



DG Bruce's Port of Calls & Club Visits

September

- 1st – St Fair-Work Lions Booth
- 4th – Deerwood Lakes Lions Waffle Breakfast, Deerwood, MN
- 4th – McGregor Lions Corn Feed, McGregor, MN
- 6th – Detroit Lakes-Mid-winter planning mtg
- 8th – Perham Lakes Club visit
- 11th – Family Day
- 12th – Deerwood Lakes Lions Club visit
- 22-24th – USA/Canada Forum, Anchorage, AK
- 26th – Wadena Lions Club visit

October

- 4-6th – Fishing Trip
- 8th – Hearing Foundation Meeting, St. Cloud, MN
- 10th – Cass Lake Lions Club visit
- 11th – Bay Lake Area Club visit
- 13th – Leader/Nimrod joint club visit
- 14-15th – Council of Governor's Meeting, Mahanomen, MN
- 17th – Aitkin & Aitkin Riverboat Lions Club visit

- 20th – Elizabeth, Riverside Fergus Falls & Fergus Falls Lions visit
- 23rd – 2nd Cabinet Meeting, Bluffton, MN
- 24th – Bluffton Lions Club visit
- 25th – Park Rapids Lions visit
- 26th – Garrison Lions Club visit
- 29th – Thanksgiving for Vision, Brooklyn Center, MN

November

- 3rd – Pelican Rapids Club visit
- 8th – Vergas Lions club visit
- 14th – Merrifield Lions club visit
- 21st – Battle Lake Lions club visit
- 24th – Thanksgiving
- 25th – Aitkin Lions Fish House Parade
- 28th – Ottertail Lions club visit

December

- 12th – Osage Lions club visit
- 15th – Callaway Lions club visit
- 24-25th – Christmas eve/Day

January 2012

- 6-8th – 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention
- 23rd – McGregor Lions club visit

February

- 9th – Parkers Prairie Club visit
- 13th – Nisswa Lions Club visit
- 24-28th Family time

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Catch Your Dream



Bruce Beck 5M9 District Governor

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Crow Wing County Fair Diabetes

Screening Serves 589

The diabetes screening at the 2011 Crow Wing County Fair went very well. We were able to screen 589 people. Thanks again to Tom Beaver and the Nisswa Lions for giving us the booth space. We were a very busy group of Lions doing both eye and diabetes testing.

One of the best parts of the Lions working at the Fair was the great co-operation from all of the clubs that worked there. Lion Tom and I talked about the set-up and how many people were going to booth. The Lions from all of the clubs helped both screening efforts and did a great job. We made a Great Team!

Diabetes Statistics:

Total screened	589
Just above normal non-fasting	
140/200 mg/dl	79
Above normal non-fasting high blood	
Sugars—advised to see their	
Doctors	33

We found 12 people with readings of 300 -350 mg/dl or greater and they were told to seek immediate medical help. Seven were known diabetics and five were unaware they had a problem including a 12 year old boy.

The thank you list is long, starting with Mike and Laura Schwartzwald, owners of the GuidePoint Pharmacy in Brainerd. They sent all of their Interns to work with us doing the testing for three days!! Central Lakes College Interns filled in almost all of the rest of the screening time including all evening shifts as well as Friday and Saturday. We had twenty two Interns from the college!! Each of the Interns must do at least five hours of public service before they can graduate. I'm already working with Guide-Point and the College for the 2012 Fair.

GuidePoint Pharmacy has been extremely generous with their help and has sold us all of our supplies at cost.

Garrison Lions Karen Raddatz, Cheryl Gearhart, Sue Zupfer and Elroy Raddatz helped keeping things moving as well as testing for diabetes and glaucoma on Saturday. We had Lions from the Baxter, Nisswa and Garrison Clubs that worked with us and helped make this a very successful week. Without the help from Central Lakes College and the GuidePoint Pharmacy and the medically trained Lions none of this would have been possible. The lesson here is that if we are to do an event of this size we have to reach outside of the Lions organization. We found this was true doing other large screenings in past years. Networking is a critical ingredient needed to make large screenings happen. Thanks again to all of the people that helped with making this event a great success.

Credit for the screenings is as follows:

8/2 Baxter Lions	110
8/3 Garrison Lions	187
8/4 Nisswa Lions	102
8/5 Nisswa Lions	120
8/6 Garrison Lions	70

Lion Jim Bergstrom,
Past District 5M9 diabetes Co-chair.



Lions Sue Zupfer and Cheryl Gerhardt



Catch'n the Lunker



I was out on the lake today fishing with a good friend. The sun was shining and it was 82 degrees. The conversation was excellent and there was a light breeze making for an absolutely gorgeous day. We both caught our limit of walleyes! What a day for the books!

The excitement of Lions is that great day for me, too. I am catching my dream. There's not much better than a great time with friends, my Lions family, working a booth at a festival, representing Lions in a parade, raising funds for remarkable causes to make life better for everyone. I hope you experience that excitement, too.

The following is taken from our International President Wing-Kun Tam. IP Tam states quite clearly his belief on how we ought to be treating our fellow club members. I happen to agree with IP Tam on this and so have included it in my article.

There is an old prescription for keeping a happy home: "Treat your guests like family and treat your family like guests." That may seem a bit impractical in daily life but I think it contains a central truth. It means that warm compassion and respectful courtesies are due in equal measure to those who are closest to us as well as to those we wish to know better.

I believe we can apply this lesson to the way we behave as Lions. Let us not forget that the members of our own club deserve the same compassion as those we hope to serve. They too, are our neighbors, members of our community and merit -- in a special way -- our service. They are our Lions family.

- Just as we would not ignore a request from a family in need, we should remain open and responsive to ideas and suggestions from all

members, new and old.

- Just as it would be rude to expect a visitor to our homes to know our family history and customs, we owe an effective orientation to those who join our clubs.
- Just as we wish to serve our guests the best possible food and drink, it is our task as Lion leaders to ensure that our members have the highest quality experience possible.

I have enjoyed travelling around and seeing some of the many projects & activities our clubs are working on. I am very impressed with the quality service & products the Lions of 5M9 are providing to their communities and Lions Programs. I am proud to be your Governor, and proud of the work you are doing! My Thanks to YOU for all you do.

**Catch ya on the water,
DG Bruce**

Annual Dues Update!!!

Individual Lion membership in District 5M9:

- International dues 2011 ---- \$41.00
- Multiple District 5M ----- \$ 5.55
- District 5M9 ----- \$ 6.50

Local Club dues----- \$?

Total (plus local club dues)-- \$53.05

Family membership

(2nd person in the household pays this)

- International dues 2011 --- \$20.50
- Multiple District 5M ----- \$ 5.55
- District 5M9 ----- \$ 6.50

Local Club dues----- \$?

Total (Plus local club dues)--- \$32.55

DG Bruce & First Lady Erin, Parkers Prairie Fall Festival, August 7. Their 1st Parade!



Lions Birdie Walth, Stel Waby, DG Bruce, Diane Goike



We just came home yesterday from our visit to Leader Dog. We flew into Detroit airport, were met by other Lions and then on to the hotel in Rochester, Michigan. We started out early Saturday morning with a bus ride to Leader Dog headquarters (only a short distance from where we were staying). We enjoyed meeting some of the staff and many of the puppies that were there.

First, we toured the entire facility and then were bused uptown to observe the clients walking with their leader dogs. Wow, it's so amazing how fast and how well both the leader dog and client did together even though they had only been partners for five days. Both PDG Peter and I walked blind folded with Dillon the Leader Dog. I was pleasantly surprised how much easier it was this time as compared to the other time we were there when Lion Peter was Dist. Governor. We were told that Districts that don't support Leader Dog are not invited to come to headquarters like our District is. We visited with a Vice District Governor from Florida who told us that they had only known about Leader Dog the last couple of years.

We visited with Lion Len Quinn and Lion Bunny Tabatt along with several other visually impaired Lions. It is so amazing how the Leader Dog has changed people's lives. It's all because of Lions. Everyone should feel so proud of what we can do together. The clients are very thankful to all of the Lions. They just can't say enough good things about us. If you ever get a chance to go to Rochester Michigan, don't pass it up. Take those few extra hours and miles to do a great favor for yourselves and your club by stopping in to tour the facility. You won't get to walk blindfolded with a Leader Dog but you will certainly see the wonderful things that our donations make possible. Of course, we looked up many bricks too while we had a few minutes of down time.

Our first round of Zone meetings will be over

Stitching Together the News of 5M9

1st Vice District Governor

Margaret Van Erp



with when you receive this newsletter but I certainly hope that each club made a special effort to get at least two of your members to your zone meetings. Our zone chairs work hard each year to help keep all of our clubs informed as to what is going on in our District and one way to be informed is to attend these zone meetings. Please give our project chairs a call and invite them to your club meetings so they can give a program to all of your members. You may know about the project, but do all of your members know??? Also, many times there are changes in these projects that, unless we have the project chair come and tell us about them, we never find out. This is a way for our clubs to keep our members, keep them informed and updated on our projects. Let them know where the money that your club works so hard to make, then donates is going and what that money is doing for others.

Secretaries, I'm still here to help any one of you. If you have any questions please give me a call and I will gladly assist you. Keep up the great job of getting those MA (monthly 5M9 activity reports), MMR (monthly membership reports) and your International Activity reports in. All of these reports are due on the last day of each month but you can do them on the 20th or 25th of the month. You don't have to wait until the last day.

Until we meet next month let's keep our members informed of what is happening in our District.



BLUFFTON LADIES LUNCHEON

Held on July 17th was a success!!!

A delicious meal was served along with some very beautiful music played in the background by musician/Lion Len Kalakian. The Guest Speaker was Traci Nichols, Eye Tissue

Recovery Technician, from the Eye Bank.

A silent auction was held along with door prizes.

Donations were sent directly to the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation.

LEFT: 3 of the more illustrious wait staff were
2nd VDG Don Hendrickx, DG Bruce Beck, &
PDG/Co-Chair MN Lions Vision Foundation, Peter Van Erp

First, my wife, Pat, and I would like to announce the birth of our 7th grandchild, Paxton Charles. Paxton was born on July 31st, weighing 6 lbs-10 ozs., to our son Matt and his wife Monique. He joins his sister Payge, 4 yrs. and his brother Parker, 2 yrs in October.

Now to Lions business. Our International President, Wing-Kun Tam's theme is "I BELIEVE". Thinking about this I decided to list the things I Believe about Lions. I was surprised how easily the list came together and how many more that could be listed.

I BELIEVE –

- in the motto WE SERVE.
- that we need to retain and keep new members.
- that we are a better person because of Lions.
- that your club should always have **FUN** at your meetings.
- that everyone in the club needs to help to keep the club moving forward.
- that we need to award members for their great work in Lions.
- that all the above statements are true!

Why not make your own list of beliefs and hopefully you will be able to see how Lions has made a positive impact on your life.

Can you believe the registration forms for the 2012 Midwinter convention are out? You really need to start making your plans to attend this



"WATTS" NEW
in 5M9
2nd Vice District
Governor
Donald Hendrickx



gathering of some of the nicest people you will ever meet and learn or refresh your knowledge of Lions. The co-host clubs of Detroit Lakes and Vergas have been busy making this another convention to remember. The dates are Jan. 6 – 8, 2012.

Here's hoping that you enjoy what is left of our summer and I look forward to meeting you at Zone meetings and other club functions.

Dutch Proverb of the Month – They're fishing behind the net.

(English translation – They missed their chance. Pas goed op jezelf!
2nd VDG - Don



GET STUCK ON PIN TRADING

INFORMATION ON 5M PIN TRADERS & UPCOMING 5M PIN TRADERS SWAP

The 5M Pin Traders Club is made up of Lions (who just happen to LOVE Lions pins) from all over our Multiple of 5M as well as Lions from all over the United States.

The cost of membership is \$20 for 2 years. When you join for the 2 years, you will receive a bag of 20 pins.

We have a yearly meeting which is always held at the Multiple Convention. Our MN Pin Swap is being held on Saturday, September 10, 2011, at the Becker Community Center in Becker, MN from 8 AM - 4 PM. If you would like more information about the swap, please contact Lion Jim Hazeltine at 320-743-4126 or email at:

jm3hz@frontiernet.net He is the current 5M Pin Traders Club Treasurer and can also give you more information on membership.

If your club has never had a club pin or it has been many years since your last pin, please feel free to contact me and I can answer some questions about getting a pin.

We are LIONS first, Pin Traders second!!! Have FUN!!!

Lion Bill Guthrie

President of 5M Pin Traders Club / Member of Coon Rapids Lions Club

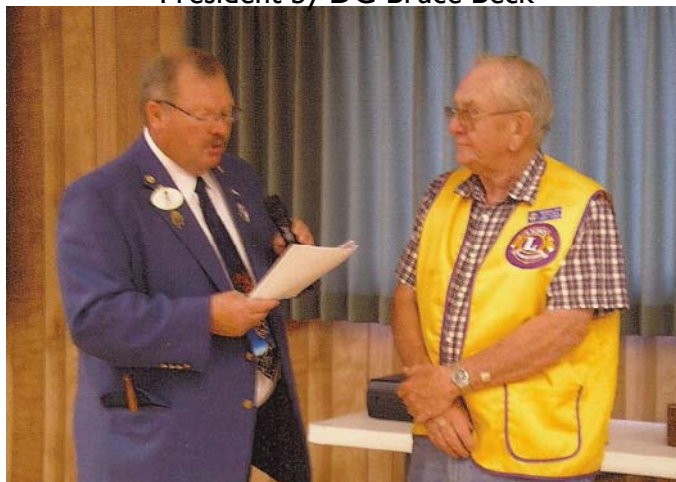
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ABOVE
Evelyn Turner is inducted as a new Lion in the McGregor Lions Club while sponsors, Ken and Pat Boyd look on.

BELOW
McGregor Lion Larry Turner is installed as President by DG Bruce Beck



MCGREGOR LIONS INSTALL OFFICERS AND INDUCT NEW MEMBER

DG Bruce Beck's first official duty was the installation of officers and the induction of Evelyn Turner into the McGregor Lions Club. Lion Evelyn's husband, Lion Larry Turner, was installed as the new President and Lion Scott Turner, their son, was installed as 1st Vice President.

It was very fitting that DG Bruce's first official duty would be with the McGregor Lions as they sponsored the Palisade Lions Club, of which DG Bruce is a member, in 1989.

The Website and Technology team has two main tasks. The first is to maintain and update www.lionsof5m9.org the district website. The second task is to stay abreast of the ever changing technologies presented to Lions. Lion Jim Johansen jkjohansen55@gmail.com and Lion Carol Thaumert cethaumert@gmail.com make up the team.

www.lionsof5m9.org is loaded with valuable information for every Lion, Lioness and Leo in District 5M-9. You can easily find contact information for Governor Bruce Beck's Cabinet as well as contact information for each club. The calendar is home to many events and happenings in 5M-9. If you have an event, please send your event poster to Lion Jim or Lion Carol so it can be posted on the website.

Need a refresher in the LCI history or the code of ethics? It's on the website. Want to learn more about one of the projects that was presented at your club meeting? There are convenient links to all the projects on the website. There are 2 years of the 5M-9 newsletter archived on the website and even a place to subscribe to the newsletter. You can find Mid-Winter convention applications as well as a variety of award applications all on-line. The information on www.lionsof5m9.org is plentiful. We invite you to surf your website and take it all in.

We are continuously learning with the Technology portion of our appointed positions. The first challenge this year has been learning, training and answering questions regarding the 2011-2012 MD5M CD Directory. We believe this CD is a powerful tool. With some training, practice and patience, the membership of 5M-9 will grow to appreciate the CD and the work Lion Steve has put into it. Please watch the tutorial's and experiment with the CD.

Does your club want a website but doesn't know where to start? Check out [LCI e-clubhouse](http://www.lionsof5m9.org). This is a free and easy way to create a website for your club. If you are hesitant to take that step, please call or email Lion Carol for assistance to get it going.

Feel free to contact either Lion Carol or Lion Jim with any concerns regarding the website or technology and how they can interface with you as a Lion, Lioness or Leo.

"Children Know Peace" is the theme of the 2011-2012 **Peace Poster Contest**. Lions clubs can sponsor the program in their community for children in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups.

Ordering Peace Poster Contest Kits

Lions clubs interested in sponsoring the Lions International Peace Poster Contest can order a Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. The cost of the kit is US\$9.95 plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. The kit is available in all 11 of our official languages. Lions clubs must purchase a kit for each contest sponsored.

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

You can order kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters from January 15 to October 1. To order a kit, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only). To order online, go to Club Supplies (Item Search: Peace Poster Kit).

Please review contest rules and order kits as soon as possible to guarantee sufficient time for a well-planned contest. For orders within the United States, please allow 3-4 weeks for delivery. Additional delivery time is needed for orders outside the United States.

For more information contact Bert Nelson at 218-298-0599

or email at bertpamnelson@gmail.com

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The next Senior Lions Leadership Institute for USA, Affiliates, Bermuda and The Bahamas and Canada will be offered in Oak Brook, Illinois, USA on November 17-20, 2011. We seek your assistance to help recruit qualified Lion participants for the institute. It is a valuable opportunity to build on skills that enhance the leadership qualities at the zone, region and district levels.

The institute in Oak Brook is designated as a Senior Lions Leadership Institute and is targeted to Lions who have completed a successful term as club president, but have not yet attained the position of first vice district governor. Lions who are region and zone chairpersons, as well as second vice district governors are encouraged to apply to this institute. Candidates do not have to hold a position currently (for details, see the enclosed application materials).

Lions Clubs International will pay for meals and lodging in strict accordance with the schedule of the institute. Additionally, LCI will make appropriate hotel reservations for each participant on a twin-share basis. Participants are responsible for all travel expenses to and from the designated venue inclusive to all relevant ground transportation charges.

The application packet is available on the web site. <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/leadership-development/development-programs/senior-lions-leadership-institutes/index.php>

OR CONTACT GLT COORDINATOR PDG JIM ARVIDSON

We will be accepting one hundred (100) Lions total for four English speaking classrooms. Completed forms must be returned by: September 7, 2011

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATIONS TO: Institutes & Seminars

Lions Clubs International

Fax: 630.706.9010

E-mail: institutes@lionsclubs.org

To ensure timely receipt of your applications, please submit by e-mail or fax.

Save the Date!

Minnesota State Academy for the Blind Announces the celebration of White Cane Safety Awareness Day

What: Proclamation, White Cane Walk, Picnic Lunch,
and MSAB Campus Tours!

When: Friday, October 14th, 2011 9:30am - 1:30pm

Where: Minnesota State Academy for the Blind Campus
400 SE 6th Avenue,
Faribault, MN 55021

The cost of the event will be approximately \$18 per participant and we need monetary funds in order to make this day a success! Would your club be willing to donate monies to help with the costs involved? (We will have an estimate of total costs as registrations are received.) If yes, please contact MSAB Foundation President, Rolland Baldwin at info@msabfoundation.org.

Go to <http://www.msab.state.mn.us/index.aspx> for on-line registration.

Hope to see you there!

If you have questions, call or email Kristin Oien #651-582-8843 kristin.oien@state.mn.us

White cane equals independence



Walking the Pathway of Service



2011 Mini-Forum

October 2, 2011

1PM – 3PM

Vergas Community Center

Vergas, Minnesota

Luncheon after the program

Please come to celebrate the accomplishments of the Lions of 5M9 !

Please RSVP- IPDG Linda Albrecht-Norby by Sept. 25

ljnorbs@eot.com

218-342-3243

Planting a Million Trees – Do You Believe it Can Be Done?

An important part of our extension of service this year is caring for our environment. Our goal this year is to plant a million trees around the world. That's less than one tree for each member. If we can accomplish this goal, it proves once again that we can accomplish anything – just like we did when we exceeded our goal for Campaign Sight First II. Just like we did when we prevented over 1 million cases of river blindness. And just like we are going to do by helping eradicate measles.

Why trees? It's no secret that trees help the environment, but you may be surprised by all the benefits that planting a tree can provide. Trees are like the lungs of the planet. They breathe in carbon dioxide and breathe out oxygen. They also reduce erosion to save soil, help preserve local water sources, and provide habitat for wildlife living under more and more stress. Simply put, planting trees in your neighborhood really is one of the best things you can do for the local environment.

Any of us can plant a tree. It's a very visible and hands-on way for each and every Lion to make a difference. It's also a great project to invite your community at-large to join your local Lions club in a collaborative effort. If we can plant a million trees, it will reinforce the limitless potential we all know we have to make a difference as

Lions.

So make tree-planting part of your club or district activities this year, and invite your neighbors, friends and members of the community to join you. What better way to be reminded of our gift of service than to watch the trees you have planted grow year-by-year? Every month throughout the year, we will report the number of trees being planted on this Web site.

This year, special **awards** to recognize the outstanding achievements of clubs and districts involved in tree planting projects will be distributed. Also, several **resources** are available to help us reach our goal of planting one million trees. I believe that this year we will mobilize Lions around the world to reach this goal and truly make an impact on our environment.

Wing-Kun Tam
2011-2012 International
President



LIONS



PUBLIC RELATIONS STRATEGIES

PR TIP OF THE MONTH

This tip may seem simplistic, but for all articles and advertisements, remember to include and confirm the accuracy of:

- Who – usually the sponsor, your Lions Club
- What – event name or occasion
- Where – location of the event or occasion
- When – date and time
- Why – examples - to raise funds for,
to recognize achievements of, etc.
- Contact info, if needed



ABOVE
Aitkin Lioness Pam Brand
And Lion Dave Petry

AITKIN RIVERBOAT DAYS PARADE

BELOW
McGregor Lion Shirley Scollard
(on float) and Lion Gerry Feucht
(walking)



↑ 1st VDG Margaret & PDG Peter VanErp
Selling Hospice House raffle tickets at
Parkers Prairie Harvest Festival

PALISADE LIONS

Held a Lions Strides 5K walk for
Diabetes during **Riverfest Weekend**
In Palisade.

BELOW



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.

Multiple District (MD) MD5M is made up of Minnesota, Manitoba & NW Ontario. Our Council Chair (CC) for 2011-2012 is Mike Molenda. He was the District Governor for District 5M6 last year. Assisting CC Mike is our Executive Secretary, Bob Harms. Lion Bob does all the secretarial work for the Multiple and is the only paid position in our Lions Multiple. His job entails many long hours of paperwork, planning sessions and pulling the Council of Governors meeting together. The Council of Governors meet 4 times a year—end of July, middle of October, middle of March and end of April at the MD5M Multiple Convention.

An International Director is one of 34 that are elected at the International Convention to sit on a board to guide Lions Clubs International all over the world. Our very own 5M Lion, Brian Sheehan from the Bird Island Lions club was elected this year as one of our International Directors! The International Director holds a 2 year term. These Directors are guests at our Mid Winter Conventions. This year our visiting International Director is still unknown. Our Multiple currently has 7 Past International Directors (PID)s.

Serving on this International Board is the International President (IP) Wing-Kun Tam from China for 2011-2012. He travels all over the world promoting Lions Clubs International. Lions Clubs International Headquarters is in Oak Brook IL. The headquarters houses many people who keep LCI running smoothly and efficiently. This is also the home of your Lions website and the supply store where you acquire all of the materials needed to keep your club up to date and active.

Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation

As most everyone knows by now the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank has changed its name to the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation**. This was done to encompass everything that the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation is all about. It is no longer just the Eye Bank.

- a. 1960-Minnesota Lions Eye Bank
- b. 1969- Minnesota Lions Children's Eye Clinic
- c. 1993- The Lions Research Building
- d. 1998-Minnesota Lions Macular Degeneration Research and Rehabilitation Center
- e. 2010- Minnesota Lions Fund to Prevent Blindness in Infants and Children

It is now the time to think about the donations that your club makes each year to the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation so that your club gets your club name up on the brag board at the Mid-Winter Convention. Please send your donations in by December 15th so that we have time to process it.

The Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation only has one checking account so make your checks payable to "**Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation**". If you wish to direct it to the Children's Fund or the Children's Eye Clinic just write that in the memo line on your check.

On **Saturday October 29, 2011** the corneal recipients and special guests will observe **Thanksgiving for Vision** at the Earl Brown Heritage Center in Brooklyn Center. All club Presidents and new Helen Keller recipients are invited to attend this event. Club presidents, please get this date on your calendar and try to attend. If you can't attend please give your invitation to someone in your club who could attend and bring back the information to you and your club.

Lion Carolyn Hegland and I would be happy to answer any questions you might have and we would gladly come to your clubs to give your club members a program about the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation. Co-Chairs for Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation for 5M9

PDG Lion Peter Van Erp at 218-385-3446 or petemarg@arvig.net

Lion Carolyn Hegland at 218-751-5123 or kayo2@paulbunyan.net

ZONE 7 Closest Thing to Heaven

September Calendar of Events

- Sept 1 - Vergas Lions Cash Calendar drawing. \$50.00 Daily winners, \$100.00 weekend winners.
- Sept 1 - Perham Lions Meeting @ Mulligans Restaurant 6:30 PM
- Sept 8 - Perham Lakes Lions Meeting @ Mrs. B'S Restaurant 6:30 PM
- Sept 12 - Cormorant Lions Meeting @ Cormorant Community Center 6:00 PM
- Sept 13 - Vergas Lions Meeting @ Vergas Community Center 7:00 PM
- Sept 15 - Callaway Lions Ditch Clean-up
- Sept 15 - Callaway Lions Meeting @ Callaway Community Center 7:30 PM
- Sept 20 - Detroit Lakes Lions Meeting @ Speak Easy Restaurant 7:00 PM
- Sept 21 - Frazee Lions Meeting @ Frazee Lions Park 6:30 PM
- Sept 26 - Lake Park Lions Meeting @ Legion Club 6:30 PM
- Sept 27 - Frazee Lions Blood Drive @ Frazee Event Center 12:00 - 6:00 PM Call Deb @ (218)334-2251 for an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.
- Sept 30 - Cormorant Hunters Stag @ Cormorant Community Center Call Bruce Zellor (218) 849-7778 for tickets or information

Cass Lake Lions Club experiences first-hand the need for ALERT program.

The Cass Lake Lions Club was contacted regarding providing lunch materials for the recovery team searching for the second victim of a drowning accident which occurred on Cass Lake. They were able to provide the necessary food for sandwiches until the recovery was made. They also provided extra chairs for the many members of law enforcement involved. The agencies involved included: Cass County Sheriff's office, Cass County Boat and Water; Cass County GIS, Central Lakes Search and Rescue; Lakes Area Dive Team, Beltrami County Sheriff's office, Beltrami County Emergency Management, Beltrami County Boat and Water, Leech Lake Tribal Police, Leech Lake Tribal Conservation; Minnesota DNR, Department of Homeland Security Border Patrol, Pike Bay Police, and Minnesota Highway Patrol helicopter.



Vergas Lions (above) enjoy some Bingo with community during Looney Days. Lion Mike DuFrame (right) sells calendar raffle tickets on main street during Looney Days.



GARRISON

Gang worked very hard putting together and serving a great meal at their Roast Pork Supper Fundraiser!



**DEERWOOD
SUMMERFEST
August 13th
Diabetes Testing
Fresh Fruit
White Cane Day Stickers**

L to R:
Lion Linda Dooyema, Intern
LaVonne, Intern Jodi,
& PDG Carroll Kukowski

AAAGGGGHHHH!!!
DG Bruce gets tested for Diabetes
by Intern LaVonne
Are those TEARS?



**Cuyuna Range Lions fed the masses with grilled turkey legs,
steak sandwiches, and brats!**



Front: Lions Diane Boike, Birdie Walth
& Stel Waby
Back: Lions, Mark Boike, Ed Anderson, Jim Walth,
Mike Shermock, and Bruce Grivna

Lions Bruce Grivna, Ed Anderson, and Jim
Walth manning the grills!



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.

(Registration Form on pg 14)

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Watch for articles on the following topics!

- Mid-Winter Convention
- Diabetes Foundation
- Zone 2

COMING SOON

Catch Your Dream 5M9 Newsletter



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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.

Governor's Visit Request Form

Club Name _____

Club Meeting Location _____

Dates for Club visit in order of preference: 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____

Time Club meeting begins _____ am or pm

Do you have a Board of Directors meeting? Yes _____ No _____

Would you like the Governor to attend your Board of Directors meeting? Yes _____ No _____

Will you have a meal? Yes _____ No _____

Are there other Lions, Lioness, or Leo clubs involved for the Governors visit? Yes _____ No _____

Please list the other clubs _____

Lion, Lioness, or Leo requesting the Governors visit _____

Club contact Telephone# _____ email address _____

Will the Governor be expected to install officers? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please send an additional letter stating the names of the new inductees. If inducting new members, please have the LCI New Member Kit with Pin and signed Certificate.

Will the Governor be expected to give out awards to club members? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please send an additional letter stating the awards and the names of those receiving the awards. (Please have awards, certificates, pins, or changes in installation or inductee ceremony available when we arrive for the Governors visit.)

Please return this Governors request ASAP, preferably before Oct. 15th so I can schedule club visits. I will correspond with your club as to which date works well for me. Remember, the earlier I get your request form, the easier it will be for me to fulfill your first request. Erin and I are looking forward to your club meeting and are anxious to meet new Lions, Lioness, Leos, and guests.

Please mail forms to District Governor, Bruce Beck, PO Box 74, Palisade, MN 56469 or e-mail them to me at subdriver660@gmail.com My telephone number is: 218-845-2204.

You can count on us arriving early to familiarize ourselves with your meeting room and organize club meeting requests.

Sincerely,

District Governor Bruce Beck

Lions Clubs

Application for 100% Secretary's Award for 5M9 2012

In order to receive the 100% Secretary's Award, each Club Secretary who has qualified must fill out the form and have it approved and signed by the Club President and one of the proper District Officers. The completed form must be mailed to the District Governor by June 1.

(Club Name)

(Date)

(Secretary's Name)

(Secretary's Address)

To Qualify, nine (9) of the following eleven (11) must be fulfilled

- ___ 1) Must have submitted all Membership (MMR) and Activity (MA) reports by the last day of the month.
- ___ 2) All dues to the District and Lions International paid by March 31, with no unpaid balance of over \$50.00 owed to the International Office.
- ___ 3) Had attended at least two (2) of the three (3) Zone meetings or had a designated substitute attending.
- ___ 4) Had attended one (1) of the following:
 - ___ A. The 5M9 Midwinter Convention
 - ___ B. the MD5M Multiple Convention
 - ___ C. Lions International Convention
 - ___ D. 5M9 Mini-Forum
- ___ 5) Must have had your club elections and your PU101 filed and sent to the 1st VDG before April 15th.
- ___ 6) Sponsored a new Lions member into your club.
- ___ 7) Attended the College of Leadership.
- ___ 8) Have kept accurate minutes of all Club Meetings and Board of Directors Meetings.
- ___ 10) Prepare this form, sign it, have it signed by the Club President and proper District Officer who is to mail it to the District Governor by June 1st, 2012
- ___ 11) Ensure that your Club had a proper Installation of the New Club Officers in the club and recorded on the 5M9 MA report.

Signed by Club Secretary

Approved and Signed by Club President

Signed by Zone Chair or Vice District Governor