

The Lions Den

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5M3 Mid Winter Visiting International Director



WILLIAM "BILL" MCKINNEY

INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

William "Bill" McKinney, from Highland, Illinois, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 96th International Convention held in Hamburg, Germany July 5 through 9, 2013. Director McKinney is a retired general manager of Livestock Market.

A member of the Marine Lions Club since 2012 and a Lion since 1973, he has held many offices within the association,

including President, District Governor, Council Chairperson and co-coordinator for Campaign SightFirst I.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including Lion of the Year, an International President's Medal and two International President's Certificates of Appreciation. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Director McKinney has two children and four granddaughters.

Strengthening the Pride in 5M3



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A Few Words from DG Dave...

Greetings (ROAR in Lioneese) I hope you had a great Thanksgiving and that your pride was well fed.

Mid-Winter Conventions are coming up in January and February - ours is Feb. 20-22 in Marshall. Lynda and will be attending ten of the twelve conventions in whole or in part. How about you? I know in Southwest Minnesota we like to wait until the last minute to sign up for anything, but I really want to see YOU at our mid-winter, especially those of YOU who have never been to one before. How can we be a part of a Pride (Lions group) without fully participating in all that Lions has to offer? Lions, Rotarians, Kiwanians - and other groups, including churches - sometimes espouse a "let's keep it local" attitude. Melvin Jones might have originally planned for his new group - soon to be 100 years in existence - to be a Chicago phenomenon, but it wasn't long before it went national and then international. And that organization continues to grow with another new nation start a couple of months ago - albeit a tiny island nation.

Get your ROAR on and get signed up for Mid-Winter. Think about expanding your horizon and skills by taking part in the Regional Lions Leadership Institute next April - we still have openings because some of you are waiting like I talked about earlier. Maybe this is the year to become a leader in YOUR club, YOUR District, and/or YOUR Multiple. Put a ROAR in my voice and the other members of your District Governors Team as we bring each and every club out of just the "local" and into the WORLD!

DG David

PS: Lynda and I will be gone for the month of December to soak up some sunshine and warmth in a southern climate. Your District Governor Team is able and ready to handle anything that comes up, and I will be just a phone call/email/ letter away to keep this District growing and roaring.

Governor's Travels



Truman Lions Club



Fairmont Lions Club



Walnut Grove Lions Club



Sherburn Lions Club





Marshall Lions Club

5M3 1st Vice District Governor

We just finished celebrating another Veterans Day...I hope you all had the opportunity to thank a veteran you know for his or her service. Those who have served in the armed forces often learn like no others the importance of community and serving that community. That's why Lions Clubs International is encouraging all our clubs to recruit a veteran as a Lion! I have challenged my club to find veterans who still want to serve and who are looking for chances to make a difference. I hope each one of your clubs is also taking up the banner in recruiting veterans!

Recruiting veterans is only one step in strengthening our clubs. Our communities have all types of excellent Lions candidates. I submit that we all know at least a couple of people who, given the chance, would revitalize each of our clubs! The first step in finding new members is amazingly simple -- all you have to do is approach someone and ask!

As we start the busy holiday season, I think the best gift you can someone is the opportunity to be a Lion! Go to someone you know and share with them the benefits of being a Lion and the opportunities they will have to make a difference. Membership is the lifeblood of our clubs -- and in our district, we need new members. So while each of you are out enjoying the holidays, feel free to brag up your clubs and invite a friend (or friends) to a meeting. If nothing else, those folks will learn about the Lions and perhaps share their positive thoughts with others.

Have a great Thanksgiving!



Minnesota Lions Eye Bank

A special tribute will be paid to Lion Cheryl Kennedy of Lindstrom, wife of 5M7 PDG Lion Pat Kennedy. Cheryl

donated her eyes to the MN Lions Eye Bank, and she is being honored on the Donate Life America float at the Tournament of Roses Parade in January 2015. Her floragraph (likeness in seeds and flowers) will be on display on the float.



Peace Poster 2014 The Milroy Lions worked with the Milroy Public School in this competition. Since we have a small school, grades are combined of various ages. Our contest involves a winner in the Qualifying Age-Lesly Geo & Non-Qualifying Age-Halle Imker.

I can't believe this is happening in our District

~ Lake Benton Lions ~ Pancakes 1st Sunday of each month October-April ~ Legion French Toast, Eggs, Toast & Coffee Monies go to families in need.

Redwood Falls Lions host: Jackpot Fundraiser

Monday, December 1, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Receive \$30 coupon booklet for \$15.00

<u>Tracy Lions</u> 2nd Annual Soup Supper Saturday, Nov. 29, 5 p.m. in Tracy in conjunction with Tracy Holiday Parade. Free will donation. Have a meal and stay for downtown evening parade to kick off Christmas season

LIONS Worldwide

Week of Service in Januarv



- 1) Plan your project– Host a service project that benefits youth, vision, hunger or environment during January 10-16.
- Share your project– Invite your community to serve with you to showcase your club & the power of service
- 3) Report your project- on the MyLCI Service Activity Report to earn a Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

To: Club Presidents and Secretaries Subject: Information Request



Please provide a list of all locations where your Club has a box to collect used eyeglasses and hearing aids. The Eye Bank and Vision Foundation gets requests throughout the year from people asking where they can donate eye glasses. The location (business, church, etc.), street address, and city are needed to direct the callers to the nearest location. Please keep us informed of any location changes as they occur.

Is your Club currently, or has it ever been, involved in children's vision screening? If so, please provide a name and contact information. Lions Int'l. President Joe Preston has started a Lions KidSight USA Initiative to provide vision screening for all children 6 months to 6 years. We need to determine if screening is currently being done before we commit to participating in this initiative.

We would appreciate your prompt reply by November 30th. Happy Thanksgiving to you and your Lion families.

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PDG LeRoy Levorson roy54vor@newulmtel.net 507-354-5781 5M3 District Chair



Morgan Lions Club Annual Fall Brunch/Fall Raffle Sunday November 23, 2014 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Morgan. Scrambled Eggs, Apple Sauce, Pancakes, Sausages, Milk and Coffee. Raffle drawing will be held at 1:00 pm.

<u>Echo Lions</u> Santa Day Saturday, December 13th, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Echo Community Center. Food & Goodies for sale by the Cirl Secure. Pieze resited 12, 120 p.m. Our groupel Liens

Girl Scouts. Piano recital 12-1:30 p.m. Our annual Lions Turkey drawing right after the recital and most of all a visit from Santa around 1 p.m.

District Governor David Laechel & Lion Lynda will be out of District 5M3 from November 28-December 30. If you are in need of assistance, please contact: 1st VDG Steve Collins.

Time is Running Out!

MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute

There are still 4 openings from 5M3 to participate in the most rewarding experience you will ever encounter. Call DG David TODAY and tell him your application is in the mail. Check last month's newsletter for the application form. Car pooling available.



LEADER DOGS

In celebration of Leader Dogs for the Blind's 75th Anniversary and in support of our \$14.5M Canine Development Center project, we are undertaking a historic campaign.

Plans are:

- A renovated training & kennel area
- A centralized veterinary clinic
- An expanded puppy area
- Space for our dedicated campus volunteers to interact with the dogs
- A new intake area
- A new breeding area
- An enhanced welcome lobby

Lion Deloy would like to visit with your club and inform you of all the changes happening at Leader Dogs. Give him a call at 507-831-5706 to schedule a date for him to visit.

Will you help Leader Dogs achieve their goal of \$14.5M? Please send your donations to:

Lion Deloy King, 5M3 Leader Dog Chair 136 Buckwheat Ave Windom MN 56101



Payable to: Leader Dogs for the Blind Memo: Canine Development Center Project



<u>Granite Falls</u> Lion Members for 15 years. Left to Right is Jim Fromm and Craig Opdahl. Jeff Mensink also has 15 years but not pictured.

District Governor Visit Form July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015

It is <u>VERY</u> important that the District Governor visits <u>EVERY</u> Lions Club in his/her District during his/her District Governor vear.

> Please send this form to DG David Laechel or contact him via email to set up your club visit.

Today's Date: _____

Address/Directions to meeting place (VERY IMPORTANT):

Dates in order of preference: 1st _____ 2nd _____

Time meeting begins: ______ If a meal, when does it begin?

Is the DG Travel Companion invited?

Will new members be inducted by DG?

New Officers Installed? ______ If yes, please have all information on hand or forwarded to the DG before the meeting.

Is this a joint meeting with other Lions Clubs? Who?:

Lion requesting the visit: ______ Position held: ______ Telephone:



Send to DG David Laechel, 900 11th St #4, Westbrook MN 56183; Res: 507-920-0164; <u>5m3dgdavidlaechel@gmail.com</u>



The Walnut Grove Lions Club, in cooperation with the Tracy Lions Club, collected shoes for the Soles4Souls program during the month of October. These will be transported to a clearing house in Iowa for distribution to needy people. The attached pictures are of the collected items from Walnut Grove.

Minnesota Oral Health Project *(MNOHP)*

The goal of MNOHP is multi-faceted; it includes education of community stakeholders and caregivers of young children and encouraging collaboration between Primary Care Medical Providers and Dental Providers in the interest of reducing caries (process leading to cavities) in the children of our communities (our children).

Dr. Amos Deinard, a pediatrician from the University of Minnesota, has made MNOHP his priority over the last 15 years. Cris Gilb, public health nurse from Marshall, MN, has joined the project on the local front. Southwest Health and Human Services (SWHHS) and Southwest Initiative Foundation have joined Amos and Cris as well as many local stakeholders, e.g., Lion's Clubs of 5M3. The Dental Trade Alliance Foundation, UCare Foundation, and SWHHS are providing financial support.

At the time of this writing, Amos and Cris are halfway done touring Southwest Minnesota and meeting with stakeholders from the community as well as with service organization members. Lion Dan Snobl has attended the community meetings with Cris and Amos to express the support of the Lion's Clubs. They have met with dentists, dental hygienists, medical providers, public health staff, school nurses, service organizations and many others. They have not only been been able to identify other stakeholders in each community but they have problem-solved some barriers that stakeholders are experiencing. They have distributed educational materials to the various groups. They have been

extremely pleased to see the overwhelming support for the project.

Together, they are ready to start presenting to Lion's Clubs of 5M3 so members can become vocal advocates in their own communities. Please contact Dan to schedule a presentation at your club. Do not hesitate to contact



Amos or Cris with questions or suggestions at: Amos Deinard: <u>deina001@umn.edu</u> Cris Gilb: <u>crisgilb76@gmail.com</u> or 507-530-3238

WAY TO GO LIONS OF NEW ULM!

3 New Members were installed at their last Lions meeting.



MN LIONS DIABETES FOUNDATION, INC Sponsors A1C Health Screenings

Your MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. (MLDF) proudly hosted an exhibit table at the recent American Diabetes Association EXPO in Minneapolis on Saturday, October 11, 2014. Lions, with your help, we sponsored the A1C Diabetes Screenings. This FREE EXPO gave Trustees the opportunity to share information about Lions and diabetes, recruit members and make contacts with other organizations striving to improve the lives of people with diabetes. A total of 8,348 people attended with attendees having the opportunity to participate in twelve different health screenings. Eight buses came in from across MN and WI picking up people at 17 different locations. Thank you to your districts who sponsored buses or created awareness for the free metro transportation that made it possible for Lions and other community members to participate!

November is National Diabetes Month and November 14th is World Diabetes Day. Please consider one simple life style change, *that you might do this day*, to improve your health and start the beginning of an important life style change just for you. One in four of us according to the American Diabetes Association and the Centers for Disease Control are PREDIABETIC. Are you at risk? The MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. will be striving to create awareness for Type 2 Diabetes over the next three years. We sincerely hope our new slogan "Catch the Dream" Life Without Diabetes... will be your dream come true! Remember... NOVEMBER 14th is an important day for you. We care.

Who in your Club deserves recognition?

WHICH AWARD CAN YOU GIVE? Contact your 5M3 District Chairman to obtain your clubs donation status to District Charities so you can honor a club member.

Hall of Fame Award– Each District can award 1 per year. An application has be submitted to the DG in advance of the convention and is voted on at the business meeting. The winner is announced and awarded at the MD5M Convention in Rochester. Do you have a member who qualifies for this award? If so, go to our 5M3 website–Forms. Submit them before February 1, 2015 to DG David.

Al Jensen Award– This is an MD5M award that is given at the MD5M Multiple Convention in Bloomington on April 18th. Only 2 are given in the Minnesota, Manitoba & NW Ontario area. Criteria for this award is listed at the 5M3 website under Forms.

MD5M Diabetes Dream Catcher Award– An accumulative donation of \$1,000 to the Diabetes Foundation or Camp Needlepoint or any other donation related to Diabetes will merit qualifications for an award. You need to track your own club activity in this area and notify Lion Mary Snobl at <u>marysnobl@llwb.coop</u>(507-629-4734) OR Lion Bob Schlinger at <u>bbschir@comcast.net</u>(507-354-8940) to acquire the award.

Melvin Jones Fellowships– highest award that can be received by a Lion is the Melvin Jones Fellow (MJF). It was established in 1973 as a means to provide funds to Lions Clubs International (LCI) and also to establish the highest form of recognition for dedication and humanitarian service. Today, the MJF provide 70% of the funds provided for the LCI humanitarian programs such as relief to victims of earthquakes, tornados, hurricanes, etc. The fellowship is obtained for US \$1000. and may be given to men or women , not necessarily Lions, in recognition for their service. The recipient receives an inscribed plaque and lapel pin. Financing needs to be completed within a five year period with a minimum of \$100 in any one year. For those who have a MJF, a Progressive MJF (PMJF) is available for each additional \$1000 with the recipient receiving a lapel pin with a "level" gemstone. This award can be presented at a club meeting or at our 5M3 Mid Winter Convention. More information regarding this award can be found at the 5M3 website or by contacting the LCIF District Chairperson PDG Bob Thomaat bsthoma@embarqmail.com (320-564-4676).

Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation Award– The MD5M Hearing Foundation gives the Fellowship award for \$1,000. This can be an accumulative donation to achieve the \$1,000 goal. Contact PDG Wayne Radloff at Wayne.Radloff@yahoo.com (507-865-4732) OR IPDG John Myers at myersjohn806@gmail.com (507-849-7050).

Leader Dogs Founders Tribute– This program allows clubs to honor an individual club member or event sponsor for his or her consummate service, dedication and commitment to Lionism and Leader Dogs for the Blind. The Founders tribute is available in three levels: Bronze- \$500; Silver- \$1,000; Gold- \$2,500. The award recipient is given a custom engraved Leader Dog Founders Tribute plaque and a commemorative Founders Tribute pin and patch. The plaques, pins and patches are tailored for each level. Contact: Lion Deloy King at deloyellen@yahoo.com (507-831-5706).

Can Do Canines- "Top Dog" Award can be given to any club, member or non Lion's member with a \$500. donation to Can do Canines. Contact: Lion Galen Engholm at <u>engholm@sleepyeyetel.net</u> (507-794-2443).

Helen Keller Award– are given to honor those who have distinguished themselves within your Lions Club for outstanding commitment or service to your club or community. This is an excellent way to honor a Lion, Lioness, non-Lion individual, business, or organization. A \$1,000 donation to the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (for the MN Lions Eye Bank, Lions Children's Eye Clinic, the MAC Center, the Fund to Prevent Blindness in Infants and Children, or other Vision Foundation projects) allows the donor to present a Helen Keller Award. The award recipient receives a beautiful plaque and pin, and the recipient's name is displayed on the Helen Keller board in the University of Minnesota Eye Clinic. Both the donor and the recipient have the satisfaction of supporting worthwhile Lions projects. Established in 1992, more the 2000 Helen Keller Awards have now been bestowed on deserving recipients. Contact PDG LeRoy Levorson at roy54vor@newulmtel.net (507-354-5781) OR PDG Vickie Radloff at thboss57@hotmail.com (507-865-4732).

Project New Hope– Awards to individuals and clubs is a thank you for your generosity and caring for our veterans and their families. The awards look much like a military ribbon that would be worn on a uniform. Most have put them on club vests or jackets. We also have a PNH pin for a donation of \$25. The ribbon awards are red, white and blue ribbon with a rectangular medal that says Project New Hope. Levels of the award are Gold medal at \$300., Blue medal at \$600. and Red medal at \$1200. Black & White ribbon with red medal & our dog tag symbol with PNH Recognition of Service. Contact: DG David Laechel <u>5m3davidlaechel@gmail.com</u> (507-920-0164)

<u>Strengthening the Pride in 5M3</u>



Tentative Schedule~ Friday, February 20-7:30 p.m. Service of Remembrance 8:30 p.m. Musical Entertainment by Sandra Harmon, Hospitality Rooms & Visiting Saturday, February 21-7:30 a.m. Diabetes Walk 8:15 a.m. Opening Ceremony 8:30 a.m. Seminars 12 p.m. Luncheon 2 p.m. Lions Business Meeting 6 p.m. Governors Banquet

Lions' Prayer



When I attend My Lions' Club; And break bread at the table I give a million thanks to God; To know that I am able To meet there with my fellow Lions'; Relax and play and sing To hear the speakers of the day The fine thoughts that they bring. I realize I have a part; In caring for the blind Also the underprivileged; Let's keep them all in mind. Now as we do our daily tasks Pray God we do them greatly Then Liberty and Intelligence Will be our nation's safety.

2015 5M3 Mid Winter Convention Friday, February 20-Sunday, February 22 Ramada Inn, Marshall MN

Make your hotel reservations today-By calling 507-532-3221

If your Club enjoys hosting a hospitality room, be sure to call and reserve your poolside room now! Rooms are limited.

We have our evening Welcome Party in the pool area with entertainment by Sandra Harmon whose voice will delight many.

Saturday Music will be Mylan Ray from KISD!

Tentative Schedule~ Sunday, February 22-8:00 a.m. Worship Service 9:00 a.m. Sunday Brunch, Speaker & Raffle

Visiting International Director:

Lion William McKinney

ATTENTION!!!!

Lions International Youth Exchange is now a 501c3. If your Lions Club has Charitable Gambling Funds we encourage you to donate. Make checks payable to: Lions Int'l Youth Exchange Camp Spicer

YOUTH WANTED!!

You can experience a unique cultural learning experience.... *If you are age 16-21.

*Capable of representing your



and the U.S.A. *Willing to accept the customs of another culture.

Lions Youth Exchange visits are 2-6 weeks in length in the summer.

Exchanges can be arranged with hosting Lions clubs, districts, or multiple districts in the more than 180 countries in which Lions clubs exist and in all of our 50 states.

Applications are available from

Dist. 5M3 Int' Youth Exchange Chair Lion Vicki Pals PO Box 151. Milrov, MN 56263: 507-336-2155 dgpals@mail.com or www.lionsclubs.org Apply by January 1, 2015

5M3 Lions Mid-W February 2 Ramada Inn,	20-22,	2015	n	PRIDE
Registration Form		Let Timers Spec	440 \$50.00	
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City/State/Zip:	_	City/State/Zip:		
Telephone Number:	_	Telephone Number:		
Lions District:	_	List Special Needs:		
Club Name: Is this your first 5M3 Convention? Yes No	Before			
EVENT:	Jan 31	After Jan 31	# Attending	Amount
YES! I am coming to the convention but not s	taying for th	e meals		
** Meal Booklet (all meals)	\$55.00	\$65.00		
** 1st Timers Special Price	\$50.00	\$60.00	T	
Friday Night Entertainment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Saturday Noon Luncheon	\$16.00	\$18.00		
Saturday Banquet	\$25.00	\$30.00		
Sunday Brunch Buffet	\$14.00	\$17.00		
"I WANNA BE A LEO" Meal Packet	\$45.00	\$45.00		
*No Registration Fees		Total Amount		
Make Check Payable to: 5M3 Lion	ns Mid-Win	ter Convention		
Mail Completed Form and Payment to :	5M3 Lio	ns Mid-Winter Conv	vention	

% IPDG John Myers, PO Box 181, Jackson MN 56143

To Make Room Reservations- Contact: Ramada Inn, Marshall MN 507-532-3221 Make reservations early ~ Tell them you are with 5M3 LIONS Convention





Minneapolis Airport Marriott Hotel, Bloomington, MN

Registration Form

□ Lion □ Lioness □ Leo □ Guest
Name & Title:
Address:
City/State/Zip:
email address:
Telephone Number:
Dietary Needs:
District Number & Club Name:
Is this your first MD5M Convention?YesNo

YES! I am coming to the convention but not staying for the meals

Attending

EVENT	Before March 15	After March 15	# Attending	Amount
Hospitality Book	\$130 USD	\$140 USD		
Friday Evening Social	\$15 USD	\$20 USD		
Saturday Breakfast	\$30 USD	\$35 USD		
Saturday Luncheon	\$30 USD	\$35 USD		
Saturday Banquet	\$45 USD	\$50 USD		
Sunday Brunch	\$30 USD	\$35 USD		

No meals will be available after April 10th, 2015

Make Check Payable to: 5M6 PDG Association

Send registration form and payment to: *PDG Joe Fox, 1821 Myrtle Street, Maplewood, MN 55109* Cancellations accepted & refunded prior to March 15, 2015. A \$25.00 cancellation fee will be applied. Registration Questions: Joe Fox: foxxx012@umn.edu or Dave Dominick: david.dominick@ymcatwincities.org

Special Hotel Rate: \$99.42 per night for a regular room (tax included) Minneapolis Airport Marriott Hotel - Free Parking- rate guaranteed through 11/1

Beginning 11/2 - hotel rate will be \$110.85 (tax included) Hotel will begin accepting reservations beginning May 1, 2014

To Make Room Reservations- Contact: MPLS Airport Marriott Hotel at 1-800-228-9290 Make reservations early ~ Tell them you are with MD5M LIONS Convention







Lions, Lionesses, and Leos from Multiple District 5M will be gathering for great fellowship, learning, and entertainment during the

96th Annual MD5M Convention April 17-19, 2015 Minneapolis Airport Marriott Hotel in Bloomington MN

We expect the hotel to sell out quickly at this great rate. So make your reservations TODAY.

Call 1-800-228-9290 and tell them you are with the MD5M Lions Convention. You can access the MD5M Convention registration form on the MD5M web site, <u>http://lionsmd5m.org/default.php#</u>, select Conventions and select the registration form.

International guests and speakers will be PIP AI Brandel and Lion Maureen.

Entertainment by The "Rockin' Hollywoods www.rockinhollywoods.com:



The Lions of District 5M6 look forward to seeing you in Bloomington in April!!!!



DG David visits Morgan Lions

From left, Morgan Sec./Treas. Denise Nelson, Region 2 Zone 1 Chairperson; District Governor David Laechel and his wife Lion Lynda; Galen Engholm, District Can Do Canines Chair; Morgan Lions President Marlin Schultz.



Hadley Lions Clean Road Ditches



We cooperate with the Lioness and Murray County Central Safety Patrol to walk/clean a 2 1/2 mile stretch of Hwy. 30 west of Hadley.





Has you club had any of your members pass away since February 2014's Mid Winter Convention? If so, please send a photo of the deceased member along with their name, club name and a paragraph of information about the member to PDG Wayne Radloff. We need this for the Friday evening Service of Remembrance at the:

2015 February Mid Winter Convention

DO IT NOW! Before you forget. This service is a way to memorialize and pay our final respect to our Lions, Lioness and Leo families since we last met as a district.

Wayne.radloff@yahoo.com

**Please feel free to invite family & friends to the service



New Ulm Student Advances in Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Abby Hietala, a 6 grade student at Washington Elementary School, has won 1st place in the local competition of the Lions International Peace Poster Contest sponsored by the Lions Club of New Ulm.

Abby received \$50 in Chamber Dollars for her first place entry. Paige Kalis received \$20 in Chamber Dollars for her second place entry and Harley Sjogren received \$15 in Chamber Dollars for her third place entry.

All winners received an Award Certificate along with their Chamber Dollars from the Lions Club on Oct. 30th at Washington Elementary School. The winners were chosen from 136 posters submitted by Washington Elementary School 6 grade art students. The winning poster was selected for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme, "Peace, Love and Understanding". The judging took place on Oct. 22nd at Washington Elementary School.

Pictured, front row, left to right, Abby Hietala, first place winner; Paige Kalis, second place winner and Harley Sjogren, third place winner. Back row, left to right, Adam Kluver, Washington School Principal; Lion Glen Setterholm, Peace Poster Contest Chairman; Lion Mike Gag, Peace Poster Judge; Lion President Terry Dempsey and Sheena Monson, 6 Grade Art Teacher. Judges not pictured are Lori Kruggle, Gail Boe, Carol Setterholm and Lion Mary Jo Levorson.



Our assistance dogs fetch amazing things

Here we are and another month has passed. As I sit here at my computer writing this article I reflect on what has happened last month. On October 13th the Woofaroo Walk and festival was held and it turned out to be the largest ever. Then on October 11 we had another 16 teams graduate. What a great gift to the recipients on how their lives will be changed and to new found independence in their lives. Now for the month of November we have Give To Max Day on the 13th and The Fetching Ball Fundraiser on the !5th. As you can see it has been busy at Can-Do-Canines.

Here are some stats about Can-Do-Canines We have 14 full time employees, 6 part time, 20 field trainers, 10 board members, 100 puppy raisers along with 200 plus volunteers.

We also have at any one time 35-40 assistance dogs being trained at four prisons that we work with. What a great asset it is to have the inmates help us train new assistance dogs for us. With their help we are able to help with the shortage of dogs that are badly needed to fill the shortage we have. As of now from 1989 to the present we have provided 455 assistance dogs free of charge to the clients.

Right now we have 180 recipients on the waiting list for assistance dogs. As we are graduating about 36 teams a year our goal is to have 46 in 2015 and 60 teams a year by 2016.

This of course means that we will have to increase our staff to accommodate the extra dogs. So I am asking that you keep Can-Do-Canines in mind when you come to the mid-winter and the parade of green. As we celebrate our 25th year help us with your support. It is greatly appreciated. If you want more information on Can-Do-Canines please give me a call and I will be glad to come to your club and do a presentation. Remember these dogs are free to the clients.

Till next month (see you at the mid-winter) 5M3 Can-Do-Canines Chair, Lion Galen Engholm Cell 507-920-7129





District Governor David's visit with Jasper Quarry Lions & Jasper Lions.

5M3 NEW MEMBERS!

Comfrey Lions

<u>Lion</u> Helen Herrig Janette Pidde <u>Sponsor</u> Lion Russell Herrig Lion Martha Fredin

Echo Lions

Sponsor

Lion Daneen Dhoore Justin Hoepner Natalie Pederson Dennis Gackstetter Mike Kurtz

Lakefield Lions

<u>Lion</u> Denise Temlitz <u>Sponsor</u> Lion Donna Hage

Madelia Lions

<u>Lion</u> Jacki Kranz <u>Sponsor</u> Lion Teresa Lange

Lions of New Ulm

<u>Lion</u> Jason Engstrom Kathy Hempel Sue Harder Sponsor Lion Robert Schirlinger Lion Bonnie Schirlinger Lion Gayle O'Connor

Redwood Falls Lions

Lion Andrew Anderson Wayne Drahota Aaron Johnson Cindy Labrie Brian Stark Joseph Thielen

Lion

Michael Petersen

Sponsor Lion Scott Kodet Lion Scott Kodet Lion Steve Collins Lion Scott Kodet Lion James Tersteeg Lion Steve Collins

Sleepy Eye Lions

<u>Sponsor</u> Lion Ronald Petersen

SMSU Lions

Lion Andrew Beasley Pradip Bhandari Bryan Bonmon Raymone Brown-Martin Logan Burke Thomas Day Chris Sehncke Steve Eischens Kristi Eisenbraun David Evjen Jenna Gannott Hunter Grouli Tanner Hall Jamien Hampton Rasna KC Derek Klinkner Tejan Lala Bre'ana Lynn Matthew Molenkamp David Nelson Leonard Pianon Bryan Powell KJ Russ Dominic Saiz Ram Shrestha Anthony Skie John Smith Prakash Upreti Leah Veloso

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Truman Lions

<u>Lion</u> Thomas Dodge Sponsor Lion Doyle Peterson

Windom Lions

<u>Lion</u> Josh Grimes Zach Holt <u>Sponsor</u> Lion Kenneth Cogley Lion John Holt



5M3 District Centennial Coordinator Needed

Lions 100th year will be in 2017, along with that are many things that need to be done to prepare for this exciting event. The District Centennial Coordinator will work with the DG, 1st & 2nd VDG's as a District Centennial Team to expand & present service projects, along with other ideas to the 5M3 Clubs. Go to <u>www.e-district.org/sites/5m3/</u> For further details and application form to be submitted to DG David. Term expires June 30, 2018.

American American Diabetes Association EXPO Results Diabetes esociation.

The American Diabetes Association, Minnesota Area wants to thank the Lions of Multiple 5M for their continued support (through funding, volunteers, and offering transportation to members of their communities) for our Diabetes EXPO. Your support has contributed to the success of EXPO for people in Minnesota and the surrounding states. I am including some of the numbers here so you can see the impact you have helped make on the lives of people with diabetes, their families, friends, those at high risk, and the health care professionals who help them manage their diabetes:

TOTAL FOR 2014 EXPO: 8,343 people

TOTAL FOR 2014 Healthcare Professional Breakfast: 96 people

Other info about EXPO:

77 Exhibitors 8 buses that had a total of 17 stops to pick up attendees in WI and MN Numerous participants rode MetroTransit with the Free pass to EXPO 559 people spoke with Experts in the Ask the Expert Area 2,320 people received screenings (12 types of screenings provided)

1,870 people pre-registered for the Diabetes EXPO

Comments from other participants included:

Words can't express how grateful I am to have the Diabetes EXPO making such a profound impact on people like me!!!!

I was diagnosed 3 weeks ago and I am so happy to be able to come to the EXPO and learn all I can.

I always learn something new at the Diabetes EXPO.

Thank you to everyone for taking the time to educate us.

Please pass my thanks on for a great EXPO. My family and I had a great time getting to find out about the different products, medical care options, and helpful info from the expo.

I attend the EXPO every year and share what I have learned with my neighbors and other community members.

I drove over 3 hours to get to the EXPO and have for many years now. It's an event I wouldn't want to miss!

Next year's EXPO will be held on Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Minneapolis Convention Center. See you there!



Plan to get your teams organized and join us for this great event to help children with hearing loss.





Lions Dues Breakdown 2014-2015

ions Clubs International- Administrative Convention Fund Lions Magazine	<u>Single</u> \$37.75 50 	<u>Family</u>
Total	\$43.00	\$21.50
Multiple District 5M- Administrative GLT/GMT* Campaign Fund Geographical Assistance International Band Fund Multiple Convention <i>Total</i>	\$3.85 .50 .25 .45 .25 <u>.50</u> \$5.55	\$3.85 .50 .25 .45 .25 <u>.50</u> \$5.55
District 5M3- Administrative & DG Exp Mid Winter Convention Vice Dist Gov Expense Total	\$5.00 1.00 <u>1.00</u> \$7.00	\$5.00 1.00 <u>1.00</u> \$7.00
TOTALS- International Multiple District 5M District 5M3 Total	\$43.00 5.55 <u>7.00</u> \$55.55 +	\$21.50 5.55 <u>7.00</u> \$34.05

In addition, each club is charged an annual fee of \$8.47 for \$1 million in extra Liability Insurance and \$6.50 for Bonding. A 1 time registration fee for new members is \$25.00.

Be sure to <u>send your dues in promptly</u> as your club **relies** on this money to pay the costs above on an **annual basis**! If your club is not requiring your members to pay at least \$55.55 per year, your club may then be relying on monies collected from fundraisers to pay your dues. This is an illegal use of funds. Fundraising monies cannot be used for dues. Is your club in compliance **AND** collecting enough dues?

*Global Leadership Team/Global Membership Team



December 7 1st VDG Steve Collins to visit for DG Dave– Lucan Lions Club

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: These numbers do not reflect the SMSU members for November.

~District 5M3 Membership Update~

Number of Members:	
June 30, 2014	1255
Number of Members:	
October 31, 2014	1229
Members Added:	+33
Members Dropped:	-59
Net Loss/Gain:	-26
Number of Clubs in the D	istrict: <u>44</u>
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Have <u>YOU</u> Asked Someone to be a Lion TODAY?

NOTICE:

<u>District 5M3</u> is looking for someone with newsletter and/or graphic knowledge to compose the Lion's Den starting in July/August of 2015. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact 1st VDG Steve Collins at 507-430-4167 or email: <u>ssclawdog@yahoo.com</u>

If you have questions on the newsletter, please contact Lion Cheri Appel 507-336-2405



5M3 District Governor David Laechel 900 11th St #4, Westbrook MN 56183



Lions David & Lynda

Is your club missing? If so, tell your club officers to sponsor the District Newsletter for \$40.00 a year. Payable to the 5M3 Treasurer PDG Mike Appel; (address on page 2)

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Fairmont Lions	Morgan Lions	Echo Lions	Lion Jack VanEck ~ President
1st/3rd Monday, 6:00 pm	4th Monday, 6:30 pm	3rd Thursday, 7:00 pm	
Lion Al Struck ~ President	Lion Marlin Schultz~ President	Lion Paul Kuistad ~ President	
Wabasso Lions	Hills Lions	Jasper Quarry Lions	Lion Tonia Czech ~ President
2nd/3rd Wednesday 6 pm	2nd Tuesday, 7 pm	3rd Monday 7 pm	
Lion Craig Palan ~ President	Lion Leonard Leenderts ~ President	Lion Edie Aas ~ President	
Milroy Lions	Luverne Lions	Jackson Lions	Lion Terrance Dempsey ~ President
1st Thursday 6:30 pm	4th Monday 6 pm	2 & 4 Mondays, 6:15 pm	
Lion Donna Hensel~ President	Lion Ryan Wynia ~ President	Lion Marcus Leggate ~ President	
St. James Lions	Jasper Lions	Sleepy Eye Lions	Cottonwood Lions
1/3 Wednesday, 6:15 pm	3rd Monday, 7:00 pm	1 Tuesday, 6:05 pm	2nd Tuesday, 6:15 p.m.
Lion Mark Sturm~ President	Lion Terry Skyberg~ President	Lion Arnold Hinderman ~ President	Lion Larry Isaackson~ President
Jeffers Community Lions	Westbrook Lions	Lakefield Lions	Walnut Grove Lions
1st Thursday 6:30 pm	3rd Monday, 8:00 pm	2nd Monday, 6 p.m.	2nd Thursday 6:00 pm
Lion Bonnie Hanish~ President	Lion Gordon Eichner ~ President	Lion Donna Hage~ President	Lion Richard Swanson ~ President
Redwood Falls Lions	Sherburn Lions	Licon Licons	Worthington Lions
1st/3rd Monday, 6:30 pm	2nd/4th Monday 7 pm	2nd Thurs 7 pm/2nd Sat 8 am	2nd Monday, 6:15 p.m.
Lion Steve Collins ~ President	Lion Brian Steen~ President	Lion Jeffrey Turbes ~ President	Lion Doug Obermoller ~ President
Granite Falls Lions	Marshall Lions	Clarkfield Lions	Comfrey Lions
1st/3rd Monday, 6:30 pm	2/4 Tuesday, 6 p.m.	3rd Tuesday, 7:00 a.m.	2nd Monday, 6:15 pm
Lion Keith Koerlin ~ President	Lion Paula Curry ~ President	Lion Jim Lynner~ President	Lion LeRoy Peterson ~ President
Hadley Lions	Truman Lions	Windom Lions	Fulda Lions
3rd Tuesday 6:30 pm	1st Monday 6 pm	2nd/4th Wednesday 6:30 pm	3rd Monday, 6:15 p.m.
Lion Darren Saner ~ President	Lion Mike Laue ~ President	Lion Dean Schhumacher ~ President	Lion Mike Peterson ~ President
Syler Lions	Vesta Lions	Mountain Lake	Tracy Lions
4th Wednesday , 7:30 pm	1st Monday, 6:30 pm	2nd Monday, 6:15 pm	2nd Monday 6:30 pm
Lion James Kopel~ President	Lion James Penske ~ President	Lion Dean Janzen ~ President	Lion Larry Muenchow ~ President