



# 5M2 LIONS' NEWS



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## **Driven to Serve**

*Lion Brian Thies, District Governor*

### **THANK YOU and Congratulations!**

Thank You to the 320 Lions who came to Celebrate in Mankato for our Mid Winter. I have heard many compliments from our guests about how we have a fun convention and how awesome we work together to get things accomplished. We made it through many challenges

that weekend and we could dwell on them or we can take the high road and say we did not let them get us down. We came together, did what needed to be done and continued to make the best lemonade we could out of a bunch of lemons. Thank you to all.

The greatest compliment we can receive is that our guests take ideas from what we did or how we are doing things here in 5M2 and bring them back to their home districts. I have heard that over and over, I am taking that idea back with me.

Thank you to the Crew from Zone 5 and Chairs Lion Lori Klein and Brian Rykhus for doing an awesome job of planning and executing the convention. You all stepped up with a can do attitude. I compliment each one of you on a job well done.

Thank you to ID Bob and Lion Brenda Block for visiting and sharing their weekend with us. For their willingness to get to know the Lions of 5M2 and even participate in some shenanigans like Minute Games and participating in an impromptu convoy Sunday morning. We appreciated it and thank you for it.

I know all who attend the Saturday sessions learned of the impact of our Lions Foundations and all they do. They also heard personal stories of how your lives change once you hear the words diabetes and cancer. Thank you to the many presenters, musicians, vocalists and everyone who made our convention memorable.

Congratulations to our newly elected officials. DGE Anna Wickenhauser, 1st DGE Glenn Kaufmann and 2nd DGE Kathleen Bleckeberg are going to lead our district with passion and enthusiasm. Congratulations also to our newly elected Hall of Fame Nominee, Ruth Klossner and all the award recipients. We have a strong district with many awesome Lions.

Thank you to the clubs who sponsored the Peace Poster and Essay Contest in their clubs. It is always good to see that we continue to inspire young people to come forward and showcase their talents.

Just a reminder that elections are coming up in April as well as the Zone Meetings. Please attend your zone meeting as it is another chance to interact with other clubs, meet new people, exchange ideas and showcase your club's activities. Also please complete at least one other visit to a club in your area. 2 or 3 would be even better. Spring is a great time to have a membership event to bring in new members. Tell them your story. Cheer for yourselves.

Remember we are LIONS!



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## Get Your Lion On!



*Lion Anna Wickenhauser  
District Governor Elect*

Thankfully last month had 5 Saturdays in it. Attended District 5M8 Convention, first time at the Shakopee Ice Golf which led me into the DGE Training held in St. Charles, Illinois. It was a Fantastic experience. There were approximately 750 DGE'S from

around the world. The training, fellowship and exchanging ideas from around the world was really a learning experience. In my opinion LCI has done something progressive with their approach. There were LCI staff on site to get our feedback and to hear our concerns, complaints and comments. Each year they are tweaking the program to what the DGE's want/need to make the experience more viable. The hours were long and mentally exhausting but there were also little nooks to sit with a group and relax at the end of a long day. There also were some pop up bars right next to these little nooks-clever.

From the airport my daughter Hilary picked me up and we headed to the convention in time for the Cabinet Meeting. A funny story with that-because I had to leave early to get to the airport on time and hoped for no delays I opted to wear my uniform on the plane ride.....a nice french speaking couple mistook me for a flight attendant and were very insistent that I read their translation on their phone...long story-short..I managed to help them with their seats and get settled:) Kindness Matters is next year's Presidential theme.

Monkey and I need to do a HUGE shoutout THANKING people for their kindness at the convention.

The Convention Committee and Lions-they worked tirelessly dealing with unfortunate situations that were beyond their control. THANK YOU!

The Hospitality Room TEAM-Because of all your efforts... the Hospitality Room was Spectacular!!!

The DREAM TEAM-DG Brian & Rose, Glenn & Lisa-We feel so lucky to have you.

The Cologne Lions Club and Leos Club, and everyone who donated to my hospitality room THANK YOU! Special shout out to Lion Roger Storms who had to shorten his seconding speech-I know it was difficult for him to do since he had A LOT of material to work with.

Those of you that were at the convention maybe noticed that I had disappeared Saturday night mid banquet? Our son Jack drove down to Mankato to take me to Waconia to the Emergency Room. Lucky me, I came down with a Kidney Infection, Pneumonia and another female infection. Long story-short...I was pretty sick. They had to maneuver my meds around and have gotten me back on track. So I pretty much have been on the couch or in bed for a week and a few days. I am on the mend, but it is slow. Thank you for all the cards, flowers and text messages.

So in saying all that I would like to recognize my family for all the behind the scenes work it takes to help me step forward in this position and for filling in for me when I had to leave the convention. My husband did a nice job of giving my acceptance speech on Sunday morning, I bet he never thought he'd be doing that...lol. And to our daughter Hilary-she keeps me on task and gives a pretty good nominating speech.

Alas, all of the Mid-Winter Conventions are finished for the Lions year but I am looking forward to having some weekends free to attend Fish Fry's, Pancake Breakfasts etc. those of you who have used the MY LION app to send me invites-Big Round of APPLAUSE!!!

## March Governor's Travels

March 2 New Prague  
 March 4 Blooming Prairie  
 March 7 Roseville  
 March 13 Jordan fish fry  
 March 14 Vesili beerbash  
 March 16 Brownton  
 March 19 New Auburn  
 March 23 Winsted  
 March 27 St Cloud  
 March 30 Zone 5 Montgomery  
 March 31 Zone 8 Owatonna



### **Did You Know...** Lion Glenn Kaufmann; 1st Vice District Governor Elect

Lion Lisa and I had a swell time at the 2020 Mid-Winter Convention in Mankato and are looking forward to finishing off this Lion year on a bang. There was so much going on with catching up with friends, hospitality rooms, and great speakers, it was hard to catch your breath sometimes. There were many great ideas shared about service projects and fundraisers, it's hard to wrap my mind around all of the great things that Lions Clubs do!



DGE Anna & 1VDGE Glenn strike a pose at the 2020 Convention



Lion Lisa and her 2nd favorite Lion are all packed up and headed to Mankato

There are so many things you can do with and for your club. Where do you start looking for ideas to ...fill in the blank? First off, you can ask another club member or your zone chair. ***“What if I don't want to look like a knucklehead, Glenn? Where can I look for stuff on my own?”*** Did you know there are tons of places you can look for tips, hints, and answers to just about anything that you're interested in?

#### Looking for club motivation tips?

Check out the [Lions Clubs Help and Support Group](#) on Facebook

#### Want to add some Lions graphics, emblems, or icons to your Facebook page or fundraiser advertisement?

Look at the [Lions Club Members: Public Image, Graphics & Ideas Hub](#) on Facebook or <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/brand-guidelines>

#### Need to add a chuckle to your next club meeting?

You can find the [SpooF on Lions Clubs Pancake Breakfasts](#) or [Rockin' the Vest](#) videos on Youtube

#### Your club does awesome fundraisers, but you want to start a Service Project for your community?

##### Great ideas can be found here:

<http://www.lionsuniversity.org/wp-content/uploads/210-Zone-Chair-100-Simple-Proj-Ideas.pdf>

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/blog/25-hunger-relief-project-ideas>

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/service-journey/service-project-planners>

#### YIKES, our club needs help raising money for our Admin Fund!

##### A district in Vermont has some great ideas:

<https://www.vermontlions.org/club-toolbox/91-admin-account-funding-ideas>



# LIONS DAY



AT

**FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN**

**MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020**

Districts 5M2, 5M5, 5M6 and 5M7 will join together at the 3 FMSC facilities in the Twin Cities Metro area. Our Mission is to pack food for the malnourished children of the World!

Our goal is to have EVERY club in the 4 Districts participate in one or more shifts on that day. Collaboration among LIONS, LEOS, LIONESS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY will make this an achievable goal! WE NEED YOU TO SIGN UP NOW FOR A SHIFT OR MAYBE EVEN TWO SHIFTS!! In fact, ALL Lions, Leos, Lioness from ANY and ALL Districts are welcome to join in on this effort!!

Donations of any amount would be VERY much appreciated!! You can bring your personal donation AND/OR your Club donation to one of the sites on the day of the event OR you can mail it ahead of time to the Feed My Starving Children Coon Rapids location. Be sure to indicate in the MEMO area – LIONS DAY 2020.

Promote this in your community as part of the Lions Clubs International Global Service Framework.

Co-Chairman of the Event and District 5M7 Chairs: Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie, email us at: [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com) or call us at: 763-786-8072

**THANK YOU!! WE SERVE!!**



## LIONS DAY AT FMSC - MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020

Sign up now to be a part of the 2020 LIONS DAY at FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN!! [www.fmsc.org](http://www.fmsc.org)

Click on Volunteer at the top of the page. Click on Search Group. Type in LIONS DAY Choose the location from the list below and the time slot that you would like to volunteer. Click on Join. Either Log In (if you already have an account with FMSC or Create an Account). To create an Account, all you need to do is put in your name, address, phone number, email and a password. Once you are into the Join Group, just answer the questions and there will be a confirmation that you need to do and you are registered. If you need any help with this OR want us to sign you up, please feel free to contact us – Co-Chairman of LIONS DAY – Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie, #763-786-8072, [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com)

CHANHASSEN – 18732 Lake Drive East, Chanhasseen, 55317

Lions contact person – GST (5M2) Lion Darlene Mondor – [mondordarlene8@gmail.com](mailto:mondordarlene8@gmail.com)

GST (5M5) Lion Bernie Braegelmann – [Bernxie@aol.com](mailto:Bernxie@aol.com)

Shift times and # of reserved spots – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM - 70 - Join Code V7L7OG

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM - 70 - Join Code PDPD3E

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM – 100 - Join Code GV4VPL

COON RAPIDS – 401 – 93<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NW, Coon Rapids, 55433

Lions contact person – (5M7) Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie – [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com)

Shift times and # of reserved spots – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM - 70 - Join Code WN8N3K

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM - 70 - Join Code XXBXMP

LEOS ONLY 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM – 140

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM - 100 - Join Code 9D5DPK

EAGAN – 990 Lone Oak Road, Suite #136, Eagan, 55121

Lions contact person – GST (5M 6) Lion Gina Detviler – [gmdetviler@lions5m-6.org](mailto:gmdetviler@lions5m-6.org)

Shift times and # of reserved spots - 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM - 70 - Join Code 2W4W24

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM - 70 - Join Code M2N23V

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM –100 - Join Code B787G3

**WE SERVE!! TURN HUNGER INTO HOPE WITH YOUR OWN TWO HANDS!!**



Lions Clubs International  
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CAMPAIGN | 100  
**100**  
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Lion Debra Wasserman, 5M2 LCIF Coordinator

### THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Every Lions Club, every Lioness club and several Leo clubs made donations during the Parade of Green during the MidWinter Convention. You maybe saw me climbing on a chair to reach near the top of the banner placing X's indicating a club's donation. Even on the chair I still have to stretch to reach the LCIF line. I kind of like that because it reminds me LCIF is how we Lions stretch our hands toward those in need locally and globally. Our initial "Change for Change" jug had \$13.15. That's enough to provide 13 measles vaccinations, through the "One Shot, One Life" initiative. Thank you for emptying your pockets to help a child stay healthy. LCIF "Campaign 100" pledge cards were at every place setting at the Sunday Brunch. I noticed many of them were taken as Lions left the convention. Thank you for considering making a personal pledge to LCIF.



*Lion Brian Rykhus tosses in the first Change 4 Change*



*I wasn't the only one who needed a chair!  
So did Emmy Koch and Tom McCarthy.*

## Viewing Forward

### MN Lions Vision Foundation



Gifts of life – this is my appreciation after hearing Saturday seminars at Midwinter. Topics included childhood cancer, diabetes medical breakthroughs, and vision care were the three health issues covered. Expanding on the vision topics, we were honored to hear from three leaders at Lions Gift of Sight. Lion Jennifer Marshall, communications manager, presented a history of our eye bank. Lion Sung Lee addressed the ins and outs of cornea needs for transplants and research. Lion Sean Poppoff brought us up to speed on the “eye bank competition topic. A paragraph for each:

Happy 60th Anniversary, Lions Gift of Sight! For six decades, Minnesota Lions have had 20/20 vision and we use our best resources to maintain our vision into the future! From that first year when MN Lions voted to donate \$6,400 (\$1.00 for each Lion in the state) to the University of Minnesota's Department of Ophthalmology, we have had goals and have succeeded in bringing the best eye care possible to our citizens and the world. As the Lion symbol represents –looking back on a great legacy and looking forward to future successes and goals.

Eye globe donations are gifts in two ways. Corneal transplants are the benefits to individuals and the quality of life to each recipient and all in his/her life circle. Research needs are met by whole eye donations to our research staff and researcher throughout our country and around the globe. All types of research being done

to improve eye care in both developed and undeveloped countries which have different needs. Do you know that our eye bank, Lions Gift of Sight, is rated as one of the top five eye banks in the United States? And this could only happen because of the investment of our MN Lions – pretty fantastic, huh?

And, thirdly, we are informed that there is finally, as of early February, progress via negotiations between Lions Gift of Sight and our competitor SightFirst/Cornea Gen. Last year we pushed diligently to pass legislation eliminating the transfer of tissue for profit. Not accomplished due to legislative hang ups. This year we, with the assistance of greater powers at the University, there will be “at the table” discussions between leaders of the two eye banks. Hooray, hooray! Progress to smile about!

NEW TOPIC – Spring Tour is back. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 16, 10:00 AM tour sponsored by MN Lions Vision Foundation and MN Lions Hearing Foundation and done via the service our UoM Departments. Lunch included for the nominal registration fee of \$10.00. A great way to learn more and also to introduce newer members of our service. Watch for flyers and invitations coming to your club soon.

Lions Christy and Mary are anxious to visit your clubs and share the passion of Lions' original mission. As directors, we continue to View Forward. Our past is great and our goals will continue to be met. We are your directors ready to serve. Give us a shout – maryspille@gmail.com or christy1135@gmail.com. Together, “WE SERVE” continues.

## Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation News



The trustees for your Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation have been busy planning the 2020 De Feet Hearing Loss Walk at the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum in Chanhassen. The date for

this year's walk is Saturday, June 6, 2020. Check out our flyer that is in the newsletter for more details. Letters will be sent out to the clubs on March 1 with the registration information. Start planning now for you, your family and friends to join us for a fun walk at the Arboretum.

The Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation met on February 1. We had a presentation from Dr. Bevan Yueh about the future remodel and upgrades needed to the Temporal Bone Lab. The Foundation did a remodel of the lab about 20 years ago but space is now cramped and equipment is out dated. Parts for some of the equipment such as microscopes are no longer manufactured therefore they are looking for parts from used equipment. There will be more information on this in the next few months as the project develops. Current funds are already committed for other projects for the next year.

This Lab is very important to the University as it is used extensively in training new doctors. In the last 20 years our last investment has taught 50 Otolaryngologists, 20 neurosurgeons, 5 Neurotologists, a lot of medical students, approximately 10 research projects and 2 new Medical Device Companies were developed. An estimated 250,000 patients have been impacted by the doctors that have been trained in this lab.

The LCIF grant for the Children's Hearing Clinic has been approved. This grant is for the expansion of the Children's Clinic and the addition of one new sound proof room and the equipment needed for that room.

Thank you to all the clubs for your continued support. Without your support none of this could happen. Lions, keep collecting those hearing aids, they change the lives of many people all over the world.

We are always available for club visits. Please contact one of us to set up a date.

### Trustees:

Lion Marvin Grimm 1-952-448-9465

Lion Vern Breamer 1-507-525-3850



# Northern Pride Lions Forum

March 27-28, 2020

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# Northern Pride Lions Forum

March 27th - 28th, 2020

Best Western Plus Hotel (Kelly Inn)  
100 - 4th fourth Ave. South, St Cloud MN USA

For directions go to: [www.bestwesternstcloud.com/](http://www.bestwesternstcloud.com/)



"Meet your fellow Lions from Wisconsin, Nebraska, Iowa, Saskatchewan, North Dakota, South Dakota, Manitoba, NW Ontario and Minnesota."

## 2020 Registration Form



Your District & Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Registration form also available at <http://www.lionsmd5m.org>

**Special Dietary Needs:**  
Vegetarian, Gluten Free,  
(circle ones that apply)  
Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration Fee \$105.00 (US\$ or CDN\$)

Registration includes Friday evening Meet & Greet Mixer, Your choice of up to 6 of the 36 Seminars offered on Saturday, Saturday Breakfast, lunch and dinner with two dynamic guest speakers:  
(seminars start at 9 AM Saturday Morning)

**SIGN UP ONLINE @**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/northern-pride-lions-forum-2020-registration-61698945206>

Pay with Credit card in US\$ or CDN \$ follow the online screen instructions to register.

If you would like to send a USD check or money order: Make it payable to: **Northern Pride Lions Forum**

mail to: Lions Dennis & Jacque Heinen, P O Box 94, Sauk Centre, MN 56378

Hotel Reservations – Contact the hotel directly – Rate \$109.00 USD per night (+ taxes) Until March 10th, 2020  
Best Western Hotel, 100 - 4th Avenue South St Cloud, MN – Call Direct 1-320-253-0606  
[www.bestwesternstcloud.com/](http://www.bestwesternstcloud.com/) This block is called "Northern Pride Lions Forum"

Cancellations prior to March 10th, 2020 will have a \$25.00 administration fee applied, Cancellations after March 10th, 2020 are non-refundable except for a documented medical emergency (\$25.00 administration fee still applies).

For more Information Email The Northern Pride Lions Forum at: [npllfmd5m@gmail.com](mailto:npllfmd5m@gmail.com)

Lions of 5M2 a date has been selected for our screenings at the [State Fair](#). The date is again the [second Thursday of the fair, September 3, 2020](#). Thanks to everyone who made it such a great success. We will again have 2-hour shifts and will receive admission tickets to the State Fair. I hope people enjoyed themselves last year and will be ready to volunteer again this year.



continues to be a struggle, but we must make 3 attempts and then complete the follow up report and return them to me hopefully before the end of a quarter. We are making a difference in the kids' lives and reminding parents of the importance of vision. We know learning is 80% visual and if glasses are needed to see better to be a success in school and in life.

An important thing for anyone trying to reach Lion Harry. Our email was hacked at Christmas time, so we had to get a new email. Our email is now [lm.klenke@outlook.com](mailto:lm.klenke@outlook.com)

Thank you to all the Lions who have been doing Kidsight. I know it is a lot of work and you Lions have been making your communities aware of what our motto is of "We Serve". We are trying to help you Lions in any way we can. One thing I have been trying to do for you is to get you all your reports properly filled out. I will review reports and their completion with any Lion who is unsure of the procedure. This should make it easier for you. I must report to the Multiple District Coordinator every quarter. Last quarter Oct 1st through December 31st we screened 447 kids in our District. We referred 48 kids. Follow up on referrals

If any club would like a Kidsight presentation, I would love to try to fit it in my schedule.

Again, in the spring camera use picks up in our district. So, this can affect planning a training session. We need to have a training session in the next couple of months, so we can get more Lions trained. Lions who were trained earlier may wish to be retrained because of the updates to the camera and adding the new printers. The date and location will be forthcoming. If any Lion has a location they can get for free, or a low cost please feel free to contact me. Phone number is 952-445-0289.

We would like to Thank any club who has supported Kidsight in the Parade of Green at the midwinter. Your donations assist in cost of equipment, such as new printers, and training sessions as needed.



### **PROTOCOL PLEASE!!!**

The Official Protocol (effective June 28, 2018) lists the following order of precedence for recognizing Past District Governors: "When more than one is present, they shall be recognized according to the Roman alphabetic order of the first letter of their fully used family name. If the first letter is the same, go to the second letter, and so on. If the last names are identical, the same process should be followed with the first given name."

Lions Mary & Tom Ferleman  
Protocol Co-Chairs



### **PUBLIC RELATIONS KIT**

The district now has two Public Relations Kits available for clubs to use for special events and fundraisers. If your club would like to arrange to use a kit, please contact the following:

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Northern Clubs: | Lion Troy Feltmann<br>Lester Prairie, MN<br><a href="mailto:troyfeltmann@gmail.com">troyfeltmann@gmail.com</a><br>C: 320-282-6520 |
| Southern Clubs: | Lions Mary & Tom Ferleman<br>Albert Lea, MN<br><a href="mailto:tomar73@charter.net">tomar73@charter.net</a><br>R: 507-373-8702    |



## *Eleventh Annual Minnesota Lions Diabetes Research Update* March 21, 2020

Hosted by the University of Minnesota Foundation and Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

More than 29 million people in the United States are living with diabetes—a growing number that includes 340,000 people in Minnesota alone. Unfortunately, that number is on the rise.

Join us at the annual Minnesota Lions Diabetes Research Update to hear from University of Minnesota scientists, who are conducting leading-edge research aimed at both preventing and curing diabetes. Learn how these scientists, funded by the Lions Diabetes Research Foundation, are making a direct impact in our community, state, and beyond.

Following the research presentations, guests will have the chance to interact with the scientists one on one, learn more about their research, and ask questions.

### **Saturday, March 21, 2020**

11 a.m. | Registration and lunch

11:20 a.m. | Program

1 p.m. | Meet and greet with scientists

### **McNamara Alumni Center**

University of Minnesota

200 Oak Street SE

Minneapolis, Minnesota

### **Faculty Research Presentations:**

- **David Bernlohr, Ph.D.**, Research on the role of calcium in insulin action that could lead to a new drug for treating type 2 diabetes
- **Brian Fife, Ph.D.**, How blocking the body's immune pathway could stop the immune attack on islet cells
- **Michael Garwood, Ph.D. and Paul Wang, M.D./Ph.D. candidate**, Advances in viewing transplanted islets inside the body pre- and post-transplant
- **Bernhard Hering, M.D.**, Discoveries in pig islet research that could lead to a cure

### **RSVP by Wednesday, March 11:**

RSVP online at [www.rsvp.umn.edu/Lions2020](http://www.rsvp.umn.edu/Lions2020)

Please contact Caitlin Ochtera at [ochte001@umn.edu](mailto:ochte001@umn.edu) or 612-625-8424 with any questions.

*A confirmation letter, including parking information, will be sent prior to event.*



## *Journey for Service* *April 1-3, 2020*

It is nearing that time of year again to tour the country side of 5M2 for our annual Journey for Service. This year DG Brian and PDG Mike will be traveling over 700 miles making some 63 stops meeting with Lions, Lioness, and Leo clubs collecting money for various service projects in our District.

Please verify meeting place and contact person with a phone number.

We are looking forward to another successful Journey for Service with 100% participation as our goal.

PDG Mike Vos  
Journey for Service  
mike@vosconstruction.com  
(507)381-3752



Journey



FOR SERVICE

<b>April 1, 2020 Wednesday</b>				
	7:00	Breakfast Perkins		
Faribault	8:00 AM	Perkins	Waserman's	
Waterville	8:00	Perkins	Jack Webster	
Waseca	8:45	McDonalds	Steve Graff	507-213-0745
Owatonna	9:05	741 East Main	Jory Mages	507-317-9004
Blooming Prairie	9:40	City Center Offices	Greg Skillestad	507-451-8232
Ellendale	10:00	Lerberg's Grocery		
New Richland	10:20	Schmidt Trucking	Dan Schmidt	507-381-7848
Albert Lea	10:55	McDonalds	Tom & Mary	507-373-8702
Albert Lea Cloverleaf	10:55	McDonalds	Ferleman	507-279-4241
Albert Lea Lake View	10:55	McDonalds		
Alden	11:15	Newspaper office	Kathleen Bleckeberg	
Wells	11:40	Lion's Plaza	Dawn Navara	507-525-5175
Minnesota Lake	12:00	Bremer's House	Vern & Darlene	507-462-3518
LUNCH				
Blue Earth	1:25 PM	Statue Park		
Winnebago	1:45	Ron's Plumbing		
Amboy	2:00	Bottoms Up Café		
Lake Crystal	2:30	Kevin's IGA	Tom Farrell	507-848-1430
Mankato	2:55	Best Western Inn		
Mankato Key City	2:55	Best Western Inn	Wayne May	507-388-8233
Mankato Sunrise	2:55	Best Western Inn	Richard Wheeler	507-340-4790
Eagle Lake	3:10	CornerStone State Bank	Bob Van Deusen	
St Peter	3:30	River Rock Coffee Shop	Stuart Carlson	763-244-6900
Nicollet	3:50	New Sweden Mutual Ins	Kevin Blank	507-351-8459
Courtland	4:10	312 Foothills Road	Lowell & Char	320-212-8956
Lafayette Area	4:30	Citizens Bank	Ruth Klossner	507-240-0084
Gibbon	4:55	D's Pit Stop		
Winthrop	5:10	Hahn's Café	Chuck Toltzman	507-647-2660
<b>April 2, 2020 Thursday</b>				
Sibley East Leos Jr	8:55	Sibley East		
Sibley East Leos Sr	8:55	Sibley East		
Arlington	8:55	Sibley East	Nancy Mathwig	612-741-1026
Green Isle	9:10	CornerStone State		
Norwood Young America	9:10	CornerStone State		
Hamburg	9:25	State Bank of Hamburg		
NYA West Carver	9:45	Old National		
Plato	10:00	Plato Home Center	Ken & Myra Franke	320-238-2370
Glencoe	10:20	Bump's Café		
New Auburn	10:45	Security Bank		
Brownton	11:10	Security Bank		
Stewart	11:30	City Hall	Orville Trentin	320-212-6186
Hutchinson Lioness	11:55	Kamrath Chiro Office		
Hutchinson	11:55	125 S Main Street		
Silver Lake	12:15	American Legion	Brian Fehrenbach	320-327-3082
LUNCH				
Lester Prairie	1:25	Greater MN. Signs	Troy Feltmann	320-282-6520
Winsted	1:30	Subway (Highway 1)	Daryl Kiefer	612-718-4650
Watertown	1:55	Citizens Alliance Bank		
Watertown Leos	1:55	Citizens Alliance Bank		
Mayer Area	2:15	1st MN. Bank	Patty Lanting	
Chanhassen	2:50	Am Legion Parking Lot	Tom Workman	952-250-4924
Victoria	3:05	Old National	David Lura	952-443-0197
Waconia	3:20	Security Bank	Matt Sackett	952-442-7473
Cologne	3:35	Community Center	Tom Stuewe	952-466-2570
Cologne Leos	3:35	Community Center		
Carver	3:50	Gazebo Park	Marvin Grimm	952-448-9465
Chaska	4:05	Old National	Julie Koosman	952-448-9895
Shakopee	4:20	O'Brien Public House	Scott Trosen	
Shakopee Valley	4:20	O'Brien Public House	Anita Whittington	612-281-7336
Shakopee Leos	4:25	O'Brien Public House		
Prior Lake	4:55	Velishek Auto	Loretta Klenke	952-913-8123
<b>April 3, 2020 Friday</b>				
Jordan	8:00 AM	McDonald's	Scott Guss	952-492-2758
Jordaness	8:00	McDonald's	Martha Reger	952-492-2025
Belle Plaine	8:20	Coborn's Liquor	Brian Burtness	
Henderson	8:45	Road Haus	Roger Graham	612-799-6026
LeSueur	9:00	Parking Lot	Shirley Hesperheide	612-756-1538
Le Center	9:25	Home Plate	Denny Lang	
Montgomery	9:40	Mackenthun's	Denise Wondra	952-380-6299
New Prague	10:00	Ettlin's Café	Al Hanson	952-500-0962
Veseli	10:20	GoldSmith Eye Care-NP		
Lonsdale	10:40	Lions Park		
NEW	11:10	New Market Bank	Lora Vogel	952-240-6943
Northfield	11:45	Lions Riverside Park	Todd Bornhauser	507-663-0366
Northfield Cannon Valley	11:45	Lions Riverside Park	Douglas Larson	952-356-6922
Northfield Leos	11:45	Lions Riverside Park		

### Another Awesome Polar Plunge by 5M2!!

I am thrilled to report that 5M2 had a very successful Polar Plunge on February 1st in St Peter at Hallet's Pond and were very well represented. Those brave enough to plunge consisted of 29 Lions, 4 Leos and 15 guests for a total of 48 plungers that helped raise over \$9000 for Special Olympics!! If you see these Lions, please give them a shoutout for participating: Lions: Jon Buck, Tom Coleman, Bob Guenin, Chad Haremza, Tim Hoeben, Mike Joyce, Jon Mocal, Ryan Paulson, Kurt Schoeneker Scott Swanson, Mark Westm, Nate Windschitl, Tyler Wolfswinkel (all from the Shakopee Lions) Lion Holly Buck (Shakopee Valley Lions) Leo Greta Windschitl (Shakopee Leos) Lions Don Wickenhauser and Hilary Wickenhauser (Cologne Lions) Leos Vincent Wickenhauser, Charlie Kerber and Trenton Knutson (Cologne Leos) Lions Harry Klenke and Jeff Carlson (Prior Lake Lions) Lions Tom Hoffman and Don Selvig (Winnebago Lions) Lion Kathleen Bleckeberg (Alden Lions) Lion Janet Knakmuhs (Lake Crystal Lions), Lions

Tim Nightingale and Tony Oldenburg (Jordan Lions) Lion Andrea Oldenburg (Jordaness Lions) Lions Joe Maki, Ray Forniak and Dan Foriank (New Auburn Lions) and myself (Nicollet Lions)

In addition, there will be 4 Leos from the Watertown Leo Club that will be plunging in March.

This was the 14th year the Nicollet County Law Enforcement has hosted the Polar Plunge and they topped the \$1,000,000 mark this year. 5M2 Lions have been participating for the last 5 years and are proud to have helped reach this milestone for Special Olympics. The funds used over the years have impacted thousands of Minnesota Special Olympic Athletes by allowing them to transform themselves by the inclusion of sports, along with health and leadership programs. Way to go 5M2 Lions!





## ***Leaving Prison Behind – A Prison Puppies Perspective***

*By Puppy Raiser John, condensed by Lion Loretta Klenke, Leader Dog Co-chair*

There is a saying among prisoners, everyone has their bit to do, some shorter than others. But each is long enough to impact a person's life. Puppy raiser John had this perspective on his prison experience.

When one enters a prison, and the door closes, the prison becomes your home, many do not use home instead refer to their "cell". Many people feel they are held against their will, therefore prison cannot be "home". John was in prison when this article was written, his joy in life does not come from his location or circumstances that brought him to this place.

When I leave this prison, I will not miss paying bills, I will not miss the routine. I will miss the men I have shared my laughs, tears, successes and failures. I will miss the simplicity of life. Especially I will miss Leader Dog Prison Puppies and the people from Leader Dog I worked with and gave me a purpose.

About two years ago, John asked to join the Leader Dog Prison Puppies with his Bunkie. My Bunkie had been approached to sign up, but he would not unless I was his partner. We became close friends and jailing together was easy. After several months with training older dogs, we felt we were ready for a puppy.

It was January when our puppy arrived. Our first day after acquiring the puppy was rather ruff for us and the puppy. It not particularly easy to live in a cinder block bathroom with another man. Add a puppy and even the best situations can be stressful. Small things like who has the puppy when or how to handle behavior problems became issues in a hurry. Small tensions grew and even became enormous. We quickly learned the difficulties of raising and training a puppy, one thing seemed to offset every negative, the puppy itself.

As months passed, we dealt with whatever arose. From everyday training, and care of the puppy, to a vet evaluation in Rochester, we learned together and grew. So did our female black lab, who now works with a client in Florida. After my first day with the puppy I was hooked. As an inmate, the opportunity to "give back" to society became important. Leader Dog Puppies gave me a purpose in ways that many lacked previously. Our families and friends could see that working with the puppy gave us great joy in being part of something so altruistic, gives meaning to the program. It gave a humanizing factor in a place that feels so dehumanizing. Even for lifers, it gives an opportunity for joy, love, and host of emotions they may never have an opportunity to experience. The intrinsic rewards of doing a good job at something bigger than yourself is the best part.

The dogs eventually leave through the same gates we hope to leave some day. That day can be difficult. John has left prison, and speaks of being nervous of what lies ahead, but understands the importance of the relationships he had in prison. Those relationships will not end, but change. John wishes to continue to work with Leader Dog. John has learned the joys of volunteering and giving back. Leader Dog has taught him to focus my time and energy to do good.

I would love to visit Lion Clubs or Leo's to show you a video on puppy raising in prisons. Please contact me at [lm.klenke@outlook.com](mailto:lm.klenke@outlook.com). Yes, it is a new email, someone hacked my old one. Or phone me at 952-445-0289.

Lion Emmy and I would like to extend our gratitude to all the clubs who donated money to the Parade of Green during the Midwinter Convention. The money will impact the life of the visually impaired clients of the Leader Dog Program. Dogs are free to clients, with raising and breeding puppies, closing on the \$30,000, your dollars will be well received.

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

Submit your club events and Lions program articles to:  
[5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com)



## LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) has announced for the 2019 - 2020 school year that there will be 3 US \$2,500 scholarships awarded. Graduating Leos OR graduating sons/daughters, grandsons/granddaughters of Lions or Lioness are eligible to apply for the LITPC Youth Scholarship. The LITPC goal is to help our future leaders and give students a financial helping hand. **Last year the recipients were from Minnesota, Ohio and Oklahoma.** The 2020 recipients will be announced at the LITPC Pin Traders Annual Breakfast in June, 2020.

Selection of the scholarship recipients will be based on academic achievement, an essay stating the student's goals, a statement of reason(s) for applying and an overview of work, community and school service, and letters of recommendation.

The current forms for the scholarships are available on line at [www.litpc.org](http://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, 2020** to:

Lion Bill Guthrie, Scholarship Chairman [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com) #763-786-8072

You can either email me your application **OR** call me and I will give you my mailing address. Thank You and Good Luck to all!!

The LITPC takes great pride in fulfilling the motto of Lions Clubs International,

**“WE SERVE”**



## LIONS', LEOS' CLUBS NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

### Chanhasen Lions

The Chanhasen Lions had a busy meeting on Monday 1/27 when DG Brian and Lion Rose Thies visited our club. The Chan club thanks DG Brian and Lion Rose Thies for visiting our club.



Above: Years of service awards for Dan Mertes (15), Annette Fossum (10) and Glenn Kaufmann (10)

Below: Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards for Lion Gary Haberman and Lion Vicki Franzen.



New members Tim Schultz and Derek Johnson with their sponsors Tom Wilson and AJ Feuerhelm.



Above: Tree Lot "stump" award to given Tim Cox from Lion President Brad Kingsley (a "traveling trophy" for a Lion giving extra effort at the Christmas tree lot)

The club "worker bee" award to Phyllis Graikowski (this also qualifies her as our club's nominee for Zone Lion of the Year).



District Governor inducted our newest member to the NYA Lions Club at our Jan. 28th meeting. Shown above is Mary Nicholson, sponsor Lion, new member Kayla Ford and District Governor Thies.

### NYA West Carver Lions

The following Lions were awarded their 30 year chevron for their years of service with the NYA West Carver Lions by District Governor Brian Thies at their meeting on Jan. 28th. Pictured are Cathleen Williams, Miriam Brelje, Darlene Mondor, Pat Clark, District Governor Thies, LaVonne Kroells, Mary Spille.



### Jordaness Lions Club

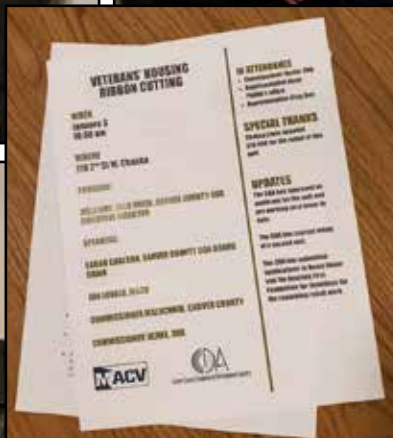


A fun afternoon was had at the Jordaness Lions Annual Bowling event on January 25th. Prizes, raffles, bowling, visiting, and lots of laughs all benefiting great projects!



Jordaness club members served hungry basketball fans during recent girls' and boys' basketball games at Jordan High School. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to provide scholarships for graduating seniors.

### Chaska Lions Club



### 5M2 Mid Winter Convention Fun



# Green Isle Lions Sausage Breakfast

Sunday March 1st  
8:00 to 12:30  
Green Isle Fire Station



We Serve



Net proceeds will benefit Andrea Harbarth of Gaylord, MN who is currently battling stage 4 Colorectal Cancer.

Serving two types of Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Hash Browns, Fresh Fruit, Texas Toast, Juice and Coffee.



New this year--Biscuits and Gravy

No Advance Tickets--Free Will Offering Carry Outs Available

# HAMBURG LIONS PURSE BINGO



\$25 for 10.00 games

Must be 18 years of age to participate

Door prizes and raffle drawings available

Breakfast sandwiches, Bloody Marys, Mimosas and other beverages available for purchase

Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> 10 A.M.

(Doors open at 8 A.M.)

Hamburg Community Hall  
Hamburg, MN

Proceeds go towards Hamburg Lions Community projects  
Donate your old eyeglasses for recycling in third-world countries



# VESELI AREA LIONS BEER BASH

SATURDAY MARCH 14<sup>th</sup> 2020

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Brewster's Bar & Grill  
Veseli



Music by Barry's Beats  
9:00 - 12:30

\$5.00 donation - tickets available from:  
Veseli Area Lions Members and Brewster's Bar & Grill



## St. Patrick's Day Dinner



Sunday, March 15  
11:00 - 3:00 p.m.

At the Alden American Legion

Featuring:  
Irish Stew & Soda Bread  
& Dessert

Tickets: \$7  
Extra bowl of stew: \$2

Sponsored by:  
Alden Area Lions



All proceeds go to support  
Alden Area Lions Community  
projects.



Glencoe Lions Club Annual

# SPRING BRUNCH



Menu Includes:

Pancakes, Sausage, Ham, Eggs, Toast, Fruit,  
100% Pure Maple Syrup, Milk, Juice & Coffee

*All you care to eat!*

## Sunday March 29, 2020

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**Pla-Mor Ballroom - Glencoe, MN**

Advance Adult (11 & up) \$11.00;

At Door - \$12.00

Children ages 4-10 - \$5.00

Children 3 and under - FREE

*Tickets are available at: Franklin Printing, Coborn's or a Lions Club Member*

**Proceeds Go To Community Projects**

Collection boxes will be available for used Eye Glasses and Hearing Aids

TEAM



**SAMSON T.**

**MARCH FOR BABIES  
FUNDRAISER**



MAYER AREA



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## 5TH ANNUAL VENDOR/CRAFT SALE FUNDRAISER

Join us for our 5th annual  
March for Babies fundraiser!

Saturday, April 18, 2020

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

**Mayer Community Center  
413 Bluejay Avenue - Mayer, MN**

# SILVER LAKE LIONS CLUB ANNUAL SAUSAGE SUPPER



Thursday, April 23, 2020  
SILVER LAKE AUDITORIUM  
SERVING FROM 4:30 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

### TICKETS

ADULTS	\$8.00
4 TO 12	\$4.00
3 AND UNDER	FREE

### MENU

POLISH SAUSAGE!		CORN
CHEESEY HASH-BROWN POTATOES		SAUERKRAUT
BREAD		DESSERT
MILK AND COFFEE		

*Proceeds will go to the  
Silver Lake Fire Department /  
Silver Lake Ambulance  
Thank You!*



Jordaness Lions present a night of



at the Ridges of Sand Creek  
2,175 Ridges Drive, Jordan  
Friday, April 24th, 6-7 pm social hour

The FUN begins at 7 pm

play 15 games for \$15.00

**AWESOME BINGO PRIZES!!!**

Food + refreshments will be available

- 2 - 50/50 Drawings
- pekarna Meat Raffles



It's all about the FUN!!!

BINGO April 24, 2020

BINGO April 24, 2020



**MAYER AREA**



**HAVE FUN!**

While helping us support your community!

**APRIL 25 2020**

**Mayer Community Center**  
413 Bluejay Ave N, Mayer, MN 55360

5:30 PM - Food Service  7:00 PM - First Bingo Game

**20 Games for only \$10**

Play a 21st game if you donate \$5 or bring at least 4 non-perishable food items for the local food shelf!

 Food	 Cash Bar
 Yeti Cooler Raffle	 Door Prizes
 Meat Raffle	 Coach Purse Raffle
 50/50 Raffle	





Henderson Lions Club

# Spaghetti Feed



Henderson Community Building

**Sunday, April 26, 2020**  
4:00-7:00 p.m.

Adults	\$9.00	Proceeds to be used for Henderson Lions projects
Children 5-10	\$5.00	
Under 5	free	

**Join us June 6, 2020 for the Ninth Annual D-Foot Hearing Loss Fundraiser Walk**



**Event Details:**  
**June 6, 2020**  
**9:30 a.m.**  
Landscape Arboretum  
Chaska, MN

With your \$25.00 registration/donation you receive:

- Entrance to the Landscape Arboretum for the day
- Event t-shirt
- Lunch (including root-beer floats)
- Featuring the Teddy Bear Band
- Lots of children's activities, games & prizes
- Fun for families of all ages
- Great Club Activity Event
- A chance to change a child's life through your \$25.00 registration/donation

**Bring the whole family for a day of fun for all ages!!!!**

**Kids 12 & Under get in free!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! June 6, 2020**

**FEATURING:**

**TEDDY BEAR BAND**

Dance to the Teddy Bear Band while having fun with Goldy!!!




Visit us for more info at: [www.5mhf.org](http://www.5mhf.org)

## Wanted: Host Families for Summer Lion Youth Exchange Program

The Lions International Youth Exchange Program has over 30 youth traveling to Minnesota this summer to participate in the Lions Youth Exchange Program and they are in need of families willing to host them. They come from 18-20 different countries and typically stay for the month of July.

Lions, their friends, and other local volunteers can serve as Lions youth exchange host families. It is not mandatory for host families to have children the same age as the Lions youth exchangee. However, host families should enjoy the company of young people.

Host families agree to provide meals and lodging for the young person. In exchange, the young visitor agrees to participate in daily family activities.

For more information about this exciting opportunity, or if you would like a club presentation:

Contact Jim Walters, [golfwithjim@gmail.com](mailto:golfwithjim@gmail.com) or call 952.239.2559.

**Youth Camps & Exchange**

**Rochester...**

*... Our VISION is 20/20*

**Go to MD5M Website:**  
<https://www.lionsmd5m.org/>  
**Scroll Down to the bottom of  
 the page for links**

✚ **May 1-3, 2020**—Rochester, MN ----- Rochester Civic Center Venue

Remember: Online Registration.



**Past International President Tam will be our guest! Let me know if you plant trees. He would love it.** [malunde@bevcomm.net](mailto:malunde@bevcomm.net)

**Facebook Page: 2020 MD5M Convention**

**2019/2020 Multiple District Convention Registration Information and Hotel Booking and more...  
 click CTR key the following link: [Lions Microsite Link](#)**

- ✚ Kahler Hotel for Housing—being renovated!
- ✚ Working on transportation between the main venues
- ✚ 17-piece Jazz Band playing 40's, 50's, 60's music Friday PM
- ✚ 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lions Gift of Sight (AKA Lions Eye Bank)
- ✚ Use the 20/20 theme for vision references
- ✚ 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Canada making us an INTERNATIONAL organization
- ✚ Incorporate Lions Global Causes into the MD5M Convention
- ✚ Post Town Winery (4 miles from Civic Center) --- Salem Glen Winery (10 miles from Civic Center)  
 4 Daughters Winery (23 miles from Civic Center)
- ✚ Oxbow Park and Zollman Zoo (13 miles from Civic Center)
- ✚ '0' K walk incorporating Rochester's famous Canada Geese population
- ✚ World famous Mayo Clinic across from the Kahler Hotel (tours available)
- ✚ MN Lions Hearing Foundation speaker (cochlear implant recipient for example)
- ✚ Sunday Brunch Speaker Matt Logan. Facebook: [MattLoganSpeaks](#) to learn more!



**Please feel free to share this document so others may have the links!!**



# Registration Form

One form per person, please, OR use the Link To sign up online with a credit card.

[Lions Microsite Link](#)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Timer to a MD5M Convention \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip-Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Prices beginning March 1

Full Hospitality Package \_\_\_\_\_ (\$120) US Dollars Please!

Friday Social \_\_\_\_\_ (\$24) Sat. Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_ (\$25)

Sat. Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ (\$31) Sat. Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ (\$48)

Sun. Brunch \_\_\_\_\_ (\$27)

Special Dietary Needs: Vegetarian **Gluten Free** **Vegan** Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to request Braille documents: Circle: YES NO

I am attending the convention, but NO meals are required. A \$10.00 charge includes a Name Badge and Pin.

Are you interested in the "0" K walk fundraiser for 2<sup>nd</sup> IVP Brian Sheehan? Shirts should be around \$20. YES NO

Pay by Check: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date on Check \_\_\_\_\_

Check Payable to: Stewartville Morning Lions MEMO: 2020 Rochester

Send to Nadeen Lunde, PO Box 373, Pine Island, MN 55963

507-356-4504 or 507-581-6411 Below is the to the Online Registration, Hotel Information and much more...

Click CTR and left click this link. [Lions Microsite Link](#)