



# Lions NEWSLETTER

District 5M7

Coon Rapids Lions Club

January 2008

Reminder — Next Dinner Meeting is on Wednesday, January 23, 7:00 p.m.

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## Views from Our President...

Someone once said, *"Life happens while you are making plans."* As always in each life an end must happen. If you have not heard by now one of our past presidents has passed away — Keith Howard died December 3<sup>rd</sup>, due to heart problems. It was said at his funeral by his son, *"It is sad that a man who had a big heart, would die because of heart disease."* I knew Keith for only short time during his 79 years on this earth, and I for one can say he will be truly missed. The community of Coon Rapids and State of Minnesota has lost a good man. Please keep Keith's family in your thoughts and prayers.

We are half done with our fiscal year, and have made a great amount of progress. Our Constitution and By-Laws have been updated to include email as a form of communication amongst our membership (this brings us in line with International). Also, we cleaned up in-house duties and responsibilities, for board members.

I'm looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at *Mid-Winter Convention*. If you have been thinking about going to Mid-Winter (January 18 – 20), please contact Lions Joel Anderson, Liz Reiser, Joe Marvin, and/or Lyle Goff. Mid-Winter is a good experience; there are many great speakers and informational seminars, plus the tail-twisting and the "Parade of Green" (conducted during the Saturday lunch) — all are sights to behold. One more item about Mid-Winter, it provides a great opportunity to meet with other Lions within the area.

Here's to warm thoughts, and good friendship — not only during the rest of the holiday season, but each and every day we have together. As Tiny Tim said in **The Christmas Carol**, *"God, bless us, everyone."*

## Some upcoming events to remember:

- Mid-Winter January 18 – 20
- Chili Feed February 8
- Pancake Breakfast March 16

*Lion President Steve Asplund*

## Don't Forget to RSVP for Dinner Meeting



Please make sure to notify Lion Jack of your intention for each of the dinner meetings so a meal can be ordered for you. Lion Jack can be reached by emailing your dinner notice to [jkoolmo@comcast.net](mailto:jkoolmo@comcast.net) or you can call him with your information at **612-418-6839**.

*Lion Jack Koolmo*  
612-418-6839

## ? Mystery Lion of the Month... ?

Can you guess who this is?  
You may be asked at the next dinner meeting  
to identify this fellow Lion.  
Be prepared!

### 1. What do you do now or did you do for a living?

*A real description, not just a job title.*

**Answer:** Product manager in sales with hydraulic valves and valves for other industries. This includes valves from construction equipment to coffee makers.

### 2. Tattoos or Piercings?

**Answer:** Absolutely none!

### 3. Favorite color?

**Answer:** If I had a sports car, it would be bright yellow. Since I don't, let's call it orange.

### 4. Volunteer projects in the community in addition to Lions? *If so please describe.*

**Answer:** Boy Scouts, church activities, and helping out my elderly neighbor and in-laws.

### 5. Favorite beverage?

**Answer:** Diet Coke or a Brandy 7.

### 6. Favorite place to travel?

**Answer:** Two place I would revisit, would be Cozumel and Italy. Otherwise, my favorite spots are in northern Minnesota.

### 7. Favorite term of endearment for someone close to you?

**Answer:** Nothing too exciting, *Honey* or *Sweetheart*.

### 9. Lion you would like to see fined at the next meeting, just on general principal?

*(Your reward for filling this out!)*

**Answer:** Lion Bill Guthrie



### Did you figure it out?

Last month's *Mystery Lion of the Month* was  
Lion Dave Zdon

## Club Officer Needed...

Our club is still in need to fill the vacancy of First Vice. This person will become Club President as of July 1, 2008 -- much guidance and support from all past club presidents will be included. Please be assured that this is not a difficult office to hold, but requires a time commitment and is very rewarding. If you are interested see Lion Steve Asplund.



### Stuff to SAVE

Bring to any club meeting:

- ✓ eyeglasses
- ✓ printer cartridges
- ✓ \$\$ for club pins



**REMINDER** — Please send your articles, updates and photos for our monthly newsletter to Lion Joel Anderson by the Friday following the Board meeting each month.

Please include: *event name; # of Lions attending; weather conditions if applicable; and a short summarization of event.*

Thank you. Contact: (763) 757-2515 or

[janderson@jemtechnical.com](mailto:janderson@jemtechnical.com)

## Happy Birthday to...

- Jim Myers -- 01/03
- Kathleen Coder -- 01/05
- Tim Beckwith -- 01/30



## Happy Anniversary to...


- Bill Erhart -- 1991
- Jim Peterson -- 2005





# Coon Rapids Lions January 2008



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 	2 Community Needs Mtg Fire Station #1 7:00pm	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Board & General Mtg CR VFW 7:00pm	10 Park River Men's Club 10:00 am	11	12
13	14	15	16 Gambling Mtg Gambling Office, 7:00pm	17	18 5M7 Mid-Winter Convention	19
20	21 	22	23 Dinner Mtg CR-VFW, 7:00pm	24 Park River Men's Club 10:00 am	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		