

Lions Commit to PCU

Al Morris and Dave King of the Portage Lions Club present a cheque in March for \$2,000 to Portage la Prairie Mayor Earl Porter. The funds are the last of a \$7,000 commitment the service club made to the PCU Centre. The PCU Centre has our skating / hockey rinks, swimming pool, and fitness centre and our donation gave us naming rights to a section of the seating area of the arena.



Lions roar for S.A.M.

Dave King and Al Morris of the Portage Lions Club present a cheque for \$2,500 to Tom Wishart of S.A.M. Inc. in March 2013. S.A.M. Inc. is a workplace and training centre for challenged individuals, and they have just finished a new building. The funds will be used to help purchase items for the client lunch program such as cooking utensils and furniture for the new lunch room.



DG Willie Brown inducting new members to Brandon Wheat City Lions Club - Dawn Tallant, Joann Didur, Reg Merritt and Randy Falkiw



5M13 Lions Golf Tournament

Birtle Riverside Golf Club Birtle, MB

VIRDEN

4 Bingos & 1 Texas Hold'Em; Rink security for 6 hockey games; Lions Hall rental; Collected used batteries Donations to: Lions Youth Exchange, Lions Quest, Special Skills Dogs, Canadian Diabetes Association, Lions Eye Bank, Heart & Stroke Foundation, Lions Hearing Foundation

WASKADA

Senior Citizens Supper; Hosted Pizza Nite for Growers' Project; Donated non-perishable items to the Food Bank; Donation to SW MB Regional Foundation; Held a Journey For Sight Breakfast; Bonspiel Calcutta \$100. Parade of Green Donations: MAP \$400; Diabetic Alert Project \$100; Lions Hearing Foundation \$100.

WAWANESA

Sponsored the February Birthday Party at the Personal Care Home: Reading Action Program with Grade One; 2 members visited the Alamagordo, New Mexico Lions

Donations to: "Adapted Learning Device" fund for a student with Anklyosing Spondilitis \$800; Sipiweske Museum for "Free Tuesday" admission \$20; Fund to purchase Nitrous Oxide equipment for local ambulance \$200



Lion Jaye Smale, President of the Wawanesa Lions Club, makes a presentation of \$800 to Wawanesa School principal, Brent Hauser, for a fund established to purchase an "Adapted Learning Device" for a local student. The equipment allows the student, who is unable to attend school on a regular basis because of a medical condition, to participate in classes from home, at the same time maintaining a 90+ average.

Saturday, July 6, 2013

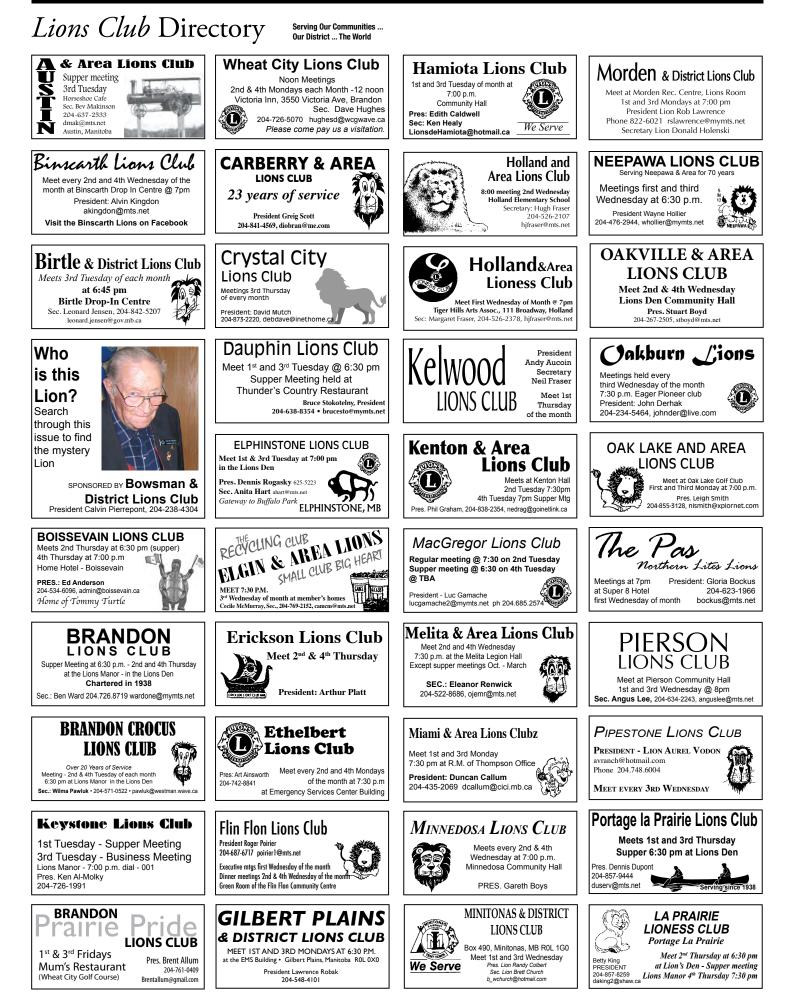
11:00 am Shotgun Start 4 person best ball - 18 holes supper to follow \$50 per person

Open to Non-Lion members as well.

To register call 204-842-5386 or the clubhosue at 204-842-5364 or email dpielech@mymts.net

If camping call 204-842-3234 to book a spot

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MAY 2013





Second "Tag Day" to fund raise for Lions Foundation of Manitoba and NW Ontario

We were so encouraged by last year's response that we are offering a 2nd Tag Day event on May 4, 2013, or you can chose another date that suits your club and community better. We encourage clubs to participate and help us better serve those in need in our communities as well as increasing public awareness.

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We were so encouraged by last year's response that we are offering a 2nd Tag Day event to be held May 4, 2013. This is the suggested day across all three districts, 5M10, 5M11 and 5M13, however, if this day does not work, you can chose another date that suits your club and community better. We would like to encourage clubs to participate and help us better serve those in need in our communities as well as increasing public awareness.

We will have handouts and sticker tags that can be ordered from the Foundation Office at no cost. Please order by April 15, 2013 so you are sure to get your supplies.

We are looking forward to your participation and support in this worthwhile project.

For over 25 years the Lions Foundation of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario (Medical Assistance Program) has helped clubs assist individuals who require travel, special equipment, etc. not covered under provincial medical plans. We have

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usually assisted with a grant matching the clubs commitment. The need in this area is substantial and at times can be limited somewhat by our resources.

In order for the Medical Assistance Program to grow and meet the needs of the public in Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario the board need ongoing fund raising events.

The fund raising committee of the board came up with the idea of a "Tag Day", to be held on an annual basis in all three districts (5M10, 5M11, 5M13). Committee members felt that this approach was something that all clubs could participate in without having to commit a lot of time and effort on an ongoing basis. A few hours of Lions time would raise some money and also create public awareness of the available services.

Yours sincerely, Lion Bill McKitrick, 204-873-2091 5m13@inetlink.ca

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MacGregor Lions Celebrate 50 Years of Service

Submitted by Chris Miles

A fiftieth birthday is always worth celebrating, and it's not surprising that the birthday party includes looking back at past successes, some reminiscing, some gift-giving, and some great music. Saturday, April 20 was the date for MacGregor Lions to celebrate 50 years of service, at the new MacGregor Multiplex, with a Banquet and Concert.

The MacGregor Lions were chartered in February of 1963, and as President Luc Gamache said in his presentation to the audience, "We've been going strong ever since".

The MacGregor Lions were sponsored by the Portage la Prairie Lions Club, and some members from Portage were in attendance. Lion Luc gave a brief history of the club, and the building of two major projects. First the Norfolk Manor, now

If you're a MacGregor Lion, the year looks something like this:

In October, the club runs its annual CNIB canvass.

In December, they decorate a float and ride in Mac-Gregor's Santa Claus Parade, tossing sweet treats out to the kids (and a few adults as well).

A few days before Christmas, the Lions deliver dozens of Christmas Hampers put together by the town's Christmas Cheer committee and local churches.

In March or April, it's the annual Birthday event, of course.

Our campground opening always brings out Lions with half-tons, work gloves, paint brushes, tool kits, rakes, shovels and the odd chainsaw.

Finally the year winds up in June with two important events: the Lions Memorial Golf Tournament, which falls this year on Saturday, June 15, and the Lions Pancake Breakfast, which opens the MacGregor Fair on June 29, 2013. known as the MacGregor Lions Manor, and later, in the 1990s, the Lions Beaver Creek Villa.

Lion Luc pointed out that in the case of the Lions Manor,

every member was involved in canvassing the whole community, often door to door. By the end of 1964 they had collected \$5,765.00. The Lions members personally donated \$2000



Lion Luc Gamache, President of the MacGregor Lions Club, spoke on the history of the club and recent contributions made to MacGregor as well as the 5M13 region (Manitoba) as well as work done by Lions Clubs International.



Lion Bob Anderson, a 50 year member of the MacGregor Lions Club, with some of the certificates he has received over the years.

themselves. This may sound like a small amount today but back then it was considerable; when a litre of gas sold for around 6 cents. After dealing with contractors, lawyers and government, the Norfolk Manor had its grand opening in November of 1965. The MacGregor Lions are proud to say that the Manor is still serving the community and is full and kept in very good condition.

President Luc also spoke of the MacGregor Lions camp-



ground and the children's play park, both of which serve the community very well.

Lion Malcolm Burt, the club treasurer and the Master of Ceremonies for the evening, also spoke fondly of Lion Fred



Macgregor Lions Club Charter Members 1963

The 30 charter members of the Macgregor Lions Club. This photograph was taken in March of 1963.

Back row: Pete McGregor, Walter Pauch, Glen Harkness, Dave Hodgins, Jack Lewis, Dennis Lamb, Terry Williams, Bill Roberts, Stan Moore, Garry Emerson, Jack Gibson, Louis Quinn Middle Row: Cliff Litster, Dunc Lamb, Murray Lamb, Clare Tarr, Frank Hay, Bud Graham, Glenn Lye, Albert Wark, Harry Dankesreiter, Harold Orchard, George Korman,

Front Row: Fred Clarke, Reg Muskett, Dennis McMahon, John Kowalski, Bob Barber, Cyril Palmer, Lisle Patterson



DG Willie Brown visiting with guests prior to dinner.



Our Lions Club will always remember Lion Fred Clarke. Here on our display table is Lion Fred's many-pinned MacGregor Tartan Lions Vest, and a few of his awards received over 50 years. A \$500 gift to the MacGregor Health Foundation was made in memory of Lion Fred.

Clarke, who passed away March 1 of this year. Lion Fred was the club's last charter member, and he did not miss a single birthday party until 2010 when illness kept him away. 1st Vice Governor Lloyd McCabe presented a gift of \$500.00 on behalf of LCI to the MacGregor Health foundation in memory of Lion Fred.

District Governor Willie Brown was on hand to extend congratulations on behalf of LCI and district 5M13, and presented a 50 Year certificate to President Luc, as well as his personal pin to Lion Luc Gamache, president, Lion Malcolm Burt, treasurer, and Lion Chris Miles, secretary.



MacGregor's new Assisted Living facility will be known as "Victoria Place".

Club 1st Vice President Glen Lloyd presented a cheque for \$2,000 to the Nor-Mac Community Assisted Living Initiative. The gift is part of a \$10,000 dollar commitment the club has made to the initiative building MacGregor's first Assisted Living facility, to be known as Victoria Place.

The theme of the evening was "Since 1963 ... We Serve" and the keynote speaker, Karen Guth, emphasized the importance of volunteerism in the community and what it takes for that spirit of service to ignite. Finally, the MacGregor Lions took "We Serve" literally and delivered 170 pieces of birthday cake to their guests.

The event wrapped up with a concert by the Neepawabased Celtic folk group, "Swamp Gas".



Lions Club Vice President Glen Lloyd (left) presents a cheque for \$2,000 to Chairman Dan Sawatzky of the Nor-Mac Community Assisted Living Initiative.

Sign your club up to join the Purina Walk for Dog Guides this spring

May 26

The Walk was originally started in 1985 to raise money for all the "Dog Guide Programs". 100% of the donations go to the Foundation as all of the expenses are paid by the many cooperate sponsors.

More info contact Purina Walk for Dog Guides Manager, Elaine Austin eaustin@dogguudes.com

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2013 Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange need host families

The Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange (YCE) will need approx 5 to 6 host families for the summer of 2013 to provide accommodations for students from all over the world.

Their ages are from 16 to 21 years and they are looking to experience our way of life for 2 weeks. Exchange students can be moved to another host family if a short stay is only available at the initial host family. It's sometimes easier if a young person of approximately the same age is available to "chum" around with but not a necessity. Nothing special needs to be planned by the host families, just the normal day-to-day life. Going camping, local ball game or to a social? Great take them along. You never know they might have something to tell you about their country!

There is a camp from August 5th to 11th that all exchange students will be attending at the Delta Waterfowl Field Camp near Minnedosa where we will have them come together as a group.

We will be exposing them to some more Ca-

nadian experiences at that time as well as giving the host families a break as well as having them tell each other about their country and culture.

If a host family or anyone else would like to volunteer as a supervisor and/or mentor at the camp we will provide all meals and accommodations for them for the week. A camp leader is also required if anyone has the time and desire to help organize activities and the running of the camp.

For more information or ideas call Gord Kingdon at 204-868-5155 or gkingdon1@hotmail.com

Remember to record your summer's work.

Forward photos and a short description of your Lions volunteer efforts to The Manitoba Lion.

HOW TO SEND PHOTOS.

Photos of your club's activites of Lions in action or showing projects completed with Lions are good news photos. Select one or two photos, or more if needed, and email jpgs (original size) with text explaining details. We will be glad to edit and check grammer, but we need you to provide us the details. Important - Do not let your email downsize photo when attaching or sending. Forward photo in original or large size. In cheque presentations or award recognition photos, identify individuals left to right. For large group photos provide details of event to explain to readers what activity or project is about. Please do not just forward link to face book or skydrive photo albums. If doing so, identify which photos you would like us to download and provide cutline or story with your email submission.

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