District N1 Newsletter 2013 - 14 November & December



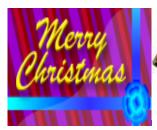
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Message to District N-1 Lions

We are in the 2nd quarter to the Lionsitic year 2012-13. I must thank all the Lions of this great District as we join International President Barry Palmer and Lions everywhere in fulfilling the dream of stronger clubs, stronger communities and stronger Lions. Thank you Lions, as you help me realize my dream of families together in service and projects for the youth and for the small successes we have made together, being the only District in MD N with positive growth. As I travel to the clubs I am received warmly and I thank them most sincerely for their help delivering my message across the language barrier.

Another year of Remembering all our friends, our families,- biological, of the heart, and Lions - who have died to protect us and just passed by. Many of our clubs take part in these special services to show our love and respect.

A very important challenge this year is rebuilding the playground to hearing and vision impaired children from our communities in Atlantic Canada. For children to be able to excel in school, they must learn to adapt and this playground provide special tools and a safe environment for this to happen. Please let VDG Susan know how much your club can help.

LCIF is hard at work ready to go to work providing emergency relief after the Super Typhoon Haiyan in the Phillipines. Disaster relief necessities of life – food, water, and shelter – will soon be on its way to the Lions of the Phillipines to administer. Pray for the many families devastated by this super storm.

Congratulations to all the Clubs and Lions who will be celebrating special milestones this year. Be proud of the work you have done, and will continue to do. From my heart, well done!



DG Lucio

Message aux Lions du District N-1

Nous sommes dans le 2ème trimestre de l'année de Lionisme 2012-13. Je me dois de remercier tous les Lions de ce grand district, et je vous invite à vous joindre au Président International Barry Palmer et aux Lions de partout dans le monde pour réaliser le rêve d'un Lionisme toujours plus fort, toujours plus grand. Merci membres Lions du District N-1 de contribuer aussi à la réalisation de mon rêve de voir un jour nos familles et nos jeunes réunis dans le service. Je tiens à vous féliciter tous pour le succès que nous avons connu ce mois-ci. Nous sommes le seul District de MD N à avoir connu une croissance positive. J'ai aussi débuté mes visites de clubs et je vous suis reconnaissant pour l'accueil chaleureux que je reçois et je vous en remercie très sincèrement. Je remercie aussi les membres qui m'aident à livrer mon message malgré la barrière de la langue.

Souvenons-nous aussi de tous nos amis,, des membres de nos familles et de notre famille des Lions qui sont morts pour nous protéger. Beaucoup de nos clubs prennent part à ces services spéciaux pour montrer notre amour et notre respect envers leur grand sacrifice.

Un autre défi important que nous devons relever cette année est la reconstruction de la cour de l'école pour les enfants de la région de l'Atlantique, ayant des troubles de vision et d'audition (ASPEA). Afin d'être en mesure de réussir à l'école, ces enfants doivent apprendre à s'adapter et cette aire de jeux leur fournit les outils spéciaux et un environnement sécuritaire pour faciliter cet apprentissage. Veuillez s'il vous plaît informer VDG Susan de la part que votre club désire contribuer.

La LCIF est aussi au travail et toujours prête à apporter des secours d'urgence. Nourriture, eau et abris seront bientôt livrés aux Lions des Philippines afin de les aider à secourir les familles dévastées suite à la tempête du typhon Haiwan. Ayons une pensée pour toutes ces familles qui sont dans la peine afin qu'elles trouvent le courage de se relever.

Félicitations à tous les clubs Lions qui vont célébrer une étape importante de Lionisme (Milestone) cette année. Soyez fiers du travail que vous avez accompli et que vous accomplirez encore au fil des années. Du fond du coeur, je vous dis merci pour tout ce magnifique travail que vous apportez aux familles et à vos communautés...

DG Lucio



Dream Big to Make a Big Impact

When Sydney hosted the Olympics in 2000, I was privileged to help organize the Paralympic Games in Australia. I'll never forget the opening ceremony. Some of the participants could not walk on their legs, so they proudly paraded around the track on their hands. *Nothing could hold back their vibrant human spirit!* And that was just a warm-up to the amazing feats of athleticism when they competed. Despite physical limitations, they ran, jumped, and swam with incredible fervor, effort, and yes, superior skill, speed and strength.



This year, I am urging Lions and clubs to **Follow Your Dream**. The disabled athletes taught me that too often we underestimate our capabilities. We shortchange ourselves. In this issue, we profile clubs and Lions that dreamed big and achieved great success. *Why not you?*

You have two choices. You can shrink your dream to fit reality. Or you can stretch reality to fit your dreams. The history of Lions is testament to the validity of the latter. For nearly a century, Lions have made dreams come true. *Dreams are our stock in trade*.

Making dreams reality is not magic. You have to work at it. The formula is pretty simple but foolproof. **First, name a dream.** You need to share the dream with others, to put it out there so it lives and breathes and gathers support and momentum. **Secondly, plan to achieve the dream.** An action plan will literally force the dream to become real. Do this today, tomorrow, or this week or month at the latest. Our communities need our dreams and our passion to serve. Our friends and neighbors await our energetic kindness, our We Serve approach.

We are who we want to be. Let's not be night dreamers who wake up in the morning and can't remember their dreams. The day dreamers are fully awake and alert. They think, what if I were able to do this or to try this? They don't just have a dream — they live the dream. Being a Lion is a great gift in itself, a dream life in which we have the perfect opportunity to shar our good will and concern for others.

Follow Your DREAM

For the Convention Schedule, Convention Registration, Delegation Hotel Assignments and much more, visit us on the web at:

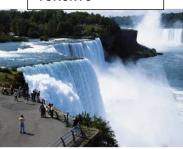
So, Lions, Follow Your Dream!

www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-and-events/international-convention/index.php

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From our home to yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Every time a hand reaches out To help another....that is Christmas Every time someone puts anger aside And strives for understanding That is Christmas

Every time people forget their differences And realize their love for each other That is Christmas

May this Christmas bring us Closer to the spirit of human understanding Closer to the blessing of peace!



VDG Susan and PDG Boyd





Hi Lions of District N-1:

The Christmas Party at Portage is soon. Please contact Lion Diane at dlhebert65@hotmail.com so she will have your Club listed to receive a name for a gift. We expect to need between 40 - 50 gifts under the tree for Santa to distribute. For some of the residents, this will be the only Christmas present they will receive.

To each and every Lion and their families, we pray for a happy safe Christmas season. As we SERVE those in need in our communities, please take moment to say thank you to our troups who protect our rights and freedoms, to our police officers, fire fighters, and emergency paramedics who daily place their own lives in jeprody to protect ours and to all the volunteers who tirelessly give of themselves to help others. Thank1st VDG Susan you, Merci

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



Fellow Lions.

Once again I sit down at the keyboard to share some thoughts with you. Are you following your dream yet? We all have been challenged to do so this year. If you have a dream, remember to forget all the reasons why it won't work and believe the one reason why it will.

When was the last time you were on the Lions Clubs

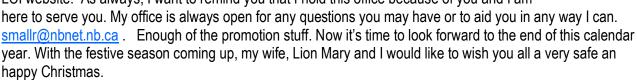


adding to the website. You will always find something new and interesting there. There are the quarterly video reports, latest news and events, program descriptions, stories from around the world and here at home, and of course, the Leadership, Membership and Learning centers. A world of information about Lions is at you fingertips.

I would like to remind everyone of the upcoming Regional Lions Leadership Institute in District N-2 on May 2-4, 2014. I highly recommend this institute for any Lion who would like to be a better Lion, team member, project leader, or Club or District officer.

For those who would like to go further and gain a more international experience, there is the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute be held in Oak Brook March 8-10, 2014.

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. As always, I want to remind you that I hold this office because of you and I am



Remember... you cannot always choose what happens to you in life, but you can always choose how you react to it. Smile. — Author Unknown



Lionism for Families :We Care Nos familles nous tiennent à Coeur

ASPEA, The Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority, and its partners are requesting the support of all the Lions Clubs in Atlantic Canada, based on our percentage of use, in rebuilding its playground. As Lions Clubs, we can help by providing donations for the purchase of the specialized playground equipment. This playground equipment combines fun, recreation, teaching tools and safety for the blind and visually impaired and/or deaf/hard of hearing.

The total estimated cost of the project is \$200,000. The estimated share for New Brunswick and PEI would be approximately \$20,500. Recognition of our support would be in media coverage of the reopening ceremony, print coverage and a permanent recognition of support on site.

On behalf of DG Lucio and the District N-1 Cabinet, I am asking for your financial support. Not every Club is in the position to simply write a check however every club is in the position to hold a special fund raising project. The child this playground will help could be from your community. We need to assist our children with these special disabilities have the very best educational experience possible.

THANK YOU TO THOSE CLUBS WHO HAVE RESPONDED. To those who have not yet responded, please answer!

So we can make a decision based on the approval of our Lions, please take this funding request to your membership and respond to me before November 30, 2013, by completing the Name of your Club and indicate your willingness to participate Please email or fax your Club's decision to sangster@nbnet.nb.ca or by Fax 506-450-8391.

In Lionism. We Serve

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Lionism for Families :We Care Nos familles nous tiennent à Coeur

ASPEA, l'enseignement spécial des provinces de l'Atlantique, autorité et ses partenaires demandent l'appui de tous les clubs Lions de la région de l'Atlantique, sur la base de notre pourcentage d'utilisation, dans la reconstruction de son terrain de jeu. Comme les Lions Clubs, nous pouvons vous aider en fournissant des dons pour l'achat du terrain spécialisées matériel. Ce matériel de jeux pour les moissonneuses-batteuses fun, les loisirs et les outils d'enseignement et de sécurité pour les aveugles et les malvoyants et/ou sourds ou malentendants.



Le coût total estimatif du projet est de 200,000 \$. La part estimée pour le Nouveau-brunswick et l'île du PRINCE-ÉDOUARD serait d'environ 20 500 \$. Reconnaissance de notre appui serait dans le domaine de la couverture médiatique de la cérémonie de réouverture, imprimer une couverture et une reconnaissance permanente d'une assistance sur site.

Au nom de la DG Lucio et le District N-1 du Cabinet, je vous demande votre soutien financier. Pas chaque Club est dans la position de simplement écrire un chèque cependant chaque club est dans la position de tenir un fonds spécial projet de collecte. L'enfant, cette aire aidera pourrait être de votre communauté. Nous devons aider nos enfants avec ces handicaps spéciaux ont le meilleur enseignement possible l'expérience.

Merci pour ces clubs qui ont répondu. Pour ceux qui n'ont pas encore répondu, merci de répondre !

Pour que nous puissions prendre une décision fondée sur l'approbation de nos Lions, veuillez prendre cette demande de financement de votre adhésion et de me répondre avant 30 novembre 2013, en complétant le nom de votre Club et indiquer votre volonté de participer, envoyez un e-mail ou fax votre décision du Club de sangster@nbnet.nb.ca ou par télécopieur 506-450-8391.

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1st VDG Susan Sangster 1180 Rte 105, Douglas, <u>sangster@nbnet.nb.ca</u> Fax 506-450-8391 Diistrict Governor Lucio Cordisco 58 rue de la Baie, Maisonnette, NB E8N 2B1 luciocordisco@hotmail.com





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



Return to: Registration Chairperson Lion Karen Buckle

33 Mt Batten Rd. Comer Brook NL

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Phone: 709-632-9763

amail: karen jbuokle@coopegatogs.ca

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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

97th Annual Lions Clubs International Convention Friday, July 4 – Tuesday, July 8, 2014 • Toronto, Ontario, Canada Convention Registration and Hotel Reservation Form

Deadlines

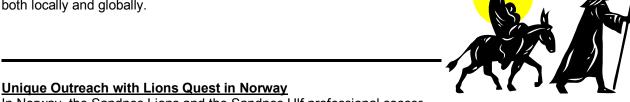
- May 1, 2014: Deadline for advance registration and hotel reservation. Registrations after this date will be processed in Toronto.
- May 1, 2014: Deadline to receive a refund for a registration cancellation. May 16, 2014: Deadline to receive a refund for a hotel room cancellation.

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LCIF Grants Awarded

During the October 2013 Board of Directors meeting in Port Douglas, Australia, 51 Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) grants were awarded totaling US\$2,443,541, Among many projects, these grants support Lions' efforts to build playgrounds for children who are disabled; purchase ophthalmological equipment for local hospitals; conduct medical and dental missions;

purchase low vision aids: and much more. Lions will touch the lives of an estimated 4.7 million people through these grants, assisting those in need both locally and globally.



In Norway, the Sandnes Lions and the Sandnes Ulf professional soccer team have partnered to bring Lions Quest and soccer into classrooms. In January 2012, the soccer team agreed to become Lions Quest ambassadors in local schools. Players teach a 60-minute session to fifth graders about bullying, decision making, saying no to drugs, and working to achieve goals.

"It means so much to the students when we visit their school," said player Bjørnar Holmvik. "It's great that we have such a good curriculum for them."

To further promote the program, Sandnes Ulf players wear a Lions Quest Norway logo on the back of their jerseys, a Lions Quest billboard is displayed at the field, and a short Lions Quest video is played on the big screen during a match break. The Sandnes Ulf players have visited more than 10 schools, and they have plans to visit 20 by the end of 2013. You can read more about the Sandnes Lions Quest program in the September issue of LION Magazine. (Photo courtesy of Trond Rekstad)

Lions in Spain are holding a Lions golf tournament to benefit LCIF's measles efforts. You can download a flyer for more information, or visit the tournament website.



Registration deadline: November 15, 2013.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT N HOSTS 2013-2014 REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The Institute will take place May 2-4th at Camp Brigadoon Aylesford Lake NS

There is limited space available. The Institute is limited to a maximum of 30 participants. Some additions to the curriculum are Public Speaking and Time Management. Registration Fee is \$75.00.

Registration deadline March 1, 2014

Contact CC Stewart MacDonald (GLT) stewmac@nbnet.nb.ca for registration kit or visit District N-1 website http://lionsdistrictn1.ca/ or MDN website http://lcimdn.org/



The Lions/CDA National Liaison Committee are working together to make arrangements for CDA Tag Day to be held any day in November or December your club may choose.

November is Diabetes Month!!!

I encourage all clubs to participate with this fundraiser and awareness for Diabetes. All money raised with Tag Day in NB goes to a local office. There are 77,000 people in NB that need our support. This is a rewarding day for Lions Clubs and the Diabetes Association. Tag Kits, consisting of Stickers and Posters with the Lion and CDA Logo are delivered to each club that wishes to participate. We ask your club to collect change and pass out the stickers.

We encourage you to set up a display, with posters, at your local hardware store, liquor store, coffee shop, etc. You know your community high traffic areas.

Contact me with the number of kits your club requires. Each kit has 2 posters and 200 stickers. I will have the kits delivered to your address. Please contact me to receive the kits. If your club does participate please turn the funds over to your treasurer and have them make a cheque out to Canadian Diabetes Association and forward it to me.

If your club is not participating with Tag Day, your club can still help by making a donation to the Diabetes Association. Please make cheques payable to Canadian Diabetes Association and send to me to code and record the amount raised for the Tag Day Project in NB.

Fellow Lions

When you are planning to honor one of your fellow Lions for their accomplishments, please consider presenting them with a Harry A. Newman Award. This is truly a Canadian award as Harry Newman was the first Canadian President of Lions Clubs International. You can purchase the award with a \$800.00 contribution to the Canadian Diabetes Association. This money will be used by CDA for research. Attached is a copy of the brochure outlining the award with application instructions and an application form. Please consider purchasing this award and supporting the Canadian Diabetes Association 's research program.

Yours in Lionism

ZC 19A2 Bob Rasmus

Chair CDA National Liaison Committee



Dear Lions,

This month, I was able to celebrate World Sight Day in Australia, and I am proud of the sight-saving efforts that Lions continually put forth. But, I am also proud of how much we do in other areas of service. More and more, Lions are becoming known as people who can provide basic assistance in the hours and days <u>following a disaster</u>, as well as relief and rebuilding in the months following.

As we come upon the <u>one year anniversary of a superstorm</u> that hit the United States, that and other disasters like the Japan tsunami and the Haiti earthquake are great examples of Lions' immediate response, compassion and support at work.

Two weeks ago, Lions responded immediately to a destructive cyclone in India. LCIF awarded a US\$100,000 major catastrophe grant to Multiple District 322. Lions will use some of the funds to purchase short term relief items including blankets, food, water, and medical supplies. The remaining financial support will be used for reconstruction efforts within areas that were completely destroyed. To assist with disasters like this, I encourage you to consider making a donation to the Foundation for disaster relief, which is Melvin Jones Fellowship eligible.

In response to another recent tragedy, Lions in Kenya acted quickly when the horrific mall shooting occurred in Nairobi. Within an hour of the attack, Lions were volunteering at the M. P. Shah Hospital, where people who had been injured were provided with medical aid. And Lions' hard work did not go unnoticed - the President of Kenya visited the hospital and thanked the Lions for their support and being the first to respond.

It would be impossible to list all of the amazing Lions' disaster relief efforts from around the world – I see examples posted online every day. You are giving people hope following tragedy, and rebuilding communities together through your support, through your use of LCIF emergency grants and through your contributions to our Foundation. I thank every one of you for your dedication to helping others in times of need.

Sincerely,

Wayne A. Madden Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation





Riverview Lions Donate to P.R.O. Kids

The Riverview Lions Club, represented by Lion Reg House recently presented a cheque to Karen Thompson, Recreation and Community Coordinator, for he Riverview P.R.O. Kids. The large donation of \$5057, the proceeds from the Lions second annual "CHINESE TICKET AUCTION", will go towards fulfilling the PRO Kids purpose "to provide assistance to as many children and youth as possible who, due to lack of funds, are not able to participate in sport, art, culture and recreational activities". The acronym P.R.O.

stands for "Positive Recreation Opportunity" for Kids

Left to Right — Karen Thompson and Lion Reg House

Lion Nelson Vessey Riverview Lions Club 854-5652



The Peace Posters are hung across from Lawton's Drugs. There are 94 posters from Devon Middle School (65), Chief Harold Sappier Memorial Elementary School Grade 5 (10) and Nashwaaksis Middle School (19). One winner will be chosen from each school and will advance to the next level of competition on November 17th in Winslow, PEI where there will be 11 Peace Posters from Lions Clubs in NB, PEI and 3 clubs from eastern Maine. The next level of completion is the MD N and then on to the LCI with \$2,500.00 first place prize and 23 Merit Award prizes at \$500.00 each and an exhibit at the United Nations in New York City in March.

I am sending this to inform your members. Perhaps in the future, one of your members could be one of the three judges. I will drop off a copy of the judge's form for your members' information.

To get a sense of the level of art involved, go to the website provided and hit "Merit Award Winners". Lion Jim Aucoin, Chair, District N-1 Peace Poster Contest

Douglastown Lions Club First annual Purina Dog Walk

The Douglastown Lions Club held a "Purina Dog Walk" on October 5, 2013 in Miramichi New Brunswick, Canada at Waterford Green Park. Activities included with the walk were a petting zoo for children, face painting and balloon animals. Several dogs and their owners took part. As it was the first event of this type in the Miramichi area, not as many registered in advance as we hoped, however those who did take part raised almost \$1000.00. A barbeque, manned by Douglastown Lions, was also part of the day and made possible by donations received from local businesses. The city police department volunteered their staff to ensure that the walkers were safe along the route. Representatives from Lions Foundation for service dogs of Canada also took part. Their presence was greatly appreciated. Door prizes were given out to all participants. The Club is looking forward to planning next year's event.

Top Right: Lion Jan Phillips with her dog Encore.

Far Right: A lady stands with two white dogs

Immediate Right: Lion Daniel McGraw and his dog Lilian (in front) lead the lady with the white dogs.









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PRESS RELEASE



Portage Atlantic hosted its seventeenth Annual "Recognition Day" on Sunday, September 29th, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. at Sussex High School.

Recognition Day has special meaning to youth and families who have been supported by the Portage program at Cassidy Lake. At this year's ceremony, 45 youth from across Canada were recognized for having completed various stages of the residential and aftercare components of the program.

Much emphasis is placed on education at Portage and educational milestones were recognized during the ceremony. Of the youth who were recognized on Sunday, many are enrolled in post-secondary institutions and several have been awarded bursaries.

Russell H.T. King, Portage Atlantic Chairman, was pleased to introduce special guest speaker RCMP Inspector Rick Shaw. Inspector Shaw offered an inspiring message to youth and guests on overcoming obstacles to achieve success.

The facility at Cassidy Lake is a residential treatment centre for youth between the ages of 14 and 21 with serious substance abuse problems. The residential Portage program is bilingual and offered to youth from throughout Atlantic Canada. The approach to treatment is based on the therapeutic community model which, through positive peer pressure and role modeling, helps youth increase self-esteem by developing coping mechanisms and transferable skills.

The 2013 Portage Atlantic Recognition was supported by RBC Children's Mental Health Project.

For more information:

Carol Tracey: 506-459-1284

ctracey@portage.ca



Lions,

LCIF Chair PCC Tim has requested the following information from PID Patti Hill be sent to all clubs. PID Patti writes:

The devastation in the Philippines has touched the local Lions there and all of their families. As many as 10,000 people are believed to have died in Typhoon Haiyan, which slammed into six central Philippine islands on Friday.

Make your personal Donation of \$20.00 or more to the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF and you will receive your Charitable Donations Receipt.

Clubs wishing to assist in donations can note the donation for the relief efforts in the Philippines

LCIF Chairperson PIP Wayne Madden writes:

Your donations to LCIF enable us to have much needed funds available. We are sending emergency grants in the amount of US\$30,000 today to the Lions of the Philippines. It will likely take a few more days to assess the impact and subsequent need, which will determine how much more funding may be necessary.

CC Stewart MacDonald CST District N-1 2013-2014

Follow Your Dream





From the Editor

I have been asked, first of all, to acknowledge the passing of Lion Edgar Doucette of the Charlottetown Lions Club, who is shown on the previous page receiving a 50-year service Chevron pin from District Governor Lucio. Lion Edgar will be missed by all who knew him. RIP Lion Edgar.



This will be the last District Newsletter before Christmas. One of my most favourite passages for this time of year is an excerpt from "Yes Virginia, There is a Santa Claus", because to me it symbolizes what we do in Lions and what we would be without Lions.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from my family to yours.

Lion Michael Hambrook

Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIAS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Holiday Humour

"Here's a Christmas request I can't give," Santa said to Mrs. Claus.

"Why not?" asked Mrs. Claus.

"Here, read the letter."

Dear Santa.

Will you please bring me some crocodile shoes for Christmas? Thanks,

Pete

"But you have lots of crocodile shoes," said Mrs. Claus. "Why can't you give him a pair?"

"Because he didn't tell me what size his crocodile wears."

The Santa Claus at the shopping mall was very surprised when Emily, a young lady aged about 20 years old walked up and sat on his lap. Now, we all know that Santa doesn't usually take requests from adults, but she smiled very nicely at him, so he asked her, 'What do you want for Christmas?'

'Something for my mother, please,' replied Emily sweetly. 'Something for your mother? Well, that's very loving and thoughtful of you,' smiled Santa. 'What do would you like me to bring her?'

Without turning a hair Emily answered quickly, 'A son-in-law.'



