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“Lighting the Path to Service”



SEPTEMBER 2008

A MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

On August 14, the District Governors, our spouses, MD5M Council Chair Debra and Executive Secretary Bob left by bus for Lions Clubs International in Oak Brook, Illinois. We spent Friday touring the headquarters building and visiting the various departments where we met many of the staff who work diligently to help all of the Lions. Also, we attended several meetings discussing membership, forms, website, etc.

We left Oak Brook late Friday afternoon and traveled to Rochester, Michigan, to visit Leader Dogs for the Blind school. During the next day and one-half we were kept very busy. We took a tour of the campus to learn about their program. First, we visited the puppy and dog kennels and learned how the dogs are evaluated and which dogs are chosen for training. Next, we toured the new building which contains the dormitory, offices, and cafeteria. We learned about the extensive veterinary care, puppy raisers, initial and continual dog training, client admissions process, selection of the right dog for the client, and the 26-day intensive training after the client and dog are matched.

Leader Dog Representative Michael Cox showed a device called the Trekker, which is a new GPS developed for the blind. He also talked about several new computer programs that will help with employment skills.

The highlight for all of us was the opportunity to be blindfolded and go for a walk with a leader dog and its trainer. It was quite an experience as we put our trust in the dog as it led us along the sidewalk around the training area.

It was a meaningful experience, and the staff and volunteers are very helpful and thankful for all that the Lions accomplish.

Please remember this great organization when you give your Parade of Green donations.

Also, I would appreciate your calling the Leader Dog chairs to present a program to your club. Lion Bunny Tabatt or Lion Roberta Schiel will be happy to give her presentation.

DG Judy



DG Judy was found lounging in International President Al Brandel's office.

“Hope sees the invisible, feels the intangible, and achieves the impossible.

HELEN KELLER



How soft and cuddly are the puppies at Leader Dog Training?

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NEWS FROM OUR VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Mini Forum

On October 14th at the Henry's Banquet facility, we will hold our annual Mini Forum in Foley MN.

This is another example of "**Lionism beyond your borders**"

I encourage all Lions Clubs in 5M8 to promote and encourage their members to attend this event. The program isn't completely final yet, but we do have the Director of the Centra Care Diabetes Center as a presenter.

There is a significant amount of misinformation and myths about diabetes. This is an opportunity to learn more about a disease that is growing in incidence. There is also on going research that is changing the way diabetes is diagnosed and treated. If you attended a diabetes seminar in the last two years, chances are that the information you heard at that time has changed.

This is also an event that the Immediate Past District Governor has an opportunity to recognize outstanding Lions from his term as District Governor. Of course, those of you who know IPDG Allen Bailey have an idea of the entertainment value of Allen's presentations.

Please plan to attend this meaningful annual event. A registration form is attached to this newsletter.

VDG Jim



MD5M LIONS HEARING FOUNDATION / CHILDREN'S HEARING CENTER

The Lions Hearing Foundation have been in existence since 1976, and we are located on the 8th floor of the Phillips Wagensteen Building on the University of Minnesota Campus.

Thanks to you , the Lions and Lioness Clubs, we have one of the top facilities and staff in North America. Your kind and generous donations were responsible for funding and beginning the New Born Hearing Screening at all of Minnesota's Hospitals and Birthing Centers. Lions also started the loaner hearing program for cancer patients. Both of these outstanding programs are not funded and managed through the Minnesota Department of Health.

Since our beginning, over 61 thousand patients have been treated, and Cochlear Implants have been given to nearly 400 adults and children. This has been a tremendous program that allows patients to once again hear.

The Lions and Lioness Clubs stepped up to the plate once again with the very kind and generous donations needed to establish the Lions Children's Hearing Center. This center has given patients the opportunity to have all aspects of their diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up services in one location. This center is one of only two in the upper Midwest.

Clubs are reminded that when they have donated a total of \$1,000.00, over a 5 year period, they are eligible to receive a Hearing Fellowship that can be given to an individual or your Club. 5M-8 Hearing Foundation Trustees are Lion Bill Gaede and PDG Frank Leidenfrost. Please contact either of these trustees for information on your Club's total donations and for the Fellowship application form.

All Clubs are encouraged to attend a tour of the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation and Minnesota Lions Eye Bank Facilities. This is a great opportunity for Lions, Lioness, and Leos to see these outstanding facilities and also to see how the donations to each are being used. We know that you will not be disappointed. There are two tours per year. One is given in the fall and another is given in the spring. Watch the mail for your Club's invitation, and please respond immediately as they fill early.

Again, your Lions Hearing Foundation and Children's Hearing Center would never have happened nor could we survive without your very generous donations, and we ask for your continued support. Also, you can recycle used hearing aids by putting them in any eyeglass/hearing aid collection box in your community. Please remember that Lions make a difference in people's lives.

Should you wish to have a hearing presentation given to your Club, please contact PDG Frank Leidenfrost at 218-894-1935 or Lion Bill Gaede at 320-245-5187.

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Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation



Trustees present for the **VERY FIRST EVER MEETING** of the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation which was held in St. Cloud

The first meeting of the newly established Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc was held Saturday August 9, 2008 in St Cloud. and was called to order by Executive Secretary PCC Bill Bard. The Executive Officers for the new Foundation were elected and PCC Bill Bard was appointed by the Board of Trustees to continue in the role of Executive Secretary

The Foundation Trustees also established a Finance Committee, Long Range Planning Committee, and a Public Relations Committee. A Fund Raising Committee will be established at a later date. An Ad Hoc Committee was established for the Dream Catcher Award.

It was an exciting day for all the Trustees who attended that day as the business of the new Foundation was discussed. One of the future meetings will be held at the University of Minnesota and will include a tour of the Department of Immunology and Organ Transplantation.

The Trustees who attended this first meeting were: Lions Gary Hahn and Bruce Klein from 5M1, Lions Ellen Radel and Mary Snobl from 5M3, Lion Marty Athmann from 5M4, Lion Dianne Nokk and PDG Tom Shinnick from 5M5, PDG Wally Sapp from 5M6, Lion Neil Anderson from 5M7, Lions Gerry Altrichter and Don Faulkner from 5M8, Lions Jim Bergstrom and Len Johnson from 5M9, Lion Larry Winner from 5M10, and Lion Laura Williams from 5M11. Guests included Council Chairperson Deborah Harms, District Governor Dan Snobl from 5M3 and MD5M Executive Secretary Lion Bob Harms.

Spring Point Project Gains Support of Lions Clubs

Within one year, cells from pigs are to be used in clinical trials on a path to finally cure diabetes

The Lions Clubs of Multiple District 5M (MD5M) recently declared their commitment to support Spring Point Project, a Minnesota non-profit organization created to expedite the affordable and widespread availability of islet tissue for diabetes care.

Spring Point Project operates a biosecure facility where high-health source pig donors are developed. The Diabetes Institute for Immunology and Transplantation of the University of Minnesota works in conjunction with Spring Point Project by conducting the preclinical and clinical trials. In this partnership, the two organizations provide the science and the source needed to move toward a cure for diabetes.

Helping to advance this research, The Lions and Lioness Clubs of MD5M, a division of the International Association of Lions Clubs, has established the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Inc. and plans to allocate funds to Spring Point Project. The MD5M will also assist by publicizing and promoting Spring Point Project to its members.

"Generous contribution and dedication, like that of the Lions Clubs, helps bring Spring Point Project closer and closer to a diabetes cure," says Spring Point Project CEO Henk-Jan Schuurman, PhD, who is an experienced researcher in the field of xenotransplantation—the transplantation of living cells, tissues or organs from one species to another.

"We appreciate all supporters of our mission," Schuurman adds. "Spring Point Project is thriving thanks to those commitments, and we continue to seek financial support, as the path to a cure for diabetes is extensive."

A longtime supporter of diabetes research, the MD5M specifically upholds organizations and entities that promote and conduct diabetes related research, treatment and education programs and projects.

"The activities and goals of Spring Point Project are consistent with that of the MD5M Diabetes Committee, so gaining support from the Lions Club is a natural fit," says William Bard, Chair of the MD5M Diabetes Committee. "We are excited for the establishment of the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation and to be an advocate for Spring Point Projects.

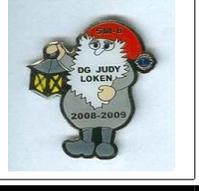
The Lions are an international network of 1.3 million men and women in 202 countries and geographic areas who work together to answer the needs that challenge communities around the world. Beginning in 1917, the association has provided millions of people with the opportunity to give something back to their communities. For more information about the Lions, visit www.lionsclubs.org.

The Diabetes Research and Wellness Foundation, a not-for-profit worldwide network based in Washington, D.C., also has made a substantial contribution to Spring Point Project. It has donated more than \$30 million toward the cure for diabetes research, including a \$6.2 million grant for clinical trials.

The Ryan Companies U.S., a leading national commercial real estate firm led by third-generation family members, is another major donor to Spring Point Project. Pat and Ann Ryan and Jim and Colleen Ryan have contributed \$3 million dollars. Their donation included personal gifts and contributions through the company. In addition, the company built the facility in which Spring Point Project's research is conducted. For more information about the Ryan Companies, visit www.ryancompanies.com.

To contact Spring Point Project, visit www.SpringPointProject.org. To contact the Diabetes institute for Immunology and Transplantation, visit www.diabetesinstitute.org. To contact Diabetes Research & Wellness Foundation, visit www.diabeteswellness.net.

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REGISTRATION FORM 5M8 Mini-Forum & Awards Banquet October 14, 2008 Henry's Catering & Banquet Center, Foley MN Social at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM

Registration: \$13.00 per Person—Includes Meal, Sales Tax & Gratuity

Registration Deadline: Monday, October 6, 2008

Please make checks payable to: District 5M8

Mail registration and meal payment to: VDG Jim Diehl
24693 CSAH 75
St. Cloud, MN 56301

Lion/Guest Name:

Cabinet Member:

Total number attending: _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

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Leader Dogs for the Blind

Since 1939, Leader Dogs for the Blind has been providing dog guides to people who are blind and visually impaired to enhance their mobility, independence and quality of life. We have proudly trained over 13,500 clients from 39 countries to use a Leader Dog. All services are provided free of charge to clients thanks to funds provided by individuals, foundations and service clubs such as Lions Clubs, and corporate donations from around the world.

Programs Offered

The main focus of Leader Dog is providing well-trained dog guides for individuals who are visually impaired, at least 16 years of age, and physically and mentally capable to care for and use the dog in the manner intended. Students that coming to Leader Dog to receive a dog guide complete a 26-day training program that includes country, city and nighttime travel, how to incorporate a Leader Dog into a daily routine, and dog care knowledge. In addition to our dog guide program, Leader Dog has expanded its services to offer programs that enhance a person's independence and quality of life in other ways.

The Deaf-Blind Program provides training in the use of a Leader Dog to individuals who are both hearing and visually impaired. This is the only dedicated program of its kind in the United States.

The Accelerated Mobility Program teaches advanced orientation and mobility skills to cane travelers.

Utilizing GPS technology, Trekker Training teaches the user how to utilize a Trekker GPS unit to traveling a community they have never experienced.

Basic and Advanced Computer Training programs teach the use of assistive technologies to enhance employment opportunities.

Please check the Leader Dog web site for more information:
www.leaderdog.org !

Call our Leader Dog Chairs to schedule a program. Our chairs are Lion Bunny Tabatt and Lion Roberta Schiel. They will be happy to come and present a program to your club.

70 For 70

In celebration of Leader Dogs for the Blind's 70th anniversary, Lions Clubs making a donation \$70 more than your regular club contribution will receive a "commemorative "70 for 70" patch for the club banner and a pin for each club member.



Lion Bunny Tabatt speaking at the Sandstone Quarry Lions' General Meeting with DG Judy listening intently about Leader Dog (or is she sleeping).

Why Membership Is Important

Membership is vital to Lions clubs. From July 1 to August 20, we have dropped 42 members and added only 26. This is a net loss of 16 members!

We need a strong, growing membership if we are going to provide the needed services. Our motto is "We Serve". It is important to help our communities with projects such as; building parks and play-grounds, helping those who are ill and/or handi-capped, supporting schools, hospitals, nursing and assisted care homes and food shelves.

We also need to support global projects through the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). LCIF provides emergency grants to those in need. We equip hospitals, build schools and help provide clean drinking water. Through Campaign SightFirst II, we help prevent blindness.

Lions are the "Everyday Heroes" accomplishing "Miracles Through Service" all over the world. We need to get the word out that we serve where we live, and that 100 percent of all donated money to LCIF is given to needed causes. We support the Hearing Foundation, Minnesota Lions Eye Bank, and the new Diabetes Foundation.

Visible projects attract new members, and involve members in hands-on work. Also, those who work on the projects develop leadership and teamwork skills, and renew their commitment to Lionism.

We need to think about new initiatives such as the Family Membership Program. By asking members of our own families to join Lions, we can increase membership. Also, we need to ask more women to join our organization. A strong membership will help us to serve today and in the future.

I am asking all clubs to work even harder on retaining the members they have and to add at least one additional member this year. We need to turn the losses into gains. In the 2007-2008 Lions year, District 5M8 ended the year with a loss of 17 members.

Congratulations to the clubs in 5M8 that have gained membership since July 1.

DG Judy

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LIONS - LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO:

Heel & Wheel for Hearing & Service Dogs of Minnesota.

It's time to get organized for the September 14th event. District Governor Judy has challenged us to form 2 teams. How can you help? There only needs to have 5 members on each team. Each team needs pledges from the rest of the cabinet. Lions Terri Baily & Duane Finger will be the captains for the two teams, We need you to help with the pledges. They can come from you individually or maybe from your club. But we still need 8 Lions Cabinet members to help walk. Let Terri or Duane know of your plans. Terri Bailey's email is clmpterri@hotmail.com & Duane Finger's is fingerelec@meltel.net. Thank You.
Message from Duane Finger



MELROSE LIONS CLUB
Melrose, Minnesota 56352

You are cordially invited to join the
Melrose Lions Club
as they celebrate their
50th Anniversary

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Melrose American Legion Club

Social Hour: 7:00 p.m.

Ribs and Chicken Dinner: 8:00 p.m.

\$10.00 per person

Please RSVP by Sept. 15
with a count attending from your club to:

George Jensen 256-3715 or

Brian Haider 256-4018

All area Lion's members and spouses/guests are welcome!

HEEL & WHEEL

Hearing & Service Dogs of Minnesota is having their Heel and Wheel fundraiser walk on Sunday, September 14 at Lake Phalen Park in St. Paul.

Lions clubs are urged to form a team of 5 or more walkers, raise funds and walk either the 1 mile or 3 mile route.

Lions may register at the Lions tent starting at 11 AM. The walk starts at 1 PM.

Hearing and Service Dogs help people with disabilities become more independent with the use of a trained dog.

For more information, please log on to www.hsdm.org and click on Heel and Wheel.



KIMBALL LIONS



2nd ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK

September 13, 2008
9:00 am Start

Registration and check in start at 8:15 on race day
T-Shirts only guaranteed for pre-registered competitors.
Pre-register by August 29, 2008



For more information contact:
Brian Becker 320-493-1217
email: brian@firetrak.com
or
Brian Kuechle 320-248-5325

Awards to top 3 in each age group

Pre-registration \$15.00 after Aug. 29 \$20.00

All Proceeds go to:
**Hearing and Service
Dogs of Minnesota**
www.hsdm.org



ANNOUNCING: An event for LEOS!!!

WHERE: Kimball, MN — **WHEN:** October 16–18 — **WHO:** All MD5M Leos and advisors, Non-Leos recommended by a Lions Club, Leo Chairs, and Interested Lions

Let everyone know about this great chance to Leadership Experience and Opportunity!

Any problems, suggestions or questions contact MD5M Leo Chair Jim Martindale: (807) 274-7829 jmarty@shaw.ca

Dear Lions and Lioness Members:

The Swanville Lions Club invites you and your spouse or guest to a summer invitational.

Date: Monday, September 15, 2008

Time: Social at 6:00 PM

Dinner at approximately 7:30 PM

Location: Swanville City Park

There will be a cash bar. The dinner is at no charge.

Dinner will be "Carnival Chicken" and all the trimmings.

Come and enjoy an evening out with your fellow Lions and renew old acquaintances!!!

Yours in Lionism, Duane Johnson, Lion Secretary



Lions from clubs in good standing can enter an original, unaltered, black-and-white or color photo (without people) of the environment of their Lions club in the following 2008-09 Lions Environmental Photo Contest categories:

- Animal Life
- Landscape (Urban or natural)
- Plant Life
- Weather Phenomenon

The special annual theme category is:

- *Lions Environmental Miracle Workers* - photos of Lions in action implementing a Lions environment project.

The impartial judging of photos should focus on originality, artistic merit, and portrayal of the environmental theme.

- **LIONS CLUBS** select and submit one winning photo to the district.
- **LIONS DISTRICTS** select and submit one winning photo to the multiple district. **January 15, 2009** is the suggested deadline for districts to submit one 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm) printed photo to the multiple district.
- **LIONS MULTIPLE DISTRICTS** select and submit one winning photo to the international contest. **March 1, 2009** is the deadline for multiple districts to submit one 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm) printed photograph and an official entry form (available on the Lions Web site) signed by the council chairperson to Lions Headquarters.
- **LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL** will display multiple district-level entries at the annual Lions international convention. Registered convention attendees will vote for their favorite photos. An award will be presented to the winning photographers. The six (the five category winners and the Best of Show) winning photos will appear on the Lions Web site.

Lion photographers accept responsibility for the cost of taking and processing all photos. Contest photos become the property of Lions Clubs International. Lions Clubs International reserves the right to disqualify entries that do not meet contest criteria or that may be viewed as inappropriate or objectionable.

E-mail contest questions to: programs@lionsclubs.org

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Please Join Us For Charter Night!

Lions, Lioness' & Guests:

You are cordially invited to join the **Buckman Area Lions Club** in celebrating the Charter of our new Club.

When: Sunday, September 7, 2008

Social Hour: 3:00 P.M.

Dinner & Meeting: 4:30 P.M.

Location: St. Michael's Parish Center- Hwy 25 & Cty Rd 34

A buffet style dinner will be served. Cost of the meal is \$12-Please R.S.V.P. the lower portion of the invite no later than August 29- to:

Matt Suska - President

Buckman Area Lions Club

PO Box 426

Buckman, MN 56317

Or email your response to:

jmsuska@centurytel.net

All gifts will be acknowledged and presented during the program. If you are unable to attend, but would like to send a gift-please do so also to the above address so that your gift is acknowledged at that time. Please make checks payable to: Buckman Area Lions Club.

YES, We plan to attend the **Buckman Area Lions Charter Night**

There will be _____ Lions representing _____ Lions Club

Enclosed is \$_____ (\$12 / Person for dinner)

NO, we send our regrets as we are unable to attend-but you will find enclosed our gift to your new Club in the amount of \$_____

Signed: _____

Club: _____

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Tentative Schedule for Leo Forum: Reach In, Reach Out

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|---------------|----------------------|---|--|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Thu, Oct. 16: | 4 pm to 7 pm | Registration | Sat, Oct. 18: | 7:30 am to 8:15 am | Breakfast |
| | 5 pm to 6:30 pm | Supper | | 8:30 am to 10:30 am | "Bringing It Back Home" |
| | 7 pm to 7:30 pm | Welcome and Opening | | 10:30 am | Break |
| | 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm | Mixers and team building | | 10:45 am | Summaries & Evaluations |
| | 11:00 pm | Lights Out | | 11:15 am to 11:30 am | Closing & Farewell |
| Fri, Oct. 17: | 7 am to 8:15 am | Breakfast | | 11:30 am | Pick-up lunches |
| | 8:30 am to 10 am | Session I | Possible sessions: Public speaking; Robert's Rules; Leadership styles; Effective meetings; & Enhancing the Leo image | | |
| | 10 am to 10:15 am | Break | Please not that there will be a simultaneous track for advisors, chaperones and Lions. Sessions on Service Learning, Using Computers for Leos, Finances for Leos, and the Latest on Leos will be offered. | | |
| | 10:15 am to 11:45 am | Session II | | | |
| | 12 noon to 12:45 pm | Lunch | | | |
| | 1 pm to 2:30 pm | Service Learning Session | | | |
| | 2:30 pm to 2:45 pm | Break | "The Wall" will also be available to adventurous adults! | | |
| | 2:45 pm to 5:30 pm | 12 Station Challenges (Including climbing wall, Leo/geocaching, Crazy relay races, & other fun/exciting stuff) | | | |
| | 6:30 pm | Dinner with guest speaker | | | |
| | 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm | Dance | | | |
| | 11:30 pm | Lights Out | | | |

MD5M LEO

Leadership Conference Registration Form

In consideration of participation in this LEO Leadership Conference, I hereby acknowledge and do enter this program at my own risk, assuming all know and unknown risks. I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Lions Organization and Kimball Schools from any and all injuries I may incur. I understand that any photographs and video recordings may be used by the Lions Organization. All persons under the age of 18 must have parent/guardian signature to participate.

Participant Signature _____ Date _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Name of Leo Club or Sponsoring Lions Club: _____ District #: _____

Circle all that applies: Advisor/Chaperone Leo Non-Leo Visiting Lion

Cost: Before 09-30-08 Leo Member (\$30), Non-Leo Member (\$50)

After 09-30-08 Leo Member (50), Non-Leo Member (\$70)

Medical Condition: Yes No If so, explain: _____

Any Special Needs: _____

Emergency Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

_____ I give permission for Conference Staff to perform basic first aid if needed.

Make Checks payable to: MD5M Leo Leadership Conference (PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION)



Sandstone Quarry Lion Janice Gustafson is busy in the "Cub Den" helping the kids with crafts during Quarry Days.



MD5M Governors having fun before their visit to LCI in Oak Brook, Illinois.

Family-Women's Membership, Development and Participation Chairperson

Hi, I'm Janette Dingmann, some of you remember me as your District Governor in the year 1999-2000. After a few years off the Cabinet, I am rejuvenated once again in Lionism, and ready to take off as the chairperson of Women's recruitment. This sounds like a very exciting job to me, I like to see women move ahead in Lionism, whether in their clubs or on the District level. In order to do this, we must invite more women to join their local clubs, to offer them the opportunity to serve their communities.

I was really surprised as I studied a list of membership in our District, as to the number of women involved in Lionism. Of the seventy six clubs, twelve clubs have no women members, seven cities have two clubs, one male and one female Lions or Lioness. Forty seven clubs are totally integrated.

Our Governor Judy has set a goal of twenty five new women members in the District. So I challenge all seventy six clubs to promote women membership and help our governor to reach her goal. I will be attending all the Zone meetings in September and November to help achieve these goals. Zone chair people, contact me to schedule a meeting at one of your next two meetings. Five out of the nine Zones have already scheduled a meeting. Isn't it great to be a Lion? Please help someone else to get that feeling to be a Lion. See you at a Zone meeting. Sincerely,

PDG Janette Dingmann

Tel. # (320) 685-3747 e-mail: linus@cloudnet.com



Fun was had by ALL on the Kimball hayride for the District Governor's visit

DREAM CATCHER AWARD by Don Faulkner

The Dream Catcher Award was developed sometime back in the mid 1980's. The committee felt that the Native American Dream Catcher would be a good focal point on the dream of some day to have a cure found for Diabetes.

Last November, the Diabetes Committee for MD5M met and had a discussion on a new award, but still keeping the Dream Catcher as the focal point. Lion Gerry Altrichter brought the new idea to the group. I was asked to attempt to come up with the new award design. I returned with my new award idea and it was voted in.

The MD5M Diabetes Committee also voted in April to become a foundation, this was approved in May, and as of July 1, 2008, we are now "Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Inc". This is also when the new award was started.

District Governor Judy, Lion Gerry and I thought that it would only be right to award the first redesigned award to Dr. Ray. He was a member of the group that came up with the original idea to use the Dream Catcher, was instrumental in the design, and finding the supply company in AZ, which we still use today. He also is a past MD5M Diabetes Chairman, District Chairman, and a never ending source of information and assistance to 5M8 and Diabetes. It was an honor to award the first new plaque to Dr. Ray Lindeman.



DG Judy, Don Faulkner, Dr. Ray Lineman and Gerry Altrichter

Join Us In "The Spirit of Lionism"

The *LF Dandee Lions*, The *Lindbergh Lions*

and The *Little Falls Lions*

would like to invite all to attend the:

2009

5M8 Mid-Winter

Lions'

Convention

February 6, 7, & 8th, 2009

at

Cragun's Resort

Brainerd

Be sure all your club members are aware of this important & fun Lion gathering.

Start planning for your clubs' **Hospitality Rooms**.

There are *fun* activities being planned by the 3 Little Falls Lions' Clubs.

There will be more information coming soon.

5M8 District Governor
Judy Loken
PO Box 50
Sandstone, MN 55072

5M8 Lions Events

- Sept. 7; Charter night for Buckman club.
Sept. 13: Hearing and Eye Bank tours
Sept. 13: Kimball Lions 5K Run/Walk
Sept. 14: Heel and Wheel at Lake Phalen park
Sept 15: Swanville Summer
 Invitational
Sept. 18-20: USA/Canada Forum
 at Saskatoon, SK
Sept. 24: Melrose 50th Anniversary
Oct. 11: Diabetes Expo, Mpls
 Convention Center
Oct. 14: 5M8 Mini-Forum in Foley
Oct. 16-18: LEO Leadership Forum at
 Kimball HS
Oct. 16-17: VDG Training in Mahno-
men
Oct. 18: Council of Governors
 in Mahnomen
Oct. 25: Thanksgiving for Vision;
 Earle Brown Center
 (Presidents: Watch for your Invitation)
Oct. 30: Cabinet Meeting in Sandstone
Feb. 6-8: 5M8 Mid-Winter Convention at Craguns, Brainerd

Sturgeon Lake Lions Club Officers being
sworn in by District Governor Judy.

