



# District 5M11 Newsletter

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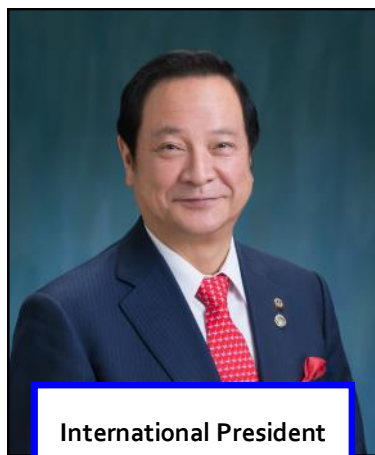


## 2015-2016 International President is Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada



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International President  
Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada

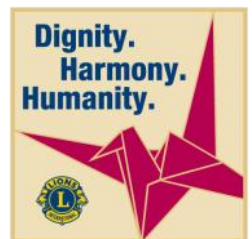
**2015-16 International President No Translation Required: WE SERVE** 皆さんの国際会長を務めることを、大変光栄に思います。 These Japanese words mean "I am honored to serve as international president." 素晴らしい奉仕の1年となることを楽しみにしています。 That means "I look forward to a year of great service."

So how do Lions in Japan say "We Serve"? Well, it's "We Serve." Our motto is not translated. Lions throughout the world proudly proclaim "We Serve." The universality of our motto underscores that despite language and cultural differences we Lions share a common purpose. And although I am the 99th international president, each of my predecessors having had their own priorities and approaches, international presidents have shared a common commitment to service. So I hope my year as president is

like any other as Lions continue to serve with tremendous enthusiasm and impact. Yet I also hope to make a difference in how we serve. My theme is Bringing Dignity to Others Through Humanitarian Service. That's something that has been inherent in Lions' service since Melvin Jones first gathered Lions together. But by intentionally focusing on my theme and keeping it in the forefront we can be sure to maintain and even improve our commitment to service. As a doctor, I have always been dedicated to healing and to do so while treating patients in a dignified manner. A good doctor not only treats illness but pays attention to the entire person—their worries, their concerns, their struggles. If you had asked me after many years as a doctor if I treated the whole person, I would have said, "Of course." But it took a serious illness for me to re-evaluate my approach as a doctor. Likewise, as Lions we are dedicated to service, but reassessing our approach and focusing on the dignity of others in all we do will take our service to a new level. I ask each of you this year especially to bring dignity to children. Through a project or program I ask you to make their lives better. Working together, 1.4 million Lions can help the next generation prosper and secure good health, find opportunity and achieve happiness.

**Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada Lions Clubs International President.** See more at: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/who-we-are/our-leaders/presidents-message.php#sthash.D1mSrpm8.dpuf>

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada, of Minokamo, Gifu, Japan, was elected to serve as president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, June 26 through 30, 2015.



President Yamada is a neurosurgeon.

A member of the Minokamo Lions Club, President Yamada has been a Lion since 1985. He has held many offices in the association, including district governor and GLT constitutional area vice leader. He served on the international board from 2005 to 2007 as a member of the Executive Committee and the Long Range

Planning Committee and Vice Chairperson of Convention Committee. He also served as a board appointee for 2011-2012.

In recognition of his service to the association, President Yamada has received numerous awards, including the Humanitarian Partner Award, 10 International President's Awards and an Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, President Yamada is chairperson for several organizations including the Social Medical Corporation Koseikai, the Kizawa Memorial Hospital, the Social Welfare Corporation Jikeikai, Nozominooka Hospital and Ajisai Nursing College. He is a standing director of the Japan Hospital Association and an affiliate professor at Gifu University.

President Yamada has been active in the area of international relations, serving as president of the Gifu-Hungary Friendship Association, Gifu-Morocco Association and Gifu-Salzburg Association. He is a recipient of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary, the Medal of Honor of the Alaouite Dynasty of the Kingdom of Morocco and an honorary citizen of Beijing City, China, in recognition of his service to international friendship building.

President Yamada and his wife, Dr. Toshiko Yamada, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have one son, one daughter and three grandchildren.





# DG Gerald's Report

## Greetings Lions,

My wife and I had a great time attending the 98th Lions International Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii.

The first morning after arrival was a photo session with LCI President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada and his wife. Jet-Lag took its toll as we were very tired from the flight and had little sleep prior to the photo session. Everything at the convention was very well organised and we realised and thank the multitude of volunteers needed for such a large convention. We were very fortunate to have made many new friends while attending the convention.

We were part to 5M's delegation to the Lions Parade which took place on the Saturday morning. Our Multiple 5M was very well represented at the parade and our Snowmen were very popular.

Bright and early on Monday morning and every morning, we were bussed to the Hawaii Convention Center from our Hotel where most of the events were being held.

Dr. Yamada's message "Dignity, Harmony, Humanity" was explained by him as:

**Dignity.** As we strive to serve the needs of others, let us always remember to respect the dignity of those we serve. As we reach out to others with hands of service, let us remember it is not a handout.

**Harmony.** As we build others up, let us always remember serving others isn't just an act of kindness; it is also a means to build understanding and harmony.

**Humanity.** As we show empathy for the less fortunate in our respective communities, let us extend empathy to all who are suffering around the world. And as we continue to serve human kind, let us remember that serving humanity is not a duty, it is a responsibility.

I am very pleased and honoured to be the Governor of District 5M 11 and I look forward to working with all of you as we serve our communities together.

**In Lionism, Lion Gérald Fontaine—DG 5M 11**



2015-2016 District Governors and spouses with Council Chair Kathy Jensen and PDG Dave



My pin is a shield, a Red River Cart, the District and the two International Flags. The Red River Cart highlighted was used by our ancestors, freighters and traders on both sides of the border as they made use and utilized the Crow Wing Trail to travel and haul freight from St. Paul MN to Fort Garry, MB (Winnipeg ). The 5M District is mostly made up of this area.



## 1st VDG Mike's Report



**1st VDG  
Mike Janssen**

**Hello fellow Lions.**

Thank you once again for all your support, I look forward to serving this Lions year as your First Vice District Governor. My VDG jacket patch and name Tag are on My Jacket and I am raring to go.

As our Lions year 2015 - 2016 is now well under way I would like to encourage the clubs to be safe this summer (what's left of it) and keep working on those club projects. I will not be attending the Cabinet meeting in August as I will be at the First Vice District Governors Leader Dogs Visit.

I visited with the Ulen and Flom Lions clubs Midwinter Convention Committees on July 15<sup>th</sup>, and we are currently planning the 2017 Midwinter convention, as it is the year of Lions 100<sup>th</sup> birthday we will have a spectacular convention with many surprises, you won't want to miss it. We will have a registration booth and hospitality room at this year's convention. Stop by and

visit with us.

I will be attending the Walk for Dog Guides event in Winnipeg Beach in August and the Zone Chair training September 12 (zone chairs please plan to attend this worthwhile seminar). I have stopped and visited with many Lions members as I have been traveling throughout our district and plan to visit with many more. If you have any questions, Need me to visit, or I can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. My email address is [mjanssen@shaw.ca](mailto:mjanssen@shaw.ca) My home phone number is (204) 669-0473 and my cell number is (204) 330-3802.

**Until then keep roaring.**

**Yours in Lionism**

**Lion Mike Janssen , 1st Vice District Governor**



**2015-2016 1st Vice District Governors**

## 2015-2016 Cabinet Meeting Schedule

Cabinet Meeting Schedule for the 2015-2016 year is October 24 at the American Legion in Red Lake Falls, February 19 in Winnipeg at the Mid Winter Convention, and May 14 in Red Lake Falls.



## IPDG Dennis's Report

My term as District Governor is over. It has been a fast, fulfilled and enjoyable year. I have met so many wonderful Lion members throughout our District and was able to visit many of our clubs. My eyes were opened up to all the projects and activities that are being done in our District. Our District is fortunate to have Gerald Fountain as our new District Governor, he will do a fantastic job and will be of great help and leadership to our District this coming year. Mike Janssen will do a great job as 1<sup>st</sup> VDG. Our District is in very capable hands. I look forward seeing their accomplishments for the coming year.

Thanks to all the Zone Chairs for the great work you have done with your Zones this past year. Thanks to all of our cabinet members who have chaired all of our project areas. Thanks to our Cabinet Secretary, Jenifer for the fine work she has done as Secretary. Thanks to John Wollenzein for being treasurer this past year. Thanks to Joanne Swanson for being our District Leadership Coordinator and for all the work she has done this past year for our District. Thanks to PDG Doug Wiens for being Membership Coordinator for our District and for his knowledge, his enthusiasm and his dedication for Lions in our District as Membership Chair and as Past District Governor. Thanks to all of our District Committee chairs for all the work done for our Lion members. Thanks to all the club officers of our District for providing leadership to their members and communities. I would like to especially thank all of our Lions members in our District for being a Lions member and working with their clubs to help their communities. A special thanks to the Moorhead Lions for hosting our Mid-Winter Convention. They are a fantastic group of Lions and did a great job on the convention. Thanks to Stacy for being our District newsletter editor. She did a very great job this past year as our Newsletter editor.

Our current District membership is at 1921 members as of July 20<sup>th</sup>. We were slightly positive for the year until we lost a club that dropped our membership by 16 members in June. Membership is always a problem for clubs. Keep Asking your friends and community members to join Lions. Try to think of projects that will excite community members to look at joining our Lions clubs. We need to look at some projects that engage our Youth in our communities. Not just donating money to youth but having youth in our communities getting involved with our Lions projects, so they see the value of our Lions clubs. Finally, I encourage all clubs to work on projects for the Centennial Challenge. You will hear more about this as time goes on.

Again, thank all of you for being members of our Lions Clubs. You are making a difference in our communities.

**Dennis Olsen, IPDG (Immediate Past District Governor) 5M11**

### **Thank You for Attending the 2015 Honolulu Convention!**

Thank you for making the 98th International Convention a roaring success!

Convention highlights included the spectacular Parade of Nations featuring 10,000 Lions from around the world – many in native dress – who marched along with floats and marching bands. Attendees also heard a keynote speech from Tim Shriver, the chairman of Special Olympics. [Visit the LCICon YouTube channel to watch videos.](#)

Convention delegates attended workshops, learned about important issues facing communities globally, elected international officers, voted on constitutional amendments and helped set the future direction of Lions Clubs International.

Make plans to join us in June 2016 for the [99th International Convention in Fukuoka, Japan!](#)



**IPDG  
Dennis Olsen**



Lion Willie Stanlake drove Lion Bunny Talbatt and her Leader Dog Ginger from Little Falls, MN, to attend the annual Breakfast of the Farm event near Hawley, MN. This event is sponsored by the Hawley Lions, who are active supporters of Leader Dogs for the Blind. Lion Bunny fielded many questions regarding the Leader Dog Program and added a very interesting dimension to this annual Hawley Fundraiser.

# Lions Golf Event

**SCRAMBLE / MULTIPLE TEE**

**18 Hole Event**



• Sunday August 23rd NOON

Hosted by the  
Ada Lions

**2 Person Team**  
**\$35.00 per person**

Sign up at HOV or Call

David Solseng

784-4091



Heart of the  
Valley Golf Course



# Membership Report



**PDG Doug  
Wiens**

I would like to start off by saying congratulations. We finished the year off at a -13 which is great considering 1 club dropped 27 members and 2 clubs folded. Great job IPDG Dennis. 15 we had 71% of our clubs that were plus in membership. We ended June with 31 clubs that were plus in membership. Now the next step, did your club do 3 projects during the year? Did your club have regular meaningful meetings. Did your club publicize your activities whether in the paper or thru a newsletter or Facebook? Did your club make a donation to LCIF? If you answered yes to these questions then your club has qualified for a club excellence award. You have until August 31 to get your application into the District Governor. I'm sure IPDG Dennis would love to give out 31 club excellence awards at the convention in Winnipeg in February.

I'm sure everyone is aware of the Centennial Challenge. MD5M has our own challenge for the 2015-2016 year. We would like to see each club with a membership chair and we would like to see each club set a goal of +1 net membership growth this year. LCI pays attention to our multiple. 2 years ago we had incoming International President Barry Palmer at our Multiple Convention. This year we have IPIP + LCIF chair Joe Preston coming to the multiple convention in Mankato. **International Member Induction Day is April 28, 2016.** Wouldn't it be great if MD5M made there Induction day Saturday of the convention and Joe Preston had the opportunity to induct a few hundred new Lions at the convention? I know you can do it.

Is there something on your mind that you would like to get out? We are thinking of hosting a Town Hall meeting where you can bring up any topic under the sun. Call it a presidents Beef and Bouquet session. The only Brass allowed in the room would be our GMT and GLT chair, we would take notes and work on solutions. Let me know if this is something that might interest you. I would also like to know what it would take to get all of you to come to a mid winter convention? Together we can make 5M11 the best District in the multiple.

We have a couple of communities that are very close to chartering new clubs. This is taking a little longer than I thought but it could be that I had an unrealistic time frame.

## Having Fun In Lionism

### GMT Doug Wiens



**The Barnesville Lions and the Thursday Night Lions are growing.** New members and their sponsors are shown left to right: Lion Ken Kolding, sponsor for new member Joe Borror; new member Gretchen Gottsacker and sponsor Lion Dar Hines; new member Shane Raw and sponsor Lion Ron Salber; sponsor Lion Terry Schrtiz and new member Jack Foster; new member Samantha Raw and sponsor Lion Jane Salber. These new members have already exemplified the Lions motto of, "We Serve," by participating in Lions Bingo and summer raffle sales at the Clay County Fair.



**Lac du Bonnet Lions** are proud and very excited to announce that they inducted five new members at their June 22 meeting. From left, Lion Darryl Popowich, sponsor, Lion Lisa Plischke—new member, Lion Becky Laba—new member, Lion Brandi Habing—new member, Lion Greg Short, sponsor, Lion Pamela Habing— new member, Lion Bonnie Popowich, sponsor, Lion Barry Richardson—new member and Lion Mike Roy, sponsor.



# Crookston Lions and Fertile Lions



**Crookston Lions** installed seven new members. From left, Paul Dubuque, Tim Denney, Pr. Jo Gast, Jessn Alexander, Rani Bhattacharyya and Amanda Lien, Not Pictured is Bruce Arvidson.



**The Fertile Lions Club** members with our Float for the Polk County Fair the 8th through 13th of July. From left: Dorothy Roof, Ed Pavcek, Pres. Paul Borslien, Jean Wright, Theresa Sandness, Sylvia Nelson, Don Wright, Ray Nelson, new member Dean Radke, and Lionel Sandness. Norma Erickson was taking the picture.



**Crookston Lions** installed the 2015-2016 Officers. Seated, from left: Angel Weaner—3rd VP, Duane Anderson—Lion Tamer, PDG Jeannine Windels—Installing Officer and Secretary, Fr. Roger Grundhaus—President, Tom Jorgens—Immediate Past President, Betty Arvidson—Treasurer, Shauna Reitmeier—2nd VP. Standing, from left: Tim Denny—Membership, John Mielke—Director, Tim Froeber—Director, Dale Knotek—Assistant Lion Tamer, Curtis Hamre—Director, Steve Krueger—Director, Ken Gray—1st VP, Denny Jacobs—Publicity Chair.



**The Fertile Lions Club** members getting our Float ready for our Polk County Fair the 8th through 13th of July. The parade was on Sunday, the 12th. From left: Don Wright, Lionel Sandness, President in the bibs—Paul Borslien, holding the flag—Ray Nelson, and the gal looking like she will get Ray with a screwdriver, is Theresa Sandness. The gal on the right really wasn't going to hit Ray with the screw driver. We have to keep the guys in line. We were all having fun.

## Winnipeg Beach/Lakeside Lions Here is on some of the events we have planned for the rest of this year:

- **Sunday, August 16th** – Family Fun Day – Winnipeg Beach Homecoming
- **Saturday, September 12th** – Corn Roast – Winnipeg Beach Harvest Fest – 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
- **Saturday, November 7th** – annual Dinner/Dance at the Winnipeg Beach Legion – shared event w/ the Wpg Beach Firefighters
- **Saturday, December 5th** – annual Cookie Walk at the Winnipeg Beach Legion – more details to follow



## Oslo, Argyle, Karlstad & East St Paul Lions



**Oslo Lions Club**—Charter Members, 40 years, June 22, 2015. From left: Jim Solem, Gary Gowan, Richard Veralrud, James Havis, Melvin Simonson, Wayne Nelson. Not pictured Clive Jones.



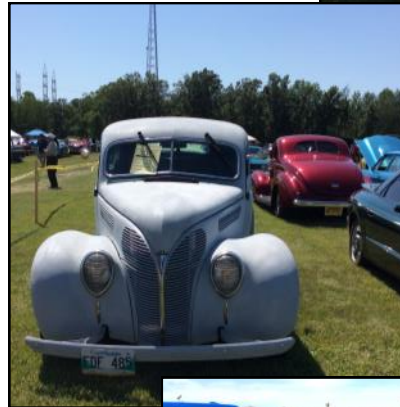
**Argyle Lions**—Aime St. Germain (founded the Oslo Lion's Club), Aime Dufault, Ed St. Germain, DG Dennis Olsen at the Oslo Lions awards night.



**The Karlstad Lions Club** provides a grim visual of distracted driving. The sign and car are part of a Lions Club project meant to bring awareness to the dangers of "distracted driving." Lucken Motor Sports in Winger donated the car and Lion Danny Johnson created the sign to accompany the display. **For the safety of you, your family, and everyone else out there on the road, take a word of advice from the Karlstad Lions Club: "DNT TXT N DRV."**

I had the opportunity to attend the **East St Paul Lions 16th Annual Show And Shine on Sunday July 26th**. What a beautiful day for it and there were so many great cars out, over 300. As you can see by the pictures I really love the street rods. The Lions of East St Paul have really outdone themselves again this year with the help of the Royal Canadian Legion and several other local organizations. Congratulations on a fantastic event!

Submitted by Lion Bea Barnard





# West St Paul Lions

**West St. Paul Lions held their 2nd annual Grocery Scramble.** Needed 2 cameras to catch all the action.  
Lion roving reporter of the north, Peter Wight



Lion Barb(chair) and Kathy (store Manager) titled "And the winner is"



Lion Barb, Lion Larry ( President) Dannisha and Family

## Canada Day and Lions

Even on Hiatus, The West St. Paul Lions helping the WSTP Firefighters by cooking for the pancake & sausages breakfast. We served over 400 plates plus had a good time later. Lions in the pictures Jay, Stephen, Bill, Larry, Jennifer, Ev. Not in pictures Patricia, Glenn, Roland, Rhonda, Alicia, Faith. Pictures by sub-roving reporter Lion Patricia Wight





## TRF Moonlighters Lioness & Winnipeg Lions



Miss Riverfest Taylor Myers, Miss Thief River Falls Brianna Drevlow, Moonlighters Lioness Club member Brent Fuller driver of the 1994 Ford GT convertible, and Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls President Sherry Sorenson in the Warren, MN on July 22, 2015.



Miss Thief River Falls Brianna Drevlow, Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls member Brent Fuller driver of the 1994 Ford GT convertible in the Thief River Falls parade on July 15, 2015, Miss Riverfest Taylor Myers, and Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls President Sherry Sorenson.



Miss Riverfest 2014 Cryina Ostgaard is driven by Brent Fuller member of the Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River in the Plummer parade on July 4, 2015. Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls President Sherry Sorenson is a passenger. His car is a 1994 Ford GT convertible.

### SUMMER REPORT – LIONS CLUB OF WINNIPEG

There is no news to speak of – nothing of any real importance to report at this time. I did promise to report on the success of our Rose Day Tag Day – we brought in just a little over \$3000 – which is not an amount to be sneezed at.

At the end of June, we met with the principal of our local high school to discuss topics of mutual interest and to find out if there is anything we can do to help them – what are some specific needs we might work with them on. A further report will be made after the beginning of the next school year in September.

We had our annual year end barbecue with over 30 people in attendance. Hot dogs, hamburgers, pasta salad, green salad drinks, and fun were on the menu

Our new Executive assumed office on July 1<sup>st</sup>, but there is nothing to report yet as we are not meeting through the summer months.

-Lion Ernie Jones



# Red Lake Falls Lions Club Annual Corn Feed

Wednesday, Sept. 2nd

Serving 5:30 to 7:30 at Voyageurs View

All the corn you can eat served with burgers, hot dogs, ice cream, cupcakes and beverage.  
Cost is \$8.



*Celebrating 40 years of Service!*

Introduction of New Law Enforcement and New Teachers

Live Music by "The Fugitives"

6 p.m. Lions Raffle Drawing



## West St Paul Barbeque

Well this roving reporter took in West St. Paul Lions Club BBQ & Awards. First thing I like to say THANK YOU the Club gave me the Certificate of Appreciation you sent. I like taking pictures and the club gives me the chance to plus it helps you and that's a good thing as well. West St Paul Lions Club BBQ & Awards sitting and relaxing and having fun then it started raining so we took indoors

-Lion Peter Wight





# Walks for Dog Guides

The Winnipeg Beach Lions held their first annual Walk for Dog Guides, Dogs on the Boardwalk on July 26th. This was a fantastic event and was really well attended. I was very pleased to be in attendance promoting The Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. There were also two of the local handlers in attendance with their service dogs, one hearing assist dog and a newly marched up autism assist dog. The organizing committee did a fantastic job and the preliminary total from this walk was in excess of \$3,000 dollars! I would especially like to thank Lion Amanda and Lion Mickey for taking on this event and for being so eager to support the foundation. - Lion Bea Barnard, chair for Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides



Pictured L to R: Lion Jeff Wharton, Joe Fisher hearing dog handler, Lion Bea Barnard and Lion Amanda

A **HUGE Thank you** goes out to the following Pet Valu stores for their contributions from the April PAWS promotion. Together these four stores have sponsored a vision dog for a person in Manitoba. Amazing the support that keeps coming in.

Pet Valu - Northdale Shopping Centre

Pet Valu - Tuxedo

Pet Valu - Kenaston

Pet Valu - Charleswood Centre

An extra special thank you to the franchise owners, Jackie, Leslie, Leslie and Sandra for all of your support. It means so very much.



Lions Foundation of Canada  
**Purina Walk FOR Dog Guides**  
30 YEARS  
**GIVING CANADIANS A NEW LEASH ON LIFE**  
CANINE VISION • HEARING EAR • SERVICE • SEIZURE RESPONSE • AUTISM ASSISTANCE • DIABETIC ALERT

*The Annual Walk For Dog Guides will be happening in District 5M11  
Winnipeg - September 20th (Birds Hill Park)*

[www.purinawalkfordogguides.com](http://www.purinawalkfordogguides.com)



On September 20th, 2015 we will be holding the 30th Anniversary Purina Walk For Dog Guides in Birds Hill Provincial Park. This is an exciting time for us and we are planning on a fantastic fun filled day in the park raising some money to give Canadians back their independence. There will be vendors, animal rescue groups, service organizations such as Guardians of the Children and STARS Air Ambulance, a raffle table, carnival games for the kids, funniest pet trick and pet look a like contests and the very popular Wild Dogs Agility Team will be there to put on a show. And one of national sponsors, Pet Valu will be there handing out treats to the walkers. Also a representative from Manitoba Search and Rescue will be there to show off the rescue abilities of the hard working dog and handler teams that rescue those who get lost in the woods. To register for the walk and collect pledges go to <https://www.purinawalkfordogguides.com/> and look for the location Winnipeg. Pledge forms are also available at most pet supply and veterinarian locations. We look forward to seeing you out to spend the day with us. Registration starts at 8 AM with the walk starting at 10:30 AM then we will be celebrating 30 years of serving Canadians with disabilities with a fun filled afternoon in the park.



# Thank You from Dog Guides

## Thanks to You, They'll Never Walk Alone



Walkers with Dog Guides brave the elements in Oakville, Ont.

*I did the walk to support a wonderful organization that is extremely hard working. I am very appreciative of (Dog Guide) Nyla, and she's working extremely hard as well. She is a gem, and has saved my life many times."*

*- Gillian, Dog Guide client*

*I walked because I am a foster parent of six puppies - so far - and see what an impact these dogs make in people's lives. I am so proud of the puppies when they graduate and go on to fulfill their destiny. I am very proud to be associated with Dog Guides which provides these dogs free of charge to people who need them."*

*- Marlene, volunteer puppy raiser*

There are so many reasons to walk. And this year, those reasons have resulted in a new fundraising record in Purina® Walk for Dog Guides history.

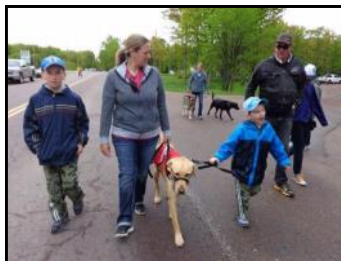
Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is thrilled to announce this year's Walk raised

# \$1,195,201.70

This grand total represents the dedicated work of walk organizers, the support of their communities, the endless hours volunteers contributed, the generosity of each and every donor, and the commendable efforts all participants put forth.

From everyone at Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, thank you for

**GIVING CANADIANS  
A NEW LEASH ON LIFE**



There are other results we thought you might be waiting for - the winners of each contest draw! Wait no longer.

**For raising more than \$1,000, the draw winner is...**

**Lila, who participated in the Ponoka, AB walk**



Lila will receive a \$200 Best Western travel card, courtesy of **Best Western**, and a one-year supply of pet food, courtesy of **Nestle Purina PetCare**.

**For raising more than \$1,500, the winner of the draw is...**

**Tara, who walked in Placentia, NL**



She's the new owner of a 32-GB iPad Air, and receives a three-night stay at any **Starwood Hotel** in North America.

*Congratulations to the lucky winners, and thanks to our generous sponsors for making these prizes possible.*

*The real winners, of course, are the Canadians who will receive the assistance of a Dog Guide, and for making that possible, we thank each and every walker who participated in the 30th annual Purina® Walk for Dog Guides.*



# Lions Eye Bank, Lions Foundation and Lions Hearing

Lions Eye Bank, Lions Foundation and Lions Hearing say THANK YOU!

We thought you would like to know how meaningful you have assisted those in need.

The Lions year 2014 – 2015 accomplished the following:

## Eye Bank

32 eye exams and eyewear

6 surgeries, prosthetics and equipment

Committed \$48,000 to Misericordia Health Centre for equipment

Committed \$1,900.00 toward computers for the visually impaired

## CLERC

With your efforts we shipped 37,170 pairs of glasses to Calgary to assist those in developing countries. Please continue to recycle eyeglasses on our behalf.

## Hearing

We assisted 19 people in obtaining hearing aids that otherwise would not be able to afford them.

We have collected over 800 pairs of hearing aids to date. Please continue to recycle hearing aids on our behalf.

## MAP

We have financially assisted 20 individuals for medical situations not covered by Manitoba Health.

## Rural Housing

We have 4 new 1 bedroom apartments to assist those needing medical treatment in Winnipeg. This past year 28 people have stayed with us for anywhere for 2 days to 3 months.

We were pleased to award **62 Hope Medals** and **21 Ben Ward plaques** to clubs. Your contributions mean a great deal and individuals receiving this recognition are deserving.

The **Parade of Green** generated \$40,875.00 from all 3 Districts for the Lions Eye Bank, Lions Foundation and Lions Hearing.

**Journey for Sight** created another “banner year”. Raffle tickets raised \$24,500.00, Thank you to the Bowsman Lions Club. At time of submitting this newsletter, we do not know the amount raised from this year’s ride. However, Journey for Sight has raised \$2,101,497.36 since 1986. What an accomplishment!! The Lions Eye Bank is very grateful for their dedication.

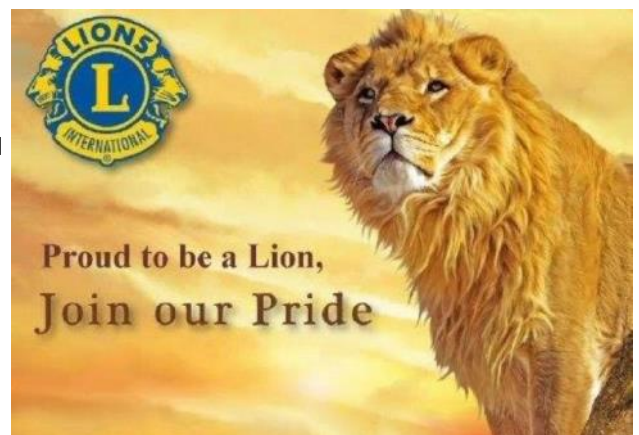
With our combined support we made someone’s life a little easier!

This past Lions year our programs spent over \$100,000.00 assisting with Lions Eye Bank, Lions Foundation (MAP) and Lions Hearing Canada. With a commitment of an additional \$48,000.00 designated to Misericordia Health Centre at the Buhler Eye Care Centre Medical Lab.

Please view our Web Site at [eyebankmanitoba.com](http://eyebankmanitoba.com) for information that you may find useful.

We ask that Brandon and surrounding areas, please donate your used eyeglasses for recycling for CLERC to Doug Smallwood with Brandon Wheat City Lions Club.

Let us look forward to another exciting and beneficial year.





# International News

## Children's Dignity Week: August 30-September 5

The next Lions World Wide Week of Service is quickly approaching! From August 30th to September 5th International President Dr. Yamada encourages Lions to aid the world's most vulnerable population – children. Meal programs for homeless students, literacy programs for hospitalized children, and sports programs for young refugees are just a few ways your club can provide hope of a brighter future for the children in need in your community. Consider the Lions Children First, Leo Spotlight on Children, or Reading Action Program and get your club engaged today!



You can help children in need by organizing a special service project for **Children's Dignity Week during August 30 – September 5.**

Join Lions around the world for this Centennial Service Challenge event dedicated to helping children lead happier, healthier lives. You can be the difference in the life of a child and earn a Centennial Banner Patch, so start planning your Children's Dignity Week project today!



## Communicate Your Youth Service Activities



Getting the word out about how your club is engaging youth this month can help improve membership (for Lions and Leos!) and lets the community know that where there's a need, there's a Lion. But what's the best way to promote your activities? Find Public Relations resources on the Lions Clubs website. Learn how to start a club website and use free social media tools to connect with members and your community. Download billboards, newspaper ads and sample press releases. Get tips for contacting your local media, and review key Lions messages to convey during

## Empowering Youth to Serve

In the month of August, Lions are encouraged to focus their Centennial Service Challenge activities around Engaging Our Youth. Young people have the power to affect change alongside Lions if given the opportunity. The key to youth engagement is to empower them to have a voice in the decision making process. Consider recruiting a team of students to plan a youth forum to share their views on community needs. Invite Leos to sit on a youth-led grant-making committee that will use a portion of club funds to award selected local youth projects. For more ideas or to share your youth-engagement service stories, please contact [programs@lionsclubs.org](mailto:programs@lionsclubs.org).



## Strengthen Your Commitment to Children - Host a Symposium!

Is your club involved with a dynamic children's project that other clubs in your district or multiple district could replicate? Would you like to expand local efforts to assist vulnerable children in the areas of literacy, health, hunger or education? Consider hosting a Lions Services for Children Symposium! The coordination of a day-long symposium allows Lions to exchange ideas, collaborate with community leaders, expand or develop new meaningful service and strengthen their commitment to serving disadvantaged children. Limited funding opportunities are available to help you with symposium expenses! Applications for 2015-2016 will be accepted starting July 1, 2015.





# LITPC Youth Scholarship Information

The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) awards annually a \$2,500 Youth Scholarship to a graduating Senior who is a Leo or a child/grandchild of a Lion or Lioness.

Four \$2,500 Youth Scholarships have been awarded so far. The first one was awarded to a Leo from Pennsylvania in 2012. The others have been from Virginia, Iowa and most recently from Virginia.



**After November 1, 2015, the new updated forms for the Application for Scholarship will be on the website: [www.LITPC.org](http://www.LITPC.org) to print them out. The deadline for submitting the completed LITPC Youth Scholarship application is March 1, 2016.**

All completed Youth Scholarship applications should be mailed to:

Lion Bill Buthrie  
5M Youth Scholarship Chairman  
9-101st Lane NW  
Coon Rapids, MN 55448

If you have any questions, please contact Lion Bill Guthrie at 763-786-8072 or [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com).



## 2015 LITPC Scholarship Winner



Kelli Tignor of Irvington, Virginia is the 2015 recipient of the \$2,500 LITPC Youth Scholarship. Kelli has been a member of her high school Leo Club from 9th through 12th grade.

In Kelli's application she wrote that she is different from most girls because she loves to fish, hunt and work on automobiles. She plans to attend James Madison University with a double major in business and mechanical engineering. After college she plans to own a business designing fishing and hunting gear or manufacturing racing and farm equipment. She plans on having a company which owns a race car and she would help in the pit crew. Kelli also plans on becoming board certified in automotive and diesel mechanics.

In addition to excellent academic achievements she plays field hockey and softball. Kelli strongly believes in community service and has participated in mission trips with her church that focused on helping the needy and another where the focus was "Remembering the Heroes".

We offer our congratulations to Kelli for being selected as our scholarship recipient. She has clearly demonstrated her commitment to service at her school and her community.



## **Tinnitus Research with Acoustic and Noninvasive Neural Stimulation**

**The University of Minnesota's Departments of Biomedical Engineering and Otolaryngology are seeking individuals who have tinnitus to participate in research involving acoustic stimulation, electrical stimulation of different skin surface regions, and noninvasive brain stimulation to potentially decrease the tinnitus percept. Participation involves up to 16 testing sessions that typically occur once every 1-2 weeks at the University of Minnesota. Each testing session will require up to 3 hours. Participants will complete questionnaires, perform several tests to determine their hearing and tinnitus characteristics, be presented with different stimulation paradigms, and describe changes in their tinnitus from the different tests.**

**Participants must be an adult between 18 and 65 years of age, have tinnitus preferably for less than 5 years, have no history of seizures, not be pregnant, and not have any implantable devices or indwelling metal. Participants will receive compensation for their participation in each testing session in the form of a \$60 Visa gift card that may be used at any retailer that accepts Visa. The first informational visit will take approximately 1.5 hours and will be compensated with a \$40 Visa gift card. There is no charge for participating in this research. For more information, please contact Hubert Lim, Ph.D., at [msync001@umn.edu](mailto:msync001@umn.edu).**

# You Are Invited to Camp Needlepoint & EXPO!



The American Diabetes Association, Minnesota Area is currently planning our two largest programs of the year: Camp Needlepoint/Daypoint and our Diabetes Expo. I personally want to invite the members of your club to visit one or both of these programs this year.

**Camp Needlepoint sessions are Sunday, August 16 to Saturday, August 22 and Sunday, August 23 to Saturday, August 29.** Since registration and camper pick-up are the Sundays and Saturdays, we ask that you schedule a day during the week. The time at camp will include a tour of the camp facility, lunch with the campers and an opportunity to meet the medical staff, counselors and campers. Camp is located just south of Hudson, Wisconsin. Contact Susan Klimek at 763-593-5333, ext. 6591 or email [sklimek@diabetes.org](mailto:sklimek@diabetes.org) to schedule your visit. We ask that you not show up without first contacting us as we need to know who is on-site for the safety of the campers and staff.

**Our Diabetes Expo will be held on Saturday, October 10th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Minneapolis Convention Center, Hall E.** It is billed as “everything you need to know about diabetes under one roof” including workshops, cooking demonstrations, fitness activities, free health screenings, an “Ask the Expert” area, and vendors offering the latest diabetes products and services. Last year over 8,300 people attended and we’re expecting more this year. As a Lion, you and/or your club can get involved in several ways:

- We invite you to come to learn more about diabetes.
- We need many day-of-event volunteers for this activity. Lions Clubs may want to volunteer as a club. Many clubs helped last year; by wearing their vests they gained more recognition for Lions Clubs and what they do in the community. Volunteer for a few hours (time slots are 8:15 AM – 12:00 PM or 11:30 AM – 3:15 PM) or for the entire day. Please contact Molly Duerr at 763-593-5333, ext. 6652 or at [mduerr@diabetes.org](mailto:mduerr@diabetes.org) if you or a club would like to volunteer.
- Several areas outside of the Twin Cities worked on organizing buses to and from the Expo for members of their community. Clubs from several communities in your district could set up a bus route with several stops to pick up people. Work with your local clinics, hospitals, churches, etc. to get the word out. If you are thinking about having a bus please contact Molly Duerr at 763-593-5333, ext. 6652 or [mduerr@diabetes.org](mailto:mduerr@diabetes.org) for more information. All people will have free admission to the Expo and there will be free bus parking at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

*We appreciate the support we have received from Lions Clubs in the past and invite you now to see how your funding is helping people with diabetes.*



## 2015-16 Peace Poster Contest



The new theme for the 2015-16 Lions International Peace Poster Contest is “Share Peace.” Kits for the contest, which include the official guide and rules, flyers, stickers and certificates. Lions clubs interested in sponsoring a Peace Poster Contest in their community must order a kit, either online through [Club Supplies](#) (Item Search: Peace Poster Kit) or by [downloading the Order Form](#).

For more than 25 years, the Peace Poster Contest has encouraged children across the globe to express their thoughts on peace through art. [Learn more about the contest](#) and order your kit now!



# Fall 2015 Eye Bank Tours

## Fall 2015 Lions Tours - October 10

The Fall 2015 Lions Tour of the Departments of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology (eyes and ears!) at the University of Minnesota is **Saturday, October 10, 2015.**

Please share this information with your club members, mark your calendars, and start planning your visit.

Never attended a tour? Here are some of the interesting things that you can see and hear about:

Lions Children's Hearing Center and ENT Clinic

Lions Voice Clinic

Temporal Bone Lab

Vestibular, Eye Movement, and Motor Learning Lab

Low Vision Center

Retinal Imaging Center

Macular Degeneration Center

Minnesota Lions Eye Bank

Lions Children's Eye Clinic

Testimonials from cornea transplant and cochlear implant patients

Lions tours are always a fun time, and they are a great way for new club members to learn about the wonderful projects and services the Lions support at the University of Minnesota.

More information will be sent to new Lions leaders after July 1, but you can make preliminary reservations at any time. To do so, contact Lion Jennifer Marshall at 612-626-6081 or [mader005@umn.edu](mailto:mader005@umn.edu).

Hope to see you in the fall!



*Tours sponsored by the Minneapolis Ambassadors Lions Club*

## 2015 Calendar

### October 3

Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation Board Meeting  
Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation Board Meeting

### October 10

Lions Tours - University of Minnesota

### October 31

Thanksgiving for Vision





## 5M-11 MID-WINTER CONVENTION 2016

Friday, Saturday, Sunday – February 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016

**Location – CLUB REGENT CASINO HOTEL  
WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, CANADA**

*Hosted by Riverside Lions*

### REGISTRATION FORM (Please fill out 1 form for each attendee)

Please fill out this registration form and return with you cheque/cash/money order payable to  
2016 5M-11 MID-WINTER CONVENTION

LION ☐ LIONESS ☐ LEO ☐ GUEST ☐ 1<sup>ST</sup> Timer ☐

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Please indicate any special dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

### HOSPITALITY BOOK

*Includes Friday Social, Saturday Breakfast, Lunch, Banquet and Sunday Brunch*

**\$100 US for Early  
Bird Registration**

Hospitality Book (Postmarked by January 1, 2016)	\$130.00 CDN	
Hospitality Book (Postmarked January 2, 2016 or later)	\$140.00 CDN	
Friday Night Social – Festival Du Voyageur Theme	\$20.00	

*Get ready for a FUN NIGHT!*



Saturday Breakfast	\$20.00	
Saturday Luncheon	\$30.00	
Saturday Night Banquet	\$60.00	
Sunday Brunch	\$25.00	

*Please make cheque/money order payable*

*to: 5M-11 MID-WINTER CONVENTION*

**TOTAL**

**\$**

Please mail Registration to:  
**RIVERSIDE LIONS**  
188 Worthington Avenue  
Winnipeg, MB Canada R2M 5K1

#### For Convention Information, contact:

Lion Barb Shields  
Phone: 204-957-4615 or 204-253-4240  
Email: [bms@aikins.com](mailto:bms@aikins.com)

Lion Jan Nazarko  
Phone: 204-233-2736  
Email: [jnazarko@mymts.net](mailto:jnazarko@mymts.net)



#### For Hotel Reservation Information, contact:

**Room Rate \$119/night plus applicable taxes**

Club Regent Casino Hotel  
1415 Regent Avenue West  
Winnipeg, MB Canada R2C 3B2  
Phone: 1-204-667-5560  
Toll Free: 1-888-332-2623  
Fax: 1-204-667-5913



Join Us at the  
**"Bend in the River II"**  
 97th MD5M Convention  
 April 22, 23, 24, 2016  
 Verizon Wireless Center, Mankato, MN  
 Hosted by District 5M-2



### Registration Form

Please print

☐ Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Leo ☐ Guest

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check if this is your 1st Multiple Convention

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Please specify any dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Please specify any dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you need Braille convention material? yes or no

Will you need Braille convention material? yes or no

Meal	During 2015 MD5M Convention Only	Before March 1, 2016	On or after March 1, 2016	# Attending	Amount
Yes, I am coming to the convention but not staying for the meals. _____					XXXXXX
Hospitality Book	USD \$90.00	USD \$100.00	USD \$110.00		
Friday night mixer	XXXXXX	USD \$15.00	USD \$15.00		
Saturday Brkfst	XXXXXX	USD \$ 20.00	USD \$25.00		
Saturday Lunch	XXXXXX	USD \$25.00	USD \$30.00		
Saturday Banquet	XXXXXX	USD \$40.00	USD \$45.00		
Sunday Brunch	XXXXXX	USD \$20.00	USD \$25.00		

Make checks payable to: MD5M 2016 Convention

Total Submitted: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail registrations to: Lion Charlette Abbas  
 312 Foothills Road  
 PO Box 133  
 Courtland, MN 56021  
 paandmaabbas@hotmail.com

Convention information:  
 Maynard Rucks @ king70@frontiernet.net. or  
 Nancy Mathwig @ nmathwig@hotmail.com

Cancellations accepted and refunded prior to April 1, 2016. \$20.00 fee for cancellations.

See separate information form for available hotel rooms and rates.



**Join Us at the Bend in the River II**

**97<sup>th</sup> MD5M Convention**

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Verizon Wireless Center**

**Hosted by District 5M-2**

## **Hotel Information**

**Hotel Reservations can be made by calling or booking online to your hotel of choice. Rates will be guaranteed until March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016 or until blocks fill up.**

**Hilton Garden Inn**

**Attached to Verizon Wireless Center**

**20 Civic Center Plaza**

**Mankato, MN 56001**

**Phone: 507.344.1111**

**Rate: \$90 +tax**

**Mankato City Center Hotel**

**Attached to Verizon Wireless Center**

**101 E. Main Street**

**Mankato, MN 56001**

**Phone: 507.345.1234**

**Rate: \$94.99 +tax**

**Holiday Inn Express**

**3.5 miles away**

**2051 Adams Street**

**Mankato, MN 56001**

**Phone: 507.388.1880**

**Rate: \$99.99 +tax**

**Best Western Hotel**

**1.5 miles away**

**1111 Range Street**

**North Mankato, MN 56003**

**Phone: 507.625.9333**

**Rate: \$94.99 + tax**



## 2014 –2015 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 associations's constitution and by-laws and policies, and meet each requirements noted below during the fiscal year.

Club Number	Club Name	Date
2014-2015 Club President's Name		Member Number
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CLUB IN GOOD STANDING</b> – 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.		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SERVICE</b> – The club has conducted at least three service projects. Please briefly describe the service activities that were conducted:  Date: _____ Activity: _____ Date: _____ Activity: _____ Date: _____ Activity: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONTRIBUTION</b> — The club has made a contribution to LCIF.		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MEMBERSHIP</b> – 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.  <input type="checkbox"/> Net Growth in Members: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Name of sponsored club or Branch: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>COMMUNICATION</b> – 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.  _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT</b> – 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.		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CLUB DEVELOPMENT</b> – 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	2014-2015 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, 2015. 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 2015-2016 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed to the Coordinating Lions or directly to the 2014-2015 club president.

# Cabinet Directory

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# Passports and Bus to Mid Winter Convention 2016

Start thinking about the Mid Winter Convention in Winnipeg in February 19-21, 2016.

You need your passport or passcard to travel to Canada.

Don't want to drive yourself, consider riding a charter bus up there.

Trying to get a bus to travel up to Winnipeg. The bus would hold up to 57 attendees.

More information to follow.

Interested in riding the bus to convention, contact Jen Spielman at [5m11jenifer@gmail.com](mailto:5m11jenifer@gmail.com)



## Newsletter needs club assistance –New info



### Greetings Fellow Lions, Lioness and Leos of 5M-11!

Zone Chairs and Club Officers please make sure your members are receiving the monthly newsletters. Club Officers, if need be, please print at least one copy to pass around at your meeting. I pack a lot of information into each newsletter.

Thank you to all the clubs that put forth submissions this past year 2014-2015 as well as the cabinet members that sent me items. 40 out of 72 of the clubs had submitted something. That's almost 75% of the clubs. This year, I want to see this number increase with the ultimate goal of getting every club to submit even ONE item.

### **PLEASE HELP ME MEET THIS CHALLENGE FELLOW LIONS**

**Please send the information to me by the 25th of each month unless stated otherwise.**

Upcoming deadlines for the newsletter:

**August 25th** — September Newsletter

**September 25th** — October Newsletter

**Lion Stacy Kleinwachter, Newsletter Editor**

**Email: [skleinwachter@yahoo.com](mailto:skleinwachter@yahoo.com) or [specialk.stacy@gmail.com](mailto:specialk.stacy@gmail.com)**

Thanks to the following Lions and Lioness clubs for submissions: Ada, Argyle, Barnesville, Barnesville Thursday Nite, Crookston, East St. Paul, Fertile, Flom and Area, Hawley, Karlstad, Lac du Bonnet, Moorhead, Oslo, Red Lake Falls, Riverside, Ste. Anne, Thief River Falls Moonlighters Lioness, West St. Paul, Winnipeg, Winnipeg Beach/Dunnottar/Lakeside, Winnipeg South and Winnipeg West.



## Websites to Know



Lions Club International: [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

Multiple District 5M: [www.lionsmd5m.org](http://www.lionsmd5m.org)

District 5M-11: <http://e-district.org/sites/5m11> \*NEW\*

Lions Program Sites:

Can Do Canines: [www.can-do-canines.org](http://www.can-do-canines.org)

Leader Dogs for the Blind: [www.leaderdog.org](http://www.leaderdog.org)

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF): [www.lcif.org/EN/](http://www.lcif.org/EN/)

Lions Eye Bank of Manitoba and NW Ontario: [www.eyebankmanitoba.com](http://www.eyebankmanitoba.com)

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides: [www.dogguides.com](http://www.dogguides.com)

Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation: [www.mnlionsdiabetes.org](http://www.mnlionsdiabetes.org)

Project New Hope: [www.projectnewhope.net](http://www.projectnewhope.net)

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum: [www.usacanadalionsforum.org](http://www.usacanadalionsforum.org)





**We Serve**

**Lions 5M11 District Governor  
Club Visitation Request Form  
2015-2016**

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Date \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Requesting \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

If more than one club will be attending, please include the names of all clubs:

\_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Contact Person for visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Special requests: (Ex. Special Speech, induction of new members, installation of officers, present awards, etc.)

Please submit as soon as possible. I will confirm date with contact person either by phone or e-mail as soon as possible after request is received.

**Please send this information to:**

**DG Gerald Fontaine**

**619 Jolys Ave East**

**St. Pierre Jolys, MB R0A 1V0**

**R. 204.433.7955**

**Email: [gerryfontaine@gmail.com](mailto:gerryfontaine@gmail.com)**



**I SAY IT OUT LOUD!  
I'M A LION  
AND PROUD!**

# Revised Suspension Policy

The Board of Directors amended the suspension policy that affects clubs that have not paid their club balances in a timely manner.

A Club which has an unpaid balance in excess of US\$20 per member or US\$1,000 per club, whichever is less, outstanding past 120 days will be automatically suspended including the charter, rights, privileges, and obligations of the Lions Club. In the event, the Club does not reach an active status by the 28<sup>th</sup> day of the month following suspension; their charter would be automatically cancelled.

Beginning July 1, 2015, clubs will automatically be placed on Financial Suspension if balances beyond **90** days are equal to or exceeding US\$20/ member or \$1,000 or greater, and cancellation will occur after the 28<sup>th</sup> day of the month following suspension if full payment is not received. As a result, anticipated high suspension will be reported in October and April. Also, clubs cancelled more than twice will be ineligible for reactivation.

Suspension is the temporary deferment of the charter, rights, privileges and obligations of a Lions club due to an unpaid balance.

Clubs on suspension shall not:

- a) Conduct service activities
- b) Conduct fund raising activities;
- c) Participate in district and multiple district functions or seminars;
- d) Participate in any voting procedures outside of the club
- e) Endorse or nominate a candidate for district, multiple district and international office;
- f) Submit Monthly Membership Report and report forms;
- g) Sponsor a Lions club, or organize a Leo or a Lioness club.



Clubs on Suspension shall:

- a) Hold meetings to discuss the future of the club and identify the steps needed to regain an active status.
- b) Make Payments to clear the existing outstanding balance, or request a payment plan.

This amended policy has serious consequences for clubs that are in arrears in paying their club balances. To rectify this past due condition, clubs placed on suspension may regain an active status by paying the balance in review and update the membership roster after a Club is released from Suspension. Visit [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) reactivation. Clubs should work to avoid cancellation at all times.

Please feel free to contact us at [membershipbilling@lionsclubs.org](mailto:membershipbilling@lionsclubs.org) should you require additional information. We trust all clubs will review their statements regularly, and will send the necessary payments to ensure their active status is protected.

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**LIONS 5M11  
CancerCare Initiative**



Being in the middle of summer I have had very little in the way of speaking engagements. This has given me the opportunity to volunteer some of my time to work at CancerCare Manitoba and to plan for the this fall and winter. I have been busy planning and designing a medal for clubs who support the Lions 5M11 CancerCare initiative. This was given to the manufacturer a while back and I expect to take delivery of them by mid August. For every \$400.00 donated to the Initiative the club will be given one to present to a member who has personified service in the area of cancer support. Please consider the initiative in your funding and proudly wear a medal that means so much to those dealing with cancer.

*Together we can make a difference. Lion Mike Janssen, Chairman, LIONS 5M11 CancerCare Initiative*

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THE FOLLOWING CLUBS**

**Winnipeg Transcona Lions**

**23 years 8/29/1992**