



L10News



April, 2016



Bills Blasts

The 5M10 juggernaut just keeps rolling along, there are many good people out there that want to be Lions and we are here to help them. The Emo and District Lions have sponsored a Club Branch in Rainy River/Baudette area; the official name is The Rainy River - Baudette Border Lions Club. Kudo's out to Joanne and Richard for all their hard work in bringing this club on line. I think we have solved half of the problem, now if we can retain all of the new members we'll be a force to be reckoned with. We will concentrate on having so much fun next year with Mel at the helm; no one will want to drop out.

Spring has officially sprung so the Multiple Convention cannot be far away. Another platform to find out about what other Lions are up to, see you in Mankato April 22nd to the 24th. This convention will have Lions from all of Minnesota, all of Manitoba and North Western Ontario, a huge geographical area with a lot of idea sharing going on.

I have also been receiving quite a few emails about the US CANADA FORM held in

Omaha Nebraska September 15th to the 17th, another great way to learn what we are all about, and its close by, so plan on attending.

The push is on for all clubs to participate in the Centennial Service Challenge, if your club does any service projects in the four areas of Hunger, environment, vision, and youth, make sure your club secretary gets these listed online. There are awards for clubs participating. LCI is also asking that clubs consider a heritage centennial project, one with a lasting legacy of your club in your community. An easy project especially at this time of the year is a cleanup, of a roadway, a park, or a waterfront. This is the type of project that can be done annually or semi-annually, giving our yellow and purple vests exposure in the community.

Our forth cabinet meeting is coming up on April 16th at Almost Lyndy's in Ranier. If you are interested in seeing your leadership team in action to see how decisions are made that affect our district feel free to attend and observe the proceedings



From the desk of the DGE

“IF YOU DO NOT STEP FORWARD YOU WILL ALWAYS BE IN THE SAME PLACE.”

District 5M10 is stepping forward and forward and forward! Clubs are building, having fun together and genuinely serving their respective communities throughout our District. Every month this year I watched as clubs worked together to help families and individuals overcome adversity in ways that mean as much to the club members that are doing the work as it does to the families and communities receiving the assistance. It makes me proud to be a LION and to be part of 5M10. The many clubs in our District strive to help our communities in so many different ways. Thank all of you!

Did you know that we, as District 5M10, are once again above 1250 in membership? While some of this may be due to concentrated recruiting, most of it is due to many of you genuinely showing your pride in being a Lion and serving your community and asking. Keep it up! It works! Lets continue to show the multiple 5M10 is alive and kicking. Make sure you put the new members to work.

Also, I need to compliment the new Lions who attended training and the Midwinter convention. I am constantly made aware of the contributions that all of you are making in your clubs and communities. Keep up the great work! Look to

lead! If you have a great idea, be persistent until someone in your club listens or lets you attempt it. Don't be afraid to fail – we all do. It took me two years of constant asking before my own club finally relented and allowed me to try a new fundraiser last year. It was so successful, we'll do it again this year! If you see a new need or have a good idea make sure someone hears about it until they get sick of hearing about it! That's called progress! Good Luck as we all continue forward.

Finally, I want to thank all of the Lions who attended the Bemidji Lions Spring Fling. Lions came from Rainy River, Emo, Fort Frances, Cook, Cass Lake, 5M9, and both Bemidji Clubs as well as the leader of our effort to form a LEO Club. The DG Team was all there as well (all four). We had a fun evening of fun, fellowship, good food, singing, games, raffles and did I say fun! Melvin the 5M10 Lion is now at Bemidji until we decide where to move him. Keep your ears open. Many thanks to all of you for a great evening! Our Spring Fling is a fun event for the Bemidji club to celebrate the past year and get ready for the upcoming year.

“ARE WE HAVING FUN YET?”

Mel Milender



PR Power!

Public Relations – Letters to the Editor: Raise awareness!

A letter to the editor is a letter sent to a publication (e.g. newspaper) about an issue of concern/need or to add an important perspective on a particular subject. Usually, letters are intended for publication and may be sent either through conventional mail or electronic mail.

Letters to the editor enable your club to state an opinion, offer another viewpoint, gather praise, or move someone to action, in your own words.

Benefits for your club can include:

- Keeping your Lions club in front of the public.
- Raising awareness of your club's service and impact on the community.
- Getting your share of news ink.

Here are some useful tips for writing letters to the editor:

- Keep letters short and to the point (150-250 words)
- Adopt a straightforward writing style; avoid flowery language. Keep writing clear and simple. Limit paragraphs to two or three sentences.
- Your letter should be typed, double-spaced, and no more than one page.
- Limit the number of points you make; stay on one subject.
- Be as factual as possible without being dull. Share the Lions Clubs International membership and service facts as well as the impact on the community your club serves.
- Personalize your letter; explain how the issue/topic will affect your community.
- Emphasize the positive.
- Include your full name, club affiliation, address, and telephone number in your letter. The newspaper may try to reach you to verify that you are the actual writer. Most newspapers will not accept letters on behalf of a group; an individual has to sign it.
- Your letter stands a better chance of being printed if it responds to something recently printed in that newspaper, such as a news story or an editorial. Use a reference to that item when making your point.
- Your letter can support and expand on something already in the news, make a point that was omitted, or disagree with and correct misinformation.
- Include a *call to action*; tell readers what you want them to do.
- Proofread your letter for errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar. Request support and input from your club board of directors. Newspapers will usually edit your letter, but your letter is more likely to be published if it has no errors.
- Find a well-known person(s) to sign the byline. Identify the author's expertise and/or affiliation.

~Referenced: Consortium Media Center and Association of Nonprofits~

If you would like assistance in writing a letter to the editor or would like a sample letter, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

In Lionism,
Lion Barb Oswell
MD5M-10 PR Chair
Duluth Lions Club (218) 343-9006

Lions Eye Bank, Lions Foundation, Lions Hearing Manitoba & Northwest Ontario, Inc.

April 2016

From July 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 we have been able to assist many people in need—all with your support. Thank You!

EYE BANK

We have assisted 6 individuals in obtaining specialized glasses, adaptive technology and specialized medication.

We have assisted 8 individuals in obtaining eye exams and eye wear.

We are pleased to work with Misericordia Health Centre in providing funds for education and training as well as medical equipment.

CLERC

With your help we have collected 29,530 pairs of glasses. Keep up the good work!

JOURNEY FOR SIGHT

We are very grateful to the Birtle Lions Club for initiating and following through on the JFS Raffle tickets. They were able to raise \$ 21,250.00. What a great job!!

FOUNDATION

We have assisted 36 individuals facing onerous burdens regarding their medical treatment including; cancer care, surgeries, out of province expenses, transplants as well as diabetic and mobility equipment.

HEARING

We have assisted 9 individuals in obtaining hearing aids who otherwise could not afford them.

We continue to hold ASL classes and have started a resource library for parents.

We look forward to speaking to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Educators at the Provincial Forum in April.

HOUSING

We have enjoyed 31 people using our Rural Housing apartments. We are thankful for the positive comments from all our guests. We certainly do meet a need.

PARADE OF GREEN

Thank you to all the clubs in all 3 Districts for recognizing our programs. Your support and commitment raised a total of \$ 44,370.00. "Heartfelt Appreciation".

NEWS

Did you know that surprises can come from anywhere and everywhere? We do.

A senior resident at Lions Manor wanted to assist our Rural Housing program by raising funds. This lady knitted many slippers, hats, mitts and raised \$200.00. How thoughtful of her.

I was asked to speak at a Grade V1 class on eyeglass recycling. Much to my surprise this ambitious group of children collected eyeglasses and as well raised a total of \$54.00. I wonder how many cookies they sold to raise that much money?

The students were well informed about the need and asked very good questions as to what happens to the glasses, where do they go, how do people get them.

What a great opportunity for youth to understand charity.

We are exploring the opportunity to work with the Manitoba Library Branch whereby we could share throughout Manitoba what Lions do, recycle eyeglasses and hearing aids as well as perhaps bringing programs to the 127 libraries throughout the province.

We are also exploring the opportunity to offer a vision and hearing screening program. We would like to offer this throughout the 3 Districts.

In closing, we are proud to share that we have spent over \$100,000.00 servicing all programs.

With so many people and clubs working together toward one goal, we are able to provide a little "magic" for those in need by easing the burden. Thank you.



MINNESOTA LIONS EYEGLOSS RECYCLING CENTER, INC

A BIG THANK YOU to all the Lions Clubs who collected and brought used eyeglasses to the Mid-Winter Conventions to be recycled. Mission teams will deliver them free of charge to people in need in developing countries. Old glasses give new life!

On March 3 we transported 83,500 pairs of glasses to the Wisconsin Lions Foundation Eyeglass Recycling Center in Rosholt. There they will be sorted, cleaned, graded, categorized by prescription and packaged in preparation for distribution.

Please keep in mind that all types of glasses for children and adults are needed, including very strong and very weak prescriptions. Reading glasses and sunglasses are also recycled.

Please note: We do NOT recycle any eyeglass cases, broken plastic frames or loose lenses.

Please do not wrap each pair of glasses in paper or plastic bags of any kind. It only makes more work for you (and us).

When you are in need of more collection boxes, contact PDG Bob Hoofnagle:

Tel: 320-252-0243 E-mail: vetteman92@charter.net

Your outstanding support and assistance in the Lions eyeglass collection efforts can change the lives of many across the globe. See, Serve and Smile!

Minnesota Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, Inc.
Sauk Rapids

Can Do Canines' Lions Newsletter Submission – April, 2016

Thanks to the support of Lions Clubs across 5M, Can Do Canines continues to train specially trained dogs for people with disabilities and provide them free of charge to those in need.

One recipient of a Can Do Canines assistance dog is Natalie Regenscheid. Natalie now has a greater sense of freedom, independence and peace of mind thanks to Hearing Assist Dog Nadia. Read their story below.

NATALIE REGENSCHEID & HEARING ASSIST DOG NADIA

Natalie Regenscheid of St. Peter, Minn. was born with severe hearing loss, but was confident she knew how to take care of herself. It wasn't until she lived on her own that she began to realize she might need help.

At night, without her hearing aids, she wouldn't know if there was an emergency. Her audiologist suggested Can Do Canines, but Natalie worried an assistance dog might make others stare and she wouldn't be able to live a normal life. After being partnered with a two-year old black Lab named Nadia, however, her worries vanished.

“Now that I have an assistance dog, I've realized it's OK to have a disability. This is my reality,” she says. “And I get to bring my dog to work!”

Nadia accompanies Natalie everywhere, including her jobs as a personal trainer and fitness instructor. She alerts Natalie to sounds by nudging her and leading her to the source. If someone is at the door, Nadia alerts enthusiastically if she knows the person, more tentatively if she doesn't. Natalie feels confident to move into her own place now that Nadia is with her. Since Nadia came into her life, she is happier and has a more positive outlook. She also feels safer at night.

Natalie is amazed at the generosity of Can Do Canines' donors and supporters like the Lions Clubs. “These dogs are expensive to train,” she says. “I was shocked that Can Do Canines could Nadia to me for free.”

Natalie is paying it forward by encouraging friends and family to support Can Do Canines so others can benefit as she has.





www.5mhf.org

March 7, 2016 Dear Lions,

The Annual Meeting of the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation will be held on Saturday, April 23, between 7:30 to 8:30 AM, at the MD5M Convention at the Verizon Wireless Center, Mankato, Mn. Each Lions Club in the Multiple District is allowed one voting delegate.

During the annual meeting, we will summarize the year's activities and announce the Board of Trustees that will take over in July, 2016. Also, we will recognize the Trustees who are leaving the Board.

Our Fifth annual D-Feet Walk for Hearing Loss will be held on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at the University of Minnesota Arboretum in Chaska. We will have three walks of various lengths to accommodate almost everyone; a half mile walk around the buildings, a two mile bog walk on the boardwalk, and a three mile paved walk around the Arboretum grounds. There will be games for the kids, displays by our corporate sponsors, a beautiful place for pictures and clean fresh air to enjoy.

We encourage clubs to send individuals or teams walkers. For a donation of \$25.00 or more, walkers will get a t-shirt, free admission to the Arboretum for the entire day and a delicious lunch after the walk. Please check out our website at www.5mhf.org to register prior to the walk, donate and to find out more information about the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation.

Thank you for the past support that you have given us. We hope you will continue to support our Foundation, so that we can make a difference in the lives of those adult and children who are hearing impaired.

Yours in Lionism,

Linda Albrecht-Norby

Lion Linda Albrecht-Norby, Chair & Trustee Lions

MD5M Hearing Foundation

CLUBS



Carlton Area Lions Club

4/6/2016

10/19/15 2 lions worked bingo for 20 residents at Sunnyside Care center.

Tail Twister Lion Ron challenged members with "Who Said That" famous quotes from famous people
Lion Larry won the first contest prize of Werther's Original Candies

11/2/15 Our burger barn volunteer workers from the Carlton High School volleyball team attended our meeting and we presented them with a \$600 donation for their efforts. Thank You Girls

Donated \$500 to Carlton VFW auxiliary Christmas fundraiser

11/21/15 Put up holiday lights and garland in the city of Carlton an annual event for our Club

Donated \$200 to The Welcome Home Ranch for a drop in center for area youth.

12/1/15 Bell ringing for the Salvation Army at local grocery store Super One in Cloquet also a Club annual event

Our Club has about 1200 pairs of glasses that we have collected to send along to the proper sources

Donated \$500 to County Seat Theater for their youth programs.

Donated \$200 to Cloquet High School Northeastern Minnesota Science Fair.

Donated \$3000 to Parade of Green at 2016 Mid Winter Convention at Fortune Bay Resort Jan 15-17 Plus \$250 for Measles - Lion Becky to attend and bring donation basket.

1/18/16 Donated \$100 to UMD Lions Charter Night Jan 30th

Donated \$100 to Churchill School in Cloquet to help buy a Sway Fun Glider that can accommodate wheelchairs

1/30/16 Held our annual Chili Cook Off competition in conjunction with Carlton Winter Fest, 9 entries

2/16 "The State I'm In" a new Tail Twisting fundraiser, a mystery prize box of chocolates was won by Lion Dale

Carlton Cub Scouts annual charter payment \$100

Donated \$100 for annual Carlton/Wrenshall Father Daughter Ball

3/16 Signed up 2 new members for our Club - Welcome Lions Gwen Carman & Patricia George

Carlton Area Lions Club, Secretary, Lion Jim Vnuk

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Kenora Lake of the Woods Lions Club

The general meeting in March welcomed several Kenora Rotary Club members to hear about the fund raising project Splash Park and a possibly completion date.

Each year in February, the 645 Lions Air Cadet Squadron has an opportunity to participate in an Effective Speaking Competition sponsored by

This year WO1 Erin Archer was the winner and will travel to Richmond, BC later this summer to participate in the National Competition.

The Nomination Committee has been busy filling executive positions for 2016-2017

KENORA LAKE OF THE WOODS LIONS HELP KENORA ROTARY CLUB

The Kenora Rotary Club has an ongoing fund raiser to build a Splash Park in the Lions Norman Park. Rotary invited Lions to their luncheon meeting on March 14, 2016 to re- present the \$10,000.00 cheque to their club, pictured below. What a great opportunity for these clubs to share in projects.



HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS GATHER TO HUNT FOR EASTER EGGS

The annual Easter Egg Hunt which is sponsored each year by Bestway Rentals drew the largest crowd ever on March 26 and the children (sometimes with help from their parents and the Lions Air Cadets) to hunt for Easter Eggs scattered over the Harbourfront. The day was sunny, although cold did not deter the crowd from enjoying the hot dogs and refreshments provided by the Lions with the help of the Lions Air Cadets. The Lions Club has assisted the sponsor since the beginning of this annual Easter tradition.

BEMIDJI LIONS CLUB

Spring is officially here and the Bemidji Lions Club looks forward to a busy and active summer. This month several members will be attending the Multi-district convention at Mankato, taking notes as the club prepares for the 2017 convention which will be held in Bemidji. Additional activities planned for the summer months include the annual Flapjack Day, Roadside Pick-up, Farm Bureau Breakfast, Lions Fare, Tower Watch, and several other events which focus on improving the community in which we live.

Over the past several weeks Lions were involved with the Spring Telethon, raising money for the local public T.V. station, and assistance with parking at the annual Finlandia Ski Race. The club also held a new member "Orientation" session, which was attended by sixteen new members from "First City Lions" and the "Bemidji Lions Club". It was a great evening with door prizes, various speakers, and a quiz on information relating to the Lions. The club also helped at the Lions Invitational Track Meet, where Lions served brats and refreshments to the coaches who attended.

Speakers at our past meetings have been varied. They included Enbridge- talking about the pipeline system, Evergreen- presenting information on their program to assist troubled youth, Sanford- on their medical facility, I-500 Snowmobile Race- their plans on a snowmobile race from Winnipeg into Minnesota (which never occurred because of poor snow conditions), and Great River Rescue, which focuses on abandoned pets and animals in our area. More recently we listened to representatives from both the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts discuss their visions and the new track coach from Bemidji State University bringing us up to date on future track activities.

The Bemidji Lions Club continues to grow, with our latest applicant bringing us to 85 members. We have a goal of 100 members by next year, which is a challenging figure, but the excitement level within the club makes us think that it is an obtainable number. The club is always looking for ways to improve the community or help the people within. Recently we donated enough money to a hearing impaired student so he could purchase the necessary devices needed to function normally in a learning environment. Examples such as this and others have established the club as a pillar within the community.

By the time this newsletter is released, our club will have held their second annual Spring Fling. This event is a fun filled gathering in which members enjoy a great meal, sing songs, give out door prizes, and play a variety of games. This year guests are expected not only from neighboring Lions Clubs, but also from a club or two in Canada and possibly the District Governor.

Greet Spring with a smile and help build the community through involvement with the Lion's Club. Have a great month! – Leon Nelson/ Bemidji Lion's Club

Emo and District Lions

Exciting times continue at Emo and District Lions as we welcome our new INTERNATIONAL branch club Rainy River-Baudette Border Lions. The 10 current new members of this club puts our club now over 100 members at 103. We want to congratulate new President Wes Blight, Secretary Eric Meyers and Treasurer Ken Cunningham as the first executive of this branch. We look forward to many wonderful projects being continued at the west end of our district! We also want to thank our District executive and Tim Riordan for all their help and guidance!!

We also want to congratulate our newly voted in executive for the 2016-2018 years. It was wonderful to have to vote for more than one candidate for the first time in our club history!!! In fact we had a tie vote for our new 2nd VP position so we did what Lions do in our club...we created a 3rd VP position! Congrats to President Elect Jodi Pellerin, 1st VPE Debra Firth, 2nd VPE Jordan Ogden, 3rd VPE Phoebe Firth, Secretary Joanne Ogden, Treasurer Jason Lilley and Membership Chair Rhonda Lilley! Our club is in fantastic shape for many years to come! We also have mentoring positions created for the outgoing executive as they will now mentor the incoming crew!

We had an incredible fun time with Bemidji Lions last weekend at their Spring Fling! Great friends newly acquired and a wonderful meal of Prime Rib dinner consumed. They were so hospitable that they ordered a snowstorm to make us feel welcome so in turn we left them Melvin the travelling Lion and his son (whose name is NOT MELVIN!!!) Watch for Melvin at a club near you in the very near future! Thanks Lion Stewart for your persistence in his resurrection...what a great way to meet other Lions in our district. Thank you Bemidji Lions for the fun and incredible meal!!

We continue to fundraise with our Lions Share Grocery Raffle and the winning ticket will be drawn soon at our Spring Fever Days on April 23. Some lucky winner will go home with 100\$/week for a year of grocery vouchers and some of the money raised going to assist our local food bank as well as other Lions projects.

We will be busy with our Legacy project over the next few months as the club as decided to build a Wheelchair accessible observation deck in front of the hospital and seniors home in Emo. Watch for progress pictures on our Facebook page or come on down and lend a hand if you are able.

As you know our Club likes to cook and we will be holding a big dinner and dance, Farmers Fling, on June 11, 2016 at the Barwick Hall...lots of fun and prizes including a picnic type atmosphere and pig roast!! Again watch our Facebook page for details.

Our club is also excited to announce that we will soon be receiving our new eye screening and hearing screening equipment from The Lions Foundation of Manitoba-NWO and Lions Eye Bank. We have policies to the local school board and volunteers set up with our Zone clubs from Rainy River to Atikokan. Plans are to start preschool screening in August with grades 1 and 3 to follow once the school year begins. Thank you Lions Foundation of Manitoba-NOW and thanks to our local Lions that will be doing this project as a zone wide collaborative!!!

Plans also in the works shortly for an informal meet and greet to educate any new incoming executive in our zone...outgoing and incoming executives will enjoy each other's company thanks to the auspices of Atikokan Lions in the very near future!!

Finally we have plans for a June windup (which we do every year in Lieu of a charter night) to celebrate a very successful year of Lions. We welcome all clubs in and out of our zone to attend and again more details will be posted on our Face book page!



SPRING FLING AT THE BEMIDJI LIONS CLUB!



Thanks for a fantastic time meeting old and new friends. The Bemidji Lions are great hosts. Prime rib meal was amazing.



Dryden Lions Club March 2016 Membership and Activity Report Club # 3125

1. A request for a hand rail for an elderly gentleman was completed. Lion Ed Dziarmaga stained and varnished the wood. Lion President Ken Saville installed the railing.
2. A request to pay the vet bill for a Guide Dog was granted.
3. Our regular 200 Club draws were held
4. Free Skating was held at the Dryden Arena on March 27th. Lions blew up balloons, handed out coupons for slushies, popcorn and skated with the youth.
5. A donation of \$500 was made to aid in the fight against Lime Disease.
6. Two new members were inducted by Zone Chairman Forest Mann on March 21st. We welcomed Lion Doug Palson and Lion Trevor Toews.

Dryden Lions Club members were busy last month.

The club donated time and financial resources to a number of projects including paying a vet bill for a local man's helper dog, built a railing for a senior, conducted Peace Poster presentations at area schools and initiated plans for a wheelchair ramp project once the snow melts.

The Dryden Lions club is also looking at developing one of three Centennial projects this year. Proposals include: player shelters at the local soccer field, development of a dog park, and a barbecue and furniture for Patricia Gardens seniors home.

In April, the club plans to launch its annual truck / ATV draw, and stage a fundraiser at the local home and trade show.

Photos: Lion Todd Kropelin and Lion Richard Priebe join students following a presentation at a local school on Peace Posters. Also Dryden Lions Club sponsors a free skate at the Dryden arena.



Duluth Lions Club

Duluth Lions Assist Youth in Need through the Second Harvest Backpack Program

The Duluth Lions Club volunteered their time to fill backpacks for Second Harvest Northern Lakes Food Bank and their BackPack Program.



Eleven Lions and friends helped package 1,300 backpacks. The mission of the BackPack Program is to meet the needs of hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy to prepare food to take home on weekends and school vacations when other resources are not available.

Once items are available at the food bank, the menu is determined and volunteers like the Duluth Lions are secured to pack the bags. The goal of the program is to have a pack of no more than six pounds which a child can easily carry home from school.



Each week nearly 900 bags of food are provided to children throughout NE Minnesota and NW Wisconsin. With access to donated food, discounted purchasing, warehouse space, equipment, trucks and volunteers, Second Harvest provides a valuable link from food sources to children in need.

ASK US ABOUT MAY 5TH !!! Duluth's Original, Biggest and Best!

Tuesday, March 8th was the fun-filled KickOff to our **59th Annual Duluth Lions Pancake Day!**
(Save the Date: May 5th 2016)

59th Annual Duluth Lions Club
PANCAKE DAY THURSDAY
MAY 5, 2016

DECC PIONEER HALL
Serving 6 A.M. - 8 P.M.

Tickets
\$5 in advance
\$7 at the door

Buy Tickets Online at
LionsPancakeDay.com

ADVANCE TICKET LOCATIONS:

FREE PARKING
COMPLIMENTARY

Free Vision Screening

Pancake Day is our most successful fundraiser of the year and one of the biggest events in the Twin Ports of Duluth and Superior. There are families, friends and businesses who have made traditions out of this event.

In addition to the pancake meal itself, we offer Diabetes risk assessment by the Duluth Diabetes Center, the American Diabetes Association and the Duluth Lions Club. Collection boxes will be available for used eyeglasses and hearing aids. Our membership committee will set up a Duluth Lions Club display and promote membership in our club to all attendees.



Entertainment Convention Center and enjoy a delicious meal of pancakes with the topping of your choice, sausage, and coffee. Gluten free pancakes and bacon will also be available. \$6 in advance/ \$7 at the door.

NEW THIS YEAR: Buy tickets Online at LionsPancakeDay.com or contact us for more information: duluthlions@gmail.com

Pancake Day proceeds help fund programs for the sight and hearing impaired, youth programs, diabetes, as well as direct assistance to many community programs. In 2015, \$50,000 was returned to the community through various programs.

Club members are busy selling tickets, promoting the event and are ready to volunteer.



LION'S ROAR A REALLY BIG LIONS ROAR



To Lion Mike Mazzio, Pancake Day Chair, and the Pancake Day Committee who are working very hard getting ready for the big day!

Traveling to Duluth the week of May 5th? Join us Thursday, May 5th, 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. Stop by the Duluth

IGNACE LIONS

It is with great sadness that the Ignace Lions Club announces the passing of Lion Tom Hughes. Lion Tom has been an Ignace Lions Member since 1979, he held almost all offices of the club and was the recipient of the Melvin Jones award and awards and pins. He will be sadly missed in our club and hearts.

DRYDEN TRILLIUM LIONS CLUB –

DOES IT AGAIN!and CHECK OUT THEIR NEW LIONS VESTS!!!



Newly inducted Theresa Waites with her friends pictured above:

(L to R) Lions Debbie Trott, Trish Krawec, Shelly Petsnick, Theresa & Cheryl Pollock (sitting)

Vermilion Bay Lions Club March L10 News

The Lions members served lunch to the Minor hockey families one day during their tournament.

We provided and hosted at our hall Pizza lunch for the Lillian Berg students and staff. They watched a video of the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide program and enjoyed a great lunch.

Our winner for the Winter raffle was Pat Smith of Dryden. Thanks to all who supported our project by buying tickets.

We served breakfast and lunch Saturday of the Carnival weekend. Over 100 snow machine riders came to the derby many families had a wonderful time out on the trail. Thanks to Lions Gary Hutchison and Len Suomu for their efforts again this year in trail making. We sold 606 hands which is a record year.

The renovations to the hall are complete and much appreciated by the community. Great job by the committee members.

Vermilion Bay Lions Club donated to the following: Lillian Berg School Reading Forrest program, 2 high school bursaries, Dryden Health Service Foundation, and Vermilion Bay Kinsmen.

First place at the biathlon in Sault Ste. Marie was won by Sargent Payton Zikalns and Sargent Paige Ponton of the 906 Machin Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron earning them a place on Team Ontario at the National Cadet Biathlon Championship in Val Cartier, Quebec in March. The Vermilion Bay Lions are very proud of sponsoring the Cadet program.

The next Zone meeting will be taking place at our hall April 9th with Zone chair Forrest Mann. Lunch will be made by Lion's Marilyn and Carol of the Vermilion Bay Lions Club.

The Annual Seniors Dinner will take place May 1st. We provide a home cooked dinner and social event for Machin and area seniors.



**Winner 2016 Winter raffle Pat Smith
with Lions Gord and Ian**



Cadets Zikalns and Ponton

**Lions
5M3 International Youth Exchange Program
NEEDS YOU!**

Host Families are needed for this summers exchange program. Youth 16-18 years of age from over 18 countries are coming to MD5M for 3-6 weeks this July. Anyone can be a host family, you don't have to be a Lion.

Download a host family application from www.lionsclubs.org, fill it out and send it to:

Lion Vicki Pals
5M3 IYE Chair
PO Box 151, Milroy, MN 56263
or email: dgpals@mail.com
Call [507-336-2155](tel:507-336-2155) with questions and more information.