# The <br> P O.A.R April 2013 www.5M2lions.org Editor Bill Curtis, <br> Three new members were inducted at DG Ron's visit to the Shakopee Lions. (L to R) Lion John Schuele, Lion Scott Trosen, Lion Mike Burville, with DG Ron 



Montgomery Lions recognized are: (L to R) Lion Darlene Wondra, and Lion Maridan Nesmoe, who received Melvin Jones Fellowships, and Lion Berlyn Teig and Lion Harry Mach, who received Helen Keller SightAwards.


## ALion's View

Ron Dahlke<br>District Governor

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Adults.... $\$ 8.00$
Children ages 5-10....S4.00 Children under 5....free


Droceeds used for continued enhancement of Allanson's Dark as your club elections are completed. Be sure to update/correct any e-mail addresses for those individuals as this information is used in the MD5M Directory, and correct information is vital to ensure quality communication.

I would like to promote one very important recognition from Lions Clubs International, which is the Club Excellence Award for 2012-2013. A copy of that award application (da-1) appears elsewhere in this issue.

At the recent Mid-Winter Convention, IPDGSue Bowman was able to present 12 such awards to Clubs in our District, which was great! However, I'm sure there were more Clubs that could have qualified, but, forsome reason, did not submit an application.

So Club Leaders, let's take a good look at the application NOW, and determine if your Club qualifies (or will qualify) by June 30, 2013. If you need to accomplish one or more of the guidelines, you do have three months to do so. The completed application needs to be submitted to me after July 1,2013, but prior to September 30, 2013.

Remember--Your Club's Activities Do Make a Difference in your Community, in our Country and in our Word! Thenanks fop: all that KOU do!

Correction
In the March Issue, the caption for the photo showing the presentation of a 30 Charter Member Chevron to my brother, Lion MELVIN DAHLKE......He is a member of the NEWAUBURN Lions, not the Brownton Lions.

## Joan Blank

## District Governor Elect

 Step Up to the PlateAnd hit one out of the park for your Club.

> Be a 5 M 2 team player and come for "Spring Training" on Sunday, April $28^{\text {an }}$.
> We are inviting all:
> - President - new and retuming
> - Vice Presidents
> - Secretaries - new and retuming
> - Treasurers - new and returning
> - New Members - for the newest members of your club, no matter when they joined

You won't strike out with all the training and resources you will be given to make your year in office or as a club member a success. If you have been to training before, don't be afraid to run the bases again as procedures change from year to year, a new Intemational President takes over, new information is handed down from Lions Intemational and your wealth of knowledge and experience may be just what some Lions coming from the bullpen might need to hear.

Presidents and Treasurers - you will hit a home run with all the wisd om you will retum to your club with.

Secretaries - you will get a chance to have hands on experience in the computer lab to access the LCl website forclub reporting.

New Members - come away amazed at what you didn't know, but do now!

## Hereare thestats:

Place: Nicollet Public School - Nicollet MN
3:45-4:15 - Pick up tickets (registration)
4:15 - First Pitch (opening)
4:30-1 $1^{\text {I }}, 2^{\text {m }}, 3^{\text {n }}$ and Home (break-out sessions)
5:30 - Concession Stand - (supper)

- Grilled Ambassador wieners, brats and hamburgers
- Relish Bar
- Baked Beans (DGE's specially doctored up)
- Coleslaw
- Nachos \& cheese/chips
- Popcom, Peanuts and Crackerjacks
- Root beer floats

6:15-Game Over (closing remarks)
Because this article had to be to press early, the final cost has not been finalized. I know it won't be over $\$ 10.00$ a person and hope I can lower that cost a bit yet. New information will be sent to the current Presidents and Secretaries with finalized details byyournextclub meeting.

Thanks in advance to all new and returning club officers who are willing to serve their club in the new Lion year of 2013-2014. I can' wait to get out of the dugout and have a grand slam year!

Coach Blank (Joan-DGE)

Harry Klenke
First Vice
District Govenor Elect

I spoke briefly about our guest speaker International Director Marvin Chambers last month. He and his wife Lion Lynne are from a small community in Southeastern Saskatchewan. It is a small farming community, so he has many of the same ideas as the members of the clubs in our District He believes in helping your neighbors in your community. He spoke of all the good the Lions do for our communities and around the world. One of the things he spoke about was the Measles Initiative. The Measles Initiative gained a bt when we able to connect with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The money we raised was matched by their foundation. We raised 10 million dollars and they put in 5 million dollars. Because of this initiative the numbers of measles cases around the world has dropped dramatically. A couple years ago 450 lives were lost every day to measles. Now that number is much lower. Measles outbreaks have been occurring on every Continent. Yes, we even have measles in this country even though it is not very well known. Measles is a very contagious and $90 \%$ of the people who are exposed will contract it if they have not been vaccinated. Complications of measles may include pneumonia, encephalitis, severe diarrhea, and even in some cases blindness. About a third of the cases will come down with at least one of these complications. This disease is spread by close contact in crowded areas, which you have in many countries around the world. According to the Lions magazine 157 million children were vaccinated in 2012 thanks to your help. This will go along way toward eradicating measles in a few years. This is much like it was when many of us when were young and we were vaccinated for polio. You can read more about this in your Lions magazines.

Another interesting thing that my niece came across recently was a list of charitable organizations and how they stacked up. It was entitled "Think Before You Donate". It showed how some of the organizations had paid executives and groups like the Lions Club International gave $100 \%$ of its money to causes like helping the blind and sight impaired, hearing aids, support for medical missions around the work and their latest undertaking of vaccinating for measles (only 1 dollar per shot). So you can see we are being recognized for the grod we do.

Spring is here so itis a time of rebirth and a timeour Lions clubs can refocus on what we can do to help our communities. We will be electing new people to lead our clubs. We need to show these people who have stepped forward that we are behind them $100 \%$ as you have shown District Governor Ron your support District Governor Elect Joan has come with a new idea for training of officers sol hope everyone will take advantage of this new training. I will lethertell you more about this in her articles and at the Spring Zone Meetings. I am looking forward to what the Zone Chairs will do at the Zone Meetings this time around. What was done last fall was interesting and informative. I am looking for to seeing many familiar faces and hopefully meeting many new people. Lion Loretta and I would like to wish all of you a Happy Easter.


## 2012-2013 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

To qualify the club must be chartered for 6 or more months prior to the end of the fiscal year, further the objectives of the association, adhere to the association's constitution and by-laws and policies, and meet each requirements noted below during the fiscal year.

Club Number
Club Name
Date

2012-2013 Club Presidents' Name
Member Number
CLUB IN GOOD STANDING - International per capita taxes and new member entrance fees are paid in full and there is no outstanding balance of US\$50 or more that is ninety ( 90 ) days or more past due.

SERVICE - The club has conducted at least three service projects. Please briefly describe the service activities that were conducted:

Date: $\qquad$ Activity: $\qquad$
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CONTRIBUTION - The club has made a contribution to LCIF.
MEMBERSHIP - The club achieved a net growth in membership (including branch club members when applicable) or sponsored a new club. The new members attended an orientation and were properly inducted into the Lions club.

Net Growth in Members: $\qquad$ Name of sponsored club or Branch:
COMMUNICATION - The club has publicized the club's service activities to the public through local media and effectively communicated activities to club members.

Please explain briefly how the club service activities were publicized.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT - All officer positions were filled in accordance with the constitution and by-laws by qualified Lions, a majority of the club officers participated in a leadership training program at the zone, district, multiple district or international level and the club was represented at zone meetings.

CLUB DEVELOPMENT - The club has hosted regular and meaningful club meetings and submitted the Monthly Membership Report, the Service Activity Report, and the Club Officer Report (PU-101) in a timely manner.

Date
2012-2013 District Governor's Signature*
District

* In undistricted areas the Coordinating Lion or Provisional Zone or Region Chairpersons should sign the completed form.

The completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, to arrive by September 30, 2013. Request for review of award eligibility from a disqualified club shall be considered only if received at International Headquarters within 12 months after completion of the fiscal year, provided that the original application form is already filed at International Headquarters. The award will be mailed to the 2013-2014 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed to the Coordinating Lions or directly to the 2013-2014 club president.

## BENEFIT AUCTION

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2013
ST. MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 200 KENDALL ST. , VERNON CENTER, MN

FAMILY STYLE MEAL AT G:30 P.M. GRILLED PORK LOIN POTATOES \& GRAVY VEGETABLE
SALAD - DINNER ROLLS DESSERT $\$ 9.00$ PER PERSON

Join us for a fun evening and live auction of fresh Home Baked Goods, Hand Crafted Items and more. Auction to follow a delicious dinner.

## TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT AMBOY COMMUNITY BANK and LION CLUB MEMBERS

All proceeds benefit the many projects that the Amboy Lions Club support including Diabetes, Hearing and Sight, Scholarships and Community improvements.


WHEN: May 3, 2013 TIME: 5:00-8:00pm WHERE: NYA Pavilion

## DETAILS: Dinner includes a pork chop, augraten potatoes, coleslaw, applesauce \& beverage

## COST:

- \$10.00 Adult-1 Porkchop Dinner.
- \$2.00 Each Extra Porkchop
- \$6.00 Ages 5 to 12
- Free Under Age 5


## GET YOUR MEAL FREE IF YOU JOIN NYA LIONS THAT EVENING!



Diane Hoffman and Lion Ann Oelfke presenting dictionaries to the third grade


Lion Ann Oelfke reading with a student

## Hamburg Lions "RAP" it up!

Hamburg Lions have been supporting educational projects for many years so when LIP Wayne A. Madden introduced and encouraged participation in the RAP program our club had no problem working it into their itinerary. Two members weekly work with the teachers \& students at Hamburg Emanuel School in
 accordance with the RAP program. The other projects the club has been involved with for many years is Reading Corps, which is a pre-school literacy program to promote key components to help build literacy skills before children start grade school. Each year they promote an appropriate book to be "Read For The Record" nationwide on the same day. Our club helps to purchase these books which are then distributed to each student, after a club member has read the book to the class. Another continued project is a donation to the Carver County Library Summer Reading Program every year, this promotes continued reading throughout the summer months and encourages Library use. In addition to these projects, Hamburg Lions have distributed dictionaries to $3^{\text {rd }}$ graders at Emanuel Lutheran School in Hamburg for many years and did soagain this year.
The Club's latest endeavor is to support "My Favorite Book" a book about doing your best and being your best. The book is distributed to all primary classes in School District 108 in March of each year. It is published and sponsored by the Character Program and dedicated to parents, guardians, teachers and students. The purpose is to promote a quest for knowledge and positive character traits that will accompany these students throughout their lives.

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## Zone 9 Lion of the Year

Minnesota Lake Lion Jim More was nominated at chosen as Zone 9 Lion of the Year at the Zone 9 Lions meeting hosted by the Blue Earth Lions on Tuesday March 12, 2013. Lion Jim was chosen not only because of his commitment as a Lion but also because of his outstanding community involvement. This Lion has spent years of being committed to man of local and area organizations as well as to his family.


## COURTLAND LIONS CLUB

PANCAKE, SAUSAGE, EGG


BRUNCH

## SUNDAY, April 7, 2013

ADULTS: $\$ 7.00$ CHILDREN 12 - 5: 54.00 UNDER 5: FREE COURTLAND COMMUNITY CENTER
COURTLAND, MN

SERVING, 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
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## To：MD5M USA Canada Forum

 AttendeesHave you thought about how you are traveling to Overland Park，Kansas？

Consider a motor coach！
Contact your District Governor or USA
Canada Forum Chair for info before
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