# Keep your foot on the accelerator

by DG Willie Brown

It appears spring has finally decided to show up in our little part of heaven ... thank the Lord.

By the time you read this I will have attended our Multiple District Convention in Rochester, Minnesota, including my final Council of Governors meeting. However, there is still much to do before the end of the Lions year. I am asking that all clubs keep the foot hard down on the accelerator to accomplish your goals for the year. We are headed towards the checkered flag and want to end up in the winner's circle knowing we have done the best we can for our clubs, district, and International.

As we begin to think about the clubs winding up for the year, I know many clubs plan for a wind-up celebration. It would be a great opportunity to invite the non-Lions that have assisted your club this year, you might find one or two that you can ask to join your club before the end of the year. Do not miss out on asking these volunteers, they have already shown they want to give back to your community. Our biggest mistake is not asking prospective members to join.

"Woof, woof, bark, grufff" ... that's dog talk for "thank you for caring. Many clubs are participating in the Purina Walk for Dog Guides, and with the official walk date at the end of May you can still get a sponsor sheet filled out, and participate in a walk near you. If you don't own a pooch ...walk a Lion.

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Thank you for

all you do for

Lions

Now is the planning time to attend the USA / Canada Forum.
This year it will be held in Overland Park,

Kansas, September 19 to 21. There will be many great presenters, and over 70 seminars on all aspects of Lions. Join us for new topics and presenters for educational seminars, motivational and inspirational speakers. Guaranteed to be fun.

Congratulations to our Lions Leadership graduates from the training session that was held in Mahnomen. I heard we were very well represented by Lions Chad Bodnarchuk, Wanda Kingdon, Gord Kingdon and Helmut Neufeld. It is with such training 5M13 is able to find leaders for the future.

Are you looking for **new way of increasing membership**? Not sure how to
bring more families to your meetings? **How about including new members in projects?** LCI is
having webinars on these very subjects! Go to the
Lions Training Section of the 5M13 Website and
register TODAY!

Thank you for all you do for Lions DG Willie

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## 66 lions representing 25 clubs from 5M-13 attend Leadership training

Five clubs to join Club Excellence Process:

Brandon Wheat City, Brandon Keystone, Wawanesa, Holland, and Rivers

by Lion Cheryl McKitrick 204-873-2091 C204-825-8073 cemckit@inetlink.ca

ur Global Leadership and Global Membership Teams had three very successful training sessions, one in Shoal Lake, one in Portage la Prairie and one in Swan River. We had hoped that these geographical area choices would allow Lions to not have to travel too far for training.

Our team was excited with the response from Lions in 5M13. Total Lions attending were 66, representing 25 clubs, which is 40% of the district clubs. Wonderful!! This is the most clubs that we have had at

training for many years.

All evaluations were very positive, and some new ideas were given for the next year training. Clubs represented were: Waskada, Birtle, Hamiota, Rivers, Shoal Lake, Oak Lake, Minnedosa, Russell, Rossburn, Melita, Wawanesa, MacGregor, Brandon Wheat City, Brandon Prairie Pride, Crystal City, Elgin, Warren & District, Portage la Prairie, Holland, Roblin, Binscarth, Minitonas, Bowsman, Swan River, and The Pas Northern Lites.

Sessions covered were:

MYLCI: this session looked at the Lions website. and all the information that is available on the site. Many of our Lions do have computers these days, so they all commented on learning something about the Lions website and how to navigate the site. Many of the Lions were not aware of the information that is provided on the sites.

Membership and Retention issues were



discussed, and ideas given and good discussion as to how to get new members and younger members, but more important was how to retain our members.

Team work exercise which got all Lions moving around the room, seeking out knowledge about other Lions whom they did not know. A lot of laughs were heard and some visiting.

"Re-Charge - Take a Look at your Club & Community". This was a very well done session with great response. The Club Excellence Process was explained fully, and from this session 5 clubs wanted to join the Club Excellence Process which the Team are holding in Zone 8 at Wawanesa, starting April 22.

Clubs that are going to attend are, Brandon Wheat City and Brandon Keystone, Wawanesa, Holland, and Rivers. The CEP Facilitators are looking forward to the process and will complete a report after the sessions are completed.

"Keep your Club on the MAP". This session was on LCI and District reporting. Actual computer training on the process was given and explained. Many questions were asked, and we realize that this session is more geared to secretary's, BUT anyone at the training could be a secretary sometime, so it was good knowledge to learn. We do understand that not all clubs report on their computer, and if not they would be mailing in reports to LCI and the district

monthly. The reports to LCI and District 5M13 are to be completed monthly.

There are three reports, Membership and Activity Reports to LCI and the District report to 5M13. I do believe that almost all of our clubs have the capabilities to report on line, as all secretary's or president's have at least one email address. in other words all clubs have an email access listed in their Executive Officers. This is fantastic and a positive move forward, as 5 years ago, many clubs did not have an email address. This is a slower process, but our district is moving forward.

In closing, I would just like to encourage more clubs to attend our sessions next year, so please when you get the first notice, promote it to your members. New members really benefit from the training. It does not just have to be executive members.





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## Set goals to meet Club Excellence Award

by PDG Lion Harvey Kingdon

ions Clubs International (LCI) 2012-13 President, Wayne A. Madden, asks each club to use the "Club Excellence Award" criteria and "pause briefly four times a year for self-

To qualify for the award a club must further the objectives of the association, adhere to the association's constitution and by-laws and policies, and meet each of the following requirements during the fiscal year.

### 1. Club In Good Standing

The per capita taxes and member entrance fees are paid as well as outstanding debts.

### 2. Service

The club has conducted at least three service activities.

3. Contribution to LCIF

The club made an instalment payment for a Melvin Jones Fellowship or donation to LCIF.

### 4. Membership

Club achieved a net growth or sponsored a new club.

#### 5. Communication

Publicized clubs service activities through local media and effectively communicated to members

6. Leadership Development Offices were filled according to the constitution & by-laws by qualified Lions, club officers

participated in a leadership training process, and the club was represented at zone meet-

### 7. Club Development

Club hosted regular and meaningful club meetings and submitted the monthly Membership, the Service Activity Report, and the Club Officer report (PU-101) in a timely manner.

Our District 5M-13 Lions provide outstanding service and by meeting the above criteria can be recognized through the "Club Excellence Award". During the 2011-12 Lions year a number of deserving clubs did not qualify for such recognition by not meeting the qualifications of perhaps one of the criteria – an increase in membership, no donation to LCIF or neglecting to submit the required forms on time.

Let us include meeting the requirements of the "Club Excellence Award" in our club goals, do the self-evaluations and be recognized for our excellent

## **Revised** Constitution and Bylaws

The recent revisions to the District 5M-13 Constitution & By-laws have been prepared for distribution. Each Zone Chairperson will receive hard copies to give to each club in his/her Zone. You are asked to keep your copy and to annually replace any page that gets revised, during the business session held at the Mid-Winter Convention, with the new page that will be forwarded to you.

When was your club's Constitution & By-Laws last revised? Perhaps it is time to check it over and prepare any needed changes.

## Lions district pins available

he Lions District Pins distribution has been taken over by Lion Don Martin of Wawanesa.

There are 21 years of the Multiple District 5M Snowman pins available, some as far back as 1988. Also available are a small number of District 5M13 Pins of one form or another.

If there are any Lions members in our District that still have an interest in Pin collecting, call Lion Don at 204-824-2457 or e-mail him at dmmart@mts.net

Suggested cost is reasonable at 1 pin for \$1 or 3 pins for \$2 or any other reasonable offer. A list of the years and the number of pins on hand in each year can be e-mailed to anyone inter-

## Reminder to Secretaries

Please make sure to submit your new club officers to PDG Cheryl McKitrick cemckit@inetlink.ca Box 340, Crystal City, MB R0K 0N0



### 2012-2013 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
	2012-2013 Clul	p Presidents' Name	Member Number	
	<b>CLUB IN GOOD STANDING</b> – International per capita taxes and new member entrance fees are paid in full and there is noutstanding balance of US\$50 or more that is ninety (90) days or more past due.			
	SERVICE – The club has conducted at least three service projects. Please briefly describe the service activities that were conducted:			
	Date:	Activity:		
	Date:	Activity:		
	Date:	Activity:		
	<b>CONTRIBUTION</b> — The club has made a contribution to LCIF.			
	<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.			
	☐ Net Growth in	Members: D	lame of sponsored club or Branch:	
	<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.			
	LEADERS UP DEVELOP	AFAIT All officers of the control of	d in accordance with the constitution a	and by Law by the P.C. of

2012-2013 District Governor's Signature\* \* In undistricted areas the Coordinating Lion or Provisional Zone or Region Chairpersons should sign the completed form.

Report, the Service Activity Report, and the Club Officer Report (PU-101) in a timely manner.

international level and the club was represented at zone meetings.

The completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, and the completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, and the completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, and the completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, and the completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, and the completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, and the complete form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, and the complete form must be mailed to the English Language Department of the Complete form ofto arrive by September 30, 2013. 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 2013-2014 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed to the Coordinating Lions or directly to the 2013-2014 club president.

Lions, a majority of the club officers participated in a leadership training program at the zone, district, multiple district or

CLUB DEVELOPMENT – The club has hosted regular and meaningful club meetings and submitted the Monthly Membership

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District Governor Willie Brown visited the three Swan Valley Clubs on January 26, hosted by the Minitonas Lions Club. During his visit he swore in two new members to the Minitonas and Swan River Clubs. Among the many presentations by DG Willie that night was the awarding of a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Minitonas Lion Keith Robb.



During DG Willie Brown's visit to Minitonas he toured the Swan Valley Lions Recycling Depot building which has been in operation since the end of January 2013. It is 5000 square feet and currently employs 8 people. That will increase when we get the rest of the new equipment.



## 2013 Minitonas Lions Cataract Equipment Fundraiser Supper

On Sunday, April 14th, 2013, the Minitonas and District Lions Club held a fundraising supper which fed over 400 supporters of the Swan Valley Lions. Funds went towards cataract equipment purchase for the local hospital. This supper was to help with the commitment of over \$300,000 towards the equipment purchased by the three local Swan Valley Lions Clubs, which are Bowsman, Minitonas, and Swan River. It was held at the War Veterans Hall in Swan River.



### 2013 Billy Beal Ice Fishing Derby

589 hardy contestants bought tickets and braved the cold -20c plus wind chill weather for a chance to win the first place prize of \$10,000 at the 16th annual Billy Beal Ice Fishing Derby. The event, which took place on Saturday, March 16th at Whitefish Lake is an annual fundraiser put on by the three local Swan Valley Lion Clubs, Bowsman, Minitonas, and Swan River, for the Swan Valley Lions Medical Assistance Fund.

Since it's start, the Swan Valley Lions Medical Assistance Fund has given \$135,903.66 to 152 local residents. Administration costs to date are \$78.41.

The three local Swan Valley Lion Clubs would like to congratulate all the winners and thank everyone involved again for their support and hope to see you there next year.

A total of 16 fish were caught and with just seconds left, the grand prize winner of the \$10,000 was Linda Lafreniere from Camperville, MB with a pike weighing in at 5.06 pounds.



Bowsman Lion President Calvin Pierrepont with Bowsman Lion Barry Stephen, committee chair for the Billy Beal Ice Fishing Derby.

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### AUSTIN

Two new members

### **BINSCARTH**

Sponsored & built dollies for moving stacked chairs at the Community Hall \$197; Regular season hockey draft & weekly bingo \$4,000. Donations to: Walk for Hospice \$500, Wayway native dance competition \$200.

### **BRANDON CROCUS**

Partnered with Brandon Lions at the Winter Fair working with children, supervising and doing demonstrations \$900; Selling Mother's Day Draw raffle tickets.

### **BRANDON WHEAT CITY**

Volunteered selling raffle tickets at CNIB "Making Light With Laughter" supper, raised \$3,500; Sold CNIB raffle tickets at Winter Fair; Visitation by 15 members to Brandon/Crocus/Keystone meeting. Donations to: Special

Olympics \$2000; Ashley

Neufeld Softball Complex, committed \$20,000 over 5 years; Blind Golfers' Association \$50.

### **CRYSTAL CITY**

Worked bar & served chili on a bun at no cost for local hockey team's 5th Annual Krokinole Tourney; collected 15 eyeglasses.

### **ERICKSON**

Delivered Meals on Wheels; Donation to Erickson Collegiate Winter Festival \$25.

### **HAMIOTA**

Calendar sales \$4,178.

Donation to resident from Hamiota Lions Medical
Assistance Program \$2,400 plus \$1,000 from Lions
Foundation MAP

### **HOLLAND**

Steak Night \$2,500.
Donations to: Arts \$100, TCI
Awards \$50

### **HOLLAND LIONESS**

Holland Jamboree April 21

### MACGREGOR

Moved Lions Club assets to Lions Manor; Committee planning 50th Birthday; 3 members added: "Swamp Gas" concert \$7,000. Donations to: LCIF \$500 MacGregor Handi-Transit in support of new building for a new bus \$500; Local citizen with Huntington's disease \$500; Carberry Energ-Ice Figure Skating Team to travel to Nationals at Calgary \$200; Nor-Mac Community Assisted Living Initiative \$2,000; MacGregor Health Foundation & in memory of Charter Member Lion Fred Clarke \$500; Jocelyn House Hospice \$50; MacGregor Multiplex \$50

### MINNEDOSA

3 members attended Mid-Winter Convention; Pancake breakfast for 375 elementary school students; Club visitation to retrieve gavel; Attended Zone meeting. Donation to Food Bank \$500

### OAKVILLE

Hall maintenance; Radio Talent Night \$7,000

### **PIPESTONE**

Weekly community bingo.
Donations totaling \$850 to:
Canadian Cancer Society Heart
& Stroke Foundation, Lions
Foundation MAP Area resident
whose home was destroyed
by fire

Donations to: Keystone
Pioneers Museum
membership \$50; Roblin Ag
Society for Fair exhibit prizes
\$150; Medical assistance for
a local family \$250; Western

### ROSSBURN

Donation to Lions Foundation of Canada "Opening Doors to Independence" \$1,000

Blind Golf Association \$150.

### SHOAL LAKE

Toonie Draws \$75 and \$91.

### SOMERSET

Annual Curling Bonspiel \$2,400.

### THE PAS NORTHERN LITES

Donations to: The Pas Music & Fine Arts Festival \$150; Port-in-a Storm \$2,000

### **WARREN HERIZON**

Donations to: Rockwood Festival of the Arts, Warren Collegiate Hovercraft Team

## DEATH NOTICE



### LION TERRY PALEY (1934-2013)

It is with sadness that the Roblin & District Lions Club advises their fellow Lions across District 5M13 of the passing of Lion Terry Paley. Lion Terry joined the Roblin & District Lions Club on November 6, 1981. A popular and very visible Lion in his community, Terry took an active role in his home club during his 32 years as a Lion. He held the office of President in the early

1990's and then served as club secretary for several years. He did both jobs with distinction. It was in connection with our club's annual community calendar that Lion Terry became best known. He led that particular project, our club's principal fund-raiser for twenty years. He did so masterfully, adding in many community events as listings along with the usual birthdays, anniversaries and memorials. Lion Terry Paley passed away on March 26th, 2013 after a long and very courageous battle with cancer. He was 78. Our condolences to Terry's wife, Betty and children Brent, Garth and Lori and families. Lion Terry occupied a huge place in our hearts and in our club's yearly operation. Lionism is the poorer for his loss

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DG Willie Brown presenting Master Key award (25 new members) to Lion Dave Huges along with his wife Marguerite.