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Leading Lions To A Healthier Future



Linda Albrecht-Norby
5M9 District Governor



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Mustang raffle raises \$99,000 to benefit Veterans

Hewitt resident wins 2011 Ford Mustang Convertible

Project New Hope recently hosted a raffle for a chance to win a 2011 Ford Mustang convertible from Mills Ford at the Tee It Up for the Troops Golf Tournament banquet at The Pines on August 26th. The \$99,000 raised from the raffle will benefit area veterans through Project New Hope.

Following wartime service, many veterans and their families have a tough time making the transition back to the lives they led before the war. Spikes are seen in divorce, substance abuse, job loss, home loss, physical abuse, and suicide. Two out of three veterans that require some-

form of help are not getting or seeking it.

Project New Hope was founded by Lions member Bruce Billington. This program is designed to help provide veterans and their families get the education, training, and skills necessary to manage their lives after wartime service with the



Luke McManigle and Jacky McKane are all smiles after winning the Ford Mustang.

help from the Department of Veteran Affairs.

This much needed funding will play a major role in aiding this program. Go to <http://media.ford.com> for news releases and high-resolution photographs.

“This was a really great opportunity to support our veterans and Project New Hope,” said Brian Kopek of Mills Ford. “At Mills Ford, we are happy to be a part of this fundraiser and are pleased to show our support.”

“We were thrilled with the participation in the Mustang raffle event, it helped us take a big step towards furthering the outreach of Project New Hope,” said Jim Arvidson, Past District Governor of the Lions District 5M9. “Area veterans will be greatly benefitted from the funds raised.”

Luke McManigle of Hewitt, Minnesota was the lucky raffle winner of the 2010 Mustang convertible. Governor Linda Norby presented the vehicle to McManigle and his family along with Lions and Mills Auto representatives.



The Very Happy Winner was Luke McManigle of Hewitt, Minnesota. Luke and Jacky McKane (seated in the car with family) have a wonderful young family that includes 3 girls, Abbie, Andrea, and Avoire. At age 3, Abbie was diagnosed with Junior Rheumatoid Arthritis. Winning the Mustang was a welcome surprise in the McManigle household!

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Heartbeat of 5M9



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5M9 District Governor

As we drive down the roads in our communities, we are beginning to see the colors of the fall season. The yellow and orange are like a sunset preparing us for a time of rest. As Lions, we don't rest, we simply adjust our lifestyles and shift gears to a different time of year.

Many of our club members become snowbirds and prepare to travel south for the winter months. This then leaves our local clubs a bit short handed for membership to help with projects. This is the perfect time to hold membership drives and a time to invite people from your community to a Lions meeting. This year let's continue to introduce new members to the Lions Organization and have our District of 5M9 grow with a positive net growth through out the year. This is a job for every Lion in 5M9. Our communities are growing and each year, new neighbors enter and are looking for something to help the community they live in. Get the word out about what your Lions Club does in your hometown. Make your Lions club the talk of the town you live in!

The days are getting shorter and so is the count down to the 2011 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention. **I invite all of you to attend the 2011 Mid-Winter Convention!** The theme this year is: **Explore The Lore, When Lions Roar** and will be hosted by the Crosslake Ideal and Whitefish Area Lions Clubs. The Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway will lead us to a Mid-Winter Convention that will be filled with many new ideas, hospitality rooms galore, interesting seminars and a cost that will make it affordable for all. I encourage everyone to go to the website of 5M9 or the Whitefish Area Lions and check out the prices for the hospitality books.

First Timers your books will only be \$65.00. This will be the perfect year to check out your first Mid-Winter Convention. Meet other Lions from all over District 5M9, the Multiple District and beyond. Join in the fun and get involved with the First Timer Signature contest. What better way to meet Lion members. You may even be one of the top collectors of signatures and win a free stay at next years convention, plus two other prizes. Attend the First Timers meeting after the Service of Remembrance to find out all the details of the contest. After all, we are Lions and we like to have FUN!

The Club Hospitality Rooms are an added addition to this year's convention. This contest involves the clubs and all the Lions to have fun and mix with everyone. The hospitality room contest is based on Theme, Costumes and Decorations in the room. The clubs are encouraged to have a game of some type and a prize to be drawn at the end of the convention on Sunday morning.

Let's make this year's convention the biggest one ever! **See you at Breezy Point Resort** in January!

Don't forget about The MD5M Leadership Institute that will be held this year on April 7,8,9 & 10, 2011. The cost is \$150.00 and after completion of the course you will be reimbursed \$100.00. It will be held in Mahanomen at Shooting Star Convention Center and the room cost is your expense. If you would like to share a room and save a little, please let me know. There will be many group sessions and a leadership staff that is out of this world with knowledge for each and everyone of you. Applications are on the website and in the newsletter and must be in the Governor's hands no later than December 1, 2010, along with your \$150.00 check. We have openings for 6 individuals and in the event the other Districts don't fill their spots, other openings will be available. It is truly a learning experience you will never forget! First come first serve! So send your applications in quickly. 5M9 has always had a great representation at the Institute.

Health alert! Flu season is upon us, so don't forget to get your flu shots!

Walking The Pathway of Service

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“Walking the path”

October

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4 Nimrod & Leader Lions visit
5 Menahga Gateway Lions visit
7 DG Linda MD5M Mtg - St. Cloud
9 MN Lions EyeBank tours
Diabetes Expo 9-3, Mpls Conv Center
10 5M9 Mini Forum - Parkers Prairie
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12 Park Rapids Lions visit
13 Garrison Lions visit
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25 Bluffton Lions visit
25 Zone 1 mtg, Camp Vanasek, Baxter
28 Zone 5 mtg
30 Thanksgiving For Vision

November

4 Pelican Rapids Lions visit
8 Deerwood Lions visit
9 Vergas Lions visit
11 Parkers Prairie Lions visit
16 Zone 3 & 4 mtg
23 Laporte/Benedict Lions visit

December

5 Hewitt Lions visit
8 Walker Lions visit
13 Osage Lions visit
18 Callaway Lions visit

January 2011

7-9 5M5 MWC Brooklyn Park
7-9 5M6 MWC Bloomington
12 New York Mills Lions visit
14-16 5M9 Mid-Winter Conv - Breezy Point Resort
14-16 5M7 MWC Bloomington
19 Deer Creek Lions visit
21-23 5M1 MWC Austin
24 McGregor Lions visit
28-30 5M4 MWC Willmar

February

3 Perham Lions visit
4-6 5M5 MWC St. Cloud
4-6 5M10 MWC
11-13 5M2 MWC Mankato
18-20 5M13 MWC Swan River
18-20 5M3 MWC Redwood Falls



“Catch’n the Lunker”

1st Vice District Governor

Bruce Beck



Catch’n the Lunker

Fall is my favorite season of the year! The colors on the trees are fantastic -harvest is in full swing, cool nights with bonfires and hot chocolate, wearing sweatshirts, hunters out chasing their quarry, and “The Bite” is on for fishing. All of nature is ramping up for the winter months ahead. As Lions, we should be doing the same in our clubs and communities.

October is a busy month on the LCI calendar. It is officially designated as Lion-Lioness-Leo Membership Month. We next have Lions World Sight Day on the 7th & 8th, and International White Cane Safety Day on the 15th. I hope your club is doing an activity to promote these programs. How about going door-to-door to collect eyeglasses, selling white cane stickers at one of your fundraisers, or doing any other vision related project?

As District Membership Chair, I need to highlight LCI’s Membership month. Summer is officially behind us and we have completed some of our club’s bigger service projects and fundraisers. It’s time to work on Membership. We have cast out our bait all summer at our parades, booths, kitchens, and activities. Now it’s time to reel in the new members from our efforts. They have seen and heard about the great Lions activities in the community and want to know more. You have to ASK people if they would like to be a Lion. Many people want too, but simply have never been asked.

What has your Membership Chair got planned for your club? An open house, a social night focusing on inviting potential new members, a potluck or picnic where you bring a friend? Last year, 5M9 lead the way on gaining new members. Let’s keep the momentum going. If your club has no organized membership night, invite new guests to a club meeting. I read all the M&A reports and new members are being added one and two at a time - excellent. Be the one who asks others to join your club. It will make a positive change in your club and community!

Here are some great upcoming Lions Fishing ideas:

- Please consider attending the Lions Leadership Institute in April. It is a fantastic program that will inspire and make you proud to be a Lion. Applications have to be in to DG Linda by December.
- Get your entire club to attend a Zone meeting and take home the traveling trophy.
- Promote and plan on attending the Mid-Winter Convention at Breezy Point in January. BE part of the FUN at our Mid-Winter Convention. Start making plans now for your club to sponsor the most fun, most outrageous Hospitality Room.
- Bring a group to the Lions Mini-Forum in Parkers Prairie on the 10th, or
- Attend the Thanksgiving for Vision event on the 30th.

We have so much we can do, let’s get a pontoon and do it together!

See ya “on the water,”
1st VDG Lion Bruce

Stitching together the news of 5M9

**2nd Vice District Governor
Margaret Van Erp**



It's hard to believe that by the time you read this article it will be October already. School has started which brings football games and volleyball games for us to attend. We also have Zone meetings to attend. So hopefully all of you have taken the time to attend at least your own zone meeting. The zone meetings are a great time to catch up with the Lions you have known for a long time and a time to meet new Lions and share ideas with them. One important thing to remember is when you meet a new Lion be sure to listen to their ideas. All of us need to get some new ideas in our clubs. If you don't keep getting new ideas soon your club will be old and in a rut. That's one reason why some of our Lions leave a club and go on to some other community service organization. I know change is hard but the only thing that stays the same is constant change.

Last Saturday 1st VDG Lion Bruce had training for tail twisting at the Bluffton Community Center. Everyone who DIDN'T come missed a super training!!!! We started at 9 a.m. and had a short break twice and ended at 12 noon. WOW. It was a GREAT day. Lion Larry Spent said, "I didn't think there was enough things about tail twisting that we could go from 9 am until noon, but wow we did and the time went very fast." It was very informative and interesting. So when your tail twister comes back to your club and starts to tail twist—you better listen—as they got the real job description from one of the Top Tail twister in the District. The tail twister is an elected position and should get the respect that any other elected position gets.

We will soon be attending the USA/Canada Forum. I wish every Lion in our District could attend this very interesting and informative forum. It's the best training sessions one can attend. If you aren't going this year think about next year. It will be in Alaska. You could make a



Bluffton Lions Club President, Lion Gary Wegscheid presented Lion Virginia Dahlstrom, Superintendent of the Wadena Deer Creek School, a \$1000.00 check for the WDC Library Fund.

'Boots for Kids'

Dear Lions of 5M9,

The dust has settled from the tornadoes that did so much damage on June 17, 2010. We can be grateful that no human lives were lost and material things can be replaced.

With the loss of many of these material things are clothing, shoes, boots, socks and underwear. The Lions of 5M9 are conducting a "Boots for Kids" clothing drive. We are asking for new items such as clothing, coats, socks, underwear, shoes and boots for children ages 2-17.

What better way to start a new community service project, by collecting these items for the kids who so desperately need them now. With winter just around the corner, the time is now to help them out. The donations will be given to families that did not have insurance to cover these losses.

Appoint a collection chair, the deadline is October 31, 2010. The Zone chairs will then let you know where to bring these items, so that they can be distributed to the kids.

I know the Lions of 5M9 have big hearts and will step in to get items for the kids.

Thank you Lions of 5M9 for helping with this project!

We all are walking the Pathway of Service and helping those in need.

DG Linda Albrecht-Norby

nice vacation along with very good training at the same time.

Remember to attend the Mini Forum that will be on October 10th at the Parkers Prairie Event Center. This is the time when IPDG Jim Arvidson will do the wrap up of his year as Governor. The afternoon will start at 1 p.m. Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun and good fellowship.

PDG Peter and I along with Lion Carolyn Hegland worked the late shift at the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank Booth in the Education building down at the State Fair. It is always an interesting day, giving sunglasses to children five and younger, informing people where they can take their used glasses, along with handing out ear plugs and information about hearing to many people, young and old.

Peter and I attended the corn feed at McGregor and then had ice cream from the Palisade booth. The sweet corn and the ice cream were both delicious. Have you attended one of your neighboring clubs activities or fund raisers yet this year?? Remember how your club likes to see your neighboring Lions come and help your club with your fund raiser? Return the favor and go and enjoy their fund raisers also. Alone we can't do much but together we can accomplish a lot. So let's stitch together and help each other in our fund raising activities.

Have you contacted any youth this month for any projects????? Time to rake some leaves, wash windows, clean the garage out, help serve your zone meeting meal, or your Governors meal—our youth would help with anyone of these projects, you just need to ask.

Remember to start thinking about giving to the 11 projects that our District supports!!!! They are as follows: 1. LCIF, 2. Youth Outreach, 3. Hearing Foundation, 4. Minnesota Eye Bank, 5. Project New Hope, 6. Leader Dog, 7. Can-Do-Canines, 8. Diabetes, 9. Youth Exchange, 10. LEHP, 11. Kamp KACE. All of the addresses of where to send your checks are in the Blue Directory that your President or Secretary has.

2nd VDG Lion Margaret

5M9 Mini – Forum

Prairie Event Center, Parkers Prairie
Sunday, October 10 • 1:00 pm

Featured Speaker will be

“Megan Bening”

This Young Lady, Blind since Birth, will give a very entertaining Speech.

“It’s All About Me

I’m Just a Typical Teenager”

Be There -It will be a “GREAT DAY!!”

Bluffton’s Luncheon benefits MN Hearing Foundation



Bluffton Lions Club president, Gary Wegscheid is presenting a check of \$2100.00. It is the profit of the July 25, 2010 Ladies Luncheon, to Hearing Foundation co-chairman Ken Anderson for the MD5M Hearing Foundation. Along with Ken and Gary is (far left) 2nd Vice District Governor Margaret VanErp, chairperson for the luncheon and (far right) Larry Sworski, the head cook for the luncheon.

Lions we will miss

Neil Bengtson
Marie Kamrud

Cormorant Lions Club
Osage Lions Club

Club secretaries, please review and send or email your deceased member’s photo to: Lion Jim Johansen
8103 210th Street North, Hawley, MN 56549
jkjohansen@juno.com 218-483-1121

This will help make the Service of Remembrance even more meaningful with a picture of your past member.

Mid-Winter Convention Hospitality Room Contest

*“Explore the Lore When Lions
Roar on the third Floor”*

This year we are changing things up and adding Hospitality rooms to the convention. With the committee’s theme of keeping the cost of the Hospitality Books down, and looking for a way to increase fun and participation in the convention, the Hospitality Room Contest was born.

The good news is, All of the Hospitality rooms will be located on the third floor of the hotel and all on the same wing. The bad news is, we only have 12 rooms for the contest so it will be on a first come, first served basis only. Get your reservation in early to insure your clubs participation.

The contest will be judged on three things, Theme - you can use the convention theme, your club or community theme or a theme that will tie into Lions. Costumes - pick your theme and dress to match. Decorations - again, match your decorations to your theme. Judging may occur on Friday or Saturday night. Judges will not be known to the clubs and will remain anonymous until after the voting and they have received a police escort out of town. As always, the decision of the judges are final.

How it works, - each club participating will reserve a room with the hotel. When making that reservation please specify that the room is a hospitality room. It is the responsibility of the club to pay for the room. Clubs are responsible for the food and beverages served during the convention. Clubs cannot charge for food or beverages.

Each club will provide a game and prize (\$50.00 Value minimum) for convention goers to participate in. The hospitality room will charge \$1.00 per chance to play the game and all money will be turned over to the convention committee. All of the tickets collected will be placed into a container and on Sunday a winner will be drawn and receive the prize provided by the club.

The payoff, - for every dollar collected the club will get a percentage back. The more that the club collects the higher the percentage will be. \$1.00 to \$99.00 the club will receive 25% back. \$100.00 to \$199.00 the club will receive 35% back. \$200.00 to \$299.00 the club will receive 45% back. \$300.00 and above the club will receive 50% of the money collected.

Example, - a clubs theme is Gilligan’s Island and has a bean bag toss game. They have decorated the room in island decorations and their club members have dressed as the skipper, Gilligan, etc. They are giving away a Vikings jersey (donated by the local sports shop). For 3 chances for a dollar a participant is given the opportunity from 5’ away to put all 3 bean bags in the hole. If they are successful they sign a registration slip and it is put in the bucket. All participants can play as often as they want (in fact they are encouraged to play often and get registered as many times as they want). On Sunday morning the club will turn in the completed registration forms and money collected to the host committee. During the Sunday brunch the club will be recognized for there participation in the hospitality contest and the prize they donated will be given away.

The purpose of the hospitality rooms is for all Lions to have the chance of meeting other Lions from around the district in a fun atmosphere. The more creative a club gets the more fun we will all have. A traveling trophy will be awarded to the winner of the contest and perhaps a few other prizes at the discretion of the convention committee.

Palisade Lions co-hosted 1st Annual 'Back to School Bash' for local students

On August 16th, the Palisade Area Lions co-hosted the 1st Annual Back to School Bash for local elementary school kids. Games were played and every child was awarded notebooks, markers, crayons, pencils, etc. After the games and prizes, the Lions helped feed a hungry

bunch a hotdog meal. Happy faces were seen by kids and their families throughout the event. The Palisade Lions have already decided to make this an annual service project for the club.



1st VD Governor Bruce Beck judging the the 3-legged race winners.



There was many happy faces at the "Back to School Bash" held in Palisade.



Sebeka Information Center dedicated

Sebeka community leaders and project contributors turned out for the ribbon cutting dedication at the new Information Center. The booth is along Highway 71 in the Sebeka City Park. Donors included WCTA, Sebeka C&C, Sebeka Lions Club, Sebeka High School students and many others.

AN UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY 2011 Regional Lions Leadership Institute, April 7-10 Shooting Star Convention Center in Mahanomen

We are looking for Lions from your district to attend the 2011 Regional Lions Leadership Institute! Lions that are selected as participants in the Institute must be in good standing in a Lions Club and may not be a Vice District Governor, District Governor, Past District Governor, International Director, or Past International Director.

The \$150 fee for the Leadership Institute includes the cost of materials, facility, staff, and three (3) meals. Room costs and additional meals are not included. However, a \$100 rebate from MD5M, through a grant from LCI, will be given to each participant that completes the program. Participants must be available to attend all sessions beginning on Thursday evening and ending Sunday afternoon.

Each district has the opportunity to send six (6) participants; however, if other districts do not meet their allotment, your district may send

additional Lions. The Institute will have a maximum of 72 participants.

Applications are available from your District Governor or on the MD5M Website and are due (without fees) by December 1, 2010. Your District Governor will then make the final participant selection.

Institute graduates from your district will tell you that the Regional Lions Leadership Institute is beneficial for you in every facet of your life and not just in your role as a Lion.

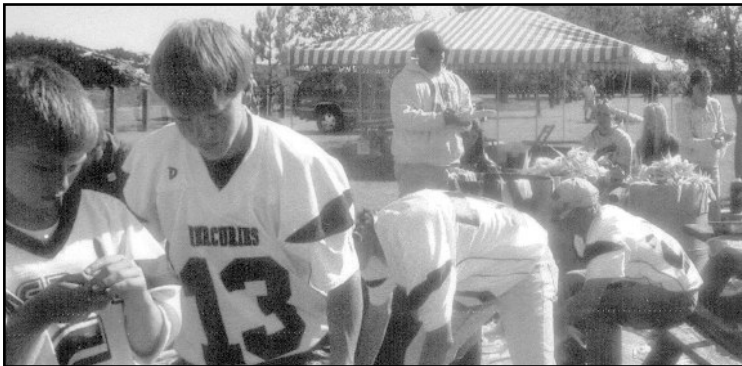
If you have questions concerning the Institute, please feel free to contact: Lion Mary Ferleman - tomar73@charter.net

We look forward to giving YOU this UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY!!

The registration form is on page 8 of this newsletter.

The Great Minnesota Get-Together in McGregor 44th Annual Corn Feed

McGregor Students arrive early to husk several hundred ears of corn. The Corn Feed didn't officially start until 12:00, but that didn't stop several people from arriving early and finding the perfect spot to set up their chairs and shelters and begin to enjoy the day and all the festivities went with it. We were surprised by two special guests as PDG Peter VanErp and 2 VDG Margaret VanErp drove over for the gala affair. Bruce and Irene Bjorkland flew in from Cambridge, MN specifically for the Corn Feed. It truly does become "The Great Minnesota Get-Together in McGregor" as family and friends enjoy the day visiting with old friends and meeting new ones. There is no "me" in lionism as the Palisade Lions are welcome to sell their ice cream as their fund raiser at the Corn Feed. We are here to support and help each other for one cause - "To Serve!"



McGregor students helping husk corn for the 44th Annual McGregor Corn Feed in the early morning.

New York Mills Lions aid in library construction effort

Christopher Michalski of the EOT Focus

A threat to the New York Mills Library's foundation has been overcome due to the hard work of the New York Mills Lions Club.

Over the last two decades, bricks outside of the New York Mills Public Library began to deteriorate due to ice buildup and weathering. The bricks had begun to erode and sink, giving water the opportunity to seep into the foundation of the library and damage the main infrastructure of the building. Also damaging the area were tree roots that had moved the bricks apart as they spread across the area.

Old bricks were removed so the area could be level and bricks re-laid on a smoother and more level surface.

Julie Adams, director of the New York Mills Public Library, said that Mayor Larry Hodgson spotted the problem when he noticed water pooling in front of the building.

Adams praised the Lions volunteers for their work, "The Lions Club members do a lot of work around town. They don't just offer money, but they offer hard work and labor. This wouldn't have happened without their volunteer work."

The estimated cost of the bricklaying project was \$2,500, not including water damage prevention to the library's foundation. "We would have had to do extensive fundraising efforts without their help," she said.

Tim and Rich Ericksrud provided equipment and gravel through their landscaping business. Both made certain to point out their work donations were made as two members of the Lions Club, not as local area businessmen. The renovations were also supported by the city by

Friendship Ventures 2009 5M9 Club of the Year Award McGregor Lions Club

The McGregor Lions Club won the "Friendship Ventures 2009 5M9 Club of the Year Award." The award is based on donations in dollars, in-kind work projects, and outstanding support for Friendship Ventures programs and facilities. Each 5M Lions District has one Club receiving this award and the McGregor Club came out the overall winner of 87 Clubs in their district.

The McGregor Lions Club will have a plaque displayed in the Hallway of the Camp New Hope LCIF supported Dining Hall for one year and will then go to their Club.

Friendship Ventures serves over 3000 individuals with disabilities each year through a variety of programs and facilities at Camp Friendship, Annandale; Eden Wood Center, Eden Prairie and Camp New Hope near McGregor, MN.

Friendship Ventures was endorsed at the Lions 91st MD5M Convention in April, 2010 as a worthy cause of support for Not-For-Profit Corporations by all Multiple District Clubs. This is a great way for Lions to help serve in your community and the more than 300,000 people in Minnesota with disabilities.

McGregor Lions Club is a wonderful example of what Lions do best, serving their communities. When you want something done ask a Lion.

Lion John L. Warner

Friendship Ventures Advocate 612-202-7197



New York Mills Lions Club members worked at leveling off the surface layer of sand before replacing the original bricks outside the city's library.

the providing of a tractor and a dump truck, said Adams. The wash sand was provided by Camas in Ottertail.

A Labor of Love

Getting Closer- Lions Clubs of Minnesota are on our way towards reaching our goal of \$75,000!

Can Do Canines, Home of Hearing and Service Dogs of Minnesota, moved into their state-of-the-art assistance dog training facility this January. They completed construction of their first bank of 12 kennels and these kennels are already full of dogs going through their final training.

In April 2010, the Lions Multiple District 5M Council of Governors approved a project to raise \$75,000 to build their second bank of 10 kennels to house 20 more dogs in training. When we reach this goal, we will apply for an LCIF grant of \$75,000, raising a total of \$150,000 for construction of these kennels in 2011.

The Lions Can Do Canines planning committee is asking each Lions District to raise \$5,000 by December 15, 2010 or earlier to reach our goal. Each District that raises \$5,000 will have a kennel named in their honor.

Can Do Canines Chairs will be contacting all clubs to request this project be given high priority at each club's next meeting to consider a one-time donation to this project. If a club would like to have a speaker from Can Do Canines attend a meeting, please contact Development Director Janet Cobus at [jacobus@can-do-canines.org](mailto:jcobus@can-do-canines.org) or 763-331-3000, ext. 153.

To make a donation, please send it to Can Do Canines, Lions Capital Campaign, 9440 Science Center Drive, New Hope, MN 55428

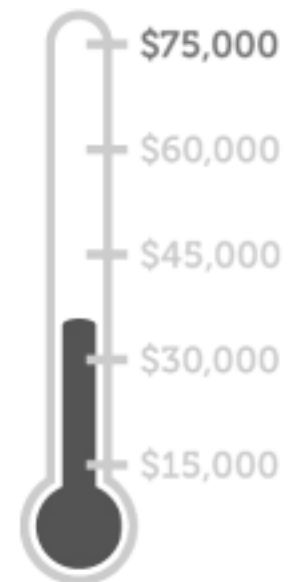
Thank you for your support of this important project and belief in the work of Can Do Canines.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR INDEPENDENCE



LCIF Matching Fund Goal



\$36,269 Raised!

Name-A-Kennel Project \$5,000 Per District



Lions Clubs Youth Exchange Makes A Difference Around the Globe and at Home

YOUTH, noun:

1. The time of life when one is young.
2. A young person between adolescence and maturity.

EXCHANGE, noun:

1. The act of giving or taking one thing in return for another.
2. Reciprocal giving and receiving.

YOUTH EXCHANGE, verb:

Adding joy and years to your life by hosting a young person from another culture in your home for a few weeks during the summer.

Our Multiple 5M supports the Lions International Youth Exchange program and annually holds a camp for visiting youth within the District. This year eighteen youth from such divergent countries as Finland, Israel, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Japan, and others were represented. Activities



Hannah Juntennen (on tractor) and Arianna Nicolosa are loading up firewood at Frank Mclean's place.

through the camp include trips to Valley Fair, Mall of America, Chanhassen Dinner Theater, and a St. Paul Saints baseball game. Other activities include intramural games, a rope climbing course, visits to nearby Lions Clubs, and cultural/historical tours. It is a very full week.

These young people come for four to six weeks with one week of camp required. Other times they stay with host families throughout the state. Over the years several have been hosted by families here in 5M9. One cannot say enough about the pleasure of having these young people in one's home for a few weeks. In virtually every case lasting relationships evolve out of these few short weeks.

This summer Barbara and I hosted two young women: Arianna Nicolosa from Italy and Hannah Juntennen from Finland. In the past we have hosted Lions Youth Exchange students from Germany, Brazil and Austria. Every one of these visits has been an absolute delight.

While with us the kids simply do whatever we are doing as our family. This year that included going to a family reunion, working in the garden, going to the County Fair, working the Lions float in the 4th of July parade, hauling and stacking firewood with the lawn tractor, running in the Drew Sjodin benefit race, painting garbage cans and butterfly houses, and a trip to the dump with a pickup load of junk.

If you are interested in learning more or would like to have a presentation at your club meeting just contact me at fmclean@tds.net or Corey Baker at cwbinfrazee@yahoo.com

Article by Youth Exchange Co-Chair Frank Mclean

Each youth is like a child born in the night who sees the sun rise and thinks that yesterday never existed —W. Somerset Maugham

WELCOME NEW LIONS MEMBERS TO 5M9!

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Ken Gagner	Battle Lake	Jeff Drake
Mervyn Rust	Bay Lake	AdolphKukowski
Agnes Mack	Bertha	Twyla Haase
LaVonne Wegner	Bertha	Janet Umland
Carol Rowan	Bluffton	Vincent Wegscheid
Harold Beckstrom	Cormorant	Glen Sitz
Curt Rogahn	Menahga Gateway	John Rogahn
Peter Marty	Menahga Gateway	Virgil Wiekamp
Jack Johnson	Merrifield	Virginia Johnson
Jason Boe	New York Mills	Peder Butenhoff
Travis Hensch	New York Mills	Todd Cameron
Mary Merz	Nisswa	Wendell Draves
Paul McKibbin	Osage	Dale Pritchard
Peter Paulson	Osage	Arthur Yliniemi
Brad Bloom	Ottertail	Lauris Woessner
Julie Bloom	Ottertail	Lauris Woessner
Roger Walvatne	Underwood	Gordon Hanson
Jane Christians	Vergas	Alfred Kading
Laurine Kommer	Vergas	Jay Norby
Cora Mitchell	Whitefish	Peggy Iverson
Rebecca Peterson	Whitefish	



Lions District 5-M9 Mid Winter Convention

GROUP #4826

**Lodging Reservation Form
January 14 - 16, 2011**

Attendees are responsible for making their own lodging reservations. Please Mail or Fax the following: by December 14, 2010. Reservations made after that date are on availability basis for the conference rates. PHONE RESERVATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

NAME _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME PHONE _____ FAX _____

BILLING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____
(Check in time is 5:00 PM) (Check out time is 12:00 Noon)

Please list any special needs: _____
(Dietary, Handicap, etc.) _____

LODGING: (Circle One)	
HOTEL ROOMS:	Rates (Tax included)
Breezy Inn King Leisure (1 King & 1 hide-a-bed)	\$ 81.00
Breezy Inn Double Queen (2 queen beds)	\$ 81.00
Breezy Center (2 Doubles)	\$ 81.00
Breezy Inn King Executive Suite (1 King & 1 hide-a-bed)	\$101.00
Breezy Center Suite (2 Doubles & 1 hide-a-bed)	\$101.00
Lodge Apartment (2 Doubles & 1 hide-a-bed)	\$101.00
2 Bedroom Condos & Cabins	\$202.00

Unique Retreat Cabins are First come - First Serve. Call or E-mail Group Reservations to check availability. Please provide all names staying in cabin	
3 Bedroom Cabins - Chars Place, Park Place & Eagles Nest	\$ 333.00
Spruce Place 4 Bedroom Cabin	\$ 444.00
4 Bedroom Cabins - Boat House, Governors House, Lakeside Loft, Breezy Bay	\$ 544.00
7 th Green 6 Bedroom Cabin	\$ 544.00
Wolfs Den 6 Bedroom Cabin	\$ 666.00
Fawcett House 11 Bedroom Cabin- <i>Please assign rooms to person's staying in the house.</i>	\$1,221.00

View room types & accommodations at: www.breezypointresort.com.
Reservations are First Come - First Serve.
The above rates are nightly & includes tax.

DEPOSIT: (One Night's Lodging Including Tax is required to make this reservation)

_____ CHECK _____ CREDIT CARD # _____ CID# _____ EXP DATE _____

Credit cards are debited upon receipt for advance deposit. Confirmation of accommodations will be sent prior to your arrival date, if double occupancy only one person will receive a confirmation.

PRE-PAYMENT: \$ _____

A \$25.00 service charge for cancellations is non-refundable. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after: December 14, 2010 or for No Shows. Prepayment is transferable but not refundable.

ACCEPTANCE SIGNATURE: I fully understand and accept Breezy Point Resort's cancellation, early departure and refund policies. * Incomplete forms will not be processed.

Signature: _____

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Breezy Point, MN 56472
Phone # (800) 432-3777 - press 5 - extension #7160
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January 14, 15, & 16 2011

Breezy Point Resort, Breezy Point MN

Hosted by Crosslake Ideal & Whitefish Area Lions

Please fill out this registration form for EACH person attending and return it with a check made out to the **2011 - 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention**

PLEASE print clearly: ___ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___ Guest

Name: _____

2011 Title: _____

Address: _____

District _____

City: _____

Club Name: _____

Prov./State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Hospitality Books

Includes all Meals and Entertainment
Cost PRIOR to Dec. 1, 2010 \$79
Cost ON or AFTER Dec. 1st \$84

Individual Meal Tickets

Saturday Breakfast \$10
Saturday Luncheon \$20
Saturday Banquet \$50
Sunday Brunch \$20

Is this your first 5M9 Convention? Cost for First Timers \$65.00

Please check Appropriate Box (s) above - Total Amount of Check: _____

Please mail registration (s) and check (s) to:

2011 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention

C/O Whitefish Area Lions

P.O. Box 276

Crosslake, MN 56442



Emergency refund of registration must be requested by December 30, 2010
A \$25 handling fee will be charged. If you have any questions regarding the convention,
please contact Doreen Gallaway 218-838-8219 or Scott Gallaway 218-692-2374

Fax or Mail room reservation forms directly to Breezy Point Resort

PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS

Project New Hope



And the winner is.....

VET Mike Mills, successful PNH graduate, pulled the winning ticket and gave it to Governor Linda to announce.



NFL Hall of Famer Randall McDaniel of the Vikings took time to pose with PDG Carrol Kukowski for a photo before the Tee It Up for the Troops golf tournament.



PDGs Dick Labraatten and Jim Arvidson are all smiles with the Minnesota Viking Cheerleaders and a successful fundraiser and golf tournament.



Lakes Lions of Perham are showing off the medal they were presented by the Vet that they were golfing with. The medal consisted of an image of their Company and where they were stationed in Cob Basrah, Iraq. Also were the names of the three servicemen that were lost in their Company, along with the image of the American flag.



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