

5M9 Service Journal

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR—TOM PLAGMAN

We Serve



President's Message

Dear Club Leader,

Lions are known for bringing uncommon kindness to the world, but what is your club known for in your community? I am sure that you are doing so much more than your community knows, providing valuable service, creating opportunities for caring men and women to give back, and changing lives in ways that most don't see. Technology offers so many ways to share our story with our community, and social media is one of the most effective.

Social media can help you instantly connect with your community. With more than 4.8 billion mobile devices around the world, we have the ability so speak directly to our communities. You can share your success stories, promote new projects and inspire others to serve with you. When you report your service on MyLCI or your regional reporting system, we can shine a light on the work of Lions in ways never before possible. Local media outlets are also monitoring social media to find stories they want to share with their readers. We are good news, and that's something the world needs more of these days.

I believe that when others see the tremendous work we're doing, they will want to be a part of it. We know there is nothing like the feeling of helping others. Your service stories can help bring this feeling to life. And social media can help bring these stories to your community.

I encourage you to use all the tools at hand to share the Power of We with our communities.



Sincerely,

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal

Your International President

Maximize Your Social Media Impact

Visit the SMiLE Facebook page for tips and tools that can take your social media to the next level!



District Governor Tom Plagman

The MD5M Convention in Winnipeg for 2018 is in the history books. It was a great convention.

It was a great city to host a convention. I experienced many surprises on the two hour bus tour the first lady and I took. Winnipeg is a city of just under 1 million people (820,000). It is an historic city and the home to many well known personages. There is a zoo with a new 60-acre north American wild life exhibit (the polar bears and the seals are kept well apart from each other). There is a well renovated downtown with many shops and attractions and a thriving business district.

The convention itself was well run and well attended with close to 40 from 5M9 and over 550 attendees overall. Not the least of the attendees was our soon to be first female International President, Gudrun Yngvadottir and her husband Doctor Jon. She turned out to be a total delight with a great sense of humor and a good message of looking to new horizons.

The speaker for the Sunday brunch was a member of the 1996 Canadian Olympic volley ball team and currently a broadcaster and the producer of the Morning Show for Golden West radio. Her message was one of humor and about perseverance.

Central Lakes Community College Club

I visited with our college club at CLC and I was encouraged with what I saw. They have 20 members this year, they have had service projects on campus and in the area. The club is unique in that it is service based where most of the other clubs on campus are curriculum based. Erich, the Faculty Advisor and Director of Student Life at CLC has a food pantry that gets used extensively by the general population at the college. I am working with him to make this more sustainable. It would possibly be a good project for clubs that have students at the college. Because it is not just for Lions community/gambling funds could be used.

On the calendar:

Seventh annual D-feet hearing loss event June 2 at the Landscape Arboretum in Chaska and supporting the Lions Children's Hearing Center. This is a great event in a beautiful place. For more info visit www.5mhf.org

There will be T-shirts, lunch, root-beer and children's activities.

DG TOM PLAGMAN

What do you call an elephant on hockey skates?

An Ice Breaker.

!00th Celebration: Anoka County Fair Grounds.

If you want to enter a little red wagon there is an entry form. Highlight one of the five avenues of service :

Vision Diabetes World Hunger Environment Childhood Cancer Or any club project of your choice.

SOW THE SEEDS OF SERVICE

PRAISE—ENCOURAGE—EDUCATE—HAVE FUN



District Governor Elect

Rose Puckett



It's May and time to think about planting our gardens. Do not forget about "Sowing the Seeds of Service". Plant, water, harvest and yup - it's a new Lion Member.

This past month of April was a great month to be a Lion. I attended 5 Zone Meetings and an outstanding Orientation Presentation at Vergas. What fun to hang out with some of our 5M9 Lions. My free time (ha, ha) was spent planning ahead for July 1, 2018 when I will have the honor of being your District Governor

If you did not have the chance to attend the MD5M Multiple District Convention April 13, 14, 15 in Winnipeg, Manitoba it was outstanding. Good food, great speakers, connecting with Lion friends both old and new, lots of fun and the best was listening to our 2018 -2019 International President Gudren Yngvadottir who will be the first female International President. Next April our 5M9 District will be hosting the Multiple Convention in Mahnomen. Please plan to attend and help if needed.

Enclosed in this newsletter is an updated notice of our Officer Training and Member Information Seminars. Added is another location in hopes that it will be more convenient for some of our club members. New this year is "Women in Lions". I am hoping to see many of you in attendance – please do not disappoint myself and the Lions who have offered to conduct these sessions.

"When all else fails – SMILE"

**District Governor Elect,
Lion Rose Marie Puckett**

Don't Miss Membership Mondays in May!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS EXCITING WEBINAR SERIES

Plan to participate in this dynamic membership webinar series created by Constitutional Area 1's Global Action Team. These webinars will provide you with the insight you need to grow membership in your district and offer some great resources on forming new clubs. Learn from our outstanding group of guest speakers who will discuss specialty clubs, new club development and cyber clubs.

May 7, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. CDT

What Unites Us?: Specialty Clubs

May 14, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. CDT

Tactics to Starting a Club: New Club Development Workshops

May 21, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. CDT

Futuristic Thinking of Service: Cyber Clubs

Join fellow Lion leaders to learn new tips and techniques to jumpstart your clubs' membership growth...and pave the way to our second century of service success!



STRAIGHT SHOOTING FOR LIONS

VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT
SANDY REMINGTON



Good tidings to all,

It is finally looking like Mother Nature is going to let Spring out to play. I'm sure we'll all agree , it's about time. Lakes won't all be open for fishing opener, gardens won't be blooming yet, but the temperatures will be high enough that we can start to venture out.

Speaking of venturing out, we had our Cabinet Meeting in late March and then started our Zone Meetings. So far the meetings have been a lot of fun, very informative, and had great meals served as well. Lions like to have a good time and they certainly know how to do that. They also know how to do many wonderful things for their communities.

MD5M had their Annual Convention in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. It was a great weekend getaway. A lot of fun times and new information every where. Next year it is in Mahanomen. Sign up if you haven't already. It's important to get away from our home clubs to meet and see what other clubs are doing. I think it gives us a new perspective as to what our community 's current needs are, and helps keep us current in our projects and fundraisers. We learn to SERVE better.

**Yours in Lionism,
1st VDGE Sandy Remington**



Mother's Day Tea May 12,2018 w/ Deerwood Lakes Lions

Good Food, Door Prizes, Raffles & Entertainment

Reservations Needed: Call Lion Kay 218-678-3772 or Lion Nancy 218-678-4165



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Elizabeth Lions President, Lion Eldor Merz presented Lion Leonard Howard the Youth Outreach award for his work with the Royal Family Camp for foster kids in Alaska. CONGRATUALTIONS LION LEONARD!!!



Above: **Crosslake Ideal Lions Club** recently presented a check for \$60,000 to The LAKE Foundation to help with the cost of the new Community Schools Solarium. L-R: Past President Doreen Gallaway, President Kathy McIntosh, LAKE Foundation Board Member Mike O'Connel, and Past President Chuck Cole. The current and two Past Presidents elected to donate the money for their President's Projects to the school along with \$40,000 given earlier to help start construction of the school.



Left: The Butterfly Garden in Crosslake, MN was donated in memory of deceased Lion Linda Ulland. Notice the Lionhead drinking fountain.



The **Hackensack Lions Club** recently donated \$10,000 to the City of Hackensack for the "Save the City Pier" committee. L-R: Pastor Judy Gustafson, Bill Kennedy, Lion Denny Ganz & Lion Jim Tuller

The **Baxter Lions Club** recently enjoyed their visit with District Governor Tom Plagman. DG Tom presented many awards to deserving Lions.



DG Tom presented the **Friends of Kamp KACE Award** to Lions Lisa and Gary Walters.



DG Tom presented the **Leader Dog Tribute Award** to Lions Renee Rolfes and Paul Roth.



DG Tom presented Lion James McGaffey a **Melvin Jones Fellowship**.



DG Tom and President Ann Powers presented a **Hearing Foundation Fellowship** to Lion Ken Shepherd.

DG Tom and President Ann Powers presented **Can Do Canines Top Dog Awards** to Lion Sue Stebbins, Lion Dale Eberhardt and Lion Linda McGaffey

GREAT JOB BAXTER LIONS!





**OSAGE LIONS PANCAKE BREAKFAST
4/17/18**

—Top Left: Lions Mike Johnson & Ryan Vrieze Registered contestants for the June 2 Fishing Tournament—Above: Lion Archie Henderson serves pancakes and sausage—Left: Kitchen staff Lions madeline Yliniemi, Helen Ellingson, Boyd Sharp, and Anna Johnson—Below: Osage Community enjoys the great food and visiting with friends and family.



The **Underwood Lions** received the **Volunteer of the Year Award** from the **Salvation Army**. They were nominated for the group award and have won for the Northern Division. Their dedication to the **Red Kettle** drive between Thanksgiving and Christmas earned them this nomination. The entry has been sent to Salvation Army Territorial Headquarters in Chicago in hopes of winning the National Award.





GOVERNOR’S NIGHT with the DEER CREEK LIONS CLUB

Above: Some of the Deer Creek Lions that were recognized for their many years of service.

L-R Back Row: Melvin Helmrichs—40 years, Larry Pearson—45 years Charter Member, Ed Bruns—30 years, District Governor Tom Plagman, Jim Melcher—45 years Charter Member, Jim Truax—45 years Charter Member. L-R Front Row: Helmer Grewe—45 years Charter Member and also received an Achievement Award, Chuck Perkins—40 years and also received a Helen Keller Award. Not Pictured: Dave Kahl—45 years Charter Member, Joe Grasel—20 years, and Gunard Heikkila—40 years. Congratulations to all and Thank You for your years of service.

Below: District Governor Tom Plagman and his wife Lion Michele enjoyed themselves at the Deer Creek Lions Governor’s Dinner. The Deer Creek Lions presented them with this beautiful print.



Below: District Governor Tom Plagman presented Deer Creek Lion Dave Bendix with the Melvin Jones Fellowship. Congratulations Lion Dave!



Pouncing back to Malmo

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by Evan Orbeck eorbeck@millelacs messenger.com

Though a previous club disbanded in 2003, the new Malmo Area Lions club has been going strong for almost two years

At one time, a Malmo-Glen Lions Club resided over Mille Lacs Lake's northeastern community. While this club hasn't existed in 15 years, the Lions have just recently re-emerged in Malmo. A new charter was ratified in April 2016. As members of the re-branded Malmo Area Lions Club, Sharon Whipple and Laurie Westerlund expounded on the effort to return the Lions service back to their neighborhood.

Building a new club

Westerlund, a long established Malmo community member and business owner, had been a member of the former Malmo-Glen Lions since 1997. As a whole, the new club has drawn its share of returning members. She pointed to the current club's president and his wife as charter members of the old club. "Half our club were members back then," Whipple added, "Roberts were, Nybergs were." Though Whipple hadn't been a member of Malmo-Glen, she had spent 30 years with the Lions Club in Esko.

Westerlund explained that the original club had disbanded due to a drop off in active membership. "There wasn't enough interest," she said. "People got busy. People moved away. People died." She figured that club had seen around six of its members pass away in a two year period. Westerlund believed it had been Dick Stebbins with the Baxter Lions who had originally approached locals about getting a new group chartered. Westerlund had then set up a meeting to gauge interest, and the 20 person requirement to charter the group had been found.

Community projects

Though over a decade had passed and the structure of the group was slightly different, the group was still at its core a Lions organization. "The Lions model and concept are still the same," Whipple said. The group still abided by the organization's motto: "We serve."

"We are still here to help the community," Whipple said. "That's our main goal. Community comes first, and the rest of our projects come next." One major project for the group had been the free community picnic, first held last June. The event had been organized with churches, restaurants and organizations throughout the area. Whipple saw the picnic as one of the club's primary ways of giving back to the community and aimed to make it an annual event.

A pancake breakfast had been organized for veterans and hunters on Veterans Day last year. Veterans got to eat for free. Additionally, the club had hosted a Valentine's Day dinner at Bethesda Lutheran Church this last February.

"Lions are usually the first people to help in an emergency," Whipple continued, "anywhere in the world." The club had provided local aid in a number of ways. They had recently helped acquire a dog for an individual with a traumatic brain injury. They had supplied a camper for a local who

had suffered through a fire. They had been packaging and distributing meals to area schools and churches with the program Kids Against Hunger. Assistance was also being provided to help a child with diabetes go to camp this upcoming summer.

The heartland of Aitkin

One of the challenges faced by the Malmo Area Lions came from the sparse nature of the local community. Westerlund described Malmo as "at the center of the 20 mile circus" between Aitkin in the north, Isle in the south, McGrath in the east and Garrison in the west. "We're kind of in the heartland of Aitkin County," Westerlund said.

As Malmo isn't a fully incorporated town, the Malmo Area Lions didn't have the community institutions other clubs might orient themselves around. "We have no schools, no nursing homes or stuff to concentrate on," Whipple said, "so we have to go out and find projects locally."

The club had helped prepare community meals in Aitkin and was starting to do so in McGrath as well. Whipple felt the various projects thus far had helped raise awareness of the club within the community. The club had also had a presence in area parades the past two years, doing five last summer alone.

All of the group's money was raised in the community, and the group worked to put that money back into the community. Fundraising included garage sales and bake sales as well as cooking for the draft horse field day event in Aitkin.

When it came to the Lions as an organization, the Malmo club had received some recognition. During the club's first year, it had been awarded for the work it had done with the Lions' KidSight vision screening initiative. Whipple noted it was a significant achievement for such a small, new club. The Malmo Area Lions continued to collaborate with other area clubs to get their name known by the local communities.

Then and now

As the change of the group's name demonstrated, the Malmo Area Lions aimed to be a new entity from the Malmo-Glen Lions. It had been working with other local clubs to establish itself.

Along with continuing the pancake breakfast and community picnic, the club had other projects in the works. Working with the Disabled American Veterans and several other clubs, the club planned to refurbish the Civil War cemetery near Malmo. As part of the Lions Centennial project, several members were constructing wheeled benches for the lakeside park. Next winter, the group was further planning with area resorts to set up a winter carnival.

Whipple said the Malmo Area Lions helped bring the various churches and organizations in the community together. "We try to be the organizer of getting everybody involved," she said. It was a piece of the community she felt had been missing during the Lions 15 year absence.

Whipple described the club as a family. Though a decade's absence had left the club with a base to rebuild, they were already hard at work doing so. Through their dedication to the community, the Malmo Area Lions strive to be a positive presence for years to come.



Together "We Serve"



MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND OFFICER TRAINING SEMINARS

- MAY 5, 2018** Bluffton Community Center
11:30 Lunch - 12:15 Training
Secretary – Zone Chairs Only – Lunch Served
- May 16, 2018** Calvary Lutheran Church, Park Rapids – Light Supper Served
5:30 Gathering and Registration
6:00 Seminars
- May 20, 2018** Wadena High School – Light Lunch Served
1:30 Gathering and Registration
2:00 Seminars
- May 30, 2018** First Lutheran Church, Aitkin – Light Supper Served
***note: date** 5:00 Gathering and Registration
change 5:30 Seminars

BREAKOUT SESSIONS:

Pres/Vice Pres/Leadership – PDG Jay Norby -Suggest Zone Chairs attend and meet their Presidents and Vice Presidents

Treasurer – Lion Denny Ganz

Membership/Retention – Lion Les Swift

Global Service Team/ LCIF – GST Chair PDG Roger Palmer

How to Make Your Meetings Fun / Tail Twisting – PDG Dale Johansen

**Women in Lions - PDG Linda Albrecht-Norby & Lion Zelda Novak
(Park Rapids)**



Annual "2018 Pre-Season" Fish Fry!
Wadena Lions Club



Walleye Fish Fry

Friday, May 4th

Serving from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

WADENA ELKS LODGE

North Highway 71 - Wadena

All Tickets

Only \$12.00!!

Dine In or Take Out!

WHOPPER FILLETS!

(Delicious Big Fish Fillets - 6 to 8 Ounces each!)

Enjoy walleye fillets hand-dipped in our special batter, then deep fried to mouthwatering perfection!

Served with baked potato, coleslaw & dinner roll.

Get Your Tickets Early!

This delicious fish supper is usually a sell out!
 Limited tickets will be available at the door.

Pre-Sale Tickets Available at Rick's Barbershop or Club Members - Proceeds Support Lions Community & Youth Activities

SPRING LUNCHEON

MAY 10, 2018

11:00AM TO 1:00PM

**AITKIN FORTY CLUB
 CONVENTION CENTER**

COST: \$8.00 PER PERSON

HOSTED BY:

AITKIN LIONS CLUB

**DOOR PRIZES, SILENT
 AUCTION AND LOTS OF
 WONDERFUL FOOD TO
 ENJOY!!!!**

**AITKIN LIONS CLUB
 CELEBRATES 92 YEAR OLD
 CHARTER NIGHT!**

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Aitkin Forty Club Conv Center

Guest Speaker: ID Bruce Beck

Performance by:

Riverboat Ramblers Quartet

Chicken Dinner & Door Prizes

Join the party for \$15 / person

Community Sale

Hosted by the Bay Lake Area Lions



General Information

When: Friday, May 11 from 9 am to 5 pm and Saturday, May 12 from 9 am to 3 pm

Where: Bay Lake Area Lions Barn, 18257 Hwy 6 (between Hwy 18 and Hwy 210, Deerwood)

Set Up: Thursday, May 10 from noon to 6 pm and morning of sale 8 am

Cost: \$50.00 for a two days 10'x12' space; \$30.00 for a one day 10'x12' space; \$5.00 table rental available (**all fees in support of Diabetes Programs**). Rental fees due with registration. Make checks out to BLAL and send to: PO Box 556, Deerwood, MN 56444.

***To reserve your space/tables, please email Rose at apuckett@brainerd.net or call 218-851-8380 no later than May 10, 2018.**

BACKUS LIONS YARD AND BAKE SALE

BACKUS CORNER STORE PARKING LOT
HWY. 371 and 4th Street NW

7:30 AM to NOON—SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2018

GET A BARGAN YARD AND BAKE SALE....

Many slightly used treasures on sale plus homemade baked goods.
Proceeds benefit high school scholarships, food shelves and many
other activities of the Backus Lions Club.

2018

Graduate

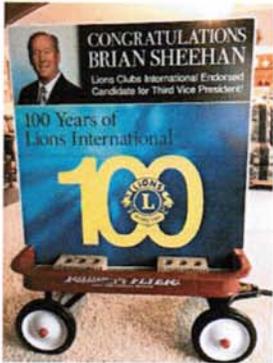
Emily Johnson

You are invited to a graduation open house for
Emily Marie Johnson on
Saturday, June 9, 2018
1:00 to 5:00 pm
Loren Thompson Park
13015 Kingwood Dr S, Baxter MN 56425
In the case of rain then we will celebrate at
The Center
803 Kingwood St, Brainerd MN 56401
Questions call Trina Johnson
218-851-7376 or trina123johnson@gmail.com



“She turned her CAN'Ts into CANs... and her DREAMs into PLANs.”

BE A PART OF LION'S HISTORY



ENTER YOUR CLUB'S "LITTLE RED WAGON(S)"
AND HELP MD5M BREAK THE WORLD'S
RECORD FOR THE LARGEST PARADE OF TOY
RED WAGONS. 

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.

AT OUR 100TH CELEBRATION AT THE ANOKA FAIRGROUNDS ON JUNE 10TH, MD5M
WILL ATTEMPT TO BREAK THE WORLD'S RECORD ON THE LARGEST PARADE OF 
EACH CLUB (LION, LIONESS, LEO) IS ENCOURAGED TO SIGN UP FOR AS MANY 
RED WAGONS AS THEY WANT. COST IS \$20 FOR EACH  DEADLINE IS MAY 15



ANY RED TOY
(CHILDREN'S) WAGON IS
ACCEPTABLE- OLD OR
NEW-DOES NOT NEED TO
BE A SPECIAL BRAND.



EACH CLUB IS ENCOURAGED TO
DECORATE THEIR  - OR
KEEP IT SIMPLE. JUST AS
LONG AS THE  IS
VISIBLE. PLEASE BRING USED
EYE GLASSES TOO!



ANOKA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
3300 ST. FRANCIS BLVD
ANOKA, MN 55303

EACH  MUST BE PULLED BY ONE
INDIVIDUAL- CHILD OR ADULT-DOES NOT NEED
TO BE A CLUB MEMBER. THE PARADE WILL BE
LESS THAN ½ MILE OF WALKING.

THE "PARADE" WILL BE HELD WITHIN THE FAIRGROUNDS

REGISTRATION OPENS AT 10AM- "PARADE" WILL START AT 1PM.

BE A PART OF LION'S HISTORY

MD5M 100TH CELEBRATION: RED TOY WAGON ENTRY



CLUB NAME: _____ DATE: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF WAGONS- PLEASE CHECK ONE

_____ 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ 5 _____ +MORE

CHECK AMOUNT: \$ _____ (\$20 EACH)

MAKE CHECKS OUT TO: MD5M CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE AND SEND
ALONG WITH ENTRY FORM TO:

MD5M CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE
9043 GLEN EDIN LANE
BROOKLYN PARK, MN 55443

THANK YOU SPONSORS:

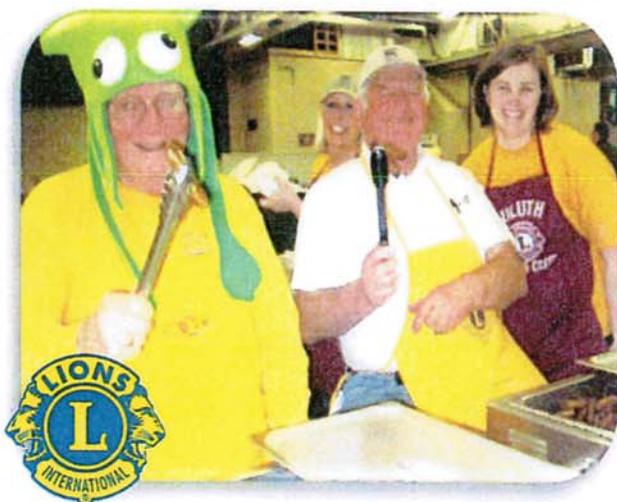
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QUESTION?? EMAIL CHERYLAKTHOMPSON@GMAIL.COM OR CALL 612-481-3088

JOIN US in celebrating 100 years of service

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

MD5M*



SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018
Anoka County Fairgrounds
3300 St. Francis Blvd.
Anoka, MN 55303

SPONSORS



FREE Diabetes Screening
& Blood Pressure Checks



Serving
8A.M. - 2P.M.
Tickets

\$7 in advance

\$8 at the door

Children 4 and under are
free with paid adult.

Lion Clubs support various organizations and individuals throughout the community, including, sight, hearing, diabetes and youth needs.



FREE
Vision Screening

11TH ANNUAL PEQUOT LAKES CHERRY CAR SHOW AND CRAFT FAIR



FREE to Spectators!

Date: June 2nd, 2018
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 11th 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



WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU ... AND YOUR CAR!



Join us June 2, 2018 for the Seventh Annual D-Feet Hearing Loss Fundraiser Walk



Event Details:
June 2, 2018
9:30 a.m.
 Landscape Arboretum
 Chaska, MN

With your \$25.00 registration/donation you receive:

- Entrance to the Landscape Arboretum for the day
- Event t-shirt
- Lunch (including root-beer floats)
- Featuring the Teddy Bear Band
- Lots of children's activities, games & prizes
- Fun for families of all ages
- Great Club Activity Event
- A chance to change a child's life through your \$25.00 registration/donation

Kids 12 & Under get in free!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
June 2, 2018

Bring the whole family for a day of fun for all ages!!!!



Dance to the Teddy Bear Band while having fun with Goldy!!!



Visit us for more info at: www.5mf.org

Sunday July 8, 2018

Salad Luncheon

\$15.00 donation *
 Proceeds from tickets to the Childhood Cancer Project



Silent Auction * Door Prizes

Registration at 11:30 a.m.

Luncheon at Noon

Bluffton Community Center

To RSVP or purchase tickets, contact by June 30th:
 Margaret Van Erp, Bluffton Lions Secretary
 214 610th Ave, Bluffton MN 56518 or (218) 385-3446



If you are unable to attend and would like to support the Childhood Cancer Project, please send donation to address above

"Swinging for a Cure"

Second Annual Golf Tournament
 to Support the Minnesota Lions
 Diabetes Foundation

Everyone is Welcome



Shotgun Start

4 Person Scramble
Frazer, MN Golf Course
 18 Teams — \$50.00 per Golfer
 (Includes Golf, Cart, Lunch, Prizes)

Friday
June 8
 10:00 am

Register at Frazer 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!



MD5M Council of Governors, April 2018



The Council of Governors meeting was held at the Victoria Inn in Winnipeg on Friday, April 13, 2018. Political Liaison opened the session at 8:00 a.m. PID Mike Molenda gave a Brian Sheehan Campaign financial report. PCC Bert Nelson stated that 500 were registered to attend the 101st Lions Clubs International Convention from MD5M. Everyone is to ask 1 friend to join us so we can 1000 Lions at convention to support Brian. Lion Brian Sheehan reminded everyone of the International Convention meeting on Sunday morning at 7:45 a.m. so you can pick up your hats/visors, towels, etc. International Parade attire is the Sheehan shirt, black pants & black shoes. It was announced that the Lions of Saskatchewan are taking donations for the Humboldt Hockey Team. A large donation will then be given to them from Lions.

Council of Governor meeting was called to order by Council Chair Dennis Heinen at 8:15 a.m. Global Membership Chair PCC Todd Neumann announced that in 3rd quarter Districts 1, 2, 4 7, & 9 ended in a plus membership. District 5M1 had the highest in membership; 5M5 had a new club; 5M8 had the highest in new membership; 5M9 had the most new women members and 5M13 had the best membership retention.

The Lions License plates request to the State of MN will need to be reintroduced to the State Legislature for a second time in 2019 year so is on hold for now. The MD5M Eyeglass Missions are slowly being organized. We need to recruit 10-12 to go to El Salvador or Nicaragua in 2020. If MD5M can get their own missionary group together we will have Guatemala to service in the future. We are in need of finding Ophthalmologists who are interest in traveling for this project. LCIF grant will be needed to obtain equipment for this project.

Mexico City has been awarded the 2025 Lions Clubs International Convention and will be voted on at the convention in Las Vegas. For future conventions sites please refer to the MD5M website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Can Do Canines- requests the Lions to sponsor their Woofaroo in September. The cost of the annual event is \$12,000.00. Diabetes Foundation- has given \$235,000 in grants. A Builders Award was received from the U of M for donations of over \$1 Million. They participated in Wal-Marts Wellness Days and also at Cub Foods. They are holding a Diabetes Raffle. GLT- The Northern Pride Leadership Forum will be held November 2-3, 2018 at Mahnomen Shooting Star Casino Resort. Cost is \$75.00 per person with the opportunity to participate in 6 out of 36 seminars. Keynote speaker will be PID Brian Sheehan. Hotel room costs are \$65.00. Be sure to "like" the Northern Pride on Facebook. Regional Lions Leadership Institute- Will be held in March 2018 at Mahnomen. This event allows 6 Lions from every District to participate. If you have not attended this event, now is the time to mark your calendars and watch your district newsletters for detail or check out the MD5M website. It was decided to allow the 6 Lions from ND & SD (4 Districts) to participate in our RLLI as their Multiple RLLI is 21 hours of travel for them and ours is closer. MN Lions Hearing Foundation- The annual Defeat Hearing Walk will be held on Saturday, June 2 at the U of M Arboretum. They are hoping for 700 walkers and to raise \$130,000. September 30 will be the Cochlear Implant Picnic. Project New Hope- has purchased a trailer for their supplies and games for storage for their camps. 2019 MD5M Multiple Convention will be hosted by the Vergas Lions at Mahnomen Casino Resort on April 26-28, 2019. Registration is \$95.00. MD5M Centennial Celebration- will be held on Sunday June 10 at the Anoka County Fairgrounds. This event is for ALL Lions in MD5M. Pancake Breakfast is at 8 a.m., followed by a Little Red Wagon parade, music, booths, games, displays, food, inflatables, food packing, KidSight screenings, and much more. Watch your newsletters for details. 2018 MD5M Multiple Convention- 521 full registrations with 22 from outside of the Multiple visiting. 5M11 had 144 Lions registered. USA/Canada Forum- will be held in Columbus Ohio September 20-22, 2018. Friday night party is a Tailgate Party so bring your sports jersey with. Youth Exchange- we have 35 students visiting Minnesota in July with 7 Minnesota students traveling to other areas. If you are interested in hosting a student, please contact the Exchange Chairs.

CORRECTION: from the March Council of Governors report: The report of MN Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Sauk Rapids reports that the Directors of the MN Lion Vision Foundation do help in collecting/supporting the Lions Eyeglass Recycling program, but the MN Lions Eyeglass Recycling is their own Foundation and not part of the MN Lion Vision Foundation.

Respectfully Submitted by Lion Cheri Appel, MD5M PR Chair

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world." ~Mahatma Gandhi

District Governor Rose's Visit Request 2018-2019



Club Name _____

Club Location _____

Address _____

Dates for Club Visit: 1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

Time Club Meeting Begins: _____

When does your Social Hour Start ? _____

Do you have a Board of Directors Meeting? Yes _____ No _____

Would you like the DG to attend your Board of Directors Meeting? Yes _____ No _____

Are there other Lions, Lioness or Leo Clubs involved for the DG visit? Yes _____ No _____

Please list other Clubs _____

Will you have Meal? Yes _____ No _____

Lion, Leo, or Lioness requesting the Governor's visit: _____

Club contact telephone # _____ Email address _____

Will the Governor be expected to install officers: Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please send names of new officers. If inducting new members, please have the LCI New Member Kit with Pin and signed Certificate.

Will the Governor be expected to give out awards to club members: Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please send information stating the awards and the names of those receiving the awards. Please have awards, certificates, pins, or changes in installation or inductee ceremony available when I arrive for the Governor's visit.

I am looking forward to coming to visit with your club!!

Please mail to: District Governor Rose Marie Puckett

14850 Pinewood Tr.

Deerwood, Mn 56443

apuckett@brainerd.net

★ ★ ★ **WANTED** ★ ★ ★

5m9 Mid-Winter Convention Registration
JANUARY 4-6, 2019 AT CRAGUN'S ON GULL LAKE
 HOSTED BY VERNDALE LIONS

(Please circle one) Lion Lioness Leo Guest

Name: _____ Club Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov/State: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

2019 Lions Title: _____

Check if this is your first 5M9 convention

Check if you require Handicap seating

Check and list if you have Dietary needs:

FULL HOSPITALITY BOOK:

Includes all Meals, Entertainment,
 Mid-Winter Book and Pin:

Cost until Dec 1, 2018 \$99.00 _____

Cost after Dec 1, 2018 \$110.00 _____

Total Amount: _____

INDIVIDUAL MEAL TICKETS:

Seminar Fee: \$10.00 _____
 (includes seminars, pin and gift bag; no meals)

Saturday Breakfast: \$17.00 _____

Saturday Lunch: \$28.00 _____

Governors Banquet: \$47.00 _____

Sunday Brunch: \$28.00 _____

Convention Pin \$5.00 _____

Total Amount: _____

With this form, include a check payable to:
 2019 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention.

Please return one registration form for each person attending the
 convention to: Michelle Goddard, PO Box 44, Verndale, MN 56481

For information or to pay by credit card, call Randy Beaver
 at 218-640-1220 or Michelle Goddard at 218-445-5109

Room Reservations: Complete a room reservation form provided by
 Cragun's. The standard room rate for the 2019 convention is \$90
 plus tax per night payable directly to Cragun's.



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**PREFERRED LODGING HELD UNTIL
December 1, 2018**

(Room Rates honored after December 1 but
room AVAILABILITY is NOT GUARANTEED)

\$50 deposit required with reservation
Credit/Debit Card/personal check must accompany form.
Deposits will be processed upon receipt of form.

District: Lions 5M/9

Club Name:

Name

Street

City St Zip

Day Phone

Arrive /Depart Dates: / to /

E-mail Address **Please print clearly**

Confirmations will be sent to the above e-mail address.
(E-mail address will not be sold, but may be used for special offers by Cragun's)

Please do NOT send me e-mail specials from Cragun's

**PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION
WITHIN 2 WEEKS FROM THE TIME YOU SENT US THE FORM**

DEPOSIT METHOD OF PAYMENT

All Deposits will be processed upon receipt of form.

Check (Send with form - Payable to Cragun's)

Credit/Debit Card (Card charged upon receipt of form)

Upon check-in, the debit card will be charged for the remainder of your stay.

Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover Card Accepted

Card # Exp. /

Cardholder's Name:

MAIL OR FAX FORM (No phone reservations)

Cragun's Resort & Hotel on Gull Lake
11000 Craguns Drive, Brainerd, MN 56401

Fax Number: (218) 825-2727

Website: www.craguns.com

Questions or to email forms: Lbourassae@craguns.com
(Please note emails is not secure and we DO NOT recommend sending credit card information via email)

CRAGUN'S LODGING RESERVATION FORM
Lions 5M-9 – January 4 - 6, 2019

PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Lodging: (Friday and/or Saturday, nightly rates)
- Sales tax

Please X night(s) to reserve: Friday Saturday

Two-night reservations are given priority lodging. Rooms assigned first come, first served. If the type you choose is not available, you will be placed in the next available type at the adjusted rate.

All Rooms are Non-Smoking - \$300.00 charge for smoking in a non-smoking room. Any additional cleaning or damage to rooms will be charged accordingly.

Lakeview Fireplace Room: Spacious room with one king or two queen beds, fireplace, refrigerator, microwave, coffeemaker, TV, balcony on lake side.

- All non-smoking rooms
- \$96.64 per night up to 4 people per room

Pool Area Room: Large rooms with two double beds, TV, coffeemaker, refrigerator, microwave, balcony level overlooks indoor pool.

- All non-smoking rooms.
- \$96.64 per night up to 4 people per room
- *Clubs having hospitality take priority for lower pool rooms.
- *If your club wants a hospitality room, please call Becky Miles @218-825-2855.

*All other pool area rooms are 1st come, 1st serve.

ROOM OCCUPANTS

Total # of people in room:
Names of all adults and names & ages of kids
Please List:

For safety and security reasons, Cragun's will not assign roommates.

EARLY ARRIVAL/STAYOVER RATE

I would like to arrive a day early, Thursday, or stayover Sunday, at the special rate of \$96.64 per room (includes tax), no meals included. Please X below.

Thursday Sunday
(Room will be held until 12 noon the following day)

SPECIAL REQUESTS

(i.e. room accessibility, dietary needs, etc.)
Please Explain:

**CRAGUN'S HAS A NO PET POLICY
PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF
CERTIFIED SERVICE ANIMALS REQUIRED**

Cancellation/Refund/No Show Policy:

1. Less than 30 days prior to arrival-NO DEPOSIT REFUND.
 2. At 30 days or more prior to arrival-REFUND less \$40 processing fee.
 3. No Show (arrival night) – NO DEPOSIT REFUND
(Room will be held until 12 noon the following day)
- You are responsible for the dates indicated on this reservation form.
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Complete 1 Form Per Person or Couple.
Make A Copy Of This Form For Your Records.

**CRAGUN'S WILL PROVIDE ON-SITE
SHUTTLE SERVICE TO / FROM
SLEEPING ROOM & EVENT LOCATIONS**

**Brian Sheehan
Endorsed Candidate
for 3rd International President**

Help support his campaign and collect some very special items!

Hockey Pucks - \$10.00 each



Buttons - \$2.00



For Items contact:
lnorbs@eot.com 218-346-3200

All clubs in 5M9 are being asked to help PID Brian with his Campaign.
If you haven't made a donation please make checks payable to:
Lion Brian Campaign Fund

Mail to:
PDG Jay Norby
1021 5th Avenue NW
Perham, Mn. 56573

Thank you to everyone in 5M9 for your support for Brian's Campaign!!!

5M9 Service Journal



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR TOM'S CALENDAR

MAY

14—Merrifield Club Visit

JUNE

10—MD5M 100 Years Celebration
Anoka County Fairgrounds

11—McGregor Club Visit

JULY

IPDG Tom Plagman

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PLAN TO
ATTEND THE LIONS INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION IN LAS VEGAS!**

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