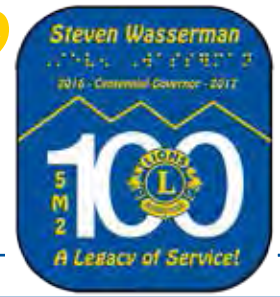




# 5M2 LIONS' NEWS



JUNE 2017

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## LEGACY LOG

*Lion Steve Wasserman  
District Governor*

### HOW ARE WE DOING?

As we embark on the final month of the 2016-2017 Lions' Year, I think it's appropriate we look back on our goals to see how we are doing so far, and focus our efforts on accomplishing all that we can. Most of my District Governor's Goals were really goals for the clubs in our District. I hope that you adopted some or all of them for your club. We have one month, let's make the most of it!

**Every club qualify for a Four-Diamond Centennial Service Challenge Banner patch:** So far, 30 clubs have reported on projects in all four areas of the challenge. I believe it is still possible to meet this goal. As I have visited clubs this year, I have yet to find one who hasn't done projects in at least three of the CSC areas. Remember, you can count an LCIF donation for any one of the areas. Has your club set a goal to earn a Four-Diamond Patch this year? How are you doing?

**That Kidsight be adopted as a District Program and at least one club in each zone do a screening:** Kidsight is up and running. While we may not have a screening in every zone by the end of the year, I do believe there are clubs interested in doing one in every zone. How is your club responding to this new District Program?

**That 50% of the clubs in the District host the 5M2 Orientation Program:** We aren't going to get to 50% in the District this year. Orientation is important for all clubs. PDG Joan has a fun and informative Jeopardy Orientation Game. Has your club had her or one of her team come this year? If not, DGE Nancy has set a similar goal for next year.

**That at least 75% of the Clubs in the District have an active Facebook Page:** We have met this goal as a District. Does your club have a Facebook Page yet? It's a great way to get the word out.

**That all Clubs in the District conduct at least one event publicizing the Centennial of Lionism:** I'm sure that not every club has had a Centennial Cele-

bration yet. I think that many are planning one for their community festival this summer. How is your club celebrating?

**That one member of each club be recognized with a "Legacy of Service" award:** It has been my honor to be able to present this recognition to so many very deserving Lions on my club visits.

**That at least one club in each Zone be recognized by the District for excellence in Public Relations:** This has morphed into recognition for "Effective Use of Social Media". I think we'll meet this goal.

**That at least 60% of the Clubs in the District qualify for the Lions Clubs International Club Excellence Award:** Applications are starting to come in. As of the first of May, 17 clubs probably qualify as they have a net growth in membership. 12 more clubs are even for the year, and another 12 are at -1. Has your club set a goal to be recognized as an "Excellent" Club? There is still time left to add new members to meet this goal. Applications are due to me in time for me to sign and forward them to LCI by August 31.

As for my personal goals of attending non-meeting functions, that has been put on delay due to my chemotherapy, but don't be surprised if I show up next year. **LEGACY LOG CONTINUED ON PAGE 3**

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## MOVING FORWARD...AND LOOKING BACK



*Nancy Mathwig  
District Governor Elect*

Wow - the 2016-2017 year is heading into its last month! Have you accomplished the goals you set for yourself this past year? In my first article for this Lions' year I had five written goals for the year. Here's how I did -

1. Learn as much as I can about the current happenings in our District, Multiple District and Lions Clubs International by attending Region and Zone meetings, Cabinet and Council of Governors meetings, and Mid-Winter and Multiple conventions and by reading the many newsletters and Lions magazine.
  - o MET - There is a wealth of information out there and I have been trying to keep up with it by attending Region & Zone meetings, Cabinet meetings, Multiple District Council of Governors meetings, conventions, milestone anniversaries and the Watertown Leo Charter. I try to read some of the articles in the monthly Lion magazine but admit I haven't succeeded well at reading all of them. The same goes for all the articles in the other district newsletters. So much going on all over the Multiple!
2. Help District Governor Steve in whatever way he needs to make his year as Governor the best.
  - o MET - I have assisted DG Steve as requested and filled in for him when his health prevented him from being at an event such as Zone meetings.
3. Attend the scheduled trainings for 1st VDG and DGE to enable me to follow Lion Steve.
  - o MET - I attended the 1st Vice District Governor training in Detroit Lakes in October, completed the online 1st VDG LCI training in November, attended the Area DGE training in Bloomington in February and attended the MD5M DGE training in Minneapolis in March.
4. Continue to be an active member of my Lions club, the Arlington Lions, and work to bring in at least one new member.
  - o MET - No new members to date but have talked to five people about joining. I'm not giving up yet. I took over the chair position for the annual birthday calendar drive and co-chaired the annual Fish Fry. What a learning experience!!! With the outstanding help of the entire Arlington Lions Club, both events were

a success. I also continue to serve as club secretary.

5. Work on my monthly district newsletter article and submit it ahead of the due date.
  - o Not MET - Well, 4 out of 5 isn't bad! I think I'll carry this one over for the 2017 - 2018 year and see if I can improve. A huge thank you to Lion Cindy for doing such a great job on the newsletter and for being so patient regarding my articles.

On Saturday, May 6th we held our annual Officer Training as well as the 2017-2018 Zone Chair training. Thank you to everyone that was able to attend! I hope you found at least one new thought or process to use in the year ahead. Also, thank you to those Lions whose help was instrumental in putting the day together - DG Steve, PID Debra, PDG Eunice, PDG Joan, 1st VDG Diana, and Lions Kathleen, Lori and Marlys. If you were not able to attend the training in Mankato on May 6th, I would encourage you to check out the officer training available online through the Lions Club International Resource Center and/or the USA Canada Leadership Forum Lions University. All classes are free to any Lion taking them and give really great information that benefits not only your Lions' life but your work/professional life also. Check them out soon!

I am looking forward to the 100th year celebration in Chicago, which begins for me on June 26th with three more days of DGE training. The schedule for the convention looks to be filled with fun, learning and time for new friendships. I hope to see a large number of Lions from 5M-2 at the convention.

Last, our club milestone years of service for June - The following clubs will be celebrating anniversaries during the month of June:

- o Hutchinson Lions Club - 35 years
- o Jordan Jordaness Lions Club - 35 years
- o Montgomery Lions Club - 34 years
- o New Market Elko Webster Lions Club - 44 years
- o Waterville Lions Club - 72 years

Congratulations to these five clubs for their combined 220 years of service to their communities and the world!!!

***Where there's a need, there's a Lion!***

**BITS AND PIECES**



*Diana Kroells*  
*1st Vice District Governor Elect*  
 I love making "to do" lists because then as the items are checked off I feel like I have accomplished something. It has been a very busy 2017 so far - the months are just flying by. With District & Multiple Conventions behind us as well as Zone meetings and Officer & Zone Chair trainings completed, I am

looking forward to the Defeat Hearing loss walk. The climax, of course, for the Lions year will be attending the International Convention in Chicago. I have never been to Chicago so that in itself will be an experience but then to take an Amtrak with a car load of Lions from the Multiple District for a spectacular 100th Anniversary celebration will be a blast. I hope that many of you are planning on joining us - let this be your "New Mountain to Climb" - an International Convention.

As the 2016-2017 Lions year is coming to a close-it is a great time to assess how your club did this past

year? Did you accomplish all of your goals? Perhaps you didn't complete as many service projects as you would have liked. Maybe you didn't get as many new members as you had planned. Perhaps a fund raising event didn't go so well. We are on the horizon of a new year- another opportunity to accomplish these goals. It is always a good idea for the club to make a "to do list" at the beginning of the year so you can measure your progress. Setting personal goals is a great idea also- try to attend more meetings, help out at a service project that you have not done before, attend a zone meeting or other district event, meet a new Lion this year or say yes to a leadership role. Lions International will be introducing two new service project areas for 2017-2018 - Diabetes & Pediatric cancer. Take time to learn more about these new areas of service and promote them in your club..

Remember a strong Lion makes a strong club, a strong club makes a strong Zone, strong Zones makes a strong District. Every single Lion is a very important piece of the whole picture of Lions International.



**WHERE CAN YOU FIND DG STEVE IN JUNE?**

- 3: D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk
- 4: Kidsight Training, Jordan
- 5: New Prague DG Visit
- 7: Jordaness DG Visit
- 12: Courtland DG Visit
- 13: Watertown Leos DG Visit
- 18: Hutchinson Water Carnival Parade
- 19: Hamburg DG Visit
- 20: Le Sueur DG Visit
- 29: LCI Convention, Chicago



**LION DALE OLDENBURG RECOGNIZED**

Lion Dale Oldenburg provided exemplary service as 5M2 Cabinet Treasurer for more than 20 years, Lion Dale was always a conscientious steward of the District's money, keeping organized and thorough records of income and expenses. He made sure that all bills were paid in a timely manner and that all required forms were filed with the IRS and the State of Minnesota.



Lion Dale conducted the Treasurer's session at Officer Training for many years, and advised clubs on the proper handling of funds and required paperwork.

Lion Dale assisted in the preparation of the District Budget each year, and was an invaluable resource for District Governors. He had ready answers to any questions that arose during the budget setting process, and continues to be a wealth of information about the history and structure of the District Budget.

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We have seen our grandchildren on a regular basis, but unless you count having chemo or staying home feeling its effects as "fun", those "Non-Lion Fun Days" have been few and far between.

To paraphrase Helen Keller: "There is only one month left, but still, there is one month left. I will not refuse to do the things I can do to accomplish my goals." How are you doing?





## Global Leadership Team

Lion Debra Wasserman  
District 5M2 GLT Coordinator

### *It's Your Turn to Lead!*

On Saturday May 6, incoming club officers attended sessions to help them be ready to lead their clubs during the 2017-2018 Lions year.

Thank you to:

- DGE Nancy Mathwig: General Session and Presidents
- DG Steve Wasserman: General Session and Secretaries
- PDG Joan & Lion Kevin Blank: General Session (Orientation)
- 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE Diana Kroells: Treasurers
- Lion Lori Klein: Secretaries
- Lion Kathleen Bleckeberg: Secretaries
- PDG Eunice Rucks: Registration
- Lion Marlys Gaucher: Registration



Incoming officers from clubs not participating in the training event were delivered or mailed folders containing information used on Saturday.

DGE Nancy encourages incoming officers and any interested Lions to look at officer related modules on the following websites.

### *Lions Clubs International*

#### **Club Officer Resources:**

<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/clubs/club-officers.php>

#### **Training Materials/Resources:**

<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/training-resources/index.php>

#### **Lions Learning Center:**

<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/lions-learning-center/index.php>

### *Lions University*

<http://www.lionsuniversity.org>

# Centennial Update

By DG Steve Wasserman, 5M2 Centennial Coordinator



## *Centennial Service Challenge:*

Lions worldwide served over 5,000,000 people again this month in our four Centennial Service Challenge Areas. We have now crossed the 150 million mark, and are on pace make it to almost 225 million by the end of our challenge on June 30, 2018. More than double the original goal!

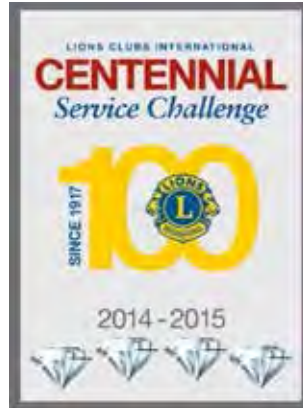
**59 Clubs (92%)** in District 5M2 have now reported completing a project in at least one area. **30 Clubs (47%)** have now earned their 4-Diamond Centennial Service Banner Patch by reporting on projects in all four areas of the challenge. More importantly, we have served a total of **93,580 people**.

**Club Secretaries:** There is still time for your club to earn the recognition it deserves. This would be a good time to check your records to make sure you haven't forgotten to report any projects, or have forgotten to check the appropriate box to get your project credited towards our Centennial Service Challenge. You can edit this year's activities until July 15.

**Remember:** One donation to LCIF can be designated toward any area of the Centennial Service challenge each year.

*Where There's A Need, There's A Lion!*

## Four Diamond Clubs

**Blue Earth****Chaska****Courtland****Ellendale****Faribault****Gibbon****Glencoe****Hamburg****Hutchinson****Jordan****Jordaness****Lafayette and Area****Lake Crystal****Le Sueur****Lonsdale****Montgomery****New Market – Elko –  
Webster****New Auburn****Nicollet****Northfield Cannon  
Valley****Northfield****NYA West Carver****Plato****Prior Lake****Silver Lake****St. Peter****Veseli****Victoria****Waconia****Watertown**

## Community Legacy Projects

14 Clubs in District 5M2 have now reported on a total of 24 Community Legacy Projects. Remember: A Community Legacy Project is a permanent gift to the community that recognizes the contribution of the Lions. **Plan yours now! Dedicate it during the Centennial Year (2017)!**

**Amboy: Level 1****Arlington: Level 2****Courtland: Level 1****Gibbon: Level 1****Hamburg: Level 2 (3)****Montgomery: Level 1****NYA West Carver: Level 1, Level 2 (2), Level 3****Prior Lake: Level 1****St. Peter: Level 1****Shakopee: Level 1, Level 2****Ellendale: Level 1 (2)****Lake Crystal: Level 1 (2), Level 2****Glencoe: Level 1, Level 2****Jordan: Level 3**



## Centennial Coins

In celebration of 100 years of humanitarian service, Lions Clubs International worked with the United States Mint to produce a limited-edition silver dollar coin. Purchase your coin today from Lions Club Supplies or the United States Mint.

The coin features Lions founder Melvin Jones and the Lions Clubs logo on the front and a family of lions with a globe behind them on the reverse. Each coin is packaged in its own presentation case and is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity.

Your coin purchase helps support the life-changing work of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). For each coin sold, US\$10 is authorized to be paid to LCIF. This represents a US\$4 million opportunity to improve the lives of people in need through LCIF initiatives around the world.

## MD5M Centennial Celebration

**The Centennial Celebration planned for the Mall of America on June 3, 2017, WILL NOT TAKE PLACE!**

Don't let that spoil your day though...

**The D-Foot Hearing Loss Walk at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum WILL TAKE PLACE!**





[www.mnlionsdiabetes.org](http://www.mnlionsdiabetes.org)

2017 Summer

## DREAM CATCHER NEWS

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

*"Catch the Dream" Life Without Diabetes!*

[www.facebook.com/MinnesotaLionsDiabetesFoundation](https://www.facebook.com/MinnesotaLionsDiabetesFoundation)

Lion Eileen Schirer Editor



### Mission Statement

The Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. (MLDF) is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with diabetes by funding research to cure diabetes, providing education and sponsoring preventive health activities.

### MLDF Diabetes Research Update Recap

Despite the tempting spring weather, more than 100 Minnesota Lions and their guests came to the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus for the Eight Annual Lions Diabetes Research Update. This year, Lions enjoyed boxed lunches and catching up with one another in the McNamara Alumni Center.

The program formally began at 11:30 am with remarks from Chairperson, Lion Judy Loken. Judy formally presented a \$75,000 check to this year's research grant recipients: Dr. Bernard Herring for his work towards developing a vaccine to prevent the body from rejecting transplanted pig islet cells; Dr. Brian Fife for his work on blocking the immune pathway in order to prevent the immune system from attacking islet cells; and to Dr. David Bernlohr for his research on the role of calcium in insulin to develop a new drug for the treatment of type 2 diabetes. Lion Judy also presented a \$500,000 check as a symbol of the final payment on the Lions half million pledge for the Minnesota Lions Islet Imaging Lab to Dr. Michael Garwood.

Judy also presented two Dream Catcher Awards to Bonnie Schirlinger and Thomas Johansen for their work as serving as the faces of our foundation. Lion Judy then presented the new informational video

about the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation entitled *Catch the Dream: Living Without Diabetes* which features Bonnie and Thomas. You can watch the video here:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8KjbORhoP4&feature=em-share\\_video\\_user](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8KjbORhoP4&feature=em-share_video_user)

During the research update section of the program, the Lions were able to learn more about the research projects currently receiving funding.

\*First to present was Dr. Herring, who provided a general overview of diabetes including the difference between type 1 and type 2. In type 1 the body can no longer produce insulin because the insulin producing islet cells in the pancreas have been destroyed. In type 2, the body becomes insulin resistant. Dr. Herring, whose research is focused on type 1 diabetes, has had much success reversing type 1 diabetes with the transplantation of pig islets into monkeys. Monkeys receiving transplanted cells demonstrate a long-term diabetes reversal and extended survival rates. Dr. Herring's next goal is to create a vaccine that prevents the body from rejecting these transplanted islets. These vaccines remove, with the precision of a laser, the tiny part of the immune system that is activated by foreign antigens from the pig donor. When fully successful, the vaccines will eliminate the need for chronic immunosuppression otherwise required to prevent rejection of transplanted islets. Dr. Herring concluded with, "Science is no longer limiting us. It is a very exciting time in diabetes research."

Next to present was Dr. Fife, an immunologist, whose work is focused on targeting the immune cells that cause type 1 diabetes. In order to cure type 1 diabetes, we must identify, remove or control the



Tcells that are inadvertently killing the insulin producing islet cells. With funding from the Lions, Dr. Fife has developed a way to identify, track and interrogate these T cells in both mouse models and humans. Considered as Phase One of the project, Dr. Fife's team is now generating novel antibodies that can limit these T cells and prevent them from becoming activated in the first place. If the T cells are blocked and cannot from become activated, beta cells will not get destroyed and thus neutralize the T cells causing diabetes.

Dr. Paul Wang, an MD and PhD candidate and advisee of Dr. Michael Garwood of the Center for Magnetic Resonance Research, spoke next about the research at the Minnesota Lions Islet Imaging Center. Dr. Garwood, Paul and others are working on a cure for type 1 diabetes by implanting a bioartificial pancreas, which they created, into a person's forearm. This bioartificial pancreas, after being implanted, replaces and restores the function that the person's own islet cells that have been destroyed due to type 1 diabetes, thus curing their disease. Supplemental oxygen is critical for implanted islet survival inside a bio-artificial pancreas. They have developed an oxygen delivery system for use with rats and are in the process of developing a miniaturized oxygen delivery device for human use.

Last to present, was Dr. Bernlohr, who spoke about his research on the role of calcium in insulin as a new drug for the treatment of type 2 diabetes. Bernlohr's lab is using the newly discovered SERCA activator as a new drug for the treatment of type 2 diabetes. SERCA is a calcium pump and Dr. Bernlohr has discovered that calcium is misregulated in the context of diabetes. Using obese insulin resistant mice, the SERCA activator drug (CDN1163) has successfully lowered cytoplasmic calcium in fat cells which protects those cells from dying, thereby improving their metabolism. This has the effect of increasing insulin action and reducing insulin resistance. *All of the researchers expressed their gratitude to the Lions for their critical support that has made a tremendous difference in the lives of so many.*

## LCI Forward

To all Lions who are attending the LCI Convention in Chicago – There is a Strides Diabetes Awareness Walk hope you can attend. Also visit with the LCI Health Coordinators – Let them know how important the support from LCI is to us, so we can promote diabetes education in our communities.



Alert! Day was held 3 days in two Cub stores in Minneapolis. Lions participated to bring attention to diabetes.

## reTHINK your drink – every sip counts!

How much sugar is in you drink? One sugar drink alone can max your daily limit!

<https://rethinkyourdrink.minneapolismln.org/>

FACT: Your body needs Zero sugar.

-Find the sugar on the label

-Locate the serving size. If container has more than 1 serving, multiply sugar by number of servings.

-Total grams of sugar divided by 4 = teaspoons of sugar in that drink.

Maximum daily sugar limits: Age 2 – 18 or Adult Woman is less than 24 grams, Adult man is 36 grams

## Mark Your Calendars ----

-Tour de Cure – Mpls June 3<sup>rd</sup>

[www.diabetes.org/twincitiestourdecure](http://www.diabetes.org/twincitiestourdecure)

-Governors Cub Golf June 13<sup>th</sup> at Whispering Pines Annandale, MN

-“Swing for a Cure” June 16<sup>th</sup> Frazee Golf Course

- June 9<sup>th</sup> Golf for Diabetes Sherburn/Jackson Lions

See MLDF Website for details on events.

## Viewing Forward

MN Lions Vision Foundation



A challenge is always an attempt or promise to do a little better, to give a little more. This month I thought I was having trouble meeting the challenge to create a good article. In the last few months, we wrote about the many facets of MN Lions Vision Foundation and our goals to partner with the University meeting the vision healing and research needs in Minnesota.

And now comes a huge challenge. In February, we mentioned to you the plans for a LIONS EYE INSTITUTE. In March, the Council of Governors secured our pledge and promise to work with University to create an Eye Institute on campus that would serve Minnesota and the upper Midwest. Via a pledge of \$17 million dollars over twenty years, we have challenged ourselves to partner with the University of Minnesota to create Lions Eye Institute. On campus, one centralized site will place eye surgeons and staff in the same location as vision research.

Demand for vision care and research is increasing dramatically. The University of Minnesota and

our Eye Bank have always been leaders in this medical endeavor and hope is to remain so. The Department of Ophthalmology recruits the best of physicians and researchers. It will be an honor to name the new facilities Lions Eye Institute.

Of course, the numbers seem daunting to say the least. But there are plans. Stay tuned for the new year. After our July MLVF meeting, your directors will be out and about with visuals and more detailed information. This will be a year when we will share much news! Please invite us to visit your clubs.

For over 50 years, Minnesota Lions have been a partner critical to the great reputation of the University's Department of Ophthalmology and we want to continue our legacy. MLVF has a wonderful site, [www.mnlionsvisionfoundation.org](http://www.mnlionsvisionfoundation.org), which you will want to visit. Lots of good info. You may even want to invite your Facebook friends to "like" our site.

Together, "WE SERVE" continues. Remember that Lions Diana and Mary are your Vision Foundation reps willing to visit your clubs -

[dianakroells@gmail.com](mailto:dianakroells@gmail.com) or [maryspille@gmail.com](mailto:maryspille@gmail.com).



A Kidsight Training for 5M2 is being planned. If your club would like to get on board with Kidsight Screening please send a representative to this training.

What: Kidsight Training

When: Sunday, June 4, 2017  
1:00 p.m. (plan on 2-2 ½ hours)

Where: Jordan Community Center  
500 Sunset Dr.  
Jordan, MN 55352

RSVP to Lion Rick Wagener, 5M2 Kidsight Chair  
email: [rrwags@embarqmail.com](mailto:rrwags@embarqmail.com)  
phone : (952) 442-2980



Can Do Canines is excited to announce the Candid Canines Film Fest is now open and ready to take your awesome dog video submissions! Send us your videos here: [www.candidcaninesfilmfest.com](http://www.candidcaninesfilmfest.com)  
The Candid Canines Film Fest is a 2017 Minneapolis Aquatennial Associated event!

**THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2017,  
FROM 4 P.M.-9 P.M.  
JOIN US FOR OUR FREE,  
FAMILY-FRIENDLY CELEBRATION OF DOGS AT  
TARGET FIELD STATION!**

(Yes, you can bring your pups to the event!)  
We look forward to seeing your videos!

# MD5M Council of Governors Meeting



The MD5M Council of Governors met in Minneapolis MN on Saturday, March 11, 2017 and in Bemidji MN on Friday, April 21, 2017. We will address **March's meeting** first- Council Chair Todd Neumann reminded us of the "Community Peace Project Challenge". District 5M4 had a community discussion with police officers. Can Do Canines are in need of more funding because of a 12% increase in their graduation of more dogs. GMT announced that in 8 months, 5 new clubs have formed, 6 districts are in the plus, 5M5 is at +87, 5M3 +12. Texas membership is at 24,938 with a loss of -606; MD5M- 21,482 with a loss of -31; California 20,531 with a growth of +444.

There is a new Mac Degeneration/Glaucoma- Age related website: MNEYELINK.org They are in need of donations for there is a waiting list for supplies. 90-92 cents of every \$1.00 donated goes for supplies. Link on the website for information. It was M/S/P to allow them to solicit donations from Lions Clubs.

The Redwing Lions Club is hosting a huge eye glass collection on June 25<sup>th</sup>. They would like to collect over 100,000 pairs of glasses so they are asking that clubs bring their glasses to the MD5M Convention in April or to Redwing on June 25.

Youth Exchange has added Foundation in their name. Leo's are celebrating 60 years since they formed in 1957 and will be celebrating at the USA/Canada Leos Leadership Forum in NY August 2-6.

## MD5M- COG- Bemidji MN-

Lions Clubs International is looking to make a name change by removing Clubs from their title. They will be known as Lions International. This will be voted on at International Convention.

PID Brian Sheehan announced that he is seeking 3<sup>rd</sup> International Vice President position in Las Vegas. Nominations and Demonstrations were held. Voting was held by ballot with Lion Brian receiving 276 votes. PID Brian will not throw his hat into the ring for office until after the Chicago Convention so no endorsement for Lion Brian will be done at this International Convention. PID Brian will need help at the Las Vegas convention to win the vote.

International Convention hosting sites after this year will be: 2018- Las Vegas, 2019- Milan Italy, 2020- Singapore, 2021- Montreal Quebec, 2022- New Delhi India, 2023- Boston MA, 2024- Melbourne Australia. There has been an endorsement to make International Directors a 3 year commitment and not 2 year.

PDG Bill Michl will be running around Lake Superior this summer. The slogan of 2 million steps for 2 million dollars for LCIF. Due to circumstances, the MOA Centennial Celebration on June 3 has been postponed to Saturday, October 7 at the MOA. More details to come.

Can Do Canines Woofaroo will be held on September 16. Leadership Institute had 62 graduates. Lion Bert Nelson, LCIF Chair is donating \$100.00 to LCIF for every district who has 100% donations from their Lions Clubs. Minnesota Lions vision Foundation is building a new 4 story research building. Lions have the naming rights to this building and will need \$21 million donation to this project.

Winnipeg Manitoba hosts the 2018 MD5M Convention. Vergas Lions Club will host the 2019 MD5M Convention in Mahnomen MN.

Bemidji Convention had 448 full registrations, with 665 Lions participating at convention. 280 participated in the 0-K walk which raised money for Diabetes.

-Lion Cheri Appel, MD5M Public Relations

## 5M2 LIONS' NEWS

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 15TH OF EACH MONTH...**

Submit your club events and Lions program articles to:

5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com





## LIONS' CLUBS NEWS AND ACTIVITIES JORDANESS LIONS

For many years, the Jordaness Lions club has worked with the City of Jordan to organize the annual City-Wide Garage Sales event. Though the weather has not cooperated the last few years, club members still enjoy meeting the folks that brave the weather to stop by the Welcome Tent!



*Left: Lions Martha Reger and Donna Will brave the cold and rain to provide refreshments to sale-goers.*



*Right: Lion Marie Busch provides water to a young sale-goer.*



A huge crowd attended the third annual Bingo night hosted by the Jordaness Lions club. The event, which was held at the Minnesota Harvest Apple Orchard, included meat raffles and Mystery Envelope prizes!

*Left: Lions Betty Huebner and Mary Nelson have fun while selling Bingo cards and daubers*

*Below Right: Lions Donna Will and Sue Holland serve refreshments to hungry participants.*

*Below Left: Participants enjoy a night of relaxation and fun!*





### NICOLLET LIONS CLUB PRESENTS COMMEMORATIVE COINS TO CHARTER MEMBERS



The 10 living charter members of the Nicollet Lions Club include (front row, L-R) Lions Howard Swenson, Dr. Robert Martens, Bernie Laven and Paul Zins. Back row, L-R: Lions Dick Lange, Gary Kollmann and Dave Michels. Missing from picture: Lions Roger Kastens, Claus Peukert, Lloyd Zimmerman



At the Nicollet Lions regular meeting on April 17th at the American Legion, the members celebrated 45 Years of Service to the community by honoring Charter Members who were the founding fathers of the Nicollet Lions Club in April of 1972. The Charter Members that attended were honored by receiving a "Melvin Jones Commemorative Silver Dollar. The front side of the Lions Clubs Silver Dollar Proof coin features a portrait of founder Melvin Jones paired with the Lions Clubs International logo. Inscriptions are "LIBERTY," "IN GOD WE TRUST," "MELVIN JONES," "FOUNDER," and "2017". The reverse side depicts a male and female lion with a lion cub superimposed over a globe, inscriptions are "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA," "\$1," "E PLURIBUS UNUM," and "CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE."

### JORDANESS LIONS...CONTINUED!!!

Each year, the Jordaness Lions club gives Norway Pine trees to the town's Kindergarten students. This year, the club handed out 110 trees to the Kindergarten classes at St. John the Baptist School and Jordan Elementary School.

Right Top: Lions Donna Will and Hollie Penney deliver trees to grateful Kindergarten students at St. John the Baptist School.

Right Bottom: Lions Dawn Doheny, Donna Will and Wanda Breimhorst hand trees out to excited Kindergarten students.

Below: Kindergarten students at Jordan Elementary School pose with their new Norway Pine trees.





# Plato Lions Club 1983-2017

Plato Lions Club is celebrating 34 years of service to the Plato Community. Lions Clubs Internationally are celebrating 100 years of service nationwide. Plato Lions completed a Centennial Legacy Project by donating a bench to the Plato Community Park honoring one of our clubs Charter Members, Harlan Wilkens. A dedication ceremony was held May 7, 2017. Charter members were recognized and thanked for their service along with past and present Lion members. Each year the Plato Lions Club strives to better serve the community through new projects and events. We do this with the help of new members and ideas. 100% of funds raised goes directly to local schools, city improvements or sent to aid the hearing and vision impaired people across the world. We also support service areas involving Hunger, the Environment, Pediatric Cancer and Diabetes. Please consider joining our club and become a member of the largest service organization in the world. We just need a couple hours a month of your time.

For more information contact: Lion Myra Franke @ 238-2370 or Lion Darlene Lilienthal @238-2155.



First Row: Lion Tom Pinske, Lion Stacy Sohns, Lion Bev Wilkens, Lion Myra Franke, Lion Darlene Lilienthal and Lion Olive Pinske.

Second Row: Lion Ron Templin, Lion James Barlau, Lion Tom Smith, Lion Janette Smith, Lion Doris Schrupp, Lion Connie Rau.

Third Row: Lion Alan Schramm, Lion Ken Franke.



**ZONE LIONS OF THE YEAR...**



**ZONE 1 - LION MARVIN GUSTAFSON, GLENCOE LIONS CLUB**



**ZONE 2 - LION DENNIS FISHER, CHANHASSEN LIONS CLUB**



**ZONE 7 - LION CAROL BRADY, MANKATO SUNRISE LIONS CLUB**

**COURTLAND LIONS WIN AWARD**

The Courtland Lions Club received the Lions Multiple District 5M Centennial Public Relations Award at the MD5M Lions Convention in Bemidji on Saturday, April 22, 2017. The award was for "Hunger/Vision/Youth"- Morning with Santa- the club held their annual Christmas event but incorporated the spirit of giving by having a food shelf collection, eye glass collection and promoting the Lions 100th Anniversary.



*Pictured: Past Lions Clubs International President Wayne Madden, accepting the award for Courtland Lions was 5M2 District Governor Elect Nancy Mathwig and MD5M Council Chair Lion Todd Neumann.*



# District 5M-2 Jungle Days



## 18 Hole Tournament 4 Person Scramble

**Monday, August, 7th, 2017**  
**Shotgun Start at 12:30p.m.**

**Glencoe Country Club**  
**1325 1st Street East**  
**Glencoe, MN**

**\$85.00 per golfer - includes golf cart, dinner and prizes**  
11:00 a.m. - Registration & Driving Range  
Lunch will be available for purchase  
Dinner @ approximately 5:30 p.m.

Additional Dinner Only Tickets available: \$20.00

### Registration Deadline Monday, July 17, 2017

Player Name (Teams of 4)	Dinner Y/N Included with registration
Name:	
Name:	
Name:	
Name:	

Extra Dinner Tickets x \$20 Per Ticket = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment Included: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Check Payable to: Hamburg Lions Club  
Send Payment to: Lion Dave Zelinsky  
591 Park Ave, PO Box 157  
Hamburg, MN 55339

For questions, please email:  
d.zelinsky@statebankofhamburg.com  
(952) 467-2992 (Lion Dave)



Dear Lion,

*It's hard to overstate the value of our Foundation. For nearly 50 years, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has supported the life-changing work of Lions, serving some of the most vulnerable people and the neediest places on Earth.*

*LCIF will play a key role in supporting our new global service framework and reaching our LCI Forward goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021. That kind of life-changing service requires the commitment that only Lions have. But it also requires funding. LCIF supports the work of Lions through grant funding so we can have a bigger impact, bringing long-term help to more people than ever before.*

*LCIF supports Lions, but how will you support LCIF? Every act of kindness and every dollar matters when you're investing in hope. Every dollar flows back into our communities through the effort of Lions. And each dollar is spent where it will have the most impact.*

*I encourage you to work with your club to make a donation to LCIF. Your support will make a real difference in the life of someone who needs it most, so please give today.*



Very truly yours,  
**Chancellor Bob Corlew**  
 Your International President



On March 30, 1916 Melvin Jones constructed a letter calling on many different clubs and organizations to come together as one bigger, stronger organization. On June 7, 1917 this meeting took place at the Hotel La Salle in Chicago, ILL, and the Lions Club International was born.

The Hutchinson Lions are now calling on 5M2 Lions, Lioness and Leo Clubs to help celebrate not only the first 100 years of Lions Clubs International but also the next 100 years of our legacy, by having 100 plus members of 5M2 in the Hutchinson Water Carnival Parade, on Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> 2017 in Hutchinson MN. All attending should wear paraphernalia of your home town Club. There will be a trailer to ride on for those who cannot walk through the parade.

The Hutchinson Lions will be hosting a small picnic at one of our Lions Parks after the parade.

Please RSVP as soon as possible and I can get you meeting times and directions.

Thanks for EVERYTHING you as Lions, Lioness, and LEOs do!

Lion Bobby, chairperson

Hutchinson Lions Club

[satnightcruise@yahoo.com](mailto:satnightcruise@yahoo.com)

320-582-1213



Lion Brian B. Sheehan is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of Lions Clubs International

**All Lions Golf Outing Fund Raiser for PID Brian's Campaign**  
 All proceeds to PID Brian Sheehan's Campaign Fund

When: July 21, 2017 ● 9 a.m. registration – 10 a.m. shotgun start

Where: Kimball Golf Course ● 11823 Co Rd 150, Kimball MN 55353

Who: Participants are Lions & Spouses of Lions only

- 👤 4 - person teams – limited to 36 teams
- 👤 Individuals golfers are welcome at \$60.00 ea.

Cost: \$ 240.00 per team

- 👤 Entry fee may be paid on day of event, but must preregister

Contact: PDG Duane Finger for preregistration at [fingerelec@meltel.net](mailto:fingerelec@meltel.net)  
 or cell phone: 320-980-6219

- 👤 Make checks payable to Watkins Lions Club
- 👤 Registration includes - Mulligans, Skins, Special events & Lunch

Sponsorship: Clubs or Individuals may sponsor a hole for \$50.00 ea.

(Sponsorship for hole needs to be sent to PDG Duane by June 26, 2017 at  
 11764 120<sup>th</sup> St, Kimball, MN 55353)

Non-Golfers: Welcome to join in the fun for \$10.00 ea. Includes Lunch & hayride

**Mark your calendars,  
 Clean up your clubs,**

**Jungle Days 2017**

Monday, August 7, 2017  
 Hosted by the Hamburg Lions

Glencoe Country Club  
 1325 1<sup>st</sup> Street East, Glencoe

- 4-Person Scramble
- \$85.00 per golfer
- Registration: 11:00 AM
- Shotgun Start: 12:30 PM
- Dinner / Prizes: 5:30 PM

\*\*Registration forms available in May

**And plan to have fun!!**



# Join us June 3, 2017 for the Sixth Annual D-Feet Hearing Loss Fundraiser Walk



**Event Details:**  
**June 3, 2017**  
**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
- ◆ A chance to change a child's life through your \$25.00 registration/donation

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

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

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
**June 3, 2017**

## FEATURING:



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



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