

APRIL 2022



5M7 Gram



5M7 LIONS AND LEOS

March is just about over. And just like every March the weather has been a bit interesting. We have had warm days, rainy days, snowy days, it runs the gamut. Weather becomes an important part of a lions' life when having to be places and do things. In March I have attended a Council of Governors Meeting, a 5M7 Cabinet Meeting, five zoom meetings, the MN Lions Diabetes Research Update, Zone 1 Meeting in Annandale, five governor visits, three events with my own club, and more. I have also noticed with the bad days of driving in March, there are those glorious days when I wake in the mornings to the birds singing again, and the sandhill cranes being very loud at the crack of dawn every morning. Every Spring, those sandhill cranes help me celebrate a new season. The rest of the summer they walk around my yard with their babies. And every Spring it seems like the Lions also come out of winter into the Spring thinking about elections, the new Lion's year and perhaps new thoughts and ideas in our clubs. Our clubs are excited about the longer days and planning your upcoming events and perhaps even taking on a new role for the new year beginning July 1st. Spring is an exciting for all it seems.

I am sure that each of our clubs has thought about your **club elections** which should be taking place soon. Please do not forget that your club should report your new officers for the new year as soon as possible after you hold your club elections. If you are having trouble with this, or do not know how to do it, please let myself or our District Administrator PDG Dan Kaiser know and we can help you complete this task. Also, here is a link to a short, very good YouTube video with the instructions for those of you (president, secretary, or club administrator) who might be reporting your new officers: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q0p8vMyMGxQ>

Don't forget about the **Club Officer Training Session** on **Saturday April 23rd at 10:00 am at the Boys and Girls Club of Elk River**. The training will begin at 10:00 am with a leadership discussion with the whole group and then break into sessions for each officer. Information will be sent to club officers via email. It will be sent to current officers and all newly reported 2022-2023 officers.

Now is a great time to check your club roster at LCI to make sure that your club members information is still correct. Email addresses and telephone numbers change from time to time. It is important to keep this information up to date as that is how your leaders get in contact with you when we need to. If a club gets new or changes officers for any reason during the year, this change needs to also be changed at LCI. From time to time, LCI sends emails to officers in your clubs and your club officers will not get those emails if the information is not correct. Please keep your club member information up to date. Let me know if you need help with this.

Who is interested in **KidSight**? I am and I know that many of our Lions are as well. In fact, as I have been visiting our clubs, many of our clubs have KidSight programs. With the pandemic schools were not able to allow screenings by Lions and there are a couple of ages of children that have been left out. The Lions are now playing catch up and more screeners are needed than before. Lions clubs are changing kids lives everyday by catching eye issues even before kids would be screened in school. Lives are being changed by catching eye issues early and allowing children to see better to learn. There are many different issues that effect a child's eyes which are correctible if issues are found early enough. Lions we can change lives with these screenings and we have.

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KidSight Certified Training Class has been scheduled for Lions in our District 5M7 on Saturday, April 9th!!

The Certified Screening training will be presented in a zoom format. You have the ability to join the training from your own home via a zoom link to be sent later. You also have the chance to join Lions Mary and Ann for a group viewing session at the Rum River Library in Anoka. The video training will begin promptly at 8:30am and will last 90 minutes. A hands on training follows at the library. Please let Ann and Mary know by April 7 if you are going to join the zoom session from your home or will be joining at the Rum River Library in Anoka. Please reach out to Mary and Ann if you have questions.

Lions Ann Kaduce: lionannk@gmail.com

Lion Mary Curtis: maryleacurtis@yahoo.com

District 5M7 KidSight Foundation Co-Chairs

As always, please reach out to me if you have questions, need assistance or if you would like to chat about anything at all. I am here for you and will help you with anything you need.

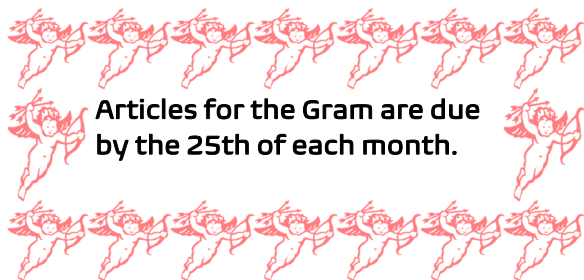
District Governor Judy 763-753-6962

[jlhbells@earthlink.net](mailto:jlhbell@earthlink.net)

"Soaring with Service and Kindness"



MEET AND GREET..... This photo is of my husband Mark and myself. Lions and Leos, meet my husband. Some of you have gotten to meet my husband. He works in the evenings, so is generally unable to accompany me on my visits. But he is here with me, carrying my things, loading and unloading my car, and unloading all of the used eyeglasses that I pick up at my visits. J



Articles for the Gram are due by the 25th of each month.

1VDG Lion Mark Landwehr....

**VDG
MESSAGE**

Hello fellow Lions of the 5M7.

In one month we will be holding our training for upcoming officers. This training will take place on **Saturday, April 23rd** at the Boys and Girls Club of Elk River, 905 Sixth Street N.W., Elk River. Dennis Kelley the III will start things off with a presentation on Leadership. Afterwards break-out rooms will be set up for training for presidents, secretaries, treasurers, membership chairs, and zone chairs. Lunch will be free. Please RSVP to Lion Orville Lindquist who will be sending out invites so we get a head count for lunch. Thank you.

We are planning our 2023 mid-winter convention, I think I explained some of this last month; we are moving our Mid-winter Convention to the Kelly Inn in Saint Cloud. **SAVE THE DATE....Friday January 27th through Sunday the 29th.** As I explained in last month's Gram the reason we are going to St. Cloud is that the Marriott won't allow us to have hospitality rooms and the Kelly Inn will. I want to bring back hospitality rooms like we had in past years where Lions Cubs could decorate their own rooms and have a bar and food furnished by the club. Each hospitality room will be entered into a contest composing of the following categories: best theme, most entertaining game and highest percentage of fellow club members at the convention. The winner will get two free meal tickets to the following year's convention. Encourage your clubs to start planning now. There are only 16 hospitality room's available.

We will also have a bean bag contest on Friday evening. More details on that at a later date. There will be an opening ceremony on Friday evening and the Parade of Green. We plan on having six seminars on Saturday morning, lunch at noon followed by the Memorial Service, and an International Director Town Hall Meeting. The business meeting will take place after the town hall meeting. Saturday evening banquet with the ID speech will be followed by a band and a poker tournament. Sunday morning's brunch will feature a guest speaker.

Encourage your fellow club members to attend the mid-winter. It's a time when we can get together have fun, learn what the other clubs are doing for service projects and learn more about our foundations and why we support them. Let's all work together and build our Mid-Winter Convention into something we can be proud of.

Thank you DGE Mark Landwehr

**VDG
MESSAGE**

2VDG Lion Steve Milius

As spring arrives so does the officer election season for the Lions. On that note I would like to remind all of our 5M7 club members the time is now to step up to the plate, grab the bull by the horns, and run like hell!!!! Not really run, but volunteer to be one of the new officers for your club. You can help shape the future of your club and the district as well. You can not only bring new ideas to your club, you can help implement them as well. See the results of your work and share the ideas with other clubs.

We at the GAT team will not send you in blind, that is not knowing how to do your new position. We have a training session set for **April 23rd, 2022 in Elk River, MN at the Boys & Girls Club** building. This is for presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, membership coordinators, and treasurers. We have lined up some of the very best faculty instructors that the Multiple District has to offer. It will be a very interesting and insightful experience to attend this training.

I want to encourage all officers to attend this training, even if you have held this position before. Times have changed and some of the things required of the different positions have changed as well. So if you will be an officer in the 2022-2023 Lions year please plan to attend this training.

Please notify VDE Mark Landwehr at cell phone number: 612.366.1331

Thanks 2VDG Steve Milius



**A true leader has the
confidence to stand alone,
the courage to make tough
decisions, and the
compassion to listen to the
needs of others.**

Douglas MacArthur

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ZONE CHAIRS

Zone 1: Vacant

Zone 2: Lion Ed Kolasa

Zone 3: Lion Nancy Senn

Zone 4: Lion Monica Johnson

Zone 5: Lion Angela Sedesky

Zone 6: Lion Robert Meyer

Zone 7: Vacant

Zone 8 & 9: PDG Dan Kaiser

Being able to communicate effectively is perhaps the most important of all life skills. It is what enables us to pass information to other people, and to understand what is said to us.

When communication is effective, it leaves all parties involved satisfied and feeling accomplished. By delivering messages clearly, there is no room for misunderstanding which decreases the potential for conflict. In situations where conflict does arise, effective communication is a key factor to ensure that the situation is resolved in a respectful manner.

Being a zone chair is communicating what's happening at the District level to your clubs and making sure everyone understands what the District is doing and how it represents you as a club.





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.qgiv.com/event/2022mlhfwalk/>



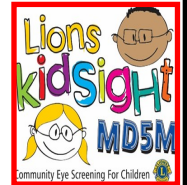
KidSight Certified Training **Saturday April 9, 2022** **Rum River Library (or on your couch)** **4201 6th Avenue, Anoka**

Join us for a zoom presentation on the 'how and why' of KidSight Vision Screening. The zoom presentation is approximately 90 minutes long and will start at 8:30am.

You can view the zoom presentation from home or come to the library and view it with us, enjoy some coffee and hands on experience with the screeners. The presentation is for any/all Lions interested in KidSight Vision Screening.

Please RSVP by April 7 to 5m7lionskidsight@gmail.com so we can send the zoom link to you and prepare coffee for the library attendees.

Lion Mary Curtis and Lion Ann Kaduce
5M7 Directors, MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation
5m7lionskidsight@gmail.com



Vision screening is not the goal; it is the method we use to reach our goal of every child seeing clearly!



26486 Sioux Trail , Madison Lake, MN. 56063

Our Mission: Connecting, empowering and transforming kids with Type 1 Diabetes.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES **SAVE THE DATE FOR CAMP 2022**

Sunday July 31-Thursday August 4, 2022

Info at campsweetlife.org or 507-934-9352 or contact Rene' at 507-995-6910.

Check out our FB page www.facebook.com/CampSweetLife/.



*Catch the Dream...
Life without Diabetes*

Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation

To: Lions of District 5M7

From: District 5M7 Trustees of Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation

Subject: **LET'S RUN, WALK, SKI, SWIM, CURL, SKATE THE EXTRA MILE!**

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*

Progress continues on for the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation.

Did you know that with your donations the U of M has:

- Performed the first human to human islet cell transplantation
- The first living donor pancreas transplant
- Reversal of diabetes in 12 monkeys
- Prolonged islet cell survival for over 1 year without immunosuppressive drugs
- Since 2000 the U of M has completed 7 islet transplants very successfully

Ask Lion Mike Edwards or I for more information! We would be glad to come to your meetings.

And to help continue this progress please participate in our **STRIDES** fundraiser. We are requesting \$25 per person and it helps you to be aware of staying active. Mail a \$25 check to Lion Joel or Lion Mike, or go to www.MNLionsdiabetes.org and sign up online!

Trustees for District 5M7

Lions Joel Anderson and Mike Edwards

Lion Joel - Joeland1954@gmail.com

Lion Mike - Mnedwards1@bellsouth.net



Lions of the Greatest District in MD5M

As I sit here to write my article (on the deadline Friday) I watch huge snowflakes float by my window! When will it end?

Looking forward into the end of April and the beginning of May, many Lions will be traveling down to beautiful Mankato for the MD5M Lions Multiple Convention.

The Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation will have tables set up, one for our displays and another where we will be sorting used eye glasses to be shipped up to Sartell, Mn.

Please bring your used eye glasses down to the convention and drop them off at our tables.

One last thing. **PLEASE, PLEASE**, take the time to contact your Legislators and ask them to vote to stop for profit eye banking in Minnesota.

Links are:

For Lions Members: <https://igniteadvocacy.com/go/stop-for-profit-eye-banking-in-mn/307>

For Lion Supporters: <https://igniteadvocacy.com/go/stop-for-profit-eye-banking-in-mn/324>

Thank You For All You Do

If you need eye glass collection pails or to have glasses picked up, please contact:

PDG Steve Linder 612-382-2236

PDG Terry Wold 612-759-5433



102nd Annual MD5M Multiple Convention

April 29th-May 1st, 2022 Mankato, MN.

For convention information contact IPDG Anna Wickenhauser at lionannaw@gmail.com; phone: 952.913.1467 or CC Matt Huggenvik at squiggy23@hotmail.com; phone: 507.250.6598.

Check out the website for information and updates on the 2022 MD5M Convention; www.lionsmd5m.org.



5M7 LEO CLUBS

March was an exciting month, with spring break for many of our Leos. The projects are few, but the impact was great.

ANOKA LEO- TORNADO SERVICE CLUB: The Tornado Service Club Leos stayed busy through the winter months within school projects, as well as giving their time to the community. TSC members kicked off the New Year with Cub Foods Bagging, two times in January, one time in February, completing 545 bags for ACBC Food Shelf. In February, the club started their annual Fleece Blanket Project, funded by the Anoka Lions, which allowed students to complete 29 blankets for Hope 4 Youth in Anoka. In addition, the Leos kicked off their Mental Health Awareness for Self-Care campaign with administration approved resources and awareness stickers for the student body. This project was combined with their annual Kindness Week during the beginning of March, where TSC members execute 5 days of Kindness & Positivity activities during school lunch periods and encourage others to make cards, Color a Smile, take a daily challenge of kindness and make a flower for a friend or teacher. TSC ended the second trimester with Room Decorating and kicked off a Utensil Drive for the Ronald McDonald House. In addition to club projects, members attended the National Lions Conference, mentored middle school students, attended the Students in Action Conference, Springbrook Winterfest, District STEM Fair, Hamilton Math Night, Anoka Winterfest and Feed my Starving Children. Congratulations to TSC Junior, Awa Cisse, who was the recipient of the \$500 exchange scholarship at the National Lions Conference in January.

ANDOVER LEOS: Andover Leos continued to plan projects for the spring.

BLAINE BENGALS: The Bengals in Action from Blaine High School enjoyed working on planning great projects for spring. They had spring break this month.

COON RAPIDS HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL: March brought planning time for CRHS/MS. Students shared and voted on teachers and staff in their buildings that showed kindness. Those staff were recognized at the staff meeting in March. They appreciate hearing all the positive things students say about them. The CRHS Leos are in planning mode for two major events coming up. The Day of Service is April 7th, the entire high school student body will be able to participate in four different service activities to benefit the community. The 2nd Annual cultural Festival is coming up on May 20th- a great event filled with food, entertainment, crafts and great resources- look for more information in the next addition.

RUSH CITY LEO CLUB : Rush City Leos completed a food drive for the local Food Shelf. They are working on planning for the spring.

SPRING LAKE PARK : Spring Lake Park Leo's Club has been making kindness flowers to give to people around school to brighten up their day. They are also making spring cards to drop off at a senior living center. In December we made tie blankets to give to a local NICU. We are still collecting plastic to receive a bench that the school can put somewhere outside for students to use.

If you are interested in getting more involved with a Leo club, or would be interested in starting a Leo Club, please reach to either chair members:

Lion Stefanie Nelson

stefanieenelson@gmail.com

Lion Pete Yelle

pete.yelle58@gmail.com



We are **STILL** looking for host families for the summer exchange program. We have three applicants thus far that will need a place to lay their heads and enjoy the great things of Minnesota.



Family Stay Dates: July 1-21, 2022

Camp Dates: July 22-30, 2022

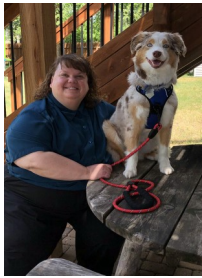
Please let me know if you are interested and willing to host a student coming from another country in your home. Get together with other Lions close to you and host together.

We currently have five students from our district starting the process of applying to travel abroad this summer.

Lion Stefanie Nelson

stefanieenelson@gmail.com





Rebecca and Hearing Assist Dog Jasper

Training her fourth successful successor assistance dog has been an adventure for Becky Thomas, who was partnered with three dogs from Can Do Canines before Jasper came into her life.

It all started back in the early 2000s. Becky's father had been a Lion in Ham Lake, and the club had done some fundraising for Can Do Canines. Having learned about their assistance dogs, he suggested that Becky apply for a Hearing Assist Dog, and her journey began!

Jasper, now a 5-year-old miniature Australian Shepherd, has been with Becky since he was 12 weeks old. Becky loved her previous Hearing Assist Dog, a mini-Aussie named Caremyl, so she purchased Jasper from the same breeder who had donated Caremyl to Can Do Canines. Her goal to train him as a Hearing Assist Dog worked perfectly because Jasper joined the family as his female predecessor was easing into retirement. Jasper watched Caremyl's alert work and would copy her behaviors, eventually taking over the job while she napped. Becky continued training with him to sharpen his assistance dog behavioral and public skills. After years of an evolving assistance dog experience with the organization, Becky was still nervous about being accepted with Jasper because she knew it took a lot of work to succeed as an owner-provided team.

Becky is late-deafened; she grew up hard of hearing until she was about 21, when she lost most of her hearing. Even though she was accepting of the change, she got frustrated with missing innumerable important sounds, and she felt her independence slipping away. She relied on people all the time, but others wouldn't always let her know of a sound because they simply didn't realize just how much she needed their help. Her first Can Do Canines dog was placed while she was living alone and had to use a lot of unreliable adaptive equipment. Now, she has a family that she gets to take care of rather than depending on them to communicate environmental noises to her, thanks to Jasper's enthusiastic alert skills.

Becky calls Jasper her "wild child" and loves seeing his lightbulb moments when he gets a behavior right. She says, "I enjoy the challenge of his high energy because it makes me grow as a trainer." Jasper alerts Becky to the microwave, the phone, a knock at the door, the smoke alarm, her children when they call her name, and a falling item. After prompting her with the touch of his paw, he rushes to the source of the sound to let her know what needs attention. Another special skill he learned was to wake up Becky when her lamp alarm starts flashing in the morning.

Becky's family and friends are so happy for Jasper to be a part of her world, helping to expand it for her. She also feels "more included and safe" thanks to his vigilant presence. He's even been alerting to new sounds they had not trained for, and she didn't know existed until he responded to the noise. Without Jasper, Becky says she would be constantly frustrated because she would be unaware of noises and missing information. Life would be a dangerous mystery of unknown sounds, but Becky explains, "[Jasper] fills in that puzzle for me."

Lions MD5M

Convention 2022

Backpack Project to benefit homeless youth in Mankato



Backpack Cost \$40

Backpacks will include, Socks, t-shirts, chapstick earbuds, personal care items, bug spray, sun screen, rain gear, Gift cards, snacks and more.

Donations can be made in three ways:

Purchase items from Amazon Wish List using [this Link](#)

Donations made to: <http://lssmn.org/>

To give select Gift Designation, select Other, in the blank box type REACH Lions Convention (the money will get to this project)

*LSS is a 501c3 and LG555 form will be provided

Mail donation to: Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota

Attn: Reach Program Lions Convention

125 E. Liberty St Mankato, MN 56001

Please make all donations by April 20, 2022

Questions, Lion Stefanie Nelson stefanieenelson@gmail.com



ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

OUR ENVIRONMENT faces several problems and many of these seem to be worsening with time, bringing us into a time of a true environmental crisis. It is therefore becoming increasingly important to raise awareness of the existence of these issues, as well as what can be done to reduce their negative impact. Some of the key issues are:



- 1] Pollution. Pollution of the air, water and soil caused by toxins such as plastics, heavy metals and nitrates, caused by factors such as toxins and gases released by factories, combustion of fossil fuels, acid rain, oil spill and industrial waste.
- 2] Global Warming. The emission of greenhouse gases due to human activity causes global warming, which in turn causes an increase in temperature that then leads to rising sea levels, melting of polar ice caps, flash floods and desertification.
- 3] Overpopulation. We are facing a shortage of resources such as food, water and fuel to sustain the rising global population, particularly in developing countries. Intensive agriculture attempting to lessen the problem actually leads to more damage through the use of chemical fertilizers, pesticides, and insecticides.
- 4] Waste Disposal. An excessive amount of waste is produced and dumped in the oceans. Nuclear waste is particularly dangerous, as well as plastic and electronic waste.
- 5] Ocean acidification. The increase in the production of carbon dioxide by humans causes the oceans' acidity to rise, which has a negative impact on marine life.
- 6] Loss of biodiversity. Species and habitats are becoming extinct due to human activity. This causes an imbalance in natural processes like pollination and poses a threat to ecosystems; coral reef destruction is particularly affected.
- 7] Deforestation. Loss of trees in order to make space for residential, industrial or commercial projects means that less oxygen is produced and temperature and rainfall are affected.
- 8] Ozone layer depletion. Pollution caused by chlorofluorocarbons [CFCs] in the air creates a hole in the ozone layer, which protects the earth from harmful UV radiation.
- 9] Acid Rain. Pollutants in the atmosphere such as sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides cause acid rain, which has a negative consequences for humans, wildlife, and aquatic species.

- 10] Public health issues. Lack of clean water is one of the leading environmental problems currently. Pollutants in the air also cause issues such as respiratory disease and cardiovascular disease.



MINNESOTA'S GREAT 'GET-TOGETHER'



The State Fair has lost a few clubs since last year and we are going to need more workers to sell coupons for rides and games on the Midway.. Some benefits to working the fair are:

- Get a free ticket and free parking to the state fair.
- Only work 7 hour shifts in in an air-conditioned booth.
- 2022 will be all computerized – no tickets.
- Pay is \$10.00/hr to your club with NO deductions.
- You get the rest of the day to enjoy the fair.
- Your club can work multiple shifts.

Contact PDG Larry Kounkel at larryandmk@gmail.com if interested.



The **ELK RIVER LIONS** hosted their Governor's Night March 15th, and will host the annual Easter Bunny event in Orrock on Palm Sunday.

Once again the Elk River Lions will serve alcohol at Zimmerman Wild West Days Memorial Day weekend, Thursday through Sunday.



Watch for info on the next Project New Hope retreat in June 2022.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING....



Montrose Lions -All you can eat- Smelt Fry

Friday April 8, 2022

4:00-7pm
(While supplies last)

at the Montrose Community Center 200 Center Ave So

**Smelt, Scalloped Potatoes, Coleslaw, Bread
Stick, Brownie and a Beverage**



\$15 for ages 12 and up
\$10 for ages 5-11
Free for ages 4 and
under

Pancake Breakfast

Eggs - Sausage - Beverages

Mar 27th
Apr 10th
Apr 24th
9:AM - Noon

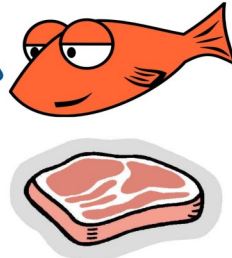
Free will
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accepted



Community Fun!
Doyle Field
30309 Forest Blvd - Stacy, MN



Hanover Lions



Smelt Fry and Grilled Pork Chop Dinner

SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD

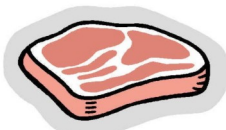
**HANOVER CITY HALL
12:00PM TO 6:00PM**

Adults - \$15.00

Seniors & Kids 6-12 - \$12.00

Kids Under 6 - \$5.00

**DINNER INCLUDES: SMELT, GRILLED PORK
CHOPS, BREADSTICKS, COLE SLAW, BAKED
BEANS, COOKIES, MILK & COFFEE**



**Brooklyn Park Lions
59th Annual
"WORLDS 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.*

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING....



**HOP IN TO
K.J.'S REFUGE
FOR SOME
EASTER FUN!!**
SUNDAY APRIL 10TH, 2022
12-2 P.M.



- TAKE PHOTOS WITH EASTER BUNNY
- CRAFTS AND COLORING AREA
- BUNNY WALK/GAMES
- BIG BASKET 1200 EGGS

BIKE DRAWINGS AT 2 p.m. (one entry per child)
4 DRAWINGS PER AGE RANGE (0-3)(4-7)(8-12)
MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

FREE EVENT for families hosted by Elk River Lions

****FOOD AND CASH DONATIONS** collected, will be donated
to **BIG LAKE COMMUNITY FOOD SHELF ****



Elk River Lions offer charitable gambling at
K.J.'s Refuge. We are proud to serve our
communities since 1971. We offer pull-tabs and
e-tabs daily, and weekly Bingo and Meat Raffles.

(LICENSE #02257-003)

EVENT ADDRESS: 26211 184TH ST. NW BIG LAKE, MN 55309



St. Francis Lions Present



Easter Bingo

Saturday April 9th at 6:30pm
St. Francis American Legion

\$1.00 per card / Win a Ham!
Cover all prize - \$500.00
County Market Gift Cards



BINGO



Bake Sale

[Provided by the St. Francis Ambassadors]

Easter Bonnet Contest



Proceeds going to Charities and local Food Shelf.
Donations of non-perishables appreciated.

SANTIAGO LIONS

EGGstravaganza

Community Pancake Breakfast & Bake Sale

Kids and Adults Welcomed!

Sunday April 10th, 2022

8:30 am to 11:30 am

Santiago Town Hall



- ◇ **Meet the Easter Bunny**
- ◇ **Easter Gift Bags for kids**
- ◇ **Bring camera and take photos**

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Saturday April 2, 2022 9am-11am

**Breakfast includes: scrambled eggs, pancakes,
Sausage, juice & coffee served by Becker Lions**

Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family

Becker Community Center



HERE ARE A FEW IMPORTANT DATES IN APRIL

1st April – Aprils Fools' Day

April Fools' Day is also known as All Fools' Day and is celebrated for centuries but its origins are uncertain. According to some historians, it was first celebrated in 1852, when France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar and some say that it is related to the turn of the seasons.

2nd April – Good Friday

This year Good Friday is celebrated on 2nd April. This day is considered an auspicious day in Christianity. Good Friday is observed by Christians to commemorate the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and is observed on the Friday before Easter Sunday. On this occasion, people observe fast visit the church and remember the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. It is also known as Black Friday, Holy Friday, Great Friday, or Easter Friday

17 April – Easter Festival

Easter festival commemorates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and is celebrated across the world. It begins from Lent and ends with Holy Week, which includes Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and finally Easter Sunday. In Latin Easter is known as Pascha. It is celebrated annually but the date of the festival is not fixed, it varies every year.

22 April- World Earth Day

This day is observed every year on 22 April to mark the anniversary of the birth of the modern environmental movement in 1970. In the Universe Earth is the only planet where life is possible and so it is necessary to maintain this natural asset. World Earth Day is celebrated to increase awareness about the importance of the planet.



HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING....



Andover Lions

FIRST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Date & Location

Sunday, September 11th, 2022
Shotgun start 1p
Dinner and events 5p

Majestic Oaks Golf Club
701 Bunker Lake Blvd NE
Ham Lake, MN 55304-6720

<https://andover-lions-golf-tournament.perfectgolfevent.com/>

4-player scramble format | \$150 per player (includes below)



X-Treme ParTee Cart Drawing

Winner gets to drive the "Lions" golf cart all day.
Includes 6-pack domestic beer, 4 drink tickets and pro-shop merchandise



Contests

\$10,000 Cash Hole In One
Mega Putt
Longest Drive (Men & Women)
Closest To The Pin
Longest Putt
Other contests



Golf Ball Launcher

Use the golf ball launcher at designated hole (launches balls up to 300 yards) and use ball on that hole

REGISTER



Deadline August 30th



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