



District 5M11 Newsletter

January 2015 Supplement



LIONS CONVENTION SPECIAL



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DG
Dennis Olsen

5M11 Memorial Service Notice

The 5M-11 Mid Winter Convention committee is putting plans together for the memorial service on Sunday morning. We need to know of any members of you Lions family who have passed away this year since the last Mid-Winter convention in Winnipeg. **Please send the information to Lion Jim Johansen along with a jpeg photo of the deceased member.** Lion Jim will advise in the next newsletter which names he has and clubs can correct or add to it.

Each year the Lions of 5M-11 Memorialize members who have passed away during the previous year.

Below is the Necrology of the deceased members we are aware of.

Deceased Member	Club	Picture
Lion Robert Chrissis	Dilworth	Yes
PGD Ernest Swanson	Goodridge	Yes
Lion Tim Swanson	Grygla	Yes
PDG Ellsworth Jorgenson	Thief River Falls	Yes
Lioness Octavia Jorgenson	Thief River Falls Noon Lioness	Yes
Lion Ray Sorrels	Warroad	Yes
Lion Ralph Savoy	Whitemouth & District	Yes
Lion Donald McDonald	Whitemouth & District	Yes
Lion Dave Love	East Kildonan	Yes
Lion Peter Duncan	Greenbush-Badger	Yes
Lion Jerome "Jerry" Carlson	Fosston-Lengby	Yes
Lion David Jansen	Crookston	Yes
Lion Donald Peterson	Crookston	Yes
Lion June Shaver	Crookston	Yes
Lion Henry Gredvig	Crookston	Yes
Lion George Grahame	East Kildonan	Yes
Lion Dr. Gilbert Welch	East Kildonan	Yes

Please inform Lion Jim Johansen of any additions or correction.
jkjohansen55@gmail.com or 218-483-1121
8103 210th St. N Hawley, MN 56549

Convention Schedule

Friday, January 30, 2015

2:00- 8:00 pm—Registration—Events Center Corridor
Credentials, Parade of Green Display Tables
3:30 PM—Cabinet Meeting
6:30 PM—First Timers Meeting
7:30 PM—Hawaiian Social & Raffle—Music, light, Hors'doeuvres
& raffle drawings

(Please wear your name tag to all events & meals.
It is your admission.)

Saturday, January 31, 2015

7:00- 9:00 am—Breakfast Buffet
8:00 am—Registration—Event Center—Corridor
Credentials, Displays, Pin Trading
8:30 am—Opening Session—Event Center—Beaulieu Room
Welcome- Call to Order—District Governor, Dennis Olsen
Presentation of Colors
Pledge to American Flag—1st VDG Gerald Fontaine
Pledge to Canadian Flag—2nd VDG Mike Janssen
Invocation
Greetings—International Director Steve Tremaroli
Reports
Parliamentarian/Rules—PDG Wayne Swanson
Sergeant of Arms—Lion Mark Spielman
Credentials Committee—Lion Jennifer Spielman
Constitution & By Laws—PDG Wayne Swanson
Announcements—DG Dennis Olsen
9:00 am—Opening Speaker—Lenny Quinn- Leader Dog
10:00 AM—Seminars—Session #1
Using MYLCI—Dave Hollyoake
Promoting Your Lions Club—Erin Beck
Utilizing Social Media for Promoting Your Club
& Activities—Jim McLaughlin
11:00 am—Seminars- Session #2
MN Lion Eye Bank- Raylene Streed and Kathleen Speers
MN Diabetes Foundation—Jim McLaughlin
Lions Quest—Kathleen Williams
Leader Dog—Lenny Quinn & Slyder



Noon Lunch—12:00 pm—Awards, Leo Club excellence, Peace
Poster, Luncheon Speaker—Bruce Beck

Saturday Afternoon

2:00 PM—Business Session
Call To Order - DG Dennis Olsen
2014 Meeting Minutes—Lion Jennifer Spielman
Financial Report—Lion John Wollenzien
District Governors Report—DG Dennis Olsen
Credentials Committee Report—Lion Jennifer Spielman
Constitution & By Laws—PDG Wayne Swanson
Resolutions Committee—PDG Wayne Swanson
Nominating Committee Report
District Governor 2015-2016
1st Vice District Governor
2nd Vice District Governor
MD5M Hall of Fame Presentations
Lions Eye Bank Foundation of Manitoba/NW Ontario Director
2015 Mid-Winter Presentation
2016 Mid-Winter Convention Bid
2015 Multiple District Convention
Other Business Reports
2014-2015 Awards—IPDG Doug Wiens
Remarks & Announcements—DG Dennis Olsen
5:00 pm—Reception for International Director
6:00 pm—Governors Banquet—Event Center
8:00 pm—Evening Entertainment—Sailesh

Sunday, February 1, 2015

8:00 am—Non Denominational Church Service
8:45 am—Memorial Service
9:45 am—Farewell Brunch



Every Club is asked to bring an item for the Friday Night Fun Night/Silent Auction.

Also will be having a dessert bar, 50/50 drawings and much more!

Friday Night is Hawaiian Night—Come dressed for a Hawaiian Luau!

Will Have 3 Photo Booths for Picture taking.

Saturday evening entertainment is the 2014 Award Winning Hypnotist of the Year: Sailesh!

DID YOU KNOW: The club with the highest percentage of members attending the convention could get \$500.00 for the clubs admin fund! The members must be signed up for Saturday breakout sessions and 2 meals.

(In case of a tie the \$500 will be split.)

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR THE CONVENTION YET ?

PDG Dinner

There will be a PDG dinner at the Mid Winter Convention Friday night from 5-630 PM.

Cost of the meal is \$25. I need a minimum of 30 people attending to make this doable.

Please respond by email Prior to January 25 at djwiens@mymts.net

IPDG Doug Wiens

First Timers at Convention

The term "First Timer" shall apply to any Lion, Lioness, or Leo member attending his or her first 5M-11 Mid Winter Convention. The purpose is to help newer members learn about Lions Club International and also encourage them to meet other Lions, Lioness, and Leos.

The First Timers Program will consist of a booklet with two parts. The first part of the program booklet involves written answers to questions about our Lions organization. The second part requires obtaining signatures of various past and present International, Multiple, and District Officers as outlined in the booklet. In addition, participants will be asked to get signatures from current Lions, Lioness, and Leo Club Presidents and Secretaries of all 5M-11 Clubs in attendance at the Mid-Winter Convention.

The booklet will be distributed at the registration table to those who have identified themselves at "First Times". An orientation meeting for all "First timers" will be held on Friday, January 30th. Participants will have until 5p.m. Saturday to complete their booklets and turn them in for judging. The First Timers Program and judging will be under the direction of the 1st Vice District Governor.

Prizes for the first and second place winners will be awarded at the Sunday Brunch. The first place winner will receive a Hospitality Book and two nights lodging for the 2016 Mid-Winter Convention. The second place winner will receive a Hospitality book for the 2016 Mid-Winter Convention. The prizes are non-transferrable.



2015 5M-11 MID-WINTER CONVENTION

Friday, Saturday, Sunday – January 30, 31, February 1
Location - Shooting Star Casino in Mahanomen
Hosted by the Moorhead Lions

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

Please fill out this registration form and return with your check/cash/money order payable to:
2015 5M11 MIDWINTER CONVENTION



Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Leo ☐ Guest ☐ 1st Timer ☐

Name _____ Title: _____
Address _____ Club: _____
City _____
State/Prov. _____ Zip/Postal _____
Telephone _____ e-mail: _____

NOTE: Please indicate any special dietary needs: _____

HOSPITALITY BOOK

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

HOSPITALITY BOOK (Postmarked by December 1, 2014)	\$115.00	
HOSPITALITY BOOK (Postmarked December 2, 2014 or later)	\$130.00	
FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL - Hawaiian Theme <i>Get Ready for a FUN NIGHT.</i> <i>Time now to get your Hawaiian Shirts and Skirts</i> 	\$ 20.00	
SATURDAY BREAKFAST	\$ 25.00	
SATURDAY LUNCHEON	\$ 25.00	
SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET	\$ 50.00	
SUNDAY BRUNCH	\$ 25.00	
 Please make check/money order payable to: 5M11 MIDWINTER CONVENTION		TOTAL <input type="text"/>

Please mail registration and check/money order to:
MOORHEAD LIONS
PO BOX 1262, MOORHEAD, MN 56561

 Canadian Attendees
Please make payable
in US Dollars
and if you need it, our physical address is:
2223 Hwy. 10 East
Moorhead, MN 56560

ROOM REGISTRATION



1-800-453-STAR (7827)

Code #580574 Lions MidWinter – \$85.00/night

For Convention Information Contact: Lion Brent Berg 701 361-4476 bber3@amfam.com
Lion Sandra Carlson 701 371-0129 designerinmn@msn.com

Now is the time to get your registration forms and checks/money orders into the Moorhead Lions Club, PO Box 1262, Moorhead MN, 56561. Please make checks/money orders payable to 5M11 Midwinter Convention. **Canadian Attendees, please make checks/money orders payable in US Dollars and if you need the physical address is: 2223 Hwy 10 East, Moorhead MN, 56561.*

Remember to call the Shooting Star Event Center at 1-800-453-7827 and ask for Block #580574 Lions MidWinter for the Lions rate of \$85.00/night.

2015 Parade of Green

Lions 5M-11 Mid-Winter Convention

Club _____

Donations being presented at Mid-Winter:

(Please make checks payable as listed below)

Amount

Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (Formerly MN Lions Eye Bank)

\$ _____

· Children's Eye Clinic (Note on memo line)

\$ _____

· MAC Center (Note on memo line)

\$ _____

Lions MD5M Hearing and Research Foundation

\$ _____

· Children's Hearing Center (Note on memo line)

\$ _____

Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

\$ _____

· Schulze Diabetes Institute (Note on memo line)

\$ _____

~ Based on pledge of \$3/member for 3 years

Can Do Canines (Formerly Hearing & Service Dogs)

\$ _____

Leader Dogs for the Blind

\$ _____

LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation)

\$ _____

Project New Hope Lions Foundation of MN (Support for veterans & families)

\$ _____

Leo Clubs

\$ _____

5M-11 Youth Activities Fund

\$ _____

(Replaces Youth Outreach and Youth Exchange)

Diabetes Canada

\$ _____

Lions Eye Bank of Manitoba/NW Ontario

\$ _____

Lions Foundation of Manitoba/NW Ontario

\$ _____

(Medical Assistance Program)

Lions Hearing Foundation of Canada

\$ _____

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides

\$ _____

Lions 5M11 CancerCare Initiative

\$ _____

TOTAL

\$ _____

Project New Hope just got their 501C3! So starting now any gambling fund checks should be made out as follows:
"Project New Hope Lions Foundation of Minnesota"



Looking for a 2nd Vice District Governor

5M11 is looking for a 2nd VDG to become 5M11 District Governor in 2017-2018

Check out the Qualification listed in this newsletter. You will receive extensive training from the MD5M Multiple so you will be well prepared. If you have held the office of Club President and Zone Chair or attended the MD5M Leadership Institute.

THIS JOB IS FOR YOU! Interested?

Contact DG Dennis at dwolsen@msn.com or C. 218-790-1825 or H. 218-483-3297



Say Cheese at Convention



Newsletter Editor Stacy Kleinwachter will once again be taking photos of the Mid Winter Convention at Mahanomen. She will be selling the DVD's for \$10 (cash), payable during the convention. Also, please find Lion Stacy if you would like your photo or your club's photo taken to be included.

To contact Lion Stacy, email at skleinwachter@yahoo.com or specialk.stacy@gmail.com. She will be having a sign-up sheet that will consist of name, address, club and email or phone.

Pin Trading Reminder

From PDG Lion Jim Aasness

Lions Pins will be available for purchase at the 5M11 Mid Winter Convention in Mahanomen, January 30-February 1, 2015

Bring your unwanted Lions and Lioness Pins to the 5M11 Mid Winter Convention. We will sell them for you.

Donate your Lions Pins Collections or the Lion's Vest with the pins on it. We will have a silent auction for them.

Money collected will be used to pay for the annual purchase of the MD5M Snowman Pins, 5M11 purchases or other expenses. In the past, we have use the money to help purchase laptops and other miscellaneous items.





Speakers at Mid Winter Convention



LEN QUINN AND SLYDER

Len was born in Milwaukee. After graduating from Milwaukee Boys Tech, he joined the Army. Following his discharge from the army, he worked for a large steel stamping company in Milwaukee. He started as a floor sweeper, and then worked his way up to plant manager supervising 300 employees. Over the next 26 years in the stamping business, he worked at companies in Wisconsin and Pennsylvania. For many years Len was involved in Community Theatre, acting in comedic plays.

In 1973 Len bought a restaurant in Redgranite, WI and joined his first Lions Club. Over the next 14 years, he worked in the restaurant business, including managing 3 different country clubs before returning to the stamping business.

He started to lose his sight in 1994, becoming legally blind in 1998. His life completely changed in 2001 when he attended Leader Dogs for the Blind and received his first Leader Dog, Mikey, a yellow Labrador. He was asked that same year to speak to the Ripon Lioness Club about his Leader dog and the programs the school offered. Since that time, he has done over 1300 presentations to various schools, social clubs, senior centers, Lions Clubs throughout the United States and Canada. He is now traveling as an Official Leader Dog Graduate Field Representative and serves on several committees at his church.

Mikey was retired on June 4, 2007. Mikey's last act as Len's Leader Dog was to guide him to the plane as he came to Leader Dog to get his successor dog whose name is Ginger. She is a Golden Retriever. Ginger retired as of December 1, 2013. Len received his third guide dog on December 3. Slyder is a yellow lab who spent his first year of training in an Iowa prison.

He is Past President of the Ripon Lions Club, the club responsible for convincing him that he should have a Leader Dog. Len is a progressive Birch-Sturm fellow and in June 2007 he received the Birch Sturm Fellow award. This is the highest Lions award given in the state of Wisconsin. Len served as District Governor for 27B1 in 2009-2010. Len was a recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellow in 2013.

Len has six children and nine grandchildren. In May of 2009, he was married to Kay Zinecker, who became a Lion and his partner in service.

He is thrilled to be speaking at conventions and encourages Lions, Lionesses, and Leos to stop at his booth and to meet Leader Dog, Slyder.

Past Council Chair Lion Bruce Beck

Lion Bruce lives in Palisade, Minnesota. He's a member of the Palisade Area Lions Club of which he helped to charter 26 years ago. Lion Bruce has held many club, district, and multiple district positions and he is a Past Council Chair.

Lion Bruce is currently the MD5M Global Leadership Team Coordinator. His passion in Lions is training. And, he tries to add a touch of fun in his training to keep it interesting. He's a graduate of the Regional Lions Leadership and LCI's Faculty Development Institutes. Lion Bruce has received numerous Lions awards and is a Melvin Jones Fellow.





Lion Erin Beck

Lion Erin is a charter member of the Palisade Area Lions Club and has been with the organization for 26 years. In addition to serving many offices in her club, Erin previously served District 5M9 as their Public Relations Chair and Co-chair of Website and Technology. Lion Erin is currently the Public Relations Chair for Multiple District 5M.

Erin works in Member Services for Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative in Aitkin, MN, and is married to Lion Bruce. She is a Melvin Jones Fellow.

PDG Dave Hollyoake

Lion Dave is a member of the Winnipeg West Lions Club in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He has been a Lion since 1974 when was a charter member of the Wheat City Lions Club in Brandon, Manitoba. Lion Dave was also a charter member of two other new lions clubs in Yorkton Sak. And Winnipeg South Lions. He has served in all club level office's and on District Cabinet level as Zone Chair, 2nd & 1st VDG and was District Newsletter Editor for 7 years. He has also assisted in Mid Winter Convention planning and has twice been a Moderator at the USA/Canada Forums in Alaska and Overland Park, Kansas. Lion Dave is a PDG of District 5M11, 2012-2013.

Lion Dave does home renovations, decks, garages, etc. He enjoys traveling with Lion Barb (of course), biking, woodworking and golf.

They have been married for 44 years and have two sons and daughter-in-laws and 4 grandchildren.



**IPDG Dave
Hollyoake**



Lion Jim McLaughlin

Jim McLaughlin is the owner of McLaughlin Auctioneers and has been in the auction industry for 29 years. He is a 1985 graduate of the Mason City College of Auctioneering. He conducts all types of auctions specializing in Real Estate, Commercial Liquidations, Government Fleet, Benefits and Estate Auctions.

In 2012 Jim completed the "Auction Technology Specialist" (ATS) designation Through the National Auctioneers Association. The ATS program teaches how to implement changing technologies into the auction business.

Jim has served as chairman for the Dilworth Loco Daze Festival for the last 17 years. He is active in the Dilworth Lions Club and am currently enjoy serving as a trustee on the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation for 5M11. He also speaks annually to the NDSU Agribusiness Class focusing on Sales and Marketing. In his spare time he enjoys playing guitar, ATV riding, Snowmobiling, and hunting.

His program "Utilizing Social Media" will give you many ideas on how and why you should be using Social media and other technologies to communicate and promote your Lions club activities.

Kathleen Spears, Eye transplant recipient

Kathleen Spears from Cottage Grove, MN. She had two partial corneal transplants. The first was the left eye in 2008 and the right eye was in 2010 at the Woodbury Surgical Center.

Kathleen is 72 years old who works four days a week at her church. She and her husband are very active. She loves to read and has every Reader's Digest Condensed book since 1964-and has read most of them. Her driver's license needed to be renewed in Nov. 2008 and she could not pass the vision test. The thought of having to depend on someone for transportation was unthinkable! They love to travel which means she needed to be able to drive.

Since the surgeries, Kathleen passed her driver's test. She states everything looks so much brighter. She can now see the house numbers across the street.

She still gets teary-eyed thinking about the 27 year old donor who gave me my first transplant.



Raylene Streed

Raylene Streed is the Interim Executive Director for the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank, St. Paul, MN with oversight responsibility for all operations at the eye bank. She has more than 16 years professional experience in eye donation and eye banking and more than 31 years of personal involvement in the transplant community. Raylene holds a Bachelor's degree in biology and is Certified Eye Bank Technician. She has served on committees for the Eye Bank Association of America, the accrediting organization for eye banks, and for Vision Share, a consortium of eye banks. In addition she has served in volunteer roles with professional and religious organizations.

Announcing the 2015-16 Peace Poster Contest Theme



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, go on sale January 15. 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 starting January 15!



International Director Steven Tremaroli

Steven Tremaroli, from Huntington, New York, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 96th International Convention held in Hamburg, Germany July 5 through 9, 2013.

Director Tremaroli is a retired chiropractor.

A member of the Melville Lions Club since 1981, he has held many offices within the association, including president, zone and region chairperson, district governor and council chairperson. He has also served as chairman for the Lions Eye Bank of Long Island and trustee of the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, Inc.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the Leadership Award, Life Membership Award, the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award, eight International President's Certificates of Appreciation and an International President's Medal. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Tremaroli is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the Cub Scouts.

Director Tremaroli and his wife, Marianne, also a Lion, have two sons and one grandson.



International Director Dr. Steven Tremaroli



2014-2015 5M11 Leadership
2nd VDG Mike Janssen, DG Dennis Olsen &
1st VDG Gerald Fontaine



96th Annual MD5M Convention



96th Annual MD5M Convention

April 17-18-19, 2015

Minneapolis Airport Marriott Hotel, Bloomington, MN

Registration Form

☐ Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Leo ☐ Guest

Name & Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

email address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Dietary Needs: _____

District Number & Club Name: _____

Is this your first MD5M Convention? ☐ Yes ☐ No

EVENT: _____

YES! I am coming to the convention but not staying for the meals

Hospitality Book

Friday Evening Social

Saturday Breakfast

Saturday Luncheon

Saturday Banquet

Sunday Brunch

Before

Mar. 15

After March 15

\$130 USD

\$15 USD

\$30 USD

\$30 USD

\$45 USD

\$30 USD

☐ Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Leo ☐ Guest

Name & Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

email address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Dietary Needs: _____

District Number & Club Name: _____

Is this your first MD5M Convention? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Attending

Amount

XXXXXX

No meals will be available after April 10th, 2015

Make Check Payable to: 5M6 PDG Association

Send registration form and payment to: PDG Joe Fox, 1821 Myrtle Street, Maplewood, MN 55109

Cancellations accepted & refunded prior to March 15, 2015. A \$25.00 cancellation fee will be applied.

Registration Questions: Joe Fox: foxxx012@umn.edu or Dave Dominick: david.dominick@ymcatwincities.org

Special Hotel Rate: \$99.42 per night for a regular room (tax included)

Minneapolis Airport Marriott Hotel - Free Parking- rate guaranteed through 11/1

Beginning 11/2 - hotel rate will be \$110.85 (tax included)

Hotel will begin accepting reservations beginning May 1, 2014

To Make Room Reservations- Contact: MPLS Airport Marriott Hotel at 1-800-228-9290

Make reservations early ~ Tell them you are with MD5M LIONS Convention



98th LCI Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii

Honolulu, HAWAII



LCICon

June 26-30 2015

2015 LCICon Deadline Approaching – Register Now

January 9 is the deadline to register for the International Convention at the lowest rate of \$110 – a savings of over 35% off the full registration fee!

Be sure to book your hotel through LCI. Complimentary bus shuttles provided to all official convention events when you book your hotel room through LCI.

Make plans to join your fellow Lions in Honolulu for an experience to remember. Register now!

Check out the LCI website for more information at <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-and-events/international-convention/index.php>

Register Now

