



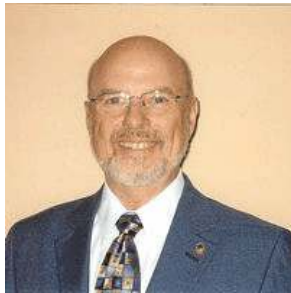
5M7 Team News



September 2008



News and Views from Governor Jim: "Movin' Forward"



It is now September and I am leaving for the USA/ Canada Forum in the morning. We will be gone for 2 weeks. After the Forum we are taking a few days to visit Jasper, AB and Banff, AB. I doubt if we will every have another opportunity to go out there.

There have been a few changes this year from International and the District. A really big change from International is in District Officer positions. After the District Governor, we now have a First (1st) Vice District Governor

AND a Second (2nd) Vice District Governor. These are official positions and are defined in the newly updated International Lions Constitution, which is on the International website. It is not too early to be thinking about running for a VDG position. It is necessary to send a "letter of intent" to me and the position for which you are a candidate. Check the website for the necessary requirements.

Kudos for the Livonia Lions Club and their secretary Lion Joalyn Welte. The Livonia Lions have a column in their local newspaper and they use it to promote Lionism in general and their club in particular. They are Heroes for the month.

Tina and I stopped over to the Blaine City Hall on Sat. the 13th for the Blaine Lions Wellness Day. What a terrific job they did. An outstanding service project by a really great Lions Club. They are also Heroes for the month. If your club is doing something "special" for Lionism, let me know. I would like to have a feature article each month on Miracles through Service or Every Day Heroes. There are many every day heroes out there, so let us know who you are and what you did.

I am really excited about our 5M7 Fall Leadership Forum. We have PID Dick Tyler speaking on Long Range Planning and the importance of it to our future. Then PCC Bob Jechorek will speak on Leadership. Don Heinzman, a retired newspaper editor, will speak on Public Relations in your town. PCC Brian Sheehan is putting on one of his special, interesting, very entertaining, and worthwhile presentations. Lions Mike Main and Darren McAlpine of Howard Lake will demonstrate how to really twist a tail. Participants will have the opportunity to brain storm, discuss, and evaluate the program. Lastly we will have a presentation I am sure everybody will gain from, and leave with an increased level of the "Spirit of Lionism" in their hearts. I look forward to a great day.

This is an opportunity, not to be missed. Register now! Our Forum will be held on Saturday, Oct. 11th from 9 AM till 2:30 PM at Lions Park Center in Elk River which is just south of School Street on Lions Park Drive. The registration fee is \$10.00 until Oct. 1st, then it goes up to \$15.00. We must have a head count for lunches, so there will be no reservations accepted after Oct. 8th. The registrations have begun to come in, so do not miss out on this program.

Governor's Night or Governor's Club Visits. If your club hasn't set a date for a visit, please do so right away. Only about 1/2 of the clubs have done it so far. The schedule does fill up, and the longer you wait the harder it is to find an open date that will work for you and for me. Have mercy on an old guy and get it done.

I have to go and pack for the USA / Canada Forum now, so until next month I am

Sincerely yours in Lionism,

DG Jim

"Do for, not to".

Around the District in pictures and words

North Metro Leos Club participates in annual Heel and Wheel fundraiser



1. Seven members of the new North Metro Leos Club walked a 5K route in the rain around Lake Phalen for the 2008 Heel and Wheel fundraiser. They were joined by five walkers from the Coon Rapids Lions Club, who partnered with the Leos to donate \$670 towards the cause. Hearing and Service Dogs of Minnesota is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for people who are deaf, hard of hearing or disabled by creating mutually beneficial partnerships with specially-trained dogs.

This was the first event for the Leos Club who intends to continue partnering with other service organizations in addition to heading up their own activities. The Leos meet every other Tuesday night at 7:00 PM in the community room located upstairs at the Riverdale Cub Foods. Meetings for October will be held on the 7th and 21st. Teens interested in more information about the North Metro Leos Club may contact Madelyn Esperum at 763-421-8491 or leoclub@comcast.net or on MySpace at www.myspace.com/northmetroleosclub.



Adults interested in participating in similar community service activities may contact the Coon Rapids Lions Club. The Lions meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Coon Rapids V.F.W. For more information or to get involved with the Coon Rapids Lions Club, please contact Lion Bill Guthrie at 763-786-8072 or by visiting the Club's website at www.coonrapidslions.org.

Governor's Travels

October

- 1 Governor's Night Ramsey
- 4 Eye Bank Meeting St Cloud
- 6 Governor's Night Wyoming
- 8 Governor's Night Blaine
- 11 Fall Forum Lion's Park Elk River
- 13 Governor's Night Andover
- 15 Governor's Night CR North Star
- 16 Governor's Night SLP

- 17 Council of Governors Meeting
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- 20 Governor's Night Monticello
- 21 Governor's Night Clear Lake
- 22 Governor's Night Coon Rapids
- 25 Thanksgiving for Vision
- 27 Lioness Group I Clear Lake
- 28 Cabinet Meeting at Lion's Park Elk River
- 29 Governor's Night St Francis Lions, Lioness & Oak Park Lions

Governor's Travels

January

November

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| 6 | Governor's Night Forest Lake & Hugo | 9-11 | Midwinter 5M5 5M6 5M9 |
| 18 | Governor's Night Cedar East Bethel | 12 | Governor's Night Fridly 5 Star & Coon Rapids Cardinals |

December

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| 3 | Governor's Night Buffalo | | |
| 4 | Governor's Night Howard Lake | 24 | Midwinter 5M4 |
| 13 | Governor's Night Andover | | |
| 16 | Governor's Night Cambridge | 28 | Governor's Night Chisago Lakes |
| | | 30-31 | Midwinter 5M1 5M11 |

Club Activities

October

- 5 Chisago Lakes Pancake & French Toast Breakfast @ CL High School
- 5 Almelund Shafer Fireman's Dance
- 9 Buffalo Pork Chop Dinner
- 11 SLP Lions Oktoberfest
- Coon Rapids White Cane Days
- Buffalo Lions Wellness Van @ Fire Dept Open House
- 12 SLP Lions Pancake Breakfast @ SLP High 7:30-12:30
- 17 Howard Lake Lions Hot Dish Supper @ Lions Hall
- 25 Anoka Halloween Parade
- CR Northstar Fall Fest @ Goose Lake Winery
- Buffalo Lions Appreciation Dinner for Police, Fire & City Council
- 26 CR Northstar Fall Fest @ Goose Lake Winery

November

- 9 Buffalo & Hanover Lions "Chill the Packers" Chili Feed

Lions Environmental Photo Contest

Lions, Lioness and Leos from District 5M-7 can enter an original, unaltered, black-and-white or color photos (without people) of the environment of their Lion, Lioness or Leo club.

The 2008-2009 photography categories are:

Photos should focus on the environment. Therefore photographs must *not* include people

1. Urban or natural landscape

2. Animal life

3. Plant life

4. Weather phenomena

The special annual theme category is:

5. Lions Environmental Miracle Workers – Photos of Lions in action implementing a Lions environmental project

Photos (8x10) will be displayed at the 2009 Midwinter 5M-7 convention.

5M7 Fall Leadership Forum

Date: Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008

Place: Lions Park Center, Elk River

Time: 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM

Who? All Lions of 5M7 Welcome

Price: \$10.00 each

AGENDA: Tentative schedule

Welcome & Ice Breaker (DG Jim)

Long range planning. A 5year plan-Dick Tyler

How is your leadership-Keith Johnson

AM Break

Keep meetings fun and on track-Brian Sheehan

Public Relations in your town-Don Heinzman

Tail-Twisting demonstration.

Lunch break

Speaker to be announced

Keynote Motivational Speaker---Roger Revak

Drawing for full meal pass at Mid Winter

Speakers-Keith Johnson , Don Heinzman, Roger Revak, Brian Sheehan ,Dick Tyler and one more.

August M&A's

CLUB NAME	WHAT CLUB REPORTED
Albertville	Donated \$1,120 to Relay For Life cancer walk
Almelund	NO REPORT
Andover	Two members attended the Zone Meeting on August 21
Annandale	NO REPORT
Anoka	56 members worked 224 hours at the Anoka County Fair
Becker	Donated \$500 to the Becker Community Cente
Big Lake	0 members worked 60 hours putting on the annual Fireman's Dance & Fundraiser
Blaine	Prepared 105 backpacks with school supplies for CEAP's back-to-school program.
Buffalo	Club sponsored Concerts In The Park with a \$1,500 donation and 15 members serving food
Buffalo Noon	NO REPORT
Cambridge	14 members worked 268 hours in the food wagon at the County Fair
Cedar East Bethel	NO REPORT
Centerville	NO REPORT
Chisago Lakes	13 memers volunteered 59 hours at the Lion's Corn Feed
Circle Pines Lex	Six members worked 35 hours at Sandburr Days

Clear Lake **NO REPORT**

Clearwater **NO REPORT**

Cokato 35 members volunteered 442 hours at the Cokato Corn Carnival

Columbia Heights Donated \$650.00 to Columbia Heights Police Dept.

Columbus Sent in their report.

Coon Rapids Donated \$825 to Lion's sponsored organizations

Coon Rapids Cardinals **NO REPORT**

Coon Rapids North Star International dues were paid prior to the deadline of 9/1.

Delano **NO REPORT**

Elk River Inducted new member, turned in 660 pairs of glasses, 20 members participated in Relay for Life

Forest Lake Club participated in the Relay For Life as walkers, serving concessions & donated \$1,000

Fridley Donated 130 pairs of glasses

Fridley Five Stars 11 members volunteered 40 hours to make up Caring Tree back packs

Grandy **NO REPORT**

Ham Lake 12 members volunteered at the community dance

Hanover 12 members volunteered 144 hours at the beef bar-b-que

Hanover Crow River 20 members worked 150 hours at the Hanover Harvest Festival

Howard Lake 25 members put in over 200 hours at the Wright County Fair

Hugo Three members put in 15 hours at the Centerville Fete Des Lacs Festival

Isanti **NO REPORT**

Lino Lakes Donated \$2,000 to the City of Lino Lakes Child Safety Camp

Livonia Towhship Five members volunteered 1200 hours in concession stand over the summer

Maple Lake **NO REPORT**

Monticello Eight members held an ice cream social at Camp Friendship

Montrose 66 members volunteered 267 hours at Montrose Days

North Branch **NO REPORT**

Oak Grove **NO REPORT**

Orrock Report was sent in

Otsego **NO REPORT**

Ramsey 15 members volunteered 195 hours at the Nowthen's Threshing Show
Rockford **NO REPORT**
Rush City Donated \$338 to Camp Needlepoint
Santiago **NO REPORT**
Spring Lake Park Had a joint meeting with Moundsvew and Fridley Lions
St. Francis **NO REPORT**
St. Michael **NO REPORT**
Stacy **NO REPORT**
Taylors Falls **NO REPORT**
Waverly Five members attended a Zone Meeting hosted by the Annandale Lions
Wyoming **NO REPORT**
Zimmerman **NO REPORT**

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Newsletter editors.

**Please submit your articles by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the
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