



5M-2

PATH to SUCCESS



On Monday February 2nd we visited the Ellendale Lions. They were busy with club events including there pie sales. Delivered chevrons to Lion Allen Paulsen for 15 years, and Lion Dale Waage for 25 years. A community orientated club living the service of Lion's.



We had a great visit with the Watertown Dandy Lions. They are a great group of ladies, they are small but mighty in their service to Lions and their community. Keep up the great work.



We were honored to visit the Carver Lion's and presented chevrons to Lions Sieglinde Tourangeau, DGE Marvin Grimm, Evelyn Grimm, James Weygand, and Scott Sorenson all for 15 years, Lion Keith Wickenhauser for 20 years, and Lions Harlan Thaumert and John Posselt for 35 years of service. Thank all the Carver lions for their service and social time.



We were extremely honored to be guests of the Victoria Lions. While visiting we delivered chevrons to the following: 10 years, Lion Jason Schmiege, 15 years Lions Kurt Zuppke, Jeff Chapman, Doug Gibson, Dave Alpaugh, Dan Gay, Rick Plocher, , 20 years Lions Brian Schiege, Steve Reus, 25 years Lion Pat Henning, 30 years Lions Doug Hines, Dennis Bjorklund, 35 years Lions Allen Orsen, Leroy Worm, Mark Lundgren Mel Hazelwood, 40 years Lions Vern Buller, & Steve Schmiege. It was great to meet your new members and honor them with their "first Lion's" pin. Parallel parking will never be the same! You are a "great club" and honor the Lion's motto of "we serve".



On January 19 we were guests of the Brownton Lion's Club. We delivered chevrons for Lion Charles Warner and Lion Neil Winterfeldt 15 years, Lion Robert Krieie and Lion Brian Dressel for 20 years, and Lion Jerald Zaske 25 years of service. Thank You all Lion's of Brownton for your service to Lion's and your community. You are "unbelievable".

Harry's Journal

Harry Klenke
District Governor



District Governor
Harry Klenke

We have just completed our Midwinter Convention in Mankato. I hope everyone that attended had some fun. I enjoyed myself and I hope it showed. Some things ran a little longer than I had hoped, partly because we had new people running the Hotel and partly because I work at a little slower pace. I am sorry for that. We had a talk with the hotel people about the things that could be done to make it run more smoothly. We wish they would get a new sound system and some more reliable mikes, but that costs money that they don't seem to want to spend. I enjoyed International Director Karla. She seems like a good Midwestern lady. She enjoyed the speakers we had and likes hearing about all the good things that we do in our District. As she said her and International Director Mike, Past District Governor Eunice, and Past District Governor Dave Jensen of District 5M4 were all in the same class when they did their training in Sydney, Australia. So they had a little reunion in Mankato.

We had a great turnout for the convention probably the most we have had in many years. We had about 375 registered for the convention by the time the weekend was over. We planned for about 350 which we thought would be enough because it was a few more than last year, so I am sorry if everyone didn't get a weekend program and goody bag. The convention committee did a fabulous job.

The speakers we had very good messages and seem to be well received. I have had a couple club visits' in the past week and they seemed pleased on their comments to their clubs.

Now that the fun of the convention is over its back to work for the Lions of 5M2. I know it is the time for a lot of clubs to hold fish fries. At the convention a lot of clubs had fund raisers coming up this spring. I hope to make as many as possible.

We also will be starting backup with Spring Zone meetings where we will hear District Governor Elect Marvin tell us about the great work our Zone Lions of the Year are doing. We will also talk about the fact that clubs should be holding their elections for next year. And how the important P101's need to be sent to me so the club officers can be registered with LCI. This needs to be done by May 1st to keep LCI happy. I will give you this reminder again in the next newsletter.

So thank you all for what you do and hope to see a lot of you at Zone Meetings .And keep up the good work on getting new members.

Governor's Ride Along

March 9	Zone Three-Jordaness
March 10	Waconia Club Visit
March 11	Zone Five Henderson
March 14	Council of Governors Mtg.
March 15	Prior Lake Bingo
March 16	Glencoe Club Visit
March 18	Lonsdale Club Visit
March 19	Zone Four Wintrop
March 21	Food for Kidz-Cologne Leo's
March 23	Zone One-Glencoe
March 24	Zone Seven Mankato Key City
March 25	Blue Earth Club Visit
March 26	Convention Wrap up meeting
March 30	Zone Eight
March 31	St. Peter Club Visit
April 1	Blooming Prairie Club Visit
April 5	Happy Easter
April 7	Albert Lea Cloverleaf Club Visit
April 8-10	<u>Journey For Service</u>

PLATO LIONS CLUB 32ND Annual Spring Brunch Sunday March 15, 2015

Serving 9 am-12pm
at the Plato Hall

All You Can Eat
Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Toast
and Beverage

Free Will Donations Accepted
with proceeds going to
Community Project Fund

MARVIN'S COMMENTS

1st VDG Lion
Marvin Grimm



Our Midwinter Convention is over! What an unbelievable weekend. As usual, the speakers were outstanding. Great to hear what is new in research at Hearing, Vision and Diabetes Foundations. Lions were having fun and lots of visiting also. The music on Friday evening had Lions dancing. The hospitality rooms were busy. It had to be a success as the snacks were all gone and we had to get more beverages for the second night. I want to thank everyone for supporting my room. Thanks for the great support for the raffle in the "Den".

The electronic newsletter is well on its way with lion Cindy Walters as our editor. Lion Cindy will have a deadline for news, photos and events on the 15th of each month. The first deadline will be June 15, 2015. Lion Cindy's email address is 5M2newslettereditor@gmail.com for newsletter items.

Our goal is to improve readership and to let the Lions of District 5M2 know what is happening in our clubs.

The MD5M Multiple Convention will be April 17 – 19, 2015.

The location is the Mpls Airport Marriott hotel in Bloomington which is located on the south side of 494 in Bloomington. Ikea and Mall of America are right behind the hotel. The seminar schedule has many interesting speakers. Plan to attend some, even if you come only for Saturday. Be reminded that District 5M2 is hosting the MD5M Multiple Convention in April 2016. District 5M2 clubs are expected to help staff and attend the Multiple. This is a big undertaking, but also draws a lot of positive attention to the leadership of our District. Lions, we are all leaders!

The Spring Zone meetings are beginning this month. Please plan to attend your Zone meeting. I will be presenting "Zone Lion of the Year Awards" at these meetings. Club Presidents and Secretaries are expected to attend. Come, share some fellowship.

Your District Governor Elect will be at leadership training Feb 28 & March 1 and again on March 11-13. That will be all the training until June 22 in Hawaii. The countdown to July 1, 2015 is on!!

"The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary." Vidal Sassoon

PROUDLY GO...

2nd VDG Lion
Steve Wasserman



International President Lion Joe Preston has challenged us to **"Strengthen The Pride"**. My topic this month is how we can **"Strengthen The Pride"** through **Rededication**.

Rededication has two prerequisites. First, of course, you must be dedicated, or have been dedicated at some time in the past. And second, there must be a moment in time when you are inspired to even greater dedication.

Last year at about this time, I dedicated myself to service to the district as your 2nd Vice District Governor Elect. As I write this, I am just home from the Midwinter Convention, and I have certainly been inspired to rededicate myself to service as your new 1st Vice District Governor Elect.

What an amazing convention! Lions Janet Hall and Emmy Koch chaired a committee that dedicated themselves to planning a convention that would inspire us. The Lions of Zone 1 dedicated themselves to executing that plan, and the end result was a convention that had us laughing and crying, singing and dancing, talking and listening, eating and drinking, sharing ideas, and most importantly of all, being inspired. Inspired to **"Strengthen The Pride"** through **Rededication** to service.

I was inspired on Friday by all the Lions who came to my hospitality room and offered words of encouragement and confidence, who purchased raffle tickets, and shared in the fellowship of food and drink. I was especially inspired by the quiet dedication of all of the Lions who worked so hard on my behalf to provide that food and drink.

I was inspired on Saturday by seminars about the work we are doing through our Vision, Hearing and Diabetes Foundations, and especially by our visiting International Director Karla Harris, who really brought to life the importance of giving and receiving "High Praise". I was inspired by hearing about the dedication of four nominees for the MD5M Lions Hall of Fame, and especially by the humble dedication of PDG Marlys Meskan who was elected, and will be inducted at the MD5M Convention in April.

I was inspired on Sunday by two remarkable young ladies who spoke of their interpretation of "Peace, Love, and Understanding" through the Peace Poster and Essay Contests. I was inspired by hearing how Juno, a service dog from Can Do Canines, has literally saved the life of Jean Lindquist, who has diabetes and hypoglycemic unawareness. And I was inspired by the dedication of the Lions of 5M2 who raised over \$100,000 during the "Parade of Green" to provide even more service.

For me, the Midwinter Convention was that moment in time when I was inspired to rededicate myself to service. I believe that we all need those moments periodically. If you were at the convention, I'm sure that you found your moments of inspiration. If you weren't there, I'm equally sure that those moments can be available as you participate in the activities of your club. Take advantage of those moments, and be inspired to rededicate yourself to Lions' service, because we really do **"Strengthen The Pride"** through **Rededication**



Can Do Canines' Lions Newsletter Submission – February, 2015

Thanks to the support of Lions Clubs across 5M, Can Do Canines continues to train specially trained for people with disabilities and provide them to those in need, free of charge. We're on track to graduate 46 new teams in 2015, an increase of ten additional teams over 2014. That's more dogs than we trained ever before!

Below is the story of one such team, Deborah Javinsky-Wenzek & Mobility Assistance Dog Zach, who graduated from Can Do Canines in 2013. Thank you again for your support of our organization.

ABIG CHANGE FROM A LITTLE (FURRY) PACKAGE

Deborah Javinsky-Wenzek & Mobility Assistance Dog Zach

Taking off your socks—you probably do it every day without even thinking twice. But, for Deborah Javinsky-Wenzek of St. Louis Park, Minn. she needs a little help. Not because she's incapable of doing it herself, but because each day she knows the energy in her muscles is limited. If she wants to live her active day to the fullest, as she's always strived to do, she needs to call for Mobility Assist Dog Zach.

Deborah was diagnosed with a form of Myotonic disorder at age eight. But, as she jokes, "I was born with it—you know like Maybelline." Deborah explains that her blood has traveled around the globe and been tested in St. Lake City, Boston and Germany. But the cause of the illness still remains unknown and treatment has been elusive.

The disorder has been a constant hurdle in her life, including when she was younger. One day as a child her muscles became so stiff her father had carry her to bed while her mother gave her medicine through an eyedropper because Deborah couldn't move. That's the primary symptom she experiences: muscle stiffness. But as years have gone by, muscle stiffness has led to muscle weakness, which can leave her incapable of getting out of a chair for a period of time.

"There was a time when my life stopped," Deborah

says. "I stopped working because I was so fatigued. I could go only 2-3 hours before my energy would completely drop."

But help came in an unexpected way. After the passing of one her dogs, Deborah rescued a Jack Russell-Cairn Terrier puppy named Zach. The long-haired little tike was rambunctious at first (or a holy terror, as Deborah describes him), but he had a quickness and desire to learn. After a few years and four levels of obedience training, Deborah trained him to fetch his favorite treat—the beef stick. This got her wondering, "Perhaps he could be trained to help me in other ways?"

Deborah called Can Do Canines and the two set about equipping Zach with a variety of skills to make Deborah's life easier. Primarily this meant retrieving items, in which Zach is now an expert. He picks up the remote, cell phone, bags, small pieces of paper and couch pillows, amongst other things. While these may not sound like life-changing skills, Deborah attests that they are.

"Picking up things for most people isn't tiring, but for my muscles it is," Deborah says. "Every kind of movement takes energy away from me trying to get through the rest of the day."

Zach also puts away his own toys, can retrieve his own special phone in case Deborah has an emergency, and removes her aforementioned socks. Deborah's even training Zach to do the dishes.

"He can bring me silverware from the floor, and can almost put the silverware in the dishwasher—we're working on that. Also if I drop a used food container, he'll sniff it first, but then bring it right to me!" Deborah says.

The two have become a perfect pair together, not just because of the tasks Zach is able to help with, but because of his companionship.

"I don't know if all service dogs raised as puppies are like this because I first had Zach as a pet, but he's definitely still my companion," Deborah says. "He's my lap dog. He licks my face and provides all the emotional stuff that dogs do."

Deborah says that if Zach wasn't with her, she'd be exerting a lot more energy. She'd have to plan her life on a contingent basis and would feel a lot more discombobulated.

"Once when I was out with Zach, my phone rang. In an effort to grab it, I dropped all the items I was carrying and my purse spilled out. Without even asking Zach started picking everything up," Deborah says. "Life's much less stressful with Zach around."



Waseca Lion Paige Whitney and Lion Lucille Youngberg are shown with the three sixth grade winners of the Waseca Peace Poster contest. The winners while at the Lions meeting were treated to a Pizza Ranch meal and presented with checks. The local contest was under the direction of Lion Bob Hunter.



DREAMCATCHER NEWS

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.
"Catch the Dream" Life Without Diabetes!



www.mnlionsdiabetes.org facebook.com/MinnesotaLionsDiabetesFoundation

Spring 2015

Mission Statement

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

Foundation News

Lions of Minnesota, we shared with you in our first newsletter what our foundation is doing to fund diabetes research. Providing education is our second focus area. We have developed a three year plan called Diabetes Education and Awareness. Our MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. (MLDF) has partnered with the American Diabetes Association (ADA) to create awareness for the *one in four* of us who are at risk for Type 2 diabetes. We are using the ADA "Are You At Risk" brochure to help Lions and others realize their risk factors. In Year 1 of our plan, we are surveying our MLDF Trustees, MDSM District Cabinets and will be encouraging Lions attending our District Midwinter Conventions to take this survey. Trustees will begin to survey Lions Clubs when we do our diabetes presentations. Lions and others who are classified "at risk" are being encouraged to see their health provider and request an A1C health screening test. In Year 2, our goal is to encourage Zones to start working on a Diabetes Awareness Project to help their Lions Club and their community members be more aware of the 1 in 4 of us that are at risk for prediabetes. In Year 3, our goal is that every club will partner with community health systems/providers, schools, businesses, churches or any community organization that will help create awareness for diabetes. For our

Lions Centennial Year in 2017, we are being challenged to do special community service projects. Please consider making it a diabetes awareness project for your community. If you are one of the fortunate people who have not been diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes...will you be able to say that by 2017? Don't wait and wish that you could turn back the clock...do something NOW with an easy life style change!! We Care!! We need your help to fight diabetes!

Lions Research Update and Tour

All Lions and Guests are invited to hear about exciting developments in diabetes prevention and cure research from world-leading scientists at the University of Minnesota.

Saturday, March 28th, 2015

At: Center for Magnetic Resonance Research,
U of M 2012 Sixth Street SE, Mpls, MN 55455
-9:15 am – Tour 1 -or- -10:30 am – Tour 2
-11:30 am – Light lunch and Program to

follow **RSVP** on line at

www.rsvp.umn.edu/2015LionsUpdate

Any Questions or to RSVP via email, contact Rachel at racheln@umn.edu with names of each attendee, address, and tour option (tours are the same). You will be emailed an event confirmation and directions.

-Learn from three nationally recognized scientists who are leading some of the most promising diabetes research aimed at both preventing and curing diabetes. Tour the immunology research labs and imaging magnets where this research takes place.

Not sure this is worth your time? Ask your District's MLDF Trustees and others who have attended.



Waseca Lion President Justin Gode and Scoutmaster Shawn Pommeroy of Boy Scout Troop 85 are shown at a Lions meeting commemorating the Lions and Scouts' collaboration on the Troop's 100th anniversary. The Lions were thanked for franchising the Troop which recently awarded its 150th Eagle Badge.

100% Secretary Award for 2013 – 2014

At the 5M2 Mid-Winter it was my pleasure to award the following club secretaries with the 100% Secretary Award:

Lion Cheryl Peterson
Lion Emmy Koch
Lion Sarah Gruenhagen
Lion Mary Oldenburg
Lion Rich Wheeler
Lion Darlene Breamer
Lion Mary Pipping
Lion Lynn Yurek

Carver Lions
Glencoe Lions
Hamburg Lions
Jordan Jordaness Lions
Mankato Sunrise Lions
Minnesota Lake Lions
Nicollet Lions
Silver Lake Lions

Club Excellence Awards for Clubs in 5M2

On my behalf and that of the International Board of Directors from Lions International, we extend our congratulations to the following Lions clubs that qualified for the 2013 – 2014 Club Excellence Award, which was presented at the Mid-Winter Convention. We thank you for the contributions you made to further enhance the image of our association. We especially appreciate the accomplishment of a plus one or more in membership for last year. Great job! Besides receiving a patch for their club banner, the past presidents also received a pin. Please congratulate these clubs:

Lions Club	Past President	Net Increase
Arlington	Lion Ray Farniok	Plus 2
Carver	Lion John Lenzen	Plus 6
Cologne	Lion Anna Wickenhauser	Plus 9
Glencoe	Lion Gary Koch	Plus 1
Jordan Jordaness	Lion Christy Trutnau	Plus 5
Lafayette & Area	Lion Scott Portner	Plus 1
Lake Crystal	Lion Tom Cooper	Plus 8
Northfield Cannon	Valley Lion Yvonne Ode	Plus 2
NYA – West Carver	Lion LaVonne Kroells	Plus 2
Prior Lake	Lion Tim Lindbo	Plus 1
Silver Lake	Lion Roxanne Yurek	Plus 3
St. Peter	Lion Casey West	Plus 2
Victoria	Lion Brian Tjenstrom	Plus 2
Waseca	Lion Diane Beckman	Plus 3

Glencoe Lions Club Annual

SPRING BRUNCH

Menu Includes:
Pancakes, Sausage, Ham, Eggs, Fruit, Milk, Juice, & Coffee

All you care to eat!

SUNDAY

March 29, 2015

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 P.M.
Pla-Mor Ballroom - Glencoe, MN

Adult (11 & up) - \$9.00
At Door - \$10.00
Children ages 4-10 - \$5.00
(Children's Tickets available at door only)
Children 3 and under free

*Tickets are available at: Franklin Printing,
Hite Hardware or from
any Lions Club Member*

Proceeds Go To Community Projects

Collection boxes will be available for used Eye Glasses and Hearing Aids

The 60's



Back to the 60's



Winner for best dressed women contest



Winner of best dressed mens contest



60's Costume Contest



District Leaders



60's Costume Contest



Friday Social

Certificate of Appreciation



Lion Laura Macki



Lion Cindy Walters



Hall Of Fame Award PDG Marlys Meskan



Lion Charlette Abbas



Snowman with ID Karla Harris and ID Mike Molenda



PDG Bill Curtis awarded
Lions Presidents International award Medal



Lion Clarence, snowman,
ID Karla



District Governor Harry Klenke



PID Debra Wasserman
Lion President Leadership Award



With your \$25.00 registration/donation you receive:

- Free entrance to the Landscape Arboretum for the day
- Free event t-shirt
- Free Lunch (including root-beer floats)
- Featuring the Teddy Bear Band
- Lots of children's activities, games & prizes
- Fun for families of all ages
- A chance to change a child's life through your \$25.00 registration/donation



Visit us for more info at: www.5mf.org

- Date: June 6, 2015
- Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Location: Landscape Arboretum, Chaska, MN
- Ticket Price: \$25.00

FEATURING:
 [Redacted]
 [Redacted]
 [Redacted]



TEDDY BEAR BAND

Waseca Lions Club with the help of the Waseca Scouts will have its

Annual Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 12

from 7:30 am to Noon
 Waseca American Legion.

The menu includes scrambled eggs, pancakes with syrup and butter, sausages, and beverages.

Prices are \$6.00 for adults and \$2.00 at the door for kids under 12, while toddlers receive a free meal.

Waseca Hy-Vee, Kwik-Trip, and the American Legion facilitate the benefit which provides money to support Waseca Lions many causes.



Lafayette Area Lions

Pancake and Waffle Breakfast Fundraiser

Sunday, March 15

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Lafayette Community Center



Adults: \$7.50 • Ages 6-12: \$4.50 • Under 6: \$1.00

Serving: Pancakes, Waffles with Toppings, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Ham, Juice, Milk & Coffee

Proceeds go toward Lions' community projects in the Lafayette area



We were jubilated when the Mankato clubs organized a three club visit. Mankato Sunrise, Mankato Key City and Mankato clubs met at the Wow Zone February 5. We delivered chevrons for Mankato Key City Lion Wayne May 35 years, Mankato Club Lion Dave Stinocher 10 years and Lion Bill Vandersluis 25 years. Mankato Sunrise Lions Pat Thompson, George Wisniewski for 10 years, Lion Sara Davis 15 years, Lion Ann Coleman for 20 years, Lion Pam De Marce 25 years, and Lion Creighton Wersal for 30 years of service. It was great to hear about the projects the clubs are jointly working on to assist their community. It was an "unbelievable" evening. Keep up the Pride of Lions in Mankato!

Carver Lions Sunday Brunch

Sunday, March 29
9:00am - 2:00pm

Carver Hall
316 Broadway

For more information on the
Carver Lions Club, go to
www.carverlions.org





American Diabetes Association **ALERT! DAY**

American Diabetes Association Alert Day®

Americans are urged to take the Diabetes Risk Test on American Diabetes Association Alert Day® and to share it with everyone they care about to find out if they are at risk for developing type 2 diabetes.

American Diabetes Association (ADA) Alert Day® is a "wake-up call" asking the American public to take the Diabetes Risk Test to find out if they are at risk for developing type 2 diabetes. This year, during the Association's 75th anniversary, Alert Day will kick off on Tuesday, March 24 and continue through Tuesday, April 21.

The Diabetes Risk Test asks people to answer simple questions about their weight, age, family history and other potential risk factors for prediabetes or type 2 diabetes. Preventive tips are provided for everyone who takes the test, including encouraging those at high risk to talk with their health care provider, eating more healthfully and getting active.

You can be part of the movement to Stop Diabetes®! To get information about diabetes, take the free Diabetes Risk Test (available in English or Spanish) and join or start a Step Out team, visit us at www.diabetes.org or call 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383). Lions Clubs of Multiple 5M are joining ADA Minnesota in this campaign. If you would like risk assessments to use at upcoming events in your community, contact **Lion Deb Weston** at (763) 360-4696.

The American Diabetes Association is leading the fight to Stop Diabetes® and its deadly consequences and fighting for those affected by diabetes. The Association funds research to prevent, cure and manage diabetes; delivers services to hundreds of communities; provides objective and credible information; and gives voice to those denied their rights because of diabetes. Founded in 1940, our mission is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. For more information please call the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383) or visit www.diabetes.org. Information from both these sources is available in English and Spanish.

* Save the Date *



District 5M-2 Jungle Days

2015 Golf Tournament

18 hole Best Ball Tournament

Monday, August 3rd, 2015

Registration @ 11:00 AM
Shotgun Start 1:00 PM
Dinner approximately 6:15 pm

**Shoreland Country Club,
St Peter, Mn**

Cost: \$75 per golfer
(Includes ½ cart, dinner, prizes)
Dinner only: \$16
Male and Female Team Awards
Registration information to follow.
RSVP Deadline: Monday July 27th

Hosted by:

**Key City Lions Club
Mankato Lions Club
Sunrise Lions Club**
Contact: Phone 507-345-8257
Email jvander@smvents.net



HAMBURG LIONS SPRING BINGO



Ham, Turkey, & Sausage

25 games for \$8.00 door prizes after each game
Also, meat raffles throughout the evening

Friday, March 27, 7:00 P.M.
Hamburg Community Hall
Hamburg, MN

Hamburgers, Beverages & Popcorn available

Proceeds used for community projects
Donate your old eye glasses for reuse in 3rd world countries



Pictured: (left to right) Region Chair Lion Charlette Abbas, new Courtland Lion Duane (Harry) Harris, new Courtland Lion Laura Grossmann, Lion Wally Sagmoen, President Lion Gene Retka

Two New Members Are Added to the Courtland Lions

The Courtland Lions acquired two members on Monday, February 9, at their regular monthly meeting.

Lion Duane (Harry) Harris is a returning Lion after taking a break for a few years. He brings knowledge of the Lions and a desire to continue serving our community. Lion Duane lives in Courtland with his wife Darlene. Lion Charlette was his sponsor.

Lion Laura Grossmann is new to the organization. She is a Legal Assistant in New Ulm, however, she lives in Courtland with her daughter. Before becoming a Legal Assistant, Lion Laura was involved with many service opportunities. Lion Laura knew the Lions was a service organization and wanted to be part of it. Lion Wally was her sponsor.

Welcome, Lion Duane and Lion Laura!

The Courtland Lions, as all Lions Clubs, are looking for new members to give us ideas as to how to serve our community, state, nation and world better. If you are service minded, contact a Lion member nearest you!



PEACE POSTER WINNER!

The theme for the 2014-15 Peace Poster contest was "Peace, Love and Understanding", forty-one posters were entered. First place in the Peace Poster contest is Alayna Wangen, an 8th grader from the Faribault Lutheran School, sponsored by the Faribault Lions. Alayna received her award recognition at the Mid-Winter Sunday Brunch. Alayna's quote of peace: "Let us not be divided because of nations. Let us come together in love and understanding to tie the world back together with peace".

The second place winner, sponsored by the Glencoe Lions Club, is Kristine Major, a student at Lincoln Jr. High. The third place winner, sponsored by the Mankato Sunrise Lions Club, is Bryce Schwab a student at Loyola Catholic School.

Thank you to all the Lions Clubs that sponsored the Peace Poster Contest. "Share Peace" is the theme for the 2015-2016 contest. Peace Poster kits are available through LCI until October 1. Contact Lion Paula Stevens or PDG Sue Bowman if you have questions and interest and sponsoring the Peace Poster contest in your club. We will also be at the spring zone meetings.

The Parade of Green brought in \$5200 for Youth Activities. A huge thank you for all your support of the Peace Poster, Write Off, Liberty Day, and Leos, programs all supported by the Youth Activities funding. Our young people are the future of Lions.



You already know there's a big difference between communities that have a Lions club and communities that don't. A healthy club with active members can truly bring a community to life. That's why it's so important to continue building a strong club. One of the best ways to strengthen your club is by inviting new members. And there are so many great ways to do it:

Ask One – The Ask One campaign shows that each Lion can play a part in building membership, and it all starts by asking one friend, family member or neighbor to join.

Service Projects – On your next project, invite family and friends to serve with you so they can feel the satisfaction of service, then ask them to keep serving with you as Lions.

Special Events – Invite your community to join you for special events like Family and Friends Month in April to showcase your club and the difference you're making.

Inviting new members is the responsibility of all Lions, so continue to make membership a priority and keep encouraging your members to Ask One!

Success of the Pride

Success:-Zone 1 Convention Committee and the workers from Zone 1 at the convention for a fun and informative event

Success: All the Lions, Lioness, and Leos of 5M2 who attended the Midwinter Convention for showing your support of the District

Success:-Past District Governor Eunice for an another excellent Service of Remembrance

Success:-Past District Governor Marlys for being named to 5M2 Hall of Fame

Success:-Past International Director Debra for her Leadership Award

Success:-Past District Governor Bill for his Presidential Award

Success:-Past District Governor Bill's family for joining him for the evening



IPDG Joan Blank presented Leo Hilary Wickenhauser with the Leo of the Year Award at the 5M2 Mid-Winter luncheon. This award honors Leo Hilary for her superior achievement as a Leo in our MD5M multiple district. Leo Hilary received from Lions International and Immediate Past President Barry Palmer a silver medal and certificate. Congratulations, Leo Hilary, for your outstanding contributions not only the Cologne Leos, but to all those you have impacted with your service projects.



New Members



Courtland Lion's

Lion Laura Grossman

Sponsored by Lion Wallace Sagmoen

Lion Duane Harris

Sponsored by Lion Charlotte Abbas

Faribault Lion's

Lion John Hackett

Sponsored by Lion Otto Luknic

Jordan Jordaness Lion's

Lion Chrissy Olson

Sponsored by Lion Donna Will

Lion Jayme Perkarna Olsen

Sponsored by Lion Donna Will

Lafayette Lion's

Lion Bradley D. Woller

Sponsored by Lion Ruth Klossner

Lake Crystal Lion's

Lion Mark D. Sanderson

Sponsored by Lion Derek Hall

Lonsdale Lion's

Lion Lori Nickel

Sponsored by Lion Debbie Rud

Minnesota Lake Lion's

Lion Susan Johnson

Sponsored by Lion Maxine Daly

Northfield Cannon Valley Lion's

Lion Debra Colson

Sponsored by Lion Stacy Sohns

Prior Lake Lion's

Lion Jeffrey Schwingler

Sponsored by Lion Kelly Norris

Victoria Lion's

Lion Jeff Grow

Sponsored by Lion Robert Ayotte

Waseca Lion's

Lion Jim Ferch

Sponsored by Lion Marlene Rietfort

Lion Chris T Retterath

Sponsored by Lion John Kaiser

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NYA PANCAKE BRUNCH

WHEN: Sunday, March 29, 2015

TIME: 8:00 am-11:30 pm

LOCATION: NYA PAVILLION



Looking to have a great Breakfast? Come have one with us. We will be serving 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



NYA LIONS WILL ALSO COLLECT YOUR USED EYE GLASSES TO RECYCLE

"WE SERVE"



**MD5M
2015 CONVENTION**



Great News!!!!!! It looks like over 400 Lions will be attending our 2015 MD Convention in April!!!

In addition to listening to great speakers on Saturday afternoon, in keeping with our motto, "We Serve", you also have the opportunity to participate in a great service opportunity.

Saturday afternoon, from 2:00 to 4:00, up to 140 Lions, Lioness, and Leos can work packing meals at the "Feed My Starving Children" facility right near the hotel. If you are planning to participate in this service activity please send an email to Lions Steve Knudsen at steven.knudsen@usfamily.net, provide the name of each individual, name of Lions club, and the individual's email address.

We are close to selling out our rooms at the Marriott Airport Hotel. If you are planning on attending and have not made your hotel reservation there are several hotels in the area you can call if the Marriott is sold out.

Hotel Name	Phone Number	Nightly Rate (Dollar \$)	Address	Miles from Minneapolis Airport Marriott (Driving)
Radisson Blu Mall of America	(952) 881-5258	\$157 Average Nightly Rate	Mall of American, 2100 Killebrew Drive, Bloomington, MN 55425	1.1 Miles
Ramada Bloomington Minneapolis Airport	(952) 854-3411	\$154 Average Nightly Rate	2300 East American Blvd, Bloomington, MN 55425	0.1 Miles
Radisson Hotel Bloomington By Mall of America	(952) 854-8700	\$110 Average Nightly Rate	1700 East American Blvd, Bloomington, MN 55425	0.3 Miles
Fairfield Inn & Suites Minneapolis Bloomington	(952) 858-8475	\$94-104 Average Nightly Rate	2401 American Boulevard East, Bloomington, MN 55425	0.5 Miles
Courtyard Marriott Bloomington	(952) 876-0100	\$99-109 Average Nightly Rate	7800 Bloomington Avenue South, Bloomington, MN 55425	0.6 Miles

April 17-19, 2015

Marriott Airport Hotel
2020 American Blvd East
Bloomington MN 55425 1-800-228-9290

<http://lionsmd5m.org/MD5M/MD5MConvention/MD5MConvention.htm>

Where There's a Need, There's A Lion



On a blustery evening we traveled to LeCenter and had great hospitality with the LeCenter Lion's. While their presented chevrons to Lion Bradley O'Keefe 10 years, Lion William Novosad (left) 20 years and Lion Bob Pfarr for 25 years. A great club committed to Lions and the community. Continue to "serve".