

5M-2 PATH to SUCCESS

Bill Curtis



1st VDG Marvin Grimm presented awards to Hamburg Lions. Lion Bruce Gruenhagen-Melvin Jones award, Lion Joel Franck-Helen Keller award, Lion Harlan Mackenthun-Top Dog award and Lioness Mallory Schneider-Top Dog award.



Carver Lions and Carver Fire Dept. had Village Christmas. Lions worked at the event. Kids did crafts, had treats & saw Santa Claus



I was honored to distribute awards and Chevrons to members of the Waterville Lions. Lion Jon Bakken 10 years, Lion Jane Cummiskey 20 years, Lion Russell Hoeffner 25 years and Lion Jerome Appel 35 years as Lions.



Harry's Journal

Harry Klenke
District Governor



District Governor
Harry Klenke

Lion Loretta and I hope you had a joyous Holiday Season. We have had the opportunity to attend many of the clubs' Holiday Parties. They were all different and a lot of fun. We had the chance to see Zone 5 Chair Lion Jim Spille and he is progressing well. He is already working on the Spring Zone Meeting. His club looked rejuvenated by his presence there. How ironic it was that during the day I tested a student that Jim had taught. I hadn't seen one of his students for months.

I need to thank all of you that have been bringing in new members. We need to continue to work on President Preston's theme of "Strengthening the Pride" by hosting a membership night or following his "Ask One" plan. We need to mentor these new members. One way to mentor these member's is to convince them to attend the Midwinter Convention. They can join us in celebrating the lives of members whom have passed away in the past year. Then they can party with the Tuxedo Band Friday Night. Saturday's speakers will enlighten the new members of the great things we do for our communities, our District, and the World. Our Prior Lake President said she has learned so much from attending the Convention.

I remember when I was a first timer at the convention, I got to meet so many wonderful Lions through the First Timers contest. When I first spoke at the convention on Sunday Morning as a 2nd Vice District Governor Elect I followed the awarding of the First Timers winner. I looked right at them and said this can be you some day as I had won the contest 8 years before.

I am looking forward to seeing many new faces at the convention and many of my old lion friends. If you don't know me or Lion Loretta please come and introduce yourselves. We want to meet as many new Lions as possible. We may be busy with some last minute details, but I am sure our great Lions from Zone 1 will have things well in hand.

To date I have not received any Hall of Fame nominees. I know we have many fabulous Lions who should get this award. So send me your nominations by January 12. 2nd Vice District Governor Steve spoke at Region and Zone Meetings how special this award because it is voted by your fellow lion's.

Do not forget to show our Lion's Pride on January 13th, Melvin Jones Birthday. Wear something Lion's related that day if you are able.

Governor's Ride Along

January 8	Convention Meeting
January 9-11	5M5, 6, 9 Conventions
January 13	Gibbon Club Visit
January 15	Stewart Club Visit
January 16-18	5M1, 7 Conventions
January 19	Brownton Club Visit
January 20	LeCenter Club Visit
January 21	Carver Club Visit
January 22	Convention Meeting
January 23-25	5M4, 10 Conventions
January 27	Watertown Dandy Lions Visit
January 28	Victoria Club Visit
January 30-1	5M11 Convention
February 2	Ellendale Club Visit
February 5	(3) Mankato Clubs' Visit
February 6-8	5M8 Convention
February 10	Cologne Club Visit
February 12-15	5M2 Convention "Back to the 60's"

December Visits for Harry

We visited Green Isle for their annual Christmas party including an "ugly sweater contest". Chevron for Lion's Service were awarded to: Lion Chad Vos 10 years, Lion AnnMarie Trocke 15 years, Lion Brian Theis, Lions Daniel Wolter, Lion Donna Wolter, and Lion Merlin Brueggemeier all for 20 years, Lion Rosemary Theis for 25 years, Lion Peter Trocke and Lion Alan Schiller for 30 years, Lion Roger Harles, Lion Maynard Rucks, Lion Kenneth Perschau, Lion Francis Bigaouette, and Lion Francis Bigaouette Sr all for 35 years, finally Lion James Kreger for 40 years of service. Green Isle has a great group of lions committed to their community, Lionism and having fun.

On December 10 we were honored to visit the joint Jordan clubs. DG Harry was honored to induct 10 new member into the Lion's Organization. Also delivered Chevrons to Jordan club for Lion Dale Ebel for 35 years and Lion Herb De Roma for 25 years of being a Lion.

On December 16 we visited the Norwood Young America Lions Club. Chevrons were given awarded to Elroy Lion Latzig for 10 years, Lion Peggy Lemke for 10 years and Lion Melvin Lemke for 25 years for being a Lion.

December 14 we celebrated with the Nicollet Lions and their fashion show. The following received chevrons for 10 Years: Lion Bob Wills, Lion Dan Hewitt, Lion Bryan Bode, Lion Dawn Lange, Lion Kristen Hanish, Lion Lonnie Hewitt, Lion Mike Dallman, , 15 years, Lion Mary Pipping, 25 years Lion Joan Blank, and Lion Tony Liebl, and 30 years for Lion David Holcomb, and Lion Joel Polzin. Congratulations.



MARVIN'S COMMENTS

1st VDG Lion
Marvin Grimm



The Holiday season has come and gone. It is a special time of the year to see family, celebrate and give thanks. My hope is that everyone had a special time with family and friends.

The message from International President, Joe Preston, in the December Lions magazine starts: Who Am I? I'm a lion. I have intertwined being a Lion with being a community volunteer, a husband, a father, a grandfather, a great grandfather. This is my way of contributing to community and society in general. Feeling useful has been a great experience in retirement. Being a Lion is not merely a way of giving back, but also a way of life. Serving others is a way of life and a feel good at the end of the day.

Santa is a genius at what he does. His image is everywhere. He attracts crowds wherever he goes and he still has his basic look. His basic look has not changed, his message has remained simple, just a "Ho, Ho, Ho". His attitude is contagious, encourages good behavior for both young and old. Customer service is high on his list. He will try to do his best. He is a real leader, patient and forgiving of mistakes. Could Santa's resume sound like a Lion? We need to continue to get the word out about the Lions organization. Let's hear the Lions Roar!!

It is a New Year, 2015, but as Lions, we enter the second half of our year. It is time to renew our efforts as Lions to "Just Ask" a new member, make a commitment to attend club and zone meetings, and remember "We Serve" when your club needs help.

Are you going to the Mid-Winter Convention in Mankato in February? It will be educational plus some fun, food and good speakers. Get ready for the "Back to the 60's" party on Friday evening. Club officers, don't forget to nominate a Zone Lion of the year. I need those nominations by February 1, 2015. Every club has someone that could be nominated. The Zone winners will be announced at the Spring Zone meetings.

If you wait for tomorrow to follow your dreams, by the time that you get there they're gone." Willie Nelson

Gibbon Lions Club

The Gibbon Lions Club during December put together 125 Santa Bags for kids visiting Santa at the Elementary school in Gibbon, the bags had candy, oranges, apples, candy canes and peanuts. Extra bags were delivered to the nursing home in Gibbon. Donations were made for mittens, hats and scarfs for the Spirit of the Seasons in the Elementary for needy students. Donations were made and assistance with wrapping for the Santa's Helpers program for the County Human Services at a church in Gaylord benefitting needy families with Christmas gifts. In January our club will be assembling supplies for the "Back the Pack" program for needy kids in the Elementary School. This will be done each Tuesday in January and will be considered as a annual event.

PROUDLY GO...

2nd VDG Lion
Steve Wasserman



International President Lion Joe Preston has challenged us to "**Strengthen The Pride**". 'Tis the season, so my topic this month is how you can "**Strengthen The Pride**" through **Giving**.

Before the offering plate is passed in our church, we often hear about giving our **time**, our **talents**, and our **treasure** to God. I really like thinking about giving in that way, because while they are asking us to put money in the plate, it also recognizes the other important things that we have to give. We can "**Strengthen The Pride**" in our Lions Clubs by focusing on those same three aspects of giving.

I think that **time** is the most precious thing that we have to give. It is in limited supply, and there are many demands on it. All of us do give some of our time to our Lions club. We attend club meetings, we participate in service projects and fundraisers, we go to Zone Meetings, Region Meetings, and Midwinter Conventions. Think about how much time you devote to Lions. Could you give a little more? When we think about how important our Lions club is to our community, I think we probably could all find a little more time to give. We can "**Strengthen The Pride**" by giving more of our **time**.

Of course, it's not enough to merely give our time to Lions, we must give of our **talents** as well. We all have talents that are very much needed by our Lions club. When we go to a meeting, we need to offer up our ideas, support our fellow Lions, and do whatever we can to contribute. When we participate in that service project or fundraiser, we need to give of our pancake flipping talent, our sales talent, our dictionary passing out talent, or whatever talent is needed to make the project a success. I believe that we all have talents that we don't even know about. You may not think you have the talent to speak in front of a group, run a club meeting, or be a zone chair, but you almost certainly have some of the talents needed for each of those tasks. The best thing about talent is that, unlike time, it can be developed and increased. Lions is a great place to develop and practice leadership skills. We can "**Strengthen The Pride**" by giving more of our **talent**.

We all give some of our **treasure** to Lions - we pay our dues. But there are other opportunities for us to give of our treasure. We all donate money to worthy causes, but are you personally a contributing member of LCIF? 100% of the money you give to LCIF goes to help people in need. That's better than the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the American Cancer Society, the Disabled American Veterans, or most any other charity. Did you donate to the D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk? Have you considered naming the Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation, the MD5M Hearing Foundation, and/or the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation in your will? Have you donated to the Leader Dogs For the Blind Canine Development Center Campaign? All are in need of our treasure, and all are worthy causes that make the maximum use of our money. We can "**Strengthen The Pride**" by giving more of our **treasure**.

It has been said that the more you give, the more you have to give. When we give to Lions' causes, we certainly receive the satisfaction of knowing that it is **time**, **talent**, and **treasure** well spent, and that we can "**Strengthen The Pride**" by **Giving**.



DREAM CATCHER NEWS

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

Volume 1:1 November 2014

www.mnlionsdiabetes.org

"Catch the Dream" Life Without Diabetes!

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 want to again thank you for saddling up and helping us to raise the \$60,000 in "Reward" money that we are using to fund diabetes research that will help us to catch our dream of curing diabetes!

The first place UTV raffle winner was Jerome Yourczek (Little Falls, MN), the lucky Worthington Lion's Club was the second place winner of \$500 and Kelly Fleming (Garden City, MN) won the third place prize of \$250. Our MLDF, Inc. used some of this money to pay the last installment of our \$250,000.00 three year (2011-2014) grant to the U of MN Islet Imaging Lab. Our MLDF Trustees voted to extend a new \$250,000 three year (2014-2017) grant to the U of MN Islet Imaging Lab to continue the development of the bio-artificial pancreas system as a possible cure for diabetes. The funding will directly support the ongoing efforts to translate the bio-artificial pancreas and the non-invasive magnetic resonance methods into clinical applications. Further development and testing of the bio-artificial pancreas system will be done in small animals to ensure long-term graft survival and function without immune-suppressive drugs. Trustees also approved a \$50,000 grant for "Diabetes Cure Research Using Immune Regulation and Tolerance". In addition, Trustees approved a \$25,000 "Diabetes and the Brain—Existing

Knowledge and Future Implications" grant to fund research for how the complications of diabetes affects the brain function and structure. As a direct result of your support, the MLDF has been funding diabetes research at the U of MN since we were incorporated in 2008. Our MLDF Trustees would like to visit your clubs to update you about these and other MLDF happenings and share information about diabetes. Trustees contact information is available on our website www.mnlionsdiabetes.org. Thank you!

Save This Date

Saturday March 28, 2015

Lions, you are invited to visit the U of MN research facilities to meet and learn directly from researchers about Lions supported diabetes research, tour the facilities and have an opportunity to ask questions.

YOU are INVITED!
U of MN Research
Update and Tour
Saturday, March 28,
2015

November is National Diabetes Month!

Make a commitment to yourself to Eat Healthy and Be Active Daily.

Dream Catchers

The Dream Catcher Award is given to a person, club or organization that has worked to improve the lives of people with diabetes and others. Local Lions Clubs may give this award when they have donated \$1000 to the Foundation.

5M9 District Governor Gloria Anderson presented Lion Nancy Champion of Deerwood Lakes with the Diabetes Dream Catcher Award.

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



CHANGES TO BLOOD GLUCOSE

SCREENINGS----

The Minnesota Department of Health issued a recommendation to prevent the transmission of bloodborne pathogens during blood glucose screenings which includes four requirements:

1. Finger stick devices should never be used for more than one person, even if lancets are changed and attempts are made to clean and disinfect the device.
2. Blood glucose meters should be assigned to an individual person and not be shared. If blood glucose meters must be shared, the device must be cleaned and disinfected after every use, per the manufacturer's instructions.
3. Insulin pens and other medication cartridges and syringes are for single patient-use only and should never be used for more than one person.
4. Perform hand hygiene before blood glucose screening and wear gloves during blood glucose screening; remove gloves and perform hand hygiene after each patient contact.

Because of these requirements for your safety, MLDF recommends that as concerned Lions, we



continue to educate people on the risk factors for diabetes, encourage recommended lifestyle changes and encourage they have their blood glucose screened at their medical clinic.

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/dtopics/infectioncontrol/is/injectionsafety.html>



Palisades Lions Have Strides Walk to Beat Diabetes

This annual event raised over \$1700 for the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation this year. Bravo! Thank you Palisade Lions!

Strides – Lions for Diabetes Awareness

Strides was developed by LCI's Health and Children's Services Department to provide Lions with tools to promote physical activities to raise awareness of diabetes. Check out the many resources available to you and create your own Community Service Project. www.lionsclubs.org



The American Diabetes Association (ADA) had another successful event held October 11, 2014 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. Over 8000 people attended with 77 exhibitors. Over 2000 people received screenings in fourteen different areas. Your MLDF partnered with the ADA and sponsored the A1C health screenings at the EXPO. Plan to attend this FREE EXPO on October 10, 2015.

37th Annual Lions Day UN

The 37th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations (LDUN) will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at the iconic United Nations Headquarters in New York City.

LDUN program highlights include presentations from President Preston and key UN speakers, along with engaging panel discussions focusing on this year's theme of "Children in Need". Be amongst the first to find out and celebrate this year's winners of the International Peace Poster and Essay Contests. Inspiring and informative, LDUN recognizes the impact of LCI's volunteer efforts in supporting the shared vision with the UN of improving our local and global communities. LDUN attendees also have the option to attend the popular Lions-UN Luncheon inside the UN's signature Delegates Dining Room with invited ambassadors. Seating is limited and offered on a first come basis.


For the first time we will be offering early registration material pick-up on Friday, March 6, at the One UN New York Hotel, located directly across from the UN Headquarters, where attendees can conveniently pick up their event badges, program and more. Cash bars will be set for an afternoon hospitality from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. where you can meet and mingle with fellow attendees and staff at the Registration Area. LDUN attendees will receive one complimentary drink ticket redeemable from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on March 6 only.

For attendees that need hotel accommodations, the One UN New York Hotel has a limited number of guest rooms available at a special LDUN rate offered on a first come basis. Guest rooms can be requested when registering online.

This event is sure to sell out, so please direct Lions and guests to the Lions Day with the UN page on the LCI Web site to register and find additional program information. If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Brain at (630) 468-6893 or via email.



During our club visit to the Albert Lea Lakeview Lions Club I was honored to give chevrons to Lions Diane Vander Syde for 10 years, Lion Pauline Callahan and Lion Della Simmons for 20 years of service. What a spirited and fun Lion's organization. Keep up the great work.



Elect
Lion Nancy Mathwig
5M-2
Second Vice District Governor
2015 - 2016

Lions Service


- *20 years Arlington & Sibley East Lions Clubs (SE charter member)
- *Club President (Sibley East Lions) 1996-1997, 2007-2008
- *Club Secretary 2012 to present
- *Zone Chairperson 2012 -2014 & 2004 -2006
- *District Cabinet since 1998: Youth Exchange, Leo, Peace Poster, MERLO team: Orientation, District Activities, and currently Historian
- *MD5M Youth Exchange Co - Chair 2005 - 2008
- *Chair 2011 MD5M convention
- *Co-chair 2016 MD5M convention
- *YE Camp Spicer staff - 16 years
- *Hosted 20+ YE students
- *1st MD5M Lions Leadership Institute Graduate

Attended:

- *4 Lions International Conventions
- *16 MD5M Conventions
- *25+ 5M-2 Mid Winners
- *6 USA/Canada Leadership Forums
- *Married to PDG Darwin Mathwig (deceased) for 37 years
- *3 adult children - Derek, Sean & Amber

Lions Awards

- *International President's Award
- *3 International President's Certificate of Appreciation
- *Melvin Jones Fellow
- *Helen Keller Sight Award
- *Hearing Research Fellow
- *Top Dog Award





The holiday season is a special time of year when we celebrate, reflect and give thanks. And no one deserves thanks more than you.

Thanks to you, we're strengthening our communities. Each day, Lions are making a difference through service. In big ways and small, we're changing lives in our communities. And when 1.35 million members serve together, we can change the world.

Thanks to you, we're strengthening our clubs. Lions around the world are inviting new members who are energizing their clubs and revitalizing our association. I hope you'll continue inviting family and friends into the New Year.

And thanks to you, we're looking forward to another great year. We wouldn't be the largest service club organization in the world without your hard work and dedication. On behalf of Lions Clubs International, have a wonderful holiday season!



We Serve

Success of the Pride

Success: - Albert Lea Lakeview Lion's for their Backpack Project to assist foster children's transitions' into their foster homes.

Success: - Green Isle Lion's for their thriving Community Connect project.

Success: - Jordanes Lion's for a successful Vintage Fashion Show

Success: - Norwood Young America Lion's for their booming local Christmas Trees Sales.

Success: - Arlington/Green Isle Lion's for a great float and the Arli-Dazzle Parade

Success: - Nicollet Lion's for a successful Pork Chop Dinner for their community

Success: - Waterville Lions for a prosperous Pies Sale project.

Success: - New Richland Lion's for "7" new members this month.

Success: - Shakopee Valley Lion's for the largest percentage of new members this year.

Success: - For all the sponsors' of new Lion's this

5 M -2 Parade of Green

The following is a list of organizations Supported at the Parade of Green.

- v Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)**
- v Minnesota Lion's Vision Foundation **
- v MD5M Lion's Hearing Foundation**
- v Leader Dogs for the Blind**
- v Can Do Canines**
- v Diabetes (can be given to either or both)
Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation**
5M-2 Diabetes (stays in 5M-2)
- v Lions Quest
- v 5M-2 Youth Exchange/Youth Camp
- v 5M-2 Youth Outreach (includes Peace Poster, Liberty Day, and Write Off)
- v Project New Hope**

**Indicates organizations having a 501©3 status

PLEASE NOTE:

To alleviate any potential problems with donations to a project with 501©3 status from gambling accounts, pleases have checks written EXACTLY as shown above. If not written as above, an audit by the Minnesota Gambling Control at the club level may show discrepancies, needing additional time consuming explanations.



New Members



New Members
Hamburg Lion's
Lion Diane Mackenthun
Sponsored by Lion Diana Kroells

Jordan Lion's
Lion Allen Houdek
Sponsored by Lion Robert Wolf

Jordan Jordaness Lion's
Lion Holly Bares
Sponsored by Lion Kelli Hollingsworth
Lion Darla Bissener
Sponsored by Lion Julie Hendricks
Lion Stacy Chalupsky
Sponsored by Lion Rachell M. Habeck

Mankato Sunrise Lion's
Lion Mandi Melson
Sponsored by Lion Pamela De Marce

Minnesota Lake Lion's
Lion Gary McKinley
Sponsored by Lion Darlene Breamer

New Richland Lion's
Lion Donald Alexander
Sponsored by Lion Helen Getskow
Lion Elaine Alexander
Sponsored by Lion Lion Helen Getskow

New Richland continued
Lion Carol Battenfeld
Sponsored by Lion Bob Battenfeld
Lion David Bunn
Sponsored by Lion Helen Getskow
Lion Kathryn Espe
Sponsored by Lion Charles Espe
Lion Dennis Goodwin
Sponsored by Lion Lion Helen Getskow
Lion Dan Schmidt
Sponsored by Lion Robert Frisk

Nicollet Lion's
Lion Jennifer P Zutz
Sponsored by Lion Janine Enter

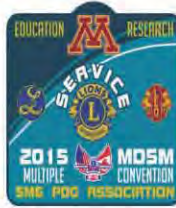
Northfield Lion's
Lion Patricia A Buretta
Sponsored by Lion Holly Preslicka

Northfield Cannon Valley Lion's
Lion Joan E. Paulson
Sponsored by Lion Mary Ann Brodin

St. Peter Lion's
Lion Seth R Nelson
Sponsored by Lion Cynthia Hass
Lion Denise R Peters
Sponsored by Lion Stephanie Hill

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MD5M 2015 CONVENTION

In a little over 4 months Lions, Lioness, and Leos from all over our Multiple District will be gathering in Bloomington MN to share fellowship, knowledge, and remember those great Lions that have passed on before us.

Come and experience dynamic speakers, amazing auctions and raffles and great entertainment!!!!

Past International President Lion Al Brandel and his wife **Lion Dr Maureen Brandel**

Dr Brooks Jackson, Dean of the Medical School, U of M

Retired MN Supreme Court **Justice Paul Anderson**

Carol Ann Kirkbride, Leader Dog Puppy Raising in Prisons

Adrie Haynesworth Taylor, Donor Coordinator, MN Lions Eye Bank

Annette Kuyp Director Military Outreach, MN National Guard, "Beyond the Yellow Ribbon"

A live and silent **auction and raffles** with amazing items and prizes!!

Participate in a **great service opportunity** Saturday afternoon up to 140 Lions, Lioness, and Leos can work packing meals at the "Feed My Starving Children" facility right near the hotel. Sign-up sheets will be available at all district mid-winter conventions.

The **Rockin' Hollywoods** present "Solid Gold Rock & Roll" from the 1950's thru the 1980's with an energy and excitement that captivates audiences of all ages.

Plus easy access to the **Mall of America** come to 580 stores!!!!!!

April 17th 19, 2015

Marriott Airport Hotel

2020 American Blvd East

Bloomington MN 55425

Call 1-800-228-9290 (tell them you are with the MD5M Lions)

Rooms are going fast—reserve today!!!!!!!

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

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



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