

DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DICK STEBBINS

## MALMO LIONS WIN MD5M 2016 PUBLIC RELATIONS CONTEST!!!

The Malmo Area Lions Club's winning entry in the District 5M9 level of the MD5M 2016 Centennial Public Relations Contest was entered to represent District 5M9 at the Multiple level. At the MD5M Convention on April 22nd it was announced that the **Malmo Area Lions Club** won the 2016 MD5M Centennial PR Contest.

Malmo Lions entry was for their Children's Sight Screening Service Project. They collaborated with a local Snowmobile Club which was hosting a lunch featuring Santa making good use of this event to reach children and their parents for vision screening. 39% of their Club members participated in the event screening 30 children from the community.

The Malmo Lions competed against 66 Clubs in District 5M9 to advance and 11 other Districts in MD5M.



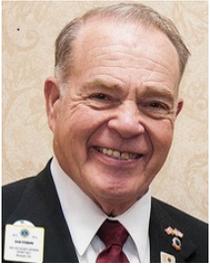
Left: District Governor Dick Stebbins accepted the 2016 PR Award for the **Malmo Area Lions Club** at the MD5M 2017 Convention. He is pictured with (left) Past Lions Clubs International President Wayne Madden and (right) MD5M Council Chair Lion Todd Neumann.

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Right: **Malmo Area Lions Club** president Paul White and Secretary Sharon Whipple are pictured with District Governor Dick Stebbins as he presents the 2016 PR Contest Award from MD5M.





# Richard the Lionhearted



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It's a great time to be a Lion! On June 7, 2017 our association will turn 100 years old. Like the 2 Lion faces on our emblem, we will look back on the past 100 years and all that has been accomplished as Lions but we always need to be mindful of our efforts as Lions now and what successes we will have for years to come.

Where has the year gone? It seems like only yesterday that I was struggling to write my first column as 2nd VDG. Now, I am writing my last. Our Lions have been so busy this past year making a difference in their communities, state and world. It is no wonder that time flies by so quickly.

I want to thank the Zone Chairs and Cabinet Members for being on my "team". Your willingness to serve and do your duties makes being your District Governor a lot easier. Also, a special thank you to our Newsletter Editor, Tracey Buhl, for an outstanding job of putting out a first class newsletter. Lion Sue and I would like to thank all the Lions in 5M9 for their friendship and respect shown us these past three years. Thank you for all the meals, treats, reserved parking space, and all the extras you have given us this past year. And lastly, thank you Lions all for another year of dedicated service to your communities, district and world.

We have enjoyed our journey to climb new mountains and the experiences of the office of District Governor. Our Lions family has really grown. We have made many new friends. We look forward to seeing many of you in the future.

"Those that look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future." John F Kennedy.

The past is behind us so we must celebrate our accomplishments and learn what we can from past experiences. The future is ahead of us so we must use the past and present to prepare for it with great enthusiasm and wisdom. Is that not what our International Lions symbol represents?

As we look towards our future, I know you will give our incoming Governor Tom Plagman; 1st VDG Rose Puckett; 2nd VDG Cassandra Remington and their team the same enthusiastic support.

One last time,

**FARE THEE WELL**

**5M9 DISTRICT GOVERNOR DICK STEBBINS**



Left: The **Osage Lions Club** gave out 8 \$500 Scholarships. 7 recipients from Park Rapids Area High School and 1 from Menahga High School. Pictured L-R: Logan Johnson, Logan Veo, Madison Malzahn and Lion Lori Longworth, Scholarship Chair. Not Pictured: Per Jorgenson, Jared Sunram, Kaleb Carlson, Justin Davis and Jacob Clements.



# District Governor Elect Tom Plagman

**“In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love”... Tennyson**

Okay, in my case, I love to watch the fields progress from drab winter whites and greys to the fertile blacks and browns of spring eventually turning to row upon parallel row of the many shades of green of new growth as the year’s crops begin to grow and flourish.

The farmer in me cannot help but wax romantic about the changes of the seasons.

Where you might ask is DGE Tom headed with this?

**“Preparing the Field”** is the theme for my year as your District Governor.

I hope to do just that. Without a good seed bed one cannot expect seed to grow, let alone flourish. Preparing this seed bed could be likened to proper training for Lions. I hope to see this growth in our Clubs. I am pleased with the turnout that is being seen at our spring training events. Although an older and more experienced Club Officer might cynically say “I have been to so many of the officer training events, why should I go to one more?” It cannot be denied there is always something new to be picked up.

So, let’s say you have held a membership night. You have courted the prospective members and they have become members of your Club. What are you going to do with them now? “Put them to work” you say and that is part of the correct answer. If you can put them on a project that they enjoy they will feel more a part of your Club and they will be building relationships. Both are very positive and important things.

What happens when the Zone Chair or Project Chair or even the District Governor come to visit? What I am talking about here is orientation. By going to the Lions Clubs International web site/member center/new members/orientation (<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/lions/strengthen-membership/member-orientation.php>), you can find tools to help your new Lions better understand the organization of which they are now a part. These tools will help your new members, and maybe even the current members, understand what it means to be a part of our organization. They will better see our global reach and will not forget to talk about the 11 projects we support right here in our District.

Prepare that seed bed, prepare those new members to be the best they can be to better help your Club, your community, and our world.

This adventure called “Lionism” can be rewarding, fulfilling and full of personal and professional growth.

## **VDG Tom Plagman**



The Park Rapids Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors welcomed the **Park Rapids Lions Club** as members. Lions Richard L., Anita and Mike Berneck, Zeld Novak and Frank Bender are pictured with the Chamber Ambassadors.

This is an excellent example of community collaboration.



# “SOW THE SEEDS OF SERVICE”



## 1st Vice District Governor Elect—Rose Puckett

While scrolling through last month’s District Newsletter looking for events I might wish to attend, I noticed that there were no upcoming service projects listed by our 5M9 Lions Clubs, only fundraising projects.

Maybe we could encourage other Lions members to participate with us in a service project if we listed the event and the date it was happening. Sounds like a great way to meet other Lions and have some fun. When it comes to serving, the more hands, the better! Think about it!

Here is a thought about recruiting new members. We tend to focus on adults when trying to increase membership. Our May Lions Magazine had quite a bit of information on Leos Clubs. If we interacted with existing Leos Clubs or even sponsored a new one it would be a great opportunity to meet their parents and talk with them about becoming a Lions member.

Partner with youth groups for some of your Club’s activities. Many times they are chauffeured by their parents and it could be another opportunity to promote your Lions Club. Get that “elevator speech” ready!

The month of July is the start of a new Lions year. Some of us will wear a new hat (maybe one or two) and some will keep their same hat. Whatever your role may be, I would like to say Thank You for your dedication to serving your communities and the needs of our world.

## LET’S GET OUT THERE AND SOW THOSE SEEDS OF SERVICE!

### 1stVDGE

### Lion Rose

**Aitkin Lions Club** has been collecting pop tabs at Aitkin Elementary for more than 10 years.

Three times a year the tabs are collected, weights totaled and a prize given to the top three classes.

This year students collected over 700 pounds. This is amazing when you consider that 2 handfuls is equal to 1 nights stay for a family at Ronald McDonald House near the University of MN in Minneapolis.

The 1st place class was awarded an afternoon at the movies with popcorn and pop. The 2nd place class received a 4 foot pizza and pop, and the 3rd place class received happy meals. The top teacher received \$350 for school supplies and the 2nd & 3rd place teachers received cash prizes.



The Aitkin Lions delivered 16 apple boxes filled with pop tabs to Ronald McDonald on Monday, May 22. They also served a meal to patients and their families which was very rewarding.

The Aitkin Lions have done this each year for more than 6 years.

# MEET YOUR 5M-9 CABINET

Dear Lions,

What seemed like a routine flood warnings to the community of Rapid City, South Dakota in June of 1972 soon turned into ravaging floods that took the lives of more than 200 people, left more than 5,000 people homeless and created more than \$100 million in property damage. Local Lions did what would soon become our legacy, being among the first to arrive with relief. This event also marked the first grant ever awarded by Lions Clubs International Foundation, \$5,000 to help the community rebuild after the catastrophic floods.



Since then, every day, LCIF works to fulfill its mission: "To support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives thru humanitarian service projects and grants." Serving alongside many dedicated Lions, LCIF has made a significant impact on the world. In fact, I am proud to announce LCIF has awarded more than 13,000 grants totaling over **\$1 Billion** since being founded in 1968.

We reached this milestone through our continuous efforts to support Lion-led initiatives in the areas of sight, youth, disaster relief, and other humanitarian initiatives. Every day Lions are working to make a difference

Sincerely, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada,

Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



Larry & Zelda Novak have been married 20 years in June. Between us we have 5 children, 12 grandchildren & 8 great grandchildren. Larry taught instrumental music for 32 years and has been working part time in a group home for special needs adults. He enjoys cars, community band and grandchildren. Zelda worked as a nurse in a detox and CD treatment facility for 22 1/2 years and is working part time now in a memory unit in Park Rapids. We enjoy time at the lake and just hanging out together.

We have enjoyed working together in Lions as Zone Chairs for 4 years and LCIF Coordinators for 3 years. We enjoy visiting Clubs, meeting new friends and spreading the good words of LCIF. We are both MJF's, both received various awards and have been Club officers. Larry has been a Lion for 27 years in 3 different Clubs and Zelda about 10 years.

Hi, I am Diann Bates of Crosby, Minnesota. I have been married to my wonderful husband, Carl for 45 years. We have 2 beautiful daughters and 7 grandchildren. We have been in Crosby for the 35 years.

In 2001, I joined the Deerwood Lakes Lions and have been very active. President of the club 2 times, Vice-President several times, Membership Chair, Board Member, Tail Twister and Lion Tamer, just to name a few. I belonged to the Deerwood Lakes Lions Clown Club for 10 years and helped at the Project New Hope with the children of vets attending a retreat. Last year I worked with Kid's Sight MN. I chaired the Diabetic booth for the past 4-5 years at the Deerwood Summerfest and worked with student nurses during this time. I have been the coordinator for the Affordable Hearing Aids Co-Op in our area with five clubs supporting hearing aids and through the help of the International for the last several years. For the past 2 years, I have been on the Governor's Cabinet as LCIF East Side Coordinator and will continue one more year. LCIF is the foundation for ALL Lions' Clubs to work towards helping where help is needed in disasters, medical, education, youth, environment, and any other help that is needed.

Being a Lion is the most rewarding service that I have been able to do.

Thank you for the growth, wisdom, loving and understanding of being a Lion!



Diann, Larry and myself (Zelda) want to congratulate you on your support for LCIF. The current amount donated to LCIF for this fiscal year is \$26,448 so we are closing in on the district goal of \$34,000. There are a few clubs that have not donated and I would encourage you to do so. The fiscal year runs July 1st to June 31st, The needs are many and it is from club donations, Lions partners and our fiscal responsibility that we are able to meet those needs.

5M9 LCIF Chairpersons

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# MEET YOUR 5M-9 CABINET

## PROJECT NEW HOPE



*So glad to see young families involved in retreats for military families - gives me hope for the future*

At a Project New Hope weekend retreat, veterans and their families find “new hope...new life.” They discover that they are not the only ones experiencing challenges. Project New Hope is different from other services for veterans in that the whole family is

included. It is important for spouses to understand the symptoms of PTSD and how to cope. Among the symptoms are: anger, hypervigilance, flashbacks, and depression. The 3-4 retreats annually are facilitated by professionally trained VA counselors. The retreats are held in beautiful, secluded and convenient locations from Friday evening to Sunday noon. Sessions can include the following topics: relaxation and stress reduction, sleep solutions, anger management, and problem solving. Veterans and/or families can register online at [Project New Hope.net](http://ProjectNewHope.net).

The completely free retreats are generously sponsored by Lions of 5M. Your donations are greatly appreciated. You can help by passing the word about these retreats along to families of veterans who could use this service. Where there is a need, there is a Lion.



*“At Project New Hope, we are driven by our mission - to provide education, training and skills necessary to manage their lives after wartime service.”*



Lion Betty Johansen has been a Lion for 30 years including her Lioness years. She receives her “Lion’s Spirit” from her father a Past District Governor, her husband PDG Dale, son Jim (diabetes co-chair), & grandson Thomas (diabetes calendar poster child). Son Paul lives in the Twin Cities. Dale & Betty have 4 grandchildren and 2 wonderful daughters-in-law.

When Betty visits your Club with a Project New Hope presentation, she will tell you how a family survives living with a veteran diagnosed with combat PTSD. Many similar stories can be heard at a weekend retreat.

Hi all, my name is Dick Labraaten and I have been a member of the Cass Lake Lions Club for about 48 years and the Bemidji Lions Club as an associate member for about 13 years. I was elected District Governor at the midwinter in Brainerd in January of 1979. My wife of 46 years, Lion Bev, and I received our daughter Julie that same April so it was a busy and exciting year. Our son Jon joined our family in Dec. of 1981. We have 3 grandsons and 4 granddaughters and we will become great grandparents of a boy in June. Since I was a very young DG I have served as Cabinet Chairman of most all the older programs of our District and LCI over the years. I am currently co-chair of Project New Hope and am honored to be the Corporate Board/Foundation President/Chairman and am the MD5M PNH Chairman. I have been honored to receive the International President’s Leadership Award, the International President’s Award, the MD5M Hall of Fame Award, as well as the Melvin Jones Fellowship and the PNH Above and Beyond Award. Bev and I live on a 140 acre hobby farm by Bemidji and I am a car/truck/tractor guy with 33 tractors from 1928-1962, and 20 cars and trucks. I also am a member of Sons of Norway, Masons, Shriners, Eastern Star and the Scottish Rite Masons. I have held all offices in the Cass Lake Club except Treasure several times and President 7 times. Both Bev and I are very proud to be Lions and our membership has brought us many blessings and added joys to our lives.

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# Club Activities



Above: **Cass Lake Lake Country Lions** and their guests got all dressed up and enjoyed a Membership Drive Tea Party in April.



PDG Jay Norby recently visited the **Cass Lake Lake Country Lions**. While there he presented a Helen Keller Award to Lion Joan Brose (above) and presented the Club with the **2015-16 District Governor's "Best Action Photo" Award**. He is pictured below with Club President Marie Chandler. PDG Jay also shared information about the Lions Kid Sight Eye Screening Program.



Above Some **Cass Lake Lake Country Lions** attended the Governor's Banquet at the MD5M Convention.



Left: **Cass Lake Lions Club** held a Kids Sight vision screening at the Cass Lake Elementary School on April 26th. 70 students were screened with the assistance of Lions Les Swift and PDG Jay Norby. The Club was invited to come back in September to do more screening.



# Club Activities



Above: The **Deer Creek Lions Club** provided the bus for many Clubs to catch a ride to the MN Lions Eye Bank Tour on May 6th. The members that attended report that it was a “Great Experience”.



Left: The **Deer Creek Lions Club** recently presented “Years of Service” Awards to some members. Pictured L-R: Lance Wohlwend—40 years, Dick Malone—10 years, Wayne Perkins—10 years, Larry Pearson—40 years, & Norm Jahnke—25 years. Thank you Lions for your many years of dedication to serving.

Below: The **Deer Lake Lions** held their Annual Pancake and French Toast Breakfast on April 30th. 212 people were served with a net income of \$1600. Proceeds go to our 13 “Lifelines” that we provide.



Above: **Malmo Area Lions** served brats and hotdogs in Malmo raising money for **Kids Against Hunger**.



Right: **Hill City Lions**, Zone 2 Chair Tom Brand and other Hill City residents helped plant 125 new trees to replace the ones lost in last year’s storm.





**10th Annual**  
**Pequot Lakes**  
**Cherry Car Show**  
**and Craft Fair**

**FREE to Spectators!**

**Date:** June 3rd, 2017  
**Place:** Trailside Park, corner of Hwy 371 and Co. Rd. 11  
**Registration:** 7:00AM, Show runs 9:00–4:00  
**Fee:** \$10.00  
**Hosts:** Pequot Lakes-Breezy Point Lions Club

Located in Pequot Lakes in beautiful Trailside Park. The Cherry Car Show is entering its 10th year and you want to be part of it! Early registration is recommended to get the best spot — first come, first serve.

The City of Pequot Lakes is located in the center of the Brainerd Lakes area where fun is easy to find. A craft fair will be happening on the same day so there's something for everyone!

*For more information, please call 218-838-8002  
or email [info@plbplionsclub.com](mailto:info@plbplionsclub.com)*



*We would LOVE to see you ... and your car!*





## 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Garrison Lions Community Clean-Up Day

June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. noon  
(Please note new hours)

**VFW** parking lot, rain or shine!

Can't find the time to make a trip to the landfill?  
"Let us help by bringing the landfill to you."

Appliances	Mattresses	Batteries
Old Computers	Scrap Metals	Tires & Bikes
Couches & Chairs	Construction Materials	

**NO CHEMICALS OR PAINTS, PLEASE!**

Nominal fees will be assessed by the load.  
Any questions call: 651-491-3849

# GARRISON LIONS 36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SPRING STYLE SHOW

Date: Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017

At: Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge

Social from 11:00 am to 12:00 Noon

Lunch at 12:00 Noon

Tickets: \$25 Sold in Advance

Fashions from: Ruttger's Country Store  
Christopher Banks

Tickets available from any Garrison Lion or  
contact: Cookie 218-678-4035  
June 320-692-4032

All proceeds go back to community needs



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## Malmö Area Lions

### Community Free Meal

**June 21, 2017 (Summer Solstice)**  
Lakeside Community Center just off Hwy 47/18 in Malmö

**meal, games, information booths and demonstrations**  
**5pm to 7pm**  
music to start 6pm

**then stick around and enjoy the company**

**SPONSORED BY:**

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- Westerlund's CITCO and Bait • Sunrise Café • Scoops
- Sandelands Realty • Malmö Evangelical Free Church
- Aitkin Sheriff's Department • Aitkin Fire Department
- Aitkin County EMT'S • Leader Dogs for the Blind

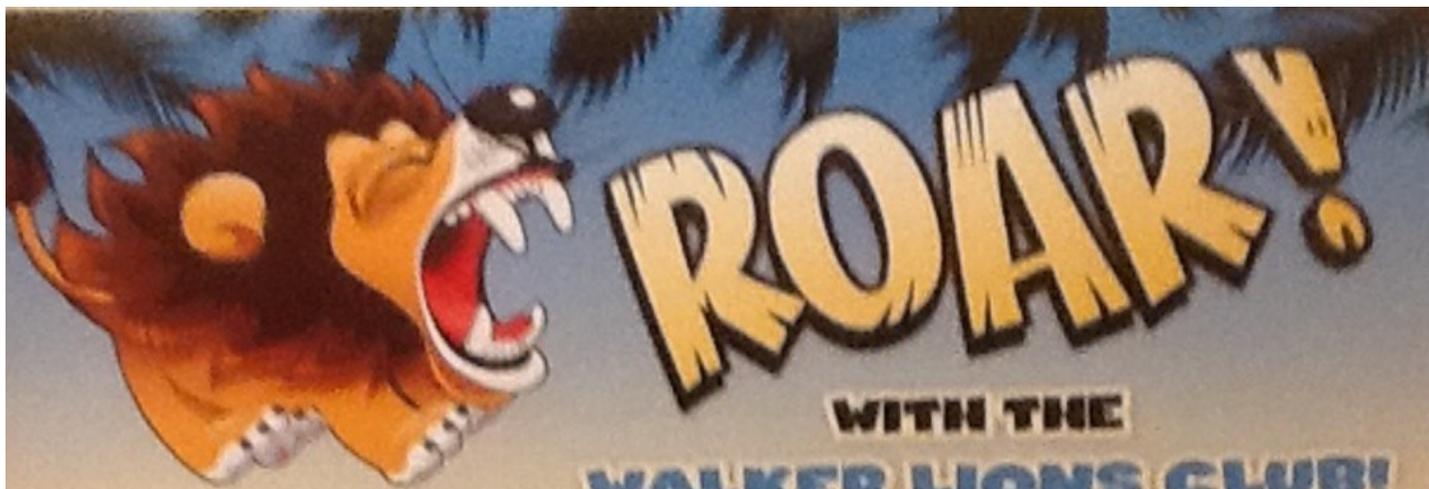
Can Do Canines is excited to announce the Candid Canines Film Fest is now open and ready to take your awesome dog video submissions! Send us your videos here



[www.candidcaninesfilmfest.com](http://www.candidcaninesfilmfest.com)

The Candid Canines Film Fest is a 2017 Minneapolis Aquatennial Associated event!

Save the date:  
Thursday, July 20, 2017, from 4 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Join us for our FREE, family-friendly celebration of dogs at Target Field Station! (Yes, you can bring your pups to the event!)  
We look forward to seeing your videos!



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Includes Dinner, Dance and Show.

**Silent Auction**

**Doors OPEN**

at 5:00 pm

**Dinner**

at 6:00 pm

**Entertainment**

at 7:00 pm



Tickets on sale at Northern Lights Casino Gift Shop,  
online at [www.northernlightscasino.com](http://www.northernlightscasino.com)  
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or Gary at 612-618-0589

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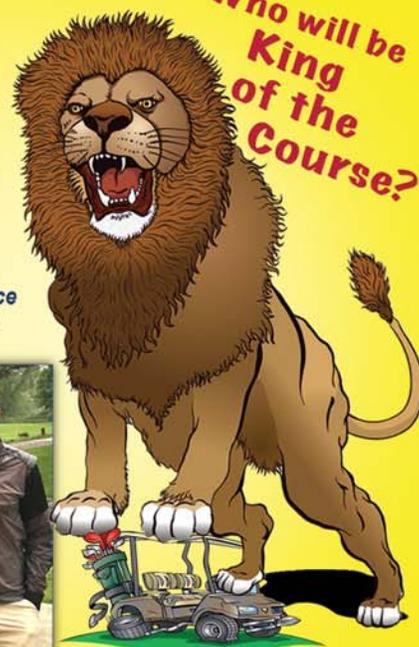
# GOVERNOR'S CUP

4-Person Scramble Golf Tournament

**TUESDAY JUNE 13, 10 A.M. SHOTGUN**  
**18 Holes - 4 Person Scramble**  
**Full Meal After Event • Contest & Prizes!**

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

*Who will be King of the Course?*



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**2015 Champs! Cokato Lions Club**

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**Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation**

Supporters of the Multi District Lions Golf Tournament District Governor of 5m7DG Steve and Lion Kathy, 5m5 Rob Hed and Lion Rhonna, 5m6 Pat Findley, Board of Trustees of the Hearing Foundation, the Board of Directors of the Vision Foundation and Diabetes Foundation.

**Support this great cause... HEAR US ROAR!**

**LIONS, LIONESS & LEOS TOURNAMENT TUES, JUNE 13**

Registration Form (Registration deadline May 14)



Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Amount Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Make check out to: Whispering Pines LLC  
 Amount to Charge: Visa \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Mastercard \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Card # / / /  
 Expiration: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ CSV # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee\* \$100 per person, \$25 for meal only.

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Please complete registration form, enclose check (no cash), if not using cc, and drop off at **WHISPERING PINES GOLF COURSE**.  
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# The Dunn Show

*(we're almost finished)*

## Dunvilla's Country Music Variety Show

### Tuesday, June 20th

5:00-7:00pm Burger Bash by the Dunvilla Lions Club

7:00-8:30pm The Dunn Show with Tribute to *Patsy Cline*

#### Upcoming Shows:

Tuesday, July 18th	Food Truck Rodeo by Dunvilla Lions Club & The Dunn Show
Tuesday, August 15th	Old Fashioned Brats & Corn Feed by Dunvilla Lions Club & The Dunn Show

Dunn Show - \$10/Ticket

Dunvilla Lions Dinner - Free Will Offering

The Barn at Dunvilla  
48203 US Highway 59  
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572

Tickets available at The Inn 218-863-8000 or at the door night of the show.



26TH  
Annual

# URBANK SUMMERFEST

Saturday-Sunday  
June 24-25, 2017

WENDELIN KOEP, SR. STADIUM IN URBANK



*Saturday,  
June 24th*  
**BASEBALL**

URBANK BOMBERS  
VS MILLERVILLE  
MILLERS  
6:00 PM

## DANCE

"PURE COUNTRY"  
8:00 pm-12 Midnight

*Urbank Lions  
40th Anniversary*

*Sunday, June 25th*

## CHICKEN & BRAISED BEEF MEAL

11:00 AM-1:00 PM

## PARADE

1:30 PM

## TURTLE RACES

2:30 PM

Duck Pond, Plinko, Ring Toss, Dart Board, Calk Walk

## SUNDAY BASEBALL

Goldtimers vs Kensington - 2 PM  
Jr. Legion vs Otter Tail Central - 4 PM  
Sr. Legion vs Otter Tail Central - 6:30 PM

BEER GARDEN & CONCESSIONS (BURGERS,  
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# Salad Luncheon

Sponsored by the  
Bluffton Lions

Sunday, July 9, 2017  
Bluffton Community Center  
11:30 a.m. registration  
All are invited to attend!



Lion Brian E Sheehan for 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of Lions Clubs International

All Lions Golf Outing Fund Raiser for PID Brian's Campaign  
All proceeds to PID Brian Sheehan's Campaign Fund

Bring your used glasses and hearing aids and enter your name in a drawing.

Proceeds benefit  
Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation

501(c)(3) nonprofit, supporting the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank, Lions Children's Eye Clinic, Lions Macular Degeneration Center, Lions Eye Institute, and other vision-related projects.



When: July 21, 2017 ● 9 a.m. registration – 10 a.m. shotgun start  
Where: Kimball Golf Course ● 11823 Co Rd 150, Kimball MN 55353

Who: Participants are Lions & Spouses of Lions only

- 👤 4 - person teams – limited to 36 teams
- 👤 Individuals golfers are welcome at \$60.00 ea.

Cost: \$ 240.00 per team

- 👤 Entry fee may be paid on day of event, but must preregister

Contact: PDG Duane Finger for preregistration at [fingerelec@meitel.net](mailto:fingerelec@meitel.net)  
or cell phone: 320-980-6219

- 👤 Make checks payable to Watkins Lions Club
- 👤 Registration includes - Mulligans, Skins, Special events & Lunch

Sponsorship: Clubs or Individuals may sponsor a hole for \$50.00 ea.

(Sponsorship for hole needs to be sent to PDG Duane by June 26, 2017 at  
11764 120<sup>th</sup> St, Kimball, MN 55353)

Non-Golfers: Welcome to join in the fun for \$10.00 ea. Includes Lunch & hayride



RSVP and purchase tickets by July 5th!  
Margaret Van Erp, Bluffton Lions Club  
38214 610th Ave - Bluffton, MN 56518 or 218-385-3446

\$14



Aug. 24-Labor Day, Sept. 4, 2017

**MINNESOTA STATE FAIR**

Your help is needed on  
Saturday, September 2  
at the Hearing & Vision Foundations booth  
located in the Education Building down from  
the Main Gate.

District 5M9

Shifts are:

- 8:45AM to 12:00PM
- 11:45AM to 3:00PM
- 2:45PM to 6:00PM
- 5:45PM to 9:00PM

Four people per shift are needed.

**Please contact:**

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## "Swinging for a Cure"

Golf Tournament to Support  
The Minnesota Lions  
Diabetes Foundation



Everyone is Welcome



Friday  
**June 16**

Shotgun Start

4 Person Scramble  
**Frazees, MN Golf Course**  
18 Teams — \$50.00 per Golfer

10:00 am

(Includes Golf, Cart, Lunch, Prizes)

Register at Frazees Golf Course  
Or by calling 701-202-6337 or  
701-391-3020

Door Prizes  
Silent Auction  
Many Games on the Course



This event is a fund raiser with 100% of the funds raised (after expenses) going to the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation in their effort to find that long awaited cure for diabetes.

Sponsored by the Vergas Lions Club, Box 12, Vergas, MN 56587

*Have Some Fun for a Good Cause!*

Registration Form for PID Brian's Campaign for 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of  
Lion's Club International Golf Tournament

July 21, 2017 - Kimball Golf Course

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Members

Lions Club

Paid

- |          |                          |       |
|----------|--------------------------|-------|
| 1) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| 2) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| 3) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| 4) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |

Yes, I will be a hole sponsor for \$50.00

Name / Club \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: PDG Duane Finger for preregistration at [fingerelec@meltel.net](mailto:fingerelec@meltel.net)

or cell phone: 320-980-6219 or send to:

PDG Duane Finger

11764 120<sup>th</sup> St.

Kimball, MN. 55353

 Make checks payable to Watkins Lions Club

# MD5M Council of Governors Meeting



The MD5M Council of Governors met in Minneapolis, MN on Saturday, March 11, 2017 and in Bemidji, MN on Friday, April 21, 2017. We will address **March's meeting** first- Council Chair Todd Neumann reminded us of the "Community Peace Project Challenge". District 5M4 had a community discussion with police officers. Can Do Canines are in need of more funding because of a 12% increase in their graduation of more dogs. GMT announced that in 8 months, 5 new clubs have formed, 6 districts are in the plus, 5M5 is at +87, 5M3 +12. Texas membership is at 24,938 with a loss of -606; MD5M- 21,482 with a loss of -31; California 20,531 with a growth of +444.

There is a new Mac Degeneration/Glaucoma- Age related website: MNEYELINK.org They are in need of donations for there is a waiting list for supplies. 90-92 cents of every \$1.00 donated goes for supplies. Link on the website for information. It was M/S/P to allow them to solicit donations from Lions Clubs.

The Redwing Lions Club is hosting a huge eye glass collection on June 25<sup>th</sup>. They would like to collect over 100,000 pairs of glasses so they are asking that clubs bring their glasses to the MD5M Convention in April or to Redwing on June 25.

Youth Exchange has added Foundation in their name. Leo's are celebrating 60 years since they formed in 1957 and will celebrating at the USA/Canada Leos Leadership Forum in NY August 2-6.

## MD5M- COG- Bemidji MN-

Lions Clubs International is looking to make a name change by removing Clubs from their title. They will be known as Lions International. This will be voted on at International Convention.

PID Brian Sheehan announced that he is seeking 3<sup>rd</sup> International Vice President position in Las Vegas. Nominations and Demonstrations were held. Voting was held by ballot with Lion Brian receiving 276 votes. PID Brian will not throw his hat into the ring for office until after the Chicago Convention so no endorsement for Lion Brian will be done at this International Convention. PID Brian will need help at the Las Vegas convention to win the vote.

International Convention hosting sites after this year will be: 2018- Las Vegas, 2019- Milan Italy, 2020- Singapore, 2021- Montreal Quebec, 2022- New Delhi India, 2023- Boston MA, 2024- Melbourne Australia. There has been an endorsement to make International Directors a 3 year commitment and not 2 year.

PDG Bill Michl will be running around Lake Superior this summer. The slogan of 2 million steps for 2 million dollars for LCIF.

Due to circumstances, the MOA Centennial Celebration on June 3 has been postponed to Saturday, October 7 at the MOA. More details to come.

Can Do Canines Woofaroo will be held on September 16. Leadership Institute had 62 graduates. Lion Bert Nelson, LCIF Chair is donating \$100.00 to LCIF for every district who has 100% donations from their Lions Clubs. Minnesota Lions vision Foundation is building a new 4 story research building. Lions have the naming rights to this building and will need \$21 million donation to this project.

Winnipeg Manitoba hosts the 2018 MD5M Convention. Vergas Lions Club will host the 2019 MD5M Convention in Mahnomen MN.

Bemidji Convention had 448 full registrations, with 665 Lions participating at convention. 280 participated in the 0-K walk which raised money for Diabetes.

*-Lion Cheri Appel, MD5M Public Relations*

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## District 5M9 Youth Outreach Scholarship application is now available as a fillable form!

Our college students will soon be home on their summer breaks and now is the best time to let them know about the District 5M9 Youth Outreach Scholarship. This scholarship is available to a college student who is in their final two years of obtaining a degree in a field that leads to a career in working with youth.

The scholarship application is available to download on the 5M9 website: [www.lionsof5m9.org](http://www.lionsof5m9.org) . You can print the cover letter that instructs the students on how they can access the fillable application form or print the entire scholarship to distribute to potential applicants. Keep a few copies available for your club members to reach out to any eligible college students in your community.

Printed copies of the 5M9 Youth Outreach Scholarship will also be available at the first zone meeting later this summer; but please don't wait till then! Let's get the information out into our communities early by promoting the scholarship in your local newspapers. Clubs can contact either of the Youth Outreach Project co-chairs to obtain a prepared newspaper article that can be customized for your club. Contact Lion Pat Hendrickx at [phend@arvig.net](mailto:phend@arvig.net) or Lion Evie Ladd at [seladd@frontiernet.net](mailto:seladd@frontiernet.net).

# 2017 - 2018

## LIONS 5M9 YOUTH OUTREACH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Youth Outreach Committee of Lions District 5M9 is offering up to \$9,000.00 in college scholarships. The scholarships will be for the 2017-2018 school year.

**To be eligible to apply for a scholarship a student:** 1. Must be in the last two years of a degreed college program. Graduate students are not eligible for this scholarship. 2. Have a major in a program which leads to a career in youth work. 3. Have graduated from a high school that is within District 5M9 or their home is in District 5M9. The student can only receive this scholarship one time.

The Youth Outreach co-chairpersons of District 5M9 shall do the final selecting and awarding of scholarships.

### **Required scholarship application enclosures:**

1. A transcript of your college grades for all the years you have attended college.
2. Two letters of recommendation. One should be from your college; an instructor or an adviser and the second letter from a Lions Club member in your community.
3. Recent photograph; to be used for the awards ceremony if you are selected.
4. Completed scholarship application including the essay.

### **Criteria used to select recipients:**

1. College GPA
2. Involvement in college and outside activities
3. The two letters of recommendation
4. The essay portion of the application

**All letters and submissions must be in print form. No hand-written documents will be accepted.**

**A fillable scholarship application is available to download by contacting one of the co-chairs listed below or the Lions of 5M9 website at: [www.lionsof5m9.org](http://www.lionsof5m9.org).**

**Please print the completed application and email or send per instructions listed below.**

Any questions: Contact one of the following.

Lion Pat Hendrickx  
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Perham, MN. 56573  
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218-845-2932 (Home)  
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**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 15, 2017. THE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL SUPPORTING MATERIALS SHOULD BE MAILED OR EMAILED TO: PAT HENDRICKX AT ABOVE ADDRESS.**



b. List community activities/organizations in which you have been active, including recognitions, awards, etc. which you have received beginning with high school. A separate page may be attached if needed.

ACTIVITY	DATES	LEVEL OF INVOLVEMENT
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

10. Work experiences both out of school and while in school.

Employer	Date of employment	Duties
_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____

11. Essay: Describe your career goals in a youth related occupation which will utilize the knowledge and skills acquired from your major. (Describe in essay form with a minimum of 250 typed words on an attached page).

The information in this application is true and factual.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



***5M9 Training  
for  
Club Secretaries  
&  
Zone Chairs***

**When** ~ Sunday June 25, 2017  
**Where** ~ Bluffton Community Center

**Gathering at 1:00 pm with snacks provided.  
Sessions to start at 1:30 pm**

**There will be a free light meal offered after  
the training.**

**Presenters** ~ PDG Margaret Van Erp  
PDG Don Hendrickx



# 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention

January 5, 6 & 7, 2018

Shooting Star Hotel & Event Center, Mahnomen, MN

Official Hospitality Book Order Form for 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention 2018 at Mahnomen. Each Lion, Lioness, Leo and Guest must fill out this form completely and return with a check made out to the "2018 - 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention" for registration or individual meal ticket(s) requests.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:**

(Please Circle One)      Lion      Lioness      Leo      Guest

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov/State \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

2018 Lions Title: \_\_\_\_\_

- Check if this is your first 5M9 Convention
- Check if you require Handicap Seating
- Check & List if you have Dietary Needs \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Hospitality Book:**

Includes All Meals, Entertainment,  
Mid-Winter book & Pin.  
**First-Timer** Cost until Dec. 1, 2017      \$65.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost Until Dec. 1, 2017      \$69.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost After Dec. 1, 2017      \$75.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Individual Meal Tickets:**

Registration Fee:      \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturday Breakfast:      \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturday Lunch:      \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturday Banquet:      \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sunday Brunch:      \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_

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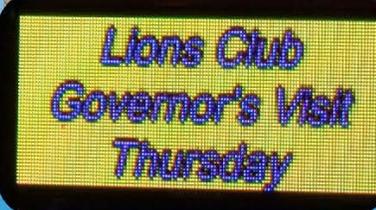
Room Rates for the Convention will be \$84.50 (including tax).      \_\_\_\_\_ Friday Night      \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Night

Number of Nights stay \_\_\_\_\_ X \$84.50 = \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this form & your Check to:

2018 Mid-Winter Convention  
 C/O PDG Rodger Palmer  
 1025 E. Scharf Ave.  
 Vergas, MN 56587

**We have the capability of accepting Credit Cards for payment of rooms and Convention Books**



I thank you for your part in my journey



# CENTENNIAL PROGRAMS

(TOTALS AS OF 05-03-2017)

**153,139,559** PEOPLE SERVED

**34,363** CLUBS REPORTING



## CENTENNIAL SERVICE CHALLENGE

### Lead through Service

**419,408** CENTENNIAL MEMBERS

**3,687** CENTENNIAL CLUBS



## CENTENNIAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

### Invite for Impact

**15,430** LEGACY PROJECTS

**6,840** CLUBS REPORTING



## CENTENNIAL LEGACY PROJECTS

### Connect with Community

## DISTRICT GOVERNOR DICK'S TRAVELS

### June

3—D-Foot Hearing Loss Annual Walk  
8—Pillager DG visit  
13—Bay Lake Installation of Officers

25—Sect/Zone Chair Training @ Bluffton  
29-4—International Conv @ Chicago  
**July**  
New Lions year and IPDG!

Please submit stories and photos by the 15th of each month for the following months newsletter.  
When possible, send photos in jpeg format and articles as a word document.  
Use of pdf is also acceptable. Contact me for assistance or with questions.  
Thank You Tracy Buhl

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