

HOPKINS LIONS KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND 1ST ANNUAL RIVER RUN



The Hopkins Lions 1st Annual Knights of the Blind River Run will take place on Saturday September 12, 2009. The event will raise money to fight blindness.

Check in will take place at:
Hopkins American Legion
10 12th Ave South
Hopkins MN 55343
952-938-9860
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM
Saturday, September 12, 2009

The run will go south along Hwy 61 with stops at **Treasure Island Casino Marina** (behind the Casino), **Lake City Bank Bar & Grill** (lunch will be served), Cross the river at Wabasha (after fueling up), and take Hwy 35 north, with stops at **Ollie's Bar & Grill**, **No Name Saloon**, then back to the **Hopkins American Legion**. **THE HEADBAND**, sponsored by **THE BILLET BIKE SHOP**, will perform live music starting at 8:30 pm. Prizes will be given out at each stop along the way.

RIDER SUPPORT

- 1) Chase vehicles and trailers will be available.
- 2) Road Captains and Escorts are provided.
- 3) All participants will be provided with a map, but are encouraged to keep to the route.

DON'T DELAY – SIGN UP TODAY

All riders & passengers registered by September 1st will receive a free Ride Tee Shirt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT

Lion Wayne Harkness at
(952) 250-1672 or wharkness@comcast.net



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration for this years run will be \$30 per rider and \$20 per passenger. Upon receipt of your registration fee a rider's packet will be sent to you. This packet will include a route map, information on The Hopkins Lions, American Legion Rider's and the organizations that the Hopkins Lions support to fight blindness.

REGISTRATION FORM:

Please detach and mail to:

Hopkins Lions
PO Box 701
Hopkins, MN 55343

- Enclosed is my \$30 rider registration fee
- Enclosed is my \$20 passenger registration fee
- I can't make the River Run. Accept my donation of \$_____

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Phone: (Day)_____

(Night)_____

Rider T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL XXXL

Passenger T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL XXXL

LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Founded by three Detroit area Lions Clubs members in 1939, Leader Dogs for the Blind provides dog guides to people who are blind and visually impaired to enhance their mobility, independence and quality of life. Each year, over 270 students attend our 26-day residential training program to be paired with a dog guide. This is a life-changing event that opens the doors to independence, safety and self-worth for many of our students.

In addition to our dog guide program, we offer programs that enhance a person's independence and quality of life in other ways, including orientation and mobility training, Trekker training, and seminars for Orientation and Mobility professionals. Currently, Leader Dog is the only facility in the Western Hemisphere to teach Deaf-blind students to work with a dog guide. Thanks to generous donations from our supporters, our dog guide services are provided free of charge, including room and board and travel to and from our campus in Rochester Hills, Michigan, for students living in North America.

Leader Dog is recognized as a "Best In America" Charity by the Independent Charities of America (ICA).

U of M LIONS EYE BANK One of the Largest and Most Innovative Eye Banks in the World

The Minnesota Lions Eye Bank serves the community by providing donor eye tissue for transplant, research, and teaching and by promoting donation through education. As one of the largest and most innovative eye banks in the world, the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank has helped restore sight to more than 18,000 people, and the organization reaches important milestones in eyesight restoration every year.

The Lions' Share

Founded in 1960, The Minnesota Lions Eye Bank is a non-profit organization primarily funded by Minnesota Lions and affiliated with the University of Minnesota's Department of Ophthalmology. The eye bank, the first of many partnerships between the Lions and the University of Minnesota, operates under the university and the direction of a 22-member Lions Board of Directors.

The Lions generate public support and awareness for the eye bank. Lion's club activities educate the community and contribute greatly to the success of the eye bank. Much of the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank's recognition in the state is due to the outreach of Lions members.



WHAT DO THE HOPKINS LIONS DO?

Lion's club members make a difference in their communities. In 1943 the Hopkins Lions raised \$8,000 to purchase and construct Shady Oak Beach. In 1971, 61 Lions Club members funded and built the picnic shelter at Shady Oak. The local clubs have purchased upgraded lighting for the Activity Center, purchased equipment for the police and fire departments, and have contributed to numerous individuals in need of things from medical equipment to leader dogs.

