

# Catch Your Dream



**DG Bruce's Port of Calls & Club Visits**



*Bruce Beck 5M9 District Governor*

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**October**

- 2nd- Mini-Forum at Vergas Community Center
- 3rd- Guthrie-Nary Club Visit
- 4th-6th- Fishing Trip
- 8th - Hearing Foundation Mtg, St. Cloud, MN
- 10th - Cass Lake/Cass Lake Country joint Club visit
- 13th- Leader/Nimrod joint visit
- 14-15th - Council of Governor's Meeting, Mahanomen, MN
- 18th- Aitkin/Aitkin Riverboat joint clubs visit
- 20th- Elizabeth/Riverside Fergus Falls joint club visit
- 23rd - 2nd Cabinet Mtg, Bluffton
- 24th - Bluffton Lions Club visit
- 25th - Park Rapids Club visit
- 26th- Garrison Lions Club visit
- 29th - Thankgiving for Vision, Brooklyn Center, MN

**November**

- 3rd- Pelican Rapids Club visit
- 7th- Whitefish Lions Club visit
- 8th- Vergas Lions Club visit
- 14th- Merrifield Lions Club visit
- 21st- Battle Lake Lions Club visit
- 22nd- Laporte-Benedict Club visit
- 24th- Thankgiving
- 25th- Aitkin Lions Fish House Parade
- 28th- Ottertail Lions Club visit

**December**

- 1st- Radiothon to end child abuse
- 5th- Urbank Lions Club visit
- 12th- Osage Lions Club visit
- 13th- Bay Lake Area Lions Club visit
- 14th- Walker Lions Club visit
- 15th- Callaway Lions Club visit
- 24th-25th- Christmas Eve/Day

**January 2012**

- 6th-8th- 5M9 Midwinter Convention
- 23rd- McGregor Lions Club visit

**February**

- 8th- Pine River Lions Club visit
- 9th- Parkers Prairie Club visit
- 13th- Nisswa Lions Club visit
- 16th- Underwood Lion/Lioness Club visit
- 23rd- Dent Lions Club visit
- 24-28th- Family time

**March**

- 1st- Wolf Lake Lions Club visit
- 26th- Lake Park Lions Club visit

**April**

- 9th- Baxter Lions Club visit
- 10th- Palisade Lions Club visit
- 23rd- Henning Lions Club visit

- 27-29th- Multiple District 5M Convention@Hinkley

**May**

- 3rd- Backus Lions Club visit
- 10th- Hackensack Lions Club visit

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Zones 4, 5, 6 in Wolf Lake



Vision Foundation Chair Peter VanErp and Conventions Chair Ardean Brasgalla



Zones 7, 8, 9 in Ottertail



Fun in Zones 1, 2, 3 in Nisswa



GMT/GLT Rogues attended the Meetings



Lion Judy Beaver talks with Youth Outreach co-chair Ralph Patton

**Scenes from the Combined Zone Meetings**



L-R: DG Bruce, Lions Shirley & Jerry Smith, Lion Marge Johnson, PDG Peter & 1st VDG Margaret VanErp—Part of the hard working 5M9 crew that manned the Lions booth at the Minnesota State Fair

L-R: DG Bruce, PDG Carroll Kukowski, and Deerwood Lakes President, Diann Bates—Deerwood Lakes Lions present a "Spruce to Bruce"!





# Catch'n the Lunker



Simply stated, Fall is my favorite time of year. I enjoy everything about it - the colors, the harvest, smells, sights and activities! I hope you, too, have time to get out and take part in this beautiful, but oh so short, season in Minnesota.

Fall is a very busy time in the Lions year. We have hunter's suppers, fall festivals, Halloween parties, parades and many, many other activities. I want to say "thank you" to all the Lions in District 5M9 for every project, event, and activity that you do. Through your hard work, we are making a difference in our communities. I am proud of the Lions in 5M9 and all that you do. You, too, should be proud of your club's accomplishments. Look around town and imagine what your community would look like without the Lions. Lion Erin and I are having so much fun as we travel about the district visiting clubs, talking with the members, and learning more about what individuals do in Lions. Again, 5M9 ROCKS! You make a difference; you ARE the difference and no one does it better!

### News from around the district:

October 1-31 - Lions Clubs International Membership Month! Also, President Tam's Service Campaign, October is the month to do a "Sight related" activity or event. Collect some eye glasses!

October 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5M9 Mini-Forum in Vergas. IPDG Linda Albrecht Norby will host this grand event.

Come listen, enjoy, and learn!

October 7-8 - World Sight Days

October 15 - International White Cane Safety Day

October 29<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving for Vision at the Earle Brown Center. I encourage every President to attend; and, if you can't, please pass on your invitation to a club member.

October 30<sup>th</sup> - GLT-GMT Training day in Bluffton. Four classes will be offered.

Becoming a Guiding Lion

Becoming a Mentoring Lion

Membership Training

Leadership Training

Our next round of Zone meetings will be starting. Please make an effort to attend your meeting. These meetings will be all about the **clubs** and what they are doing.

The month of October and the first half of November are the most active times for fish. The fish are feeding to get ready for the winter months. Get out! Take a friend with you and catch some fish! When you get home, take that friend to your Lions meeting. Catch one or two members for your Lions family. There's no limit!

Catch ya on the water,

DG Bruce

### 2nd Vice District Governor Candidate

Greetings Lions of 5M9,

I am Lion Gloria Anderson of Wadena and the Bluffton Lions Club since 2004. I am asking for your support and vote as I have submitted my name as a candidate for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor to be elected at the 2012 Mid-Winter Convention to be held at the Shooting Star in Mahanomen, MN.

I have been an active member ever since I joined the Bluffton Lions. I was a Director for two years and am currently serving as a Director for the next two years. I have served as 3rd, 2nd, and 1st Vice President followed by President from 2009-2010. In the club, I have worked on our various projects, such as the annual Consignment Auction, Ladies Luncheon, parked cars at the Perham Fair and several others. I also chaired the Herberger's Community Day Event sale of booklets as a club fundraiser project for four years.

On the District Cabinet, I served 2 year as

Women/Family Initiative Chairperson from 2008-2010 becoming a MERLOW team member the 2nd year. I am currently in my 2nd year as Zone 5 Chair.

I received the Top Dog Award 2009 and 200% Club President Award in 2011. I am a graduate of the first MD5M Leadership Institute in 2005.

As a Lion Spouse, I attended my first Mid-Winter Convention in 1987, my first USA Canada Leadership Forum in 1994, my first Multiple Convention in 1992, and my first International Convention in 1992.. I have attended many more conventions since.

I have been married to PDG, Ken Anderson, for almost 49 years. We have 4 children, 12 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. I have 100% support from my husband, our family, my club.

In conclusion, I hope to see all of you at the Mid-Winter Convention and have your support and vote for 2nd Vice District Governor.

Thanks, Lion Gloria Anderson

**BLUFFTON LIONS 8TH ANNUAL LADIES LUNCHEON**, July 17, was a huge success. \$2000 was raised for the MN Lions Vision Foundation!



#### ABOVE

(L-R) 1st Lady, Lion Erin Beck, Guest Speaker, Traci Nichols (Eye Bank Eye Tissue Recovery Technician), Traci's daughter, Lion Gloria Anderson (Bluffton Lions) and guest Kelly Bain enjoy their lunch.



#### ABOVE

Luncheon Guests enjoy good food, great conversation and the thrill of competition as they monitor their status on the Silent Auction items.

#### 2ND ZONE 6 MEETING

When: Tuesday, November 29th

Social: 6:00 pm

Meal: 6:30 pm

Meeting to follow

Where: Menahga VFW

Bring all the members you can from your club to reinvent excitement in club!

Please RSVP by November 25th

for the meal count.

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*Stitching Together  
the News of 5M9*  
1st Vice District Governor  
Margaret Van Erp



I think the wind wanted to get us ready for some much cooler weather today. We have had frost the last three mornings but heard on the weather report that the next week or so will be beautiful fall weather so all of us can get out and still ask our neighbors, friends or family to come join this great group of service workers that all of us belong to "Lions International."

PDG Peter and I attended a membership evening with the Hackensack Lions club. They put on a great evening, proudly displaying some of their club projects. This is a great way to attract new members. I encourage each and every club in our District to have a membership night. Let community members know just what your clubs are doing. Don't keep this secret any longer, let's get the word out!

We have had a few busy weeks. We started September by going to the State Fair to work at the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation booth. It was an interesting and educational day for us. We attended all three combined zone meetings. They were well attended and well received. I'm sure next year we will start the year with a similar format. Many Project Chairs were booked for many Club visits throughout the District. Remember, it is never too late to contact any of the Program Chairs for a visit to your Club. Each club should have at least three Project programs a year. Programs change as does your membership, and this is a wonderful way to keep informed.

I wish to publicly thank the Parkers Prairie Pride Lions for a great evening of "bidding on my Buns". I was invited to induct four new members and install their new officers but the catch was, I needed to bring along two pans of Carmel rolls for them to bid on. Well, I made two pans and they DID bid long and HIGH on them. With their permission, the money went to a young family whose daughter had just been diagnosed with leukemia, to help with their expenses. Thanks again Lions of the Pride. As Lions—We Serve.

It is now time to start thinking of the upcoming 2012 Mid-Winter Convention in Mahanomen. Attend the next set of zone meetings to find out what's in store for all of us at DG Bruce's Convention. I'm sure it will be another great convention!

Until next month, let's get stitching so we get more help Serving others.

1st VDG Lion Margaret Van Erp

Applications for 100% Secretary Award can be found at

<http://www.lionsof5m9.org/>



**WOLF LAKE LIONS  
WILD GAME FEED**  
October 1  
Wolf Lake Lions Hall  
5-8 PM  
Hope to see you all there!!!!



**“WATTS” NEW  
in 5M9**  
2nd Vice District  
Governor  
Donald Hendrickx



**STOP-DROP-SHOP**

Vergas Lions

**Craft Fair**

Many specialty items from local merchants

&

**Diabetes & Vision Screening**

Vergas Community Center  
Saturday, November 12th  
8am—4pm

Make it a day and shop the many wonderful stores Vergas has to offer!



DG Bruce was greeted with hugs and flowers by Lions Pat Hendrickx and Rosie Alstadt at the September Lakes Lions/Perham Club meeting

Every year when school starts, we think of the fresh start that is here for many people. The kids are getting to know new teachers, college students are experiencing life on their own and parents are back to a much needed routine. All of this is good! When we look at the trees seeing the changing colors of leaves and knowing they will soon fall we know what will come next. Right?

Thank you to all of the Zone chairs for the great Zone Fairs you all organized. What a wonderful way for Club Representatives to meet with Project Chairs and line up club visits. Lion Pat and I attended each Zone Fair and were very impressed with the number of attendees. Helpful information, awesome meals and a FEW laughs were shared. If you liked this format please let DG Bruce, 1st VDG Margaret or Myself know. The 2nd round of Zone Meetings will be starting soon. This will be the Club President’s opportunity to brag and share club activities. Remember, Club Presidents and Secretaries are required to attend but all members are encouraged to attend.

Speaking of “encouraging members to attend” start thinking of attending the 2012 5M9 MidWinter Convention at Mahanomen, co-sponsored by the Detroit Lakes and Vergas Lions Clubs. I have attended some of the planning meetings with DG Bruce and it is panning out to be a GREAT event. A word of wisdom for First Timers—once you attend a convention—you will be hooked for life.

Continue to plant those trees so the DG Bruce can proudly announce that his District of 5M9 has reached their goal of 2,500 trees!

Dutch Proverb of the Month—You’ve got to stare the cat down out of the tree. (English translation—You’ve got to let some things work out for themselves.)

Pas goed op jezelf!  
2nd VDG Don

**Name Tags**

Be welcoming to potential members, new members and guests by wearing name tags at meetings. Imagine a new person entering the meeting room for the first time and encountering a sea of unfamiliar faces. Wouldn't it be easier to strike up a conversation if you could immediately attach a name to those faces?

Other places to wear your Lions’ name tag:

- Service and fundraising activities where non-club/potential members may be
- When visiting other clubs
- At Zone Meetings, conventions, etc.

Place your name tag high on the right side of your chest. This places the name tag close to your face to help others with your name/face recognition, and follows the natural line of sight from your right hand up to your face when someone shakes your hand.

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## UNDERSTANDING LIONS

Whether you are a long time Lion's member or new to your Lion's club, everyone has had problems understanding information either at the local club level or outside of your Lion's club. Hopefully this article will answer those unending questions.

Acronyms are prominent in Lions, just like any other organization. It is important you know what they mean to keep yourself informed. So we have included the ones most often used in 5M.

### Lions Acronyms

CC	Council Chairman
COG	Council of Governors
CS/CT	Cabinet Secretary/Cabinet Treasurer
CST	Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer
*DG	District Governor
GLT	Global Leadership Team
GMT	Global Membership Team
ID	International Director
IP	International President
IPCC	Immediate Past Council Chairman
IPID	Immediate Past International Director
IPIP	Immediate Past International President
IPDG	Immediate Past District Governor
LCI	Lions Clubs International
LCIF	Lions Clubs International Foundation
LD	Leader Dog
LEHP	Lions Eye Health Program
M&A	Monthly Membership and Activities Reports
MD5M	Multiple District 5M
MLDF	MN Lions Diabetes Foundation
MJF	Melvin Jones Fellow
MLHF	MN Lions Hearing Foundation
MLVF	MN Lions Vision Foundation
PCC	Past Council Chairman
PDG	Past District Governor
PID	Past International Director
PIP	Past International President
PMJF	Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow
PNH	Project New Hope
*1st VDG	1st Vice District Governor
*2nd VDG	2nd Vice District Governor
WMMR	Web Monthly Membership Reporting (LCI website)
ZC	Zone Chairman.
* Putting an E after these means Elect [i.e.: DGE is District Governor Elect]	

## Lions Roar!!

by Lion Al Peters

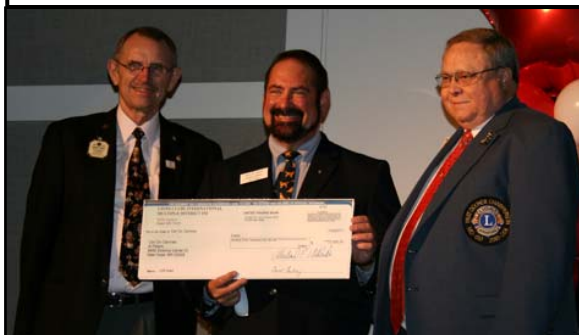
Thank you Lions for making it possible for Can Do Canines to expand our kennels to house up to 20 more assistance dogs in training! Lions Clubs across Minnesota raised \$77,050 during 2010 and LCIF has now matched that effort with a check for \$75,000 additional funding so that the new kennels can finally be constructed. Construction begins about September 1, 2011. Thank you Lions!!

**But don't stop now— we still need your help! Please consider helping again in one of these eight ways:**

1. Spread the word! **Tell someone with a disability** to contact us for information.
2. **Buy a table** for the November 5, 2011 **Fetching Ball Gala event.** [www.fetchingball.com](http://www.fetchingball.com)
3. Bring your club members to a **tour of our facility.** The next tours are September 13 and October 1. Other dates and times will be posted on our website. <http://can-do-canines.org/>
4. Make a special contribution from your club to **help us complete our building fund.** We still need to raise \$800,000 before we are done, but still need to have your general support each year.
5. Ask your Can Do Canines chair to **bring a presentation to your club meeting.**
6. **Make a personal contribution.** [www.can-do-canines.org](http://www.can-do-canines.org)
7. **Sign up for our E-Newsletter** at [www.can-do-canines.org](http://www.can-do-canines.org). It is full of wonderful stories, interesting video clips, and it's free!
8. Put in a request for a **Parade of Green contribution** at your Midwinter Convention. Make your district a **100% District!**

## CAN DO CANINES

(L\_R) PCC Frank Loken, Lion Al Peters and PCC Jim Diehl .Lion Al holds a check from LCIF for \$75,000 to help complete the Lions



**CONGRATS!**  
Thirteen  
Graduates were  
honored at the  
Graduation  
Ceremony on  
August 13, 2011.



## Loons, Lakes & Lions – 2012 5M9 Mid Winter Convention.

Your hosts will be the Vergas Lions Club & the Detroit Lakes Lions Club

Co-chair Becky King, Detroit Lakes Lions Club and Co-Chair Eilert Helm, Vergas Lions Club.

“Be Part of the Team to Live the Dream” is the invitation to the Convention issued by District Governor Bruce Beck. This year’s Convention will be held at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahanomen. Lions, Lioness & Leos will enjoy a fun-filled and educational weekend guaranteed to include time to enjoy meeting and visiting with members of other Clubs.

**Hospitality Book** forms should be filled out and a check for \$80 sent to Lion Jim Granger, 344 Elizabeth St., Detroit Lakes, MN 56501 prior to December 10, 2011. **After December 10, the cost will be \$85, after January 1<sup>st</sup> the cost increases to \$90.** Forms were included in the September 5M9 Newsletter.

**Make your Lodging Reservation** by contacting Shooting Star Casino directly 1-800-453-7827. Please use Reservation Code #259982 for the 2012 5M9 Lions Mid-Winter Convention. **Reservations must be made by December 22, 2011.** Arrive mid-afternoon on Friday and be ready to start meeting the other early arrivals. Find a seat in the Casino or just relax for awhile before the fun begins at the Friday Night Social. Food, Fun & Entertainment will await you! Check out what’s happening in the information booths in the Hall, especially the antics of the GLT & GMT (Leadership & Membership Teams). First Timers pick up your books and you will have a great evening meeting other Lions!

Saturday morning starts off with a continental breakfast followed by exciting seminars – all about who we are and what we do as Lions: Can Do Canines, Hearing Foundation, Leader Dog, Kamp Kace, Minnesota Vision Foundation, Leader Dog and

5M9 Technology. You can’t get to them all but you can get to three of them!

A special speaker at the Luncheon will motivate and excite you with enthusiasm for Lions (**Bruce I don’t know who this is**). Don’t forget to share and exchange ideas about Lions projects with your table companions.

Make every effort to get a front seat for the Saturday Business meeting. Governor Bruce will keep the meeting moving with great fellowship and exciting reports. You will learn how active our 5M9 really is and how many ways that we help others. **Look for the collection points to deliver your used eyeglasses and hearing aids. Make a commitment to plant a tree, Be sure that your Club bring their Brag Books & Newsletters.**

Saturday evening is a dress-up affair to honor visiting International Director. Make sure that you pack “Sunday – go to Meeting Clothes” and leave the vests in your room for the dinner. Keep an eye out for International Director & his wife throughout the weekend, they love to meet Lions and are willing to exchange ideas.

Sunday morning the Business meeting will be brief but enthusiastic and a special appearance of the “5M9 Drill Team” may be arranged. Other surprises will also be on the agenda before the meeting comes to an end at Noon. The Buffet Breakfast alone is worth getting up for but the topics covered at the Sunday Morning meeting will keep you going and Lionism on your mind for the rest of the year!

**Encourage your members to attend the 2012 5M9 Mid Winter Convention. It may be one of the best things that ever happened to them as a Lion. Fun, Fellowship, Great Food & information about Lions providing service in our neighborhoods and throughout the World are just part of the Convention.**

**Attend – Learn – Enjoy!**

### Emily, Outing, 50 Lakes Lions



Theresa Lambert of Emily receives a Melvin Jones Award for outstanding service to the community. Theresa is recognized as a Friend of Lakers Lions.

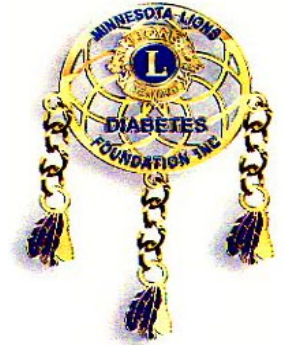


Emily, Outing, 50 Lakes Lions—DG Bruce presented Lion Bob Beard a Hall of Fame award. Bob has held various offices in his Club and the District. Also pictured is Bob’s wife, Lion Rita.



## Lions and Diabetes

Lions Marge Johnson & Bev Labraaten  
5M9 Diabetes Co-Chairs



### Statistics:

- Nearly 26 million have Diabetes in the US
- 180 million + worldwide
- 6 million (1/4) don't know
- Another 57 million Americans have pre-diabetes (at risk of developing Type II)
- Diabetes has increased by 50% in the last decade
- If trends continue, by 2050, 1 in 3 born in US will develop Diabetes
- 1 in 2 if African American or Hispanic
- Nearly 1/2 million die in US (more than cancer and AIDS combined)
- Can lead to amputation and stroke.
- Leading cause of kidney failure, heart disease and blindness.
- Undiagnosed, damages can begin within first 5 years
- **DIABETES MUST BE STOPPED!**

### What Lions Clubs can do:

- Increase awareness through screenings.
- (2010-2011, Lions screened 1823 people. Let's work to increase this number!!!)
- Contact your District Co-Chairs for assistance if needed.
- Appoint a Diabetes Chair in your club.
- Host a Diabetes Walk to raise \$
- November is American Diabetes Month; hold a screening or a Walk for Diabetes.

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation supports research for a cure for Types I & II Diabetes at the Schulze Diabetes Institute. Currently there are successful studies being done in Type I Diabetics, transplanting human islet cells to cure diabetes. Soon, they will start studies using islets from special, medically raised pigs, as these islets are many times more plentiful than human islets. They are also doing stem cell research. Recently they have built a Magnetic Resonance Islet Lab to determine how many good islets can be removed and track the transplanted islets. MN Lions Diabetes Foundation has pledged \$300,000 over 3 yrs to fund this project. The lab will be named The MN Lions Diabetes Foundation Islet Imaging Laboratory.

Club donations to the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation help support research into a cure for diabetes. Donations to the 5M9 Diabetes Account pay for screening supplies, Diabetes EXPO buses, Diabetes Awareness Programs, assistance grants to individuals in the community, and our annual donation to the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation.

The MN Lions Diabetes Foundation does not make grants for individuals so 5M9 Diabetes has just formed a new Diabetes Grant Committee. Guidelines for eligibility are being determined and input to assist with this is welcome. The grants will be for assistance with diabetes supplies, education, camp, etc.

**Contact your Co-Chairs for a Club visit or assistance with a screening.**



1937 Packard Model 1038 owned by Jim & Vonnie McLeod of Lake Elmo, Minnesota—  
1 of 6 left of 26 originally built.

Park Rapids Lions  
July—Lion Zelda Novak was presented with a Melvin Jones Award by DG Bruce. Also pictured is Park Rapids Lions President Mike Monsrud.

Park Rapids Lions sponsored a trophy at Northern Knights Run to the Rapids Car Show. PR Club team chose this magnificent car.



## HI HO MATEYS OF 5M9 !

It's time to hoist the sails for a rip-roaring Pirate Adventure full of leadership & membership training & high seas action with Amazing MD5M Presenters.



### EXPLORE THE HIDDEN TREASURES OF 5M9

#### GLT & GMT SEMINAR

Sunday, October 30, 2011  
Bluffton Community Center  
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.



This Seminar is for Club Members who love Lions, have a great sense of humor, want to help their Clubs grow and want to serve their communities better.

**The Pirates of the GLT & GMT have scheduled the kidnapping of the following Prestigious Lions who will perform amazing Leadership & Membership presentations to all Club members in attendance. (Before we release them shall we also have them Walk the Plank???) HmMMM**

- 1:00 - 1:15 Commodore Cannonballs aka, **District Governor Bruce Beck**  
1:15 - 2:00 Enthusiastic, Stimulating, Energized, Exciting Lion  
**International Director Brian Sheehan**  
2:00 - 2:45 Passionate, Motivating & Entertaining Lion  
**Current MD5M Membership Chair Bob Jechorek**  
2:45 - 4:00 Exceptional, Energetic & Wonderfully Melodic Lion  
**Immediate Past MD5 M Leadership Chair Keith Johnson**

#### ALSO:

**2:00 - 5:00**

**Guiding Lions Training to support the development of new Clubs with PDG Roger Palmer** (small meeting room)

- 3:15 - 3:30 Break  
3:30 - 5:00 **Let's Talk: It's All About Your Club!** General Session  
5:00 - Soup & Sandwich - Free Will Donation

**Limited Seating -**

**Please let us know how many from your Club will attend:**

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**Deadline for reservations: October 20<sup>th</sup> or when full.**



The following is from an article in the Fergus Falls Daily Journal By Debbie Irmén. To see the article in full visit them at <http://www.fergusfallsjournal.com/>.

The Hospice House north of Fergus Falls received 11 spruce trees, thanks to the generosity of an Elizabeth man, the Lions Club and several others.

A past District Governor for Lions, Ole Nelson, donated 11, 20 foot Black Hill spruce trees to Lakeland Hospice House as part of an International Lions Project. The present International Lions President set a goal during his tenure this year to plant 1 million trees to protect the environment.

"An important part of our extension of service this year is caring for our environment," said Jim Arvidson, Lions Past District Governor. "Our goal this year is to plant a million trees around the world. That's less than one tree for each member.".....

The plan for the home from the beginning included planting trees along County Highway 27 as a sound barrier, for privacy and simply because they are beautiful, (Tammy) Anderson said. ....Among the Lions involved with the project was District Governor Bruce Beck from Palisade and Linda Norby, Past District Governor.

With the offer of additional trees—Ole has offered to donate more trees next year—money is still needed for the expense of moving and planting the additional trees as well as landscaping at the house.....

**Please submit stories, photos with captions, ads and other material to the editor/diva before the 15th of the month.**

## Catch Your Dream 5M9 Newsletter



This publication is of, by, and for the Lions, Lioness, & Leos of District 5M-9

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# 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention

January 6, 7 & 8 2012

Shooting Star Casino, Mahnomen, MN

Hosted by the Detroit Lakes & Vergas Lions

## **PLEASE MAKE COPIES OF THE FORM AND LETTER FOR EACH MEMBER**

Join the Detroit Lakes & Vergas Lions for the 2012 Mid-Winter Convention. It will be at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahnomen, MN on Friday, January 6 through Sunday, January 8, 2012. Our Goal is to provide a fun filled and educational weekend with fantastic seminars and a chance to visit and have fun with, Lions, Lioness and Leos throughout the District. We are striving to have every Lions, Lioness and Leos club represented at the convention.

**HOUSING:** For Lodging Registration, please contact the Shooting Star Casino, Mahnomen, MN at 1-800-453-7827. When making your reservations please use the reservation code #259982 and tell them that it is for the 2012 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention. The cost of the rooms, if reserved by December 22, 2011 is \$64.95 for a regular room or 70.00 for a Suite. **Please make your reservations by December 22, 2011 to receive this discounted rate.**

**HOSPITALITY BOOKS:** The cost for the 2012 Convention Hospitality Book is \$80.00 per person if received by December 10, 2011. For those who are attending the Convention for the First time the cost of the Hospitality Book is \$70.00. After December 10, the cost of the Hospitality Book goes up to \$85.00 and \$75.00 respectively. All Hospitality Bookings received after January 1, 2012 will be \$90.00. If you have special dietary or handicap needs, please indicate them on the form and describe details on the back. The 5M9 Mid-Winter Committee and the Shooting Star Casino will do our best to accommodate your needs. If your Club is paying for all of your members attending, Please enclose a Hospitality Form for each Individual with the check.

## **MAIL COMPLETED HOSPITALITY BOOK FORMS TO:**

**Lion Jim Granger, 344 Elizabeth Street, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501**

**OTHER INFORMATION:** Please bring your Club Banner and drop it off at the registration desk. You will pick it up in the dining area on Sunday. Used eyeglasses and Hearing Aides will be collected at the Convention. We ask that you please pack them separately in boxes for ease of handling. The Convention Committee will have designated drop-off spots for both items. Also, Please remember to enter your Club Brag Books and Club Newsletters for the annual 5M9 awards.



## 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention

January 6-8, 2012  
Shooting Star Casino



**Official Hospitality Book Order Form 5M-9 Mid-Winter Convention 2012 Mahnomen Shooting Star**  
EACH Lion, Lioness, and Leo must fill out this form completely and return it with a Check, made out to "5M-9 Mid-Winter Convention" for Registration or Individual Meal Ticket(s) Requests. **First-time attendees receive a \$10 discount.**

Please Print clearly:

Lion:      Lioness:      Leo:      1st Timer:      Non member:      (circle one)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Lion, Lioness or Leo Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase your Hospitality Book by December 10, 2011 and save money! \*\*

ITEM PRICE		QUANTITY		SUB-TOTAL
Hospitality Book	\$80.00 each	X	_____ =	\$ _____
Hospitality Book w/Honors Breakfast	\$85.00 each	X	_____ =	\$ _____

(Saturday Honors Breakfast, Saturday Luncheon, Governor's Banquet, Sunday Brunch)

\*\*Hospitality Books must be purchased by December 10, 2011 to receive above price.

ITEM PRICE		QUANTITY		SUB-TOTAL
Saturday Honors Breakfast	\$17.50 ea	X	_____ =	\$ _____
Saturday Breakfast	\$12.50ea	X	_____ =	\$ _____
Saturday Luncheon	\$25.00 ea	X	_____ =	\$ _____
Governor's Banquet	\$30.00ea	X	_____ =	\$ _____
Sunday Brunch	\$25.00ea	X	_____ =	\$ _____
TOTAL REMITTED			_____	\$ _____

If first-time attendee subtract \$10.

After December 10, 2011 Hospitality Book cost will be \$85.00----NO EXCEPTIONS!

HANDICAPPED SEATING NEEDED \_\_\_\_\_ SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS \_\_\_\_\_ (EXPLAIN ON BACK)

Please Mail Hospitality Book Order Form(s), with Check to: 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention  
Lion Jim or Carol Granger  
344 Elizabeth  
Detroit Lakes, MN 56501  
218 847-4783

Please make duplicate copies of this form for all your members.