



# District 5M11 Newsletter

June 2015



## STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE



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## Melvin Jones Fellowship award from around the District



Lion Gary Bergstrom, LCIF chair John Vik and Wannaska President Dean Brateng.

On Monday, April 13th, at the Zone 7 District Meeting, John Vik presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award to a very dedicated and hard-working Lion who is a member of the Wannaska Lions Club. Lion Gary Bergstrom was chosen by his fellow Lions to receive this Fellowship Award for his outstanding dedicated service to Wannaska Lions and the Wannaska Community where he is instrumental in his church, township government, the planning and building of the Wannaska Community Center, and a contractor providing services throughout the area. Truly an outstanding individual who has done so much for his community, it was great to see a huge representation of his fellow Lions to applaud his recognition this evening. Bergstrom's wife and father were there for the award which they kept a secret.



Saturday, April 11th, LCIF chair John Vik, left, presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award to a very deserving member of the Red Lake Falls Lions Club. The presentation was done at their regular meeting with many of their members in attendance and the family of Lion Vern also present. Lion Vern Gagnon, right, received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award for his 26 years of dedicated service to the community of Red Lake Falls and the Red Lake Falls Lions Club.



Wednesday, April 8th, LCIF chair John Vik presented two Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards to two very deserving members of the Bagley Lions Club. The presentation was held during the Zone meeting at the Fireside Restaurant in Bagley with Lion Kevin Reich (Zone Chair) running the meeting that was attended by the Bagley Lions, Fosston-Lengby Lions, Gonvick Lions, and the Winger Lions Clubs. Lion Leroy Larson, left, and Lion Bernie Eischens, right, were presented with these awards for their 36 and 41 year memberships and dedicated service to the community of Bagley and the Bagley Lions Club. Shown with the two recipients is Bagley Lions President Leroy Riewer, center, a charter member of the Bagley Lions Club.



# DG Dennis's report



DG  
Dennis Olsen

## Lions, Lioness and Leos of 5M11

Hi everyone, I hope you are all having a great time in this spring weather, with the rain and the cool breezes. (No mosquito's yet)

Our District membership at the end of May 2015 stands at 1935 members. For the month of May LCI reports no new members or no member drops. "JUST ASK ONE" is what I am asking our Lion Club members to do. If each member in our District will ask at least one person to join our club, our membership should show a positive gain for the year. Also ask your friends or potential members to participate in one of your club projects. They might enjoy it and join your Lions Club.

Officer training was completed in April. Thanks to PDG Joanne Swanson & DGE Gerald Fontaine for setting up the training and thanks to all the presenters putting on the training for our officers in our District. Job well done. If your club has not reported your new officers for the coming year to LCI, please do so.

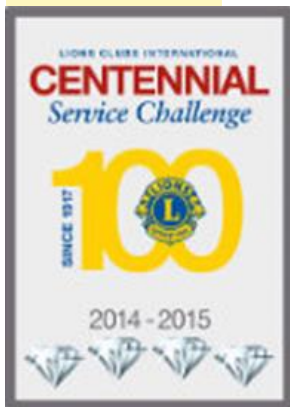
I would like all clubs to work on our Centennial Service Challenge. Our Lions organization will have a birthday in 2017 of 100 years. Our organization is encouraging every club to complete projects that 1. Engage our Youth, 2. Share the Vision, 3. Relieve Hunger, 4. Protect our Environment. Go to the LCI website and search for the "Centennial Service Challenge" and you will find a wealth of information on the Centennial Service Challenge. Inform your Club Secretaries to report any projects that include the above projects to LCI. You will be given credit and if you complete the 4 areas listed above, you will receive a patch for your banner.

Our District is still looking for a 2nd District Governor candidate. If you are at all interested or would like information on being a Vice District Governor, please contact me or any other Past District Governor in our District. The Leadership training the Lions organization gives to upcoming District Governors elect is fantastic and your knowledge of the Lions will be greatly expanded. You will have an opportunity to meet so many more Lions around our Multiple, Nationwide and International. I have personally developed so many more friendship than I would every have .

Again, I would like to thank all of our Lions members in 5M11, for the great work you do with your clubs in serving our communities. Thanks to our District officers for all the time and work you do. Thanks to the Zone chairs for all the help you have given to your clubs in your Zones.

**Lion Dennis Olsen, District Governor 5M11**

**"We Care, We Serve, We Accomplish"**



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





# DG Elect Gerald's Report

## Greetings Lions,

Time sure is flying by. Here we are and it's nearly the end of May.

Since my last report I have attended the following:

The Zone 8 Meeting hosted by Winnipeg South Lions on May 6th. 2015

The organizational meeting of the 2018 Multiple Convention on May 9th, 2015 held and hosted by Winnipeg West Lions

The organizational meeting of the 2016 Mid-Winter Convention on May 23rd. held at Riverside Lions with a number of Winnipeg Lions Clubs in attendance.

For the month of June, I will be attending the Zone Chair Meeting tentatively scheduled for June 20th. Venue yet to be announced.

I am getting ready to take flight to Toronto to visit the LCIF Canada Dog Guide Training Centre in Oakville, ON being held between June 11th and 13th.

My wife and I are anxious about our flight to the Lions International Convention being held in Honolulu, Hawaii. Our flight leaves Winnipeg International Airport on June 22nd. We will be returning on July 2nd. This will be an exciting period for us both and we look forward to it. It will be an exciting time to be sure.

**In Lionism, Lion Gérald Fontaine—DGE 5M 11, Riverside Lions # 3113**



**DG Elect  
Gerald Fontaine**



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



**Goodridge Lion Tamers**  
Fourth graders from Goodridge School received trees from Goodridge Lion Tamers member Jennifer Kotrba for Arbor Day



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# 1st VDG Elect Mike's Report



1st VDG Elect  
Mike Janssen

Hello fellow Lions.

Thank you for your vote of confidence electing me to Vice- District Governor. It should be a very busy lead into The new Lions Year.

Until then keep roaring.

Yours in Lionism

Lion Mike Janssen

1st Vice District Governor Elect



Stopped and dropped off another 120 pair of eye glasses at the Foundation office in downtown Winnipeg in April, and no the Lion is not trying to eat my hat, it's giving me a kiss. Just wanted to clear that up.

Four Lions helping out at the STARS (Shock, Trauma, Air Rescue Society) open house on Saturday May 23rd. PDG Doug Wiens, 1st VDG Elect Mike Janssen, EK Lions members Bob McIntyre and Dennis Doerksen. We took care of the parking and shuttle service to and from the STARS hanger. Looks like the EK Lions have gotten an invitation to tour the STARS facility.



2015-2016 1st Vice District Governors Elect



# State of the District

We added 0 new members this month (May)  
while losing 0 bringing us to 1935 this month with a 0.  
For the year, we have added 1560 members and dropped 161 for a -1.

Worldwide membership is at 1,408,188

*Did you ask someone to be a Lion today?*



## 1.4 Million Members!



Dear Lion,

We have surpassed 1.4 million members in Lions Clubs International thanks to you! We couldn't have achieved this important milestone without your hard work and commitment to growing and strengthening your club. Let's keep the momentum going!

Encourage your Lions to continue inviting new members to expand your service and strengthen your membership. And it all starts by asking one friend, family member or neighbor to join your club.

Focus on keeping your members involved in club activities and service projects that matter to your members. When Lions feel the satisfaction of service, they'll keep coming back for more.

I am proud of what we've achieved so far, and I know we can achieve even more. Let's work together to finish the year strong and keep our great association growing!



# Cabinet Awards



Newsletter Editor Stacy Kleinwachter, center, gave the Red Lake Falls Lions Club an award of appreciation for submission to the newsletter for the 2014-2015 year. They were one of 50 clubs that submitted out of 72, to receive an award. Thank you for submitting to the 5M11 newsletter.



DG Dennis Olsen, left, recognized and awarded his zone chairs/mentors for the 2014-2015 year. Left to right, Gayle Robertson—Zone 1, Scott Grove—Zone 7, Kami Underdahl—Zone 6, Fred McGillivray—Zone 9, Jan Strandlie—Zone Mentor and Ernie Jones—Zone 10. Not Pictured is Brian Nelson—Zone 2, Kevin Reich—Zone 3, Gerald Amiot—Zone 5, Kevin Gamble—Zone 8.



DG Dennis Olsen, right, awards and recognized Lion Stacy Kleinwachter for her hard work on the district newsletter.



PDG Joanne Swanson, third from left, recognized and awarded for being facilitators at the officer training sessions in the north, central and south of district 5M11. Trained around 75 new officers for the upcoming year. Pictured is PDG Dave Hollyoake, Cabinet Secretary Jenifer Spielman, PDG Joanne Swanson, PDG Wayne Swanson, 1st VDGE Mike Janssen, DGE Gerald Fontaine and DG Dennis Olsen. Not pictured is Cabinet Treasurer John Wollenzien, PDG Doug Wiens, PDG Chris Barnard and Lion Liz LaPlant.

## 2015-2016 Cabinet Meeting Schedule

**Cabinet Meeting Schedule for the 2015-2016 year is August 8 in Red Lake Falls, October 24 in Red Lake Falls, February 19 in Winnipeg at the Mid Winter Convention, and May 14 in Red Lake Falls.**





## D-Feet Hearing Loss 4th Annual Walk



Help the 5M11 Team! Donate, check the website and find the 5M11 team!



With your \$25.00 registration/donation you receive:

- Free entrance to the Landscape Arboretum for the day
- Free event t-shirt
- Free Lunch (including root-beer floats)
- Featuring the Teddy Bear Band
- Lots of children's activities, games & prizes
- Fun for families of all ages
- A chance to change a child's life through your \$25.00 registration/donation

**Children ages 12 and under get in free. Bring the whole family for a day of fun for all ages!!!!**

Visit us for more info at: [www.5mhf.org](http://www.5mhf.org)

### Event Details:

- Date: June 6, 2015
- Time: 9:30 a.m.
- Place: Landscape Arboretum, Chaska, MN
- Kids 12 & under get in free!!

### FEATURING:

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!  
**June 6, 2015**



# TEDDY BEAR BAND





## Ste Anne Lions



Peace Poster Winner from the Ste. Anne English School - Veronika Dueck. (non-important people also shown are Lions Chris and Steve.)



Jamie R. receiving the school's participation award for the Ste. Anne English School from Lions Steve and Chris



# STE. ANNE LIONS CLUB

2nd  
Annual

# KITE FESTIVAL

JUNE 20, 2015, 10-5

STE. ANNE, MB

OLD #12 SOCCER PARK

CALL RICK FOR MORE INFO 204-430-6820

Ste. Anne Lions Club Family Kite Festival will take place from 10:00 am till 5:00pm at the old #12 Soccer Park beside the fire hall in Ste. Anne, MB. Don't have a kite buy one on site. Hot dogs and refreshments, music, face painting, henna tattoos and more. Fun for everyone. For more information contact Rick at 204-430-6820.



# **Hawley Lions 5th Annual**

## **4 Person Scramble**

### **Monday, July 20, 2015 at 1:00 PM**

### **Hawley Golf Club—Hawley, MN**

***\$50 per person***  
***Includes green fee, cart, supper, 1 drink ticket***  
***36 team limit***

Entry forms available at the Golf Course  
or email [hans007@msn.com](mailto:hans007@msn.com) for an entry form

**Pays 3 places for net team score, modified California Scramble Handicap System**



**1st Place \$75 per player**  
**2nd Place \$50 per player**  
**3rd Place \$40 per player**  
**1st Place Scratch \$75 per player**



**Compete for Cash Prizes on every hole!!**

**Par 3 Hole in One prize**

- **16th Hole—3 year Lease on 2015 Ford F150 Super Crew Pickup**
- **10th Hole—New Golf Cart**

**All proceeds go to Hawley Lions Service Fund, including:**

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation; Lions Leader, Hearing and Service Dogs; Lions Club International Foundation; REACH; HERT; Food Pantry; Lakes and Prairies Youth Work Camp; Hospice of the Red River Valley; American Legion; United Blood Services; Clay County Sheriff's Posse; Hawley Police Dept.; Clay County Fair—bikes for kids; Scouts; Hawley youth and community programs; Hawley Senior Citizens; disaster aid; and individual needs.

# Centennial Service Challenge



Dear Lions,

Over the past year, I've had the incredible opportunity to help kick off the Centennial Celebration. I've watched as Lions everywhere joined together in service projects benefitting millions of people in our local communities and around the globe.

We've launched the Centennial Celebration Membership Awards and Lions around the world are inviting new members so they can earn special rewards and strengthen their clubs.

Lions are working hard to improve our communities and to make sure that LCI's next 100 years are even better than the first. Great things happen when we work together. Let's show the world what the world's largest service organization can do!

Together in service,

Joe Preston  
Your International President



Centennial  
Service  
Co-Chairs  
Jan and Jim  
Strandlie



## Earn Your Centennial Celebration Membership Award

Looking for a great way to build your membership and earn rewards? The Centennial Celebration Membership Awards gives **all Lions and Lions clubs** the opportunity to earn special limited edition awards for inviting new members and helping to organize new clubs. [Learn more](#) today!

### Centennial Reminders

- Report your Centennial service activities on MyLCI by July 15, 2015 to earn your **Centennial Banner Patch** for 2014-15.
- Visit the [Centennial Toolbox](#) for **Centennial videos** on the history of Lions.
- Visit [Lions100.org](http://Lions100.org) for more Centennial news and updates.

## Notice of ALL CLUBS

**Clubs can easily check to see if they have completed the 4 categories for the Centennial Service Challenge**  
**(Time is running out for this year!)**

On the Service Activities screen where secretaries enter their service activities for the month –

Click on "Find Activities" at the top right corner

A screen will come up with the 4 categories listed (Youth, Vision, Hunger, Environment)

Click on Youth and it will tell you how many activities in this category have been reported by your club and what month!

Click on Vision .....etc., etc.

If you find that you have 0 activities for a particular category, there is still TIME to get busy and do a project in that category to get credit for the 2014/15 Lion year.

The attachment shows this screen.

All Zone Chairs should be aware of this to help out their clubs.

For more information, contact co-chairmen of the District Centennial Service Challenge, Jan and Jim Strandlie. 218-681-2116 or at [janstrandlie@mncable.net](mailto:janstrandlie@mncable.net) or [jimstrandlie@mncable.net](mailto:jimstrandlie@mncable.net)





# Lac du Bonnet Celebration

The Lac du Bonnet Lions held their 52 Charter night celebration on April 26th 2015.



"We present a Lions Foundation Fellowship Award" Left to right are; Lion President Mike Roy, Lion Greg Short (recipient), and District Governor Dennis Olson"



"We inducted 2 new Lions" Left to right are Lion Sponsor Bev Simard, Lion inductee Hanna Juenke, Lion Inductee Greg Gerbrandt, Lion Sponsor Mel Mitchell, and Lion President Mike Roy.



"The Lac du Bonnet Lions held their 52 Charter night celebration on April 26th 2015. Head table guests were from left to right were: Dianne McGillivray, Zone Chair Fred McGillivray, District Governor Dennis Olsen, LdB Lions President Mike Roy, Eliane Carmel Fontaine, and 1st Vice Dist Gov Gerald Fontaine.



Hope Medals were presented to Lions Jim Morrison (shown) and to Bob Lesko " Right to left are District Governor Dennis Olsen , Lion Jim Morrison (recipient) and Lion President Mike Roy .



We present a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award" left to right are District Governor Dennis Olsen, Lion Darryl Popowich (recipient), and Lion President Mike Roy .



We present a Judge Brian Stevenson Award) left to right are District Governor Dennis Olsen, Lion Len Woodworth (recipient), and Lion President Mike Roy.





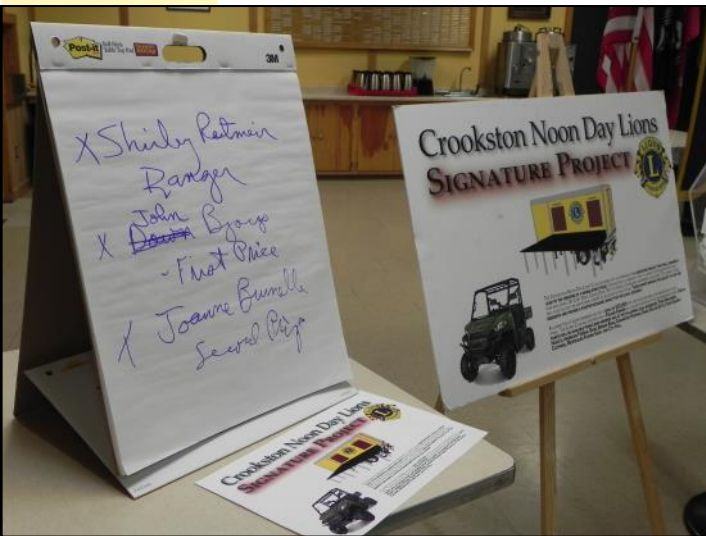
## Crookston Lions



The group of Crookston Noon Day Lions cleaned a 2 mile stretch of Hwy 2 west of Crookston on May 5.



The winners of the Lions Signature Project Raffle. L to R they are Lions Member and Chair of the raffle, Father Roger Grundhaus, John Bjorgo winner of the \$500, Joanne Brunelle winner of the \$250 and Grand Prize winner of the Polaris Ranger Shirley Reitmeier.



The money raised will help fund the \$25,000 mobile event stage for use by the Crookston Community. Crookston is currently host to many outdoor events each year including: Ox Cart Days, Crazy Days, Nite to Unite, Cornstalk Jamboree and more. The mobile stage will also allow for additional events to blossom in the future. These events improve the quality of life for residents and provide a positive economic impact for the local economy.

The Lions Special Project Drawing was held during the Lions Meeting on Monday, May 18th. The winners were: Polaris Ranger was won by Shirley Reitmeier, The \$500 was won by John Bjorgo and the \$250 was won by Joanne Brunelle.



Pictured doing the Drawing is Keith Fountaine from the Red Lake Falls Lions Club who sold the most tickets, the others are l to r Shannon Stassen, Shauna Reitmeier, Tom Jorgens, Father Roger Grundhaus, and Gerald Amiot.







## Fertile Lions



### Fertile Lions Annual Paper Drive

Fertile Lions Sheldon Larson, Art Gredvig, Erman Ueland, Ed Pavek, President Paul Borslien, Elmer Radke, Bob Nelson, Dick Braun, and Ray Nelson., collected and loaded about 3 tons of paper to take to Thief River Falls for recycling. Thanks to Stuhaug Sanitation, the local garbage pickup in Fertile, that graciously helps hauls the papers to Thief River Falls for the Lions. The Lions do this twice a year and collect about the same about.



### Fertile Lions Memorial Day Dinner

The Fertile Lions Club took over this Memorial Day dinner from a Little Country Church, called Sundal, MN. They had been doing this dinner for a number of years and decided to quit, so the Fertile Club decided to take it over. They we put this dinner on every Memorial Day, after the Memorial Day program at the Fertile/Beltrami High School. For the first time, they feel the club did an okay job but look forward to making it better next year.

***The Annual Walk For Dog Guides will be happening in the following communities in District 5M11***

- ***Winnipeg Beach - July 26th***
- ***Winnipeg - September 20th (Birds Hill Park)***



## Dilworth Lions

On May 14th, the Dilworth Lions hosted a "Towards Zero Deaths" traffic safety awards luncheon for local law enforcement. About 75 people were served.



The Clay County Attorney, Brian Melton, addressing the group during lunch.



The officers/deputies/troopers that received traffic safety awards that day.

On the evening of May 14th, the Dilworth Lions cooked for the Cub Scout Blue & Gold Banquet. Over 150 Cub Scouts and family members were served an Italian Pasta meal. We also donated \$250 to the Cub Scout Pack, which we sponsor.

On top of this, had our board/business meeting that evening. It was a busy, but rewarding day for the Dilworth Lions Club. We were able to support Law Enforcement's efforts to lower traffic injuries and fatalities as well as support our youth become better citizens through activities such as scouting.



The Tiger Cubs transitioning to Wolf Cubs during part of the ceremony.





# Flom & Area, Ulen and Karlstad Lions



Flom and Area Lady Lions making Walker Bags for Twin Valley Nursing Home.



Making pancakes with Lions Charlie and Al.



Flom Lady Lions are making shower capes for the residents at the Twin Valley Nursing Home.

**Flom Lions Picnic is June 17, 2015 at 7 PM**  
**Join the Flom Lions Club for a picnic at 7 PM at the**  
**Flom Pub. Contact any of the Flom Lions or the Flom**  
**Pub for details.**

***Breakfast Benefit hosted by the Ulen Lions***  
***June 14, 2015 from 9 am - 12 noon***  
***Ulen Event Center***  
***A breakfast Benefit for medical expenses for Jim Edwards***  
***will be held from 9 AM till Noon on June 14th. Contact Lion***  
***John Otto, secretary of the Ulen Lions Club***  
***for more information.***



The Karlstad Lions Club honored the high school seniors from Tri-County and Heritage schools tonight. An amazing group of young men and women. We wish them the very best.





## Zone Recaps

### Zone 1

The Spring Zone 1 Meeting was held on April 20, 2015, at the Glyndon Community Center, Glyndon, MN, hosted by Glyndon Lions and Lioness Clubs.

The meeting was well attended, with 34 representatives from all 10 Zone 1 Clubs – Barnesville, Barnesville Thursday Nite, Dilworth, Dilworth Loco Ladies, Glyndon, Glyndon Lioness, Moorhead, Moorhead Midday Central, Sabin and DGF Leos –

plus Hawley, Hitterdal and Crookston Dusk to Dawn Lions.

The program included presentations by Lion Ken Bauer on Leader Dog/Canine Development Project and by Lion John Vik on LCIF, followed by updates from DG Dennis Olsen on several areas, especially the 100th anniversary of Lions Clubs International, Lion Russ McDougall on MN Lions Vision Foundation, PDG Lion Jim Aasness on Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation US, Pi Trading and USA/Canada Leadership Forum, PDG Ken Kolding on Can Do Canines and Lion Jim McLaughlin on Diabetes Foundation US.

**Lion Gayle Robertson, Zone 1 Chair**



The zone 3 meeting was held April 8, 2015 at the Fireside Bar and Grill in Bagley.

The meeting was hosted by the Bagley Lions on their regular meeting night. There was 100% club representation with all four Lions Clubs represented. Total attendees, Lions and guests, numbered 38.

The program included presenters; Lion John Vik-LCIF, Lion Jan Strandlie of St Hilaire Lions-Lions Centennial 2017, PDG Lion Jim Strandlie- Lions Hearing Foundation.

Lion John Vik presented MJF awards to two Bagley Lions.

Each club had someone give an update on recent and upcoming activities.

Lion Kevin Reich mentioned it is time to report new officers, the upcoming officer training, and the 2017 Anniversary Convention. He presented a Centennial banner patches to representatives of each of the four clubs. He closed the meeting with "a moment in Lionism."

A club visit was made to Winger on March 18, 2015 and to Fosston-Lengby March 25, 2015. In Winger and 'inspiration award' was presented to Lion "Bun" Anderson by Lion Kevin Reich.

It has been an honor and learning experience to serve as zone chair the past 13 months. This zone has some truly devoted and serving Lions.

**Lion Kevin Reich, Zone 3 Chair**

### Zone 4

Since the Mid-Winter Convention, as part of my second round of club visits, I have attended the meetings of four of the five clubs in Zone 4.

The Zone 4 Spring Meeting was hosted by the Fertile Lions on April 8th at Erickson's Smokehouse Restaurant in Fertile, Minnesota. Four of the five clubs were in attendance, those being the Crookston Lions, the Dawn to Dusk Lions, the Fertile Lions and the Red Lake Falls Lions. The meeting was well attended, with 34 Lions present at the meeting, including our guest speaker. The featured speaker was Lion Jim DuChamp, District 5M-11 Co-Chair for the Can Do Canines Assistance program, celebrating 25 years of service. Lion Jim gave a fine presentation on Can Do Canines, which is "dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities such as Hearing Loss, Mobility Challenges, Seizure Disorders, Type 1 Diabetes, and Childhood Autism, by creating mutually beneficial partnerships with specially trained dogs". He also provided information on the Lions "Can Do Canines" Top Dog Award.

PDG Joanne Swanson, District 5M-11 Club Excellence Process, USA and GLT Leader, spoke about the Club Excellence Process and the upcoming new officer training to be held in Twin Valley on April 21 and on April 22 in Karlstad, Minnesota.

On behalf of the Fertile Lions, PDG Wayne Swanson presented long time Fertile Lions member, Art Gredvig, with a "Helen Keller Award".

Club presidents, in their reports, were asked to focus on projects completed or planned in the areas of Youth, Vision, Hunger and the Environment, as part of the Centennial Service Challenge.

Upon request by incoming District Governor, Gerald Fontaine, I have agreed to continue serving as Zone 4 Chair for the coming Lions year.

**Lion Jerry Amiot, Zone 4 Chair**

On March 11th I visited the Warren Lions Club. They elected officers and talked about ways to increase membership. The club has a couple of fundraising activities planned in March and May. Jim DuChamp, Can Do Canines was the guest speaker.

Plummer Lions Too receive my visits monthly J:J)

I have visited with Plummer Lions and Thief River Falls Moonlighters Lioness on District updates and planned events.

On March 24th our Zone 5 meeting was held at the Black Cat in Thief River Falls with the Thief River Falls Lions Club hosting. Roll call "What are your club projects or activities planned for May/June"? 6 Clubs were present. Jim & Jan Strandlie will be co-chairs for District 5M 11 "Lions Club International Centennial Service Challenge". I handed out information on the challenge from Lions Clubs International. I also talked about the Club Officers training in April (dates to be announced) and the importance of utilizing Social Media and the internet.

Lion Connie Hagen, District 5M11 Co-Chair Diabetes Foundation USA was the guest speaker. Lion Connie talked about the latest information on Diabetes research and did a great job of bringing her professional (she's a nurse) and personal insight (family members with diabetes) into the causes, effects and preventative measures of Diabetes.

For "Door Prizes" Lion Jim DuChamp, Plummer Lions did a "Lions Trivia" for Plummer Lions Spring Fling tickets to Billy D and the Crystals on Saturday, April 11th at the Plummer Hall.

**Lion Deb DuChamp, Zone 5 Chairperson**

### Zone 3

### Zone 5



## Zone 6

Zone 6 spring meeting was held on March 30th with the Stephen club hosting. We had 24 Lions in attendance with 5 of 7 clubs represented. Guest speakers were Lion Jim DuChamp from Can do Canines and Lion Steve Rosten from Leader dog. I had a few handouts on Friends and Family month and Worldwide week of service, and also a handout called "Your Club, Your Way" which if you haven't looked at I would suggest you do. The Stephen Lions Club did some creative tail twisting which got most everyone involved which is always fun!

I am working on getting in my last club visits for the year. Since the mid winter convention I have went to 5 club meetings and spoke about the Centennial Service Challenge and spoke to the club secretaries to make sure they know and understand what needs to be done when reporting activities. I am still looking for a replacement; hopefully someone will step up to the plate!

**Lion Kami Underdahl, Zone 6 Chair**



On April 13, the Wannaska Lions hosted the spring Zone 7 meeting. Five of the zone's seven clubs answered the roll call of "What will you do tomorrow?" Over forty Lions and guests were in attendance to hear PDG Jim Strandlie present on the Lion's Hearing Foundation, Lion Jan Strandlie present on the Centennial Challenge and to witness Lion John Vik present a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Gary Bergstrom. Clubs present were reminded of Officer training and asked to please make sure officers have access to email.

I will be following up with both Goodridge clubs to give them the information on the Centennial Challenge.

I have reminded the two clubs that have not yet submitted the PU-101 to get that taken care of.

**Lion Scott Grove, Zone 7 Chair**



## Zone 9

The Clubs in this Zone are doing fine. With the visits to Clubs and meetings that I have been able to attend with the various clubs, I feel they are all trying to do their part for Lionism. They are all trying to recruit new members as this is always a battle especially finding and keeping younger members. The election of new officers has been completed and it's good to see new names as officers as we need new faces to step up and carry on these Clubs.

To keep these members it's very important for clubs to have major projects once or twice a year. To hold their interest they should also try to have smaller or on-going programs monthly.

Most of the clubs are doing this with local community work by helping for example with recycling and refuse pick up, local library help, and community and senior clubs helping where required.

The programs developed by Lions International are great in most cases with the clubs having to set them in motion. The clubs still need to manage their own areas and I feel this is why these local programs and ideas are much needed as they build the friendship that keep the welfare and health of each club strong and lasting.

I have enjoyed the last couple of years as Zone Chair and hope that in some way I may have helped the clubs in Zone 9. The warm welcomes received on visits to clubs and new friends made it very worthwhile.

**Lion Fred McGillivray, Zone 9 Chair**

WOW!!! What a night. At slightly after 7 p.m., the last zone 10 meeting of the year began. Lion Bea Barnard introduced Jocelyn Johnson, her husband Adrian and her dog Lulu. Jocelyn is deaf and Lulu is her hearing service dog.

Their talk, Jocelyn signing with her husband Adrian interpreting kept the audience in rapt attention throughout the 35 or 40 minute presentation on why service dogs are important, how they help those who need them, and a little about where service dogs are and are not allowed to go. They also discussed the many facets of service dogs in general, and why it is important for Lions clubs to continue to support service dogs. There was a wonderful question and answer period after their presentation.

We stopped then for a 5 minute coffee/tea/cookie break before continuing. Lion Bea Barnard then gave us an update on the Canadian and Manitoba stats with regard to service dogs, how many teams have already been established, and how many are waiting for dogs to become available.

The chair then mentioned a number of items – The Club Health Assessment was passed around for all to read and ask questions if there were any. Your Club – Your Way was also mentioned as was the Club Excellence Process, the district newsletter, 'STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE', the Peace Poster and Project Pride, and member Orientation. There were some comments from various groups about what they are doing in these various areas.

We had club reports from St. James, Winnipeg West, and Winnipeg Beach/Dunnottar/Lakeside, and finally the Lions Club of Winnipeg. Sadly there was no report available from Selkirk and District.

Andrea Kwasnicki then gave a brief presentation about diabetes, how many Manitobans have Type 1, how many are afflicted with Type 2, and what the future looks like to the citizens of the province. Her real purpose to be invited to speak at the zone meeting was to give a presentation on a special program for diabetes risk assessment; she would like to bring to all clubs in districts 5M11 and 5M13. There would be training involved for all prospective volunteers to operate diabetes risk assessment clinics in such places as apartment blocks for seniors, shopping malls or places where people gather that would make it ideal to run such clinics. Her aim is to visit all clubs in these districts to try to sign up members to volunteer to run these clinics.

We were fortunate that there were 24 people at the zone meeting. Two special guests were Jan and Jim Strandlie from Minnesota, who asked me if they could come and speak on the CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE. They would like to get all clubs on board. From here on, Lion Kevin Gamble has been tasked with taking this message to all the Canadian Clubs in district 5M 11 and the Strandlie's will visit the US clubs.

Finally Lion Dave Hollyoake gave a brief word about the multiple convention in 2018. It appears to have passed at the governor's group, so now the committee can get serious about planning all the details. Lion Dave also mentioned the officer training at Transcona, on Thursday, April 30th, 2015.

Before the meeting adjourned, I was tasked with presenting the St. James Lions Club a banner patch for maintaining and adding to their membership. I also had the privilege of presenting a key award to Lion Florence Hadden who sponsored 2 new members to the St. James club.

Other notable guests were DGE Gerald Fontaine, and PDG Gunter Zionn. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

**Lion Ernest Jones, Zone 10 Chair**

## Zone 7

## Zone 10



# Ste. James/Lakeside/USA Canada Forum

## St. James Lions Club -

held no meetings in January, February, and March, as they take a winter hiatus.

They donated \$50 to the Dog Guides , matching an earlier donation making the donation \$100.

Donated \$500 to Heritage Lodge (a residence for people nearing the end of life) to purchase an "end of life combination bed and chair"

Donated \$200 to the Cavalcade of Lions.

St. James continues to collect and pick up eyeglasses. They delivered 950 pairs to the Lions Eye Bank

They have had their election of officers and registered them with Lions.

## Winnipeg Beach/Lakeside Lions

Here is on some of the events we have planned for the rest of this year:

- **Sunday, July 26th 10:00 am to 1:00 pm** – Dogs on the Boardwalk – fundraiser for Dog Guides ; Winnipeg Beach Bandstand; click on this link to register or donate: <https://www.purinawalkfordogguides.com/locations/walk.cfm?ID=500>
- **Sunday, August 16th** – Family Fun Day – Winnipeg Beach Homecoming – more details to follow
- **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 with the Winnipeg Beach Firefighters – more details to follow
- **Saturday, December 5th** – annual Cookie Walk at the Winnipeg Beach Legion – more details to follow

The Grand Forum  
IN GRAND RAPIDS

**USA/Canada  
LIONS  
LEADERSHIP FORUM**

September 17-19, 2015  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

For details & registration, visit: [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org)

For more information or an application, please contact  
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## Winnipeg Lions Club update

Since our Spring Dinner, things have been relatively quiet. We have just been going along, paying the bills from our dinner as they are presented to us, and working at finalizing the profit. I anticipate a presentation to the Lions Foundation – Medical Assistance Plan just as soon as the financials are finalized.

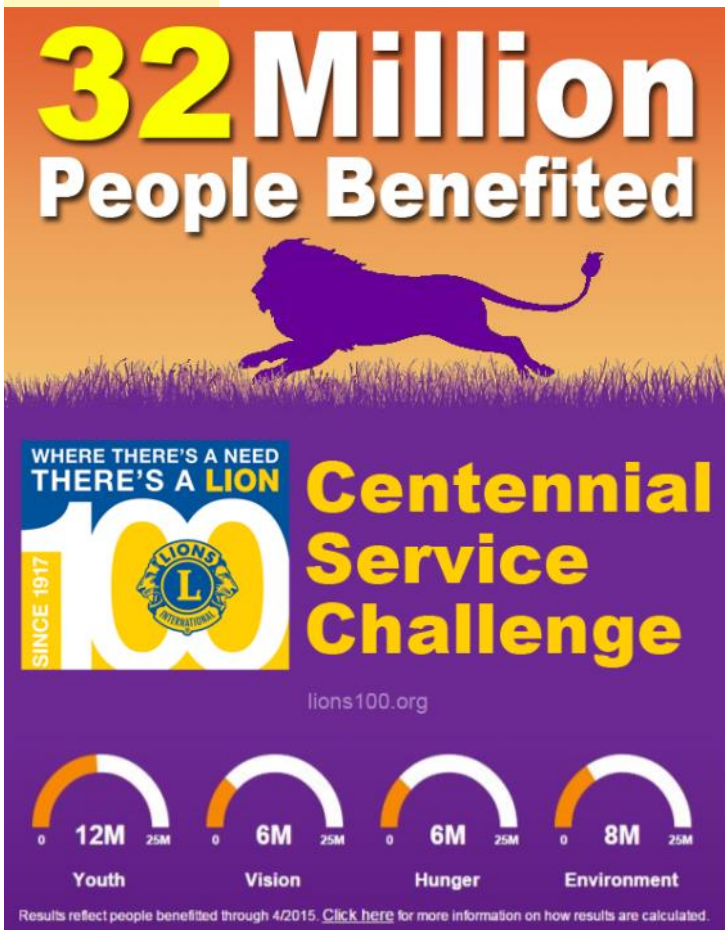
Our evening meetings are going very well, and proving to be successful. We have had 2 wonderful speakers from the Winnipeg Police Service who have both kept our members and their guests = which have numbered in the 30's very engaged. The last speaker – Sgt. Feliksiak, actually took a picture of one of our members standing in front of a building, and using GPS (and some magic) was able to display on the screen a google map of the exact location where the picture was taken. His very popular presentation was how to protect yourself in today's cyber world.

We presented our report at the final zone meeting of the year at the end of April,. We are just beginning the preparations for our annual Rose Day Tag Day fundraiser, which will happen on June 4th. Our golf committee has been meeting to make the arrangements for our 100 Hole Golf Marathon on September 14th. If there are any interested parties out there just contact us and we will make sure you have all the information you need. We welcome all comers.

As per the request of Lions, we held our elections in early April and the results were submitted to the appropriate authorities.

Our Annual Awards Day will happen on June 11th, 2015, , and the planning committee is hard at work making sure it will be a success.

For our next report, I hope to be able to tabulate the profits from our Spring Dinner, the success of our Rose Day tag day and where that money has been allocated, and anything else of importance.



## 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!



# International News

## Get Your Club on the Centennial Service Ticker

When your club sponsors a Centennial service project, you'll be featured on the front page of the LCI website! Just report your Centennial service projects through [MyLCI](#), and each week we'll update the Centennial Service Ticker with clubs reporting qualifying service activities. Don't miss your chance to be recognized!

## Providing Treatment for River Blindness

River blindness is a parasitic infection that occurs through the bite of a black fly, and may lead to low vision or irreversible blindness, as well as disfiguring skin diseases. River blindness is endemic to Central, East and West Africa, parts of Latin America and the Middle Eastern country of Yemen.

A SightFirst grant of US\$384,298 was recently awarded to Cameroon's National Onchocerciasis Control Program. The grant will be used for continued river blindness treatment activities in the North, Far North and Adamaoua regions. More than 1.5 million Mectizan® treatments will be provided to impacted populations.



# LCIF Update

Dear Lions,

As Chairperson of your Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), I have the privilege of traveling the globe to see the amazing work Lions are doing. Every day, you provide disaster relief, empower our young people and serve our communities. You also remain committed to saving sight. Whether you are conducting vision screenings, providing eyeglasses or medicine, you are giving the gift of sight.

Together with LCIF and partners like The Carter Center, Lions have helped to restore sight to 7.7 million people through cataract surgeries; prevented serious vision loss for more than 30 million; provided over 271 million treatments for river blindness; built or expanded 660 eye care hospitals and clinics; and trained 681,000 eye care specialists and eye health workers. Congratulations, Lions!

As we celebrate these achievements, know that there is still much work to be done. With your contribution, LCIF will be able to support Lions all over the world who continue making a positive impact in the lives of people who are blind or visually impaired.

Thank you for commitment to saving and restoring sight.

Sincerely,

Barry J. Palmer

Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



## Hearing Aid Recycling

In addition to the well-known eyeglass recycling boxes, the LCI Store now offers new Hearing Aid Collection Boxes! Encourage members of your community to donate their usable hearing aids to help those in need hear better. <http://lion.ly/LrxtN>





## 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.



# 100% Secretary's Award Application for 14-15

The International Association of Lions Clubs

DISTRICT 5M-11

## 100% Secretary's Award Application 2014-2015

In order to receive the 100% Secretary's Award, each Club Secretary who has qualified must fill out this form and have it approved and signed by the Club President and Zone Chair. The listed criteria apply to the 2013-14 Lions year. (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015)

The form is to be completed and submitted to the District Governor no later than July 31, 2015.

CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### TO QUALIFY, ALL FIVE (5) OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA MUST BE MET:

- \_\_\_\_\_ All Monthly Membership Reports mailed or filed electronically to LCI by last day of current month.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All District Monthly Activity Reports (MAR) mailed or emailed to DG, VDG's, Cabinet Secretary and Zone Chair by last day of current month.
- \_\_\_\_\_ PU-101 (report of new officers) submitted to District Governor by May 1, 2015.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All dues to the District and Lions International paid by March 31, 2015, with no unpaid balance over \$50.00 owed to Lions International.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Maintained and kept accurate minutes of all club and board meetings, attendance records, awards, and sponsorship records; and processed all club correspondence in a timely manner.

### IN ADDITION, SIX (6) OF THE FOLLOWING NINE (9) MUST BE FULFILLED:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Submit Annual LCI Activities Report to LCI by July 1, 2015, with copy to DG.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend two (2) of the three (3) Zone Meetings during the 2014-2015 year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend a District 5M-11 Club Officer Training Session during the year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend one (1) of the following:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 5M11 Midwinter Convention \_\_\_\_\_ 5M Multiple Convention
  - \_\_\_\_\_ LCI International Convention \_\_\_\_\_ USA/Canada Forum
- \_\_\_\_\_ Arrange for an Induction Ceremony for all new Lions members of your club.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Arrange for an Orientation Presentation for all new Lions members of your club.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor a new member into your club.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Make club members aware of monthly District Newsletter or print and distribute copies at monthly meeting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Prepare this form with all 3 signatures and mail it to District Governor by July 31, 2015.

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

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Zone Chair: \_\_\_\_\_





# Can Do Canine Message

Thanks to the support of Lions Clubs across 5M, Can Do Canines continues to train specially trained for people with disabilities and provide them to those in need, free of charge.



**Attention Lions! Save the date for the Can Do Woofaroo. Our annual fundraising walk (with dogs!) will take place on Saturday, September 12 at our**

facility in New Hope, Minn. Keep an eye out for details on how to get involved in next month's issue!



In the meantime, here is a powerful story about a recent graduate, Sandy McKie, who was recently partnered with a Can Do Canines Hearing Assist Dog named Alea. And, thank you for your continued support of our organization!

## A Little Bit of Comfort

*Sandy McKie & Hearing Assist Dog Alea*

One of Sandy McKie's favorite quotes is from Neale Donald Walsh, who states ... "life begins at the end of your comfort zone." Little did Sandy know that being diagnosed with degenerative adult onset hearing loss in both ears would make her live out of her comfort zone 24/7.

In the beginning, her life didn't change drastically. The hearing aids, amplified phone, and audio assistance devices she bought helped. She told family and friends, but not co-workers, about her condition and life went on.

However, through the years, each check-up revealed increased hearing loss, and everyday life became more difficult. Sandy, who works at a junior high school in Scandia, Minn., found herself relying on co-workers more and more to alert her to the bells, alarms, and announcements she could no longer hear.

"And at home, I wasn't doing much better." Sandy says. "I burned meals, had an oven fire—due to not hearing the timer—and was late for work because I couldn't hear the alarm."



Sandy McKie & Alea on Can Do Canines Graduation Day, April 25, 2015



After expressing her frustrations, her audiologist suggested applying for a Hearing Assist Dog with Can Do Canines. Almost a year later, Sandy met Alea, a terrier-mix, adopted from the Animal Humane Society and trained by Can Do Canines. Sandy says that Alea has transformed her life in so many ways by alerting her to sounds both at work and at home.

“At home, Alea is able to alert me to alarms, timers and, because I live in a rural area, deer, crows and other critters,” Sandy says “At work, she alerts me to bells, announcements and drills. I am confident that if any emergency situation should arise she will alert me to that as well.”

When she’s not working, Alea is like any other dog who loves to run outside, play and fetch. Sandy has begun having Alea pick up items such as keys when she drops them, because she can’t hear the sound. As a result, Alea has begun to pick up everything for a reward. Sandy is hoping that housekeeping will be next!

Sandy says she is eternally grateful to Can Do Canines for this gift of an assistance dog. She no longer feels sad or anxious about her hearing loss.

“Yes, my life will continue to change as everyone’s does,” Sandy says. “But with Alea’s help, she will push me past my comfort zone with confidence.”

## 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.*



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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 year as well as the cabinet members that sent me items. 40 out of 72 of the clubs have submitted something. That's almost 75% of the clubs. Next year, I want to see this number increase with the ultimate goal of getting every club to submit even ONE item. **I am moving at the end of the month (27th) back up north and will be losing internet access for at least two weeks if not longer. If I don't have it by the 20th for the newsletter, I will hold it over for the next issue. I hope to have the newsletter out before the 26th!**

*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:

**June 20th — July Newsletter (moving at the end of the month and am firm on this as I am losing internet access for at least two weeks)**

**July 25th — August 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, Alvarado, Bagley, Barnesville, Barnesville Thursday Nite, Crookston, Crookston Dawn to Dusk, Dilworth, Dilworth Loco Ladies, East Kildonan, East St. Paul, Fertile, Flom and Area, Fosston-Lengby, Gary, Glyndon, **Goodridge Lion Tamers**, Greenbush-Badger, Grunthal, Hallock, Hawley, Hitterdal, Karlstad, Lac du Bonnet, Moorhead, Moorhead Midday Central, Pinawa, Plummer, Red Lake Falls, Riverside, Roseau, Sabin, St. James, St. Hilaire, Ste. Anne, Steinbach and Area, Thief River Falls, Thief River Falls Moonlighters Lioness, Twin Valley, Ulen, **Wannaksa**, Warren, Warroad, West St. Paul, Whitemouth and District, Winger, 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**

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**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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## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THE FOLLOWING CLUBS

Roseau Lions	64 years	6/6/1951
East Kildonan Lioness	34 years	6/8/1981
Flom and Area Lions	32 years	6/30/1983
Goodridge Lion Tamers	16 years	6/16/1999
Plummer Lions Too	16 years	6/17/1999
Dilworth Loco Ladies Lions	11 years	6/22/2004
Moorhead Lions	8 years	6/29/2007