

# **Community and Cultural Committee Report**

**November, December 2013 and January 2014**

The Lions of District N-1 are ever visible in their readiness “to serve” the elderly, disabled, the sick, mentally challenged, and anyone in need of assistance in their communities. Our Lions also help in Soup Kitchens and monthly community breakfasts. We supply schools with materials and playground equipment. We contribute to the School Breakfast Program as well as offer the Schools the opportunity to participate in Peace Poster and Public Speaking Contests.

Our members throughout the District are active in raising money for Guide Dogs, CNIB, Diabetes Association and Portage. Our Clubs have been quick to donate to or pledge support for the APSEA Project. We have Lions who help with Remembrance Day Celebrations as well as those Lions involved in Food drives and the preparation of food hampers for needy families, especially around Christmas. Other Lions are seriously involved in the collection of toys for the children of those needy families. We also have several Santas who visit different groups to spread joy to young and old at Christmas time.

As for the young people of our communities, they are becoming aware of what Lions do because we support so many of their activities: Girl Guides, Cadets, Hockey teams, Outreach Programs and other requests they put forth.

We, as Lions should be proud of the work we do in our communities. We will be recognized because we display our symbol and live the motto: “to serve”. Are we not available to give assistance whenever we are called upon to do so?

For the month of November **12 Clubs** sent Activity Reports to me, for December there were **13**, and for the month of January there were **15** reports. I think our District would profit, if more of our Clubs would share their activities. For example, one of our Clubs suggested we have at our Spring Convention a Seminar on Fundraising as a means to develop new ideas and improve the old. I am sure that we have other ideas and so I appeal to the Presidents and Secretaries of our District to make an effort to send me a copy of your Activity Report when you send it to the Executive members of District N-1.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairperson of Community and Cultural Activities