



5M2 LIONS' NEWS



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LIONS & SERVICE: A PERFECT FIT

*Lion Diana Kroells
District Governor*

WOW, I blinked my eyes and it was gone!! The month of September was a whirlwind of events and I was so happy to have been able to participate in such a variety of things.

Thank you to all of the club presidents & secretaries for attending and participating in great discussions of concerns & successes of your clubs at the Zone President/Secretary meetings. Thanks also to the Zone chairs for organizing these meetings. A common concern is membership and when it came down to it "Just Ask" was still the key to it all. Have you asked someone to be a Lion lately?

District Childhood Cancer Chairperson, Lion Tom McCarthy and I teamed up at the Jordaness Lions 1st Annual Cornhole Tournament. What a wonderful way to acknowledge that September was Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Lion Tom and I had a great time and let's just say "better luck next year". Of course who would have thought that on a Saturday in mid-September it would be 95 degrees. Our consolation to the loss was that both Lion Tom and I were old enough to be the parents or grandparents to everyone else who participated. We put up a good fight and a few (very few) bags even stayed on the board as well as each of us getting one in the hole. The Jordaness Lions presented Lion Tom with a check to LCIF Childhood Cancer and we heard some encouraging words from a family whose young son has gone through chemo. They expressed their thanks to the Jordaness Lions for sponsoring the event. Please invite Lion Tom to speak to your club to find out how you can support this new global cause.

Mid- September took me to Columbus OH for the USA/Canada Forum. It as an extremely informative 3 days listening to great seminars presentations (87 to choose from) & banquet speakers. The theme for the forum was "Building Teams Through Leadership". At the opening tailgate party the Ohio State Marching Band performed followed by John Pinero, playing the part of Vince Lombardi. Pinero inspired us as Vince inspired his teams-especially the Green Bay Packers. At Saturday's luncheon Michelle Ray got us

all excited about making a difference in the lives of others and getting new members which develop in to new friendships by responding instead of reacting and to view change as a positive thing. At Saturday's luncheon, International President Gudron enlightened us all with her message about building strong leaders & teams by steering the course and to reach beyond the horizon. . The closing banquet on Saturday featured Jon Petz, an energetic magician and speaker that kept us all on our toes with a message of the importance of strong team members which in turn make strong teams. The marching band from the Ohio School for the Blind entertained us before John's took the stage. All of this plus a Strides Walk for Diabetes, and a hand's on service project for Childhood Cancer.

Congratulations to the 7 District 5M2 Lions who graduated from Lions University at the Forum.

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A NEW LIONS YEAR: NOT THE WAY WE HAVE ALWAYS DONE IT!



*Lion Brian Thies
1st Vice District Governor*

Weather, weather, and more weather. It seems that this is a common theme this year from late winter snow storms to the destructive tornadoes that hit southern Minnesota last week. It is not just our local area that has experienced the forces of nature recently, but all parts of the United States from the fires in California to flooding in the Carolinas. Please keep all our fellow Lions and their families in your prayers at this difficult time. LCIF, our organization's foundation, has just announced an Emergency Grant for the areas affected by Hurricane Florence.

Lion Rose and I just returned from the USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Columbus, Ohio. We were able to talk with ID Gwen from North Carolina. If you remember, ID Gwen was with us at our last Mid Winter Convention in Mankato. She informed us that Hurricane Florence went south of her, so her local area only received minor damage and the VIP Fishing Pier is ok. At the final banquet, we were asked to pass the hat for victims of Florence and over \$7,000 was collected. How great it felt to know that

those funds will be going directly to the victims and will be administered by the Local Lions Clubs who know where the greatest need will be.

This year's forum once again had excellent seminars, awesome inspirational speakers, and of course tons of fun and laughter along with meeting many new Lions Friends. The Columbus Forum will be one that will be forever in Rose and mine memory, as the trip that what if something could go wrong it did. It tested our patience time and time again but showed us the generosity of our Lions Friends as well as our ability to adapt. If you want to read more about it, become our friends on Facebook (BrianRose Thies). Social media is a good way to connect with members of all generations and find out the happenings of Lions Clubs locally and beyond.

A different avenue for additional training and seminars is the upcoming, Northern Pride that will be held in Mahanomen, November 2-3. This year for the first time, rather than keeping this great opportunity to only Lions of Multiple District 5M, we are inviting Lions from the Upper Midwest. Come join the fun and learn some new things about yourself and Lions too. It's not too late to sign up. Lion Rose and I will be there, so won't you join us? See IPDG Nancy for more information.

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Receiving bachelor degrees were: Chanhassen Lions Glenn and Lisa Kaufmann, Jordaness Lions Christy Trutnau and Julie Beckius and Green Isle Lion Rosemary Thies. Receiving masters degrees were 1st VDG Brian Thies and DG Diana Kroells.

Of course while we were in Columbus, we heard the terrible news about the storms that tore apart communities in the southern part of our District. Our hearts go out to those who suffered damage to their homes and other property. At the time of this writing, LCIF Chair PID Debra Wasserman is finding out if the District qualifies for disaster relief from LCIF. I am sure the Lions of District 5M2 assisted wherever they could to help clean-up their communities.

My last event for September will be the Can Do Canine's Woof-a-Roo.

"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see."

Mark Twain



District 5 M 2 Lions attending USA/Canada Forum: Don & Anna Wickenhauser, Glenn & Lisa Kaufmann, Duane & Diana Kroells, Nancy Mathwig, Julie Beckius, Christy Trutnau, Brian & Rose Thies. Missing from photo but also in attendance were Lions Steven & Debra Wasserman.

GREETINGS - GET YOUR LION ON!



Lion Anna Wickenhauser
2nd Vice District Governor

Like-Minded

adjective ~Cambridge Dictionary

~ People who are described as like-minded share the same opinions, ideas, or interests~

While at the airport getting ready for our flight to the USA/Canada Leadership Forum there were several Lions on the same flight. When we arrived in Columbus, Ohio we ran into more Lions and everywhere we went, there were-you guessed it LIONS.

I started wondering what makes a person want to join the Lions? And then what makes a Lion.

I like to say that Lions are "like-minded" whether it be in your local community or globally or both. It was a great experience to see the "First Timers" at

the Forum. They didn't know what to expect and it was a refreshing feeling to hear their comments and excitement about what they learned in the seminars, speakers and I think the most important aspect to me, is in the meeting Lions from the United States and Canada. They learned that we all have the same club issues-from declining membership, retention, how to engage the younger generation and Technology just to name a few but they also found a commonality (like-mindedness). They also learned from these Lions new ideas, how every club is run differently than their own, service projects, you get the idea...

I truly believe that attending a Forum, District Convention or heck even going to the next town over and visiting their club you will learn something.

"The education of a person is never complete until they die."

- Robert E. Lee

KROELLS TRAILS FOR OCTOBER

- October 3 Waseca Lions
- October 4 Lake Crystal Lions
- October 9 Zone 8 meeting Ellendale
- October 10 Minnesota Lake Lions
- October 11 Lester Prairie Lions
- October 15 Zone 6 meeting Northfield
- October 16 Zone 3 meeting Veseli
- October 17 Zone 4 meeting Nicollet
- October 18 Stewart Lions
- October 19 IPID Bruce Beck's Appreciation Dinner
- October 20 Council of Governors meeting
- October 22 Plato Lions
- October 24 Convention planning meeting



- October 25 Zone 7 meeting
- October 29 Zone 1 meeting Brownton
- October 30 Zone 5 meeting Arlington

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Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



Lion Debra Wasserman, 5M2 LCIF Coordinator

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) was founded in 1968 to take the mission of Lions Clubs International to new heights by tackling global problems, as well as assisting Lions with large-scale local humanitarian projects.

LCIF's history is filled with high-impact projects, meaningful partnerships and the kindness and efforts of Lions. In 1972 LCIF awarded its first grant, \$5,000, in response to flooding in rapid City, South Dakota. LCIF has now surpassed the \$1 billion mark having awarded over 13,000 grants in the last 50 years.

In 1973 the Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) program was created as a way to recognize donors. The MJF program is the backbone of LCIF, providing 75 percent of the Foundation's revenue. As recognition of humanitarian work, an MJF is an honor presented to those who donate \$1,000 to LCIF or to people for whom a donation was made by others. Contributions can be made by individuals (including non-Lions), clubs or districts. Donations may be in one sum, or in installments of a minimum of \$100 over a five-year period (recommended). Melvin Jones Fellows receive a lapel pin, a plaque and a congratulatory letter. The names of MJFs are displayed on a computer in the LCIF Room at the International Headquarters.

LCIF records show 1,059 MJFs have been presented to Lions in 5M2, 81 of which are "Progressive" MJFs. A Progressive MJF (PMJF) is presented when a recipient is recognized a second or subsequent time. The first 5M2 listed recipient was the Late PID Adrian Johnson in 1978. As of January 2018, there are 414,777 MJF recipients and 82,236 PMJF recipients worldwide. 60 of our 65 clubs have or have had Melvin Jones Fellows as members.

43 clubs in 5M2 have enough funds on deposit with LCIF to present at least one Melvin Jones Fellowship. I encourage these clubs to choose someone to recognize. This is a great way to honor a longtime member, encourage and appreciate a project Chair, thank an outgoing club officer or even recognize a community member who has supported your club and/or the project/service areas in which we work. The club Board of Directors, an awards committee, or a committee of the current Melvin Jones Fellows are possible vehicles to select the MJF recipient. Remember it's not a competition, not length of membership based, no list of criteria to check off. This is your opportunity to honor someone who serves.

If you want to know the specific amount your club has on deposit, how to make a donation, how to apply for an MJF or get a list of the MJFs in your club please email or call me. You are also welcome to send LCIF donations to me and I will forward them to LCIF.

SAVE THE DATE: MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019

What is more timely than getting your tax return submitted by April 15, 2019? (I would not enjoy having our visit in Sandstone Prison)

This year 5M2 has committed to packing food for the Feed My Starving Children in Chanhassen. "Lions Day" at Feed My Starving Children is scheduled for Monday, April 15 at the center 18732 Lake Drive East in Chanhassen. There are three time slots available for volunteering: 9:30AM -11:30 for 70 volunteers; 12:00PM-2:00PM for 70 volunteers and 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM for 100 volunteers.

Thank you to all the Lions that packed food and donated funds last year, you were our pioneers! Let us all get involved; add the April 15 event to your calendar, and share with friends, neighbors and relatives. You do not need to be a Lion to participate; your participation invitation is a welcoming opportunity to show others our "We Serve" frame of mind.

For now, save the date, registration and promotion information will be coming.

DG Diana, as you may know, has a Lion service goal for 100% of our clubs are asked to participate in a service project in at least 3 of the 5 service areas:

Diabetes: Vision: Hunger Relief: Environment: Pediatric Cancer.

LCI Forward is a project to report service through Lions activities and to serve at least 200 million people per year by 2021.

Lions clubs report the service activities through the monthly reporting, reported by the club secretary. This process works in many clubs, however, if you have a very large club with many activities or if your club secretary does not have email, how can we insure the activities are being reported? Some clubs may need to appoint service a reporter to ensure that all service activities are counted in the LCI Forward Initiative.

In my club, our secretary emails all members and requests the service hours, what activity, numbers served for her the clubs monthly report. It works well, she already has the numbers for the Lions projects, but with many active Lions, there are many more hours and numbers served to report.

If you have questions or input, please contact:

PDG Sue Bowman at s.bowman@frontiernet.net

HEARING FOUNDATION NEWS



This month on October 13, the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation Board of Trustees will meet in St. Cloud. We will be looking at revising our mission statement and looking at our Vision statement. Are we doing what our vision statement says?

Dr Bevan Yueh will be our guest. He will give us feedback from the U of M research projects and explain this year's requests for funds for continued research work. His presentation is always very interesting. Having Dr. Bevan and his faculty is a key part of our Foundation.

One area the Trustees will be working on is how to better understand the Affordable Hearing Aid program. Can we get the Starkey foundation more involved with this program? Starkey takes our collected used hearing aids and we have a credit to use, but how can we get Starkey more involved? We need to invite Starkey to a Trustee meeting to explain their program and how we can partner with them.

Some other opportunities that will be discussed are fundraising expansions, Lions Children's Hearing Clinic (there is a need for more room and the need for equipment, toys, furniture). I was next door at the Paparella Clinic with Lion Evelyn. While I was waiting, I visited with the receptionist and a staff member of the Lion's Children's Hearing Clinic. I observed the very crowded work area and the waiting room for children is very small.

There is a lack of Hearing Foundation awareness in our clubs and the general public. We need to have our marketing materials updated and made more effective with current resources.

Our meeting will be very busy and rewarding. If you have questions or suggestions, you can email me at evmargrimm@comcast.net. I will be glad to come to your club for a visit and try to answer questions.

For club visits contact PDG Marvin Grimm or Lion Jeff Williams

PDG Marvin Grimm, Hearing Foundation Trustee and Lion Jeff Williams, Hearing Foundation Trustee



Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum November 2-3, 2018



Dynamic and Motivating Speakers

International Director Pat Vannet
and
Lions Clubs International's Third Vice President
Brian Sheehan



36 Informative Seminars

- GAT Working Together • So, you want to be a district governor • Laugh your way to a better club • Building Leaders for Tomorrow • Recruiting Younger Lions • Young Punks vs Old Geezers • Construct a meaningful Project • Kids Sight • Successful Tricks for Recruiting New Members • Mentoring • GLT - How to spot a successful leader • LCI Core Five • Women, Families, Youth • Navigating the LCI Website-My Lion App • Roberts Rules • Leadership Institute Opportunities • Who's on First and What Does it Matter? • Lions University - Understanding it and using it in your District • How to Run an Effective Meeting • Orientation for your new member • Joining Your District's Cabinet • Succession Planning • Quality Initiative Program (CEP) • Zone/Region Chairperson; Expanding your pride • Phishing and Cyber Attacks • The 21st Century • Starting a LEOS club or Campus Club -Building Blocks of our Future • Fun with Tail Twisting • Hello I'm your new member, I'm leaving • The fun way to build a team • Role of Supporting Partner • Creative recognition • Conflict Resolution • Time Management • New ways to strengthen your club • Lions Clubs International - Everything you wanted to know and resources

Please come join us in this fun filled Lion's event!



Shooting Star Casino
777 SE Casino Rd
Mahnomen, MN 56557



Registration form at <http://www.lionsmd5m.org>
Registration fee \$75.00 USD/\$75.00 CAN
(Includes Saturday's lunch and dinner)
Hotel \$65.00 USD plus tax

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/northern-pride-lions-leadership-forum-2018-tickets-44597493303>

UPCOMING ZONE MEETINGS

Zone 1	October 29th	Brownton	Zone 6	October 15	Northfield
Zone 2	November 14	Watertown	Zone 7	October 25	TBD
Zone 3	October 16	Veseli	Zone 8	October 9	Ellendale
Zone 4	October 17	Nicollet	Zone 9	November 5	Wells
Zone 5	October 30	Arlington			



**Northern Pride
Lions Leadership Forum**



Hosted by
MD5M Lions



November 2nd - 3rd, 2018

Shooting Star Convention Centre, Mahnomen MN USA

2018 Registration Form

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

Your District & Club Name: _____

Name & Title _____
 Address _____
 City/Town _____
 State/Prov. _____
 Zip/Postal _____
 Phone (w / area code) _____
 Email _____

Registration form at

Special Dietary Needs:
 Vegetarian, Gluten Free,
 Allergies _____
 (circle ones that apply)



Registration Fee \$75.00 (US\$ or CDN\$)

Registration includes Friday evening Meet & Greet Mixer, Your choice of up to 6 of the 36 Seminars on Saturday, Saturday lunch and dinner with dynamic guest speakers: ID Pat Vannett and PID Brian Sheehan (Saturday Breakfast on your own, seminars start at 9 AM)

This year you can **SIGN UP ONLINE** @ www.eventbrite.com/e/npllf-2018-registration

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

If you want to send a cheque / money order in:

USA make them payable to: **Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum**

In Canada make them payable to: **District 5M13**

US residents mail to: PDG Dave Jensen,
 Box 156
 Wendell, MN USA 56590
 E. oakstulf@runestone.net

Canadian residents mail to: PDG Cheryl McKilbrick
 PO Box 340, Crystal City
 MB Canada R0K 0N0
 E. cmckil@gmail.com

Cancellations prior to October 19th, 2018 will have a \$25.00 fee applied, NO Cancellations after October 19th, 2018 except for Medical emergencies which are accepted anytime with documents (\$25.00 fee still applies).

For more Information Email The Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum at: NPLLFMD5M@gmail.com

Hotel Reservations – Contact the hotel directly – Rate \$65.00 USD per night (+ taxes) Until October 19th, 2018

Shooting Star Hotel & Casino, Mahnomen, MN – call 1-800-453-STAR and ask for block # 5322.

This block is called **"Northern Pride Lions Leadership Forum"**

Viewing Forward



MN Lions Vision Foundation

Happy autumn, Lions all! This is my favorite season. Clean, crisp air and often, a time to do a little home/garage cleaning in preparation for the change of seasons. Seems like some of you are doing this regarding eyeglass recycling. For some reasons, we are getting calls now to empty our eyeglass boxes and to supply new boxes. This might be a great time to remind ourselves of the best way to efficiently present our treasures to MN Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center.

MN Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (MLERC) is located in Sauk Rapids. Since 1992, this center has brought their traveling van to Midwinters and loaded up all the supplies we bring on that date. They also bring that van to quarterly meetings of the MN Lions Vision Foundation. This means that Lion Christy and I are able to deliver collected boxes four more times each year. This spreads processing time throughout the year for MLERC's dedicated volunteers.

The personnel at MLERC have several hints to make recycle collecting efficient so that the glasses can then be delivered to Rosholt WI for processing and grading. So, here are great hints to prepare your deliveries. Usable glasses are those with both lenses intact and bows not broken, both plastic and metal (both adult and children sizes), non prescription sunglasses (including clip-ons), readers, broken metal frames. BUT, do not send

loose lenses, broken plastic frames, and cases for glasses. There are not funds to ship the bulkiness of cases – sorry.

At any time, please give us a shout and make a plan to deliver your treasures to us or to get new, clean boxes. We will be at zone meetings this fall so will happily do your recycling then. And at Midwinter, too!

On another note, Thanksgiving for Vision is October 27. Invitations are out now to club presidents and new Helen Keller recipients. Please put this on your calendars so that all our clubs can send representatives to this marvelous event. University doctors are there to give you research updates. And, at a wonderful free lunch, both a recipient patient and a donor family are there to share experiences. It really is a time when you will feel appreciated and glad to be a Lion. Silent auction, too. And all for just a half day or your time.

Fellow Lions, we have given, since 1960, millions collectively to Lions Gift of Sight, Childrens' Eye Clinic, Research Department, MAC Center, Surgery Center, Glasses Recycling Center, Kidsight. Now, more than ever, Lion Christy and I are anxious to visit your clubs sharing the passion of Lions' original mission. As directors, we continue to View Forward. Our legacy is great and our goals will continue to be met. We are your directors ready to serve. Reminding you again that now is time to plan your club visits for the coming year. Give us a shout – maryspille@gmail.com or christy1135@gmail.com. Together, "WE SERVE" continues.

PROTOCOL PLEASE!!!

Is your visit from the District Governor coming up soon? A couple of things to remember:

1. The District Governor should be introduced twice. At the beginning of the meeting, introduce the District Governor and their companion. Before the Governor's presentation, a more formal introduction should be given. When the Governor stands to speak, ALL club members should rise and applaud. When the Governor finishes the presentation, ALL club members rise and show their appreciation with applause.
2. The District Governor should be the ONLY speaker for the evening. The Governor should NOT be limited on time.

For additional tips for your District Governor's visit can be found on pages 4 & 5 of the Protocol Manual on the District website.

Lions Mary & Tom Ferleman, Protocol Co-Chairs



PEACE POSTER CONTEST

HISTORY

The Peace Poster Contest was created in 1988 to give young people the opportunity to creatively express their feelings for world peace and to share their visions with the world. Approximately 600,000 children from 75 countries participate in the contest annually. Lions clubs sponsor the contest, open to children ages 11 - 13, in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups, such as Scouts and Boys & Girls Clubs. The contest provides Lions with the chance to interact with young people in their communities, introducing the youth to international understanding, as well as giving Lions a vehicle for obtaining positive publicity for their clubs.

The theme of the 2018-2019 Peace Poster Contest is "Kindness Matters." Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15, are eligible to participate.

Peace Poster Contest Judging

Each poster is judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme.

Posters advance through several judging levels: local, district, multiple district and international. At the international level, judges from the art, peace, youth, education and media communities select one grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners.

The posters must be sent to the Peace Poster Co-Chairperson Lion Paula Stephens, 313 Louis St. E., Cologne, MN 55322 and must be postmarked on or before November 15, 2018.

Monetary Gifts will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place (\$300, \$200, \$100 respectively) from 5M2. The winner will receive a plaque and their poster will be framed. The second and third place winners will receive a Certificate of Appreciation and all three winners will receive an invitation to Saturday lunch at Mid-winter Convention for 4 (the winner and three family members).

If you have any questions, please contact the Peace Poster Co-Chairpersons:

Lion Paula Stephens, 952-797-4116; stephenspmt@gmail.com; Lion Shirley Hespenheide, 612-756-1538; hespy@usfamily.net

Contest Rules:

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school(s) or organized, sponsored youth group(s) such as YMCA programs, Boys & Girls Clubs, Scouts, etc. A Lioness Club can sponsor the contest through its sponsoring Lions Club. The contest cannot be held in youth groups that a Lions club sponsors, such as a Leo club. However, individual members of these groups (such as Leos) may participate if the contest is held at their school or other organized youth group. A kit must be purchased for each contest sponsored. Each kit includes a sticker to be placed on the back of the winning poster prior to forwarding it to the next level of judging. Entries not featuring an official sticker on the back or meeting the rules listed below will be disqualified. The kits are available, and the cost is \$11.95 plus tax and postage/ handling. Check on-line or in the Lions Magazine for more information.

Contest is open to students who will be 11, 12, or 13 years of age on November 15, 2018. Eligible birth dates are November 16, 2005 through November 15, 2007. Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches. Do not mat or frame the artwork. All media are accepted. Chalk, charcoal, and pastel entries must be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries. Only one entry per student per year and each entry must be the original work of one student. Duplicates are not accepted. Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted. Nothing may be glued, stapled or attached to the artwork in any way. The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster is not allowed. All artist signatures or initials should be written on the back of the poster. Artwork should be done on a flexible material, so it can be rolled for shipping. Do not fold artwork. Participants accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Entries sent with insufficient postage will be disqualified. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process. Entries cannot be acknowledged or returned; they become property of Lions Clubs International upon receipt. Peace Poster Contest images cannot be used without written permission from Lions Clubs International. In consideration for the opportunity to enter the Peace Poster Contest, participants agree to allow Lions Clubs International to use their names and photographs for promotional and publicity purposes. In addition, the international grand prize winner, two family members (one being a parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring club president or a club member (as designated by the sponsoring club president) are required to attend the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations. An international grand-prize winner is not eligible to receive subsequent prizes in future Peace Poster contests sponsored by Lions Clubs International. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Lions Clubs International.



First, Thank You to all the clubs in our District for support of Leader Dog. Our District was recognized as an 100 % District in support of Leader Dog for the Blind. Leader Dog is recognized as a "Best in America" Charity by the Independent Charities of America (ICA).

OUR IMPACT

People who are blind or visually impaired endure hardships we can barely imagine. Things that were once routine and taken for granted, suddenly become insurmountable hurdles. That's where Leader Dogs for the Blind steps in. From white cane training to matching people with a Leader Dog, we provide the tools and training to reintroduce people to a life of independence, confidence and companionship. It's a way of living that leads to a new perspective on life.

BLINDNESS CHANGES EVERYTHING

For people who are blind or visually impaired, the loss of sight is only the beginning of a life-changing reality. As the simplest to the most complex everyday tasks become daunting, these individuals often become depressed, anxious and isolated.

Leader Dog is the answer for thousands of people who are in critical need of our services. Because we believe every person deserves equal opportunity for travel and independence, all our services are provided at no cost, covering expenses for training, room, and board, and travel to our campus from anywhere in North America.

A lady named Angel was highlighted in the recent

"Leader Dog for the Blind" magazine. She went blind at age 41 following complications from cataract surgery. She was devastated, she felt like she had died, and a part of her did. She was given a white cane with no training. After a year with no training, she went to Leader Dog for Orientation and Mobility training to learn to use the white cane. The last day there, she was able to walk with a dog. After that she knew she wanted a dog. Radar came into her life soon after. She felt like she had her life back and was able to see. Angel always loved to run and has participated in triathlons and ½ marathons. She is only two states away from running a ½ marathon in all 50 states. The following are quotes from Angel. "When it comes to Leader Dog training, I believe that if a client comes with the right heart and the right mentality, it will truly change their life. I know it did for me," explains Angel. "Leader Dog gave me my life back, and a better one at that. Though I am blind, I sometimes think I 'see' life more clearly than I did before. And the best part is, when I cross the finish line at every race, my Radar is always there waiting for me.

So, from Angel to all Lion's Clubs and Leo's a BIG Thank You for changing her life

. We hope to attend future Zone meetings to request Club visits to promote this great program. If you need to schedule a club visit you can contact one of your District chairs. Lion Loretta Klenke contact at lmklenke@msn.com or phone 952-445-0289. Or Lion Emmy Koch contact at emmykoch@hotmail.com or phone 320-510-0558. We hope to see you at future Zone meetings.

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HATS OFF!

TO 5M2

For All That You Do

Lion Dar and Mona are excited to chair 5M-2 2019 Mid-Winter Convention along with representatives from the Zone 5 Clubs (Arlington, Green Isle, Hamburg, Henderson, Le Sueur, NYA, West Carver). Check out the "Save the Date" flyer and if you want to make your room reservations now for the City Center in Mankato that reservation form is also attached. Please note that the registration form for the Convention will be in the October newsletter.

The Tuxedo Band is ready, willing, and able to perform for us on Friday night once again. Our theme is **"Hats Off to 5M2 For All That You Do"** Start designing or thinking about your favorite hat to be worn on this evening.

DG Diana is lining up some very interesting speakers for our Saturday morning sessions. You will want to be present to hear just what the Lions are doing! Saturday noon will also include very interesting Lions Information and the banquet is always a very enjoyable evening.

What an inspirational group of people we have for the weekend! Let's sell out the hotel, enjoy the FUN and visit with other Lions all weekend or for part of the weekend.



**Lions 5M-2 Mid-Winter Convention
February 8 – 10, 2019
City Center Hotel, Mankato Minnesota**

NOTE: PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY AND READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING FORM.

Guest Information: () Lion () Leo () Spouse/Guest () 1st Time Attendee

Last Name	First Name	E-mail address
Address or PO Box	Club Name	Phone Number
City	State & Zip Code	Dietary Needs
Guest or Spouse Last Name	Guest or Spouse First Name	Address if Different

Please follow these instructions to register for the convention:

- Return Registration Form completed in full. Registration fee to apply to all attendees including non-Lions. *Visiting dignitaries and invited guests will be the only exceptions.*
- Enclose payment for registration and meals (all meal prices include tax and gratuity)
- Checks made payable to: Lions 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention
 1. Check and form(s) mailed to: Lion Beth Cornish, 307 N 6th St., Henderson, MN 56044
 2. Call Lion Beth at 507-560-0153 with questions – leave a detailed message
- **Cancellation Policy: Cancellation must be directed to Lion Beth at one of the above addresses or leave a detailed phone message.**
- Refunds will be sent in the form of a check following the convention and will be honored as follows:
- Postmarked on or before January 12, 2019 – Full refund
- Postmarked between January 14 and February 2 – 90% refund
- After February 2 – no refund

Convention Fees:

- Early registration (postmarked before January 8) \$15.00
- Regular registration (after January 8) \$20.00

• **Meal Packages:**

Guest #1	Guest #2	Meal Cost Per Person	Total
		All Meal Package \$69 (Includes Sat. Lunch, Sat. Banquet and Sun. Brunch)	
		Saturday Lunch \$22	
		Saturday Banquet \$34	
		Sunday Brunch \$15	
		Friday Night ID Supper (by invitation only) \$20 (Note: not included in all meal package)	
Total Meal Cost			
Total Registration Fees			
Grand Total Meals & Registration			

*** Name tags will be distributed with your convention materials at check-in and must be worn to allow entry to meals and events.



Lion's 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention
February 8 - 10, 2019

MAIL DIRECTLY TO HOTEL

Reservations will be accepted by mail, fax,
or phone.

Please complete and return this form to
Mankato City Center Hotel with payment
information no later than January 11, 2019.

Mail to:

Mankato City Center Hotel
c/o Lions 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention
101 East Main Street
Mankato, MN 56001
Phone: 507-345-1234
Fax: 507-345-1248

**One-night reservations will be based on
availability**

CANCELLATION POLICY

If you need to cancel your reservation, you
must do so 24 hours in advance of the date
you wish to cancel.

****CONTACT THE HOTEL DIRECTLY
TO CANCEL****

Special Requests: _____

**Special Requests cannot be guaranteed but
we will try to accommodate as best we can.**

**Poolside rooms are subject to hearing noise
from the Fri. and Sat. evening events,
including band music. If this is a concern, it is
best not to request poolside**

HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM

Please note that your reservations must be received
by January 11, 2019 to receive the Lion's 5M2
Mid-Winter Convention discounted rate.

Reservations received after this date will be booked
at standard rates.

Arrival Date – Select One

____ Thursday, February 07
____ Friday, February 08
____ Saturday, February 09

Cost for Three Nights

____ One King Bed \$362.58
____ Two Queen Beds \$362.58
____ King Bed w/ Sofa \$399.85
____ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$399.85

Cost for Two Nights

____ One King Bed \$241.72
____ Two Queen Beds \$241.72
____ King Bed w/ Sofa \$263.90
____ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$263.90

Cost for One Night

____ One King Bed \$120.86
____ Two Queen Beds \$120.86
____ King Bed w/ Sofa \$131.95
____ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$131.95
____ Handicap Access Room Required
(room contains one Queen bed)

***Taxes of 10.875% are included in the price
***All rooms are non-smoking and are
equipped with microwaves and refrigerators

We will confirm your reservation by sending you a
postcard with a confirmation number. If you do not
receive a postcard, please call the hotel. Please give us
three weeks from the date you send in your
registration form for processing. If e-mail
confirmation is preferred please include e-mail
address. _____

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

Name of Person(s) Sharing Room: _____

Only send one registration form if sharing a room

Payment methods:

Check \$ _____

Money Order \$ _____

Credit Card – Circle One

____ Visa ____ MC ____ Amex ____ Diners ____ Discover

CC# _____ - _____ - _____

Exp Date: _____ / _____ (mm/yy)

TO GUARANTEE ROOM:

Credit card number is required
(credit card authorized upon arrival at hotel)
OR

Pre-payment by check for one-night stay
(with remaining balance due at check in)

LIONS' CLUBS NEWS AND ACTIVITIES LAFAYETTE AREA LIONS

Corn Roast

Less than six months after the Lafayette Area Lions Club was organized back in March 1979, the club held its first hog and corn roast to benefit local recreation facilities. Now, 39 years later, the annual tradition continues, with club members serving up pork chops and sweet corn to a willing audience the fourth Saturday in August each year. Proceeds continue to go toward community projects.

This year's event was held Saturday, August 25, at the Lafayette Fire Station. The corn was fresh as Lions members made an early morning trip to an area sweet corn field to pick about 1,450 pounds of the best corn to grill and serve.

Along with the corn, the menu featured pork chops, grilled to perfection by the Nicollet County Pork Producers.

There was dinner music, too, with the Lafayette Band presenting a concert at 6:30 p.m. and Lions members Larry Mages and Rick Franta entertaining before and/or after. The club also held its second annual Corn Hole Tournament as part of the event.

The evening wrapped up with the Lafayette Fire Department Relief Association holding its annual street dance at the fire hall, with music by the band "Radio Active."



Lion – and Pork Producer member – Tom Hayes grilled pork chops for the dinner.



The event fills the Lafayette Fire Hall several times over. This year's roast served about 415 people – including a class reunion of the 1970 sixth grade class at Lafayette Public School.



The Lions were ready to serve the hungry diners.

The Lions were out early Saturday morning, heading into an area cornfield to pick corn. With delayed planting due to the weather, finding a field that was ready was difficult, but they found one field near Lafayette that was just right. The Lions reimburse the owner for the value of the corn.



It's a hot job, but the Lions get the corn roasted "just right" for the crowd.



The Lions – along with family members – paused for a photo after loading up the trailer with corn.

JORDANESS LIONS



Members of the Jordanness Lions club kicked off the Fall season with a service project at Feed My Starving Children. Along with other volunteers, club members packed 26,568 meals that will feed 73 children for a year. In addition, the club presented a representative of FMSC with a donation to ensure that even more needy children are fed.

Jordaness Lions Christy and Julie attended the USA Canada Forum this past weekend. There were 1,800+ Lions in attendance for awesome speakers and sessions focused on leadership and leadership development, as well as great networking and friendship building.



Lions Christy and Julie also received their Bachelor degrees from Lions University.



GARY TYSON

Comedy Magic & Music
for the Whole Family



Gary Tyson's 55 + Comedy Variety Show is geared for the middle aged baby boomers and up. Featured Comedy, Magic, Musical Comedy and Stand Up. Gary has toured extensively throughout the United States and Canada and is celebrating 45 years as a full time entertainer, including appearances at Hollywood's Magic Castle, Nashville's Grand Ole Opry and 1000's of venues coast to coast.

Laughter is truly the best medicine.

7 PM Saturday, October 13, 2018
Alden-Conger High School Gym

Doors Open at 6pm
with warm-up Country Show
starring Dunnell Lenort
beginning at 6:30



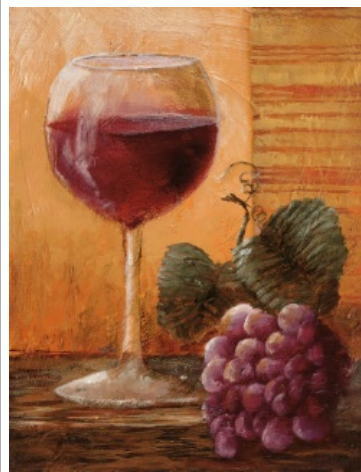
ALL TICKETS...\$15

The first 200 tickets are reserved seating on the main floor and must be paid in advance by contacting Karen Erickson (507)391-5847

Children under 10 years old...\$10
(expect reserved seating)

General Admission Tickets available from: Alden Area Lions Members

Sponsored By: Alden Area Lions - Hemmingsen's Transfer, Inc - Jensales



13th Annual

Harvest Moon

2018

Food & Wine

Extravaganza



Presented by NYA West Carver Lions

NYA Pavilion ~ October 26,

2018

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday, October 27th, 2018
6:30 to 11:30 pm

Cologne Community Center
1211 Village Pkwy
Cologne MN 55322

COLOGNE LIONS OKTOBERFEST

Entertainment~Silent/Live
Auction~Food~Prizes

Cash
Prizes-\$1000
2-\$250
5-\$50

Donation: \$30 per
person in advance
\$35 at the door



www.Facebook.com/CologneLions/Octoberfest



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September 29th from 4-7

King Pin Pub

Music from 3-6

PLATO LIONS will be serving Brats, Sauerkraut,
German Potato Salad, and Apple Dessert.

(Hotdogs are available.)



**Proceeds will go toward
The Children's
GIFT OF LEARNING.**



VESELI AREA LIONS HAM & EGG BREAKFAST



Sunday November 1, 2015
8:30 - 12:00 pm
Most Holy Trinity Church Basement
Veseli, MN

Serving Scrambled Eggs and Ham, Fresh Fruit,
Bread, Pastries, Milk, Juice and Coffee

Adults	\$7.00 (13 and up)
Children	\$3.00 (ages 5-12)
Under 5	Free



PURSE BINGO

WHEN:

SATURDAY, NOV. 3rd, 2018

TIME:

2:00 PM (Doors open at 12:00)

WHERE:

KC Hall, New Prague

PRICE:

\$25/10-Game Packet

Sponsored by The New Prague Area Lions Club
Czech us out on Facebook



BINGO PERMIT: XB-94213-18-001



HATS OFF!

“To 5M2

For All That You Do”

SAVE These Dates

FEBRUARY 8, 9, 10

5M2
MID-WINTER
CONVENTION
2019



Please join
 DG Diana Kroells
 in celebrating the
 next 100 years of
 Lionism

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Friday Night
 Wear your favorite
 decorated hat and
 enjoy a variety of
 music genre by
 the Tuxedo Band

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Saturday -
 wear Lion attire

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Check the 5M-2
 web-page, monthly
 newsletter, or email
[ions5m2convention
 2019@gmail.com](mailto:ions5m2convention2019@gmail.com) for
 convention and
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