



5M-2 Lions' News



July 2024

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Awesome...and that's a fact Jack.

Lion Lisa Kaufmann, District Governor

In the words of PIP Brian Sheehan, Lions are awesome and that's a fact Jack. The 106th International Convention in Melbourne did not disappoint. It was an incredible experience and one I will not soon forget. As I write this newsletter, Lion Glenn and I are still in Melbourne, and I am enjoying a view of the city from our hotel room.

The convention began with our fourth and final day of training for our DG year. We received a preview of what to expect for the 2024-2025 Lions year, IP Fabricio Oliveira's theme and goals.

The day was capped off with a celebration banquet and time to connect with friends we made along our journey is part of DG Group 31.

Make Your Mark is the 2024-2025 presidential theme. In everything we do as Lions, whether we are fundraising, serving, or giving we are making a mark on individuals, our communities and beyond. Now is the time to plan what you are going to do as a Lion and a club to make your mark. Please share how you are making your mark through social media, newspapers, in our newsletter and with the Lions Magazine. The more we share, the more the word gets out what Lions do.

There are a number of goals LCI has sent for each DG and their district. This month I am going to focus on membership. Our district has a goal of adding 205 new Lions, ending the year with a net gain of plus 4 and adding one new club. In order to track our progress, there will be a report in each newsletter.

There is a new look to the newsletter and would like to hear your thoughts. You can provide them either to me (lionlisakaufmann@yahoo.com) or to the newsletter editor (5M2newslettereditor@gmail.com). If you have suggestions as to what to add, remove or change please send it our way.

In closing, please keep those impacted by the flooding in your thoughts and prayers. Lion Glenn and I have been keeping any eye on it from abroad. On CNN this morning, there was coverage of the flooding, and it looks completely devastating. There have been many contacts from our Lions family in MD5M asking how they can help. PDG Anna Wickenhauser has been spearheading the effort and much more information will be forthcoming (if not already by the time you read this).

Lions Rock!

"Rock and roll is not one music but many." *Robert Palmer.*
Similarly, Lions is not one person but many all coming together to Serve!

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We Serve

Welcome to the New Lion Year!



*Lion Shermayne Cross
1st Vice District Governor*

Congratulations to DG Lisa who is now the District Governor of 5M-2. It all happened in Melbourne, Australia during the 106th International Lions Convention. Can't wait to hear about the experiences she and PCC Glenn had during their week in Australia. Also, International Pres-

ident Fabricio Oliveira was installed to his new position and Dr. Patti Hill is now the Immediate Past President and the LCIF chairperson. Congratulations are in order for all the newly elected Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Vice Presidents, Directors, and Cabinet members in 5M-2; your official start date was July 1.

A "New Lion Year" could symbolize a fresh start, new projects to undertake, and goals to set in your own clubs. If your club has never worked to complete the Club Excellence award this would be a wonderful goal to start with. Clubs must meet specific requirements in four categories:

Membership, Service, Leadership & Organizational Excellence and Marketing. Most clubs are already doing projects that will fit into these categories and by tweaking or adding 1-2 additional items you will meet all the goals. Use the application as your road map to succeed in all categories. You can download an application at: lionsclubs.org

I am working on the 2024-25 Directory and finding a few clubs who have not registered their President or Secretary in the Portal. Please complete that as soon as possible. If you need help with anything on the Portal, please let me know or 2VDG Chuck Toltzman.

FYI: LCIF raised \$75 million dollars this past year. WOW, AWESOME, UNBELIEVABLE!!!! Thank you to all Lions in 5M-2 who donated to the Foundation. The great work continues...

Enjoy your summer with car shows, festivals, fairs, corn feeds and all the wonderful helping hands that Lions do.

Until next time... "Be Kind, Help Others, Have FUN, Make a Difference in Your Community"

DRIVING THE DG

Submitted by: PCC Glenn Kaufmann

July 2024

- 3rd Chanhassen Business Expo
- 8th Waterville Lions Officer Installation & Meeting
- 15th Hamburg Lions Officer Installation & Meeting
- 17th Minnesota Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation Mtg.
- 19th Sheehan Welcome Home Party
- 20th MD5M Council of Governors Meeting
- 22nd Chanhassen Lions Officer Installation & Meeting
- 28th 5M-2 Cabinet Meeting



Hello Fellow Lions!



*Chuck Toltzman
2nd Vice District Governor*

This being my first of about thirty newsletter articles that I will be writing for the Lions of 5M-2. My mind has been on what I should say that sounds intelligent, honest, sincere, and entertaining. While I will not be able to hit on all four cylinders in one article, I do hope that over the

next three years I can at least do one of these in a single article and accomplish them all by the end of three years.

On the fourth of July we celebrate our Nations birthday. This got me thinking about the Lions birthday. We do not often celebrate it. But do we know when and where the Lions started? For sure the first meeting was on June 17, 1917. By a group of twelve men led by our founder Melvin Jones. Later that year they held their first National Convention in Dallas Texas. Twenty-two clubs were represented by Thirty-six delegates. Not exactly a booming organization yet. By 1920 there had been many clubs joining the organization here in the United States and in Canada. So, at a convention held in Windsor Ontario of that year giving the organization is proper name "The International Association of Lions Clubs."

Now Lions are recognized by their emblem throughout the world. It consists of the Gold Letter "L" in the circular purple. Bordering the circular gold area with "Lions" at the top and "International" on the bottom. The Lion has two faces, representing the past and the future. The motto "We Serve" was adopted. Purple represents loyalty to friends, self and integrity of mind and heart. Gold symbolizes sincerity of purpose, liberality in judgment, purity of life and generosity in mind, heart, and purpose towards humanity. The slogan of "LIONS" means: "Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nations Safety."

Today the Lions have over 1.4 million members in over 210 countries. We are currently working to get over the 1.5 million members within the next couple of years. But we need to have every club's help and every member to make this happen. I would like to start with every club in 5M-2 getting at least one new member. This would be an awesome start getting to our goal of 1.5 members. I will be tracking each club this year to help you make it happen. If you need help, please reach out to one of the District Governor's team so we can be there to help.

I am here to serve you, help serve others.
"We Serve"





5M-2 Disaster Relief

Lions of MD5M,

District 5M-2 is currently facing unprecedented devastation caused by heavy rains and flooding. Massive flooding is now impacting nearly half of Minnesota. More than 20 river gauges across the Upper Midwest have hit major flood stage, with more rain expected in flood-soaked areas. It is imperative for Lions to take the lead in supporting fellow Lions and the communities we serve during this challenging time.

We are looking for help to all those that have suffered great loss and destruction due to the flooding.

Water levels on the Minnesota, Mississippi and Crow rivers are expected to see their highest levels in at least a decade.



5M-2 District Governor Lisa and her Disaster Relief Team have devised a plan to assist Lions Clubs in 5M-2 as they navigate through this unfamiliar territory.

Our district is exploring avenues and will be seeking a grant from LCIF. Unfortunately it's times like these, that we Lions realize the importance and need for LCIF and why it's necessary for all of us to support our Foundation. Where there's a need, LCIF is there!

The Lions of 5M-2 will also need donations to supplement the LCIF grants, as they have greater flexibility and less restrictions, and can be used to fill in the gaps left by the LCIF funds.

Stay tuned for updates from the Disaster Relief Team on ways you can contribute financially and with your skills.

Remember, you are not alone in this endeavor. Your Lions family stands united with you. As Helen Keller once said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

On Behalf of the Leadership Team of 5M-2



Any questions please email Lion Rose @ rthies001@gmail.com.

Mail to:

Attn: District 5M-2 - Disaster Relief

Cornerstone State Bank

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Green Isle, MN 55338-0128

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NORTHERN PRIDE LIONS FORUM

FRI. SEP. 20 – SAT. SEP. 21



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Keynote Speakers
Past International President Lion Brian Sheehan
& Lion Lori Sheehan

All Lions are invited to attend!

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<https://forum.northernpridelions.com/>

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation

D FEET WALK was held at the MN Landscape Arboretum June 1st. This is the major fundraiser for the Hearing Foundation. The weather was beautiful and a fun day was had by all. Thank you to all the Lions that volunteered to help with putting up tents, registration, making and serving food and overseeing all the childrens' projects.

Interested in the Affordable Hearing Aid program? Applications are available on the Lions Hearing Foundation web-site.

Trustees: PDG Kathleen Bleckberg and Lion Wanda Breimhorst.



Photos submitted by: Jordness, Carver, and Le Sueur Lions



Kidsight is continuing to grow with more Lions being trained and clubs requesting cameras. We currently have four cameras in the district and two clubs, NEW and Chaska Lions whom own their own cameras. If our district is in a bind we can use those clubs' cameras. It is best to get dates for camera use scheduled sooner than later. To reserve a camera please contact Lion Harry Klenke lm.klenke@outlook.com or phone 952-445-0289. I have a new partner this coming year, Lion Carol Oraskovich cro1547@yahoo.com or phone 952-212-2674. Lion Carol is from the Norwood West Carver Lions Club. We had 20 Lions attend the recent Kidsight Training in Arlington. Thank You to PDG Nancy Mathwig in assisting in obtaining the site.

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

Kidsight is looking for volunteers at the Minnesota State Fair. Kidsight is completed on youth 6 months to 18 years of age all 12 days of the fair. 5M2 day at the fair is Thursday August 29th. There are 4 shifts, and one does not need to know how to operate a camera to volunteer. We need at least 6 volunteers per shift. We are located in the KARE 11 Health Care building. As a thank you for volunteering, you will receive per snail mail FREE complementary tickets to the state fair. We need Lions to volunteer as soon as possible. You may have a friend who is not a Lion assist in this project. Below is the Sign-Up genius address to volunteer. Thank You. Please contact Lion Harry if you are having problems.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D45ADAC2FA7F58-48608689-state#/>

Camp Volunteers Needed Sunday, July 28 and Thursday, August 1



Thanks in advance to all the Lions Clubs that have supported Camp Sweet Life - for kids with Type 1 Diabetes! We are in our 14th year of providing diabetes camp and could use a few volunteers!

Volunteer Needed Specifics:

Location of Camp: Camp Courage, Maple Lake MN (8046 83rd St. N.W. Maple Lake, MN 55358)

Dates needing volunteers: Sunday, July 28th and Thursday, August 01

Doing what: helping with registration, driving a golf cart, helping with Tie-Dye activities!

To volunteer - contact Lion Rene' Maes at 507-995-6910 cell or email Rene at Rene.Maes@campsweetlife.org

Below is a specific need for volunteers from 2pm - 5pm on Sunday, July 28th helping with a tie-dye activity.

Sunday - 2pm – 5pm helping with Tie-Dye – shirts Volunteers (lead by Kristin) – 5 volunteers (snack provided plus a free Camp Free Shirt (while supplies last on Camp Shirt)!

Name	Cell#
1. Robin - Sunrise Lions Club	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____



TRUE FRIENDS

True Friends Annual Breakfast



**October 1,
2024**
SAVE THE DATE

Save the Date for our True Friends Annual Breakfast on October 1, 2024. Hear stories from current participants and their families, enjoy a hot meal, and meet others in the True Friends community.

We'd love for you to join us! RSVP will be available later this summer.

Can Do Canines to Host Open House August 20

Can Do Canines invites you to attend an open house on Tuesday, August 20, from 6-8 p.m., at its Can Do Canines campus (9440 Science Center Drive, New Hope, Minnesota). Potential volunteers, clients, or anyone who might be interested in supporting the organization can join us to learn how an assistance dog changes the life of a person with a disability.

Through a self-guided tour, attendees will be able to watch a trainer working with an assistance dog, hear from a volunteer dog host, talk with staff members from the volunteer department, pose questions to client services coordinators about the application process, and meet graduate teams from five types of areas Can Do Canines trains dogs: hearing, mobility, seizure, diabetes, and childhood autism.

There is no pre-registration for this event, though attendees will be asked to share some contact information when arriving.

To request a sign language interpreter for the Open House, please contact Laurie at lcarlson@candocanines.org or 763-331-3000 at least two weeks in advance. We'll do our best to accommodate late requests, but availability is not guaranteed.

Also, the first 75 people in attendance will receive free Culver's custard!

More information about Can Do Canines is at www.candocanines.org.



Scenes from the 106th Lions International Convention



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Lions', Leos' Clubs News and Activities Brownton Lions

The Brownton Lions had a guest speaker, Jocelyn Buckentin from McLeod for Tomorrow. She explained how it works and the importance of this Group. Certificates were handed out to two new members; Kelcie Howe and Kristina Howe. Jackie Pohlmer received her certificates and pins for bringing in new members.

We talked about Brownton Days, July 19 & 20. Meat raffle

at the Brownton Bar & Grill with many activities throughout the day. Come and join the fun.

Upcoming Corn Feed August 12th. Fire department will have their water hose game with the kids.

Held our yearly election. Jan Messner will remain President and Rich Pohlmer will be Vice President.



Carver Lions

The Carver Lions had two events in June 2024. We had a number of members who participated in the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation DFeet walk at the Landscape Arboretum. Lion Dean was once again grill master during the event.

During our June member meeting we inducted our new officers. Thank you to our outgoing officers including Lion Bob (President) and Lion Cathy (Treasurer).



Jordaness Lions

The community of Jordan hosted the State High School Baseball tournament in June. For the last many years, our club has been in charge of running the concession stand during the tournament. This is a really fun service project for us; working alongside other community groups/individuals and serving the visitors to the baseball park.



Each June, the Jordaness Lions take time to celebrate the year and celebrate with each other. We are a diverse group of women who came together under a shared passion for service and are now great friends, inside and outside of the club interactions!

We missed a few members who were not able to attend this meeting and we want to extend our gratitude for what they bring to the club too!



DG Christy inducted the new club officers for the 2024 - 2025 Lions year.



The Jordaness Lions Board created two new awards a few years ago to recognize members during our final membership meeting of the fiscal year; "All About the Fun Award" and "Heart of the Pride Award".

This year's recipients, Lion Deb Peluso-Ayers received the "All About the Fun Award" and Lion Colleen Eischens received the "Heart of the Pride Award"! Club President, Lion Sue Hovland had the pleasure to present each very deserving Lion with the awards.



5M-2 Lions' News Newsletter Deadline: 15th of each month...

Submit your club events and Lions program articles to:
5M2newslettereditor@gmail.com

What are your clubs doing for Service? Share the NEWS!!

Prior Lake Lions



The Prior Lake Lions have been busy the past few months. The end of April the Prior Lake Lion's completed our Highway clean up project on South Minnesota Highway 13. No eventful fines this year.

In early May, we worked with the Prior Lake Savage Schools nursing staff completing Kidsight at St. Michaels Catholic Schools. 138 children were screened with 2 referrals. Due to Covid in the past years, this was the first screening since 4-5 years ago.



We continue to collect plastic throughout the year. We have placed have 8 benches throughout Prior Lake the community. We also sponsored 3 students with scholarships to Camp Sweet Life. According the Prior Lake Savage Schools nursing staff we have 9 total students attending the Camp this summer.

On June 1st, Prior Lake Lions attended the Defeat Hearing walk at the University of Minnesota Arboretum. Members enjoyed walking around the site taking in the beauty of the site. Our club was a Gold Sponsor of the event.



We have our six recipients chosen for the Prior Lake Lions scholarships to graduating seniors. We award scholarships to students whom may not receive the big scholarships but look for students whom are in need and will probably succeed in their future endeavors. Our club celebrates these winners by inviting them to our June dinner meeting with their parents for recognition by the club.

July 12th the Prior Lake Lions volunteer at the Lakefront Music Fest. We will be working the early shift on Friday evening, Rock and Roll night with Pat Benatar as headliner. We will be scanning tickets at both admission gates. If you attend the Lakefront Music fest, please say hello to a fellow Lion.

Eagle Lake Lions

Recently the Eagle Lake Area Lions Club partnered with the City of Eagle Lake to purchase, distribute and plant trees in our community. We did this as part of the larger initiative in our Multiple District. 153 trees were purchased, distributed and planted in our community! Pictured here on tree distribution day are Lions: Mark Venem, Mary Kaul, Sara Venem, Jeff Kaul, Angela Putnam, Jennifer Bromeland, Bill Mauel, Kate Mauel. Also pictured is the City of Eagle Lake Climate Corp volunteer, Nathan Hyde.



CHANHASSEN LIONS

Senior Picnic

Chanhassen Lions in conjunction with the City of Chanhassen holds an annual picnic in Lake Ann Park. The club had the pleasure of serving over 170 seniors.

Waconia Lions

On Saturday, May 18th the Waconia Lions club sold Concessions at the Walk on Waconia with help from the Waconia Dandy Lions. On June 7th and 8th the Waconia Lions sold concessions at the Waconia Rodeo. The Dandy Lions helped again by selling raffle tickets for the Lake Waconia Fireworks Association.



LeSueur Lions

On June 10th, the Le Sueur Lions held their highly anticipated 18th annual golf tournament at the beautiful Le Sueur Country Club. The event drew in 25 teams of passionate golfers, all eager to test their mettle on the course and enjoy a day of

friendly competition. The weather could not have been better, providing the perfect backdrop for a day filled with golf, camaraderie, and community spirit. Many of the golfers brought their best game, leading to some remarkable scores and thrilling matches. The success of the tournament was made possible by the generosity of our sponsors, including 6 Gold sponsors and over 75 Hole sponsors, who contributed to the event's prizes and raffle. Additional activities such as a putting tournament, won by Scott Axtell, skins, mulligan sales, and a raffle further added to the excitement of the day. In conclusion, it was a truly successful and enjoyable event for all who participated.



LeSueur Lions continued...

On Thursday June 13th, the Le Sueur Lions Club joined forces with the Le Sueur Garden Club to focus on our pollinator garden at Jo Eagle Anderson park, which was adopted by the Lions early in 2020. Since adopting the park, the Lions have been working diligently to enhance its beauty and make it a welcoming space for visitors. The collaboration between the two clubs was an excellent opportunity to combine their efforts and create a pollinator garden that will thrive and benefit the local ecosystem.



Le Sueur's Police Chief Pilar Stier attended our monthly meeting on June 18th, introduced herself, and addressed any questions from the Lions Club. We appreciated her visit and look forward to working together in the future. (Photo Right)



On June 22nd, despite the flooding, the Le Sueur Lions participated in the Giant Days kickoff by serving watermelon and engaging with numerous community members. The grand marshals were revealed to be Art and Barb Straub, who have a long history in education in the Le Sueur Henderson school district and continue to positively impact the community through their dedication to learning. Congratulations to the Straubs! (Photos Below)



Victoria Lion Plan Major Club Expansion!

Excitement and energy is growing within the Victoria Lions Club. The club has set an aggressive goal of gaining 20 new members this year. The initiative has been dubbed "Mission 20" which supports LCI's "Mission 1.5" goal of growing from 1.4 million members to 1.5 million members.

Our club has many new membership drives planned including Purse & Yeti Bingo and a Bourbon Tasting event with our neighbors in the Chanhassen Lions Club. We are also trying something new by giving the public a chance to join us for our Roadside clean up event. We are hoping to give prospective members a volunteer opportunity and get a chance to check out our club. Another club favor-

ite is our Fall and Spring "Steak Night" where members invite a guest to enjoy an evening of camaraderie, grilled steaks and receive a great introduction to our club. We also plan to recruit at events like our Lions Softball Tournament, Victoria Car show, Lions Fish Fry, Lions Golf Tournament, and many others.

We created a friendly competition where members who sponsor new members can win some great prizes. We are off to an amazing start in our 1st month of the competition...we already have 12 new members! Special things are happening in Victoria!

Membership Drive at Victoria Car Show

Steak Night Membership Drive



Pat Murray, Steve Frederickson and new member Leah Zarns.




2024 PLATO LIONS TOURNAMENT

18 HOLE
4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

5 AUGUST
MONDAY, 2024

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NOON CHECK-IN; 1 PM START

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Includes golf cart and meal
Prizes Awarded

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Glencoe, MN



Midwinter Convention Corner

February 2025
Fri. 2/14 - Sun. 2/16

International Guests:
ID Hans & Shari Neidhart
Pintow, KS

Planning Underway!

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Mankato, MN