

DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DICK STEBBINS

## INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AMBASSADOR OF GOODWILL

While attending the 2017 MD5M Convention in Bemidji, MN, Dr. Armand Radke, a Detroit Lakes Lion, was presented the **International President's Ambassador of Goodwill Medal!** This award is the highest honor to be given by Lions Clubs International. Lion Dr. Radke has led Mission Trips for Vision to Mexico for many years. Congratulations Lion Armand!

### NO MAN IS AN ISLAND

Standing next to Council Chair Todd, two International Directors and the Past President Wayne Madden of Lions Clubs International I found myself in awe. An unexpected honor that surely made me speechless. Later that evening the phrase, "No Man Is An Island" kept reverberating through my mind. I felt compelled to include those who have made these mission trips possible.

Fifteen years ago, my wife Maricela, children Brittany, Phillip and I went to Mazatlán to try to fulfill a "vision" we had to create an eye care mission to help those in Mexico. By destiny, we met a group of Canadian and US residents that had started a mission to provide school age children with clothes and supplies for school called "Friends of Mexico". They helped us meet the right people, particularly the Mazatlán Pacifico Lions Club. The following year, with help from Frazee Past District Governor Eldon Bergman, we established a sister club and from then we began seeing patients and delivering free glasses to the poor of Mazatlán. Thus, "Eyes For Mexico" Mission was created.

It was only 2 years later when, at a combined Lions meeting in Mazatlán, the District Governor of the Lions from Cabo San Lucas convinced us to create another sister club and extend our Mission to Cabo. For the last 13 years we have seen around 1500 patients in Mazatlán per year and 1000 patients in Cabo.

In order to do this we needed the cooperation of many people. Many club members throughout our Lions District 5M9 have joined us to help. Many of those Lions members came multiple years to help. Also, the financial support from many of the clubs in 5M9 either directly to Eyes For Mexico or through LEHP (Lions Eye Health Program) has been pivotal. The 5M9 Cabinet has always been very supportive in both the funding and supplying instrumentation for the mission. Both the Mazatlán Pacifico Lions and Cabo San Lucas Lions are also very involved and have become very close amigos.

Of course, the Detroit Lakes Lions Club and many of the members have participated and our fundraisers through our club help to afford the mission.

Finally, I would be remiss to not thank my family. Their unceasing support allows me, at times when I was exhausted and frustrated, to see the big picture and understand the Christian need to help those less fortunate.

Brittany who's artistic talents will further the ideals that Maricela started, to find those who have and want to express their talents but don't have the opportunity due to poverty. Phillip will graduate from Ophthalmology residency in June and has already started pursuing the means to provide eye surgeries for both locations. Of course, the true jefe (boss) of the mission is Maricela. Without her it would be impossible to coordinate such a huge undertaking.

I want to thank you all for your help allowing me to do what I not only need to do, give back, but also to fulfill a dream.

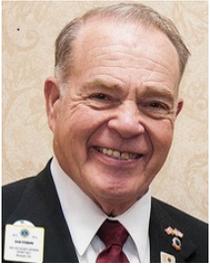
I share this award, not only with my family, but also with all of you. It is truly a combined effort of 5M9 that I am very proud to be a part of.

Thank You, Armand

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# Richard the Lionhearted



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Spring is a very busy time and a time of renewal and change. We have waited a long time for the arrival of spring flowers, green grass, baby animals, birds chirping, frogs croaking and the trees budding out. This weekend we have had sunshine, rain and snow at the MD5M Convention in Bemidji.

We are so proud of Lion Dr. Armand Radke who was awarded the International President's Ambassador of Goodwill Medal at the MD5M Convention in Bemidji. This is the highest honor the Lions association bestows upon its members. There have only been 34 of these presented worldwide and we have one of them in District 5M9!

Spring Zone Meetings are in full swing with several scheduled yet in May. We have been attending many of these meetings and continue to be impressed with the projects of each club. It is awesome to listen to each club's report and hear what the members have accomplished. Many have done their Centennial Legacy Projects or have the plans to do them. It is really great to see. Some clubs say they are a small club in numbers; but when they start listing their projects, it is one great small club. Keep up the great work you are doing for your communities.

We are headed down the back stretch of this Lions year and what a great year it has been. We are not done yet, so let's all put one more push to get that service project done, sign up a new member and invite your members who have not been attending lately to come to a meeting. Let them know that they are missed.

As I start to wind down my year as District Governor, I can't begin to explain what a great journey it has been. If you've ever thought about running for DG, all I can say is don't stop, don't give up! There are a lot of great Lions in our District that would be outstanding leaders, but you have to have the courage to Go over that next Mountain!

This month of May is Lions Recycle for Sight month. Get collection boxes from our Vision Foundation Co-Chairs to distribute in your community. So many times people have old eye glasses and don't know what to do with them. Well, we as Lions can make great use of them. Be sure to check the collection boxes regularly, keep them neat and attractive. Remember, there is also a need for usable reading glasses and sunglasses. You can also deposit used hearing aids in the same box for Hearing Foundation.

We are the largest service organization and yet, I still meet people that have not heard about Lions or don't know that there is a club in their area. We (and I include myself) are not good at blowing our own horn. Do we let the media know that we are holding events in our area? Any time a group of Lions get together we should be contacting the media. Do you show your club banner at events? I know that the majority of clubs have one because I see them at the mid-winter convention. Please display it often and with pride at all of your functions.

In Lions, we just sent eight Lions from our District to our Regional Leadership Institute in Mahanomen. I think they are all excited about the newness of Lionism and have come back wanting to start sharing it with their club and hopefully our District. The next Leadership Institute will be held in 2019.

Speaking of learning, have you checked out the [www.LionsUniversity.org](http://www.LionsUniversity.org) website to see the large selection of courses that you can take to expand your knowledge about Lions. When completed you can earn a Bachelors, Masters & Doctorate degree. Other great places to visit are [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org), [www.lionsMD5M.org](http://www.lionsMD5M.org) & Lion's Learning Center which are all great places to take some courses & listen to webinars. There is also officer training available online for you.

FARE THEE WELL

5M9 DISTRICT GOVERNOR DICK STEBBINS



# District Governor Elect Tom Plagman

What a great weekend to be a Lion of District 5M9. We joined the other 11 Districts from our Multiple at the Sanford Center in Bemidji to hold our 98<sup>th</sup> annual meeting and convention. This was a great facility on the shores of Lake Bemidji. Our Friday morning breakfast was in the hotel breakfast area that offered panoramic views of the lake. What a wonderful way to start the day!

At the Council of Governors, we agreed to step away from having the directories on CD since they are available in a digital format and the CDs have proven to be problematic. PDG Peter Van Erp is still offering printed versions of the directories in both Multiple (\$18) and District (\$8) editions.

The Vergas Lions put in a last-minute bid to host the 2019 MD5M Convention. Their bid was accepted. We, as a district should get behind them and offer any support that we can.

PID Brian Sheehan has been campaigning for his run for 3<sup>rd</sup> International Vice President. The Council agreed to release the funds that we have been holding to his campaign team to help defray costs. PID Brian has grown his small software business that he started in Bird Island, Minnesota to a multinational enterprise. This is only one part of an impressive resume that qualifies him for this, the highest position in our International order of Lions Clubs.

At the Saturday night banquet our Lion Dr. Armand Radke was called to the podium to talk about his Vision Missions to Mexico. At the conclusion of his speech he was honored to be awarded the International President's Ambassador of Goodwill Medal. This is the highest award that Lions Clubs International can bestow. We in 5M9 can be very proud of Lion Armand because he is one of our own. Lions from our District have gone on his trips to Mazatlán and Cabo San Lucas and come back with stories of the need that exists there and the satisfaction of personally truly changing so many lives.

We had the largest representation from any District to the Convention. It is a great honor to serve as the District Governor Elect of such a great District, District 5M9.

**District Governor Elect**

**Tom Plagman**



Left: The **Zone 2 Meeting** was hosted by the **Bay Lake Lions** at **Deerwood**. The **Garrison Lions** won the traveling trophy for attendance but only by a small percentage point. Pictured Back L-R David Drahosh, Bob Ensminger, Cookie Knopik, Mike Hodge, Karen Hodge, President Dick Gatz, Terry Knopik, Elroy Raddatz. Front L-R: Sharon Hannon, Elaine Drahosh, Karen Raddatz Great food, friends and amazing guests!



# “SOW THE SEEDS OF SERVICE”



## 1st Vice District Governor Elect—Rose Puckett

Happy Spring to all of you wonderful LIONS!

This is the end of my two year term as President of the Bay Lake Area Lions. As is the custom in our club, next year my position will be Membership Chair.

I am planning to attend our District 5M9 Officer Training sessions and even though I have been a Lion for 19 years, there is always something new and interesting to learn. Check this newsletter for details and remember all members are invited to attend.

Congratulations to all the clubs who have increased their membership this year. If you are struggling for ideas, check out the Lions International website. I just found thirty great ideas for Marketing and Membership. Also, a Lions Radio Station and Video clips.

I have been unable to attend this round of Zone Meetings due to the illness of my husband and Partner in Service, Al. Thank you to my Lions family for your patience and concern.

See You All Soon,  
1stVDGE, Rose

## Henning Lions & Cub Scouts Joint Effort

By Chad Koenen      Publisher—Henning Advocate

Area loons have a new place to call home thanks to a joint effort by the Henning Lions Club and the Henning Cub Scouts. On Saturday, April 8, the two groups constructed a pair of loon nesting platforms, as well as repaired a third platform. The platforms have been placed on East Battle Lake.

The nesting platforms are 5’ square and allowed both the adults in the Lions Club and youth in the Cub Scouts to work together for a common goal. Though the Henning Lions Club is small, President Wayne Hilchen said when people come together they can create positive things for the community.

“We can do great things in our community if people just get on board,” he said.

The project is part of a year full of activities for the local Lions Club in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Lions International organization. As part of the celebration, Lions Clubs are being asked to implement four centennial projects focused on youth, hunger, vision and environment.

Hilchen said anyone is invited to attend a Lions Club meeting to see how they can make a positive impact on the community. The Lions Club meets the third Thursday of the month at Oakwood Supper Club.



# MEET YOUR 5M-9 CABINET



## Kamp KACE

**Kids Against Cancer Everywhere**



PDG Linda Albrecht-Norby is your Chair Person for Kamp KACE. If you would like to volunteer or make a donation you can contact her at: [pdglinda@gmail.com](mailto:pdglinda@gmail.com) 218-346-3200  
218-298-4743 1021 5th Ave NW, Perham, MN 56573.

Kamp KACE (Kids Against Cancer Everywhere) was founded in 1986. It is located in central MN and can accommodate up to 100 campers. Campers are kids with cancer and range in age from 6 to 18 years. Kamp is held the last full week of June each year.

Doctors and nurses from Essentia/Dakota Clinic and the Sanford Health/Roger Maris Cancer Center make up a large part of the staff. They use their vacation time each year and are on site and on duty at all times to distribute medications and provide any necessary treatments. Their dedication makes it possible for school aged children in all stages of cancer treatment to attend Kamp.

Kamp KACE is more than a Kamp for the normal Kamp activities such as, swimming, canoeing, crafts, games, pottery, candle-making, drawing, beading, fishing and campfires. It is a place for kids to come and share with others what they are going through with their battles of cancer. Here they can come together as equals to share the bond of their similar experiences with cancer. Kids are assigned to cabins along with at least 2 counselors and handicap accessible cabins are also available.

The Vergas Lions were the first Lions Club to get the ball rolling at Kamp KACE in 1987. They had made a visit to Camp Trowbridge to check out a place for the Youth Exchange kids and see how the camp was laid out. When they arrived, Kamp KACE was in progress and they brought back ideas to the club for events to help at Kamp KACE the next year. The rest is history!

From that year on, the Lions have been involved with several activities at Kamp. These activities are, Sunday-Ice Cream Social, Monday-Kamp Pictures, Tuesday-Water Safety and Fishing, Wednesday-Fish Fry and also sponsor the main activity at Kamp. These have ranged from the Water Park, 2 circus trips, trip to the Zoo, dances, go carts, bowling and more.

Thanks to the donations from the Lions of 5M9 and others, this Kamp is possible each year for kids who so deserve a chance to be kids. Here they have a safe place to share their thoughts with friends, counselors and the doctors and nurses who share their fight to beat the battle of cancer.

Kamp KACE also has a memorial area overlooking the lake and at the end of Kamp they hold a Memorial Service to remember those who have lost the physical battle against cancer. Here they share the memories of their camping experiences, say good-bye to their friends and know that they will always be remembered at Kamp.

Kamp KACE will be held this year from June 25 – July 1, 2017

**Thank you everyone for your donations and support of Kamp KACE !**

PDG Linda Albrecht-Norby



# MEET YOUR 5M-9 CABINET



Lions Eye Health Program  
Working to Save Sight



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I have been in Lions for 16 years and have been co-chair for LEHP for the last 7 years. I have made 8 trips to Mexico for the Eye Glass Mission.



**Dr. Armand Radke—LEHP Co-Chair**  
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The Lions Eye Health Program (LEHP) is a community-based education program empowering Lions to promote healthy vision and raise awareness of the causes of preventable vision loss.

## LEHP Objectives

- **Encourage the early detection and timely treatment** of diabetic eye disease, glaucoma and age-related macular degeneration (AMD) and the appropriate treatment for low vision.
- **Help educate people** at risk for eye disease and encourage them to seek appropriate treatment.
- **Establish community activities** that promote awareness of eye health.
- **Increase awareness** of the network of local eye health organizations. Collaboration with these organizations may provide useful resources for Lions interested in promoting awareness of eye health and the causes of preventable vision loss.

Below: Lion Mari Radke helps to organize patients to be seen by doctors and find glasses for people and this community center—“La Familia” (the family)



## LEHP MISSION TO MEXICO 2017

Lions members from Mazatlán, Parkers Prairie, Baxter and Detroit Lakes worked together to serve 1200 people during the week in Mazatlán, Mexico.

Lions continue have difficulty getting glasses into Mazatlán due to customs confiscating them. We will need to find a better way to import glasses. We also need a way to import surgical instruments for cataract surgery. They do not have any instruments available for use. This will be an ongoing process. If you can help, please contact Lion Dr. Armand Radke.



Above: Lions from Minnesota, Mazatlán, and Rosario (a small farming community) met. They traveled to Rosario and served more than 300 people.



Left: Lions met with Mazatlán's Mayor, head of DIF Social Services and Chief Medical Director to discuss a better way to import glasses and surgical instruments effectively.

# Club Activities



The **Riverside Fergus Falls Lions Club** inducted 2 new members at their March Meeting. Pictured L-R: Club Secretary & Zone 8 Chair Burke Almquist, new members Inge Krause and Karin Anderson, President Ginny Paulson (sponsor) and Membership Chair Keith Lillis (sponsor).



Left: The **Cass Lake Lions Club** "Car Thru the Ice" occurred on March 29/30. The exact time will be determined when ice conditions dictate removal of the car.



Right: **Cass Lake Lions Club Director** Ardean Bragalla presented a check on behalf of the club to Bev Larson, Cass Lake Area Food Shelf Representative.



Left: Several members of the **Cass Lake Lake Country Lions Club** participated in the Nisswa "Lions Packing Meals to Relieve Hunger Challenge". They donated \$250 to Kids Against Hunger. That amount is matched by the **Nisswa Lions Club**. This group packed 3024 meals for Haiti in just over an hour!



Above: **Underwood Lion**, Karla Green was presented the Top Dog Award in appreciation of her hard work and dedication to serving. Karla is pictured with Club President Greg Kugler.



Above: The **Palisade Lions Club** held an Easter Egg Hunt for about 50 area children on April 15th. 550 plastic eggs were hidden by the club members. The families also enjoyed decorating cookies during the event.

# Club Activities



Above: the **Deerwood Lakes Lions** were honored to have PDG Linda Albrecht-Norby speak at their April 10th meeting. PDG Linda shared information about how Kamp KACE works and what it provides for children with cancer. Club President Diann Bates presented PDG Linda with a donation for Kamp KACE.

Below: **Deerwood Lakes Lions** Linda Altergott and Diann Bates are “practicing” for their clubs **May 13, 2017 Mother’s Day Tea**. This is an annual event. The theme for this year is a “Birthday Party” to celebrate 100 years of Lions.



Saturday, April 8th, the **Osage Lions** hosted a Pancake Breakfast, Health Fair and showed their support of the Carsonville Fire Department. Above Left: PDG Eldon Bergman tests the eyes of young Colton and Thomas. Above Right: Jeanette Karasch checks the blood pressure of Gus Christopherson. Below Left: Osage Lions President presents a check to Fireman of the Year, Jeff Just. L-R Lion Paul McKibben, Lion Art Yliniemi, Fireman Troy Zweerink, Fireman Jeff Just, Lion Jerry Gorden, and Fireman Jake Karasch. Seated: Jim Malzahn. Below Right: Lions Helen Ellingson and Pastor Paul McKibben enjoying themselves during the Pancake Breakfast.



# Club Activities

## NISSWA: LIONS HELP GET FOOD TO HAITI AFTER HURRICANE

By Nancy Vogt Editor *Echo Journal*

Nearly five months after 56 Nisswa Lions Club members helped pack 20,000 meals at Kids Against Hunger-Brainerd Lakes Area in Nisswa, those meals are on their way to Haiti.

The local Lions club donated \$5,000 to Kids Against Hunger to pack emergency food for Haiti after Hurricane Matthew left thousands of people there in need of food. Cass Lake Lions Club members joined the Nisswa Lions in the packing event.

In total, 27,000 nutritious meals left the Kids Against Hunger facility in Nisswa earlier this month on a journey to Haiti. Included with the meals are boxes of pillowcase dresses that Lanette Peterson, Pequot Lakes, made.

"After the hurricane in Haiti, we heard they were in dire need of food and water," said Terry Hansen, Nisswa Lions Club president. "We asked the board membership for \$5,000 to contribute to the packing of 20,000 meals."

Pallets of food were trucked March 14, and were expected to take a couple of weeks to reach Florida and then another couple of weeks to get to Haiti.

Helping the cause are Wes and Jillian Wagner, of Baxter, who adopted two children from an orphanage in Haiti and have taken trips there to do mission work. While there, they forged a friendship with a driver and maintenance worker at the orphanage - Kens Michel, who has since moved to Merrifield.

"I learned so much about the culture," Wes Wagner said of Michel showing him around town.

Wagner also liked that Michel was able to look after his children when they were still in the orphanage. When the orphanage lacked funds and had a massive shortage of food and water, the Wagners sent money, and then formed a team with their church to raise funds for a food program. It helped to have Michel in Haiti to ensure the orphanage got the needed food and water.

Then Wagner met John Poston, who founded the Nisswa Kids Against Hunger organization, and the first Kids Against Hunger meals went to the orphanage.

"Rice will fill your belly, but this stuff is healthy. It's unreal what nutrients can do for a child," Wagner said, noting he saw the improvement in children firsthand.

"It's going to be fantastic to get these meals down there," he said of the Lions' pallets of meals.

Shipping the pallets from Florida to Haiti has always been costly, as well as burdensome to get through customs, Wagner said. For the recent shipment, they're paying more to ship the meals across the ocean, but customs is included in the price. Total cost for the shipment across the ocean is \$1,800.

"We get to watch the kids eat it. We get to watch the cooks prep it," Wagner said. "We see the kids get healthier. We see families grow because the financial burden of food has been taken away."

The Nisswa Lions packing event qualifies for a Lions Clubs International Centennial Service Challenge to relieve hunger with a goal of serving 100 million people by June 2018. During this centennial year of the Lions International, the Nisswa club has challenged other clubs in its district to donate \$250 to Kids Against Hunger or to come and pack food. The Nisswa Lions Club has pledged to match other clubs' donations up to \$250.

There are more than 60 clubs in District 5M9, stretching from the north metro area in Minnesota into Canada.

Kids Against Hunger is a nonprofit humanitarian food organization whose goal is to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the United States and to feed nutritious meals to starving children throughout the world. Kids Against Hunger is 100 percent donation and volunteer driven. All food is purchased through donations and is packed by volunteers.



## VERGAS LIONS CLUB ENTERS SUCCESSFUL BID

At the MD5M Business Meeting held April 22, 2017, in Bemidji, the Vergas Lions Club, Zone 7 of 5M-9, represented by PDG Rodger Palmer, asked the delegates for permission to host the 2019 MD5M Convention on April 26-28, 2019 at the Shooting Star Casino & Convention Center in

Mahnomen, MN. Following a motion and a second, the delegates voted YES, thus giving the Vergas Lions Club their approval to host the 2019 Convention. With the Service Journal's "Diva's" permission you can expect updates in this publication over the next 24 months!



## DEERWOOD LAKES LIONS BIRTHDAY PARTY TEA



Saturday, May 13, 2017

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**June 3, 2017**

**9:30 a.m.**

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**Chaska, MN**

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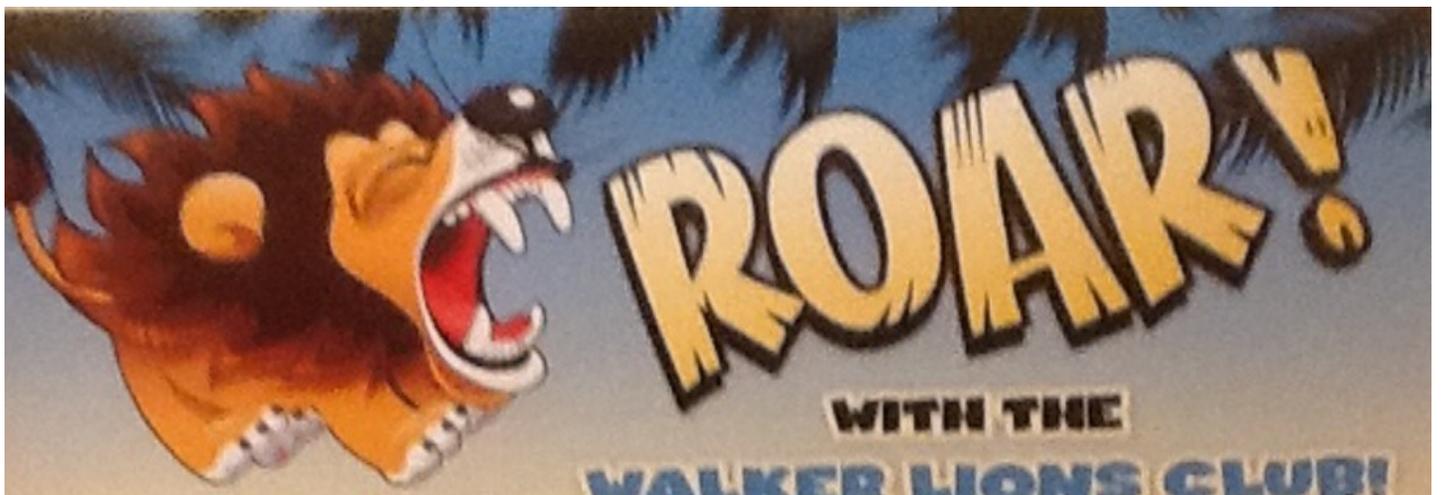
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MULTI DISTRICT LIONS, LIONESS & LEOS GOLF TOURNAMENT



# GOVERNOR'S CUP

4-Person Scramble Golf Tournament

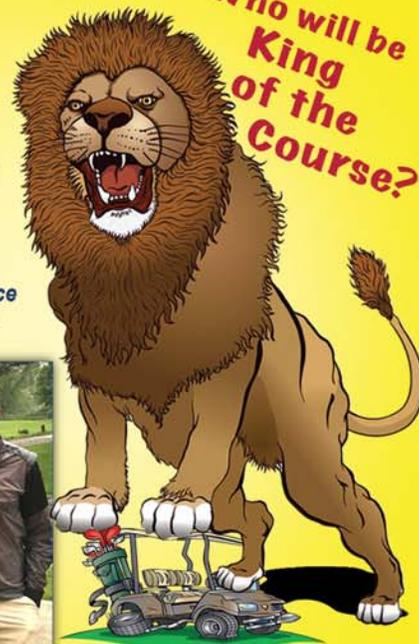
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Please complete registration form, enclose check (no cash), if not using cc, and drop off at WHISPERING PINES GOLF COURSE.

\*Entry fee includes Golf, Cart, Green Fees, Dinner & Prizes.

For More information, please e-mail or call [mark@whisperingpinesgolf.com](mailto:mark@whisperingpinesgolf.com) 612-385-7181



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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

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**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@meltel.net](mailto:fingerelec@meltel.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

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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## COLLEGE OF LEADERSHIP



### 5M9 Club Leader Training being held in TWO locations:

(There is no charge for the meals.)

#### Aitkin, MN.

1st Lutheran Church – 107 2<sup>nd</sup> St. S.E. – Aitkin, MN

**Tuesday, May 9, 2017**

Meal served from 5:30 – 6:15 pm – training starting at 6:30 pm

OR

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#### Perham, MN.

St. Henry's Catholic Church – 234 2<sup>nd</sup> S.W. – Perham, MN.

**Wednesday, May 10, 2017**

Meal served from 5:00 – 6:15 pm – training starting at 6:30 pm

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Sessions offered will include Membership (orientation, attracting & keeping members), Club President duties & responsibilities, leadership techniques, treasurer duties & responsibilities, techniques & ways to bring life to meetings (for tail twisters).



**Note** --- There will be a separate training for the Zone Chairs and Secretaries on June 25, 2017 at the Bluffton Community Center.



***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**

# MD5M 2017 Parade Shirt



**This is the Official parade shirt for the 2017 International Parade in Chicago!**

**Orders need to be received by:  
May 6th, 2017**

| Quantity | Ladies  | Men    | Shirt Size | Unit Price  | Total |
|----------|---------|--------|------------|-------------|-------|
|          |         | XXXXXX | XS         | \$ 22.00    |       |
|          |         |        | Small      | \$ 22.00    |       |
|          |         |        | Medium     | \$ 22.00    |       |
|          |         |        | Large      | \$ 22.00    |       |
|          |         |        | XL         | \$ 22.00    |       |
|          |         |        | 2XL        | \$ 22.00    |       |
|          |         |        | 3XL        | \$ 24.00    |       |
|          | XXXXXXX |        | 4XL        | \$ 24.00    |       |
|          | XXXXXXX |        | 5XL        | \$ 24.00    |       |
|          |         |        |            | Balance Due |       |

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Addr: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:  
 MD5M LIONS  
 REMIT TO: RUTH NEUMANN  
 6770 150TH AVE NW  
 NEW LONDON, MN 56273**



## NEXT STOP.....**CHICAGO!!**

### **LCI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AND 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> TO JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**AVOID THE STRESS OF DRIVING, PAYING PARKING FEES IN CHICAGO AS HIGH AS \$68 PER DAY, AND MASSIVE TRAFFIC CONGESTION. TAKE THE BUS!! WE ARE LOOKING AT RENTING A COACH BUS OR BUSES AND RIDING IN STYLE TO CHICAGO!!**

CHICAGO STYLE HOTDOGS, CHICAGO DEEP DISH PIZZA, INTERESTING SEMINARS, PARTICIPATE IN A PARADE WITH 30,000 OTHER LIONS, ENJOY AN ASSORTMENT OF TOURS, SHOPPING, FIREWORKS OVER LAKE MICHIGAN, AND CONCERTS FEATURING:

*THE BEACH BOYS, CHICAGO'S OWN "CHICAGO,"* THE BLUES BROTHERS, PATTI LAPAIGE, A BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND, THE CHARLIE DANIELS BAND, AND MORE. FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONVENTION GO TO PAGES 18 – 24 IN THE FEBRUARY, 2017 LIONS MAGAZINE. FOR UPDATES GO TO

[LIONSCLUBS.ORG](http://LIONSCLUBS.ORG) AND CLICK ON THE BANNER HEADING; LCICON.

**LEAVE MINNESOTA: THURSDAY, JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**RETURN TO MINNESOTA: WEDNESDAY, JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

**PICKUP POINTS: TO BE DETERMINED ONCE WE SEE WHERE THE RIDERS ARE LOCATED.**

**COST: \$155 US, PER PASSENGER, TO BE PAID AT THE TIME OF YOUR RESERVATION.**

**FOR MORE INFO CONTACT: Denny Ganz; 218.244.4232, [dsganz@tds.net](mailto:dsganz@tds.net) or Les Swift; 218.839.2184, [ltranch@brainerd.net](mailto:ltranch@brainerd.net)**

## BUS REGISTRATION TO CHICAGO

June 29 to July 5, 2017

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBERS (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBER OF \_\_\_\_\_ LIONS CLUB  
TRAVEL COMPANION \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)  
ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM  
YOURS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBERS (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER PASSENGERS \_\_\_\_ X \$155US = \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT PAID

Make checks/money orders to 5M9 BUS

And remit payment to:

Denny Ganz

5079 County 40 NW

Hackensack, MN 56452

### DISTRICT GOVERNOR DICK'S TRAVELS

#### May

4—Zone 5 Mtg @ Wadena  
6—Vision & Hearing Tours  
8—Merrifield DG visit  
9—College of Leadership @ Aitkin  
10—College of Leadership @ Perham  
11—Aitkin Salad lunch  
13—Happy Fishing!  
22—McGregor DG visit  
25-27—Baxter Brat Sale

31—Malmo Welcome Back Snowbirds

#### June

3—D-Foot Hearing Loss Annual Walk,  
MOA Centennial Celebration  
8—Pillager DG visit  
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

Tracey Buhl

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