

5M2 VITAL SIGNS REPORT

Lion Nancy Mathwig District Governor

December – half the Lions year will soon be over! As your District Governor it doesn't seem possible that so much time has already passed since Chicago. It has been 5 busy and educational months for me. I am truly enjoy-

ing the visits to your clubs. I continue to be amazed with the amount of volunteer work each and every club in our district does in its community! Try to imagine where our communities would be without a local Lions Club.

I thought I would let you know where the monies have gone that have been given to me, as your District Governor, during my visits to your clubs or at Zone meetings. Each month(s) I have chosen a different project:

- July & August MN Lions Vision Foundation
 \$718.67
- September & October LCIF/Disaster Relief
 \$589.60
- November (to date of this writing) Diabetes Foundation - \$152.00

Thank you for your generosity and for all your donations to the many, many persons in need.

Mid-Winter is just around the corner and I hope you have your registrations mailed, your rooms booked and a costume for Friday evening's dance. Zone 4 is planning a really great kick-off to start our second century of Lionism. Saturday sessions are being planned to 1. Benefit your club with sessions on attracting younger members and partnering with other groups, 2. Benefit you with an up to the minute session on fraud – how to reduce your chances of being a victim, and 3. Pediatric cancer – an informational session on one of LCI's newest service framework areas. We will also hear from our youth with the Write Off contest winners and the Peace Poster winners. Our Sunday brunch speaker will be Jim and Thomas Johanson speaking on living with diabetes.

This past weekend I was able to attend District 13's convention in Winkler, MB, Canada. It is so much fun seeing how each district is different but has the same focus – helping those less fortunate. I had a great time connecting with Lions friends, listening to

Elvis and Johnny Cash and listening to the talented speeches given by Jr and Sr High students during the Speak Off contest. Sunday morning's church service focused on the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and their work to eliminate world hunger. Sounds like our work with Food for Kidz and Feed My Starving Children. What an impressive video showing the many, many combines in one field combining the grain and the service then given to countries around the world in need of food!! Watch for information on how we, as District 5M2, will be partnering with other districts in MD5M to continue the fight against hunger.

As we enter into the Christmas season, let us remember these words by Charles M Schulz – "Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone".

Have a blessed Christmas season!

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BITS AND PIECES



Lion Diana Kroells 1st Vice District Governor

As we enter the time of the year when we think about "giving" I cannot help but think of all the club presidents' reports at the Zone meetings held this past month and reflect on the generosity of Lions across 5M2. It is truly amazing what Lions do for their communities, their schools and

beyond. While our clubs all work very hard at fund raising events so that they have money to purchase all of the things for the betterment of their community, I think it is important also to focus on the gift of time. A visit to someone in the nursing home or assisted living or to someone unable to leave their home is a very valuable gift that cannot be bought with money. Many clubs deliver poinsettias & fruit baskets to the elderly so perhaps allowing a little extra time for a visit along with the gift would be appreciated. Sometime we get so wrapped up in our busy schedules that we forget that there are others who long for someone with whom they can talk. Make someone's day brighter by giving them some of your time.

At the end of this month we will have completed the first half of the 2017-2018 Lions year. How is your club doing as far as growth? Winters can get long and maybe now would be a good time to scout out someone in the community that you can invite to a

meeting.

I hope that all of you reading this are thinking about someone that you can nominate in your club for Zone Lion of the Year. Every club has someone who goes the extra mile and never wants recognition for the things they do. The person nominated should not hold a major office in your club and should be someone who is respected by your club members as well as your community. See the form located elsewhere in this newsletter for more information.

Plans are being finalized for the Mid-Winter Convention and I know that DG Nancy and Zone 4 are going to show you a great weekend of learning, sharing & socializing. Never been to a convention? Well this may be the year for you to start because we are celebrating the beginning of "another dog gone good century".

I would like to remind all of the clubs that if you have an upcoming event, please remember to advertise it either in the newsletter or on the District website or your Facebook page. Many of us like to support other Lions Clubs events but can only do that when we know about it. You can never eat too many pancakes!!

Lion Duane & I want to wish you and your family a very blessed Christmas.

Where there is a need there is a Lion

"We Serve"

WADDLE WALK

Attention all 5M2 Lions! Would you like to participate in a one-of-a-kind fundraising activity for PID Brian Sheehan who is running for 3rd International Vice President? The 5M2 Team Sheehan committee has come up with a brilliant idea of a "Waddle Walk". PID Brian is a huge hockey fan and evidently like the Pittsburgh Penguins as he has used a penguin as his signature mascot for many years. PID Brian is all about penguins! What better way to support PID Brian than by purchasing a penguin hat for \$15 in order to participate in the first ever 5M2 Midwinter



Waddle Walk? This will take place after the luncheon on Saturday, February 10th. In order to participate, you must be wearing a penguin hat. You can buy your hat early from Lion Sue Vos (Cabinet Treasurer) or by contacting me and we will be sure to get the hat to you before the convention. Cost is only \$15.00 for this fashion trending head gear!. Cost will go up to \$20 at the convention. Join the fun as the Zone 4 Lions did and help make history by helping get PID Brian voted in at the International Convention in Last Vegas in 2018 and participating in the Waddle Walk! If you can't attend the Midwinter Convention but still would like to purchase a hat to support PID Brian, we will be happy to send you a penguin hat.

P.S. Please send any pictures of yourself or your club sporting this penguin hat.

Lion Joan Blank lionjoanblank@gmail.com.

Pictured from left to right: (Front Row) Lions Charlette Abbas, PDG Joan Blank, Evelyn Grimm, Kevin Blank, Joe Maidl; Back Row: Lions Mark Dick, Jerry Goodburn, Denny Hewitt, Lowell Abbas and PDG Marv Grimm.

A NEW JOURNEY



Lion Brian Thies
2nd Vice District Governor
I hope this article finds you recovered from your turkey slumber, the presents are all wrapped and under the tree, surrounded by family and friends. Happy Holidays. I don't know about you but I can't believe 2017 is over. I remember my parents saying time flies by the older you get, but I didn't believe it. I do

pact a large number of people that a local Lions Club would be unable to raise on it's own. Mobile Health Units, hospice, medical units are just some examples. The Arlington Lions was the recipient of one this grants to assist in updating the Ridgeview Sibley Medical Center.

See below for more detailed more information on LCIF Grants. Check it out and if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me as your District LCIF Coordinator. *Happy Holidays to one and all.*

now.

Want to hear some awesome news. Over \$10,000 has been donated by our local clubs and individuals to LCIF for disaster relief. Thank you to each and everyone of you who dug deep and gave. It is still not too late to get a donation in for the 2017 income tax year. Remember LCIF is a 501c 3 charity and donations are 100% tax deductible.

LCIF isn't necessarily all about soliciting funds. It is about giving back too, not just for disasters but for local grants to your communities. At this time, we do not have any active grants in our district, but two have recently been completed in our multiple district. One was for a fishing pier that is handicapped accessible and the other was for an all inclusive playground in the Twin Cities.

LCIF Standard Grants help communities gain access to education, technology health care, safe places for children to play and many other life changing improvements.

Matching Grants from \$10,000 to \$100,000 are for large scale humanitarian Lions Projects, that im-

STANDARD GRANT CRITERIA AND REGULATIONS



MISSION STATEMENT AND FUNDING PRIORITIES

Standard grants provide capital funding to help establish or expand Lions-initiated service projects that address critical and diverse human and social needs around the globe. Funding is prioritized for the equipment and infrastructure needs of such projects. All grant proposals should meet one or more of Lions Clubs International Foundation's (LCIF) traditional funding concerns: humanitarian services, aid for people who are blind and disabled and long-term disaster relief.

· Humanitarian services

Grants awarded in this area target critical health and human service needs not adequately addressed by governments and other funding sources. Commonly funded projects include mobile health units, hospices, nursing homes, medical units, street children's homes, schools in developing countries and other projects consistent with Lions' humanitarian work.

· Aid for people who are blind and/or disabled

Building on Lions' historic commitment to serving and empowering people who are blind or disabled, priority is also given to projects that provide rehabilitation and educational opportunities for these populations. Grants are frequently awarded for eye clinics and research centers, rehabilitation and mobility training centers, vocational training institutes, adaptive technology units and other related initiatives. Grants fund projects that are large-scale and serve many people; grants are not available for individuals.

Disaster reconstruction

In keeping with LCIF's commitment to disaster relief, Standard grants may be requested for the long-term reconstruction of important public and community facilities damaged or destroyed by natural disasters, with an emphasis on rebuilding schools and hospitals. Standard grants may be applied for after all other LCIF funding has been fully expended (such as Major Catastrophe grants and Designated grants).

FUNDING AND LEVELS OF SUPPORT

Standard grants are awarded from US\$10,000 up to US\$100,000 matching funds per project. Applications from developing countries are eligible for up to 75 percent of the total project budget. Applications from developed countries are eligible for up to 50 percent of the total project budget (see regulation five).

DEADLINES

The LCIF Board of Trustees reviews all eligible Standard grant applications three times per year. Applications must be received at least 90 days prior to the scheduled board meeting and meet all criteria to be considered. Please visit www.lcif.org to see grant deadlines.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS	
✓ Addresses an important humanitarian need ✓ Supports efforts too large for one district to undertake alone ✓ Provides long-term benefits ✓ Serves a large population or region ✓ Involves Lions hands-on activities ✓ Identifies Lions closely with project ✓ Raises significant funds from local Lions clubs ✓ Typical projects might include: • Expansion of nursing homes • Equipment for mobile health units • Vocational training for people with disabilities • Improving clinics	X Start-up facilities, including new medical centers X Individual assistance X Situations more appropriately funded by the government or other institutions X Operating and/or administrative expenses X Grants intended to repay loans or establish reserve funds, including endowments X Community "beautification" projects: parks, swimming pools, playgrounds, monuments, memorials, gardens and athletic fields X Single club projects (grants require a minimum involvement of two clubs) X Scientific research X Construction of residential housing X Purchase of land and buildings X Lions club meeting facilities X Salaries, stipends, scholarships or honorariums X Community centers/multi-purpose facilities X Projects lacking Lions identity and involvement X Requests under US\$10,000 or over US\$100,000

Centennial Update

By IPDG Steve Wasserman, 5M2 Centennial Coordinator



Centennial Service Challenge:

Wow! Lions served almost 10,000,000 people last month! At that rate, we will surpass the 200 million mark before the end of 2017. Here in 5M2, we have reported serving 59,167 people so far this year, and a total of 411,728 since the beginning of the challenge. In addition, we have chartered a second Centennial Lions Club (Mayer Area), and inducted 68 Centennial Members this year for a total of two new clubs and 504 new members since the start of the challenge.

Centennial Community Legacy Projects:

We are now up to 25 clubs having reported a total of 41 Community Legacy Projects. New projects reported this year include:

- Lester Prairie Lions: Replaced aging Lion signs posted at entry points to our community
- Chanhassen Lions: Installed a Lions drinking fountain at Lake Ann Park playground. Installed 5 benches at Bandimere Park.
- Lafayette Lions: Installed a new white vinyl fence around the kiddie park at the city park.
- Ellendale Lions: Added a permanent board to Lions Welcome to Ellendale Sign. Purchased a new sign to commemorate their basketball teams winning the State Tournament.
- Veseli Lions: Hosted Community National Night Out to celebrate the Lions Centennial.
- Jordaness Lions: Dedicated 3 benches in Lagoon Park (and will be purchasing tables and 3 more benches)

There is still time to report your Community Legacy Project. I know there are several either completed or in progress that have not yet been reported. Let's provide that lasting gift to our community that recognizes our Centennial Motto:



Global Service Team

Lion Debra Wasserman, 5M2 GSTDC

The holidays are upon us! Many clubs are in the midst of projects serving their neighbors in need who have issues of food insecurity or hunger: Contributions to food shelves or community meals, delivery of food baskets and more. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Looking forward, as spring arrives, we have another opportunity to serve our neighbors beyond our local communities. And it's not a project strange to very many of you. **March 26, 2018** has been chosen as a Lions Day at three Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) Locations: Egan, Coon Rapids and Chanhassen. Districts 5M2, 5M6 and 5M7 are spearheading this service opportunity. We plan to reach out to 5M1, 5M3, 5M4 and 5M5 to invite them to join us. With Chanhassen in 5M2, we will focus our volunteer efforts at that location.

Many of us are aware of the Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) program. Many clubs have packed bags with Rice, Soy, Vitamins, & Vegetables. Did you know that recently 1 million meals were shipped to Puerto Rico with 5 million more planned? US citizens receiving help from FMSC.

The January newsletter and an email to club Presidents will contain details regarding shift availability, sign-up procedure and options for financial contributions. If you have questions in the meantime, please email or call me:

Debra Wasserman Global Service Team District Coordinator <u>liondebra@charter.net</u> 507-332-2792

DISTRICT 5M-2 LIONS!

Don't miss out on a chance to participate in the MDM5 Centennial Public Relations Contest! Every club in the Multiple has been invited to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of this great organization by being recognized for promoting Lions within their own organization. All it takes is a few moments to fill out and submit an application for your Club! Application located on following page.

Applications must be submitted to District 5M-2 Public Relations Chair Joe Gifford before January 1st, 2018. Submissions can be sent either by e-mail or regular mail as follows:

E-mail joe.gifford@syngenta.com

Mail 1163 Windmill Creek N, Waconia, MN 55387

All applicants will be reviewed and the top 3 will be selected and present a gold, silver, and bronze recognition certificate at the 2018 5M-2 Mid-Winter Convention in February at Mankato. The winner of the gold recognition certificate will them be recognized at the 2018 Multiple Convention in April at Winnipeg, and will receive a plaque for their club. In addition, an overall winner from all Districts will be selected and awarded a \$500 prize at the Multiple Convention.

Don't miss out on your chance to promote Lionism and be recognized among your peers! Lion Joe Gifford, 5M-2 Public Relations Chair

Centennial Public Relations Contest

Lions Clubs of MD5M January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017

District Club		Date of Event	
Event			
Place an X over the area your event o	ualifies:		
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If your event does not fit one of the ab	ove areas, where would you clas	sify it?	
Number of Club Members	Number of Members v	who participated	
Approximate number in attendance/number	umber affected by this Event:		
Explanation of Event:			
What benefit did this project have to y	our community?		
How did this event publicize Lions and	d our 100 th Anniversary (Annivers	ary must be publicized)?	
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** Attach only 1 picture page			
Contact person for this event:			WHERE THERE'S A NEED THERE'S A LION
Phone Number:	Email:		Som
Does your club have a Lions sign in y	our town?Yes No		
Have you refreshed your Lions sign-	a new one or a new decal for our	100 th ?Yes No	3

Please submit to your District PR Chair before January 1, 2018. Clubs may enter more than once.

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MD5M Council of Governors

The Council of Governors meeting was held at Mahnomen Shooting Star Casino on October 21, 2017. Political Liaison opened the session at 7:30 a.m. PID Lion Brian Sheehan has requested 5-10 minutes at every Mid-Winter Convention Business meeting to speak about his upcoming nomination for Lions Clubs International President in July at Las Vegas NV. If Lion Brian cannot be present at your convention, he will have a representative there. They are looking for donations of items for their Campaign Auction room at the Multiple Convention in April at Winnipeg MB. Please contact Lion Bert Nelson if you have something to donate. The Campaign Committee requested that the Official Parade Shirt at the Lions Clubs International Convention be the hockey jersey or the hockey polo shirt being used in campaign. The committee has 1000 shirts to give away to those who register to attend the convention. Be sure the check your newsletters for the registration form or go online to any of the Lions websites to obtain the registration. Remember that voting delegates are different at International than at Multiple with 1 club delegate for every 0-25 member; 2 delegates for 0-50. Any Lions Club who donates to the campaign gets a banner patch for supporting Lion Brian's campaign. These donations can be sent to your district campaign leader, Lion Bert Nelson or Lion Brian Sheehan.

Council of Governor meeting was called to order by Council Chair Dennis Heinen at 8 a.m. A new Multiple GST Chair is PDG Rodger Palmer, and a new Multiple Protocol Chair is PID Maynard Rucks. DG Dan Kaiser is petitioning the state to have special license plates for MN vehicles made with the Lions logo on it. District PDG Dan Snobl spoke on the Dental Initiative and request that we do more into each district on this quest. PCC Bill Taubman from the Wisconsin Lions Mission who takes trips to Central America to distribute eye glasses spoke on the possibility of MD5M MN starting a mission group to get the eye glasses out. Bids were made for future MD5M Multiple Conventions. These bids will be voted on at the Multiple Convention in April at Winnipeg- 2020- Rochester, May 1-3 hosted by Pine Island Lions and the Oronoco Lions; 2021- Mankato, April 30-May 2 hosted by 5M2 Lions; 2022- St. Cloud, April 29-May1 hosted by District 5M4. Other MD5M Conventions already passed are: 2018- Winnipeg MB April 13-15 and 2019- Mahnomen April 26-28. Check out the new MD5MConvention website for detail.

GMT Chair PCC Todd Neumann- MD5M has 6 new Lions Clubs formed so far this year and District 4 has overall net growth. There are 3 Districts with plus membership: Districts 1, 4, and 6. Highest retention which is -17 is District 13. Most new members is District 9 and District 7 has the highest grown of women in Lions. District GMT & the District Governors need to track their District stats. We are still the 2nd largest Multiple in the US but we are only 599 members ahead of California who is growing quickly. Remember the way to retention is by orientation. Contact your District Chair for help.

The Lake Superior run by Lion Bill Michel was started with him taking 994,997 steps in 45 days from Thunder Bay to Sault St Marie when Lion Bill developed a medical problem and had to quit. He plans on restarting his trek next spring once he has had time to heal. He is raising funds for LCIF.

Centennial Celebration will take place in June at the Anoka County Fair Grounds with events happening in every area of the Centennial Challenges. Events will run from morning until late evening so every Lion can participate. There will be a "Little Red Wagon Parade" where every club is asked to bring a decorated red wagon. Be sure to mark the date of Sunday June 10th from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. For questions contact: MD5M100years@gmailcom. Details are on the District Facebook websites.

Diabetes will now share the MN State Fair booth with the MN Lions Hearing Foundation and the MN Lions Vision Foundation. LCIF now has a 4 star rating for an organization to donate to since we give every dollar obtained to help someone. MD5M Leo's Convention will be held October 12-14, 2018 at True Friends. Cost is \$175.00 per person. Campers needed to be turned away this because they failed to pre-register and there was no room for them so be sure to register. Information is on the Leo's Facebook page. Remember the Leo's if your club has a gambling license for the LEO's are now a 501c3. The donations help reduce the cost of camps and fund various projects and events that they host. Project New Hope is searching for a "Marketing/PR person" to help promote this area. This is a paid position. If you are interested please contact PDG Dick Labraaten. The MN Hearing Foundation "Defeat Hearing Walk" is planned for Saturday, June 2, 2018 at the MN Arboretum. Mark your calendars. The next USA/Canada Forum will be held in Columbus OH, September 20-22, 2018. Friday night party is a tailgating party so wear your favorite team jersey. Cost is \$260.00 until May 31, 2018 when the price goes up. Camp Spicer (MD5M Youth Exchange) is now a 501c3 and is looking for donations from any club that has a gambling license. Awards were being presented to the 2 bands from MN who performed at the International parade in Chicago. Waconia Band was on November 7th, and East Central Band on December 7th.



The Start of Another Dog Gone Good Century

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY!

By the time the December newsletter reaches your inbox, there will only be $2\frac{1}{2}$ months left to register for the 2018 Mid-Winter Convention! The City Center Hotel has already reserved quite a number of rooms. Be sure to get registered ASAP for a room and for the convention. You know "101 Years of Lions: It is the Start of Another Doggone Good Century!"

Of course, with every event, there are changes that take place. One is that the City Center Hotel no longer operates a full restaurant/bar on a daily basis. However, during our convention, the lounge will be open on Friday from 4-8 p.m. They will serve cocktails, and they will have limited food available in the lounge for those who want to eat before the Opening Ceremony.

The City Center Hotel will continue to offer a Continental Breakfast for hotel guests on Friday and Saturday, beginning at 6:30 a.m. The lounge will again be open for cocktails only at 2 p.m. during the business meeting for those who need a refreshment; it will close at 6 p.m. as a Cash Bar will be available in the hall by the banquet rooms beginning at 5:45 p.m.

GOOD NEWS! "Family Feud" is back this year by popular demand. So, get a team or two together for another fun-filled evening on Saturday, February 10, after the banquet.

REGISTER NOW FOR THE CONVENTION AND A HOTEL ROOM! We will have "A DOGGONE GOOD TIME!"

Lion Charlette & Lion Lowell Abbas 2018 5M-2 Mid-Winter Co Chairs



THE DOGS ARE OUT THERE PROMOTING OUR MIDWINTER CONVENTION
- 101 YEARS - THE START OF ANOTHER DOGGONE GOOD CENTURY.







The 5M-2 Mid Winter Convention is fortunate that Karen & Steve Hovenes will once again pick up eyeglasses and hearing aids at the 2018 Mid-Winter Convention. Glasses and Hearing Aids are to be at the City Center Hotel by 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 10. Pick up time is Saturday, February 10 at 10:45 a.m. If you bring glasses and hearing aids in after that time, you will have to take them back home and deliver them yourself to the Sauk Rapids Recycling Center. Also note that there are some very specific instructions with the glasses. So be courteous and check the glasses before you bring them to the Convention.

February 10, 2018 @ 10:45 a.m. pick up time

Will take:

- 1. Broken metal frames
- 2. Sunglasses
- 3. Full eyeglasses in frames

Will not take:

- 1. Broken plastic frames
- 2. Eyeglass cases
- 3. Loose lenses



Lions 5M-2 Mid-Winter Convention February 9th, 10th & 11th, 2018 City Center Hotel - Mankato, Minnesota



E-Mail Address:

Dietary Needs:

Phone #:

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY - This form will be returned to you if payment is missing or incorrect

Guest #1 Information: Select One () Lion () Lioness () Leo () Spouse/Guest () 1st Time Attendee

First Name:

Club Name:

State & Zip:

Last Name:

City:

Address/P.O. Box:

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Cancellation Policy:			Guest #1	Guest #2	Meal Cost Per Person	Tota
Cancellations must be directed to Lion Joemail to lionjoanblank@gmail.com , or by			#1	#2	All Meal Package \$72.00 Includes Sat. Lunch, Sat. Banquet, Sunday Brunch	
Refunds will be sent following the conve be honored as such:	ntion. Refund requests will				Saturday Lunch \$25.00	
•Requests postmarked on or before Janua	ary 12, 2018 – Full Refund				Saturday Banquet \$32.00 Sunday Brunch \$15.00	
•Requests postmarked January 13 to Feb	ruary 5, 2018 – 90% Refund				*Friday Night ID Supper \$20.00	
•Requests postmarked after February 5, 2	2018 – No Refund				Is not included in the all-meal package	
		_ _			TOTAL MEAL COST	
****Convention Registration Fe	ee (Per Attendee)****					1
Early Registration Fee (Post Marked <u>before</u> J	anuary 8 th) \$15.00				TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES	
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*Friday Night ID Supper is by in PDG's, Cabinet Members, Club I Secretaries to come and meet the	Presidents and Club		Date of Receip		For Official Use	

Date of Postmark

\$263.90

Poolside w/ Two Beds

Lion's Mid-Winter Convention February 9 - 11, 2018

MAIL DIRECTLY TO HOTEI

Reservations will be accepted by mail, fax, or phone.

Please complete and return this form to Mankato City Center Hotel with payment information no later than January 12, 2018.

Mail to:

Mankato City Center Hotel c/o Lions Mid-Winter Convention 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 24 hours before the date you wish to cancel.

CONTACT THE HOTEL DIRECTLY TO CANCEL.

Special Requests: ______

**Poolside rooms will be subject to hearing noise from the Fri. & Sat. evening events, including band music. If this is a concern, it is best not to request poolside.



First Name:		
Last Name:		٦
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City:		
State:	Zip Code:	
Phone: ()	,	. •
Name of Person(s) Sharing Room:	Sharing Room:	'

Only send one registration form if sharing a room

Payment methods:
Check \$______

Credit Card – Circle One

Money Order \$

Visa MC Amex Diners Discover

TO GUARANTEE ROOM WILL BE

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

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 12, 2018 to receive the Lion's Convention discounted rate.

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

Arrival Date - Select One

Cost for Three Nights

One King Bed	\$362.58
Two Queen Beds	\$362.58
King Bed w/ Sofa	\$399.85
Poolside w/ Two Beds	\$399.85
Cost for Two Nights	
One King Bed	\$241.72
Two Queen Beds	\$241.72
King Bed w/ Sofa	8263 90

Cost for One Night

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One King Bed	\$120.86
Two Queen Beds	\$120.86
King Bed w/ Sofa	\$131.95
Poolside w/ Two Beds	\$131.95
Handicap Access Room Required	equired
(room contains one Queen bed)	(peq ueel

***Taxes of 10.875% are included in the

price.

***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. If e-mail confirmation is preferred please include e-mail address.

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

2018 5M-2 Mid Winter Convention

Club Delegate Roster

Form must be returned to get your voting credentials

Club Name			
Each Club receives one (1) D	elegate for eve	ry 10 members or major	fraction (5) thereof.
Number of	Club Member	rs	_
Number o	f Delegates		_
PLEASI	E LIST YOUR	CLUB DELEGATES:	
<u>IMPORTANT: R</u>	eturn Delegat	e Form by February	<u>1, 2018</u>
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or

E-Mail to cjwalters@me.com

Mail to: Lion Cindy Walters, Cabinet Secretary

1915 Waterford Circle Chaska, MN 55318

If you e-mail, be sure to include the number of club members. Thank You.

Lions Clubs International

Multiple District 5M-Minnesota-Manitoba-N.W. Ontario



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5M6-DG Curt Stockford 5M7—DG Dan Kaiser

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5M10-DG Mark Eyre

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5M2 -PDG Joan & Kevin Blank
5M3 -PDG Wayne & PDG Vickie Radloff
5M4 -PDG Wayne & PDG Vickie Radloff
5M4 -PCC Todd & Ruth Neuman
5M5 -DG Rob & Rhonna Hed
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5M7 -PDG Pat Kennedy
5M8 -PDG Bill & PDG Donna Mae Landwehr
5M9 -PDG Jay & PDG Linda Norby
5M10-PDG Larry & Sue Winner

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Stats
MD5M Exec Sec Vickie Violet

Have you registered for the International Convention in Las Vegas?

It's an event you won't want to miss. The Lions of MD5M have the wonderful opportunity to attend this convention and support our own PID Brian Sheehan by voting him into the office of 3rd VP of LCI. MD5M is the 2nd largest district in membership of all the multiple districts in the United States. We need to show LCI that we matter as members and that our voices will be heard. It would be awesome to have over 1000 Lions from MD5M marching down the streets of Las Vegas in the Parade of Nations supporting Brian and Lori!!

You can register ONLINE now at lionsclubs.org. Click on LCICON. In the upper right hand corner is a blue REGISTER button. You will get an immediate confirmation for your registration. The dates of the convention are Friday, June 29th through Tuesday, July 3rd. You do have the opportunity to change your arrival and departure dates if you don't know when you will be flying or driving to Las Vegas by notifying LCI at registration@lionsclubs.org before May 1st. TEAM Sheehan is still working on getting a flight together for a Lions group, so go ahead and register now to get the early registration fee of \$150.00 through Jan 12, 2018.

Each club can send voting delegates to the convention. The information on how to register is on the following forms attached to this letter. Contact your TEAM Captain or District Governor for more information about Brian and Lori's campaign for 3rd Vice President of LCI.

Let's ALL go to Las Vegas and make a great convention!

You can also order hockey jerseys wear at conventions. Order online lionbrian.weebly.com

Or fill out and mail in the attached order form.



LION BRIAN 3RD VICE PRESIDENT HOCKEY JERSEY CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISER

"Team Sheehan!" Order Form and/or "Team Sheehan Eh!" Order Form

Together Everyone One Achieves more T.E.A.M Sheehan Jersey for sale as a fundraiser. . Designed to be a looser fit . Made of 100% polyester 7 oz.



The colors will be blue and red and white. The number on the back will be "5M". The name on the back is your choice of "Team Sheehan!" or you can have the Canadian version of "Team Sheehan Eh!" The front will have the

Canadian Version Qty	U.S. Version QTY	Shirt Size	Unit Price	Total
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Also Order Online at LionBrian.com (Coming Soon) T.E.A.M. SHEEHAN Where Together Everyone Achieves More!

WTHIBI

Lions Clubs International Convention

Certification and Voting Frequently Asked Questions

Who can vote?

Every Lions club in good standing can participate in the election of executive officers and international directors and can vote on amendments to the association's bylaws by assigning delegates to represent the club at the international convention.

How can I become my club's delegate?

Club Delegates for the 2017 International Convention of Lions Clubs can be assigned by the club president or secretary, using one of the options below:

- Log on to MyLCI >>> My Lions Club >>> International Delegates
- Submitting the Club Delegate Form to LCI headquarters, at the address below.

Clubs using MyLCI can assign their club delegates at any time between January 1 and June 28, 2017.

Clubs using the <u>Club Delegate Form</u> to assign their delegates will need to mail the form to International Headquarters by May 1, 2017. If you are not able to mail the form by May 1, 2017 bring signed form to the convention site. The <u>form</u> will also be available in *The Lion* (February & April issues).

How many delegates are allowed for my club?

Each club is allowed one delegate for every 25 members or major fraction thereof. See International Convention Club Delegate Entitlement Table.

Are there additional requirements?

All delegates must be registered for the international convention, and pay the full registration fee.

I've arrived at the convention center. How do I vote?

The process of certification and voting has been changed. At the 2017 International Convention certification and voting will occur at the same time in the convention Voting Area. As soon as you are certified, you will receive a ballot and will be able to vote immediately. Certification and Voting days and times are:

- Sunday, July 2, 1:00 PM 8:00 PM (13:00 20:00)
- Monday, July 3, 9:00 AM 8:00 PM (09:00 20:00)
- Tuesday, July 4, 7:30 AM 10:30 AM (07:30 10:30)

In addition to a government-issued photo ID, the delegate will need one of the following:

- Printed Delegate Confirmation
- Signed Delegate Form
- Authorizing club* or district** officer

How can a club delegate be changed?

Clubs using MyLCI to assign club delegates – can change a delegate, at any time, from January 1 – June 28



Club Delegate Form

Club Delegates for the 2017 International Convention of Lions Clubs can be assigned using one of the options below:

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- Submitting this form to LCI headquarters, at the address below.

Confirmation of the Club Delegate assignment will be emailed to the Club Delegate. When the email address of the Club Delegate is not available, the Confirmation will be emailed to the club officer.

Club Number:		
Club Name:		
Club City:	State:	Country:
Delegate Member Number: —		
Delegate Name: (first middle last)		
Delegate Email Address:		
Delegate Preferred Ballot Language:		
Authorizing Club Officer: (select one) Officer Member Number:	Club President	Club Secretary
Officer Name: (first middle last)		
Officer Signature:	<u> </u>	
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Mail form by May 1, 2017 to:

Member Service Center – Lions Clubs International – 300 W. 22nd St. – Oak Brook, IL USA 60523 MemberServiceCenter@lionsclubs.org Phone 1-630-203-3830 Fax 1-630-571-1687

Clubs using this Club Delegate Form to assign their delegates must mail the form to International Headquarters by May 1, 2017. If you are not able to mail the form by May 1, 2017, bring signed form, along with your government issued photo I.D.

to the convention site.

Clubs using MyLCI must assign their club delegates by June 28, 2017.

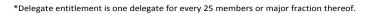
International Convention Club Delegate Entitlement Table

Membership	Delegates	
	Entitled	
1-37	1	
38-62	2	
63-87	3	
88-112	4	
113-137	5	
138-162	6	
163-187	7	
188-212	8	
213-237	9	
238-262	10	

Membership	Delegates	
	Entitled	
263-287	11	
288-312	12	
313-337	13	
338-362	14	
363-387	15	
388-412	16	
413-437	17	
438-462	18	
463-487	19	
488-512	20	

Membership	Delegates	
	Entitled	
513-537	21	
538-562	22	
563-587	23	
588-612	24	
613-637	25	
638-662	26	
663-687	27	
688-712	28	
713-737	29	
738+	See below*	

Delegate count is based on the club's membership as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held. See Article VI, Section 2 of the International Constitution and Chapter XVII – Membership, Board Policy Manual.







DREAM CATCHER NEWSLETTER

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

"Catch the Dream: Life Without Diabetes!"

www.mnlionsdiabetes.org

----- Winter 2017 Edition -----





Diabetes means that your blood sugar is too high. What are the warning signs and symptoms?

TYPE 1 Diabetes:

- -Frequent urination
- -Extreme hunger
- -Irritability
- -Nausea and vomiting
- -Excessive Thirst
- -Dramatic weight loss
- -Weakness and fatigue

TYPE 2 Diabetes:

- -Any symptoms above
- -Bladder infections
- -Blurred vision
- -Hard to heal skin or gums
- -Drowsiness
- -Tingling in hands or feet

Walmart Wellness Days was a huge success!!

Our goal was to have Lions in all 70 Minnesota Walmart's on September 23rd for Walmart Wellness Days! We didn't reach our goal but came very close by having Lions at 54 Walmart stores across Minnesota!!!

This was a partnership between Walmart, American Diabetes Association and the MN Lions to provide free diabetes glucose testing and other health screenings along with education to help find those individuals who have Type 2 diabetes and don't know it.

A huge **THANK YOU** to all clubs who helped lead this effort and provided Lions to volunteer at this huge health fair.

As many of you know, Lions International has added Diabetes to

the Global Service Framework. It is one of the five service areas Lions are working on with the goal of tripling our humanitarian impact by serving 200 million people per year by 2021. As part of the Global Service Framework challenge, Lions International has set a goal of increasing diabetes service projects by 5% this Lion's year.

For those clubs who participated on September 23rd during Walmart Wellness Days, your club qualifies for a diabetes service project! Be sure to have your club secretary report to LCIF that you participated in this vital effort.

The next date for Walmart Wellness Days is January 20th. We will have further information available as far as Lions participation. *Article submitted by Deborah Weston.*









New Ulm Diabetes Walk a Huge Success!



The New Ulm Diabetes Walk is a Family Affair for all ages.

The Lions Club of New Ulm from District 5M3 and the Lafayette Area Lions Club from District 5M2 again joined forces on September 30, 2017 to hold their Third Annual "New Ulm Diabetes Walk". Over \$12,600.00 was raised for the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation and over forty walkers participated. These funds will be used to find a CURE for diabetes at the University of Minnesota. Thank you to all the Lafayette Lions, New Ulm Lions and others who helped, participated and donated to this very successful event.

We hope that our success encourages other Lions Clubs in Multiple District 5M to hold similar events to raise money for this very worthwhile cause.

~Article and Photo submitted by Bob Shirlinger



If your club or district has any news and photos to share in the quarterly Diabetes Foundation Newsletter, please email info to Lion Amy Swenson at amyswens@runestone.net

I'd LOVE to get your service projects recognized!



CLUB PROJECT IDEAS FOR DIABETES AWARENESS AND ACTION:

CONTINUED FROM LAST EDITION...

- 7. Distribute current educational resources to increase diabetes awareness at a community health fair or other event.
- 8. Organize a walking club for seniors with diabetes.
- 9. Provide a diabetes magazine subscription to your local library.
- 10. Sponsor a child in need to attend a diabetes camp.
- 11. Donate current diabetes books to your local library and insert a bookplate to identify your club's donation.
- 12. Participate in World Diabetes Day events on November 14th.
- 13. Work with your local school to invite a health care professional to speak about diabetes.





PUPPY RAISERS

Are you looking for an opportunity to give back and keep the promise of Helen Keller of being "Knight's for the Blind"? It takes a special gift to provide this service, do you believe you have this talent to serve?

If so, Leader Dogs for the Blind has a great opportunity for you. Leader Dog needs many volunteers to make their programs successful and keep costs to a minimal. Leader Dog is always looking for volunteer "Puppy Raiser's". It is a 12 -15-month commitment of time, energy, and love when you open your home to a Future Leader Dog. Through daily care and training, puppy raisers provide the foundation for future guide dogs.

There are some financial responsibilities which include purchasing dog food, toys, replacement collars and leashes. Leader Dog provides the initial toys, collars and leashes. Veterinary care to a local veterinary for routine care must be provided. Many veterinarians will provide a discount services to Leader Dog puppy raisers.

Safety is always a concern, and when a dog is outside it must be in a completely fenced in area, or must be on the leash. When the puppy is unable to go out with the raiser, the puppy must be crated indoors.

Leader Dog provides support from puppy counselors who arrange monthly events in a variety of

settings to provide tips on care, training and manners. Yes, puppies need to be taught manners, like your children. Leader Dog recommends taking their puppies to obedience classes, but remember Leader Dog guideline may differ from lessons taught at local classes, and it is the puppy raiser responsibility to follow the guidelines of Leader Dog.

You do not need to be a former puppy raiser, nor is it a requirement you have raised a dog in the past. The most important trait is dedication to provide daily care to a puppy and consistency in its training. If you decide to open your home to a puppy, Leader Dog provides a Puppy Raiser Manual and instructional DVD to assist with your training of your Future Leader Dog. You will also be provided contact information for your puppy counselor.

If you are interested there is an application process, including providing other information forms. There is a Leader Dog Chair in 5M4, whose has raised Leader Dog puppies for 20 years. I could get you in contact with them for further information, and assist you as needed through this process. District 5M2 Co-chairs are Lion Loretta Klenke of the Prior Lake Lions, contact lmklenke@msn.com or phone 952-445-0289. Lion Emmy Koch is a member of the Hutchinson Lions, contact at emmykoch@hotmail.com.



WANTED!!! Host club(s) for the 2019 Annual Jungle Days Golf Tournaments

Proposals to be presented at the 2018 Mid-Winter convention, annual business meeting on Saturday, February 10th.

Contact District Governor Nancy Mathwig for more information.
612-741-1026 or nancy.mathwig@gmail.com



Save the Date



Share the Date



November 2-3, 2018

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Dynamic and Motivating Guest Speakers

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MN Lions Vision Foundation

Often it is said that Thanksgiving is becoming the forgotten holiday. In our home, we sure are guilty of speeding over it. Family togetherness and phone calls get less focus as our minds wander to the next holiday plans, shopping, decorating, and more. And yet we have so much to be grateful for. Not just the blessings we have but also the hardships that help us appreciate our lives.

I want to tie this thought to the Lions Research Building. In the past two months, we have stepped through Minnesota Lions history via creation of the Lions Eve Bank (1960) and Lions Children's Eye Clinic (1968). Continuing down the path of our vision improving legacy, the Lions Research Building was built in 1993. A \$3 million dollar gift from Minnesota Lions helped to construct the first building in the University of Minnesota's bio-medical quarter. Researchers from the Departments of Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology, and Neurology work towards improved treatments and/or cures of vision and hearing issues. This is something to be thankful for BUT

also, it is a project of looking forward and planning for better vision and hearing in our lives.

Again, we have always met the challenge to be Knights of the Blind. We are marching forward. 1993 was a few years back; I still have more accomplishments to write about in the next few months. Repeating the message: all this leading up to our newest plan. Our university will be home of LI-ONS EYE INSTITUTE. Twenty one million dollars over twenty years. We are developing a deeper appreciation of the critical service we, as Minnesota Lions, provide to sight saving measures. And, of course, we will roll out plans for financing to meet the increasing needs. We are Lions, we can do!

For over half a century, Minnesota Lions have been a partner critical to the great reputation of the University's Department of Ophthalmology. We want to continue our legacy. MLVF has a wonderful site, www.mnlionsvisionfoundation.org, to visit. Lots of good info. You may even want to invite your Facebook friends to "like" our site.

Together, "WE SERVE" continues. Remember that Lions Diana and Mary are your Vision Foundation reps willing to visit your clubs - dianakroells@ gmail.com or maryspille@gmail.com.

DG Nancy's **DECEMBER TRAVELS**



December 4 - Green Isle Lions Club

December 6 - 5M2 PID Brian committee meeting

December 7 - Arlington Lions Club

December 9 - Mayer Area Lions Club charter

December 10 – Mid-Winter convention meeting

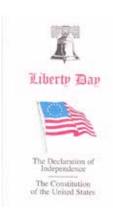
December 13 - Jordan & Jordaness Lions

December 18 - Nicollet Lions Club

December 19 - Hutchinson Lions Club

December 20 - Henderson Lions Club

Liberty Day



Liberty Day is used to raise awarenes among students across the nation about the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States of America.

Liberty Day Program is a Lionsaffiliated program is the United States with the objective of providing nonpartisan information to students about our rights and responsibilities as defined by the Constitution of the United States. In District 5M2, Liber ty Day is a part of our Youth Activities. Several clubs have promoted the Liberty Day program via assemblies with their school districts. Often club unite with other community organizations to prepare a program including flag presentation, speakers, music, and so forth.

Programs are tailored to the needs and grade levels of each community. Printed Constitutions/Amendments are given to all students. These booklets are available from the district chairpersons.

For more information and presentations, contact

Lion Denny Hewitt (507) 232-3394 dthewitt@hickorytech.net

Lion David Sebesta

(320) 587-5690 dave_sebesta@hotmail.com

5M-2 HALL OF FAME

Begin considering now to place into nomination an outstanding club member for the 2018 District 5M-2 Hall of Fame.

As presented at the recent fall zone meetings, the purpose of the award is to honor those Lions and Lioness members of character and substance who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment and dedication to the efforts of their club, district and multiple district and the motto of our association "We Serve".

Criteria for the award -

- May be a Lion or Lioness
- o Must have been a member in good standing for at least 15 years
- o Must be at least 2 years removed from the Council of Governors, if a PDG
- Have qualifications above and beyond the call of duty including social and human endeavors
- Should be of good moral character and
- Should have a good reputation in good standing in his/her community
- o If deceased, must have been a member in good standing of a MD5M Lions or Lioness club at the time of his/her death.

Process

- Nomination fee of \$150.00 for each candidate nominated must accompany the nomination to the District Governor. This fee is returned to you if your candidate is not the chosen recipient during the Mid-Winter convention voting.
- All nominations must be received by District Governor Nancy no later than 30 days, prior to our Mid-Winter Convention. No later than January 10, 2018.
- An election for the recipient from 5M-2 will be held during the annual meeting at the Mid-Winter convention on February 10, 2018. The winner of that election will be inducted into the Hall of Fame at the 2018 Multiple District Convention in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada on April 14, 2018.
- o Information, as well as the nomination form, is available online at www.5m2lions.org , Forms and Award Applications, MD5M Hall of Fame nomination form.

Each of your clubs has a Lion who fits the criteria needed for a nomination to the Hall of Fame. While only one 5M-2 Lion will be awarded the honor in 2018, every Lion nominated will be featured at the Mid-Winter convention when their bios are presented to the membership. Honor these deserving Lions with a nomination.



"Selling Your Lions Club!"

Have you prepared your elevator speech? It's that 15 seconds it takes in an elevator to go from one floor to another and someone looks at your Lions shirt and says "What do Lions do besides make great pancakes?" You need your answer **RIGHT NOW! GO!**

"We are the largest service organization in the world with over 1.4 million members. Clubs work with their own communities to make improvements and help others in need. In our District, clubs work with: Can Do Canines (service dogs), Leader Dogs for the Blind, Lions Clubs International Foundation (who supply \$10,000 immediately to an area of disaster that needs aid of food & water), Lions Hearing Foundation, Vision Foundation, Diabetes Foundation (who is working on a cure), Special Olympics and Quest in the schools to prevent abuse, bullying and more. Would you like to be a Lion?"

You say "this will never happen to me". It has happened to me, in an elevator! At the International Lions Convention while waiting for our Lions group to parade through the streets of Chicago it happened to me- twice within an hour! So be prepared and ROAR!

CAN DO CANINES



FALL GRADUATION

On Saturday, October 28, family and friends attended the Fall Graduation Ceremony to celebrate graduating from Can Do Canines.

The graduates includes 13 mobility teams, four hearing teams, and one mobility and seizure team. We wish them the best of luck as they begin working as official assistance dog teams.

And of course we want to recognize our phenomenal volunteers. They are crucial in the placement of these teams, and we want to thank them from the bottom of our hearts for the important work they do.

Congratulations, graduates!



We'll be "Honoring Team Spirit" at this year's Fetching Ball on Saturday, January 27, 2018. Join us for a glamorous evening with Master of Ceremonies, KARE 11 Sunrise Meteorologist Sven Sundgaard at the DoubleTree Bloomington. Enjoy inspiring stories, silent and live auctions, entertainment, and delectable dining.

Fetching Ball website coming soon!



The board held our regular meeting in October and were thrilled to welcome Lion Bob Harms to the board as the newly appointed D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk Logistics Chair. Lion Bob has been a valuable

asset to the foundation as a Trustee and famously raised funds in 2012 for children's hearing by rid-

ing his Toro lawnmower from the Canadian border to the Iowa border in just 10 days. Since finishing his last term as a Trustee, Lion Bob has continued to support the foundation as a participant and volunteer at our events



and we are very glad to have his support as a member of the board.

Dr. Bevan Yueh, U of M Department of Otolaryngology Chair, updated the board regarding research results from last year and reviewed the funding requests for this year. The board is pleased to support the research and training at the U of M and further the foundation's mission to prevent, reduce and eliminate hearing loss and promote hearing health.

Please continue to collect used hearing aids and bring them to us at convention in February. These have useful parts and can be refurbished to have a

second life for someone who has hearing loss.

As always, contact us if you would like a club visit!

Lions Marvin Grimm and Jeff Williams





FOCUS.

EACH MONTH A DIFFERENT
"ENVIRONMENTAL
FEATURE" WILL APPEAR IN
THE NEWSLETTER TO HELP
CLUBS EXPAND IDEAS FOR
POSSIBLE
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RECYCLE YOUR HOLIDAYS

Once the holiday season has come and gone, what are you to do with those old lights? Don't just throw them away, recycle them! Recycle Your Holidays is a Minnesota specific program through the Recycling Association of Minnesota (RAM) that works to keep old holiday lights out of landfills. Since the beginning of the program over 840,000 pounds of holiday lights have been recycled. (HTTP://RECYCLEMINNESOTA.ORG/RECYCLE-YOUR-HOLIDAYS/)

- ORGANIZE A LIGHT DRIVE IN YOUR CLUB AND COMMUNITY: spread the word in your club, community, place of work, etc about a light recycle drive! Organize a time and place for people to bring in old lights for the club to drop at a recycling point if your community does not have a local drop spot or circulate information about local recycling locations for people to visit on their own
- 2. LEARN ABOUT SWITCHING TO LED LIGHTING: the average Minnesotan home can save between \$10 to \$250 each holiday season by switching to LED holiday lighting! Recycle Your Holidays is a great opportunity to get rid of old holiday lights safely to make room for energy efficient lighting in the years to come!
 - (HTTP://WWW.CLEANENERGYRESOURCETEAMS.ORG/RYH)
- 3. **FIND YOUR LOCAL DROP SITE:** there are MANY light drop off sites throughout the state to make recycling your lights convenient

DROP OFF LOCATIONS

Andover Recycling Center – <u>1685 Crosstown Boulevard, Andover, MN</u> 763-767-5175

Becker County Courthouse (3rd floor by Zoning Dept.) - 915 Lake Avenue, Detroit Lakes, MN

Becker County Transfer Station - 24413 County Hwy 144, Detroit Lakes, MN

Carver County Environmental Center – <u>116 Peavey Circle, Chaska, MN</u> 952-361-1835

Chisago County Household Hazardous Waste Facility – 39649 Grand Avenue, North Branch, MN 651-213-8921

City of Elk River – 13065 Orono Parkway, Elk River, MN 763-635-1073

Itasca County Transfer Station & Waste Management - 29959 County Road 62, Grand Rapids, MN 218-328-5801

PHASE Recycling – <u>104 Main Street</u>, <u>Sandstone</u>, <u>MN</u> 320-425-2246

Ramsey Household Hazardous Waste Facility – <u>5 Empire Drive, St. Paul, MN</u> 651-633-3279

Rice County Recycling Center & Landfill - 3800 E 145h St., Dundas, MN 55091 507-332-6833

St. Louis Park Rec Center – 3700 Monterey Drive, St. Louis Park, MN 952-924-2540

Scott County Household Hazardous Waste Facility - 588 Country Trail E (Hwy 282), Jordan, MN 952-496-8652

Steele County Waste Management Recycling Center – <u>1171 Brady Boulevard, Owatonna, MN</u> 507-456-4894

Washington County Environmental Center – 4039 Cottage Grove Drive, Woodbury, MN 651-430-6655

West Central Industries (WCI) – 1300 22nd St. SW, Willmar, MN 320-235-5310

Jobs Plus – 200 16th Ave SE, Waseca, MN 507-883-1230

ProAct, Inc. - 3195 Neil Armstrong Blvd, Eagan, MN 651-289-3142

WACOSA - 321 Sundial Dr, St. Cloud, MN 320-251-0087 ext 207



Calling all Lions!

Join in on the Lions Environmental Photo Contest!

We are looking for photos from all 5M2 clubs (one photo per club) to compete in the 2017-2018 Environmental Photo Contest! The top 3 photos win a prize and recognition at MidWinter.

The top photo then moves on for the chance to compete in the 5M MultiDistrict!

The Lions Environmental Photo Contest provides a way for Lions to portray, through an original photo, their pride and commitment to improving, protecting and preserving the environment.

Photos should focus on the following themes:

Animal Life
Landscape (urban or natural)
Plant Life
Weather Phenomenon

This year an important improvement to the process is being made: option of EMAIL SUBMISSIONS! Email submissions can be sent to lions5m2photocontest@gmail.com

Submission emails will need to include the signed submission form. One way to attach this signed form is by printing and signing the form, either scanning or taking a picture of the completed form, and then attaching that image/document along with your photo in the email.

Each club is allowed only one photo submission, so please communicate with your club before submitting. Photo submissions, either by print or email, need to be submitted by December 31, 2017.

Those interested and with questions can inquire for further details to Lion Evelyn Grimm and Lion Kate Pattison at lions5m2photocontest@gmail.com



2017-2018 DISTRICT 5M2 PHOTO ENTRY FORM All submissions due by December 31, 2017

DISTRICT	CITY OF CLUB	STATE
NAME OF LION P	HOTOGRAPHER	
LIONS CLUB OF P	HOTOGRAPHER	
EMAIL ADDRESS	OF PHOTOGRAPHER	
Please enter this	photo into the following catego	
Please note *photos	e: Only one photo will be accepto must be original photos, unalte	ed from each Lions Club in the 5M2 district ered and without people in the images*
below I certify I grant permis	the photo is an original, ur sion for the Lions Environm	CATION entry from my individual club. By signing naltered photograph taken by myself and nental Photo Contest to use my attached ng and any other showings and uses.
Club President (p	lease print)	
Club Secretary (p	lease print)	
Photographer's s	ignature	

8"x10" printed submissions must be mailed to the following by December 31, 2017:

Lion Kate Pattison

506 W 10th St

Mankato, MN 56001

Photos may also be submitted via email to

lions5m2photocontest@gmail.com

Email submissions will need to include attached signed submission form along with photo





2018

District 5M2 Zone Lion of the Year

Zone Lion of the Year is a project unique to District 5M2. It gives the District the opportunity to give well deserved recognition to one Lion in each Zone who exemplifies our Centennial motto "Where There's a Need, There's a Lion".

Each club is asked to nominate a Lion who is <u>not</u> a major officer in the club, but has earned the respect of his/her peers & community.

The Zone Lion of the Year will be presented during the 2018 Spring Zone meetings. The club president or person designated by the president is asked to complete this application and return it to 1st Vice District Governor Diana Kroells by February 15th, 2018.

Send to: 1st Vice District Governor Diana Kroells 17891 158th St, Hamburg, MN 55339

Please write a brief description of the nominee's service including such items as years of Lions service, involvement in club activities and involvement in the community. Attach a separate sheet or use the back of this form to complete this information. The club president must sign this form.

Nominee	
Club:	
Zone:	
Club President	
Signature	Date

LIONS INTERNATIONAL TRADING PIN CLUB

LITPC Youth Scholarship Program

William A. Smith Fellowship Recognition



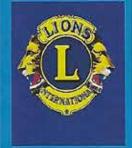
Lion William A. Smith,
PCC, is among the
earliest members of
the Lions International
Trading Pin Club
(LITPC) and its 7th
President. Over the

years, with his counsel, foresight and leadership, the LITPC has improved its image with Lions Clubs International and with Lions throughout the world. Because of his many contributions to the Lions International Trading Pin Club, the Board of Directors named the Youth Scholarship Fellowship after him. We thank Lion Bill for his many contributions to our organization.















LITPC awards two Youth

Scholarships in 2017

Emma Bennett New York Glynnis Santeramo New York

Mission Statement

The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) Youth Scholarship was established to foster the continuing education of a high school senior. Our goal is to help our future leaders and give students a financial helping hand. Students eligible to apply are the children, grandchildren of Lions, Lionesses and Leos. The scholarship amount is \$2,500.

Vision Statement

The scholarship is funded by members of the Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC). The fund raising program is a six year campaign to generate sufficient funds to make the program self sustaining. It is the hope that every member will participate. The slogan of the Lions International Trading Pin Club is "Lions First".

LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Graduating Leos or sons/daughters, grandsons/granddaughters of Lions or Lioness are eligible to apply for the LITPC (Lions International Trading Pin Club) Youth Scholarship. Two (\$2,500) scholarships will be awarded. In 2012, the first recipient was a Leo from Pennsylvania. In 2013, the recipient was from Virginia. In 2014, the recipient was from Iowa. In 2015, the recipient was from Virginia. In 2016, there was 1 recipient from Georgia and 1 recipient from Minnesota. In 2017, there were 2 recipients both from New York. The 2018 recipients will be announced at the Pin Traders Annual Breakfast at the Lions International Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada in July, 2018.

The current forms for the scholarships are available on line at www.litpc.org In the right column, click on LITPC Scholarship Information. Then click on Scholarship Application Form. Please follow the instructions, fill out ALL the forms neatly and correctly which includes the 4 essay questions (in 350 words or less) and the question about scholarships that you have been offered along with submitting a certified copy of your high school transcript including activities. Plus you also need to attach recommendations from 2 persons (i.e. teacher, coach, clergy, employer, etc.) AND attach a recommendation letter from a Lions Club member indicating the name of the Club and state/province and country in which the Club is located.

ALL forms and letters are to be submitted by MARCH 1, 2018 to:

Lion Bill Guthrie, Scholarship Chairman

5M Pin Traders Club and Board Member of LITPC

9-101st Lane NW

Coon Rapids, MN 55448

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 763-786-8072 or bmguthrie9@q.com



2017 LITPC Scholarship Winners





Emma Bennett is from the State of New York. She has been accepted to Cornell University. Emma had been a member of her Leo Club since the 7th grade. She has participated in many athletic events and has held many positions within her school and has volunteered extensively in her

school, church and community. Emma has decided to take her commitment to learning and combine it with her passion for helping others and will pursue a career in medicine.



NEW YORK

Glynnis Santeramo is from the State of New York.
Glynnis attends a special school for the visually impaired.
She will be attending Brockport College because the school has a program in adaptive physical education so that she can get a degree to teach. Glynnis wants to open the doorways to athletics for children who are visually impaired.

LIONS' CLUBS NEWS AND ACTIVITIES VICTORIA LIONS

The Victoria Lions were fortunate to host the new Mayer Lions Club on October 23. They are an energetic group and will be a great addition to the Lions. They were totally roasted by our tail twister. The new club was approved October 20, 2017.

Our 3rd annual spaghetti dinner held on November 10 was another successful community gathering and funder raiser.

We had the honor of having District Governor Nancy Mathwig speak at our meeting on November 13. She gave all a better understanding of what it means to be a Lion. We Serve.

We will once again be giving poinsettia to seniors in our area on December 2. This will become one of our signature events.

Our annual Christmas party will be held on December 8 at St. Victoria church. We expect a big turnout for this annual event.



Mayer Area Lions Left to right: Linnea Goetz, Patty Lanting, Mike Wegner, Carolyn Liestman, Kristine Ziermann

ALBERT LEA LIONS



IPDG Steve presenting Albert Lea president, Lion Gary, with the Bronze Legacy project banner patch.

LAKEVIEW LIONS

Newest Members of the LakeView Lions (Left to right): DG Nancy Mathwig, Sherry Ulve, Barb Olsen, Natalie Bowman, Joanne Bracker, Kari Brick, Becky Boelter, Carolyn

Smith, Nancy Martin. Not pictured: Joan Anderson, Deb Cooper, Marilyn Rasmussen

HAMBURG LIONS



There was a total of 20 children screened. We are happy to report that there were no referrals. Lion Laura Maki assisted with the screening.

Pictured above are (from left to right): Lions Ann Oelfke, Diana Kroells, Laura Maki, Diane Hoffman and Diane Mackenthun.



WACONIA LIONS



November 7, 2017 (Waconia) - MD5M Council Chair Dennis Heinen, MD5M Past Council Chair Keith Johnson, District Governor Nancy Mathwig, Past District Governor Rick Wagener, and District Public Relations Chair Joe Gifford recently presented the Lions Club International Convention Parade first place award for marching bands to the Waconia High School Marching Band.

PCC Keith Johnson, who is also the Parade and Band Consultant for MD5M, actually began working with the Waconia Lions Club and WHS Band Director John Pohland in the spring and summer of 2016 to insure that the Waconia Marching Band would receive one of the coveted spots for marching bands during the convention parade that celebrated 100 years of LCI in Chicago on July 1st of 2017. As the first place award they received shows, having the Waconia Marching Band participate in the parade turned out to be a very good decision. As PCC Keith Johnson stated during the presentation, "The Waconia High School Marching Band represented themselves, their school, their community, and all of Minnesota very well during a parade that included Lions Clubs from all over the world and marching bands from all over the country. The marching band competition was judged by four Chicago area marching band judges. In the end, the Waconia Marching Band received perfect scores in all categories and took home first place! A great accomplishment that they should all be very proud of!"



The Waconia Lions are planning a Memorial Trip to Washington DC which will be provided without cost to Korean & Vietnam Veterans who currently live in Carver County OR were a resident of Carver County during the time of their service.

The trip will include transportation from Waconia to MSP airport, flight to Washington DC, ground transportation while in DC, all meals, flight home, and transportation back to Waconia for a special welcome home ceremony.

Our Veterans have given so much in service to their country, we ask for your support in giving back to them through this special event.

Donate

BY MAIL

Checks should be made payable to the Waconia Lions Veterans Fund and should be sent to

Waconia Lions Club C/O Veterans Memorial Trip Committee PO Box 21 Waconia, MN 55387

IN PERSON

at the following area businesses: Hometown Bank, Everson's Hardware, UFC Farm Supply, Mocha Monkey, Mackenthun's Fine Foods, Chumly's, Waconia VFW

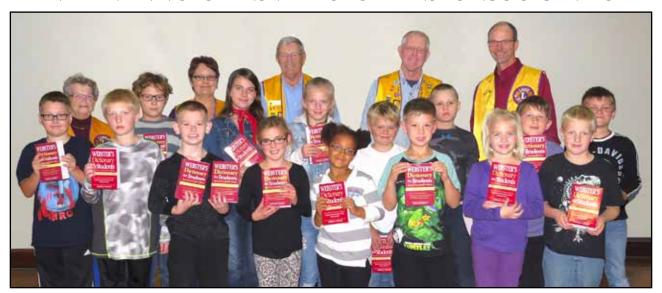
For more information visit - www.waconialionsclub.org/veterans-memorial-trip



Sponsored By The Waconia Lions Club (11)



LAFAYETTE LIONS PRESENT DICTIONARIES TO LCS STUDENTS



The Lafayette Area Lions made a special presentation at Lafayette Charter School Thursday, November 2. Six members of the club were on hand to present Webster's Dictionary for Students to 16 students. Thirteen are third graders, with three others being older students who are new to the school and had not received dictionaries previously.

The presentation was made in conjunction with The Dictionary Project, a national program that traces its roots to 1992. Over 26.5 million children have received dictionaries because people and organizations have seen the need in their communities.



Sixteen Lafayette Charter School students received their own personal dictionaries through the sponsorship of the Lafayette Area Lions Club November 2. The students are front, from left: Alexander Williams, Malachi Schwark, Remington Schultz, Rheanna Stone, Skylar Lyimo, Jonathan Turbes, Annika Wyffels, and Garrett Jutz. Second row: Aidan Hendrickson, Olivia Krajewski, Emma Natysin, Jack Tauber, Edwin Hendrickson, Isaac Buntjer, and Bradyn Hagevold. Not pictured: Matthew Marti. Lions on hand to make the presentation were, back row from left: Sally Webster, Elmari Kamm, Neal Hoffmann, Mark Dick, and Bob Wise. Not pictured: Ruth Klossner.



Lafayette Lions President Joe Maidl made two surprise announcements at the club's meeting Tuesday, November 14. Unbeknownst to club members, he selected recipients for several awards that the had club qualified for. He presented a Hearing Foundation Fellowship to Mark Dick and a Helen Keller Sight Award to Ruth Klossner. Both are longtime members of the club and active in a variety of projects. Dick is a past club president and secretary and is a current tail twister. Klossner is a past club president and is the current secretary.

LAFAYETTE LIONS PRESENT PEACE POSTER AWARDS

The Lafayette Area Lions Club presented awards to students entering the annual Peace Poster contest at the Lafayette Charter School November 2.

Contest winners were Emma Miller of New Ulm, daughter of Curt and Ann Miller, first place; and April Rose of Lafayette, daughter of Jason Rose and Amy Davis, second place. They received cash prizes of \$25.00 and \$15.00, respectively, from the Lions. Miller is a seventh grader and Rose a sixth grader. Miller's poster has been sent to the district level where it will compete for additional honors.

Also creating posters for the contest were LCS students Hunter Anderson, Jacob Buntjer, Taylor Cornejo, Taylor Grant, Grace Kapolezynski, Olivia Krajewski, Robbie Lund, Shelby Marozik, Takoda Mathison, Ava Natysin, Brooklyn Peterson, Julia Stovall, Grace Struck, and Brandon Wyffels.



Top winners of the Lions' Peace Poster contest at Lafayette Charter School were Emma Miller, left, and April Rose. They received \$25 and \$15 prizes, along with special certificates.



Lafayette Charter School Peace Poster contest entrants are pictured with members of the Lafayette Area Lions Club. The students are front, from left: April Rose, Shelby Marozik, Brandon Wyffels, Robbie Lund, Hunter Anderson, and Jacob Butjer. Second row: Grace Struck, Julia Stovall, Brooklyn Peterson, Emma Miller, Olivia Krajewski, Grace Kapolczynski, and Taylor Cornejo. Not pictured: Taylor Grant, Takoda Mathison, and Ava Natysin. Lions pictured in the back: Sally Webster, Elmari Kamm, Neal Hoffmann, Mark Dick, and Bob Wise. Lion not pictured: Ruth Klossner. Hoffmann, Dick, and Wise are holding posters made by students not able to attend the awards program.

5M2 Lions' News Newsletter Deadline: 15th of each month...

15TH OF EACH MONTH...
Submit your club events and Lions program articles to: 5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com

JORDANESS LIONS VETERANS DAY PRESENTATION





The Jordaness Lions had the privilege of hosting the Veterans Day Program on Friday, November 10th. The program, centered on the theme of "Patriotism", was presented to a packed house in the high

school gymnasium. Attendees included local veterans and auxiliary; active military personnel; local, state, and national government representatives; local school & law enforcement officials; community and veterans family members; and the 5th – 12th grade students and faculty. Speakers included special guest US Senator Amy Klobuchar, Master Sergeant Brian Buesgens, and Kortney Trutnau (Jordaness Lion Christy's daughter) each sharing wonderful stories of apprecia-

LIONS 101

The Jordaness Lions board of directors hosted our annual Lions 101 night in October. This event is part of our member orientation for new members and their Lions sponsors, ladies interested in finding more out about Lions, and the entire club membership. A nice soup and salad supper is served followed by entertainment, including an overview of Lions International and the goals and activities of our Jordaness Lions

club. You never know what level of animation will go into the entertainment! Pictured is the end product of Lion Sue decking Lion Christy out with props depicting all of our clubs activities and projects.



tion for our military and great messages of Patriotism for all military and civilians. The North St. Paul JROTC Cadets presented a powerful flag folding demonstration that brought many in the audience to tears.

And finally, the talented band and choir students along with the directors added to the emotion of the program with their wonderful musical selections they had prepared.

Recognizing the veterans with a standing ovation to conclude the program was a sign of our gratitude for their service to our country, not only on Veterans Day, but every day of the year.

ADVANCED LEADERSHIP TRAINING



joining the club.

Congratulations to Lion Christy Trutnau for receiving her Certificate of Leadership from the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute!

Lion Christy is a very involved member of the Jordaness Lions club. She has held many positions on the board, participates in basically every event, and has sponsored many new members

We applaud Christy's commitment to leadership development and are proud of her accomplishments.



MAYER AREA LIONS

CHARTER NIGHT

Date: December 9, 2017

Place: New Germany Hall

Cost: \$25 per person

Cocktail Hour: 5pm

Dinner Served: 6pm

<u>GUEST SPEAKER –</u> PID BRIAN SHEEHAN

COME ON OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR NEW MAYER AREA LIONS!

Thank you for your support! Lions...We Serve!



Plato Lions

Pork Chop Dinner

Fundraising 4 Plato Blue Jays

Baseball Park Improvements ALL proceeds + (up to) \$1000 Match from the Plato Lions Club

King Pin Pub on January 1st

From 11 am -Chops are gone!



\$12 - 2 Pork Chop Dinner

\$10 - 1 Chop Dinner

Chop(s), Scalloped Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole, Roll, Beverage, & Dessert

\$4 - Kids Meal (Mac & Cheese, Hot Dog, Cookie

Bloody Mary Bar – Build Your Own 4 PM – Music by Doug Stuedeman 2 - 4 – Meat Raffles





Jordaness Lions Bowling Fundraiser

Saturday January 20, 2018 Louisville Lanes

3020 W. 133rd St. Shakopee, MN 55379 952-445-8112

1:00 pm Player check-in / 2:00 – 5:00 pm Bowling \$25/player (up to 6-players per lane, <u>you do NOT need 6 players to register</u>)

Registration Includes
3 Games, Bowling Shoes & FUN

Proceeds benefit the Food Shelf, MN Diabetes Association and other Community Events/Organizations **Bring items for the Food Shelf and receive a free raffle ticket

Prizes fo

len's & Women's 1st, 2nd Hig<mark>hest Indi</mark>vidual Scores, High Team Score & <mark>More</mark> Other events includ<mark>e: Raffl</mark>e prizes & door prize drawings

Please send this registration	n form and fees to:		*Up to 6 Players per f
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For more information contact:
Lion Linnae Schansberg 612-518-7941 linnsch@comcast.net
Lion Karen Riesgraf 612-247-4023 skriesgraf@comcast.net

Please Make Checks payable to: Jordaness Lions

Extra! Extra! See all about us -



Good to know: Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation is a 501c3 organization. Because of our long and fruitful history, we are often commonly known as "Lions Eye Bank". Time to retire that name, please. The Minnesota Lions Eye Bank is one part of MLVF. As Lions and our clubs send in funds, it is critical to write checks payable to Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation. You are serving the Eye Bank, Children's Hearing Center, MAC Center, Research Department, and more. Just a reminder as you plan Parade of Green and continual donations.





Years of Lions

The Start of Another Dog Gone Good Century

-SAVE THE DATES-

FEBRUARY 9, 10, 11 5M2 MID-WINTER CONVENTION



Please join
DG Nancy Mathwig
in celebrating the
next 100 years of
Lionism

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Friday Night
Dress as your
favorite dog
character and
enjoy a variety of
music genre by
the Tuxedo Band

Saturday - wear Lion attire

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