



Lions 5M7 Gram



May

2018

A Note From District Governor Dan Kaiser



Hopefully Spring stays, with this late snow so many of our projects are getting behind. When your club is out cleaning ditches take a look at your Lions Sign in your community. It's time to assign just one member of your Lions Club the job of checking the Lion signs.. In some cases we've put this off long enough. Lions are celebrating 100 years of service to our communities – so if it's time to upgrade, get that facelift, let's do it and make your club look new and fresh.

It's so easy to make the sign look good, LCI.org club supplies, has new signs and replacement decals that can go right over the old sign. So let's get this

going and replace those old tired signs for the next Century of Lions.

If you haven't heard, we are chartering a new club in Orrock. It will be the Orrock Sand Dunes Lions Club with the Celebration on Tuesday June 5th. We will be having PID Brian Sheehan as the keynote speaker that night. I'm sure we let everyone know at Governors Nights that Lion Brian is the endorsed Candidate for 3rd International Vice President of Lions Clubs International. We would like everyone to help this new club off the ground and give them all the support we can, on that night and mentor them so they become an OUTSTANDING Lions Club.

Past International Director Brian Sheehan has announced his intention to run for the office of 3rd Vice President of Lions Clubs International. He will be seeking this office at the International Convention in Las Vegas in 2018.

PID Sheehan has the endorsement from his club, the Bird Island Lions, and would like to ask for the support of MD5M Lions, Lionesses, and Leos. Our multiple district is one of the largest in the world and it is time that we give Lions Clubs International one of our own to lead this organization. It will take a lot of support, and we can help PID Sheehan, who has the heart and mind, to do a worthy job as our International President. So please attend the Orrock Sand Dunes Charter Celebration and meet our next 3rd International Vice President. Lion Brian is an outstanding speaker and no one should miss his unforgettable presentation. *Continued on next page . . .*

Here are some Important dates we should remember,

May 9th, Spring Leadership School in Buffalo Middle School

May 10th, Spring Leadership School at Centennial Senior HS in 4757 North Road, Circle Pines

June 2nd De-Feet walk at the Landscape Arboretum in Chaska

June 5th, Charter Night for Orrock Sand Dunes Lions Club, KJ's Orrock MN

June 10, Centennial Projects at the Anoka County Fairgrounds

June 18th, 5M7 Awards Night, Kraus-Hartig VFW Spring Lake Park

June 29- July 3rd Lions International Convention Las Vegas

Lion Dan District Governor

An update from SVDG Jim Kugler



Three things have been on my mind since the Mid-winter: Membership, Zone meetings and the 2020 mid-winter. As I travel to Zone meetings, I try to engage club members in conversations about each of those topics. So far, there has been very little conversation about zone meetings; a little more conversation about membership and more conversation about changing the mid-winter convention both in 2019 and again in 2020.

One of the goals for the convention is to increase the participation of lions in that event. Two issues seem to be holding lions back from participating. First is cost.

If a lion comes to the convention, purchases a meal booklet and stays for both evenings, the cost can easily \$500 for the weekend. Second, is the distance for most members in the district to travel to Bloomington. I live on the southern most part of the district. It's 67 miles from my house to Bloomington. Lions living in other parts of the district have to travel much farther. We're going to try to change the location and reduce the cost of the convention. The goal of doing both is to encourage more lions to come to the convention.

As I ravel to zone meetings I handing out a club evaluation tool: How are your ratings. Whether or not they will be used is questionable. I attended a club organizational meeting . The question was asked whether or not this club should have a dinner meeting . The answer was a resounding NO. Are we a service organization or a social/diner organization. Maybe the club evaluation questionnaire might help answer the above questions.

This year is coming to an end. Lion Al will soon be the governor and Lion Dan will be a PDG. Lion Peter will then be 2VDG. Looking forward to continuing my journey as your 1DGE.

Lion Jim





Lions Children's Eye Clinic

The **Minnesota Lions Children's Eye Clinic** is the leading clinic in the upper Midwest for the treatment of children's eye problems. Dedicated pediatric ophthalmologists from the University of Minnesota's Pediatric Ophthalmology and

Strabismus Service treat more than 8,000 patients each year, assisting children as young as a few days old. It was thanks to a generous donation from the Lions that the Minnesota Lions Children's Eye Clinic opened in 1968. Over the years, **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (MLVF)** has funded extensive clinic remodeling and regularly donates money for needed equipment.

In 2010, the **MLVF** gave \$3 million to establish the *Fund to Prevent Blindness in Infants and Children*. Fund contributions helped build out and equip a beautiful new clinic next to the University of Minnesota's Masonic Children's Hospital, ushering in a new era in pediatric eye care. Not every childhood eye disease is curable or even treatable, so the **MLVF** actively supports pediatric eye research as well. Research is vital to continuing advancements in children's eye care and giving every child a lifetime of sight.



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If you're 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, 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.



Eyeglasses Collection Sites

The **Minnesota Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (MLERC)** is in the process of updating their state-wide collection site list. The staff at the MLERC are asking all of the 5M-7 clubs who have collection sites to review their list, verify them and then send the list to your MLVF board representatives, PDG Paul and Lion Lyle. Our goal was to have this completed before **May 1st** and we've only received an updated list from one club. So, please send in your lists to PDG Paul or Lion Lyle as soon as possible.



State Fair Booth

The MN Lions diabetes, hearing and vision foundations are partnering together to have an information booth at the **Minnesota State Fair**. Each district is assigned dates to provide volunteers and the dates for 5M-7 are **Thursday August 25th from 8:45 AM to 9:00 PM** and on **Monday September 3rd from 4:45 PM to 9:00 PM**. Your 5M-7 foundation representatives



are asking you to join us in volunteering at the booth. If you are able to help, please sign up using this link to the on-line schedule:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e49aaaa2aa6fb6-state>. You help will be truly appreciated any please feel free to contact PDG Paul or Lion Lyle with any questions.

Don't forget to turn in your collected used eyewear to your Zone chair, PDG Paul or Lion Lyle. If you haven't had a club or zone visit in a while from a MLVF director, it would be great for us to come see you. You can hear all the latest developments on research and treatments being done at the U of M, as well as how your club is sitting with **Helen Keller Sight Awards**. We hope you will have us come visit your club or zone in the very near future, so please contact us to schedule a presentation at your event.

Thank you 5M-7 for truly being "***Knights of the Blind.***"

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A memo from Lion Al Kvistero

I'd like to remind everyone that Officer Training is again being held at two locations, Buffalo Middle School (May 9) and Centennial Middle School (May 10). Any Lion is welcome to attend, but we do expect years Officers to make one of the two sessions.

On June 2 is the De-Feet Walk for Hearing at the Minnesota Arboretum.

It's a fantastic event if you have never been there. For twenty bucks you get a t-shirt, a lunch, some entertainment and a beautiful place to wander around for

the day. Come July, Lions Clubs International will turn 101 and LCIF will turn 50. But first we will be having our Centennial Celebration at the Anoka County Fairgrounds on June 10. I hope that everyone can attend at some time during the day. It is going to be a huge party. At the least, stop on out and see PID Brian Sheehan one last time before he becomes our 3rd International Vice President. And don't forget to sign up your little red wagons.

At the Centennial Celebration, the Elk River Lions are heading up the Pancake Breakfast. They are expecting to maybe serve 2000 people from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. They are looking for volunteers from around the district to help. So please reach out to them if you are able to assist.

"We Serve"



Lioness Corner



Big Lake Lioness Club -- 17 Current Members

MONTHLY SPONSORSHIP

- ✓ Sponsored monthly NAPS [Nutritional Assistance Program for Seniors] distribution
- ✓ Sponsored monthly nursing home bingo at area care center
- ✓ Provided flowers for nursing home residents with birthdays
- ✓ Provided cash prizes to nursing home residents at bingo

DONATIONS

- ✓ Provided 5 children's birthday bags to local food shelf

EVENTS HELD IN APRIL

- ✓ Held Senior Dessert and Bingo Party
- ✓ Sold prom garters to local seniors
- ✓ Attended Group Meeting at St. Francis
- ✓ Held joint Governor's Night with Big Lake Lions and installed new officers for upcoming year
- ✓ Donated \$250 to Sherburne County Area United Way's Community Connect event
- ✓ Participated in Sherburne County Area United Way's Community Investment event

UPCOMING EVENTS IN MAY

- ✓ May Baskets for local seniors
- ✓ Review 34 scholarships applications from local high school seniors

"We Serve"



Snapshots



The Maple Lake Lions hosted a Palm Sunday Candy Scramble for local children.



The Montrose Lions Club along with a few friends helped pack food for Truckload for Life at Zion Lutheran Church in Buffalo. The group bagged 80,000 meals that day.



Forest Lake Lion El Ewert was recently awarded Hall of Fame Honors.



Annandale Lions Tom Gay and Dave Stifter were honored for 20 and 15 years of service, respectively.



Lion Bill Guthrie from the Coon Rapids Lions Club donated 1,800 Lions pins to Lion Paul Holm from the Cokato Dassel Lions Club. These pins will be given to the Dassel-Cokato High School band as they represent 5M and march in the Lions International Convention in Las Vegas this summer.



A typical mission Lion eyeglass mission serves about 4000 over 5 working days. Next years missions will be to Nicaragua and El Salvador in February of 2019.

"We Serve"

2018 OFFICER TRAINING

All Lions Members are welcome to attend!

Two Locations:

- May 9
Buffalo Middle School
1300 Hiway 25 N
Buffalo, MN
- May 10
Centennial Middle School
399 Elm St
Lino Lakes, MN

Programs Offered

Choose from the following:

President—Vice President Training

Secretary/Service Chairperson Training

Treasurer Training

Lions elected to hold office in their Club are expected to attend.

At both locations:

Programs will start promptly at 6:30

Cookies and water will be provided

Questions?

Contact DGE Al Kvistero

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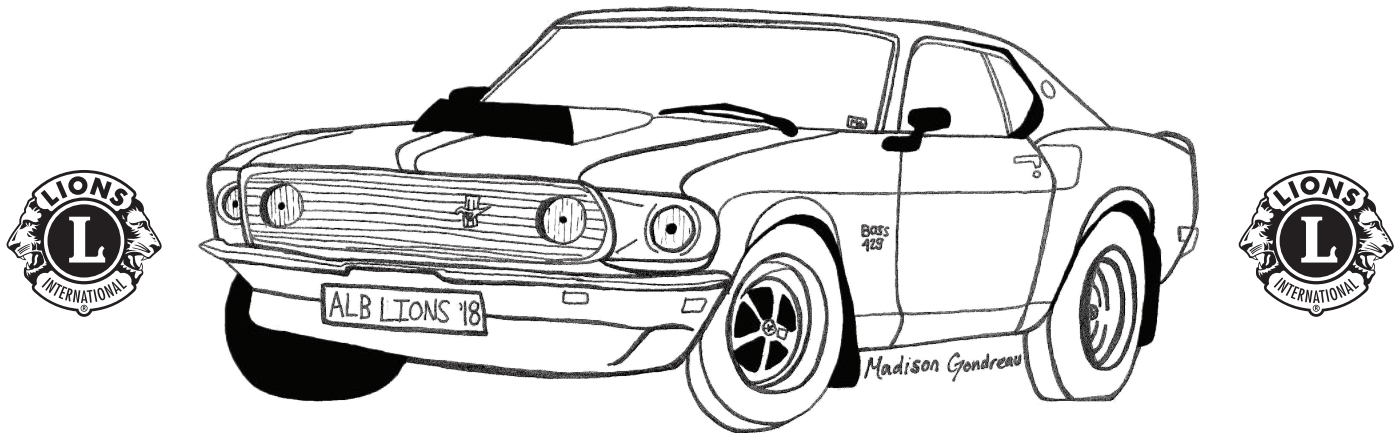


CAR SHOW

Albertville Lions - 5th Annual

Saturday, June 9th - 10 am to 2pm

Albertville MN - Lachman Ave NE & 57th Street NE
(between Albertville Coborns and STMA Hockey Arena)



***Cars, Trucks, Rat Rods, Customs, All Makes & Models,
All Years. Bring what you've got and have fun!***

***\$10 Car/Vehicle registration fee day of show only
(registration includes FREE event T-Shirt)***

**** Trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place
and a People's Choice Award ****

For More information contact Dennis at 763-245-4695

**FREE event for Spectators -
Food available at event.**

**Sponsors: Albertville Lions -- Albertville Body Shop -- Albertville Car Care Center --
Cielo Cleaning / Car Wash & Detailing -- Center Cut Meats -- Culver's --
D.Michael.B's Resort Bar & Grill -- Industrial Custom Products -- Kremer's Toy & Hobby --
Precision Auto Repair -- Rigs To Rods -- Superior Brake & Auto Repair --
Willy McCoy's -- Villa Bar & Grill -- Westside Liquor**

Pancake Breakfast by the Rush City Lions



June 10, 8am-noon,
during the Fly-In
at the Rush City Regional
Airport.



****Live Music!****

**The Bazillions (Kid Friendly)
Crankshaft and the Gear Grinders
Johnny Holm Band**



**Sunday, June 10, 2018
8:00am - 9:00pm**

**Anoka County Fair Grounds
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Charter Night

*Lions Clubs International, the World's Largest
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For the newest Club of Multiple District 5M7*

Orrock Sand Dunes Lions Club

June 5 2018, 6:00 p.m.

KJ Refuge

26211 184th Street NW

Co Rd 5/Eagle Lake Road

Orrock MN

Buffet catered by KJ Refuge

*6:00 Social * 6:30 Dinner * 7:15 Program*

Special Keynote Speaker

Past International Director Brian Sheehan

Endorsed Candidate for 3rd Vice President of Lions Clubs International

Tickets: \$22 /person, payable at the door

Business casual attire

R.S.V.P. before May 30th to

Sue Emberland 612.232.1583 semerland66@gmail.com

Stacey Stanley 763.443.1943 staceystanley@izoom.net

Drawings, Raffles, Silent Auction



FRIAR'S

Time: 2 P.M.

1500 LAKE STREET SOUTH
FOREST LAKE

When: MAY 6

\$26 PER 13 GAME PACKET

ADDITIONAL 3 FACE PACKET
AVAILABLE FOR \$4 EACH.

ALL PLAYERS MUST PLAY THE
\$26, NO SPLITTING

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Join us June 2, 2018 for the Seventh Annual D-Feet Hearing Loss Fundraiser Walk



Event Details:

June 2, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Landscape Arboretum

Chaska, MN

With your \$25.00 registration/donation you receive:

- ◆ Entrance to the Landscape Arboretum for the day
- ◆ Event t-shirt
- ◆ Lunch (including root-beer floats)
- ◆ Featuring the Teddy Bear Band
- ◆ Lots of children's activities, games & prizes
- ◆ Fun for families of all ages
- ◆ Great Club Activity Event
- ◆ A chance to change a child's life through your \$25.00 registration/donation

**Kids 12 &
Under get
in free!**

Bring the whole family for a day of fun for all ages!!!!

**MARK
YOUR
CALENDARS!
June 2, 2018**



FEATURING:



**Dance to the
Teddy Bear Band
while having fun
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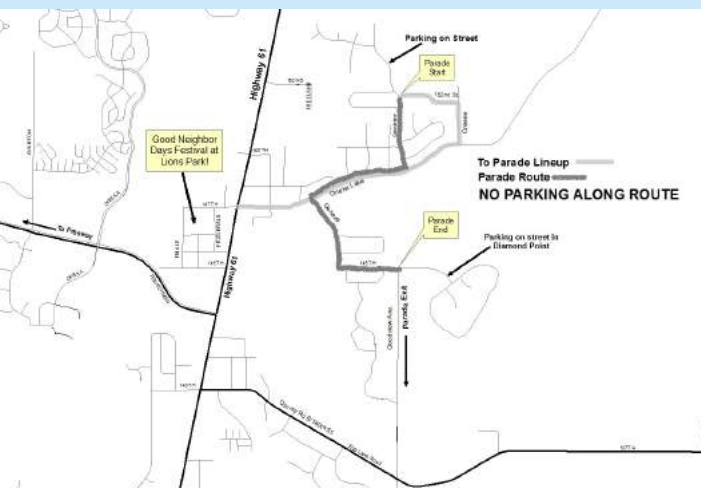
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volunteering for Good Neighbor Days
in various ways, please
email: hugomnlions@gmail.com



WWW.GOODNEIGHBORDAYS.COM

LIONS PARK - HUGO, MN

PARK LOCATION & PARADE ROUTE



LIONS MISSION STATEMENT

To empower volunteers to serve their
communities, meet humanitarian needs,
encourage peace and promote international
understanding through Lions clubs

*"Where there's a NEED,
there's a LION"*



Our meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday
of each month September - June.

HIGHLIGHTS

PETTING ZOO
-
TROUT POND
-
BEER GARDEN
-
LIVE MUSIC



SHUTTLE INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON OUR SITE

WWW.GOODNEIGHBORDAYS.COM



THURSDAY

5:00 - 10:00
Lions Kitchen
—

5:00 - 12:00
Carnival Rides
—

5:00 - 12:00
Beer Garden



FRIDAY

5:00 - 10:00
Lions Kitchen
—

5:00 - 12:00
Carnival Rides
—

5:00 - 12:00
Beer Garden
—

6:00 - 8:00
Knocker Ball
—

8:00 - 12:00
Good For Gary



SATURDAY

10:00 - 10:00
Lions Kitchen
—

10:00 - 6:00
Petting Zoo
—

11:00 - 12:00
Parade
—

12:00 - 4:00
Baron of Bubbles
—

11:00 - 11:30pm
Carnival Rides
—

11:00 - 5:00
Trout Fishing Pond
—

12:00 - 12:00
Beer Garden
—

12:00 - 3:00
Lions Bingo
—

12:00 - 8:00
Knocker Ball
—

12:00 - 3:00
Lions KidSight
—

8:00 - 8:00
Army Obstacle Course
—

8:00 - 12:00
Devon Worley Band
—

9:30 - 10:00
Grundhofer's Fireworks Show



SUNDAY

8:00 - 11:00
Boy Scouts
Pancake Breakfast
—

11:00 - 4:00
Lions Kitchen
—

12:00 - 3:00
Petting Zoo
—

12:00 - 4:00
Carnival Rides
—

12:00 - 4:00
Trout Fishing Pond
—

12:00 - 4:00
Knocker Ball
—

12:00 - 4:00
Beer Garden
—

12:00 - 4:00
Army Obstacle Course
—

1:00 - 4:00
Lions Bingo
—

5:00 - 6:00
Closing Ceremony
Scholarships
& Raffle Drawings



Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum November 2-3, 2018

Meet & Greet Mixer Friday

36 Informative Seminars on Saturday

Dynamic and Motivating Speakers

International Director Pat Vannet
and

Past International Director Brian Sheehan

Lions Clubs International Endorsed Candidate for Third Vice President

Shooting Star Casino
777 SE Casino Rd
Mahnomen, MN 56557



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

Registration fee \$75.00 USD/\$75.00 CAN
(Includes Saturday's lunch and dinner)

Hotel \$65.00 USD plus tax

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/northern-pride-lions-leadership-forum-2018-tickets-44597493303>



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