



L10News

December, 2014



District Governor's Growl

I have been quite busy with traveling to our clubs for District Governor's Visits. Two things are consistently true: I always have a good time making new friends and I always learn something.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. Do join us in Duluth for the Mid-winter Convention, January 23-25. I am confident that you will remember what you learned and the fun you had for years to come. Below find the schedule of my club visits scheduled thus far. Call me to schedule a time for me to visit in the new year if your club is not on the list. Governor Lion Mark Osthus.



Club Visits 2014 - 2015

- August 26, 2014; Grand Marais, MN -- Gunflint Hills Golf Club; 5:30 Social, 6:00 dinner
- October 8; Virginia, Eveleth and Mountain Iron, MN -- 5:30 Gathering, 6:00 Dinner
- October 9; Babbit, MN -- 5:30 social, 6:00 Dinner
- October 11; Cook and Orr, MN -- 5:00 social, 6:00 Dinner
- October 14; Kenora, ON -- 6:00 social, 6:30 Dinner
- October 15; Dryden, Dryden Trilium and Vermilion Bay, ON -- 6:00 social, 7:00 Dinner
- October 17-19; Council of Governors Meeting, Detroit Lakes, MN
- October 22; Bemidji, MN -- noon meeting, visit with leaders and officers prior
- November 3; Big Falls and Little Fork, MN – Community Building – 6:00 Dinner and meeting
- November 11; Duluth Lions Club -- Northland Country Club, Social 5:30, Dinner 6:30
- November 12; Deer River and Deer River Avenue of the Pines -- 5:30 Gathering, 6:00 Dinner, United Methodist Church
- November 28; Ignace, Ontario—Social 6:00 and Dinner at 7:00
- December 1; Floodwood; Proctor, Carlton and Esko will also be there— The Event Center 5:30 Social; 6:30 Dinner
- December 2; Grand Rapids Cap Baker, MN --5:30 Social, 6:30 Dinner
- December 4; Atikokan—Social 6:00, Dinner 7:00; Canadian Legion

December 5; Ft. Frances, Fort Frances Voyageur, Emo and International Falls—5:30 Social and 6:30 Dinner, Rendez-Vous

December 9; Hibbing Lions – Park Hotel Grandma’s , 5:00 Social, 6:00 Dinner

December 11; Bemidji First City Club – Noon meeting; Cattails Bar and Grill, 6405 Bemidji Avenue No

December 17; Thunder Bay Metro -- Symposium at 5:30 and Dinner at 6:00, Nor’ Wester Hotel

January 14; Big Fork; 5:30 Social, 6:30 Dinner; Big Timber Lodge



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2014 - 2015

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From the Desk of 1st VDG Bill Michl

Welcome to change. We are no longer a family unit of a father who brown bags it to work at the factory, a mother who cooks, cleans all day, and 3.2 kids that play outside and never talk back when asked to do something. Today in most families, both parents work, or they are single parent families, and the 1.7 kids are raised by TV and idiot games (whoops sorry, electronic games). So as the world changes so do Lions clubs. What worked back in 1917 when

Melvin Jones started Lions Clubs just doesn't cut it today. It took until 1989 before Lions Clubs started allowing women to join, some clubs are still male only, but to be fair we still have Lioness clubs so what ever works keep it going.

I guess the point I am trying to make is that we have to be more flexible. As long as we're here to serve and do it ethically, does everything else have to remain the same. Do we have to attend boring monthly or bimonthly meetings as long as things get done? Do we have to follow Roberts Rules of Order as long as are fair and act civilized at these meetings? After all, that warning on the old VHS tapes about the contents being formatted to fit your TV screens lead to today's wide screen TV's.

Our Clubs have to rethink how to make our clubs appealing to attract new members. People today are busy taking advantage of all that free time those time saving inventions have given us, in other words we tend to try to fill in every spare second doing something, we as Lions have to make people think that being a Lions member is the way to fill in that time. Now taking this thought a bit further, since everyone enjoys having fun, maybe the way to attract members is to start having more fun. The social part of Lions Clubs has to be brought to the forefront. Our publicity pictures and articles have to include smiling Lions and state how much fun we have doing our projects, and how good we feel when we see what our efforts have accomplished. We've all read those touching, feel good stories that brought a tear to our eyes or had us all excited enough to pick up the phone and say I want to help with that.

So I want to encourage all the Clubs out there to take up a challenge, do the CEP in your club, find out why your club is stale and what can be done and then take action and do it in a timely manner. We don't have to fix what isn't broken, if your club is one big happy family and vital to the community then all you may have to do is figure out how to keep it that way while keeping the family growing. If your club is struggling to keep the members it has and is no longer front and centre as a service group in your community then maybe it's time to ask for help. Remember Lions Clubs International is the biggest service organization in the world with over 1.4 million members, someone out there has the answers or it may be found on the website.

5M10 has a number of CEP facilitators that can come to your club to help out. LCI is only as strong as its weakest link and that is, unhealthy clubs so let's all get our clubs in shape and build up a strong District, let's be large in members and not just square miles. Don't forget a fun social event coming up is the Atikokan Lions mixed fun-spiel in February. Get in touch with Alex Broski and enter a team today. aebroski@shaw.ca



Bill Michl 1st VDG

THUNDER BAY VISION CARE CENTRE

The Vision Care Centre in Thunder Bay has received an LCIF standard grant for equipment. Equipment has been tested. As of last week a decision was to be made on the equipment required. A purchase order is to be issued for the equipment and once received I will get the invoice and be able to finalize this grant application.

We will also be holding a media event once the equipment is installed.

Although this project has taken much longer than expected to complete it has great value to our Lions Vision Care Centre.

Sincerely

Lion Angela Sharbot,

Chair Lions Vision Care Centre



LET'S CURL!

The **Atikokan Lions** are planning a curling bonspiel for the weekend of February 14th. Curling will take place on the Saturday but may spill over into Sunday if there are enough teams. The Atikokan Club are busy planning for an exciting bonspiel, so let's support them with as much participation as possible. At least one Lion on a team to start and we'll sign the new members up as the fun progresses. Entry is \$40 per person, which will include all ice time and a dinner on Saturday evening. If you are planning to stay overnight and make a weekend of it, please book a room as soon as possible. If you are interested in attending please contact Lion Alex a.s.a.p.

Please contact Alex Broski aebroski@shaw.ca



[PR Power!](#)

Sharing Your Lions Story to the Community and Fellow Lions!

To Your Community... We are Lions. We understand and live the mission and the motto of Lions Clubs International. Then why, when face to face with members of our community, are we sometimes at a loss for words, searching for a clear and concise message? I admit I have been faced with this in the past, and I've found the information below, from LCI, extremely helpful.

When talking to others about your Lions club and Lions Clubs International, it is helpful to know what message you want to get across. Here are 4 Key Messages and 7 Key Questions/Answers that you can review and use at special events and club activities.

Key Messages

- Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization, with a network of 1.35 million men and women in more than 207 countries and geographical locations. We serve where we live, as well as globally, and we have fun doing it.
- Though well known for its successful initiatives in vision health, Lions service is as diverse as its members. We meet all sorts of needs, from assisting the elderly to helping victims of natural disasters.
- Lions give 100 percent of donations to our causes. We cover all our costs through our dues.
- Lions make a difference everyday everywhere. Whether by organizing a pancake breakfast fundraiser or building a wheelchair ramp for someone in need, we are a hands-on organization.

Key Questions

Who are the Lions?

Lions are an international network of 1.35 million men and women dedicated to making a difference locally and globally.

What do Lions do? - Lions meet the needs of our communities and the world, ranging from assisting the visually impaired and working with local youth to medical missions and disaster relief.

How are Lions relevant to today's world? - Since 1917, Lions have met the needs in their communities and continued to improve the areas in which they live. As long as there are needs around the world, we will work to meet those needs.

How do I become a Lion? - If you are interested in becoming a Lion, contact your local Lions club and express interest in learning more. A club locator can be found on the Lions Clubs International Web site www.lionsclubs.org.

Are there women Lions? - Yes. Women are the single fastest growing segment of Lions.

As in other community organizations, is the membership of Lions declining?

No. Lions membership is increasing. Programs such as Family Clubs, Leo Clubs, Campus Lions Clubs and New Century Lions Clubs, are helping us adapt to meet the growing needs of the world around us.

I would like to volunteer in my community but why should I do so as a Lion?

Lions meet the needs of those in their own communities as well as around the world and we have fun doing it. Working together locally and internationally, the worldwide network of Lions has vastly more resources and is able to accomplish much more than individuals and small groups working alone.

To Fellow Lions... Share Your Challenges, Triumphs and Unexpected Twists

Telling your story is a great way to share with other Lions what worked on a project, and maybe what didn't, so others can learn from your experience. Our District and Club Newsletters support this. We can now share our story internationally! You can submit stories on new and unique service projects and activities your club has organized using the Project Details Form on the LCI website: [Program Detail Form](#)

In addition to helping other Lions serve their communities, your story might be featured in any number of future Lions Clubs International materials.

As your District PR Chair, I am happy to help. Please don't hesitate to contact me for assistance in submitting your story or setting up your own e-Clubhouse website!

Submitted by
Lion Barb Oswell
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Attention Lions:

The Parade of green is the perfect time to give your club's additional donation toward the new Leader Dog Kennel Project. You may give your gift in the form of a pledge or as a general paid in full gift from your club or individuals.

Leader Dogs for the Blind was founded in 1939, and has been doing wonderful things since. Some of the facts on record: 14,500 guide dogs have been raised, trained and paired with a client through the years; 1000 volunteers, including puppy raisers and breeding stock host homes; 275 clients participate in LD's life changing training programs each year; 4-6 Deaf-Blind clients graduate from Leader Dog training each year; Leader Dog is the only organization in the Western Hemisphere with a dedicated program to teach Deaf-Blind clients to work with a guide dog; there is no cost to clients. The programs are free of charge, including travel (within North America), room and board.

Please consider a generous donation to help make the new kennel project possible!!! 2014-2015 is Leader Dogs for the Blind's 75th anniversary. Let us as Lions help make it a Happy Anniversary!!!

Lion Bunny Tabatt and Dixie will be attending our convention in January representing Leader Dog. You are encouraged to bring your questions, donations and enthusiasm with you to visit with Bunny and Dixie!!

Submitted by: Lion Audrey Moede

District 5M-10 Leader Dog Chair

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CLUB NEWS

Fort Frances Lions

Several members of the Fort Frances Lions Club were the honour guard for the Service of Celebration and Remembrance of long time Lion member, Louis Cousineau. They along with the Knights of Columbus joined with the family and friends at St. Mary's Church on Tuesday, November 25th. The church was filled to capacity with people who came to bid farewell to this dedicated, loyal member of our community. He put in countless hours of work for our Club and did it joyfully with a big smile. Besides receiving many awards from various groups he was involved with, Louis was also awarded the Melvin Jones Memorial Award from Lions International. Farewell Louis, you will be missed and you will always be remembered.



Picture on the left, from left to right. Salvation Army Lt. Ryan MacDonald, Lions President Bonnie Penney, Paul Patterson. The Fort Frances Lions made a generous donation to the Salvation Army again this year. They have also volunteered to man the Kettles on two separate days so that all families in the district can have a joyous Christmas.

Fort Frances Lions Club hosts dinner for Peace Poster Winners.

Picture on the right From left, Lion Flora Danylchuk, who has spearheaded the Program for the past 12 years, Jaden Cooper from J. W. Walker; Ciara Mainville from St. Francis; Kaitlyn Gerhard from Crossroads; Kasey Kreger-ONeill from Robert Moore and President, Bonnie Penney.

The Fort Frances Lions Club, first place poster winners, teachers and family members gathered at the Legion in Fort Frances to enjoy a meal and present the winners with their plaques and prizes. There are around 300,000, 11, 12, and 13 year olds from around the world that take part in the Peace Poster campaign each year. The theme this year

was Peace, Love and Understanding and the posters are judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme. Winners were: Jaden Cooper from J. W. Walker whose quote was "Doves can be a symbol of peace and love but when nations agree to work together it will make this world a better place for everyone and everything in it"; Ciara Mainville from St Francis School. Her quote was "When you find peace within yourself, you become the kind of person who can live at peace with others"; Kaitlyn Gerhard from Crossroads School. Her quote was "Peace cannot be kept by force, it can only be achieved by love and understanding; Kasey Kreger ONeill from Robert Moore School. Her quote was Lets unite the world as one and sing the song of Life, Peace, Harmony and Song. Each of the students received a plaque and a cheque. Each school also had three honourable mentions who each received a certificate. These students were: Crossroads—Toni Sheppard, Maria Harrison and Jessica Empey---J. W. Walker- Kassy Michl, Mya Hamilton and Declan Webb—Robert Moore- Kierra Adams, Jaykob Ryll and Reigan Singleton—St. Francis- Jaiden Van Dulmen, Alacea Yerxa and Sarah Lynn Larson.

The top poster chosen to go one was Jaden Coopers. It will compete at the Manitoba, Minnesota, Northern Ontario level. A Council of 12 governors will choose one to go on to Lions International. The top chosen one at that level will be posted at the United Nations and the winner and parents will win a trip to the United Nations and \$5,000. There will be 23 honourable ones also chosen and they will receive a certificate and \$500.

The poster of the winners and honourable mention are available for viewing at the Fort Frances Museum. Congratulations to all and Good Luck to Jaden.

DEER RIVER AVENUE OF THE PINES

Deer River Avenue of Pines Lions continue to assist at the Community Café. This is a program that offers a free will donation meal. Approximately 80 to 125 meals are served twice a week. Lion Emily Whitbeck organized a blood in which 21 people participated. Lion Kristen Phillips called members and filled 12 of the time slots for bell ringers during the Salvation Army Red Kettle drive currently underway. Dec 1 we held our Christmas Party. Member brought mittens and gloves which will be donated to the local grade school along with the pencils collected earlier. The Christmas Party was potluck. What the general membership did not know was it was being served Mystery Dinner style based on a Christmas Music theme. With humor in mind baked beans were labeled "Silent Night" and meatballs were labeled "Run, Rudolph, Run". A special THANKS to Lion Amy Perrington for bringing her husband, Jake, and their two sons, Jack and Lee, to serve the meal. Jake cleaned up the kitchen. He happens to be my son. It is great to know I raised that boy right and that he married a good woman. December 4 we will be providing beverages and serving snacks at the Community Education open card making and cookie decorating evening.

Lion Teri Gullickson

Carlton Area Lions



September our Carlton Area Lions held its Fall senior citizen bingo at Inter Faith Care Center and new this Fall at Sunnyside Care center and Pineview Senior Apartments. We gave out \$250 in prizes, served rolls & coffee to about 120 seniors. most of our Club members participated 110 Lions & 3 Guests

We also had our Fall highway clean-up & club Steak fry Social 7 Lions & 3 Guests 9/15

October - Donated \$400 to Cloquet Operation Community Connect for Coats, Hats & Boots for those in need. Also two of the organizers attended our meeting and gave us a update on event 10/21 233 people attended

Purchased and installed Christmas Lights & garland in city of Carlton \$355, 7 Lions

November Donated \$500 now and \$500 later for Carlton County K-9 purchase & training Eyeglass Recycling sent in about 260 pairs of glasses

Participated in Diabetes Health fair at Cloquet community memorial Hospital \$150 donated 2 Lions Nov 5th

Presented Check \$500 to Carlton Volleyball Team to their donated time during our Carlton fair burger barn sale

December 2 Lions attended District governors night and holiday party in Floodwood, Donated \$100 in DG Mark Osthus honor

Rang the Salvation Army bell for a Day and night Dec 3rd

Held our 1st annual Free Dinner for Hungar in Carlton, served about 170 meals and raised \$300 and 200 # of food for the Salvation army of Carlton County food shelf, Foods we donated by local farmers and was an all organic meal

United Way, Salvation Army & Carlton County Participated 15 lions & 15 other volunteers helped out.

Thank You

Carlton Area Lions Club Secretary Jim Vnuk

Dryden Lions Club

Lions Clubs International Foundation has recognized two members of the Dryden Lions Club for their humanitarian service. Lion Reg Russell has become a Melvin Jones Fellow, and Lion Ivan Pollock has been named an ambassador of Lions Clubs International Foundation within the Melvin Jones Fellowship.



Dryden Lions Club secretary Ivan Pollock receiving his ICIF ambassador lapel pin from former club president Arnold Odell and current president Ken Saville.

Dryden Lions Club treasurer Reg Russell receives a ICIF plaque and lapel pin from club president Ken Saville and secretary Ivan Pollock.

Vermilion Bay Lions Club

This autumn has been a busy time for the Vermilion Bay Lions. We held our fall draw on September 13th for a 2014 Artic Cat Prowler 500 HDX Limited, 2013 Finish Line 76x14 trailer, and \$5,000 cash. Total prize retail value was \$23,896 with 50% of the proceeds going to our "Hall renovation fund". The winning ticket was held by Pat McGinn from Dryden.

This was our most successful draw to date, with all but 56 tickets being sold. We raised a little over \$16,000 for charitable donations as well as a little over \$16,000 to go towards our hall renovation fund. We also received a donation from RAILSIDE Sports for our renovation fund.

We hosted an "Ultimate Salad Bar Dinner" on September 13th in conjunction with the draw. During this event, we sold Duct Tape by the foot to tape our mayor (and fellow Lion), Gord Dingman to the wall. Hayley Mihalick (pictured) placed the final piece of tape on Lion Gord, winning the prize. And ... yes, Gord stuck to the wall once the box was removed from under his feet, for a short time, at least. This event raised an additional \$314 towards our renovation fund.

We have applied for an Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant to allow our renovations to move forward so we are hopeful that we will be successful.

In October, we participated in the OACAO (Older Adults Centres' Association of Ontario) fair in Vermilion Bay. During this fair, we shared information regarding our club as well as Lionism in general.

We also participated in the District Governor's visit in October. There are 3 clubs in our area and we, typically, gather together for the DG visit. It was Dryden Lions turn to host the dinner this year and an enjoyable time was had by all. The dinner was hosted at the Best Western Hotel in Dryden and the meal was exceptional. 2 thumbs up! During the evening, we were honored to have DG Mark install the officers of all 3 clubs.

The Vermilion Bay Lions Club also hosted the Zone Meeting for Region 1 Zone 3 at our hall. We have 2 members that do an awesome job of catering lunch for these meetings. A huge thank you goes out to Lions Marilyn Hammer and Carol Anderson for organizing and catering this luncheon.

In November, we catered a dinner for the outgoing Firechief from Vermilion Bay. The dinner was very successful and helped to boost our hall renovation fund.

In addition to our regular donations, we made 2 substantial donations in November. We made a \$15,000 commitment to the Dryden Regional Health Services Foundation for the renovation of a patient room. The commitment will be fulfilled over the period of 3 years with our first \$10,000 towards our commitment being made in November. Our second substantial donation was a \$5,000 donation towards the Shriners Transportation Fund.

Shriners Hospitals for Children — Canada is located in Montreal, Quebec and provides world-class care to children from across Canada. They treat children with a host of orthopaedic and neuromusculoskeletal disorders in a family-focused environment that puts children at ease. The funds donated to this fund will aid 2 local families with transportation expenses for their children to be treated at the Shriners Hospital in Montreal.

As we head into the holiday season, we will continue with our community involvement and look forward to hosting an event for the students of our local elementary school to celebrate Melvin Jones' birthday and Lions' World Week of Service in January.

Submitted by Lion Shirley Koroniak, President, Vermilion Bay Lions Club



Dryden Regional Health Centre added 2 new photos.

The Vermilion Bay Lions Club present the DRHC with a cheque for \$10,000 as part of their \$15,000 commitment to the Room Reno Project. What a great group of community minded people, thanks for all you do! We're going to buy more of those Winter Carnival Raffle tickets for the snow-machine and the four wheeler!



. Pictured in the photo of the prize presentation are, (left to right) Grand Prize Winner Karen McGinn – Pat McGinn, Gary Hutchison from the Vermilion Bay Lions Club and Dwayne Smith from Railside Sports.

Dryden Trillium Lions Club November 2014 Activity Report – Club #53070

1. 2 members delivered Meals on Wheels on November 1st & 2nd to 13 clients and 1 member delivered Meals on Wheels on November 29th & 30th to 11 clients.
2. We collected \$ 114.80 for the Dryden Food Bank at our November General Meeting from our membership and made donations of \$ 80.72 to purchase 36 lbs of ground beef serving 144 clients. We also purchased \$ 100.00 worth of baby formula and baby cereal.
3. Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides Fundraiser. Our club purchased one (1) book “Always by Our Side: Mitchell’s Story” to donate to the Dryden Public Library.
4. Festival of Trees is a major fundraiser for Grace Haven (Adult Respite Care). On November 21st our club hosted the Children’s Delight Concert, one of the Festival of Trees events. Each Trillium Lions member donated 3 dozen home-baked cookies for the event. Six members also staffed this event with the following duties: selling Silent Auction tickets, Dove Memorial Tree donations, serving cookies to 267 children and parents and cleaning up. We also purchased a gift for the Silent Auction, a Christmas basket, at a cost of around \$ 50.00.



Duluth Lions Club

District Governor Visit and New Member Induction

The District Governor's visit to the Duluth Lions Club was held Tuesday, November 11th at the Northland Country Club. After a delicious dinner, President Barb Tanski brought our meeting to order and introduced District Governor Mark Osthus. District Governor Mark, who we are proud to say is also a member of the Duluth Lions Club, reminded us that we are members of the largest service organization in the world.

"Think about how tired you are after working at Pancake Day, then think about a child that will need surgery, or who can't hear, or who is mentally or physically challenged, and you have helped them by being behind that grill! This is no small matter at all. The International President Joe Preston declared "Children in Need" as part of the theme of *Strengthen the Pride*," DG Mark stated.

DG Mark gave President Barb Tanski a pin that says "Ask 1" and asked her to wear it to every meeting. He also encouraged us to keep asking people to join Lions and reminded us, "Don't be afraid of being rejected; it's not always easy. But this is how people become Lions." He encouraged us to *Strengthen in Pride*.

DG Mark performed the induction ceremony for our new members. Shown in the picture below are Lions Bob Howe, Sponsor; Pat Olson, New Member; Kerri Hauser, New Member; Gail Tate, Sponsor and the District Governor.



President Barb Tanski and DG Mark gave out Perfect Attendance Awards, and President Barb Tanski presented the District Governor with the Silver Membership Growth Award for bringing two new members into our club last April. In addition, a donation was given to DG Mark for Special Olympics.



Lions Participate in Duluth's 2014 Christmas City of the North Parade!

Again this year, the Duluth Lions Club was in the Christmas City of the North Parade!



We had a record number participate this year—30 people!!! The parade had a new route, and we proudly presented our new club banner. A special thank you to Lion Dave Rufford who drove his truck and pulled the float!



Spirits were high as the people along the parade route chanted, "Lions pancakes! Lions pancakes! We love them!!"

When the parade was over, we went to the Incline Station where everyone who stayed was treated to pizza! A huge thank you to Lions Steve McConnell, aka Roary, and Pat Olson who wore the orange and yellow Lions costume. The kids loved them!!



Greetings District Lions Clubs,

The 2015 Midwinter Convention is just seven weeks away! There is still time to take advantage of the Early Bird rate of \$99 for your Hospitality Book (deadline is December 15, 2014).

The Duluth Lions Club invites you to Explore the Roar! at the Midwinter in Duluth. You won't want to miss all that is planned for this year's convention. Explore the Fun, Explore Duluth, and Explore the Wide Variety of Presentations!

Thank you. We hope to see you there! Please don't hesitate to contact us with questions: oswbarb@gmail.com.

Yours In Lionism,

Barb Oswell and Lindsey Jacobson
2015 Midwinter Co-Chairs
The Duluth Lions Club

EMO AND DISTRICT LIONS 2ND ANNUAL HUNTERS NIGHT

The Emo and District Lions' second annual Hunters' Dinner was a deemed a complete success by all club members and everyone in attendance. Approximately 164 people were served a delicious meal of wild meat, consisting of moose roast, moose and wild rice sausages and fantastic meat pies as well as carrots, potatoes, salad, bannock. Dinner was not complete without a piece of apple, blueberries or rhubarb crumble, created by the club president. Considering there were only 80 people in attendance last year, this dinner was a success.

Added to this year's event was a guest speaker. Marc McNay of the "Real Deal" was on hand to present some of his videos of actual hunts. McNay, from Dryden had a dream that one day he would be able to capture on film some of the excitement of a real hunting adventure. His dream came true when he was asked to produce a video for Wild TV's "The Search". Wild TV was so impressed with our "extreme professionalism" both in front of and behind the camera that they were offered their very own TV show for 2015. For more information about McNay's adventures in the bush please check out his webpage - <http://www.therealdealwithmarc.com/Index.html>



Our next project in conjunction with the Voyageur Lions of Fort Frances will be the Polar Plunge on January 1st, 2015.

Atikokan Lions

Winter Carnival



We Serve

Sponsored By: Atikokan Lions Club

Dave Ogilvie:

We are planning to host a **Winter Carnival** from **Feb 8th to 14th, 2015**.

Activities include: Ski Hill Party (sliding and hot chocolate/hotdogs for kids); Family Night (dinner, games, and contests); Fishing derby (prizes for largest fish and overall weight); horseback riding (to travel around ball park); Winter Parade; Mustache and Crazy Hair contest; Sculpture contest (snow and ice); and a Curling Bonspiel (\$40 entry includes supper) on the final weekend to close out event.

Other service clubs will be courted to partake in the weeklong activities to add to event list.

This list is subject to change as per other organizations contribution to events.

Thanks For Your Time:

Atikokan Lions



The Vermilion Bay Lions, as part of a fund raiser, sold duct tape by the foot and taped their Mayor (Lion) Gord Dingman to the wall. Hayley Mihalick (pictured) placed the final piece of tape on Lion Gord, winning the prize.



MD5M 2015 CONVENTION

In a little over 4 months Lions, Lioness, and Leos from all over our Multiple District will be gathering in Bloomington MN to share fellowship, knowledge, and remember those great Lions that have passed on before us.

Come and experience dynamic speakers, amazing auctions and raffles and great entertainment!!!!

Past International President Lion Al Brandel and his wife **Lion Dr Maureen Brandel**.

Dr Brooks Jackson, Dean of the Medical School, U of M

Retired MN Supreme Court **Justice Paul Anderson**

Carol Ann Kirkbride, Leader Dog Puppy Raising in Prisons

Adrie Haynesworth-Taylor, Donor Coordinator, MN Lions Eye Bank

Annette Kuyper, Director Military Outreach, MN National Guard, "Beyond the Yellow Ribbon"

A live and silent **auction and raffles** with amazing items and prizes!!!

Participate in a **great service opportunity** Saturday afternoon up to 140 Lions, Lioness, and Leos can work packing meals at the "Feed My Starving Children" facility right near the hotel. Sign-up sheets will be available at all district mid-winter conventions.

The **Rockin' Hollywoods** present "Solid Gold Rock & Roll" from the 1950's thru the 1980's with an energy and excitement that captivates audiences of all ages.

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“Explore the Roar”

at the

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Hospitality Book

Register by 12/15/14 to receive the Early Bird Special \$99 (Savings of \$15!).
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Special Convention Rate: \$95US/night, plus tax
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Saturday, 2-4 p.m. Special spouse activities include a tour of the Depot and North Shore Scenic Railroad, and a social in the revolving rooftop restaurant. Tour Duluth and

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Special Guest: International Director Lion Larry **Dicus** and his wife, Jane.

Opening Speaker: Lion Brian Sheehan, PID PCC PDG

Choose from 9 lively sessions. Bring your questions, ideas, and suggestions to participate in sessions about Membership, Leadership, and our Service Projects! (New this year: Serving Special Olympics)

For more information contact Barb Osweil at oswbarb@gmail.com, 218-343-9006

See you in Duluth January 23-25, 2015!



Lions District 5M-10 2015 Midwinter Convention

January 23-24-25, 2015
 Radisson Hotel Duluth Harborview
 505 West Superior Street
 Duluth, MN 55802

Registration Form

Name _____
 (Please Circle all that apply: Lion Lioness Leo Spouse First Timer)

Name _____
 (Please Circle all that apply: Lion Lioness Leo Spouse First Timer)

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Club Name _____

Hospitality Book (Includes all convention meals): Please Indicate the Number of Hospitality Books Required.

Early Bird – Prior to December 15, 2014 _____ @ \$ 99.00 US = \$ _____
 After December 15, 2014 _____ @ \$114.00 US = \$ _____

OR Please Indicate Your Individual Meal Preferences:

Friday Night Mixer	_____ @ \$20.00 US \$ _____	Special Dietary Request:
Saturday Breakfast	_____ @ \$15.00 US \$ _____	_____
Saturday Lunch	_____ @ \$20.00 US \$ _____	_____
Governor's Banquet	_____ @ \$40.00 US \$ _____	_____
Sunday Brunch	_____ @ \$25.00 US \$ _____	

Total Amount Enclosed US \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to Duluth Lions Club. Mail with Completed Registration Form to:

The Duluth Lions Club P.O. Box 16662 Duluth, MN 55816

Hotel Accommodations: Convention Rate: \$95.00, plus tax. Lodging reservations should be made directly with the Radisson Hotel Duluth Harborview: (218) 727-8981 or 1-800-333-3333. Arrive Early and Stay Late! The Radisson Hotel is offering a special Lion's rate of \$69/night, plus tax, 3 days prior to the convention dates and 3 days after.

Questions/Comments? Please contact: Lion Larry Winner, lrrywnnr@gmail.com, (218) 260-8110 or Lion Barb Oswell, oswbarb@gmail.com

Thank You!