunities to travel are everywhere this year, but if you don't want to travel and you learn better while sitting in your pyjamas, may I suggest checking out the on-line webinars and courses available in the Lions Learning Center on our LCI website. You will always find something new and interesting there. There are the quarterly video reports, latest news and events, program descriptions, stories from around the world and here at home, and of course, the Leadership, Membership and Learning centers. A world of information about Lions is at your fingertips.

As always, I want to remind you that I hold this office because of you and I am here to serve you. My office is always open for any questions you may have or to aid you in any way I can. smallr@nbnet.nb.ca

Remember to take a chance; your current safe boundaries were once your unknown frontiers.

Barker's Point Lions Club Dog's Breakfast

Our club is hosting the Fifth annual Dogs Breakfast, a fundraiser where folks buy their breakfast in support of the lions foundation of Canada. March 22, 7:30 to 10:00 at the Gibson United Church In Fredericton.

“Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?” — Lucy Maude Montgomery



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

Dear Lion,

There's no better way to start the year than by saving sight and supporting youth. This January, members of the Lions Quest and SightFirst advisory committees came together to discuss new Lions projects for these programs. I am always impressed by the commitment and dedication Lions show in their project ideas towards helping their communities through LCIF grants.

The cornerstone of Lions' service is saving sight, and there are some exciting new [SightFirst](#) projects that will be implemented in the coming year. Lions and the African Institute of Tropical Ophthalmology in Mali will train ophthalmic surgeons and nurses, as well as assistant optometrists, over the course of five years. In India, diabetic retinopathy will be treated through an infrastructure development grant that enables the Lions Eye Hospital, Nidadavole, to provide diagnostic and treatment services.

In addition to these life-changing SightFirst grants, [Lions Quest](#) grants were awarded. In Virginia, USA, Lions achieved great success with a community partnership grant in 2012, implementing Lions Quest in local schools. Through a new grant, Lions will expand the program's social and emotional learning methods to new school districts. Students in 22 elementary schools in that region are already learning positive life skills through trained school counselor-taught Lions Quest classes. Now even more children will have the chance to do so, thanks to Lions' outreach and efforts.

Lions also support youth through [measles](#)-related activities. [World Immunization Week](#) in April presents an opportunity for projects that raise awareness of measles and the importance of vaccinations. You can learn more about this event below.

There are so many projects of all sizes being completed around the world through Lions and LCIF. As a Foundation, we have supported more than 11,000 grants worldwide since 1968! I encourage you to keep up the good work. In our global community, we have the power to make a difference, no matter the size of the project.

Sincerely,

Wayne A. Madden
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

Save the Date: World Immunization Week

[World Immunization Week](#) is April 24 through 30 this year. It's a moment to reflect on what Lions have accomplished in the [fight against measles](#), and an opportunity to consider how we can do more. Measles is one of the leading causes of death among young children even though a safe and inexpensive vaccine has been available for 50 years. As a Lion, you can help save lives and make the world a healthier place for children by [supporting LCIF](#).

Relief Efforts Continue in the Philippines

When Typhoon Haiyan hit the Philippines, Lions and LCIF responded immediately to help those in need with food, water, medicine and more. Those relief efforts continue today, as the need for assistance is an ongoing process. As part of [disaster relief efforts in the Philippines](#), Lions and LCIF shipped tents and water filtration units to provide shelter and clean water to residents who had lost everything.

"Thanks to LCIF, the local Lions are better able to help the victims rise above the debris and destruction. I extend my sincere thanks for all the support that LCIF has brought our countrymen in these very difficult times," said Council Chairperson Em L. Ang of Lions Multiple District 301 in the Philippines.

Read more about Lions and LCIF disaster relief efforts in next month's [LION Magazine](#), or on [the LCIF blog](#).

Support LCIF by Golfing in Spain

Lions golfers from around the world will meet in southern Spain from March 23 -30, 2014 to participate in the in the Lions European Golf Championship and the Lions Golf Nation Cup. Lions Clubs International Foundation Chairperson and Immediate Past International President Wayne A. Madden will participate in the competition.

The proceeds of these tournaments will be donated to LCIF's [worldwide measles efforts](#) in partnership with the GAVI Alliance. Additionally, for each participating couple, US\$1,000 will be donated to LCIF as a Melvin Jones Fellowship in their honor.

The registration deadline for these golf tournaments is March 1, 2014. For more information on registration, accommodations, sightseeing and more, visit <http://www.lionsgolf.info> (website is in English). Or, contact Dr. Volker Bernhardt via email at charity@drqolf.info.



**Multiple District "N"
Convention 2014
May 30th – June 1st, 2014
Host Club Corner Brook, NL**



Return to: Registration Chairperson Lion Karen Buckle
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Phone: 709-632-9763
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Conference Booking and Contact Info:

Name _____ Lion _____ Guest _____ PDG _____
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- 1. Hospitality Books: (Cost per person) # _____ x \$55.00 = \$ _____
- 2. Meet & Greet Only: # _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____
- 3. Banquet Only: # _____ x \$35.00 = \$ _____
- 4. Registrations and Meetings Only # _____ x \$5.00 = \$ _____

Address: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make Cheques payable to "MDN Convention NL 2014"

Conference Hotel:

Greenwood Inn & Suites, 48 West St. Corner Brook, NL Phone 1-800-399-5381 or 709-634-5381
Room Rates: Single/Double.....\$115.95
King Size Rooms.....\$125.95

Make reservations and payment directly with the hotel and advise them you are booking under the name "Multiple District Lions Convention". April 1st is the booking deadline for receiving the Hotel Special.

Registration and Meetings will be held at the Greenwood Inn and Suites, Banquet & Meet and Greet will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion. A short walking distance from the Greenwood.

If you have any inquiries, please contact the Convention Chairperson:
PDG Penny Pike @ 709-632-8386 or 709-388-8386 or email pennypike79@gmail.com

The Registration Form can be found on the website.

Dorchester Lions Polar Dip 2014

There were 30 Dippers who made the plunge into the frigid waters of Palmer's Pond on January first this year. We had a full range of costumes including Amy Pidt and her brides maids in wedding gown and bridal regalia. Rosann Mackenzie in stylish 1910's bather costume complete with parasol. There was one dipper from Australia and a resident of Vancouver, a former Dorchesterite who wanted a change from running into the Pacific Ocean.

Volunteers helped to make the event a success. Wendy Hunter was in charge of registration. James Glew passed the hat, literally. Thanks to Rickey Swift for plowing the path to the pond and clearing a staging area for the Dippers. Brian MacLean used the snow blower to clear a path to the Dipping area and spot for the Dipping Hole and jumping area on the ice.

Members of the Dorchester Volunteer Fire Department showed up enmass with 10 members providing safety, security, and first aid for the event. Once the 25 dippers had their dunk, we had 5 of the firemen make the plunge. Lion Paul, a founding member of THE LIONS ICE HOLE CUTTERS ASSOCIATION, cut the OFFICIAL hole in the 36 cm deep ice while Lion Dave, another certified member, scooped out the ice and chips. Lion Rolly was in charge of the camera, capturing a video record of the Dippers antics. Lion Jim was the cashier, collecting the registration fee. Lion Leslie was in charge of the Megaphone, keeping order and announcing the dippers. Lion Adrian helped maintain order and helped James pass the hat. Lion Dan helped with the registration and crowd control.

The temperature hovered around -10C with sunny skies and gusty winds. The Dippers were quick to get dressed and warmed up.

The Dorchester Lions Polar Dip 2014 was a splashing success.

Dear Lion Leader:

I have just returned from some membership meetings at our headquarters in Oak Brook with President Palmer. He is concerned, as I am, with our membership losses in Canada so far this fiscal year.

As of January 12th, Canada has a net loss of approximately 500 Lions. I assured the President that our 1,640 clubs were doing a great job serving our communities and the world, and that we were just as anxious as him to invite more Canadians to join our ranks. As our International Convention is in Toronto, Canada, Lions from all over the world will be coming to visit, and Canadian Lions will be in the global spotlight. Wouldn't it be great if we can welcome the world with a **net increase** in every Lions club in the Canadian Lions family? I have no doubt that President Palmer would love to highlight the number of hands that we have added to make our great nation even greater! We can't do that without your help.

As a fellow Canadian Lion, I am asking you to make a concerted effort to have a **net increase** in your club's membership by June 30th. That means having a plan to **engage** your current members, **replace** the ones you lose for whatever reason by **recruiting** new members, and continue to **serve** your community in even greater measure. Be sure to use our new "[Just Ask!](#)" member recruitment program and the "[Member Satisfaction Survey](#)" in your efforts.

Another way to attract new members is to participate in President Palmer's [Family & Friends](#) Month in April. It's the perfect opportunity for you to share your club, your service, and the difference you are making in the community with the people you love. It's a simple and effective way to grow your club!

I am a proud Canadian Lion - we're the nation that made Lions truly "international" in 1920. I know that as a Lion leader this year, the members of your club are also proud Canadians. Let's show the world that Canadian Lions take second place to none in our Association!

I look forward to seeing you in Toronto in July.
Yours in Lionism,
Judge Brian Stevenson



Stratford And Area Lions Club

The Lions Club has been busy this fall, we held three major fund raisers, two of these were for specific causes and one was general in nature. Along with the big three we continue to host monthly Ceilidhs and weekly Cribbage Tournaments.

The first major fund raiser was the apple and apple pie project. It ran for 5 weeks and we were able to make and sell 1600 pies plus numerous bags of apples. The funds generated by this project are used to support our donations throughout the year.

The second major fund raiser was the Pancake Breakfast we hosted for the School Breakfast Program at our two schools. The Lions Club cooked and served the breakfast, with help, the Town supplied the Hall and the tickets and the Schools sold the tickets and helped serve it. Again it was a huge success thanks to you the community and all involved. Through this project we were able to raise approximately 3200, which were turned over to the two Stratford Schools.

The third major fund raiser was for the Bingley Family. The Lions sponsored an evening of entertainment at the School combined with a silent auction; items for the auction were donated by local businesses and individuals. Through this event we were able to raise 6100 for the Bingley Family. We thank all involved, the performers, the businesses and the individuals who donated freely of their time, auction items and money.

These three fund raising projects were successful only because you the Community supported us generously, we thank you for your great generosity and support and look forward to working with and for you in the future.

We do spend a lot of our time fund raising that is true but we do take time to lend assistance to the community through donations of time and or money. We meet twice a month where we deal with requests from the community such as assistance with travel out of province for medical reasons, family and individual assistance.

We held our annual Seniors Christmas Dinner, an event that our seniors can get together for a hot meal they don't have to prepare and to do some socializing. This year we served approximately 250 guests, yes they are our guests as there is no charge for it. As usual it is a hot roast dinner with all the fixings with apple pie and ice cream for dessert. Again this year Ken and Mary MacWilliams served an appetizer of oysters, thanks again Ken and Mary. Santa Claus made a visit and passed out presents to guests. Just a note on next year's dinner, we will not be able to serve takeout meals.

We were really successful in all our endeavours thanks to you the community, we thank you for your great support by buying our Pies, attending the Breakfast, the Bingley fund raiser our Ceilidhs and last but not least our Cribbage Tournaments.

We wish you a Happy New Year and all the best in 2014.

Submitted by Louis Ostridge



To the members of the Barker's Point Lions Club:

We would like to extend a huge, sincere THANK YOU for the donation of the pop tabs. As you may know, we have been collecting can tabs for the past year for our Grade 5 student, Isaac Wall, who has Muscular Dystrophy, so that he can get a manual wheelchair. The chair that he has now is on loan, and not actually his. This very generous donation will help us reach our goal so much faster. His family also wanted me to express their gratitude for your help! Thank you so much for considering Isaac for these tabs. Sincerely,

Isaac Wall's Teacher: Mme Nathalie Dressaire
Mac Isaac, and the Grade 5 students in 5D



"Peace, Love and Understanding" is the theme of the 2014-15 [Peace Poster Contest](#). Lions clubs can sponsor this [art contest for kids](#) in their community for children in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups.

Ordering Peace Poster Contest Kits

Lions clubs interested in sponsoring the Lions International Peace Poster Contest can order a Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. The cost of the kit is US\$11.95 plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. The kit is available in all 11 of our official languages. Lions clubs must purchase a kit for each contest sponsored. Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules**
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules**
- Participant Flyer** to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker** to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates** for contest winner and school or youth group

You can order kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters from January 15 to

October 1. To order a kit, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S.

Virgin Islands and Canada only). To order online, go to [Club Supplies](#) (Item Search: Peace Poster Kit).

Please [review contest rules](#) and order kits as soon as possible to guarantee sufficient time for a well-planned contest.

For orders within the United States, please allow 3-4 weeks for delivery. Additional delivery time is needed for orders outside the United States.

[Order a Kit](#)

Promoting the Contest

In addition to the kit, you can also use the following PR Tools to promote your club's Peace Poster Contest:

- [Peace Poster press release](#)
- [Peace Poster Brochure](#)
- [District Peace Poster Chairperson's Guide](#)
- [Honorable Mention certificate](#)
- [Peace Poster DVD](#)



From Douglastown:

On January 25th, the Douglastown Lions Club participated in the Family Literacy Fair held at the Northumberland Square Mall. We had a booth set up to promote Dog Guides for the Blind. There were music and events for kids.

The Douglastown Club also made a \$500.00 donation to the Phillipines relief through LCIF.

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November 23, 2013 was a very special night at Harvey Station Lions Club, not only were we celebrating 45 years of service to our community but also two of our members were awarded the Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship Award. Lion Art Harris and Lion Joe Connors were the honoured recipients of this prestigious award. Shown in photo: King Lion Allan Russell, Lion Art Harris, Lion Joe Connors and PDG Jan Phillips, Foundation of Canada NB Director.

Report from the Diabetes Tag day

Altogether collected from across Canada we managed to realize a total of \$31,754.19.

Although we are not happy with the totals for this year, I want to say a big thank you to all of the clubs that participated for our District this year. We only had six club who took part this year. However I am like others and I would like to see more clubs take part. Anyway, we did manage to realize a total of \$1,665.19

The next Tag Day will be held from the 15th November to the end of 2014.

Cavalcade 2014

Fellow Lion's , This years Cavalcade will be hosted by the Zone 13 Clubs under the Chairmanship of Lion Wayne Hicks from the Kennebecasis Lion's Club and Zone Chairperson Lion Sonny Bonnell. There will be more information on this as soon as the two chairpersons have their meeting.

Please Note: If you are going to want supplies ordered, please E-Mail me at my home and I will get the supplies ordered.

My home e-mail address is hborden170@gmail.com

This ia a very important Fundraiser because the bulk of the funds are donated to Camp Diabest to help support our Diabetic Children. You may also donate money to name an Harry Newman award, but you must donate the \$800.00 all in one shot.

Thank you Lion's from NB Diabetes Awareness Chairperson



**Barkers Point Northside Lions Club
has very busy Christmas Season**



First Annual Christmas Bazaar was held at the hall. All tables were sold to local craftspeople and the club sponsored a Bake Sale and ran the canteen. Very good turnout of patrons and all club members took part. What Fun !



Santa Clause Parade was entered in with several members passing out treats along the parade route.



Annual Tree Lighting was held again and one of the club's money makers. The lit sign and tree gives our club great exposer at one of the city's busy interections. Thanks go to Ducks Unlimited for the space.is



Santa was very busy with his elf visiting many groups and handing out treats to children. "Breakfast with Santa" has become popular with groups raising funds for their

Christmas projects. Three Lions ,each with a suit, make it possible to do so many activities.

In The New Year....



DG Lucio visits and is presented with his own brand of wine

ZC Anna & DG Lucio attend our meeting



Lions Rod & Lion Bill receive 25 Year Chevrons.

**LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT "N1"**

LCIF REPORT – 04 Feb 2014

Over the past several months I have personally provided Clubs with assistance in their submission of donations, especially under the Disaster topic. A letter to all Presidents is being forwarded recommending what I am suggesting in this report.

“It is recommended that all clubs have their treasurers forward \$100.00 per month to LCIF, indicating what you want the money utilized for ie: disaster, diabetes, youth, etc., and indicating you want the money accredited towards the purchase of Melvin Jones awards. A Melvin Jones Award takes a donation of \$1,000.00 USA funds. By donating this way, you are assisting our International Foundation Grant division of the Association and building up Melvin Jones Awards to present to deserving members of your club. By giving you also receive.”

The Parkdale Sherwood Lions Club made a \$5,000.00 donation to LCIF last year and I have forwarded a special LCIF pin for their generosity to each of the club members as a small gesture of thanks.

I will be setting up information table at our Cabinet Meetings and hopefully at the MD Convention.

PCC/PDG Tim HOBAN –
LCIF Co-ordinator for “N1”

Lions Club Milestones

Belfast Lions Club — 40 years
Dalhousie — 40 years
Eastern Charlotte — 40 years
Geary — 45 years
Jacquet River — 50 years

McAdam Lions Club — 40 years
Milligeville-North End Brae — 35 years
Moncton — 65 years
Morell — 45 years
Richibucto — 50 years



Our newest club, Saint John South End Lions Club, will be a year old on June 22, 2014.

EDITOR'S REPORT

Greetings, fellow Lions.

This time, I have brought the Newsletter out a week before the February Cabinet meeting. I appreciate the reports that all have sent me. I am starting to set deadlines for my reports, but I will use the range of a week before the newsletter comes out. My deadline for this Newsletter was the week starting February 10th.

I put in some Lions Club milestones this month, for clubs that have them. I also have listed above, some of the things that our Lions Club of Douglastown has done to help out.

I thank my fellow district members for their reports they have given me for this Newsletter. I hope that you can meet my deadlines for every report.

Lion Michael Hambrook,

Newsletter Editor

