



Lions 5M7 Gram



June

2018

A Note From District Governor Dan Kaiser

Lions, Lioness, & Leos

When I started my year as District Governor a year ago I was told by some Past District Governors that it would be a busy, fast and incredibly wonderful year. It has certainly been that and so much more I've enjoyed visiting with the clubs of 5M7, some on more than one occasion, and I'm impressed with level of commitment and pride that we have as Lions. We are indeed part the communities that we serve and our efforts truly make a positive difference in every ones lives. Thank you for all that you do!

I'm sincerely thankful to all of the members of our District Cabinet team. Everyone has done a great job this year. It has been a very busy year, with anumber of projects. A BIG THANK YOU to everyone on a job well done!

I especially want to recognize my home club, the Almelund Lions, for their tremendous support this year, I'm proud to be a member of this club. I also need to thank some of the Lioness that are part of 5M7, from the help that the St Francis Lioness have provided me, to all the other Lioness, you have kept me on my toes and I appreciate it. Please take a moment to congratulate them when you get the opportunity!

Like I told a Lion a couple of months after I started, being a District Governor sounded like a wonderful idea- it's like a roller coaster ride, it sounded fun when you're talking about it, but when you get to the front of the line and it time to get on the ride it's still ok, then when you start up the long trip up track knowing you're going to be coming down fast and there will be a sharp curve at the bottom you wonder it this was a good idea. It has been a GREAT TIME, I'm GLAD that I had this experience and I wish all of you could have this opportunity to be the Leader of this Great District.

I'm hopeful that we'll see many of you on Monday June 18th for the Awards Night. It's a great time and a perfect opportunity to spend time with Lions from other clubs. And let's not forget to Help PID Brian Sheehan get elected at the International Convention in Las Vegas later this month. Alone we can do so little, but by working 'Together Everyone Achieves More'

An update from SVDG Jim Kugler



I cannot believe this is almost over. 10 months ago I submitted my first article to the gram. I missed my first article deadline. It was not on my radar. Somewhere along the line I missed another article deadline. So this will be my last article as the second vice district or first district governor elect. We have some confusing titles in this lion's organization.

There were three goals articulated in the first article. They were not SMART, but they were goals. I'm sure everyone will remember them, but in case your memory is failing you, they were: learn what being a district governor is about; and lastly have some fun along the journey.

I'm still learning about the district governor stuff with the help of Governor Dan, governor elect t Al and the mandatory training required by the multiple. I can safely say I've learned some things. The most important of which is that we are all lions serving our local communities. All of the other parts of this organization are created to help make lions and their clubs more effective in serving our community needs. On the lighter side of things there have been three mandatory meetings as district governor's elect. At each of those meetings we were coached with the importance of being in proper uniforms, so, at district functions you can expect to see the governor's in the proper attire. You will see us(the governors, 2nd 1st and governor) in coats, ties and slacks. The coordinated outfits have yet to be determined. For all other functions, our dress will be lion's casual.

It took me a while to get into the habit of scheduling governor's night and zone meetings. So, I missed several of those this past year. I plan to try to make more next year as the first vice district governor. I'm beginning to put names, faces and clubs together. What with over 50 clubs and 1800 members, I've a long way to go.

I've had fun on the first leg of this journey. Red noses at the district convention and colorful socks were all apart of the funnier side of this trip. They will continue.

One of the most troubling parts of this position has been the decline in membership, both a the club level and also the attendance at the district convention. Some clubs are growing, some are reminding the same and others are declining. More about that later. In an effort to improve attendance at the district convention, we have decided to move it closer to the district. In 2020 the convention will be moving to the Hilton in Brooklyn Center. It's our hope with moving the convention to the north side of town, more lions will consider attending the convention. There will be more about the upcoming conventions in later newsletters.

Thanks for all you do. Thanks for making me feel welcome. I'm looking forward to the next two years.

Lion Jim





Lions, Lioness and Leos of District 5M7:

Thank You, Everyone!



Thank you all for the hard work you've done this past year on your vision-related Club projects. Your support has been invaluable in the fight against vision impairment and the promotion of proper eye care. The **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (MLVF)** encourages you to keep up your efforts in the coming year with your used eyeglass collecting, supporting vision screenings for youth, providing free eye care for those in need and any other projects you happen to do concerning sight.

Charitable Gaming Fiscal Year



For those clubs in 5M7 that have charitable gaming operations, the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation** has an opportunity for you to make an impact at the end of your fiscal year. The end of June means it is time to clear your books for this fiscal year and prepare for a fresh start on July 1st. The **MLVF** would like to appeal to you by asking for a contribution towards any of our worthwhile projects. Your end-of-year donation can help the MN Lions' efforts in sight preservation. Please feel free to contact your 5M-7 MLVF representatives for assistance in making a contribution prior to June 30th.

Legacy Gifts – Planned Giving



There are several ways that someone can make a contribution towards the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation**. Many people make an annual charitable donation for a tax deduction. Some parties make contributions that coincide with such events as anniversaries or birthdays. Others have designated the **MLVF** as a charity of choice for honoring a loved one who has passed away. In addition, some individuals have taken it one step further by setting up a legacy gift to the **MLVF**.

Legacy gifts can be done in several different ways. Options available to you could be a contribution in the form of bequests, charitable gift annuities, retained life estates, wealth replacement trusts, charitable lead trusts, real estate gifts, life insurance policies, securities gifting, stock gifting and retirement plan asset gifting. With so many options available to you, it is recommended you sit down and talk to your financial planner and lawyer to explore which might be best for you. If you wish to make a lasting gift towards sight preservation & conservation, a legacy gift to the **MLVF** might be just the thing for you.

Helen Keller



Please make sure to celebrate **Helen Keller's Birthday on June 27th** by promoting the Lions' cause of being '*knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness.*' Our fight to prevent blindness and promote good eyesight has been the major project of Lions since 1925! Mark this special day by performing a vision service project or by making a donation towards the **MLVF** in honor of Helen Keller's birthday. Share your birthday celebration efforts with your 5M-7 MLVF representatives so they can promote your efforts with other Lions and communities.

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, 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.



Your 5M-7 MN Lions Vision Foundation representatives 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 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 to schedule an appearance.

Thank You, PDG Paul!



The **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation** is sorry to see the departure of PDG Paul Hansen from the board of directors. June 30th will mark five years of excellent service and dedication to the sight preservation efforts performed every day at the U of M through the help of the **MLVF**. PDG Paul's knowledge, experience and enthusiasm will be sorely missed and we wish him well in his future Lions work.

Thank you all for continuing to be Knights of the Blind!

Yours in Lionism,

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A Memo from DGE Lion Al Kvistero



Lions, Lioness and Leos,

This Lion's year is quickly coming to an end and soon another chapter will start. It has been an eye opening experience this past several years after joining the district cabinet and seeing all of the things Lions do outside of our individual clubs. It is amazing to see the dedication by the various district and multiple-district chair people and the things that they do.

A proposal has been made by Can-Do Canines to turn the Woof-A-Roo into a Lions sponsored event. They are asking us to underwrite their costs

holding the Woof-A-Roo. This comes down to about \$1000 per district. My club doesn't know it yet, but we will be sending in a check for \$250 to help meet this goal. If a few more of you would join us in this project, we can meet this goal and make this into a Lions sponsored event. Please consider this at your next meeting and let me know if District 5M-7 will meet the challenge. The last I heard, the other districts were up to \$7500 in pledges towards this.

I would like to give a special thanks to Lion Kathy McMillan and Lion Chris Thoma for taking time from their schedules and being instructors at our new officer training classes. I would also like to thank all those who attended.

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"We Serve"

Our newest club, the Orrock Sand Dunes Lions Club will have their charter night on Tuesday, June 5th. I'd like to welcome them and wish them the greatest of success as they begin their work in their community. I am looking forward to attending their celebration.
The Centennial Celebration is June 10th at the Anoka County Fairgrounds. I look forward to seeing everybody there. It should be a fun day to be a Lion.

Thank you all
Lion Al Kvistero
DGE 5M-7



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 MAY

- ✓ Distributed 30 May Baskets to local seniors.
- ✓ Selected two seniors from 34 applicants to receive each \$500 college scholarship.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN JUNE

- ✓ Lioness to work at Spud Fest Bingo
- ✓ Lioness sponsored Fiddler's Contest at Spud Fest

Lioness will take a summer 'hiatus' but will be holding an Appreciation Dinner for its members in July.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

- ✓ Semi annual bloodmobile sponsored by Red Cross and Lioness
- ✓ Annual Garage Sale

"We Serve"

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For Immediate Release

LIFESOURCE CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT WITH LIONS EYE BANK RAISES CONCERNS FOR DONORS

(Saint Paul, MN)— In 1960, the Lions of Minnesota and the University of Minnesota's Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Neurosciences agreed to embark on a bold new project that has grown continuously for the past 58 years and continues to date. That project is the eye bank known as **Lions Gift of Sight**. Located near the University of Minnesota's Twin Cities campus, **Lions Gift of Sight** has provided over 35,000 thousand corneas for transplantation and over 11,000 ocular tissues for valuable research into blinding diseases such as age-related macular degeneration and glaucoma. The eyes distributed by **Lions Gift of Sight** are provided to surgeons and researchers through the goodwill of generous donors and the efforts of dedicated technicians who travel to hospitals across the state to recover the precious donated tissues. Unfortunately, a recent change in the local tissue collection industry threatens the efforts of the **Lions Gift of Sight**.

On January 18th, 2018, a letter from **LifeSource**, the federally assigned organ procurement organization (OPO) for Minnesota, North Dakota and part of western Wisconsin, was received at the **Lions Gift of Sight** office. The letter was the termination of the contract between the OPO and the eye bank. The letter spoke of when the contract would expire (April 17th, 2018) and their declaration of expanding into the eye tissue recovery business.

The abrupt news, conveyed by the brief termination letter, was completely unexpected and received without any warning. Prior to the letter, **LifeSource** worked in conjunction with the **Lions Gift of Sight** through mutual trust and coordinated efforts. This partnership worked well for many years, with **LifeSource** handling organ and tissue donations and **Lions Gift of Sight** taking care of eye donations. In their letter, **LifeSource** revealed their decision to take an alternative path followed after they entered into a new business partnership with **SightLife**, a Seattle-based eye bank.

SightLife is a unique eye bank that has recently sparked debate in the national eye banking community. Although it is a non-profit eye bank, it also has majority ownership in a **for-profit** subsidiary called **SightLife Surgical**, which is intimately tied to its eye banking operations. Under their business model, **SightLife** collects donor eyes from organizations such as **LifeSource** as a non-profit eye bank, but then processes and distributes the donor corneal tissues through their for-profit engine, **SightLife Surgical**. Tissues collected by their non-profit division are transferred to their for-profit division

and then distributed around the world. This for-profit eye banking model is unprecedented and unlike any other eye bank in recent memory.

In contrast to **SightLife Surgical**, the **Lions Gift of Sight** eye bank is a **501(c)3 non-profit** organization that limits the reimbursements it collects for its corneal and research tissues to just what is necessary to cover the cost of collecting, processing and distributing the tissues. Any additional proceeds generated by charitable donations to the eye bank are invested into facility improvements and research. Every single cent invested in the operation of the **Lions Gift of Sight** goes toward preserving the altruistic wishes of their donors to provide the gift of sight to someone else. Our loyalty lies only with our surgeons, researchers, patients, and donors; not with any profit-driven investors. **LifeSource** has signed up to be an eye tissue supplier to **SightLife** and will be sending eyes they collect from MN donors across the country to their new partner, which will pass them on to **SightLife Surgical**, for distribution elsewhere.

To better understand **SightLife** and the controversies around the for-profit engine to an eye bank, you can read through the following links:

From its website:

“In October 2016, SightLife launched SightLife Surgical, a for-profit subsidiary...”

“SightLife is both the parent organization and majority owner of SightLife Surgical. This unique structure maintains the nonprofit status of SightLife as the parent organization and adds a for-profit “engine” to power the mission”

<https://www.sightlife.org/sightlifesurgical>

A closer look at this “for-profit engine”:

“SightLife...has raised \$10 million in a Series A financing round led by Flying L Partners, a new health care investment firm launched by the veteran health care executive and entrepreneur William Link”

<http://www.visionmonday.com/business/financial/article/sightlife-closes-10-million-series-a-financing-led-by-flying-l-partners-1/>

And what is a “Series A financing round”? Investopedia describes it like this;

“Series A, B, and C funding rounds are merely stepping stones in the process of turning an ingenious idea into a revolutionary global company, ripe for an IPO.”

<https://www.investopedia.com/articles/personal-finance/102015/series-b-c-funding-what-it-all-means-and-how-it-works.asp>

With this **LifeSource/SightLife** partnership in place, the Lions of Minnesota wish to make everyone aware of this situation and what it may mean for their communities and for their personal choices when it comes to eye tissue donations. The immediate concern is the notion of **LifeSource** signing up hospitals who are currently under contract with **Lions Gift of Sight**. Unfortunately, this has already begun with three hospitals already terminating their contracts with **Lions Gift of Sight** and signing up with **LifeSource**. The three hospitals are **Regions Hospital in St. Paul**, **North Memorial Hospital in Robbinsdale** and **St. Cloud Hospital**.

All three of these hospitals switched within the first few weeks of delivery of the agreement termination letter by **Lions Gift of Sight**. None of the hospitals gave any prior warning of this change in eye tissue donation policy and have all been excellent partners with **Lions Gift of Sight** for many years. It should be noted that each of these hospitals have an affiliation with **LifeSource**. Hospital staff members at each of these locations are either board members of **LifeSource** or have some other personal connection to the OPO.

With this initial departure of hospitals, **Lions Gift of Sight** staff have been working non-stop to contact all of the hospitals it has contracts with across Minnesota, North Dakota and western Wisconsin to confer with them regarding their support of the eye bank, **LifeSource's** venture into eye banking and its partnership with **SightLife**. Several hospitals have verbally committed to remaining with Lions Gift of Sight and have provided letters of recommendation in support of it. These hospitals include **Hennepin County Medical Center, Mayo Hospital & Clinics, Fairview Hospitals, Essentia Hospitals** and **CHI-Dickinson in North Dakota**. **Lions Gift of Sight** thanks these and other hospitals for their support and their assistance in maintaining the donors' wishes to benefit others through their generous gift of sight.

Now after hearing all of this, you may be asking yourself what you can do to help. Here are some requests the Lions would ask of you:

1. Ask your local hospital if they have eye tissue donations and where are they sent to. Do they work with your locally-based **Lions Gift of Sight** or are the eye tissues donated being collected by **LifeSource**, which means they are sent out of state?
2. If you are signed up as an eye donor, please make your wishes known with your family and physician as to where you would like them sent. Please consider designating the **Lions Gift of Sight** at the **University of Minnesota** as your preferred choice for your gift of sight. Your generosity will benefit an individual needing a cornea and/or a researcher at the U of M and around the world. **Lions Gift of Sight** is the second largest distributor of research eye tissue in the country.
3. Please consider making a financial gift to **Lions Gift of Sight** so it can continue its mission to help restore sight through eye donation.
4. Contact your state and federal legislators to ask them why **LifeSource** is sending Minnesota eye tissue donations out of state to eventually be sold by a for profit entity (**Sightlife Surgical**) by their partnership with **SightLife**. Ask your elected officials to help support the **Lions Gift of Sight** at the **University of Minnesota**.

It appears the eye banking industry is attempting to shift into a direction where your altruistic donations are considered a commodity and the selling of these donations to make a profit for a shareholder is just a business decision. Most doctors, researchers, Lions and non-Lions all think this change in policy proposed by a few is not right. Please try to help preserve the wishes of your family and yourself and not put a price-tag on your eye donations. Let's send a message to those few that support this change that we wish to have our local eye banks receive our local eye donations so they can benefit our local eye patients and researchers.



DREAM CATCHER NEWSLETTER

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

"Catch the Dream: Life Without Diabetes!"

www.mnlionsdiabetes.org

Summer 2018 Edition



At the Annual Diabetes Research Update on March 28, 2018, the Foundation was presented with the University of Minnesota "Builder's Society" Award. This award is given out to groups or individuals who have pledged or donated \$1 million+ in lifetime gifts.

Prior to receiving this award, the MLDF happily approved the payment of three grants to Dr. Herring, Dr. Bernlohr, and Dr. Fife for their ongoing research. In addition, a check for \$160,000 was presented to the Lions Islet Imaging Lab for further research and development.

Dream Catcher Award Recipients



MLDF Trustee, Amy Leidenfrost presented a Dream Catcher Award to Lion Mike Gedde of the Staples Host Lions.



Leon Nelson, of the Bemidji Lions, accepting the Dream Catcher Award from his Club.



Bob Schirlinger, MDLF Trustee, presented a Dream Catcher Award to Lion Diann Warta, of the New Ulm Lions Club.



Come and celebrate the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation's 10th Birthday at the Centennial Celebration, on Sunday, June 10th at the Anoka County Fair Grounds! Free blood glucose diabetes testing provided by Cub Pharmacy!



COON RAPIDS



DULUTH



NICOLLET AVE, MPLS



Lions Clubs International

Tee it up with Lions!

**Lions Clubs International invites
you to the Inaugural Convention
Charity Golf Tournament**

Friday, June 29, 2018

8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Wolf Course

Las Vegas Paiute Golf Resort

Las Vegas, NV



Join us for a round of golf with your fellow Lions at the stunning Wolf Course at the Las Vegas Paiute Golf Resort! You'll enjoy the desert mystique and mountains that change color throughout the course. The event benefits Lions Clubs International Foundation.

You'll tee off at 8:00 a.m. sharp, but tee times are limited and on a first come, first served basis.

Your ticket includes:

- Continental breakfast
- Green fees
- Cart
- Practice balls
- Water
- BBQ Special lunch buffet
- Callaway polo shirt and goodie bag

There will be a charity raffle, and prizes and trophies will be awarded. It's just par for the course!

If you have questions or need assistance securing your spot, please contact Adrian Ferrand at aferrand@lionsclubs.org.

We look forward to welcoming you to one of the best golf courses in North America!





Lions Clubs International

Entrance fees waived June 7-30!

To close out our incredible Centennial Celebration in style, **we're waiving entrance fees for new members who join between June 7 and June 30!** For more than 100 years, we've delivered hope and change to the world. Now, as we prepare for an innovative second century of service, there has never been a more exciting time become a Lion, and we want to make it as easy as possible for new members to join us.

So how does it work?

- **Invite** family and friends to join your club between June 7 and June 30.
- **Report** your new member to Lions International by 11:59 p.m. CDT on Saturday, June 30.
- **Save** money when your club billing automatically reflects this special promotion
- **Earn** a Centennial Sponsor Pin for inviting a new member, and wear it with pride.

This is a limited offer that does not apply to new members added prior to June 7 or after June 30, 2018. No exceptions will be approved. Charter and transfer charter fees do not qualify for this special waiver. If you have any questions, please contact membershipdev@lionsclubs.org.

Invite your family and friends to join the greatest service organization in the world as we write the history of our second century together.

Sincerely,

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal
Your International President



Snapshots



The Cambridge Lions sponsored a bullying poster contest with the Cambridge-Isanti Intermediate schools. First, second, and third place in each grade were presented with awards. The local Dairy Queen also donated a free cone for all participants. All the posters were on display for a week at the Cambridge City mall area. The Isanti County Sheriff also put some of the posters on display on his bulletin boards. There were 66 posters entered. Photo credit Lydia Opgaard, Isanti-Chisago County Star.



The Maple Lake Lions teamed up with the City of Maple Lake and other community organizations to refurbish a surplus DNR fishing pier and install it near the public beach on Maple Lake. The Lions contributed \$4,000 and Lion Steve Mooney played a key role working with DNR officials for many years to obtain a free pier to refurbish. The installation was completed on May 16.



Two Maple Lake Lions received Silver Centennial Awards. President Steve Mooney presented one to Lion Michael Day and Lion Steve was awarded the other. Photo taken at our monthly meeting on May 10.



"We Serve"



BIG LAKE LIONS ANNUAL "Ron Nelson-Memorial" GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Saturday, August 4th, 2018 / 2:00 pm Shotgun Start
Elk River Golf Club**

20015 Elk Lake Rd NW, Elk River, MN 55330

Phone: (763) 441-4111

\$80 per PERSON includes:
**18 holes Golf, Cart, &
Dinner at Big Lake
Lions Park**

(steak, corn on the cob, steakhouse
potato salad, baked beans and fresh
tossed salad w/dressing)



*Longest Drive Hole
Longest Putt Hole
Closest to the Pin Hole
Hole in One*

These will be provided in another communication

**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 www.facebook.com/BigLakeLionsClub/

SPONSOR A HOLE FOR \$75.00

All Lions Golf Outing for PID Brian Sheehan



Lion Brian E Sheehan for 3rd Vice President of Lions Clubs International

All proceeds to:
PID Brian Sheehan's Campaign

Friday, July 20, 2018

Kimball Golf Club

11823 County Road 150, Kimball, MN. 55353

9am Registration

10am Shotgun start

- 4 - Person teams- limited to 36 teams \$240.00 per team
- Individual Golfers are welcome @ \$60.00 ea. Will assign to a team at event
- Entry Fee maybe paid on the day of event, but must preregister
- Contact: PDG Duane Finger at fingerelec@meltel.net or call at 320-980-6219
- Make checks payable to: Watkins Lions Club
- Registration includes Multigens, Skins, & Lunch
- Lions and /or Spouses of Lions Only

Hole Sponsorship

Clubs or Individuals may sponsor a hole. \$50.00 ea. A sign with your name will be displayed at a hole

Sponsorship for a hole must be sent to PDG Duane Finger by July 6, 2018

Registration Form

Team Name _____

Members _____ Lions Club

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

☐ Hole Sponsor / Name or Club @ \$50.00 ea. Hole _____

Send registration & Hole Sponsorship to: PDG Duane Finger

Make Checks out to Watkins Lions Club

11764 120th St

Kimball, MN. 55353

Or email to: fingerelec@meltel.net

Pancake Breakfast
by the Rush City Lions
June 10, 8am-noon,
during the Fly-In
at the Rush City Regional Airport.
Adults and over 12; \$7.00
Children 6-12: \$5.00
Proceeds used for local needs.
See the tractors, cars, & airplanes.



JOIN US in celebrating

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

MD5M



SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018
Anoka County Fairgrounds
3300 St. Francis Blvd.
Anoka, MN 55303

SPONSORS



2^{1st} Century Bank



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**Cub
Pharmacy**

**FREE Diabetes Screening
& Blood Pressure Checks**

BMO Harris Bank

Serving: 8A.M. - 2P.M.

**Tickets: \$7 in advance (\$8
at the door)**

**Children 4 and under are free
with paid adult.**

PreSales:
www.eventbrite.com/e/lions-centennial-pancake-breakfast-tickets-46170857277

**Lion Clubs support various organizations and individuals
throughout the community, including, sight, hearing, diabetes and
youth needs.**



FREE
Kid Sight Screening
6 Months to 6 Years

Join us in celebrating 100 Years of Service

Sunday, June 10, 2018
Anoka County Fairgrounds
3300 St. Francis Blvd, Anoka, MN



FREE EYE SCREENING

For all children from 6 months to 6 years old
Screening from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Thank You to Our Sponsors!



FREE Diabetes Screening
& Blood Pressure Checks



Free Event – Open to the Public!!

- *Pancake Breakfast 8:00am - 2:00pm \$8@door*
Event Brite: Lions Centennial Breakfast \$7 advance sale
- *Live Bands:*
The Bazillions (Kid Friendly) 11:00am-11:45am
Crankshaft and the Gear Grinders 4:15pm - 5:45pm
Johnny Holm Band 7:00pm- 8:30pm
- *Beer & Mike's Hard Lemonade on sale all day*
- *"Pack-A-Patrol Car"*
Non perishable food collection -
Sponsored by the local law enforcement and ACBC food shelf
- *Red Wagon Parade*

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

Anoka County Fair Grounds
3300 St. Francis Blvd
ANOKA, MN 55303
MD5M100years@gmail.com



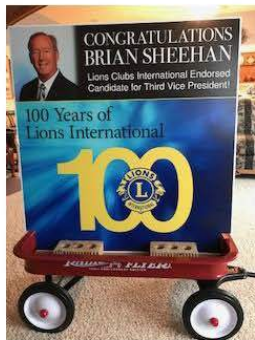
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Come and meet our MD5M candidate for 3rd Vice President of Lions Clubs International






BE A PART OF LION'S HISTORY



**ENTER YOUR CLUB'S "LITTLE RED WAGON(S)"
AND HELP MD5M BREAK THE WORLD'S
RECORD FOR THE LARGEST PARADE OF TOY
RED WAGONS.**     


WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.

**AT OUR 100TH CELEBRATION AT THE ANOKA FAIRGROUNDS ON JUNE 10TH, MD5M
WILL ATTEMPT TO BREAK THE WORLD'S RECORD ON THE LARGEST PARADE OF 
EACH CLUB (LION, LIONESS, LEO) IS ENCOURAGED TO SIGN UP FOR AS MANY 
RED WAGONS AS THEY WANT. SUGGESTED COST IS \$20 FOR EACH  DEADLINE
IS MAY 31ST!!!**



**ANY RED TOY
(CHILDREN'S) WAGON IS
ACCEPTABLE- OLD OR
NEW-DOES NOT NEED TO
BE A SPECIAL BRAND.**



**EACH  MUST BE PULLED BY ONE
INDIVIDUAL- CHILD OR ADULT-DOES
NOT NEED TO BE A CLUB MEMBER.
THE PARADE WILL BE LESS THAN ½
MILE OF WALKING.**



**EACH CLUB IS ENCOURAGED TO
DECORATE THEIR  - OR KEEP
IT SIMPLE. JUST AS LONG AS**

THE  IS VISIBLE.

**LET'S CELEBRATE THE 5
AVENUES OF SERVE BY FILLING
YOUR RED WAGON WITH
EYEGLASSES, HEARING AIDS,
NONPERISHABLE FOODS,
RECYCLABLES, OR A POSTER
CELEBRATING OUR YOUTH!**

THE "PARADE" WILL BE HELD WITHIN THE FAIRGROUNDS

REGISTRATION OPENS AT 10AM- "PARADE" WILL START AT 1PM.

MD5M 100TH CELEBRATION: RED TOY WAGON ENTRY



CLUB NAME: _____ DATE: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF WAGONS- PLEASE CHECK ONE

____ 1 ____ 2 ____ 3 ____ 4 ____ 5 ____ +MORE

CHECK AMOUNT: \$ _____

MAKE CHECKS OUT TO: MD5M CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

PLEASE SEND CHECK ALONG WITH ENTRY FORM TO:

MD5M

9043 GLEN EDIN LANE

BROOKLYN PARK, MN 55443

QUESTION?? EMAIL CHERYLAKTHOMPSON@GMAIL.COM OR CALL 612-481-3088



Meet Lions Clubs International Endorsed Candidate-3rd Vice President Brian Sheehan



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

Anoka County Fair Grounds
3300 St. Francis Blvd
ANOKA, MN 55303

MD5M100years@gmail.com



Sponsor Club - Anoka Lions

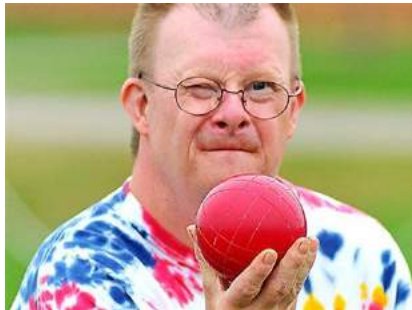
Looking for Lions and LEOs to play Unified (Doubles) Bocce
with
Special Olympics Minnesota Athletes
at the
MD5M Centennial Celebration

Sunday, June 10, 2018

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3300 Saint Francis Blvd.
Anoka, MN 55303



Four games will be played on 2 courts (Need 4 Lions/LEOs for each time slot)



9:30 AM
10:00 AM
10:30 AM
11:00 AM

Also need Lions/LEOs to “Cheer on the teams” as they play.
You can visit with the athletes between games.

For more information Contact:
Lion Laura Maki—MD5M SOMN Co-Chair
relamaki@frontiernet.net

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT SPECIAL OLYMPICS OPENING EYES

Special Olympics Minnesota Summer Games is at the University of St. Thomas from June 22-24.

For the first time, the University of St. Thomas will host the annual Special Olympics Minnesota Summer Games! Roughly 3,500 athletes will be competing in basketball, track and field, swimming and gymnastics throughout the weekend. Outside of competition, there will be entertainment in Victory Village, health screenings for athletes, Celebration Ceremonies, arts and crafts, bingo, evening activities, and visits from local pro-sports mascots! Summer Games is open to the public and family friendly!

The Lions have played a major part in this competition for many years, and will once again host the Opening Eyes screening. As part of the Healthy Athletes program offerings, Opening Eyes provides a complete eye exam, conducted by eye doctors and eye care professionals. During the Opening Eyes screening, Athletes have the opportunity to receive new eye glasses, sunglasses or sports goggles, free of charge! Opening Eyes is presented by Lions Club International.

Opening Eyes in Minnesota was first undertaken by Lions Clubs of 5M5, but we need you to make this screening happen! Opening Eyes volunteers directly impact the health of SOMN Athletes! Volunteers will also have the opportunity to meet and interact with Special Olympics Minnesota Athletes, and also meet Lions from other clubs and other districts. Volunteers will receive a Summer Games Volunteer t-shirt and Volunteers working over six hours will also receive a complimentary lunch.



Summer Games volunteer shifts available:

- Friday, June 22, 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm (event set up)
- Saturday, June 23, 8:15 am - 1:00 pm
- Saturday, June 23, 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm
- Sunday, June 24, 8:15 am - 1:30 pm

Lions Club volunteers are needed for a number of roles, including:

- Assisting doctors
- Conducting initial eye chart exam
- Directing and escorting athletes
- Athlete registration

TO REGISTER VISIT:

SOMN.ORG/LIONSCLUB

These volunteer shifts are reserved for Lions & Friends of the Lions registration. Lions Club members, family and friends are all welcome and encouraged to volunteer!

Questions? Please contact:

Lion Ray Moonen, 952.201.7031; moonen@myinfmail.com

Lion Jim Cain, 763.232.0790; jhcain2@gmail.com.

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