


WHY SERVE? "I joined the Waseca Lions because of the local and international interests of the group. Since then, l've learned much about the gifts and concerns of the community. It's an organization that makes and supports community leaders." - Lion Nancy Hansen, Waseca Lions and Scouts team up to serve more than 350 guests at their annual pancake breakfast.


Lions Mary and Dwayne Pipping from the Nicollet Lions with books collected in partnership with the Lafayette and Courtland Lions. Collected over 1100.


1st Picture - Lion Mel Strand (Waseca Lions Club) holding current issue of Lions Magazine, featuring Waseca Lion Club as "Club of the Month". Lion Mel Strand wrote and submitted the article. DG Joan was excited to share this great news with the Club along with new Waseca Lion Member, Lion Jessie Starkson.


Newest Waseca Lion Members: Lion Brent Koehler, Lion Nadine Omans and Lion Jessie Starkson. Welcome to Lions!


Every quarter the Multiple District has a Council of Governors meeting where all


12 District Governors from our MD5M multiple gather to discuss what is happening in each district, the multiple and at International. Our last meeting was at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahnomen, MN this past October. It is always an exciting time to visit with my fellow governors and compare notes on what is working well in our clubs around Minnesota and Canada. The main topic, of course, is growth in membership. It was uplifting to hear that five out of the 12 districts had significant membership growth and are in the positive at the moment. $5 \mathrm{M}-2$ was not one of those districts. Was I disappointed? Notatall!

I have been extremely inspired by the number of new members I have inducted at club visits, heard about at Zone meetings or read from the "New Membership Report". 5M-2 had 21 new members last month and we are only down 3 members since the beginning of the Lions year! Check out the "New Members" column in this issue - it is awesome! Clubs have been ambitiously getting fired up about membership and planning some fun membership drives. There have been 24 clubs that inducted new members since July 1st, with the Cologne Lions leading the way with 11 new members. Wow! International President Barry Palmer encourages us district governors to "raise the bar" and that is what I am finding many clubs doing. I visited the Lake Crystal Lions recently and the Club President, Lion Tom Cooper, has a dream of doubling their beginning membership of 38 . Wouldn't that be outstanding?

I applaud all the interest and activity in membership as that is what will keep our clubs strong, thriving, invigorating and fun. Best of all is that we will be able to serve our communities better by having enough manpower to undertake more projects, brainstorm new ideas and to work together to raise funds for all the worthy causes we choose.

There is an excellent tool on the Lions International website for any club looking on how to recruit new members. It is called "Just Ask" and the link to this resource is www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/me300.pdf This is a 22 page guide that gives you 4 steps on organizing a successful membership drives. Part of this process is using the CEP (Club Excellence Process). CEP has been promoted at the Region meetings and at some Zone meetings. I highly encourage your club to check it out as it is a very useful tool to help make your club "more excellent". If you would like more information on CEP, please contact PID Maynard Rucks (507) 964-2733 or king70@,frontiernet.net.

Lion Kevin and I have so much to be thankful for, both personally and professionally. Lion Kevin and I love spending time with family, but we feel very blessed to be able to spend time every week with Lions who are kind hearted, service oriented, friendly, humorous and know how to make the world right. Blessings and thanks to every one of you Lions! HAPPY THANKSGIVING! LION MEMBERS.....
Lion Rebecca DeFerro - Cologne Lions Club Sponsored by Lion Sandra Schneider Lion Karen J. Hodgin - Cologne Lions Club Sponsored by Lion Anna Wickenhauser Lion Larry A. Hodgin - Cologne Lions Sponsored by Lion Anna Wickenhauser Lion Charlotte Sandeen - Cologne Lions Sponsored by Lion Anna Wickenhauser Lion Mike F. Smith - Cologne Lions Sponsored by Lion Roger Storms Lion Roberta Smith - Cologne Lions Sponsored by Lion Roger Storms Lion Dave Symanitz - Cologne Lions Sponsored by Lion Robert Symanitz
Lion Brenda Thompson - Cologne Lions Sponsored by Lion Anna Wickenhauser Lion Beth Wilson - Cologne Lions Sponsored by Lion Denise Parish Lion Don C. Robinson - Hutchinson Lions Sponsored by Lion Kris Elam Lion Tom Farrell - Lake Crystal Lions Sponsored by Norman Sieling Lion Mike Schultz - Lake Crystal Lions Sponsored by Lion Charlie Knakmuhs Lion Heidi A. Elwood - New Market-Elko-Webster Lions Sponsored by Lion Rudy Ettlin
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Lion Gregory R. Stone - St. Peter Lions Sponsored by Lion Lew Giesking
Lion Lauretta Whitley - Veseli Area Lions Sponsored by Lion Elise Boehland
Lion Duane Rothstein - Waconia Lions Sponsored by Lion Darrin Rothstein Lion Matt Sackett - Waconia Lions Sponsored by Lion Jeffrey Schulz
Lion Nadine A. Omans - Waseca Lions Sponsored by Lion John Omans
Lion Jesse J. Starkson - Waseca Lions Sponsored by Lion Mel Strand


Nov 4
Zone 8 Meeting - New Richland Nov 6 Lonsdale Club Visit
Nov 10 Veseli Club Visit
Nov 11
Nov 12 Waterville Club Visit

Zone 2 Meeting
Nov 14 Zone 6 Meeting - Northfield
Nov 19 Chaska Club Visit
Nov 21 Mid-Winter Convention Meeting
Nov 22 Stewart Club Visit
Nov 25 Northfield Cannon Valley Club Visit
Nov 26 Mayer Watertown DandyLions Visit
Nov 28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

## Harry's CORNER

## Harry Klenke First Vice District Governor

A lot has happened since I last communicated with the Lion's of 5M2. Lion Loretta and I attended the USA-Canada Forum in Overland Park, Kansas. As you have possible already heard Multiple District 5M had the largest contingent at this event. This is usually the case when it is within driving distance of our Multiple. We are going to have a couple more opportunities in 2015 and 2016 when the Forums will be held in Grand Rapids Michigan and Omaha Nebraska. Next years Forum is in San Juan Puerto Rico, which should be lots of fun. They have many good speakers, two of which District Governor Joan mentioned in the last months Fire Up. They have many good seminars for a person to attend and learn from. One that I was very interested in was about technology. The room was packed to overflowing, so I know I am not the only one who struggles with the computer. Another interesting one that a lot of people were attending was titled "So you want to be a District Governor". So if you are thinking along these lines don't be afraid there are people at Lions headquarters in Oak Brook IL. We also came across people we had met at Leader Dog this summer. They asked us how are membership recruiting was coming along. They had what seems like a good idea of everyone in the club providing a name of a potential member, then sending a letter to someone inviting them to a dinner meeting and then making a follow up call a few days before the meeting. We plan to teach them about the local Lions events and programs supported by the club during the dinner. It seems to work for them, so we are going to try it in our club after all the Zone meetings are done. I don't know if District Governor Joan was at the restaurant that started on fire during the night after a group of her fellow District Governors were there. So you can see a hot time was had in Overland Park.

We just got back from District Governor training and the Council of Governors Meeting in Mahnomen. District Governor Joan represents us well by being secretary on two of the standing committees. This morning we attended Church and the visiting Priest said and old saying to get his homily started "that many are called but few are chosen" but he put his own twist on it by saying in Minnesota "many are cold but few are frozen." We as Lions are called to "Serve" and "Serve" we do. We serve our communities by doing service projects, raising money for the needs of the people in the community. At the training we learned that to do these things we need certain things that I am going to have to do as a District Governor. I have to set goals, draw up a plan, and get people on board to help me implement these plans. It sounds like that old word "Teamwork" is back from last month. We did exercises where we worked as teams trying to do projects. The teams that did the best planning had the most success. Even in a group of leaders the groups that had the most success had one person take the lead and the rest worked as a team. The teams that did the best on the

# MARVIN's COMMENTS 

Marvin Grimm<br>Second Vice District Governor


"Follow Your Dream" Where have your dreams taken you? Does your dream include other Lions? If so, ask them for help to fulfill your dream. Do you know of a person that would be an asset to your Lions Club? Ask them to join, they may need a little nudge. They may have the energetic skills to give "We Serve" a new approach. Ask a new Lion to co-chair an event with an experienced chair. This may take the event to a new level. If you "Dream" of a service project to help your community, talk it up with other Lions and then seek an action plan. You have to work at dreams to make them a reality.

At the Region and Zone meetings, I have encouraged members to nominate a worthy Lion for the District Hall of Fame. This nomination is to honor those Lions that have demonstrated the highest level of commitment and dedication to the Service of their club, 5M2 District and Multiple District and the motto "We Serve".

Each district will have one winner. That Lion will be inducted into the MD5M Hall of Fame at the Multiple convention at Jackpot Junction at Morton, MN in April 2014. Nominations and a $\$ 150$ fee need to be received by District Governor Joan 30 days prior to the Mid Winter Convention in February 2014. The $\$ 150$ will be returned if nominee is not selected. The form for this nomination is on the district website.

It has been great to see the good attendance at the Region and Zone meetings. I felt clubs are working to increase membership and have good programs going. When all the tables are full and it gets to feeling a little crowded, that is wonderful. Continue to encourage new Lions to attend the Zone meetings. I am sure they will have questions about the happenings at the meetings. Make sure to answer these questions or find the answer for them. Commitment is a prerequisite to success. Are you committed to Lions?

one exercise had a mix of women and men. Our team of all men had many ideas but couldn't seem to reach our goal as well. It was an eye opening weekend. It makes a person appreciate all the District Governors who have gone before me. And it makes me appreciate Lion Loretta even more as she works very hard in the training and contributes to the ideas being put forward. Sounds like teamwork again. We did have fun getting to know our fellow $1^{\text {st }}$ Vice District Governors, so don't think it is all hard work and no play.

Don't forget to be thinking about Zone Lion of the Year. We have set a deadline of Feb. $15^{\text {th }}$ and the information will be coming out in December. Loretta and I would like to wish you all a "Happy Thanksgiving."

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY NOTE: This form will be returned to you if payment is missing or incorrect
Guest \#1 Information Select One: () Lion () Lioness $\quad$ () Leo $\quad$ () Spouse/Guest

| Last Name: | First Name: | E-Mail Address: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Address/P.O. Box: | Club Name: | Phone \%: |
| City: | State \& Zip. | () Check ir 1st time convention attendee |



| The following are required in advance with registration: |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| ~ \$10.00 "Early Bird Special" Registration Fee per person |  |
| Post Marked on or Before Dec 15th |  |
| - \$15.00 Registration Fee per person Afler Dec 15th |  |
| ~ Full Meal Payment |  |
| - All meals include tax and gratuity <br> - Make Checks Payable to: <br> Lions 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention |  |
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|  | 67194 County Road 46 |
|  | Alden, MN 56009 |
| Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be directed to: Lion Kathleen Bleckeberg at above address |  |
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| Refunds will be sent following the convention. Refund requests post marked: |  |
| ~ On or before January 7, 2014 ~ Full Refund |  |
| ~ From January 8 to January 31, 2014 ~ 90\% Refund |  |
| - After January 31, 2014 - No Refund |  |

***REGISTRATION INCLUDES ${ }^{* * *}$

1. Goodie Bag
2. Friday Night Appetizers
3. Friday Night Music "The Tuxedo Band"
4. Friday Night Service of Remembrance
5. All Convention Seminars/Sessions
6. Saturday Night Entertainment "Crazy Airwaves"

Friday Night Supper with I.D. for
Cabinet, Presidents \& Secretaries.
Cost is NOT included in the
"All-Meal Package" price

## ****IMPORTANT NOTICE ${ }^{* * * *}$

1. The registration fee will apply to all attendees, including non-Lions
2. Name tags will be distributed with your convention registration materials and need to be worn in order to gain admission to all meals, activities and seminars.
3. Registration fee and all meal costs must be included with your registration form.
****MEAL REGISTRATION****

| Guest \#1 | Guest \#2 | Meal Cost per Person | Total |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | All-Meal Package | S60.00 |  |
|  |  | Saturday Lunch | $\$ 21.00$ |  |
|  |  | Saturday Banquet | $\$ 29.00$ |  |
|  |  | Sunday Buffet | $\$ 15.00$ |  |
|  |  | Meal Sub Total |  |  |$|$

TOTAL PAYMENT DUE

| "EARLY BIRD SPECIAL" REGISTRATION IF PAID |  |
| ---: | ---: |
| BEFORE DEC 15TH ~ $\$ 10.00$ |  |
| PER PERSON |  |
| REGISTRATION IF PAID AFTER DEC 15TH - \$15.00 |  |
| PER PERSON |  |
| REGISTRATION \& MEAL GRAND TOTAL |  |


| HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM <br> Please note that your reservations must be received |  |
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| Please note that your reservations must be received by January 7, 2014 to receive the |  |
| Lion's Convention discounted rate. <br> Reservations received after this date will be booked |  |
| at standard rates. |  |
| Arrival Date - Select One |  |
| Thursday, February 6 |  |
| Friday, February 7 |  |
| Saturday, February 8 |  |
| Cost for Three Nights |  |
| One King Bed | \$315.00 |
| Two Queen Beds | \$315.00 |
| King Bed w/ Sofa | \$342.00 |
| Poolside w/ Two Beds | \$342.00 |
| Cost for Two Nights |  |
| One King Bed | \$210.00 |
| Two Queen Beds | \$210.00 |
| King Bed w/ Sofa | \$228.00 |
| Poolside w/ Two Beds | \$228.00 |
| Cost for One Night |  |
| One King Bed | \$105.00 |
| Two Queen Beds | \$105.00 |
| King Bed w/ Sofa | \$114.00 |
| Poolside w/ Two Beds | \$114.00 |
| Handicap Access Room Required (room contains one Queen bed) |  |
| ***All Rates Include Taxes <br> ***All rooms are non-smoking and are equipped with microwaves and refrigerators. |  |
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| We will confirm your reservation by sending you a postcard with a confirmation number. If you do not receive a postcard, please call the hotel. Please give us three weeks from the date you send in your registration form for processing. |  |




## Carver Lions Club SUNDAY BRUNOH

> French Toast Pancakes Bacon Homemade Sausage Hash Browns Scrambled Eggs Biscuits \& Gravy And More!!

Sunday, November 17, 2013 Carver Village Hall Serving 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Adults: \$10 Ages 6-12: \$8 Under 6: Free Veterans Admitted Free!

## Give the Gift of Sight!

Bring your old prescription eyeglasses \& sunglasses to help someone in an underdeveloped country be able to see!

## YYANTEED <br> By

## IMN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

 Funding for Diabetes Research....The Saga of the Silent Killer....
There's a silent DEADLY Killer that's in our communities and we need YOUR HELP to hunt it down!! Saddle Up Lions "We're going after Diabetes"...we need you to join our MN Lions Diabetes Foundation "Citizen Posse". Join our posse to find a CURE to fight this deadly disease!

We have a great big territory out there to cover if we're going to CAPTURE this deadly killer "DIABETES"...so we're going to need lots of posses!

We need to be organized to succeed......we need you to round up all the citizen Lions in your club and band together with community members who have diabetes, friends, family and businesses to build your posse! (You might have to lasso a few "Citizens" to help them realize how IMPORTANT this mission is and we can't do it without them!!)

You might start out as a Ranch Hand Posse, but as soon as the word gets out that we're tracking down DIABETES......your posse will soon grow into a Cowboy Posse! Next your posse could become Deputized. As you start to cover more territory you will want to become Sheriffs! As we get closer to our capture, we will need more Marshals and finally when we start putting DIABETES on trial we will need the big Posse ~ "The Judge"!!

Let's SADDLE UP Lions and organize your POSSE!! Give your posse a fun name and we'll list your posse on our MLDF website in the following categories:

| Purchase 25 tickets $(\$ 250)$ | $=$ Ranch Hand |
| :--- | :--- |
| Purchase 50 tickets $(\$ 500)$ | $=$ Cowboy |
| Purchase 100 tickets $(\$ 1,000)$ | $=$ Deputy |
| Purchase 200 tickets $(\$ 2,000)$ | $=$ Sheriff |
| Purchase 500 tickets $(\$ 5,000)$ | $=$ Marshal |
| Purchase 1,000 tickets $(\$ 10,000+)$ | $=$ "TheJUDGE" |



Appreciation Award
Pat Krings-Belle Plaine Lions Appreciation Award, Tim Halloran-Helen Keller Sight Award, Lion Ted Weber-Melvin Jones Fellow, Lion Bob Denny-Hearing Foundation Fellow, Lion Nancy Pint-Helen Keller Sight Award, Pat OllhoffHearing Foundation Fellow, Lion Maria Friendshuh-Melvin Jones Fellow, Mark Koepp-Belle Plaine. Lions Appreciation Award, Lion Josh Friendshuh-Melvin Jones Fellow.

If you would like to give a Lion a "spark" of recognition, please submit his/her name and the reason why to wfcurtis@embarqmail.com or lionjoanblank@gmail.com or leave a message at 507-304-5265. My hope is to full this page up each month. Thanks.
DGJoan
Match Strikes for the month of November:

## Lions Kevin Blank and Anna Wickenhauser-

Nicollet Lions and Cologne Lions - for helping Lion Emmy Koch present her first diabetes talk to the Plato Lions. Lion Emmy is a new trustee to the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation
Lion Vern Haase - Albert Lea Lions - for being 92 years old and being a Lions member since 3/1/1971 (over 42 years). Congratulations!
Lion Becky Blank and Lion Brent Stevensen - Nicollet Lions - for getting married on September $28^{\text {th }}$. Best wishes!
Lion Sandy Schneider - Cologne Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Rebecca DeFerro
Lion Anna Wickenhauer - Cologne Lions - for sponsoring 4 new Lions: Lion Karen Hodgin, Lion Larry Hodgin, Lion Charlotte Sandeen and Lion Brenda Thompson
Lion Roger Storms - Cologne Lions - for sponsoring 2 new lions: Lion Mike Smith and Lion Roberta Smith
Lion Robert Symanitz - Cologne Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Dave Symanitz
Lion Denise Parish - Cologne Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Beth Wilson
Lion Kris Elam - Hutchinson Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Don C. Robinson
Lion Norman Sieling - Lake Crystal Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Tom Farrell
Lion Charlie Knakmuhs - Lake Crystal Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Mike Schultz
Lion Rudy Ettlin - New Market-Elko-Webster for sponsoring new Lion Heidi A. Elwood
Lion Karen Hallquist - NYA West Carver - for sponsoring new Lion Rita Compart
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Lion Elise Boehland - Veseli Are Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Lauretta Whitley
Lion Darrin Rothstein - Waconia Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Duane Rothstein
Lion Jeffrey Schulz - Waconia Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Matt Sackett
Lion John Omans - Waseca Lions - for sponsoring new Lion Nadine Omans
Lion Mel Strand - Waseca Lions-for sponsoring new Lion
The Lake Crystal Lions - held membership drive and signed up 3 new Lions
Lion Jerry Johannsen - Winnebago Lions-
Dreamed the city of Winnebago needed to honor their veterans with a memorial and after two years built and commemorated an awesome Veterans Memorial in Winnebago Park.

## SAVE THE DATEI!

Carver Lions $40^{\text {th }}$ Anniversary
November 23, 2013
Social: 5:30 Dinner: 6:30 Carver Village Hall Invitations and RSVP cards will be coming to your club President.


## Peace Poster Contest deadline is Friday, November 15, 2013.

All winning poster are to be sent to PDG Sue Bowman, POBox 215, Geneva, MN 56035.

Please insure all club winning posters are no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches. The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster is not allowed. Art work should be flexible so it can be rolled for shipping. Do not fold the artwork.

Contest winners must be 11,12 , or 13 years of age on November 15, 2013.

Remember to attach the LCI "Winner Sticker" on the lower right hand corner on back of the winning entry.


## Presidents:

Don't forget to schedule a visit with your District Governor at your earliest
convenience in order to reserve the date you want.
You can call me at 507-304-5265 or email me at

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## HAMBURG LIONS FALL BINGO <br>  <br> Ham, Turkey, \& Sausage

25 games for $\$ 8.00$ -
Also, meat raffles throughout the evening door prizes after each game Friday, November 22, 2013 7:00 P.M. Hamburg Community Hall Hamburg, MN
Hamburgers, Beverages \& Popcorn available.


Lions Quest Training
14 school teachers and the principal from Central Elementary School recently received training in Lions Quest. They will be bringing the information they received back to approximately two hundred seventy-five students. In addition, four Lions district chairs and a representative from Lions Clubs International Foundation attended.

Lions Quest is a life skills program which teaches the children leadership skills, respect, team building, anti-bullying, service and self-esteem. This yearlong program works with the school, parents and community. Results have shown that students who receive the training improve in school attendance, less trips to the principal's office and improved grade point averages.

Area Lions Clubs along with a Grant from Lions Clubs International Foundations pay for the teacher's training.


Serving Scrambled Eggs and Ham, Fresh Fruit,
Bread, Pastries, Milk, Juice and Coffee

Adults $\$ 6.00$ (13 and up)


Sunday, November 10, 2013 8:30am- 1:00pm GLENCOE COMMUNITY CENTER
Sponsored by the Glencoe Lions Club

## Adults \$7

CARRY-OUT PLATES AVAILABLE @ $\$ 8.00$
Proceeds go to Lions Projects

