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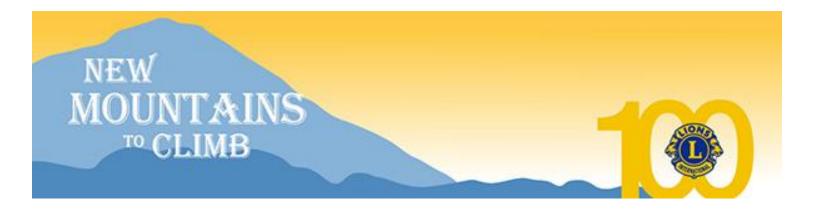




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### **President's Message**



Dear Lion,

We recently reached the 100 million people served milestone in the Centennial Service Challenge. This incredible accomplishment is proof that when Lions join together for the benefit of humanity, there's nothing we can't achieve.

I hope you'll join me in celebrating this achievement in true Lions style—by renewing your commitment to serving the people who need us most. The Centennial Celebration is a great opportunity for every Lion to get involved in service.

You can plan a project for the Worldwide Weeks of Service, dedicate a Centennial Community Legacy Project in your community, and continue supporting the Centennial Service Challenge by hosting youth, vision, hunger and environmental projects. And keep reporting your activities to LCI so we can share our impact with Lions and the world.

I'd like you to take a minute to watch our <u>100 Million Served video</u> and reflect on the millions of lives changed by your service. Then keep serving to see how high we can climb!

Very truly yours, Chancellor Bob Corlew Your International President



#### RODERICK WRIGHT INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR 2015-2017

Roderick Wright from New Brunswick, Canada, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 through 30, 2015.

Director Wright is the director of education for the New Brunswick Real Estate Association.

A member of the Barkers Point Northside Lions Club since 2006, and a Lion since 1984, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, club membership chairperson, club director, district governor and district international relations chairperson. He has also presented at the 2009 International Convention leadership exchange and was moderator at the USA/Canada Forum in Alaska.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the Membership Key Award, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation and an International President's Award. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Wright is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including Portage Atlantic and Revia. He was previously active in the Maine Principals Association, the Mountain Valley Principals Association, Maine Support Network of Rural Special Educators and the Franklin County Children's Task Force.

Director Wright has one son, two daughters and three grandchildren

## **COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS**



COUNCIL CHAIR 2016-17 PDG Penny Pike

District N1



DG Brennan Beaumont

**District N3** 



DG Val Clarke



**District N2** 



DG Claire Brunelle

District N4



NEW MOUNT AINS TO CLIMB

MD N CST



Lion Brenda Billard

# COUNCIL CHAIR

CC Penny Pike

Greetings Lions, Lioness and Leo's. It is a great pleasure to be serving as your Council Chair in this Centennial Lions Year. This year there will be many great things happening in your districts that you will be a part of especially those Legacy Projects. Please take your District Governor year to the fullest of heights as it will go by quickly and it is for sure a memory of a life time. In our Centennial year let's remember to honor our past, keep in mind our present and prepare for our future.

President Bob Corlew's Theme this year "New Mountains to Climb", is something that I know all Lions on a district level and club level will be trying to reach this year. As we move through the year we will all experience challenges, obstacles but most importantly more opportunities for club growth and membership growth within our District/Multiple District. As we grow we will learn new ways to serve people within our communities and also we will see what is needed from us in our community through Community Needs Assessments/Blueprints. Our society is changing and we as Lions are changing as well.

Council has already held its summer Council of Governors meeting in Sydney NS. This meeting was well attended and a lot of business was completed. I am very much looking forward to our next meeting which will be in Corner Brook, NL on October 29<sup>th</sup>, were we will have ID Bill Phillipi in attendance. Also, looking forward to catching up with old friends and making some new ones.

Lions remember "Where there is a need there is a Lion".

God Bless CC Penny



# District N1



District Governor DG Brennan Beaumont 2016-17



Lion Brennan was elected to serve as Governor at the District N-1 Annual Convention in Fredericton, N.B. April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Lion Brennan first became involved with Lions in Niagara Falls Ontario, in 1979 with the Stamford Lions Club. After serving in the Military, he worked in Ontario as a Locomotive Engineer. Upon moving back home to the Maritimes in 1989 in a Management position with Canadian National Railway, he at that time transferred to the Riverview Lions Club. Within two years of transferring, Canadian National Railway was in the midst of making many changes. Being one of the 2700 Management positions terminated, he then traveled Canada wide, following rail employment. At this time Lion Brennan took a break in Lion service, as the locations where he was working were limited to Lion's Clubs in those areas.

Returning back to Riverview after a few years, he rejoined the Riverview Lions Club. At that time in life he left the Railroad and started his own Cabinet Shop Business. He then worked in the trade he was schooled in, as a Cabinet Maker. He is now employed with Corrections Canada in Dorchester Penitentiary as a Shop Instructor.

Coming from two large clubs, Lion Brennan has chaired and served on many committees, both at Club and District level. He has been a Board of Director's member, numerous times in both clubs, Past President, Zone Chair, Zone Liaison and Guiding Lion.

In recognition of his dedication to Lionisum, he has received several awards, including International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation, Best District Chair, Best Club President, Alert Certificate, LFC Fellow, LFC Life Member, Best Zone Chair, Recognized Zone Chair Liaison, Certified Two Guiding Lion Awards, International presidents Leadership Metal, two International President Guiding Lion Metals and is a Melvin Jones Fellow. Lion Brennan is married to his wife Lion Cindi, where they just celebrated their forty second anniversary. They are blessed with three daughters, two granddaughters and two grandsons.



DG Visit to Geary



Inductions at St. Martins Lions Club



New Sign for Riverview Lions Community Park



DG visit to Fredericton Lions Club



### **Portage Atlantic Truro Community Breakfast**

06-08-2016

**Truro, Nova Scotia** – June 8, 2016. Portage Atlantic hosted a Community Breakfast on Wednesday June 8, 2016 at the Truro Lions Hall. Portage Atlantic staff presented information on programs and services offered to youth at risk from the Atlantic Provinces. A testimonial was given by a Portage Atlantic graduate, who described struggles with addiction and personal transformation since seeking help at Portage. "Portage Atlantic was a starting point for the best days of my life. The staff and residents made some of the hardest things to overcome, a little easier with their support. For that I will always be thankful," said Portage Graduate, Miranda Mullin.

An engaged and diverse group of community members came out for this breakfast to discuss the topic of substance dependency among our youth and to learn more about the Portage program. The breakfast ended with a Q&A period, allowing guests to provide feedback and ask questions.

#### About Portage Atlantic

Portage Atlantic's Cassidy Lake facility is a long-term residential treatment centre for youth between the ages of 14 and 21 with substance abuse problems. The bilingual youth program is based on the therapeutic community model, which, through positive peer pressure and role modeling, helps youth increase their self-esteem by learning positive coping mechanisms and transferable skills. Residents complete the 5-phase program within an average of 4-6 months, during which time they continue to work on their education. Portage Atlantic is a recognized alternative school under the New Brunswick Department of Education as well as being a fully accredited addictions rehabilitation program with Accreditation Canada.

Some 2000 Atlantic Canadian youth and their families have been supported by the Portage program at Cassidy Lake since 1996.

Through a series of Community Breakfasts, Portage Atlantic hopes to build positive working relationships and increase awareness of the program. For more information: Carol Tracey Director of Development Phone: (506) 459-1284 Email: ctracey@portage.ca

# **District N2**



District Governor DG Claire Brunelle 2016-17



DG's SEPTEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

August has been a great month. On the 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, over 70 Lions took part in the District Golf in Clare County. Thanks very much to Lion Dave Diggins as Chair for a job well done. My congratulations to the winner, Lion Brian Melanson from Meteghan Lions, and Bedford Lions for being the winning team.

Several N2 Lions were in Sydney on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> for our MD NCouncil Meeting. The meeting was very informative under the leadership of CC Penny Pike.

On the 14<sup>th</sup>, I had the pleasure of attending the Provincial Seaman's Memorial in Canso. This was the 40<sup>th</sup> year for this impressive affair, Lion Ray White and the Canso Lions have been doing such an awesome job all these years. Lion Ray was presented with a plaque for his hard work and dedication.

Camp Maxwell, Camp for Children with Diabetes, had their open house on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Wow, what a wonderful place we are connected with. I had the pleasure of sharing hot dogs, hamburgers and strawberry shortcake with 61 campers and staff and 15 Lions from several clubs.

That evening I was at the Digby and Area Lions Club where two great Lions were inducted. The highlight of the evening was Lion Sue Dexter-White being awarded the Judge Brian Stevenson Award. I am so proud of Lion Sue, she is a wonderful Lion.

Then I took a week off and went to Alberta to visit with one of my sons, his wife and my grandchildren.

On the 27<sup>th</sup>, PDG Frank Hartman (GMT), Lion Bob Jardine and I went to Glace Bay to help make the club grow. I think we are on the right path, there will be at least 10 new members added next month.

We are all trying to keep our Lions, so let's make sure we only grow this year.

I am starting my visits this month, I am in Lawrencetown on September 6<sup>th</sup>, DeepBrook/Waldec on the 7<sup>th</sup> and in Pubnico on the 8<sup>th</sup>. So looking forward to meeting every Lion in every club this year. Have a great month and I will see you down the road.

> District Governor Claire Brunelle 2016 – 2017 "Dancing Towards Literacy"



Emily Latta, Special Olympian, presented 1st Vice President Lindsay Griffiths of the New Germany & Area Lions Club with a thank-you certificate from the Special Olympics Organization.



Mahone Bay President Chip Dickison Presents Bobby Orr Picture to PDG Mark Durnford to Use as a Fundraiser for Camp Brigadoon



St. Margaret's Bay Presents Cheque to Lions Foundation of Canada Director Derwin Bartlett to Purchase Their 20th Dog Guide

Amherst Lions Club recently presented the Amherst Little League Lions with medals to celebrate their great season and their playoff win. (They never lost a game all season!!)





King Lion Donnie Fancy of the New Germany Lions Club, checking his passengers on the Lions Express at the recent Michelin Family Picnic at Lake Mushamush.

# **District N3**



District Governor DG Valerie Clarke 2016-17



Our District N3 is off to an awesome start for this year. We have the Lioness club in Port aux Basques changing to a Branch club with 9 new members, and we have chatted with the other remaining seven clubs (for s total of over 100 Lioness) and they are waiting on my visits before committing.

Our GMT team are looking at trying to form new clubs in different locations throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. We have letters sent to approx 15 communities asking their present council for support to establish a club in each of their respective communities.

We are looking into the possibility of a campus club at the CONA (College of North Atlantic) in Port aux Basques and things are looking very positive. We should have a definite answer in the next few weeks. If this

is a go, then a representative from International dealing with the formation of campus clubs will visit and assist with formation.

Our GLT team have setup training sites in each Zone during the months of September and October for Officer Leadership training.

My challenge to every Lion in N3 is to ask at least one new member to join this wonderful organization of Lions International.

We held our first Cabinet Meeting in NL- Green Bay South Lions Club with an awesome turn out. At that meeting I explained my three goals for this year - new memberships / retention, formation of new clubs and then training. As you can see all our goals are being worked on with fantastic results so far.

This year will be the year that our wonderful District of N3 will shine. We

will be moving ahead with positive numbers in membership. New clubs developing and outstanding training (developing our future leaders for the next centennial).

Our commitment to our Multiple is now stronger the ever before. We will succeed, we will grow our numbers and we will make a difference. We have fantastic Lions members in N3 who are open to change and very eager to embrace it.

Keep watching for more exciting things to come in the months ahead.

Respectfully yours DG Valerie



Here is the Two new benches that was bought for the Twillingate Lions and also a new sign for the play ground and also like to thank the Two students that help with the play ground this summer and hope to see you again next year.





To celebrate Lions World Literacy myself and Lioness Association president Edna Sheaves devoted our time to grade kindergarten classes at St James Elementary School reading and singing- thank you Mrs Meade!

Another Successful weekend at the Lion Max Simms Memorial Camp for our 7th Annual Ride to the Max Motorcycle Ride.

> 43 participants Raised over \$16,680.00





Special thank you to Bishop Falls correctional facility who donated the manpower hours to construct this train set to the Lion Max Simms Memorial Camp - awesome job

## **District N4**



DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE DISTRICT N4



Fellow Lions welcome back I hope you all had a fantastic summer and you are looking forward to a **GREAT** year of service for you and your clubs.

As you know over the summer I attended the International Convention in Fukuoka, Japan, it was an experience I will not forgot very soon. Although it is nice to travel there, there is a lot of work to be done on a daily basis. We had some wonderful trainers and spent a full 4 days in classes. Other than the things LCI wanted to teach us about the International President's theme, the Centennial Service Projects, the on going preparations for our 100 year anniversary, how to work through conflicts etc. etc, we also were able to talk to other Lions from all over the world, then you realise there are no real language barriers, we are all Lions and we are all involved for just one reason, fellow Lions, to follow our motto" WE SERVE." And you also realise that Lions Clubs worldwide have the same problems: membership, fundraising, getting recognition for the things we do. We also all work on the same projects whether it is in NL or in Sri Lanka, India, and Japan. We are just regular people wanting to help our fellow man who is not as fortunate as we are, or those who suddenly find themselves in dire straits when earth quakes, floods or any type of disaster occurs in their towns or cities. Our Centennial motto is very real: WHERE THERE IS A NEED, THERE IS A LION.

We have to continue what we do because WE ARE NEEDED.

The international theme this year is "**New Mountains To Climb**" we know in order to survive as the largest service organization we have to climb these new mountains find new ways to do old things and make them better, never say <u>"we tried that it</u> <u>won't work</u>" just maybe with a new approach it <u>will</u> work. The common thing throughout the world is the inability to get new Lions and when we do get them to keep them. The question was asked <u>"why do new Lions only last a few years and</u> <u>then leave</u>" the simple answer is that they didn't feel they were accomplishing anything, they are not doing the service projects they felt they would. Ask yourself "why did you join a Lions Club? then ask yourself, what caused me to stay a Lion?" I think you will then know why we are losing Lions. Service is the answer we need to do more and get more Lions involved. Yes we have New Mountains to Climb but sometimes in order to climb the mountains we need to go "**Back to the Basics**"

Which coincidently is my theme for our District, I realise change doesn't hurt but sometimes we have to reflect to past times and see what worked to make us what we are today and what we can use now to help us over those New Mountains to Climb and into our second **100 YEARS**.

I think **SERVICE** is what made us the largest service organization in the world and Service is what will make bigger and better.

So I will be asking all clubs in our district to do three (4) very important "Back to the Basics" things:

- 1) I will be promoting a District Service Day to be held on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2017, at that time I would ask all clubs to do a Service project on that day, not a fundraiser a service project
- 2) I am asking all Lions to wear their <u>Lions Vests</u> when they do these projects, when people see us actively doing service projects and we are very visible in our vests may just ask us who we are and what we do which could lead to new members
- 3) And I will ask all Lions to continue to ASK ONE!
- 4) We are presently down by 18 members I am asking each President and Zone Chair to look for areas where a new Lions Club would be a benefit to the community and lets see if we can form a club there We have already completed a Zone Chair workshop and this was given to them as a goal.

I feel these are the things that made us a great service organization and they will make us bigger and better if we do it.

Did you know that one (1) new Lion means we can do service for 50 people, think about the service we could do if we had more active members in our clubs.

We all need to work toward our goals to ensure we can continue to follow our motto WE SERVE.

Yours in Lionism Lion Sam Lion Sam Wells District Governor N4





#### CBS Lions take part in the NL Summer Games Torch Relay



Lion Jennifer Hutchings, 2nd VDG, was chosen as a Torch Bearer for the NL Summer Games.



Lion Janine Howse rode the van, taking pictures of each Torch Bearer.



Following the Torch Relay, CBS Lions served hot dogs and water to athletes and spectators.

#### **News from Torbay Lions Club**

On Friday, July 15 the Torbay Lions Club hosted and served a hot roast beef dinner for the opening night of a Time in Torbay weekend festival. This was a sold out event and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

The Torbay Lions Club also participated in the St. John's Regatta for the first time this year. We had a booth selling tickets on an Ice Caps Ultimate Package valued at \$1,000, which includes a signed team jersey, a signed hockey stick, 5 pairs of tickets to home games, a worn game jersey, and an hour of time with Buddy the Puffin. We had a lot of visitors stop by and purchase tickets, and Buddy the Puffin and our MHA Kevin Parsons helped "lure" people to our booth.

The draw date for the prize package is September 25th so if you are interested in purchasing tickets at \$2 each or 3 for \$5, please email <u>kmcings@gmail.com</u>.



#### **Clarenville Lions Support Lion Max Simms Memorial Camp**



PDG Joan Forward, of the Clarenville Lions Club, presents a cheque for \$1500 to 1st DG Lion Diane Bonnell, member of the Board of Directors of the LMSMC Foundation.



BILL PHILLIPI INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Bill Phillipi from Marysville, Kansas, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 through 30, 2015.

Director Phillipi is a self-employed contractor.

A member of the Marysville Lions Club since 1974, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, secretary, treasurer, district governor, district convention chairperson, council chairperson, multiple district GMT coordinator and multiple district convention chairperson. He was also the associate chairman of the host committee for USA/Canada forum in 2013.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the Membership Key Award, Leadership Award and an International President's Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Phillipi is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the Marysville Travel and Tourism Board, Marysville Main street Board, US Highway 36 Board of Directors and the Partnership for Growth Board of Directors.

Director Phillipi and his wife, Vickie, also a Lion and a Melvin Jones Fellow, have three daughters and nine grandchildren.

### Fall Conference MD N/District N 3 October 28, 2016

10:00am – 11:30am Flag Raising, signing of City Book and Tour of City Hall (Open to all Lions, Lioness & Guests meet at front entrance of City Hall)			
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Registration		
4:30pm – 8:00pm	Room 412		
1:00 – 2:00pm	Long Range Planning Humber Room		
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Constitutions & Bylaws Viking Room		
3:00pm – 4:00pm	Budget & Audit Humber Room		
4:00pm – 5:00pm	GLT Viking Room		
5:00pm – 6:00pm	GMT Humber Room		
4:45pm – 6:30pm	Supper (DG's, ID's, PID's, CC, CST and Convention Chair) (Sorrentos)		
7:00pm – 9:00pm	District N 3 Meeting Banquet Room		
9:30pm – 1:30am	Meet & Greet Halloween Night (Prizes for best dressed) Screech In Door Prizes (Tickets needed to win)		

• Boat Tour available at a cost of \$35 per person. Departing Marina at 2:00pm. Limited seating so reserving a seat with CC Penny Pike prior to Friday.

### Fall Conference MD N/District N 3 October 29, 2016

9:00am – 10:00am	Late Registration
8:30am – 9:00am	Opening of MD N Conference (Banquet Room)
9:00am – 10:00am	1 <sup>st</sup> Session NL Literacy Council Banquet Room
9:00am – 12:00pm	Lioness Meeting Humber Room
10:00am – 10:30am	Break
10:30am – 11:30am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session Habitat for Humanity (Banquet Room)
11:30am – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm – 4:30pm	MD N Council Business Session (Banquet Room)
4:30pm – 5:30pm	Bear Pit Session (Banquet Room)
6:30pm	Cocktails for headtable Room 412
7:30pm	Banquet

Sunday Schedule Fall MD N District N 3 Conference October 30, 2016

9:00am – 12:00pm District N 3 final wrap up meeting

## Safe Travels home

## **Note from Editor**

Lions,

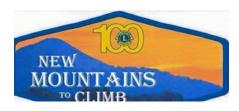
Please send pictures with a write up to your District Governor so I can put it in the "N Former". What better way to show the other Districts, the great work you're doing in your communities. This is your Multiple District online newsletter, so I need information to put in it.

PCC Peter Reid Multiple District Communication Chair pdreid@ns.sympatico.ca (902) 463-8910



MD N/District N 3 Conference 2016 October 28-30, 2016 Corner Brook NL Host Club "Lions Club of Corner Brook".

PDG



Return to: Registration Chairperson Lion Karen Buckle 33 Mt Batten Rd Corner Brook NL A2H 5C4 Phone: 709-632-9763 Email:karen\_buckle@cooperators.ca

Conference Booking and Contact info: Name Lion Guest

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Name_	Lion	GuestPDG
1.	Hospitality Books: (Cost per person)	#x \$60.00 = \$
2.	Meet & Greet only:	#x \$20.00 = \$

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3. Banquet only:	#x \$40.00 = \$
4. Registration and Meetings only:	#x \$5.00 = \$

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Please make Cheques payable to "Lions Fall Conference 2016"

Conference Hotel: Greenwood Inn & Suites, 48 West St. Corner Brook NL Phone 1-800-399-5381, or 709-634-5381. Room Rates: Single/Double ......\$125.00 King Size Rooms ......\$135.00

Make reservations and payment directly with the hotel and advise them you are booking under the name "Lions Conference 2016" before September 27, 2016 to receive the special rate. As there are a limited number of seats available, pre-registration must be completed by October 17<sup>th</sup>to guarantee a seat for the banquet meal. There will be no refunds made after the October 17<sup>th</sup>deadline.

Registration/Meetings/Banquet & Meet and Greetwill be held at the Greenwood Inn and Suites.

\*FRIDAY NIGHT IS HALLOWEEN NIGHT, BRING YOUR BEST COSTUME FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE\*



If you have any inquiries please contact the Convention Chairperson: PDG Frank Bonnell @ 709-686-2263 or email: fsbonnell@yahoo.ca