



5M-2 Lions' News



June 2025

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Gratitude...



*Lisa Kaufmann
District Governor*

This month I have been struggling with what to write for my last article as the District Governor for 5M-2. Finally came up with the word which summarizes the year... gratitude. So grateful for the opportunity to lead our district and playing a part in the success we have had.

Lions Club International set many goals for our district, membership, new clubs, drops, leadership training, service reporting and donations to our Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF). With the support of every Lion in our district we are on target to meet each and every one of these goals.

Lions Year 2024-25 Goals:

Membership Goal: Add 205 new members, as of today we are 209. Thank you to every Lion who sponsored a new member.

Net Growth: End the year at +4, we are currently at +61. Hoping the dreaded June drops does not put us under our goal. Now is the time to reach out to those members who you have not heard from. Invite them to club meetings and service projects.

New Club: Add one new club, we are very close to getting the new club through the LCI process for approval. This a specialty club focused on diabetes.

LCIF: Goal of \$69,059 and we are currently at \$84,699. At least 201 individual members in our district make a personal donation, currently we are at 205. Thank you PDG Anna Wickenhauser and Lion Rose Thies for all of your creative ideas to get to our LCIF goal.

Service Reporting: Goal of 100% of our active clubs reporting at least one activity and have two district wide service projects. Goal met! One service project focused on hunger and the other on childhood cancer, completed at our zone meetings. Thank you, Global Service Chair (GST) Lion Julie Beckius for your leadership and service ideas.

Leadership (officer training): 30% of club officers will be trained, we reached 32% and 100% of the zone chairs were trained. Thank you, Global Leadership Chair (GLT) Lion Glenn Kaufmann for your assistance reaching this goal and to all the club officers who participated.



Thank you 5M-2 Lions for what you do. We serve, and we meet our goals! So proud of the work we have accomplished this Lions year. Thank you to the district cabinet members for stepping up to serve and to help guide our district.

This is not a goodbye, I will continue to help strengthen our district and assist in meeting next year's goals. Along with some other Lions from 5M-2, Past Council Chair (PCC) Glenn and I will be in Orlando in July for the International Convention. We will be there to support District Governor Elect (DGE) Shermayne and Lion Bob and to watch her take her oath of office. Let's keep the momentum going and have another strong Lions year in 2025-26.

My last moment of gratitude is for the Journey for Service. We collected approximately \$16,000. The most collected to date and the money will go to support our foundations. Some clubs make their contributions to the specific foundations we support. The remaining amount will go to:

- Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF)
- MN Lions Vision Foundation
- MN Lions Diabetes Foundation & 5M-2 Diabetes
- MN Lions Hearing Foundation
- MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation
- Project New Hope
- KidSight Foundation
- Chanhassen Lions Club Foundation – in honor of all the support our club has provided to both Lion Glenn and me.



Thank you for an amazing year, it was an honor to serve!

"Some days are diamonds; some days are rocks." ~ Tom Petty

"Dearly Beloved, we are gathered here today to get through this thing called life." Prince

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Submit newsletter articles to: 5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com



We Serve

Orlando Here WE Come...



*Lion Shermayne Cross
District Governor Elect*

The month of May has flown by, and June looks to be just as busy. Officer training-done, Spring one meetings-completed, Cabinet Meeting-held, last of my club visits-finished, preparing for the GET Summit-finalizing action plans, filling my cabinet-so close, zoom calls-many and preparing for next year-ongoing,

keeps me on my toes, energized and thankful for so many Lions who are stepping up to fill vacant Cabinet positions.

It was great fun choosing the 8 Zone Lions of the Year from each zone in 5M-2. I'd like to congratulate the following Lions: Zone 1-Lion Darlene Lilienthal from Plato; Zone 2-Lion Frank Terschan from Chanhassen; Zone 3-Lion Mary Pipping from Nicollet; Zone 4-Lion Deb Barker from Jordan Jordaness'; Zone 5-Barb Peterson from Lonsdale; Zone 6-Pam DeMarce from Mankato Sunrise; Zone 7-Lion Kim Brown from Waterville and Zone 8-Lion Lynn Babcock from Faribault.

Each of you are dedicated to serving others and embody the true spirit of Lionism-leading to serve, and serving to lead-with integrity, compassion, and excellence. You are making a great impact not only on your own clubs but on our district, multiple and the world. Thank you all for being great servant leaders.

If you have not registered your newly elected Presidents,

Secretaries and Treasurers in the Lions Portal, please do so today. We have started working on the 2025-26 Directory and need to update each club with the new officers. Please check spelling on names and e-mail addresses also. If you have any problems, please contact Chuck Toltzman or myself for help.

I will be attending the Global Extension Team Summit in Las Vegas with our GMT PCC Brian Thies and GET Lion Rose Thies the end of June. At these meetings we will be sharing best practices on how to facilitate club growth and how to establish new clubs within our district. My goal for the upcoming Lion year is to add 183 new members and start 1 new club. There are many ways new clubs can be formed within a district such as a specialty club, join-together club, virtual club or stand-alone club. Our newest club in 5M-2 is a join-together club with Camp Sweet Life. If anyone is interested in joining the GET or the GMT team, please let me know or have an idea for a future club- let's talk.

In July, Bob and I will be off to Orlando for the International Lions Convention, my last DGE training session, graduation, international parade, plenary sessions, workshops and the ceremonial pulling of the ribbon declaring all the DGE's as District Governors. It will be a very busy 5 days, with lots to do and see. More to come.

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at shermayne.c@live.com. Until then.

"Be Kind, Help Others, Have FUN, Make a Difference in Your Community"

Our Impact on the Communities We Serve

5M-2	Total People Served* 423,752	Total Volunteers 13,714	Total Volunteer Hours* 44,725.25	Total Funds Donated* \$1,822,159.00	Total Funds Raised* \$1,090,111.00
5M	Total People Served* 3,485,003	Total Volunteers 165,715	Total Volunteer Hours* 496,511.79	Total Funds Donated* \$10,685,215.06	Total Funds Raised* \$8,326,336.00

Service Metrics LCI

1,266,873
Overall Activity Count in FY

266,858,971
Overall People Served in FY

52,869,344
Overall Volunteer Hours in FY

60%
Clubs Reporting in FY

Service Metrics 5M

15,532
Overall Activity Count in FY

3,335,281
Overall People Served in FY

468,953
Overall Volunteer Hours in FY

95%
Clubs Reporting in FY

Service Metrics 5M-2

1,581
Overall Activity Count in FY

412,179
Overall People Served in FY

40,691
Overall Volunteer Hours in FY

96%
Clubs Reporting in FY

To Note:

- All active clubs in 5M-2 have reported at least one activity.
- Please continue to report your club activities in the Lion Portal.
- The numbers in the top row are current as of 5/23/2025. The numbers in the bottom charts are by month.
- For assistance with the Lion Portal please reach out to 1VDGE Chuck Toltzman.

Hello Fellow Lions!



*Chuck Toltzman
1st Vice District Governor Elect*

Welcome to the June newsletter. Summer is here hooray. Warm temperatures, sunshine, grilling out. Being with friends and families, graduations, weddings, vacations. What a great month. But the Lions calendar year is about to come to end. How many clubs

have a new member ready to join? This month would be a good time to get them signed up and end on a high note. Do you have all your service projects entered into the portal? They have to be in by the end of the month to be counted on this year's activities. Many of your clubs get really busy in June with many activities. Don't forget to enter them.

June 7th is the De Feet Hearing Walk at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Come out and support the Hearing Foundation. This is one the time you can get into the Arboretum for free. Not only do you get to enjoy meeting other Lions and have some great fun for a great cause. But you get to enjoy one of Minnesota's largest nature preserves. Take a short walk around the pond or take a long walk on the three-mile walk and take in the beauty of the Arboretum. Either way you cannot miss this opportunity.

Have a great month of June. Be sure to get out and enjoy it. This is all I have for now.

In 1956: The Detroit Lions Club give Stevie Wonder a Christmas gift, - a drum set.

Amundson Scott South Pole Station is built. Sixteen scientists and military personnel charter the 59ers Lions Club there.

I am here to help you, help others.



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**What are your clubs doing for
Service?**

Share the NEWS!!

DRIVING THE DG

Submitted by: PCC Glenn Kaufmann

JUNE 2025

7 - D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk
10 - Cologne Lions Club Officer Installation
21 - Special Olympics Opening Eyes
24 - Chanhassen Lions Senior Citizen Picnic
30 - End of an awesome year for 5M-2!!!

1 July - Welcome DG Shermayne and her team





Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

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LCIF

On March 29th, Lions from across the multiple gathered in St. Cloud for the annual LCIF Gala – Go for the Gold, a celebration of service, community, and generosity. Thanks

to the incredible support of attendees and sponsors, we proudly raised approximately \$60,00

On to the next thing our Multiple is a Platinum Sponsor for the Special Olympics USA Games Minnesota 2026!

Please check out this website for more information about the Special Olympics Games. It is very well done and informative.

www.2026specialolympicsusagames.org

MD5M is committed to \$250K

That \$250K covers the hosting of the Family Night for the athletes/families/coaches. The understanding is that Special Olympics organizes the event and we come in and volunteer.

MD5M will also be involved in the Special Olympics Lions Clubs International Opening Eyes Program for the athletes. www.specialolympicsminnesota.org

We will be sending out more information for volunteers as it gets closer!

Where does LCIF come into the picture?

LCIF is willing to give us a grant for the \$250K. This will be a pass through grant, NOT a Matching Grant. These donations will count for MJF/PMJF credit and also your LCIF Coordinator's Goals.

The only thing it will NOT count for is your District and Club Community Impact Grant (DCG).

These are some tips on how to handle this for your clubs going forward.

For any clubs or individual donors that mail their donation into LCIF. Please MARK ON YOUR CHECK and ON THE FORM that it is designated to SPECIAL OLYMPICS MN.

For any online donations. When you get the receipt from LCIF call into Donor Services or email Donor Services with your receipt and tell them you would like it put in SPECIAL OLYMPICS MN.

For recurring donations. You must contact Donor Services via phone @ (630) 203-3836 and tell them you want to designate your donations to SPECIAL OLYMPICS MN. Remember to change your recurring contribution back to wherever you want it to go after we have met our \$250k Goal.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS
USA GAMES
MINNESOTA 2026

2026
Coming to
MINNESOTA
JUNE
20-26



Multiple District 5M
proudly announces...

PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP!



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

**Your donations designated to
Special Olympics USA Games
Minnesota to LCIF will help make
our \$250,000 grant possible!**

Family Night!

For athletes &
their families

Opening Eyes®

(Vision Screening)

ALL BALLS

*Separate Sponsorships will be
available for (Sensory) All-Balls are
for each participating athlete.*

*Sponsorship information will be coming
in the District Newsletters and Multiple
District Website soon.*

Scan this code
for more about
All Balls





Albert Lea Noon Lions Club Awarded Sheehan Foundation Matching Grant



At the end of each calendar quarter the TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation Grant Committee meets to review grant applications to award at least 3 grants per quarter that address an important humanitarian need. For the quarter ending March 31, 2025, 11 grant applications were received within the Multiple, the largest number of applications the Grant Committee has had to review.

The Albert Lea Noon Lions were one of the recipients of a matching grant for \$550 to purchase two tote carts to support the Food for Backpacks Program, which serves over 500 students each week and provides weekend meals to students facing food insecurity in the Albert Lea School system. The carts will be placed at the Southwest Middle School in the fall of 2025. The purpose of the two food carts is to allow students to choose food to their liking. This will reduce food waste. This project has the capacity to serve up to 70 students.

Congratulations to the Albert Lea Noon Lions Club for being the first club in 5M2 to be awarded a matching grant to help serve their school community better. Well done!

If your club has a service project addressing a humanitarian need and could use additional funds, please consider a matching grant from the TEAM Sheehan Foundation. Applications can be found at teamsheehan.foundation or by contacting lionjoanblank@gmail.com. Submitted by Lion Joan Blank, 5M-2 TSCF Director.



Journey for Service

A big **thank you** to the clubs of 5M2 from District Governor Lisa and me for donating to the Journey for Service project! We collected over \$16,000, monies used to support our missions in Lionism.

Congratulations to the **Lake Crystal** lions club. They were the winners of the 'sweet deal', a catered dessert for their club members.

PDG Mike Vos

Journey for Service

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What are your clubs doing for Service?

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B45A9A72AABFE3-51742227-2025#/>



2025 State Fair Booth Volunteering

The Minnesota Lions Diabetes, Hearing and Vision Foundations host an annual information booth at the Minnesota State Fair in the Education Building. Volunteers are asked to staff the booth, hand out promotional and informational materials, plus answer questions posed by visitors.

www.signupgenius.com

**MINNESOTA
STATE FAIR**

Winthrop Lions



The Winthrop Lions donated \$1,000.00 to the 2B Continued Program. A program that helps in area schools to teach students and teachers about suicide awareness.



LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST

2025 Theme: "Together As One"

The Peace Poster kits for 2025 became available on January 15th. The kit cost is \$11.95 (plus postage) or new this year, there is a Digital Peace Poster Kit available for \$11.95 (no postage). The kit contains all of the material (except the paper) you will need to sponsor a contest in your school or organized youth group. One kit is needed for each entry submitted to the district chairpersons. Please consider giving the youth in your area an opportunity to show off their artistic talent. The contest is designed for 11, 12 & 13 year olds. Please put the Peace Poster Contest on your meeting agendas early in 2025. We would be happy to attend your club meeting and tell you how you can participate.

If you have questions on how to order a kit, contact use or order from: Lionsinternational.myshopify.com/products/ppk1 or just google Lions International Peace Poster Kit

Lion Diana Kroells & Lion Trish Gieseke
Peace Poster Co Chairpersons
dianakroells@gmail.com trish.gieseke@gmail.com

Year to Date: 5/23/2025

Membership Metrics

2,315

Total Membership

174

Drop Members in FY

234

Members Added in FY

60

Net Growth in FY

2.59%

Net Growth in FY%

2024-2025
Mission 1.5 Goals

205 New Members
Goal Met

4 Net Growth
1 New Club

District 5M-2 has welcomed **208** new Lions. Lions who have been reinstated or have transferred to our district do not count toward the Mission 1.5 goals.





BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Matt Huggenvik, 5M1
Kathleen Bleckenberg & Wanda
Bremhorst, 5M2
Gordon Mulder & Eric Hanson, 5M3
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Cheryl Jechorek & Kevin Walsh, 5M5
Marlene Hayman & Jeff Carnes, 5M6
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Mike Appel & Bob Harms, 5M8
Dick Kimball & Dale Christensen, 5M9
Sue Balstad & Mary Sorenson, 5M10
Gladwin Lynne, 5M11

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Mike Benedetto, Vice Chair
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Lori Steinemann & Bob Jechorek
Executive Secretaries

WEBSITE:

www.5mhf.org

EMAIL:

mndfeetwalk@gmail.com

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT INFO

Checks payable to:

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation

Rose Thies, Treasurer
Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation
21515 371st Avenue
Green Isle, MN 55338-2027

DFEET WALK

2025 MN Lions Hearing Foundation Fundraiser

Dear Lions and Friends:

Your Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation 2025 Walk to DFEET Hearing Loss is just around the corner on June 7th, 2025.

It is not too late to help those with hearing-related issues.

Please consider participating in our 2025 Walk at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum and at Diamond Point Park in Bemidji, MN. If you or your club cannot participate at either site, you can take a walk at your local park, bring some club members together for a walk in a park, jump on your treadmill, or ride your bike.

Levels of Support

- \$25
- \$35 includes a walk t-shirt
- \$100
- \$250
- \$500
- \$1000 gets your Club name on back of the t-shirt

Children under 12 will receive a free walk shirt.

We challenge your club to create a team to help raise funds for this important event. Please complete the attached registration form and mail to Lion Rose Thies by April 20th, 2025.

We hope you will support the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation to raise the much-needed funds to support our mission of research, education, and clinical support to the deaf and hard of hearing community.

With regards,

Kathleen Bleckenberg

Board Chair
Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation



D-FEET WALK REGISTRATION FORM

June 7, 2025

Club Name _____ District _____

Contact Person (please print) _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Email address: _____

Donation Amount: \$1000 _____ \$500 _____ \$250 _____ \$100 _____ \$50 _____ \$35 _____ \$25 _____

Check the box for the type of donation:

- ☐ Club Donation
☐ Personal Donation

\$25 donation with no t-shirt.

*\$35 donation includes a t-shirt. Registration form must be received by **April 20th, 2025** to receive a t-shirt.*

****Complete the next page for t-shirts***

Club Sponsorships:

\$1000 level - Club's name on the back of the t-shirt and up to 28 entrants with t-shirts

\$500 level - Up to 14 entrants with t-shirts

\$250 level - Up to 7 entrants with t-shirts

\$100 level - Up to 3 entrants with t-shirts

Check the box for which event you/your club are attending:

- ☐ Dfeet Walk at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
☐ Dfeet Walk at the Diamond Point Park in Bemidji
☐ Donation Only

Please send check and registration form to:

Lion Rose Thies, Treasurer
Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation
21515 371st Avenue
Green Isle, MN 55338-2027

Please make check payable to: Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT SPECIAL OLYMPICS OPENING EYES

Special Olympics Minnesota Summer Games is at the University of Minnesota from June 20-22nd.

The university of Minnesota will host the annual Special Olympics Minnesota Summer Games! Roughly 3,000 athletes will be competing in basketball, basketball, swimming, and gymnastics throughout the weekend. Outside of competition, there will be entertainment in the athlete Village, health screenings for athletes, Celebration Ceremonies, and many other activities for everyone! Summer Games is open to the public and family friendly!

The Lions have played a major part in this competition for many years, and will once again host the Opening Eyes screening. As part of the Healthy Athletes program offerings, Opening Eyes provides a complete eye exam, conducted by eye doctors and eye care professionals. During the Opening Eyes screening, Athletes have the opportunity to receive new eye glasses, sunglasses or sports goggles, free of charge! Opening Eyes is presented by Lions Club International.

Opening Eyes in Minnesota was first undertaken by Lions Clubs of 5M5, but we need you to make this screening happen! Opening Eyes volunteers directly impact the health of SOMN Athletes! Volunteers will also have the opportunity to meet and interact with Special Olympics Minnesota Athletes, and also meet Lions from other clubs and other districts. Volunteers will receive a Summer Games Volunteer t-shirt and Volunteers working over six hours will also receive a complimentary lunch.



Summer Games volunteer shifts available:

- Friday, June 20, 9:00 pm - 1:00 pm (set up only)
- Saturday, June 21, 8:15 am - 12:30 pm
- Saturday, June 21, 11:45 am - 4:00 pm

Lions Club volunteers are needed for a number of roles, including:

- Assisting doctors
- Conducting initial eye chart exam
- Directing and escorting athletes
- Athlete registration

TO REGISTER VISIT:

SOMN.ORG/LIONS

These volunteer shifts are reserved for Lions & Friends of the Lions registration. Lions Club members, family and friends are all welcome and encouraged to volunteer!

Questions? Please contact:

Lion Ray Moonen, 952.201.7031; moonen@myinffmail.com

Lion Jim Cain, 763.232.0790; jhcain2@gmail.com.

Lion Laura Maki, 507.964.5796; relamaki@frontiernet.net

Special Olympics
Lions Clubs International
Opening Eyes®



Lions', Leos' Clubs News and Activities

Lafayette Area Lions

Lafayette Easter Egg Hunt

The weather was great and there was a big turnout—including the Easter Bunny (a Lafayette Lion)—for the annual Easter Egg Hunt put on by the Lafayette Area Lions Saturday, April 19. The event was held at Lafayette's Lund Park. The kids were divided into three age groups—with the youngest "hunting" in the kiddie park, another group on the softball field, and the third group in the area between.

There were plenty of candy-filled eggs for all—2,000

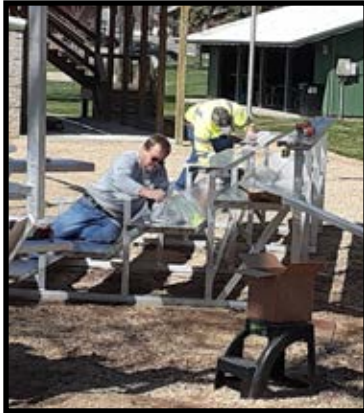
total. The kids were told to pick up 15 eggs at first, then a "free for all" was held at the end to gather the remaining eggs. Each child also got a bag with a Beanie Baby and a chocolate bunny. Figuring the bags that were used, the Lions feel that 100 kids took part. Extra bags were taken to the Lodge in Winthrop for the residents and staff to enjoy.

A number of Lions and the Miss Lafayette royalty came early to scatter the 2,000 brightly colored candy-filled eggs—and to distribute the goodie bags later.



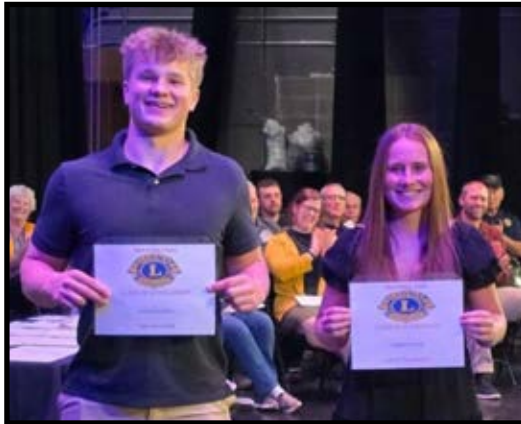
Gibbon Lions

The Gibbon Lions donated \$15,000 for new bleachers in the city park so fans can enjoy the Gibbon Reds baseball games safely and comfortably.



Hamburg Lions

The Hamburg Lions awarded 2 - \$1000.00 scholarships to Central High School Seniors Taytum and Lacey.



Journey for Service Day 2, thank you
Hamburg MN Lions!



The Hamburg Lions donated \$1000.00 to the Journey for Service. Pictured with District Governor Lisa Kaufmann is Hamburg Lions President Chris, and Lions Willy, Diane and Shirley and pets.

(left) The Hamburg Lions cleaned our section of HWY 5 on Wednesday May 14th. Nothing spectacular was found but we did get several bags of garbage off the hwy for proper disposal.



Lonsdale Lions

2 of our newest Lonsdale Lions, Lion KT Klonokos & Lion Juan Zaragoza promoting our Lonsdale Lions Club at the May 13th Lonsdale Street Fair!



Lonsdale Lions President Alan Fitterer with the selfie that includes Lions Liz Marson and Jeremy & Annastina Barnes on the beautiful spring evening.



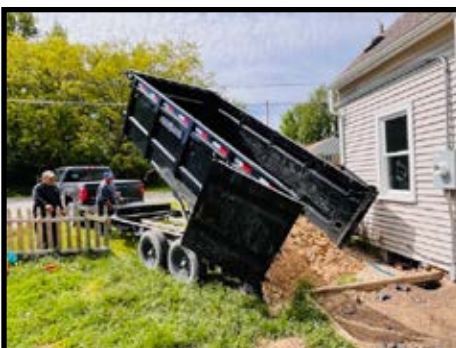
Lonsdale Lion Juan Zaragoza posing with the pink pig that was making its way throughout the vendors & booths at the Lonsdale Street Fair!

May 2nd, our Lions District 5M-2 Governor Lisa Kaufmann, on her 3 day tour throughout our Lions District visiting 60+ Lions Clubs, collected \$125 check from Lonsdale Lions member Barb Peterson supporting our motto ... "We Serve."



(right) The Lonsdale Lions May 24th Sandbox Fill crew with shovels in hand! Thanks to Don's Trucking of Lonsdale for once again supplying the sand for the bucket crew -- Lion Scotty Ziskovsky, Lion Collan Zehnder, Lion President Alan Fitterer, Lion Al Sevcik, & Lion Jim Mahler -- to place into sandboxes large and small on this beautiful Saturday morning!

Lion Al Sevcik dumping all of the remaining sand out of his trailer at a VERY HAPPY Lonsdale resident with 2 young, truly excited boys, the 11th & final residence, who signed up on Facebook to get their sandbox filled by the Lions. Lion Scotty Ziskovsky watching the dump to Lion Al's right.



Arlington Lions

#1 Arlington Lions named "Best Local Organization" in Arlington MN

#2 Arlington Lions helped sponsor John Kriesel - a motivational speaker" at the Arlington Event Center

#3 Arlington participates in Journey For Service

#4 Donation to Arlington Fire Department- Chief for the department's help at the fish fry

#5 Donation to the Arlington Garden Club for flowers at the Memorial Park

#6 Arlington Lions receive a \$3000 grant from McLeod Power Coop toward the purchase of a new fish fry trailer

#7 Arlington Lions completed sorting plastic for a 5th Trex bench . We have kept 2 1/2 tons of plastic out of the landfills

#8 Kidsight Screening



Le Sueur Lions

April 25th-27th, the Le Sueur Lions were busy operating our food stand at Pioneer Power for the 48th Annual Swap Meet. Thank you to everyone who made a purchase from the Le Sueur Lions.



At the Scholarship Night held at the high school on Wednesday, May 7th, Lion Kim, representing the Le Sueur Lions Club, presented Lauren Krause and Natalie Haemig with a \$1,000 scholarship each. Congratulations to the graduating Class of 2025 and our scholarship winners.



The Le Sueur Lions Club met with District Governor Lisa Kaufmann on May 2nd to contribute to the Journey to Service project.



Brownton Lions

Brownton Lions May meeting was held. Got rained out to do our ditch walk so will try again before our June meeting.

Did our 1st & 2nd readings & the outcome is helping out the Brownton Summer Rec program.

Held the annual bike a thon with 5 kids participating.

Met the Journey for Service van & presented our check. Attended the zone 1 meeting. Doing a Dads Belgian Waffle breakfast on July 26th from 7:30 - 10:30 am to go along with the Brownton all school reunion.

Put our annual corn feed on the calendar for Aug 11th. Details to follow.

Jordaness Lions

The Jordaness club celebrated Arbor Day by donating 138 Norway Pine saplings to the Kindergarten students at Jordan Elementary School and St. John the Baptist

School! The club has been providing trees for Jordan's Kindergarten students for over 15 years, and this service project continues to be a club favorite!



More Jordanness Lions



Each year, the Jordanness club provides scholarships to graduating seniors at Jordan High School. In the application process, interested students are asked to write about how they serve their community through volunteering, contributing time and skills, or participating in community service projects. This year, four deserving graduates received scholarships. The recipients, Shawn, Savannah, Luke and Gunnar took a moment during the JHS awards ceremony to pose with Lions Teena and Susan.



Jordan Lions



Jordan Lions gave away eleven \$1000 scholarships to graduating seniors from Jordan High School on Tuesday, May 20 at the JHS Awards Night. These are the students that received them. We also gave another \$1000 to the Dollars for Scholars program which was awarded to two other students in \$500 amounts.

Silver Lake Lions

The Silver Lake Lions Club donated two bikes for the McLeod County Sheriff's Office Bike Rodeo in Silver Lake on Friday, May 23, 2025, from 5:30-7:00 PM. Educational learning, snacks, prizes, and a bike ride made for a terrific evening! Lion Lynn Monger Yurek is pictured with the bike raffle winners!



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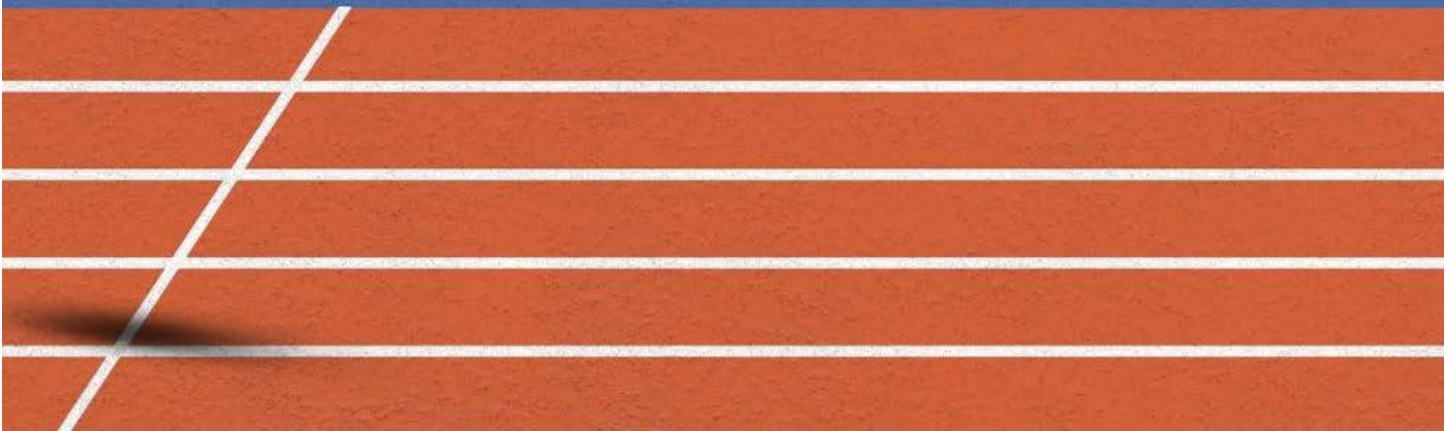
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**What are your clubs doing for Membership Recruitment?
Share the NEWS!!**

FROM STARTING LINE TO LEGACY: 50 YEARS OF THE SIBLEY EAST LIONS INVITATIONAL TRACK MEET 1975-2025



District Governor Lisa Kaufmann joined members of the Arlington and Green Isle Lions Clubs, along with past and present Sibley East Athletic Directors, to celebrate the 50th Annual Lions Invitational Track Meet. In honor of the milestone, each club donated a Trex bench to the school—earned through recycling used plastic. These benches stand as symbols of rest, reflection, and the lasting legacy of service this cherished event represents.



Chaska Lions Fundraiser for Bountiful Basket & Humanity Alliance

PAPER SHREDDING EVENT



HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN #SR4G MOBILE
SHRED EVENT?

EASY AS 1, 2, 3

- 1 Collect your confidential papers.
- 2 Fill paper grocery bags or boxes with material to shred.
- 3 Attend the event & watch your documents Shred Right.



Saturday, June 7, 2025

**Lions Park
1300 Crosstown Blvd
Chaska, MN 55318**

10:00am-Noon

Suggested Donation:

\$10 per grocery bag
\$20 per box
\$50 car trunk load
\$100 pick-up truck load

Check, Cash, or Venmo

FOR MORE INFO

Visit #SR4G's Website
www.shredright4good.com



Dairy Day 2025

**Plato Park on Thursday,
June 12th from 5-7 PM**



\$10

- ✚ *Hamburgers (or Hot Dog), Beans, Cole Slaw, and Beverage*
- ✚ *Kid's Meal – Hot Dog & Chips \$5*
- ✚ *FREE Ice Cream provided by Engelmann Dairy and served by the McLeod County Dairy Princesses*
- ✚ *Farm Tractors on Site + Children's Activities*





Waterville Lions Club
Drive Thru
PANCAKE
and Sausage
Breakfast


Serving the Third Sunday of
each Month
2025 Dates

**8:00
AM
til
11:30
AM**

**May 18th
June 15th
July 20th
August 17th**

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

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The Original Chris Cakes

**All You Can Eat
Pancake Breakfast**
Alden Lions Club Fundraiser
Saturday, June 21, 2025
8:30 am to 11:30 am
Located at—Alden Community Center
174 N. Broadway Ave., Alden, MN

Serving fabulous, fresh-made pancakes, sausage,
coffee, and orange juice.

**Cost - \$10 Adults
\$6 Children (12 and under)**

Come and enjoy great tasting
pancakes, flipped through the air to
your plate, and all you can eat!!




WASECA LIONS CLUB
GOLF
TOURNAMENT
JULY 24, 2025
Waseca Lakeside Club

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

\$100/ GOLFER INCLUDES
GOLF, CART, LUNCH AND APPS

12PM SHOTGUN START

REGISTER BY
JULY 15

For questions & registration details contact:
wasecalionsclub3079@gmail.com

BROWNTON LIONS

Dad's Belgian Waffles

Saturday, July 26th
7:30AM – 10:30AM
 Brownton Community Center
 310 2nd St N

Adults \$12.00
 Kids 10 and Under \$5.00

Adult tickets purchased in advance will receive \$2.00 off!

Purchase your Tickets in advance
 at HP Insurance, Security Bank in Brownton, or from any Brownton Lion Member.

Fresh Belgian Waffles
 Waffle Toppings
 Sausage
 Milk, Coffee, Juice, Water

The Chanhassen Lions Club Foundation Presents

35TH ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

Money raised benefits the community and organizations we support.

4 AUGUST 2025 || AT DEER RUN GOLF CLUB
VICTORIA, MN
\$150 PER PERON
 11:00 Registration/1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start

Lunch, Social, Prizes & Buffet Dinner

Mixed & Ladies Teams Encouraged

Prizes For:
 Longest Drive
 Closest to the Pin
 Longest Putt

Sign-Up




www.givebutter.com/bVB8A4

SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday, November 1, 2025

Alden Lions Club will be bringing

POWERHOUSE



to the **Golden Bubble**

DON'T MISS THE FUN!

Watch for further information



2029 Lions International Convention fundraiser

Brought to you by the Host Committee for the 2029 Minneapolis International Convention

2029 Convention Pins and Snowman Patches

The International Convention is coming to Minneapolis, Minnesota

Now is your chance to get a piece of history and help raise the needed funds to Host this great Lions event.

Build the Snowman patch fundraiser.

\$50 per piece for a total of \$200

Limited Edition

2029 Minneapolis Pin with Charms

Pin - \$100

Charms \$25 or all 4 for \$75



Reach out to PDG Rick Wagener to purchase patches or pins.