

DISTRICT 5M3 JUNE 2008 NEWSLETTER

Governors Notes

My last month as your governor has arrived and the year has gone really quickly. There have been frustrating moments, joyful moments, tiring moments, grateful moments, but the most enjoyable times have been our club visits and meeting all the fine Lions members & families in our great district. Gene & I have had some tasty meals and lots of laughs & fun with our clubs. The members have all made us feel very welcome & its "great to be a Lion". Even if I am now, "PDG" *power done gone!!*

But I want you to know that I will always be a Lion, back to a "working Lion", more down on the home front, doing what Lions do best, helping our fellow man & those less fortunate.

We are striving for younger members, families, couples, younger people in general. So we must never loose sight of asking those folks into our realm of Lionism. There are still people out there that are community minded & willing to support our ideology; we just need to find them & ASK them.

Our year has seen Campaign Sightfirst II reach its goal of \$150 MILLION PLUS and our challenge goal of \$200 million will undoubtedly be reached! How wonderful for all the people that those funds will help to cure or prevent treatable blindness. And it could not have been done without the help of our district members working hard at their fundraisers and the many personal donations that were given in the name of CSFII. God Bless each & every one of you!! And I am "sooo proud" of all of you!!

I would like to thank the "great Lions" who have helped Gene & I with our many travels, & questions about how to do this or that. You have all been an enormous help. We are blessed with a great group of Past District Governors that were more than willing to be of service to us during the year and knowing these Lions, they will be willing to help anyone of us if we need them. What a wonderful group to work with & be lifelong friends with.

Lets not forget we have the USA/CANADA Forum coming up in September and this an awesome event to learn more about Lion Leadership & Lionism in general. Our LCIF website has more information on this great event.

It would be very helpful for the clubs if they could delegate one member to be their newsletter correspondent and he/she would be responsible to get the newsletter printed & back to the club members. This member would have to have computer access so the newsletter could be sent to them via email. This is a much more reasonable way to correspond and would save the district lots of printing funds. Please give this some thought and give our new DGE Dan Snobl the email address he needs to send the email to. This is just another reason we like to have email addresses for our new district directory!

Thank you again for an awesome year, the trips to Leader Dog, MN Eye Bank & Clinics, Hearing & Service Dogs of MN., 90th National Convention in Chicago, MD5M Conventions in Rochester, 2007 & in Mahnomen, MN, 2008 have all been wonderful experiences and we made lifetime friendships with our Council of Governors & Council Chair; it will be a "year to remember"!

THANK YOU AGAIN ~ LIONS OF DISTRICT 5M3, We love ya!!!

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT (DGE) DAN SNOBL
DISTRICT 5M3'S VISION FOR "WE SERVE"

We have had a very busy spring in preparing for the leadership responsibilities for my role as your 5M3 District Governor for 2008-09. My 2008-09 District Governor's theme is "**SPIRIT IS STONGER THAN DISABILITY.**" I want you to understand my leadership style embraces collaboration and empowerment to my fellow lions to assist each of us in accomplishing our shared goals this year and in future years. As Lions, we need each others help. With this as a guide, a District 5M3 planning meeting was held on May 20th attended by the District Governor, District Governor Elect, Vice District Governor Elect, future Vice District Governor candidates and Past District Governors. The following are long and short term planning strategies that were discussed and will be presented for review/adoption at our first District 5M3 Cabinet meeting on August 3, 2008:

1. ~LIST DISTRICT 5M3 STRENGTHS
 ~LIST DISTRICT 5M3 AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

2. LONG TERM PLANNING STRATEGIES:
 ~DISTRICT 5M3 AND CLUB COMMUNICATIONS:
 ~COST OF DISTRICT & CLUB COMMUNICATIONS
 ~TIMELY AND COMMUNICATION EFFECTIVENESS
 ~SPECIAL OLYMPICS: SITES TO BE HELD & DISTRICT CHAIR(S)
 IDENTIFIED THROUGH 2022
 ~YOUTH PROGRAMS
 ~EXCHANGE ~QUEST
 ~PEACE POSTER ~SPEAK OFF
 ~DIABETES FOUNDATION/SPRINGPIONT PROJECT

3. SHORT TERM PLANNING STRATEGIES:
 ~ZONE ASSISTANCE WITH MID-WINTER CONVENTION
 ~ZONE FUND RAISING COLLABORATION
 ~INCREASE/RETENTION MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUBS
 ~WOMEN/MEN/YOUNGER FAMILIES
 ~LEOS CLUBS & CAMPUS CLUBS
 ~MEMBERSHIP NIGHTS
 ~LIONS ORIENTATION PROVIDED FOR EACH CLUB
 IN DISTRICT 5M3 OVER THE NEXT TWO (2) YEARS
 ~SPECIAL OLYMPICS 2009-2010 SITE AND DISTRICT CHAIR(S) IDENTIFIED
 ~YOUTH PROGRAMS
 ~EXCHANGE ~QUEST
 ~PEACE POSTER ~SPEAK OFF
 ~NEW CLUB OFFICER TRAINING FOR 2009-2010
 ~RAMP PROJECTS PARTNERING WITH INDEPENDENT
 LIVING CENTERS (SWCIL)
 ~TRANSITION MANUAL FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN
 WITH DISABILITIES PARTNERING WITH SWCIL

Your comments and input are welcome and appreciated. My home telephone number is (507) 629-4734 or you may e-mail me at dansnobl@llwb.coop.

WE SERVE and "SPIRIT IS STONGER THAN DISABILITY", DGE Dan and Lion Mary Snobl

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Lions and Lioness Roar for Spring Point Project

After telling Spring Point Project's story to a number of local Lions Clubs and during Midwinter Conventions of Districts in Minnesota, Ontario and Wisconsin, Mack Traynor, Spring Point's CFO/treasurer and



Lion Allen Bailey hands a check from the 5M-8 Foundation to Henk Schuurman at the Multiple 5M District Convention.

Henk Schuurman, CEO Spring Point Project were invited to present our story on May 2 at the multiple 5M Districts Convention in Mahanomen, Minnesota.

This convention brought some great news for Spring Point.

- A check from the 5M-8 District Foundation was donated, bringing donations from various Lions Clubs and Districts to more than \$50,000.
- During the business meeting, two proposals were approved: Spring Point Project was approved as a project of the multiple 5M Districts, and a Diabetes Foundation was established to help support the Diabetes Institute and Spring Point.

"Many Diabetes Chairs, as well as Lions and Lionesses have worked hard in their local clubs and districts to get this done," said Henk. "We are so grateful. It is fantastic to see the interest in our work grow. We have already received invitations to speak at upcoming meetings and conventions."

Pig Postings

from the Diabetes Research and Wellness Foundation Islet Resource Facility, home of Spring Point Project

First second-generation piglets born April 28, 2008

- Eight sows are pregnant
- Three sows are expected to deliver in mid-June. Five are expected to deliver late July/early August.
- Thanks to the hard work of our staff, we are on our way to producing the animals needed for clinical trials which start in 2009.

Special Delivery

first piglets for human trials born April 28, 2008

The first members of the generation of pigs that will be used in human clinical trials have been born and we couldn't be more excited. On Monday, April 28, Dr. Mike Martin, Dr. Adrienne Schucker, and the staff at the Diabetes Research and Wellness Foundation Islet Resource Facility, home of Spring Point Project, supported our sows as they delivered these groundbreaking little animals.

"The entire Spring Point family is extremely excited about the birth of these special piglets," said Henk-Jan Schuurman, Spring Point Project CEO. "They mark a major milestone in the history of Spring Point Project and in the search for a cure for diabetes."

The new arrivals are the second generation of pigs to be born in Spring Point's highly biosecure Islet Resource Facility, making them the first to have islet cells suitable for human transplantation.

"These pigs will usher in a new way of life for people with diabetes," said Tom Cartier, Spring Point Project chairman. "In the coming years, we expect people with diabetes to be able to lead lives free of insulin injections."



History-making pigs born at Islet Resource Facility at three weeks of age.

WOMEN AND FAMILY MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Dear District Governor Elect,

As you may have heard, Lions Clubs is having an exceptional year inviting new women and family members into Lions. Over 200 Lions serving as Women's Membership Development and Participation Chairpersons have assisted in inviting more than 42,000 new women members this fiscal year. Over the past five years the efforts of the Women Chairpersons have produced a 25% net increase in the number of women Lions.

At the March 2008 International Board Meeting the Women Chairperson position was updated and expanded to include developing family membership. The position is now the District Family and Women Membership Development Chairperson serving a three-year term. By being a three-year position the chairpersons are allowed time to develop a team and work through their plan.

Depending on the needs of the district, this position works with many of the other district chairpersons. Each district has a different method or plan. In some districts it is about working with Public Relations, other districts may start new clubs with the Extension chairperson and others work with club officers to identify new projects within a community for the clubs to do more hands on work.

Check with the 2007-08 District Governor regarding who is currently serving as the District's Women Membership Development and Participation Chairperson. **If you do not currently have a Women Chairperson**, the Family and Women Chairperson position will need to be filled with a qualified Lion willing to serve a three-year term. By reporting the chairperson Lions Clubs International is then able to provide regular updates and materials to assist the chairperson.

Use the following web address to access the [Family and Women's Membership Development Chairperson appointment form](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/dwmc100.pdf):
<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/dwmc100.pdf> .

Please use the form to inform Lions Clubs International of your choice. Return the completed form to the Membership Programs Department at Lions Clubs International. Just a reminder: the appointment is a three-year term subject to annual confirmation; your choice will benefit the district for some time.

Thank you in advance for your interest and active support.

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DGE Dan Snobl's Travels 2008-09

June 15-July 7	International Lions Convention Bangkok, Thailand and Nepal
July 19	Council of Governors Meeting, Alexandria, MN
July 20	Spicer Camp International Feast, Mankato, MN
July 21	Chandler, Lake Wilson and Hadley Lions Club Picnic/Visit
Aug 3	1 st District 5M3 Cabinet Meeting, DG Dan Snobl's Home Zone Chairs will meet at 2:00-2:45 p.m. Picnic at 3:00 p.m., Cabinet Meeting at 4:00 p.m.
Aug 5	Region 1, Zones 3 & 4 Meeting (TBD) Time & Place
Aug 6	Region 2, Zones 1, 2 & 3 Meeting (TBD) Time & Place
Aug 7	Region 1, Zones 1 & 2 Meeting (TBD) Time & Place
Aug 21	New Ulm, Sleepy Eye & Morgan Lions Club Picnic/Visit
Sept 7	Granite Falls Picnic/Club Visit

District 5M3 Club Presidents: Please contact DG Dan Snobl to schedule the 2008-09 visits to your clubs.

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