



Cultivating the News from 9



Peter VanErp
5M9 District Governor



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USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Everyday Heroes Performing Miracles through Service

The leaves had already begun to change colors along the banks of the Saskatoon River that runs through the town of Saskatoon, SK. It was a beautiful sight that greeted the attendees of the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum this past September. The Lions and guests that were present had another great experience with the many seminars, speakers and fellowship that is the Forum's tradition.

The Roughrider Kick-off Tailgate party got everyone in the mood with their "pep rally." The Roughriders are Saskatchewan's

professional football team. They play in the Canadian Football League and they were the Gray Cup winners last year.

The First Nation Native Tribe welcomed everyone with their traditional song and dance on Thursday night's opening ceremony. Speaker David Okerlund set the tone for the convention with his inspirational story of what positive thinking can do for you no matter what job or circumstance you find yourself in.

Friday morning opened with informational seminars. The luncheon speaker, Yvonne Camus, spoke of her experiences in the Eco-Challenge race. This physical endurance race is 300 miles that is run 24 hours continuously by a co-ed team of 4 members in a different country each year. Her team was from Canada, all rookies. They weren't given a chance to finish in this tough race, but they stuck together and finished in 10 days. They used positive thinking and team work to make each-other perform better.

Friday night, the host Lions club treated Lions and guests to great food, entertainment and fun in 1910 Boomtown, a recreation of Main Street prairie town. Many of the visitors dressed in old fashion clothing.

President Al Brandel spoke at the Saturday Luncheon and shared some very exciting news. Lions Clubs International has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.



President Al Brandel addressing the Forum during the Saturday Luncheon.

We are the first service club ever nominated for this award. He also spoke of the club's successful entry into China recently.

Speaker Corry Collins closed the Forum Saturday evening by telling his story on Life Support and how it motivated him to see life in a new perspective.

You can still find information about the Forum in Saskatoon at the website www.usacanadalionsforum.org There are powerpoints of some of the seminars available and pictures of the attendees and speakers.

More photos on the back page.



The opening program had song and dance by the First Nation natives of Saskatoon.



5M9 District Governor Peter VanErp

keep the wheels, soil and minds turning



Cultivating our Minds... Let our Service Grow

Hello fellow Lions, Lioness and Leo's of District 5M9,

Yes, we have been busying traveling about since I wrote my last article. We have been to the LCI Headquarters at Oak Brook, Ill. It was great to meet the people that we have talked to on the phone whenever we have had a question. They are very dedicated and hard working people at LCI. They are there to help each and every one of us. If any of you get close to Chicago take a few minutes to stop and visit the LCI headquarters. It is well worth your time and it is a lot easier to understand the whole workings of the organization. Then we were off to Rochester Michigan to visit the Leader Dog faculties. WOW. We spent a day and a half there. We really enjoyed our visit. The staff, trainers, the volunteers, everyone is so dedicated to their job. We went on a walk blindfolded (of course a trainer was at our side also) with a leader dog. That's when you are really proud to be a Lion and have your eye sight and are able to help others.

We attended several zone meetings, which went very well. We have an excellent group of Zone Chairpersons again this year. If any club is having any problems or questions call on your Zone chairs. They are very

willing to help or they will call and get the answer for you.

We have also had some of our club visitations already. We both enjoy visiting with the club members, eating lots of delicious food and finding out what your clubs do for service in your community's, in the District and world. If you haven't heard yet Lion Margaret has been making two pans of Carmel rolls for each visitation and then the club auctions them off. The proceeds go to one of our favorite District projects. These "buns" have brought a lot of laughter already. (Just ask Lion Tim Erp from the New York Mills Lions Club)



New York Mills Lion Tim Erp is auctioning off Margaret's buns (carmel rolls).

I am now at our daughter and son-in-laws home in Montana trying to get this wrote. We just came from the USA/Canada Forum in Saskatoon, SK, Canada. As we were traveling to the Forum we had a few surprises and good times. As for the surprise we left home and drove to Minot ND we were thinking it's the middle of the week so there is no need to call ahead for a room reservation—Right—WRONG. There was a Sheriff's convention in town and there wasn't a room to be found (that wasn't occupied by someone) Soooooo guess what!!! Yes, we went to the Wal-Mart parking lot and got a parking space and a tilted back our seat for a bed. Restrooms close by so it really wasn't too bad. There were more cars and motor homes in the parking lot that didn't get a motel room either. So the next morning we were off to continue on to Saskatoon. As we were coming into Weyburn, SK, we saw a sign that read USA/Canada Forum Meet and Greet Station. We stopped and spent an enjoyable hour visiting with Lions from SK. Then we were off again on our way to the Forum to meet and visit with many Lions that we have met before and new ones who we would meet for the first time. We attended as many of the seminars that we could. There are so many that you have to choose which ones are of interest to you.

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L-R: Harold Wheeler, Mike Potocki, Scott Boll, Ruth Bosse, Josh Anderson, DeAnn Boll, Cheri DeBoer, Becky Woessner, Jim DeBoer, Ottetail Lions President Kathy Wagenman, Pat McManus, District Governor Peter Van Erp, who inducted these 10 new members at a recent Governor's visit in Ottetail.

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Pete's Places to be

October

- 2 Whitefish Area and Crosslake Lions visit
- 6 Nimrod and Leader Lions visit
- 7 Zone 8 mtg - Elizabeth
- 9 Perham Lakes Lions visit
- 11 Diabetes Expo 2008 Mpls
- 12 PDG Annette's Award Day & Mini Forum
- 13 Osage Lions 25th Anniversary
- 17-18 Council of Governors mtg, Mahnomen
- 20 Remer Northland Lions visit
- 21 Detroit Lakes Lions visit
- 22 Aitkin, Aitkin Riverboat & Garrison visit
- 23 Dent Lions visit
- 24 Bluffton 4 wheeler raffle
- 25 Thanksgiving for Vision- Mpls
- 26 5M9 Cabinet mtg, Bluffton
- 27 Bluffton Lions visit
- 28 Sebeka Lions visit

November

- 5 Richville Lions visit
- 6 Pelican Rapids Lions visit
- 7-9 Deer Hunting
- 10 Wadena Lions visit
- 11 Vergas Lions visit
- 12 New York Mills Lions 40th Anniversary
- 13 NYM 40th for community Len Quinn
- 17 Zone 1 mtg Pillager
- 24 Cass Lake & Cass Lake Country visit
- 25 Park Rapids Lions visit
- 27 Thanksgiving Day with our family

December

- 2 FF Daybreakers & Elizabeth Lions visit
- 3 Frazee & Wolf Lake Lions Visit
- 4 Urbank Lions visit
- 7 Hewitt, Bertha Lions and Hewitt Lioness
- 8 Osage Lions visit
- 11 Pillager Lions visit
- 12 Walker Lions visit
- 15 Christmas Party, Bluffton
- 23 Laporte/Benedict Lions visit
- 25 Christmas Day

January

- 1 The New Year 2009
- 9-11 5M9 Mid-Winter Cony, Mahnomen
- 14 New York Mills Lions visit
- 21 Deer Creek Lions visit
- 26 McGregor Lions visit

February

- 5 Perham Lions visit
- 9 Nisswa Lions visit
- 11 Pine River visit
- 14 Battle Lake Lions visit
- 16 Aldrich, Verndale Lions and Lioness
- 21 Underwood Lions & Lioness visit

March

- 9 Pequot Lakes Breezy Point Lions visit
- 21 Council of Governors mtg
- 29 5M9 Cabinet mtg (where?)



Linda and I took the Grandkids to the Lake Region Threshermens Show in Dalton, early in September. We were in the Parade with our "Classic Parkers Prairie Lions Car." Then we had a great time showing them how our ancestors lived in Log houses, attended one room School house and went to the General Store for anything they needed. We showed them how they farmed with tractors and machines from the past, and of course they had a thousand questions. The Steam Engines, of course were the big hit, as well as all the different stationary engines. The kids had a great day, but we did too -- learning about the "Giants of the Past".

This was a huge Show, and it was made possible with the help of the Dalton Lions.

We just returned from an awesome trip to Saskatoon, Sask., Canada for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. We endured 17 hours on a bus. Both ways! We had three days of intense lectures, seminars, leadership training, etc. But..... This was one of the best experiences that we have had as Lions. We met new Lions from all over North America. We visited with other officers, met International Directors and shook the hand of International President Al Brandel. We were entertained, motivated, inspired, and even brought to tears a few times. We



came home with new knowledge and a new sense of purpose. The next time you see PCC Bert Nelson, be sure to congratulate him on his role as part of the Planning committee for such a successful Forum.

Some of the key points that we brought home was that we were reminded that we are everyday Heroes Performing Everyday Miracles of Service. A new Slogan is: "It Takes a Lion." This also is to remind us that it takes each one of us to realize those Miracles.

I also bring home some BIG news. Lions Clubs International has been nominated for the NOBEL PEACE PRIZE. No other Service Organization in the World has ever been nominated. We were nominated by former U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

So..... Be proud of yourself, your club, your community and Lions all over the World.

We also can be very proud of the youth of our communities. Some of you may of have seen the picture in your local paper of 3000 flags planted on the front lawn of the Battle Lake High School in remembrance of 9-11. Six students raised funds since last winter to purchase the flags and then got up early on Sept.11, in the rain, to get the flags placed before school started. Everyday Heroes!!

I hope your club has organized the Peace Poster Contest for your school or Youth group. It's also time for the Youth Outreach Poster's. What a great way to get our young people involved in the concerns of our World and Community. The imagination and thought that is put into these posters is unbelievable.

Please consider going to PDG Annette's Mini-Forum in Nisswa on October 12 to hear a great seminar on Quest, and spend the afternoon with the Nisswa Lions.

It's also time to get your registration in for what promises to be the Event of the Year. Please consider taking "The Time to Shine in '09" Jan. 9,10,11. While you're at the Convention, I would love to answer your "Call to Service" as your next District Governor.

Vice District Governor Jim Arvidson

OLE says : SUCCESS IS A JOURNEY, NOT A DESTINY !

Parade Marching Bands Wanted

If you have a marching band that you would like to recommend for the Lions Clubs International parade in Minneapolis 2009. Please contact the band director that you would like them to participate. Then get the Band Directors name, and address, or email to me ASAP so that a band application can be mailed. The marching bands usually plan one year in advance.

Thanks, Lion Keith Johnson
320-593-3731 or kmjohn@hutchtel.net

WELCOME NEW LIONS MEMBERS TO 5M9!

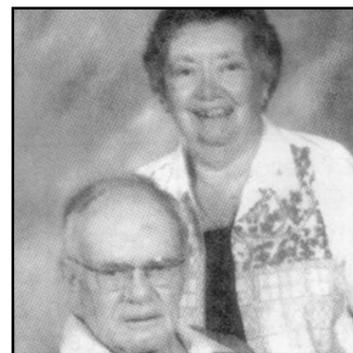
New Member	Club	Sponsor
Dawn Mykkanen	Aitkin	
Kenneth Weidman	Breckenridge	Neal Folstad
Bruce Asleson	Cormorant	Richard Rayment
Terry Thilmony	Cormorant	John Mouw
Alan Tonn	Cormorant	Les Nettum
Jamie Skjeveland	Cuyuna Range	Mark Zenko
Sherry Skjeveland	Cuyuna Range	Jamie Skjeveland
Abigail Porter	Guthrie Nary	Jeanie Porter
Norman Steiger	Hackensack	
Mary Perry	Nevis	Marvin Vredenburg
Carol Zajackzowa	Nevis	Marvin Vredenburg
Jerome Swenson	Nisswa	Michael Rempe
Jerry Janzen	Osage	Joe Stafford
Josh Anderson	Ottertail	Glen McDowell
DeeAnn Boll	Ottertail	Darrell Sanderson
Scott Boll	Ottertail	Darrell Sanderson
Richard Bosse	Ottertail	Jerry Smith
Ruth Bosse	Ottertail	Jerry Smith
Cheri DeBoer	Ottertail	Lauris Woessner
Jim DeBoer	Ottertail	Lauris Woessner
Pat McManus	Ottertail	Anthony Scander
Mike Potocki	Ottertail	Jerry Smith
Harold Wheeler	Ottertail	Irvin Lockwood
Becky Woessner	Ottertail	Lauris Woessner
Molly Luther	Park Rapids	Lawrence Fick
Zelda Novak	Park Rapids	Larry Novack
Pat Udelhofen	Perham	Rosemary Bauer-Neseth
Carol Weis	Perham	Rosemary Bauer-Neseth
Boyd Loftis	Pillager	Elizabeth Arnold
Jan Loftis	Pillager	Elizabeth Arnold
Paul Brownlow	Verndale	Dennis Johnson
Paul Nunke	Wadena	John Edinger
Rosemari Anderson	Wolf Lake	Dennis Anderson
Sherry Anderson	Wolf Lake	Larry Anderson
Diane Mickelson	Wolf Lake	Dean Mickelson
Janice Mickelson	Wolf Lake	Dave Mickelson
Jill Mickelson	Wolf Lake	Tom Mickelson
Verlene Nordby	Wolf Lake	Virgil Nordby

23 years of service



District Governor Peter VanErp congratulates retiring Backus Lions Club Treasurer Lyle Lauer after 23 years of service at the club's general meeting on Sept. 4. Lyle was the Backus Lions Club charter treasurer. He is a very active Lion.

50th Wedding Anniversary



Lions Dick and Betty Norlin celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 30. They were married Feb. 1, 1958 in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Burkittsville, Md.

A working vacation

Do you want to do something to help your fellow man?

I am already knee deep in Mexico plans for 2009. The mission will be from March 14th to the 21st in Mazatlan. The cost is \$973 for airfare and hotel, with the Lions paying for the transfers. There is a great need for funds to help this mission. Checks can be made to Lions Eyes For Mexico and sent to me at 1044 Summit Ave. Detroit Lakes, MN 56501. Also any questions contact me at armand.radke@meritcare.com or 218-846-1949.

Thanks,
Dr. Armand Radke

Award Day and Mini Forum

Sunday, Oct. 12, Nisswa Community Center

Lions, Lioness, and Leos, this is your official invitation to District 5M9's Award Day and Mini Forum! It will be on October 12, 2008 at the Nisswa Community Center. The registration is \$9 which includes a soup and sandwich supper. Please let me know by October 6 how many will be attending you can call me Land: 218-739-3139, Cell: 218-770-9264 or e-mail acontos@prtel.com, you can even use snail mail if you mail it early enough Annette Contos, 1630 North Park Apt 2, Fergus Falls, MN 56537. Please register as the Nisswa Lions really do need a nose count for the cook. Gathering/Social will be at 1:30 program will start at 2 PM. The program will involve participants in the Quest program. The special part, to me, is the Recognition of 5 M9's Lions by International, District, and the 2007-2008 Governor. We have 4 International recognitions to be presented, 11 Melvin Jones Fellowships, all were nominated by their peers, all 100 %

President and 100% Secretary medals for 2007-2008 will be presented, and the club winners in the Governor's contest will be announced, as well as other club recognition for outstanding projects, participation, etc.

Please come to our District's Award Day, my motive is selfish in inviting you to attend because I truly want to present these awards in person to the most deserving Lions and Lions Clubs in our District.

SMILE

Lion Annette

Immediate Past District Governor

Future Lions member



Ethan Andrew Kinn was born on Sept. 30 weighing 7 lbs and measuring 20 1/2 in. Proud parents are Jon and Andrea and of course big sister Hannah who is 5 years old. Jon is a Perham Lakes Lion Past President. Don and Pat Hendrickx are proud grandparents

Lion Jim Johansen's Polar Cruise Challenge For Project New Hope

The Challenge

Raise \$7200
for Project New Hope
between July 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008

THE Reasoning(madness?)

72 Clubs in 5M-9 times (That means 100% participation)
100 miles roundtrip from Jim's home to Shooting Star Casino
Equals \$7200

The Reward?

Lion Jim Johansen rides his
1984 Honda XL350R Motorcycle to Mid-Winter 2009

The Clause

1. Honda Clause if the motorcycle does not start it will be loaded into a pickup and Lion Jim will ride the motorcycle in the back of the pickup.(the motorcycle will be in a heated shop)
2. If the Roads are excessively icy the motorcycle will be loaded into a pickup and Lion Jim will ride the motorcycle in the back of the pickup.

Donations

Send them to Lion Bruce Billington or PDG Dale Johansen

Lions we will miss

Bernice Henderson	Whitefish Lions Club
Martha Shequen	Leader Lions Club
Elizabeth Ozark	Longville Lions Club
James Andrews	Park Rapids Lions Club
A W Francis	Park Rapids Lions Club
Gary Bramer	Verndale Lions Club

Club secretaries, please review and send or email your deceased member's photo to: Lion Jim Johansen
8103 210th Street North, Hawley, MN 56549
jkjohansen@juno.com 218-483-1121

This will help make the Service of Remembrance even more meaningful with a picture of your past member.

Eldon Bergman: Been there, done that, still here

Lions' president reminisces about teaching and coaching in Frazee

By John Dermody, Frazee Forum

When Eldon Bergman and family moved to Frazee in the 1970s, he thought it was just a stop on the way to "bigger and better things" - opportunities that would come along later in his teaching and coaching career.

He traced some steps over the years as he addressed the Frazee Community Luncheon session Wednesday, Sept. 10.

After teaching in two other locations that were smaller than the Frazee-Vergas district, a strange thing happened, the retired educator acknowledged. Hi and his wife Vi, along with their children, loved the community so here they stayed, putting down roots and getting involved in a multitude of activities and organizations.

Bergman, currently the president of the Frazee Lions Club, noted that his kids were active in athletics, National Honor society and other pursuits. Now they have grandchildren to watch in sports.

"We have advantages here in Frazee," he told the gathering at the Frazee Care Center. the Frazee Community Luncheon is scheduled at FCC every third Wednesday at 12:30pm.

Also on hand last week were more than 20 new secondary teachers and staff members.

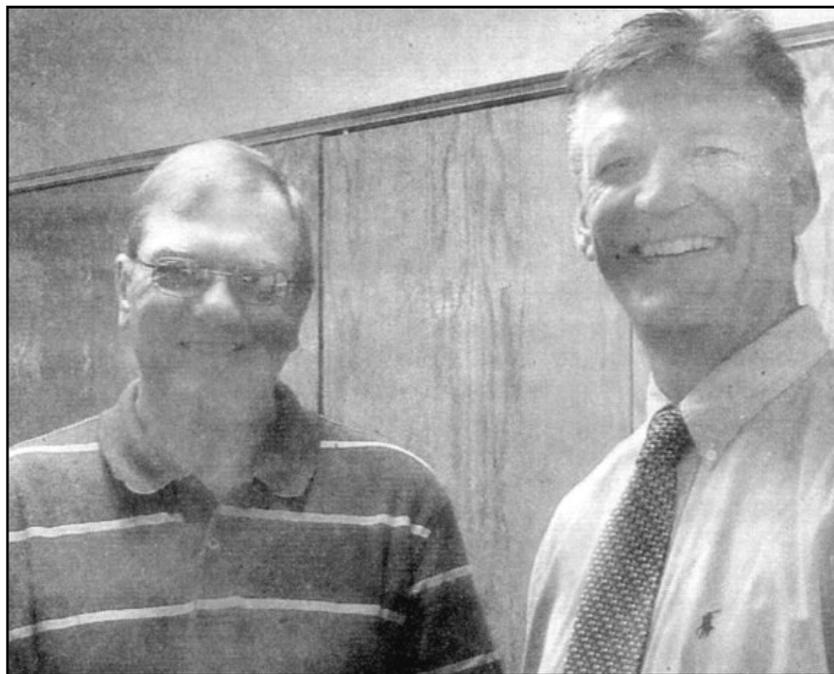
Following brief remarks by Supt. Deron Stender who complimented the quality of teachers and staff, Frazee High School Principal Brian Koslofsky commented on the start of the school year which had begun nine days earlier. Present as guests were senior members of the Lady Hornet volleyball team.

Later, the personnel new to District 23 gave thumbnail sketches of themselves, along with their areas of expertise.

Next month, when the session meets Oct 15th, new educators and staff from the elementary school will be guests at the luncheon. at that time, seniors on the football and cross country squads will also be honored.

"Frazee is a small enough town to get to know people," Bergman stated. "I hope you get involved in the community."

He said there are many groups that can be part of persons' lives, such



Lions President Eldon Bergman (left) was the guest speaker at the monthly community luncheon at the Frazee Care Center. Introducing the former coach and current president of the Frazee Lions Club was Fred Daggett.

as the Sportsmen's Club, Lions, the Frazee Area Community Club and others.

In regard to the organization he heads, he smiled and said, "Each of you can consider yourself invited to join the Lions!"

"People see your involvement...and things just work out," he continued.

Bergman noted he coached volleyball for 12 years, and saluted the current team members for their hard work. Bergman also coached many seasons of baseball and basketball at FHS.

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Our own PCC Bert Nelson was one of the presenters. He did a Great job.

A couple dates that everyone needs to put on your calendar are:

1. Oct 12th will be the Mini Forum at Nisswa MN. The gather time will start at 1 pm and the meeting starts at 1:30 pm. This is the time when IPDG Annette Contos will present some awards to some very deserving Lions. I'm sure she has a program all put together also.

2. Oct 26th will be my 2nd cabinet meeting which will be held at the Bluffton Community Center with the Bluffton Lions hosting this meeting. The gather time will be 1 pm and the meeting will be called to order at 1:30 pm.

3. I need to have the applications for the Regional Leadership Institute in my hands by December 1. Our District will have 6 spots to fill but if it's like other years some Districts don't fill there's and then we can send more people or if someone have been accepted and then something comes up we do need alternates that we can call on. The Leadership Institute does cost \$150.00 per person but if you attend the whole Leadership Institute you will get \$100.00 back. If you send in an

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application it does not mean that you will go. The applications will be screened. I have the forms for the Leadership Institute so please call me and I will get one to you.

4. January 9, 10, 11 2009 will be our Mid-Winter Convention at Mahnomen Shooting Star. We're hoping many of you are planning on attending.

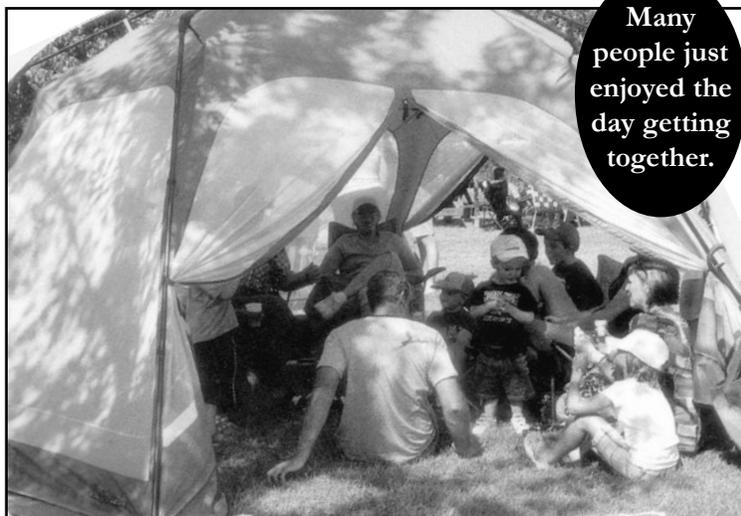
5. The International Convention that will be in Minneapolis next July 2009. It will never be any closer so plan to attend and also help out where ever help is needed. It won't be long until you will be able to sign up on the website to work at the convention. Consider attending or working at all or at least one of these events showing everyone how Lionism is in our MD5M District.

The weather is starting to cool off or should I say it's getting colder and winter is probably a few months away so let's dig in our heels and get those minds cultivating our projects and service.

Until next month
DG Peter Van Erp

A picnic-like atmosphere is present at the 42nd Annual McGregor Lions Corn Feed

A beautiful day unfolded as the 42nd annual Lions Corn Feed got under way in McGregor. Many families have said that they look forward to this weekend and plan on spending it with family and friends. As one walked around the grounds you noticed many tents with friends and family gathered around enjoying the food, drink, and entertainment. Even the kids got into the musical rhythm of Florian Chmielewski's Fun Time Band. Many prizes were given out throughout the day and the grand prize of \$100 a month for one year was drawn at 5:00 pm. This year's winner was Sue McCartney, Warba, MN. A great day was had by all. Story submitted by Shirley Scollard.



Many people just enjoyed the day getting together.

Whitefish donate \$6,000 to centers



L to R: Sandy Meyer, Connie Erickson, Barb DeLaHunt, Arla Johnson, Louise Seleski, Connie Bolei and Doreen Gallaway. July 13th the Whitefish Area Lions Club held their 3rd Annual Golf Tournament, played at the Whitefish Golf Club. All proceeds are given to The Women's Center of Mid-Minnesota and the Alex & Brandon Child Safety Center. Pictured above is event chair Barbara DeLaHunt presenting this years proceeds in the amount of \$6,000 to Louise Seleski, Director of the Centers.

Deer Creek Lions have a busy year



The Deer Creek Lions sponsored a "Take a Kid Fishing" day in July. They had 17 youth take part in the fishing. They caught over 200 fish. All the participants received a tackle box, rod and reel. Below the Deer Creek Lions are busy cleaning the fish the kids caught.



Deer Creek Donations (2007-08) \$23,000 Total

Fergus Falls Hospice \$1,000	City of Deer Creek \$2,200
United Methodist Youth Group \$1,000	Family donations \$3,000
Deer Creek Fire Dept. \$300	Shocker Baseball Team \$1,000
DC Community Center \$1,500	Empty Stocking Fund \$500
St. Jude's \$250	Dollars fo Scholars \$1,000
Lions International \$2000	Post Prom \$1,000
"Take a Kid Fishing Day" \$400	DC Summer Rec Program \$500
Lifelines \$3,200	Miss Wadena Pageant \$500
D.A.R.E. Program \$500	WDC Fall Festival \$300
Melvin Jones Award \$2,000	DC Girl Scouts \$150
Leo Club (Leader Dog Program) \$500	WDC Softball team \$500
Trinity Youth Group \$1,000	WDC Elementary \$750
	WDC BusinessProfessionals of America \$500

5M9 Shines in '09

Mid-Winter Convention, January 9, 10 & 11

Shooting Star Casino, Mahnomen

Are you ready to shine in 2009? Come join other Lions and their guests as they gather at the Shooting Star Casino & Convention Center in Mahnomen on January 9, 10, & 11.

The first thing you need to do is register for the convention. The registration form is found in this District Newsletter or you may obtain a form from your Lions Club secretary. Send that form along with your registration fee check to: 2009 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention, C/O Lion Joyce Ramsay, 16596 Wolf Pack Road, Menahga, MN 56464. Lion Joyce will send you a postcard or email stating that she has received your registration.

Now that you have received your registration receipt, you can call the hotel for your room reservation. No room reservations will be honored without a confirmed convention registration. The postcard or email that you have received will give you the information you need to make your room reservation. If you do not receive

that postcard or email, within one week of mailing your check, please call Lion Joyce at 218-538-6694 and she will resend you the information. You may reconfirm your hotel room reservation with the Shooting Star Convention Center after January 1.

After you arrive at the Convention Center, you will pick up your packets in the Lobby of the Convention Center and get settled into the first day of the convention. That evening your lights will begin to shine at the mixer as you enjoy the S.L.O.G. band of 5-7 members. Dr. Armand Radke, 5M9 LEHP chair and Lion Mazatlan Eye Glass Coordinator, is one of the band members. Maybe you may also know who the other Lion members are. If not, come to the mixer and find out whom they are and what does S.L.O.G. mean.

Keep your eye out for more Convention Highlights in your November District Newsletter. It will be a great convention because 5M9 Lions will be Shining in 2009.

Posters, scholarships, Youth Outreach programs

We had a super turn out on our poster contest last year. Let's make this year bigger and better! Here is a chance for your club to join in the Awareness program/Youth Outreach program for your school. Not all clubs have a school in your town or area, but you could help the club where your students attend.

Feel free to set your own prizes for your school. Have the clubs that are taking posters from a school work together on a local prize list. Bluffton, Deer Creek and Wadena Lions Clubs all pull posters from the Wadena-Deer Creek School. We each put in \$35.00 towards the top six posters from the school.

Each Lion and Lioness club is allowed to enter one poster. These posters need to be sent to the Youth Outreach chairperson by January 1, 2009 or delivered to the Mid-Winter convention by 3pm Saturday.

On the district level, we will be awarding around \$4,000 worth of prizes. Instructions are available from the chairmen and this information has been sent to your club president. Please note that the subject matter has been expanded to all aspects of life and growing up.

We also award up to nine college scholarships to students majoring in youth field of education. We now have a way to accept Gambling

Money for scholarships. Contact Lion Marge (Mohs) Harrison for information and procedure instructions.

We can do all of this with your Lions Club's donation to our Youth Outreach Committee. Please send your donation to Lion Marge. She is taking care of the funds.

We will come and talk at your club meeting. We do prefer the Zone meetings for then we will be talking to more club members at once and therefore saving gas and time.

"We Serve"

Youth Outreach
Co-Chairs



Last year's poster winner, Sarah George from Battle Lake

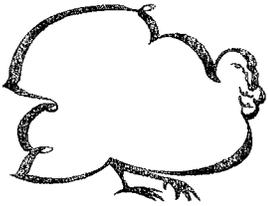
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Peace Poster Contest

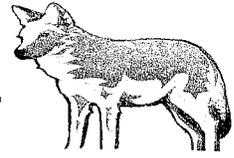
"Peace Begins With Me" is this year's theme. This contest is open to students ages 11, 12, 13 by November 15, 2008. These posters consist of **no words or numbers** and should be judged on originality, expression of theme and artistic merit. By participating, you are encouraging children to consider the importance of world peace. Please follow the official rules that are in the kit. The kits are available from the Youth Outreach chairs. **Please send your poster the District Governor Pete VanErp by November 15, 2008.**



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5M9 SHINES IN '09

5M9 MID-WINTER CONVENTION



WOLF LAKE LIONS

Official Registration Packet Order Form

January 9, 10 & 11, 2009

Shooting Star Casino & Convention Center, Mahnomon, MN

Hosted by Frazee & Wolf Lake Lions

Please fill out this registration form for each person attending and return it with a check made out to the 2009 - 5M9 Midwinter Convention

Please print clearly:

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Lioness

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Guest

Name: _____

2009 Title: _____

Address: _____

District: _____

City: _____

Club Name: _____

Prov/State: _____

Telephone: _____

E mail Address: _____

Check if this is your first 5M9 Convention

Please Circle the amount you are paying and registering for;

HOSPITALITY BOOKS

Includes all Meals and Entertainment

Cost Prior to December 1, 2008 \$90

Cost On or After December 1, 2008 \$95

Meal and Entertainment Tickets

Friday Entertainment No Charge

Saturday Breakfast \$10.00

Saturday Luncheon \$20.00

Saturday Banquet/Show \$55.00

Sunday Brunch \$20.00

Total amount of your check: _____

Please mail registration and check to:

2009 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention

C/O Joyce Ramsay

16596 Wolf Pack Road

Menahga, MN 56464

NO room reservations will be honored without a confirmed convention registration. After I receive your convention registration, I will send you information on how to complete your hotel room registration. Emergency refund of registration must be request by December 21, 2008. A \$25 handling fee will be charged. Questions regarding the convention: call Eldon Bergman 218-334-5841 or Lyle Mickelson 218-334-7054



PCC Bert and Pam Nelson in frontier dress for Boomtown party.



PDGs Carroll and Adolph Kukowski



Yvonne Camus (above) and David Okerlund



PCC Bert Nelson trying to sell a raffle ticket to PDG Judy Braggalla.



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