



District 5M11 Newsletter

August 2014



STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE



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Lac du Bonnet Lions donate \$10,000 to the PICC Line



From left to right, are Lions Mel Mitchell and Bill McKelvey plus Lions President Len Woodworth making the \$10,000 presentation to Traci Abraham and Lion Dr. Mich Bruneau (far right) representing the Pinawa Hospital.

An initiative is presently underway to purchase Ultrasound technology required to successfully implement the new PICC line (Peripherally Inserted Central Lines) program at Pinawa Hospital. Presently clients requiring this type of treatment have to travel to Winnipeg.

The entire cost of this equipment has been quoted at \$56,780.00.

The Lac du Bonnet Lions Club recognizes the value of this equipment for the Cancer Care unit at Pinawa Hospital which would be a great benefit to all members of our Community and as such, has committed the sum of \$10,000.00 towards the fund raising initiative.

We have been advised that here are other groups providing assistance for this project and sincerely hope that our contribution, brings the project closer to it's goal of opening this September 2014.



DG Dennis's report



DG
Dennis Olsen

Lions, Lioness and Leos of 5M11

I recently attended the International Lions Convention in Toronto earlier this month. The convention was one to remember. The beauty of Lake Ontario, closeness of Niagara Falls, the amazing performance of Neil Sedaka, memorable performance of Olivia Newton John, the diversity of Lions members from around the world, the suspense of the Lions 2nd Vice Presidential race, the International Lions parade in downtown Toronto and above all President Joe Preston's message for us is to "Strengthen the Pride." I highly recommend if you choose or have the opportunity to attend an International Convention sometime in the future do it.

On July 26th, I attended the first MD5M Council of Governors meeting in St. Cloud as a District Governor. It was a very interesting meeting. The interaction with the other district governors from around the state of Minnesota and Canada was highly informative in hearing what others are doing in their areas.

Our current district membership as of 7/30/14 is 1900 members. Our beginning of the year membership was 1929 members, a net drop of 29 members so far for the year. One of my main goals is to increase district membership to 2000 members. I will be promoting methods of recruiting new members and keeping existing members to have a positive membership growth for the coming year.

I am in the process of getting the final cabinet positions verified for the coming year. We have several zone chair positions open at this time, Zone 8, 10, & 5. Our new GLT coordinator is Joanne Swanson, and the new GMT coordinator is Doug Wiens. John Wollenzien is our district treasurer for the coming year. Dave Hollyoake will be our E-Club House coordinator for the coming year. I plan on promoting the use of E Club House in our clubs in the district this coming year. This is a good way to get more publicity and keep members more informed of their club activities.

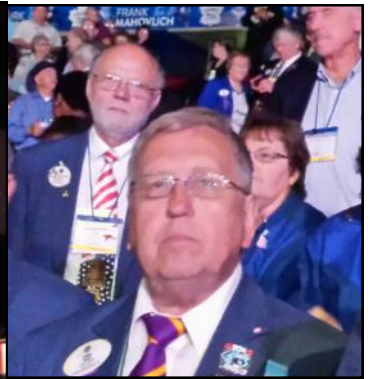
GLT Coordinator Joanne Swanson is organizing the Zone Chair training for early September. All zone chairs need to attend this training as it will give you a good start on your year as a Zone Chair. I will be encouraging clubs to participate in the CEP process. CEP will give your clubs more insight and help for improving your club and club goals. The Moorhead Lions will be hosting the 2015 Midwinter Convention at the Shooting Star Casino in Moorhead on Jan 30th-Feb1. We are still looking for ideas for speakers for the Mid-Winter Convention.

Have you asked someone to be a Lion member this year?

Yours in Lionism,
DG Lion Dennis Olsen
218-790-1825
dwolsen@msn.com



From International Convention



Photos by Lion Erin Beck, PCC Bruce Beck, Lion Barb Hollyoake, ID Mike Molenda and all others!





1st VDG Gerald's Report

Hope everyone is having a Great Summer. It sure is nice to feel that warmth of the sun after such a rigid winter.

Things have been kind of quiet on the home front, at least for now. Thank goodness for summer breaks.

I attended as a guest the Board of Directors Meeting of the Lions Eye Bank & Lions Foundation Medical Assistance Program (MAP) of Manitoba and Northwest Ontario, Inc. on June 21st in Winnipeg, MB. The new Chair for the coming fiscal year is PDG Lion Chris Barnard. This Foundation deals with many very important issues and make decisions that affect many people's lives. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Sept 6th.

I look forward to attending the Leader Dog visit between August 8th and 10th. I am certain that this will be an interesting experience.

I look forward to meeting my colleagues in this new Lions Season under the able leadership of DG Dennis.

In Lionism,

Gerald Fontaine- VDG 5M 11

Riverside Lions # 3113



**1st VDG
Gerald Fontaine**



2nd VDG Mike's Report



**2nd VDG
Mike Janssen**

Hello fellow Lions, and thank you for your vote of confidence.

As you read this Tammy and I will be near the end of our summer trip to the East coast and will hopefully have had my fill of fresh seafood.

I should be rested up enough to take on the duties of 2nd Vice district Governor and look forward to what I feel will be an exiting year. I will still be working for the next 8 months and will have to work at scheduling and training during this time.

I have completed my initial training and look forward to more. I will be retired at the end of March and hope that scheduling my duties will ne much easier. I look forward to working with Dennis, Gerald, and the rest of the cabinet and will see you all at the first meeting on August 16.

I am planning to visit some of the special events in the district over the year. My first will probably Farm Fest. once again it is an honour to be serving as your 2nd Vice District Governor and I promise to work hard for you and with you. Have a great summer

Mike Janssen

2nd. Vice District Governor.

State of the District

We added 2 new members this month (July)

while losing 40 bringing us to 1898 this month with a -38.

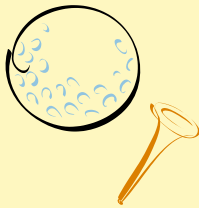
For the year, we have added 210 members and dropped 241 for a -31.

Worldwide membership is at 1,356,192

Did you ask someone to be a Lion today?

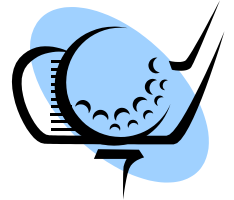


6th Annual Winnipeg 100 Hole Golf Marathon



Are YOU up for the challenge?

The Lions Club of Winnipeg is once again hosting a fundraising event with proceeds being directed to the Lions Hearing Foundation; Manitoba & Northwest Ontario, Inc.



A Test of Endurance 100 Hole Golf Marathon

The Lions Club of Winnipeg is back at it for the 6th Annual 100 Hole Golf Marathon.

Enthusiastic golfers will begin their day at 7:00 am at Larters Golf and Country Club.

Each player commits to raising \$500.00 in pledges. There are several sponsorship opportunities for those unable to participate in golf.

With the combined efforts of so many people we are able to establish the first Lions Hearing Children's Education and Resource Centre. This program will offer unbiased support as well as resources for families learning of their child's hearing impairment.

The goal of the Lions Hearing Foundation is to assist as many children and adults in an effort to ease the burden families face with the responsibility of addressing their child's needs.



This date is for you!

Monday, September 8, 2014

Larters Golf & Country Club

7:00 a.m.



Please support this event for a **Good Cause, Good Fun and Good People.**

Call Ernie Jones at 204-784-1236 or email lcwweserve@gmail.com for more information or to register.

You Are Invited

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 10 to Saturday, August 16 and Sunday, August 17 to Saturday, August 23. 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 Chris Schaefer at 1-888-342-2383, ext. 6592 or by email at cschaefer@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 11th 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 nearly 8,300 people attended; 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 me at 1-800-676-4065, ext. 6592 or at cschaefer@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 me at 1-800-676-4065, ext. 6592 or cschaefer@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 that funding is helping people with diabetes.



DG Dennis Olsen (yellow shirt) and 5M11 GLT coordinator Joanne Swanson (purple shirt) at the MD5M GLT-GMT team work Seminar on July 25th at the Best Western Kelly Inn.. Also in the picture is PCC David Dominick, PID Judy Hankom and PID Brian Sheehan.



Lions Golf Event

SCRAMBLE WITH A TWIST
18 Hole Event



Sponsored by
the Ada Lions

Sunday August 24th
NOON tee time
with 11 am registration

2 Person Team
\$35.00 per person

Sign up at HOV or Call

David Solseng

218-784-4091



**Heart of the
Valley Golf Course**

Family Kite Festival

**Saturday, August 30th
10:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**COME SPEND THE DAY
WITH YOUR FAMILY
FLYING A KITE, GETTING
YOUR FACE PAINTED,
ENJOYING LUNCH AND
MUSIC.**

**KITES.....\$1.00
HOT DOGS.....\$1.00
DRINKS.....\$1.00
FACE PAINTING.....\$1.00**

**HOSTED BY THE STE. ANNE
LIONS CLUB
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
LION RICK AT 204-380-9698**



**Ste. Anne Soccer Park by the Firehall
on the old #12 / Traverse Rd.**

Announcing the Lions Centennial Service Challenge

In 2017, Lions will celebrate 100 years of service. The Centennial Service Challenge encourages Lions to help reach our goal of serving 100 million people by December 2017 through participation in four Global Service Action Campaigns: Engaging Our Youth in August, Sharing the Vision in October, Relieving the Hunger in December – January and Protecting Our Environment in April.

Let's celebrate 100 years by doing what Lions do best: making a global impact! More information will be available on the LCI website in August.



Thursday, September 11, 2014

Special seminars 2:00pm – 5:00 pm

Opening banquet (doors open at 5:30pm)

Thursday Opening Keynote Speaker Tim Richardson

Friday, September 12, 2014

Seminars 8:00am – 11:30 am

Lunch (doors open at 11:30am)

Friday Luncheon Keynote Speaker John Corcoran

Seminars 1:00pm – 4:45pm

Friday night Host Committee dinner (extra cost of \$40)

Saturday, September 13, 2014

Seminars 8:00am – 11:30 am

Lunch (doors open at 11:30am)

Saturday Luncheon Keynote Speaker LCI President Joe Preston

Seminars 1:00pm – 4:45pm

Closing banquet (doors open at 5:30pm)

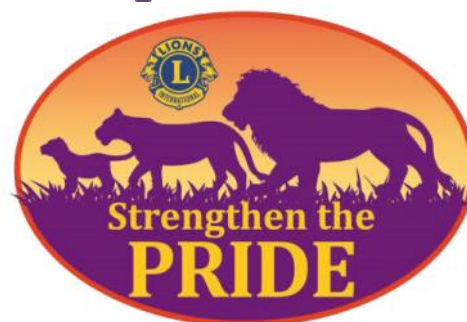
Saturday Evening Keynote Speaker Patrick O'Dooley

Find more info at: [https:// usacanadalionsforum.org](https://usacanadalionsforum.org)



International President
Joe Preston

2014-15 President's Theme: Strengthen the Pride



During 2014-2015, we can “**Strengthen the Pride**” by bringing the 1.35 million members of our Lion’s family closer together, working in a spirit of cooperation and understanding. This is not the pride of being boastful; it is pride of accomplishment in building communities, providing meaningful service, and helping those who cannot help themselves. This feeling of pride forms the foundation of our commitment to serving others, and has made us the global leader in humanitarian service. This is the platform for success in the coming year, through our centennial, and well into the next hundred years of our association.

Sunday, September 21st
Birds Hill Provincial Park
Registration begins at 10:00 AM Walk starts at Noon



www.purinawalkfordogguides.com

This year, the Winnipeg West, East Kildonan & West St Paul Lions Clubs host the Lions Foundation of Canada “Walk for Dog Guides” in Birds Hill Park. This fun five kilometer walk, now in its twenty-ninth year, is for people and pooches of all ages helping to raise money to support the training of Dog Guides for those with visually, hearing, seizures, autism, physically and now diabetic impairments. Participants are treated to free coffee and donuts before the walk, hot dogs and drinks after the walk, and are eligible for fabulous incentive prizes for pledges raised. There will also a special door prize. We have clowns for the kids, a fly-ball dog team performance, and fun contests for the whole family.

100% of the pledge money raised goes directly towards the training of Dog Guides. The cost of approximately \$20,000.00 is needed to train one dog to assist a physically impaired person. All other walk expenses are covered by the host clubs



Lion Bea Barnard's Dog Guide Pledge Page



I would like to invite you to help raise funds and awareness of the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides.

In the early 1980's Lions Clubs across Canada sought to develop a national project to reflect their service to Canadians with visual impairments. The result was Lions Foundation of Canada and its founding program, Canine Vision Canada, which was established in 1985. Since then the Foundation has grown to include additional Dog Guide programs: Hearing Ear, Service, Seizure Response, Autism Assistance, and newly introduced, Diabetic Alert Dog Guides. Lions Foundation of Canada's mission is to assist Canadians with a medical or physical disability by providing them Dog Guides at no cost. To do this, the Foundation operates Dog Guides Canada, a pre-eminent national training school and charity that assists individuals with disabilities through specialized Dog Guide programs. These Dog Guides are provided at no cost to eligible Canadians from coast to coast despite costing \$25,000

Dog Guides are provided at no cost to qualified applicants. Thanks to national sponsors, 100% of the funds raised from the Walk go directly to the six Dog Guide training programs. Dog Guides Canada has already provided their specially trained Dog Guides to more than 2,000 men, women and children from ages 4 to 88, all without any government funding. With your help more people can experience the mobility, safety and independence a devoted Dog Guide brings.

Charlie and I will be participating in the Winnipeg Purina® Walk for Dog Guides on September 21, 2014 to help raise funds for the training and placement of Dog Guides for Canadians with visual, hearing and medical or physical disabilities. The Purina® Walk for Dog Guides is organized by local volunteers and invites everyone, all ages and abilities, with or without dogs to participate. You can help by donating on my personal page, <https://www.purinawalkfordogguides.com/locations/walker.cfm?ID=1875&EventID=285> or join me by registering for the walk at <https://www.purinawalkfordogguides.com/locations/walk.cfm?ID=285> . All online donations will receive immediate credit card payment confirmation and an official income tax receipt. I hope you will consider helping me in supporting this wonderful event.

Get Ready for International Literacy Day



September 8 is International Literacy Day, and we encourage Lions everywhere to plan Reading Action Program projects to help promote literacy and education around the world. Volunteer to read stories to children at a local library. Donate books to a women and children's shelter. Organize a vision screening to help people receive the care they need to see and read better.

[Visit the Reading Action Program page](#) for more project ideas and resources!



2013-2014 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 association's constitution and by-laws and policies, and meet each requirements noted below during the fiscal year.

Club Number	Club Name	Date											
2013-2014 Club Presidents' Name		Member Number											
<p><input type="checkbox"/> CLUB IN GOOD STANDING – International per capita taxes and new member entrance fees are paid in full and there is no outstanding balance of US\$50 or more that is ninety (90) days or more past due.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE – The club has conducted at least three service projects. Please briefly describe the service activities that were conducted:</p> <table style="width: 100%;"><tr><td style="width: 33%;">Date: _____</td><td style="width: 67%;">Activity: _____</td></tr><tr><td>Date: _____</td><td>Activity: _____</td></tr><tr><td>Date: _____</td><td>Activity: _____</td></tr></table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTION – The club has made a contribution to LCIF.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> MEMBERSHIP – The club achieved a net growth in membership <u>or</u> sponsored a new club or branch. The new members attended an orientation and were properly inducted into the Lions club.</p> <table style="width: 100%;"><tr><td style="width: 50%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Net Growth in Members: _____</td><td style="width: 50%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Name of sponsored club or branch: _____</td></tr></table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATION – The club has publicized the club's service activities to the public through local media and effectively communicated activities to club members.</p> <p>Please explain briefly how the club service activities were publicized.</p> <p>_____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT – 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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CLUB DEVELOPMENT – The club has hosted regular and meaningful club meetings and submitted the Monthly Membership Report, the Service Activity Report, and the Club Officer Report (PU-101) in a timely manner.</p> <table style="width: 100%;"><tr><td style="width: 20%;">Date</td><td style="width: 50%;">2013-2014 District Governor's Signature*</td><td style="width: 30%;">District</td></tr></table>			Date: _____	Activity: _____	Date: _____	Activity: _____	Date: _____	Activity: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Net Growth in Members: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Name of sponsored club or branch: _____	Date	2013-2014 District Governor's Signature*	District
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* In undistricted areas the Coordinating Lion or Provisional Zone or Region Chairpersons should sign the completed form.

The completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, to arrive by September 30, 2014. 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 was already filed at International Headquarters. The award will be mailed to the 2014-2015 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed to the Coordinating Lions or directly to the 2014-2015 club president.



TRF Moonlighters Lioness activities



Brent Fuller Lioness member of the Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls and Moonlighters Lioness President Sherry Sorenson carried Thief River Falls 1st Miss Riverfest Cynia Ostgaard in the Red Lake Falls parade on July 26, 2014 in his 1994 Ford Mustang GT convertible.



Brent Fuller Lioness member of the Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls carried 3 queens in the Warren parade on July 23, 2014 in his 1994 Ford Mustang GT convertible. The queens are Cynia Ostgaard who is the 1st. Miss Riverfest, Lydia Walseth who is the 4th Little Miss Thief River Falls and Brittany Johnson who is the 65th. Miss Thief River Falls. Moonlighters Lioness President Sherry Sorenson was a passenger also.



Brittany Johnson the 65th Miss Thief River Falls, Lydia Walseth the 4th Little Miss Thief River Falls, Brent Fuller Lioness member of the Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls and President Sherry Sorenson Moonlighters Lioness Club of Thief River Falls. Brent Fuller carried these ladies in the Thief River Falls parade on July 16, 2014.

Fertile Lions

Photo on left is on the Lions Club Float for the parade on the 13th of July in Fertile. The photo below is of Lion



Dick Braun, at the Polk County Fair July 9th through July 13th. Lion Dick is at one of the gates at the Fair Grounds, selling tickets to park in the Fair Grounds



Lions Club of Winnipeg update

For the first summer since we became a Lions Club in 1921, we are having NO LUNCH HOUR MEETINGS - the whole of July and August without a ROAR!!!

However, just because we are not having meetings doesn't mean nothing is happening. We are busy planning the programs for our next year - details will follow month by month as they are completed.

As well, we continue to plan and work on our 100 Hole-in-one-day golf tournament. This tournament raises funds for the Lions Hearing Foundation. It is slated to be held on September 8th, 2014. See our ad for details (Page 5)

We have sent and are sending a number of children from this West Broadway area to Camp Manitou for some much needed outdoor play and fun activities.

The month of August (actually from July 30th to August 28th) we will be trying something very new to us. Every second weekday during those dates at 9:10 a.m. 1:10 p.m. and 4:10 p.m. we will have members of our Lions Club and also from our Administration talking about all things Lion on the nostalgia network radio station C J N U at 93.7 on your FM dial. We hope to cover such topics as why we are Lions, what Lions do, as well as messages about the Lions Eye Bank, Hearing Foundation and L C I F. It should make for some interesting listening and hopefully some thought-provoking ideas and information.

During the summer months, the need for food and clothing does not diminish for our missions. We continue to gather clothing and foodstuffs such as tea, coffee and canned goods for one of our Winnipeg missions. I usually load up my car once a month and make the trip down to deliver all that we have collected during the month.

Our visitation committee continues to visit throughout the summer. Some of our sick or otherwise housebound Lions need to know that they are not forgotten!

Fallen Lion



**Lion Ernest
Swanson**

Ernest Swanson, age 96, died on Thursday, July 3, 2014 at Pioneer Memorial Care Center in Erskine, MN, following a brief struggle with cancer. A funeral service was held July 8, 2014 at Faith Lutheran Church in Goodridge, MN with Reverend Bob Dahlen officiating. Burial will follow at the Goodridge Cemetery.

Ernest Leroy Swanson was born October 23, 1917 in Highland Township, MN on the Swanson family farm near Goodridge, MN. He was the son of John Nels and Anna (Lind) Swanson. He was baptized and confirmed at Goodridge First Lutheran Church, by Reverend Tungseth in 1930. He graduated from rural school District 38, Goodridge, MN, in 1931 and graduated from Goodridge High School in 1935. On November 29, 1939, Ernest was united in marriage to Lois Faye Jones. He took over the family farm in 1941, bought it in 1945 (second generation) and sold to third generation son, Alan in 1980. He was appointed Postmaster by President John F. Kennedy, at Goodridge in April of 1961. He retired in 1983, still residing on the family farm. He managed the Goodridge Retirement Homes from its organization in 1968 until 2003.

Ernie served on the Goodridge school board, giving each of his five children their high school diplomas. He served on the Board of Directors of Group Health Inc, later Mid-America Mutual, Ins., for some 30 years. He was President of the company for 3 years and Chairman of the Board for 16 years. He was a member of the National Association of Postmasters, serving as State President in 1965, a member of the Lions and organized the Goodridge Club in 1961, where he was President, Secretary and District Governor. In 1954, Ernie joined the Masons and was Master of the Thief River Falls Lodge in 1961, Grand High Priest of Minnesota Royal Arch Mason in 1985 and received his 60 year award in 2014.

He liked to travel, having visited all 50 states in the United States and traveled several foreign countries. Ernest enjoyed woodworking, bowling, cribbage, pinochle, farming, gardening, church, Masons, Lions and politics. Most of all he enjoyed his family.

Family condolences may be sent by visiting www.johnsonfuneralservice.com



West St. Paul Lions Grocery Scramble



Once again West St. Paul in action with their first Grocery Scramble. The manager (Katherine) pulled the winning ticket Mr. Larry Peach, and he was ready for action. West St. Paul raised Approx. \$1,900.00



Engaging Our Youth



The Centennial Service Challenge kicks off with this month's Global Service Action Campaign, Engaging Our Youth. Help us reach our goal of serving 100 million people by December 2017! Young people are the future of Lions, and inviting them to organize and lead service activities can teach them valuable life skills. Reach out to children in need through literacy programs, vision screenings, feeding projects and other fun activities.

Visit the Engaging Our Youth page for more project ideas, and don't forget to report your activities using MyLCI.



GET CAUGHT IN THE WEBINAR

Webinars are live, virtual trainings generally one hour long that are conducted online with a group of participants and instructors. Participants use the Internet to connect the group members with the instructors. Most webinars have one or two instructors and a moderator/host. Participants view a PowerPoint presentation and polling questions on their computer. They listen to the instructors either via their computer speakers or headset. The participants may use the phone for audio/speaking or a computer headset with a microphone to interact in discussions and respond to questions asked by the instructors, similar to training conducted in a classroom.

There are all kinds of webinars, but they are only available for short periods of time; usually repeated 2 or three times on different days and at different times to give you some options. You cannot participate without a registration and the registrations are limited; therefore it is a good idea to register early. Usually when all of the sessions are aired, participants are able to obtain recordings of the webinar to review.

Some of the Webinar classes coming up include:

Go For The Goal-Aug 6,13,15 *Transform your club by going for the GOAL: Growth, Orientation, Activity, and Leadership. Especially good for club officers and Board members.*

Keys to Increase Member Satisfaction - Aug 26 *Keep your members happy by implementing some of our best practices for member satisfaction. You will learn what you can do today to help re-energize your club and keep membership strong.*

Post, Tweets, Hashtags? Social Media Works! - Sept 25 *This webinar will showcase easy ways to use social media to promote your club. Find out how other clubs use Facebook and LinkedIn to spread the word and get noticed in their communities. All Lions*

Effective Club Meetings- Oct 1, 10 *Provides the basics of good meeting management including planning, agenda preparation, essential facilitations skills and post-meeting evaluation. A must for any Lion wanting to facilitate meetings and keep members engaged.*

For more webinars, dates, times, how to register, etc. go to www.lionsclubs.org, then in the search box write **Webinars**.

Membership Growth Starts with One



Imagine if every one of our 1.35 million Lions asked one person to join a Lions club. Imagine the huge impact it would have on membership growth and the amount of service we can provide. It all starts by inviting one friend, family member or neighbor to join your club. Give them the opportunity to be a Lion and give your club the opportunity to grow. Get the tools you need to invite new members by visiting the [Ask One page](#) today!



Palmer's Missive

Dear Lion,

When I became president of Lions Clubs International, it was a dream come true. Now, I am honored to follow another dream as Chairperson of Lions Clubs International Foundation. The Foundation is a vital part of Lions' international service efforts, so I am looking forward to seeing what we can achieve this year with support from LCIF.

Last year, LCIF set a goal to raise US\$35.7 million in funding to meet Lions' humanitarian needs worldwide. I am proud to say that you hit that mark! More than ever, Lions are involved in service projects to meet the needs of their communities. LCIF has seen an increase in requests for disaster relief assistance in recent years; Lions Quest continues to expand around the world, reaching more students than ever; we continue to fight preventable blindness, including from diseases like trachoma and river blindness; and we continue in our commitment to our partners at the GAVI Alliance in fighting measles, among many other humanitarian projects.

Your contributions have helped people all around the world by providing disaster relief, saving sight, preventing measles, supporting youth and meeting humanitarian needs. To be able to help even more people, we have a new goal to raise US\$38.3 million for LCIF and I know that we will be able to achieve it. In fact, I am going to challenge you to set the goal even higher!

What if every Lions club donated US\$100 per member to LCIF? We would raise US\$136 million - imagine all of the good that could be done with those funds! As Lions, we can do almost anything. By working together, we can help each other to follow our dreams for a better world. You can make a difference, and LCIF can help.

Sincerely,

Barry J. Palmer

Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



Updates to the Standard Grant Criteria



The LCIF Standard grant minimum and maximum request amounts have been updated. The new Standard grant minimum request amount for matching funds is US\$10,000 and the new maximum request amount for matching funds is US\$100,000. These expanded criteria allow LCIF to help even more Lions meet the needs of their communities through our most popular grant.

Please note: these updates apply to all applications received at LCIF as of July 1, 2014.



MD5M Regional Leadership Institute

WANTED: YOU!!
FOR: AN UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY
WHAT: 2015 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute
WHEN: March 26-29, 2015
WHERE: Shooting Star Convention Center in Mahanomen, MN



We are looking for Lions from your district to attend the 2015 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute!

Lions that are selected as participants in the Institute must be in good standing in a Lions Club and may not

be a 1st Vice District Governor, District Governor, Past District Governor, International Director, or

Past International Director.



The **\$150 fee** for the Leadership Institute includes the cost of materials, facility, staff, and three (3) meals. Room costs and additional meals are not included. However, a \$100 rebate from MD5M, through a grant from LCI, will be given to each participant that completes the program. Participants **MUST** be available to attend **ALL** sessions beginning on Thursday evening and ending Sunday afternoon.

Each district has the opportunity to send six (6) participants; however, if other districts do not meet their allotment, your district may send additional Lions. The Institute will have a maximum of 72 participants.

Applications are available from your District Governor or on the MD5M Website and are due (without fees) **by December 1, 2014.** Your District Governor will then make the final participant selection.

Institute graduates from your district will tell you that the Regional Lions Leadership Institute is beneficial for you in every facet of your life and not just in your role as a Lion.

If you have questions concerning the Institute, please feel free to contact:

Lion Bruce Beck – subdriver660@gmail.com

We look forward to giving **YOU** this **UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY!!**



MUST BE SUBMITTED to your DISTRICT GOVERNOR no later than DECEMBER 1, 2014.

OTHER OFFICES HELD: _____

Use the back of this document or add another page if you require more space

CLUB PRESIDENT OR ZONE CHAIR: _____ **DATE:** _____

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Special Olympics and Lions Clubs International Opening Eye Clinic

Summer Games, Stillwater High School ~ June 26th & 27th, 2014



A Big thanks to Lion Ray Moonen, MD5M Co-chair and Lion Jim Cain, 5M5 Special Olympics Project Chair for Co-chairing this event. (pictured to the left)

Pictures submitted by Lion Laura Maki, (photo right) MD5M Special Olympics Co-chair.



The Lions of 5M5 hosted Opening Eyes, a partnership program with Special Olympics, at the Summer Games in Stillwater with Lions from around the state coming to serve the athletes and provide them with an opportunity to see the world in a new light. LCIF provided a grant of \$19,550 to assist with this project. Some glasses were able to be cut onsite thanks to Donald Rosene, a sales consultant with Santinelli and the machine they had available. On Friday, June 27th, 400 pair of glasses were given, a record number in one day. With our team of Lions, sponsors, SOMN staff, optometrists, ophthalmologists, opticians, students, friends, kids and spouses, we shattered last year's record! 530 athletes were screened with 55 referred for care and 611 pairs of prescription glasses were provided. Thank you to everyone who helped make this possible.



27th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Peace, Love and Understanding



Sponsor a Lions International Peace Poster Contest and join clubs worldwide in sharing children's visions of peace with your community.

How the Contest Works

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students 11-13 on November 15, 2014. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, "Peace, Love and Understanding."

One winner for each contest sponsored by a club is chosen to advance to the district governor for judging. On the district level, one winner is selected to go on to the multiple district competition and from there one winner is forwarded to International Headquarters for the final judging. Entries are judged at all levels on originality, artistic merit and portrayal of theme.

During the final judging, 23 merit award winners and one grand prize winner are chosen to represent the many entries submitted from around the world.

Awards

Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging are recognized as follows:

- **International Grand Prize Winner** receives a trip to an award ceremony where he/she will receive a cash award of US\$5,000 (or local equivalent) and an engraved plaque. Two family members (one being the winner's parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring Lions club president or a club member (as designated by the club president) will accompany the winner to the award ceremony.
- **23 Merit Award Winners** each receive a cash award of US\$500 (or local equivalent) and a certificate of achievement.

Mail or fax your order to: LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
CLUB SUPPLIES SALES DEPARTMENT, 300 W 22ND ST.
OAK BROOK IL 60523-8842 USA; Fax 630-571-0964

Peace Poster Contest Kit (PPK-1) _____ Qty. @ US\$11.95/each \$ _____
Language Required _____ Tax \$ _____
(Available in all official languages.) Postage & Handling \$ _____
Total \$ _____

Method of payment

Club/District Acct. # _____
Lions Club Name _____
Officer's Signature (Required) _____

The protection of your payment data is important to us. Your credit card* purchases of Lions merchandise must be made directly online at www2.lionsclubs.org. Please do not include your credit card number in any written communication or correspondence. *Visa, MasterCard, Discover.

PR 785 11/13

How to Enter

Lions clubs must order a Peace Poster Contest kit from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. Available in all 11 official languages, it costs US\$11.95, plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. Each kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor one* school or organized, sponsored youth group:

- **Official Club Contest Guide & Rules**
- **Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules**
- **Participant Flyer** may be duplicated and given to each participating student to take home
- **Sticker** to place on back of winning poster
- **Certificates** for contest winner and school or youth group

*Clubs can sponsor more than one contest in either the same or multiple school(s) and/or youth group(s) by purchasing more than one kit. Clubs will send one poster per each contest sponsored to the next level of judging.

The Lions International Essay Contest entry form is also included in this kit and on the LCI website.

Kits are available January 15 – October 1, 2014.

Purchase your kit early to allow adequate time for shipment and contest planning.



To order the Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) submit the form below, order through the online Lions Store (Item search: Peace Poster Kit) or call Club Supplies at (630) 571-5466 or (800) 710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).

Visit www.lionsclubs.org [search: Peace Poster] for more contest information, deadlines, to send a Peace Poster e-card and view past finalists' posters.

Ship order to:

Name _____

Address (No P.O. Boxes) _____

City _____ State/Province _____

Zip Code _____ Country _____

Daytime Phone # (Required) _____

E-mail Address _____

Postage/handling Charges:

United States/Canada - Postage/handling charges will be added at the time of processing your order. An additional charge will be added if second day service is required.

Overseas - Postage/handling charges will be added at the time of processing your order. Duty/taxes may be required upon receipt of your order. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for payment of these duties or taxes.

Sales Tax:

We are obligated to charge sales tax in Illinois and Canada.



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 - Hawaian Theme <i>Get Ready for a FUN NIGHT. Time now to get your Hawaiian Shirts and Skirts</i>	\$ 20.00	
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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

Please mail registration and check/money order to:

MOORHEAD LIONS
PO BOX 1262
MOORHEAD, MN 56561

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



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

Attending

Amount

XXXXXX

XXXXXX

XXXXXX

XXXXXX

XXXXXX

No meals will be available after April 10th, 2015

Make Check Payable to: SM6 PDG Association

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

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

Registration Questions: Joe Fox: foxj012@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



CNIB Night Steps

**Drs. Daya and
Chander Gupta**

Presents:



**CNIB
NIGHT
STEPS**

Walk & Win!

Celebrate a fun, five-kilometer night walk with music, family and friends! Funds raised support vital CNIB services such as teaching independent travel using a white cane.

To register and learn more about CNIB Night Steps,
Visit cnibnightsteps.ca or
email: glenda.gascoigne@cnib.ca

Brighten the Night

A walk under the stars

**Thursday, September 11, 2014 @ 6:30 pm
The Forks Market Plaza**



Gupta
Centre

2014 CNIB Night Steps Registration Form

Name: _____

First Name

Last Name

Address: _____

City: _____ Province _____

Postal Code _____

Phone number: (_____) _____

Email Address: _____

Minimum \$50 pledge (\$25 for children 16 & under) (\$100 family of 4)

What is your personal fundraising goal? _____

Walk & Win!

Step 1 - for every \$50 registration or pledge submitted on walk day, you will receive 1 prize token (example \$50 submitted=1prize token, \$100=2prize tokens, \$150=3 prize tokens.

Step 2 - As you visit the exhibit tents and walk along the route you will pass the prize stations, you may choose to enter all your tokens in one draw or spread them out over several draws.

Please register your event T-shirt size:

T-Shirt type: Ladies / Men / Youth

___S___M___L___XL___XXL___XXXL

We will do our best to fulfill and accommodate your selected t-shirt size, however we cannot guarantee that you will receive the t-shirt size you have selected, if you register after August 15th.

The completed form can be mailed to CNIB:

1080 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3G 3M3

Email to glenda.gascoigne@cnib.ca or fax to 204-775-5090

For further information call 204-774-5421



ACCESSIBLE MEDIA INC.
WWW.AMI.CA

2014 CNIB Night Steps Registration Form

I will be participating in ___ Fraser Valley, BC ___ Winnipeg, MB ___
London, ON ___ Mississauga, ON ___ Toronto, ON ___ Regina, SK

September 11th @ 6:30 p.m. - The Forks Market Plaza - Winnipeg

Name: _____

First Name

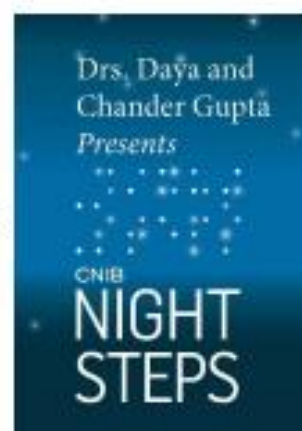
Last Name

Address: _____

City: _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Phone number: (_____) _____

Email Address: _____



Walk & Win!

Step 1 - for every \$50 in registration or pledges submitted on walk day, you will receive 1 prize token (For example \$50 submitted = 1 prize token, \$100 = 2 prize tokens, \$150 = 3 prize tokens. Pledge revenue must be submitted in full on the day of the walk to earn tokens.

Step 2 - As you visit the exhibit tents and walk along the route you will pass the prize stations, you may choose to enter all of your tokens in one draw or spread them out over several draws.

Prizes will be drawn following the walk. ***You can Walk and Win Big!***

Fundraising Goal

What is your personal fundraising goal? _____

Are you a CNIB Client?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Please select your t-shirt and size from the menu below.

T-Shirt type: Ladies / Men / Youth ___ S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___ XXXL

We will do our best to fulfill and accommodate your selected t-shirt size, however we cannot guarantee that you will receive the t-shirt size you have selected, if you register after August 15th.

If you are comfortable doing so, please tell us the name of your employer. Many corporations match gifts employees raise or donate to a charity. Tell us who you work for and we'll be happy to help.

Company Name: _____

The completed form can be dropped off at CNIB 1080 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3G 3M3.

emailed to glenda.gascoigne@cnib.ca or faxed to 204-775-5090.

If you would like to speak to a CNIB representative please call us at 204-774-5421.

CNIB is committed to protecting the privacy of our donors, supporters and stakeholders. We maintain a record of your personal information for registration, tax receipting purposes and to occasionally contact you with fundraising communications. If for any reason you do not wish to be contacted, please call our Helpline at 1-800-563-2642.

Please sign & date waiver on reverse





Newsletter needs club assistance



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.

I am in need of EVERY clubs assistance to improve the newsletter. I am CHALLENGING each club to send in upcoming activities, recaps of events with photos and/or articles, something that your club does. If it is in your local newspaper, have them send it to me please. I WANT EVERY CLUB to be in the newsletter this year. Please help me by sending in items, every month if you would like. Lets get your club on my list.

PLEASE HELP ME MEET THIS CHALLENGE FELLOW LIONS

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

Upcoming deadlines for the newsletter:

August 25th for the September newsletter

September 25th for the October newsletter

October 25th for the November newsletter

November 25th for the December newsletter

Lion Stacy Kleinwachter, Newsletter Editor

Email: skleinwachter@yahoo.com or specialk.stacy@gmail.com



*Thanks to the following clubs for kicking the year off: Ada, **Fertile**, Greenbush-Badger, Grunthal, Hawley, **Lac du Bonnet**, Red Lake Falls, **Ste. Anne**, Thief River Falls Moonlighters Lioness, West St. Paul, Winger, and Winnipeg.*



Websites to Know



Lions Club International: www.lionsclubs.org

Multiple District 5M: www.lionsmd5m.org

District 5M-11: www.lions5m11.org

Lions Program Sites:

Can Do Canines: www.can-do-canines.org

Leader Dogs for the Blind: www.leaderdog.org

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

Lions Eye Bank of Manitoba and NW Ontario: www.eyebankmanitoba.com

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides: www.dogguides.com

Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation: www.mnlionsdiabetes.org

Project New Hope: www.projectnewhope.net

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum: www.usacanadalionsforum.org





**Lions 5M11 District Governor
Club Visitation Request Form
2014—2015**



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:

Address for Site of Visit: _____

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

Lions Contact person for visit: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____ **Special Requests** (Etc Special Speech Topic;
induction of new members: installation of Officers; present awards; dress , or others)

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 Dennis Olson

E: dwolsen@msn.com



97th Lions Clubs International Convention - Toronto



Your 2014-2015 MD5M District Governors gathered with others from around the globe for their banquet following their training at the International Convention in Toronto. These Lions, ready to begin their year in leadership, are: (shown above, left to right) : 5M13 Omer Champigny, 5M11 Dennis Olsen, 5M10 Mark Osthus, 5M9 Gloria Anderson, 5M8 Duane Finger, 5M7 Terry Wold, 5M6 Deb Pedro, 5M5 Diane Nokk, 5M4 Kathy Jensen, 5M3 David Laechel, 5M2 Harry Klenke, and 5M1 Jim Dunlop.



Cabinet Meeting Dates

August 16, 2014- 11:00 am—City Hall in Red Lake Falls

October 25, 2014—11:00 am- Bethany Church in Red Lake Falls

January 30, 2015—3:00 pm- Shooting Star Casino, Mahanomen

May 16, 2015—11:00 am- Bethany Church in Red Lake Falls

Greetings Fellow MD5M Lions:

Lion Steve Wasserman asked me to let everyone know the 2014-2015 Online Directory is now available on the MD5M website. You can access it by going to the website at <http://www.lionsmd5m.org/default.php> and clicking on the Online Directory item in the menu on the left side of the page.

Thanks, Lion Tim Richie, MD5M Webmaster, Email: tjrichie@charter.net

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THE FOLLOWING CLUBS

Winnipeg Transcona Lions

22 years 8/29/1992