Musings of your DG.....

Man oh Man what a wonderful and fun MIDWINTER CONVENTION! If you did not attend you really missed an awesome weekend and much thanks to those that did attend and participate to make it what it was! Thanks to our tremendous hosts of Cook Lions...you rocked this midwinter right out of the park!

5M10 ROARS!

Friday Night was an awesome mixer with all the FARGO and GREAT WHITE NORTH and was enjoyed by all those attending. Lion ID Pat and her husband Kevin had a ROARING good time at both the mixer and the underground mine tour with wiener roast and smores a big hit also!

Our District got some awesome news from Lion Brian Sheehan who came up to meet with us about the North American Membership Initiative as our District has been chosen as a pilot for membership ideas that can be utilized in similar areas. We need your ideas on how we can help membership in your area and your club. Please call with all and every idea!

We need you all doing what you can...when you can ...and making sure that we have 100% reporting for our service activities and as well maintaining a PLUS 1 membership in your club! Today we are PLUS 44 for the year!! Only 18 members away from have the magical number of 1250 attained! And we need to keep these numbers as best we can to move forward...your DG team is now moving forward with more membership drives, PR campaigns, a “Lady’s in Lions” perhaps on the near horizon as well...5M10 can get this done and we need all of your help to do so!

I have several more clubs still to visit.... excited to say that I have also petitioned LCI for more funds for the DG budget and so I want to make sure that I am able to talk to all our 5M10 clubs so I can pass on what we need to be doing to make this district the best that it can be for ALL clubs! So, if I have not visited your club you will be hearing from me...I will be calling so please have a couple of dates available to book when I do touch base!

This past year has been a year of change and learning. We are doing things different because doing things the same time and time again have not brought our district forward into the next
century of Lions. We need to hear your voices on what we can improve...how we can make 5M10 the best District in MD5M...

Our DG team is very excited about our newest member...CONGRATS to Lions Sue Winner...our newest 2nd VDGE!! She will continue the trend we have started in team planning and execution...bigger and better things are on the horizon...fasten your seatbelts!

...Yours in Service, Lion Joanne

“Where there is a need in 5M10...there is a Lion”...

Lions Roar by FVDG/DGE Wayne Tieman

February 11, 2019

“An Attitude of Gratitude for Service”

1. 5M10 Lions Numbers: Opening membership 7/01/2018 1188
   a. Added this year 115
   b. Dropped members 71
   c. Now 1232
   d. Net Gain +44
   e. LCI Worldwide 1,445,107
   f. The Lakehead Campus Lions Club chartered Saturday, February 9th in Thunder Bay, ON. This brings the total number of Lions Clubs in 5M10 to 46—28 American and 18 Canadian. 5M10 is one of two districts in MD5M (the other is 5M11), which is international.
   g. 5M10 has been selected as one of 8 pilot districts in North America. District leadership in these 8 districts will work directly with VPs Haynes Townsend and Brian Sheehan and the LCI staff. The 18 month initiative begins NOW. The North American Membership Initiative (NAMI) is a focused program designed to address and reverse the membership trend in both CA1 and CA2.
   h. 5M10 is also applying for another $5000 membership grant. With added financial resources available through the NAMI and the grants, we 5M10 Lions can do the work and grow our district.
   i. The 5M10 Leadership Team is ready to work with clubs and members to grow our district in both members and clubs. We ask for your support.

2. The DGE Journey continues to be exciting and fun! The next stop is the Q Conference Center at St. Charles, IL, west of Chicago during the week of February 11-15th. The DGE Training will involve all 750 DGEs from around the world divided into groups. I’m in Group 34 “Heartland Boomers”, which consists of DGEs from MD5M, Iowa, and Missouri. Topics include: working with the Global Action Team—Leadership, Membership, and Service; Selecting the District Leadership Team; and Goal Setting.

3. Thank you, DG Joanne and the Cook Lions, for a very successful midwinter convention at Fortune Bay. Plans are being made for the 2020 midwinter convention at Bemidji on January 24-25-26, 2020. We already have 14 registrations.

4. Thank you, 5M10 Lions, for your tremendous service to your clubs and communities.

ONE...TWO....THREE....ROAR.  TOGETHER WE SERVE WITH AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE.
Greetings from 1st Vice-District Governor Elect Shirley.

Our midwinter convention is now behind us and was a great success. Congratulations to the Cook Lions Club for putting together a great event. The Soudan mine tour was, both, enjoyable and educational. All seminars and speakers were valuable and informative.

On February 9th, we celebrated the Lakehead Campus Club’s new charter with a dinner at the 5 Forks Restaurant in Thunder Bay. Welcome Lakehead Campus Lions. I’m looking forward to seeing all your service projects.

CLUB OFFICER TRAINING WEBINARS REMINDER:

We have completed 2 out of the 4 club officer training webinars. There is still time to register for the remaining 2 Webinars. Please see the details below.

You will receive an evaluation survey a day after the completion of the Webinar and are encouraged to complete it. The responses will help us in planning for future Webinars.

To participate, please visit the Training section on our website at http://www.5m10lions.org/. Registration is required in order to participate. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information for joining the webinar.

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If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact Lion Shirley at koroniak@gmail.com or Lion Angela at a_sharbot@hotmail.com.

Upon completion of the final Webinar, all 4 recorded Webinars, along with all handouts, will be available on our website under the Training menu and can be viewed at a later date.

Thanks for all you do, Together WE SERVE
"Catch the Sweet Deal" and join us for the 100th Birthday Party of MD5M

100th Annual MD5M Multiple Convention
April 26th, 27th & 28th 2019, Mahnomen, MN, USA

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I am attending the convention, but NO meals are required, $10.00 cost to attend ____ (Name Tag & Pin)

Full Hospitality Book (Includes Friday night Social, Saturday Breakfast, Lunch, Banquet & Sunday Brunch)

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Make checks payable to: Vergas Lions Memo: 2019 MD5M Convention

Mail form & payment to: Linda Norby, 1021 5th Avenue NW, Perham, Mn. 56573

For Convention Information contact: PDG Rodger Palmer, repotter@eot.com or phone 218-841-0302 or PDG Jay Norby, jinorbs@eot.com or phone 218-298-1041.

Check our website for information & updates on the 2019 MD5M Convention, lionsmd5m.org
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Fundraiser for 3rd International Vice President Brian Sheehan

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Deadline for ordering shirts and getting them at the Multiple Convention is April 1st, 2019.

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Melvin the Travelling Lion

Hello Lions of 5M10

Just wanted to pass on some information on 5M10’s Melvin the Travelling Lion.

At our 5M10 Midwinter Convention Hosted by the Cook Lions Club in Tower Minnesota at Fortune Bay Casino, I had an opportunity to reintroduce Melvin the Travelling Lion- Via Tail Twisting.

It appears that not a lot of our members know about Melvin and his history with 5M10 District Lions.

Here is some information: You Can Find this Document on our 5M10 Lions web site, under Newsletters/Reports

District 5M10’s Melvin the Travelling Lion Rules, Regulations and Fines

Purpose:

The Travelling Lion Named Melvin will allow a chance for all clubs in the 5M10 district to enjoy each other’s company in the spirit of Lionism and to assist in raising funds for LCIF (from Fines that occur after Melvin’s visit).

The maximum fine is $50.00, and donations are to be made out to “Lions Clubs International Foundation” with the notation “5M10 Melvin the traveling Lion”. The thought is to raise enough funds to earn a Melvin Jones Award for our district to present. Donations from Canadian Clubs should be paid to LCIF Canada and donations from US Clubs should be paid to LCIF USA.

Rules:

1. Melvin must receive a pin from your Club, and it must remain on his person for the entirety of his district wide trek, -a failure to do so will result in a $10.00 fine.

2. Host Club must complete the log book before passing on Melvin, -a failure to do so will result in a $10.00 fine.

3. Melvin must be photographed with your Club and the Club that you are passing it on to. The photo must be submitted to the District Newsletter, -a Non-compliance will result in a $10.00 fine.

4. No less than 4 club members must accompany Melvin to his new destination- a Not enough Club members will result in a $10.00 fine.

5. Melvin must be passed from Host Club to the New Club within 45 days, -a failure to do so will result in a $10.00 fine.

History:

Dryden Lions Club brought back Melvin in 2017 with a Club Visit to the Emo Lions Club

Emo Lions Club passed it on to the Bemidji Lions Club

Bemidji Lions Club passed it on to the Cap Baker Lions Club
Cap Baker Lions Club passed it on to Deer River Lions Club

Deer River Lions Club Passed it on to Hibbing Lions Club

One thing not really covered in the information is “How can we arrange a visit from Melvin the Travelling Lion? “

Now it is up to the Lions Club who is in possession of Melvin the Travelling Lion, but the easiest way to get Melvin to your club is to contact the Club and invite them to a function or a meeting.

I do hope you all have fun with Melvin and would like to thank all clubs who have participated so far and the Hibbing Lions Club for bring Melvin the Travelling lion to our Midwinter Convention.

It was a lot of fun and we raised over $500.00 dollars in tail twisting fines.

Region 1 Zone 3 Chair

All around Happy Camper

Lion Todd Kropelin
Babbitt Lions

On January 10, the Babbitt Lions Club hosted the Peace Poster winners at their meeting. The art teacher was also in attendance. Each winner gave a presentation on why they chose the subject for their poster. This was very impressive for students so young. They were then each given an award: $50 for 1st, $25 for 2nd, and $15 for 3rd.

The club also voted for donations for the Parade of Green at the Midwinter Convention.

Bemidji Lions

The Bemidji Lions Club are still buzzing over the fantastic 5m10 convention held at Fortune Bay last month. Eight club members attended the convention and they came away with new ideas and an appreciation of the importance of “Service” to the community. “Thank You” to all who had a part in putting the convention together.

Bemidji was the setting for “Hockey Day” last month. Thousands flocked to the area south of Lake Bemidji and watched hockey games and a wide variety of activities in some frigid weather. About a dozen Lions club members were there to assist with a variety of activities and helped make the weekend a success.

The club also responded to a critical need which involved an individual who has failing eye sight. Doctors informed this person that he can no longer function in a multi-level home and needed to move to a single level home ASAP. Lions stepped in a held a benefit for this individual, making pancakes and asking for a free will donation. As a result, several thousand dollars were raised for the individual so he could transition to a new home.
Besides the “Parade of Green” donations at the convention, the Bemidji Lions club donated $300 to the Sanford Medical Center to help with their Diabetes Research. The club also donated $400 to the Hospice program, also located at the Medical Center.

District Governor Joanne visited our club last month and inducted several new members into the campus club and one new member into the Bemidji Lions Club. We hold a roster of 102 members with two additional associate members.

DGE Wayne rockin the "big house" in Chicago

Carlton Area Lions
January 2019

1/3 Wrenshall School Vision Screening 40 with 4 Referrals, 5 Lions worked
1/12 Took down Holiday Lights in Carlton and Helped paint basement meeting room of Carlton VFW, 11 Lions worked
1/24 Esko School Vision Screening 150 with 3 Referrals, 5 Lions worked
1/24 Midwinter Convention 4 members attended, Donated $200 to Duluth Leos for Homeless supplies. Brought 2341 pairs of collected eyeglasses

2/9/19 Carlton Winterfest Lions Sponsored Hook & Slice on Ice . Lions Hole was Polo Pony (Lion) Golf about 80 golfers. Lions Winterfest Chili Cook Off with 8 Entrees. 8 Lions worked
Our club ended the 2018 year by adopting 2 families through the Dryden Christmas Cheer Board, one family with 4 month old twins and another family with 2 teenagers. Our club provided a Christmas Hamper for both families consisting of food items, clothing, toys, gift cards and turkeys. Our club donated $300.00 towards the hampers with remaining funds of $600.00 donated by the membership!

We also continue with Meals on Wheels (2 weekends this December) and also provide Advance Travel Grants.

Our New Year started out with a bang! Our club members supported the Dryden Food Bank with a Baby Hamper delivered January 11th, 2019. This hamper consisted of diapers, baby wipes, baby cereal and baby formula… all items were donated by our membership. Other cash donations of $100.00 from the members were used to purchase additional diapers and packaged baby food. The Dryden Food Bank was overjoyed to receive this huge donation, especially after Christmas.

We are excited to advise that 6 club members attended our MidWinter Convention at Fortune Bay on January 25th-27th, including TWO First Timers!!!!

The Dryden & Dryden Trillium Lions Annual Lottery package for 2019 has been purchased (2019 Silverado C1500 4WD Crew Cab) and we should be able to sell tickets by the end of March. Draw date is August 27th, 2019!!
Duluth Lions Club
January Projects and Activities

Duluth Lions Help Sponsor Youth Ski Race

The Duluth Lions Club helped sponsor the youth ski races at Chester Bowl on a very chilly Sunday, January 20th offering race volunteers as well as a donation to the Chester Bowl Improvement Club. Several years ago the race was named the Ray Wick Memorial Ski Race after long time Lions member, Ray Wick, who supported the Chester Bowl.

During the event, Duluth Lions volunteered by serving lots of coffee and hot chocolate to both participants and spectators. Awards were given to the top boys and girls in skiing and snowboarding.

Most importantly, the kids had so much fun and received ribbons for participating. Thank you, Lion Rhonda Rutford, for your ongoing work and commitment on this event.

Walmart Wellness Day

On January 21st, our local Walmart store held their “Walmart Wellness Day”. Several Duluth Lions who are members of the Diabetes Committee volunteered at the store to help promote the health and wellness fair and encourage shoppers to take advantage of the services offered.

Walmart pharmacy, along with the ADA, offered customers health screenings as well as health resources. Screenings for blood glucose, blood pressure and cholesterol were available. In addition, brochures with a wide array of health and wellness information were distributed.

Both the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation and the American Diabetes Association were represented. 33 screenings were completed that day.

Walmart has provided more than 2.5 million free screenings to people across the country.

These screenings have helped customers discover underlying issues like high blood pressure and diabetes that they now can manage – and in some cases, these screenings have saved customers' lives.
Ignace Lions

It is with great sadness that the Ignace Lions Club announce the passing of long time Lions member Millie Gagnon. May she rest in peace free from pain and suffering. God Bless.

Kenora – Lake of the Woods Lions

Kenora Lake of the Woods Lions Club has been tardy in sending items to the Newsletter over the past few months, and will endeavour to make it up here. A warm welcome was extended to District Governor Joanne Ogden to our 70th Charter Night celebration, October 9th, 2018, complete with the traditional Thanksgiving Dinner including a huge cake covered with purple and gold icing enjoyed by all. Lion Joanne’s presentation was very informative and interesting, outlining her goals for the year.

At the November meeting the club welcomed a special guest speaker, Mike Carter, and his very excellent and informative presentation of the “Jump Start” program, and the benefits to young people interested in all type of sports, and the donations made to many worthy causes. We are very appreciative of the $10,000.00 donation given our club in support of our Centennial project “Outdoor Fitness Park” which enabled us to complete the project. Our donation of $500.00 given to the Salvation Army Miracle Marathon benefits young people whose Christmas is made more enjoyable.

December meeting always takes the format of fun and fellowship as members and guests enjoy a delicious buffet dinner, a short business meeting; see who can win the games and quizzes, very anxious to see what is in the anonymous wrapped packages at the gift exchange; and even more enjoyable to welcomed new members Tom and Marlene Brancato to our club. Regrettably Santa could not make the trip this time.

Lion Jim Quinn (right) conducted the candle light initiation of Tom and Marlene Brancato with sponsor Lion Lillian Marchant. Lion Tom and Marlene are new comers to Kenora following retirement to spend more time with their family members.

To Lions Marlene and Tom, welcome to Kenora and to the Kenora Lake of the Woods Lions Club. Once again, Lion Don Brown and his Captains, Lions Joan Brinkhurst and Jim Quinn along with all Lions had a very successful Christmas Draw. Profits $26,300.00.

January brings more very cold weather and lots of snow and that gets some of our Lions thinking of travelling to warmer climates; however January also brings the Mid Winter Convention and sadly the members who do not miss this enjoyable event, were unable to attend. Our newest member, Lion Leslie Legros was happy to step into the breach and was a fine representative for the Kenora Lake of the Woods Lions Club.
Lion Leslie enjoyed her first convention and the entire weekend. She will certainly be an attender at future events. Parade of Green donations totalled $4,000.00. Lion Lillian Marchant, secretary

**Marathon Lions**

Only thing to report is that we are making plans for the Lions Club of Marathon's involvement in the 75th anniversary celebrations for our Town of Marathon - June 23 - 30, 2019. 2019 is also the 60th anniversary of the Lions Club of Marathon.

Lion Jim Collins - President
Lions Club of Marathon

**Lakehead Campus Club - Charter Night Celebration**

*Congratulations to our new Campus Club.*
Leo’s Drive

Here are photos from the hygiene drive and the Leos delivering the items to the Denfeld Hunter Hut.
Thanks to all the clubs who donated to this worthwhile cause. Good job Leos.
Memories of the Mid-winter Convention 2019

Friday Night
Saturday Activities

“Old Melvin” retired after many years, to a good home.
Above left: The Leo's Club of Duluth is congratulated on the success of the drive to help other students. They would like to thank all the clubs which contributed to their project.

Above right: New members were inducted by DG Joanne, her team and each Lion's sponsor.

Below: our newest Melvin Jones Fellowship Award winner Lion Kent

If you could not attend this year's convention you missed a wonderful time. Hope to see you at next year's Mid-winter in Bemidji. Or you can check out the 100th MD5M Convention which will be at the Shooting Star Convention Center in Manhomen, Mn. April 26, 27 & 28, 2019. Don't miss it.