



What's Cook'n in 5M2



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Bill Curtis, Editor

5M-2 Mid-Winter Convention Guest Speaker

Neil R. Spencer, from Cocoa Beach, Florida, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 91st International Convention, Held in Bangkok, Thailand, June 23-27, 2008.



NEIL R. SPENCER
INTERNATIONAL
DIRECTOR

Director Spencer is a former business owner and an employee of the Boeing Company.

A member of the Cypress Gardens Lions Club and a Lion since 1987, Director Spencer has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, district governor and council chairperson. In addition, he has served as a leadership and extension chairperson. He has also served as chairperson of the Long Range Planning and Constitution and By-laws committees and as webmaster and Information Technology chairperson for Multiple District 35, as well as a board member of the Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind and president of the Florida Lions Conklin Centers.

In recognition of his service to the association, Director Spencer has received numerous awards, including Club Lion of the Year, eight 100% Club Secretary Awards, the 100% club President Award, the 100% District Governor Award, two District Governor's Extension Awards, a membership key, three Golden Chain Awards, five International President's Certificates of Appreciation, the Leadership Medal and the International

President's Medal. He also has 19 years perfect attendance and is a Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Spencer is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is a board member and past president of both the Cocoa Beach High School Alumni Association Educational Foundation and the Space Coast Little League. He was also recognized by the City of Cocoa Beach with the key to the city and the proclamation of May 19, 2006 as Neil R. Spencer Day.

Director Spencer and his wife, Past District Governor Donna, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have one daughter, also a Lion, and one son.

Parade of Green Approved Programs:

- Leader Dog
- LCIF
- MN Lions Eye Bank
- Lions Hearing Foundation
- Hearing Dog of Colorado or Hearing and Service Dogs of MN
- Diabetes
- Youth Exchange
- Lions Quest
- Youth Activities (includes Leo, Peace Poster, Liberty Day and Write Off)

The above projects are those approved for inclusion in the Parade of Green presented at Mid Winter. Additional district and/or multiple district approved projects, such as Vision Honduras, Project New Hope, Spring Point Project and Camp Confidence, are not included in the Parade of Green and need to be donated directly by the club on a local level.

What's Cook'n in 5M12

Where has the time gone? It is now January 2010 and I have not yet completed the things that I needed to do in December 2009. This last month has taken us to many club visits and we do appreciate all the hospitality that



District Governor Darwin Mathwig

The clubs have shown us. Nancy And I have enjoyed all the club visits that we had throughout the 2009 year and look forward to the ones in 2010. We have learned so much from each and every one of you. As Lions, you have not shown only us but you have shown your community the value of having a Lions Club.

I want to remind you again that we need to continue to try and expand our membership. Last month we took a step backwards. Although we did gain a number of new members, we lost just as many who decided that they would not continue their membership in Lions. Take time to talk with your members, one on one, and encourage them to continue their membership in Lions. Ask them what is important to them as a Lion and then give them the opportunity to serve in that capacity. Everyone, no matter what they do, needs to find their own niche; when they find it, they will step up.

The Mid Winter convention is fast approaching and you need to get your registrations in as soon as possible. We are promising you a great fun filled and enjoyable weekend that you will not want to miss. I want to again remind you to have your NEW MEMBERS attend the convention. It will help them grow as Lion. Any new members you have since December 10, 2009 and through February 11, 2010, who have not been inducted as a new member, are invited to attend the Mid Winter Saturday Banquet and will be inducted by our International Director, Neil Spencer.

I want to leave you with some information that I think will be valuable to you as a Lion and give you reassurance that what we do as Lions is important. Sometimes when you can put a number to something it shows you the bigger picture.

- ♥ **6:** On the average, the LCIF SightFirst initiative requires a donation of only US\$6.00 to save a person from Blindness- or restore their sight.
- ♥ **9,550:** The number of Grants awarded by LCIF since it was founded in 1968. To date, LCIF has awarded grants totaling more than US\$680 million.
- ♥ **131,000,000:** The number of doses of Mectizan Distributed by LCIF to people in 15 countries around the world to treat and control River Blindness.
- ♥ **53,000,000:** The pounds of Newspapers that did not

End up in landfills because the Lions in Prescott Arizona rise before dawn to collect, sort and recycle newspapers from local residents. Lions in Prescott have been recycling for more than 30 years.

♥ **10,000,000:** Number of Children screened by Sight for Kids- a joint initiative of LCIF and Johnson & Johnson Vision Care-that provides Vision Screening, eyeglasses and other treatments.

Be proud of what you do as a Lion and let others know!
District Governor Darwin & Lion Nancy

"Mixing with the Governor"

January 26 - Mayer Watertown Dandylions visit

January 27 - Shakopee Valley visit

January 28 - New Market, Elko, Webster visit

January 29 - 5M-1 Mid Winter, Austin

January 30 - 5M-11 Mid Winter, Grand Forks

January 31 - 5M-4 Mid Winter, Alexandria

February 2 - Convention Meeting

February 4 - Local club (Arlington) meeting

February 5-6 - 5M-8 Mid Winter, Hinckley

February 6-7 - 5M-10, Duluth

February 9 - Cologne visit

February 11-14 - 5M-2 Mid Winter, Mankato

February 15 - Winthrop visit

February 18 - Mankato, Mankato Key City, Mankato Sunrise visit

February 19 - 5M-3 Mid Winter, Granite Falls

February 20 - 5M-13 Mid Winter, Portage LaPrairie, MB



Waconia Band getting a check for \$900.00 and a plaque for receiving 1st place in the International Parade. Left to right is IPDG Rick Wagener, Band Director Brody Krusemark, band student, and DG Darwin Mathwig.

Blooms and Blossoms and...More

Eunice Rucks
Vice District Governor

Happy New Year!

As we begin a new year, we need to take a look at these extraordinary times, times which the services provided by the Lions are more critical than ever.

Our current generation has never experienced an economy where so many people are unemployed and where their investments have often melted away. Many homes are in foreclosure and the food shelves are busier than ever. We are not sure when this crisis will be over. Also, this means even more of our fellow citizens will be without health insurance coverage.

Lions can make a difference. But how can we make that difference? We can make that difference by working together to make lives better for those less fortunate. Remember when we work together as a team, amazing things can happen!

There is so much that Lions can learn from each other. But we can't always share and learn, sheltered in our own home club. That is why Lions gather together to teach, to learn, to laugh and to celebrate their accomplishments. This is the reason for all of you to come to our District Convention in Mankato February 12, 13 and 14th. It is a wonderful time to renew old friendships, make new friends and just relax and spend a wonderful weekend at "Gilligan's Island" in Mankato.

By now probably most of you have taken down your Christmas tree. The tradition of having an evergreen tree became a symbol of Christmas and goes back past recorded history. A Christmas tree has always given me the feeling of peace. Let's hope that peace will become a reality in the year 2010!

PANCAKE BRUNCH

Sponsored by
Hamburg Lions Club, Inc.

Sunday, January 17, 2010
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Hamburg Community Hall
Hamburg, MN

Pancakes, Sausages,
Scrambled Eggs,
Apple Sauce, Beverages

Adults - \$6.00
Children 5-12 - \$3.00
Children 0-4 - Free

Please donate old unused eye glasses and lens.
Proceeds go to Campaign Sightfirst II

EUNICE RUCKS CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2010-2011



- Lions member 12 Years
Arlington Sibley East
Lions/Arlington Lions
- Club President
- Board of Directors, Other
Committees
- Zone Chair - 2 Years
- Region Chair 1 Year
- Attended 8 International Conventions, 8
USA/Canada Forums, Numerous Multiple and
District Conventions
- BA from Metropolitan State University in
Business and Finance
- Previous H&R Block employee and
current substitute teacher
- Married to Maynard Rucks
- 4 Children (one deceased) and 6
Grandchildren
- Melvin Jones Fellow

Vote Lion Sue Bowman Candidate for 1st Vice District Governor 2010-2011



Lions Service

- Charter Secretary of Albert Lea
LakeView Lions 1992
- Club President twice, board member in various
capacities for 27 years
- 5M2 Cabinet positions include Zone 9 Chair;
Membership Chair, Activities Chair
- Currently serving a six year term on the Lions MD5M
Hearing Foundation
- Graduate of the Lions Regional Leadership Institute
- Consecutive attendance at every Mid Winter since
1979
- Melvin Jones Fellow
- Helen Keller Sight Award
- Hearing Foundation Fellow

Personal / Professional

- Employment Counselor for the State of MN
- Vice President TCM Commodities Inc.
- Member Rochester Human Resources Association
/Chamber of Commerce
- Local church council
- Married to Lion Bill Bowman for 40 years; two
sons, Jason and Michael
- Community volunteer

Club News

ALBERT LEA CLOVERLEAF Rang bells for Salvation Army. Eight members attended Zone 9 meeting.

ALBERT LEA LAKEVIEW Rang bells for Salvation Army. Hosted Zone 9 Meeting. Collected hats, mittens, & scarves for Salvation Army. Donated to Salvation Army.

ALBERT LEA LIONS Hosted All-Service Club Luncheon. Donation to Riverland Community College scholarships.

ALDEN LIONS Held Christmas dinner theater and had unit in Christmas parade. Held member/spouse Christmas potluck. Donated to Spirit of Christmas and A-C school PTO fund to resurface tennis court.

AMBOY LIONS Held Christmas party and collected 72 lbs of non-perishables for the Echo Food Shelf. Rang bells for Salvation Army. Donated to: Courage Center, groceries to area families in need, Amboy Library, Compassion International and Parker Oaks Nursing home for cookies.

ARLINGTON LIONS Wrapped presents for needy families at Santa's Helpers. Co-sponsored Arli-dazzle lighted float for parade with Green Isle Lions. Served Walking Tacos at the Sibley East boys' basketball game. Proudly endorsed Lion Eunice Rucks's candidacy for Lion District Governor. Monetary donation to the Arlington Public Library as a challenge grant for furniture. Hosted District Governor Darwin Mathwig.

BELLE PLAINE LIONS No December activities.

BLOOMING PRAIRIE LIONS Held Christmas party for members and spouses. Donated to county food shelf and dictionaries for 3rd and 4th graders.

BLUE EARTH LIONS Monetary donation to the Developmentally Delayed for Christmas Party and to Blue Earth Fire Department for their Fire Safety Program.

BROWNTON LIONS Donated to the GSL Close-up Program and to the Brownton Baseball Association for fencing.

CARVER LIONS Completed Carver Christmas with Santa and Senior Lunch. Donated to: local food shelf and local school for dictionaries. LCIF presentation by program chair Lion Ron Dahlke.

CHASKA LIONS Chartered a new Leos club at the Chaska high school with 41 members. Donated to "Hope for the Holidays" and bought gifts for 20 people in 7 families.

COLOGNE LIONS Hosted Santa Breakfast. Conducted a caroling event in the City of Cologne. Contributed to Chaska Leo Club, Friendship Ventures and to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

COURTLAND LIONS Held Santa Day for area kids. Held annual Christmas Party for spouses and guests. Donations: Donated to: Vision Honduras, 97# of food and cash collected on Santa Day donated to New Ulm Food Shelf. Program. Presentation by PDG's Orville and Elvera Trettin on Vision Honduras.

FARIBAULT LIONS Donated to Hearing & Service Dogs of Minnesota, Faribault Public Schools Camp Invention and Faribault Middle School for AED.

GLENCOE LIONS Announced Peace Poster contest winner and Write Off contest winner. Sponsored Glencoe Holly Days parade had chili feed before, during, and after parade.

GREEN ISLE LIONS Worked at Green Isle Santa day. Co host float with Arlington Lions for the Arli-dazzle parade. Collected food for the food shelf and gifts for the Santa Helpers. Wrapped presents for Santa's helpers. Sold nuts for a fund raising project.

HAMBURG LIONS 15 members worked for annual Lunch & photo with Santa. 3 Melvin Jones Fellowship awards, a Hearing Research Award & a Helen Keller Award were presented by DG Darwin Mathwig at the annual Christmas party/meeting.

HENDERSON LIONS Sponsored Soldiers Stocking Stuffer project. Helped with Santa's Helpers and Bloodmobile.

HUTCHINSON LIONESSE Christmas Party with Lions and hosted DG Darwin and Lion Nancy. Donated toys collected at the Christmas party.

HUTCHINSON LIONS Joint Christmas Dinner with Lioness club. Guests included DG Darwin, Lion Nancy, 3 young ladies from the Franklin Home for Girls Lions and 2 Stewart Lions. Donated to: Aveyron Home Clients Christmas gifts, Franklin Home for girls and schools supplies for a school in India.

JORDAN AREA LIONS Finished Christmas Food Basket Program for 185+ families. Had Breakfast With Santa. Donated to family in need. Hosted DG Darwin and Lion Nancy at joint meeting with Jordaness Lions.

JORDANESS LIONS Held fashion show, Liberty Day program and Write Off contest. Completed Toys to children. Donated to JHS music program and a member to help with cancer expenses. Held joint meeting with Jordan Lions and hosted DG Darwin and Lion Nancy,

LAFAYETTE LIONS Completed Santa Day, Christmas lighting contest, Dad's Belgian Waffles Breakfast and serving lunch at Assisted Living. Donated to the 5 area churches crisis fund.

LAKE CRYSTAL LIONS Held annual club Christmas Party. Monetary donation to Lake Crystal Music Dept. and to benefit for Lion Jerry Rollings.

LE CENTER LIONS Completed Lucky 13 Fund raiser. Held Breakfast with Santa kids program. Completed City Holly Daze Parade. Purchased pair of eyeglasses for local 5th grade student.

LE SUEUR LIONS Collected 149 pair of glasses. Had PCC Steve Hovanas pick up 3 pallets of reader glasses donated by the Seaver Company in Le Sueur, between 20,000 and 30,000 pair. Had float in Le Sueur Christmas Parade. Completed Christmas Tree Sales. Donated a Christmas Tree to Hospice and to Le Sueur Nursing Home.

LESTER PRAIRIE LIONS Sponsored Santa at Community Christmas celebration and paid for treat bags. Donated to City of Lester Prairie for New Table Fund for city hall and to Lester Prairie After Prom Party.

LONSDALE LIONS Donated to local food shelf, Hearing & Service Dogs and Northfield Cannon Valley for 25th Anniversary.

MANKATO LIONS Donated to Salvation Army and ECHO food shelf. Supplied transportation to hospital in Twin Cities for child with Rett syndrome.

MANKATO SUNRISE LIONS Worked at gift sorting and gift truck loading for the Mankato Area Sharing Tree.

MAYER-WATERTOWN DANDY Sponsored Santa Day. 4 members attended the Chaska Leos charter. Donated to Love, Inc - a charitable organization in our area supported by local churches.

MN LAKE LIONS Funded and filled candy bags for Santa Claus Day. Sponsored Sharing Tree at Valley Bank getting 80 tags (toys) filled for needy families. Held club Christmas Party with VDG Eunice Rucks and PID Maynard Rucks in attendance. Monetary donation to Lions Sharing Tree at Valley Bank

Club News

MONTGOMERY LIONS Rang Salvation Army Bell one weekend and unloaded food shelf truck.

NEW AUBURN LIONS Collected 75 toys for Santa's Helpers and wrapped gifts. Collected food for County food shelf. Donated to New Auburn Santa Day. Held annual Christmas party.

NEW MARKET ELKO WEBSTER Supported 12 people (3 families) with gifts and grocery gift cards through Armful of Love program. Held Bullhead/fish fry. Sausage making/sales done. Caroling at Mala Strana retirement home. Held Breakfast with Santa. Donated to support a Lions member's hospice care. Donated 120 goodies bags, cookies, wine and lap blankets to senior retirement center and goodie bags for children at Santa breakfast.

NEW RICHLAND LIONS Held December Pancake Breakfast with proceeds to New Richland Area Foodshelf.

NICOLLET LIONS Donated to Nicollet Fund Drive.

NORHTFIELD CANON VALLEY 25th anniversary celebration with Lion Maynard Rucks as guest speaker and District Governor Darwin and Nancy Mathwig in attendance.

NORTHFIELD LIONS Completed Salvation Army bell ringers. Monetary donation for Christmas sharing.

NORWOOD YOUNG AMERICA Completed christmas tree sales and sold out of trees. Hosted DG Darwin for Governor's visit and Lion Nancy Mathwig, who spoke briefly on orientation.

NYA WEST CARVER LIONS Held Breakfast With Santa. Worked dance for the elderly at the Pavilion in NYA.

OWATONNA LIONS Held Comedy Night fundraiser with proceeds to Lions Diabetes program. Program Chair Presentation by Marlys Meskan - MN Lions Eye Bank/Children's Eye Clinic/MAC Center.

PLATO LIONS Held Christmas Brunch. Delivered Fruit Baskets. Held Club Christmas Party for members and spouses.

PRIOR LAKE LIONS Distributed Holiday Food Vouchers to needy families. Held Senior Luncheon at the V.F.W. Started Bar Bingo at T.J. Hooligans. Held Christmas Party. Collected 100 eyeglasses and 1 hearing aid. Donated to: ISD 719 – STARS Program, Safe Haven for Youth - Christmas, Missing Children Minnesota, Scott County Historical Society, Handy Tech North America, Braille printer for MN River Valley Coop and portable grills for St. Michael. Program Chair Presentations by Lion Paul Stahler – Public Relations, Lion Sheila Stahler – Peace Poster and Lion Harry Klenke – Zone Chair.

SHAKOPEE LIONS Hosted Christmas party for "Seniors" that reside in Shakopee. Monetary donation to a Shakopee individual who has leukemia.

SHAKOPEE VALLEY LIONS No new activities reported.

SIBLEY EAST SR HIGH LEOS Collected, packaged and donated items to fill 10 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Major contributor of 50" TV for Sibley East High School commons area.

SILVER LAKE LIONS Submitted a Write Off essay. Bought holiday and fall sports ads in local paper. Donated to: GSL Close Up, SL Winter Festival and McLeod Co. Historical Society. Winsted Branch: hosted Zone Chair, Lion Duane Jindra; served food at Winsted Craft Fair and purchased gifts for needy children.

ST PETER LIONS Donated to St. Peter High School Band for travel to San Diego.



Candidate for 2nd Vice District Governor Ron Dahlke

- Member of Glencoe Lions since June 1, 1992
- Perfect Attendance 16 years
- Member of Board of Directors- 12 years
- Budget & Finance Chairperson, 2003- present
- Chairperson of Membership Committee-
- Club Secretary 4 years, 1996-2000
- 100% Club Secretary, 1996-2000
- Served as 3rd Vice President, 2000-01
- 2nd Vice President, 2001-02
- 1st Vice President, 2002-03
- 100% Club President, 2003-04
- Co-Chairperson, 5M-2 2006 Mid-Winter Convention
- Zone 1 Chair person, 2005-06
- Region 1 Chair person 2006-09
- 5M-2 L.C.I.F. District Coordinator, 2009-present
- Intl. President's Certificate of Appreciation- 2005-06
- Melvin Jones Fellowship Award- 2004
- Progressive Helen Keller Sight Award
- Progressive MD5M Hearing Foundation Hearing
- Research Fellow Award
- MD5M Regional Leadership Institute Graduate
- Member Christ Lutheran Church, Glencoe 45 yrs
- Employed Financial Worker, McLeod County Social Services for 26+ years
- Married 37 years to Lion Jean
- Father of 2 sons, Jason (Jennifer) and Jon
- 4 Grandchildren, Tyler and Megan Siewert, Ella and Ethan Dahlke

STEWART LIONS Hosted Christmas Party for children (Santa Day).

VESELI LIONS Held Jaycee/Lions Christmas Party.

VICTORIA LIONS Completed Pancake Breakfast.

WACONIA LIONS Donation to Waconia Area Food Shelf.

WATERTOWN LIONS Held Christmas party. Delivered Poinsettia to Lion widow/widowers, elderly and shut-ins.

WATERVILLE LIONS Awarded Peace Poster contest winners.

WELLS 8 Wells Lions attended a week long retreat for Blandin Community Leadership Program. Assisted elderly/disabled/homebound with recycling. Donated to local middle school artists (Peace Poster winners) and local high school authors (WriteOff winners).

WINTHROP LIONS Held Christmas party with spouses and guests. Vision Honduras presentation by PDG Orville Trettin and made donation to Vision Honduras.



**Elect
PCC Brian Sheehan
for MD5M
International Director
Seeking your endorsement
as Candidate for
International Director**

Dear Fellow Lions, Lioness and Leo's;

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter asking for your support as I seek the endorsement to be the next candidate for International Director of Multiple District 5M.

I have been a member of the Bird Island Lions Club since 1991, served as District Governor of 5M4 in 2004-2005 and was elected as Council Chair of 5M in 2005-2006. I believe that my extensive background in Lions, business and community service well prepares me to be an effective member for the International Board of Lions Clubs International.

Our motto has been "We Serve" and I have a strong desire and passion to serve you and our Multiple. I am a hard working and dedicated Lion of this great organization. I believe we should all be enthused to serve and to share that enthusiasm to show non-Lions and new lions what this organization is about. The strength and power of this organization is in our clubs and the great things we do and represent.

My life partner Lion Lori and our four children have grown with Lions and we are looking forward to serving you if given the opportunity.

PCC Brian E Sheehan

New Members December 2009

Blooming Prairie Lions Club

Jeremy Duerhoefer
Tony Lea
Jared Smith

Jordan Lions Club

Brian Olsen

Montgomery Lions Club

Edward Keogh
Jean Keogh

Plato Lions Club

Nathan Herrig
Cody Hess
Kandi Hess

Waconia Lions Club

Dale Dietel

Watertown Lions Club

Joshua Hoover



Let's Get Smart

Sue Bowman
Second Vice District Governor

As the New Year begins, I encourage you to pick up a pen and paper and jot down your Lion Membership/Retention Goal. Look at the goal and check it to see that it is a SMART goal:

- S=Specific
- M=Measurable
- A=Achievable
- R=Realistic
- T=Timely

Specific

When your goals are specific they are straightforward and emphasize what you want to happen. Specifics help you to focus your efforts and clearly define what, why and how.

For example, a specific membership goal might sound like: To ensure healthy club growth, I will sponsor one new member in my Lions club by June 30, 2010. Each month I will invite two prospective members to a club activity or meeting.

Measurable

If you can measure a goal you can manage it. How will you know when your goal is complete? When you measure your progress you stay on track and experience the thrill of achievement that moves you closer to the end goal.

Achievable

When you identify goals that are important to you, you begin figuring out ways to make them happen. You begin to see previously overlooked opportunities to bring you closer to your goal. A goal needs to stretch you slightly so you feel you can do it with the need of real commitment from you. The feeling of success is a great motivator.

Realistic

Realistic means do-able. It means you have the skills needed to meet the challenges of the goal. Devise a plan which makes the goal realistic.

Timely

Putting an end point on your goal gives you a clear target to work toward. If you do not set a time, the commitment is too vague. Without a time limit, there is no urgency to start taking action now. You can only hit a target if you aim for it!

Youth Exchange Chair Update

Due to health issues, Lion Norma Syverson will be unable to continue as Youth Exchange chair for the remainder of the 2009-10 Lions year. If your club had plans to send a student out on an exchange, please contact District Governor Darwin no later than February 15th. Host families will also be needed for the upcoming summer exchange. Help out the program by referring possible host family names to District Governor Darwin or Lion Nancy Mathwig soon.



New Chaska Leo Club, charter night December 8, 2009. Chartered with 41 members.



Award night at Hamburg Christmas party. 3 Melvin Jones Fellow awards, 1 Helen Keller Sight award and 1 Hearing Research Fellow. Front row (left - right) Lion Amy Chadwick, Lion Richard Stoeckmann Back row (left to right) Lion Diane Hoffman, Janice Mackenthun, Lion Diana Kroells

Lions Have Talent Contest

Saturday February 13th

Poolside - After the Governor's Banquet

Registration form
Deadline February 1st 2010

Lions Club: _____

Group Name: _____

Individual Name: _____

Time needed: _____

Music: _____

Skit: _____

Please send Registration form to
 Lions Mike and Sue Vos
 20472 371st Avenue
 Green Isle, MN. 55338



The Minnesota Lake Lions donated another 250 cars to the 5M Lions Children's Hearing Center at the University of Minnesota.

28th Annual Brownton Lions Buffalo Feed

Saturday Feb. 6th, 2010,

Pla-Mor Ballroom in Glencoe, MN.
 Advanced tickets are \$10, at the door \$12, and kids 5 - 12 are \$5.
 Tickets available from any Lions member, Security Bank and Trust, or by calling Arthur at 320-328-4015. Byob

Henderson Lions New Annual Project.
"Stocking Stuffers for Soldiers"
 800 lbs. of snacks and toiletries were collected locally and sent in 75+ boxes to soldiers in Afghanistan for Christmas.

500+ soldiers benefitted from this mailing.

5M-2 District Golf Outing
JUNGLE DAYS
2011 Bid for Jungle Days
 must be in
 to the
District Governor Darwin Mathwig
30 days
 prior to
Mid-Winter Convention!

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5M-2 DISTRICT GOVERNOR
306 4th Ave. NW
P.O. Box 944
Arlington, MN 55307



Sunday Morning Brunch Speaker

My name is Megan Bening; I am 15 years old and currently a sophomore at the Sibley East High School in Arlington, Minnesota.

I am totally blind due to Leber's Congenital Amarausis, also known as LCA. I have some light perception, but not enough to make any difference. I was diagnosed at the age of 8 weeks at the University of Minnesota.

I am involved in the Sibley East Leo Club, Knowledge Bowl team and Speech team. I have also been involved in my local Girl Scout troop since I was in first grade. I have earned my bronze and silver award and am currently starting the process of working toward my gold award.

This past summer, I earned first place in the National Braille Challenge competition sponsored by Braille Institute.

I was recently in my school's fall play and am looking forward to the One Act play. I am also looking forward to starting the down hill ski season again. I have been down hill skiing for 4 years and love it! This past year, I even competed in some down hill ski races.

I am looking forward to speaking at the District Lion's convention in February.



The Plato Lions installed two new members at their last meeting. Cody Hess and Nathan Herrig were sponsored by Lion Member Connie Rau. District Governor Darwin Mathwig conducted the ceremony.

Lions Lights on for Life car stickers and magnets available for your towns Business Expo's, Fairs, Meetings, & new Members.

Remember, The stickers do NOT have glue, they are static cling and are for the inside of your rear window. If you have dark windows, use the outside magnetic strip.



1st Vice District President Eunice Rucks and her Husband Past International Director Maynard Rucks were the guest speakers for the evening at Minnesota Lake meeting. PID Lion Maynard inducted Bernie Sonnek as a new member. Past President Bill Daly received a lapel pin for having an increase in membership during his Presidential year.



1st Vice District President Eunice Rucks and her Husband Past International Director Maynard Rucks presented Minnesota Lake Lion Arland Gregor with a Melvin Jones Fellow plaque.