



Lions Clubs International
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LIONS 5M7 GRAM



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**Things on my mind:
District Governor
Jim Kugler**

In Mlian, Italy. Message to come.



**A message from:
1stVDG
Peter Lendway**

Hello Lions!

Here we are at the start of a new Lions year. A year of new opportunities to participate in and to initiate the plans we conceived last year. As I write this I am planning and packing for a trip to Milan. I can't help but think there are similarities between planning a trip and planning a project.

Similarities in questions like: How much will it cost? What dates are involved? What should I bring? Who else will be there? When will I have time to eat? What should I eat or drink? Questions like that. Everyone has them. However, it is the thoughtfulness we put into the answers as much as the questions that determines the success of the projects or trips.

So, for whatever it is you're planning for, be thoughtful...

Lion Peter Lendway, 1VDG 5M7



Happy New Lions Year
5m7!



Welcome to a new Lions year. The new Lions year is an exciting time for our clubs. In our clubs this may mean new officers, creating a new calendar, new ideas and maybe even some new members. Please be sure to ask your DG team if you need assistance with any of this. I know from personal experience that planning for a new year gets a group of people excited and ready to go.

As 2VDGE, I have been meeting with DG AL, DGE Jim and 1st VDGE Peter regularly and they have all been great mentors for me in this journey already. I have been a part of many things and am learning so much. I am looking forward to working with DGE Jim, 1VDGE Peter and the entire cabinet to work with and assist our clubs. I can't wait to meet as many members as I can while I am visiting zone meetings, club meetings, and your projects. Please invite me.

So....about me. My husband Mark and I have been married for 25 years and we are charter members of the Nowthen Lions Club for ten and a half years. I have served as my clubs President, Secretary, have been on the Membership Committee. I have also served the district as the Alert Chair, Zone Chair for three years and Membership Chair and have been to the Regional Leadership Institute. I have enjoyed every bit of it.

One more thing. Are all of you aware of the wealth of information which is available on the **Lions Clubs International website**? You can often catch me wandering around on it as I learn something new every time I go there. Most days I can find a lion who hasn't ever gone to LCI's website. There are so many resources for our clubs and officers there. If you haven't checked it out or it's been awhile, I encourage you to go to www.lionsclubs.org and click on Resources for members to see all that is there. There are manuals for all offices, there are trainings, project ideas and really anything you want to know about the Lions.

See you soon.

2VDG Judy Herrala

[Lions forum- Click here!](#)



Creating
BETTER
Leaders

2019 | Spokane, WA
September 19-21, 2019

*5M-7 Environmental
Environmental Chair
Lion Jan Dubats*



Seven-year-old, Grandson Max and I had a pleasant morning a couple weeks ago – a walk to the park, but first I was reminded to take a bag so we could pick up any trash we found on our way. On our way we talked about the various plants we saw with milk weed a topic of our conversation. He also thought the old playground equipment at the park was more fun than the new swings, slides, etc. I am not sure if he thought he should have been consulted before the change.

We got back to my garden and checked out the milk weed – Max was quick to find a caterpillar. We also checked out the Mason bee house and 21 tubes have

been filled. These will be refrigerated and brought out next spring for the bees to immerge and begin pollenating.

Max and I will keep track of what is becoming an invasive crop of milkweeds. I am hoping for many Monarchs and just maybe we will see a rusty patched bumble bee, Minnesota's new bee ambassador.



Lions, Lioness and Leos of 5M-7:



Welcome to the start of Lions FY 2019-2020! Your 5M-7 **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation (MLVF)** Board of Directors representatives, **PDG Terry Wold and Lion Lyle Goff**, are hoping your Club or Zone will offer them a chance to make a presentation at one of your meetings. There are lots of exciting things to share with you surrounding the research and treatment being performed at the University of Minnesota. We would love to talk to you about **Lions Gift of Sight**, the **Minnesota Lions Children's Eye Clinic**, the **Minnesota Lions Macular Degeneration Center**, the **Lions Research Building**, the **Minnesota Lions Eye Surgery Center**, and the proposed **Lions Eye Institute**. You can learn more about eye tissue donations, retinal imaging research and the latest procedures in restoring sight to patients young and old. Please contact PDG Terry and/or Lion Lyle to schedule your meeting.



60th Anniversary – Lions Gift of Sight & Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation

In 2020, there is an important milestone for two organizations supported by the Lions of Minnesota. In June 1960 at the Minnesota Lions State Convention, the attendees approved the creation of an eye bank in partnership with the University of Minnesota. On that day, the **Minnesota Lions Eye Bank** was born! In 2018, the eye bank was rebranded to **Lions Gift of Sight** to better reflect the full services and total reach of the organization. When the eye bank was founded, it also established the beginning of what eventually became the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation**. Over the years, the addition of various projects such as the **Lions Children's Eye Clinic**, the **MAC** and the **Lions Eye Surgery Center** have made the MLVF what it is today. We hope your club will consider holding an event or fundraiser to honor the **60th Anniversary** of these two Lions programs. As details become available on any planned celebrations by the **MLVF** or **LGS**, PDG Terry and Lion Lyle will make sure to share them with you.



Amazon Smile

If you're already making purchases on Amazon or Amazon Prime, you now have a great way to make a contribution to the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation** when using these on-line services. Just log into your Amazon account and enter **Amazon Smile** into the search bar. From there, you will be given the opportunity to register your charity of choice. Just type in *Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation* and you'll be able to link the Foundation to your Amazon account. Now every time you make a purchase through Amazon by logging in through Amazon Smile, the MLVF will receive a contribution equaling 0.5% of your purchase. This passive fundraising can add up over time, so sign yourself up and have your family and friends do the same. The more this service is used, the greater the number of donations will be. It's a perfect way for you to give a little bit extra while you're making your gift purchases or buying your everyday needs.



Annual Contributions

When you are budgeting for donations your Club will be making over the course of this coming year, we ask that you please put the **Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation** on the list. Your financial support is needed to make all of our projects possible. When sending a check to the foundation, please make the check out to the *Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation* or *MLVF*. In the memo portion of the check, you can indicate which project your Club wishes to dedicate the money towards. Every dollar counts and is greatly appreciated. Please help do your part along with all of the Lions. Lioness and Leos in 5M-7 to continue our commitment to Helen Keller's challenge. Prove to her that we are all truly **"Knights of the Blind"**.



State Fair Booth

The Lions diabetes, hearing and vision foundations of MD5M will be operating an information booth at the Minnesota State Fair in the Education Building. Each district is responsible for staffing the booth for at least one day during the run of the State Fair. 5M-7 has the task of staffing the booth on **Thursday, August 29th from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM**. Our schedule is broken down into three 4-hour shifts (**9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM, 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM**). Volunteers are needed to help pass out promotional items, answer questions and collect information from the fair attendees. If you are interested in helping out with this fun event, please sign up using the link to the on-line schedule: (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e49aaaa2aa6fb6-mnlions>) or contact your 5M-7 diabetes, hearing or vision foundation representatives.

Keep up the good work, 5M-7!

Yours in Lionism,

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Lions and Lioness,

Since we started our first screening in Delano April 1, 2017 we have screened over 4,300 children in our District from ages 6 months to 18 years, with a referral rate of 12%. The average age of those we have referred to an eye care professional is 5 years of age. The average age of referral supports our focus on children 6 months to 6 years. When children are learning eye-to-hand coordination and learning to read, seeing clearly is very important. 80% of learning is visual. Because of our work at helping children to see clearly, we are aware of 50 children that have received glasses because of KidSight. The program had a slow start but really took off last summer and fall. 28 clubs throughout the District are now trained in conducting KidSight screenings. There was a point last fall where all 5 screening machines were being used. Thanks to the wonderful Parade of Green donations, our District was able to purchase an additional screener and it is already in the rotation.

The success of KidSight in our district and through out MD5M can be evidenced by the number of languages available for KidSight forms. All forms are now available in English, Chinese, Hmong, Somali and Spanish. KidSight forms can be downloaded from a link on the Lions MD5M website under Links and Forms. Please verify your club is using the most recent version of the forms. They are occasionally updated.

Coming this summer are 2 major 5M7 KidSight screening events.

Anoka County Fair - Tuesday July 23 - Sunday July 28 - Thanks to Anoka, Ramsey and Andover Lions on the Anoka Fair Board, a space has been reserved to conduct KidSight screenings the duration of the Fair. The screenings will take place morning through 7 pm. Anoka Lion Vicki Violet is coordinating the event and will be advertising with local community TV and print. Look for a Sign Up Genius email with more information and asking for volunteers.

State Fair - Monday August 26 - Tuesday August 27 - Due to the incredible success of KidSight at the State Fair last year the KidSight Foundation have been asked back to the Kare 11 Health Fair. Each District has volunteered to cover a day or 2 in the KidSight booth. 5M7 will be conducting screenings the first Monday and Tuesday of the fair with coverage in the KidSight booth from from 8:30 am to 9:30 pm. This time includes set up and put away. Once again MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation will pay for mileage and Fair admission. Look for a Sign Up Genius email for shift sign ups. When the initial Sign Up is sent out Lions will only be able to volunteer for their District. However, after a period of time, all open slots will be made available to any Lion. So if you aren't available to help out on the 26th or 27th, wait for the volunteer opportunities to open up on other days. The protocol to be used will be similar to last year with a few tweaks based on our learning.

KidSight USA Update - Potential for free Eyeglasses - A partnership has been reached between KidSight USA and Essilor Vision Foundation to provide eyeglasses to children. Essilor is the world's largest maker of lenses. If a child, referred by a KidSight screening, is subsequently prescribed glasses, Essilor will provide free glasses. There are some income qualifications. As we get more details as to how this collaboration will work we will certainly pass them along.

Thank you for your continued support of MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation. Your support is essential and we wouldn't have this success without you. Please pass this information on to others in your club.

KidSight Sight Saver Award - MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation now has an award! The "Sight Saver Award" is an award designed to recognize contributions of \$1,000.00 or more to the MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation, Inc. The application is posted on the MD5M website under KidSight.

Please consider hosting yourselves if you have not already decided to....
See link below!!

<http://www.lionsof5m9.org/YOUTHEXCHANGE.asp>

Contact :
Cindy Walters

cjwalters@me.com

Camp Spicer

MD5M Lions Youth Exchange

Lions Youth Exchange



Anoka Lions



Blaine Central Lions 10th Anniversary

September 11, 2019
 Club West Clubhouse
 Blaine, Mn
 6:00-8:30

Save The Date!

Maple Lake Lions

The Maple Lake Lions awarded five scholarships to seniors graduating from Maple Lake High School this spring. Lion Mark Redemske presented them to the students at the Senior Awards night on May 29. Mathew Neumann is shown receiving the \$1,500 Joshua Guimond Scholarship, which honors a past graduate of Maple Lake High School. The other four students each received \$1,000.



Anoka County Fair July 23-29th, 2019



July 23rd

6:00pm Moto Cross,
8:00pm Tipwire

July 24th

7:00pm Bull Riding & Mutton
Busting,
8:00 Shalo Lee Band

July 25th

6:30pm NTPA Tractor Pull,
8:00pm Bad Girlfriends

July 26th

6:30pm NTPA
Tractor Pull,
8:00pm Good for Gary

July 27th

1:00pm and 7:00pm ATV Big Air Event,
8:00pm Shane Martin

July 28th

3:00pm Demo Derby,

Anoka Lions

[Check out more here!](#)

July 2019

Howard Lake Lions Club



WE "GET TO" SERVE

Serving our community for 41 years

PO Box 13 Howard Lake MN 55349 Website: www.hllions.org Email: lions@hllions.org

- President: Judy Mattson
- 1st Vice: Gary Hagemann
- 2nd Vice: Craig Brose
- 3rd Vice: Jeff Wick
- Secretary: Terry Thorson
- Treasurer: Karen Hill
- Board of Directors:
Donald Oestreich
Tyler Trende
Harvey Krohn
Joyce Thorson
- Lion Tamer:
Bonnie Weber
- Tail Twister:
Jeff Wick
- Membership:
Bonnie Weber
Steve Weber
Becky Frank
- Immediate Past President:
Terry Thorson

NO MEETING ON JULY 4TH

We will only have one meeting in July. July 18th meeting will be a pot luck dinner with meeting to follow. Come support the new officers as they lead us in their first meeting in their new positions.



PASSING OF THE GAVEL

Congratulations to Lion Judy for being elected as our new President. Pictured is Lion Judy accepting the gavel from Lion Terry. Congratulations to all the newly elected officers.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

PDG Larry Kounkel did the installation of our new officers. Governor Al was going to be here but he was called out of town for work. Thank you to PDG Larry for coming and helping with the installation, induction of new members, and giving out awards.



NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to our new members Katie Huff and Nick Haggemiller. Their sponsor is Lion Terry. Be sure to welcome them to the club when you see them.

MELVIN JONES AWARDS

Congratulations to our two Melvin Jones Award recipients, Lions Debbie and Darren McAlpine. Both Lions Debbie and Darren have shown great Leadership by serving in many leadership roles. Lion Debbie has been Treasurer for 9 years and has been chair of the Silent Santa program for many years along with chairing other projects like the Golf Tournament and Breakfast Buffets. Lion Darren has served as President four times, has chaired Breakfasts,



worked tirelessly as chairman of the Good Neighbor Days committee, has been our Santa for Silent Santa many times among other projects. Thank you Lions Debbie and Darren for all your hard work, this is a very prestigious award and you are both very deserving of it!



HELEN KELLER SIGHT AWARDS

Congratulations to Lions Steve and Bonnie Weber for receiving the Helen Keller Sight Awards. Both Lions Steve and Bonnie have stepped up over the years by doing numerous eyeglass collections especially at the Halloween Party where they have had Sight Night eyeglass collections. Lion President Terry presented the award with the assistance of PDG Larry Kounkel.

**STEPPING DOWN AS SECRETARY**

It is almost hard to remember back to when PDG Ken Rousch installed Lion LaNette as Secretary on July, 2nd in 1998. Mike Mitchel was president that year, with Hazel Oberpriller as Treasurer. Reds Café catered the meal that night. Now here we are 21 years later and Lion LaNette has decided to step down from that position. Congratulations on a job well done Lion LaNette. The club presented Lion LaNette with a plaque commemorating her 21 years of service, presented by President Terry and PDG Lion Larry Kounkel.

**FARMERS MARKET**

Our club participated in the Howard Lake Farmers Market on June 13th by selling hotdogs, chips, Kool-Aid, and water to hungry shoppers. It went over very well and we had a good turnout of Lions to help. Thank you to the Lions who did the shopping, and to those who donated supplies. A special Thank You to Lion Cathy for donating a gas grill to the club. It worked great! We may do it again later in the season. It will be brought up at our next meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4th – 4th of July No meeting
 July 18th – Meeting at 7:00 p.m. potluck meal.
 August 5-6th Kids Sight screening

LINKS

Lions International – www.lionsclubs.org
 Multiple District 5M- www.lionsmd5m.org
 District 5M-7 - www.e-district.org/sites/5m7/
 5M7 Gram newsletter - <http://www.e-district.org/sites/5m7/page-8.php>
 Howard Lake Lions Club – www.hllions.org



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the Howard Lake Lion members who are celebrating their birthdays in July: Cathy Rufer (16); Tammy Oestreich (21); Darren McAlpine (24) Peggy Wick (28).

LAWN MOWER

A lock has been put on the storage shed, there is a key for it in the lock box. There is a lawn mower and a gas can in there so anyone who thinks the lawn needs mowing can easily do so. If you need the combination for the lock box come to a meeting or call the President or Secretary, they can give it to you. Thanks for your help.

DUES

At our meeting on May 16th the club voted to raise the dues. We have been losing money and the raise will make it so we break even. **The dues are due now.** If you pay before July 1st they remain the same, \$55.00 for individual and \$90 for family rate. **July 1st the rate goes to \$60.00 for individual and \$100.00 for the family rate.** Please try to get them paid before the 1st and save yourself a little cash.

Cedar-East Bethel Lions & Lioness

Jack Norman, grandson of Lion and Lioness Guy and Yvonne Johnson, was diagnosed in April with stage 4 Metastatic Cancer. Through the generosity of the clubs, he and his family were awarded this check for \$1,000, to be used as needed toward medical needs and bills.

Jack and his family are deeply grateful and humbled and would like to extend their thanks to the Lions for their generosity. Ongoing prayers and positive thoughts are always welcome.



You are in our thoughts and prayers:
5M3 District Governor Richard (Dick). Kelly passed away suddenly June 6th.

Contact/Mail to:
 Anna wickenhauser
 13650 Co. Road 41
 Cologne, MN 55322
Lionannaw@gmail.com
 Cell: 952-913-1467



MD5M LEO LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2019

The 2019 MD5M LEO Leadership Conference offers:

- Youth Development
- Leadership Skills
- Community Service
- Team Building
- Workshops
- Challenge Course
- Sunday Service Project

OCTOBER 11-13, 2019

Please complete the following by October 1, 2019.

- Fill out enclosed Registration Form
- Enclose payment
- Fill out enclosed Liability Waiver
- Fill out Camp Friendship waiver (before dropping child off)
- GET READY TO HAVE FUN!**

Registration: \$125 Leo and Lion's Members*
 \$15 for guest meal

Camp Friendship: 10508 108th St. NW
 Annandale, MN 55302

The Camp is open to any and all Alpha Leos
 and potential Leos (ages 12-18)

**Includes all meals, lodging, training, materials and activities.*

Thank you for filling out the forms before you arrive.
 This greatly reduces registration time.

Note: There will be no lunch served on Sunday.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11
 5-7 PM ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION
 6-7 PM DINNER
 7-10 PM TEAM BUILDING
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12
 8-9 AM BREAKFAST
 9AM –NOON WORKSHOPS
 NOON-1 PM LUNCH

1-5 PM CHALLENGE COURSE
 6-7 PM DINNER
 7-9 PM ACTIVITIES
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13
 8-9 AM BREAKFAST
 9-10:30 AM SERVICE PROJECT
 10:30-11 AM AWARDS AND PICTURES
 11-11:30 CABIN CHECKOUT

Visit www.facebook.com/MD5MLEOS
 for additional conference information

MD5M LEO LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM



Registration Deadline: October 1, 2019

In consideration of participation in this LEO Leadership Conference, I hereby acknowledge and do enter this program at my own risk, assuming all known and unknown risks. I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Lions Organization and its volunteers from any and all injuries I may incur. I understand that any photographs and video recordings may be used by the Lions Organization. All persons under the age of 18 must have parent/guardian signature to participate.

Parent/Guardian Signature : _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Club Name: _____ Sponsoring Club: _____

Check all the Apply: Adult Grade 5-8 Grade 9-12

T-Shirt Size (adult sizes) S M L XL XXL XXXL

Medical Condition: Yes No If so, explain _____

Any Special Needs: Yes No If so, explain _____

Emergency Contact Person _____ Ph _____

_____ (initial) I give permission for Conference Staff to perform basic first aid if needed.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

\$ _____ Leo/Lion Member \$125.00

\$ _____ Guest Meal \$15.00

\$ _____ Total Enclosed

Make Checks Payable to: MD5M Leo Leadership Conference

Additional Notes: _____

Return Completed Form by October 1, 2019 to:
Anna Wickenhauser
13650 County Rd 41, Cologne MN, 55322
lionannaw@gmail.com . Cell: 952-913-1467



Lion Brian E Sheehan for 3rd Vice President of Lions Clubs International

All Lions Golf Outing Fund Raiser

All proceeds to 3rd IVP Brian Sheehan's Campaign Fund

When: July 19, 2019 ● 9 a.m. registration – 10 a.m. shotgun start

Where: Kimball Golf Course ● 11823 Co Rd 150, Kimball MN 55353

Who: 4 - person teams – limited to 36 teams

✚ Individuals golfers are welcome at \$60.00 ea.

Cost: \$ 240.00 per team

✚ Entry fee may be paid on day of event, but must preregister

Contact: PDG Duane Finger for preregistration at fingerelec@meltel.net

or cell phone: 320-980-6219

✚ Make checks payable to Watkins Lions Club

✚ Registration includes - Mulligans, Skins, Special events & Lunch

Sponsorship: Clubs or Individuals may sponsor a hole for \$50.00 ea.

(Sponsorship for hole needs to be sent to PDG Duane by July 12, 2019 at

11764 120th St, Kimball, MN 55353)

Non-Golfers: Welcome to join in the fun for \$10.00 ea. Includes Lunch and a day of Hassling your favorite golfers.



Lion Brian E Sheehan for 3rd Vice President of Lions Clubs International

Registration Form for 3rd IVP Brian’s Campaign Fund
 Lion’s Club Golf Outing
 July 19, 2019 - Kimball Golf Course

Team Name: _____

Team Members

Lions Club


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|----------|--------------------------|-------|
| 1) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| 2) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| 3) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| 4) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |

Yes, I will be a hole sponsor for \$50.00

Name / Club _____

Contact: PDG Duane Finger for preregistration at fingerelec@meltel.net
 or cell phone: 320-980-6219 or send to:
 PDG Duane Finger
 11764 120th St.
 Kimball, MN. 55353

 Make checks payable to Watkins Lions Club

Join us for the 1st ever Eye Ball!

Kick off Thanksgiving for Vision, with a FUN
Friday night
at Earle Browne!



SAVE THE DATE!
October 25, 2019



Ben Marti
Jazz Group

Wine pull
Apps
Cash bar

Event proceeds to benefit
Minnesota Lions Vision
Foundation

Pre-sale tickets available soon . . .

Contact Lion Kristine at krisbrooklyn@yahoo.com

We hope your club can donate a bottle (s) of wine to
our wine cork pull!





2019 – 2020 Governors Visit

Club: _____

Preferred Date: _____ Alternate Date: _____

Social Hour: _____ Meeting/ Dinner Time: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Cell: _____

Location: _____

Address: _____

Directions: _____

Dinner: Yes ___ No ___ Joint Meeting? Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, list other clubs _____

Special Requests during visit (Install Officers, Induct Members, Present Awards, Other)

1 st VDG Invited	Yes ___ No ___	Spouse	Yes ___ No ___
2 nd VDG Invited	Yes ___ No ___	Partner	Yes ___ No ___
Zone Chair Invited	Yes ___ No ___	Spouse	Yes ___ No ___

Please return to me via email or snail mail to schedule your club visit.

I will contact you one week before to reconfirm the date, directions, and any other special requests.

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