

1...2...3...ROAR from Lion DG Wayne and Lion Lenay

"Together WE SERVE with an Attitude of Gratitude"

March 11, 2020

We are building Momentum as we enter the last four months of the 2019-2020 Lions Year. We work together to make 5M10 grow and prosper. Thank you for your great service. ROAR!!!

- 1. **Membership:** The district had **+29** in new members in February, with only three drops. **District numbers are now 1247.** I am confident that with our Global membership Team recruiting in Silver Bay, MN, and Kakebeka Falls, ON, in March that our numbers will zoom up to the 1300 membership mark.

 A double thumbs up goes to those 5M10 Lions clubs having an increase in February. Rainy River Baudette Border Lions +11: Remidii +3: Duluth +4: Eveleth +1: Grand Rapids Can Baker +4: Two Harbors +1: Atikokan +1: Emp and District Part of the Canada Rapids Ca
 - Lions +11; Bemidji +3; Duluth +4; Eveleth +1; Grand Rapids Cap Baker +4; Two Harbors +1; Atikokan +1; Emo and District +2; Vermillion Bay +2. **ROAR!!!**
- 2. Leadership: Lion DGE Shirley has been very busy filling out next year's Cabinet, setting goals, and preparing/training for the DG journey. ROAR!!!
 - In addition, the DG team is doing District Discovery. Each 5M10 Lions Club is asked to do a simple SWOT Analysis, which calls for each club to identify Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats to your club in the areas of Leadership, Membership, and Service. **ROAR!!**

The Northern Pride Lions Forum is scheduled for March 27-28, 2020, at the Kelly Inn in St. Cloud, MN. There will be 36 seminars to choose from. Cost is \$105.00.

- 3. Service: Lions clubs of 5M10 are still under 50 percent for clubs in reporting Service activities and fundraisers. The DG Team will assist with Service reporting. The Bemidji Lions Club leads the district with 38 Service projects reported or 5,457 hours of service. ROAR!!!
- 4. Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF): We are doing very well with 36 clubs making contributions for the year and \$18,476.74 donated by individual Lions and clubs in 5M10. The District Goal is 100 percent.
 Thank you, 5M10 Lions, for you unwavering generosity and support of LCIF and all Lions Foundations. ROAR!!
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- 5. **The March schedule for the District Governor is full**. I have DG Visits scheduled in March at the following Lions clubs: Thunder Bay Metro, Thunder Bay, Ignace, Ear Falls, Red Lake, Kenora/LOW, Vermillion Bay, Eveleth, and Marathon. Last week I visited with Lions at Hibbing, Grand Rapids Cap Baker, Chisholm and Cook. I will also be attending the March 14th meeting of the Lions Foundation of MB & NWO in Winnipeg. **ROAR!!**





Greetings from District Governor Elect and Technology Chair, Lion Shirley.

Earlier this month, I completed my final District Governor training in Minneapolis. These trainings are so valuable in preparing us for the upcoming year. Many thanks to the organizers and faculty.

The highlight of these sessions is always the fellowships that happen after the hard work during the day. This session was no exception with the District Governors treating us to a friendship banquet on Friday evening with the theme being Singapore, hence the red. Check out DG Wayne in a tux!



I have begun working on plans for next year and nearly have all cabinet positions filled. I am still missing one zone chair, a technology person to take over for me and a Leader Dog board member. If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact me at koroniak@gmail.com.

Earlier this month, I sent out a message to all clubs asking them to complete a SWOT analysis for their club. Thank you to those that returned them but, if your club hasn't had the opportunity to talk about yours yet, its not too late. It's a great opportunity for discussion, coming up with new ideas and learning what has been working and what has not.

Along with our Global Membership Team Co-Ordinator PDG Lion Joanne, we held a membership drive in Kekabeka Falls last week. We still have a lot of work to do but are confident we will get, at least, a branch club in that community.

Our membership has shown great improvement over the past couple of months, but we still have a lot of work to do. As of today, we are up to 1248 members. There is still plenty of time to bring that membership back up to over 1250 but let's not stop there. With your help, do you think we can reach 1300? If every club adds just 1 member, it will be within reach!

Have you reported your service activities? MyLlon has been updated and is now much more user friendly. If you need assistance, please contact our District Administrator, Lion Sue Winner and she will work with you to make you feel comfortable using the software. Lets all strive for being a "Club of Excellence". Please see the Club Excellence Award Application on the following page.

We've all seen a lot of changes taking place in the world over the past few weeks but, this is a time for calm. Please follow recommendations from your federal, state or provincial, and local authorities. We will all get through this together and be stronger in the end.

Remember, "Where there is a need, there is a Lion".

Lion Shirley



2019-2020 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

Club Number	Club Name	
Лember Number	2019-2020 Club President's Name	

Club must be chartered prior to January 1 of the fiscal year to qualify.

2019-2020	Club President's Email Address					
1. MEMBERSHIP	2. SERVICE					
☐ Achieved a NetGrowth of:*	☐ Started a new service project. <i>Consider one of our</i>					
<u>OR</u>	Global Causes!					
☐ Chartered new Lions club, Leo Club or Club Branch: Name	1					
of club, or branch:	2					
AND	3					
□ Supported member retention by increasing member satisfaction Improve	AME					
Outline strategy: Membership Value &	Enhance Service					
Reach New Markets	Impact Contributed to LCIF					
*Based on June 30 cumulative membership report Pursue Club.	Packers Public					
3. ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE District and Organizational Excellence	Reshape Public Opinion & Improve Visibility 4. MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION					
☐ Club is in Good Standing: Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension. District dues paid and no unpaid balance with LCI greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.	☐ The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media					
<u>AND</u>	Choose all that apply:					
☐ Key Officers participate in one or more of the following leadership training events:	☐ Facebook ☐ Local Paper ☐ Instagram ☐ Radio ☐ Twitter ☐ Club Website					
☐ District ☐ Multiple District	☐ Billboards ☐ Posted or					
☐ International☐ Webinars☐ LionsLearningCenter	☐ Presentations to Groups☐ Other					
<u>AND</u>						
☐ Improved club operations. Use the Club Quality Initiative to identify opportunities for improving your club.						
Improvements Include:						

Date 2019-2020 District Governor's Signature*

District

Member Number

Application Date

Due by: August 31, 2020

Send to: clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org or fax to (630) 468-6828 Awards Mailed to: 2020-2021 District Governors

^{*}If sent from district governor's registered email, it qualifies as signature on applications submitted electronically. Disqualified clubs have 12 months from original due date to request a review.

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January 22, 23, 24, 2021

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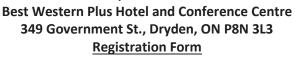


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Lions District 5M10 2021 Midwinter Convention Come Join Us in The Heart of The North

January 22-23-24, 2021





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*Please provide your email address if available. This information will allow for efficient and timely communication regarding the 2021 Midwinter Convention and will be used solely for that purpose.

Lions Legacy Project

Lions Foundation Rural Housing

Calling on districts: 5M10, 5M11 and 5M13!

Lions Foundation Rural Housing needs an update, we hope you can help us refresh and rejuvenate with Lions Pride!

The suites are available for both short and long term stays for medical related needs.

(Example: appointments, pre-post surgery, place for support family/friends to stay while someone is in hospital) Suites are located in Winnipeg, MB.

The rooms had been assembled with some very aged and mismatched items. Let's refurbish & modernize the rooms.

LET'S CHEER THEM UP! Medical stays are dreary enough!

Please help us in celebrating Canadians Lions Centennial by joining Legacy Challenge of
Lions in Canada for 100 years!

THE CHALLENGE:

For every club in each district to raise a minimum of \$200.00 each. Once this is in a holding account (min of \$6500.00) for each district, a grant can then be applied for a match.

This can total \$13,000 for each district!

There will be enough money to furnish the suites in a more cohesive, friendly, homey atmosphere, which can help bring comfort to everyone who stays.

THE BASIC NEEDS:

ENTIRE suite: Paint and touching up scratched walls.

Bedroom Furniture: Beds and all bedding, nightstand, dresser and floor rug, lamps etc

Bathroom: towels, over the toilet shelving, bath mat and shower curtains, shower soap dispensers and other basic toiletries etc

Living Room: Sleeper sofa, TV, end tables floor rug, wall art, pictures, phone table, cork/whiteboard, Calendar, lamps, LIONS colouring pages etc

Kitchen: table and chairs, microwave, pot and pan set, utensils, dishes, flatware, tea towels, coffee cups, drinking glasses etc. **General:** mop and pail, coffee (single packs for full pots), salt and pepper shakers, cleaning supplies, rooms accessories, etc

LONG TERM: dollars for days! Offsetting the cost of the room leases for people where accommodation brings a financial burden.

LEGACY AND LIONS NEVER LOOKED BETTER!

Possible ideas below.... So many available!

The Current room vs. what it could be!

















We **need** all clubs and the

three districts

5M10, 5M11 & 5M13

involved here for a successful outcome!

SHOW OUR LION PRIDE here and let's get these somewhat gloomy rooms more representative of the Lions Code of Ethics.

This Housing Legacy Project will continue to represent our 3 (three) districts many years to come and will create a light in the times of those who will need it most, when they are facing uncertain days.

The project will benefit everyone when in Winnipeg for medical accommodation but will be available to ALL Lions *when the rooms aren't needed for medical assis- tance*. Medical assistance takes precedence; however, it may be an option and helps to keep the suites rented as often as possible!

Please join us in encouraging all clubs join in and look to the launch of the project!

We will be forwarding an outline as soon as we have one and sharing ideas throughout!

This PRIDE OF LIONS PROJECT will leave a legacy of compassion and empathy as we team up for this one!



WHO's IN???

PLEASE CONTACT:

ED Lions Foundation, Tammy Bach, Committee Chair 204.722.1899 or

tammy.bach@lionsfoundation.org
Lion Joyann Woolsey, Committee Co-Chair: 807.2766974 or woolseyjo@gmail.com

A committee will be formed, the above ideas are by no means in stone! We will need more items than mentioned above and will be welcoming ideas and planners and designers! Let us know if you have a hidden talent. We hope to work with a furniture company (recognition provided). There will be a report sent to DG's from the 3 districts, Zone Chairs, information as well as online meetings to get this project underway.

Legacy and Lions never looked better!















MD5M PHOTO CONTEST

July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020 "UNFORGETTABE SCENERY - CITY OR COUNTRY"

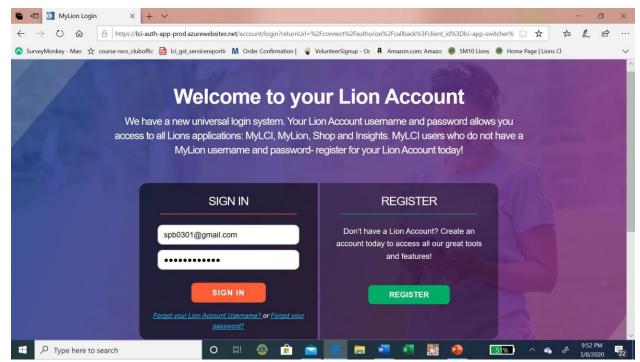
RULES:

- Original work of a Lion or Leo Member
- Submit name, phone number, district, name of the subject, and city or town photo was taken
- Only one entry per member
- Submit photo by email in digital format, must be minimum resolution of 300dpi, and in jpeg format to rpuckett66@gmail.com
- No snail mail
- Entry will imply consent to use for promotional activities
- First Place \$30.00 or 11x17 Canvas
- Second Place \$20.00 or 8x10 Canvas

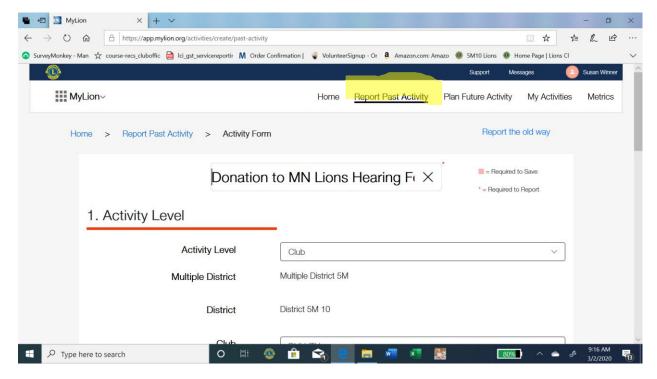


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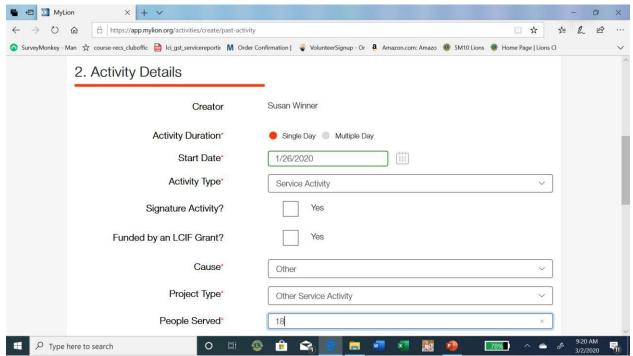
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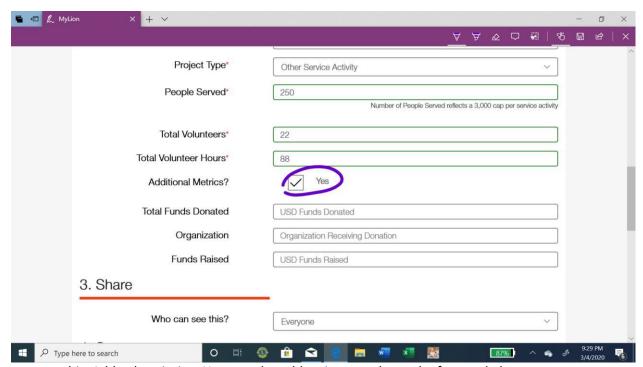
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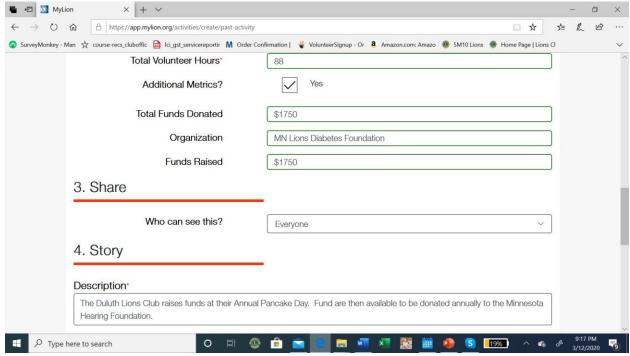
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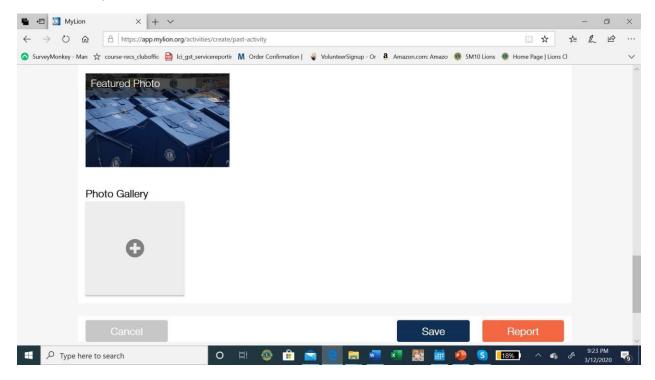
Add people served. I use a 1:7 ratio because I know a dollar buys \$7 worth of food which feeds one person. Use other numbers as you see fit. Add number of volunteers and hours of volunteers. Check the Additional Metrics box. The field the opens so you can enter the amount of the donation and the organization donated to.



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You can add a picture of your event, browse your photo gallery, or leave the featured photo. The last step is to click Report to save and send the report.



Donations are part of our service and should be reported. If you have any further questions, email me at spb0301@gmail.com. Lions **Susan Winner 1VDGE**

Lion Forum Attendees, Northern Pride Lions Forum

Because of the Covid 19 virus, the Northern Pride Lions Forum Committee has decided to postpone our upcoming event, March 27-28 in St. Cloud, MN.

According to the MN Department of Health, events with 50 or more people should not be held. The policy of social distancing will also not be observed in our facilities. Therefore, postponement is necessary.

We are working to coordinate a date in the next 15 months in which we can make arrangements to use the same facilities.

WE WILL BE REFUNDING ALL REGISTRATIONS!! In the next few days, an additional email will be sent by our registrar PCC Dennis Heinen regarding your refund. You can reply or email npllfmd5m@gmail.com if you have more questions.

Cancellation of your room IS YOUR responsibility. Best Western Kelly Inn phone number is (320) 253-0606.

Thanks for supporting the Northern Pride Lions Forum, and hopefully we can get together at another time.

NPLF Chairperson

PCC Lion Earl Orvik

Covid-19

5M10 Lions All--The current issue with the Covid-19 Virius is causing no end to the challenges in the world at large as well as Lions Club International.

At this time, several decisions have been made at the district level to address these challenges.

- 1. The DG and Global Action Team will have a Go to Meeting next Monday, March 23rd to decide on the best plan going forward. Among the issues that we will decide is whether or not 5M10 will have the Cabinet and Zone Chair Training on April 24-25 in International Falls, MN.
- 2. The Northern Pride Leadership Forum. scheduled for March 27-28, in St. Cloud, MN, has been postponed until later in the year.
- 3. All DG Club Visits and DG attendance at club events in March and April will be postponed.

If you have questions or concerns, please let me know. As your 5M10 District Governor, I will do my best to keep my fellow 5M10 Lions informed.

Thank you. Together WE SERVE with an Attitude of Gratitude.

District Governor Wayne Tieman



EVENT CANCELED

Lions Diabetes Research Update March 21, 2020 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Thank you for your interest in attending the Lions Diabetes Research Update at McNamara Alumni Center on March 21, 2020. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) pandemic, this event has been canceled.

At the University of Minnesota Foundation, the safety of our University donors, guests, and employees is our number one priority. As an integral part of the University of Minnesota community, we have aligned our decisions to those recommended by the University and the Minnesota Department of Health.

Additional resources

Visit the <u>University of Minnesota's COVID-19 updates page</u> and the <u>University of Minnesota Foundation's events update page</u> for the latest announcements and information.

Thank you for your support of the University of Minnesota, and for your interest in connecting with us. Stay healthy, safe, and well, and we look forward to seeing you in the future.







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BEMIDJI FIRST CITY LIONS

Our club has enjoyed collaboration efforts with Bemidji Lions in 2020! We have provided KidSight Screening at several elementary schools and preschools in the area.





We have worked at eyeglasses sorting, cleaning and processing once a month. We are sporting "classy vintage" glasses with 300 pairs of glasses ready to be shipped out for distribution. Both Lions club members; some children and friends have enjoyed socializing while we work.

A local newspaper reporter attended one of our events and published a wonderful story with article and photos in the Bemidji Pioneer.

We are planning a history project that will incorporate interviews of our charter members to document the formation of our club.

Members have generously donated items to a variety of groups recently, including Chaplain's Wings (care packages for service men and women), Families in Transition (homeless children in school district), book drive for the Bemidji Community Theater, and Food Shelf.

Respectfully submitted, Joy Barclay President, Bemidji First City Lions Club

Bemidji Lions

The Bemidji Lions Club continues to attract new members with a bank president joining the group of Lions. A hearty welcome goes out to Ben McNamara, who was approved by the board on March 9th. The club now has 104 members and potential new members are continuously showing up at the Wednesday meetings. A few of the services provided to the community during the past month include Vision Screening, held at two different occasions and at two separate locations. During these sessions, club members screen kids for vision problems and refer them for additional exams and assistance if needed. Club members also cleaned and categorized over two hundred eye glasses which were collected recently. They will be shipped and distributed as needed. During the Finlandia, an annual cross- country ski race, Lions were there to help park cars and maintain order in the parking area. The ski resort appreciates this service from the Lions Club. During the past month Bemidji Lions donated \$750 to the Girl Scouts so they could help achieve their goals and objectives. The February social, consisting of club members, guests, and new prospective members, was held at the Green Mill. This was a low key gathering where Lions and their guests can get to know each other as a "Lion's family". The next social is already on the calendar for March 31st at the "209" located on 3rd St. Lastly, thanks to the Lions who attended the 5M10 Convention, an \$800 check was presented to the Bemidji Food Shelf. The check was held until March, at which time it was cashed and matched, totaling \$1,600. Thanks again to all of the Lions who donated to this very worthy cause.

Carlton Area Lions



CARLTON AREA LIONS CLUB EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2019

11/1/19 VFW Burger Night 4 Lions 2 New members

11/13/19 Diabetes Risk Test to all members at meeting

Donated \$250 to 4 Seasons Ad

Donated \$500 to VFW Auxillary for Holiday Auction

Guest Speaker Diabetes camp attendee we sponsored

11/14/19 Wrenshall Vision Screening, 3 Lions

11/16/19 Put up Garland and Holiday Lights City of Carlton \$428 11 Lions

4 Lions Headed to Mid-Winter Jan 24-26

DEC 2019

12/4/19 Salvation Army Bell Ringing 6 Lions

12/7/19 Carlton Tree Lighting 6 Lions

VFW Holiday Bazaar and Auction

12/11/19 Carlton Lions Holiday Party 14 Lions, 8 Guests, Apps, White Elephant, Drinks, Fun

12/11/19 Set our Club donation for Parade of Green at \$3250.00

Joined Carlton Area Chamber \$40

JAN 2020

1/8/20 14 Lions attend meeting 72%

New member

Donation NERSF \$250

Picture in Carlton News Lions Eye Screening 4 Lions

Discussion on Total Lions Raised & Donated Funds since charter 500K in 40years

1/11/20 Holiday lights and trees down 9 Lions

1/22/20 Donated Cub Scout Pack 177 \$500 helps cover member insurance fees

Purchased Eye Glasses \$267

Gift Basket Mid-Winter \$106

1/24-26 Bemidji Mid-Winter 4 Members, 2000 pairs eye glasses

FEB 2020

2/8/20 Winterfest, Hook & Slice Golf, 65 Golfers, Chili Cook Off, Warming Fire, 14 Lions

Raised about \$1000

2/12/20 1 New member attended meeting

Esko Grad Party donation \$100

Donated to new Lions Club Rainy River \$100

2/26/20 Eye glasses \$174

Carlton Summer Greenhouse hanging basket \$68

MARCH 2020

3/11/20 We lost a charter Lion Member Dale Pearson Thank You Dale for all your years of service 5M10 LCIF Foundation Rural Housing Grant Match Winnipeg Canada \$200 donated

Lion Jim Vnuk

Carlton Area Lions

February 2020 Activities for Dryden Lions Club

- 1. Dryden Lions paid out two bursaries of \$500 each to university students returning for second semester.
- 2. The new Lions Club of Rainy River/Baudette was given a \$100 gift to help start their club's activities.
- 3. Six Lions spent 20 hours at the Dryden Native Centre's Youth Health Fair held at Dryden High School February 14th. They greeted students, helped set up tables, and distributed prizes. A total of 250 youth took part.
- 4. Sunday, February 16 the Dryden Lions held a Family Fish Derby. Ten Lions donated 54 hours drilling 70 holes, assisting young participants and their parents, and tabulating results. There was free hot chocolate for all youth, and hot dogs were sold at \$2.00 each with \$84.00 going to the Dryden Food Bank. 67 youth participated with 42 fish caught.



Dryden Lions Club Family Fish Derby Participants – a wee bit short of 4 lbs!

DRYDEN TRILLIUM LIONS

The first one is President Shannon Ouellette presenting Lion Susan Pollock with the Diamond Centennial Award.

The second picture is from our Project Pride. Lions Kathy Doherty and Maureen Wall presented area grade one students. Pictured is Lion Chum Hammond presenting a flag to her great grandson.





Two members delivered Meals on Wheels on February 1st & 2nd to 15 clients for 2 hours and another two members on February 22nd & 23rd to 13 clients for 2 hours.

Dryden Food Bank - At our February 13th General Meeting we collected \$ 90.00 from our membership. On February 14th our committee chair purchased 30.27lbs.of hamburger from the Vermilion Bay Co-op at a cost of \$ 75.00 which will feed 121 people.

Our club provided a Dryden woman with a set of refurbished hearing aids and paid Dryden Enhanced Hearing \$ 305.00.

Our club also gave \$ 300.00 to our 2018 Bursary recipient.

Our club donated \$25.00 as a "housewarming gift" to our new Lions Club - Rainy River/Baudette Border Lions Club.

Project Pride – two members attended 3 different schools – St. Joseph's, Open Roads and New Prospect on February 14th in celebration of Flag Day. Each Grade 1 student was given a flag and certificate and before leaving the classroom the students sang O Canada. Twenty-five flags and certificates were also given to our public French School – Ecole catholique de l'Enfant-Jesus. Lion Chum Hammond joined the other 2 members at New Prospect School as she wanted to give her great grandson a flag and certificate. All total 130 flags and certificates were given. The day started at 9:15 a.m. and ended at 2:30 p.m.

Duluth Lions Club - February

LIONS SERVE THE UNION GOSPEL MISSION

The Duluth Lions were strong in their support of the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) "Hungry Hearts" Food Drive held in conjunction with all local SuperOne grocery stores on February 9th. Our Lions, along with volunteers from Glen Avon Presbyterian Church and Wells Fargo Bank, (we do work well with others!) were responsible for collecting food items, gift cards and cash donations at the Plaza SuperOne on East Superior Street.



Duluth Lions Nancy and Ron Stanius and Jim Pratt

We had a very successful day, as we collected nearly 800 lbs. of food and over \$900 in gift cards and cash in our "pickle jar". In total, the UGM collected over 12,000 lbs. of food and additional gift cards and cash bringing the total to over 22,000 lbs. of food - A record for the "Hungry Hearts" Food Drive!

We are truly blessed to be part of such a giving community and have the privilege to serve it as Lions. There were ten Lions that helped throughout the day by promoting the drive, collecting donated items, transporting the goods to the UGM, plus weighing, sorting and storing items at the Mission. It was a full day as we started setting up at 9AM and inished up at the Mission around 7PM. Duluth Lions Club members giving of their time and services were: Bob Howe, Daryl Harper, Gail Tate, Ron and Nancy Stanius, Larry and Sue Winner, Peggy Gall, Mark Osthus, Jim Pratt, and Susan Jordahl-Bubacz, Executive Director of the Union Gospel Mission.



Lion Jim Pratt promotes the Union Gospel Mission's "Hungry Hearts" Food Drive and the Duluth Lions Club

The Union Gospel Mission has operated in Duluth for over 100 years. This past year the Mission provided nearly 100,000 meals to our neighbors in need, with multiple meals a day, seven days a week. The UGM also provides affordable housing options, a food shelf, Christian programming as well as outreach and referral services.

Our thanks to Lion Jim Pratt for his leadership in this worthwhile service project.

Ongoing Service Projects of the Duluth Lions Club

Union Gospel Mission – Collect coffee mugs and winter coats

Benedictine Health Center/Duluth Lioness – Collect gently used purses, jewelry, and paperback books.

Crisis Nursery – Collect children's winter clothing. Ronald McDonald House – Collect aluminum can tabs.

Duluth Leos – Collect empty pill bottles through Matthew Ministries.



Ignace Lions Club News

Ignace Lions Club members have been busy the past few months, handing out donations to organizations in our community, as well as participating in other community events.

The Ignace Lions Club was represented at our community's Remembrance Day Services and Wreath Laying. The Ignace Royal Canadian Legion donated \$2,000 to the Ignace Lions Club, which is earmarked to be put back into our community to better the lives of the town's citizens.

On November 23rd, the Ignace and Area Business Association held their Holiday Dinner and Penny Auction. Ignace Lions' Club was asked to run the Penny Auction, which raised \$1,400 for the community. The Ignace Lions Club matched the Auction fundraiser monies and donated the funds to initiatives in our community that address children's hunger and literacy.

In February, the Ignace Lions Club donated \$300.00 to the Ignace Nursery School to support food security programs.



Bemidji Lions - Mel Milender's District Governor's Award

Lion Mel Milender was presented a District Governor's award in appreciation for all the efforts he put forth coordinating the 5M10 Winter Convention. I-r First City Lion Lenay Tieman, Lion Mel, and District Governor Wayne Tieman.

Proctor Lions Club

Co-sponsors Proctor Winter Frolic

The Proctor Lions Club co-sponsored with the Proctor Chamber of Commerce a Community Winter Frolic Program in the village of Proctor on Saturday March 7, 2020 from 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Many Community members joined at the Proctor Golf Course for snow sledding with a hugh bonfire for warmth and following food treats at the Proctor City Center. Proctor lions: Keith Bischoff, Diane Timm, Michael Timm, Ronald and Paula Peterson and Proctor Chamber Of Commerce President, Ian Resberg assisted in food service of hot dogs,brats, donuts, chips, coffee and hot chocolate for the sledders. Foods were provided by the Proctor Lions and Proctor Chamber of Commerce with donuts provided by Proctor's St. Rose Church.

Proctor Lions Club assists Vintage Snowmobile Run

The Proctor Lions Club assisted the Vintage Snowmobile Run at the Duluth Buffalo House Camp grounds Saturday February 29th 2020. Proctor Lions Keith Bischoff, Diane Timm and Michael Timm assisted with participant registration and parking for 75 older snowmobile owners and family members. Chamber Of Commerce President, Ian Resberg also assisted with parking. Event helpers were treated to early AM breakfast by the Buffalo House The event was scheduled from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Participants rode their older snowmobiles about 10 miles from the Buffalo House to Spirit Mountain including the return trip where they were judged on several areas including: oldest sled, oldest participant, longest traveler to the event among others.

Keith M. Bischoff Proctor Lions Club President

Vermilion Bay Lions

Lions Lines March 2019

Congratulations to Don Dickson of Fort Frances the winner of our 2019 Winter Draw. The Vermilion Bay Lions would like to thank all those who bought a ticket, your support is very much appreciated.

Thank you to all the snow machine riders who took part in the Family Derby during the Karnival weekend. We appreciate your continued support. Thanks to our Lions members and community volunteers who worked so hard to have the trail ready for over 150 riders this year.

To all the children who made a snow globe this was not a contest. We were just encouraging an outdoor activity for the children to enjoy with a free glow stick to light up their snow globe. Hopefully we will have more participants in the future.

March came in like a Lion, so we are having our St. Patrick's Day dinner on <u>Saturday, March 16</u>. Hope to see you all there. Doors open at 5:00 dinner at 6:00 \$15/person children 6 and under eat free. This is not a licensed event so bring the whole family. Costumes optional.

<u>April 6</u> the Lions are holding a <u>"Spring Tea and Fashion Show"</u> The proceeds will go towards the Childhood Cancer Foundation. The fashion show will be put on by Angela Voth with Nygard fashions. Come out ladies and support this fun event.

Our members continue to serve lunch at Lillian Berg School Mondays and Fridays. We are also going to participate in the Lions Peace Poster Contest with the school and Project Pride celebrating the Canadian Flag.

Several of our members travelled to Tower and Fortune Bay Minnesota for the Mid Winter Convention in January. Lion Shirley Koroniak is now First Vice District Governor elect for 5M10. Congratulations Lion Shirley on her new role.

The Vermilion Bay Lions Club has their own website <u>www.vermilionbaylions.org</u>. Please visit the site as there are links to all the Lions Charities as well as Lions Clubs International. <u>www.lionsclubs.org</u>

Hall rentals contact Al Koroniak 220-1107

Use of medical equipment- hospital beds, stair climber, walkers, motorized wheel chairs etc. for information contact Gary Hutchison 227-2449

District Newsletter – March edition Kenora Lake of the Woods Lions Club

During the general meeting December 10th, 2019, twenty-two Lions and guests enjoyed the buffet dinner of roast beef and all the trimmings and following the business portion, the evening ended as everyone shared some fun and fellowship and opened Christmas gifts.

December also brought another successful Christmas Draw to a close on the 25th when three winners were chosen. First prize \$25,000.00 instead of the vehicle; second prize \$2,000.00 and third prize \$1,000.00.

The Sick and Visiting Committee sent Christmas wishes and flowers to shut-ins.

Several Lions continue to assist with "Nutrition on Weekends" packing up kits and make deliveries to the various schools. At the January meeting we heard more about the program when Rotarian Lloyd Mack gave an informative presentation. Donation of \$5,000.00 was made towards this project.

Five Lions travelled to Bernidji to attend the Mid-Winter Convention. It was a weekend of fun and reminiscing with old friends and meeting new ones; as well as donating \$6,500.00 to various Lions programs at the Parade of Green.

Each February we contribute to the monthly Birthday party at Pinecrest Home, donating the cost of cake and ice cream. Seven Lions attended to assist with serving the residents and joining in the fun.

At the recent general meeting March 10th Gordon McCool, fundraising coordinator for Central Community Club gave an interesting presentation on the construction of the new building; how it is progressing and the campaign for raising the funds. A donation of \$500.00 was presented to Gordon to assist the project.

This year the club will have a display booth at the Home and Leisure Show sponsored by the Kenora and District Chamber of Commerce. This is a three day event, May 1-3, 2020. The committee has begun planning for this event. It is hopefully that we will be able to encourage people visiting our display to have an interest in joining our Lions club.

We are still in contact with the local schools to find out if there are children to be screened. It is rather difficult with the present situation of on/off strikes

We are also in the process of coordinating with the Family Health Team in setting up a public screening session during May sometime.