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Editor **Bill Curtis,**

5M2 Midwinter Convention Speaker

International Director Marvin Chambers will be our guest at the 5M-2 Mid-Winter Convention in Mankato. He is a 2nd year Director and will be our speaker at the Saturday night Governor's Banquet.

Marvin Chambers, from Fillmore, Saskatchewan, Canada, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 94th International Convention, held in Seattle, Washington, USA, July 4 to July 8, 2011.

Director Chambers is an agricultural consultant and the mayor of Fillmore.

A member of the Fillmore and District Lions Club since 1971, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, region chair, zone chair and district governor. He also served as a Guiding Lion and convention chairperson, attended extension workshops and helped start three Lions clubs and a Leo club.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the 100% Club Secretary Award, 100% Club President Award, two International President's Medals and two International

President's Certificates. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow, a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellow and a life member of both the Saskatchewan Eye Bank and the Saskatchewan Foundation.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Chambers is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He currently serves as a member of the Fillmore Recreation and Cultural Board, a member of the Hospital Foundation for Fillmore District and a village representative for Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities. In the past, he also served as councilor for RM #96 [Fillmore], United Church treasurer, councilor for the Village of Fillmore, and president of both the Fillmore's Donor's Choice and the Fillmore Curling Club.

Director Chambers and his wife, Lynne, also a Lion, have five children and five grandchildren.



MARVIN CHAMBERS
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR



A Lion's View

Ron Dahlke,
District Governor



District Governor
Ron Dahlke

As this article is being written, most of the Fall Zone Meetings have been completed. It has been great to see many of you attend these important meetings, to share your Clubs' activities and also to network with others. Since the format in Zone Meetings has varied from previous years, I am interested in finding out your reactions to these variations.

Registrations continue for the 2013 District 5M-2 Mid-Winter "Start Your Engines" Convention at Mankato, February 8-10, which will include fellowship, interesting seminars and great entertainment. Advance registration forms for both the City Center Hotel and for the Convention appear elsewhere in this issue and are available on the District Website as well.

New this year is the "Start Your Engines" Pinewood Derby races. Each Club will have the opportunity to build their own Pinewood Derby Car according to official Scout rules from a kit that I have available. The "entry fee" is only the cost of the car kit (\$4.25). "Clubs" will compete on Saturday Evening after the Banquet, while LEO Members will have the opportunity to race earlier that day.

If you have never attended a Mid-Winter Convention, please consider being a "first-timer" this year. Or, if you've not attended recently, it's time to re-new the Mid-Winter Convention experience.

Also, remember to have your Club participate in the Parade of Green. The Clubs in our District have been very supportive of the programs that are represented, and I know that every dollar of every donation received is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding the Parade of Green, please contact me.

NOTE to Clubs with Gaming Funds. If your donations are made from Gaming Funds, please use the complete accepted name of the organization as the Payee on your checks. Several Clubs were cited in their MN Gambling Board Reviews this past year for not making the checks payable exactly as the organization's endorsement. (Example: A donation to the Hearing Foundation must be written to MD5M Lions Hearing Foundation, not just Hearing Foundation, etc.).

A FACT SHEET is being assembled and will be available soon on the District Webpage, showing the Names of the Organizations and also if they qualify as a 501 (c) (3) organization. Let me know if you have any questions.

Additional Mid-Winter Item:

5M-2 Hall of Fame Nominations must be sent to me by January 8, 2013. The nomination form, the complete requirements and nomination process appear in this issue of the ROAR. I believe 5M-2 was the only District, who did not have a nominee for this recognition at the 2012 MD5 Multiple Convention. I do not wish to have a repeat of that occur this year. Please consider nominating a deserving member of your Club. This recognition can also be given posthumously.

Also at this time, Lion Jean and I would like to wish each of

you and your families, a very Blessed Christmas and a Prosperous New Year! May your travels be safe as you gather with family and friends.

Remember--Your Club's Activities Do Make a Difference in your Community, in our Country and in our World! Thanks for all that YOU do!

DG Ron's Routes December

- 2- 5M-2 PDG Gathering- Mankato
- 3- Green Isle Lions Club Visit
- 5 - Jordaness and Jordan Area Lions Clubs Visit
- 6 - Arlington Lions Club Visit
- 12 - Minnesota Lake Lions Club Visit
- 17 - Nicollet Lions Club Visit
- 18 - Norwood-Young America Lions Club Visit
- 19 - Winsted Lions Club Visit
- 25 - Merry Christmas

Dear Lion,

Earlier this month, the Caribbean and the East Coast of the United States were hit by Superstorm Sandy. I was saddened and deeply concerned when I heard of the storm's impact, but I also knew that Lions would be there to help. Not only are Lions on the ground, supporting each other and people in the affected communities, but Lions around the world are generously providing donations to the disaster relief fund at Lions Clubs International Foundation.

It is because of the disaster relief fund that LCIF could quickly respond to Superstorm Sandy, mobilizing US\$220,000 in grants for those in need. Lions were immediately able to put provided funds to use, delivering food, water, blankets and flashlights to those affected by the storm. Your donations to the disaster relief fund are MJF eligible and will support Superstorm Sandy victims in the coming weeks, unless a disaster of similar scope and scale requires Lions' immediate response.

In addition to disaster relief, Lions are able to make an impact in many other areas of service. Just look at our efforts to eliminate measles. We not only met the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's challenge to raise US\$10 million for measles, we have exceeded it! This means even more children will be vaccinated, saving them from the harmful effects of measles. Congratulations, and thank you for your efforts. LCIF is working with the Measles Initiative and Gates Foundation to plan for the future.

I am inspired by all that Lions have accomplished through our Foundation. Together we save sight, provide disaster relief, support youth and meet humanitarian needs worldwide. Together we make a difference in millions of lives.

Sincerely,

Wing-Kun Tam
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



Written with "Pride"

Joan Blank
First Vice District Governor



The last month has been a whirlwind of Lion functions that have left me inspired and proud to belong to the largest service organization in the world.

Lion Kevin and I attended Thanksgiving for Vision on October 27th, which is an annual celebration of the gift of sight, put on by the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation. Thanksgiving for Vision is an avenue for the Foundation to update Lions on the great things that are happening at the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank and the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Neuroscience thanks to the support of the Minnesota Lions. If you ever have the chance to go, you should. I have never sat through a symposium of doctors and researchers and felt so small, not on the account of the speakers, but just because of the wealth of knowledge that flowed from each. And yet at the same time, each doctor or researcher who spoke could not thank the Lions enough for all their support in helping pave the way for major breakthroughs in eye care. If I heard "thank you" once, I heard it 50 times. I left the event thinking exactly what ID Brian Sheehan loves to exclaim "Isn't it great to be a Lion!"

Courtland Lions decided to try something unique and that was to invite all the clubs in Zone 4 to their monthly meeting where they had two speakers: Lion Diana Kroells from the MN Lions Hearing Foundation and Lion Bob Hofnagle from the Sauk Rapids Lions who spoke on eye glass recycling and the collection center in Sauk Rapids. Both presentations were very informative. I was delighted with Courtland's idea of trying something new. It was well received by the Nicollet, Winthrop and Lafayette Lions. This visit counted for each club there as one of their three Cabinet chair speakers that DG Ron is challenging each club to invite. The Courtland Lions were very gracious hosts.

Two nights after that, I attended the Zone 3 meeting hosted by the Belle Plain Lions in Belle Plain. I was amazed at the great attendance there. Here again, a new idea was tried and well received. Zone 3 Chair, Lion Wanda Briemhorst not only asked the club presidents to give a small report, but she had the Jordaness Lions give a small presentation on a very unique Reading Action Program their Club has embraced along with a "Lions 101" presentation on the guidelines for mentoring new members. Both were excellent ideas that were shared among all Zone 3 clubs. Nicely done.

On Saturday, November 17th Lion Mary Oldenburg invited me to help at the 23rd Annual Jordaness Lions Holiday Fashion Show. These Lions know how to put on a fun and entertaining event! The Jordaness Lions always seem to come up with a hilarious skit. It was a top notch event that involved a great deal of Lions' time and talent. I actually did work selling raffle tickets, but enjoyed meeting so many women. The festivities sure got me in the Christmas spirit. The funds from the event will be donated to the Lions Club International Foundation, where every dollar

Harry's Corner

Harry Klenke
Second Vice
District Governor



We are in the season of giving.

This holiday season please consider giving a gift that will support our local economy in efforts to rebuild our nation. Examples may include a gift card to your favorite restaurant, or to a local hardware store, or how about gift cards to a local service station for an oil change, or for the women a gift certificate to a woman's store or a local hairdresser. Think of the people whose job you will support with our giving in this manner in our economy.

As Lions, we give all year long. Often times we do not realize the importance of our giving. Think about the joy one experienced as a child when opening those gifts from Santa on Christmas morning. As a parent the joy we felt as our children experienced that same joy when they opened their gifts on Christmas. Often as Lions, we give and do not physically experience the joy of giving. Can you imagine the joy of someone being able to see after receiving a pair of eyeglasses some one donated to our organization? Can you imagine the gratitude a patient or family has for the care provided by the Minnesota Eye Bank, Hearing Foundation or the Schultz Diabetes Institute? We do not have

firsthand enjoyment of the care they receive, yet we continue as Lions to support and give to the cause. The giving of dictionaries to our youth may impact some of our youth with the importance of education in their lives. Dictionaries along with International President Maddens reading initiative will make a difference in our families, our community, our country and the world. Think of the mother whose son or daughter will no longer have to experience measles because of our initiative to vaccinate children around the world. We do not see the gratitude from those parents, yet we know they are thankful. We support LCIF and their support of disasters around the world, most recently Hurricane Sandy in our own country. We know our Lions are working to assist those people in need. These are examples of our giving. Lions give of their time, talent and treasure. We support many causes within our communities and expect nothing in return. This holiday season take moment and take pride in the joy you have given by being a Lion. The joy in being a Lion is in the giving. Seek joy in what you give not what you get.

I hope you all had a Happy Thanksgiving. From Loretta and I have a Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year.

donated is a dollar given to help someone. Thanks Jordaness Lions!

In this season of Christmas, may I say I am blessed to be surrounded by such loving and giving Lions? You get what Christmas stands for all year long. Lion Kevin and I wish each of you, along with your families, a very safe and wonderful Christmas.

Lions 5M-2 Mid-Winter Convention
February 8, 9, 10, 2013
City Center Hotel – Mankato, Minnesota
REGISTRATION FORM



Official Use Only
 Date Rec'd _____

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Guest #1 Information **Select One:** () Lions () Lioness () Leo () Spouse/Guest

Last Name	First Name	E-mail Address
Address/PO Box	Club Name	Phone #
City	State and Zip Code	() Check if 1 st time convention attendee
Check if you have received any of these recognitions from <u>January 2012 through January of 2013</u> (Saturday Luncheon Recognition) () Helen Keller Award () Melvin Jones Fellowship () Hearing Foundation Award () DreamCatcher () Top Dog () Other _____		

Guest #2 Information **Select One:** () Lions () Lioness () Leo () Spouse/Guest

Last Name	First Name	() Check if 1 st time convention attendee
	Club Name	
Check if you have received any of these recognitions from <u>January 2012 through January of 2013</u> (Saturday Luncheon Recognition) () Helen Keller Award () Melvin Jones Fellowship () Hearing Foundation Award () DreamCatcher () Top Dog () Other _____		

***** The following are required in advance with registration:**

- \$15.00 Advance Registration Fee per person (Lion, Lioness, Spouse/Guest).
NOTE: If not pre-registered, the "On-Site" Fee will raise to \$20.00 per person.
- Full Meal Payment.
- All meals include tax and gratuity.
- Make Checks Payable to: **Lions 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention**
- Mail to: Lion Jane Cummysky, Registration Co-Chair
 247 Main Street East
 Waterville, MN 56096

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be directed to the Registration Co-Chair Lion Jane Cummysky at the above address.

Refunds will be sent following the convention. Refund requests postmarked:

- *On or before January 7, 2013 – Full Refund
- *From January 8 to January 31, 2013 – 90% Refund
- *After January 31, 2013 – No Refund

IMPORTANT NOTICE

1. The registration fee will apply to all attendees, including non-Lions.
2. Name tags will be distributed with your convention registration materials and need to be worn in order to gain admission to all meals, activities, and seminars.
3. **This form will be returned to you if payment is missing or incorrect.**
4. Registration fee and all meal costs must be included with your registration form.

MEAL REGISTRATION

Guest #1	Guest #2	Meal Cost per Person	Total
		All-Meal Package \$65.00	
		Saturday Lunch \$22.50	
		Saturday Banquet \$32.50	
		Sunday Buffet \$15.00	
		Meal Sub Total	
		Friday Supper with I.D. \$12.50** By Invitation Only- COST IS NOT INCLUDED IN MEAL PACKAGE	
		TOTAL MEAL COST	

TOTAL PAYMENT DUE

TOTAL REGISTRATION (\$15.00 per person)	
TOTAL MEAL COST	
GRAND TOTAL ENCLOSED	

- ***Registration Includes**
1. **Goodie Bag**
 2. **Friday Night Hors d'oeuvres**
 3. **Friday Night Music "The Del Counts"**
 4. **Friday Night Service of Remembrance**
 5. **All Convention Seminars/Sessions**
 6. **Saturday Night Entertainment: Cozy Lil' Duo**

**Supper with I.D. Cabinet, President's & Secretaries.
 **Cost is not included in the all meal package.

Lion's Convention
February 8-10, 2013

MAIL DIRECTLY TO HOTEL

Reservations will be accepted
by **MAIL or FAX only**. No reservations will
be made over the phone.

Please complete and return this form to
Mankato City Center Hotel with payment
information no later than January 9, 2013.

Mail to:
Mankato City Center Hotel
c/o Lions
101 East Main Street
Mankato, MN 56001
Phone: 507-345-1234
Fax: 507-345-1248

***One night reservations will be based on
availability.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If you must cancel your reservation, you must
do so by the following:

February 7th: Full Refund

February 8th: One night charge will be applied,
any other payment will be refunded.

****CONTACT THE HOTEL DIRECTLY
TO CANCEL.****

Special Requests: _____

****Special Requests cannot be guaranteed but
we will try to accommodate as best we can.****



First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Name of Person(s) Sharing Room: _____

Only send one registration form if sharing a room

Payment methods:

Check \$ _____

Money Order \$ _____

Credit Card – Circle One

Visa MC Amex Diners Discover

CC# _____ - _____ - _____

Exp Date: _____ / _____ (mm/yy)

TO GUARANTEE ROOM WILL BE

HELD:

Credit card number is required
(credit card authorized upon arrival at hotel)

OR

Pre-payment by check for one night stay
(with remaining balance due at check in)

HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM

Please note that your reservations must be received
by January 9, 2013 to receive the

Lion's Convention discounted rate.

Reservations received after this date will be booked
at standard rates.

Arrival Date – Select One

____ Thursday, February 7

____ Friday, February 8

____ Saturday, February 9

Cost for Three Nights

____ One King Bed \$309.00

____ Two Queen Beds \$309.00

____ King Bed w/ Sofa \$336.00

____ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$336.00

Cost for Two Nights

____ One King Bed \$206.00

____ Two Queen Beds \$206.00

____ King Bed w/ Sofa \$224.00

____ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$224.00

Cost for One Night

____ One King Bed \$103.00

____ Two Queen Beds \$103.00

____ King Bed w/ Sofa \$112.00

____ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$112.00

____ Handicap Access Room Required

(room contains one King bed)

*** All Rates Include Taxes

*** All rooms are non-smoking and are
equipped with microwaves and refrigerators.

We will confirm your reservation by sending you a
postcard with a confirmation number. If you do not
receive a postcard, please call the hotel. Please give us
three weeks from the date you send in your
registration form for processing.

5M Hall of Fame - Award for Lions, Lioness in Multiple District

PURPOSE:

to honor those Lion and Lioness members of character and substance who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment and dedication to the efforts of their club, district or multiple district and the motto of our association, "We Serve."

AWARD:

There will be a maximum of one (1) recipient of the MD5M Hall of Fame Award per district, inducted into the MD5M Hall of Fame each year. The award may be presented posthumously.

The MD5M Hall of Fame award recipients are to be inducted into the Hall of Fame at the annual MD5M Multiple District Convention during the Saturday noon luncheon. The first honorees will be inducted May 21-23, 2004 at the MD5M Convention.

MD5M Hall of Fame recipients will receive a MD5M Hall of Fame award plaque and a Hall of Fame lapel pin in recognition of their induction in the MD5M Hall of Fame. In addition, a complete listing of all MD5M Hall of Fame recipients will appear in the annual MD5M directory and a perpetual plaque, with the names of all inductees and the year of their induction inscribed thereon, will be kept in a prominent place in the MD5M office, when available.

The presentation of the MD5M Hall of Fame inductees will be the responsibility of the current International Director from MD5M, if there is one and he/she is in attendance at the MD5M Multiple District Convention. If not, then the most recent Past International Director having served from MD5M in attendance at the MD5M Multiple District Convention.

CRITERIA:

A candidate may be a Lion or Lioness, must have been a member in good standing for at least 15 years, be at least two (2) years removed from the Council of Governors if a PDG, should have qualifications above and beyond the call of duty including social and human endeavors, and he/she should be of good moral character and have a good reputation in his/her community. A nominee must be a member in good standing of a Lions or Lioness Club in MD5M, or must have been a member in good standing of a Lions or Lioness Club at the time of their death.

PROCESS:

A candidate may be sponsored by any Lion, Lioness, Lions Club, Lioness Club, Zone, or District. There will be a nomination fee of \$150.00 per each candidate nominated. The nomination fee will be returned to those sponsors whose candidates are not elected for induction into the MD5M Hall of Fame. The nomination fee for those selected for induction will be sent to MD5M and will be used to offset the cost of the award process, plaques and pin.

Nominations, including the nomination fee, must be received by the District Governor at least 30 days prior to the District's Mid-Winter Convention. Each individual District will annually hold an election at their Mid-Winter Convention to determine the candidate(s), if any, to be inducted into the Hall of Fame for that Lion Year. Each sponsor will have an opportunity to give a brief

presentation on the merits and biographical information of their nominee prior to the election. Those elected to be inducted into the MD5M Hall of Fame will not be announced until their induction at the MD5M Multiple District Convention.

All nominations will use the standard form, no others will be accepted. The nomination fee must be received at the time the application is received, otherwise the nomination will not be considered.

All successful candidates will be inducted into the MD5M Hall of Fame at the next MD5M Multiple District Convention. The sponsor(s) and the respective District Governor will ensure that the honoree or a suitable representative be in attendance at the MD5M Multiple District Convention when the honorees are inducted.

A brief biography of each inductee shall be announced to those in attendance during the induction ceremony at the annual MD5M Multiple District Convention.

Reaching 12,000 Students through Lions Quest



Lions Quest held its largest ever training session in October 2012, training 280 teachers from 21 schools in Wood County, West Virginia, USA. Another 700 personnel attended an orientation on the program, focusing on social and emotional learning, as well as bullying and drug prevention, service-learning, and creating a positive school climate. More than 12,000 students will benefit from the partnership. LCIF received a grant of US\$100,000 from NoVo Foundation for the three year implementation. This also supports LCIF's Clinton Global Initiative commitment to expand Lions Quest across one large U.S. school district.

LCIF Awards Grants



At the recent International Board of Directors meeting held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, 82 grants were awarded totaling US\$4,936,664. This includes US\$1 million to continue the LCIF-Special Olympics Opening Eyes partnership. Through these grants, an estimated 1.24 million people will benefit, enabling Lions to have a great impact in their communities and around the world.

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Arlington Lions receiving Membership Chevrons at their 60th Anniversary of their Club Charter, (L to R) Larry Sorenson, 50 years; Dan Hislop, 35 years; Eunice Beneke-Rucks, 15 years; and Peter Arneson, 10 years.



Dr Erick Bothun, Pediatric Ophthalmologist at the Lions Children's Eye Clinic, explains his "creation"; the carved pumpkin that was auctioned for \$1,000 at the recent Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation's Thanksgiving for Vision event, with the proceeds going to the Foundation.



Lion Deb Barker and her dog, Joseph. At the Zone 3 Meeting, Lion Deb explained the "Roarin' to Read" program initiated by the Jordaness Lions, where a dog is brought into a 2nd grade classroom, and a student will read to a dog. A very interesting and unique concept of a Reading Action Program.



A Close-up of the Carved Pumpkin. Dr Bothun will be a presenter at the 5M-2 Mid-Winter Convention Seminars on Saturday, February 9th, giving updates on vision care for children at the Lions Children's Eye Clinic.

