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President's Message...



By Chrystal Allen



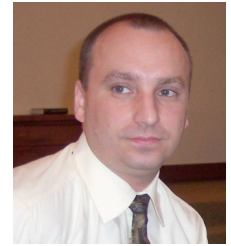
As the NBSMLT President for 2015 I look forward to the new beginnings here in our Society. Over the past couple of months

we've had some changes with staff within our Society, we've said goodbye to our previous Executive Director, Janelle Bourgeois and welcome our new Executive Director/Registrar, Paula Steeves. We set our path on our new strategic direction and will continue to strive to become recognized professionals while providing our membership with the access to the tools they need to succeed.

During the past few years my involvement with the Society has allowed me the privilege to watch it grow into what it is today. We've created partnerships with both Federal and Provincial Government, worked closely with other professional bodies, and have become known within the international community. All this can be attributed to the dedication and hard work of the NBSMLT members, Board of Directors, office staff and many volunteers for their work completed on the Internationally Educated Medical Laboratory Technologists (IEMLT) Bridging Program.

Over the next year, we will continue to work towards the goals set out by our strategic plan. As the Executive Staff, Committee Members, and Board of Directors we will work in the membership's best interest to meet the needs of our membership, building stronger partnerships, and actively seek new projects keeping the NBSMLT synonymous with healthcare professional.

From the Editor...



William Allen

*If we had no winter, the spring
would not be so pleasant: if we did not
sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity
would not be so welcome."
- Anne Bradstreet*



It appears as though the snow will never end, and if it does it might be June before it's all gone! I've always believed in the power of positive thinking, so with that said, I will think Spring is almost here...no matter how much more snow falls. We have a few things on the agenda worth mentioning; MEDLAB week is quickly approaching April 19th to 25th. Be sure to check out the CSMLS and your workplace for activities planned in your areas. Don't forget to send us pictures to publish in the next issue of the Analyzer.

Next up is LABCON which will take place May 22nd to 24th; the NBSMLT will be giving away two \$1,000 grants to attend the national congress in Montreal. The application for these grants can be found in this issue. Please take notice of the March 20th deadline for submissions.

As always, the NBSMLT is continuously on the lookout for new content to publish. If you have an article or report which you feel the members would be interested in reading, please do not hesitate to send it us a copy.

Submit your texts or comments/questions to:

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**Board of Director Meeting Synopsis are available
on the members only section of the NBSMLT website**

www.nbsmlt.nb.ca

Please note that if you wish to receive NBSMLT e-mail correspondence, submit your e-mail address to: office@nbsmlt.nb.ca

APSC CSPA

Friday October 2 to
Saturday October 3, 2015

Medical Laboratory Professionals: The Key to Diagnosis

Save the Date

The 2015 APSC will be held in Fredericton this Fall!

Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks!

NBSMLT Anita Lindsay Award

The Anita Lindsay Award is awarded annually to a technologist who exemplified exceptional professional service.

Applications for the award will be accepted until August 31, 2015

Objective

The Anita Lindsay Award is presented to a member who is leaving the profession of Medical Laboratory Technology. The award will only be given when a suitable recipient is nominated.

Selection Committee

The Awards Committee shall select the recipient by reviewing the résumé of the nominees submitted on or before January 31st. The Award Committee will purchase the award.

Presentation

The recipient shall receive an expense paid trip to Annual General Meeting where the President will present the award at the AGM banquet.

Selection Criteria

Must be leaving the profession of Medical Laboratory Technology (retiring or changing careers), at least 20 years as a member of NBSMLT.

Must have demonstrated professionalism, integrity and a commitment to high personal standards throughout his/her career.

Must have significantly contributed to the professional society at the academy, provincial, national or international level for at least 5 years.

Must be nominated by an active member of NBSMLT.

Publicity

A résumé and picture of the recipient shall be made available for press releases and publication in the Analyzer.



For more information go to link: <http://nbsmlt.nb.ca/member-anita-lindsay-award.asp>

National Medical Laboratory Week

April 19-25

Promote our Profession! Be Part of the NBSMLT Social Media Blitz!

In a recent national survey about regulated health professions, Medical Laboratory Professionals came in 3rd for public recognition!

Let's keep the momentum going!

From April 19 to 25, Share, Post, Like, Tag, Comment, as much information about our profession as you can.

Know anyone high profile? Ask them to give us a "shout out" on their profile, or to share our posts.



Follow us on Facebook for fun stuff to share, and to share your own creations!

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NBSMLT Executive Director



Paula Steeves

As I am writing this, I have been almost 10 weeks on the job, and the most frequently asked question I get from our members is : *“Soooo, what exactly do you do, anyway?”*

My answer for the first few weeks was: “I’m not exactly sure what I’m doing but I’ll let you know as soon as I do!” Needless to say, this continuous learning curve has been humbling, and I am extremely fortunate to be working with a great staff and board of directors, whom I call my “resident experts”. I would like to take this opportunity personally thank them for their patience and guidance for the last 10 weeks, and the months to come.

That being said, in my attempt for transparency with “what I do”, I invite you to follow me on Twitter: [@NBSMLT_Exec](#) which is linked to our NBSMLT Facebook page. Here, I chronicle my activities with our members, our national body, our government and stakeholders (as well as a few nerdy science jokes).

By the time this issue is printed, the NBSMLT would have been represented on the national level at the Canadian Medical Association, the CSMLS Professional Standards council, the CSMLS council on Governance and Public Relations, the Canadian Institute of Health Information, and the Canadian Alliance of Medical Laboratory Professionals Regulators to discuss the issues that affect our profession and our laws.

The NBSMLT was also represented on a provincial level at the "MAKING IT HAPPEN" initiative related to population growth division, and consulted on amendments of the Official Languages Act and Privacy Acts

Lab Week is coming up, so be sure to check the rest of this issue to see how you can contribute to promoting our profession with a social media Blitz. We’d also love to see your Lab week photos to post on our website and Facebook page.

Did you know?

There is a member’s only section of the NBSMLT website?

Here you will find upcoming events such as APSC/CSPA, LABCON and Maritech events, PDP guidelines, Board meeting minutes and Annual reports, as well as membership payment options.

Not seeing our bulk emails?

If your registered email with us is Yahoo, Hotmail or Gmail, please check your Junk mail file, and ensure our office email addresses are added to your address books; registrar@nbsmlt.nb.ca and office@nbsmlt.nb.ca



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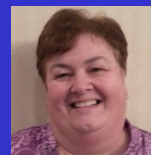
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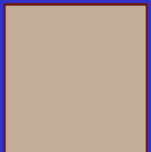
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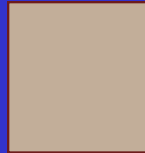
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NBSMLT Gives Back

Promoting our profession goes far beyond TV commercials, pamphlets, and social media. As Medical Laboratory Professionals, we all do our part every day as individuals by talking about what we do to friends and family and by increasing our profile in the community by volunteering and fundraising. This feature showcases Medical Laboratory Professionals and the charitable organization they are dedicated to.

In 2014, the NBSMLT Moncton Academy launched a charity challenge to the other NBSMLT academies. The Dr Everett Chalmers Hospital and Upper River Valley Hospital, both from the Fredericton Area Academy, combined their efforts to raise funds for the 2015 New Brunswick Winter Special Olympics, held in Woodstock N.B from February 19- 22. Martin McNally, an NBSMLT member (see picture below: Martin (centre) with two of his team members), and his son Ryan help coach the Western Valley Region Slammers Floor Hockey team, who make up some of the 200 athletes, coaches and family members who attend the games to compete for medals in curling, snow shoeing, speed skating and floor hockey.

Friday afternoon ice cream and pizza sales were the main fundraising activities, and both hospitals managed to raise over 1500\$ which allowed the NBSMLT to be awarded a bronze sponsorship on their marketing material, such as this banner pictured below, proudly displaying the NBSMLT logo and increasing our visibility to the public.

The Fredericton Area Academy is a stellar example of demonstrating the fun of coming together for a charity challenge combined with giving back to a charity that has meaning to our members, and increases our public profile as a society. Great job!

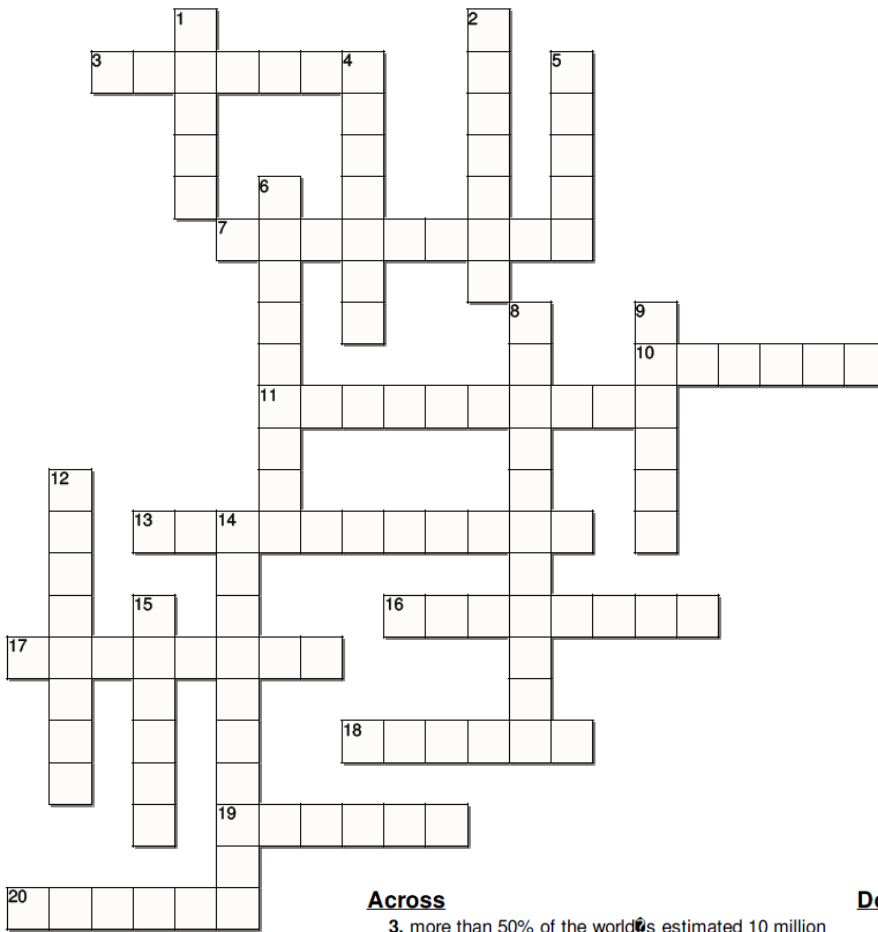
Source: Martin McNally



Are you a Medical Laboratory Professional who gives back to your community - we'd love to publish your story of your volunteering efforts or fundraising activities! Submit your articles to analyzer@nbsmlt.nb.ca

Amazon Rain Forest, Thinking of somewhere with no SNOW

Complete the crossword below



Across

3. more than 50% of the world's estimated 10 million species of plants, _____, and insects live in the tropical rainforest. One hectare contains over 750 types of trees and 1,500 types of large plants.
7. The rainforest provides _____ and drugs from various plant species. It is believed that there is more to be discovered.
10. The _____ rain forest is the largest in the world. If it were a country it would be the ninth largest in the world.
11. A _____ occurs when over 200 cm of rain falls evenly throughout the year. There is no dry or cold season producing periods of slower growth in the rain forest.
13. In the understory layer of the rainforest many popular _____ come from the understory of The rainforest.
16. The tops of the trees on the emergent layer enjoy the most amount of _____.
17. The tops of the giant trees that reach the _____ layer, often 60 meters above the forest floor, enjoy the most amount of sunlight.
18. The tropical rainforest is composed of four _____, the very top or emergent, the canopy, the understory, and the forest floor.
19. Because of the amount of _____ the Amazon rainforest produces it has been called "The Lungs of the Earth."
20. The _____ layer forms a very thick umbrella like a cover over the forest. This layer, often 40-50 meters above the ground, is home to many of the animals and birds found in the rain forest.

Down

1. The Amazon river is the largest _____ system in the the world and contains 20% of the fresh water on Earth. It is over 6,000 km long and the main body is on average six to ten km wide.
2. _____ reduces the rainforest area each year. There were 7.1 billion acres of tropical rainforest 200 years ago. Today approximately 1.3 billion acres remain.
4. There are 3,000 known _____ living in the Amazon rain forest.
5. The canopy layer that is often is 40-50 meters above the ground, is home too many of the animals and _____ found in the rainforest.
6. The rainforest has many rich _____ including iron, water power, and hardwood trees.
8. The _____ receives less than 2% of sunlight and water reaches it by rolling down branches and trunks.
9. The cleared land is also used for _____ and for growing crops. There is great interest in developing the rainforest to take advantage of these resource opportunities.
12. _____ tribal people have lived in the Amazon rain forest for centuries. Over 90 tribes are thought to have disappeared within the last 100 years.
14. The _____ is made up of the smaller trees and plants that grow Underneath the canopy. It is a very dark place.
15. The largest part of the Amazonian rainforest is in _____. It also extends into Venezuela, Columbia, Ecuador, Bolivia, and Peru.

Answers will be posted on website:
www.nbsmlt.nb.ca

Link: <http://nbsmlt.nb.ca/uploads/file/Answers%20to%20the%20crossword%20puzzles%20March%202015%20en%20and%20fr.pdf>

National Medical Laboratory Week Activity



Easter Colouring Contest

Children of NBSMLT members have a chance to go on-line to enter to win our

Easter Colouring Contest



Pictures are available on the website:

www.nbsmlt.nb.ca

Or follow links:

http://nbsmlt.nb.ca/uploads/file/Easter_Contest_Pic.pdf

http://nbsmlt.nb.ca/uploads/file/Easter_Contest_Pic_2.pdf

All submissions are to be received by April 10 2015
Send by e-mail: office@nbsmlt.nb.ca or fax : (506) 758-9963

LABCON 2015

CSMLS's National Conference of Medical Laboratory Science
Congrès national de science de laboratoire médical de la SCSLM

Montreal - a bilingual experience!

Fairmont Queen Elizabeth

Montreal, QC

May 22 - 24, 2015

Montréal – toute une expérience dans deux langues!

Fairmont Reine Elizabeth

Montréal (Qué.)

Du 22 au 24 mai 2015

LABCON 2015 will be held in Montreal, QC on May 22-24, 2015. At the meeting of the NBSMLT Board of Directors, a motion was carried to award two (2) grants of \$1,000 each to facilitate attendance at the national congress. Please complete application form if you are interested.

As in the past, recipients will be chosen based upon their commitment, professionalism and service to NBSMLT (at any level). All applicants who have contributed to the Society (as indicated on the application) in any manner, and have not previously received this grant, will be considered equally. Recipients will be chosen at random from qualified applicants and will be notified in writing by the Registrar as soon as the selection has been made.

On occasion, the Board of Directors may find an applicant to be outstanding and award one of the grants to that individual. When completing your application, please remember to complete all sections since this may be the only information that will be available at the selection process.

LABCON 2015 aura lieu à Montréal, Qué. du 22 au 24 mai 2015. Le Conseil d'administration de Le Conseil d'administration de L'ATLMNB lors de sa réunion, a adopté une motion en faveur de l'octroi de deux (2) subventions de 1,000 \$ chacune afin de permettre à certains membres d'assister plus facilement au congrès national. Si vous êtes intéressé (s), veuillez remplir ce formulaire.

Comme par le passé, le choix des bénéficiaires sera fondé sur leur responsabilité, leur professionnalisme et les services qu'ils ont rendus à l'ATLMNB (à tous les niveaux). Seront examinées les demandes de tous les requérants qui, d'une manière ou d'une autre, ont contribué aux activités de l'Association (comme cela doit être mentionné dans la demande) et qui n'ont pas déjà reçu une subvention. Les bénéficiaires seront choisis au hasard parmi les noms des requérants admissibles, puis ils seront avisés par la registraire dès que les choix auront été faits.

Il peut arriver à l'occasion que le Conseil d'administration accorde une des subventions directement à une personne en raison de ces services insignes. N'oubliez pas de remplir toutes les sections de votre formulaire de demande, étant donné que ce formulaire sera la seule source d'information utilisée pour le processus de sélection.



Application for Congress Grant

Demande de subvention pour congrès

Name/Nom

Home Address/Adresse du domicile

Home Telephone/Téléphone à domicile

Work Telephone/Téléphone au travail

Email/courriel:

Number of years of active membership in NBSMLT/
Nombre d'années comme membre actif de l'ATLMNB

Place of Employment/Lieu d'emploi

Previous grant/Subvention précédente: Yes / Oui
No / Non

If yes, when? / Si oui, quand? _____

Professional Activities/Activités professionnelles

Academy/Au niveau de l'académie:

Provincial/Au niveau de la province:

National/Au niveau national:

**Send application by March 20, 2015 to the following/
Envoyer votre demande avant le 20 mars 2015 au suivant :**

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Top 5 reasons to attend LABCON:

1. Educational opportunities
2. Networking with your peers
3. Meet vendors and explore new technology
4. Learn about key issues in the profession
5. Keep up with industry trends

May 22-24, 2015

Fairmont Queen Elizabeth
Montréal, QC

labcon.csmls.org

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Société canadienne de science de laboratoire médical

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