

## L10News

## NEW MOUNTAINS TO CLIMB

## October 2016



From the desk of the District Governor

#### ARE WE HAVING FUN YET???????

A few DG visits are complete, but many more are scheduled in the coming months. I am so glad to see that a club visit does not have to follow any format. Meeting Lions is what it is all about. As I sit here pondering what is ahead of us this year, I am reminded that it is my responsibility to steer the District the entire year. A few years ago we started moving the District toward more relevant activities and communications in more modern ways that would resonate better with our younger members. This year I am committed to reinforcing that change. It hasn't been easy! Clinging to traditions that hinder new membership and maintaining old ways of doing business that leave us wondering why we can't seem to keep our new members makes managing the District very challenging. However, I am pleased with the willingness and energy that I see in the Lions of District 5M10. You are truly a great group of Lions that believe in what you do. As we adjust our way of doing business, more and more of you totally surprise me with your energy and enthusiasm for that change. Look Out — HERE COME THE LIONS OF 5M10!!!!!

I started with several new zone chairs. We added region chairs to help them. We also added the position of a District Administrator to the responsibilities of the second vice district governor. That was followed by monthly communications with region and zone chairs via electronic meetings starting in May. Everyone in leadership in the District wanted to be part of those meetings but we kept it to Region and zone chairs. In that forum we pass routine information from the DG Team to the clubs and from the clubs to the DG Team. We discuss ways for the zone chairs to help the clubs that need or ask for help. I learned more about the District in four months than I did in four years on the cabinet. It works! Smaller groups can deal with specific issues more effectively and more quickly. The zone chairs are working hard to accomplish the goals of the District!

I have also learned that we do not have a leadership problem in 5M10, we have a management problem! Too many people believe that the District will fall apart if they are not in charge. Nobody can do everything all of the

time. That is not the way things work! We are a team! Every position has a responsibility. Once placed in that position, club officer, district officer, committee chair or foundation officer, that person must be properly mentored and trained to understand the responsibilities and limitations of the position to which assigned. That is why I spent so much time at the first cabinet meeting explaining my thoughts on each position. Leaders should also understand the positions they report to and the positions they supervise. They must communicate all ways whenever and however they can. Delegation is absolutely necessary in any large organization. However, it is necessary to first understand our own responsibility before we can delegate or accept delegation in order to work together as a team. That is why I emphasize both initial and follow-up training as often as possible. Understand that this is an ongoing requirement for the health of any organization. Leadership is a learned trait. I believe very strongly that every Lion is capable of learning leadership given the opportunity and quality training.

We have to learn and accept that younger Lions (age does not a younger Lion make) want to utilize the creativeness and decision making skills they bring to us or they will leave quicker than they came. Just being a Lion for thirty years does not make a Lion more qualified to lead than a lion of one year. It is important but not the "be all to end all". Give new Lions a chance to make a change or a difference and they often surprise all of us. Stifle them and they will go elsewhere. Most Lions also want to believe that they can move into leadership positions and accomplish great things within their sphere of influence. Don't block their path! Lions have to change just as society has changed or we will be no longer. Get out there and have fun being a Lion!!!

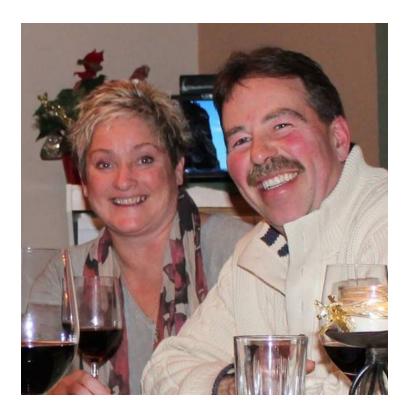


Greetings from Phyllis and me. We just had a wonderful time with the Orr and Cook Clubs and our annual District governor's visit. The food was great and DG Mel gave a wonderful message. It might have been a rainy and windy night but all the Lions and spouses had smiles on their faces and we had a GOOD time.

I had a fantastic time at the USA/Canada Forum. Lots of information and it was nice to meet so many Lions from the US, Canada and many foreign Countries. MD5M received an award as having the most Lions at the Forum. Look at MD5M's web site for a picture with the Centennial Bus. I had a meeting with First Vice President Naresh Aggarwal, he is from India. He had an inspirational message for the next 100 years of Lionism. It sounds like the International Convention is going to rock Chicago. The groups Chicago and the Beach Boys will be preforming for us.

We had a productive training session in Duluth. There was a smaller turnout than I had expected but the Duluth Campus Club was well represented and lots was accomplished with them. They have some great ideas and such enthusiasm. We were treated very well by UMD. All for now but keep serving yours communities and let them know what you do.

1st VDG Mark



## **2VDG Lion Joanne Ogden**

Well fall is here and things are looking beautiful with all the colours in the country side. Makes one reflect on how truly fortunate we are as we are able see the beautiful colours around us....

I was privileged this past month to be able to attend The USA/Canada Forum in Omaha for my very first forum. To any of you who have never gone...I am here to tell you don't wait. It was a very uplifting and inspirational time doing the Strides walk for diabetes, meeting Lions from all over the world, helping to make the 100,000 meals goal in less than 3 hours and last but not least to listen to some up lifting speakers.

I am not sure how many times I have heard people say I can't do that...we have done that before and it never worked out or that's do hard to do or its too much work....well I am here to tell you that no one has anything to say about that when you listen to the likes of Lion Jay Blake. Jay was robbed of his sight many years ago and nothing was going to stop him from "Following his Dream". Blind was not a handicap to Jay, loss of sight only led to a man of great determination that was not about to let something as loss of sight slow him down.

How many times have you thrown your hands in the air in frustration over a hand that you have been dealt? Perhaps maybe you are looking at things with your eyes instead of your heart and soul. How many times have you looked at someone and said they haven't got what it takes to be Zone Chair or District Governor...well perhaps those people are like Jay and just following a dream, using the inspiration that comes from their heart and soul...not just what everyone sees.

I challenge you this month to see the district with your heart and soul...to see Lions just trying to make a difference and not trying to make someone else feel like they can't do the part or see the vision. Perhaps inward reflection is required, perhaps a quick trip to Jay Blake's Facebook page may change your perspective.

Perhaps all you need to see is the true colours of the people around you....it takes many people of many different colours to make a beautiful district. Thank goodness that we have such an opportunity.

Here's to seeing those around you with eyes that see the heart...

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## PR Power! LION Magazine - Share Your Club Stories!



LION Magazine is dedicated to promoting the "We Serve" philosophy that Lions around the world demonstrate every day. The magazine relies on clubs to keep them informed of service activities. The following guidelines will help your club prepare materials for submission to the magazine. The more thoroughly prepared and thoughtfully illustrated your article is, the better the chance it will be selected for publication.

#### What Are They Looking For?

LION Magazine is looking for articles, preferably accompanied by photos, which explain in detail the successful completion of a service project or fundraising activity. Because a story must be of interest to the majority of the magazine's readers, they don't publish a club's social activities such as anniversary or charter celebrations.

The length of your story isn't important as long as you cover all the basic facts:

- What the project was all about
- Who was involved
- When and where it took place
- How it happened
- **How** much money was raised/**How** many people served

By describing how your club has helped people, you will aid the magazine in meeting its primary goal – to help stimulate other clubs to perform humanitarian services.

Note: As your District PR Chair, I am happy to assist you in preparing and submitting your stories. Feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:oswbarb@gmail.com">oswbarb@gmail.com</a>

## Enter the Centennial PR Challenge... Your Club Projects Could Bring You \$500!!!

Our Multiple 5M public relations chair has established a Centennial contest in which every club can participate. The purpose is to promote Lions and the Lions Clubs Anniversary. Clubs in the Multiple are asked to submit their completed Centennial Projects (Youth, Vision, Environment, Hunger) along with photos to their District PR Chair (that's me!).

Judges will choose the winner in each District with one grand prize winner taking home \$500. **You will find the contest application form, due dates and descriptions in this newsletter.** 

Please feel free to contact me with questions you may have.



Thank you!

Lion Barb Oswell PR Chair MD5M-10 <u>oswbarb@gmail.com</u> 218-343-9006

#### **Contest Guidelines:**

The Public Relations Contest is to promote Lions and the 100<sup>th</sup> Centennial Anniversary. Every club in the Multiple is invited to participate. Small clubs have the same chance as a large club to win.

If there are not enough lines on the application in any area, feel free to attach another page.

Each District will award 1 winner per year. A plaque will be given to the winner of each District at the Multiple Convention in 2017 & 2018. An overall winner will be chosen from the 12 District winners and will be awarded at the 2017 & 2018 Multiple Convention. Top winning Club will receive \$500.00.

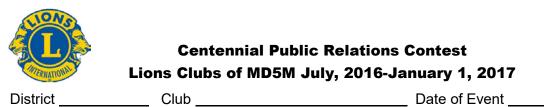
Contest will run from July 2016- December 31, 2017 and January 2017 –December 31, 2017.

Please submit your application to your District Public Relations Chair. If your District does not have a PR Chair, then submit it to your Newsletter Editor.

Mail to:

Lion (YOUR DISTRICT PR CHAIR) (If no PR chair use Newsletter Editor address

Clubs may enter more than once. (2<sup>nd</sup> Contest will be run January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017)



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## **Centennial Public Relations Contest** Lions Clubs of MD5M July, 2016-January 1, 2017



the area your event qualifies:  Protecting our ENVIRONMENT Serving 25 Million People  Engaging our YOUTH Serving 25 Million People  Serving 25 Million People  Engaging our YOUTH Serving 25 Million People	7
ENVIRONMENT HUNGER VISIÓN YOUTH	;
If your event does not fit one of the above areas, where would you classify it?	
Number of Club Members Number of Members who participated	
Approximate number in attendance/number affected by this Event: Expla Event:	nation of
What benefit did this project have to your community?	<u> </u>
How did this event publicize Lions and our 100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Anniversary must be publicized)?	
** Attach only 1 picture page	
Contact person for this event:	
Phone Number:Email:	
Does your club have a Lions sign in your town?  Yes  No  Have you refreshed your Lions sign- a new one or a new decal for our 100 <sup>th</sup> ?  Yes  No	

Please submit to your District PR Chair before January 1, 2017.



Hi to all of you!

Can Do Canines has been busy.

I went to New Hope and attended the Woofaroo! It was great fun, live music, good food, lots of dogs, dog in costume contest, vendors, and many committed volunteers. They also gave tours of the facility to all interested parties. Seeing a dog in training do her stuff in the training room, pushing elevator buttons, manipulating light switches, and other challenges was quite interesting.

Can Do Canines expects to train 50 teams in 2016. So there will be many people helped, but the need is even greater as there are approximately 160 people on their waiting list. It currently costs about \$25,000.00 to train a dog for a client. As Lions clubs our contributions really help.

I encourage you to take the opportunity to tour the facility any time you are in the metro area. They schedule tours each month.

Lion Bob Woodke Can Do Canines





Lions Foundation of Canada is grateful for the support of individuals and organizations who organize their own events in support of Dog Guides. Golf tournaments, races, rides, sales, dress down days... the only limit is your imagination. The Foundation will be happy to work with you and a Dog Guide in attendance is always an added benefit! You can also show your support by attending, volunteering or sponsoring any of the Lions Foundation's events.

For more information about hosting an event for Dog Guides please contact Emelia at (905) 842-2891 Ext. 231 or 1 (800) 768-3030 Ext 231





Have you ever wanted to attend the USA/Canada Lions leadership Forum and either did not have the time, four days, or the money, over \$700 dollars?

But you really want to hear some exciting speakers, learn more about our organization and get ideas on how to increase your leadership ability or learn new ways to keep your club strong and help your communities?

Then the Northern Pride lions Leadership Forum is for you!!!!

One day, or come in Friday night for a great meet and greet mixer. Only \$164 includes registration fee and one night hotel. Fee also includes lunch and dinner on Saturday and a free gift.

Choose from 36 great seminars and hear two dynamic speakers, PID Robert Littlefield and PID Brian Sheehan.

So come and join other members of our Lions family in Mahnomen MN November 11 and 12 2016 for great company, networking and knowledge.

You can find the registration form and seminar schedule at:

http://www.lionsmd5m.org

Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum



## Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum





Your District & Club Name

## November 11th - 12th, 2016

**Shooting Star Convention Center, Mahnomen MN USA** 

## 2016 Registration Form

"Meet your fellow Lions from Wisconsin, Nebraska, Iowa, Saskatchewan, North Dakota, South Dakota, Manitoba, NW Ontario and Minnesota."

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Name & Title	— Registration form at <a href="http://www.lionsmd5m.org">http://www.lionsmd5m.org</a>
City/Town	ALL costs are in USD
State/Prov	Canadians are asked to send USD money order to PDG
Zip/Postal	Cheryl
Phone (w / areacode)	
Email	
Special Dietary Needs: Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Allergies	(circle ones that apply)

## **Registration Fee \$99.00 USD**

Registration includes Friday evening Meet & Greet Mixer (if you are arriving then), Your choice of up to 6 of the 36 Seminars on Saturday, Saturday lunch and dinner with dynamic guest speakers: PID Brian Sheehan and PID Robert Littlefield. (Saturday Breakfast on your own, seminars start at 9 AM)

US residents mail to:

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Wendell, MN USA 56590-9771

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Cancellations prior to October 31st, 2016 will have a \$25.00 fee applied, NO Cancellations after October 31st, 2016 except for Medical emergencies are accepted anytime with doctors letter (\$25.00 fee still applies).

> contact: PDG Dennis W. Kelly III at

For more Information cdk3inc@outlook.com

Hotel Reservations - Contact the hotel directly - Rate \$65.00 USD per night (+ taxes) Until October 30th, 2016 Shooting

Star Hotel & Casino, Mahnomen, MN – call 1-800-453-STAR and ask for block #71.

This block is called "Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum"







## The Lions MD5M/District 5M5 Centennial Planning Committees Need Your Help!

MD5M will celebrate the Lions Centennial on the first weekend in June 2017 at the Mall of America.

MOA will feature large screens in the Rotunda showing Lions Videos for the entire weekend!

We need your Clubs/Members videos and pictures! They can be recent or several years old.

The clips/photos will be put together for a presentation by District.

## Send your Videos and Pictures to: PDG Dave Reach dreach@valgroup.net

Any format accepted. Filename should include club name, event, other identifying info.

Deadline for submission is January 15, 2017. But, do it now!

Lion Robert Woodke PO Box 1273 Bemidji, MN 56619

## CLUB NEWS

## Atikokan Lions

Pictured is the new executive for 2016-2017 Atikokan Lions Club; left to right,

Faye McAllister Tail Twister, Liz Shine Treasurer, Brian McLeod Vice President, Jason Sharbot President, Garry Girard Past President, Diana Beaudry Director, Liz MacKay Secretary, Angela Sharbot Membership Chair, Hilda Shmyr Director, Perry Sharbot Lion Tamer. Missing are Directors Candice Zalizniak & Crystal Lafond.



Pictured to the rights, is Atikokan Lions Club President presenting Lion Chuck McCormond with his 45 year service pin.

#### **Babbitt Lions**

June is a busy month for the Babbitt Lions. At the end of the school year, the Babbitt Lions served hot dogs, chips and juice to the students at Northeast Range School.

During the Peter Mitchell Celebration, The Lions Club provided food at the beach for the Walleye Whamma, which is a fishing contest at Birch Lake. Later volunteers manned the food wagon on Friday, Saturday and Sunday serving a variety of food. This is our major fund raiser and provides the money for our projects.

In July, we held our annual picnic.

In August, the Babbitt Lions volunteer at the beer garden at the Embarrass Fair. This is another fund raiser for our club.

Marilyn Kapsch, secretary, Babbitt Lions Club

More from Babbitt Lions on Page 23

## **Vermilion Bay Lions News**

Saturday, July 23rd was our annual Pontoon Boat Rides or Seniors in partnership with the Happy Go Lucky Seniors Club. With the purchase of a new aluminum gang way seniors could safely board the boats. 26 seniors enjoyed the ride on 4 pontoon boats from the Centennial Pavilion in Vermilion Bay to Buzzard Falls on Eagle Lake. They were later greeted for a barbecue and joined by an additional group of seniors at the pavilion. Music was provided by Alita Babcock.



#### Carlton Area Lions



Carlton Area Lions Club

10/5/2016

#### Aril 2016 activities

Donated \$50 towards Carlton Wellness Community 5K walk & Health Fair Nomination of 2016-17 Officers 4/23/16 Served Meals for Carlton High School Dinner Theater,6 Lions worked and 80 meals were served

May 2016

Conducted Annual Flower Basket sale sold 170 baskets net\$1048.00 Spring Hwy Pick Up 5/4/16, 12 Lions and 5 Guests picked up and then enjoyed fellowship and steak dinner

5/18/16 Spring Senior Citizen Bingo at Inter Faith Care Center

About 95 seniors enjoyed \$150 in cash prizes and coffee and donuts afterwards Big Thanks to 12 Lions 5/24/16 5 Lions plus 1 helper served Carlton High Athletic Banquet to about 160 students & family members

June 2016

\$200 to Future Problem Solvers with Cloquet Destination Imagination with premise of future Club Presentation Perfect attendance pins handed out for 2015/16 to 9 Lions members

6/15/16 Held Installation of Officers at Public House 14 Lions and 8 Guests Plus PDG Larry Winner & Spouse also inducted 3 new members. Handed out sponsor pins 6/24&25/16 worked VFW Steak Fry 8 Lions & 2 Guests raised \$67.00 from 50/50 raffle

6/2016 Hole sponsor for IFCC Golf Fund Raiser donated \$100

July 2016

7/7/16 Donated \$100 to Carlton Community Ed for Learning Camp

7/9/16 5 Lions and a couple of guests worked Duluth Air Show

7/29/16 Health Fair Booth for Carlton Daze 5K Run handed out fresh fruit and screened about 30 people for diabetes.

Had our antique Lions Club Fire truck parked by tent for kids to get pictures taken on.

7/30/16 Held Lions Giant Annual Auction at Carlton VFW in conjunction with Carlton Daze Celebration, all Lions helped collect items 6 helped with Auction and Guests, raised \$3000.00

7/31/16 2 Lions & Guests drove Fire Truck after Honor Guard in Carlton Daze parade tossing out candy while 4 Lions sold annual summer raffle tickets along parade route. Drawing after parade for 10 lucky winners and Club raised about \$3000.00

### Aug 2016

8/15 & 18-22/2016 Almost our whole club and many volunteer guests helped run our annual Burger Barn food booth for the Carlton County Fair we raised \$6932.00 Gross Net to be determined

Sept 2016

9/7/16 Senior Citizen Bingo IFCC about 90 Guests, 7 Lions 9/17/16 Fall highway pick Up 12 Lions and 6 helpers Carlton Area Lions Club, Secretary, Lion Jim Vnuk 218-451-1233

We had a great day for the Air Show today. Attendees included: Lions Dick, Patty, John, Betsy and myself with help from my wife, Arlette, Pat's son Britton, and Betsy's beau, Gary.

We saw demonstrations of a jet powered pickup, a Vampire airplane with both a jet engine and a propeller, the Thunderbirds, a B17 fighter, a C130 Hercules transport, a Harrier jet and more!

A huge thanks to all who worked today for the benefit of

THE CARLTON AREA LIONS CLUB!





I am happy to report inducting 3 new members at the Carlton Area Lions Club meeting tonight while also there to install their new officers.





## Thunder Bay Club

Some of the things the Thunder Bay Lions club is or has been doing We have shipped out 2500 pairs of glasses

We are hosting a hockey game between the Police Services and the EMS with all proceeds going to Diabetes. And we will be volunteering at Dining in the Dark which is a fundraiser for the CNIB.

### DEER RIVER LIONS CLUB NEWS

- 1) We sadly report that Lion Reynold Ward passed away at age 79. He was a 10 year member of our club and always ready and willing to do what ever needed to be done. Several members attended his funeral service on October 6.
- 2) A few of our members attended a convention planning committee meeting. The convention will be held in Grand Rapids on January 20-22.
- 3) We have set up our District Governor Mel's visit for January 11.
- 4) The wheels are in motion to conduct our annual pre-Christmas raffle. Tickets are at the printers as this publication goes to press. This fund-raiser is always heartily supported by the community, of which we are grateful. Members are always energetic in selling the 250 tickets.

### Dryden Trillium Lions Club - #53070 - Activity Report for September, 2016

- At our September 8 general meeting \$85.00 was collected from members to purchase ground beef for the Dryden Food Bank. 14.46 lbs of meat were delivered to the Food Bank on September 15 that will feed 58 clients.
- September 24-25 Two Trillium Lions delivered 17 Meals on Wheels to clients over the two-day weekend working a total of 5 hours.
- September 24 Six members attended the Region 1, Zone 4 Zone Meeting in Vermilion Bay. It was a pleasure to meet and talk with DG Mel and Lion Wayne Tieman.
- One new member was inducted at our September general meeting bringing our membership to 35 Lions.
- Nineteen pairs of eye glasses and 2 hearing aids were collected.
- Launched our Dryden Trillium Lions Facebook page.
- September 27 Our major fundraiser, in partnership with the Dryden Lions Club, culminated with drawing the winner of the truck/ATV/trailer. The very happy winner was from Thunder Bay. Although we did not sell out this year, ticket sales were considered very good and funds will be distributed as soon as possible.



DRYDEN TRILLIUM LIONS CLUB
WELCOMES
LION TERESA POLLARD
Inducted September 8th

L to R: LIONS TERESA, SHANNON &
PRESIDENT MARGARET

## Dryden Lions

- 1. Two members attended the September 24 Zone Meeting . Lion president Todd filled the members in.
- 2. Dryden Lions loaned the Dryden Ball Diamond committee our food cart toraise money. They raised \$450.
- 3.Our food Cart was at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Car Show and Shine by the Road Runners. We made a \$200 profit that aided in the Centennial Project (SoccerShelters)
- 4. Dryden Lions Donated \$500 to the Dryden ski Club for up keep and and new rental equipment.
- 5. In recognition for their assistance at the fall fair, the Dryden Lionspresented the Trillium Lions with \$1000 A cheque was issued for \$500 in order for the Convention 2018 Committee could continue planning.
- 6. Our 200 Club had 2 draws of \$200 each.
- 7. Dryden Lions purchased 2 books of tickets at a total cost of \$100 for Lions Foundation of Canada's Maple Leaf Weekend.
- 8. A total of 515 pairs of eyeglasses and 6 hearing aids were delivered to Winnipeg.

## DRYDEN LIONS CLUB'S WHEEL CHAIR RAMP



On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, starting at 7am, seven Dryden Lions and two conscripts began the day long assembly of a wheel chair ramp. With only a very expensive coffee break supplied by Lion Arnie, the ramp was finally completed in 8.5 hours. Seen here are the recipients, with Lions Bruce, Augie and Arnie with the drill.

## Leo Clubs

The Leo Club Program gives young people the opportunity to serve their communities and make a positive impact. They offer a great way to have fun, make new friends and develop valuable leadership skills.

If you're a Lion, consider sponsoring a Leo club in your community to engage youth and get the next generation of Lions ready to serve.

If you're a Leo, below you'll find resources for leading your club, planning projects, promoting your activities and more.

International Leo Day – On December 5, Leos around the world celebrate International Leo Day. This is an annual occasion to commemorate the organization of the first Leo club on December 5, 1957, to applaud Leos for their dedicated service in the community, and to recognize their commitment to the Leo Club Program.

### **Duluth Leos**

### **Duluth Centennial Leo Club Receives Grant**

Congratulations to the Duluth Centennial Leo Club on receiving a \$500.00 grant! The grant is from the My Smile Matters program. The Club will be doing oral health presentations at four Duluth elementary schools to encourage children to choose water over sugary drinks.

The money will be used to purchase 500 water bottles to be given out to the children as a reminder of what they will learn and to enable them to continue to choose water.

Marie Pank



## Duluth Lions Club Apples! Apples! Apples!



The Duluth Lions Club sponsors two fundraising events during the Apple Harvest season: Selling caramel apples at the Chester Bowl Fall Fest (September) and selling fresh Bayfield apples by the bushel and peck (October).

## Duluth Lions Work the Caramel Apple Sale at Chester Bowl Fall Fest!

September 17, 2016, was the date of this year's Chester Bowl Fall Fest. It's a fun event, and attendees look forward to our freshly cut Courtland Apples smothered in warm caramel sauce and topped with tasty treats.



This year, the weather forecast included intermittent showers, although Lion Tom Sailstad might have his own definition of "intermittent" or even a new definition of "money laundering". Our cash box was drenched on more than one occasion with the water that accumulated on the tent.

Lion Tom remained up to the task and exchanged wet money for dry. Our customers willingly received their change in wet bills.

We sold approximately 450 caramel apple boats. We took in \$1,698.50 and after we paid for the apples provided by Hauser's we deposited \$1,546.50. After our expenses we will net approximately \$1,200.00. We will have some leftover cans of caramel to kick off next year's event.

I would like to thank all those Lions who were able to give of their time to make this event a success. We had ample help throughout the day. Good job!!!

Lion Bob Howe, Event Coordinator

## **Duluth Lions Club – First Timers Attend the USA/Canada Forum**

Duluth Lions Kandice Gulbranson and Barb Oswell were first-time attendees at this year's USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Both came away applauding the Forum for its wide variety of informative seminars and the connections made with Lions from all over the

U.S. and Canada.

The vision of the Forum is to develop programs that support the core values of Lions Clubs International.



Lion Kandice (in yellow) prepares for the Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness - an opening event at the Forum.

Sharing stories of service projects and fundraising initiatives reinforced our Lions mission *To Serve* and supported our work toward International President Bob Corlew's theme of New Mountains to Climb.



Lion Barb snapped a picture of Leos attending a seminar. They were dancing to celebrate their accomplishments and commitment to Lions!

Forum participants were entertained by exciting, humorous, and motivating speakers. Lion Barb Oswell's name was drawn from the list of 450 first-time delegates to sit at International Bob Corlew's table for one of the luncheons!

Both Lion Kandice and Lion Barb encourage all Lions to think about attending future Leadership Forums.

## Family Forum Partners with Duluth Lions Club to Provide Free Vision Screening for Head Start Children

The screenings took place at all Family Forum Head Start Centers. The Duluth Lions Club uses what is called the Spot vision screener. It is a small camera type screening tool that takes a picture of the child's eyes in less than 10 seconds. In that 10 seconds it scans for nearsightedness, farsightedness, astigmatism and three additional eye/vision deficits that cannot be identified through traditional forms of screening such as using an eye chart. Out of the 299 Head Start/Early Head Start children we screened, 56 children were identified as needing a complete eye exam follow up.

More than 12 million school-age children in the United States have some form of vision problem, yet only one in three have received eye care services before age six. Many vision problems run the risk of becoming permanent if not corrected by age seven, when the eye reaches full maturity. Vision also plays an important role in education.

According to educational experts, 80 percent of learning is visual. Early screening leads to early detection, which helps ensure that children get the follow-up care they need.

The screening event is part of a nationwide initiative called Lions KidSight USA, a national coalition that brings together Lions programs that screen children from 6 months to 6 years of age. KidSight USA was developed by Lions in the U.S. to protect the eye health of America's children in their early years. Lions in the U.S. currently screen more than 500,000 children per year. Learn more about Lions KidSight USA at KidSightUSA.org.



A very big **THANK YOU** to Lion Bill Pank and his group of volunteers that made these days possible for all of our Head Start Centers and Children!!

#### Grand Marais Lions Club

Lion President, Mike Carlson, was busy handing out funds this month. He first visited the Cook County YMCA to present a check for \$1000. The Y has a policy of turning no one away for lack of funds and as our Club believes it's a positive environment for all especially children we offered a scholarship to cover to help families participate in the many activities available.

The President then visited the principal's office. This time it was for a good reason as he presented the school district a \$3000 grant for a reading program. All the teachers in the County participated in a program to teach reading consistently though out all of the schools in the system starting in the early grades on up and to recognize students who have reading difficulties.

D G Mel and his wife Lion Mary Lou visited the club for a BBQ. During his visit he inducted a new member, Lion Adam Brandt, into our Club. It was a rip roaring meeting as we enjoyed the visit.



Rob Adam, & Mel



Mike & a check to the Y



Mike & a check to the school

## Emo and District Lions

October 2016

What an awesome day of executive training we had in Atikokan. Was great to get together with Lions from other clubs and to help each other learn to do our job better as a leader. Thanks to the great instructors and to Angela Charbot and the Atikokan Lions for hosting such a great day!

Emo and District is looking forward to seeing all of you come and join us for the wild meat dinner of Hunters Night on October 29<sup>th</sup>. It's being held at the Barwick Hall and Happy Hour starts at 5pm with dinner at 630. This year we are serving bear and apple sausage, deer stew, moose roast and of course pan fried walleye in the secret coating with the secret tartar sauce! Home baked apple crisp winds up desert. We have again our awesome penny table, canned goods door prize, Home-made Pie Roulette and again the Gun Raffle (roughly \$1000 value). You can reserve your tickets or purchase them from any Emo and District club member or to call Joanne at 807-271-0941. You won't be sorry you came!

We are very excited to be starting our Lions Roar for Kids Sight program with all our Zone clubs assisting. We will be scanning in schools at the end of October as final plans have been cemented with the school board. Watch for the numbers scanned in our next newsletter.

We are being to plan a Legacy golf tournament for next year and the 100 year anniversary. This was an idea of Fort Frances Lions and we look forward to helping make this a reality.

We are still continuing to gather school supplies, new and used clothes and shoes as well as funds to build new houses in Guatemala. Please let Debbie (807-482-1958) or Joanne (807-271-0941) if you have anything that you would like to send with us to Guatemala. We are grateful to many of our club members who have been making bags, pillowcase dresses and aprons for us to take with us.

We have our new Legacy Project sign arriving shortly and will be completing phase 2 of our legacy project before the snow flies (well we hope before the snow flies as its forecasted this week!!) We will be having a ribbon cutting ceremony with DG Mel in early April and would love to see you there to share in this excitement.

Enjoy the beautiful falls colours and watch for more from Emo and District Lions.





Hunters' Night 2015. Get your tickets for this year's event.

## Ignace Lions

The Ignace Lions Club continues with the Third Party Northern Travel Grant Project. This project helping numerous residence of our community to get to out of town medical appointments. As well the club continues to build and relocate ramps in the community.

We are planning for a Supper with our District Governor on Monday November 28th at 5:30 at the Northwoods Motor Inn. We will be initiating in new members at this meeting. We are looking forward to this event as our clubs numbers gradually grow.

## Voyageur Lions

The Voyageur Lions had another successful Drive Thru Breakfast this year after being cancelled due to road construction last year. Once again we were privileged to use Tim Hortons property to set up our tent, as well they donated coffee and muffins to go with our 200 goody bags that contained over a \$20 value of donated items from local businesses. Each person that drove thru generously donated a minimum of \$10 for these bags, one in five bags contained a certificate for a major prize (too big to fit in the bag) also generously donated by local businesses.

Pictured Lion Gaby President handing, out bags and muffins, Lion Dale serving another satisfied customer and Lion Johnathan (Cimba)

IPDG Bill Michl <u>bmichl226@gmail.com</u>
807-276-1334\_344 3rd St. W. Fort Frances On. P9A 3A7 Don't take life so seriously, it isn't permanent.







WANTED: YOU!!

FOR: AN UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY

WHAT: 2017 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute

WHEN: March 30 - April 2, 2017

WHERE: Shooting Star Convention Center in Mahnomen, MN

We are looking for Lions from your district to attend the 2017 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute! Lions that are selected as participants in the Institute must be in good standing in a Lions Club and may not be a 1<sup>st</sup>Vice District Governor, District Governor, Past District Governor, International Director, or Past International Director. The \$150 fee for the Leadership Institute includes the cost of materials, facility, staff, and three (3) meals. Room costs and additional meals are not included. However, a \$100 rebate from MD5M, through a grant from LCI, will be given to each participant that completes the program. Participants MUST be available to attend ALL sessions beginning on Thursday evening and ending Sunday afternoon.

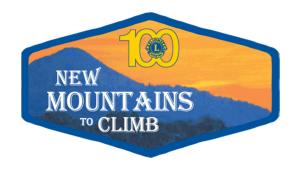
Each district has the opportunity to send six (6) participants; however, if other districts do not meet their allotment, your district may send additional Lions. The Institute will have a maximum of 72 participants.

Applications are available from your District Governor or on the MD5M Website and are due (without fees) by December 1, 2016. Your District Governor will then make the final participant selection.

Institute graduates from your district will tell you that the Regional Lions Leadership Institute is beneficial for you in every facet of your life and not just in your role as a Lion. If you have questions concerning the Institute, please feel free to contact:

## Lion Earl Orvik – ejorvik1@gmail.com

We look forward to giving YOU this UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY!!





### More from Babbitt Lions

The Babbitt Lions built a ramp. This makes over 60 ramps completed. Two days were needed to complete the ramp. Seven Lions worked 5 hours one day and 5 Lions worked 3 hours the second day.

\$150 was donated to KidsSight.

The Babbitt Lions did roadside pick-up on Saturday, Sept. 24. Nine Lions participated, picking up trash from the north side of Babbitt to the beach at Birch Lake. 1/2 hour was needed to pick up several bags of trash.

Marilyn Kapsch, secretary





After taking on the role as the Canadian coordinator for Diabetes in Northwestern Ontario, I was informed that the Canadian Diabetes Association Office is being closed in Thunder Bay as of January 1, 2017.

The coordinator at the office Richard Boon has retired and the Association felt it was a good time to cut costs. The interim coordinator is Kerry Bruder. Lion Kerry (past President, Dundas Lions Club 2015/16) has pledged to help us in the remaining months. I am to talk to him by phone in about a week to work on some details of how services will be delivered.

To help in this regard the Lions of Northwestern Ontario need to form a committee to carry on the work of the CDA in our region of the province. If each club could please find one or two Lions to volunteer to sit on this committee, we would be well on our way to serving the diabetics and future diabetics of NWOntario.

The Emo and District Lions have 4 volunteers to help with this most important assignment. Let's remember that "WE SERVE"

Lion Dave Ogilvie
Diabetes Chair for NWO

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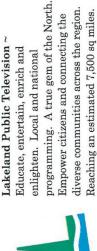
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SUNDAY BRUNCH	FREE WITH HOSPITALITY BK	USD: \$25	USD: \$30			
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The Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation invites you to

## **World Diabetes Day**



"Catch the Dream" Life Without Diabetes!

- Learn if You are At Risk for Diabetes
- Fun Ways to Add Physical Activity
- Food and Exercise Demos
- Healthy Eating
- Free Gifts







world diabetes day

## **World Diabetes Day 2016 - Locations**

## **November 5, 2016**

## FRIDLEY

8450 University Ave. NE 11am - 3pm

### BROOKLYN CENTER WALMART

1200 Shingle Creek Crossing 11am - 3pm

#### ROSEVILLE WALMART

1960 Twin Lakes Pkwy 11am - 3pm

## DULUTH

4740 Mall Dr, Hermantown 10am - 2pm

## November 12, 2016

#### NORTH ROCHESTER WALMART

3400 55th St. NW 11am - 3pm

## WORTHINGTON WALMART

1055 Ryan's Rd 9am - 1pm

## WINDOM

192 10th St. 9am - 1pm

#### JACKSON SUNSHINE FOODS

908 Hwy 71 North 9am - 1pm

### Greetings: CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

First I will summarize the developments of the Multiple District preparations for our Centennial Celebration: a. We have either co-chairs or a chair for each of the 4 Core Committees, as follows:

- i. Vision Lynn Farley as general chair, with Dennis Kelly to handle Kids Sight and Dave Moen-to handle used eye glass collection of what we'll do with Vision.
  - ii. Hunger Cheryl Thompson from 5M7.
  - iii. Environment John Frank, from 5M8.
  - iv. Youth Peter Yelle, from 5M7.
- b. Audio-Visual committee to be co-chaired by Joe Schlichenmeyer and Dave Reach.
- c. Media Advisory will be Kathy Jalivay.
- d. Sign Coordinator will be Bob Wharton 5M6.
- e. We are working on getting a prominent metro-area TV personality to MC the Mall events.

Second, I want to share this information about the LCI 2017 Train:

#### **Confirmation Letter**

Dear Mr. Kelly,

Thank you for your recent request concerning group travel on Amtrak. Your group reservation number is 52772F. The attached pages consist of the Group Space Confirmation Letter. <u>Please read all enclosed information in full and save this letter for your record.</u>

Your group will be departing on Thursday, June 29, 2017 at 8:00 AM onboard Train 8/28

from Minnpls-St Paul, MN enroute to Chicago, IL.

Your group will be returning on Wednesday, July 05, 2017 departing at 2:15 PM onboard Train 7

from Chicago, IL enroute to Minnpls-St Paul, MN

Should you have any questions or require changes concerning your current itinerary, contact our Group Sales Office at (800) 872-1477. Please have your reservation number available for quick reference. We must receive a complete name list of all group members traveling before the ticketing deadline.

A replacement ticket for a lost/stolen group ticket requires approval from the Group Sales Department and will incur a non-refundable \$75.00 replacement fee. Mailed tickets will incur an additional non-refundable \$15.00 FedEx fee. If final payment is made by check, please include the Fed-Ex fee as a separate \$15.00 Payment made out to <u>Amtrak</u>. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.

Groups must remain at a minimum of 20 or more **at all times** to qualify for a group discount. If group falls below 20 please contact the Group Desk for price details.