



Thank You from 2nd VDGE Lion Dave



Hello Fellow Lions,

I just wanted to say a big **THANK YOU** again on behalf of Barb & Myself for electing me as your 2nd VDG for next year. I was a little hesitant only because it was a year earlier then what I was planning. With the support of many at the convention and the huge support from my Charleswood – Tuxedo Lions club it seemed to be the right time. Barb & I are going to be busy building our retirement home on Lake Winnipeg this summer and that is the main reason I was going to wait a year. After a discussion I am glad that I allowed my name to stand this year.

D.G. Jeannine, DGE Chris & 1st VDGE Joanne all gave me encouraging words and now I will start planning for my next step in Lions. I will wear two hats next year as I had already given my support to DGE Chris for the newsletter for one more year. No Problem, as all the clubs have given me information for the newsletter and it makes it easier when you do that. So please continue to let all the other clubs know what your club is doing in your community. We all learn from each other and then can support you with what ever it is your club is promoting. Remember it is **Your** newsletter and along with DG Jeannine’s leadership and input we can make it even better.

WOW !! What a convention, Congratulations to the committee for an excellent job. The Canad Inns / Alerus Ctr facilities , meal service & amenities were excellent, as was the game show & entertainment Saturday evening. DG Jeannine, Plummer Lions, Plummer Lions Too & St. Hilaire Lions clubs thank you for a very enjoyable weekend.

Thank You again to all who supported me

2nd VDGE Dave

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Club was a very special honor and I thank the members for the award as well as all of their support and encouragement over the years. The most memorable moment for me however, was having ID Haynes induct Kim Bodensteiner, Phyllis Malwitz and Carol Heide as the first women members of the Fosston-Lengby Lions Club! **Congratulations** to Lion Kim, Lion Phyllis and Lion Carol, and their sponsors Lion Ron, PDG Bill, and Lion Al!! We’ve been working toward this for a while and it was extra special to have it happen at the Convention.

For those not mentioned above, a heartfelt **thanks** to all who contributed in any way to the success of this Convention and to all the Lions, Lioness and Leos who attended. Whether this was your first Convention or your 20th, we hope you learned something new and had fun as well.

Now with the Convention a wonderful memory, we turn our attention to the last five months of our Lions year. We still have time to increase our membership and make up for the losses incurred during the past months. Remember my Governor’s Challenge is for every club to end the year with a net membership of plus one by June 30. If every club and every member works to achieve that goal, we will be successful! To borrow a phrase from Yogi Berra, “It ain’t over till it’s over!”

Together, we can make it happen this year.

Thank you for all you do in the name of Lionism and remember to “**Reach for the Stars!**”

Lion Governor Jeannine