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Coldbrook & District LIONS CLUB



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King Lion Gerald's Korner

Greetings Fellow Lions:



It was good to see our good friend and charter lion member, Danny Charlton on the front page of the Valley Scoop. It is nice to see the public eye is on us and our deeds do not go unnoticed.

Our summer projects are now at a close laying in wait for summer to come. I know Lion Tim Jones just cannot wait till summer starts again, not to mention PKL Roseanne and Lion Ron.

But now that our summer projects are behind us so now begins our fall and winter projects. Lion Mark K is already in gear for the Christmas trees as is Lion John with the Christmas Mommies and Daddies and the Christmas Hampers. Lions Sheila, Catherine and Mark D with their ongoing dinners, suppers and breakfasts will also be gearing up for Christmas food and such.

Our rink chair Lion Kirk will soon be gearing up for the winter, as well Lion George will be busy with the ongoing Radio Bingo, and of course Lion Jim at the bar.

I cannot emphasize enough on how all our projects can always use an extra hand, no matter how small or large they are (the projects I mean). I am sure Lion Garnet would never say no to some extra help at the canteen.

In closing I would like to thank all the chairs of our summer projects for a job well done.

Sincerely,

King Lion Gerald



District Governors Newsletter



October 2011

Fellow Lions:

With everyone back at full steam with all your club activities, I was very pleased with the attendance at the Fall Cabinet Meeting in Liverpool. Hats off to Lion Robert Trainor and his committee for a superb job. By all accounts the Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre on Saturday night was a big hit. It was nice to see most of the Lions returned after the intermission.

Our newest club, Springhill 2011, is holding their Charter Night on Saturday, October 29. Check your e-mail for the program. Let's show our newest club our support on their Charter. Congratulations go out to Lion Peter Jeffery on being selected to attend the Senior Lions Leadership Institute. Special congratulations go out to PDG Charlie Uhlman on receiving the "Ambassador of Good Will" award. I don't know of a more deserving Lion. On October 1st, Brigadoon was opened with about 100 Lions and their families. It is a magnificent facility.

There are four more information sessions upcoming this month: Oct 8 – Springhill, Oct 15 – Mahone Bay, Oct 22 – Truro, and Oct 29 – Coldbrook. I hope that, not only new Lions take part in these very informative sessions, but older Lions are also encouraged to attend to refresh their knowledge with up to date information.

I am having the time of my life with all my visits to the clubs. The hospitality you show me is number 1. I am meeting some old friends, but more importantly, I am making new friends. My upcoming visits in October are: 3rd – Port Hawksbury, 4th – Cabot Trail, 5th – Whycomaugh, 6th – Enfield / Elmsdale, 10th – Stellarton, 11th – Canning, 13th – Kentville, 18th – Riverport, 19th – Meteghan, 20th – Yarmouth, 24th – Annapolis Royal, 25th – Shelburne, 26th – Barrington and 27th – Pubnico.

Remember to thank your volunteers. A simple Thank You goes a long way. Other ways are a Life Membership in the NS Foundation or Lions Foundation of Canada. A Judge Brian Stevenson Award or a Melvin Jones Fellowship is an excellent way to honour your Lions.

Until next month! Yours in Lionism, **DG Peter**

Lions Clubs Webinar Announcement

Are you interested in nourishing your club's family tree? Register for the My Club, My Family webinar!

President Tam believes it is important that we value our club members as family. By keeping members involved, instilling pride and treating them with mutual respect as we would our own family, our clubs will be successful. Join this webinar to learn and discuss ways clubs can be more successful. Visit the Leadership Development Webinars page for dates/times and links to register, via the link provided below.

Know a fellow Lion that would be interested? Feel free to pass this information along! We hope to have you, and a fellow Lion, participate in one of the three sessions being offered.

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/leadership-development/development-programs/webinars.php>



Dear Fellow Lion *President*,

You know, there are only two people in Lions Clubs International they call 'president' - the international president and the club president. That's right. You and me.

The club is the most important part of our association, so my emphasis this year is on you - the club and its members.

During my travels this year, I've been taking every opportunity to meet with club presidents in **Presidents-meet-the-President** seminars and meetings. I want to hear from you, understand your club's needs, and learn from your experiences. If we cannot meet in person, I've created a special email address for you to contact me: pres2pres@lionsclubs.org.

I've also given enough of my 2011-12 presidential pins to district governors so that each of you -- the Club Presidents -- can receive one from your district governor on my behalf. I wanted all club presidents to know that I consider you members of my own family.

My Story



I remember feeling excited and a bit anxious when I became a club president. I was this young guy, still starting out in life, taking over as president of a club that had been guided successfully by Lions who were at least twice my age. My mentor was the club's charter president who was 94-years-*young* when he wielded the gavel.

Friendship tied us together, having fun and enjoying our service made it a joy, not an obligation. It kept us coming back again and again.

For a successful year I encourage you to create a club atmosphere that fosters friendship and a sense of family, and incorporate fun with serving. The rest of it, from having meaningful meetings to running effective service projects, will take care of themselves.

My Club, My Family

It's simple but true: People join groups where they feel warmly welcomed, see other smiling faces, and are given a meaningful way to be involved.

It's easier than you think to create a family atmosphere in a club. Often it's simply a matter of doing the little things, like making sure new members are given an opportunity to bring new ideas and given a meaningful role in helping run a project.

I've created a guideline called [My Club, My Family](#) with some helpful tips and tools for creating a family atmosphere in a club. The rewards will be a stronger club that increases its community service and grows its membership. There's even a [My Club, My Family pocket guideline](#) for you and your fellow club officers to take to meetings and club events.

Share your success stories - as well as your challenges - on how you've created a family atmosphere. Join the conversation and post your thoughts on the LCI blog.

I BELIEVE

By now, you know my theme for 2011-12 is "[I BELIEVE](#)". If you truly believe you can do something to make a difference, you will do it.

When a massive earthquake in 2008 devastated Sichuan, China in my own country, despite the overwhelming chaos I believed I could do something to help - even if it meant helping just one victim. The Lions in my area believed they could help, too. And together with the support of LCIF and Lions worldwide, we went on to rebuild schools, clinics and even several entire villages. But nothing would have started, and nothing would have gotten done, had not we believed. So I'm calling on all Lions this year to BELIEVE. Believe we can accomplish whatever we set out to do.

You know, I BELIEVE we can do it. But do you? Let's work together to transform I BELIEVE into the power of WE BELIEVE.

I believed we could plant 1 million trees this year, and we are off to a great start. Already nearly one thousand clubs have reported their actions, and [we have planted over 700,000 trees](#). Be sure to report your club's tree planting efforts.

It's truly amazing what we can accomplish when we BELIEVE.

With warm regards from your friend and your newest member of the family,

Wing-Kun Tam

International President

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Coldbrook Lions know their customers, deliver big-time results

Danny Charlton

The Coldbrook and District Lions Club has been a force in the local community for 32 years with an impressive series of fundraisers to its credit.

The secret to their success? They're not afraid to get their hands dirty.

There are approximately 40 members in the Club, which meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 1416 South Bishop Rd., Coldbrook. Most range in age from mid-30s to mid-80s and one person, Danny Charlton, 79, is the only remaining Charter member.

Charlton, Kirk Longmire, Tim Jones and Irene Nickerson sat down recently to discuss the Club: what it does, how it works, and where it's going.

Each of them has given tremendously of his or her time and energy. Charlton, who says he had never done any sort of community service work prior to being recruited for the Coldbrook Club by Laverne Lonergan in 1980, has been a member since Day One. Longmire is in his 20th year, Jones is in his 13th and Nickerson started in the Canning Lions Club in 1999 before joining Coldbrook in 2002.

Started out selling garbage bags, light bulbs

There were 28 members when the Club got its Charter in 1980 and initial projects included selling garbage bags, pumpkin pies, light bulbs door-to-door and pumping gas. It was very hands-on, physical stuff, says Longmire, and one of the biggest changes he has noticed during his tenure is how those early projects have grown in scale and ambition into such things as the Valley Lions Radio Bingo, Valley Drive-In, Drive-In Bingo, and the wildly popular Demolition Derby 'Bash for Cash'.

The Bash for Cash, for instance, started on a whim. "We thought, 'Let's try it and see if anybody comes,'" Longmire says, "and we were overwhelmed." Who knew thousands of people would turn out for a demolition derby, but every year for the past 13, people have flocked to this Lions Club fundraiser.

Initially, of course, little projects were just fine, but the group realized pretty

quickly that they would sustain a club only for so long. Members began to think outside the box to create blockbuster initiatives that might cost a bit to get off the ground, but would provide sustainability down the line.

Another success story is the Valley Drive-In. When the idea to take it on first surfaced more than 10 years ago, some members of the local business community were surprised and a bit skeptical. The operation had been tendered three times with no takers, but members of the Coldbrook Club saw an opportunity to tap into a sense of nostalgia and decided to take a chance.

Longmire says, "I asked the Club for \$25,000, which was all we had at the time, to get into the drive-in business."

Jones smiles, thinking back on it, then says, "we started \$25,000 in the hole, but in the first year we paid that back and made \$5,000 too."

The Valley Drive-In is enjoying a very

Charlton says that's why he has stayed on for so long. He has enjoyed the projects "and you get satisfaction doing them."

busy 11th season and it has employed six kids each summer since inception, not to mention the 50/50 people who sell tickets onsite. "We have a different group in each week selling 50/50," Jones says, "and this year we had 50 groups apply for only 22 weekends. That's because some weekends, if the weather cooperates, they can rake in a thousand bucks."

All funds realized from major projects flow back into the Club, which then decides where they will be allocated. Some goes toward hall maintenance and assorted operational expenses like heat,

lights, phone and food for weekly breakfasts. Other monies help to buy pain pumps for the hospital or special needs dogs for autistic children.

This year alone it's estimated the Club has donated close to \$40,000 to community organizations, including a total of \$20,000 to Camp Brigadoon and the Valley Regional Hospital.

Family affair

"Most of what we do is internally driven," Longmire says, and a lot of projects involve not only members, but their families. Jones says his son works with him at the Drive-In and so do Longmire's daughters. His wife and kids help with the outdoor rink project, too, and he says, "If my wife and kids can't be part of it I can't be there. It has to be part of what you do, and that's the juggle."

However, members have plenty of latitude choosing projects and all agree it's really a matter of "picking your poison." You select a project and make it your



Feature Story By
Fred Spamball

gamut over the club, selling those garbage bags and light bulbs, Christmas trees and once upon a time he used to cook hamburgers out of an old bus that was geared up as a restaurant.

"I cooked a few of them," he says with a laugh. Longmire pipes up, "you can imagine it. There was no ventilation. Danny would get a little rubber-legged in there and we'd have to walk him out." But it never stopped him from doing his thing and when it comes right down to it, Charlton says, "it was the people. Good people. It has been great."

'Down and dirty'

"We're not a club that does a lot of black tie stuff," Longmire adds. "We don't wear a tuxedo too often. We're down and dirty, and our club: we understand who our customer is and their dollar spends just like anyone else's."

The Lions Club is always on the lookout for new members, too, and people are encouraged to come to the meetings, but more, perhaps, to one of the events because that's where you can really get a taste of the social side of what they do.

For more information, contact any Lions Club member and he or she will put you in touch with Membership Chair Marilyn House. Additionally, visit: <http://www.coldbrooklions.com/>.

As for what's next, the goal is not to be stagnant but continue to innovate, push the envelope and embrace projects that provide a meaningful return. They Club hopes to take their efforts to the next level and whether that means a new \$100,000 digital projector for the Drive-In, upgrades to the screen or work on the land itself, only time will tell.

But you can be sure of one thing: they'll get it done. The Coldbrook Lions Club is comprised of a determined, lunch-bucket crew of community go-getters who understand what it takes to make a buck and is only too happy to turn that dollar back into the community for the greater good.



Nikole Hawkins and camp counsellor Korede Akindoju test their canoeing skills with fellow campers at Camp Guts and Glory at the recently opened Brigadoon Village in Aylesford, Kings County. (MIKE DEMBECK / Camp Brigadoon)

Campers check illnesses at gate

Aylesford camp the first of its kind in Canada for kids with bowel diseases

By JOHN MCPHEE
Health Reporter

Children with inflammatory bowel disease enjoyed some rest and relaxation with their peers this week.

Camp Guts and Glory is the first camp in Canada for kids with Crohn's disease and irritable bowel syndrome. It was also the first camp to be held at Brigadoon Village in Aylesford, Kings County, which will be a year-round facility for children with chronic conditions.

Thirty-eight children ages nine to 16 from across the Maritimes attended the camp, which ran from Sunday to Friday.

"They're going to have fun, they're going to have a normal

'Unfortunately, because of concerns the child or parents may have, many kids with IBD just don't get the opportunity to go to camp.'

TONY OTLEY
Camp organizer

camp experience," organizer Tony Otley said in an interview earlier this week. "Unfortunately, because of concerns the child or parents may have, many kids with IBD just don't get the opportunity to go to camp."

Otley, a pediatric gastroenterologist at the IWK Health Centre in Halifax, got the idea from speaking with colleagues from the

United States, where such camps have been held for a decade.

"It gives them an opportunity to meet and see other kids with IBD because these kids may not know anybody else who has IBD. It's just a week where they can be normal kids and not have to worry about their illness."

Camp participants experienced the usual array of summer camp activities, such as canoeing, swimming and arts and crafts. Environmental awareness was also a big part of the programming, Otley said.

That included "getting the kids out into the woods, getting them to recycle and making that into a fun thing."

"Yesterday at lunch, they were having a contest trying not to waste too much food. The table that had the least amount on their plates at the end won."

He credited the work of Jen Kelday, Brigadoon's director of

programs, and other camp staff for making the event possible. Recreation students from universities in the province also helped out.

Otley also expressed appreciation to the pharmaceutical giant Merck-Jansen, which donated \$50,000 to the project. He began seeking out possible donors last spring after attending a fund-raising event put on by Brigadoon Village.

"So I approached some of the industry (companies) that make the pharmaceuticals and the people at Merck were very interested."

Otley hopes the camps can be an annual event, but that depends on the success of future fund-raising.

"Looking at how things have gone this week, and things are going well, I'm confident we will be able to do this."

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October Birthdays

6 Wayne Little

13 Derek Mills

19 Peter Thomas

21 Eric Parrish

23 Darlene Allen, Mark Durnford

24 Irene Nickerson

October Anniversaries

October 10th, 1970 George & Donna Crozier



BASH FOR CASH 2011



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Saturday night Dan Kalkman of New Minas lost his wallet at the Valley Drive -in while he was helping another person change a flat tire ,he sure was pleased and thankful when his wallet was found Sunday morning by Howard Bent

Mr Kalkman said he wanted to thank Mr . Bent for his honesty .So he now has the phone number.



Howard Bent



Dear Charles,

Another school year is well underway and everyone is busy establishing their new routines. Here are your latest updates from Lions Quest Canada - The Centre for Positive Youth Development as you make the transition from summer to fall.

Warmly - Joanne, Pat and Kay - Your Friends at Lions Quest Canada

Resource Pricing Update

Over the next month we will be updating our [online catalogue](#) to reflect the US pricing on many of our resources. With the strength of the Canadian dollar we want to pass along the benefits to you!

Visit our [online catalogue](#) today to see what is new and watch for more updates in the very near future!

Do Your Part! 2012 National Conference on Positive Youth Development

In response to the amazing support that we have received over the last seven years of National Conferences on Positive Youth Development we will be offering not just one but TWO national gatherings in support of the ground-breaking accomplishments that are being made across the country.



Plans are well under way for a gathering in Halifax in May of 2012 and in the Halton Region of Ontario for October of 2012. Watch our [website](#) for more details as they become available. If you have a project or initiative that you would like to present at either of these conferences you will need to submit a Learning Session Proposal. [Click here](#) to receive the Call for Proposals which will be sent out for both conferences before Thanksgiving.

National Family Week 2011



Lions Quest Canada - The Centre for Positive Youth Development is a proud supporter of National Family Week (NFW). Held each fall since 1985, NFW has given family members, organizations and agencies across Canada an opportunity to celebrate the diversity of families and the important role families play in our society.

This year, NFW is **October 3 - 9, 2011** our theme for NFW 2011, **Turning Your Family's Values into Action / Vos valeurs familiales à l'action!**

encourages families to think about how their values can take shape and become a part of everyday activities.

For more information and to download idea sheets and other supporting resources visit the [National Family Week Homepage](#).

Ontario Lions Quest School-Based Resource Workshops

Lions Clubs across Ontario are planning and sponsoring Lions Quest School-Based Resource Workshops for locations across the province this fall. If you or a member of your staff are interested in receiving training for Skills for Growing (K-5) and/or Skills for Adolescence (6-8) [contact us today](#) to find out when and where these workshops will be held!

Share Your Story



Canadian research supports that the stories and examples that we share are what guide us in our Positive Youth Development efforts. We would love to hear and share your story! There is an [entire section of our website](#) that is devoted to sharing news of your local events and success stories and we are working to update it.

To have your community story or event included please [click here](#) to submit a write up of approximately 500 words outlining the story or event along with any photos or supporting material that you would like to include.

"Map out your future - just do it in pencil." - Jon Bon Jovi



My Fellow Lions,

Just two short months ago, I stood on a stage in Seattle, Washington as your new international president, and I asked you to believe in yourselves - to believe in our mission of service to others, and to believe that together we could accomplish anything we set out to accomplish. That included planting 1 million trees. I told you if we can plant a million trees, it will reinforce the limitless potential we all know we have to make a difference as Lions. When I asked "do you believe it" the Lions present that day responded with a resounding "yes."



Lions - I am proud to announce that in just the first 60 days, we have surpassed our ambitious goal of planting 1 million trees. As of September 7th, the Lions of the world have planted over 1.3 million trees!!

But we aren't done yet! I believe we can continue the momentum we have already put in motion. Any of us can plant a tree. It's a very visible and hands-on way for each and every Lion to make a difference. It's also a great project to invite your community at-large to join your local Lions club in a collaborative effort. So make tree-planting part of your club or district activities this year, and invite your neighbors, friends and members of the community to join you. What better way to be reminded of our gift of service than to watch the trees you have planted grow year-by-year? We will continue to report the number of trees being planted on this Web site. Tree planting and the care and nurturing of our environment remains a cornerstone of my presidential theme.

There is so much more to accomplish. With care, the trees we have already planted, and will continue to plant throughout the year, will grow and benefit generations to come. New and current Lions members, nurtured in a family friendly club atmosphere, will benefit the world immeasurably.

Again - thank you and congratulations on surpassing our first goal of planting 1 million trees.

For more on this and other stories, visit [Success Stories](#). For a list of helpful resources in your area, visit the [contacts](#) page in the Million Tree Planting section.

Remember that district governors who achieve at least 50 percent participation in the tree planting campaign qualify for the [Believers Award](#). The top 100 clubs in each constitutional area which plant the most trees will also receive a Believers Award.

I believe we can attain each and every goal outlined in my presidential theme [brochure](#). Lions - do you believe it?

Sincerely,
Wing-Kun Tam
International President

Believe

Peace Poster Contest

"Children Know Peace" is the theme for this year's Lions International Peace Poster Contest. The 20-year old annual competition encourages young people worldwide to visually express their visions of peace. With as many as 350,000 young people participating each year, the contest is one of Lions Clubs International's largest and most recognizable programs.

Clubs wishing to sponsor a Peace Poster Contest in their communities must [purchase a Peace Poster Contest kit](#) from [Club Supplies](#). Kits are available through October 1.

Find out more about the [Peace Poster Contest](#) on the LCI web site.

Global Membership Team and Global Leadership Team

Since July, the Global Membership Team (GMT) and the newly created Global Leadership Team (GLT) have been working side-by-side for club success. Each has a separate but parallel structure at the global, multiple district and district levels. District GMT and GLT coordinators have been appointed by the district governor teams.

GMT coordinators help identify district and club community service opportunities, assist in setting membership goals, identify and aid struggling clubs.

GLT coordinators identify future leaders, and provide training to club officers and members.

The GMT coordinators and zone chairpersons identify candidates (clubs) for the [Club Excellence Process \(CEP\)](#). This program helps clubs examine community needs, analyze membership experiences, identify and train future leaders and develop action plans. Once a club is willing to participate the GLT D coordinator will assign a facilitator/"coach."

For more information on the GMT and GLT visit [Global Membership Team Overview](#).

Global Service Action Campaigns Engaging Our Youth

Clubs around the world have begun reporting their participation in the August [Engaging Our Youth](#) global service action campaign, contributing numerous volunteer hours. Please use the [Service Activity Report](#) to report your club's participation and be included in the global impact of this campaign.

Sharing the Vision

Less than a month remains to make plans for [Sharing the Vision](#), the year's second Global Service Action Campaign.

Sight preservation and service to the vision impaired is one of Lions oldest, most important and most successful service initiatives. Despite our great success in the field, the need for our help still exists and is still urgent. Even in today's world, one person goes blind every five seconds.

Your club could:

- sponsor vision screenings;
- organize eyeglass collections, and
- volunteer at institutions that aid the visually impaired.

Your district and club's participation will reaffirm Lions commitment to this vital area of service.

Fellow Lions:

A number of clubs are having joint meetings in conjunction with zone meetings when Lions receive a number of personal and club visits. Some questions have been raised regarding these joint meetings so I decided to send an e-mail to all clubs and zone chairmen regarding what is an official meeting for which visiting clubs receive personal or club visits.

Attached please find a section of Article III, sub-section (D), (1) taken from the District N2 By-Laws. Please note the following must take place before a meeting can be an official meeting for visitation purposes:

- 1) Each club must have a quorum of members (50% plus 1) present.
- 2) Separate meetings must be conducted by a presiding officer (pres. or VP)
- 3) Business must be conducted at each separate meeting.

All three requirements must be met for an official meeting to take place.

If there is a zone meeting held in conjunction with the joint club meetings, it is the responsibility of the zone chairman to ensure each club holding a meeting meets these requirements. If it is a joint meeting of two, or more, clubs without an accompanying zone meeting, it is the responsibility of the president of the host club to ensure each club meets these requirements.

Each club planning to hold a joint meeting should be advised, well in advance, of these requirements. Should they not meet the requirements they cannot, according to the By-Laws, hold an official meeting.

I ask all zone chairmen and hosting club presidents to ensure all three requirements are met and, if not met, announce to visiting clubs the number of official meetings for which they will receive personal and club visits.

Your fullest consideration pertaining to this matter will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please contact me at your convenience.

Yours in Lionism,

DG Peter Reid



Lions Clubs International

Dear Lions,

Lions Clubs International is offering you an opportunity to support your local visually-impaired youth. The Lions International Essay Contest is open to 11, 12 and 13-year-old students who are visually impaired. Work with your fellow Lions, local schools and area families to identify young people who are interested in participating and who could benefit from this program. One grand prize winner will receive an award and US\$5,000.

The theme for the essay is "Children Know Peace." Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form. Essays must be no longer than 500 words in length, submitted in English, type-written in black ink and double-spaced.

Please note the deadlines for submission.

For more information about the contest, including the complete rules and entry form, visit <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/online-community/official-contests/lions-international-essay-contest.php>

Thank you for your consideration.

Dane LaJoye
Public Relations Division Manager
Lions Clubs International

We are happy to announce that Brigadoon will be having its official Grand Opening on October 1, 2011!

We really hope that you will be able to join us for a day of fun!

Brigadoon is only made possible because of your help and support, thank you!

Please feel free to pass this along to all of your contacts, friends and family.



BRIGADOON grand opening

Brigadoon Village is open. And everyone is invited.

WHAT: "Grand Opening" of Brigadoon Village

WHEN: Saturday, October 1st, 2011

WHERE: 1650 North River Road, South Alton

TIME: Doors open at 10 a.m., opening ceremony at 11 a.m.

DIRECTIONS TO BRIGADOON VILLAGE FROM HWY 101:

- * Take Exit 13 on the 101 and turn towards New Ross/South Alton off the exit onto Highway 12
- * Drive approximately 4 km
- * Turn right onto English Mountain Road (Small Irving gas station on right)
- * Drive 500 m
- * Turn left onto North River Road
- * Drive approximately 12 km
- * Brigadoon Village is located on your left, drive down our drive way approximately 1.6 km (1650 North River Rd)

Join us for a day filled with pipers, free will offering lunch, programming, camp fire (skits & fun) and more! See you there!

For more information, contact Brigadoon Children's Camp Society at 902-422-3387 or visit www.brigadoonvillage.org.



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Preventing Blindness, Saving Sight for Millions of People Around the World

For nearly 100 years, our members have worked on projects aimed at preventing blindness, restoring eyesight and improving eye care for hundreds of millions of people worldwide. Lions volunteer to take part in sight projects that have:

Improved eye care for 100 million people by training more than 650,000 eye care professionals and building 315 eye hospitals.

Distributed more than 147 million treatments for river blindness.

Provided nearly 8 million cataract surgeries.

Saved the sight of more than 14 million children by providing eye screenings, glasses and other treatments through Sight for Kids.

Prevented serious vision loss for more than 30 million people worldwide.

Established or strengthened pediatric eye care centers that have helped more than 120 million children.

Vaccinated 41 million children in Africa against measles – a leading cause of childhood blindness.

Helped halt the spread of trachoma in Ethiopia by providing 10 million doses of the sight-saving drug azithromycin annually.

Since 1990, Lions have raised US\$415 million through two SightFirst fundraising campaigns to help provide vision for all.



Nova Scotia Adopt-A-Highway Program

Tuesday, March 29^h, 2011

Atlantic Superstore Community Room-Bedford

MINUTES

In attendance: Nicole Warren, Cindie Smith, Gina Bain, Jillian Isenor
Norman Bird, Coni Murray, Jan Deveaux, Ellen Simpson, Stephanie Smits

Regrets: Darcey MacBain, Susan McLeod, Jennifer McKeane, Mark Durnford

1. Welcome:

Ellen Simpson welcomed everyone to the meeting. Regrets were received from Darcey MacBain, Mark Durnford, and Susan McLeod. Jennifer McKeane was hoping to attend via a conference call, but with the acoustics and table set up in the Community room, it was decided that it would be almost impossible for Jennifer to hear.

An email was read that informed us that Susan McLeod would be moving to a new position with HRM, and she would no longer be a representative on the AAH committee. We have enjoyed working with Susan in the past and wish her well in her new position.

Stephanie Smits was a guest attending our meeting. Stephanie is Assistant Operations Manager - Public Outreach, with the Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre.

2. Approval of the Agenda: General agreement to accept agenda

3. Approval of the Minutes of March 29th, 2011 meeting:

Minutes were circulated from the March 29th. Two corrections had been made to the minutes that had been previously emailed to the committee. In section "6d)", it should be noted that Jennifer said that she was going to put a message in the inTouch newsletter about litter reduction using the "Company's coming, Tidy up" catch phrase. (rather than putting something in the newsletter about the new department). Also the catch phrase is Company's company, Tidy up, rather than Company's coming, Clean up.

Motion: To approve the minutes of March 29th. Gina Bain/Jillian Isenor

Carried

4. Correspondence:

We have received an email from Steve Roberts with Clean Nova Scotia (CNS). CNS is currently in the process of organizing a province-wide litter pick up and pilot illegal dump site clean up as part of an international campaign entitled 'Clean It Up' set to run in the spring of 2012. He contacted us regarding the potential for a collaborative effort between CNS and the Adopt-a-Highway program. At this point they are trying to

determine the feasibility of bringing together all the litter pick-up programs across the province to participate in a pick-up over a set 2 day period. As of now CNS is only looking for an initial response suggesting our willingness to work on this collaborative effort.

This is early in the planning stages, and is indirectly related to us. It may be intended more towards the Illegal Dumpsite Cleanup, and we will wait to see what happens with regards to this program.

5. Financial Report:

a.) Statements to date – Financial statements for the period of April 1, 2011 to September 23, 2011 were distributed and presented by Coni Murray. Revenue was \$19,000 with expenses of \$17,510.60 and a net income for the period was 1,489.40. The current account stands at \$8696.54 with a payment of \$100.00 outstanding.

An additional grant of \$10,000 is available to the program upon submission of the interim report, which is due after the end of September.

Motion: To accept the financial statements as presented Coni Murray/Cindie Smith

Carried

6. Committee Member Reports:

a.) Resource Recovery Fund Board – (Cindie Smith) – The Budget was approved in March and just this past week received approval from the Ministers office so their funds are secured. Financial reports from the AAH program up until Sept. 23rd will be forwarded to Cindie for review.

RRFB was very pleased with the 54.4 tonnes of litter removed from the roadsides through the AAH program.

RRFB's tourism brochure will change a bit for next year. HRM now accepts all plastics from Type 1-7, so this is now standard province wide. Previously HRM only accepted types 1,2, and 4 so this had to be noted in the brochure. RRFB try to make regulations as easy to understand as possible.

They are working on the before-mentioned Illegal Dumpsite Program with Clean Nova Scotia. The Recycles contest has been launched in schools. There will be a EviroDepot campaign next week with the slogan "If you know it's wrong, why are you still doing it?". It will address issues such as dumping paint down the sink and putting compost in the garbage.

Cindie is near the end of her contract and this will be her last AAH meeting. We appreciate all she has done for the AAH program and she has been an immense help.

b.) Halifax Regional Municipality – not in attendance, no report

c.) Clean Nova Scotia (Jillian Isenor) – The Great Pick Me Up Launch took place at Eastern Passage, and was a huge success. They had 110 volunteers that picked up 140 bags of garbage and 3 truck loads of various items. Members of the Shearwater Scuba Club cleaned the creek area. Tim Horton's provided drinks and snacks.

Other cleanups included Mac Nabs Island, North Preston, and Rainbow Haven (Beach cleanup). They have over 300 registered cleanups so far. According to the data cards that have been received, 4000 bags of garbage have been collected. Still having problems getting the data cards returned. They placed a thank you ad in the local paper thanking their sponsors and volunteers.

It was noticed that people of all ages can take part in the cleanups, and Jillian said that everyone that takes part has to sign a waiver. A discussion concerning the age restriction for the Adopt-a-Highway program followed. For our program, you have to be 12 or older, and there should be one adult supervisor for every 6 participants that are 12-17. We felt that this restriction is necessary because of the dangers that could be present along the highways, and safety is always a primary concern.

d.) Tourism, Culture and Heritage (Jennifer McKeane) Not in attendance- no report

e.) Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (Darcey MacBain)- Not in attendance- no report

f.) Nova Scotia Environment (Nicole Warren) Nicole stated that the Youth Corps Program, which the AAH program has utilized in the past, is now managed by CNS. Helen Smith is in a new position.

The department released their new strategy for their goal of 300 kg. of waste/person/year. They are working with RRFB on this. Their new strategy is on their website under Recycling & Waste, outlined in "Our Path Forward".

Also working with CNS and RRFB on the Illegal Dumpsite Cleanup campaign.

g.) Lions Club of Nova Scotia –(Jan Deveaux) Jan reported that the Sackville Lions performed their cleanup with the help of the local Scouts and Cadets. It is nice for the young people to receive encouragement (people beep their horns, and stop and thank them) from passers-by. Will try for two cleanups a year, but it is hard with other projects that the Lions Club is involved in. Jan would like a list of Lions Clubs involved in the program, and Gina will provide this.

h.) Members-At-Large (Norman Bird) – Norman reported that his group (TOPS NS 2688 Port Williams) performed their Fall cleanup recently. Age is becoming a concern for his group. Their cleanup doesn't take too long, and they are fortunate not to have any illegal dumpsites along their route. He noted that the exits in his area look better and is pleased with their appearance.

i.) Women's Institutes of Nova Scotia (Coni Murray) –Coni commented that the WI program appreciates the consistent and reliable support of RRFB for AAH. At the ACWW- national conference, the participants were impressed with the recycling system in N.S.

Stephanie Smits- Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre - Stephanie was interested in the AAH program, and how the various departments work together. They have a yearly "pick-me-up" campaign in her area, and thought the participants may be interested in the AAH program. We were happy that she could join us at our meeting.

7. Adopt-A-Highway Program Report:

Gina reported that the Spring Cleanup was a tremendous success, with 112 groups taking part. Totals for the cleanup were 3510 bags of garbage, 236 bags of recyclables, 652 kilometers of highway and 6 interchanges cleaned, 1747 volunteers took part, giving 4289 hours of their time. Total material removed from highways was 56.19 tonnes. These totals are a little different from the newsletter, as some missing data have been obtained from some of our groups.

We have 15 new groups since April 1st. Sixteen groups have left the program, but many of these have been inactive for a long time. Have 169 groups registered now.

The newsletter has just been sent out and seemed to be well received. Most groups and contact still get the paper copy of the newsletter, with the email version being less popular.

8. Old Business:

a.) Funding 2011-2012 –Already discussed.

b.) Poor Signage Issues –Still working on it. Ordering new signs of new groups, and contact groups concerning signs if they indicate it on their cleanup permit. The AAH office is working with local depots / area managers on old signs.

c.) Spring Litter Sweep Contest – Notice of winners in newsletter. Comments that the carved hockey puck was quite a unique item. Still not a lot of entries, but may take time for numbers to improve.

d.) 2011 Volunteer Information Session - Summary in newsletter. Had 16 interested people, 14 registered, and 11 attended. Speakers were excellent- Cindie Smith, RRFB; Andrea Trask, Illegal Dumpsites; Dr. Kenny Corscadden, Renovation of TREE House and other Energy Efficient Technologies; and Spencer Fowlie, Driving for Fuel Efficiency. The Debert Hospitality Centre proved to be a good facility. Maybe next year we should have it earlier, as some groups were actually doing their Spring Cleanup on that day (maybe sometime in April). As suggested in the survey that had been mailed out, we may considered moving the location of the next Session to another part of the province. Halifax or Bridgewater were possible locations. WI has found that when they moved their meetings to various parts of the province, participation increased. Possible tour ideas could be past Mobius Award Winners (excellence in Waste Reduction) which are listed on RRFB website.

9. New Business:

a.) Change of Meeting Date- Ellen inquired if we may be able to change the day of our meeting. Nancy Veinot, who is former member of the Committee, a member of the Lions Club, and a long-time participant in the AAH program

may attend our meetings if possible. Tuesdays are not a good day for her. Thursday would be better, and most members of the committee would be agreeable to a change. When we hear from Nancy, we will consult with other members to see if a suitable date can be chosen.

b) Other items- Tipping fees were brought up as a possible concern for some of our AAH groups. There was an instance where the Dept. of TIR in Cape Breton, would not pick up the AAH group's garbage after the cleanup, because they would have to pay the tipping fee. The Waste Facility was contacted, and they agreed to waive the tipping fee, and then the DOT would pick up the garbage. It is not a widespread concern, because in most areas, the Dept. of TIR does not pay tipping fees. It may be an idea to inform the waste facilities, or the Municipalities, in different areas of the contribution of the AAH program to litter reduction, (mention the 46 tonnes picked up during Spring Cleanup), We could also mention the amount collected in their particular area.

10. Next Meeting Date: to be determined. When we hear from Nancy, we will contact other members for a good date. We will try for a Thursday, possibly during the week of January 16th or following week.

For our next meeting, members are asked to think of a good tour idea, or location for our 2012 Volunteer Information Session.

To be determined : January, 2012

Bedford Superstore Community Room

1650 Bedford Highway, Bedford, NS

12. Adjournment:

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 11:00am.

Nicole Warren/ Norman Bird

Carried

Minutes by Gina Bain

JUST FOR LAUGHS

The Cow an Ant and an Old Fart

A cow, an ant and an old fart are debating on who is the greatest of the three of them.

The cow said, "I give 20 quarts of milk every day and that's why I am the greatest!"

The ant said, "I work day and night, summer and winter, I can carry 52 times my own weight and that's why I am the greatest!"

It's your turn to say something.

A young couple gets married, and the groom asks his bride if he can have a dresser drawer of his own that she will never open. The bride agrees. After 30 years of marriage, she notices that his drawer has been left open. She peeks inside and sees 3 golf balls and \$1,000.

She confronts her husband and asks for an explanation. He explains "Every time I was unfaithful to you, I put a golf ball in the drawer." She figures 3 times in 30 years isn't bad and asks "But what about the \$1,000?" He replied "Whenever I got a dozen golf balls, I sold them"

During their silver anniversary, a wife reminded her husband: Do you remember when you proposed to me, I was so overwhelmed that I didn't talk for an hour?" The hubby replied: "Yes, honey, that was the happiest hour of my life."

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Meeting Schedule

Huntington Hayes Community Centre

1416 South Bishop Rd., Coldbrook

1st Wednesday of the month BOD

2nd Wednesday Lions Supper

4th Wednesday Club Business



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