

A note from District Governor Dan Kaiser



Lions, Lioness, Leos

July 1st is the first year of the new century for Lions Clubs. With this new beginning of the second century of Lions Clubs we are embracing our association's motto "We Serve." It is a powerful expression, "We" symbolizes the power of almost 1.5 million members, and "Serve" expresses our clear, decisive action to convert every dollar and every volunteer hour into service for the most serious needs in our communities and

around the world.

The "Power of We" underscores that my power comes from you, and your power comes from me. I cannot lift a car alone, but together we can. One person cannot cure blindness, but a group of civic mined people can. As more of us unite, our communities and the world's problems become reduced.

MORE MEMBERS=MORE SERVICE

The above message comes from our new Lions International President, Dr. Naresh Aggarwal from India. As the incoming District Governor I can't express this any better. As once Gandhi said "I finally found myself –when I lost myself- in the service of others." Let's us as Lions, Lioness, and Leo's of District 5M7 Stand Together to serve those in need. *Continued on next page*...

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The new form for "Club Visits" is now online on the 5M7 website (goo.gl/yYBuKc). Please start scheduling your Governors' Visits soon, as the good dates are going fast. District Cabinet Leaders are also on the website along with the Governors Contest Form. As in past newsletters, I would like this form completed by the Clubs' Presidents' and also the contest for new members begins July 1st. The traveling trophies for new members will be awarded and presented in October, then in January at the MidWinter Convention, and a final presentation at the end of the year in June. Let's not just "Ask One" let's ask several people to join the Greatest Organization in the World!

Hi, I'm the new guy



Fellow Lions,

As Gabe mentioned in last month's Gram, a change was/is in the works regarding this publication. After many hours of dedicated service and commitment to making this Gram the best it possibly could be, Mr. Licht has decided to step down from his duties as Gram editor. I will be responsible for the layout and distribution of the 5M7 Gram moving forward. I will tell you a little about myself in case anyone is curious.

I am a Minnesota transplant from Wisconsin. I serve as a member of the Forest Lake Lions and I handle our club's social media and website management. I moved here three years ago when I accepted a job as the Community Editor of the Forest Lake Times newspaper. I am currently still employed in that position. I look forward to the responsibility of managing this Gram and spreading the good news of Lionism to all of the clubs in our district. I also look forward to meeting more of my fellow Lions. Do not hesitate to email me (jvdemoe@gmail.com) with any questions, concerns, or constructive criticism regarding the 5M7 Gram.

Reminding you to forget regret, or life is your's to miss,

Lion Jason DeMoe

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July 16: Forest Lake Lions "Star Spangled Bingo" featuring purses from Michael Kors, Aveda products, spa certificates, and assorted gift cards. Event to begin at 2 p.m. at Friar's restaurant at 1500 Lake St. S. in Forest Lake. Cost is \$26 for a 13-game packet.

July 25: The Forest Lake Lions will host a Learn About Lions/Orientation/ Membership Drive event at Willowbrook Church, 840 Lake St. S., Forest Lake, at 7 p.m. Any and all Lions members new, old, or prospective from any club are welcome to attend.

August 5: The Big Lake Lions will host the Ron Nelson Memorial Golf Tournament featuring a 2 p.m. shotgun start. The cost is \$75 per person and includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, and dinner. The location is Whispering Pines Golf Course 8713 70th St. in Annandale, Minnesota.

August 13: Hugo Lions Community Golf Scramble to be held at Oneka Ridge Golf Course in Hugo with registration and putting contest at 7 a.m. and a shot gun contest at 8:30 a.m. There is an \$80 per peson entry fee that includes field events, green fees, cart rental, tee gifts, dinner at the Hugo American Legion, and one drink ticket. After August 1, the price will be \$85. For more information, contact Mike at 651-429-0070 or Denny at 651-336-2613.

- - - IRS FILING - - -

Remember that as a Lions Club you need to file your taxes with the Federal Department of Revenue. The fiscal year of all Lions Clubs is July 1 thru June 30th. This was set by Lions Clubs International and cannot be changed. The deadline filing date is the 15 of the 5th month after the accounting period ends. LETS HAVE THEM ALL IN BY October 15.

You must file either way not matter what your income, if the revenue (income) of the club is over \$25,000. Additional forms need to be completed.When mailing the completed forms to the Department of Revenue, send it by Certified Mail with the United State Postal Service (USPS). A Domestic Certified Mail Receipt is available at the time of mailing and provides the sender with a mailing receipt and, upon request electronic verification that the mail was delivered or that a delivery attempt was made.

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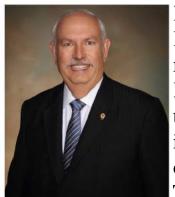
A Four Legged Festival

The Candid Canines Film Fest is a free, family-friendly celebration of dogs! Visit Target Field Station July 20 from 4 to 9 p.m. for a film showcasing dogs being super sweet, silly, and smart.Video clips submitted by dog lovers, as well as popular online dog videos will be featured in a 40-minute film produced right

here in Minnesota. Bring a chair or a blanket to sit on.

Dogs ARE welcome at this event. There will be multiple screenings throughout the afternoon and evening. Event sponsors and vendor booths will be on site. Visit candidcaninesfilmfest.com to learn more.

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Dear Fellow Lions,

I am pleased to announce that we just surpassed our all-time membership record of 1,445,591 Lions!

I want to thank each and every one of you for your dedication to changing lives and growing our association's humanitarian impact over the past year. Thanks to you, we are positioned to enter our second century of service stronger than ever before. Thanks to you, Lions clubs are serving in more communities

around the world. And thanks to you, we are helping more people than ever before.

Thank you for helping Lions reach new heights!

Very truly yours,

Chancellor Bob Corlew



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Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

OUR FOUNDATION



Dear Lions,

Throughout my year as Chairperson of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), I have witnessed the wonderful projects Lions are carrying out all over the world with the support of our foundation. I visited a community grateful for the opportunity to rebuild after an earthquake. I saw relief on the faces of refugee families receiving care from Lions. I celebrated with children around the world who are being empowered by LCIF. I met Special Olympics athletes who shined while showing the world their talents. I saw communities transform after being provided clean

water.

Thank you, Lions, for your support of LCIF. We are able to do great things when we work together. I also want to thank the Lions leaders who are working hard to educate Lions about LCIF and promote a relationship between LCIF and our clubs.

Let's continue to spread the word of the great work LCIF is accomplishing, including the US\$1 billion in grants we have awarded since our founding. Our foundation is depending on your support to continue its vital mission.

This is the link to donate now: goo.gl/P3aLkW Make a Difference

Sincerely, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

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The Montrose Lions Club welcomed new members Lion Judi Salonek, Lion Jane Mortenson, Lion Marlette Babitz, and Lion Joan Bauernschmitt June 19.



Forest Lake Lion Lou Trudeau recently earned the distinction of Melvin Jones Fellow.

Editors Note

SEND MORE PICS! I would love to see several pages worth of pictures of Lions from all over our district. Our club members earn great honors and do amazing things. Let's celebrate that here!



Forest Lake Lion Paul Rignell, shown here with past club president Matt Duevel, recently celebrated 10 years of Lionism. Congrats Lion Paul!



Montrose Lions Judy Wood, Kyle Dineheart, and Gerald (Whitey) Ramthun were recently recognized as Melvin Jones Fellows.

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Your 5M-7 hearing foundation trustees and vision foundation directors are appealing to anyone and everyone who can help us. The month of August brings us the State Fair and we need volunteers to help us staff the information booth at the Fair. Our district has been assigned the following shifts to cover during the State Fair:

Thursday, August 31st:

Shift 1 - 8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Shift 2 - 12:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Shift 3 - 4:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday, September 4 (Labor Day): Shift 3 - 4:45 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The two foundations need a minimum of two (2) volunteers per shift. If we can get up to four (4) per shift, we can offer greater opportunities for water and restroom breaks. Volunteers would be handing out promotional items, brochures, and other information pieces. Volunteers would also answers questions to the best of their ability or write down the contact information to individuals whose questions they could not answer. They would also write down contact information for those individuals who may be interested in becoming Lions. Seating is provided and fans are there to help provide a comfortable environment to the volunteers. Volunteers would be responsible for their own transportation and admittance to the Fair. Additional details can be provided to those interested in learning about this volunteer opportunity. For more information, call 763-754-8921. You can leave a message and someone will get back to you if no one answers the phone.

Yours in Lionism, PDG Norm Kelzenberg & Lion Hal Hinchliffe Lions Multiple District 5M Hearing Foundation - 5M-7 Board Trustees PDG Paul Hansen & Lion Lyle Goff Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation - 5M-7 Board Representatives

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Welcome to the start of Lions FY 2017-2018, the beginning of our second century of Lionism! Your 5M-7 Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (MLVF) Board of Directors representatives, PDG Paul Hansen and Lion Lyle Goff, are hoping your Club or Zone will offer them a chance to make a presentation at one of your meetings. There are lots of exciting things to share with you surrounding the research and treatment being performed at the University of Minnesota. We would love to talk to you about the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank, the Minnesota Lions Children's Eye Clinic, the Minnesota Lions Macular Degeneration Center, the Lions Research Building, the Minnesota Lions Eye Surgery Center, and the proposed Lions Eye Institute. You can learn more about eye tissue donations, retinal imaging research and the latest procedures in restoring sight to patients young and old. Please contact PDG Paul and/or Lion Lyle to schedule your meeting.

Eveglass Recycling Sites



Thank you for the 211 eyewear and hearing aid collection sites maintained by the Lions, Lioness and Leos of 5M-7. If you have any additions or changes to your list of collection sites, please provide them The used eyewear, please to us as soon as possible. When collecting the used eyewear, please separate the eyewear from any cases they may be in. The Minnesota Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (MLERC) does not collect the cases. We encourage you to recycle or donate the cases. If you have eyewear or hearing aids to turn it, please get ahold of PDG Paul, Lion Lyle or your Zone Chair to make arrangements to hand them over. Finally, if you are in need of any used eyeglass collection boxes, PDG Paul and Lion Lyle have free boxes available upon request. Please contact them or your Zone Chairs to request your collection boxes today. Continued on next page . . .

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Amazon Smile

If you're already making purchases on Amazon or Amazon Prime, you now have a great way to make a contribution to the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation when using these on-line services. Just log into your Amazon account and enter Amazon Smile into the search bar. From there, you will be given the opportunity to register your charity of choice. Just type in Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation and you'll be able to link the Foundation to your Amazon account. Now every time you make a purchase through Amazon by logging in through Amazon Smile, the MLVF will receive a contribution equaling 0.5% of your purchase. This passive fundraising can add up over time, so sign yourself up and have your family and friends do the same. The more this service is used, the greater the number of donations will be. It's a perfect way for you to give a little bit extra while you're making your gift purchases or buying your everyday needs.

Annual Contributions

When you are budgeting for donations your Club will be making over the course of this coming year, we ask that you please put the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation on the list. Your financial support is needed to make all of our projects possible. We especially need your contributions towards the Lions Eye Institute to make this dream a reality. Every dollar counts and is greatly appreciated. Please help do your part along with all of the Lions. Lioness and Leos in 5M7 to continue our commitment to Helen Keller's challenge. Prove to her that we are all truly "Knights of the Blind".

Keep up the good work, 5M-7! Don't forget to work on your Centennial Celebration Vision Project!

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Spotlight on the Leos







The Spring Lake Park Leos completed over 3,500 community service hours this past school year. The Leos did service

activities that benefited their school, community, and the world! There were 15 Leos that earned a SLPHS Leo Letter Award by completing over 100 of service during the school year. Congratulations to all the members of the SLPHS Leo Club!



Forest Lake

Shout out to the Leos club of Forest Lake for their continued efforts to revitalize not only the community, but the world through the giving of their time and talents. The Forest Lake Leos and Lions

potted flowers for each of the residents at Cherrywood Pointe of Forest Lake. Special thanks to Forest Lake Floral, Gift & Garden for their assistance with this project. The FL Leos also volunteered to pack meals at a recent Feed My Starving Children event.



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Cedar East Bethel Lioness Club

14 Members as of June 2017 DONATIONS \$100 donation to St. Francis High School All Night Senior Party \$18,181 raised at Empty Bowls event for local food shelf SPONSORSHIPS Bingo at Birchwood Senior Center June 13, July 11, August 8 Recycling Center EVENTS CEB Booster Days July 15 CEB Pageant July 15 APPPEARANCES The CEB Lions and Lioness attended the Anoka Lions Country Show

Clear Lake Lioness Club

14 members as of June 2017 DONATIONS 46 units of blood to American Red Cross (Blood Drive Campaign) SPONSORSHIPS Entertained Clear Lake Lange Home residents with bingo, prizes, treats, and birthday bags June 9 EVENTS Lion/Lioness Chicken Bar-B-Que August 13 True Friends Friendship Camp dance July 27 APPEARANCES Duelm Lions Pork Chop Dinner Fundraiser June 14

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Purchase Your Lions Clubs Centennial Commemorative Coin Today!

Hot off the U.S. Mint presses is the most impressive item of Lions' memorabilia that has ever been offered - the Lions Clubs Centennial Commemorative Coin! For a limited time only, you can order this beautifully crafted Lions Clubs

Centennial Commemorative Coin and support the life-changing work of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). For every coin sold, US\$10 is authorized to be paid to LCIF. This represents a US\$4 million opportunity to improve the lives of people in need through LCIF initiatives around the world. These silver collectable coins are the perfect way to reward hard-working members or to say thank you to long-time Lions. Own a piece of Lions history. You can order a coin with proof finish for US\$52.95 or an uncirculated finish for US\$51.95. There is a US\$2.95 handling fee per order. Purchase your keepsake coins today! The link to purchase the coin is: goo.gl/2cvXZi



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HUGO LIONS COMMUNITY SCRAMBLE

▶ BE A HOLE SPONSOR \$200.00 <</p>

All proceeds go to the Hugo Yellow Ribbon Network 7:00 A.M. REGISTRATION & PUTTING CONTEST 8:30 A.M. SHOT GUN CONTEST

Oneka Ridge Golf Course, Hugo MN

\$80.00 per person entry fee. This will include field events, green fee, cart rental, tee gift, dinner at the Hugo American Legion, and one drink ticket. Plus, each golfer receives a \$100.00 gift card for
 Travis Mathew apparel. ALSO INCLUDING THE HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST!
 After August 1st, the price raises to \$85.00 per person.
 REGISTRATION FORM ON BACK





BIG LAKE LIONS ANNUAL "Ron Nelson Memorial" GOLF TOURNAMENT Team Sian-Up / Hole Sconsorship Form

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 2017 - 2:00 PM SHOTGUN START

Whispering Pines Golf Course 8713 70th St NW, Annandale, MN 55302

> \$75 Per Person includes: 18 Holes Golf, Cart, & Dinner at Whispering Pines

HISPERING PINES GOLF COURSE

TEAM SIGN UP



se make checks payable to Big Lake Lions and full payment must accompany registration.)
Dop off form and payment at McPete's Sports Bar & Lanes in Big Lake OR
mail it to: Big Lake Lions Club, PO Box 128, Big Lake, MN 55309
OUESTIONS??? Please call Deb Johnson at 612-610-2119 or

STIONS??? Please call Deb Johnson at 612-810-2119 or email magnamomma@hotmail.com



HUGO LIONS COMMUNITY SCRAMBLE

7:00 A.M. REGISTRATION & PUTTING CONTEST 8:30 A.M. SHOT GUN CONTEST

FIELD EVENTS INCLUDE Closest to the Pin, Longest Putt, and Longest Drive.

► CONTEST PRIZES <</p>

HOLE-IN-ONE: 2017 CHEVY CRUZE, TRAVIS MATHEW HEAD TO TOE SIGNATURE OUTFIT, A \$500.00 ONLINE SHOPPING SPREE, A SET OF ADAMS SPEED LINE WOODS AND IRONS WITH A BAG (Includes driver 3 wood irons, and P.W.)

Questions please • Mike Gallivan | 651.429.0070 | Michaelgallivan27@gmail.com • Denny Route | 651.336.2613 | DennyJulie5051@gmail.com • Jason Schwieger | Jschwie25@jmail.com

Enclose check for \$80.00, per player. Make Checks payable to: HUGO LIONS CLUB GOLF AFTER AUGUST 1st, PRICE RAISES TO \$85.00 PER PERSON

MAIL TO DENNY ROUTE | 5051 157th St. Hugo, MN 55038

EITHER: MIKE GALLIVAN |12493 Forest Blvd., White Bear Lake, MN 55110

All proceeds go to the Hugo Yellow Ribbon Network

GOLFER #1	
EMAIL	EMAIL
GOLFER #3	GOLFER #4
PHONE	PHONE
EMAIL	EMAIL



BIG LAKE LIONS ANNUAL "Ron Nelson Memorial" GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, August 5th, 2017 / 2:00 pm Shotgun Start WHISPERING PINES GOLF COURSE 8713 70TH STREET NW, ANNANDALE, MN 55302

\$75 per PERSON includes: 18 holes Golf, Cart, & Dinner at Course (steak, corn on the cob, steakhouse potato salad, baked beans and fresh tossed salad widressing)



A second green fee will be given to each person that golf's in the event (compliments of Whispering Pines Goll Course).

Whispering Pines Golf Course is donating one FREE MEMBERSHIP to the winner of the putting contest.

4 PERSON SCRAMBLE TEAMS *MEN'S * WOMEN'S * MIXED*

SIGN UP NOW AT MCPETE'S SPORTS BAR & LANES IN BIG LAKE! Or mail registration form and payment to: Big Lake Lions, PO Box 128, Big Lake, MN 55309 Get registration forms at McPete's or download from <u>www.facebook.com/BigLakeLionsClub/</u>

SPONSOR A HOLE FOR \$75.00

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