



5M-2 DISTRICT



Lion Christy Trutnau -District Governor



Greeting all- The Month of August will soon be gone and what a great month it was! I started the month off with helping the Le Surer Lions Club sell beer that their Giant Days festival. On August 11th I was helping the Cologne Lions sell admission tickets for the Carver County Fair. On August 12th I was in the Wells Kernel Days parade driving a go-kart with the Austin Noon Lions from 5M-1. That was so much fun to do, I will be doing it again in September! On August 14th I attend the Waconia Dandylions Summer Event and had the honor and privilege to induct seven new members. On August 19th 2VDG Shermayne and I sold parking passes at the Steele County Fair in Owatonna. I will end the month working the Kid Sight Booth and the MN Lions Vision Foundation/MN Hearing Foundation and MN Lions Diabetes booth on August 31st at the State Fair.

I really do enjoy helping the clubs and meeting new people. Each event is different, but it was so much fun!! Please continue to invite me to help! Changing the world starts with one small step at a time. Invite people in your community to help with fundraisers and/or service projects. Get them excited about your projects and your club in hopes they will want to continue to service and eventually join your club. All you need to do is Just ASK!

There are resources out on Lions International to help you strengthen your club and the service you give your community.

- Do a Community Needs Assessment- understand what your community needs and how your club can make an even bigger difference in people's lives.
- Service Launchpad- Find the right project planner to help serve new causes or in new ways.
- Just ASK- Fostering a culture of recruitment-this a member recruiting guide for clubs
- Leadership Development Institutes- these are opportunities to lead and grow into better community leaders. You do not have to be on the path to be a District Governor to attend these institutes they are great for anyone wanting to know about Lions and develop leadership skills.

If your club needs help with this process please reach out to any of the District Leadership team, we would be more than happy to assist you.

As one of my district goals I would like to have at least one person from each Zone attend RLLI (Regional Lions Leadership Institute) which is taking place this year on October 11th- October 13th in Bemidji, MN.

Applications are due to me by September 22th, 2023.

President and Secretary meetings are being schedule for September, those Presidents and Secretaries who have not received an invite for your Zone please reach out to your Zone Chair to receive the information. I have a few Zones meeting scheduled, but still looking at getting the rest scheduled, my calendar is getting full, so Zone chairs please make sure to get those dates booked soon!

Mid-Winter convention is just around the corner, it will be here before we know it. Don't forget to register for the Convention. Its not too late to register for the Multiple Convention in Winnipeg. Our International President Dr Patti Hill will be our guest for the weekend. IP Dr Patti Hill is the 2nd ever women president of LCI. Both conventions are sure to be fun! I would like to visit your clubs! To request a visit, you will need to fill out a request form, to do this you need to go to the 5M-2 website: www.district5M2Lions.com at the top under forms and docs click on the request club visit, it should show my picture. Fill out the form and it will be emailed to me. Or you can email me directly at christy1135@gmail.com. If the southern clubs can schedule visits with me for the snow flies, I would appreciate it. For those who have already scheduled visits thank you.

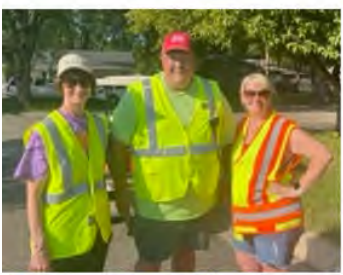
You can contact me by phone 952-261-8581 or email Christy1135@gmail.com

DG Lion Christy Trutnau

5M-2's Lions spent the day at the fair working the kidsight booth on August 31st



Lion May Meyer (Le Sueur Lions); Lion Wanda Breimhorst (Jordaness Lions); DG Christy Trutnau (Jordaness Lions); Lion Kim Brown (Waterville Lions); Lion James Hanson (Waterville Lions); Lion Dr Wendy Goldsmith (Veseli Lions)



- ### DG Christy's Travels
- September 7th- President/Secretary Mtg Zone 2&4 VFW Chaska
 - September 9th- Heimafest Parade- Jordan, MN
 - September 12th-President/Secretary Mtg Zone 7&8 New Richland
 - September 14th- Lester Prairie Lions Club Visit
 - September 18th- Faribault Lions Club Visit
 - September 20th- Waseca Lions Club Visit
 - September 21-24th- USA/Canada Leadership Forum- Reno. NV
 - September 25th- Plato Lions Club Visit
 - September 26th- NYA West Carver Lions Club Visit
 - September 27th- President/Secretary Mtg Zone 1&3 Hutchinson
 - September 28th- Albert Lea Lions Club



Fall is around the corner!

Lion Lisa Kaufmann - 1st Vice District Governor

How can it already be Labor Day? It seems like the summer just flew by once again.

There is so much news to share, I had a hard time picking a topic for my article this month. Going to start with Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI). While all Lions can benefit from attending RLLI, it is a great opportunity for those who wish to pursue a leadership role at some point in their Lions journey.

There are a few Lions from 5M-2 attending, but how great would it be if we could have one from every Zone? RLLI is being held October 13th – 15th in Bemidji, registration is due by September 15th. A bonus for you – I will be one of the instructors! 😊



MISSION 1.5



Have you heard about Mission 1.5? If not, you will begin to hear more about it from the DG Team. Mission 1.5 is LCI's drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide by 2027. The more Lions the more people, communities, and countries we can serve. Mission 1.5 can only be successful with help from you. There is even a special sponsor pin in addition to the traditional pin, it was designed to celebrate welcoming a new member to your Lions Club. I challenge each Lion to ask at least one person over the next year to join your club on a service project. It gives them the opportunity to experience the work your club does for the community and a chance for you to tell them all about Lions. For more information and club support materials, go to www.lionsclubs.org and search on Mission 1.5. Just Ask!

Final topic is revitalizing our Lions clubs. This is just one focus of the Global Membership Approach. We are not going to be successful with Mission 1.5 unless we maintain the clubs we have and retain our existing members. As a District we just went through the dreaded "July drops". Not all drops are necessarily a bad thing, if the member was not contributing in some way to the club and its success it should be expected they will drop at some point. If there are members who have not been seen in a while, is anyone from the club reaching out to them and inviting them to a service project, club meeting or event? Is anyone just checking in with them via text, phone call or email? Sometimes people just need to or want to be invited to become active Lions members. Again....Just Ask!



PCC Glenn and I had many adventures this summer, including visiting the Northwest Angle in mid-August. Hope you had time this summer to relax and enjoy one of our 10,000 lakes. As much as I enjoy summer, fall is my favorite season. Love to see the leaves change colors, put out fall decorations and enjoy everything pumpkin. It is also the time of year when the Zone meetings start, looking forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new Lions.



Learn. Lead. Grow.

Lion Shermayne Cross - 2nd Vice District Governor

I walked into a Wal Mart the other day and knew that the beginning of school was just around the corner. Pencils, paper, notebooks, scissors, markers, etc. graced not one but many aisles. So many tools to make education easier for all involved. What does a new school year mean for you as a Lion? Glad you asked. As a retired educator I believe we all should strive to be lifelong learners. Mental stimulation is one of the key practices to keep our brains young and active.

In MyLion, under the Learn icon you will find several online learning pathways and courses. Interested in being the treasurer of your club, secretary, or president? Training is available. How about conflict resolution, effective listening, delegation or running effective teams? In the courses section they have Intro to Virtual Training, SWOT Analysis, Managing Change, as well as, Club President, Treasurer and Secretary training. All courses are on-line, easy to access and free of charge.

5M2 offers training in late July for the Zone Chairs and in the spring for newly elected Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers.

The Lion University offers a Bachelor, Masters and Doctorate program. Each program has 10 modules and 5 elective courses that must be completed with a passing grade. You must also attend a USA/Canada Forum to complete your training. Your degree is then awarded at the next USA/Canada Forum you attend. The Doctorate program has a few additional requirements.

Our Multiple-MD5M offers the Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) that prepares Lions and Leos for leadership roles within their club, district and multiple district. This year the Institute will be held in Bemidji, MN. There is a minimal cost to attend. Applications and registration are due to DG Christy by September 22, 2023 and can be found on the LCI website. Advanced Lion Leadership Institute will be held January 12-14 in Vancouver, Canada. That too is on the LCI website.

The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is being held next month in Reno, NV on September 21-23. There are over 80 seminars available to participants along with entertainment, motivational speakers, the Strides Walk, a Service Project and opportunities to network with fellow Lions.

As you have read, the opportunity to be a lifelong learner is very real within the 5M2 District. Please take advantage of these worthwhile opportunities; I'm sure they will have a positive impact for you. As you learn, you will grow and you will be a leader among your fellow Lions.

Don't forget the President/Secretary meetings and the Zone Meetings will be held in September and October. Come and learn, share your ideas and ask/answer questions with the Lions in your Zone.

*-Be Kind, Help Others, Have Fun,
-Make a Difference in your Community."*

A Note from the Editor

I hope everyone is doing well, I would like to apologize for the delay of the newsletter since I have started! I appreciate your patience and I am working hard to get the process down and get it out to you as quickly as I can. Please forgive me if I do miss anything at any point & feel free to reach out to me directly if you ever have any questions! Continue doing all the great things you all are doing!

Lion Missy Meidinger - mnm9112004@yahoo.com

Le Sueur Lions Serving with District Governor Christy at the Giant Days August 4th-6th.



Stewart Lions Bring New Life To An Old Lion

The Stewart Lions got their Lion float out after a lengthy time in storage. The bottom part of the Lion needed to be cut off. It also needed new tires, some painting and remounting to trailer.



Lion Brandon Nelson with tractor lifting Lion up



Lion Arnold Genrich with Lion



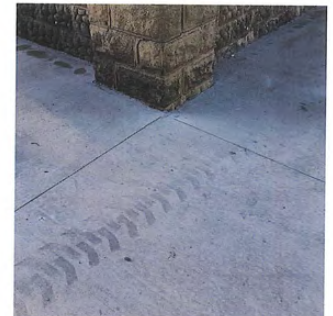
The Stewart Lions sold burgers and snacks from their concession stand at the ballpark in Stewart for all the BLHS boys and girls home games this summer. Pictured is a girls game and the concession stand that was usually manned by Lion Kevin Klucas, plus volunteers.



Gibbon Lions Staying Busy

THE GIBBON LIONS HAD A LEGACY PROJECT OF REPAIRING THE WALL, COUNTER TOPS, THE FLOOR INSIDE AND THE CONCRETE AROUND THE 110 YEAR OLD BAND SHELTER IN THE CITY PARK.

THESE ARE THE PICTURES OF THE FINISHED PROJECT.



WORKERS BUSY SERVING THEIR PATRONS.



THE GIBBON LIONS HELD THEIR ANNUAL PORK CHOP FEED DURING THE FUN FEST AND HAD A GOOD TURN OUT. WORKERS PICTURED ARE LIONS HAROLD PETTIS; CHUCK SOUTHWORTH; TOM LINDMEYER; GARY SCHAFER; RICHARD ISAKSON; STEVE KLUKAS AND THEIR WIVES: MAVIS KLUKAS; ANN SOUTHWORTH AND DIANE ISAKSON.



CHUK SOUTHWORTH IS READY TO SERVE THE HUNGRY CUSTOMERS

Chanhasseen Lions



August events included our annual golf tournament and club picnic. At our picnic, Lion Chad Junker was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award. He is pictured with prior recipients Lion Curt Robinson and Jim Schloss. Lion Steve Cannon and Lion Lisa Kaufmann were each presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Prior Lake Lions- Making A Difference One Bench At A Time

Prior Lake Lions are Making a positive impact, one bench at a time, in our communities!

Bench #6 was recently presented to our partnering collection site Cub of Savage, Minnesota on August 1, 2023. Working on bench #7...

Present: Cub Rep. Zach, Lions: Loretta, Harry, Char, Rachel, Aaron, son#1, Rosemary



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Benches
FOR THE
COMMUNITY
Locations

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POUNDS OF PLASTIC
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A BENCH
DONATED IN PARTNERSHIP BY:
PRIOR LAKE LIONS
CLUB PRIOR
SMOKE SIGNALS 501(C)3



- CLUB PRIOR
- MCKENNA CROSSING
- FONG'S RESTAURANT, BAR & EVENT CENTER
- PRIOR LAKE CITY HALL
- THE LITTLE MARKET THAT COULD
- CUB SAVAGE COLLECTION SITE
- HARBOUR VIEW COLLECTION SITE INSTALL T & D TBD



HELLO!

THE PRIOR LAKE LIONS
WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND AN INVITATION TO YOU!
WE ARE HAVING A MEMBERSHIP DRIVE EVENT!!



THIS EVENT INVITATION WILL INCLUDE A FREE DINNER AND INFORMATION ON LIONS INTERNATIONAL WITH A FOCUS ON BECOMING A MEMBER THIS EVENING DURING OUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE WITHIN OUR LOCAL CLUB CHAPTER LOCATED IN:
PRIOR LAKE MN WHICH WAS CHARTERED IN 1946

WHEN: THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 19, 2022
TIME: 6-7 PM SOCIAL 7 PM DINNER FOLLOWED BY A SHORT PROGRAM
WHERE: MCKENNA CROSSING
13810 SHEPHERD'S PATH NW PRIOR LAKE, MN
PLEASE ENTER FROM THE EAST SIDE PARKING LOT AND
A LION MEMBER WILL GREET YOU AT THE DOOR BETWEEN 5:45-6PM!

TO ATTEND THIS EVENT YOU MUST RSVP BY FRIDAY OCT 13 WITH YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL, PHONE NUMBER VIA:
MEMBERSHIP CHAIR LION LORETTA
LM.KLENKE@OUTLOOK.COM
OR THROUGH THE LION YOU ARE ATTENDING WITH.

FOLLOW LIKE AND SHARE US ON OUR NEW FB PAGE @ PRIOR LAKE LIONS CLUB OF DISTRICT 5M-2



Prior Lake Lions- Mint Master Mike Is On The Move

#communityvibes#priorlakelionsclubofdistrict5m2

Lions Clubs International is a "Community Service" organization. Our motto's is that "we serve". Local chapter 'mint' achievements are always satisfying and that's one of the reasons folks may volunteer to become a member.

Recently, Mint Master Lion Mike took over the mint rolls project after longtime Mint Master Lion Ger stepped down.

This PL Lions project includes picking up at 10 awesome partnering businesses, monthly, that have our "Mint Kit" inside their establishments.

Folks that patronize each business, may see it and make a donation in exchange for a sweet minty roll of mints well priced. We thank you for every cent given which on average from all, is approximately, \$26.00 total/monthly. We thank you for choosing our Lion Mints to advance our club's fundraising and promotional efforts in our community, to assist those in need.



Thank You Mint Master Lion Ger for your service



Prior Lake/Savage Rental Center
<https://priorlakerentals.com/equipment-rentals.asp>



Monnens Lumber Supply
<https://www.handle.com/supplier/monnens-lumber-supply-07bb/>



Carlson Ace Hardware
<https://www.acehardware.com/store-details/03078>



Prior Lake VFW Post 6208
<https://vfwpost6208.com/>



Village Liquor
<https://www.priorlakeliqor.com/>



Chiropractic Center
<https://www.savagechiropractor.com/>



The Pointe
<http://thepointegrillandbar.com/>



Velishek Auto
<https://velishekautosales.com/>



Prior Lake Collision
<https://www.priorlakecollision.com/>



Viking Liquor Barrel
<https://vikingliquor.com/>



Waconia Lions Fishing With the Kids, Celebrating Barbie Night & Enjoying the Carver County!

Take a Kid Fishing

In July the Waconia Lions held their 27th annual "Take a Kid Fishing" event. Lions Club volunteers loaded 8 boats with over 40 kids and took them out fishing on a Saturday morning. The Lions members cleaned the fish that the kids brought in while the kids had a picnic lunch. Each kid that attended took home a bag of fish fillets and a brand-new fishing rod.



Barbie Night

The Waconia Lions hold their monthly club meetings at the Waconia Legion. Our meeting in July was held on the same night as the Legion was holding their Barbie night. The Barbies had to get their picture taken with the Lion's members.



Carver County Fair

Every year the Waconia Lions Club sells sweet corn and brats out of their brat stand at the Carver County Fair. Pictured here are some of the guys on the first day of the fair.



Carver Lions- No Time For Slowing Down

The Carver Lions hosted lunch for the Lions youth exchange on Friday July 28th. Thank you to Lions Cathy, Heidi, Kim, Marvin, Evelyn and Thad for providing the group with lunch. We'd also like to thank the Carver Fire Department for giving the students a tour of the fire station. Some of the students even tried on the fire gear.

In addition to supporting the fire department, we also support the Carver County Dive Team.

We are now gearing up for Steamboat Days in downtown Carver. This annual event will be held September 8 - 10 and includes, food, music, softball, 5k and much more. Come visit the Lions Club at the beer tent.



Hamburg Lions Continue The Sage of The Dilly Bar

Hamburg Lions Duane & Diana hand out Dilly Bars to the Hamburg Fire Department for the "Dilly of a job they do serving the community as firefighters"



Hamburg Lion Diana hands out Dilly Bars to the kids at Emanuel Extended Care just for being a "Dilly of a great kid."



The Plato Lions donated three AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators) to our Community.



2023 Theme: Dare to Dream

The Peace Poster project gives youth an opportunity to show off their artistic talent. The contest is designed for 11, 12 & 13 year olds. It is not a time consuming project for your club- but I do suggest that you supply the school with some tag board cut to the size stated in the rules to ensure that no one will be disqualified for having the wrong size poster. Taking the poster paper and a set of the rules into the schools and picking the posters up when they are done is a pretty simple task. Your club can choose a winner which needs to be submitted to the District Peace Poster Chairperson by November 15. **After the winner is chosen, be sure to have the sticker that goes on the back filled out by the student with a parent signature. This is important!!**

There are numerous ways in which you can reward your club's winner- some give a monetary award, a certificate, invite them to a meeting along with their parents or however you would like to do it.

Peace Posters kits are available through October 1 but don't wait that long. I suggest getting them into the school the first week in the fall. You can order your kits from this website: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-poster> or simply Google- Lions International Peace Poster Contest.

Good luck to you all in promoting the Peace Poster Contest. For any additional information, please contact me.

PDG Lion Diana Kroells
Peace Poster Chairperson
952-467-2211 or 952-290-3677
dianakroells@gmail.com

New Auburn Lions 15th Annual Roast Beef Dinner

Sunday, October 15th

Dine In or To Go at

New Auburn City Hall
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Serving: Roast Beef,
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Corn, Bread, & Dessert

Meals: \$15
10 & Under \$8
3 & under Free



Proceeds go towards Community
and Lions Projects

MINNESOTA LIONS VISION FOUNDATION

EYE Ball

October 27, 2023 7:00pm-9:30pm

Featuring

The Jammers

Wine Pull • Appetizers • Cash Bar
\$30 per person • \$50 per couple

Cash or Check

Semi Formal/Business Attire

Contact Lion Deb Bialke at liondebbialke@gmail.com

Earle Brown Heritage Center
Captains Room
6155 Earle Brown Dr,
Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
7:00pm - 9:30pm

Can your club donate wine for our wine cork pull?
Contact Lion Deb Bialke at liondebbialke@gmail.com



We Serve

Mankato Area Lions Clubs 6th Annual Diabetes Rally

Research is needed now more than ever to find a cure for Diabetes. Please consider forming your own Family Team, Work Team, or Organization Team to help raise money for this worthy cause. Every little bit helps! Can we count on you?

All proceeds go toward Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation
and Camp Sweet Life (local programs for kids with T1d)

When: Saturday, October 14, 2023

Where: WoWZone Mankato

**Time: 8:45 AM – Opening Remarks, snacks,
9:00 AM – Speaker – Rachel Hollerich
9:30 AM - Walk 1.6 miles leaving from the WowZone!**

More info on forming a team contact: Rene' Maes Jr. 507-995-6910 Rene.Maes@Campsweetlife.org
Gregg Giersdorf 507-720-1050 Gagiersdorf@gmail.com

Donations: Make checks payable to Mankato Sunrise Lions Club, MN Lions Diabetes Foundation (a 501c3 non-profit) or Camp Sweet Life (a 501(c)(3)). Also electronic donations through betterunite.com/MankatoSunrise5thannualdiabetesrally.



See the Mankato Sunrise Lions Facebook page for more information.
Mail donations to: PO Box 2175, Mankato, MN 56002-2175



ALONE IT'S HARD TO PERFORM GREAT FEATS OF STRENGTH, BUT TOGETHER, WE HAVE GREAT STRENGTH OF FEET!



Carver Lions Club 50th Anniversary

We invite you and a guest to share in the
celebration of our 50th Anniversary!

Wednesday, October 18, 2023
Carver Village Hall
316 Broadway, Carver, MN

Social hour: 5:30 p.m.- Cash Bar
Dinner 6:30 p.m.
\$20.00/person
Program 7:00 p.m.

Club Name: _____

Number attending _____

Please return this slip with your check payable to:
Carver Lions Club
c/o Lion Cathy Elke, Treasurer
6900 County Road 50
Carver, MN 55315
Please RSVP by October 9th.



2023 MD5M Regional Lions' Leadership Institute (RLLI)

RLLI prepares you for leadership roles within your club, district and multiple district.

RLLI participants learn more about club operations, and opportunities and resources available to clubs while developing valuable leadership skills and a deeper understanding of how to better serve clubs.

You qualify for RLLI training if you:

- are a current member in good standing
- have an interest in becoming a better Lions member.
- meeting other Lions and sharing ideas
- have not attended RLLI in the past five years.
- like having FUN!!!!

RLLI Participants are required to:

- Attend all sessions of the three-day institute.
- You may commute to RLLI if you attend all sessions and can do so safely.
- Complete pre-assignments prior to beginning of RLLI.
- Pay \$150 participation fee.
- Participants who complete all sessions and required assignments will receive a \$100 rebate upon completion of RLLI.

**RLLI will be held at the Hampton Inn & Suites in Bemidji, MN
October 13 - 15, 2023.**

Room rate is \$119 plus tax

**Completed applications, must be submitted to
Your District Governor by September 22, 2023.**

For more information about RLLI and the application process, contact your Global Leadership Team (GLT) District Coordinator or District Governor.



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RLLI Refer a Lion Contest

Refer a Lion to attend RLLI and qualify for a drawing to win a \$100 Amazon Gift Card

(Your name would be placed in the "Referred by" section on the RLLI application. Drawing will take place at the Saturday evening banquet.)



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October 13 - 15, 2023.**

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For more information about RLLI and the application process, contact your District GLT coordinator or PDG Lion Dennis W. Kelly III, MD5M Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator at: dkellylion@gmail.com

Chanhasen Lions & Chanhasen Brewing Co. Present the 3rd Annual

OKTOBER FEST!

FREE ADMISSION

**23 | 08
SEP | AM**

951 W. 78th Street, Chanhasen

ACTIVITIES ALL DAY!

- Vendor Market starts at 8 AM
- Bounce house, face painting and other kids activities
- Live music from 2-9 PM, featuring American Bootleg 5-9 PM
- Silent auction starting at 3 PM

Food by the Chanhasen Lions - pulled pork, brats, pretzels and more!

- **FREE admission**
- **Special release Oktoberfest beer and stein**
- **Dog-friendly**
- **Proceeds to benefit the Chanhasen Lions Club**

Chili Feed October 12th at Plato Hall



• Free-Will Donation will go towards
MN LIONS CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION

• Chili, Crackers, Breadstick, Water, and Brownie Bites

• **Serving from 11 – 1 and 4 – 6**

• Dine In or Take Out (Use East Door)

Quart-Size Containers Available