



5M9 SERVICE JOURNAL

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JAY NORBY

DISTRICT GOVERNOR

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CHOOSE NOW!!!

Is there a country you have always wanted to visit???

HOST an International Student from that country.

HOST a student with similar interests as your family such as sports, hiking, music or cooking.

HOST a student the same age as your son or daughter.

Talk to your friends and relatives about HOSTING an International Student this July. By Bringing 3 or 4 youth into your community you can each do different activities with them. This way you can all enjoy learning about several cultures.

So far.... 23 students from 12 different countries have applied to come to Minnesota. More than 30 will apply.

HOST Family applications can be downloaded from www.lionsclubs.org. Fill it out and send to your District Chairperson.

In addition to hosting, districts are encouraged to sponsor an activity during Camp Spicer such as a picnic or the rock climb. Call your District Chairperson to find out how you can help.

International Youth Exchange is a 501c3. If your Lions Club has Charitable Gambling Funds, we encourage you to donate.

Make checks payable to: Lions International Youth Exchange Camp Spicer

Again.....THANK YOU for all of your "Parade of Green" donations this year.

Youth Exchange Co-Chair Ron Genoch

E-mail: runtala@arvig.net

Telephone: 218-346-4365



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All Aboard the 5M9 Express!!!



District Governor —Jay Norby

Spring is here. Linda and I hope you had a wonderful Easter and celebrated it with family and friends. With the new season comes new life. The trees are budding and plants that were dormant all winter are starting to pop up out of the ground to start another year of growth.

As Lions we should also be looking at this as a time to grow our Lions clubs and to plant the seed of Lionism in our family, friends and neighbors. As we look forward to a summer full of activities lets also look at growing our clubs. With new members come new ideas and more hands to help us do what we do best, serving our communities and helping those less fortunate than ourselves both locally and worldwide.

5M9 is again leading the Multiple in getting new members, we do a great job inviting our friends, family and neighbors to join the World's Largest Service Organization. Thank you to all of you who have sponsored a new Lion and please continue looking for new members to increase our ability to help our communities. Unfortunately, we also lead the multiple in the number of Lions who have left our great organization.

It is a sad fact that all districts loose members who have passed on to our Heavenly Father and are enjoying their new life with Him. We also have members who move and leave our clubs. Are we asking them to transfer to a club in their new location or simply letting them go? We also have people who quit because they are not happy or are frustrated with the way their club operates. As we get new members are we getting them involved with our fundraisers and service projects? Do we listen to them when they suggest new projects or even talk about an old project that hasn't been done in a while? Yes, we need the guidance of our experienced members but let's not ignore or exclude the new member with new ideas. We need to take the time to find out what each members passion is and try to incorporate their thoughts and ideas into our clubs.

With 3 months to go in this Lions year we currently stand at a minus 7 in membership. With this in mind let's go out and find at least 1 new member for each club. Our newest club, The Malmo Area lions has already signed up one more new member and are working on at least two more. With the majority of the clubs starting their busy summer schedules of projects and fundraisers, ask your fellow community members to join in the fun and become a member of the World's Largest Service Organization.

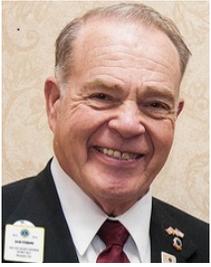
Thank you to all of the clubs in 5M9 for donating to LCIF. We will have 100% participation to this great project and we are very close to meeting the District Governors challenge of at least a \$50.00 donation and 100% participation. Thank you to Lions Larry, Zelda and Diann for your hard work and dedication to LCIF as the chair persons.

A big **THANK YOU** to all of the District Officers this year. The majority of you have gone above and beyond what your duties call for to make your projects a shining example of why we do what we do for the people of our district and the world.

To all of the members of 5M9, Linda and I want to thank you for your warm hospitality during the DG visits and for all of the great things you do for your communities and the world. Keep up the good work and continue striving to make your club the best club in 5M9.

**PLANT THE SEEDS OF LIONISM AND INVITE A NEW MEMBER TO...
GET ON BOARD THE 5M9 EXPRESS!**

District Governor Jay



Richard the Lionhearted

District Governor Elect - Dick Stebbins



It looks like spring has arrived! We are so glad to see the snow has melted. I hope everyone had a great Easter too! Greetings to each of you, Lions in 5M9! I would like to keep saying, it is the best District in the Multiple! Keep up the good work that you and your clubs have been doing while keeping in mind opportunities for new members and new club locations to help serve our communities better!

The College of Leadership is fast approaching and will be held on Sunday May 15th at Wadena - Deer Creek High School. There is a 12:30 gathering time. Please have all club officers including Zone Chairs, Membership Chairs, and Secretaries attend this event, as well as invite your entire club. This is a great way to learn about your club officers responsibilities and other valuable information about Lions. New this year is a Zone Chair and GMT-GLT training will be on May 22nd in Aldrich.

The spring round of Zone Meetings is being planned (the last one for this Lions year - doesn't seem possible). Zone Chairs are busy making arrangements and setting up interesting meetings. Dates and locations are in this newsletter.

By now, you should have your slate of officers for 2016-2017 in line with your elections over. Please remember that the PU101's have to be in to District Administrator Margaret Van Erp by APRIL 15th. No excuses - No exceptions.

Are you planning to attend the MD5M Convention on April 22-24th in Mankato? We hope to see you there. You can find the registration on the website or you can ask me!

FARE THEE WELL

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT DICK STEBBINS

Upcoming Webinars

Leadership Development-Effective Presentations

Providing effective presentations is a fundamental skill of today's leaders. Join us as we explore common features of impactful presentations and explore ways to enhance your presentation content, image usage, and audience engagement.

Effective Presentations Resource Guide

Friday, April 1, 2016 7:00pm go to LCI website to sign up!

Thank you for your support with my fundraiser on January 16. The fundraiser was a success. I took the training for the Brain Port V100 in Chicago January 24 to January 28. The product wasn't what I thought it would be. By using the product I thought I would be able to see light, images and shapes once again. This is not the case. What it actually does is create an image on your tongue, and only on your tongue. I'm glad I went to check it out. This is the first product of its kind to get FDA approval. I have decided not to purchase this item. There are other devices for sight being developed that have more promise for me in the future. I'm working with an accountant at this time to set up an account for future possibilities. Thanks again for your support.
Gerry Johnson



Vice District Governor Elect Tom Plagman

From the Farmer's Field.

Ok, so I'm not farming any longer. Long hours on the tractor gave ample time for thinking. That time is now replaced with driving around Northern MN. This month I have chosen to share my impressions of the new club in Malmo. It is not truly a new club because there was once a club called the Malmo/Glen Lions. The rechartering of this club will create the Malmo Area Lions. This is the first time I have been involved in the creation of a new club and it takes a lot of effort. GMT Coordinator Randy Beaver, Lion Judy Beaver, DG Jay Norby, PDG Linda Norby and DGE Dick have put a lot into this effort. They met with the individuals who thought it would/should happen and soon after, the Aitkin Lions became the sponsoring club with Lions Carroll and Joy Janzen becoming Guiding Lions.

There were many trips to Malmo (NE Corner of Mille Lacs Lake) to get the 25 members LCI requires for a new charter. There was never any doubt this would happen. The small town of Malmo realized the need for a service organization. Many commented that the loss of the original club was sorely felt and the club projects and activities were missed throughout the area.

It really takes a lot of time and commitment to pull this off. When Lions Carroll and Joy agreed to be Guiding Lions, little did they realize what would be expected of them. They have risen to the challenge taking the course on-line, attending many meetings and reigning in over zealous members of a new club (a good problem to have). They also help new leadership navigate the labyrinth of District 5M9, MD5M and LCI occasionally finding their own way at the same time. Not to mention, rearranging their busy schedules to accommodate the 2 year commitment they have made.

So, Malmo had the numbers, next they had meetings, elected new officers, selected a monthly meeting time/place and plan their charter event. All of this was excellent training for the new club.

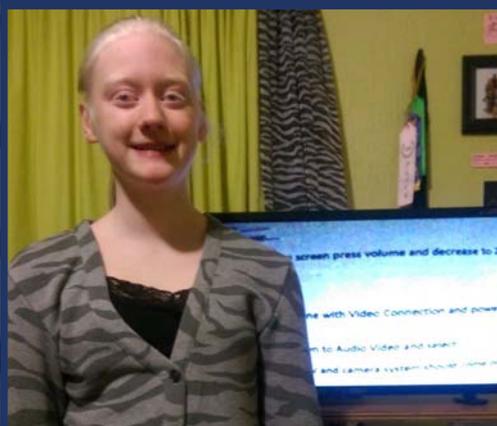
The Malmo Area Lions Charter Night is Sunday April 3. All of the preparation comes to a climax at Bethesda Lutheran Church in Malmo. This is our opportunity to celebrate with the new members/club and help make it all official. This marks the end of the chartering process but will be a new beginning for all involved. If you will not be able to attend, please keep the Malmo Area Lions in your thoughts and prayers as they experience many new beginnings.

IVDGE,

Tom

Left: Local student, Elle, received a "Reading Machine" from the **Riverside Fergus Falls Lions Club**. Built by the **Nisswa Lions**, the machine magnifies objects placed on the reading surface onto the screen to allow those with vision impairments to read them more easily.

Center and Right: **The Riverside Fergus Falls Lions Club** President Ginny Paulson presents awards to some of the Peace and Youth Outreach Poster Contest winners at their February meeting.



CLUB ACTIVITIES

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Left: **Pillager Lions** contributed \$1500 which is doubled in the month of March, to the Pillager Food Shelf .

Pictured L-R Front: Cindy Walgren, Marlene Lindeman, & Ann Ness.

Back row: Tom and Enice Longanecker, Alice Kolwus from the Food Shelf and Les Swift.

Below: **Nevis Lions Club** participated in the 7th Annual Chili Challenge 2016. Chef Lindsay Ingeman is pictured. The Nevis Lions Club “Lions Pride” chili raise \$1652.00 for the Hubbard County Food Shelf.



Above: **Garrison Lions** are very proud of our Megan Yeager, the Peace Poster winner from Forestview Middle School. Megan advanced to the Mid-Winter Contest where she won 1st Place and a \$150 monetary gift.

This is such a worth while event that Lions Clubs all over the world promote. It challenges our youth to express themselves through their artwork while following the theme which changes each year. The youth cannot use words. They must express their ideas with art work, and they do an outstanding job.

The theme this year was “SHARE PEACE”.



CLUB ACTIVITIES



DG Jay Norby visited the **Underwood Area Lions Club**. He enjoyed their Famous Pork Chops, a little fun and presented some awards to very deserving Lions Members. Thanks DG Jay!



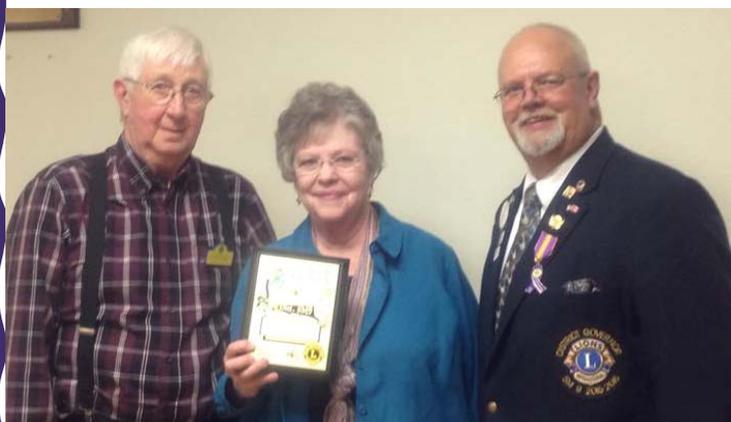
Above Left: Lions Elias and Sharon Larson received the Diabetes Foundation's Dream Catcher Award.

Above Center: Lion Cesca Vogel was presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Above Right: Lion Alan Sundby received the MLVF Hellen Keller Award.

Below Left: Lions Gordon and Mary Hanson received the Youth Outreach Award.

Below Right: Lions Connie and John Quaal were chosen as Lions of the Year.



ATTENTION MEMBERS OF DISTRICT 5M9



Your District 5M9 Communications Team is announcing the start of a NEW Contest!!! This will replace the Brag Book and Newsletter Contests. Entries will be judged and awards presented during the Mid-Winter Convention. The product of the new contest will be something you can use again and again to promote your club at community events! Below, is a description of the requirements and the criteria each entry will be judged upon. Every club in the District can take part in this Contest. It will be inexpensive to create and you will have a valuable PR Product.

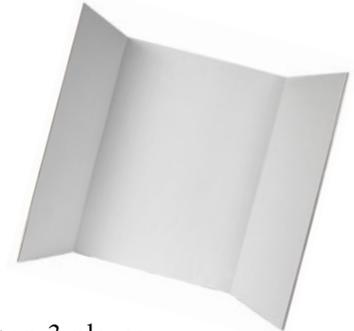
If you have any questions please contact Tracey Buhl at 5m9newsletter@gmail.com.

COMMUNICATIONS / PUBLIC RELATIONS CONTEST

Trifold display board – 28” x 40”

Hi-lite an event your club has done in the past year (calendar year)

- Fundraiser or Service Project
- Promotional Techniques
- # of people served and/or impacted
- Include photos w/descriptions (by-lines)
- Club Name (community)



Winning club will receive a traveling trophy for 1st place and certificates for top 3 places.

Judge on a scale of 0 (lowest) to 10 (highest)

- Over all appearance
- Clarity of information
- Photos
 - Quality & Content (Do the photos tell a story?)
- By-lines
 - Complete names etc.
- Event
 - Description of event and purpose (fundraiser or service project)
 - # of people served and/or impacted
 - # volunteers and hours involved
- Promotional techniques
 - Such as but not limited to.....
 - Include flyer (sample or photo)
 - Ads (copy or photo)
 - Billboard (photo)
 - Radio / TV (stations and frequency)



Judges

Visiting Dignitaries will judge entries over the course of Friday and Saturday.



**USA/Canada Forum
September 15-17, 2016**



We are looking at getting a bus to take all interested Lions to the Forum in Omaha, Nebraska. We would leave at noon on September 14th arriving in Omaha that night between 9:00–10:00pm. The Forum starts the next day and this will allow everyone to be well rested for the festivities planned for the forum.

The cost of the bus will be \$95 per person departing from Frazee, MN or Fergus Falls, MN. We will be including stops along the route to pick up Lions from other Districts and dropping off at the Hotels listed by the Forum Committee. Pick up on Sunday morning starting at 8:00am arriving back in Frazee at approximately 5:00-6:00pm on Sunday.

If you have never been to a USA/Canada Forum, this is a perfect opportunity for you to learn more about Lions and have a lot of fun doing it. This is going to be one of the closest Forums to us for a while, so take advantage of going and not having to drive.

We, of course, will have some fun and games on the way down.

For more info or to get your name on the list contact;

DG Jay Norby
1021 5th Ave NW
Perham, MN 56573
(218)298-2140
ljinorbs@eot.com

Detroit Lakes Lions Club and Voyageur Lanes
April 2, 2016

Business Name: _____
Shifts at 4:00pm and 6:00pm

Team #1 Shift Preference _____ Contact Name _____

Name _____ Contact Phone _____

Name _____

Name _____ Total \$ _____

Name _____ Check # _____

Team #2 Shift Preference _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Team #3 Shift Preference _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Items donated for raffle:

The Detroit Lakes Lions is thankful for your generous donations. Thank you!

Be sure to contact Brenda Beebe Wieland
(844-4221x112 or
bwieland609@yahoo.com)
as soon as possible to ensure you get your
favorite shift. Please return to a Lions
member or mail to:
Detroit Lakes Lions
P.O. Box 1512
Detroit Lakes, MN 56502

Battle of the Businesses Bowling Tournament



April 2nd * 4:00 and 6:00 pm
Voyageur Lanes, Detroit Lakes

4 People per Team
Team Entry Fee:
\$100.00

*At least one of the four
has to be of the oppo-
site gender to be in
Competition for the
trophy.*



1st Game:
Moonlight Bowling
2nd Game:
8 Pin No-Tap
3rd Game:
Scotch Doubles

Contact Brenda Beebe Wieland
218-844-4221 x 112 or
bwieland609@yahoo.com



PROCEEDS GO TO LOCAL LIONS PROJECTS



PARKERS PRAIRIE LIONS CLUB 4-WHEELER & ATV RIDE

SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND, 2016

REGISTRATION AT 9:00 AM
RIDE BEGINS AT 10:00 AM



Ride begins at Olson Sports
Highway 38- Parkers Prairie
Contact Bruce 218-579
Lunch served 12-1pm at *oday*

the base of Inspiration Peak
Pledge by the mile or for entire trip
Lunch tokens given for pledge totals over \$25
Drivers must be at least 16 years old
Top 10 Money Raisers earn a Prize!!

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE PARKERS PRAIRIE LIONS CLUB'S YOUTH PROJECTS

ALTERNATE DATE WOULD BE APRIL 9TH



We Serve

Brainerd Leos Club To Host
5M9 Zone 1 Spring Meeting

Date: Monday, April 4, 2016

Location: Brainerd Lakes Area
Senior Activity Center

803 Kingwood Street, Brainerd, MN

Time: Social 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:15 pm,
Meeting: 7:15 pm

Menu: Sticky Sesame Chicken,
Baked Potato, Corn, Cole Slaw,

Dinner Roll, Jello, Cake

Cost is \$10.00 per person.



We Serve

5M9 Zone 8 Spring Meeting

Hosted by: Elizabeth Lions Club

Elizabeth Community Center

April 27th

6 pm Social—6:30 pm Dinner

53rd Annual
PARKERS PRAIRIE LIONS CLUB



Smelt and Fish Fry



Saturday, April 16 • 2-8 p.m.

Sunday, April 17 • 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Prairie Event Center

Co. Hwy. 38 • Parkers Prairie

Serving: Smelt, Fish, French Fries, Coleslaw
& French Dressing, Bread, Beverage

Adults: \$12 • Ages 6-11: \$6 • Ages 5 & Under: Free



We Serve

5M9 Zone 2 Spring Meeting

At the McGregor Community Center

April 28th

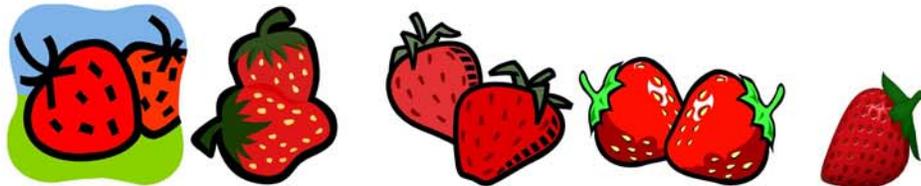
5:30 pm Social



OTTERTAIL LIONS CLUB



We are ready to take your orders



- Price: \$20 per flat (approx. 8 pints)
- All flats must be preordered
- Orders must be placed by April 29 with any Ottertail Lion member. For a list of members go to www.ottertailions.com
- Pick up orders at the Otter Supper Club, Ottertail, MN on May 6, between 5-7pm

All proceeds will go to Kamp K.A.C.E (Kids Against Cancer Everywhere) Campers have fun and adventure with recreational activities such as swimming, canoeing, crafts, games and much more.

Help the Ottertail Lions help Kamp K.A.C.E. Kids



Join us for a

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celebrating the **90TH** Anniversary

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2016

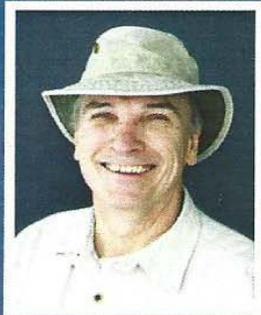
FORTY CLUB CONVENTION CENTER

\$25 5:00PM SOCIAL
per person 6:30PM DINNER

Lions Special

\$55

ROOMS
Forty Club Inn



GUEST SPEAKER

AL BATT

of Hartland, Minnesota
is a writer, speaker,
storyteller and humorist.

• **PIG ROAST**

• **RAFFLE ITEMS**

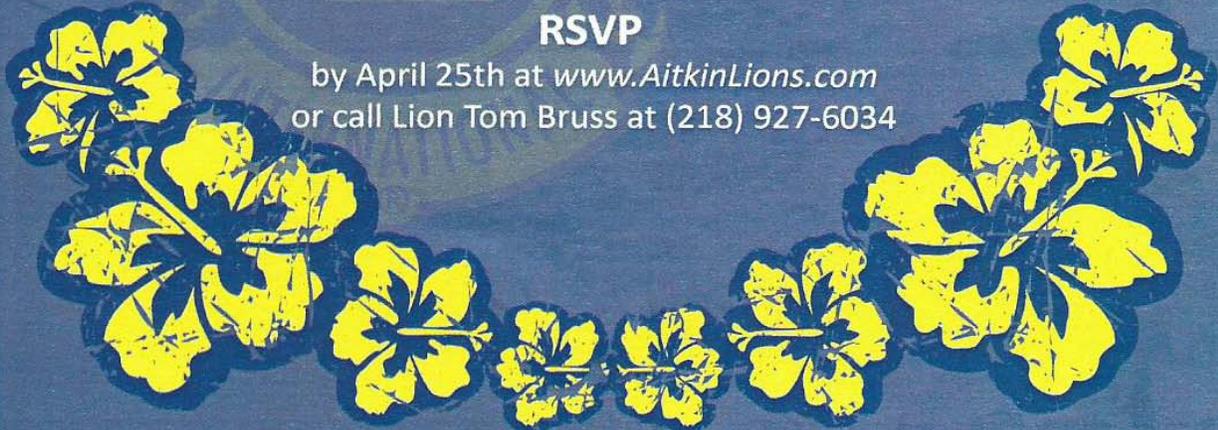
Twins Tickets
Grand Casino Stay & Play
Restaurant Packages
And MORE!

• **50/50 RAFFLE**

• **...AND MORE!**

RSVP

by April 25th at www.AitkinLions.com
or call Lion Tom Bruss at (218) 927-6034



Lions wear not required. Dress Hawaiian! Event is open to the public.

Deerwood Lakes Lions



Annual Mothers Day Tea

Mary Poppins Theme Tea

Saturday May 7, 2016

Noon to 2pm

Cascade Methodist Church

Located between Deerwood and Crosby

Reservations required

For tickets contact Lion Diann Bates

218-838-4768



**Deerwood Lakes
Lions
PO Box 1
Deerwood, MN**

TICKET PRICE \$15.00

Scones, delectable desserts, door prizes and music

Bring Family, Friends and Neighbors

*Super-cali-fragil-istic-
expi-ali-docious*

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL

COMMUNITY NEEDS



The entire Community is invited to attend



the Ottertail Lions 40th Anniversary

And enjoy a FREE Taco Buffet



We would like to thank:

- The community for being a faithful customer through the years
- The businesses that supported our many events
- The Club members, both past & present that gave of their time & talent
- The Otter Supper Club for providing a place for our Club to conduct our meetings

Date: May 9, 2016

Time: 5:00pm

Otter Supper Club

Please join us for a celebration of 40 years of Service. We will have a **Free Taco Buffet** from 5-7pm.

\$1.00 domestic tap beer, \$2.00 specialty beer and happy hour prices all night long

Everyday, ordinary people doing extraordinary things for others.

WE SERVE

Contact person: **Mike 218-367-2277**



*Garrison Lions
35th Annual Style Show!!!*

Thursday May 26th 2016

*Held at: Rutger's Bay Lake Lodge in Deerwood
Social begins at 5:00, Meal at 6:00 :Style show follows.*

*Tickets can be purchased from Lions members or by
calling June @ 320-692-4032*

Tickets are \$ 29.00

NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR

*Silent Auction and raffles throughout the evening.
For more information call Jim Corey at 1-320-692-4208*



Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation

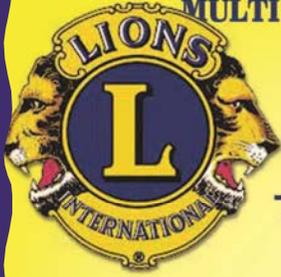
As many of you know, the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation D'Feet Walk will be held on June 4, 2016 at the U of M Arboretum in Chaska, Mn. This event is held at a beautiful location where you can walk, take pictures and enjoy a great day of walking for a great cause, Hearing Loss! We invite everyone to come!

Do to the distance that 5M9 is from this event, I would like to challenge the clubs of 5M9 to hold your own walk. This a great way to get a new Community project started. Many of our communities have beautiful walking paths of your own and many have a great view of your community. What better way for your community to participate in a great event to support the Hearing Foundation. This event can also let them know what the Hearing Foundation is all about and how it can help individuals in need with hearing loss.

Many of the communities in 5M9 have a walking path that connect into another community and we could make this a combined event with other clubs in 5M9 and have a relay connecting the communities for the event. We would love to see the clubs 5M9 participate! So get out our local maps and see who your neighbor is to work with.

Please contact either Lion Linda Albrecht-Norby 218-346-3200 or Lion Gloria Anderson 218- 631-9005 with information for your event.

Thank you to all the clubs of 5M9 for your 2015-2016 donations to the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation.



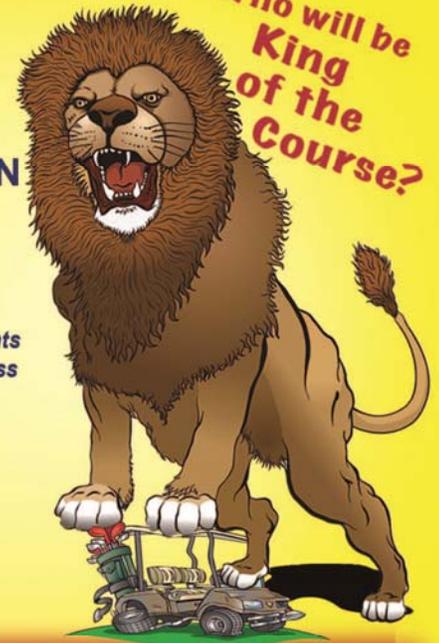
MULTI DISTRICT LIONS, LIONESS & LEOS GOLF TOURNAMENT

GOVERNOR'S CUP

4-Person Scramble Golf Tournament

TUESDAY JUNE 14, 12-NOON SHOTGUN
18 Holes - 4 Person Scramble
Full Meal After Event • Contest & Prizes!

Who will be King of the Course?



Winning Lions Club receives bragging rights for one year and a "1st Place Lions, Lioness & Leos Golf Tournament Champions" traveling trophy!

Proceeds donated to Hearing Foundation and Vision Foundation.



NOW SERVING
strong beer & mixed drinks

WHISPERING PINES GOLF COURSE

County Road 6, Annandale

DEADLINE TO SIGN-UP MAY 14



Supporters of the Multi District Lions Golf Tournament
District Governor of 5M7 Tom Fiecke,
1st VDG Steve Linder (Kathy), 2nd VDG Dan Kaiser (Cathy)



Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation

To support this great cause and have your name or logo listed **HERE**, please contact Mark at mark@whisperingpinesgolf.com or call 612-385-7181

Support this great cause... HEAR US ROAR!

LIONS, LIONESS & LEOS TOURNAMENT TUES, JUNE 14

Registration Form (Registration deadline May 14)



Name _____

Email _____

Phone # _____

Total Amount Due \$ _____ Make check out to: Whispering Pines LLC

Amount to Charge: Visa \$ _____ Mastercard \$ _____

Name on card _____

Card # / / /

Expiration: Month _____ Year _____ CSV # _____

Signature: _____

Entry Fee* \$80 per person, \$25 for meal only.

Golfer _____

Golfer _____

Golfer _____

Golfer _____

Please complete registration form, enclose check (no cash), if not using cc, and drop off at WHISPERING PINES GOLF COURSE. *Entry fee includes Golf, Cart, Green Fees, Dinner & Prizes.

For More information, please e-mail or call mark@whisperingpinesgolf.com 612-385-7181



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5M9 LIONS LEARNING DAY

APRIL 10, 2016

GATHERING – 12:30 PM/1:00 PM SESSIONS

BLUFFTON COMMUNITY CENTER

SESSION #1 – WEBINARS/GO TO MEETINGS/CONFERENCE CALLS

PRESENTER - PCC BRUCE BECK

SESSION #2 – MEMBERSHIP RETENTION

PRESENTER – GMT COORDINATOR RANDY BEAVER

SESSION #3 – PUBLIC SPEAKING

PRESENTER – DG JAY NORBY

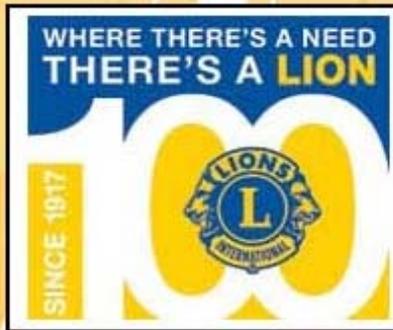
SESSION #4 – CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IDEAS

PRESENTER – PCC BERT NELSON

There will be a free will lunch served at 4:00 pm



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: GLT LION DON HENDRICKX @ 218-346-5899



5M9 OFFICER TRAINING

(COLLEGE OF LEADERSHIP)

- 12:30** Gather- refreshments
1:00 Welcome DGE Dick Stebbins
- 1:15-2:15** President Training
PDG Peter Van Erp
- 1:15-2:15** Treasurer Training
PCC Eldon Bergman & PDG Linda Norby
- 1:15-2:15** Zone Chair Training
DGE Dick Stebbins & 1st VDGE Tom Plagman
- 1:15-2:15** Membership Chair training
Lion Randy Beaver
- 1:15-2:15** Social Media in Lions
Lion Tracey Buhl & 2nd VDGE Rose Pucket
- 1:15-3:45** Secretary Training PDG Margaret Van Erp
2:30-3:30 Global Leadership PCC Bruce Beck
2:30-3:30 Guiding Lions Training DG Jay Norby
3:45 Questions and Wrap up

WHEN: May 15, Sunday
WHERE: Wadena-Deer Creek H.S.
TIME: Gather at 12:30, start 1:00
DGE Dick Stebbins

MORE INFO: 320.692.4373

DG Jay's Travels

APRIL

1—Hearing Foundation Board Meeting
2—Hearing Foundation Mtg @ St Cloud
3—Malmo Lions Charter Celebration
4—Zone 1 Meeting @ Brainerd
9—New York Mills Lions Auction
10—Lions Learning Day @ Bluffton
11—Baxter Lions DG Visit
12—Palisade Lions DG Visit
16—Parkers Prairie Smelt Fry
19—Akeley Lions Anniversary Party
20—Deer Creek Lions DG Visit
21-24 MD5M Convention @ Mankato
25—Cass Lake Country DG Visit
27—Zone 8 Meeting @ Elizabeth

28—Zone 2 Mtg @ McGregor
30—MD5M Hearing & Vision Spring Tours
MAY
4—Perham Bike Rodeo
5—Leader Lions DG Visit
6—Aitkin 90th Anniversary Party
7-8—Weekend Getaway
14—Cormorant Pancake Breakfast
15—5M9 Leadership Forum
16—Longville Lions DG Visit
17—Zone 3 Mtg @ Backus
22—GLT & GMT Training @ Aldrich
23—Sebeka Lions DG Visit
24—Bay Lake Lions DG Visit

HISTORY OF DISTRICT 5M 9

Part 15

1935-36

In spite of continual devastating natural conditions that hampered the economic status of a large section of the 5th District in 1935-36, Lionism continued functioning with great strength, unhandicapped by slight losses of membership in all sections except South Dakota. In the North Dakota/ Saskatchewan section, under District Governor A. M. Kuhfeld of Beach, there were 53 Lions Clubs with 1,155 members on June 30, 1936, a decrease of three clubs and 59 members from the previous year. Minnesota and Manitoba, under District Governor, Dr. B. W. Kelly of Aitkin, maintained its clubs at 59 but suffered a loss of 56 members on the total, dropping from 1,215 to 1,159. South Dakota, under District Governor R. E. Huffman of Aberdeen, while dropping eight clubs from its roster, reducing the total to 32, showed a net increase in membership of 14, the June 30, 1936 figure standing at 405.

In the same period, considerable increases were registered in the rolls of Key and Master Key members in all three sections of the District. 5M had 146 Key members and 4 Master Key Members; 5N had 238 Key Members and 13 Master Key members, and 5S had 62 Key Members and 1 Master Key member at the close of the fiscal year.

District officers who served with the governors in 1935-36 were: Rev. Newton L. Haney, Sioux Falls, S. D., secretary of entire 5th District; P.C. Packer, Mott, N. D., treasurer for 5th District. District Governor Huffman of Aberdeen was chairman of the District Board of Governors.

In 5M, the following served as group chairmen: Dr. D. S. Fleischhauer of Wabasha, Rev. F. F. Kramer of Faribault, S. R. Nelson of Little Falls, Ralph J. Stewart of New Ulm, O. E. Frederick of Hibbing.

In 5N, the following deputy Districts Governors assisted Governor Kuhfeld: H.C. Fulton of Jamestown; E. O. Bailey of Bismarck; A. P. Blonde of Minot; Clarence Church of Moose Jaw; H. H. Matt of Grand Forks.

Governor Kuhfeld made 32 official visits to his club, Governor Kelly 13 and Governor Huffman 8 during the year.

The annual District Convention was held in Grand Forks May 27-29, with approximately 280 delegates and guests in attendance. Past International President Roderick Beddow of Birmingham, Alabama, was present officially representing the International Association. Major activity adopted for the following year was blind work.

Election results were as follows: Convention City for 1937: Moose Jaw. A.E. Mead of Flandreau, South Dakota, District Governor of South Dakota; Harry E. Burns of St. Cloud, Minnesota, District Governor of Minnesota/Manitoba; A. P. Blonde of Minot, North Dakota, District Governor of North Dakota/Saskatchewan. Rev. N. L. Haney of Luverne, Minnesota, formerly of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, was re-elected District Secretary, and H. C. Fulton of Jamestown, North Dakota, was elected District Treasurer.

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