

The **5M-2** R.O.A.R.

Recruit Orientate Activate Retain



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Courtland Lions President Charlette Abbas, New Member Lion Orville Rannow, Sponsor Lion Rusty Christopherson and DG Ron Dahlke.



Photo of the installation of Lion Brian Gaard as President of the Alden Lions Club.



Back row left to right Dan Rhodes, Rick Peterson, Scott Groth, Pete Paulson. Front row Cheryl Peterson, Allie Larson, Dale Waage absent for picture: Kevin Bernhardt.

Despite the hot weather, the Ellendale Lions Club had a great day of golf at the Waseca Country Club. Each year the Waseca Lions Club sponsors a golf event to raise money for their service activities. Clubs from Zone 8 participate in this event with the Ellendale Lions Club taking part for the past four years. This year the Ellendale Lions came home with the traveling trophy, thanks to some great golfing by one of the teams.

You don't have to be a Lion's Club member to participate. Come and join the Lions for a fun day of golf next year. Just talk to any Ellendale Lions Club member.



Photo of Winthrop Lions Club Immediate Past President Tom McCarthy "passing the gavel" to incoming Club President, Lion Duane Nelson.



Karen and Dennis Sandersfeld presented a Helen Keller Award from Immediate Past District Governor Sue Bowman

A Lion's View

Ron Dahlke, District Governor



District Governor
Ron Dahlke

A Beautiful Country....A Beautiful People. That is how I will always remember our trip to Busan, South Korea.

Some of the information provided to us from Lions Clubs International prior to our trip proved to be less than accurate.

Lion Jean and I did envision a very crowded, bustling atmosphere, which was true, with more than 3.7 million people in an area of 295 square miles.

However, the overwhelming friendliness of the People of Busan was very much evident everywhere we went, contrary to LCI's pre-trip statements.

At the buffet luncheons provided during our DGE Training Seminar, we were exposed to Korean cuisine, including lots of sushi (raw fish and seafood), smoked ducking breast, beef bulgogi, kimchi (or gimchi), salmon and shrimp prepared in more variations than I could count, egg rolls, noodles, and of course, rice. We soon learned which dishes were tasty and compatible, since the same items were offered each day for four days.

Also, our group of DGE's from MD5M did frequent a TGI Friday's, Baskin Robins, McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts, and a Burger King for some American favorites.

The 95th Lions International Convention opening Plenary Session was exciting as International President Wing-Kun Tam announced that a total of 13,211,348 trees were planted during his "year". It's truly amazing what LIONS can do!

Immediate Past President Tam also was proud to announce that Lions Clubs are now present in 209 countries and geographical areas throughout the world with the addition of the Republic of Tajikistan, a country two-thirds the size of Minnesota, located in Central Asia.

At the final Plenary Session, our incoming International President, Wayne A. Madden presented his theme of "In a World of Service". He has placed a special emphasis on overcoming illiteracy, not only throughout the world, but also in the United States. More information will be coming from Lions International regarding the various programs and resources available to increase reading proficiency at all age levels.

Also important is President Madden's emphasis on Leadership, and the continuing promotion of the Club Excellence Program. Our District's Region Meetings will contain special mention of Global Leadership and Global Membership Teams activities and how these activities will affect the Clubs of 5M-2.

A final note, one of the main items at each of the Region Meetings will be the opportunity for Cabinet Chairpersons to schedule Club Visits for the balance of this Club year. Each Club is encouraged to schedule a minimum of THREE presentations by Cabinet Chairpersons. Club Presidents/Club Secretaries should have their calendars with them so scheduling can take place at the Region Meeting. The Cabinet Chairpersons will be available to meet and greet all attendees.

Remember--Your Club's Activities Do Make a Difference in your Community, in our Country and in our World! Thanks for all that YOU do!

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DG Ron's Routes August

- 6- Jungle Day Cabinet Meeting, Albert Lea
- 7- Mid-Winter Planning Committee Meeting – Waseca
- 13 - Kiester Lions Club Visit
- 23 - Region 3 Meeting, WOW Center, Mankato

Written with "Pride"

Joan Blank
First Vice District Governor
Summer Fun around Town!



Cotton candy, carnival rides, parades, music, pageants, the smell of fried food, tractor pulls and 4-H; who doesn't look forward to a small town festival, or maybe a big town festival, or a county fair or bigger yet, the MN State Fair? All these events come once a year creating an air of excitement and anticipation of having some new fun in the sun! I have to admit that I love festivals and fairs and all the different activities associated with them. When the Minnesota Lake Lions invited Lion Kevin and I down for "Festag" to help flip pork burgers at their Lions food stand, how could I say "no"? I had never been to Festag in Minnesota Lake, so here was a new opportunity for me and I was excited to help out. I didn't get to flip pork burgers (they had experts for that) but I did help with selling the pork burgers for a couple of hours. Lion Kevin and I had a great time, mingling with the MN Lake Lions and taking in all the activity surrounding us while listening to the Johnny Holmes band on a beautiful Tuesday evening. I was very impressed with the well-run, well attended fundraiser that the MN Lake Lions put on. The Lions I worked with that night were gracious and worked like clockwork together. The pork burgers were "on point" also.

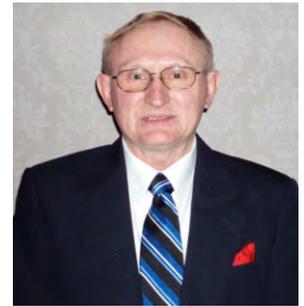
In June Nicollet (my hometown) celebrated Friendship Days and the Nicollet Lions strongly support this festival by hosting a demo derby and having a float in the Sunday parade. I missed most of the demo derby but was proud to walk in the parade with our Lions float, handing out candy and celebrating 40th years of service. What an honor that was!

At the end of August, Norwood Young America will be celebrating Stiftungfest. Last year I was asked to help sell tickets with the NYAWest Carver Club and I jumped at the chance. The NYAWest Carver Lions were so friendly and fun to work with! I am keeping my fingers crossed that I can repeat that activity again if NYA West Carver Lions need additional help.

I am sure that most towns or cities have some celebration or another, and where there is a celebration, most likely there is a Lions Club supporting the town's efforts. My point for this article is that if you ask your 1st VDG to come to pitch in at your local festivals, I would embrace the opportunity to do so. I love the camaraderie among fellow Lions, working together for a good cause and sharing a smile or laugh with those in the community all the while working in the great outdoors. We still have plenty of time to take in summer festivities and to show our communities that Lions are out in force. I will be waiting for any invitations at lionjoanblank@gmail.com. The first 3 requests I receive will be rewarded by a special treat! Enjoy the last month of summer.

Harry's Corner

Harry Klenke
Second Vice
District Governor



My becoming a volunteer started early. I didn't think much about it at the moment. Last month I talked about how growing up on a farm you helped your neighbors, because that is what you do. Also helping in our church was something my brother and sister did, so I went along. Next thing you know I was helping out also. My brother was ushering and needed help, so I started ushering. I don't even remember how old I was at the time, but for many years after that my brother and I ushered almost every week. My brother would help count the offertory after church and sometimes he would need my help with this job.

My sister taught religion classes at our church until she went away to college. She still teaches religion classes at the church she belongs to in Rochester. Maybe some of you remember when Al Quie was Governor. He had a volunteer recognition program. This program recognized a volunteer nominated by their peers. My sister was nominated by her church and the school's where she substituted. The Governor and his wife hosted her at the Governor's Mansion. She also stayed overnight and had breakfast the next morning.

My brother still lives in the big town of Racine, Minnesota. Most of you will need to get a map out to find where that is located. He is still involved with the same church. For a few years he and his wife had foster children. The last three sisters still keep in touch with my brother 20 plus years later. He looked after my aunts after their husbands passed away and still helps my cousin with anything she needs done around her home. Also, something that would probably not surprise any of you, but my brother is also a "Lion".

If you fellow Lion's think about your lives, volunteering probably started out small. Somebody asked you to help with something and the next thing you know you are doing that and more. We find things that we enjoy doing. Sometimes it is things that we didn't think would be fun but we out different. Lion Loretta and I were asked by a friend to help the Rotary with their big music festival over the weekend. We had an enjoyable time selling buttons to enter the event. We were able to see many of our friends from the community. If we ask a person to help us with a project, they may really enjoy them selves. This is the way to get more done and maybe later we can ask them to become a member of our Lion's club.



5M-2 District Governor Club Visit Request Form

Today's Date _____ Club: _____

Best Date Requested: _____ 2nd Choice: _____

3rd Choice: _____ Person Requesting: _____

If more than One Club will be attending, please include the names of all Clubs:

Address for Site of Visit: _____

Meeting Time: _____ Social Time: _____ Dinner Time: _____

Lions Contact person for visit: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____

Special Requests (Etc Special Speech Topic; induct ion of new members: installation of Officers; present awards; dress , or others)

District Governor visits will be conducted Between July 1, 2012 thru June 30, 2013

Please submit this information to:

DG Ron Dahlke, 308 20th Street West, Glencoe, MN 55336

Phone (320) 864-5237 (home) or (320) 510-1664 (cell)

e-mail lionron.dahlke@gmail.com or rdahlke@embarqmail.com



Minnesota Lake Lions new President Chris Volz watches at PDG Sue Bowman tries out her new truck!!! Watch for this one of a kind truck owned by Lion Larry Majeski, in the Minnesota Lake Festag Parade!!



District 5M2 2011-12 cabinet enjoyed a wonderful picnic at immediate Sue Bowmans home.

LCIF Awards Grants

During the June Board of Trustees meeting at Lions' 95th Annual International Convention in Busan, Korea, 34 grants were awarded totaling US\$1.8 million. These grants will enable Lions around the world to have a great impact in their communities. More than 600,000 people will benefit each year.



Tom Ferleman presented his 3rd Progressive Helen Keller Award from Immediate Past District Governor Sue Bowman



Immediate Past District Governor Sue Bowman presenting Mary Ferleman her 3rd Progressive Helen Keller Award

Zone 9 Lions Work Together to Help Tornado Victims

On June 17th, 2010 an EF-4 tornado devastated home sites and farms in the Conger/Armstrong areas. Although a number of the families have rebuilt their homes impacted by the storm, many windbreaks and trees were lost in the tornado. The Alden, Albert Lea, and Wells Lions worked together to help the tornado victims of Conger and Armstrong whose properties were impacted by the storm with replanting some of the trees that were lost. Working with the Freeborn County Soil and Conservation Office and the support of the 3 clubs, over 575 trees were replanted in the storm path. Over 15 club members from the different clubs came together to make this project possible through a 3 week period. The trees that were planted this year will protect these home sites and help the environment from the wind for years to come. The completion of this project again demonstrates how Lionism exercised in our local communities can make a positive impact on the communities we serve. On behalf of the Alden Lions who coordinated the project, we would like to thank the clubs of Zone 9 who came together to make this project a success.

Peace Poster Contest

This is reminder about the Peace Poster Contest. If your club has not contacted their local school in the Spring about entering the contest, you may still do so during teacher workshop. The theme for 2012 is "Imagine Peace". Peace Poster kits are available now. Lion's Clubs can get a Peace Poster kit either from The Lion magazine order form, or from <http://www.lionsclubs.org> online. One Peace Poster kit is required for each school. Lions Clubs can enter one poster for each school participating.

The best way for Lions Clubs to start is by appointing a Peace Poster chairman and asking school art teachers during workshop if they would like to participate in the Peace Poster contest. Art teachers will be planning their fall classes and can include the Peace Poster theme in their curriculum. Inform the teachers of the Peace Poster theme, rules, conditions, and deadlines. Occasional reminders are a good idea to check on the students' progress toward completing their posters on time.

Lions Clubs need to collect and judge their own Peace Posters by the end of October. Publicizing local Peace Poster winners in the newspaper with a picture and article is a great way to raise awareness and get the community involved in Lions activities. Prizes and certificates for the winning students are also nice rewards for the students' achievements.

5M2 Lions Clubs must send their winning poster from each school to Lion Sheila Stahler by November 15th for District 5M2 judging. The winning poster will then be sent to the Multiple 5M Council Chairperson by December 1st judging at that level. Please do not send any posters to the District Governor because of the strict time frame.

Our goal is increase participation in 2012. In 2011 Lions Sheila Stahler and Janet Knakmuhs received 33 posters from 22 Clubs. The contest is a perfect opportunity to reach out to the students in the community and give them a chance to show how important peace is to them.

If any club needs assistance, Lions Sheila Stahler (stahlers@hotmail.com) and Janet Knakmuhs (jclcmn@hickorytech.net) are happy to help.

Lions Sheila Stahler and Janet Knakmuhs, Peace Poster Co-Chairs

2012 Peace Poster Theme "Imagine Peace"

Contest Rules

Contest is open to students who will be 11, 12, or 13 years of age on November 15, 2012. **Eligible birth dates are November 16, 1999 through November 15, 2001.**

Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches.
Do not mat or frame the artwork.

All media are accepted. Chalk, charcoal, and pastel entries must be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries.

All artwork must be the individual student's original creation.

Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted.

The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster is not allowed.

Artwork should be done on a flexible material, so it can be rolled for shipping. Do not fold artwork.

13 inch by 20 inch paper will be provided by the Prior Lake Lions Club upon request.

*****The students name, school, birthdate and age must be written on the back of the poster. Student must also have a quote on peace written on the back of the poster.**

Posters will be judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of theme.

If your club has more than one school participating, a Peace Poster kit is needed for each school. The more schools the merrier!

You may view winning posters by using the following Lions address: <http://www.lionsclubs.org>. Click on English, then Youth Programs, and lastly Peace Poster.

Contest Deadline
The posters must be sent to Lion Sheila Stahler, 18740 Panama Ave., Prior Lake, MN 55372 by November 15th 2012. Lion Janet and I will judge the posters and send the winning poster to the 5MD Council Chairperson by Dec. 1st Monetary gifts will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place (300, \$200, \$100 respectively) from 5M2.

If you have any questions, please call me 952-440-6920 or E-mail me at stahlers@hotmail.com or Lion Janet Knakmuhs at jclcmn@hickorytech.net.



2011-2012 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

To qualify the club must further the objectives of the association, adhere to the association's constitution and by-laws and policies, and meet each requirement noted below during the fiscal year.

Club Number	Club Name	Date
2011-2012 Club Presidents' Name	Member Number	Zone

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: _____ Activity: _____

Date: _____ Activity: _____

Date: _____ Activity: _____

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: _____ Name of sponsored club: _____

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 through newspaper articles, public service announcements or other forms of local media.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT – All officer positions were filled in accordance with the constitution and bylaws 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	2011-2012 District Governor's Signature*	District	Member No.
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* 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, 2012. 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 2012-2013 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed directly to the coordinating Lions or directly to the 2011-2012 club president.

Hearing Foundation Lawnmower Ride MD5M Executive Secretary



Lion Bob Harms

Traveling through 5M3!



Hearing Foundation, Inc.

MD5M Executive Secretary Bob Harms has volunteered to drive a lawn mower all the way across MN from the Canadian Border to the Iowa border to raise money for the Lions Children's Hearing Center. The route that he will follow will be Hwy 71. That means that he will be coming through several towns in 5M3. He will be starting his ride on August 20th and tentatively will be coming through Redwood Falls on Aug 27th spending the night, then at the Toro plant in Windom on the 28th and spending the night in Windom. Bob will end the ride at the Iowa border after driving through Jackson on the 29th.

Toro Corporation has donated the lawn mower for the ride and is donating another for a raffle. There will be a big celebration at the Toro factory in Windom on August 28th (later afternoon or evening).

It would be great if some of the clubs along the path could come out and meet Bob and cheer him on.

Tentative Schedule for Lion Bob:

Lawn mower ride for LCHC				
Day	Aug	Start	End	Miles
1	(20th)	Canadian Border	Gatzke	43
2	(21st)	Gatzke	Malcolm	
3	(22nd)	Malcolm	Red Lake	73.4
4	(23rd)	Red Lake	Lake George	60.3
5	(24th)	Lake George	Wadena	57.6
6	(25th)	Wadena	Sobieski	62.8
7	(26th)	Sobieski	Willmar	62.5
8	(27th)	Willmar	Redwood Falls	48.3
9	(28th)	Redwood Falls	Windom	47.3
10	(29th)	Windom	Iowa Border	29.5
			Total Miles	484.7



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1st Vice Gov Joan Blank, Lion Vern Breamer and Lion Kevin Blank in the Minnesota Lake Lions Festag Food Stand. Joan and Kevin came to Minnesota Lake on Tuesday July 10 and helped the Minnesota Lake Lions in their Pork Burger Stand. Vern made the tip box and the tips will go to the Lions Diabetes program to help find a cure for diabetes.



5M2 Can Do Canines co-chairs Lion Vern and Darlene Breamer presenting a check for \$500 to Lion Al Peters at the Can Do Canines facility in New Hope, Minnesota... The \$500 can from the Lions of 5M2 from the Journey for Service fund raiser. Can Do Canines provides Autism Assist Dogs, Hearing Assist dogs, Mobility assist dogs, Diabetes assist dogs, Seizure assist dogs and Special Skills dogs.



Lion Shirley Hesperheide, Leader Dogs for the Blind Co-Chair for Lions District 5M2, presented Le Sueur Lions Larry Hylarides, Dale Sunderman and Dean Williams with Leader Dog for the Blind awards. These awards were presented for outstanding service to the Lions Club and also the Le Sueur Community

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14th Annual Victoria Lions Golf Classic



Monday

August 27, 2012

Deer Run Golf Course
Victoria, MN

\$100 Registration fee includes
Green Fees, Cart, Dinner & Prizes

Schedule of Events

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12:30 p.m.

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5:30 p.m.

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