



# Catch Your Dream



Bruce Beck 5M9 District Governor

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

### August

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mid-Winter mtg., Detroit Lakes, MN
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Parkers Prairie Parade
- 12-13<sup>th</sup> All over 5M9 to as many Lions activities as possible!
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Emily-Outing-50 Lakes club
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Zones 1-3 meeting
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Family Day
- 29<sup>th</sup> – Zones 4-6 meeting
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Zones 7-9 meeting

### September

- 4<sup>th</sup> – Deerwood Lakes Lions Waffle Breakfast, Deerwood
- 4<sup>th</sup> – McGregor Lions Corn Feed, McGregor
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Family Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Deerwood Lakes Lions Club
- 22-24<sup>th</sup> – USA/Canada Forum, Anchorage, AK

### October

- 8<sup>th</sup> – Hearing Foundation Meeting, St. Cloud, MN
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Cass Lake Lions Club visit
- 14-15<sup>th</sup> – Council of Governor's Meeting, Mahanomen, MN
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Mtg, Bluffton
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Bluffton Lions Club
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Park Rapids Lions Club
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Garrison Lions Club
- 29<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving for Vision, Brooklyn Center, MN

### November

- 8<sup>th</sup> – Vergas Lions club
- 14<sup>th</sup> – Merrifield Lions club
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Battle Lake Lions club
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving

### December

- 12<sup>th</sup> – Osage Lions club
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Callaway Lions club
- 24-25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve/Day

### January 2012

- 6-8<sup>th</sup> – 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – McGregor Lions club

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## August... "Engaging Our Youth" Global Service Action Campaign

There has never been a generation of young people more involved in their community. According to the Corporation for National and Community Service, in the United States alone, nearly 22% of people aged 16 to 24 are volunteering. In other areas of the world that percentage is even higher.

A growing number of studies show that youth who engage in meaningful service projects experience a host of positive outcomes. Lions have an incredible opportunity to engage youth by developing programs they can relate to, and by encouraging their input and participation in the planning process. Allowing youth to develop and lead a service project helps them learn valuable life skills while emphasizing the role of service.

### Take Action

During August, we invite you and your club to join Lions around the world in recognizing the power of youth involvement. Help us shine a light on youth by planning activities in connection with [United Nations International Youth Day](#), recognized each August. Or, organize projects throughout the month that engage and mobilize youth in the process of helping communities

[Link to "Engaging our youth" LCI webpage:](#)

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad452.pdf>

Use this for project ideas, getting PR from your project, and reporting your projects to LCI. <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad452.pdf>

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# Catch'n the Lunker



## Catch Your Dream August 2011

Greetings to all the Great Lions of 5M9. You are truly part of **the best District in all of Lions** and should be very proud! Having just returned from the Lions International Convention in Seattle, I can tell you that it was amazing, fun, and awe inspiring. It instilled in me the knowledge that we are a Global Organization. There are too many stories from our visit to pass on here. I will share with you some of the "highlights" from the convention.

The weather was fantastic. It was sunny and in the mid 70's everyday but one. We have a new International Director (ID) from Multiple District 5M (MD5M) - **Lion Brian Sheehan** from the Bird Island Lions Club. ID Brian did us proud at the caucus, nomination, and acceptance events. District 5M9 is proud to have ID Brian represent us over the next

two years of service.

Also, 5M9 needs to send our thanks and appreciation to the **Fergus Falls Marching Band**. MD5M chose the Fergus Falls Marching Band to travel to Seattle to represent the multiple in the International Parade. And, represent us they did! They won **1st Place** in Division One for high school marching bands! We all, Lions of 5M9, salute and thank the Fergus Falls Marching Band on a job well done. You did us proud!

Not to be out done, Lion Tammy Anderson of the Fergus Falls Riverside Lions Club, whose photo was submitted to the Lions Clubs International Environmental Wildlife photo contest won **Best of Show!** The photo was a stunning close-up of the face of a fox. Lion Tammy, we are so proud of you! A big heartfelt thanks and appreciation is extended

to you from all of us in 5M9.

Our newly-elected International President (IP) is Lion Dr. Wing-Kun Tam from China. IP Tam is quite humorous, fun, motivating, and will represent the Lions very well globally. I am pleased to be District Governor and working with him. IP Tam's International Theme this year is **"I Believe"**. Dr. Tam has challenged Lions around the world to plant one million trees to demonstrate our strength as a global network. I have signed a "pledge" to IP Tam that 5M9 will plant 2,500 trees as part of this campaign. That is basically one tree per member in 5M9. We can do this by teaming up with other organizations like the Boy/Girl Scouts, 4H, school kids, or through another club project. "I Believe" we can do this! Our Council Chair (CC) for MD5M is Lion Mike Molenda and he has

challenged the Wisconsin Multiple CC to a \$500 bet that MD5M will plant more trees than the WI Multiple Lions. Let's all work together and make 5M9 a little greener! Each club is asked to enter the tree project in their service activity report to count as part of my 2,500 and for the wager!

District 5M9's **GMT-Global Membership Team** and **GLT-Global Leadership Team** are two new changes that Lions Clubs International has made to "replace" the MERLOW program. In 5M9, our GLT Coordinator is PDG Lion Jim Arvidson and the GMT Coordinator is PDG Lion Carroll Kukowski. GMT Carroll was featured in last's month newsletter and this month GLT Jim will be featured. Be sure to read his article and find out what GLT is all about. These two positions will help ensure that 5M9 has strong, healthy clubs with well trained leaders!

My theme this year is **"Catch your Dream"**. **I believe** within Lions we can all catch our dream. No matter what your passion is, the Lions organization has a program or project for you. Our communities need our support now more than ever in these challenging economic times. **I Believe** the Lions of 5M9 will **Catch their Dream** when they step up to the plate and meet challenges head on. **We Serve!**  
See ya on the water,  
DG Bruce

## *Stitching Together the News of 5M9*

1st Vice District Governor

**Margaret Van Erp**



Here we are, almost done with our first month in office. Yes, our exciting year has just begun. So far I've had some questions about the new screen with the secretaries reporting to International. If anyone has a problem they will have to give me a call and I will gladly help them. Although I'm sure some of them won't know until late on July 31 that the screen has changed. **"I believe"** that all of our new and returning secretaries will be right on time and get their reports into us by the last day of each month throughout this next year. If you do them on the first of the month for the previous month they are considered late so try to get them in on time.

Our new International President, Wing-Kun Tam's theme this year is **"I believe"**. I, like our new Dist. Governor Bruce, 2nd VDG Don, believe that each one of us can make a difference in someone's life. You may make that difference and not realize that you have even done it. Keep in mind, when you are out and about, your words and actions speak very loudly and they reflect on all of us as Lions. If, for some reason, you are asked a question to which you don't know the answer, don't just shrug them off. Call one of us and if we don't know the answer we will find someone who can help us get an answer. Don't hesitate to call whenever you have a question.

Our membership is down so let's get out and keep on stitching those pieces together and get more members to join hands with us so we can make a difference in our clubs, communities, district, multiple and country.

Till next month. I'll keep the machine a humming.

1st VDG Lion Margaret

I would like tell you a little about myself, just in case you are interested. My wife, Lion Pat and I will be celebrating our 36th wedding anniversary in August (wow!) We have 4 adult children and 6 grandkids with number 7 due in August. I have been a Lion for 27 years with perfect attendance all 27 years. I have served as President several times, Tail Twister, Director, Zone Chair and Kamp West Director. I am a Master Electrician and own Hendrickx Electric, where I work with my two sons. As you can see, Lions has and is a very big part of my life (actually Pat's too).

I had the pleasure of going with 1st VDG Margaret VanErp to Kamp Kace at the YMCA Camp on Cormorant Lake on June 29th. We helped fry the fish that the kids caught. This is something I have done for several years. It is always a joy and very heartwarming to have these kids sing to you after the meal as their way of saying thanks.



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



They are so appreciative of everything the many Lions do to make their stay at camp a memorable experience. They help you to appreciate the simple things in life !

Zone meetings are right around the corner. Something different this year (although Zones 3 & 4 tried it last year) will be Zone Fairs, where 3 Zones will be having their first meeting together. All project chairs will be there and they would like you to sign up for a time when they could to come and speak at your club meetings. What a great way to come together under one roof, meet them and learn more about the Lions services. Presidents and Secretaries are required to attend, but let's see which club can bring the most members. The following dates have been scheduled for each Meeting –

Zones 1,2 & 3 --- August

25th @ Nisswa

Zones 4,5 & 6 -- August

29th @ Wolf Lake

Zones 7,8, & 9 – August

30 @ Ottertail

Hope to see and meet you all at these meetings.

Good luck to all the new (& old) club officers starting the 2011-2012 term. I hope this will be a great experience for you and entice you to go beyond the club level and explore all the interesting things that Lions has to offer. Also, remember to support the other clubs at their fundraisers this summer.

A DUTCH proverb - “ In the land of the blind, the one eyed man is king” .

Pas goed op jezelf!

**2nd VDG Don**

## Global Leadership Team



**Leadership** is critical to the overall success of any organization, including Lions Clubs International. An effective leadership team provides the vision, guidance and motivation necessary for our association to continue to fulfill its mission of providing quality, relevant service to communities around the world.

**The Global Leadership Team (GLT)** provides for an enhanced focus on leadership development. The GLT will direct its efforts toward identifying and cultivating effective leaders through active training and leadership initiatives, while providing necessary in-

formation, guidance and inspiration.

Operating as an action-oriented, parallel, mutually supportive team with the **Global Membership Team (GMT)** which you heard about last month, the GLT was developed to augment the efforts of our District Governor. By integrating the efforts of the GLT and GMT, we will be better able to address regional growth and development needs, while building our membership base, improving club health, and enhancing the quality of our leadership at all levels of the association.

My **Leadership Team** will be similar to a Ship ready to sail the Seven Seas and stop at your Port (club) of Call to help you identify and educate potential leaders, enhance your skills, and motivate you to seek out proven leaders in

your community to join as new members. My very able Crew includes 2nd VDG Don Hendrickx, Lion Diana Gallaway, Lion Becky King and Zone Chair Jerry Smith. Our Charted course will include visits to the Great Clubs that make up the 5M9 Fleet. We will be ready and able to orientate and qualify your members to learn every system and program (just like a ship) available through LIONS.

So..... Are you All Aboard? We are ready to hoist the Anchor and Set Sail.

**AGGH !!**

PDG Jim Arvidson / Captain of the **Leader – SHIP**

Captain of the **Member – SHIP** is PDG Carroll Kukowski. Together, we will work to ensure that LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL remains the world's Global Leader in community and humanitarian service.



*It Takes a Team to Catch A Dream*  
*Aaargh! These motley mates aren't stowaways. They run the GLT & GMT ships! Admiral of the Fleet, DG Bruce (center back) is seen here with GLT crew VDG Don Hendrickx, Diana Gallaway, Jerry Smith, Captain Jim Arvidson & GMT crew Captain Carroll Kukowski, Adolph Kukowski, VDG Margaret Van-Erp, John Reed. Not pictured are Corey Baker (GMT) & Becky King (GLT). Hopefully they didn't "walk the plank"!*

# GARRISON LIONS PORK SUPPER



**AUGUST 13TH (Sat.)**

**Serving Time:**

**4:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

**Light of the Cross  
Church Hall**

**Price: Adults \$10:00  
Children 12 and under  
\$8.00**

**(Tickets sold at the door)**

## COME ONE, COME ALL

Join the **Osage Lions Club** at their  
**2nd Annual Pancake Feed  
and Community Yard Sale!**

**Saturday, August 13, 2011  
8:00 am to 11:00 am  
Osage Community Center**

The breakfast is Free Will Offering. The community has been invited to rent tables at this Community Yard Sale. The Community Center is located just one mile North of Hwy 34 on County 48.

All 5M9 Lions are invited to join in the fun and show your support!

## Global Service Action Campaign continued

The Lions Clubs International and I.P. Dr. Wing Kun Tam's Global Service Action Campaigns for 2011-2012. Please have your club commit to each of these activities for each month designated and also make sure that you report your Service Activity to LCI on your clubs monthly activity report.

### August – Engaging our Youth

Invite Leos and youth in your area to help organize and participate in a service project. Projects may include school or community facility cleanups or a visit to a home for senior citizens or a children's hospital. Allowing youth to develop and lead a service project enables them to learn skills while emphasizing the role of service.



### October – Sharing the Vision

Plan vision health projects and work with the visually impaired. Many Lions already celebrate World Sight Day in October. This is a great month to organize a vision screening, volunteer at a nearby Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, organize an eyeglass collection or an activity to benefit the visually impaired in your community.



### December/January – Relieving the Hunger

Organize food drives and projects to feed the hungry. With the downturn in the global economy, many hunger relief organizations are finding it difficult to keep up with demand. Help alleviate hunger by planning events around the end and beginning of the calendar year to collect and distribute food.



### April – Protecting our Environment

Implement projects that improve and protect the environment. Organize a highway clean up, plant trees or plan a community "Earth Day" event to collect recyclables such as aluminum cans, plastic bottles, used cell phones and batteries.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS STRATEGIES

**PUBLIC RELATIONS TIP**

**The best public relations asset Lions' Clubs have is the individual member.**

As a member, tell someone else what Lions do. Think about what you would say (your 15 second elevator speech) if someone asked you right now, "Who are the Lions? What do they do?" Think about it. Say it a few times in your head and then out loud. Be ready and let others know what Lions do.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
**Baxter Lion, Red Clufford** (front and center) recently celebrated his 95th Birthday. He is pictured here with Sue Stebbins, Dick Stebbins and Sharon Orser.

**VERGAS LOONEY DAZE  
 AUG 12, 13, 14**

**VERGAS LIONS ACTIVITIES  
 SATURDAY, AUGUST 13**

**VERGAS COMMUNITY CENTER**

- **Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast**  
 7:00 am - 10:30 am
- **Bingo - 10:30 am - 3:30 pm**  
 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Serving Sloppy Joes, popcorn, pop, beer, etc during Bingo!

Basket Raffle - tickets available during above times with drawings at 7:30 pm.

The **Baxter Lions** sold brats at Super One over the 4th of July weekend in Brainerd. It was a hot few days, but everyone helped to make the sale a success. Pictured in the photo are Arelene and Dennis Jensen, Randy Jensen and Dewey Bjork.



### WANTED Veterans and their families !!!

Project New Hope was founded by caring individuals who understand that for a combat veteran and their families, wartime doesn't end the day the soldier comes home. The effects of combat service are often felt throughout a soldier's entire lifetime, and have an impact on each family member as well, often in ways that are quite subtle, or hidden from view.

We realize that the process of healing and understanding is a vital component to life success after the war. Each family member will deal with what has happened in their own way. Returning soldiers face the challenge of transition from war footing to civilian home life. Often, it can seem as though they're in it alone, as though people expect them to pick up where they'd been, as though nothing had changed during their time away. Spouses may struggle with changes in the home, first with their soldier gone, and then, to another set of changes after their return. Children may lack the maturity to independently adjust to the absence of a parent, their return, and the transitions which must take place.

No matter which era a soldier served in – WW II, Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf War, Iraq, Afghanistan – it doesn't matter at Project New Hope. All Combat Veterans and their families are welcome. There is no cost to the Veteran for these retreats due to the generous contributions of Lions, VFWs, American Legions, DAVs, their Auxiliaries, Masons, and the Kiwanis. Final situations for the Veterans and their families will not keep the families from attending.

If you or someone you know has served our country in times of war or conflict, please join Project New Hope for a weekend retreat for the entire family. Come and join other Vets and their families, as we continue on the journey. What happened before was beyond our control, what happens next, is up to you.

#### WHY THERE IS A NEED

- Unprecedented survival rates
- 25% of all homeless are combat Veterans
- Suicide rates for Vets 20 to 24 years old are 4 times that of civilian counterparts
- Multiple deployments

#### HOW WE ARE DIFFERENT

- 100% volunteer staff
- The whole family is involved
- Open to all combat Veterans
- Cost is free due to caring groups and individuals
- Sessions are self-paced according to the individuals needs or wants
- Location is rural and private
- Objective is to be low key and offer assistance as requested by the families
- Licensed counselors are available 24/7



Having attended a retreat as a participant with my wife it would have been great if something such as Project New Hope would have been available 40+ years ago. The retreat will give insight to what help is available from the VA system for the vets. If Project New Hope would have been available 40+ years ago I would have most likely been like the current crop of Vets. "There ain't nothing wrong with me, the world is screwed up" or "I am the only one with this problem and I do not want to bother anyone or seem weak". These 2 previous statements cover about 98% of the vets we talk to. THAT IS WHY WE NEED EVERYONES HELP IN GETTING THESE VETS TO OUR RETREATS. Please contact PDG Dale Johansen or PDG Dick Labraaten for more info.

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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.*

On June 17, 1917, Melvin Jones established the first Lions club in Chicago IL. He never held the position of International President. October 1917 was the first Lions Convention was held in Texas with 22 clubs. Melvin Jones motto was "You can't get very far until you start doing something for others." Lions clubs were known as "The Association of Lions Clubs".

There are 1.36 million Lions in the world, 45,000 clubs worldwide, in 741 Districts in 206 countries.

The first Minnesota Lions club was established in 1918 in Golden Valley and it is still an active club. Our MD5M Multiple consists of 12 Districts, 687 clubs and 23,000 members. Our Multiple District is one of 8 Lions Multiple Districts that is known as an International Multiple District because we consist of USA & Canada clubs. Districts 10 & 11 are our International Districts. The District Governor for each of those Districts has clubs in both Minnesota and Canada (Manitoba & NW Ontario). Our Multiple does not have a 5M12 District. This District was dissolved when the membership dropped below 1,250 members & the 35 clubs needed to qualify as a Lions District. Because of this the clubs were distributed between the other Districts.



Our logo is the Multiple Hands across the border pin. MD5M's size can be compared to the distance of Minneapolis to Miami. MD5M is the 3rd largest District in members in North America coming in behind: 1. Texas & 2. Pennsylvania. We are very close to taking the number 2 spot if we can continue to grow. The orders of progression for Lions Clubs are: The local Lions Clubs, District, Multiple and International.

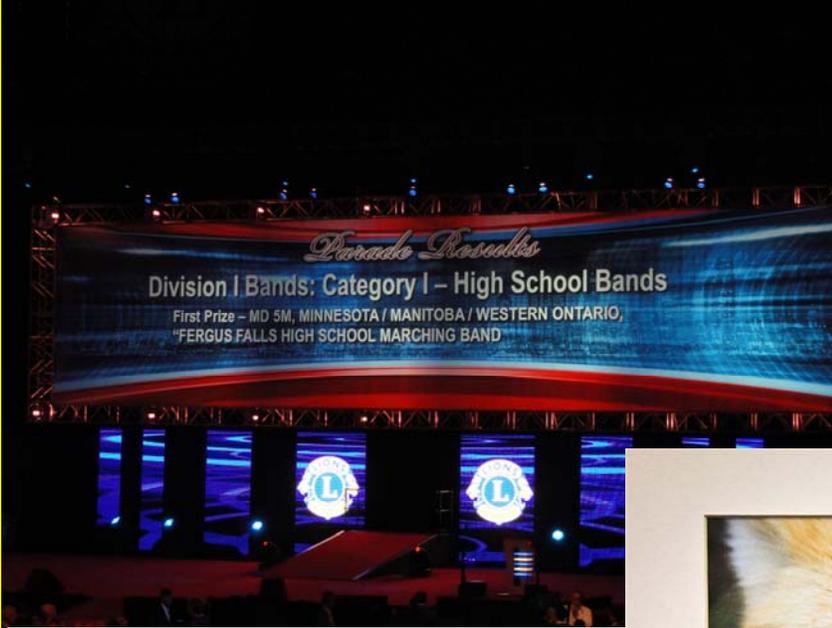
It was in the 1925 Lions Convention that Helen Keller, a guest speaker, challenged the Lions to become knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness.

## PEACE POSTER

**It's time to order the 2011-2012  
24th Annual Lions International  
Peace Poster Contest kits!!!  
This years theme is...**

**"Children Know Peace"**

**Order your kit at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)  
OR by calling 1-800-710-7822  
OR Contact PCC Lion  
Bert Nelson at 218-385-3956.  
Kits contain everything needed to  
sponsor one contest.**



This is a photo showing that **Fergus Falls Marching Band** took 1st Place in the parade. The picture was taken on Wednesday, July 6, 2011 of the main screen in the arena just before the beginning of the Plenary Session.



**Environmental Photo Contest**  
 Best of Show (Grand Prize)  
**Tammy Anderson**  
 Riverside Fergus Falls Lions Club



**GREETING THE  
 FERGUS FALLS  
 HIGH SCHOOL  
 MARCHING BAND  
 AS THEY ARRIVE!**



**WELCOMING COMMITTEE**  
 With representatives from Battle Lake Lions,  
 Bluffton Lions, Fergus Falls Lions,  
 Fergus Falls Riverside Lions,  
 Parkers Prairie Lions, Pelican Rapids Lions,  
 And Underwood Lions Clubs



## Greetings from your Convention Chair

### International Convention:

If you just returned from the International Convention in Seattle, congratulations!

What happens at the International Convention? A huge group of Lions from throughout the World come together to have fun, meet new Lions and elect new leaders.

The Lions come to greet, eat, elect, and have fun. If you are into trading pins, it's a great way to meet new Lions. At the International in Indianapolis, I got my picture in the paper! The only things that show are my hands, exchanging pins.

As I mentioned earlier, there is different food everywhere you go; I try as much as I possibly can.

Elect! Yes, every year as Lions, we elect a new International President and two vice-presidents. Our new International President is Wing-Kun Tam from Hong Kong. At our Mid-Winter Convention you see demonstrations in support of new leaders. At the International Convention, it is a twenty-minute presentation and anyone can join in and carry posters.

Also, twelve new International Directors are elected to serve two-year terms. This year, the Lions elected one of our own: Lion Brian Sheehan of 5M 4 is our new director. He is from Bird Island and will be a great leader! Ask anyone from 5M 9 who has listened to him! In addition, this is the time all 743 new District Governors are installed (including Bruce Beck, 5M 9).

Talk about having fun! Have you walked in the parade or just watched it? Both are fun. In Minneapolis, we had fun just watching and we were

across the street from the reviewing stand, so the International President was right there. We also had several of our 5M 9 Lions driving the leadership (all the International directors from throughout the world) in that parade.

### U.S.A./Canada Lions Leadership Forum:

This year, the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Forum is being held in Anchorage, Alaska, September 22-24, 2011. This Forum is geared for training. This year, 64 different sessions will be offered. Attendees can attend up to seven different ones. We also have representatives of 5M as instructors. Once again, information on Project New Hope will be offered.

Reasons to attend the Forum:

1. Great training
2. Outstanding featured speakers
3. Learn more about your position in your own club
4. Again meet new people and old friends you met before
5. If you want to meet the International Staff and all the Directors, this is the place
6. You will not be in a huge crowd. If 4,000 Lions attend, that is great: often 40,000 attend the International

For additional information, check on-line at

[www.usacanadalionsforum.org](http://www.usacanadalionsforum.org)

Or contact me at 218-335--6422.

Lion Ardean Braggalla

### IN THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF "CATCH YOUR DREAM"

Watch for articles on the following topics!

- Cultural/Community Activities - Technology/webpage
- International Peace/Peace Poster - MN Vision Foundation

**COMING SOON**

## Northland 4<sup>th</sup> Graders Get “Hooked On Fishing, Not On Drugs”

For the past several months, the 4<sup>th</sup> graders of Northland Community Schools have been participating in the “Hooked On Fishing, Not On Drugs” program. This program has continued to grow in tradition for our 4<sup>th</sup> graders for 17 years now. We believe it is a tradition that offers all of us the opportunity to grow in our commitment and respect for ourselves, each other, and the environment. This program combines outdoor recreation, environmental education, and healthy decision making into one powerful package. This tradition has continued over the years due to the long term commitment of the Northland Lions Club.

The Hooked On Fishing, Not On Drugs Program is integrated into the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom, the elementary guidance and counseling curriculum, and the great outdoors. The students participate in a variety of activities throughout the school year. Some of these activities include: Boat and water safety, fishing rules and regulations, fishing equipment and how to use it, and the art of designing a Hooked On Fishing, Not On Drugs t-shirt. Students also participate in an overnight outdoor adventure to the Deep Portage Conservation Reserve near Hackensack. During this event students participated in ice fishing, pioneer Olympics, fish art, rock wall climbing, and many other environmental and team building activities.

This year we added a trip to Little Cut Foot Sioux where the DNR Fisheries program showed us the walleye stripping process. We ended our program with a day of fishing from the shores Deer Haven on Big Thunder Lake. The students and adults enjoyed a great day of catch and release fishing, and many wonderful fishing memories were made! We were also treated to a wonderful fish fry for lunch, cooked up by the Northland Lions Club volunteers.

A special thank you to all of the presenters, volunteers, staff, community members, and the Northland Lions for their continued support and commitment to this program and our children!!!



## **“TAKE A KID FISHING DAY”**

**The Deer Creek Lions Club celebrated “Take A Kid Fishing Day” by taking 15 boys and girls from the Deer Creek area fishing on Middle Leaf Lake. The group caught 400 sunfish!!! Each participant was the proud recipient of a new fishing rod, fishing reel and some tackle. The Lions members cleaned all of the fish so that each participant was also able to take home a bag of fresh fish fillets. Fishing was followed by lunch and swimming.**



**The Deer Creek Lions have been organizing and participating in this wonderful community event for 10 years.**

### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Please make the following changes to your District Governor's Cabinet Members contact list.

Change MN Lions Eye Bank to MN Lions Vision Foundation

Change email info for MN Lions Vision Foundation

co-chair Carolyn Hegland to [kayo2@paulbunyan.net](mailto:kayo2@paulbunyan.net)

Change cell# for Co-Leader Dog Chair Dave Petry to 218-670-0221

## ZONE 7 LIONS CLUB EVENTS CALENDER

**JULY 29TH** - Frazee lions are hosting the annual Turkey Days Dance from 9 pm to 1 am @ the Event Center parking lot in Frazee.

**July 30th** - Frazee Lions will be serving beer and refreshments at the Turkey Days Demo Derby beginning at 3 pm.

**August 4th** - Perham Lions will be hosting the Big Top Circus at the Middle School in Perham. Shows are at 4:30 pm and 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$6.00 for children and \$12.00 for adults. See any Perham Lion for tickets.

**August 5th & 6th** - Perham Lakes Lions will have their concession stand set up for Perham Crazy Days.

**August 13th** - Vergas Lions are having a Biscuits & Gravy breakfast at the Vergas Community Center from 7 am to 10:30 am during

Vergas Looney Days.

**August 13th** - Vergas Lions will be having Bingo in the Vergas Community Center from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm and again from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm. They will have raffle items to buy chances on and sloppy Joes, popcorn, pop, beer, etc.

**August 20th** - Cormorant Lions will be serving a pancake breakfast from 7:30 am to 10:00 am at the Cormorant Community Center during Cormorant Days.

### ZONE 7 COMMUNITY PROJECTS

**August 13th** - Vergas Lions Blood Drive at the Vergas Community Center Parking lot from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm.

**August 27th** - Cormorant Lions Blood Drive at the Cormorant Community Center from 8:00 am to noon.

### ZONE 7 SPECIAL PROJECTS

Cormorant Lions - Big Sister/Big Brother fishing day.

Frazee Lions - Installed a Handicap accessible family restroom complete with baby changing table at the Lions Turkey Park.

Frazee Lions - Aluminum can recycling trailer located at the Frazee Event Center.

Vergas Lions - Aluminum can recycling trailer will soon be located at the Vergas recycling area.

### ZONE 7 RADIO PROGRAM

Zone 7 will be having a monthly radio show on KDLM radio 1340 AM the 3rd Tuesday of the month. If you have something you would like me to promote please get me the information and I will get it on the air. Also, if you have anything that you want put on this calendar for the newsletter please get me the information before the 15th of the month prior to the newsletter coming out.

Thank you, Jay Norby Zone 7 Chair.

### ZONE 8 REPORT

The District Chaplain is now the Zone VIII Chair! I look forward to this challenge and will do my best in serving Zone VIII, as well as, District 5M9. I have made contact with each President and Secretary of the 9 Clubs in Zone VIII. I have informed them about our Fall Zone Fair with Zones 7, 8 and 9 which will be held August 30th in Ottertail, MN. I have met twice with the Chairs of Zone 7 and 9 at the

Ottertail Community Center where our Zone Fair will be held. I'm grateful to be working with these two gentlemen and believe we have a great Zone Fair to look forward to. I will be in contact with each Club President and Secretary of Zone VIII after our Cabinet meeting to remind them of our Zone Fair and to give them information from the Cabinet meeting. The second fall Zone VIII meeting will be hosted by the

Elizabeth Lions Club. Details as to the date and time will be set at the August Club meeting.

I have not arranged for scheduling my Club visits at this time, however, that will be done ASAP. This Zone Chair is a believer that some time needs to be set aside for vacation during the summer and that has not happened yet!!!

In Service,  
Lion Sister Char Grossman-  
Zone 8 Chair

# Stand UP For Zone 5 “We’re Gr-rr-rr-REAT!!”

Zone 5 has 7 Lions Clubs – Aldrich, Bertha, Bluffton, Deer Creek, Hewitt, Verndale and Wadena; has 2 Lioness Clubs – Hewitt and Verndale; and 1 Leo Club – WDC Leo Club. This Zone has clubs in Wadena County, the edge of Todd County and edge of Ottertail Co. Wadena Lions Club is one of the oldest clubs in MD5M. In January 2012 they will be celebrating 90 years of service.

These clubs range from small membership to larger but all are very active. Various fundraisers are held – such as Pancake Breakfasts, Pork Chop Meals, Bake Sales, Dirt Bike Races, Bingo, Take a Kid Fishing, Plant Planters, Ditch Clean-up, and events held in conjunction with community celebrations. They also have other projects and yet still make time for social and fun times at their meetings. Some of these projects are for community support and some are for International and District level.

Zones 4, 5, and 6 are having a joint Cabinet Chair Fair for their first Zone Meeting this year. It will be held Monday, August 29 at the Wolf Lake Community Center, Wolf Lake, MN. Social starts at 6:00 p.m., meal at 6:30 p.m. with meeting to follow. Menu is not set yet but will let all know – cost of this meal will be \$10 per person. All the Cabinet Chairs will be there to meet with you and schedule a date to present his/her program to your club. Take advantage of this opportunity; you won’t have to call around to line up a program for your meetings. Presidents, Secretaries and Membership Chairs should really make every effort to attend this zone meeting. If you are unable to come, be sure to select another member of your club to represent you.

We always have fun, good food, usually door prizes and even tell “a few jokes.” It’s always a good time to meet your neighboring fellow Lions and either renew old friendships or make new friendships. So, I am looking forward to seeing you and visiting with you all at Wolf Lake August 25.

Lion Gloria Anderson  
Zone 5 Chair



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## Governor's Visit Request Form

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club Meeting Location \_\_\_\_\_

Dates for Club visit in order of preference: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.)

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Please return this Governors request ASAP, preferably before Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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