



5m2 Lions' News



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Aim High To Serve!

Lion Glenn Kaufmann
District Governor

We all have a moment in our youth. I can do this. Don't think. Just do it. Sometime around 1st grade, we lived on a farm in East Union (a suburb of Carver?) and I truly believed the best thing I could do with my time was see if the fence really

was electrified, or if my parents were yanking my chain. THEY WERE NOT, and to date, it was the longest I've ever jumped. Lion Lisa would argue this is where it all went south for me...when it comes to common sense.



If I would have taken the time to think it through, I would have realized there was a different way to discover the status of the fence, like asking someone to teach me a better way to figure it out. As we start prepping for the 2022-23 Lions Year, we can ready ourselves in whatever role we are taking on. We can grab the electric fence, not knowing what the consequences will be, or we can set aside some time to learn our upcoming roles.

"How does a club secretary enter activities into MyLion?"

"Where does a club treasurer send dues?"

"Where can a club president get a handle on protocol or agenda setting?"

Did you know there are many, many different ways to learn more about Lionism? We only need to seek them out, and I hope the list below will offer you a few ideas of where to look.

Are you thinking "Hey Glenn, I've never been a club officer before and I can't make Club Officer Training. Now

what?" Or, "It's been a while since I've been a club officer, any tips for me?"

First off, please make every effort to sign up for Club Officer Training, information coming soon. Short of that, there are many opportunities out there to get you where you want to be.

A great place to start is the MyLion Suite (<https://myapps.lionsclubs.org/>)

Welcome to the Lions Clubs International digital ecosystem!
Here you'll find a variety of helpful, easy-to-use applications designed to simplify and improve your service.

MyLCI	MyLion	Shop	Insights	Learn
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manage your membership Create district & club profile Check club voter eligibility Document & plan conventions Check application status 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report service Plan service projects Connect with other Lions Create personal profile 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order club essentials Order awards, pins and more Get great Lions gifts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore membership trends Explore club trends View service activity impact Track Foundation donations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take free online courses Encourage your personal growth Access leadership tools and insights
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Did You Know?



Lion Kathleen Bleckeberg
District Governor Elect

Well, Hello fellow Lions! Wow what an amazing month March was. I attended DGE training with my fellow DGE's, we learned quite a bit. We even got to sit at the big table with the current sitting DG's during the Council of Governor's meeting.

We had foundation tours of Lions Gift of Sight and Can-Do-Canines, we had presentations from the Hearing Foundation and Diabetes Foundation. We even signed up a new Lion, one of the Audiologist from the U of M Lions hearing Foundation!!!

AND we chose our Council Chair for next year..... Our own DG Glenn Kaufmann!!!!!!!

I can not stress enough the importance of inviting the cabinet chair to you clubs. I have mentioned this in my comments at all the fall Zone meetings. You want to get current Lions inspired on why they are Lions and introduce your new Lions to learn why we do what we do. Our membership is on the plus side. Let's keep these new Lions from walking out the back door. Get them involved, bring them to Zone meetings, Mid-Winter, and the Multiple Convention these are great opportunities for all Lions to attend seminars and learn more about what Lions do and to meet other Lions from other Districts.

Spring Zone meetings are starting the end of March and will go through the first week in May. Be looking for the invitation to your Zone, Presidents and Secretaries bring as many members as you can. Let fill the venues. Let's hear those Lions ROAR!!!!

MD5M Multiple Convention will be held in Mankato at the Mayo Event Center April 29 to May 1st. Plan to attend on Saturday April 30th there will be a seminar on Homeless Youth, Leader Dog ~ Lino Lakes Prison Puppy Raisers, The Burmester Virtual Bar ~ LIVE and stay for Lunch!! While your there pick up some Lions swag.

Finally, spring is here, and I cannot wait to get out into the garden. I have all my seeds ordered. I have a plan to where I

want to start planting my early stuff. That plan can change due to what Mother nature decided to do. I have really missed my dirt therapy, now that school is done, I can really get my hands dirty. Maxie has already had muddy paws. (Surprise)

I leave you with these pictures my DGE crew having fun and at Can-Do-Canines, who we have been supporting for 25 years!!

Hope to see you all real soon.



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!!

Hello Lions...



*Lion Christy Trutnau
1st Vice District Governor Elect*

I did not get a chance to say last month what a GREAT Mid-Winter Convention we had! Thank you, DG Glenn, Lion Lisa and planning committee, for an outstanding job on the convention! It was so nice to get together with LIONS again in person and learn about everything LIONS!!!

I want to thank PID Debra Wasserman and IPDG Anna Wickenhauser for giving the great nominating speeches to earn me the newly elected title 1st Vice District Governor Elect, without your support, encouragement and friendship I would not be where I am today. I also want to thank my home club the Jordanness Lions for their continued support, trust, and confidence in me. Lastly, I would like to thank all of District 5M2 for this opportunity to be part of the leadership in this great district. I am looking forward to being part of Dream Team Four next year!

As you know April is election month, each club should be holding their officer elections this month and sending their results to LCI by May 1st. Remember to take advantage of the trainings and leadership opportunities that our district and multiple have to offer you! If you need a reason to get away the MD5M 2022 Multiple Convention is being held at the Mayo Event Center in Mankato April 29th – May 1st, you are sure to have a great time. Registration is now

being accepted via online or by mail through April 20th, 2022. Please reach out to me or a convention committee member if you have any questions.

If you are looking to leave Minnesota for a getaway consider going to the International Convention in Montreal, Canada. The dates are June 24th – June 28th, this is where IVP Brian Sheehan will become our International President!

If you need more information, please reach out of one us! Enjoy the nicer days to come!

Happy Easter!

You can contact me at: 952-261-8581- phone or Christy1135@gmail.com



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From the Learn "Go" button, you can find choices to take free online courses and ways to encourage your personal growth.

- Are you a current or incoming Club President, Secretary, or Treasurer? Start the Club President (Secretary/Treasurer) Learning Path, to include Club Officer Training and Club President (Secretary/Treasurer) Responsibilities.
- Are you looking for ways to improve your club's meetings and interaction? Take a course on Delegation, Effective Teams, Goal Setting, Conflict Resolution, or Meeting Management.
- Courses that work on individual skills are: Time Management, Team Motivation, Coaching, and Effective Listening.

"Hey, Glenn. I'm not a club officer. What about me?" Glad you asked. Many of the above courses provide valuable information for every member of both the club and district, no matter our role. We all have gaps we can fill.

Other ways to improve are by participating in innovative sessions PDG Anna and DGE Kathleen are planning. Whether in-person or through on-line sessions, Zone Chairs and Club Officers will receive training and have

all the tools to be set up for success for the 2022-23 Lion Year!!!

I encourage all of us to take our new-found alone time and get prepared to get back out there, Aim High, and make smarter choices than I did as a kid.

5M2 Member Orientation

**SAVE THE DATE: 14 May 2022—Virtually—
MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW**

Two Hours of talking about what Lions are all about and how you can get more out of your club.

What do Lions do, other than flip pancakes?

Are there opportunities for Lions, outside of club activities?

Are Lions a fairly new organization?

The answers to these and many other questions...Join us.



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



Lion Debra Wasserman, 5M2 LCIF Coordinator

Fellow 5M2 Lions,

Watching the news these days I feel overwhelmed by the descriptions and videos showing the horrific destruction in Ukraine. I also feel overwhelmed in a good way reading the social media posts describing how Lions are meeting the needs of people directly affected by the war in Ukraine. Between March 1 and March 18 \$200,000 in humanitarian aid was granted by LCIF in 8 countries. As the refugees move further into Europe, Lions districts welcoming numerous refugees will become eligible to request grants of up to US\$15,000 through the Lions Clubs International Foundation's Refugees and Displaced Persons Fund.

Lions from around the world are stepping up to assist the relief efforts. Here is just a sample of how Lions are showing kindness right now. Here is some information that I obtained from social media posts:

- Lions in Denmark, Netherlands, Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Portugal, and Switzerland are making offers to take refugees home
- A club in Italy has made a huge collection of medicines, baby products, personal hygiene products, food, blankets, and clothes. They loaded the eyeglass recycling center van and left on a humanitarian mission towards the Romania / Ukraine border where everything was delivered directly to the local refugee camps.
- Lions in Germany have collected tons of donations in kind such as food, animal feed, hygiene items, warm blankets and clothing, as well as utensils and electronic items. All were brought to the people of Ukraine. After the goods had been handed over, they were transported directly to Lviv or Kiev where they are so urgently needed.
- In France, the leisure committee and the school of the Little Princes have joined forces with the Lions Club of Toul to collect consumable products for Moldova, a country bordering Ukraine, which currently hosts many Ukrainian refugees.
- In the USA, the Northwest CT Cyber LEOs Club and the Sage Park Middle School LEOs Club of Lions District 23-B gathered to package sunflowers for their Sunflowers for Peace fundraiser through Lions Clubs International Foundation.

We all want to do something to help those suffering in Ukraine! Lions stand for peace and understanding, and we unite through kindness to serve those in need. Your donation to LCIF's Refugees and Displaced Persons fund will help ensure that Lions are there to help them find the safety and security they desperately need. Just go to the LCI website and click on the banner at the top of the page to donate by credit card. You can also mail a check to me, and I'll forward it to LCIF. Write "Refugees and Displaced Persons Fund" in the memo line. As always, 100% of your donation will go towards helping those most in need.



Welcome new Lions in March!

Carver Lions

Lion Linda Kerber – sponsor Lion Marvin Grimm

Chaska Lions

Lion Steve Curtis - sponsor Lion D. Trebiatowski
Lion Billie Undesser - sponsor Lion James Courneya

Cologne Lions

Lion Robert Baughman - sponsor Lion Roger Storms
Lion Stephanie Baughman - sponsor Lion R. Storms
Lion Ashlee Wallick - sponsor Lion Elizabeth Pysick

Eagle Lake Area Lions

Lion Scott Weckwerth – sponsor Lion Teresa Kvitek

Le Sueur Lions

Lion Julie Sheehy – sponsor Lion Judith Johnson

Lester Prairie Lions

Lion Jeff Breidenbach - sponsor Lion Troy Feltmann
Lion Chad Kulzer - sponsor Lion Charles Suedbeck

Nicollet Lions

Lion Roberto Reyes - sponsor Lion Dale Polzin

NYA West Carver Lions

Lion Robin Bowar - sponsor Lion Mona Bruers

Owatonna Lions

Lion Megan Copeland - sponsor Lion Rian Copeland
Lion Randolph Sobrack - sponsor Lion D. Bergemann

Shakopee Lions

Lion Benjamin Damm - sponsor Lion Justin Cotton
Lion Chad Hansen - sponsor Lion Jon Buck
Lion Neal Prahl - sponsor Lion Scott O'Brien

Waconia Lions

Lion Jon Hemze - sponsor Lion Kelly Wagener

Waconia Dandylions

Lion Melissa Brettingen
Lion Lisa Gesinger
Lion Amy Janzen – sponsor Lion Amanda Mueller
Lion Heather Reichenberger Fabish

Global Leadership Team News

IPDG Anna Wickenhauser

I must confess something to you all, I know that I am having a hard time juggling my family, work, Lions, and time for myself, as is the case for many of us I would imagine. With that in mind, it's time to embrace and attempt a NEW idea! So let me tell you about something DGE Kathleen and I are going to try. For Officer Training this year we are going to hold not one, but two different training opportunities!!! We are going to have both Officer Trainings on a weeknight, one in the Central North area and one in the Central Southern part of the district. You can attend either one of the trainings, and the dates and locations will be available very soon! Have no fear, all the same content will be available and shared as it has been at previous Officer Trainings, but it will take no more than an hour to attend this training! We are hoping to have a lively, fun, and exciting training and help plant the seed of success in all the new incoming club officers!

Another thing we are implementing is that this training is not required for the repeat Club Officers of your club. It is for the BRAND NEW Club Officers!!!! For example, if you have been secretary of your club and have attend this training in the past, and feel confident in your abilities, you do not need to attend. You are always welcome to attend, but we are trying to make sure the new club officers are prepared and trained in as best as we can, rather than just repeat attendees who are already established in their role. With that being said, new officer elections are coming up! For secretaries, entering in your clubs' new officers is one of the most important duties you have. After elections, go immediately into MyLCI and enter in the incoming officers. Even if you have repeat officers, (ex: same president or secretary as previous year) they still need to be entered in independently for the new term. This is also a good time to update your club roster, email addresses, etc.! New officers MUST be in by May 15th, but a great way to do it is to enter it in when you enter in your end of April membership and service reports.



2022 MD5M Lions Convention

“Service in the Heart of
Everyday Lions”

Date: April 29, 30 & May 1, 2022

Location: Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center
Mankato, MN 56001

The Hilton Garden Inn is **SOLD OUT!!!** We have another hotel with a Lions Booking Code at the Courtyard by Marriott. See the flyer.

For the latest Convention information, click on the hyperlink:

<https://district5m2lions.com/md5m-multiple-convention>

We have 2 nights of Exciting Entertainment. The Dueling Keys on Friday followed by The Lost Walleye Orchestra” on Saturday.

We are joining in with the Lutheran Social Services out of Mankato who works with at risk young adults. This will also be our Service Project.

We will also hear from the Leader Dogs Lino Lakes Prison puppy raisers, have a lively, fun session with Lions Dale and Jodi Burmester at “The Burmester Virtual Bar” and end our weekend with Afghan Vet, PFC Jack Zimmerman and his wife Megan at the Sunday brunch. On a side note-Jack will be signing copies of his book Five Minutes after brunch.

We are keeping our fingers crossed that our International Guest for the weekend will be Past International President Wing-Kum Tam from Hong Kong. If he is unable to make it I am confident that I (Anna Wickenhauser) could fulfill the role☺ All joking aside there is a back up plan in case...

I will keep the website updated and help with answering questions...IPDG Anna Wickenhauser



102nd Annual MD5M Multiple Convention

April 29th – May 1st, 2022 | Mankato, MN, USA



Your District & Club Name: _____

Lion ____ Leo ____ Guest ____ **1st TIMER** ____ * Please complete 1 form per attendee *

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

To register online follow link below
<https://district5m2lions.com/md5m-multiple-convention>

“Will you require Braille Documents at the convention?”

Special Dietary Needs: Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Allergies _____

Full Hospitality Book (Includes Friday night Social, Saturday Breakfast, Lunch, Banquet & Sunday Brunch and **registration fee**)

		<u>\$ AMOUNT</u>
Full Hospitality Book	\$ 150 USD \$ 185 CDN	_____
Friday Night Social	\$ 20 USD \$ 25 CDN	_____
Saturday Breakfast	\$ 25 USD \$ 30 CDN	_____
Saturday Lunch	\$ 30 USD \$ 40 CDN	_____
Lunch Options (Select 1): Turkey on Wheat Berry <input type="checkbox"/> Ham on Wheat Berry <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Shawarma Wrap <input type="checkbox"/>		
Saturday Banquet	\$ 50 USD \$ 65 CDN	_____
Banquet Options (Select 1): Vegan Stuffed Pepper <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Diane <input type="checkbox"/> Roast Beef <input type="checkbox"/>		
Sunday Brunch	\$ 25 USD \$ 30 CDN	_____
Registration Fee	\$ 25 USD \$ 30 CDN	_____

ADD Registration Fee if registering Ala Carte for Meals: No Fee if attending only the No Charge Events: (Business Sessions, Flag Ceremony, Memorial Service, or Seminars) For virtual registration only please see website.

*****NO Meals available after April 20, 2022**** Totals _____

Make checks payable to: **MD5M Convention**
 Mail form & payment to: 2VDG Christy Trutnau, 110 Rebecca Drive, Jordan, MN 55352

For Convention Information contact: IPDG Anna Wickenhauser, lionannaw@gmail.com ; Phone: (952)-913-1467 or
 CC Matt Huggenvik, squiggy23@hotmail.com ; Phone: (507)-250-6598.

Check our website for information & updates on the 2022 MD5M Convention, www.lionsmd5m.org

Hilton Garden Inn: 20 Civic Center Plaza Mankato, Minnesota 56001



SOLD OUT

Booking Link: <https://groups.hilton.com/sbpfu9>

Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn Mankato Downtown **Phone:** 1-(507)-344-1111

Group Name: Lions MD5M Convention

Arrival Date: 28-Apr-2022

Departure Date: 01-May-2022

Rates: Starting @ \$134 USD

Courtyard Mankato: 901 Raintree Road Mankato, Minnesota 56001



Booking Link: [Courtyard Mankato](#)

Hotel: Courtyard Mankato **Phone:** 1-(507)- 388-1234

Group Name: Lions Club

Arrival Date: 27-Apr-2022

Departure Date: 01-May-2022

Last Date to Book: Sunday, March 27, 2022

Rates: Starting @ \$109 USD

Journey for Service May 4, 5, 6, 2022

It is nearing that time of year again to tour the country side of 5M2 for our annual Journey for Service. This year District Governor Glenn and team will be traveling over 700 miles making some 63 stops meeting Lions and Leo clubs collecting money for various service projects in our District.

Please verify with me the 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
(507)381-3752



Journey



FOR SERVICE

1	Wednesday May 4, 2022		
2	Faribault	7:00 AM	Perkins
3	Waterville	8:20	247 E Main Law Office
4	Waseca	8:40	McDonalds
5	Owatonna	9:10	741 East Main
6	Blooming Prairie	9:40	City Center Offices
7	Ellendale	10:00	Lerberg's Grocery
8	New Richland	10:20	Schmidt Trucking
9	Albert Lea	10:55	McDonalds
10	Albert Lea Cloverleaf	10:55	McDonalds
11	Albert Lea Lake View	10:55	McDonalds
12	Alden	11:15	Newspaper office
13	Wells	11:40	Lion's Plaza
14	Minnesota Lake	12:00	Bremer's House
15	LUNCH		
16	Blue Earth	1:25 PM	Statue Park
17	Winnebago	1:45	Ron's Plumbing
18	Amboy	2:00	Linda's Place
19	Lake Crystal	2:30	Kevin's IGA
20	Mankato	2:55	Best Western Inn
21		2:55	Best Western Inn
22	Mankato Sunrise	2:55	Best Western Inn
23	Eagle Lake	3:10	Ephiany Church 605 Parkway
24	St Peter	3:30	River Rock Coffee Shop
25	Nicollet	4:00	New Sweden Mutual Ins
26	Courtland	4:20	312 Foothills Road
27	Lafayette Area	4:50	Citizens Bank
28	Gibbon	5:15	D's Pit Stop
29	Winthrop	5:30	Hahn's Café
30			
31	Thursday May 5, 2022		
32	Sibley East Leos Jr & Sr	8:55	Sibley East
33	Arlington	8:55	Sibley East
34	Green Isle	9:10	CornerStone State
35	Norwood Young America	9:10	CornerStone State
36	Hamburg	9:25	Park
37	NYA West Carver	9:40	Old National
38	Plato	9:55	Plato Home Center
39	Glencoe	10:10	Bump's Café
40	New Auburn	10:35	Security Bank
41	Brownton	11:00	Lori Lindeman
42	Stewart	11:20	City Hall
43	Hutchinson	11:45	725 Sunset St
44	Silver Lake	12:05	American Legion
45	LUNCH		
46	Lester Prairie	1:20	Greater MN Signs
47	Winsted	1:30	Vet's Park
48	Watertown	, 2022	Citizens Alliance Bank
49	Watertown Leos	1:55	Citizens Alliance Bank
50	Mayer Area	2:15	Casey's
51	Chanhassen	2:50	Am Legion Parking Lot
52	Victoria	3:05	Old National
53	Waconia	3:20	Security Bank
54	Waconia Hive	3:25	Security Bank
55	Cologne	3:40	Community Center
56	Cologne Leos	3:40	Community Center
57	Carver	3:55	Gazebo Park
58	Chaska	4:10	Old National
59	Shakopee	4:25	O'Brien Public House
60	Shakopee Valley	4:25	O'Brien Public House
61	Prior Lake	5:00	Velishek Auto
62			

63	Friday May 6, 2022		
64	Jordan	8:00 AM	McDonald's
65	Jordaness	8:00	McDonald's
66	Belle Plaine	8:20	Coborn's Liquor
67	Henderson	8:45	Road Haus
68	LeSueur	9:00	Pizza Ranch Parking
69	Le Center	9:25	Home Plate
70	Montgomery	9:40	Mackenthun's
71	New Prague	10:00	Ettlin's Café
72	Veseli	10:20	GoldSmith Eye Care-NP
73	Lonsdale	10:40	Lions Park
74	NEW	11:10	New Market Bank
75	Northfield	11:45	Lions Riverside Park
76	Northfield Cannon Valley	11:45	Lions Riverside Park



Lions across the world work to preserve our planet, knowing that the health of our local communities and environments affects us all. Our goal is to help establish a sustainable future for generations to come.



Protocol by definition "is an expression of good manners". No need for any Lion to be stressed about how, when, and what regarding protocol at a Lions function. Check our website: 5M2 Lions.org. The website has a Protocol Manual for information regarding common protocol questions. If you need additional assistance contact Lion Sue Bowman at 507.256.4669 and hopefully she can help.



Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation

Greetings Fellow Lions,



The Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation invites and encourages all clubs in 5M to participate in a STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness event. This will be the foundation's major fundraiser for the year. All proceeds will be used to support the missions of the foundation, the major focus of which is funding research to cure diabetes.

With your support we are getting closer to life without diabetes.

The STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness event will run from February - April. During these months, participants will be expected to log 15 miles of activity each month. Any kind of physical activity you can track in miles will count toward this goal . . . walking, jogging, bicycling, lap swimming, etc. You can also encourage friends and family members to join you in this quest and do your activity as a team - each of you covering your 15 miles per month.

We will have two options for registration. The best option is to go to the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. website to register - www.mnlionsdiabetes.org. The second option will be to work with one of your district trustees to complete the process. The cost will be \$25 per participant, with an option to give an additional donation. For an additional \$6.00 plus shipping you can purchase a Minnesota Lions Diabetes - STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness t-shirt.

Clubs or individuals can also consider being a sponsor for the event. Those who do so will be recognized on the foundation website. The table below lists sponsorship level recognition:

Sponsorship Levels	Minimal Contribution Requirement
Platinum Sponsor Level	\$10,000
Gold Sponsor Level	\$5,000
Silver Sponsor Level	\$2,500
Bronze Sponsor Level	\$1,000

Included on the next page is our STRIDES for Diabetes flyer with additional information to share with your clubs regarding registration, dates, etc. Don't hesitate to contact your MLDF co-trustees with any questions you may have.

Lion Bobby Paulson satnightcruise@yahoo.com

Lion Brian Rykhus bgrinhim@gmail.com

"Catch the Dream . . . Life Without Diabetes!"

SAVE THE DATE!!

CAMP SWEET LIFE 2022 JULY 31-AUGUST 4



**At Camp Courage
a True Friends Camp
Maple Lake, MN**



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

www.campsweetlife.org



QUESTIONS? EMAIL:
info@campsweetlife.org

“Catch the Dream”

...Life Without Diabetes!

Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation
STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness

February, March & April 2022

Commit to 15 Miles of Physical Activity a Month

2000 steps = 1 mile

You Choose Your Activity

Be active on your own

Be a part of a team

Register at: MNLionsDiabetes.org

Registration opens January 25, 2022

\$25 Registration Fee

T-Shirts available



Physical activity, and healthy food and beverage choices are key to preventing diabetes and improving health.



**Net Proceeds benefit
Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation**



12 YEARS STRONG!


Founded in the spring of 2010 by a group of concerned parents and medical staff, CSL's mission is to connect, empower and transform kids with Type 1 Diabetes. Through the last 12 years, we have overcome many challenges together, proving time and time again that we are stronger because of you. **THANK YOU** for your support.




Our goal at camp is to provide a safe environment for kids with diabetes to have an outdoor, summer camp experience, just like any other child. Not only do they get to have a wonderful recreational experience, campers also learn about their disease and receive informal education in diabetes self-management under the supervision of camp nurses and through counselors who model responsible diabetes management. We also provide formal and informal education regarding diabetes self-management and regular connection points for campers, parents and family members who need support and want to meet other families through our CSL Connects programs. We hope that Camp Sweet Life provides a good foundation for kids with Type 1 to successfully develop emotionally, socially, and physically.



A FEW OUTCOMES FROM LAST YEAR....



150
Attended our 2021 Camp Experience at Camp Courage



30
Youth will be sent to camp with the money raised at the 2nd Annual Strike Out Type 1 Diabetes held in Nov. 2021

KEEP THE COST OF CAMP DOWN:

#1 Lions Clubs – Special thanks to the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF DIA17102/5M2) for extending their \$50,000 matching grant from 2020 Camp (not held due to covid) to Camp 2022!

#2 CSL thanks Lions Clubs of 5M2 for their continued support from Mankato Area Diabetes Rally and other Lions groups of 5M2 for their continued support of Camp Sweet Life

#3 Grants, Sponsorships, Business Donations, and Individual donations from Supporters: Andreas Foundation, Mankato Clinic Foundation, and Mayo Clinic Health Systems and the multitude of business and individual supporters.

#4 Demographics: Camp Sweet Life is more than just a Mankato based phenomenon. Now reaching all of MN and surrounding states!

DIABETES CONNECT

Diabetes Connect is a support group for children with diabetes to connect with others on the same journey, while also having fun and learning new ways to incorporate diabetes management into daily life.

Meeting Virtually on Microsoft Teams:

- February 8: 5:30 - 6:15
- March 8: 5:30 - 6:15
- April 12: 5:30 - 6:15
- May 10: 5:30 - 6:15

See website to register: www.campsweetlife.org



CAMP SWEET LIFE BOARD & STAFF

Robert Larson, MD
CSL President

Jenny Kylo, MD
CSL Medical Director



Laura's Story

Laura's hearing loss as an adult didn't keep her from enjoying life and exploring new things. As a wife, mother of four, employee and volunteer, she kept very busy. She even learned to salsa dance by following the beat of the music through the vibrations on the floor. Then she received **cochlear implants** at University of Minnesota Medical Center, and everything changed.

Patients with **cochlear implants** have to re-associate the sounds they perceive with their auditory memory, and they use visual cues in the process. As Laura explains, "Engineered hearing is very different. For example, I couldn't tell the difference between the faucet running and my dog lapping water. Making the visual connection helped."

She even had to re-learn to dance. When she could hear the music, she had to train herself differently. It took hours of listening to the music and practicing dancing at home in her living room. Her positive attitude and determination paid off—she continues to dance and assists the instructor, too.

Thanks to all the Lions who donate to the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation. You are helping to change the lives of many with hearing loss—and changing the world.



Our major fundraiser is the D-Feet Walk, June 4th. It is going to be held simultaneously at the University of Minnesota Arboretum in Chaska and at Diamond Point Park in Bemidji. Please look for more information soon. In the meantime, our current 2022 donation site is: <https://secure.ggiv.com/event/2022mlhfwalk/>

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 Fund Raisers? Get Me the NEWS!!



Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation

We are close to 100% club participation for the 2022 Parade of Green. There are 8 clubs that did not have a check for the Parade of Green. If your club is one of them you can still send a check for the

5M2 Hearing Foundation to Lion Marvin or Lion Vern. We would like to see 100% participation by all the clubs in 5M2.

The D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk is just around the corner. This year the date is set for June 4 2022 at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. There is also a second walk happening at Diamond Point Park in Bemidji that same day. This is being done to give more people a chance to participate in the event without having to travel so far. You can also plan our own club walk.

This is the biggest fund raiser for the Minnesota Hearing Foundation. Money raised is used for projects at the University of Minnesota such as the Children's Clinic project that we recently completed and for research projects at the University of Minnesota like the research on a cure for tinnitus (ringing in the ears) that is currently going on along with other research projects. All of these research projects and other improvements done at the University are important for all the people with hearing loss problems.

Don't forget to save those hearing aids, (and eye glasses). They are important for our affordable hearing aid program. If you know of someone who needs hearing aids and cannot afford to pay for them, contact your trustees Marvin Grimm or Vern Breamer. Maybe the affordable hearing aid project can be used to get the hearing aids they need.

All the clubs were sent letters about the D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk and forms to fill out for registration. Please consider making an individual as well as a club donation. It is a fun day to take your family and also invite your friends to join you. Hope to see all of you at the D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk on June 4.

Your Hearing Foundation Trustees want to come and talk to your club about the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation. Please contact us to schedule a visit. Please call PDG Lion Marvin Grimm at 1-952-448-9465 or Lion Vern Breamer at 1-507-462-3518 to set up a club visit.

Trustees: Lion Vern Breamer 507-462-3518
Lion Marvin Grimm 952-448-9465

Link to sign up:
<https://secure.qgiv.com/event/2022mlhfwalk/>



Public Relations Kits

Clubs are encouraged to use the PR kits for fundraising, service projects and other activities to promote Lions in the community. The district has two Public Relations kits for your club to use. If your club would want to use the kit for your activity please contact:

For the Northern Clubs: Lion Troy Feltmann
Lester Prairie, MN
C: 320-282-6520

For the Southern Clubs: Lion Sue Bowman
Geneva, MN
R: 507-256-4669



LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST

“Lead with Compassion” Peace Poster Theme for 2022-2023 Contest

Lion Diana Kroells, Peace Poster Chairman
dianakroells@gmail.com

As I write this article I am trying to think of what I would draw if I were an 11-12 or 13 year old entering the Peace Poster Contest for this year. I am always amazed as to how the minds of our youth depict the contest theme each year. To get an idea of the creativity of these kids, go to the Lions International Peace Poster site and see all of the winners over the years. It is truly amazing to see the talent and the ideas relating to each theme.

Perhaps this year, your club can give students in your area an opportunity to participate in the Peace Poster Contest. Last year we had 16 club participate (24%) and I am hoping that a few more clubs will join in this year. I would be happy to come to your club to explain the process but you can also find all of the information you need by just googling “Lions International Peace Poster Contest”. You will have until October 1 to order the kit but I would not wait that long. Remember, the kids do need some time to create the poster so the sooner they have the information- the sooner they can get started. Each month from now until October I will feature some of the rules in this news-

letter. Remember, if a poster is submitted, something as simple as it being the wrong size, could disqualify your clubs entry. The contest rules must be followed.

Rule # 1 A kit must be purchased for each contest sponsored. Clubs that have multiple schools (or organized youth groups) in their area can sponsor a contest in each school which means you must order a kit for each. Each kit includes a sticker that **MUST** be placed on the back of your clubs winning poster prior to it being forwarded to the next level of judging. The sticker states the following: Attach the sticker to the bottom right hand corner on back of the winning poster. All signatures are required – (a parent and the club president). The student’s information is required as well as their quote.

Come back next month to read about another one of the rules and in the meantime, why not order a kit!!



Lions International Youth Exchange

Thank you to all of the Clubs who donated to the Parade of Green in support of our two Youth Exchange projects: 5M2 Youth Exchange as well as the MD5M Lions International Youth Exchange Foundation.

Planning for this summer’s exchange is well underway and these dollars will go to support students coming in to the U.S. as well as those from 5M2 going out on an exchange.

To learn more about Youth Exchange and/or to become a host family, please contact Jim Walters at golfwithJim@gmail.com or 952-239-2559. Thank you.

DID YOU KNOW



MD5M Lions KidSight
has a
Facebook Page



and Instagram Account



Lions', Leos' Clubs News and Activities

Green Isle Lions

We Serve. That's just what the Green Isle Lions did on Sunday, March 6th when they hosted their annual Sausage Breakfast. This year the proceeds were earmarked to assist a local resident on his journey to relearn how to use his legs and arms after a fall on the ice earlier this winter. The Lions served over four hundred people a delicious breakfast of eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fruit and Texas toast. Not bad considering that the population of the entire city of Green Isle is only 617. The final numbers are not in yet, but we anticipate being able to present Bill and his family over \$8,500.00. We would like to thank all who attended and helped in any way. It takes a community and we are so fortunate to be part of this Lions community.

Top photo: Bill Donnay, recipient of the benefit gives a way of thanks for all attending.

Bottom Left: Lion Francis Bigaouette Jr. serving up biscuits and gravy.

Bottom right: A full house for the breakfast



Hamburg Lions



Above: A successful 1st Purse/Gun Bingo for Hamburg.

Right: 2nd VDGE Gerald gave a presentation on MN Lion Childhood Cancer Foundation.





BLUE EARTH LIONS

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 6:00 pm

Average Jo's Bar & Grill

Barb Murphy, President Dean Vereide, Secretary

Joe Tempel, Treasurer

NEWSLETTER

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Board Actions

The Blue Earth Lions Board met for their March meeting following the regular membership meeting on March 9th at Average Jo's. There were 7 Board members present at the meeting. The minutes of the February Board Meeting and the Treasurer's report for February 2022 were approved as presented. Most of the discussion for the Board centered around the Athletic Banquet this spring. Lion Frankie has been in contact with Rob Norman at the school to find out what they expect and would like to see. We know that things have changed because of the pandemic, but we want to continue to honor our students athletes the way we have done for over 60 years! Mr. Norman shared that he would prefer to see a recognition program, maybe including a dessert. He isn't interested in having a full banquet like we have done in the past. The Board also discussed that we think that it would be best that we mirror what the Kiwanis Club is planning for their Academic Banquet, which is scheduled again the weekend before ours. We are still planning on having each of you members contacting the sponsors on your list and requesting donations to help us honor our young people. We are thinking, at this time, that we will still charge \$10.00 for a ticket to the evening so there shouldn't be a big change in the way that contact our sponsors or what we request from them. The Board was informed that our Club will be hosting the Zone 7 Spring meeting on March 30th. If you would be interested in attending and meeting the leaders of our neighboring Clubs and also the District leadership, please contact Lion Dean by our next regular meeting so he can include you on the RSVP list. Finally, the Board considered one request for donations from the Post Prom Party committee and the Board voted to donate \$100.00 again this year.

Always be thinking about prospects for membership!

Upcoming Events

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 23, at 6:00 pm
Average Jo's Bar & Grill

Zone 7 Spring Meeting

Wednesday, March 30, at 6:00 pm
Average Jo's Bar & Grill

Lonsdale Lions



Above: Lonsdale Lion Al Sevcik (35 years, standing on L) and Lion David Dooley (15 years, standing on R) were recognized with a chevron & certificate for their years of service as a Lion by 5M2 District Governor Lion Glenn Kaufmann. Not pictured are Lion Mike Sevcik (20 years) & Lion Ron Frausnshuh (55 years in Lions). Thank you to these & all Lions for your years of service to our communities!

Right: 5M2 District Governor Lion Glenn Kaufmann attended the Lonsdale Lions March 2nd meeting to induct 3 Lions into membership at the Lonsdale American Legion. Pictured from L

to R are Lion Micki Ziskovsky (Sponsored Lion Barb Peterson), 5M2 District Governor Lion Glenn Kaufmann, Lion Barb Peterson, Lion Collan Zehnder, Lion Chris Vlasak, & Lonsdale Lions President (Sponsored Lion Chris Vlasak & Lion Collan Zehnder). Congratulations to these new Lonsdale Lions!



Soup 'N Sandwich Lunch Plus Garage Sale At Plato Hall - TAKE OUT/EAT IN! Thursday & Friday, April 7th & 8th



Free-Will Donation

Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Chicken Dumpling Soup, Bottled Water/Coffee, and Dessert.

Garage Sale: Thursday/Friday 9-1
Soup N Sandwich: Thursday/Friday 11-1

DONATIONS will benefit
Can Do Canines (Service Dogs)



Sponsored by the Plato Lions Club



BINGO

BAR BINGO IS BACK!!!

BREWSTER'S BAR & GRILL, VESELI



THURSDAY NIGHTS AT 7:00 BEGINNING NOVEMBER 4th

PROGRESSIVE \$1000 JACKPOT

COME JOIN THE FUN!!!

VESELI AREA LIONS
LICENSE 92581



Lions Brunch

Sunday, April 3, 2022

10 am to 1 pm

New Auburn City Hall

Serving Scrambled Eggs with Ham & Cheese
Hash Browns, Homemade Muffins
Coffee, Juice & Milk

Free Will Offering

NEW AUBURN LIONS

Net Proceeds Go To Community Projects

Bring Your Plastic Bags for our Recycling Project



Winthrop Lions Club

Omelet Breakfast

April 3, 2022

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church
501 N Brown St., Winthrop MN



Serving 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Cost \$8.00

\$7.50 with Grackle Days Pin

Proceeds are used to support Winthrop Lions Projects
Collecting used eye glasses (no cases please) and hearing aids.

Thank you to Michaels Food for the egg product!

Thank you to DFA for their donation!



LONSDALE LIONS CLUB



LIONS

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE & EGG BREAKFAST

APRIL 3, 2022

SERVING 8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 NOON

LONSDALE AMERICAN LEGION

**ADULTS - \$10.00 | CHILDREN 6-10 - \$5.00 |
CHILDREN 5 & under - Free**

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY

BRING YOUR USED EYE GLASSES, HEARING AIDS, CELL PHONE,
& PRINTER CARTRIDGES TO DONATE



PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL EASTER EGG HUNT,
LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS, and COMMUNITY DAYS KIDS PEDAL
PULL



Hamburg Lions



Spring Bingo & Meat Raffle

April 8, 2022

Hamburg Community Hall

7:00 pm * Doors open 5:30 pm

\$10 for 25 games of bingo

Turkeys, Hams, Summer Sausage



Optional 26th game coverall for 1/2 the pot
Door Prizes

Cash Bar - Hamburgers - Hot Dogs,
Chips - Candy - Popcorn

Proceeds will go to the restoration project of the
Veterans Monuments in Waconia Park and other
community projects



Sponsored by:

LIONS PRIOR LAKE



HOP INSIDE FOR A TREAT



VISIT WITH THE EASTER BUNNY
AT SOUTH LAKE VILLAGE MALL
CHILDREN AGES 1-12



*A SPECIAL APPEARANCE HOPPING BY: EASTER BUNNY "BRYANT"
COURTESY OF SMOKE SIGNALS™ @THE LITTLE MARKET THAT COULD THURSDAY NIGHT FARMERS MARKET
*BRINGING YOUR 'FURBABIES'? THEY MUST STAY IN CAR ASK FOR A "DOGGIE TREAT"
COURTESY OF PAWS & EARS RESCUE/ADOPTION

WHAT: EASTER EGG PARADE WALK-IN

WHEN: SATURDAY APRIL 9TH

TIME: 9 AM- 10:30 AM

WHERE: INSIDE MALL

16731 STATE HWY 13, PRIOR LAKE MN

Happy EASTER 2022



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NYA LIONS

PANCAKE & OMELET BREAKFAST

WHEN: Sunday, April 10, 2022

TIME: 8:00 am-12:00 pm



LOCATION: NYA PAVILLION

Looking to have a great Breakfast? Come have one with us. We will be serving Omelets, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Applesauce, and of course great Pancakes (including our much in demand, blueberry pancakes). Best of all, all proceeds go to projects in our community.



COST: FREE WILL DONATION
PROCEEDS GO BACK INTO THE
COMMUNITY

Hop on over to the...

Leo's Bunny Trail Easter Bunny Event including treats on the Lions Park Trail!



Saturday, April 16, 2022

10 a.m. to Noon

Also, stop by Elephant Joe's Coffee Truck

We will also be doing a collection for the food shelf.

Cologne Lions Park

Sponsored by:



A special thank you
to all local businesses
for their support!

The Chanhassen Lions Club

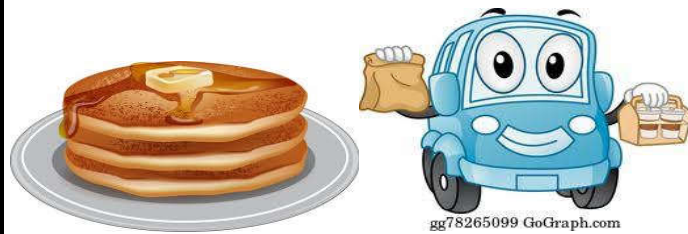
Together with

The Chanhassen Brewing Company

Will hold our

Annual Pancake Breakfast

Serving Pancakes, Sausage, and Scrambled Eggs



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**Sunday, April 24, 2022
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**At the Chanhassen Brewing Company
951 W 78th Street**

Adults - \$10.00 Children - \$5.00

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chanhassenbrewing.com](https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/chanhassen/chanhassenbrewing.com)

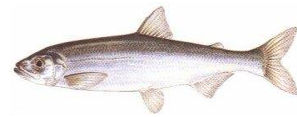


Brooklyn Park Lions 59th Annual



**“WORLD'S LARGEST”
ALL YOU CAN EAT**

Smelt Fry



**April 27, 28, and 29
5 pm to 8pm**

Brooklyn Park Community Activity Center / Armory
5500 85th Ave. N.

**Adults \$15.00 in advance, \$16.00 at the door
Children 12 and under \$8.00**

Meal includes one serving of fresh coleslaw, beans, chips, dinner roll, your choice of pop, milk or water and all the delicious breaded and deep fried Smelt you care to eat.

Beer available for an additional cost

**Advance tickets available at
Community Activity Center
Godfathers Pizza**

Online @ www.BrooklynParkLions.org

Proceeds provide free eyeglasses for children in need in Brooklyn Park and support many other local, national, and worldwide charitable causes.



**Friday, April 29, 2022
Serving 4:00pm - 8:00pm
Carver Community Hall
316 Broadway, Downtown Carver**

Carver Lions Annual Pork Chop Dinner

Enjoy pork chops, cheesy hashbrown potatoes, green beans, bread, dessert.

**\$15.00 per person
\$7.00-- kids 7 - 10 years**

Call Dean at 952-221-2884 for info.

Save The Date

2022 MD5M Lions Convention

“Service in the Heart of Everyday Lions”

Date:
April 29, 30 & May 1, 2022

Location:
Mayo Clinic Health System
Event Center Mankato, MN

