

Moments in Time 1985 – 2013

- 1985** Robert “Dig” Nichols and the first committee of DLN met on July 9th.
- 1986** Proclamation by Mayor John Savage, December 5th Adult Literacy Awareness Day. The Savage family continued to very supportive of literacy and DLN.
- 1987** Funding for Administrative Assistant runs out.
- 1988** Committee begins work to establish DLN as a registered charitable organization.
- 1991** First Annual General Meeting held as a registered non-profit organization with a charitable tax number.
- First Peter Gzowski Invitational Golf Tournament held. Dr. John Savage can be credited with bringing the tournament to Nova Scotia. It was first held at the Brightwood Golf Club during his time as Mayor of Dartmouth. When Dr. Savage became Premier one of the first announcements made by his government was the initiation of a community-based literacy program and at the same time the province of Nova Scotia matched the funds raised at the PGI Tournament for literacy.
- Nan Nichols awarded the National Citizenship Award for Volunteering
- 1995** “Fill for Literacy Campaign” – Superior Propane supported DLN with financial incentives.
- 1997** Health Video produce by DLN learners and Donna Barnett.
- 1998** DLN one of the three finalists for the Donner Foundation Award for Excellence in Education (Fraser Institute, B.C.)
- DLN Co-hosts Community Access Program
- 1999** DLN launches “My Backyard, My Front Yard, and Math for All Ages”
- 2003** First CelebRead Fundraiser – now “Word for Word”
- 2003** DLN launches Computer Literacy Kit
- 2005** 10th Anniversary celebrations June 8th – 20th
- 2007** DLN Learner Liz Young wins the 2007 Nova Scotia Learner Achievement Award
- Dartmouth Literacy Network officially becomes Dartmouth Learning Network and moves to 260 Wyse Road due to the decommissioning of Simpson Hall.
- DLN launches first Seniors Literacy Project
- 2008** Community Learning Program expands to include three Level 1 literacy classes.
- DLN won the Senior’s Literacy and Learning Partnership Award from the Department of Labour and Workforce Development and the Seniors Secretariat.
- 2009** DLN launches Employee Readiness Program
- 2010** DLN launches day-time Computer Basics Program
- 2011** DLN Launches GED Program three nights a week
- 2012** DLN participates in pilot Province of Nova Scotia Record of Achievement Project
- DLN Employee Readiness Program Partners with “Dress for Success”
- DLN launches evening Computer Basics Program two nights a week
- DLN launches Math Basics Program
- DLN launches Learner Council
- DLN launches Mentor Council
- 2013** DLN in Partnership with the Rotary Club of Canada launches and Employer Readiness Survey
- DLN launches new website. Special care was taken in the design of the new site to ensure a mobile and tablet users experience the same ease of use as our desktop visitors.

