



DISTRICT 5M-13

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THE ONLY ALL CANADIAN DISTRICT IN 5M

Club Excellence Award Winners 2011-2012

During the 2011-2012 Lions year District 5M-13 had seven clubs which met the criteria for the "Club Excellence Award". They will receive a Club President's pin and a club banner patch. These clubs are:

Binscarth & District	Zone 3	Chairman Gene Pielechaty
Birtle Lions	Zone 3	
Roblin & District	Zone 3	
Russell & Area	Zone 3	
Sprucewood & Area	Zone 9	Chairman Wayne Preston
Teulon & Area	Zone 10	Chairman Don Wilkinson
Warren Herizon	Zone 10	

Several clubs met the expectations except for one of the following:

- a) Although retaining membership, there was not an increase;
- b) No donation was made to LCIF; and
- c) One club neglected to forward month end reports to LCI.

LCI President Wayne Madden stresses the importance of using the "Club Excellence Award" criteria in order to achieve success.

"The Manitoba Lion" carries additional information and clubs are to apply for the award, thus assisting in the selection of possible names to submit to LCI.

Lions Rural Housing Centre program raising funds for expansion

WHY ANOTHER FUND RAISER?

The Lions Foundation of Manitoba & Northwestern Ontario, Inc. is expanding their Rural Housing program for northern and rural children and adults requiring medical treatment in Winnipeg.

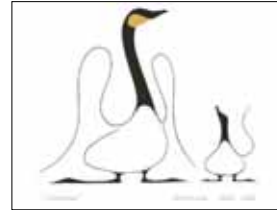
The need for our apartments far exceeds the existing space. The individuals in need deserve a "home away from home" while undergoing medical treatment.

This fundraiser will provide the much needed funds to furnish the 20 new apartments.

WILL YOU HELP?

We are asking you to sell art prints by well known artist Doris Cyrette. The cost is only \$5.00 each. The potential earnings could reach \$20,000!!

Each club in all 3 districts 5M10 - 5M11 & 5M13 is expected to participate by selling only 50 prints. To date, Lions have purchased over \$2000.00 worth of prints.



QUICK FACTS

- > Over 130 people have used our apartments
- > Cancer Care, Family Services & Employment Assistance, Renal, ReHab & MPI have supported us by recommending our facility
- > The Lions Foundation of Manitoba & Northwestern Ontario, Inc. provided the

- funds to establish the first three apartments
- > Over 30 people from Northwest Ontario have stayed in our facility
- > We are certain you know someone who has stayed with us or at the very least have heard of someone who benefited from our facility

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS

"Thank you for making our stay so wonderful. You provide a great service. Keep up the good work."

"I would stay here anytime."
"My stay here has been an enormous help in my recovery because I was made to feel at home."

2013 Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange need host families

The Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange (YCE) will need approx 5 to 6 host families for the summer of 2013 to provide accommodations for students from all over the world.

Their ages are from 16 to 21 years and they are looking to experience our way of life for 2 weeks. Exchange students can be moved to another host family if a short stay is only available at the initial host family. It's sometimes easier if a young person of approximately the same age is available to "chum" around with but not a necessity.

Nothing special needs to be planned by the host families, just the normal day-to-day life. Going camping, local ball game or to a social? Great take them along. You never know they might have something to tell you about their country!

There is a camp from August 5th to 11th that all exchange students will be attending at the Delta Waterfowl Field Camp near Minnedosa where we will have them come together as a group.

We will be exposing them to some more Canadian experiences at that time as well as giving the host families a break as well as having them tell each other about their country and culture.

If a host family or anyone else would like to volunteer as a supervisor and/or mentor at the camp we will provide all meals and accommodations for them for the week. A camp leader is also required if anyone has the time and desire to help organize activities and the running of the camp. For more information or ideas call: Gord Kingdon 204-868-5155 or gkingdon1@hotmail.com

Sign your club up to join the Purina Walk for Dog Guides this spring

Nine clubs held walks in 2012, and we would encourage more clubs to participate this year. Two clubs have indicated an interest in hosting a walk this year in their community's, but I would like to see more, as this is a major fund raiser for the Lions Foundation of Canada- Dog Guides.

The date chosen for the walk is May 26th, although a different date can be chosen to avoid conflicts in your communities. These walks are held in every province across Canada.

The Walk was originally started in 1985 to raise money for all the "Dog Guide Programs". 100% of the donations go to the Foundation as all of the expenses are paid by the many cooperate sponsors. Posters, pledge sheets,



treats for the participating dogs and prizes for the major donation collectors are sent out by the Foundation at no cost to your club, when your register to host a "Purina Walk for Dog Guides".

If anyone wants more information, please contact myself or the new Purina Walk for Dog Guides Manager, Elaine Austin eaustin@dogguides.com Bill McKittrick, 5M13 Chair 204-873-2091 5m13@inetlink.ca

D.G. Digest... we are Roaring Along



DISTRICT GOVERNOR WILLIE BROWN

Gentle Lions ... this is very important ...

Great news! We have added 85 NEW Lions to our membership in the District. That's more than one per club, and I want to shout out to all the Sponsors of these new Lions. Thank you for showing leadership to your club and the district, and for being mentors to these new Lions.

I also want to emphasize that your new members are the responsibility of all club members to welcome them to your club and to involve them in club projects and functions, listen to them and encourage their ideas at meetings.

The unfortunate news is that we have dropped 87 members so we are currently at -2 members. We know we lose a few members every year to natural causes and that is sad. However we have lost approximately 70 members this year due to dissatisfaction of Lions with their Clubs, and that, my fellow Lions, is an issue that ALL Lions need to address. We are a district in transition and for the Lions who have been through this before you know that it comes with consequences, which we may not wish to happen.

There is a simple solution and with a little bit of math, had we retained 50% of members,

which if we had did this in the 2012 -2013 year we would have 35 retained members and instead of sitting at 1227 members we would have 1262 and be growing. HOWEVER, I would like to have seen us retain 100%. We do lose a few with moves, but we do have Lions that move to our district so I expect that to balance out.

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Looking ahead we cannot change what has passed, we must however move forward with a positive attitude. I am often asked what can we do differently?

My answer is that your club should strive to involve every member in service.

Why?

Involved members are more likely to happily serve the community year after year and to remain Lions. Many of you know me personally and I love the fun and fellowship of Lions as we serve our communities and if we can bring that feeling of belonging, having fun, and our opinion being listened to, we will retain members.

Your District resources include the GMT / GLT team and Lions Clubs International

also have tools available to you, and they can be found online at <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/membership-and-new-clubs/membership-award-programs/programs-mem-retention.php> or at www.lionsclubs.org

It has been a very busy this past month as your District

Governor. I made chili for my home club Cross Country Ski Derby, had a visitation with the Ethelbert Lions, visited with the Olds Alberta Lions Club, had a Board of Directors meeting at the Lions Foundation of Manitoba & Northwest Ontario Eyebank, hosted the incoming District Governors at the Friendship Banquet, attended the Council of Governors meeting in Minneapolis, got storm stayed in Grand Forks for two days, and managed to visit Austin Lions and induct two new members – so a good month to be a DG.

Upcoming visits are at Sinclair, Rapid City, Brandon, Binscarth - MacGregor, Virden, Minnedosa, plus attend the club officer training events and the Kelwood Zone Meeting.

Two quick reminders. Incoming executives, your

GMT / GLT team are hosting your Lions Leadership Seminars, and this will make you a well informed leader for your club, and I would expect you to attend as one of the responsibilities of leaders is to be aware of programs and upcoming events to help your club. Contact Lion Cheryl McKitrick, Lion Rick Plaisier, or your Zone Chair for times and locations.

May 26th is the official day for the Purina Walk for Dog Guides, please consider hosting a walk. If you want details contact Lion Bill McKitrick or look on line at the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides and follow the links.

Read on and you will see where we need your help with fundraisers, and Lion Omer your hard working cabinet secretary will be in touch with you. If any Lion has questions, comments or suggestions you can contact me or any cabinet member. Thank you for all you do for Lions.

DG Willie Brown

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Thank you Clubs for donating to LCIF

Thank you is extended to all clubs which have made donations to Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) this year.

CDN \$5,150.00 were received from the "Parade of Green" and an additional US \$4,470.74 had been received prior to January 31, 2013. This is a total of about \$9,620. Remember, to qualify for the "Club Excellence Award" you must make a donation to LCIF. Additional donations would be greatly appreciated.

Lion Harvey Kingdon, LCIF Coordinator for 5M-13

Send in your photos and news of your club to manlion@therecorder.ca

Copy deadline is the 17th of each month



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Message from Vice District Governor

VICE DG LLOYD MCCABE



Here it is the first day of spring (March 20) and still a few feet of snow everywhere. Lion Bev and I are just back from training with our other eleven DGE's. We had four rather hectic days, up at six in the morning and last sessions usually ended around 10:00pm. Lots of things to remember and great networking with the other DGE's around our great District.

Everyone does things a little differently but it was great to hear from our training faculty just how things should be done. The faculty was made of Lions Bruce and Erin Beck, Mary Ferland, Robert Volkes, Keith Johnson, Bob and Debbie Harms. We had tours with Can Do Canines, Hearing Foundation, Vision Foundation and the Diabetes Foundation. We will have a June tour through our Guide Dogs facilities here in Canada so

it will be interesting to make the comparison. Although we don't support the Minnesota foundations financially we do operate our own foundations right here

Book early for 2014 Mid-Winter in Brandon at Victoria Inn, February 21 – 23.

in Manitoba covering 5M10, 5M11 and 5M13. However the networking that is available through these foundations is very important for the Canadian part of the Multiple District.

Yes we had a great Mid-Winter Convention in Gimili hosted by the Teulon Lions. Lions Josip Lecnik, Steven Shinnie and their wife's, Lynn and Maria, need to be congratulated on their outstanding presentations for us all that weekend. The speak-off contestants were fantastic and only inspires one to get more of our youth

involved in Lions. The Parade of Green totals were way up this year which is very rewarding and only goes to show that the Clubs have been working very hard raising monies to help those less fortunate than us. Next year the Mid-Winter will be held in Brandon at the Victoria Inn, February 21 – 23, so book early.

Information will be available on our 5M13 website.

The Global Leadership and Global Membership teams have plans to provide training for all interested and new Lions during the month of April. Some of the presentations are geared towards Lions in new executive positions in their clubs

so please confirm that you will be attending. The only cost is your trip to the site so please bring a car load. Shoal Lake is scheduled for Saturday, April 13, Portage La Prairie for Sunday, April 14 and Swan River for Saturday, April 20th (see times and locations on website). A little bit of information only makes our great 5M13 District run smoother. A very encouraging note is that we are holding our own on membership this year and all expectations are that we will surpass our goal of 1250 members. A big thanks to all of you Lions who have invited new members to join our great Lions organization.

DGE Lloyd



Correction: In last month's issue we incorrectly named the Speakoff winner in the photo presentation. It should have read Ben Ward presents trophy to speakoff winner Asia Oleson. As the Senior first place finalist Asia will receive \$1000.00 assistance from the 5M13 District toward an International Youth Exchange and Camp of her choice.

The Birtle Lions Club would like to thank the anonymous donor for the \$25,000 donation. These funds will be used to help local organizations in the Birtle area.

Portage la Prairie Lions Celebrating 75 years of service

We cordially invite all Lions Members (and significant others) to help us celebrate


Thursday, May 16, 2013

at the William Glesby Centre, 11 - 2nd Street, NE, Portage la Prairie.

Refreshment and fellowship start at 6:00 pm.
 Dinner at 7:00 p.m.
 Entertainment will follow.

Tickets \$30.00 per person

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Second "Tag Day" to fundraise for Lions Foundation of Manitoba and NW Ontario

We would like to thank everyone who participated in last year's Tag Day. Some clubs showed an interest in doing something different, and we encourage them to do so. As you are aware, we gratefully accept any support we get for the Medical Assistance Program (MAP).

We were so encouraged by last year's response that we are offering a 2nd Tag Day event to be held May 4, 2013. This is the suggested day across all three districts, 5M10, 5M11 and 5M13, however, if this day does not work, you can choose another date that suits your club and community better. We would like to encourage

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We will have handouts and sticker tags that can be ordered from the Foundation Office at no cost. Please order by April 15, 2013 so you are sure to get your supplies.

We are looking forward to your participation and support in this worthwhile project.

For over 25 years the Lions Foundation of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario (Medical Assistance Program) has helped clubs assist individuals who require travel, special equipment, etc. not covered under provincial medical plans. We have usually assisted with a grant matching the clubs commitment. The need in this area is substantial and at times can be limited somewhat by our resources.

In order for the Medical Assistance Program to grow and meet the needs of the public in Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario the board need ongoing fund raising events.

The fund raising committee of the board came up with the idea of a "Tag Day", to be held on an annual basis in all three districts (5M10, 5M11, 5M13). Committee members felt that

this approach was something that all clubs could participate in without having to commit a lot of time and effort on an ongoing basis. A few hours of Lions time would raise some money and also create public awareness of the available services.

Yours sincerely,
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MD5M Convention Schedule

Friday, May 3

7:30 a.m.	Governor's Council Meeting
10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	Registration
6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Registration
10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	Credentials
12:30-2:30 p.m.	1st Vice District Governor Elect Training
12:00-1:00	DGE's Meet with VP Barry Palmer
3:00 p.m.	Opening business meeting
5:30 p.m.	Past District Governor's reception
8:00 p.m.	Memorial Service
9:00 p.m.	Social (Entertainment)

Saturday, May 4

6:30 a.m.-noon	Registration and Credentials
7:00 a.m.-7:00pm	Raffle Item Display
7:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m.	Keynote Speaker Dr. Elizabeth Seaquest, speaking on diabetes
8:30 a.m.	Concurrent seminars begin
5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	Registration and Credentials
9:15 a.m.	2nd VDGE Meet and Greet
9:15-10:05	First Seminar Session (Three Seminars) International Vice President Barry Palmer Where do all Those Eyeglasses Go Border to Border
10:30-11:20	Second Seminar Session (Four Seminars) Can Do Canines Leader Dogs for the Blind Connecting the Deaf and Hearing Communities
11:30 - 1:30	Lunch Peace Poster and Essay Contest Winners and Hall of Fame Awards
1:30 p.m.	Pin Traders Meeting
1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	Foundation Meetings
2:30 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.	Business Meeting
6:00 p.m.	Cash Bar Prior to Banquet
7:00 p.m.	Banquet

Sunday, Sunday, May 5

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Registration
7:30 a.m.	PDG Meeting
8:30 a.m.	International Convention Information Meeting
9:30 a.m.	Sunday Brunch Speaker: Dave Dorn, CEO of Special Olympics Minnesota, and a Special Olympian.

STILL TIME TO REGISTER



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Oakville Lions announce Peace Poster winners

The Oakville Lions Club sponsored the Peace Poster contest at their local school last fall. For this 25th anniversary of the origin of the contest, the contest attracted more than 50 participants.

The theme, "Imagine Peace" was well-illustrated by the group of students in their artistic creations. Prizes of \$50, \$30 and \$20, along with a personalized certificate for each student, were presented at the school's monthly assembly.

A special debt of gratitude goes to their teacher, Mrs. Harrison.



First place winner for \$50 was Kieran Derksen



Second Place for \$30 was Kenna Staples (with Mrs. Harrison)



Third Place for \$20 was Lauren Prince

Gleanings

FROM CLUB REPORTS

AUSTIN

Donations of \$300 each to MAP, Lions Hearing Foundation, MB Agricultural Museum

BRANDON WHEAT CITY

Donations to: Brandon Counselling Centre \$500; Big Brothers & Sisters \$300; Dog Guides Canada \$500

CRYSTAL CITY

Super Bowl Brunch \$350; In Memoriam donation \$50; \$700 for a teen-ager to visit his Dad diagnosed with a brain tumor; Collected 20 pairs of eyeglasses

ELGIN

Two new members; Selling 50/50 tickets; Recycling; Donations for a medical trip, CNIB, Parade of Green

MORDEN

Project Pride presentation of 153 flags to Grade Ones on Flag Day, Feb. 15; Sponsored horse-drawn sleigh rides at Winterfest

PIPESTONE

Weekly Bingos; Donation to Seniors Helping Hands \$300

PORTAGE

Two new members; 200 Club Cash Draw; Sears Mail Order Catalogue delivery

RIVERS

Fish Fry \$2500

ROBLIN

Trust fund set up for 3 children who lost their mother to cancer \$200; Donation to North Parkland 4-H Area Council for Communications Competitions \$50; Four members attended Convention; Member awarded "Stew Peever Award"; Donations to Parade of Green: MAP \$300; Hearing Foundation \$300;

Lions Foundation Dog Guides \$250; Collected 125 eyeglasses

ROSSBURN

Worked bar at a social \$250; Donation to MAP \$500

SINCLAIR

Member moved to Virden; Selling 50/50 tickets; Donation to Reston Seniors Helping Hands \$100

WARREN

Donations to Parade of Green \$1000; and Forum for Young Canadians \$400

WAWANESA

Sponsored Blood Donor Clinic; Reading Action Program with Grade One class; Visit to Boissevain Lions Valentine's Supper/DG visit; Sponsored contestant in Lions Speak-Off at Convention; Hosted Zone Meeting Feb. 21; Paid registration fees for four Lions attending Mid-Winter Convention

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Club Advertisement Idea

An advertorial that the Stonewall & District Lions Club placed in the Teulon Stonewall Tribune. Something other clubs may consider.



Stonewall Lions Club new mascot, "Simba", and a young boy sharing a high-5 at the Stonewall pancake breakfast held on March 3rd to help raise money for children's playground equipment.



STONEWALL & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

A YEAR IN REVIEW – 2012 "WE SERVE"

The Stonewall & District Lions Club is a non-profit organization established in 1985. We offer medical assistance to those in need upon written request as well as supporting community projects.

- Palliative Care Room Renovation and Palliative Care Family Room Renovation
- Eye glass and hearing aide recycling
- Annual Free Family movie at Christmas
- Bursaries to Graduating Students at Stonewall Collegiate Institute
- Financial assistance to aid in a variety of medical needs
- Financial assistance with community based projects for seniors, students, children and their family's

Are you looking for a chance to serve our community, work with people of all ages, and have fun? Join the Stonewall & District Lions Club! Everyone welcome ages 18 years and older. Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from September 1st to July 1st. For more information call: Dick 204-467-8951 or Pam 204-467-5843 or email stonewalllionsclub@gmail.com

Send in your photos and news
of your Lions club to
manlion@therecorder.ca

Copy deadline is the 17th of each month



Kelwood Lions summer car show

The 1st annual Kelwood & Area Lions Club Car Show was held on Saturday, August 18th in Kelwood, Manitoba. It was open to all classes of vehicles. With help from local Kelwood business sponsorship, we were able to hold the show and offer prizes for the various car classes.

No entrance fee was charged, but donations towards Lions Club charity programs were accepted.

We chose to hold it on this date to be able to go

hand-in-hand with Kelwood's Annual Fair & Parade, as well as the Harvest Sun Music Festival – helping to make Kelwood the "Place to be" on this August weekend.

There were approximately 20 vehicle entries to the car show, and we hope to increase that number for next year. An excellent crowd of vehicle enthusiasts strolled along Main Street to enjoy this selection of autos.



Kenton Lions Club host Snowmobile Derby on February 17, 2013

Reminder to Club Secretaries

Please make sure to
submit the

PU-101 forms
listing your new club officers

to
PDG Cheryl McKittrick
cemckit@inetlink.ca
Box 340, Crystal City, MB R0K 0N0

Lions Club Directory

Serving Our Communities ...
Our District ... The World


Austin & Area Lions Club
Supper meeting
3rd Tuesday
Horseshoe Cafe
Sec. Bev Makinson
204-637-2533
dmak@mts.net
Austin, Manitoba



Wheat City Lions Club
Noon Meetings
2nd & 4th Mondays each Month - 12 noon
Victoria Inn, 3550 Victoria Ave, Brandon
Sec. Dave Hughes
204-726-5070 hughesd@wcvwave.ca
Please come pay us a visitation.



Hamiota Lions Club
1st and 3rd Tuesday of month at
7:00 p.m.
Community Hall
Pres: Edith Caldwell
Sec: Ken Healy
LionsdeHamiota@hotmail.ca We Serve



Morden & District Lions Club
Meet at Morden Rec. Centre, Lions Room
1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:00 pm
President Lion Rob Lawrence
Phone 822-6021 rslawrence@mymts.net
Secretary Lion Donald Holenski

Binscarth Lions Club
Meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the
month at Binscarth Drop In Centre @ 7pm
President: Alvin Kingdon
akingdon@mts.net
Visit the Binscarth Lions on Facebook


**CARBERRY & AREA
LIONS CLUB**
23 years of service
President Greig Scott
204-841-4569, diobran@me.com




**Holland and
Area Lions Club**
8:00 meeting 2nd Wednesday
Holland Elementary School
Secretary: Hugh Fraser
204-526-2107
hjfraser@mts.net



NEEPAWA LIONS CLUB
Serving Neepawa & Area for 70 years
Meetings first and third
Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
President Wayne Hollier
204-476-2944, whollier@mymts.net



Birtle & District Lions Club
Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month
at 6:45 pm
Birtle Drop-In Centre
Sec. Leonard Jensen, 204-842-5207
leonard.jensen@gov.mb.ca



**Crystal City
Lions Club**
Meetings 3rd Thursday
of every month
President: David Mutch
204-873-2220, debdave@inethome.ca



**Holland & Area
Lioness Club**
Meet First Wednesday of Month @ 7pm
Tiger Hills Arts Assoc., 111 Broadway, Holland
Sec: Margaret Fraser, 204-526-2378, hjfraser@mts.net



**OAKVILLE & AREA
LIONS CLUB**
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesday
Lions Den Community Hall
Pres. Stuart Boyd
204-267-2505, stboyd@mts.net

**Who
is this
Lion?**
Search
through this
issue to find
the mystery
Lion
SPONSORED BY **Bowsman &
District Lions Club**
President Calvin Pierrepoint, 204-238-4304



Dauphin Lions Club
Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday @ 6:30 pm
Supper Meeting held at
Thunder's Country Restaurant
Bruce Stokotely, President
204-638-8354 • brucesto@mymts.net




**Kelwood
LIONS CLUB**
President
Andy Aucoin
Secretary
Neil Fraser
Meet 1st
Thursday
of the month



Oakburn Lions
Meetings held every
third Wednesday of the month
7:30 p.m. Eager Pioneer club
President: John Derhak
204-234-5464, johnder@live.com



ELPHINSTONE LIONS CLUB
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm
in the Lions Den
Pres. Dennis Rogasky 625-5223
Sec. Anita Hart ahart@mts.net
Gateway to Buffalo Park
ELPHINSTONE, MB



**Kenton & Area
Lions Club**
Meets at Kenton Hall
2nd Tuesday 7:30pm
4th Tuesday 7pm Supper Mtg
Pres. Phil Graham, 204-838-2354, nedrag@goinetlink.ca



**OAK LAKE AND AREA
LIONS CLUB**
Meet at Oak Lake Golf Club
First and Third Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Pres. Leigh Smith
204-855-3128, nsmith@explornet.com



BOISSEVAIN LIONS CLUB
Meets 2nd Thursday at 6:30 pm (supper)
4th Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
Home Hotel - Boissevain
PRES.: Ed Anderson
204-534-6096, admin@boissevain.ca
Home of Tommy Turtle



**THE RECYCLING CLUB
ELGIN & AREA LIONS**
SMALL CLUB BIG HEART
MEET 7:30 P.M.
3rd Wednesday of month at member's homes
Cecile McMurray, Sec., 204-769-2152, camcm@mts.net




MacGregor Lions Club
Regular meeting @ 7:30 on 2nd Tuesday
Supper meeting @ 6:30 on 4th Tuesday
@ TBA
President - Luc Gamache
lucgamache2@mymts.net ph 204.685.2574




**The Pas
Northern Lites Lions**
Meetings at 7pm President: Gloria Bockus
at Super 8 Hotel 204-623-1966
first Wednesday of month bockus@mts.net

**BRANDON
LIONS CLUB**
Supper Meeting at 6:30 p.m. - 2nd and 4th Thursday
at the Lions Manor - in the Lions Den
Chartered in 1938
Sec.: Ben Ward 204.726.8719 wardone@mymts.net

Erickson Lions Club
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursday
President: Arthur Platt



Melita & Area Lions Club
Meet 2nd and 4th Wednesday
7:30 p.m. at the Melita Legion Hall
Except supper meetings Oct. - March
SEC.: Eleanor Renwick
204-522-8686, oejm@mts.net




**PIERSON
LIONS CLUB**
Meet at Pierson Community Hall
1st and 3rd Wednesday @ 8pm
Sec. Angus Lee, 204-634-2243, anguslee@mts.net


**BRANDON CROCUS
LIONS CLUB**
Over 20 Years of Service
Meeting - 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month
6:30 pm at Lions Manor in the Lions Den
Sec.: Wilma Pawluk • 204-571-0522 • pawluk@westman.wave.ca




**Ethelbert
Lions Club**
Pres: Art Ainsworth
204-742-8841
Meet every 2nd and 4th Mondays
of the month at 7:30 p.m
at Emergency Services Center Building



Miami & Area Lions Clubz
Meet 1st and 3rd Monday
7:30 pm at R.M. of Thompson Office
President: Duncan Callum
204-435-2069 dcallum@cici.mb.ca




PIPESTONE LIONS CLUB
PRESIDENT - LION AUREL VODON
avranch@hotmail.com
Phone 204.748.6004
MEET EVERY 3RD WEDNESDAY



Keystone Lions Club
1st Tuesday - Supper Meeting
3rd Tuesday - Business Meeting
Lions Manor - 7:00 p.m. dial - 001
Pres. Ken Al-Molky
204-726-1991


Flin Flon Lions Club
President Roger Poirier
204-687-6777 poirier1@mts.net
Executive mtgs first Wednesday of the month
Dinner meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month
Green Room of the Flin Flon Community Centre



MINNEDOSA LIONS CLUB
Meets every 2nd & 4th
Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Minnedosa Community Hall
PRES. Gareth Boys



Portage la Prairie Lions Club
Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday
Supper 6:30 pm at Lions Den
Pres. Dennis Dupont
204-857-9444
duserv@mts.net
Serving since 1938



**BRANDON
Prairie Pride
LIONS CLUB**
1st & 3rd Fridays
Mum's Restaurant
(Wheat City Golf Course)
Pres. Brent Allum
204-761-0409
Brentallum@gmail.com

**GILBERT PLAINS
& DISTRICT LIONS CLUB**
MEET 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.
at the EMS Building • Gilbert Plains, Manitoba R0L 0X0
President Lawrence Robak
204-548-4101

**MINITONAS & DISTRICT
LIONS CLUB**
Box 490, Minitonas, MB R0L 1G0
Meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday
Pres. Lion Randy Colbert
Sec. Lion Brett Church
b_wchurch@hotmail.com
We Serve




**LA PRAIRIE
LIONESS CLUB**
Portage La Prairie
Meet 2nd Thursday at 6:30 pm
at Lion's Den - Supper meeting
Lions Manor 4th Thursday 7:30 pm



Lions Club Directory

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Our District ... The World

PINE RIVER LIONS



Meet at
Pine River Community Center
1st Thursday 8pm


Pres. Garry Urbanowski 204-263-2101

RAPID CITY AND AREA LIONS CLUB

Box 53, Rapid City, MB R0K 1W0

Meetings - 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month
President Amber Brown
Secretary Pat Dixon
204-826-2488 opknox@hotmail.com

Rivers & Area Lions Club



Meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday
President: Tanya Cameron
Secretary: Lawrence McFarlane

ROBLIN & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.
Roblin Motor Inn - 236 Main St. NW, Roblin

Supper at 6:00 pm
Visitors are welcome.

ROSSBURN LIONS CLUB

Meets 1st Thursday and
3rd Thursday of Month - Town Hall

President: Shirley Kalyniuk
204-859-2429 • shirkal@hotmail.com

Russell & Area Lions Club

VISITORS WELCOME
2nd and 4th Thursdays
6:30 Chicken Chef
Pres. Louise Ewankiw
204-773-2727. pewankiw@wificountry.ca



Sandy Lake Lions Club



Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Supper on 3rd Tuesday
Visit our Lion's Campground

President Douglas Davies 204-585-2649
See Kathy Slashinsky kslashinsky@hotmail.com

Shoal Lake Lions Club




Meet 2nd Wednesday of every month.
at Shoal Lake Motor Inn
at 7:00 pm

President: Trevor Hagyard
204-759-3094, tbah@mts.net

Snow Lake Lions Club

Meetings held second Tuesdays
at 7:00 p.m.
Basement of USWA building
President David Roberts
204-358-3864 • hill@mts.net

SOMERSET LIONS CLUB



Meet 1st and 3rd Monday at 8:30 pm

Secretary Wes Friesen
204-744-2109 friesenw@hotmail.com

Sinclair & Area Lions Club

Pres. Brad Henderson
ph: 204-877-3187
bhenderson327@yahoo.com

Supper meeting
4th Wednesday 7pm
Borderline Cafe

SOURIS LIONS CLUB

Meet 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.
Supper Meetings
Held at Chicken Chef
PRES.: Lorie Howe
204-483-2939 lhowe@wogwave.ca

Sprucewoods & Area Lions Club

Meet at 7 p.m. every
2nd & 4th Wednesday
at the Sprucewood Community Hall
Woods Ave, Sprucewoods

Pres: Gerry Rubeniuk 204-761-0027, rubenk@mymts.net




Stonewall & District Lions Club

Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday
at Stonewall Lions Manor
Dinner 6:30 pm • Meeting 7:30 pm

Pres: Richard Slatcher
204-467-8951
dickslatcher@hotmail.com



STRATHCLAIR LIONESS CLUB



2nd Wednesday every month
Secretary: Mary McDonald
204-365-2659
mcduckg@gmail.com

Strathclair Lions Club



3rd Wednesday @ 7:30 p.m.
Strathclair Municipal Hall

President: Lion Jim Wilson
204-365-2453 jvw@mts.net

Swan Lake Lions Club



Working hard for a
healthy neighbourhood

Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday
each month at Fire Hall (5th St.)

Pres: Geraldine Campbell
204-836-2358 shirley_campbell@live.com

Swan River Lions Club



General Mtg every 2nd Monday @ 7:00pm
Supper Mtgs every 4th Monday @ 7:30pm
at Swan Valley Plaza, 217 6th Ave. South

President Rick Frazer, 204-734-4573, rfraser1@mts.net
www.swanriverlions.org

Teulon & Area Lions Club



Meet at
CE Building, 80 - 3rd Ave. SE
2nd Wednesday at 7 pm

Pres. Lory M. Wovk
204-886-3882
lwovk@mymts.net

The Lions Club of Thompson



Welcome Fellow Lions and visitors to our City
During your stay, please join us at the Lions Centre
and share our bi-weekly supper meeting the
1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from Sept-June at 6:30 pm
Club House: 509 Station Rd.
Pres.: Larry Galick, 204-677-3379, lgalick@mts.net

Virден Lions Club

Business Meeting 2nd Tuesday
Dinner Meeting 4th Tuesday
Bingo every Thursday \$1,000 guaranteed payout
Secretary: Ron De La Hey
204-748-3370, heyron@mts.net


WARREN HERIZON DISTRICT LIONS CLUB



Meetings 1st and 3rd Wednesdays
7:00 pm Warren Fire Hall
Warren, Manitoba

Pres. Rosemary Dzus
204-322-5625
rosemary.dzus@gmail.com


Waskada Lions Club



1st Thursday 7:30 pm
Waskada Genesis Inn
SECRETARY RONALD BERTHOLET
204-673-2541
borody@mymts.net

Come visit anytime.
HOME OF THE ANNUAL RABBIT FEED

Warren & District Lions Club



Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesday
at 7 pm at Firehall

Pres. Ray W. Walker
204-461-1896
rwwalker@mymts.net

The Lions Club of Wawanesa



Meets Second & Fourth Thursdays
at the Lions Club Room,
7:30 pm., 132-5th Street

Enjoy camping, swimming,
fishing at the Lions Park

President Jaye Smale
204-824-2722, rjmale@xplornet.com

Winkler Lions Club

Meet at Smitty's Restaurant
4th Tuesday at 6:30 pm
Secretary: Lion Ray Downey
204-254-0107 • rmdowney@mymts.net


Club Excellence Award

It would be very exciting if your club would strive to meet the qualifications for the "Club Excellence Award" which is one of International President Wayne Madden's Dreams.

The qualifications are not difficult to reach, so we are asking each and every club to strive for "EXCELLENCE" before June 30, 2013.

If your club was to reach all the qualifications for this award, your President would receive a "Club Excellence Pin" to be proud of, and your club would receive a "Club Excellence Patch" for your club banner.

Questions please contact
Lion Cheryl McKittrick
cemckit@inetlink.ca
204-873-2091
"Your Global Leadership Team"

 2012-2013 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

To qualify the club must be chartered for 6 or more months prior to the end of the fiscal year, further the objectives of the association, adhere to the association's constitution and by-laws and policies, and meet each requirements noted below during the fiscal year.

Club Number _____ Club Name _____ Date _____

2012-2013 Club Presidents' Name _____ Member Number _____

CLUB IN GOOD STANDING - International per capita taxes and new member entrance fees are paid in full and there is no outstanding balance of US\$50 or more that is ninety (90) days or more past due.

SERVICE - The club has conducted at least three service projects. Please briefly describe the service activities that were conducted:

Date: _____ Activity: _____
Date: _____ Activity: _____
Date: _____ Activity: _____

CONTRIBUTION - The club has made a contribution to LCIF.

MEMBERSHIP - The club achieved a net growth in membership (including branch club members when applicable) or sponsored a new club. The new members attended an orientation and were properly inducted into the Lions club.

Net Growth in Members: _____ Name of sponsored club or Branch: _____

COMMUNICATION - The club has publicized the club's service activities to the public through local media and effectively communicated activities to club members.

Please explain briefly how the club service activities were publicized.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT - All officer positions were filled in accordance with the constitution and by-laws by qualified Lions, a majority of the club officers participated in a leadership training program at the zone, district, multiple district or international level and the club was represented at zone meetings.

CLUB DEVELOPMENT - The club has hosted regular and meaningful club meetings and submitted the Monthly Membership Report, the Service Activity Report, and the Club Officer Report (PU-101) in a timely manner.

Date _____ 2012-2013 District Governor's Signature* _____ District _____

* In undistricted areas the Coordinating Lion or Provisional Zone or Region Chairpersons should sign the completed form.

The completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 706-9130, to arrive by September 30, 2013. Request for review of award eligibility from a disqualified club shall be considered only if received at International Headquarters within 12 months after completion of the fiscal year, provided that the original application form is already filed at International Headquarters. The award will be mailed to the 2013-2014 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed to the Coordinating Lions or directly to the 2013-2014 club president.

Cecile's story: A mother perspective of raising a deaf child

By Lion Cecile McMurray

I wanted to tell you about an amazing nephew that I have, but I have had some difficulty in getting together with him, so instead, I want to tell you about another amazing child or adult now, that I know.

The date was Thanksgiving, October 15, 1962 and our first child, our daughter Noreen, was born. Little was my husband Ron and I prepared to deal with a handicapped child. However, that is what we had to do. At that time, no hearing tests were done on newborn babies so her deafness went unnoticed for a time. In fact, it would not be noticed until she was about 4 years old.

When we found that our daughter was deaf, our world was grey, how were we going to cope? I was sitting at the sewing machine watching my daughter out in the sand box playing. As most children do, she picked up a toy and started to wander down the driveway with it. I banged on the window a couple of times and realized that she wasn't hearing me. I raced out side to chase after her, but by the time I even got near her, she was already down the street. It wasn't until I touched her shoulder that she even knew I was there.

Imagine not being able to hear what anything sounds like, or even what a spoken word sounds like. For every word she learned she had to learn with fingers on the throat of other people and on her own to learn how to pronounce a sound and



Noreen with her teacher at her graduation

With love I dedicate this story to my daughter Noreen

then a word. For everything she saw, she had to learn that there was a sound to it, or that it was a certain colour or that it could move or not. Unless you have experienced the process, it is hard to imagine it being done. She learned to understand the language of vibrations and therefore, became very sensitive to any that she felt.

Ron and I were unprepared for this and the question running around in our minds was, 'what now? Who do we go to for help?' Within a short period of time, we were given the help we needed. On top of her deafness she also had a visual problem and had to wear really thick glasses. The technology of today, has made her glasses thinner and lighter and easier to wear.

Noreen was accepted at the Society for Crippled Children and Adults in Winnipeg. There speech lessons were given to the hard of hearing children at the Society's centre on Sherbrook. Grace Harris, who was the worker there at the time, took her under her wing and began to teach Noreen speech lessons. These lessons continued until Noreen was old enough to attend the Manitoba School for the Deaf, which was in Winnipeg at that time. It was hard to evaluate how much of the time spent trying to teach her to speak was effective or not. The Kinsmen club in Winnipeg supplied her with a hearing aid, but it was never really effective as the Doctor had told us that the nerves in her ears never grew.

The Manitoba School for the Deaf was situated in the old teachers college across from the zoo. Noreen would be around eight years old at that time. Noreen was picked up along with other children and taken to the Manitoba School for the Deaf.

When Noreen was old enough to attend the school, Ron and I moved from Winnipeg to Elgin. She then became a seasoned traveller as she travelled



Noreen with husband Peter Giesbrecht and children Bob John, Kevin and Darcy



Dad (Ron) learning sign language from Noreen

back and forth from Elgin on Sunday to Winnipeg and then back to Elgin on Friday. She travelled the Greyhound bus back and forth until she graduated from her school with her grade nine. From there she went on to Red River College and took a filing course and worked at the college for a few years.

The drivers for the bus were a hero for us, as our daughter travelled back and forth. They took care of her and gave her help and comfort when she needed it. Shortly after she quit travelling the road, the bus line was stopped to Elgin. I honestly think the bus line was kept open because she needed it to go to school and back to home.

At her graduation, along with all her schoolmates that were graduating, they had a great program and music. It's a unique experience as there is not the noise level that is normally at a hearing social event. Those



that were hearing could not understand how a deaf person could dance until it was explained that they could feel the beat of the rhythm with their feet. It was like a light came on and quickly the hearing was asking the deaf to dance.

Lately, Noreen told me that she wasn't deaf; she was severely hard of hearing. Can you imagine your child standing there with a funny look on her face and her finger waving in front of your face trying to explain the difference from being profoundly deaf to

Noreen and her spouse Peter have been married for 27 years now and own their own home in Winnipeg. Her father Ronald and I did take a sign language course so that we could talk with her, but since we did not see her on a regular basis, we lost what we had learned. Still, however, we retained enough for some of the language. I have to tell her to slow down as her hands move so fast, I cannot read the signs. This is where she so patiently sighs and tells me to get some paper and pencils. While she was growing up, we used every bit of paper that could be written on, no paper went to waste.

Up through the years while we saw her on weekends, we made sure that she was in contact with other members and branches of both of the families. She was treated the same as her brothers were. She was taught right from wrong, but of course, she was a child just like others and didn't like to be told what to do. Now she laughs about it all.

Noreen has had set backs with finding jobs, her health and in coping with three hearing children. But she has triumphed with it all. Noreen and Peter had three hearing dogs throughout the time while the children were growing up. She explained that they were great in keeping her updated as to what they were doing. Currently, she says that she feels that she can cope without one.

She cried when something went wrong and wanted to know how to fix it and then proceeded to do so and if she didn't know how, she turned to those that did know. She laughs with glee at her life in spite of those set backs she has faced. She is a tolerant loving person, who loves her family and friends with a passion that is rare to see.

To Noreen: She is my daughter and she has filled my life with the knowledge that while life throws us curves, we can follow the curves and find wonderful things at the end of it. She taught me that curves can be a wonderful thing. There is so much more that could be said on her behalf, but it would fill a book.

severely hard of hearing. I never did figure out the difference. I do have to explain here that she was not dumb. She could talk and some words she did learn to say I really wouldn't repeat here. I have no idea where she did learn them. The word "deaf and dumb" are erroneous, and dumb means that there is no capability of ever talking. Deaf (and I will use that term here as it is easier to use) can and at times do talk, in fact, there are deaf people that can talk.

Noreen worked at a number of jobs throughout the years, such as file clerk, and in most of the jobs that she worked at that was her job duty. She was also an ATM money counter for a major bank, a counsellor for other deaf people, taught sign language within the Winnipeg School system and at other institutions. She is a mother of three hearing children and a grandmother of three hearing granddaughters.

Newest fundraiser for hearing!

The Lions Foundation of Manitoba & northwestern Ontario is working towards the establishment of a Children's Hearing Education and Resource clinic.

As a fundraiser for this excellent project we have been given approval from the Manitoba Liquor Control Commission to place "coin boxes" in all of their stores in the province for the month of July 2013. We would also like to place these boxes in all smaller outlets in the private businesses throughout the province to make this even a larger project. HOWEVER, we do not know

where all of these locations are, so we are asking for your club assistance in compiling a list.

We are appealing to ALL LIONS in MANITOBA to assist the Foundation with this worthy project by helping distribute the coin boxes to the different liquor outlets, and also for picking up the donations periodically.

Looking for Lions Clubs to assist in distributing and collecting Coin Boxes at Manitoba Liquor Control Commission during July 2013

Please contact either:
ED Elly Prendergast at
204-772-1899
or 1-800-552-6820
lfmnoi@mts.net
OR
Lion Bill McKitrick at
204-873-2091
5m13@inetlink.ca

Congratulations, thank you

Opening Doors to Independence

I would like to offer my congratulations to all for your wonderful Newsletter highlighting your very successful 5M13 Midwinter Convention. Also congratulations to all Lions who were honoured with recognition for their hard work and dedication to our motto "We Serve" as Lions.

I would also like to thank you for your very generous donations to the Lions Foundation of Canada (Dog Guides) and encourage your Clubs to fully participate in The Purina Walk for Dog Guides 2013 and partner with us in our "Opening Doors to Independence" commitment to raise \$1 million dollars over the next three years.

This new initiative will enable the Foundation to provide quality dogs for 200 clients a year as well as extend our programs to include guide dogs for diabetic alert for people with type 1 diabetes with hypoglycaemic unawareness.

PDG Gary Hutchison
Lions Foundation Director for
Manitoba, Northwest Ontario and Nunavut

Sign your club up
to join the Purina Walk for Dog
Guides this spring

May 26

The Walk was originally started in 1985 to raise money for all the "Dog Guide Programs". 100% of the donations go to the Foundation as all of the expenses are paid by the many cooperate sponsors.

More information contact
Purina Walk for Dog Guides Manager,
Elaine Austin
eaustin@dogguides.com

Lion Bill McKitrick, 5M13 Chair
204-873-2091 5m13@inetlink.ca



Stonewall Lion Louise Kernensted delivers 700 pair of glasses to Belize

ARTICLE COURTESY OF THE PEDRO SUN

The San Pedro Lions Club received 700 pairs of refurbished prescription glasses that will be distributed around the country to those most in need. The donation comes through the efforts of Lion Louise Kernensted. Kernensted is a lion member and former President of the Stonewall District Lions Club in Stonewall, Manitoba, Canada. She also sits on the board of directors for the Manitoba Eye Bank.

Who would have thought at a Friday night barbeque and bingo at the Lion's Den would result in this rather sizeable donations.

Kernensted spoke to The San Pedro Sun of how the donation came about. "I



brought my family to Belize last year and we came to the Lion's Den barbeque and bingo on a Friday night. Bonnie and I and some of the other Lions got to talking and they said that this was one thing that this club did.

So, when I got home as I'm a member of the board of directors of the Manitoba Eye Bank and I know that this was part of what we did, I figured why not. All the clubs collect these glasses and then they're repaired and then the prescriptions are put on them and they go all over the world, and so I thought, well, I'm coming back to Belize, wouldn't it be wonderful if I could bring glasses? And so I emailed down here and got an idea of what types of glasses were most required and sent that information to our recycling center – and I asked for anywhere around 700 pairs and

that's what they gave me, 700 pairs."

The glasses included everything from bifocals, reading glasses and sunglasses with prescription.

According to the Secretary of the San Pedro Lions, Bonnie Musbach, the glasses will be distributed throughout the country with 100 pairs being given to each zone president. Further to this, Musbach will be trained through the Belize Council for the Visually Impaired BCVI to administer primary vision tests.

With this skill, she hopes to travel to the southern districts along with President Murlene Spain and past president Melanie Paz where they will be issuing test and glasses to those individuals in need.

The team plans on hitting areas such as Punta Gorda, Placencia, Seine Bight and Dangriga among other places in the south. President Spain is very excited for the donation and assures Kernensted that the glasses will certainly reach the individuals that need them the most.

The San Pedro Lions Club hosts eye doctors from BCVI the first Wednesday of each month. The doctors will be back on the island on March 6th and 7th when they will be offering free eye exams and services.

CLERC: Canadian Lions Eyeglass Recycle Centre

Please donate your used eyeglasses

For most of the world, glasses are too scarce and expensive. They are not an option. Children drop out of school because they cannot see well enough to read and parents who need glasses may lose their jobs.

How do we provide glasses to underdeveloped countries?

It starts with you!

Don't throw away someone's chance for a clearer tomorrow. Rather than throw your glasses aside, please donate your glasses to the Lions Eye Bank. We have various locations throughout the Winnipeg area that accept used eyeglasses on our behalf.

We are fortunate to work with volunteers who collect glasses at the various drop off locations and who volunteer to sort, count and pack glasses in order to ship to Calgary.

We are privileged to part-

ner with Canada Moving who ships our glasses to Calgary at no cost.

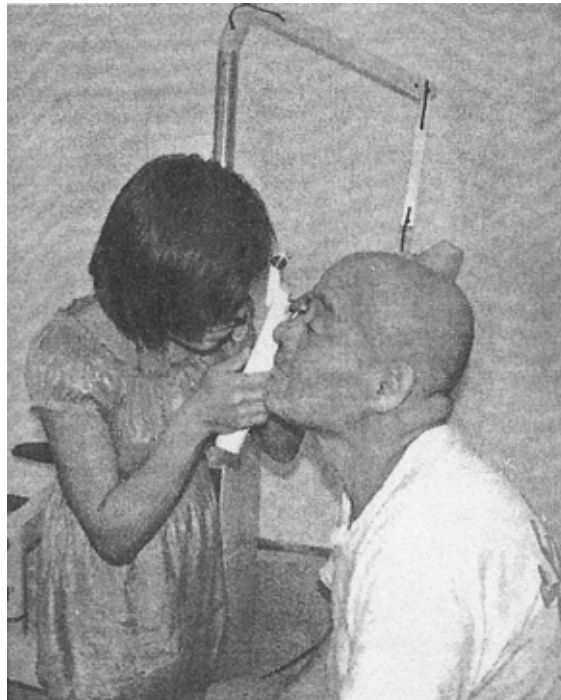
In the past year we have shipped over 22,000 pairs of glasses!

Once the glasses arrive in Calgary they are sorted by a group of volunteers, by prescription using a Lensometer, then sanitized and packaged for shipment overseas.

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In summary, you can appreciate the significance of "the many people" working together to provide necessary means to allow others to see!

For more information please check our website "eye-bankmanitoba.com" and www.clerc.ca



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