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DG Willie Brown



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Lions celebrate grand opening of Cataract equipment for Swan Valley

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Lion members with one of the specialized stretchers with lift and tilt capabilities and head brace. (l-r) Swan Valley Health Facilities Foundation Vice Chair Mike McIntosh, Valley Lions Cataract Committee member and Minitonas Lions member Lion Rob Gordon, RM of Swan River Reeve Lorne Henkelman, Lions District 5M13 Zone 2 Chair and Bowsman Lion Corey Hurren, and Swan River Lions Club and Valley Lions Cataract Committee member Lion Alex Haluschak. On the stretcher is Town of Swan River Councillor Duane Whyte. See page 3.



Necrology Service

If a Lion, Lioness or LEO in your club has passed away during the past year (since the last convention in February) please forward their picture, full name, birth year, what year they joined Lionism and the name of their club to DG Willie Brown by February 4, 2013.

Please forward photos in as large a resolution as possible so they display properly. Do not let your email compress or downsize when forwarding. Questions please contact DG Willie.

Learn about the Icelandic history at the Gimli Convention

On Saturday afternoon at the 5M13 Midwinter convention, Dilla Narfason, will share her interesting and informative insight into the Icelandic history and culture in Gimli and area.



Born in the Minerva District near Gimli, where she began her education in a one room school house, has spent most of her career teaching nursing. Upon retirement she ran for council for the Town of Gimli and served for three terms. Dilla is the chair of the Gimli Community Cemetery Association and is a member of the Gimli Icelandic Canadian Society.

To learn more about and / or details to register for the Lions 5M13 Midwinter Convention February 22-24, 2013 at Gimli, Manitoba, see page 2



5M13

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**NOTE: Looking for a Lions Club to manage snowmobile raffle for 2013/14
Contact any Lion mentioned above.**

Convention Guest Speaker

**Lions 5M13
Midwinter Convention
February 22-24, 2013**

We introduce you to, Dilla Narfason, our Saturday luncheon guest speaker. She is well able to speak on our convention theme "Welcome to New Iceland" (25-30 minutes). Dilla will share her interesting and informative insight into the Icelandic history and culture in Gimli and area.



Born in the Minerva District near Gimli where she began her education in a one room school house. Graduated as a nurse from the Victoria General Hospital in Winnipeg and as a psychiatric nurse from the Allen Memorial Hospital in Montreal, Quebec. Obtained a BSc in Nursing from Lakehead University in Thunder Bay, ON. Most of her working years were as a teacher of nursing in

both Selkirk and Winnipeg. Upon retirement she ran for council for the Town of Gimli and served for three terms.

Dilla continues to chair the volunteer committee, the Gimli Community Cemetery Association, and is a member of the Gimli Icelandic Canadian Society and the Gimli New Horizons 55+ Activity Centre.

She has travelled extensively in Canada and some places abroad. Is interested in history and now spends more time at genealogy.

Guided tours of the New Iceland Heritage Museum will be available for our non lion guests following the Saturday luncheon. The museum is conveniently situated just across the street from the hotel and will be opened for us to view. This shall certainly help you catch the Icelandic flavour of the community.

2012 Bowsman Bull-A-Rama Rough Stock Rodeo

The Bowsman and District Lions Club held their 9th annual Bull-A-Rama at the Bowsman Arena on Friday, October 12th. The action packed event was another success to help support the three Swan Valley Lions Clubs purchase the Swan Valley Cataract Equipment.

This is the second year for Bull-A-Rama as a Rough Stock Rodeo event. In the previous years it was a bull riding event only, but now includes horses as well with the saddlebronc and bareback riding and was the first event of the Canadian Cowboys Association season.

Starting this year, the 2012 Bowsman Bull-A-Rama Rough Stock Rodeo was the last rodeo of the Canadian Cowboys Association season before the CCA Finals Rodeo held at the



Australian riders - On far right is Jack Bredhauer from Queensland, the CCA's Imminent 2012 Novice Champion.

Canadian Western Agribition in Regina, SK from November 20 - 24, 2012.

This year's Bull-A-Rama was also unique because we had cowboys from Australia who

were riding in the events. One of those was exhibition rider Jack Bredhauer from Queensland. He is the CCA's Imminent 2012 Novice Champion.

LION'S 5M-13 MIDWINTER CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM



February 22-23-24, 2013

Gimli, Manitoba

at the **Lakeview Resort and Conference Centre
10th Street, Gimli, Manitoba**
HOSTED BY TEULON AND AREA LIONS CLUB

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Forward registration forms with cheque/money order in Canadian Funds, payable to:
Teulon Lions - District Convention, c/o Lion Steven Shinnie
 Box 149, Teulon, MB, R0C 3B0 Phone: (204) 886-4657

Refunds will be subject to a \$20.00 administration fee.. No refunds will be given after February 1, 2013

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Please make your own reservations by calling the
 Lakeview Resort and Conference Centre, toll free at 1-877-355-3500.
 Convention Rate is \$89.00 per night for a Double Room, \$109.00 per night for a Suite,
 or \$119.00 per night for a Deluxe Suite.
 Ask for the Lions Midwinter Convention Rate. Rooms are blocked until January 25, 2013.
 The Lakeview Resort and Conference Centre is a smoke free facility.

First time Peace Poster sponsorship for Teulon Lions



This is the first time, Teulon and Area Lions have sponsored the Peace Poster contest. Teulon Collegiate grades 7 and 8 art students, instructed by Mr. John Kooning, participated, while Teulon and Area Lions Second Vice President, Barbara Prescott helped the students get started. It was quite a "learning" experience for everyone involved!

Monetary awards, plus certificates of participation, were awarded to: Kailen Ledochowski (First Place), Brayden Pawluk (Second Place), Skylar

Botham (Third Place), and Jane Prescott (Honourable Mention). Kailen's poster now will advance to the district level of the contest. We wish her well!

Back row: 2nd Vice President Lion Barbara Prescott, Jane Prescott (Hon Men.), Brayden Pawluk (2nd), TCI teacher, Mr. John Kooning

Front row: 1st Vice-President Lion Judith Dedrick-Williams, Kailen Ledochowski (1st), Skylar Botham (3rd).

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Members from the three Lions Clubs in the Swan River Valley, Bowsman, Minitonas, and Swan River, were in attendance for the official welcome of the cataract equipment to our local hospital. Speaking on behalf of the local Lions was Swan River Lions Club and Valley Lions Cataract Committee member Lion Alex Haluschak. Also in attendance to speak was Swan Valley Health Facilities Foundation Vice Chair Mike McIntosh, Western RHA Vice Chair Harry Showdra, and local MLA and Minister of Agriculture Ron Kostyshyn. Unable to attend was Health Minister Theresa Oswald.

Since the approval of the cataract surgery program and equipment purchase was given by the Manitoba provincial government in March of 2011, the equipment has been in



use since April of 2012 with surgeries being done every three months by Dr. Robert Beldavs. Over 130 of the 200 surgeries are scheduled for this year have been done and 200 are scheduled for 2013. Some patients still have to go out of town for laser surgery to complete the process, so the purchase of the laser equipment by the Lions has also been approved by the Valley Lions Cataract Committee to do complete surgeries and followups.



Swan Valley Health Facilities Foundation Vice Chair Mike McIntosh, Western RHA Vice Chair Harry Showdra, Swan River Lions Club and Valley Lions Cataract Committee member Alex Haluschak, and local MLA and Minister of Agriculture Ron Kostyshyn.

**Send in your photos
 and news
 of your club**
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 17th of each month



LCIF grant \$35,300 to cataract equipment

At a recent meeting of the LCIF Executive Committee, a grant application for Cataract Surgery Equipment for Swan Valley was one of the twenty accepted – the only one for MD-5M. A total of \$35,300 will be granted.

The Lions clubs of Swan River, Bowsman and Minitonas provided major funding towards this provincial program bringing cataract surgery to the Swan Valley Health Centre. The Lions Eye Bank” of MB & NW Ontario contributed another \$50,000 towards the project. Congratulations to

Lion Alex Haluschak, a contact for the project, for his efforts with the application for the LCIF matching grant; and to all the Lions from the three clubs involved for their efforts in obtaining funds in order to enhance health care programs and services that benefit the region as a whole.

With this latest grant of \$35,300, Manitoba has now received 21 LCIF grants totalling \$1,051,772.00. Clubs are encouraged to continue their financial support for our Foundation – LCIF.

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Message from Vice District Governor

VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR LLOYD MCCABE



Since my last writing many things have happened around the Lion Clubs in our great District 5M13. Here is a glimpse of some of the events I have participated in.

I attended the Elgin Lions Club meeting hosted by their President Lion John Sparrow. Although they have a small club they are still actively carrying on with activities in the community. They do have some great ideas about adding to their membership and we discussed ideas that might work for them.

I also attended a Zone 5 meeting in Melita chaired by Zone Chair Lion Cecile McMurray. There was a good turn out with representation from most of the nine clubs in this area. Each club summarized their past activities and I must congratulate them on their service. One can certainly understand the benefits that Lions bring to their communities. The leadership that these Lions bring is quite astounding.

October 11 saw Lion Bev and I in Wawanesa to join them in celebrating their 55th anniversary. This is a distinguished accomplishment contributing to 55 years of Lionism. A bonus was the induction of Lion Mark Rogers as a new member and the reinstatement of Lion Alan Hubka.

Two evenings later we were in Sprucewoods to celebrate their 25th anniversary, another great milestone and sharing of memories. Three new members were inducted, Lions Bobby Jo Dayman, Tixie Coulter and Judy Foster. Hats off to both these clubs for their excellent evenings and years of service to Lionism.

The Cabinet meeting on November 3rd was hosted by the Portage La Prairie Club with DG Lion Willie in the chair. As you probably are already aware the issue of providing a published copy of the Manitoba Lion to each Lion was resolved. We know this will relieve some

of the publishing cost to the District.

Again I attended a combined dinner meeting of the Brandon, Crocus and Keystone clubs on November 13. The guest speaker, Rachele Wilk spoke on Camp Bridges. The meeting was hosted by the Crocus Club and chaired by Lion Desiree Kumar. I was again fortunate to induct a new member, Lion Barb Hurd into the Keystone club.

The Hearing Foundation – Canadian Division represents 5M10, 5M11 and 5M13 with two Lions from each district. The committee meets on a quarterly basis and reviews requests and develops policy. The ultimate goal is not only to provide for hearing-screening equipment for new born infants but also to provide for a resource centre for families affected by children with hearing loss. The resource centre is in the works and is ably spearheaded by Elly Prendergast; Executive Director of Lions Eye Bank and MAP.

We also have been actively promoting the collection of hearing aids which indirectly assist those in need through the assistance of Lions Clubs, MAP and Horizon Hearing Clinic.

At this time I want appeal to anyone interested in serving on the Hearing Foundation to let me know as I have completed my term and need to fill this position next year.

With the Districts' push to increase our membership from a low of 1210 members back up to the required minimum of 1250, the GLT/GMT teams have been working with various clubs to increase their membership.

With the need for trained Guiding Lions in our District there is a Certified Program that can be taken and is available to any interested Lion. This program can be done on line through LCI. The purpose is to prepare you to guide/assist a new club through its first two years or to guide a club that is

struggling to maintain and improve itself. The DG assigns a guiding lion to a club and then works closely with support of the District Governor Team. Along with the DG team training is presented for all positions in the Club. As well a Club Officer Mentor team is established for the positions of President, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Chair. Reports for the DG and LCI are prepared quarterly with a final report in the close of the 2nd year. All Guiding Lions are required to renew their certification every three years. A great opportunity for all Lions.

Please step forward and help the DG team improve this great district of 5M13. Remember "Empowerment is the key to success!"

*Merry Christmas,
Happy New Year
and Happy Holidays to all.*



Lion Michael Decock and Lion Brenda Bohne of the Pipestone Lions Club present the 2012-2013 Lions Peace Poster Contest winner to Harleigh Renwick from the Reston School.



Brandon Keystone Lions induct new member on November 13, 2012, Lion Marg Trollope, with sponsor Lion Barb Hurd.

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Sprucewoods Lions club celebrate 55th anniversary

The Sprucewoods and Area Lions Club celebrated their 25th anniversary on Saturday, October 13, 2012. The celebration was a great success. Some of our charter members were able to attend, and were able to renew old friendships and make new ones. Many sat and talked the night away.

We were provided with an excellent meal followed by a dance afterwards. The music was great, the friends were great, and the meal was great. What more could anyone want or need.



The very first president of the Sprucewoods & Area Lions Club
Dave Scibner



DG Willie with Lion Gerald Rubenuik



DG Willie with PDG Sharon Brooks



Willie inducting three new members Bobby-Joe, Trix Coulter and Judy Foster.



Our lion cub, Jewel, with Lion Cammeron Haggerty



D.G. Willie and Lion Cammeron Haggerty



Mike Tenno, first tail twiser

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2nd & 4th Mondays each Month - 12 noon
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Please come pay us a visitation.



Hamiota Lions Club
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3rd Tuesday at 12:00 noon
Community Hall
Pres: Edith Caldwell
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We Serve


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1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:00 pm
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Secretary Lion Donald Holenski

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CARBERRY & AREA LIONS CLUB
meetings: 7:00 pm
2nd & 4th Wednesdays
President Greig Scott
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President Roger Poirier
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Dinner meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month
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Minnedosa Community Hall
PRES. Gareth Boys



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at Lion's Den - Supper meeting
Lions Manor 4th Thursday 7:30 pm



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