



L10News

September, 2017



Meet our new DG



Hi to all 5M10 Lions

First, I want to say that I am proud to be your District Governor and will try to live up to the example that so many DGS before me have set. As of today, our District membership is 1257. We cannot rest on that. Please let us all try and have a positive membership goal for our clubs.

This is an exciting year. Lion Clubs are 100 years old, we will be having our first woman as an International President inducted at the 2018 Las Vegas Convention (in my opinion about time) and we have our own PID Brian Sheehan being endorsed for 3rd International Vice-President. Also, our Midwinter convention will be in Dryden complete with games and dog sled rides.

Thanks to all who stepped up to serve on this year's cabinet and the Lions who are serving on their foundations, lots of great experience and some new faces.

Club visits are so enjoyable, getting to see clubs in action and getting to meet Lions who serve their communities but rarely come to District functions. As PDG Ang said to me, it will be a great experience, and it is. Our District has a great opportunity to reach out to young families when we set up youth vision screening. Get your club and community involved.

MAKE A GREAT DAY Thank you for letting me serve. DG MARK EYRE

Musings of your First Vice DG



Fall is in the air, kids are back to school and Lions that have had a summer Hiatus are now back hitting the road of SERVICE.

We have had some exciting news over the summer and look forward to the Penguin Chronicles of Lion Brian and Lion Lori as they make our Multiple proud to be a Lion.

We also can be excited that in this 100 years of Lions we will also have a multiple with no less than 5 District Governors to be....that are LADIES!

Times are changing, it might feel a little uncomfortable but remember one thing never changes....the reason we all love Lions and the reason we became one...assistance in service of others in need. This should be foremost in our minds as we begin our new season and the natural disasters that have occurred and currently taking aim on Florida should bring that home.

In the spirit of service and in preparation for my year (because I have a feeling this year will evaporate before my eyes) I will be looking to all 44 clubs in our District to ask a question. What do you as Lions need from our district...what does your club need? Watch for an email from me shortly and look for your executive to get a good old fashioned phone call. My Goals for next year are not mine....they are yours and I look forward to trying my best to insure that they all are considered.

So...pick up the pancake flippers, your **kidsight** camera or whatever your club has a passion for and let's get down to the business of Service. Let's make this year the best we have had...and every year thereafter just a little bit better.

Thanks for all you do,

Lion Joanne



MD5M Council of Governors Meeting



The MD5M Council of Governors met at the Kelly Inn in St. Cloud MN on Saturday, July 22, 2017. At the Political Liaison Meeting PID Brian Sheehan discussed his run for International President next year in Las Vegas. Lion Brian will not run without the approval of Lions Clubs International. Their decision will be made by the end of August, 2107. If the campaign happens, we are hoping for 100 members from every District in MD5M in Las Vegas to show support for Lion Brian. Early Registration cut off is January 12, 2018. Watch your District Newsletters for registrations. The Campaign Committee is working with Sun Country on chartered flights from Minnesota to Las Vegas so watch for details. Lion Brian will be quite busy with his campaign in the upcoming months so if you need to contact him for any reason, please contact Lion Bert Nelson. The Sheehan Golf Tourney in Kimball MN on July 21 had 16 sponsors and 160 golfers. Thanks to all who contributed.

The Gavel was passed from Immediate Past Council Chair Todd Neumann to Council Chair Dennis Heinen. Six Districts in MD5M had total Lions Clubs donations to LCIF. Those Districts with 100% were 5M1, 5M2, 5M3, 5M4, 5M6 and 5M8. 86.5% of MD5M Lions Clubs participated in contributing to LCIF with a total donation of \$316,546.00. MD5M placed 2nd in contributions to LCIF just behind California.

The Council of Governors gave their okay to allow the Faribault Lions to contact all Lions Clubs in MD5M for donations to support their purchase of Braille & Talking Book fund, and the Vision Honduras to ask for funding in their mission trips to the mountains in Honduras. Lions Club Presidents be on the lookout for these requests in your inbox. All Lions Clubs need to contact their **State Representative (in MN) on the Charitable Gambling taxes before their vote in September/October which gives 50% of gambling money to the state of MN.**

There were over 30,000 Lions at the Chicago International Convention with 23,000 participating in the International Parade. There is a new Zone Chair Training online through LCI along with a new Officer Ebook. Diabetes Service patch for club activities that are reported on the Club Activity Reports through MyLCI so be sure your Club Secretary is turning in their reports.

A gathering will be at the MN State Capitol on Tuesday, October 10th for the White Cane Safety Awareness Day. There will be NO event at the MOA in October as planned for the 100th Anniversary Celebration. Another event is being planned and details will come at a later date.

Can Do Canines have had a large number of puppies born recently and are looking for puppy raisers. If you hear the calling to raise a puppy please contact Can Do Canines.

The Diabetes Foundation will be running their calendar fundraising campaign this year. Please watch for details on purchasing your calendar days and buying the calendars. Their informational Diabetes Day which is held at various Wal-Marts throughout the Multiple is being planned.

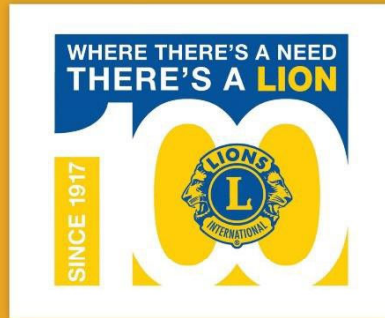
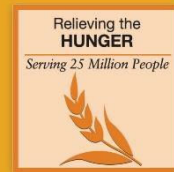
PDG Bill & PDG Donna Landwehr are now New Club Chairs for MD5M. They are requesting every District start working on achieving 2 new clubs this year 2017-2018. Contact them for help in your district to reach this goal.

The MD5M Convention will be in Winnipeg on April 13-15th. Registrations will be in your District Newsletters and on all websites: District and Multiple. Remember that you will need a passport to cross the border or an enhanced driver's license or a picture ID with a birth certificate. We are hoping the have 1st International Vice President Gudrun Bjort Yngvadottir as our visiting International Guest. She will be the first woman to serve as a Lions International President 2018-2019.

-Lion Cheri Appel, MD5M Public Relations



Farmington Lions Club We Serve!



2017 October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Paul & Eileen 1977 Anniversary See MLDF Facebook Eagan Lions Club-see MLDF Facebook	2	3	4	5 <i>First Day of Sukkot</i>	6 In Memory of Hibbing Lion Liyal Bean	7 Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Meeting
8 Sandstone Quarry Lions Vadnais Heights Lions Club Waffle Breakfast	9 New Brighton Lions Chartered-1950 <i>Canadian Thanksgiving Columbus Day</i>	10	11 Faribault Lions 96th Anniversary Riley Jo Peterson	12 St. Joseph Lions VDG Training <i>World Sight Day</i>	13 Trenton McCleary Sawyer Rumohr VDG Training	14 VDG Training COG Meeting
15	16 <i>International White Cane Safety Day</i>	17 Elly Baune Eden Prairie Lions Charter Mpls. Riverview Lions 55th Anniversary	18 Sean Rice Jasper Lions Club 40th Anniversary Hamel Lions Club	19	20 <i>Rosh Hashanah</i>	21
22	23	24 Northfield Lions Chartered - 1921	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving for Vision
29	30	31 Cook Lions Club Halloween Party Vadnais Heights Lions Club Chartered-see MLDF Facebook <i>Halloween</i>			September S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	November S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

Centennial Public Relations Contest

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

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:

What benefit did this project have to your community?

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

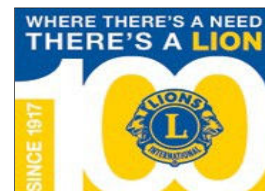
**** Attach only 1 picture page**

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 100th? ___Yes ___No



Please submit to your District PR Chair before January 1, 2018. Clubs may enter more than once.

Contest Guidelines:

The Public Relations Contest is to promote Lions and the 100th 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 2018. An overall winner will be chosen from the 12 District winners and will be awarded at the 2018 Multiple Convention. \$500.00 will be awarded to the top winner overall.

Contest will run from January 2017 - December 2017.



MD5M Public Relations

July, 2017

Lion Cheri Appel, Chair

An article on the 100th International Lions Convention along with pictures was sent to each district newsletter. A Multiple PR training was held at the Multiple Convention in Bemidji. We had 8 districts represented at this meeting.

The District Public Relations chairs worked on revamping their District Job Description so all District Public Relations Chairs have a basic core to work with. What is needed in each individual district beyond the core plan is up to the current District Governor. Attached to this report is a copy of the description decided upon by the group. There was also a Newsletter round table discussion on their problems, what works, what doesn't work, how to make changes to make things work better.

I have been in contact with all District Public Relation Chairs and Newsletter Chairs via email. If they have any questions or need assistance in these areas, they should not hesitate to contact me.

I feel very strongly about your District developing a Public Relations Kit, maybe even 2 depending on the size of your district, that contains the informational fliers from the other cabinet chairs areas. It should also contain the free give away's from the Vision Foundation. A list is attached to this report what can be used as the base for building your kit. Purchasing a tote on wheels or in my district I purchased a large square cooler on wheels with a luggage extension handle worked great! Be sure to pick up a few plastic holders to put some of the fliers in on your table (any office supply has them). I have been in charge of the 5M3 Kit to keep it up to date and the storage of it until a club requests to use this kit for a Lions event, Sportsman's Show, County Fair, etc. I am hoping your PR person is willing to take charge of this and keep it up to date. Has your district purchased a District banner?

The one we have is 4 X 6. If your district has a supplier for this, I highly encourage you to make this purchase along with 3M hooks to display this at events with the kit. If you are in need of a supplier that works well with Lions I recommend Western Printing in Marshall MN.507-537-1577

The MD5M Centennial Public Relations Contest has been sent to all district newsletters & websites. I have been in email contact with many of the District Public Relations Chairs and District Newsletter Chairs about publicizing this contest. Each district will be judging their own winner for their Mid Winter Conventions (who will receive a club plaque at Multiple) and then be sent in to me for judging for the Multiple winner who will win \$500.00 for administrative funds.

If you have any ideas or suggestions of steps that I need to take, please do not hesitate to email me at leppa73@means.net

Lion Cheri

Public Relations Kit

Every District in MD5M is in need of the Public Relations Kit. This is a tote that contains items that publicizes Lions.

First off, who maintains this and keeps it up to date. If you, as a Public Relations Chair are not prepared to maintain it, speak to your DG and see if there is that one Lion that might be interested in this job. If your district is large, you may want 2 and then you need 2 Lions in 2 different areas of your districts to keep it going. You need to order a District Banner, ours is 4'x 6'. If you need an example of it, let me know.

Once you get the kit compiled, you will need to get it out there for clubs to know you have this kit that they can use- newsletter is a start. 5M3's kit didn't start traveling well until after a few zone meetings where I had it displayed and it really took off after our Mid Winter Convention.

Items needed for your kit:

Contact your district chairs to obtain items from: (Canada- you get the idea to compile with your chair areas)

- Can Do Canines
- Dental Initiative
- LCIF information
- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation
- Lions Quest
- MD5M Kidsight Foundation
- ✓ Lions Make a Difference
- ✓ Your Family Can Make a Difference
- Lions Magazines

From the Lions Club Site:

- ✓ Membership Forms
- ✓ Be A Lion Brochure
- ✓ Lions Clubs International Facts Sheet
- ✓ Lions Clubs International History
- ✓ I Am A Lion!

- MN Lions Diabetes Foundation
- MN Lions Vision Foundation
 - Give aways of Pencils, eye glass wipes, Eye Collection Box
 - District Give Aways- Something with your district website on it and the Lionslogo
 - 5M3 has refrigerator magnets and we have 3M sticky notes
 - Candy! (Adults may walk by the table but kids with always stop for a piece of candy) *This is up to the Lions Club to purchase and it suggested to them to do.*
- Project New Hope
- Special Olympics
- Camps- True Friends & Camp Courage

A plastic table skirt from a Party store and plastic table cloth to fit 8 foot table will dress it up. You will also need a container to fit it all into, make sure it has wheels. I purchased a large square cooler from Wal-Mart with a luggage extension handle. I also purchased from an office supply some plastic display holders for some of the brochures so everything isn't lying on the table. I used an old vase for the pencils and candy. I picked up some plastic rectangular containers with lockdown lids to put the bookmarkers (from Vision Foundation), magnets, sticky notes and eye glass wipes in.

Make sure you put a folder with your instructions on using the kit, note who they return it to, and a list of all the Lions Clubs in your District with President Contact info. Don't forget to include a supply ziplock bag with scissors, tape, string, pens, 3M hooks with refills for the hooks (to hang banner), paper clips, rubber binders, and any miscellaneous you think you need to make the kit work.

This kit needs to gone through after it is returned from each outing to make sure you have is restocked.



What do you need to make a Public Relations kit?

- Can Do Canines information
- Diabetes information
- Leader Dog information
- LCIF information
- Lion Vision information, Eyeglass Collection box & give aways-
-Pencils, eye glass wipes
- Lions Hearing information
- Camps information
- Membership brochures
- LCI Information Brochures
- Lions Magazines
- Listing of all District Lions Clubs
- District Give Away- something district purchased or is donated to that represents the District
- MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS
- Candy!

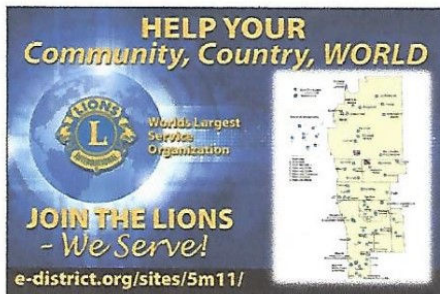


Adjustments can be made to fit your District or Club.

District/Club Banner



District/Club Banner Order Form



4' X 6' Banners can be ordered for ~~\$84.00~~ plus shipping & handling.

Your District/Club banner will look basically same as this one. Only change will be your website and the picture to the right on the banner- you choose what you want there.

The more banners ordered brings down the price for everyone. Orders are due by July 15, 2017. IF YOU NEED IT SOONER, let me know with the email below.

District _____ or Club _____

Name _____

Email Address _____

How many? _____ Please submit to: Lion Cheri Appel leppa73@mnval.net

After July 15, you will be instructed to contact the printing company with your information and for payment & delivery of the banner.

#48.00 per hour for changes - if you only change website & picture it will take very little time. Contact: Ja Nice @ 507-537-1577 - Western Printing

**MD5M District Public Relations
Core Job Description**

Vision

- That the Lions of each District in the MD5M Multiple develop and maintain Public Relations programs to educate all Lions and their communities on the objectives and service of Lionism.
- That the District Public Relations Program be used to promote Lionism and the goals of the MD5M operating and program committees.

Plan Description - Develop and maintain an organized Public Relations Program within each District.

- Action Plan

Action Steps	Who is Responsible?	Resources Needed
Each District will have a cabinet position for PR & Newsletter	District Governor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget allocation • Human Resources
Encourage each club in each District to appoint a Publicity Chair	District PR Chair, Zone Chairs, Club Presidents & DG	Encouraging a Lions Club member to take pictures, do write ups for community newsletters/newspapers and for submission to District newsletter.
To provide training at every new Officer Training Session	DG to make sure the PR Chair has time to do a short presentation.	Information from LCI & MD5M Public Relations Chair
Display at District Mid Winter Convention on PR	District PR Chair	A display of PR information for clubs & public on Lions
Send letters 6 weeks prior to District Mid Winter to all Clubs on their participation at their Lions Convention	District PR Chair	MD5M Multiple Directory for names/addresses of club officers, paper, envelopes & stamps.
Take pictures at Mid Winter of major award winners and send a write up along with the picture to the winners hometown paper within 1 week after convention	District PR Chair	Camera & list of winners/ members club.
District Public Relations Kit with District Banner	District PR Chair	Compile information from your entire district chairs into a kit that can be shared between clubs for events- pancake breakfast, fly ins, Sportsman's shows, county fairs, etc. It must be maintained and restocked.
Club assistance with newspaper submissions & any PR	District PR Chair	Aiding any club member in submitting events & activities of their club for articles.

Plan Notes

Public Relations Chairs are encouraged to work together with Newsletter Editors in their Districts, as well as Webmasters & Technology Chairs as all work to communicate District, Multiple and International Lions information.

CLUB NEWS

Atikokan Lions

In May, several members took Spot Camera training and screened children at Northstar Community School and at the Mine Centre School. Club members participated in the annual Town-wide Clean Up on May 13th and assisted with the set up and organizing of an "Arabian Night" dinner and auction fundraising event that was held on May 27th for Syrian refugees coming to Atikokan.

On June 5th several club members partnered with the OPP to hold a Bike Rodeo and safety training event at Northstar Community School and St. Pat's School. Through the summer "tickets" were issued by the OPP to students that were following bike safety practices. The tickets were for a free hot dog and drink from the Atikokan Lions redeemable during the Atikokan Bass Classic event held in August. On June 14 Grade 1 students at both elementary schools received a lesson on Canadian Flag history and a Canadian flag for our Project Pride event. Three people from Atikokan attended the International Convention in Chicago.

In July, the CNIB eye van was in Atikokan for four days. Club members provided administrative assistance for the medical services the van provides. The Club also held its annual "wind up" dinner that includes the Eye van staff as our special guests.

August was the Atikokan Bass Classic where the Lions are one of the food service providers. This year we sold about 330 burgers, 135 hot dogs, 100 wild rice and bacon sausages, 11 cases of chicken fingers, 20 lbs of pulled pork and 19 pails of homemade french fries! We also had the draw for \$1000 worth of gas.

We will begin our regular club meeting schedule in September and next on our project list is the selling of our Community Spirit Calendar. The calendar shows birthday, anniversary and in memorial dates along with advertisements by local business.

Dryden Trillium Lions

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

- Trillium Lions' June general meeting and wind-up was held on a beautiful summer evening at the Dryden Flying Club where we enjoyed a pot luck supper and social time prior to our meeting. We installed our 2017-18 Board of Directors and presented awards. Lion Susan Pollock received her President's Club Excellence pin for leading us to obtain Club Excellence status in 2015-16. Two members, Theresa Waites and Linda Dahmer, were awarded Silver Centennial Awards for sponsoring new members. The evening was capped off with two deserving Trillium Lions being presented with the HOPE Medal (Helping Other People Everywhere). The HOPE Medal is earned through the Club's financial support to the Lions Foundation of Manitoba & Northwestern Ontario. Congratulations recipients to Lion Arlene (Chum) Hammond and Lion Leslee Lappage.
- We spent \$70 to donate 24 lbs. of hamburger to the Dryden Food Bank that will feed 96 clients.
- Meals on Wheels were delivered on June 3 & 4, 2017 by 2 Lions to 16 clients.
- We hosted the Patricia Gardens Minimal Care Home's monthly birthday party on June 5 with 30 residents and 6 Lions attending. A sing-along got the party started followed by Pistachio Dessert and visiting with those attending.

- SPOT vision camera screening was carried out at Dryden Native Friendship Centre on June 15 by 2 Trillium Lions and at Aboriginal Day on June 21 by one Trillium Lion.
- A very successful Garage Sale with contribution from our 3 area clubs, Dryden, Dryden Trillium and Vermilion Bay was held June 17 following many hours of set-up the previous day. Proceeds totalled \$2,240 that are ear-marked for hosting the 2018 Mid-Winter Convention in Dryden. Eleven Trillium Lions worked a total of 44 hours.
- Five pairs of glasses were collected in June.
- Trillium Lions Club presented a \$500 bursary to a graduating student at the Dryden High School Graduation Ceremonies on June 16, 2017.

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

- Meals on Wheels were delivered on August 5, 26 & 27, 2017 by 5 Lions to 16 clients of the program.
- Two Lions escorted 5 senior residents of the Patricia Gardens Minimal Care Home to and from an afternoon of lunch a bingo at the Dryden Native Friendship Centre.
- The annual visit of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) mobile Eye Van took place on August 14 & 15, 2017. Five Trillium Lions provided reception and processing duties, working a total of 18 hours and serving 70 clients.
- The Dryden Agricultural Fall Fair was the place to be on August 24, 25 & 26, 2017 and Lions were there to serve tasty food from the Dryden Lions' Food Booth. Eleven (11) Trillium Lions assisted at the counter and prep areas as well as set-up and follow-up.
- The winner of the 2017 truck/boat/trailer Lottery, a partnership between Dryden Lions Club and Dryden Trillium Lions Club, was drawn August 29. The lucky winner of the package valued at just under \$50,000 was a resident of Ignace ON. Stay tuned for details as the project is finalized.
- Three Northern Travel Grant advances were provided to 3 applicants.

Dryden Lions

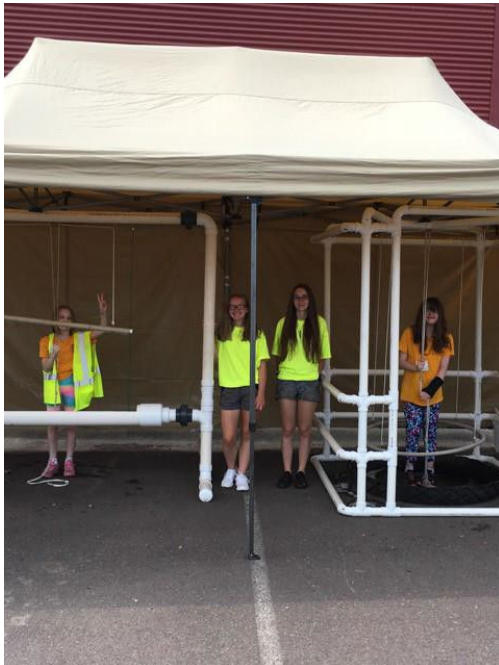
1. June 2nd, 80 prs of eye glasses delivered to the Lions Foundation of Man. N/Ont. Eye Bank in Winnipeg Manitoba.
2. June 17, eleven Dryden Lions joined members of the Dryden Trillium Lions and Vermilion Bay Lions in a joint Lions Garage sale at Our Saviour Lutheran Church. Proceeds are to be directed towards the 2018 5M10 Mid-Winter.
3. June 19. Spot Vision Camera was used at the Dryden Native Friendship Centre and screened 11 adults. 6 were referred.
4. June 20. A set of stairs was made for an Elderly person. There was no cost to the Club as the client paid for the material.
5. June 21. Aboriginal Days. Three Lions worked the Spot Vision Camera . Twenty Four children were screened with 5 referrals.
6. June 23rd. Dryden Lions presented 4 Bursaries to Graduating Dryden High School Students.
7. At the Dryden Lions June 26th meeting , Lion Ivan Pollack was presented with the Hope Award for 6 years of service on the Hearing Foundation.
8. Peace Poster Contest on going.

Duluth Leos



A Busy Summer for the Duluth Centennial LEO Club

The Duluth Centennial LEOs volunteered at the Duluth Children's Museum Bubble Festival in August, wrapping up their many summer activities.



In June, Duluth LEO President Emma presented their 2017-2018 plans to serve the community at a meeting of the Duluth Lions Club. In addition, Leo Emma reviewed all of the completed volunteer projects from last year.

Summer projects included helping the Lions fill goodie bags for the kids that ran in the Whipper Snapper race that month and fundraising for Morgan Park for Hope during the Summer Fest in Morgan Park, where 100% of the proceeds went to the Cancer Care Fund at the St. Luke's Foundation.

Duluth Lions Club JUNE

Serving Youth at Grandma's Marathon Whipper Snapper Races

On June 16th, a group of Lions, LEOs, friends and family, volunteered to help with the youth races during Grandma's Marathon.



Duluth Lioness prepared the race bibs, while others filled approximately 1,000 finisher "goodie" bags, registered participants, presented ribbons, and sold hotdogs, cookies, ice cold pop and water.

Below, Lions Brian and Bob were busy recruiting new members!



Thank you to everyone that came out to support this event. The turnout was great and everyone had a good time.

2017-2018 Officer Installation Dinner

The Holiday Inn Lyric Event Center in Duluth was the site of our annual installation of officers for the coming year. In addition, we presented a Duluth Lions Club Scholarship to a Duluth high school student.



Incoming President Barb Oswell received an engraved presentation gavel from President Brian. During her presentation, President-elect Barb reminded members about the goals of our International President for the new year and his Three Truths of Power: The Power of WE, The Power of Action and The Power of Service. The Club was encouraged to continue working together to find new ways to fulfill our goals, raise awareness of Lions, partner with other organizations and continue to have fun!



President Brian and Lion Sue Winner presented a \$1,000 Duluth Lions Club Scholarship to Denfeld High School student Livia Redenbaugh. During her

four years of high school, Livia was an exemplary student with a 3.87 GPA in addition to making an

amazing impact in the world of volunteerism during her four years of high school – 4,075 hours!

PDG Tom Sailstad installed the 2017-2018 Officers: President – Barb Oswell, Secretary- Pat Swenson, Treasurer- Jimmy Denney, First Vice President – Sue Winner, Second Vice President – Eric Schlacks, Third Vice President – Tom O'Brien, Lion Tamers - Larry Winner, Sue Winner, Tail Twisters- Roxanne Sternberg and Keli Casey, Pancake Day Chair – Pat Swenson, Membership Director – Sue Winner, Directors - 1 year term Anne Holy and Gail Tate; 2 year term Mark Osthus and Jamie Rabold, Newsletter Editor - Barb Tanski, Immediate Past President – Brian Thompson

Presentation of Awards

Awards were announced that evening to honor the following Duluth Lions: Pat Swenson - Leader Dog Award; Daryl Harper – Pancake Day Chair Award; Gail Tate - Chuck Puchreiter Pancake Day Top Sales Award; Barb Oswell – Dreamcatcher Award; Barb Tanski - Lions Hearing Fellowship Award; Bob Cedergren – Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Pin; Marie Pank – Helen Keller Award; and Bill Pank – President's Appreciation Award. In addition, Lions Mark Osthus and Rhonda Rutford received Centennial Membership Awards.

Our special event came to a close with President Brian thanking members for their volunteerism and expressing how much he enjoyed this past year. In appreciation for his leadership, the club presented him with a gift and a LION KING DULUTH tee shirt. Thank you, Lion Brian!



JULY

Duluth Lions Club Diabetes Committee Assists Clinic in Haiti

Pastor Peter Marc, Joan Guite, and Dr. Manno with Ministry in Medical Missions spoke at a July meeting of the Duluth Club regarding the needs of their patients in Haiti and an update about their clinic.



The clinic has 400 diabetic patients, one third are Type I and require insulin. Patients are in need of diabetic supplies, education, as well as medical care.

Both Pastor Marc and Dr. Manno referenced the angels in their lives who helped them and thanked us for being the angels for their patients.



Duluth Lions Diabetes Committee presented them with a check for \$400.

AUGUST

Membership Committee Initiatives Club Quality Assessment

At two recent meetings, Lion Sue Winner, Chair of the Membership Committee, outlined her goals for the coming year and introduced us to a Club Quality Assessment program.

Members took an initial survey which offered an opportunity to express thoughts about the club and share ideas regarding service, membership, and meetings.

A Membership Committee panel assisted in getting attendee feedback and encouraged everyone to express their viewpoints which will be helpful as we move forward. Your Club – Your Way!



Lion Sue will use the results of the assessment initiative as a tool to help guide us through our long-range planning. Two items discussed were the need to attract new members and for each of us to prepare a personal elevator speech to use when we are asked about Lions – *What does it mean to be a Lion?*

We look forward to further discussions in the coming months.

Emo and District Lions

WOW...where has the summer gone and what a summer it has been.

We ended our year in June with our Centennial Legacy Project grand opening. We hosted a BarBQue for the Golden Age manor and other residents of the district to celebrate the completion of our observation deck. The flower beds were built....the golden and purple flowers were flourishing and the deck furniture installed. It was a beautiful sight to see and greatly appreciated this summer by many.

We also celebrated the accomplishments of our Lions club and recognized the achievements of many. We have a new Melvin Jones Recipient as Lion Vicki Ogilvie was recognized for all she quietly does in our club as a Lion. We had 3 Hope Medal recipients as Lions Kent Ogden, Danette MacIntyre and Cathy Robinson were acknowledge for their tireless contributions and every day Lion attitudes. Many deserving Lions were recognized and we thank them for their tireless, unselfish efforts in the name of Lions.

One of the highlights was listening to our Decibel award recipients tell their story about how our club improved the life of our honorary Lion Ben Marr and newest Lion member his Mom Jen Marr as we assisted in the acquisition of hearing aids for Ben. Their story is inspiring and our members are so honored to have them as part of our club.

We had many young family members that DG Mel acknowledged with medals and to listen to one whisper "I am a Lion now too" to her grandmother made all our hearts melt just a bit.

It has been a challenging year for our club...but challenges make us stronger and more determined to carry on to do the work of Lions...and that is what we are geared up to do!

We assisted 2 families in August who lost homes to fire...our fire baskets were delivered within 24 hours of their tragedy....it's amazing how getting toothpaste can make such a difference in situations as this.

Our branch club Rainy River-Baudette Border Lions is heating up for their first big fundraiser for the Rainy River Walleye tournament has their do their boat raffle. This all happens Sept. 21-23 and the schedule can be found at <http://www.rrwalleye.com/events-schedule>

We are excited to get back into our Kidsight screening program in schools and daycare. This will begin in early October. We screen all the schools in the Rainy River District with the assistance of our

RR Baudette Border Lions, Fort Frances Voyageur Lions, Fort Frances Lions and Atikokan Lions...a true Zone service project. We look forward to adding screens in the Catholic School system as well as Day Care and Head Start Programs this year.

Watch for the date of our Hunters Night wild meat dinner...early November is the tentative date. It's always a fun night with raffles and great food...and of course great friends. Posters will be out shortly and tickets will be available in a few weeks.

*Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.
Helen Keller*



BBQ Celebration



Lion Vicki receiving her Melvin Jones Award



Honorary Lion Ben



Grateful for the opportunity to serve the community.

Marathon Lions

July 20, 2017 - Lion Vincenza Thomson and Lion Jim Collins present a donation to Lion Bill Michl to support LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation). Lion Bill is running around Lake Superior for "Making Superior Lions Run - Raising Awareness and Funds for LCIF". Lion Bill started his run in Thunder Bay, Ontario on July 8th. He expects to complete the run of 1,985 km (1,234 miles, 2,100,000 steps) in 82 days returning to Thunder Bay on September 28th, 2017. Lion Bill is running approximately 15 miles (24 km) each day for his run.

Lion Jim Collins
President - Lions Club of Marathon Ontario



Presentation by Marathon Lions to PDG Lion Bill for his run around Superior.

Our new District Governor





View from the Lighthouse

Support groups provide an opportunity to connect with others facing similar challenges. Vision loss can be isolating, especially if you do not know anyone else experiencing changes in their vision.

Jan, a member of the vision loss support group shares what meetings mean to her: "everybody needs to know that there's somebody out there just like me, blind people just like me, and you can do so much even though you're blind." Monthly support group meetings include time for people to share their story and connect as well as guided discussions, guest speakers, and information on available community services.

The Lighthouse Center for Vision Loss coordinates several support groups throughout NE Minnesota, bringing individuals together to share their stories and learn about community resources available to help them adjust to vision loss.

Increasing access to the benefits of support groups is an important part of the Lighthouse's mission of fostering independent and vibrant lives for individuals with vision loss. A new Vision Loss Support Group has recently started meeting at Keystone Bluffs Assisted Living in Duluth and another group will begin meeting in July at the Cook County Senior Center in Grand Marais. In addition to the new support groups, existing groups continue to meet regularly in Grand Rapids, Hibbing, and Duluth.

If you know someone experiencing vision loss, or who has difficulty seeing even with glasses or contacts, encourage them to check out their local support group. Visit LCFVL.org/SupportGroups for a complete listing of groups meeting in the region.



One of the Grand Rapids Vision Loss Support Groups making blankets at a recent meeting

A local, independent 501c3 nonprofit, the Lighthouse has been serving the Northland for nearly 100 years. Today we provide training and other services to 1,500 individuals with vision loss each year. We serve youth, working-age adults, and seniors through services provided at the vision rehabilitation center, at home, or in the workplace. Training is available in daily living skills, orientation and mobility, technology, braille, and adaptive leisure. Other services include Low Vision Support Groups, a Low Vision Store and the Twin Ports News of the Air radio station.

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS IN CHICAGO!

A great time was had by all who went to the LCI Convention in Chicago early in July. The excitement was high as Lions from around the world (30,000) celebrated 100 years of service in Lions Clubs International. Close to 200 Lions and guests from MD5M made their way by plane, train and car to Chicago to enjoy this event.



New to the convention experience this year was the opportunity to volunteer in Chicago through various service projects set up by LCI. A person could sign up to help with working in flower gardens, cleaning riversides, etc. PCC Bert Nelson and Pamela signed up to work at the Greater Chicago Food Depository. They helped package macaroni from bulk form to 3 lb manageable bags to be distributed at local food shelves. In 2 ½ hours their group packaged over 6000 lbs of macaroni.

Everyone agreed that it was a great thing to be able to do a service project during the convention since our motto is "We Serve". New friendships can be made working together. Pam worked with Gwen Henebery from Australia and found out she is a new Lion member and working with the Leos in her city.

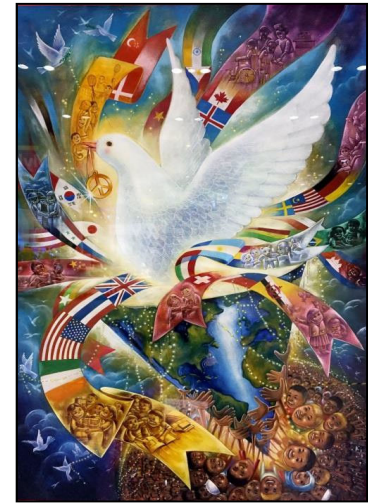


Saturday was the Parade of Nations! A parade that lasts 4 ½ hours is a wonder to watch. Lions from around the world march down the street, many in native dress, celebrating together our comradery in Lions. There are smiles and handshakes all around despite the language barrier. Below, PCC Bert Nelson as a snowman posed for a picture with a little girl from Lebanon. ID Bruce and Erin Beck, PID Mike Molenda, and PID Brian and Lori Sheehan gathered with visiting Leos for a snapshot, and our snowman MOM (Minnesota, Ontario, Manitoba) followed our MD5M group in the parade. Lion Jim Aasness and PDG Bill Michl also dressed as snowmen during the parade.





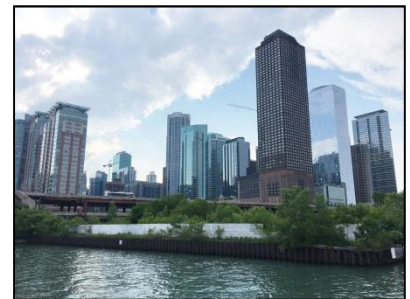
The host committee treated the attendees at the convention to wonderful entertainment. The Beach Boys, Blues Brother Revue, Charlie Daniels Band, and the band Chicago rocked the convention hall throughout the celebration.



International President Bob Corlew guided us through the plenary sessions, reminding us of the great 100 year history of our organization and introducing us to our speakers, Vice President Al Gore, Former

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon and singer Patty LaBelle. Also in the convention hall, attendees had the opportunity to visit with the young lady Lakkana Meepara from Thailand whose poster was picked for the grand prize this year - "A Celebration of Peace".

The convention attendees also had a chance to sightsee in Chicago. Most of the afternoons are free to attend seminars or to sight see in the host city. MD5M's hotel was close to the river downtown so Lions could take in many of the attractions, a river boat cruise explaining the architecture of Chicago, a play at the Chinese Theatre, or a stroll down the Magnificent Mile or the Navy Pier.



Keep an eye on the LCI's website for information on the convention in Las Vegas.

Go to lionsclubs.org and click on **LCICON** in the upper right hand corner. Watch for registration to open later this year as early birds get the best deal.

It is a wonderful experience to attend a LCI Convention as you get to mingle with Lions from around the world, listen to charismatic speakers, and learn about Lions clubs in seminars, and visit the host city. Make plans now to attend the LCI Convention in beautiful Las Vegas next year, June 29th – July 3rd.

CONVENTION AND HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

LIONS CLUBS 101ST INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Las Vegas, Nevada USA • Friday, June 29 – Tuesday, July 3, 2018



DEADLINES MAY 1, 2018:

• Deadline for advance registration and hotel reservation. (Registrations after this date will be processed in Las Vegas). • Deadline to submit a refund request for registration, housing and/or ticketed event cancellation.

REGISTRANT INFORMATION: Please type or print name as it appears on passport/photo ID.

First Name/ Family (Last) Name Badge/Call Name

Address

City State Postal Code Country

Daytime Phone E-mail

Lion Lioness Alpha Leo Omega Leo Adult Guest Club No. Membership No. District Title

COMPANION: First Name/ Family (Last) Name Badge/Call Name

Lion Lioness Alpha Leo Omega Leo Adult Guest Club No. Membership No. District Title

CHILD: First Name/ Family (Last) Name Age Alpha Leo

PACKAGE A:

Includes convention registration for each registrant listed above plus one (1) hotel room serviced by shuttle buses during convention.

Before January 12, 2018 Reservation in delegation hotel
 After January 12, 2018 I prefer my delegation hotel Prefer another hotel

Hotel Name

Arrival Day/Date Departure Day/Date

Number of Guests in Room _____ Number of Beds Needed 1 2

Special Requirements: Non-smoking Wheelchair Accessible Other

The Hotel deposit is US\$200 per room. Your deposit will be credited to your hotel bill at checkout.

PACKAGE B:

NO ROOM REQUIRED (Registration only for each person listed above.)

OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS

I/we plan to attend the following event(s): (Must be registered to attend)

EVENT: MELVIN JONES FELLOW LUNCHEON	DATE/TIME	FEE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT DUE
	July 2/ 13:30-15:00	US \$75	_____	\$_____

EVENT: DISTRICT GOVERNOR/PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR BANQUET	DATE/TIME	FEE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT DUE
	July 2/ 20:00-22:00	US \$135	_____	\$_____

SERVICE PROJECTS IN LAS VEGAS

I am interested in participating in a hands-on community service project during the Las Vegas International Convention. Further details on registering for service projects will be sent to you in the coming months.

PAYMENT: Full payment is required with this form. US currency only. Checks and money orders must be drawn on US banks. Visa, MasterCard & Discover cards accepted.

REGISTRATION FEES:	Adult	Child (17 and under)/Alpha Leo	Omega Leo	PACKAGE A:	PACKAGE B:
EARLY (Before January 12, 2018)	US\$150	US\$20	US\$100	Registrations: US\$ _____	Registrations: US\$ _____
REGULAR (January 13 through March 31, 2018)	US\$200	US\$20	US\$100	Ticketed Events: US\$ _____	Ticketed Events: US\$ _____
LATE (April 1, 2018 – onsite)	US\$225	US\$20	US\$100	Hotel Deposit: US\$ <u>200.00</u>	
				Total Due: US\$ _____	Total Due: US\$ _____

Check # _____ Wire transfer (payment slip must be attached to this form) Visa MasterCard Discover

Name as it appears on card Credit card must be in the name of the registrant.

Card Number Expires Month/Year Security code (3 digits)

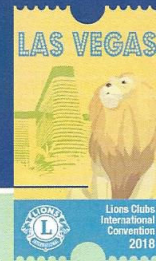
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Cardholder Signature

Mail: Lions Clubs International Attn: Convention Division • 300 West 22nd Street Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA • **Fax:** +1 630.571.1689 • **E-mail:** registration@lionsclubs.org

Please note: Lions Clubs International will be documenting the international convention for promotional purposes. Your participation may be filmed or photographed at this event. Your registration is your consent for use of these images by Lions Clubs International.

Lions Clubs 2018 International Convention

JUNE 29TH - JULY 3RD, 2018 - LAS VEGAS, NEVADA USA



LAS VEGAS LCI CONVENTION HOTELS

1. MGM Grand (HQ & DGE Hotel)
2. Signature MGM
(Distance to MGM Grand - 11 min walk)
3. Luxor
(Distance to MGM Grand - 15 min walk)
4. Monte Carlo
(Distance to MGM Grand - 12 min walk)
5. NY NY
(Distance to MGM Grand - 6 min walk)

All convention events except for the International Parade will take place at the MGM Grand



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.

NOTE: If you would prefer to pay by e-transfer, please contact Lion Shirley at 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	\$	
Total For Meals Only	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 or (807)937-6574 or Lion Shirley Koroniak at koroniak@gmail.com or (807)220-1818 for more information regarding hotels.

Questions or comments?

Contact PDG Ivan Pollock

ivanepollock@gmail.com

(807)223-2294



T. E. A. M.



Together Everyone Achieves More

PID Brian Sheehan MD5M Candidate for 3rd Vice President LCI

CONGRATULATIONS to Brian and Lori!! Brian has received the endorsement from the Executive Officers of LCI to run for 3rd International Vice President at the convention in Las Vegas in 2018. So we need to make plans to attend the convention and vote to get Brian elected.

The International Convention is a great experience. There are plenty of activities to do along with enough free time to visit the host city. A Lion can participate in seminars; enjoy entertainment shows by fellow Lions and professionals, sign up to help with a community project, walk in or watch the International parade and more.

T.E.A.M Sheehan will be working to help you with any questions that you might have about attending the

convention. Ask you club president or secretary who your T.E.A.M. Sheehan captain is for your district.



The International Convention will be held at the MGM Grand hotel. The delegation hotel for MD5M is the Luxor hotel which is only 15 minutes away and is reasonably priced. You can find the room rates at [lionsclubs.org / LCICON](http://lionsclubs.org/LCICON). After January 12, the delegation hotels tend to fill up quickly, so early registration is good.

To register: go to Lions clubs international website lionsclubs.org and click **LCICON** on the right side of the Lions Emblem at the top. There you will find information about the convention. Please visit this website often as LCI updates the information especially closer to the date of the convention which is June 29 – July 3. To find registration information such as fees and forms, click on **FOR ATTENDEES** in the yellow strip at the top. The early bird registration fee is \$150.00 through January 12, 2018. The deposit for rooms is \$200.00. You can type in your information on the registration form and print it out. You will need your club number and membership number which you should be able to get from your club secretary. You can use one form for both you and your companion that will be sharing a room.

There is a place to enter your arrival date and departure date for the hotel on the registration form. T.E.A.M. Sheehan is working on getting a group flight to Las Vegas at a discounted rate. Go ahead and mark down dates on the form. You can notify LCI if your arrival and departure dates change afterwards just as long as you give them plenty of notice.

This is an exciting time for all of us in MD5M! Let's start to make plans to attend the International Convention in Las Vegas and help elect our own PID Brian Sheehan to the office of 3rd VP! More Information such as getting credentials for voting, activities to do, travel plans, etc. will be forthcoming in future newsletters.

See you in Las Vegas.