



5M7 GRAM

October 2016



Lion Kathy and I made it back from the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Omaha. It was great catching up with old friends and meet new ones. The three days of seminars were some of the best to help motivate a person to learn more and become a better Lion.

Something new this year was the PAW Device. The Forum went paperless and the Paw was used to collect all the digital information with a touch. Instead of passing business cards you just touched Paws and that information was passed. It was also a great icebreaker because you were able to talk for a few minutes.

The speakers were great as always and really informative.

Our Multiple District MD5M took the award for the most Lions in attendance. Lion Kathy and I also received our Diploma from the Masters Program from Lions University. From 5M7 graduating from the Bachelors Program were VDG Dan Kaiser, Lion Roger Johnson, and Lion Lyle Goff. Graduating from both the Bachelors and Masters Program was Lion Chad Vokaty and graduating from the Masters Program was Lion Jim Kugler. Congrats to all these Lions for a job well done.

I was able to talk with the International Director Nicolin Carol Moore from Triadad and Tobago. That means we are the only District in the Multiple that has a true International Director. ID Nicolin was a joy to talk with and is very excited but also a little nervous about coming to Minnesota in the winter. I promised her that the warmth of the Lions of 5M7 would keep her nice and warm.

If you have not scheduled your Governors Visit, please try and get that done. Any activity that your club does should be reported on MyLCI to get credit for you club.

Lion Kathy and I have tried to visit your club at chicken and corn feeds, pancake breakfasts, and community festivals. We had our first Governors Visit at the Stacy Lions Club, where we inducted two new Lions. Welcome to these new Centennial Lions.

Last, with a heavy heart, I lost a very good friend, a great Lion and a District Governor from 5M8. DG Judy was unable to travel to Japan for the International Convention so all the Governors in the Multiple carried pictures of DG Judy and Lion Bob and took them every where we went. Pictures were taken and posted on Facebook so they could feel like they were with us. DG Judy will be missed as a friend and a fellow District Governor.

Thank you for all you do,
District Governor Steve





Lions, Lioness, Leos

As the summer winds down, the county fairs are done, the Minnesota State Fair has come to an end and the schools are back in full swing. Let's take some time to reflect on the many things that our clubs have accomplished since the beginning of this Lions Year. What a wonderful summer we as Lions have had. At the USA/CANADA Forum we found out that over 100 Million people have been served by Lions since this Centennial Service Challenge had been issued, what a **Great Accomplishment**, Lions take a pat on the back for getting this done.

We would like each club to continue to complete and report on a service for each of the four areas of focus: **Engaging Our Youth, Protecting the Environment, Sharing the Vision, and Relieving the Hunger**. We will continue to emphasize the importance of reporting these projects throughout the year. We will need to continuing to focus on making our clubs strong for our Lions Club, the communities we serve, as we prepare for the Centennial Projects that will last for future generations.

I need to continue to ask that if a Lion, Lioness, or Leo has passed and has been a member of your club for a number of years that you send me a nice photo and bio of them for the MidWinter Convention. From the reports that I see, many Lions have passed and I haven't received any information on them. The reports **do not** show the Lioness that passed from us, so I have no records on them, thank you if you have started working on this information.

Lastly, the Convention Committee has been meeting and we will have some nice changes for this coming MidWinter Convention. The room rates have stayed the same and the meal ticket prices have gone up a little bit. In relation to other Lions District Conventions our meal prices are relatively moderate. If you have fresh and exciting ideas for the convention I would love to hear about them.

If any club has any problem with reporting any information in the LCI website, please let us know, we would be more than happy to assist your club in getting reports entered.

Thank You,
Lion Dan Kaiser 1VDG

Lions, Lioness, and Leos of 5M7,

It's hard to believe the year is already 25 percent over; where does the time fly? I'll be gone Oct 6-8 for my first round of training up at Detroit Lakes and to attend my first Council of Governors meeting. I'm looking forward to that.

The Mid-Winter Convention planning is coming along and I urge all to attend and help celebrate our Centennial. Also, start planning for the Multiple Convention in Bemidji April 21-23. I hear they are going to hold a 0K walk up there, among other things.

For anyone who has wanted to attend the USA/Canada Leadership Forum but couldn't, there is a Lions Leadership Forum in Mahanomen Nov 11-12. There will be 36 seminars with PID Robert Littlefield and PID Brian Sheehan speaking. More information is available on the Multiple website MD5M.org



Thanks everyone,
2VDG Al Kvistero

DGE Steve's calendar:

October

- 1 Stacy Booya
- 6 Blaine Central Governor's Visit
- 7 International President Corlew Visit
- 8 MD5M Leo Leadership Conference
- 10 Waverly Lions Governor's Visit
- 11 Anoka Lions Governor's Visit
- 12 Oak Grove Lions Governor's Visit
- 14-15 Council of Governors, Detroit Lakes
- 16 True Friends Zip Line Open House
- 18 Taylor Falls Lions Governor's Visit
- 26 Rum River Leos Charter Night
- 27 Convention Meeting, Cabinet Meeting
- 28-30 Anoka Halloween Tent
- 29 Thanksgiving for Vision
- 30 Spring Lake Park Pancake Breakfast

November

- 4-6 5M13 Mid-Winter Convention
- 9 Zone 8 Meeting
- 11-12 Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum at Shooting Star Convention Center, Mahnomen
- 15 Elk River Lions Governor's Visit
- 21 Monticello Lions Governor's Visit

December

- 1 Howard Lake Lions Governor's Visit
- 3 Andover Lions Governor's Visit
- 7 Buffalo Lions Governor's Visit

Peace Posters

Its time to be working on your club's peace posters. Its a big year to celebrate with the Lions 100 years and the convention in Minnesota.

Can you think of 11-13 years of age, what will go though the minds with theme of "A Celebration of Peace?" I can not wait to see the posters.

If you do not have your kit, order today from International.

It must be done by Oct. 1.

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Upcoming events

October

- 1 Stacy Lions Annual Booya, 9 a.m.-gone at Rick Doyle Memorial Building
- 2 Andover and Blaine Central Lions Pancake Breakfast, 9-11 a.m. at the Andover Senior Center (1685 Crosstown Blvd. Andover)
- 5 True Strides Open House, 3:45 p.m. at Camp Courage
- 7-9 MD5M Leo Leadership Conference at Camp Friendship, Annandale
- 8 Circle Pines-Lexington Lions Booya, 9 a.m. next to the Lexington Fire Department
- 9 Ham Lake Lions Wellness Van, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 14 Howard Lake Lions Hot Dish Supper, 5-7 p.m. at Howard Lake Lions Hall (625 8th St.)
- 15 American Diabetes Association Diabetes Expo at Minneapolis Convention Center
- 16 Camp Courage Challenge Ropes Course & Zip Line dedication, noon-4 p.m.
- 22 Cokato-Dassel Lions Sportsman Raffle Drawing, 7 p.m. at Thirsty's Tavern, Dassel
- 24 Lioness Group I and II Meeting Hosted by Big Lake Lioness
- 26 Rum River Leos Charter Night
- 27-31 Delano Lions Haunted Trail, 6-11 p.m. near Central Park in Delano
- 28-29 Anoka Halloween Tent Event, 6 p.m.-midnight at Jackson Street (next to Serum's)
- 30 Spring Lake Park Lions Fall Pancake Breakfast, 8 a.m.-noon and Wellness Van, 8:30-11:30 a.m. at Spring Lake Park High School
- 31 Trunk or Treat, 6 p.m. at Sanburnol Park (520 Sanburnol Dr. Spring Lake Park)

November

- 5 Wyoming Lions Turkey Bingo, TBA
- 6 Deer Hunting Widow's Wonderland Bingo, 2 p.m. at Friar's (1500 Lake St. S. Forest Lake)
- 11 Otsego Lions Third Annual Grand Fall Tasting, 6-9 p.m. at Pour! Wine Bar & Bistro
- 11-12 Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum at Shooting Star Convention Center, Mahnomen

December

- 10 Wyoming Lions Santa Days, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Wyoming City Hall

2016-17 5M7 Cabinet

Title	Name	Phone number(s) or address	Email
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2016- 2017 DISTRICT GOVERNOR CLUB VISIT

Club: _____

Preferred Date: _____ Alternate Date: _____

Social Hour: _____ Dinner/Meeting Time: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Meeting Location: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Directions: _____

Dinner: Yes ____ No ____ Joint Meeting? Yes ____ No ____

If so, list other club (s) _____

Special Requests during visit?(Install Officers, Induct new members,
present awards, or other _____

1st Vice Governor Invited? Yes ____ No ____ Spouse? Yes ____ No ____

2nd Vice Governor Invited? Yes ____ No ____ Spouse? Yes ____ No ____

Zone Chair Invited ? Yes ____ No ____ Spouse? Yes ____ No ____

Please return this form to me via email or snail mail to schedule your club visit. I will contact you one week before visit to reconfirm your date and go over any special requests.

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Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation

Lions, Lioness and Leos of 5M-7:

In this month's 5M-7 Gram article, we will be featuring our **Minnesota Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (MLERC)**. This program has resulted in the collection of over 10 1/2 Million pairs of eyeglasses. That amazing amount is just a drop in the bucket compared to the need for eyewear throughout the world.

Globally, one child in four cannot see well enough to learn to read without eyeglasses. By age 40, 90% of adults experience a decrease in their ability to read print and need eyeglasses. Many emerging countries lack the resources to manufacture quality lenses, and the cost of importing eyeglasses is far beyond the means of the average citizen. Millions fail to reach their economic, educational, and social potential without access to quality eyeglasses.

The World Health Organization estimates that the eyesight of one-fourth of the world's population can be improved through the use of corrective lenses. Unfortunately, for many a pair of glasses is both unaffordable and inaccessible. In developing countries, an eye exam costs as much as one month's wages, and a single doctor may serve a community of hundreds of thousands of people.

For 80 years, individual Lions clubs and districts have collected old, unwanted eyeglasses for redistribution to the poor in developing countries. Lions and other volunteers donate travel expenses, time, and talent to dispense recycled eyeglasses free of charge to individuals in developing nations. Some people walk 50 miles to receive free eyeglasses from the Lions. It costs fewer than 8 cents to provide glasses to a person in a developing nation.

The eyeglasses collected by the Minnesota Lions are transported to a processing facility in neighboring Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Lions Foundation operates a regional facility in Rosholt, Wisconsin where Lions volunteers clean, repair, and classify the glasses by prescription. Glasses are then made available for medical mission work.

Used eyeglasses may be sent to the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (MLVF)** or dropped at one of the many

collection locations in Minnesota. Our district maintains 207 collection sites and collects eyeglasses, sunglasses, reading glasses and hearing aids. Your efforts are greatly appreciated not only by the MLVF, but more importantly, by the individuals across the globe who are given an opportunity for a better life through improved sight.

Please remember to report any changes or additions to the collection sites your club maintains. Please remember to get your collected items to your Zone Chair, PDG Paul or Lion Lyle for processing. Please remove all of the eyeglasses from the cases. Unfortunately, no lenses without frames or frames without lenses, please.

- **Donations by check:** When making a donation, please make all your checks out to the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation**. You can indicate the Foundation program you wish to support in the **Memo** section on the check.

- **October 29th – Thanksgiving for Vision:** The invitations to this annual event should have arrived in your club mailbox. Every Lions club is encouraged to send a representative to Thanksgiving for Vision. At the event, you will hear from U of M doctors, transplant recipients and donor families who have all benefited from the generous contributions made by the Lions of Minnesota. If you are interested in attending the event, please contact PDG Paul or Lion Lyle.

- **October 30th – Minnesota Lions Eye Bank Donor and Family Recognition Service at the University of St. Thomas.** This event celebrates those who have made the ultimate gift of sight by donating their eyes for transplantation or research. You will hear stories about the donors from their families and friends, as well as talks from the staff and technicians at the MLEB.

As always, please contact us with any questions or to have us speak at your club meeting! Thank you Lions, Lioness and Leos of 5M-7 for truly being **"Knights of the Blind!"**

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MN Lions Diabetes Foundation Calendar Fundraiser Order Form

Option #1: For \$100.00 (\$90.00 is tax deductible).

- 1) Choose name to be honored on any date in our 2017 printed calendar.
- 2) Name also posted on the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. web calendar.
- 3) Printed calendar and a Dream Catcher pin will be mailed to address below.

Option #2: For \$200.00 (\$190.00 is tax deductible).

- 1) Receive Option 1 package plus a 50 word message and picture on the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Inc. Facebook page (on selected date).

*Select one: Option #1 ☐
Option #2 ☐

*Name to go on Calendar _____

*Date chosen for name on Calendar _____

*Name and address to send the calendar to _____

*Name & address of purchaser _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ email address _____

If you are a Lion-- Club Name _____ District# _____

Send completed registration form and check to: Lion Mark Eyre
2672 West Vermilion Shores Rd
Cook, MN 55723

Please make check Payable to: **MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. or**
Purchase with Pay Pal on the: **MN Lions Diabetes Foundation web site.**
<http://www.mnlionsdiabetes.org/>

For option #2: Send jpeg picture and 50 word message to: meps@accessmn.com

***REQUIRED FIELDS**



Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

"Catch the Dream" – Life Without Diabetes!

2017 Calendar Fundraiser



Honor Someone Special or A Special Event in Your Life

By Purchasing a Spot on the 2017 Calendar

"Your Gift Will Help Find The Cure"

IDEAS – Honoring Special People and Events: Memorialize Someone Historic Event
Birthday Wedding Anniversary Graduation Lions Club Charter Date
Melvin Jones Market Club Event Advertise Community Event / Business Event

Option 1: For \$100 (\$90.00 tax deductible) you can:

- 1) Choose a person's name, honored Lion, award winner or a family member who is special to be recognized in our printed calendar,
- 2) This name will also be posted on the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation web calendar and the
- 3) Printed calendar and a Dream Catcher Pin will be mailed to the designated person.

Option 2: For \$200 (\$190 tax deductible) you will:

Receive Option 1 package plus a 50 word message and picture on the MLDF Facebook page.

Sample Calendar – "Catch the Dream" – Life Without Diabetes!

May 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Mary Jones	3	4 Our Lions Club	5	6 US Military*
7	8 Lion Joe	9	10 Tom & Sue	11	12	13 River Days

*Option 2 -Sample Message: Dale Johansen served with the US Army in the Mekong Delta of Vietnam in 1965 and 1966. Dale was a helicopter mechanic whose main mission was to assist in the recovery of helicopters that had gone down either from mechanical failure or hostile fire. Thank you for your service Dale. (Find additional 50 word sample messages on our web site.)

The Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. MLDF is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with diabetes by funding research to cure diabetes, providing education and sponsoring preventive health activities.
<http://www.mnlionsdiabetes.org/>



**FREE
GIFTS***
*While supplies last.

The Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation invites you to
World Diabetes Day



"Catch the Dream"
Life Without Diabetes!

- *Learn if You are At Risk for Diabetes*
- *Fun Ways to Add Physical Activity*
- *Food and Exercise Demos*
- *Healthy Eating*
- *Free Gifts*

www.mnlionsdiabetes.org

Visit us online
for more info!



world diabetes day

World Diabetes Day 2016 - Locations

November 5, 2016

**FRIDLEY
WALMART**

8450 University Ave. NE
11am - 3pm

**BROOKLYN CENTER
WALMART**

1200 Shingle Creek Crossing
11am - 3pm

**ROSEVILLE
WALMART**

1960 Twin Lakes Pkwy
11am - 3pm

**DULUTH
WALMART**

4740 Mall Dr, Hermantown
10am - 2pm

November 12, 2016

**NORTH ROCHESTER
WALMART**

3400 55th St. NW
11am - 3pm

**WORTHINGTON
WALMART**

1055 Ryan's Rd
9am - 1pm

**WINDOM
HYVEE**

192 10th St.
9am - 1pm

**JACKSON
SUNSHINE FOODS**

908 Hwy 71 North
9am - 1pm

Can Do Canines Lions Newsletter Submission – September, 2016

Thanks to the support of Lions Clubs across 5M, Can Do Canines continues to train specially trained for people with disabilities and provide them to those in need, free of charge.

One recipient of a Can Do Canines assistance dog is Amy Kainz. Amy now has a greater sense of freedom, independence and peace of mind since thanks to Mobility Assist Dog Rebel. Read their story below.

AMY KAINZ & MOBILITY ASSIST DOG REBEL



It's hard to believe that Amy and Rebel have been "officially" together for only a few weeks. They've visited malls, restaurants, gone to movies and even the county fair where Rebel was "a rock star." There's a growing bond between them. They seem very comfortable and Rebel is getting used to Amy's soft-spoken but firm commands. Rebel affords Amy "extra security and a sense of peace to my family."

Family approval is an important part of what Amy imparts to us in her interview. For her, contemplating the acquisition of a Mobility Assist dog was not her decision alone. Her family would be hugely impacted by a new family member and she wanted to make sure that all were onboard. She is quick to point out that her kids were really her helping hands, picking things up and opening doors for her. She realized an assistance animal ideally could do the same, especially when the kids were back in school.

Some of Rebel's natural smarts have begun to become specific to Amy's needs. Rebel gets Amy out of bed in the morning and she credits him for being "the reason I get up." He is super great about picking things up for her and is developing his skills in taking Amy's socks off (per her request.)

The journey from expressing interest in an assistance dog to actual acquisition, certification and graduation is a long one, but Amy urges anyone who is considering it to

have patience. "The right dog will be there when you're ready and when **they're** ready." Amy is eternally grateful to all of the folks at Can Do Canines and people like you who support the mission! She says "it's a life changing addition."



Centennial Public Relations Contest
Lions Clubs of MD5M July, 2016-January 1, 2017



District _____ Club _____ Date of Event _____

Event _____

Place an X over the area your event qualifies:



If your event does not fit one of the above areas, where would you classify it?

Number of Club Members _____ Number of Members who participated _____

Approximate number in attendance/number affected by this Event: _____

Explanation of Event:

What benefit did this project have to your community?

How did this event publicize Lions and our 100th Anniversary (Anniversary must be publicized)?

**** Attach only 1 picture page**

Contact person for this event: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Does your club have a Lions sign in your town? ____ Yes ____ No ____

Have you refreshed your Lions sign- a new one or a new decal for our 100th? ____ Yes ____ No

Please submit to your District PR Chair before January 1, 2017.

Clubs may enter more than once.

Auction: Are you or your Lions Club Interested?



1955 1st Series, Suburban/Carryall, Clam Shell Doors,
Complete Deco Interior, Small V8, Auto, Dual Exhaust.
Classic Vehicle for Club Parades, Events, Shows !



Saturday October 1 Auction at 10:00 a.m.

Aasness Auctioneers (Cary or Cody Aasness) 218-998-4454 or 218-589-8598

Centennial Public Relations Contest

The Public Relations Contest is to promote Lions and the Centennial Anniversary. Every club in the Multiple is invited to participate. Small clubs have the same chance as a large club to win.

If there are not enough lines on the application (which is on Page 11) in any area, feel free to attach another page.

Each District will award one winner per year. A plaque will be given to the winner of each District at the Multiple Convention in 2017 and 2018. An overall winner will be chosen from the 12 District winners and will be awarded at the 2017 and 2018 Multiple Conventions. A monetary amount will be determined by the District Governors at the July 2016 Council of Governors.

The contest will run from July 2016– December 2017
and January 2017 – December 2017.

Please submit your application to
glicht@heraldjournal.com or mail to:

Lion Gabe Licht
PO Box 498
Delano MN 55328



To: The Lions of MD5M/District 5M7

Re: Centennial Planning Committees Need Your Help!

MD5M will celebrate the Lions Centennial on the first Saturday in June: 6/3/2017 at the Mall of America (MOA).

MOA will feature a large LED screen in the Rotunda showing Lions Videos and Still Photos for the entire day!

We need your Clubs and Members who have videos and pictures!

They can be recent or several years old.

The Clips and Photos will be put together for a presentation by the Multiple District's Planning Committee.

Send your Videos and Pictures to: PDG Dave Reach

dreach@valgroun.net

Any format accepted. Filename should include club name, event, other identifying information. Deadline for submission is January 15, 2017. But, do it now!



**“ UPDATE ON TRAIN”
ALL ABOARD FOR THE 2017
LCI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**
By Roger Johnson, 5M7 District Centennial Coordinator

As you know we were trying to work something out with Amtrak as to having a train car for Lions to go to Chicago for the Convention.

PDG Lion Dennis Kelly has contacted Amtrak regarding a train car for Chicago as we had over 75 people interested in taking the train.

So here is what we have learned:

Stops: They cannot make multiple stops. Everyone would need to get on at the same location.

Fare: \$68 each way.

In looking at the price of the fare, it would mean that everyone would have to catch the train in the Twin Cities as that is the fare they show for St. Paul. Everyone would have to make their own reservations.

They also said that if we wanted to have a whole train, we would have to have 250 guests confirmed before they would approve and we would have to work with their Charter Sales people.

Amtrak also said that if requested they will provide a special convention fare for anyone going to the convention from any location; however, they did not elaborate on how this is done. We are thinking that this might be something that LCI would have to arrange with Amtrak.

If we have 75 people who want to leave from the Twin Cities on a specific date and return on a specific date we will have to fill out a Group Travel request and submit to them. They have a 48 hour turnaround time to approve.

We will contact those who have shown interest in taking the train to see if they are still interested and if so we can look into the Group Travel request. Otherwise, our only suggestion is that everyone makes their own reservations with Amtrak and board the train at the location they choose. For those who live West and North of the Twin Cities the cost will be more. You will still need to get a taxi in Chicago to get to your hotel.

We want to thank everyone who showed interest in the train and we wish that Amtrak would have been a little more user friendly.

If you wish to sign up to “Take the Train” to the Chicago Convention, please send me an email message to that effect, with # of riders, the name of each passenger, and your Club name to:

Roger Johnson at rogvicki@msn.com

Thank you!

Lions Clubs International

Celebrating 100 Years of Service

Lions Clubs of Minnesota - Celebrate at the Mall of America

Saturday, June 3rd 2017

Hello fellow Lions, Lioness, and Leo clubs. We are working hard to make our celebration at the Mall of America both a great way to share our story of community service and to provide a way for the community to get involved.

Our plans include activities that support our four centennial areas: Sharing the Vision, Relieving the Hunger, Protecting our Environment, and Engaging Our Youth. We are still in the planning phase- and need your support.

Relieving the Hunger: We are working with 2nd Harvest Heartland to have stations at the MOA that both attendees and Lions members can put together "Kids Meal/ Snack Packs". These packs would then be distributed to 6 food banks through out Minnesota. (Crookston, Rochester, Duluth, Fargo/Moorhead, Grand Rapids, and the Twin Cities)

Here is where we are in need of your help. Each "kids pack" will cost \$3. We need your financial support to help make this happen. Donation checks need to be made to 2nd Harvest Heartland. They are a 501c3 organization, so gambling funds can be used. Attached is a donation form that your club can fill out and send to the committee lead. Any amount will help.

After your donation, we will ask you to let us know what time frame you'd like your club to be recognized. Each hour that we pack (from 11-12, 12-1, etc) will include the names of those clubs. So if you'd like to assist and "work" at those same times (family & friends welcome)- we will make sure you are recognized at the same time. We need your donation no later than March 1st, 2017.

We hope your club will get involved in some way at this once in a life-time event. There will be many other ways to also get involved. As these areas are confirmed we will send information out to you. Thanks for all you do!

**WHERE THERE'S A NEED
THERE'S A LION**



Why Donate to 2nd Harvest Heartland....

1. You are helping to support giving kids in need -summer "snack packs" that will be distributed all over the state of MN.
2. Your club will be a part of the 5M Lion's 100th Celebration. And will be recognized.
3. You can use this donation as part of your Centennial project.
4. Your donation is to a 501c3 organization. You can use gambling funds.
5. Club members can get involved at the Mall of America in putting together these packs and assisting others.



Second Harvest Heartland Donation Form

Club Name: _____ District # _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Amount of Donation: _____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$75 _____ \$100

_____ \$250 _____ \$500 _____ \$1000 _____ \$ Other

Please make checks out to Second Harvest Heartland.

Second Harvest Heartland 501c3 23-7417654

1140 Gervais Ave, St.Paul, MN 55109

You will receive a donation receipt once processed.

Your donation will help fund the Lion's "Kid's Meal/Snack Packs" at the Lion's 100th Celebration on June 3rd @ the Mall of America event. Any remaining funds will become the property of Second Harvest Heartland.

Please attach your check & mail no later than March 1, 2017 (absolute deadline) :

**Lion Cheryl Thompson
Centennial Hunger Chair
903 Montrose Blvd S
Buffalo, MN 55313**

You will receive information on sign up for special recognition of your club no later than April 1st, 2017.

Have questions? cherylakthompson@gmail.com or call 612-481-3088

Howard Lake Lions

The Howard Lake Lions celebrated the 35th anniversary of their youth center with an open house Saturday, Sept. 19, to showcase the newly renovated hall. Many hours were spent remodeling the youth center by many members, especially Lions Bonnie and Steve Weber, Susie Grangroth, and Cathy Jo Rufer.



Ben Casey was the smallest visitor at the open house. He is 20 months old and is a second-generation attendee. His father, Jason, was an active attendee starting at age 11 or 12. Jason, a Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted graduate, brought Ben with him to the open house.



Mason Narum and Romana Koepppe play the new air hockey game.



Longtime youth center volunteers Lions Steve Weber and Cathy Jo Rufer celebrate the 35th anniversary of the center.



Members of District MD5M are pictured at the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.



DG Steve Linder and Lion Kathy Linder received Lions University Master's Program diplomas from International President Bob Corlew.

MD5M LEO LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

In consideration of participation in this Leo Leadership Conference, I hereby acknowledge and enter this program at my own risk, assuming all known and unknown risks. I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Lions Organization and its volunteers from any and all injuries I may incur. I understand that any photographs and video recordings may be used by the Lions Organization. All persons under the age of 18 must have a parent/guardian signature to participate.

Student name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Club Name: _____ Sponsoring Club: _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Circle all that apply: Adult Sponsor Grade 5-8 Grade 9-12

T-shirt size (adult sizes): S M L XL XXL XXXL

Medical condition: Yes No If yes, explain: _____

Any special needs? _____

Emergency Contact person: _____ Phone Number: _____

_____ I give permission for conference staff to perform basic first aid if needed.

Make checks payable to:
MD5M Leo Leadership Conference

Mail Registration to:
Pete Yelle
1415 81st Avenue NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

Questions? Call 763-600-5055

Cost:
Non Leo/Lion Member (\$120)
Leo/Lion Member (\$100)

Total enclosed _____

Help make the Gram great

Thank you to everyone who submitted photos and information by Tuesday, Sept. 20. The 20th of the month will remain the deadline for the Gram. I will be sending out a reminder as the deadline gets closer. As always, I will try to be flexible, but reserve the right to decline entries submitted after the deadline.

Due to several requests, event advertisements will continue to be reduced in size to fit three or four events on each page. This change will shorten the Gram, and make it easier for secretaries to print it for members without email access, which all secretaries are encouraged to do. I encourage everyone to use large font and submit posters as PDFs whenever possible. Please limit submissions to one page when possible.

Photos of events should be sent as JPGs with the accompanying information, so I can lay them out. Please do not include them in PDFs or Word documents.

Thank you!

Gram Editor Lion Gabe Licht

glicht@heraldjournal.com

Calling all delegates!

Yes the Mid-Winter Convention is coming! And sooner than you think. The official letter to all Clubs requesting your delegates will be coming out in December, 2016 (once I have received the official numbers from LCI). That doesn't mean you can't start thinking about it and talking about it at your Club Meetings. Don't be caught off guard. The rule is 1 delegate for every 10 members. And the same number of alternates. The number of members is based on your totals to LCI as of November 30, 2016. More information is coming in future 5M7 Grams. Please make sure to read the 5M7 Gram and the District 5M7 Website for valuable information on the coming Convention.

Lion Debbie Roherge

District 5M7 Cabinet Sec/Treas

debrob1955@gmail.com

Calling all PDGs of District 5M7!

As Secretary/Treasurer of the Mid-Winter Convention Committee, I will be making the hotel room reservations for all Committee Members and PDGs of 5M7. I am asking the PDGs to please provide me with your current email address and phone number so I can contact you to start setting this up. There will be an email forth coming the beginning of October, 2016 requesting your info for the Convention. Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated!

Lion Debbie Roberge

District 5M7 Mid-Winter Convention Sec/Treas

debrob1955@gmail.com



Stacy Lion's Annual BOOYA



Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016

WHERE: RICK DOYLE MEMORIAL BLDG
(1/2 mile south of Cty. Rd. 19 on Hwy 61)

TIME: 9:00a.m. - until gone

COST: \$5.00 Bowl
\$8.00 Quart
\$26.00 Gallon



THINK GREEN!!



Please bring your own container for all to go orders
and save \$1 on your Booya order.



Bake Sale



THE 9TH ANNUAL 5M LEO LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE "THE YOUTH CONNECTION"

MD5M Leo Leadership Conference 2016 / Camp Friendship - Annandale, MN



WHEN
October 7-9, 2016

WHERE
Camp Friendship
Annandale, MN

CONTACT
Pete Yelle
1415 81st Avenue NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432
763-600-5055
pyelle@district16.org

COST
\$100 Leo Member and
Lions Members
\$120 Non- Leo Members

*Includes all meals, lodging,
training, materials and activities*

REGISTER
View the registration form on
the reverse side.

SIGN UP TO JOIN US OCTOBER 7-9
YOUNG PEOPLE COMING TOGETHER

Young people explore the issues of community involvement, ethics
and contributing locally and globally. Participants are challenged
by outdoor, experiential, and service activities, and learn to
communicate and solve problems with a diverse group of peers.

Leo Leadership Conference combines physical activities, with
intellectually stimulating seminars, small group interactions and
reflection time to empower young people to lead and serve in their
home communities and beyond.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

4-6 p.m. arrival and registration
6-7 p.m. dinner
7-10 p.m. team building, ice breakers

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

8-9 a.m. breakfast
9 a.m.-noon workshops
12-1 p.m. lunch
1-5 p.m. obstacle course
6-7 p.m. dinner
7-9 p.m. skits

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

8-9 a.m. breakfast
9 a.m.-noon service project
12-1 p.m. lunch
1-2 p.m. closing and pictures



We will visit **True Strides Therapy Horses** to learn how riders
benefit physically, cognitively, emotionally, and socially.

We will visit the completed
Challenge Ropes Course

& Zip Line!

Paid for in part by an LCIF
matching grant and Lions!

RSVP by September 28

Lion Theresa Goff
t-m-goff@hotmail.com
(612) 799-2770



CIRCLE PINES - LEXINGTON LIONS
LEXINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 8, 2016
9:00 AM

Next to Lexington Fire Dept
BOOYA

LEXINGTON FIRE
OPEN HOUSE
12:00 PM-4:00 PM





All proceeds go back to our local community



Hot Dish Supper Friday, October 14 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Featuring Hot Dishes, Salads and Desserts

FREE WILL DONATION

HOTDISH SUPPER

5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Friday, October 14
Howard Lake Lions
Hall
625 8th St

Help support your
local Lions Club

Everyone welcome
Free will donation

**Howard Lake
Lions Club**
625 8th St
Howard Lake, MN
55349

www.hllions.org

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YOU'RE INVITED

TAKING COURAGE TO NEW HEIGHTS

**THE CHALLENGE ROPES COURSE & ZIP
LINE... a dedication & family fun event!**



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

Sunday, October 16, 2016
12-4 pm (lunch served at noon)

CAMP COURAGE

8046 83rd St NW
Maple Lake, MN 55358

Please RSVP by October 3
Events@TrueFriends.org
952.852.0101 x376

XXXX
Cokato - Dassel Lions Sportsman Raffle
Drawing Oct. 22, 2016 • 7 pm

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State/Zip _____
Phone# _____
License X-02898 **\$20.00**

Cokato - Dassel Lions Sportsman Raffle Drawing Oct. 22, 2016 • 7 pm Thirsty's Tavern, 241 Atlantic Ave., Dassel

1 Savage Axis II 223	1 Remington Express 20 ga
1 Savage Axis II 243	1 Remington Express 12 ga
1 Savage Axis II 270	1 CVA Optima 50 cal Camo
1 Savage Axis II 30-06	1 Moultrie M990i
1 Henry Lever 22 LR	1 Jiffy Pro 4 Lite Gas Auger
1 Henry Lever 22 LR	1 Vexilar FLX 28 Ultra Pack
1 Benelli Nova 12 ga Synth	1 Clam X2 Thermal

Prizes have an equal value option as a Scheels Gift Card.
Need not be present to win. Must be 18 or older to purchase ticket or win prize.
Winner is responsible for any applicable taxes or fees. See website for raffle rules.

License X-02898

Information Posted on Cokato-Dassel Lions Club Facebook Page

\$20.00



Lioness Spotlight

Mark Your Calendars:

****Oct. 24th Group I and II**

Lioness Meeting

Hosted by Big Lake Lioness

(More information to follow)



Anoka Halloween Tent Event

Sponsored by the Anoka Lions and the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation

When: Friday October 28th and Saturday October 29th

Time: 6:00 PM to 12:00 MIDNIGHT

Where: Jackson Street (next to Serum's) in Anoka

Cost: \$15 cover charge, \$3 each for drinks and food

COLD BEER! LIVE MUSIC! COSTUME CONTEST!

COME JOIN IN THE FUN AND HELP SUPPORT THE LIONS AT THIS FUNDRAISER!



FRIDAY NIGHT is COUNTRY MUSIC NIGHT!

SATURDAY NIGHT is CLASSIC ROCK NIGHT!



HAPPY HOUR SPECIAL FROM 6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM NIGHTLY!

COMMEMORATIVE CUP AVAILABLE WITH SPECIAL PURCHASE!

PROCEEDS FROM THIS FUNDRAISER WILL BENEFIT PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE ANOKA LIONS CLUB AND THE MINNESOTA LIONS VISION FOUNDATION



Trunk or Treat 2016!

Free Event!



When: Monday, October 31st 2016

Where: Sanburnol Park – 520 Sanburnol Dr.
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

Time: 6PM

Bring your little Ghosts and Goblins to the Spring Lake Park Lions annual Trunk or Treat event. First 400 kids will receive a back pack and water bottle.

Interested in hosting a trunk? Email amandakins@comcast.net

Lic. #00584

Wyoming Lions Club Upcoming Events

Saturday Nov. 5th, 2016. - Time is TBD

Wyoming Lions Annual "Turkey Bingo"

Wyoming City Hall

26885 Forest Blvd

Saturday Dec. 10th 9:30-11:30AM

Wyoming Lions Annual "Santa Days"

Wyoming City Hall

26885 Forest Blvd

Volunteers are very much appreciated!

Please contact our club president, Catherine Zerwas, at (651)-7750-6159
or email her at CatherineZerwas@ymail.com for details.

**SUBMIT YOUR
EVENT
POSTER BY
THE 20TH OF
EACH MONTH
TO HAVE IT
INCLUDED
IN THE 5M7
GRAM.**

deer hunting
**Widow's
WonderLand
Bingo**
NOVEMBER 6, 2016

FRIAR'S
1500 LAKE STREET SOUTH
FOREST LAKE

PRIZES: purses from coach
and Michael Kors
aveda products
spa certificates
store gift cards

time: **2PM** : \$26 PER 13 GAME PACKET

FOREST LAKE LIONS LICENSE 02190-015

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(763) 595-1200 | www.pourwinebarbistro.com

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Lions**

SAVE THE DATE
NOVEMBER 11th
101 MARKET IN OTSEGO

**THE 3RD ANNUAL GRAND FALL TASTING
BENEFITING THE OTSEGO LIONS CLUB**

WINE, BEER, SPIRITS...
SMALL BITES, LIVE MUSIC, WINE PULL, LIVE AUCTION.
7PM-9PM | \$35/TICKET
6PM-9PM | \$50/TICKET

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Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum



November 11th - 12th, 2016

Shooting Star Convention Center, Mahnomen MN USA

2016 Registration Form

"Meet your fellow Lions from Wisconsin, Nebraska, Iowa, Saskatchewan, North Dakota, South Dakota, Manitoba, NW Ontario and Minnesota."

Your District & Club Name: _____

Name & Title _____

Address _____

City/Town _____

State/Prov. _____

Zip/Postal _____

Phone (w / area code) _____

Email _____

Registration form at
<http://www.lionsmd5m.org>

ALL costs are in USD
Canadians are asked to
send USD money order to
PDG Cheryl



Special Dietary Needs: Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Allergies _____ (circle ones that apply)

Registration Fee \$99.00 USD

Registration includes Friday evening Meet & Greet Mixer (if you are arriving then), Your choice of up to 6 of the 36 Seminars on Saturday, Saturday lunch and dinner with dynamic guest speakers: PID Brian Sheehan and PID Robert Littlefield. (Saturday Breakfast on your own, seminars start at 9 AM)

Make cheques / money orders payable to: **Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum**

US residents mail to:

PDG Dave Jensen,
32549 Co Rd 11
Wendell, MN USA
56590-9771
R. 218.458.2428
C. 218.770.9410
E. oakstuff@runestone.net



Canadian residents mail to:
Send USD money order

PDG Cheryl McKittrick
PO Box 340, Crystal City
MB Canada R0K 0N0
E. cemckit@gmail.com
R. 204.873.2091
C. 204.825.8073



Cancellations prior to October 31st, 2016 will have a \$25.00 fee applied, NO Cancellations after October 31st, 2016 except for Medical emergencies are accepted anytime with doctors letter (\$25.00 fee still applies).

For more Information contact: PDG Dennis W. Kelly III at cdk3inc@outlook.com

Hotel Reservations – Contact the hotel directly – Rate \$65.00 USD per night (+ taxes) Until October 30th, 2016

Shooting Star Hotel & Casino, Mahnomen, MN – call 1-800-453-STAR and ask for block #71.

This block is called **"Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum"**



Northern Pride



Lions Leadership Forum

Have you ever wanted to attend the USA/Canada Lions leadership Forum and either did not have the time, four days, or the money, over \$700 dollars?

But you really want to hear some exciting speakers, learn more about our organization and get ideas on how to increase your leadership ability or learn new ways to keep your club strong and help your communities?

Then the Northern Pride lions Leadership Forum is for you!!!!

One day, or come in Friday night for a great meet and greet mixer. Only \$164 includes registration fee and one night hotel. Fee also includes lunch and dinner on Saturday and a free gift.

Choose from 36 great seminars and hear two dynamic speakers, PID Robert Littlefield and PID Brian Sheehan.

So come and join other members of our Lions family in Mahanomen MN November 11 and 12 2016 for great company, networking and knowledge.

You can find the registration form and seminar schedule at:

<http://www.lionsmd5m.org>

Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum

SAVE THIS DATE

Jan 13, 2017

Gambling Seminar

Cabinet Meeting

Opening Ceremony and Memorial Service

Socializing and Hospitality Rooms

Jan 14, 2017

Casual Dress till the Governors Banquet= Club Vest and/or Club Shirts

Speakers

Display Tables

Meetings Birthday Party at Lunch

Governors Banquet

Jan 15, 2017

Non-denominational Church Service

Breakfast

**And More don't miss this years
Mid-Winter Convention**

(Notice for September or October District Newsletters
Re: 2017 Regional Lions Leadership Institute)

WANTED: YOU!!
FOR: AN UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY
WHAT: 2017 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute
WHEN: March 30 – April 2, 2017
WHERE: Shooting Star Convention Center in Mahanomen, MN

We are looking for Lions from your district to attend the 2017 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute! Lions that are selected as participants in the Institute must be in good standing in a Lions Club and may not be a 1st Vice District Governor, District Governor, Past District Governor, International Director, or Past International Director.

The \$150 fee for the Leadership Institute includes the cost of materials, facility, staff, and three (3) meals. Room costs and additional meals are not included. However, a \$100 rebate from MD5M, through a grant from LCI, will be given to each participant that completes the program. Participants **MUST** be available to attend **ALL** sessions beginning on Thursday evening and ending Sunday afternoon.

Each district has the opportunity to send six (6) participants; however, if other districts do not meet their allotment, your district may send additional Lions. The Institute will have a maximum of 72 participants.

Applications are available from your District Governor or on the MD5M Website and are due (without fees) by December 1, 2016. Your District Governor will then make the final participant selection.

Institute graduates from your district will tell you that the Regional Lions Leadership Institute is beneficial for you in every facet of your life and not just in your role as a Lion.

If you have questions concerning the Institute, please feel free to contact:

Lion Earl Orvik – ejorvik1@gmail.com

We look forward to giving **YOU** this **UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY!!**