



# Lions 5M7 Gram



December

2017

## A Note From District Governor Dan Kaiser



100 years ago, Lions Clubs was founded with just a handful of members with a dream of Melvin Jones to change the world. Over a century later our 1.43 million members change the world every day through the 'Power of We'. And we can achieve even more together.

That's why the Lions International set the goal of serving 200 million people this year. But to achieve this goal, we must be ambitious that's why they are asking all Lions help recruit new members. International was to have 1.5 million members by the end of June. I'm only asking our District to have membership growth of 114 members. For the 52 clubs we have only have to

have 2-3 more members per club which is attainable.

To date we have a total of 13,999 hours that Lions have served in our District. This the reporting of only 32 clubs, can you imagine how large that total would be if the other 20 clubs would be reporting their service activities. All clubs are asked to have 'Club Service Chairperson', this person could record the hours and donations that were done by the club onto the website. Please check with your clubs officers to see that this is being done- why let all the hard work you're doing go unreported.

We will have awards at the MidWinter Convention for those clubs who increase their membership by 10% from the beginning of July, so keep working at it, I have plenty of "New Member Packets. At the Convention we will have the Marching Band from the Dassel-Cokato High School there to entertain us. We will also be holding a Member Orientation which is open to all members- that will be first thing Saturday morning. Business meeting will be in the afternoon on Saturday with another exciting program after that.

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Please contact someone on the cabinet if you wish to name someone for the Hall of Fame or the Al Jensen awards more information is on the Districts Website

When we work together to make new members and new clubs a priority, the impossible becomes possible

Lion Dan District Governor



Great Job in 2017!

We are at the end of 2017 and the Lions in MD5M have much to reflect upon for this past year. We've celebrated the 100th Anniversary of the founding of Lions Clubs International. We've started the process of having a Lion from our multiple district becoming the International President. Along with all this, the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (MLVF) had some highlights this past year, which included:

- The Minnesota Lions Eye Bank (MLEB) is on pace to set a new record for the number of donors (2400+) in one year and the number of corneas provided for transplantation. The MLEB also is expanding its distribution of research tissue and moving beyond just eye tissue recovery and distribution.
- Dr. Montezuma and her work with the Argus II artificial retina has made the University of Minnesota one of the world's leading facilities for this type of eye treatment. The results of the implantations have been very promising and will lead to improvements in the techniques and technologies associated with this medical device.
- Dr. Ferrington and the staff at the Lions Research Building (LRB) and the Minnesota Lions Macular Degeneration Research and Rehabilitation Center (The MAC) are world-renowned for their work on age-related macular degeneration. Their research will hopefully provide the treatment and/or cure for what is described as the leading cause of blindness for persons 65 years of age or older.
- The MLVF, through the Minnesota Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (MLERC), continues to collect used eyewear for distribution all over the world. The Lions of MD5M have sent over 10.5 Million pairs of eyeglasses to our partners in Wisconsin for processing and distribution.
- The MLVF began the process of creating a state-of-the-art home for the Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Neurosciences at the U of M. The Lions Eye Institute @ the University of Minnesota will propel to a higher level the research, treatment and training currently conducted at the university. This will be a lasting legacy the Lions will be giving to the State of Minnesota and Minnesota and something we can all be proud to be a part of.

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## Minnesota Lions Eye Bank

December is holiday time and the season of giving. With this in mind, remember to give that precious gift of sight by becoming a donor. When you get or renew your driver's license, please check the box to mark YES for organ and tissue donation. That gift of your eyes to the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank (MLEB) provides you an opportunity to benefit so many others. Your corneas can bring sight to two people and your eye tissues can assist researchers in finding a cure for vision ailments. Remember to let your family know of your decision to donate. You want them to be informed and proud of your choice to help others through donating your organs and tissues.

The first full week of December (3rd to 9th) is Lions Eye Bank Week. Please have your club celebrate this event by considering the following:

- Tour the MLEB
- Invite a speaker from the MLVF or MLEB to a Club or Zone event
- Host or assist with an open house at the MLEB
- Organize a donor awareness event
- Inform the public of the service provided by the MLEB
- Organize a fundraiser for the MLEB



Thank you for your continued support of this 57-year partnership between the Lions of Minnesota and the U of M!

## 2017 Tax-deductible donations

We know a lot of you are already thinking about your tax returns for next year. To help you with a possible tax deduction, the MLVF would like to remind you that it is a 501(c)3 non-profit and contributions towards it are 100% tax deductible. PDG Paul and Lion Lyle encourage you to consider the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation when making your year-end donations. When you submit a donation, please make all your checks out to the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation or MLVF. Donations will be used in the area of greatest need unless a specific program is listed on the memo portion of your check. The various Foundation programs include: the Lions Eye Institute (LEI), the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank (MLEB), the Minnesota Lions Children's Eye Clinic (MLCEC), the Minnesota Lions Macular Degeneration Research and Rehabilitation Center (The MAC), the vision research at the Lions Research Building (LRB), and the Minnesota Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (MLERC).

## Mid-Winter Preparations

The Mid-Winter Convention is just a few weeks away and PDG Paul and Lion Lyle wish to remind you of a few things to consider when planning for our celebration in Bloomington the weekend of January 19th to the 21st. Please look over the list below and feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns about any of the items listed.

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- Don't forget to bring your used eyewear to drop off at the convention. PDG Paul and Lion Lyle will have a booth set up in the main hall of the hotel and you can drop off your club's collected eyewear there. The Minnesota Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (MLERC) will be sending a truck and trailer on Sunday morning to collect any used eyewear the Lions of 5M-7 bring to the convention.
- Please remember to consider making a financial contribution towards the MLVF as part of your Parade of Green donations. Your club's generosity is greatly appreciated and we could not accomplish the work our foundation performs if it wasn't for your financial support.
- There will be a sign-up sheet at the MLVF information booth for those Lions, Lioness and Leos interested in volunteering at the MN State Fair information booth this summer. The dates that 5M-7 will be responsible for providing volunteers are Thursday August 30th, 2018 & Monday September 3rd, 2018. The booth is open from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM each day and volunteers usually work a three or four hour shift. We hope you will help out with this important public outreach project.

### Club Visits

PDG Paul and Lion Lyle are eager to speak at your Club or Zone meetings, dinners and functions. We would be happy to share with your group the latest news about the University of Minnesota's Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Neurosciences research and treatment programs. With the proposed Lions Eye Institute to be built at the U of M, we would love to answer your questions about it and tell you how to help with the efforts to create this legacy project. In addition, if you have any questions regarding where your club stands on Helen Keller Sight Awards, need eyeglass collection boxes, have used eyewear to turn in or just have a general question about the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation, please call or e-mail PDG Paul or Lion Lyle.

Great job in 2017, 5M-7! Let's make 2018 an even better year!

Yours in Lionism,

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**December 2:** A Belgian Waffle Breakfast sponsored by the Forest Lake Lions and held at Forest Lake Floral and Gift at 508 Lake St. S. from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., will feature all you can eat/drink waffles, sausage, juice, milk, and coffee for \$6 ahead of time or \$7 at the door. Find any Forest Lake Lion to purchase your tickets. Santa will be on hand for photos, so bring your camera!

**December 9:** Join the Forest Lake Lions Club at Friars at 1500 South Lake St. at 2 p.m. and play some bingo for a chance to win Michael Kors and Coach purses, Aveda products, spa gift certificates, and store gift cards. The cost is \$26 for a 13 game packet. Additional three face packets are available for \$4 each.

**December 9:** Santa will be appearing at the Stacy-Lent Fire Hall from 10 a.m. to noon. Bring a camera for photo opportunities. Little ones will have a chance to buy holiday gifts at the “inexpensive store.”

**December 17:** The Columbus Lions will host a pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 16321 Kettle River Blvd.

**February 16:** The Fridley Lions will host a “Winter Warm Up” food and wine/beer tasting event from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Banquets of Minnesota, 6310 Hwy. 65 NE. The cost is \$35 at the door and \$25 in advance at the Fridley liquor store. Email [rsolz@comcast.net](mailto:rsolz@comcast.net) for more information.

**March 26:** On “Lions Day at Feed My Starving Children,” Lions, Lioness, and Leo’s Clubs will come together to pack food. Events will be held in Chanhassen, Coon Rapids, and Eagan. The 5M7 contact is Bill and Marcia Guthrie at 763-786-8072 or [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com). The goal is to have 75 volunteers per shift at each site for a grand total of 1,125. To make a plan to join in the fun, go to [www.fmssc.org/volunteer](http://www.fmssc.org/volunteer) and click on “permanent site events” and then “join a group” and search “Lions of MN.” Visit [goo.gl/5n58Fg](http://goo.gl/5n58Fg) to request an FMSC speaker to come to your club meeting to speak more about this opportunity.



Peggy Beck, age 58, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 26 surrounded by her family and loved ones.

To say that Peggy loved to help others in an understatement. She would do anything for anybody. She loved organizing benefits, weddings, and showers for loved ones and friends.

**Peggy was a member of the Stacy Lions Club since 2004**



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As all Lion/Lioness/Leo's know, community service is a major part of Lionism. Once again, there will be a community service room at the 5M-7 Lion's Mid-Winter Convention. It will be open on Saturday, January 20 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come and check it out!

**START COLLECTING NOW!!** Even if you won't be attending the convention, you can still participate by sending any items you or your club has collected with someone who will be attending.

We will be collecting the following items on Saturday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Service Project Room at the Convention:

- Eye glasses
- Plastic grocery bags that will be cut & made into "plarn" (plastic yarn) to crochet into mats for the homeless
- Items for homeless men and women (not children) as listed below:
  - \* Travel size shampoo \* Travel size soap \* Combs/brushes \* Toothbrushes \* Toothpaste \* Band-aids
  - \* Wet wipes \* Razors \* Pens \* Small notebooks \* Nail clippers \* Nail files \* New Athletic socks \*
  - New underwear \* Twin size bedding \* T-shirts (can be used but in good shape - no stains) \*
  - Hoodies (can be used but in good shape - no stains) \* Sweaters (can be used but in good shape - no stains) \*
  - Winter coats (can be used but in good shape - no stains) \* Scarves (can be used but in good shape - no stains) \*
  - Hats (can be used but in good shape - no stains) \* Gloves/mittens (can be used but in good shape - no stains) \*
  - Boots (can be used but in good condition) \* Shoes (can be used but in good condition only) \*
  - Towels (can be used but in good shape - no stains)
- Knitted or crocheted hats, scarves, mittens, afghans or 6"x6" squares for a blanket.

During the convention, we will be counting the glasses that are donated, cutting the plastic bags to make plarn, sanding wooden toys, sorting the donated personal items from the clothing items, and/or you can bring your knitting needles or crochet hook with you to make a 6" x 6" square (yarn will be provided).

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# The Lioness Corner



## Big Lake Lioness Club

16 members as of November 2017

### **DONATIONS**

- \* Provided 6 children's birthday bags to local food shelf in November
- \* Donated \$200 to local charity "Faith in Action"

### **EVENTS**

- \* Decorated Christmas trees for local care center
- \* Purchased 30 \$25 gift cards for local seniors
- \* Shopping with Santa and Santa Canteen 12/9/17
- \* Sponsored Mitten Tree with local bank to collect mittens, hats and scarves for local elementary school's
- \* Sponsoring semi-annual community blood drive Monday January 22,

### **SPONSORSHIPS**

- \* Sponsor monthly NAPS [Nutritional Assistance Program for Seniors]
- \* Sponsor monthly nursing home bingo at area care center
- \* Provided flowers for nursing home residents with birthdays
- \* Provided cash prizes and cake to nursing home residents at bingo



Do you know what the following Lions Clubs have in common? Almelund, Big Lake, Blaine Central, Cambridge, Cedar-East Bethel, Coon Rapids, Delano, Elk River, Forest Lake, Monticello, Montrose, Rush City, Spring Lake Park.

They are providing vision screening for their community youth with Lions KidSight. Collectively they have screened over 1,000 children since the first of April. 13% percent of these children had findings indicating a need for further testing by a pediatric eye care professional. The average age of the children referred is 6 years old. These numbers should be telling you there is a need – and – Where there is a need, there is a Lion!

What is your club waiting for? It's time to STOP THINKING and TALKING about what a great thing KidSight is. These clubs already know how rewarding and wonderful it is to provide this service. NOW is the time for your club to START DOING.

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Talk to one of your fellow Lions in these clubs. Find out how easy it is. Call or email us. We are here to SERVE our district in the capacity of KidSight Co-Chairs. We will give your club the training and support needed to add KidSight as another service project to your community. Keep us busy! Save a child's vision!

When discussing your Parade of Green giving this year please consider KidSight. We are listed in the non 501c3 category.

**No club or screening is too small when it comes to the future of our children and their vision.**

District 5M7 KidSight Co-Chairs,

Lions Mary Curtis and Ann and Tim Kaduce.

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# LIONS KidSight Program



KidSight Co-Chair Lion Ann provides training and support to Rush City Lion Leroy.



Big Lake Lions Scott and Debra Johnson volunteer at a Lions KidSight event.

BE A PART OF THE BIGGEST SERVICE COMMUNITY- JOIN LIONS CLUB



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# Walmart Wellness Days was a huge success!!

Our goal was to have Lions in all 70 Minnesota Walmart's on September 23<sup>rd</sup> for Walmart Wellness Days! We didn't reach our goal but came very close by having Lions at 54 Walmart stores across Minnesota!!!

This was a partnership between Walmart, American Diabetes Association and the MN Lions to provide free diabetes glucose testing and other health screenings along with education to help find those individuals who have Type 2 diabetes and don't know it.

A huge **THANK YOU** to all clubs who helped lead this effort and provided Lions to volunteer at this huge health fair.

As many of you know, Lions International has added Diabetes to the Global Service Framework. It is one of the five service areas Lions are working on with the goal of tripling our humanitarian impact by serving 200 million people per year by 2021. As part of the Global Service Framework challenge, Lions International has set a goal of increasing diabetes service projects by 5% this Lion's year.

For those clubs who participated on September 23rd during Walmart Wellness Days, your club qualifies for a diabetes service project! Be sure to have your club secretary report to LCIF that you participated in this vital effort.

The next date for Walmart Wellness Days is January 20<sup>th</sup>. We will have further information available as far as Lions participation. ~Article submitted by Deborah Weston.



## New Ulm Diabetes Walk a Huge Success!



The New Ulm Diabetes Walk is a Family Affair for all ages.

The Lions Club of New Ulm from District 5M3 and the Lafayette Area Lions Club from District 5M2 again joined forces on September 30, 2017 to hold their Third Annual "New Ulm Diabetes Walk". Over \$12,600.00 was raised for the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation and over forty walkers participated. These funds will be used to find a CURE for diabetes at the University of Minnesota. Thank you to all the Lafayette Lions, New Ulm Lions and others who helped, participated and donated to this very successful event.

We hope that our success encourages other Lions Clubs in Multiple District 5M to hold similar events to raise money for this very worthwhile cause.

~Article and Photo submitted by Bob Shirlinger



## CLUB PROJECT IDEAS FOR DIABETES AWARENESS AND ACTION:

Distribute current educational resources to increase diabetes awareness at a community health fair or other event.

Organize a walking club for seniors with diabetes.

Provide a diabetes magazine subscription to your local library.

Sponsor a child in need to attend a diabetes camp.

Donate current diabetes books to your local library and insert a bookplate to identify your club's donation.

Participate in World Diabetes Day events

Work with your local school to invite a health care professional to speak about diabetes.

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Governor's night at the Montrose Lions Club was held on Monday Oct. 16. Pictured are Montrose Lion Pres. Scott Anderson, DG Lion Dan Kaiser and wife Lion Kathy.



For the Anoka Ambassador Program the Ramsey Lions sponsored Amanda Meek during the Anoka Halloween Festival (with Lion Tom Mevissen).



In October the Ramsey Lions picked up trash on Bunker Lake Blvd between Ramsey Blvd. and Armstrong Blvd.



Forest Lake Lion Peace Poster winners included Helena Lohr, Conner Hitt, and Anna Behnken. Also Pictured is Lion Lou Trudeau

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## Brian Sheehan asks for your support in Las Vegas

PID Brian Sheehan and Lori would like to ask you to join them in Las Vegas at the LCI Convention where Brian will be on the ballot for the office of 3rd Vice President of Lions Clubs International.

Brian belongs to a 4 generation Lions family and he truly believes in our organization and the great things we can accomplish together. He is a member of the Bird Island Club in District 5M-4. His technology business that he started from the ground up recently became an international company. Brian's knowledge of technology and his leadership skills will help him lead Lions members into the next 100 years of service. Along with his wife, Lion Lori, they have spoken at conventions and forums and have gathered support from Lions around the world.

Remember that the registration fee for the convention in Las Vegas is \$150.00 till January 12, 2018 at which time it will increase, so now is the best time to go to lionsclubs.org and sign up for the convention. Look for LCICON at the top of the website. The delegation hotel for MD5M is the Luxor hotel.

If you have never been to an international convention, please ask someone who has. It is an awesome opportunity to gather with Lions members from other countries and see that we all have the same of goal "to serve". Going to the convention in Las Vegas is also a great way to show Lions from around the world that we support our candidate Brian Sheehan. We are one of the largest multiple districts in the United States and our time is now to be recognized as a district who can contribute to the leadership of our organization.

Recently Brian and Lori attended the OSEAL forum in Malaysia recently where he was endorsed by their members as the candidate for 3rd VP of LCI.

OSEAL Forum is comparable to our USA/Canada Forum.

### Environmental Photo Contest

The Environment is one of the Centennial Legacy Projects with clean up, recycling, clean water and landscaping being a few areas a club can become involved.

Please take photos of the things you personally or your club are doing to take care of our world. Also welcome are the photos of the beauty around us. All photos will be displayed at the Midwinter Convention in January.

Grab that camera and send 8" x 10" photos to Lion Jan Dubats, 12967 Crooked Lake Lane NW, Coon Rapids MN 55448 by December 31, 2017.

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# Lions Feed My Starving Children Day

**March 26, 2018**

**Districts 5M2, 5M5, 5M6, & 5M7**

The following is a great opportunity to participate in a Multi-District Service project.

This is not a project strange to very many of you. Many of us are aware of the Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) program and have packed bags with Rice, Soy, Vitamins, & Vegetables.

Most recently 1 million meals were shipped to Puerto Rico with 5 million more planned. These are US citizens.

March 26, 2018 has been chosen as a Lions Day at three FMSC Locations. The next page lists the locations, addresses, and primary packing location associated with each District.

The next page provides more details. It tells you how to register and the various time slots. Feel free, as a club, during your time slot to bring your club banner. Be proud to be a Lion!

Keep in mind there is an expectation that your club/team will provide a financial gift to help pay for the food material packed. The estimated cost of the food per participant/per session is around \$50.00. Bring the donations to your session where a Lion representative will collect and record them.

Any donation can be made by the club, individuals, local companies, or the result of some special fund raisers over the next three months. Tax deductible checks can be made out to Feed My Starving Children or by making an on-line donation at <https://give.fmssc.org/LionsClub>

Some easy special fund raiser ideas include:

- Hosting a Rice & Beans meal. Donate the proceeds that would have been spent on the meal towards the FMSC food.
  - Collaborate for a group rummage sale.
  - Set up a silent auction at a meeting.
  - Have a free will donation jar circulated at every meeting.
  - Host a Cook-off or Bake-off.
  - Leos clubs could hold a Carb Night and have a "Free Will" donation.
- (Share any good ideas with me so I can pass them on!!!!)

Have some fun with this, get creative, and support this very critical campaign. For any questions, call: Lion Debra Wasserman – 5M2/5M5 at 507-332-2792 or email [liondebra@charter.net](mailto:liondebra@charter.net)

Lion Steve Knudsen – 5M6 at 952-890-9144 or email [steven.knudsen@usfamily.net](mailto:steven.knudsen@usfamily.net)

Lions Bill and Marcia Guthrie – 5M7 at 763-786-8072 or email [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com)





# Save the Date!

## Details

### What

Minnesota Lions, Lioness, and Leos Clubs (along with families, friends, coworkers, and neighbors) will come together to pack food for starving children around the world. This is intended to support our International Centennial Service Challenge Mission to feed the hungry. FMSC provides an excellent vehicle by which the Lions can contribute to meeting that challenge.

### Where:

**District 5M6—FMSC packing site in Eagan at 990 Lone Oak Road #136 in Eagan**

**District 5M2/5M5-FMSC packing site in Chanhassen at 18732 Lake Drive East in Chanhassen**

**District 5M7-FMSC packing site in Coon Rapids at 401 93<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW in Coon Rapids**

### Goals

**Participation Goal:** 75 volunteers per location per shift – a total of 1,125 volunteers

**Financial Donations:** On-line donations at <https://give.fmssc.org/LionsClub> Individual, Club donations, Company donations, and funds as the result of special fund raisers to help cover the cost of the food packed



## Registration

There are reserved spots under the name **Lions of Mn.**

**Website:** [www.fmssc.org/volunteer](http://www.fmssc.org/volunteer) **Click:** Permanent Site Events **Click:** Join a Group

### Join Now!

### Shift Time=Join Code

#### Chanhassen:

- 9:30 am – 11:30 am Join Code 1213050
- 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Join Code 1213051
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Join Code 1213055
- 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Join Code 1213056

#### Coon Rapids:

- 9:30 am – 11:30 am Join Code 1213059
- 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Join Code 1213060
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Join Code 1213062
- 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Join Code 1213063

#### Eagan:

- 9:30 am – 11:30 am Join Code 1213065
- 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Join Code 1213066
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Join Code 1213068
- 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Join Code 1213069

Search by group name "Lions of MN" Or find using the Join Code for your preferred time and site

**Click:** I agree to follow FMSC Volunteer Age & other guidelines. After reading the guidelines, click on **Accept**.

**Click: Confirm** When the next screen comes up, you then have 3 options: **Log In OR Create a New Account OR Contact one of the 3 Group Leaders:**

Lion Debra Wasserman – 5M2/5M5 at 507-332-2792 or email [liondebra@charter.net](mailto:liondebra@charter.net)

Lion Steve Knudsen – 5M6 at 952-890-9144 or email [steven.knudsen@usfamily.net](mailto:steven.knudsen@usfamily.net)

Lions Bill and Marcia Guthrie – 5M7 at 763-786-8072 or email [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com) and they can then add your name to whichever site and time/times that you want to volunteer.

**THANK YOU ALL SO VERY MUCH!!!**



# LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Graduating Leos or sons/daughters, grandsons/granddaughters of Lions or Lioness are eligible to apply for the LITPC (Lions International Trading Pin Club) Youth Scholarship. Two (\$2,500) scholarships will be awarded. In 2012, the first recipient was a Leo from Pennsylvania. In 2013, the recipient was from Virginia. In 2014, the recipient was from Iowa. In 2015, the recipient was from Virginia. In 2016, there was 1 recipient from Georgia and 1 recipient from Minnesota. In 2017, there were 2 recipients both from New York. The 2018 recipients will be announced at the Pin Traders Annual Breakfast at the Lions International Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada in July, 2018.

The current forms for the scholarships are available on line at [www.litpc.org](http://www.litpc.org). In the right column, click on LITPC Scholarship Information. Then click on Scholarship Application Form. Please follow the instructions, fill out ALL the forms neatly and correctly which includes the 4 essay questions (in 350 words or less) and the question about scholarships that you have been offered along with submitting a certified copy of your high school transcript including activities. Plus you also need to attach recommendations from 2 persons (i.e. teacher, coach, clergy, employer, etc.) AND attach a recommendation letter from a Lions Club member indicating the name of the Club and state/province and country in which the Club is located.

ALL forms and letters are to be submitted by MARCH 1, 2018 to:

Lion Bill Guthrie, Scholarship Chairman  
5M Pin Traders Club and Board Member of LITPC  
9-101st Lane NW  
Coon Rapids, MN 55448

If you have any questions, please feel free to call 763-786-8072 or email [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com)

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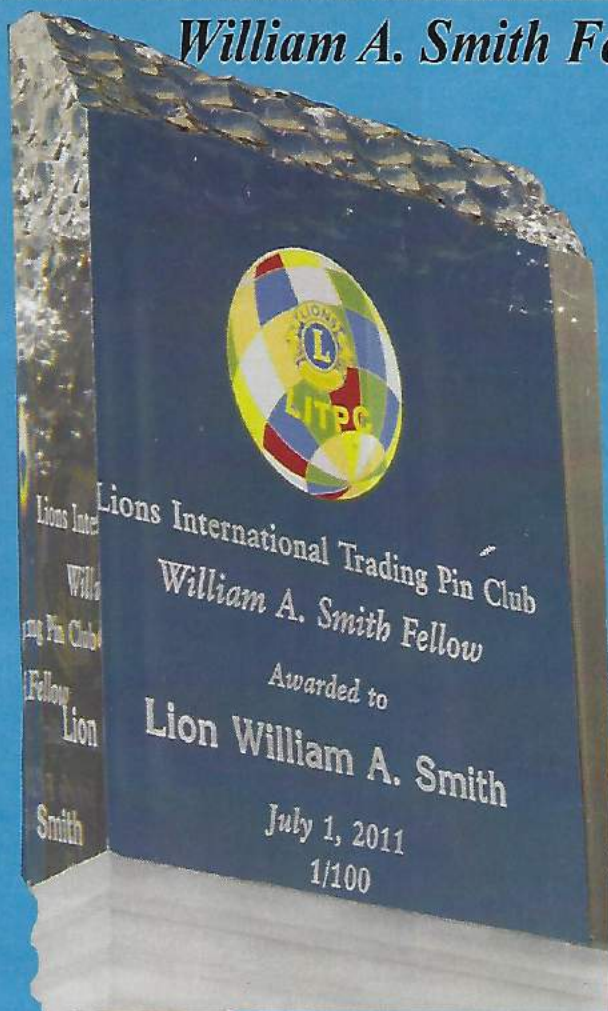


# LIONS INTERNATIONAL TRADING PIN CLUB

## LITPC Youth Scholarship Program

### *William A. Smith Fellowship Recognition*

Lion William A. Smith, PCC, is among the earliest members of the Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) and its 7th President. Over the years, with his counsel, foresight and leadership, the LITPC has improved its image with Lions Clubs International and with Lions throughout the world. Because of his many contributions to the Lions International Trading Pin Club, the Board of Directors named the Youth Scholarship Fellowship after him. We thank Lion Bill for his many contributions to our organization.



Emma Bennett  
New York

### *LITPC awards two Youth Scholarships in 2017*



Glynnis Santeramo  
New York

## Mission Statement

The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) Youth Scholarship was established to foster the continuing education of a high school senior. Our goal is to help our future leaders and give students a financial helping hand. Students eligible to apply are the children, grandchildren of Lions, Lionesses and Leos. The scholarship amount is \$2,500.

## Vision Statement

The scholarship is funded by members of the Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC). The fund raising program is a six year campaign to generate sufficient funds to make the program self sustaining. It is the hope that every member will participate. The slogan of the Lions International Trading Pin Club is "Lions First".







# 2017 LITPC Scholarship Winners



**Emma Bennett** is from the State of New York. She has been accepted to Cornell University. Emma had been a member of her Leo Club since the 7th grade. She has participated in many athletic events and has held many positions within her school and has volunteered extensively in her

**NEW YORK** school, church and community. Emma has decided to take her commitment to learning and combine it with her passion for helping others and will pursue a career in medicine.



## NEW YORK

**Glynnis Santeramo** is from the State of New York. Glynnis attends a special school for the visually impaired. She will be attending Brockport College because the school has a program in adaptive physical education so that she can get a degree to teach. Glynnis wants to open the doorways to athletics for children who are visually impaired.

## LITPC Scholarship Winners - 2012 to 2016



**Katlin Rose (Leo)**  
2016 - Georgia



**Moyellsa Yang (Leo)**  
2016 - Minnesota



**Kelli Tignor (Leo)**  
2015 - Virginia



**Dorothy Weaver (Leo)**  
2014 - Iowa



**Patricia Mook (Leo)**  
2013 - Virginia



**Breanna Lincoski (Leo)**  
2012 - Pennsylvania



**Lions 5M-7 Mid-Winter Convention**  
**January 19, 20 & 21, 2018**  
**Minneapolis Airport Marriott, Bloomington, Minnesota**



## REGISTRATION FORM

Guest #1: Select One ( ) Lion ( ) Lioness ( ) Leo ( ) Spouse/Guest

Last Name:	First Name:	Email Address:
Address/PO Box:	Club Name:	Phone #:
City:	State & Zip:	Dietary Needs:

Guest #2: Select One ( ) Lion ( ) Lioness ( ) Leo ( ) Spouse/Guest

Last Name:	First Name:	Email Address:
Address/PO Box:	Club Name:	Phone #:
City:	State & Zip:	Dietary Needs:

### Hotel Reservations:

Please arrange your room through the Airport Marriott at (952)-854-7441. To get the discount rate of \$93 per night you must make your reservation before Dec 26, 2017.

Please see the [www.5m7.org](http://www.5m7.org) web site for the complete convention handbook.

Please see the [www.5m7.org](http://www.5m7.org) web site for hospitality room signup sheets.

**All people attending meals will receive a name badge with their meals indicated on the badge.**

**No refunds after January 6, 2018**

	Price Before 12/15	Price After 12/15	Guest #1	Guest #2	Total
<b>Complete Meal Book</b>	\$95	\$120			
<b>Saturday Luncheon</b>	\$32	\$42			
<b>Saturday Banquet</b>	\$42	\$52			
<b>Sunday Brunch</b>	\$27	\$37			
<b>Total</b>	-----	-----			

Please make checks payable to: **5M-7 Mid Winter Convention**

Mail to: **Lion Hal Hinchliffe**  
**7414 Oakley St, NE**  
**Fridley, MN 55432-3430**



Dear Lions,

Happiness is seeing healthy children run and play and go to school. Unfortunately, in areas where measles is prevalent, some children have those simple pleasures taken away. Nearly 400 people die from measles every day, most of them children. Survivors can be left with life-altering complications including permanent hearing loss, blindness, and brain damage. This doesn't have to happen. Measles is a preventable disease, which is one reason why Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is supporting measles initiatives. One measles vaccination costs about US\$1. I've seen Lions pull together and accomplish great things, so I know that we can eliminate measles by donating to the cause and volunteering in local measles campaigns. Let's see what we can do to fight measles and give all children a healthy start to life! Consider donating to LCIF's measles initiative, One Shot, One Life.



Sincerely,

**Chancellor Bob Corlew**

**Chairman, Lions Clubs International Foundation**

## **Lions and LCIF Work Together to Fight Measles**

As many Lions know, LCIF has committed to raising US\$30 million dollars by the end of 2017, which will go to Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, an organization that will match LCIF's measles contribution dollar-for-dollar. Meanwhile, Lions are using LCIF grants to get measles and rubella vaccinations to areas that need it the most. Through organized campaigns, Lions are helping to vaccinate children at no cost to their family. Learn how Lions and LCIF are fighting measles by visiting [goo.gl/vTpg5g](http://goo.gl/vTpg5g). Help us with the vaccination of 114 million children; donate today!

### **Purchase a coin TODAY!**

In December 2017, the opportunity to purchase the beautifully crafted Lions Clubs Centennial Commemorative Coin at [goo.gl/9d3axx](http://goo.gl/9d3axx) will end. Hot off the U.S. Mint presses, this is the most impressive item of Lions' memorabilia. These silver collectable coins are the perfect gift for hard-working members or to say thank you to long-time Lions. You can order a coin with proof finish for US\$52.95 or an uncirculated finish for \$51.95. There is a \$2.95 handling fee per order, or per coin if shipped internationally.

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2018

# Winter Warm Up

*Food & Wine/Beer Tasting Extravaganza  
Live & Silent Auction*

Friday, February 16, 2018

5:30 – 8:30 pm

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*Banquets of Minnesota ~ 6310 Hwy 65 NE ~ Fridley, MN 55432*

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\$35 at the Door or \$25 in Advance per Ticket

For more information or to purchase tickets contact

Fridley Liquor Store 248 – 57th Ave NE

[www.fridleylions.org](http://www.fridleylions.org) or [rsolz@comcast.net](mailto:rsolz@comcast.net)



*Santa is coming to Stacy!*

# Santa Day

**Sponsored by Stacy Lions & Stacy-Lent Fire Department**

**Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

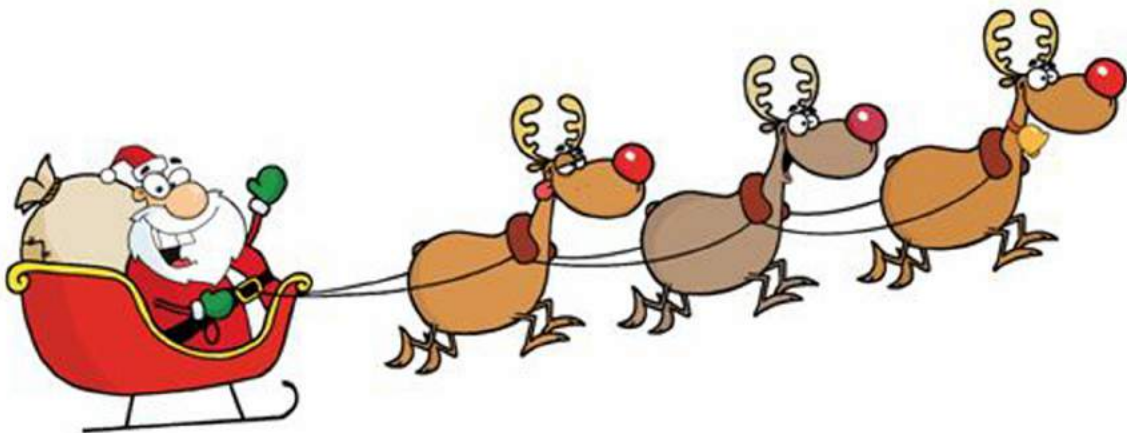
**10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**At the Stacy-Lent Fire Hall**

Time to visit with Santa, and socialize with friends.

Bring your camera for a great picture!

Our inexpensive **store is open** for ***Little Ones***  
to 'shop' for immediate family members.



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