



5M2 LIONS' NEWS



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Driven to Serve

Lion Brian Thies, District Governor

We are Lions, ROAR! I am feeling bittersweet as I write this article. I have written an article for the past three years, sometimes searching for a topic or inspiration. During the last year of visiting clubs and seeing first hand the impact the Clubs of 5M2 make in their communities, I no longer have to

search. What each and every one of us does as Lions is awesome.

Lion Rose and I have truly missed our scheduled club visits that were planned for these final four months. This was something we could have never envisioned happening when we began this journey in July. As we can slowly start to have meetings and hold events, please take into account the added risks and make accommodations. Social distancing and wearing masks are the new norm.

As things are slowly opening, I have some club visits and officer installations scheduled for June. My last District Cabinet Meeting is scheduled for June 14th. We are hoping to be able to meet in person, but will be socially distancing. Keep in mind just because you are comfortable without wearing a mask, others may not be. We each have different expectations and kindness matters.

The Journey for Service is on for June 17-19. We will be sanitizing, finding new ways to collect the donations while all the time keeping socially distanced. PDG Mike Vos and Lion Sue are up to the challenge and have been thinking outside of the box in how we are going to get this done.

With town celebrations and festivities being cancelled left and right, we need to think outside of the box and find new ways to raise money and do service. Have a fundraiser in the open air of a parking lot or side street in town. Do an on-line meat raffle or silent auction. There are on-line services that will allow you to host a Silent Auction for free. Check out Free Online Silent Auctions | 32auctions Use your imagination. Another idea is do a Bring Your Own Table and Chair and do outdoor bingo. People will still support the Lions and are often LOOKING for things to do for entertainment outside of the house. Rather than doing your traditional pancake breakfast do a Take Out Breakfast. Share your ideas with surrounding clubs. Buddy up and support each other.

Lions Clubs International has been looking for ways to reduce the financial strains during COVID. They are offering to waive the fees for new clubs or new members, so ask your new neighbor or old friend to join. You won't know unless you ask, so ASK!

In less than thirty days from the date you are reading this, DGE Anna will take over the reigns of 5M2. Please schedule your club visits early with her as this will help her plan her exciting and demanding year. I encourage you to support her as you will and have done for me. Thank you and please be safe, healthy and happy.

THANK YOU ALL FOR A FUN YEAR AS YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR!!!



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Get Your Lion On!



Lion Anna Wickenhauser
District Governor Elect

LIONS STRONG

To quote Bob Dylan "The Times They Are A Changing".

The month of May brought all sorts of "Change" with it. We did our Officer Training via ZOOM, rolled out the new email platform "Constant Contact"

and on a personal note I turned 50 on the 26th of May and my son bought his first townhome in Waconia-we kicked him out of the nest...lol. Oh, and I might want to add our family (ME) made an impromptu decision to foster a very pregnant Labrador Retriever dog for the Humane Society-so we will be enjoying the summer with a bunch of puppies.

Thank you to everyone who attempted the Officer Training-there were a few glitches, but overall it was pretty successful. I want to especially give a shout out to PDG Nancy Mathwig who has been educating herself how to use Constant Contact and Zoom!!! She also pulled together the speakers for Officer Training and the handouts. A special thanks to 1VDG Glenn, PDG Diana, Dave Sebesta and DG Brian for assisting.

I admit I have been getting caught up in the Covid-19 and have been feeling kind of lost in how to proceed in the Lions during this time. So now that I am wiser-remember that birthday I had a few days ago? I have come to the realization that what I can control is my attitude and I am going to be very conscious of what is going on in the world and primarily our own state. So, in sharing with you that tidbit of information I hope to challenge you to think of ways we can bring positive energy into communities. WE can MAKE A DIFFERENCE-practice random acts of kindness!!! It can be as simple as writing and sending

cards to people, gardening in their yards to help them out, picking up garbage in the parks, ditches-the Twin Cities....you get the idea. Let's fill our communities with kindness.



I wanted to touch base a little bit about the North American Membership Initiative (NAMI) We talk a little bit about it at Officer Training-to summarize: This was a Pilot Program that included 9 different districts in the US and Canada. Basically, they were tasked with "Thinking Outside the Box" to find ways to Rejuvenate Districts, Revitalize Clubs, Re-motivate Members. Overall those districts in the Pilot Program had marketable success so Lions International made it available to the US and Canada to "opt in" to the resources and program and to rethink the future of Lionism and what that looks like. Our District NAMI TEAM has been talking and formulating a direction we think the clubs would like to see-hence the SWOT Analysis that clubs filled out. I will be talking more about those in the next Newsletter-Stay Tuned.

I have put a hyperlink into this article to give you some ideas. <https://lionsclubs.org/en/nami/resources>

[Stay Strong, Stay Safe, Stay Kind](#)

**5M2 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? Get Me the NEWS!!**

Lions International PIP Wayne Madden, 1946-2020

It is with great sadness that we notify all of the passing of Lion Wayne Madden. Please keep Linda Madden and the Madden family in your thoughts and prayers. Some reflections of Wayne when he became LCI's third President from Indiana. https://youtu.be/9Xxn8op_7ME



Did You Know...



*Lion Glenn Kaufmann
1st Vice District Governor Elect*

As the calendar flips from May to June, many of the everyday things we take for granted are slowly starting to open up again. For me, it means I can get a haircut and return the Flowbee. If I have to wait any longer it may reach critical MAN BUN PHASE!



Do you find your area Lions Clubs not making an impact in the surrounding communities as they used to? Are they sliding down a slippery slope? There are outside the box ways you can broaden your club's reach!

Do you have Retirement Communities in your town who have residents who may have time to give back, but don't have the ability or means to get to a monthly meeting? Maybe there are more than a few like-minded individuals in the facility. How about a Retirement Community Branch Club, Cyber Club or Specialty Club?

The longer we go on meeting virtually, the more we get used to it. When we get back to a way of life we were used to do you think there are other members of your community or club who would benefit from going completely virtual?

Club branches are a way in which a club can diversify their membership by engaging a small group of at least five people who want to make a difference in their community. Club branches allow people to serve as Lions who may not be inclined to join the parent club.

Members of a club branch become part of an existing parent club, but may hold independent meetings and activities. The parent club appoints a branch liaison to serve as the go-between for the parent and the club branch, allowing club branches a high level of autonomy from their

parent if that is desired.

Did you know you can start a Branch Club with only five new or existing members? Other requirements are:

- An existing club willing to engage these members as a branch of their club
- A member of the parent club to serve as branch liaison
- Notification sent to the District Governor

Look at LCI's Club Branch Guide for more info: [Club Branch Guide](#)

Look at LCI's Club Cyber Guide for more info: [Cyber Club Guide](#)

Look at LCI's Club Specialty Guide for more info: [Specialty Club Guide](#)

"Glenn, where do I even begin to look for groups to consider?"

- First Responders in your county
- Teachers
- Veterans Clubs
- Retirement Home(s)
- Garden Club
- Hospital workers
- Cause-specific (Vision, Hunger, Diabetes, Hearing, Environment, etc...)
- Cultural groups
- Sport or Hobby (Special Olympics, Hockey Moms, etc...)

There are no Specialty, Branch, or Cyber clubs within 5M2. Do you want to blaze a trail for others to follow? Contact anyone in district leadership to get started!



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Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



Lion Debra Wasserman, 5M2 LCIF Coordinator

Fellow 5M2 Lions

This being the final LCIF article of the 2019-2020 Lion year, I want to report on the LCIF goals DG Brian set at the beginning of his term.

1. 100% of clubs in District 5M2 will understand impact of LCIF and demonstrate support with a donation to LCIF by June 30, 2020.
 - a. Monthly articles appeared in the newsletter on timely topics and information about LCIF.
 - b. DG Brian or I spoke about LCIF at District meetings when the opportunity was presented.
 - c. Several LCIF presentations took place during the Midwinter Convention.
 - d. An LCIF display table was at the Convention (Included candy).
 - e. A "Change for Change" jug was at the registration table during the Convention. (Raised \$13.)
 - f. Campaign 100 pledge cards were at each place at the Sunday brunch.
 - g. I sought invitations to present a program about LCIF at club meetings.
 - h. Personal contact was made with clubs that did not donate during the Parade of Green.
2. Promote members giving \$2 each week to Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service.
 - a. Several District newsletters included information and examples of this concept.
 - b. Club presentations included the concept.
3. District 5M2 will raise \$30,000.00 during fiscal year 2019-2020 to support Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service.
 - a. As of May 11, 2020, total donations to LCIF were \$33,958.71

As we near the end of the year, if your club is looking for additional donation opportunities, (I know clubs with gambling proceeds have some pressure to clear accounts), please remember LCIF. Your Foundation continues to meet needs around the world.

A message from LCIF Chairperson Gudrun Yngvadottir

International President Choi, Campaign International Chairperson Dr. Yamada, Campaign International Vice Chairperson Moore and I are announcing that the timeline for Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service has been extended by one additional year, through June 30, 2022. We must give ourselves the time necessary to realize our full potential in this campaign, for the future of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

We remain optimistic and action-oriented in the face of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. As of May 21, 2020, LCIF has granted US\$3,851,655 to provide immediate relief to communities severely impacted by COVID-19. We encourage you to stay connected to the work of your foundation. You can visit LCIF's dedicated COVID-19 response page to learn how our foundation is responding.



LIONS DAY

AT

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN



NEW DATE - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 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! IF YOU HAD ALREADY SIGNED UP FOR THE APRIL 20, 2020, EVENT, ALL OF YOUR NAMES HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE LOCATIONS AND TIMES THAT YOU HAD SIGNED UP FOR – SO YOU ARE GOOD NOW FOR OCTOBER 20!!

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 or call us at: 763-786-8072

THANK YOU!! WE SERVE!!



Global Service Team

Is your club looking for ways to serve your community safely?

The ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic may be changing the way we live, but it hasn't changed who we are. We are Lions and We Serve. But during this global health crisis, it's important to keep yourself and your family safe and healthy. And Lions around the world have found new and creative ways to do both.

Your club may have already developed a safe strategy to lead a community response to COVID-19, but if you're still looking for new ways to serve, consider these five tips for serving safely that Lions clubs around the world have put into action.

Keep in touch

Social distancing doesn't mean social isolation. Catch up with family, friends, neighbors and fellow Lions by phone or email and see how they're doing. There are also many people in your community, such as the elderly, who may not have as many opportunities to communicate with family and friends. Consider recruiting your club into a phone tree to reach out and have a conversation with someone who would enjoy talking to a caring, friendly person. Give a gift of tablet computers and headsets to a home for the elderly to bring many grandparents face-to-face with their grandchildren. We're all in this together, and your kind words will offer a lot of comfort during these challenging times.

Get social

There's a reason why social media has become such an essential part of how we communicate. That's because it's so effective. Spread hope by sharing stories about how your club is helping your community during this crisis. By posting information, updates and safety tips, you can start a conversation online and transform your club's social media network into a communications hub for your community. Keep children entertained and give relief to frazzled parents by doing a daily storytime on Facebook. Lions have so much to offer and social media can help you put their many talents to good use.

Fight hunger

It's important to make sure that we do our part to meet the needs of our community. And fighting food insecurity is a great way to provide comfort to those in need without having to leave your home. Hunger doesn't know that it's supposed to be on lockdown. Your club can support your local food bank or homeless shelter through fundraising or even by ordering a care package of other essentials like toilet paper, toothpaste and clothing. Support your local food bank to ensure that the people in your community can get the essentials they are looking for. When you make sure that your neighbors have what they need at home, you help them to limit their exposure and ensure that we can all get through this together.

Give the gift of safety

As you serve during this crisis, your personal safety is the most important thing to remember. And due to a shortage of cleaning supplies and personal protective equipment, such as masks and gloves, this is becoming even more challenging. While many Lions have come together to form mask-making groups and have generously shared their cleaning supplies, it's essential that you make sure to take care of yourself. Take a special interest in those with essential duties that keep them outdoors. You can package and distribute antiviral soaps to help these workers stay virus-free and healthy. Remember to serve safely. You too are a part of the community you're serving.

Find a partner in service

Your community is full of experienced professionals and organizations that are also doing their part. And many of them need help. Whether it's supporting hotlines or providing translation services, you and your club have the skills they need to strengthen your community's response to COVID-19—without having to leave home. You can partner with your chamber of commerce, business leaders and a COVID-19 response group to identify and aid those in need within your community. The relationships you form can help you continue to improve the future of your communities.

In a time when people are depending on you more than ever, we are depending on you to take every precaution to serve safely. That's the only way we can get through this together.

Let us know how you're serving safely. Post your stories on social media using the hashtag **#WeServe**, and inspire other Lions around the world to do what they can to help their communities. Because we are all in this together.

PDG Larry Winner; MD5M and District 5M10 GST Coordinator

Viewing Forward

MN Lions Vision Foundation



Life is so full of mysteries these days – what might happen, what might not happen. Same sentence as started this blurb last month. Unfortunately, this might be true for a while. But, to me, there is no mystery as to how much I have enjoyed my tenure as a director of MN Lions Vision Foundation. This role was a wish/goal of mine for a long time. Thanks, PDG Harry, for setting me off on the path.

As these six years rolled by, I gained so much appreciation for all that is done by MLFV, the Lions of Minnesota, and LCI's partnership. The selfless hours shared with the Board by the leadership of Lions Gift of Sight and UofM's Department of Ophthalmology and Neurosciences. The many hours given by the twenty four directors of MLVF and auxiliary staff. The generous financial donations given by our clubs and individual members.

And the progress made! At training every summer, we learned of both the newest and the developing research done by the brilliant minds here in Minnesota. The hours volunteered to get the message of thanks

and recognition out to eye donor families. The time given to organize "Thanksgiving for Vision" each year. The debt completed for the Children's Eye Clinic. The debt begun and being handled for the Lions Eye Surgery Center. The seeds planted for Lions Eye Institute. The very professional handling of securing corneal donations in the future, both for transplants and research. The list goes on and on. Because we all believe in the mission envisioned by Helen Keller a century ago.

Wishing I could have had the time to visit more clubs and meet some other goals BUT, again, grateful for the time I have been able to serve as a director. A challenge for me to 5M2 Lions: if you are ever given the opportunity to serve as a director/trustee on any of our many foundations, take the challenge. You will be rewarded by the feelings of appreciation that you will gain. Now is the time to offer your little share of giving – it might be a "something" that you can give.

Lives are changed by every little something we do. As a past director, I will continue to view forward. Our past is great and our goals will continue to be met. Give a shout to Lion Christy and to our second director. Together, "WE SERVE" continues.

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation News



Covid 19 ----How it has changed our lives. No Lions Club meetings, no Lion's Zone meetings, no personal contact with our large Lion family. What will our Lion's life be when we get back to a near normal Lion's year?

With the canceling of the D Feet Walk and the Cochlear Implant Picnic, the MN Lions Hearing Foundation is almost at a standstill. The canceling of the D Feet Walk was hard to do as that was our largest fundraiser. But with the MN Landscape Arboretum closed and with social distancing, it was the best thing to do. Any donations to the D Feet Walk are still appreciated.

As your club budgets for the next Lion's year, please consider budgeting for both the Parade of Green and the D Feet Walk. This gives your club a plan and also a guide. Budgeting will be hard with the uncertainty of when fundraisers and gambling will be allowed. Funds will be very tight for all clubs. Thank you, clubs, for your generous donations in the past.

Don't forget to honor your outstanding Lions member with a Hearing Foundation Award. If your club has \$1000 accrued, your club can give one award. If you need to know your club's amount, contact one of your Trustees.

Trustees:

Lion Marvin Grimm 1-952-448-9465

Lion Vern Breamer 1-507-525-3850



PROTOCOL PLEASE!!

Our Lion year is quickly coming to a close. As you are finishing your term of office, we hope that you are planning a smooth transition to the Lion following you. As you pass information for your club, please remember to include protocol. Protocol is the expression of good manners and the courtesy we show each other and is essential for successful clubs.

Lions Mary & Tom Ferleman; Protocol Co-Chairs

Journey for Service

June 17, 18, 19, 2020

We are ready to make it happen!!

District Governor Brian is ready to make the trip throughout the district and safely greet and collect donations for this long standing event. Remember that monies collected help support many Lions projects.

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

I am looking forward to another successful Journey for Service with 100% participation as my goal.

PDG Mike Vos
Journey for Service
mike@vosconstruction.com



June 17, 2020 Wednesday

Faribault	8:00 AM	Perkins	Wasserman's	
Waterville	8:00	Perkins	Jack Webster	
Waseca	8:45	McDonalds	Steve Graff	507-213-0745
Owatonna	9:05	741 East Main	Rich Strom	507-456-0748
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
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	Dennis & Karen Sandersfeld	
Eagle Lake	3:10	Epiphany church	Susan Nasinec	507-257-3135
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	507-240-0048
Gibbon	4:55	D's Pit Stop	Joyce Woods	
Winthrop	5:10	Hahn's Café	Chuck Toltzman	507-647-2660

June 18, 2020 Thursday

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 PM	American Legion	Brian Fehrenbach	320-327-3082
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	Casey's	Joe Dvorak	612-270-5630
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	Joan Takata	
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

June 19, 2020 Friday

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	Ulrich Ettlin	952-594-9613
Veseli	10:20	GoldSmith Eye Care-NP	Barb Skluzacek	952-457-2442
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		



THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!!
 Thank you to all who made masks for our Veterans in our Veterans homes.
 Pictured are some of the masks they received.
 Contact me for more information on Project New Hope.
 Lion Darlene Wondra



Fellow Lions,

Multiple District 5M is looking for individuals with Human Resources experience in writing and administering HR Policies and Procedures. We are forming a HR Consultant Committee to serve our Multiple District and report to the Council of Governors on the HR administration of MD5Ms contracted employee.

Ideally this committee would be comprised of 2-3 Lions from different Districts across our Multiple. If you have experience and are willing to assist your Council of Governors, please contact:

Council Chair Elect
 Lion Brian Thies
roseco@frontiernet.net

or

Council Chair
 Lion Rob Rand
Robrandmn@gmail.com

THANK YOU!

MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation



The Lions of Multiple 5M completed their "virtual" head shave fund-razor on May 30. 15 Lions from Minnesota and Canada sacrificed their hair to raise money to fight childhood cancer. You can choose to donate to the Minnesota or the Canadian Foundation.

Funds are still coming in, so there is no total at this time. The Go Fund Me page will be up until about June 3, if you wish to donate. https://www.gofundme.com/f/9pjog-shave-for-the-brave?utm_medium=email&utm_source=product&utm_campaign=p_email%2B3201-24hr-reminder-v5 Donations can also be sent to Lion Tom McCarthy, Secretary-Treasurer of the MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation. Contact Lion Tom at tpmcc0526@yahoo.com for details.

We are very proud to announce that we have met our fundraising goal for 2019-2020 of \$100,000! This will be matched by the University of Minnesota Foundation and the Children's Cancer Research Fund for a total donation of \$300,000!! The funds will be used by the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital for research and services for survivors of childhood cancer, who very often experience other significant health issues as they mature. More info on these exciting programs will be forthcoming.

At last report, there are no Covid-19 cases at the Children's Hospital, but they are keeping up strict protocols to prevent the infection there. Thus, they are not accepting tied blankets or pillowcases at this time. They are accepting, and would very much welcome, homemade face masks for patients and family members, as well as ear protectors for nurses and other providers who need to wear masks throughout their work day. Contact Lion Tom for information on sewing face masks or using a 3D printer to make the ear protectors.

Thank you, Lions of 5M2 for your amazing support for this new Lions program!

Lions', Leos' Clubs News and Activities

Jordaness Lions - Unusual times call for unusual measures!

For over ten years, the Jordaness club has been giving Norway Pine trees to Jordan's Kindergarten students. Typically, club members hand out the trees at Jordan Elementary School and St. John the Baptist School. This year, however, club members greeted parents and students as they drove to pick up their trees.

The smiles on the kids' faces made the project well worth the effort!



Jordaness club members practiced social distancing as they prepared for the project!

Chaska Lions



The Chaska Lions performed their semi annual Roadside Cleanup recently. Photo of the volunteers nearly practicing social distancing!

Hamburg Lions

Hamburg Lions "Little Library" has turned into a "Little Food Shelf" . Anyone in the area is welcome to take out any food or cleaning supplies they may need or share what they have with others through this food shelf. Governor Walz even gave a shout out to the Hamburg Lions Club for this project during one of his daily updates.



Hamburg Lion Diana Kroells has been busy sewing masks during the Covid-19. She has sewn 48 masks for Lakeview Clinic, 15 for the Hamburg Fire Department's mask collection, and another 15 for family & friends.



NYA West Carver Lions



Friday, May 8th Members of the NYA West Carver Lions planted geraniums to give to members of the Peace Village Senior living community.

Members helping that day were: Carrol Oraskovich, Mary Nicholson, Mary Balzum, Pat Clark, Bonnie Wigfield, Bobbie Lembcke, Denise Lovelette and Cathleen Williams.



Lafayette Area Lions Celebrate Easter in May

Easter came a little late to Lafayette this year! When the annual Lions Easter Egg Hunt was cancelled by the coronavirus pandemic—and all the goodies had been purchased—the Lions pondered what to do. Hold the hunt in May, June, or July?

The Lions opted to tie-in to a drive-by parade scheduled by the Lafayette Charter School during National Charter School Week Thursday, May 21.

The charter school staff stood along the curb in front of the school, waving to students and their families as they drove by. The Lions were stationed just a bit farther down the street, ready to hand out bags of Easter goodies.

All area kids were invited—whether they attended Lafayette Charter School or not. The turnout was great! There were as many as a dozen cars in line at times.

The Lions had goodies for 125 kids—and every one of them was handed out. The goodies included a bag with a chocolate Easter bunny, a small stuffed animal, and a coloring book and crayons. The first 100 kids who came through also got a bag with 20 plastic Easter eggs, pre-filled with candy. A few of the eggs also had coins or a dollar bill. The eggs would normally have been spread over the lawn at the school for the traditional Easter egg hunt.



Lafayette Lions president Mark LeGare picked eggs from a big box, packing them in bags of 20.



Lafayette Lions Joyce Halverson, Mark LeGare (partially hidden), Tom Hayes, and Joe Maidl came early to pack 2,000 candy-filled eggs into bags of 20, to have them ready for the kids.



Lion Joe Maidl handed treats to a youngster in a car.



Joyce Halverson handed bags of goodies to a family that really carried out the parade theme—riding in a convertible—just like at a big summer parade.



They came from far and near to greet the LCS staff (on curb), then to stop by the Lions table to pick up Easter goodies.

Other Lions helping were Sandy Hartley, Heidi Hagstrom, Lee Zion, and Ruth Klossner.

Veseli Lions

Veseli Area Lions are keeping busy during these crazy times. On April 4th we held a drive by Easter Bunny visit in both Veseli & Lonsdale. After that the Easter Bunny rode around in the back of a truck to find more children. The Bunny handed out 540 Easter Treat bags filled with candy filled eggs and toys. The event was a huge success and we received many positive responses. We also gave out 8 \$500.00 scholarships to New Prague and TCU High School students. And on May 7th we went to the Villages of Lonsdale for our annual garden clean up. This year we will be purchasing all the plants for them. The tenants will tell us what they want and we will deliver it to the staff. We are so glad to be able to offer them the opportunity to get outside and enjoy Mother Nature!





VESELI AREA LIONS CLUB



Presenter
Mr. Tom Wetschka

Scholarship Recipients



Matt Giesen



Simon Kajer



Maxim Lee



Tyler Sellner



Megan Sirek

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 26th, 2020

THE WACONIA LIONS CLUB IS CELEBRATING THEIR



75th



Waconia Lions Anniversary

75 years of supporting the Waconia Community

SOCIAL HOUR, DINNER AND PROGRAM
SOVEREIGN WINERY - WACONIA

FORMAL INVITATION TO FOLLOW IN JULY

Contacts:
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612-701-0346 • rrwags@embarqmail.com



Waterville Lions Pancake and Sausage Breakfast



(Serving the Third Sunday of each Month)



2020 dates

May 17th

June 21st

July 19th

August 16th

September 20th



Serving
8:00 am til 12:00 noon



The Village in Waterville
205 N 1st St
Waterville MN 56096



Goodwill donation appreciated



Event Details:

- Date: June 6, 2020
- Time: 9:30 a.m.
- Place: Landscape Arboretum, Chaska, MN



D-Feet Hearing Loss 2020 Ninth Annual Walk

With your \$25.00 registration...

- ♦ Free entrance to the Landscape Arboretum for the day
- ♦ Event t-shirt
- ♦ Lunch and refreshments (soft-beer floats)
- ♦ Dance to the Teddy Bear Band
- ♦ Lots of children's activities, games & prizes
- ♦ Fun for families of all ages
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Bring the whole family for a day of fun for all ages!!!!

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**2019-2020 District 5M2 Lions/Lioness/Leo Clubs
Application for 100% Secretary Award**

In order to receive the 100% Secretary Award, each Club Secretary who has qualified must fill out this form and have it approved and signed by the Club President and by their Zone Chair. The completed form must be mailed to 2019-2020 District Governor Brian Thies by July 15, 2020. Please keep a copy for your records.

 Club Name

 Secretary Name

TO QUALIFY, EIGHT (8) OF THE FOLLOWING NINE (9) MUST BE FULFILLED:

1. ___ Submitted all Membership Reports on MyLCI by the 1st of each month.
2. ___ Submitted all Service Activities Reports on MyLCI by the 1st of each month.
3. ___ Attended at least one (1) of the three (3) Zone Meetings
4. ___ Attended at least one (1) of the following:
 - a. ___ The 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention
 - b. ___ MD5M Multiple Convention
 - c. ___ Lions International Convention
 - d. ___ USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
5. ___ Reviewed/updated all club membership information on MyLCI.
6. ___ Filed New Club Officers on MyLCI by May 1, 2020
7. ___ Completed at least one (1) of the following
 - a. ___ District 5M2 Club Officer Training
 - b. ___ LCI Secretary Training PowerPoint Module
 - c. ___ LCI Secretary Webinar (live or recorded)
8. ___ Kept accurate minutes of all Board of Directors Meetings.
9. ___ Prepared this form, signed it, had it signed by the Club President and the Zone Chair, who is to mail or email it to District Governor Brian by July 15, 2020.

 (Signed by Club Secretary)

 (Approved by Club President)

 (Signed by Zone Chair)

SEND COMPLETED FORM TO:

DG Brian Thies
21515 371st Ave.
Green Isle, MN 55338-2027
rosec@frontiernet.net

Executive Secretary

Lions Clubs International Multiple District 5M

Organization Summary

Multiple District 5M, second largest Lions Clubs International District in North America consisting of 20,400 members serving local communities in Minnesota, Manitoba and Northwest Ontario, while meeting humanitarian needs, encouraging peace, and promoting international understanding through 637 Clubs is seeking an Executive Secretary.

Location: Minnesota **Closing Date:** July 15, 2020

Job Type: Part Time **Job Category:** Administrative Support Services

Salary: \$30,000 - \$35,000

Primary Duties:

This position reports to the Council Chair with direction of the Council of Governors. Executive Secretary shall perform such duties as specified or implied by the Constitution and By-Laws of MD5M. This position provides direct administrative support to volunteers. These duties include but not limited to receiving correspondence, receiving and depositing funds, preparing checks, maintaining financial accounts, books, and records of MD5M, serve as an ex-officio member of standing and appointed committees of the Council of Governors and shall generally assist the Council of Governors in conducting the business of MD5M.

Qualifications:

The successful candidate will be a self-starter, extremely organized, have strong writing and verbal communication skills, Microsoft Office skills and have keen organizational and time management skills. This job requires local and international travel. Candidates must have the ability to lift up to 50 lbs. and must be bondable. The successful candidate must be able to pass a background check.

Experience:

The ideal candidate will have a track record of getting things done, experience with working with volunteers and boards, experience with QuickBooks and budget management. Work experience in Association management preferred but not required.

Additional Info:

For specific tasks and duties visit MD5M Bylaws and the MD5M Policy manual. Specific sections are available below and the entire documents are available from the MD5M Website:

[MD5M Bylaws Article 1 Section 4](#)

[MD5M Policy Manual Section VI, Chapter 7, Subsection A](#)

To learn more about MD5M and to download our job application, please go to our website at: www.Lionsmd5m.org

To learn more about Lions Clubs International, check out the website at: www.lionsclubs.org

How to Apply:

If this position excites you, send a cover letter with your resume and job application to: CC Rob Rand, 6600 Lyndale Avenue South #600, Richfield, MN 55423 or via email at robrandmn@gmail.com