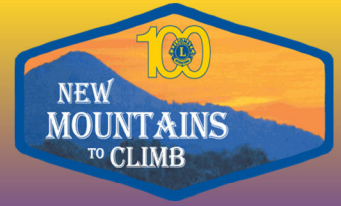




# L10News

June, 2017



It has been a great year!!! I am extremely proud of everything the District accomplished this year. For the last time, I am writing an article as your district governor. Throughout the District we have accomplished great things this year! For the first time in many years the District surpassed 1300 members. For the first time in many years we chartered two new clubs and a LEO club. We have the best retention of members in the multiple district. We surpassed 200 attendees at our midwinter with approximately 40 of them first time attendees. We had over 600 registered attendees at the multiple district convention in Bemidji. Thirteen clubs qualified for and received club excellence awards last year. Twenty are on track to do that this year. Reporting of membership, officers and activities on MYLCI has more than doubled this year over last year. We will far exceed more than 20,000 hours of service to our communities if we report all that we do. Those are great accomplishments that everyone in the district contributed their efforts to achieve. We also improved communications between the clubs, the zone chairs, and the DG. Numerous training opportunities were realized at different levels of

the district. We also have the next three midwinter locations identified. Every club improved in at least on area, many in several areas!

However, we cannot rest on our laurels. Now is the normal time that leadership in the clubs and the district must focus our efforts on planning to retain our new members, advertise our summer projects to our communities, finish the yearly paperwork, and recognize individual members within our clubs for their hard work. The accomplishments of this past year were the results of several years of hard work, training, and working together with a common goal. Recognize that our clubs have to change with the times. Lions clubs today are much more than a businessman's club. We are here to serve our communities with every member we have. Look at our new clubs. I challenge any club to keep up with our newest LEO club in Duluth.

Our new Chisholm club reflects that change. In just three days we recruited 25 new members for the new club. The Oldest member is over 70 and the youngest member is 22. They represent every aspect of their community. Their charter night was a true celebration with a luau theme, a great speaker, and a lot of fun. Nine different clubs from throughout the district, including from Canada, attended their celebration. If we can do it in Chisholm we can do it anywhere in the District one club at a time.

As I move from being the DG to being a past DG, I wish to convey my heartfelt thanks to everyone who worked so hard and diligently to support me this past year. I ask that you give DGE Mark the

unwavering support that you accorded me as I, with your help, directed and improved District 5M10. It wasn't always popular with everyone. It was certainly not business as usual in many cases, but it reflected changes that we must all embrace if we intend to move into the future. Learn to use technology to lessen our geographical and political

differences. Recognize that new leaders have new ideas and if we don't let them lead, they will find other outlets for their ideas and energy.

Remember, "If we keep doing the same thing the same way we will always be in the same place."

Always have fun with your Friends as you serve your community.



This year has gone so fast. Our District continues to grow. Through the hard work of Lions in our District we started a Campus Club in Bemidji and a club in Chisholm MN. My hope is that in the next year we can continue to work together to keep our District growing and becoming stronger.

A few months ago each club was sent a "Club Excellence" application. It is now time to fill them out and get them to me. They must be submitted by the end of August to LCI. If you do not have an application you can contact me or go to the LCI home page and search "club excellence application" in their search engine. Print out a copy, fill it out and get it to me. We hope to hand out many of these awards at the Midwinter Convention and give your club the recognition it deserves.

I am looking forward to serving our District and with all of your help it can be a successful year.

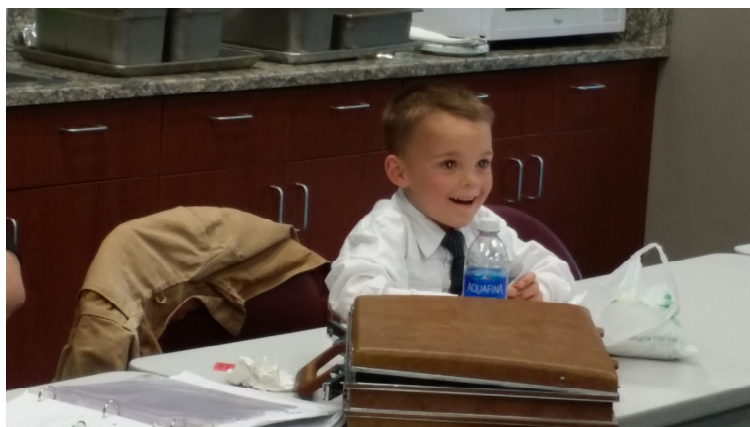
Yours in Lionism, DGE Mark Eyre



A few of the DG's attending the 5M Multiple Convention in Bemidji gathered around Paul and Babe in their red jackets which were a gift from the Bemidji Lions Club when they made their club visit.

From left to right is: DG Mel Milender 2016-2017, PDG Tim Riordan 1995-1996; PDG Mark Osthus 2014-2015; PDG Ivan Pollock 2009-2010; PDG Robert Vokes 1996-1997; PDG Bill Michl 2015-2016; PDG Peggy Michels 2011-2012; PDG Gary Hutchison 2008-2009; PDG Roger Palmer 1993-1994; PDG Larry Winner 2013-2014.

### Mary Lou's 'Little Helper'



When Mel does a club visit, we bring a jar of honey which I raffle off with the winner taking home the honey and the club gets the money collected. While at the Two Harbors club visit, I had a little helper, Joren, who was there with his Daddy. Mel gave him a pin for helping me, and he was pretty excited to receive it.

## Past district governor to run around Lake Superior

By Duane Hicks  
Fort Frances Times



By all estimates, it takes 2.1 million steps to travel by foot around the perimeter of Lake Superior. Not a task for the faint-hearted.

But Bill Michl, past district governor for Lions District 5M10, is stepping up to the challenge to make the 1,985-km (1,300-mile) trek in 82 days this summer.

The “Making Superior Lions Run” will begin July 8 and take until Sept. 28 to raise awareness—and funds—for the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

The 62-year-old member of the Fort Frances Voyageur Lions Club, who's been running for the past 14 years, conceived the idea for the run.

“I knew the Lions' 100th anniversary was coming up and I thought, 'I'll do something really big personally because I think Lions is the best charity in the world,’” he remarked.

“They help everybody,” he noted. “They don't have government or religious backing—they just go and help.

“In my personal life, I like to help everybody that needs it, and I just thought to myself, 'What can I do that would stand out?’”

Michl considered running from one end of Ontario to the other but then considered that he belongs to District 5M10, which includes Northwestern Ontario, Minnesota, and Manitoba.

“What's more international than the Great Lakes?” he reasoned.

“I know I couldn't run around all five of them, but I thought I'd start with the big one and see what happens,” he chuckled.

As far as he knows, Michl will be the only runner making the entire trek around Lake Superior. But he's hoping to get Lions Clubs along the route to plan events or otherwise recognize the “Making Superior Lions Run” as he passes through.

Michl also expects some fellow runners to join him for a couple of miles, but added it would not be a good idea for large groups of people to run along with him because it becomes a safety issue.

As well, he has asked Lions from clubs in the Lake Superior area to volunteer to drive a support vehicle and accompany him.

Michl noted he's been getting support from Lions clubs in Thunder Bay, as well as in Wisconsin and Michigan.

“I think it will all fall in place by the time I'm ready to leave,” he remarked.

### Training challenge

While Michl has participated in many runs and marathons over the years, he said this is his most ambitious by far.

“My longest run to date was the hospital run I did about 10 years ago from Rainy River to Fort,” he recalled.

“That's the longest one-day run I've ever done.”

Michl's 60-mile “Run for the Scan”—more than the equivalent of two full marathons—was held to kick off the “Care Close to Home 2: Just Imagine” campaign to raise \$1.5 million locally for a CT scanner at La Verendrye Hospital in Fort Frances.

In order to prepare for this much greater challenge, Michl has refrained from running competitively and instead focused strictly on training.

“I've been structuring my training more or less to this long run, increasing mileage and stuff like that,” he explained.

“My normal running routine was four days a week—Monday, speed run; Tuesday, hill run; take a day off; then a speed run; take a day off; then a long slow run on a Saturday,” he noted.

“Then as I got closer to this date, I've started running every day because when I do run around Lake Superior, I'll be running every day,” said Michl.

“So I started with something I could handle—six or seven miles a day—and am gradually working my way up to 12-13 miles a day.”

Michl said he will be striving to run 15 miles a day once he finally runs in July, adding his aim is to train without getting any injuries.

Every day, the LCIF supports the efforts of Lions around the world to improve their communities, noted Michl. Since being founded in 1968, it has given out more than \$1 billion (U.S.) in grants, whether they were for tsunami, flood, or hurricane relief, or programs to eradicate measles and “river blindness” in Third World countries.

“Even when our little town was flooding out here a few years ago, we were on standby,” said Michl, adding if anybody had to be evacuated, the LCIF would have issued cheques to help evacuees.

“It's something that's close to my heart, the way they work,” he stressed. “That's why I do it.”

While Michl is not collecting pledges personally, he is asking the public to donate to the LCIF in the name of his run.

[www.facebook.com/MakingSuperiorLions/](http://www.facebook.com/MakingSuperiorLions/)

[www.lcif.org](http://www.lcif.org)

**MAKING SUPERIOR LIONS RUN**  
Raising Awareness and Funds for LCIF

1234 miles  
1985 km  
2,100,000 steps  
82 days

**ONE STEP, ONE DOLLAR, FOR LCIF**



July 8th - September 28th, 2017





## PR Power!



### CALLING ALL MD5M-10 CLUBS

## ***Enter the 2017 MD5M Public Relations Centennial Challenge... An Opportunity to Promote Your Club's Service Projects in the Contest! January 1 – December 31, 2017***

Our MD5M public relations chair has established a Centennial Challenge and every club is encouraged to participate. The purpose is to promote Lions and the Lions Clubs Anniversary. All clubs in the Multiple are asked to submit their completed Centennial Projects (Youth, Vision, Environment, Hunger) along with photos to their own District Newsletter Editor.

Each District will select a winner that will go on to compete in the Grand Prize 5M Challenge. Contest dates are January 1 – December 31, 2017. All entries must be submitted by 12/31/17. I encourage all MD5M-10 Clubs to enter this year's contest. Enter as often as you like!

***You will find the challenge application form, due dates and descriptions in this newsletter.***

Please feel free to contact Lion Dave Ogilvie with questions or for assistance.

# Thank You!

Thank you Lions of MD5M-10! Working with you during the past 3+ years as your district public relations chair and midwinter convention co-chair was an honor. Your commitment and support on our public relations and newsletter projects is truly amazing. It was great fun!

Best to you as you continue your efforts to raise awareness of our service mission, foster community partnerships and cultivate interest and new members for your clubs!

Thank you again.

Lion Barb Oswell, 5M-10 PR Chair



**Centennial Public Relations Contest**

**Lions Clubs of MD5M January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017**

District \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Event \_\_\_\_\_

Event \_\_\_\_\_

Place an X over the area your event qualifies:



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: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation of Event:

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What benefit did this project have to your community?

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How did this event publicize Lions and our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Anniversary must be publicized)?

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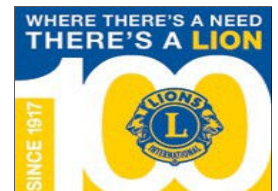
**\*\* Attach only 1 picture page**

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 Newsletter Editor before January 1, 2018. Clubs may enter more than once**



### **CNIB Eye Van's 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2017**

"On the occasion of the CNIB Eye Van's 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind would like to thank Lions Clubs for your outstanding dedication! The CNIB Eye Van has been delivering services throughout Northern Ontario since 1972 and Lions are our lifeline in these remote communities. You (Lions) are an extension of the CNIB team."

5M10 Lions and CNIB Power Point Presentation

The CNIB's Ontario Medical Mobile Eye Care Clinic, also known as, the CNIB Eye Van, a fully-equipped, medical eye care clinic on wheels has embarked on its 2017 tour across Northern Ontario.

Each year from March to November, a group of 25-30 participating ophthalmologists, assisted by two CNIB ophthalmic assistants, carry out vision screening, treat eye conditions and perform minor surgery in remote northern Ontario communities where services are not available. The unique and innovative Medical Mobile Eye Care Unit is an integral part of the Prevention of Blindness program for both CNIB and the Ontario Medical Association.

The Eye Van is a custom-made transport truck and 48 foot trailer including reception and waiting areas, a vision screening area, and a doctor's examination room. Special features include a reinforced floor and hydraulic leveling system that allows for minor surgery to be performed on site, including a state-of-the-art SLT laser for the treatment of glaucoma.

Each year, the Eye Van travels more than 6,000 km to 30 communities, examining more than 5,000 patients. This service provides for an early diagnosis of eye conditions that could lead to blindness if left untreated.

Lions Clubs in 5M10 have been very supportive of the work of the Eye Van assisting in a number of ways including managing appointments, assisting with media releases, welcoming/feeding eye van staff (blue berry pie in Ignace is a favourite), and providing financial assistance. GREAT WORK 5M10 LIONS!

Pictures show the CNIB Eye Van then and now as well as Lion Lillian and Lion Gwen from the Lake of the Woods Lions Club helping out at the Eye Van.





Further information regarding the CNIB Eye Van including this year's schedule can be found at: <http://www.cnib.ca/en/ontario/programs-services/eye-van> or by googling CNIB Eye Van.

Submitted by

Lion Wendy Wiedenhoef

CNIB Chair 5M10 Cabinet



Fellow Lions:

On Saturday, July 15th there will be a Kids Sight training session and screening event. This will be held at the Lion's Den located in Olcott Park 800 9th Ave North, Virginia. It will begin at 10 am with a lunch provided from 11:30-12:30. From 12:30-2 pm a screening for preschool children will be held. If you plan to attend, please respond to Lion Jim Molde at [nortoneye@gmail.com](mailto:nortoneye@gmail.com).

Lion Jim Molde, 5M-10 Kids Sight Chair.

## DIABETES CANADA

Diabetes Canada administers the Charles H. Best Research Fund to support research that will enhance our understanding of diabetes and its prevention, treatment and management.

Diabetes Canada is proud to be a leading supporter of diabetes research in Canada. Since 1975 and the establishment of the Charles H. Best Research Fund – named for insulin co-discoverer and Diabetes Canada co-founder Dr. Charles H. Best – Diabetes Canada has awarded more than \$100 million in research grants to scientists who have dedicated themselves to the fight against diabetes.

Since Banting and Best's discovery of insulin in 1921, the scope of diabetes research in Canada has been vast and the numerous studies both varied and unique. With topics ranging from insulin sensitivity of muscle tissue, to the role of cholesterol in the development of type 2 diabetes, to the effect of eating habits on the risk of gestational diabetes, to the role of ACE2 in diabetes-related kidney injury, there have been huge strides and key advances in mapping and understanding the physiology, biochemistry and genetics of diabetes.

Diabetes Canada understands that funding of diabetes research is a crucial step in providing these advances. This is why we choose, each year, to fund Canada's most renowned scientists and clinicians in their quest for new and innovative developments in the prevention, treatment and management of diabetes. Although the research is diverse in its scope, covering a broad range of specialties, the objectives of every study and researcher remain the same – to improve the quality of life of people living with diabetes and to find a cure.

This year's researchers continue the tradition of innovation and discovery with studies covering an array of topics, including: biology, problems with insulin, prevention and management, obesity, complications (both microvascular and macrovascular), special populations and new therapies.

Operating grants are held by independent researchers who can receive funding for up to three years, per grant. Grant holders must have a doctoral degree (MD, PhD, DSc, DDS, PharmD, DVM or equivalent) and an independent faculty position with institutional support at a university or research institution in Canada.

Personnel awards fall into four categories: Clinician Scientist Awards, Scholar Awards, Post-Doctoral Fellowship Awards and Doctoral Student Research Awards. Personnel awards are intended to further the development and training of promising young researchers in the Canadian diabetes research community. Eligibility requirements vary based on the type of award. Awards must be held at Canadian institutions with the exception of Post-Doctoral Fellowships. If there is compelling scientific justification, Canadian citizens and permanent residents may apply for Post-Doctoral Fellowships to be held outside Canada. It is the intent that these promising young researchers will return to Canada to continue their careers.





## COME TOGETHER UNDER THE NORTHERN LIGHTS

**MIDWINTER CONVENTION 2018  
DRYDEN, ONTARIO  
JANUARY 19th to 21ST, 2018**

"UP NORTH is the place to watch the moon rise ... see shooting stars in the milky way and observe the AURORA BOREALIS dance."

The 2018 Midwinter Convention will feature an optional Friday morning dogsled ride with Burton Penner from Borealis Sled Dog Adventures.

Please check out his website <https://canada-dogsled.com/>. We hope to see you there.

The registration form is available on the following page or from our website at [5m10lions.org](http://5m10lions.org).

**NOTE:** If you would prefer to pay by e-transfer, please contact Lion Shirley at [koroniak@gmail.com](mailto:koroniak@gmail.com) to make arrangements.

**A partnership between Dryden, Dryden Trillium and  
Vermilion Bay Lions Clubs**





## Lions District 5M-10 2018 Midwinter Convention



*Come Together Under the Northern Lights*

January 19-20-21, 2018

**Best Western Plus Hotel and Conference  
Centre 349 Government St., Dryden, ON P8N  
3L3 Registration Form**

Name (including title if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please circle all that apply) Lion    Lioness    Leo    Spouse    First Timer

Name (including title if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please circle all that apply) Lion    Lioness    Leo    Spouse    First Timer

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hospitality Book** (Includes all convention meals): Please Indicate the Number of Hospitality Books Required.

Early Bird (Prior to December 15, 2017) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$139 CAD or \$109 USD = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

After December 15, 2017 \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$165 CAD or \$135 USD = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OR** Please Indicate Your Individual Meal Preferences (*In CAD Funds Only*):

Friday Night Mixer	@ \$25 CAD	\$	Special Dietary Requests
Saturday Breakfast	@ \$25 CAD	\$	
Saturday Lunch	@ \$25 CAD	\$	
Governor's Banquet	@ \$48 CAD	\$	
Sunday Brunch	@ \$30 CAD	\$	
<b>Total For Meals Only</b>	CAD	\$	

Friday a.m. dog sled ride \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 CAD or \$20 USD \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please register early for this excursion - space is limited*

**Total Enclosed (non-refundable) CAD or USD \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Make cheques payable to Vermilion Bay Lions Club. Mail completed registration form along with payment to: Vermilion Bay Lions Club P.O. Box 314 Vermilion Bay, ON P0V 2V0

**Hotel Options (CAD Funds) – taxes extra: - Ensure that you request the convention**

**rate** Best Western Hotel – (807)223-3201 – Convention Rate – \$124.95 S or \$129.95 D

Holiday Inn Express – (807)223-3000 – Convention Rate - \$115.00

Comfort Inn – (807)223-3840 – Convention Rate - \$115.00 – 1 to 4 person occupancy – 1 Queen or 2 Double

Beds Timberland Motel (immediately across from Best Western) – (800)465-7232 – Convention Rate \$74 S or \$84 D

There are several other small motels available. Please contact Lion Wendy Wiedenhoef at [wendyparkin@shaw.ca](mailto:wendyparkin@shaw.ca) or (807)937-6574 or Lion Shirley Koroniak at [koroniak@gmail.com](mailto:koroniak@gmail.com) or (807)220-1818 for more information regarding hotels. All other inquiries, please see below.

Questions or comments?

Contact PDG Ivan Pollock

[ivanepollock@gmail.com](mailto:ivanepollock@gmail.com)

(807)223-2294

*\*Please provide your email address if available. This information will allow for efficient and timely communication regarding the 2018 Midwinter Convention and will be used solely for that purpose.*



## Roar for Hearing Donates \$17,000 to the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation, Canadian Division – Hearing Committee

The Roar for Hearing, a fundraiser that takes place annually in Austin, Manitoba (5M13 District) has generously raised \$17,000 for the Hearing Committee over the past three years. A cheque in the amount of \$6,800 was presented at the Hearing Committee Meeting on June 2<sup>nd</sup> by two Lion Roar for Hearing Committee members, Lions Don Makinson and Bev McCabe, to Lion Wendy Wiedenhoef, chair of the Hearing Committee. Also on hand to accept the donation were committee members, Lions Lloyd McCabe and Helmut Neufeld. The monies will be used to initiate the Lions Children's Loaner Hearing Aid program that will see loaner hearing aids provided to hearing clinics across Manitoba for the use of infants and children who are newly diagnosed with hearing loss and are waiting for their hearing aid to arrive or who have hearing aids that are being repaired. The use of loaner hearing aids will ensure that children do not have to go without hearing aids at this important time in their language and cognitive development. Investigation will now be taking place by the committee to see if this project should be expanded into the 5M10 District in Ontario.

This year's Roar for Hearing will be their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Poker Derby and will take place at the Austin Community Hall in Austin, Manitoba on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Camping facilities are available. Events include the following:

- 9:00 a.m. Pancake breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Ride (motor cycles/antique cars) and Poker Derby (any licenced vehicle is welcome to participate)
- 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Pasta Supper

Lions come from across Saskatchewan and Manitoba to participate in this event and organizers would most certainly welcome Ontario and Minnesota participants. For more information, pledge sheets, or a poker hand (if you cannot attend the event), phone or e-mail Lion Don Makinson at 204-637-2533 /204-526-0710 or Lion Marie at 204-573-1853 or e-mail [lionsroarforhearing@gmail.com](mailto:lionsroarforhearing@gmail.com).

Like them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/lionsroarforhearing/>



\$45,000 donation to Misericordia Health Center Eye Bank for equipment required for corneal transplant.

Presented by interim chair Al Koroniak to Karen Woloschuk of Misericordia.

## CLUBS

### Bemidji Lions



**Lions President Vance Balstad giving a check to Dave Smith, BHS Trap Shooting Club coordinator**

### Bemidji Lions Club

As the year comes to an end, the Bemidji Lions Club continues to provide service to the community. In the past month two donations are worth noting. The first was a hundred dollar check to the Bemidji High School Trap Shooting Team. Seventy-one students, in grades 6 – 12, participate in the events and the check was accepted by Dave Smith, program coordinator. The second check, also for \$100 dollars, went to the Headwaters Music Center. Youth are exposed to a variety of musical experiences at this center. During the last month several Lions helped clean a stretch of Highway 71 south of Bemidji. This service to the community is completed both in the spring and the fall. Another activity accomplished during the past month was tree planting in the city cemetery. Last year's storm toppled many large Norway Pines and the Bemidji Lions Club responded by planting several young trees. Entertainment at the Wednesday noon meetings has been musical in nature. A group from the Headwaters Music Center sang a variety of songs which they wrote over the years. The following week the First City Singers, made up of retired individuals, entertained the Lions members. As summer approaches, Bemidji Lions will be involved with a Farm Bureau Breakfast, Loop the Lake bike ride, a pancake fund raiser, and the annual chicken fare. Next year's officers are in place to take on the challenges for the 2017 – 18 year. Membership continues to grow with our 104<sup>th</sup> Lion joining the pride. Have a safe and enjoyable summer from the Bemidji Lions Club.

Leon Nelson/Club Secretary

## Cap Baker Lions

Below are pictures from Cap Baker Lions Club - Grand Rapids, Minnesota FUN NIGHT Fundraiser event which was held on Friday May 5th, 2017. We had close to 300 attendees and had a record breaking profit for the night. This is our big fundraiser of the year with proceeds going towards many worthwhile causes. We had 38 raffle baskets, 26 silent auction items and 3 live auction items. Our guests enjoyed a sit down prime rib and chicken dinner, with our reverse raffle winner getting \$5000.

Thank you,  
Debbie Vergin  
Cap Baker Lions Club

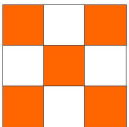




## Carlton Lions



**Seniors' Bingo**



CARLTON AREA LIONS CLUB  
CARLTON, MN  
HOME OF THE CHECKERBOARD CLUB

## CARLTON AREA LIONS CLUB EVENTS

### FEB 2017

**2/11/17 Lions Chili Cook Off during Carlton Winter Fest Gift Certificates and Trophies for Winners**

**2/22/17 Donated \$100 to Father Daughter Ball for Carlton/Wrenshall Schools.**

**Donated \$100 to Sandstone Lions to help defray costs for High School Marching Band trip for Centennial Parade in Chicago**

**New Tail Twister Presidents contest raised funds for our Club. Also Mystery Prize to winner.**

**Discussion on new fund raising ideas and Growing our Club through promotions**

**Paid our Yearly Cub Scout Pack 177 Fee \$50.00**

**MARCH 2017**

**3/8/17 Lion Tim eyeglasses purchase costs for 2 individuals \$264.19 & \$276.93**

**3/22/17 Presented LCI Centennial Pins to Lions Larry and Ron for membership growth**

**Started Spring Mothers Day Flower Basket and Plant Sale. We sell tickets for discounted hanging Baskets and potted plants from local greenhouse, good fundraiser.**

**Gave out \$400 scholarship to local student**

**Paid our Yearly Advertising Fee for Sign at Carlton 4 Seasons Building \$200**

**APRIL 2017**

**4/12/17 Donated \$168 for membership WDSE Public TV**

**Science Fair Students came and gave presentations to our Club on projects they present at Science Fairs both locally , regionally and nationally. We saw presentations on Gene changes to fish to tracking salts as ice melt replacement to decibel levels with sound insulation alternatives. We donate to this group yearly.**

**4/26/17 Annual Raffle Tickets will be available next meeting. All prizes are donated or purchased at discount.**

**Our meetings are held at the Carlton VFW and 4 representatives were on hand this evening to give us an update on new building expansion and remodel. We donated \$1000 to their fund and pledged another \$1000**

**Carlton City representative presented us with a fund raising option during Carlton Winterfest possibly co sponsor with Chamber and Fire Dept. Hook and Slice on Ice**

**MAY 2017**

**5/10/17 Annual Highway Spring Pick Up and Steak Fry 14 Lions and 2 Guests worked from 5-7PM and enjoyed Steak dinner and social activity. We also had Carlton School Counselor Deb Saunders and 2 students talk to our club about a Support Shelf for students with hunger as well as personal hygiene needs.**

**5/16/17 Annual Carlton Athletic Banquet 8 Lions and 2 helpers served Lasagna Dinner to about 190 guests.**

**5/24/17 Annual Spring Senior Citizen Bingo at Inter Faith Care Center, 8 Lions serving 85 seniors giving out \$150 in cash prizes and serving coffee and \$70 in bakery rolls afterwards , We provide bus service to local resident housing for seniors with a donated bus and driver. We give driver a \$20 gift card.**

**5/24/17 Approved \$100 donation to Mother/Son event for local High School**

**Approved \$200 donation to Carlton School Student Support Shelf for Food and Hygiene supplies.**

**Lion Jim Vnuk Carlton Area Lions**

## Dryden Lions

### DRYDEN LIONS CLUB



Lion president Todd presenting the first Lions Hearing Foundation of Man./NW Ont. Decibel Award to Christine Kirkpatrick.



Dryden Lions manning the Candy Floss Machine at New Prospect School's Math Games Day.  
L to R: Lions Bruce Petsnick, Dave Schultz, Ken Saville and Doug Palson

## M&A Report For May, 2017, Dryden Lions Club Club #3125

1. May 6.... Twelve Lions sold Hamburgers/Hot Dogs at Dingwall Ford's Grand opening. All expenses were covered by Dingwall Ford. A total of \$1622 was realized. (71 Lion Hours.)
2. May 10... Eight Lions constructed and installed another Wheel Chair Ramp. Cost to the Club was \$1,176.00. (29 Lion Hours)
3. May 24<sup>th</sup>... Three Lions attended the 3 hour training session in Vermilion Bay for the Spot Vision Scanner. (9 Lion Hours)
4. May 29... In recognition of the Dryden Trillium Lions 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, The Dryden Lions have donated \$250 towards their club activities.
5. May 29... The Dryden Lions covered the cost of a Vet Bill for teeth cleaning of a local citizen's Service Dog. Cost was \$465.00
- 6.

May 29... The Dryden Lions voted to present four Bursaries each totaling \$500.00 to four graduating High School students. The awards will be presented at the June ceremonies

## Dryden Trillium

Dryden Trillium Lions Club – #53070 - Activity Report for May, 2017

- Happy 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday Trillium Lions! Dryden Trillium Lions Club was incorporated on May 11, 1992. Our May general meeting fell on the exact date of our incorporation, May 11<sup>th</sup>, so we had a birthday party! We chose to celebrate a second time by hosting "Dining in the Dark" on May 27<sup>th</sup> to benefit the CNIB. See below for details on Dining in the Dark.
- During May \$110.00 was collected from members at our general meeting and \$57.00 was spent to purchase 20 lbs. of ground beef that will feed 80 clients of the Dryden Food Bank.
- Meals on Wheels were delivered on May 6 & 7, 2017 by 2 Lions to 11 clients.
- Our community spring clean-up, postponed by snow in April, resulted in 14 Lion hours by 10 Lions who cleaned 6 different areas of our community.
- Four (4) Trillium Lions have been trained on the SPOT vision camera. An additional 3 members are interested. Testing, organized by Dryden Lions Club, is confirmed at the Dryden Native Friendship Centre on June 15 and at Aboriginal Day on June 21.
- "Dining in the Dark", a celebration of our club's 25<sup>th</sup> birthday and fundraiser for CNIB (Canadian National Institute for the Blind), held on May 27, 2017, was a great success! Attendees first encountered three "sensory stations" created to experience touch, smell and hearing without seeing the source. The most popular station had participants using only touch to identify many different items ranging from household tools to items of clothing. The second station challenged participants to identify the contents of several different containers using only their sense of smell. The third station tested hearing to identify several sounds. Could you identify the sound of popcorn popping or a snow machine coming to a halt? Guests then donned eye masks provided by CNIB to enter the dimly-lit auditorium, guided to their seats by Trillium Lions members and volunteers, to dine on 4 different desserts without being able to see what

was placed before them. Participants were told the location of their eating utensils, napkin, water glass and dinner plate containing desserts placed at 3, 6, 9 and 12 o'clock. There was much discussion and guessing amid laughter as to what was being consumed, especially once masks were taken off. A fun but serious experience that gave participants much to think about. Lion Wendy Wiedenhoeft gave a thought-provoking talk about her involvement with CNIB and the support and assistance available to individuals with vision loss. Wendy is a board member for the CNIB Northern Regional as well as CNIB Chair for the Lions 5M10 District that encompasses NW Ontario and NE Minnesota. Trillium Lions will present a cheque to CNIB once final funds are tallied.

- The Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides took place on the official Walk Day, Sunday, May 28 in Dryden. This annual event is held to benefit Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. A total of 30 people and 12 dogs participated in the Walk. Participants included members of Trillium Lions and Dryden Lions Clubs, plus members of the local dog club and the public. A charity BBQ was available prior of the Walk. A total of \$3,257.00 was raised for the Foundation. Highest collection of pledges was 8-year-old Gabby Ouellette, daughter of Lion Shannon and Lion Derek Ouellette, who collected over \$1,000.00!

## Lake of the Woods



The Kenora Lake of the Woods Lions Club members are deeply saddened at the passing of Lion Joan Burrows on Friday, May 19, 2017. Joan was a faithful member who willingly served on several committees over her 35 years as a Lion. Lion Joan and spouse Lion Grant have four children, six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lion Grant and his family. An In Memoriam for Lion Joan has been made by the club in support of our Centennial project.



To commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> year of Lions Clubs International, several Kenora Lake of the Woods Lions Club along with City Officials are preparing to raise the Lions Flag at City Hall. The Lions Flag will be flying for the week of June 2<sup>nd</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup> from the Flag Pole at City Hall.



The Walk for Dog Guides, a program of the Lions Foundation of Canada, Dog Guides took place on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from the Kenora Harbourfront with twenty walkers and dogs participating. One such walker was Brandon Ross shown here with his dog, Owen and Dad, Donald Ross.

Brandon is a young fellow with Autism, very keen in taking part in the annual walk and raised \$120.00 in pledges. Thank you Brandon. The Lions raised about \$2,060.00 to send to the Lions Foundation of Canada, Dog Guide Program. Thank you to all the Walkers for their fund raising and to Lion Gwen Maffey and her committee for their work in making the walk a success once again.

## Red Lake Lions

Summer events started in May with the One Stop Wellness Fair on May 8. We had a tabletop display promoting eyeglass and hearing aid collection and Lions activities in the community. Our spring garage sale was held May 20 with the usual collection of donated stuff and ending with a free trip to the dump with the remaining dregs



The two high school graduation bursary recipients were selected and will be presented at the graduation ceremony later in June. The annual Canada Day celebration will be held July 1 where we do a food concession. We are also doing BBQ's for the Colours of Hope cancer event June 25 and the Family Fun Fair July 8. We are planning a Bingo fund raiser July 19 as part of the Norseman Festival summer even. Labour Day weekend there is the Red Lake Walleye Classic fishing derby where we have a food concession. We are looking forward to our first meeting in September which will coincide with the 100th birthday of our oldest member. So a busy summer!

Lion Carmen Storey

Secretary Red Lake District Lions Club

## Babbitt Lions

The Babbitt Lions built two ramps in May. They have built over 60 ramps in our community. Some are temporary. The Lions remove them when they are no longer needed and save the materials for another ramp. The Lions furnish the materials and the manpower for these ramps.

On May 20, the Babbitt Lions picked up trash on a stretch of road from the north end of town to the beach. 10 Lions took part in this activity. Six high school students also helped. Many hands made short work for this project.

On May 26, the Lions served hot dogs, chips and juice to the students at Northeast Range School. 200 students and staff were served. 11 Lions helped with the grilling and the serving. The students look forward to this event each year.

## Proctor Lions

The Proctor Lions are very busy preparing for the 42nd Annual Hoghead Festival.

The festival begins with the Chamber Golf Outing on Monday August 14th.

Wednesday is the Power House Car Show. It has become one of the biggest and best car shows in the area.

The Car Show begins @ Noon in front of the Power House. In the event of rain, the Car Show will be held on Thursday.

There will be a Pet Parade, Golf Tournament, Softball Tournament, Kids Games, Dunk Tanks, Food and Craft Vendors from across the region, as well as Local Businesses.

It all culminates with the Annual Hoghead Parade and Street Dance on Saturday August 19, 2017. The Parade begins @ Noon.

This year the Parade will have Co-Grand Marshalls. Larry Shelton, a long time Proctor School Board Member and outstanding area citizen. Along with Larry we have Mason Archibald, a visually impaired student in the Proctor School District.

In addition, the Parade has an "Honored Rail". The person selected for this honor is Lorrie Wyrum.

The Proctor Lions have worked with John Engelking, Proctor School District Superintendent, in providing additional educational materials for the Visually Impaired Program in the School District.

The Parade starts @ Noon on Saturday and is followed by Mini Train Rides, Children's Games, Live Music, and Food and Craft Vendors on the streets of Proctor.

It is the Proctor Lions largest fund raising activity each year and has enabled the Lions to donate over \$10,000.00 to Proctor Area Organizations.

There is no admission cost to attend Hoghead, but the Lions sell Hoghead Buttons for \$2.00 each to defray costs and raise funds.

Hoghead is truly a great event that has stood the test of time. Fun is had by all and the Proctor Lions are very proud to host this annual event.

Kevin L. Comnick, Proctor Lions President



## Vermilion Bay Lions

### Newsletter Report, May 2017

Activities since February 2017:

- We are saddened to report that Lion Roy Anderson passed away in February. He is survived by his wife Lion Linda Anderson, their son and his family.
- The Snowmachine Family Fun Poker Derby scheduled for Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> had to be cancelled due to the large volume of rain we experienced a couple of days before the event. However our snowmachine, 4 wheeler ATV and trailer raffle draw still took place that evening and the winner of the package was Dan Treadway of Kenora.
- In partnership with the 'Friends of the Post' our club had a St. Patrick Day Supper with a pie auction, silent auction and live music. \$2100 was raised to go to our Centennial Project



- Another fundraising event for our Centennial Project was a Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast that was a great success. Over 150 community members came for the breakfast, bake sale and local vendor's tables.
- Every April we invite area Senior Citizens to a free sit down supper served by the cadets of the 906 Machin Air Squadron which we are a proud sponsor. This year 21 Lions, 10 cadets



and five of their officers served up 120 seniors to a meal of cooked ham, scalped potatoes, sweet potato casserole, vegetables, cold slaw and banana splits with home-made chocolate sauce.

- The Lion's Hall was the location for the 5M10 Region 1, Zone 4 meeting where seven clubs met. Special guest Joanne Ogden came to present the zone's new SPOT Vision Scanner. She set up training dates for all clubs to learn how to operate it and advised how to approach schools and day cares for screening events.
- Eight members attended the Multiple District 5M Convention in Bemidji, MN on April 21-23, 2017. It was the first time attending a Multiple for six of these members.
- Our club had another successful Pet Valu Dog Walk to raise \$4600 for the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide Program. We had 10 members walking/helping and 6 members of the public to walk eight dogs.



- Members of the Club served a number of funeral luncheons for local residents at our hall.
- Our Club continues to lend out medical equipment such as stair climbers, hospital beds, walkers, wheel chairs at no cost to community members.

## Voyageur Lions

The Voyageur Lions participated in the Pet Valu walk for Dog Guides on Sunday May 28th. What started as a leisurely walk in bright sunshine, ended in a mad dash in a thunderstorm. Although the storm dampened the occasion and cut some 'after Walk' activities, it was a very successful day.

We had nine dogs in the walk raising \$1000 for Dog Guides. The youngest puppy in the walk was only 8 weeks old.





## Duluth Lions Club

### 60 YEARS AND STILL FLIPPIN! Duluth Lions Club Pancake Day!



Duluth Lions 2017 Pancake Day Chair Lion Daryl Harper  
Duluth Lions President Brian Thompson

The 60<sup>th</sup> Duluth Lions Club Pancake Day welcomed 9,149 people to the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center on Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>! Our largest fundraiser!



Throughout the day we used over 2,850 lbs. of pancake flour, 1,400 lbs. of sausage, 340 lbs. of butter, and 45 cases of syrup. Bacon was again available this year (a very popular addition) along with a local band performing during the afternoon.

Money raised will go toward local causes, including: programs for the sight and hearing impaired and diabetes, youth projects, and several other programs.

We also offered Vision Screening during Pancake Day and set up a membership awareness and recruitment table.



In celebration of our 60th year, the Duluth Club presented the 600<sup>th</sup> guest and 6,000<sup>th</sup> guest with prizes and congratulations!



Pancake Day Chair Daryl Harper presents gifts to the 600<sup>th</sup> 2017 Pancake Day diner.



Duluth Lions Club congratulates our 6,000<sup>th</sup> 2017 pancake guest with a family waterpark and attraction package.



Pancake Chef Lion Joe Berini



Batter Up!



Duluth Lion President Brian displays a proclamation from Mayor Emily Larsen, dedicating May 4<sup>th</sup> as Lions Pancake Day!



Honorary VIP Flipper and Lion Dave Rutford

### A LION'S ROAR

To Lion Daryl Harper, Pancake Day Chair, and the Pancake Day Committee for their work on our 2017 event.

### Lioness Serve on Pancake Day!

The Duluth Lioness would like to thank the Duluth Lions Club for providing a table at Pancake Day for a chance to raffle off an afghan to make some cash for the Lighthouse Center for Vision Loss. Thanks to the Lioness members and the Lighthouse staff and board, the table was manned from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Pancake Day is a fun, family affair for Lions!



At our meeting on Tuesday, May 9th, Sherrie Franz won the afghan and it was delivered to her at her work place (Advantage Emblem) that same afternoon. Our treasurer will send a check for \$200 to the Lighthouse. We were able to talk to "Pancake Eaters" about the work done by the Lighthouse and hand out brochures detailing their services.

Thanks again, Lions, for helping our Lioness members not only be a part of Pancake Day but giving us a chance "to serve".

## Duluth Lions Serving Seniors



Helping fill boxes at Second Harvest Food Bank.

## Ignace Lions

- The Ignace Lions Club continues to be a Third party for the Norther Travel Grants.
- The Ignace Lions Club are receiving a donation of \$1,800.00 from the Nuclear Waste Management Organization to support our Ramp Program.
- We are supporting a Graduation Bursary for \$150 which is being presented to Amanda Levesque on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- In Celebration of the Lions 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary a picnic table built by Lion Berry Wetelainen, will be presented to the community of Ignace. On the top of the table, a Lions' emblem is being attached and the picnic table, the presentation will be at the community's July 1<sup>st</sup> Celebration. The picnic table will be at the Ignace Tourist and Municipal play and picnic area.
- The club is purchasing water bottles and donating them FREE for the July 1<sup>st</sup> Celebration and the Annual Kids Fest on August 13<sup>th</sup>. Each bottle of water will have a Lions' sticker attached to it.
- The Ignace Lions Club are working in partnership by holding the lottery license for the Ignace Community Policing Committee for a Quilt Raffle. The funds from the raffle will be going toward community safety initiatives, such as out Bike Helmet Safety program, Electronic Speed Signs, etc.
- In partnership with the Ignace Area Business Association the Ignace Lions Club raised money that has been donated to various Children's Food Security Programs in our community. (photos attached)
- The Ignace Lions club is hosting the CNIB Eye Van on August 23-24 and will be providing a pickerel supper for the CNIB Staff, volunteers and Lions Club members on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Lion Pierre and Lion Cathy attend the Spot Vision Training of May 24<sup>th</sup>.
- We wish ALL a Safe and Happy Summer.



**Pictures left to right:** Donation of \$250 to the Ecole Immaculee Conception lunch and snack programs

Donation of \$400 to the Ignace School Loonie Lunch Program & Donation of \$250 to the Ignace Nursery School Healthy Snack program. Donation of \$250 to the Emmanuel Church Blessings in a Back Pack food program (no picture)

