



# 5M2 LIONS' NEWS



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## LIONS & SERVICE: A PERFECT FIT

*Lion Diana Kroells  
District Governor*

This month marks my 1/2 way point as your District Governor. Everyone warned me that the time would go fast and that it has. Having completed about 1/2 of the club visits has given me

a lot of things to reflect on especially all of the service projects that I have heard about over the past 6 months. It amazing me how everyone finds time to put the needs of others on their list of things to do. I hope that all of the club secretaries are keeping up with the reports to LCI so that the number of service hours can be calculated. Remember Lions International's Centennial Service Challenge of reaching 200 Million people per year by 2021.

I hope many of you have already sent in your registration for the Mid-Winter Convention and are in the process of finding the "perfect hat" to wear on Friday evening. I am excited to see some of the creativity of Lions. This newsletter, like the last few, is full of information about the convention. Remember President Gudrun's theme of "Reaching Beyond the Horizon"? If you have never attended a Mid-Winter Convention- maybe this can be the first of many. Even if you cannot attend the whole weekend, pick out a day that does work for you and come to Mankato and share in the learning, fellowship & fun.

To date I have not received any Hall of Fame applications from our district. I know there are lots of qualified Lions and it would be a shame if they were not recognized for their outstanding work. If you have nominated someone in the past and they did not win- be sure to resubmit the name. No one loses when it comes to a Hall of Fame nomination because just being nominated is an honor.

The Eagle Lake Area Lions are excited about the Charter Night on January 5th. I hope that you are planning on giving this new club a great welcome into our district by attending. 3rd Vice President of Lions International, Brian Sheehan, will be there to welcome them with his usual flair of enthusiasm. If you are unable to attend, perhaps a card of encouragement & welcoming them to District 5M2 with a "little something" to get them started would be a nice gesture. To date, they are chartering with 27 enthusi-

astic members ready to serve the community of Eagle Lake and its' surrounding area.

Thanks to all of you who have invited someone to be a Lion. It is always an honor for me to be able to induct new members when I attend your club meetings. Remember new members bring with them new enthusiasm, new ideas and more hands to serve and maybe they will also bring in new members themselves so "Just Ask"!

Congratulations to all Lions who have received awards & fellowship these past few months. Did you know that when you present someone with an award or honor them with some form for recognition, it motivates them to want to do more?? It does not have to be a big award but any acknowledgment for a job well done is appreciated by everyone.

As I close, Lion Duane & I want to wish you all a very great 2019 filled with health & happiness and remember you are all very important "pieces" of your Club as well as Lions International.

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR...



*Lion Brian Thies  
1st Vice District Governor*

I can't believe 2018 is already over. I never quite believed the old adage, that the older you get the quicker time flies, but it is certainly true. Happy New year and the Best of 2019.

My hope is that everyone had a wonderful holiday season filled with family and friends. I once again received enough lumps of coal in my stocking to keep us warm until Spring.

January is a good time to reflect on the years past and what the new year will bring. What did we accomplish and what are our goals. A suggestion you might try is to go around the room and have everyone comment on what accomplishment they are most proud of as being a Lion. What fills their heart, what moves them to continue to be a Lion, at what moment did they "become" a Lion. It is really amazing to see not only what we all celebrate as our successes but what motivates each and every one of us as Lions.

We are starting 2019 off right by welcoming a new club into our 5m2 family. The Eagle Lake Area Lions Club will be having their charter night on January

5th. This would not have been possible without all the time, energy and miles that PID Maynard and PDG Bill and Lion Donna Landwehr have invested. Please join me in thanking them because without them this would not have been possible.

January is also a great time to recognize and thank other fellow Lions for their hard work. The Lion Zone Person of the Year is one opportunity. This award recognizes our everyday heroes. The Lion that is always behind the scenes flipping pancakes, moving boxes and just supporting their club's activities. Find the shyest, quiet member who goes about their duties not for the praise and recognition, but for the joy and satisfaction that they find in helping others. The Zone Person of the Year recognition form is found later in the newsletter.

Hard to believe but Mid Winter will be here shortly. Have you sent in your registration form? Get registered and plan to attend this years gathering Hats of to 5m2 for All You Do. I know the committee has a number of great speakers and fun events for us all to enjoy. Remember to bring your favorite hat along and stop by our hospitality room to say hello and join in a little of our hospitality.

Start reflecting and think about when you became a Lion, so we can share stories the next time I see you.

### KROELLS TRAILS FOR JANUARY

- January 5 Eagle Lake Charter Night  
District 5M9 Convention
- January 8 Cologne Lions
- January 9 Convention Planning Meeting
- January 12 District 5M5 & 5M6 Conventions
- January 13 Veseli Lions
- January 15 Norwood Young America Lions
- January 17 3 Mankato Lions Clubs - joint visit
- January 19 District 5M7 Convention
- January 21 Winthrop Lions
- January 22 West Carver Lions
- January 23 Convention Planning Meeting
- January 24 New Richland Lions
- January 25 District 5M1 & 5M4 Conventions
- January 28 Northfield Cannon Valley Lions



## COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS



*Lion Anna Wickenhauser  
2nd Vice District Governor*

As I was trying to come up with some inspiration for the Newsletter I was "sucked in" by the Interesting facts about New Years...via Google, of course. So, as you skim through these I give you permission to maybe learn some random facts-you might get the chance to be on "Jeopardy" some day and take some time for yourself for just a few minutes. Forget about the bills that are piling up, the laundry that for some reason always seems to multiply when a person blinks and the Christmas stuff that still clutters your home-take a breath...it's not going anywhere~unfortunately. I thought the second one from the bottom was curiously appropriate for the Lions...hmm. "The emblem, represents a lion facing the past with pride and the future with confidence, looking in all directions to render service." Melvin Jones

- 107M+ People will travel at least 30 miles from home for New Year's.
- 48% of parents plan to count down the last 10 seconds of 2018 by 9pm.
- 1907 was the year the Times Square Ball Drop made its NYE debut to inaugurate their new headquarters in Time Square and renaming of Longacre Square to Times Square.
- 2 times the ball didn't drop, in 1942 and 1943, due to WWII light restrictions.
- The original New Year's Ball weighed 700 lbs. and was 5 feet in diameter. It was made of iron and wood and was decorated with 100 25-watt light bulbs.
- November 11, 2008 a new ball was introduced. It is a geodesic sphere 12 feet in diameter, and it weighs 11,875 lbs.
- 2,688 Waterford Crystal triangles cover the ball with a different pattern every year.
- 3 Full size extended cab pickup trucks weigh about as much as the Times Square Ball.
- 1M is the average attendance for NYE in Times Square.
- 5K+ Police officers patrol Times Square on NYE.
- 1000+ Security cameras installed in and around Times Square.
- 175M People in the U.S. watch the ball drop on TV.
- 1B+ Worldwide TV viewers and 3.6M+. Webcast/Facebook Live viewers.
- 1.5 Tons of confetti are dropped in Times Square on NYE.
- 12-16 Hours it takes 294 sanitation workers to clean up more than 50 tons of trash.
- 360M+ glasses of sparkling wine are consumed on NYE.
- New Years Day is the most popular day for car thefts.
- 18M+ flowers are used to build the floats for the Rose Parade.
- 7,792 average number of births on New Year's Day.
- 11,974 average number of births on Sept 23-9 months after NYE
- January 1st, 1863 was the date slaves became free per the Emancipation Proclamation.
- January 1st, 1776 is the date the first American flag was unveiled-Betsy Ross replaced the Union Jack with stars in May 1776.
- 80% of New Year's resolutions fail by February.
- 1582 The Gregorian calendar is adopted by the Roman Catholic Church.
- January is named after Janus, the god with two faces, one looking forward and one looking backwards.
- "Auld Lang Syne" is traditionally sung at midnight on NYE and was written by Scottish poet Robert Burns in 1788. Auld lang syne means "Times gone by".

Don't forget to register for the Mid-Winter Convention-it's going to a FANTABULOUS time!

**5M2 LIONS' NEWS NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 15TH OF EACH MONTH...**

Submit your club events and Lions program articles to: [5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com)



# Global Service Team

## PDG SUE BOWMAN

Best wishes for a very healthy and happy New Year! With the New Year, let us renew our dedication to community service. Research reinforces the connection between health and happiness through volunteer service. So, if you have a New Year resolution for better stamina, memory and overall health, volunteering is the answer.

As we begin the second half of the Lions year, let's remember the Service Goals DG Diana has for us and ensure, with clubs working, the goals will be reached. DG Diana requests all clubs do a service project in at least three of the five service areas: Diabetes;

Vision; Hunger Relief; Environment; and Pediatric Cancer. Watch the newsletter, resource guides are printed for project ideas and assistance.

Please ensure the club secretary or club global service chair reports the activities to LCI. If it is not reported, it does not count!

DG Diana has the goal of 55% of all clubs in the

district participate in a district wide service activity. The service activity is April 15, 2019; Lions of 5M2 are committed to packing food at the Chanhassen Center for Feed My Starving Children, 18732 Lake Drive, Chanhassen. Please save "Lions Day", Monday, April 15, 2019 for service and monetary donations to Feed My Starving Children. It will take 240 volunteers to fill all three shift, that is a lot but starting early should help. Know that the volunteers need not be Lions, invite friends, family members, coworkers, etc.

The newsletter has registration information and instructions for Feed My Starving Children. Please register as soon as possible.

Please bring used eye glasses and hearing aides for collection at the Mid-Winter, such a great service for people in need.

Questions contact: PDG Sue Bowman 507-256-4669 or [s.bowman@frontiernet.net](mailto:s.bowman@frontiernet.net)

## LCIF...HAPPY 2019!

*PID Debra Wasserman*

During 2018, 5M2 Lions conducted eye screenings, provided community meals and food baskets, cleaned highway ditches, gave out dictionaries and Liberty Day booklets, helped with wellness events focusing on Diabetes, and began to learn how we can support children and their families dealing with cancer...and SO MUCH more! Clubs and individuals also donated to many projects and Foundations, including LCIF.

As we enter 2019, I know our clubs and individuals will continue to impact their communities and beyond through their SERVICE and donations. Being open to new opportunities is how our clubs and our Association will continue to grow and change the world.

NOW: I offer every club a challenge for the first month of 2019. The MidWinter Convention is fast approaching where clubs often make their significant LCIF donation. 5M2 has been blessed to have 100% club participation for many years. THANK YOU! I am respectfully asking every club to consider increasing their LCIF contribution by 10%. I offer this percentage to help facilitate a discussion of an increase, not to indicate you "must" increase your contribution this amount or you'll go on the "naughty list". It is healthy to think about challenging ourselves and our clubs to be more and to do more.

If knowing your club's Melvin Jones Fellowship eligible donations would be helpful in determining your Parade of Green contributions, feel free to email or call me. Please thoughtfully consider what your club can do to stretch and participate with other clubs in 5M2 in helping LCIF meet our Campaign 100 goals.



## PROJECT IDEAS HUNGER

### LEARN

- Invite a community health professional to visit your club and educate members on the prevalence and impact of hunger in your community.

### ACT // BEGINNER

- Support your local food bank by donating time, equipment or food.
- Create a resource list of hunger related volunteer opportunities in your region to share with other clubs in your district.
- Use social media to raise awareness about childhood hunger in your community and to inspire others to become involved.
- Host a healthy eating event at your school, community center or place of worship. Invite a nutritionist as a keynote speaker.
- Deliver nutritious, prepared meals to elderly, disabled or ill community members.
- **Serve meals at a soup kitchen or homeless shelter.**
- Donate to organizations that provide micro-nutrient powders to malnourished children.
- Bring a variety of fruits and vegetables to an elementary school class. Explain to the students where the food comes from and encourage them to taste different types of produce.

### ACT // INTERMEDIATE

- Volunteer with a "gleaning group" to harvest unpicked fruits and vegetables at farms and orchards.
- Host a grocery store or market tour where a nutritionist gives participants tips on choosing healthy and nutritious groceries.
- **Collaborate with a food bank to organize a community food drive, focusing on collecting items most needed in your area.**
- Write a cookbook of inexpensive, healthy, easy-to-make recipes.
- Work with your local school to provide weekend take-home bags of nutritious snacks for children in need.
- Sponsor a cooking class for youth to learn basic cooking skills for healthy living.
- Create an online resource on planning and portioning meals to reduce household food waste.

### ACT // ADVANCED

- Conduct an assessment of food access in your community. Advocate to local government leaders for additional or improved options in areas of need.
- Support pregnant women and new mothers by ensuring there are comfortable, safe and clean areas for them to nurse in the community.
- Use your professional networks to connect food banks to food industry leaders interested in food recovery.
- Develop a program to provide underserved students with food during holiday times when school is not in session.
- Establish a community or school vegetable garden for residents in a food-insecure neighborhood.
- Establish a weekly produce stand in a food desert.
- Create a volunteer transportation program to help individuals and families get to and from grocery stores, food banks and soup kitchens.
- Develop an animal husbandry program where a few families receive a small stock of animals. A portion of the animals' offspring will be given to neighboring families for sustainable growth of the program.





# LIONS DAY



AT

**FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN**

**MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019**

Districts 5M2, 5M5, 5M6 and 5M7 will join together at the 3 FMSC facilities in the Twin Cities Metro area. Our Mission is to pack food for the malnourished children of the World!

Our goal is to have EVERY club in the 4 Districts participate in one or more shifts on that day. Collaboration among LIONS, LEOS, LIONESS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY will make this an achievable goal! In fact, ALL Lions, Leos, Lioness from ANY and ALL Districts are welcome to join in on this effort!!

**3 locations = 860 VOLUNTEERS**

Raise funds to help pay for the supplies that we pack. Conduct a dedicated fund raiser to support this project.

Promote this in your community as part of the Lions Clubs International Global Service Framework focusing the efforts of Lions and Leos clubs on 5 service areas with the goal of tripling our humanitarian impact by serving 200 million people per year by 2021.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

District 5M7 Chairs: Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie, #763-786-8072

[bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com)

**THANK YOU!!**



**WE SERVE!!**

## LIONS DAY AT FMSC

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019

### SAVE THE DATE!!!! SIGN-UP INFORMATION!!!!

The website is: [www.fmsc.org](http://www.fmsc.org) Registration for LIONS DAY at FMSC is VERY easy this year!

Click on Volunteer at the top of the page. Then Click on Search Group. Then type in either the Join Code (listed below) OR Lions Day. Then choose the location (Coon Rapids, Eagan or Chanhassen) and the time slot that you would like to volunteer. Click on Join. Then either Log In if you already have an account with FMSC OR Create an Account. All you need to do is put in your name, address, phone number, email and a password. Once you are into the Join Group, just answer the questions and then there will be a confirmation that you need to do.

CHANHASSEN: 18732 Lake Drive East, Chanhassen, MN 55317

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM - JOIN CODE – 2E66L3 - 70 VOLUNTEERS

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM - JOIN CODE –7BEE93 - 70 VOLUNTEERS

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - JOIN CODE - K5XXP2 - 100 VOLUNTEERS

COON RAPIDS: 401 – 93<sup>RD</sup> Avenue NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM - JOIN CODE – 12VV82 - 70 VOLUNTEERS

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM - JOIN CODE – BK3361 - 70 VOLUNTEERS

2:30 PM - 4:30 PM - JOIN CODE – ZO4498 - 140 VOLUNTEERS (LEOS)

(NOT A ZERO, BUT A CAPITAL LETTER O)

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - JOIN CODE – NXEE8Y - 100 VOLUNTEERS

EAGAN: 990 Lone Oak Road, Suite #136, Eagan, MN 55121

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM - JOIN CODE – VEWMM - 70 VOLUNTEERS

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM - JOIN CODE - ME99GX - 70 VOLUNTEERS

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - JOIN CODE - 5X889B - 100 VOLUNTEERS

5M2 – GST Coordinator Lion Sue Bowman – [s.bowman@frontiernet.net](mailto:s.bowman@frontiernet.net)

5M5 - Coordinator Lion Kim Schommer – [schox3@comcast.net](mailto:schox3@comcast.net)

5M6 - GST Coordinator Lion Gina Dettviler – [gmdettviler@mmm.com](mailto:gmdettviler@mmm.com)

5M7 - Coordinators Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie – [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com)

## 5M-2 HALL OF FAME

Please consider placing into nomination an outstanding club member for the 2019 District 5M-2 Hall of Fame.

As presented at the recent fall zone meetings, the purpose of the award is to honor those Lions and Lioness members of character and substance who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment and dedication to the efforts of their club, district and multiple district and the motto of our association "We Serve".

Criteria for the award -

- ❖ May be a Lion or Lioness
- ❖ Must have been a member in good standing for at least 15 years
- ❖ Must be at least 2 years removed from the Council of Governors, if a PDG
- ❖ Have qualifications above and beyond the call of duty including social and human endeavors
- ❖ Should be of good moral character and
- ❖ Should have a good reputation in good standing in his/her community
- ❖ If deceased, must have been a member in good standing of a MD5M Lions or Lioness club at the time of his/her death.

Process

- ❖ Nomination fee of \$150.00 for each candidate nominated must accompany the nomination to the District Governor. This fee is returned to you if your candidate is not the chosen recipient during the Mid-Winter convention voting.
- ❖ All nominations must be received by District Governor Diana no later than 30 days, prior to our Mid-Winter Convention. January 09, 2019 will be the deadline.
- ❖ An election for the recipient from 5M-2 will be held during the annual meeting at the Mid-Winter convention on February 09, 2019. The winner of that election will be inducted into the Hall of Fame at the 2019 Multiple District Convention in Mahnomen, April 27, 2019.
- ❖ Information, as well as the nomination form, is available online at [www.5m2lions.org](http://www.5m2lions.org). : Forms and Award Applications, MD5M Hall of Fame nomination form.

Each of your clubs has a Lion who fits the criteria needed for a nomination to the Hall of Fame. While only one 5M-2 Lion will be awarded the honor in 2019, every Lion nominated will be featured at the Mid-Winter convention when their bios are presented to the membership. Honor these deserving Lions with a nomination.

## ARE YOU READY TO PLUNGE IN 2019?

Lions of 5M2 - Embrace the Minnesota winter and get out of your rut! Try something crazy and fun like joining the 5M2 Lions Polar Plunge Team on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Hallet's Pond in St. Peter. This event will be sure to invigorate you and get your heart racing as you help raise funds to empower over 8200 MN Special Olympians! MN Special Olympics is celebrating 50 years and it is only fitting that 50 Lions from 5M2 help in this celebration. Fundraising couldn't be easier once you register at [www.plungemn.org](http://www.plungemn.org). Join the 5M2 Lions team and the website will help you reach friends and family through FB and emails. Too chicken to jump? No problem! You can still register and just check the box "I am too chicken to take the Plunge, but I would like to raise funds for the Polar Plunge." Take a "leap" of faith and plunge for a great cause!



Special Olympic Co-Chairs Lions Joan Blank, Doni McQuiston and Elizabeth Truman

# MD5M Hall of Fame Nomination

(October 2003)

District \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's Biographical Information (Lions, Community Service Family Work – length of service, positions/offices held, committees, service projects. Attach additional sheet if more room is needed.**

**Why is this person being nominated for the MD5M Hall of Fame?**

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**Nominations must be received by the respective District Governor at least 30 days prior to the District's annual Mid Winter Convention. A nomination fee of \$150.00 must accompany this form. Only this official form will be accepted and the nomination will only be accepted if accompanied by the nomination fee.**

## 2019 DISTRICT 5M2



### Zone Lion of the Year

Zone Lion of the Year is a project unique to District 5M2. It gives each District the opportunity to give well deserved recognition to one Lion in each Zone who exemplifies our motto "We Serve".

Each club is asked to nominate a Lion who is **not** a major officer in the club, but has earned the respect of his/her peers & community.

The Zone Lion of the Year will be presented during the 2019 Spring Zone meetings. The club President or person designated by the President is asked to complete this application and **return it** to 1st Vice District Governor Brian Thies **by February 15th, 2019.**

Please write a brief description of the nominee's service including such items of years of service as a Lion, involvement in club activities and involvement in the community. Use a separate sheet to complete this information and attach the bottom of this form. Remember the club President must sign this form.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Zone: \_\_\_\_\_

Club President: \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature and Date)

Mail nomination and signed completed form to:

1st Vice District Governor Brian Thies  
21515 371st Ave.  
Green Isle, MN 55338-2027

## CHILDHOOD CANCER

February 15 is International Childhood Cancer Day. The following is from the International Society of Children's Oncology website - I couldn't have said it better:



More than 215,000 children 14 years and younger and 85,000 adolescents are diagnosed with cancer each year around the world, and many more remain uncounted and unreported due to a lack of childhood cancer registries in a large number of countries.

While fewer children than adults develop cancer, the number of years of life saved is significantly higher when children are treated with modern therapy, which cures 84% in high-income countries and often provides the child with many decades of healthy and productive life after cure. Furthermore, even in less-resourced areas of the world many children can be cured when local and international support are effectively mobilized.

The ICCD campaign's ultimate goal and unified message is "Better access to Care for Children & Adolescents with Cancer Everywhere". This message spot-

lights the inequities and glaring disparity of access to care in most low- and middle-income countries where 80% of children with cancer live. Children and adolescents in Africa, Asia and Latin America and in parts of Eastern and Southern Europe do not yet have access to appropriate treatment including essential medicines and specialized care. Currently, where one lives often determines one's chance to survive childhood cancer.

On International Childhood Cancer Day, we ask that stakeholders in healthcare, including parents, families, and communities advocate for government collaboration with national civil society organizations, non-profit groups and local communities to ensure that children and adolescents with cancer have appropriate care and support throughout the childhood cancer journey (from diagnosis, treatment and follow-up care).

For more information, see the society's web page at <https://siop-online.org/news/international-childhood-cancer-day/> or the International Childhood Cancer Day website at <http://www.international-childhoodcancerday.org/>

Lions are privileged to be a part of the fight against this horrid disease.



### WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS TO OUR DISTRICT 5M2 LIONS FAMILY

#### Carver Lions

Lindsey Boldt sponsored by: Lynda Glynn

#### Chanhassen Lions

John Colford sponsored by Mark Page  
Timothy Cox sponsored by Mark Page

#### Glencoe Lions

Mathew Orendorff sponsored by Penny Entringer

#### Green Isle Lions

Kerri Brockhoff sponsored by Kim Schwich

#### Jordan Jordaness Lions

Diane Hessland sponsored by Donna Will  
Gretchen Naylor sponsored by Donna Will  
Monica Specher sponsored by Lindsay Barker  
Stina Moran sponsored by Amy Piotrowski  
Angie Newton sponsored by Amy Piotrowski

#### New Market Elko Webster Lions

James Huddock sponsored by Steve Dietz

#### Shakopee Valley Lions

Holly Buck sponsored by Cathy Windschitl  
Janeth Gordon sponsored by Carol Balvance  
Diane Kowalski sponsored by Heidi Burville

#### Victoria Lions

Jon Carlson sponsored by Bryan Olson  
Laura Metzger sponsored by Charles Peglow  
Randy Miller sponsored by Patrick Murray  
Thomas O'Connor sponsored by Bryan Olson  
John Wichmann sponsored by Laura O'Neill

#### Waconia Lions

Richard Young Jr.



Leader Dog’s mission would not be possible without your commitment to the Lion’s organization. Together, we need to communicate a consistent message to family, friends and the surrounding communities. The kind of message that sparks a conversation, ignites passion and motivates people to act. As a result, Leader Dog will be able to continue to impact the lives of people who are blind or visually impaired, extend our outreach to new areas and build a bigger community of supporters.

Leader Dog began with the assistance of Lion’s Club International in 1939. The Detroit Lions were committed to assist visionally impaired individuals they knew personally, without the Lions, Leader Dog for the Blind would not exist. Leader Dog will celebrate 80 years next year. What an accomplishment and commitment by Lions Clubs throughout the world.

Leader Dog for the Blind recognizes Lions, both individuals for contributions to the Leader Dog. The 5M2 District Convention is approaching soon, with our traditional “Parade of Green” for donations by Lions Clubs in our District to Lions causes. Thank you in advance for your support of Leader Dog.

I have had a few clubs contact me about awards Leader Dog awards, they have some “new awards” to recognize smaller donations.



**Each Club receives an annual Club patch for donations of \$100 or more**

**Founders Tribute**

**Contributions of \$500 or more allows a Lions Club to honor an individual Lion for the service and commitment to Lionism and Leader Dog for the Blind.**



**Together We Serve Pin (NEW 2018)**

**Donation by a Lion’s Club or individual of contribution of \$150 dollars or more to Leader Dog. Recognizes a club member for service and commitment to the Lions and Leader Dog.**



**Tribute Medallion (NEW 2018)**

**Medallions are for donations of \$350 or more and are personally engraved for each recipient. They come in two-sided frame for display or can removed and worn on a jacket or vest.**



**We will have more information on rewards for individual Lions in a club at the Midwinter Convention. Forms for ordering will be at display and for the taking at the Leader Dog display table. Again a few clubs have contacted me on this information. If any questions, please contact your District Leader Dog Chairs, Lion Loretta Klenke email [lmklenke@msn.com](mailto:lmklenke@msn.com) or phone 952-445-0289. Or contact Lion Emmy Koch at emmykoch@hotmail.com or phone 320-510-0558. We hope to see you at the Midwinter. Thank You for all you do for Lions!**

## Viewing Forward



*MN Lions Vision Foundation*

Personal start today: As always in this season, I took my mom out one evening to view neighborhood lights about town. As we drove, she mentioned that this is still fun but was better when her eyes caught all the light colors in their full intensity – you know, before macular degeneration. This made me think of the value and blessings of full vision. This made me think thankfully of all the advancements made in vision health over the years.

In 5M, our Lions are an asset to all the vision care needs and research done and in progress at the University of Minnesota. Grateful for Helen Keller to charge us with this mission. Thinking about a few of her quotes:

- “Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it.”
- “Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence.”
- The only thing worse than being blind is

having sight but no vision.”

This is the season of giving and the season of planning our Parade of Green contributions. It is to be remembered that vision concerns are original projects and goals of Lions Clubs International. From corneal transplants here in Minnesota to curing river blindness in Africa. From research to improve care of many eye diseases to developing the bionic eye. From Kidsight to eyeglasses recycling. We contribute to so much! The quote we all know, “Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much”.

Please, please consider contributions as your club can afford now at Parade of Green and throughout the year. Checks should be payable to Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation to be eligible for Helen Keller Awards. Note to clubs with gambling funds – you are giving to a 501(c)3 organization.

Lion Christy and I are anxious to visit your clubs sharing the passion of Lions' original mission. As directors, we continue to View Forward. Our legacy is great and our goals will continue to be met. We are your directors ready to serve. Give us a shout – maryspille@gmail.com or christy1135@gmail.com. Together, “WE SERVE” continues.



### PROTOCOL PLEASE!!!

Some synonyms for protocol: courtesy, decorum, etiquette, manners, formalities, and propriety.

*Have a Happy 2019!!!*

Lions Mary & Tom Ferleman Protocol Co-Chairs



This is to inform Lions Clubs in our District that Kidsight will be on the Parade of Green at the 5M2 Winter Convention. Kidsight Foundation has created an award a club can disburse to its Lion's Members. To be eligible for the award a club must donate a total of \$1000 to the Kidsight Foundation. The \$1000 is accumulative, meaning the money a club donates one year can be added to previous years donations. The award is named the Sight Saver Award. The Kidsight chairpersons will keep accountability of the funds donated to the foundation by each club in the district. So, at any time your club feels they qualify a total of \$1000 notify the Kidsight Chairs. Thank You to all the clubs whom have supported Kidsight and have engaged Kidsight Screenings in their communities.

\_\_\_\_ YES! I am interested in attending the 2019 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute in Mahnomen MN March 28-31, 2019

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE/PROVINCE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MULTIPLE AND DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT LION OFFICE \_\_\_\_\_

DIETARY NEEDS (check all that apply)

- VEGETARIAN
- GLUTEN FREE
- ALLERGIES \_\_\_\_\_
- OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit this application to your District Governor Team by February 01, 2019 for consideration**

**\$150 Registration PAYMENT Due by**

**March 01, 2019**

Checks and money orders (US FUNDS)

Make payable to: **MD5M RLLI**

Send to:

MD5M RLLI  
Lion Vicki Violet  
709 River Lane  
Anoka MN 55303

Upon Successful completion of RLLI, each participant will receive a reimbursement of \$100 (US Funds).

## WHY ATTEND THE MD5M REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE?

**Gain Valuable Life Skills While Growing Personally and Professionally**

**Energize your life and have fun!**

**Network-Network-NETWORK!**

**You don't just meet other Lions and make friendships, you are guaranteed to take home long lasting "Lion-ships"**

**with Lions from Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota-USA, Manitoba and NW Ontario Canada!**



*"We would highly recommend attending RLLI. The course content is great in that it is wide-ranging. While most definitely relevant to Lions, it could be applicable and beneficial to improving organizational leadership anywhere in a person's life.*

*Another great thing about RLLI would be the people you meet from all over Minnesota & Canada. The networking was amazing. Finally, we would like to mention that the faculty really went out of their way to make the learning interesting and fun. This was truly a great experience for both of us."*

Lion Gina M Detviler  
Lion Marcos Gonzalez  
Inver Grove Heights Lions-5M6

## 2019 MD5M REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

**March 28TH-31ST 2019**

**Mahnomen MN-USA**



**Gain Valuable Leadership Skills that you can bring to your Lions Club, District and Community!**



**2017 Schedule**

*"The Regional Lions Leadership Institute was a very positive and motivating experience! The sessions were informative, and they provided great opportunities to discuss local issues and get feedback from other Lions!"*

Lion Vern Koepp  
Rush City MN USA Lions-5M7



*"We Serve. That is the reason we are Lions. As a Lion, it is our responsibility to use the funds that we have been entrusted, wisely. As a service organization, we need knowledge and leaders to do this. That is why RLLI educates Lions."*

Lion Sue Winner  
Duluth MN USA Lions-5M10



*"I just wanted to say how awesome the RLLI 2017 Leadership Institute in Mahanomen, Mn. was. Everything from the talented instructors to the diversity of interactive training sessions. I came away from the training knowing I had better skills in Diversity, Member Motivation, Communication, Time Management, and a number of other topics, to take back to my club and help my club become stronger. I would highly recommend RLLI to any Lion member who wants personal growth and to strengthen their club."*

Lion Denis Deslauriers  
Portage la Prairie MB Canada Lions-5M13



*"It was well worth the time spent meeting new Lions and learning about their clubs and relating to the same issues. With the help of the Leadership Institute I have stepped out of my comfort zone and am now serving my second term as Club President."*

Lion Warren Latham  
Watertown Lions-5M2

**Thursday**

7:00pm Registration  
7:30pm Ice Breaker / Mixer

**Friday**

7:00am Kick Off Breakfast!  
Morning Diversity  
Lunch Lions Fundamentals  
Afternoon On Your Own  
Local Issues  
Public Speaking  
Member Motivation  
Dinner On Your Own  
Evening Member O&A Socialization

**Saturday**

Breakfast On Your Own  
Morning Goal Setting  
Communication  
Lunch Working In Teams  
Afternoon On Your Own  
Local Issues  
Mentoring  
Dinner Group Activity  
Celebration Banquet

**Sunday**

Breakfast On Your Own  
Morning Writing Your Mission Statement  
Lunch Time Management  
Afternoon Provided (Working Lunch)  
Participant Presentations  
Evaluations  
Departure (2:30pm)

**"On Your Own" Meals, Breaks and Social!**

**2017 Staff & Guest Speaker**

- Lion Bert Nelson-5M9**  
Past Council Chair 2006-2007
- Lion Angela Sharbot-5M10**  
Past District Governor 2012-2013
- Lion Dennis Kelly III-5M6**  
Past District Governor 2011-2012 (24-A)
- Lion Robert (Bob) Jechorek-5M5**  
Past Council Chair 2007-2008
- Lion Lori Sheehan-5M4**  
International Lions Speaker and Trainer
- Lion Paul Kowitz-5M6**  
Past District Governor 2013-2014
- Lion Cheryl McKittrick-5M13**  
Past District Governor 2010-2011
- Lion Earl Orvik-5M1**  
Past Council Chair 2014-2015
- Lion Jay Norby-5M9**  
Past District Governor 2015-2016
- Lion Vicki Violet-5M7**  
Executive Secretary MD5M (Admin)

**CELEBRATION BANQUET SPEAKER**

**Lion Brian Sheehan-5M4**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Pres., Lions Clubs Int'l 2018-2019



*"What a great training! Not only for those interested in advancing through Lions but the curriculum also benefits your work and personal life. Highly recommended."*

Lion Stacie Kuehl  
Winona Sunset Lions MN USA Lions-5M1



**All Lions of 5M2  
Are Invited to Attend  
Mid-Winter Convention**

February 8, 9, 10, 2019

City Center, Mankato

**Mark your calendars and encourage your club members to be a part of  
the next convention.**

**Club Reminders and Needs:**

- Bring along a giveaway item worth around \$15.00 for Saturday lunch  
\*1 dozen placemats for Saturday lunch if your club has placemats  
(We would like to place these on the tables at the Saturday lunch  
Good way to advertise what your club is doing in your community)

Let Club members know about a painting activity that is being planned for those not attending the business meeting on Saturday afternoon.

**(See the details of this activity on the following page of this newsletter)**

**Things going on during the weekend:**

- Friday opening ceremony
- Friday Necrology honors
- Friday FUN NIGHT – lots of camaraderie
- Saturday morn seminars about our Lions causes
- Saturday lunch, speaker, door prizes
- Saturday business meeting
- Saturday painting class option
- Saturday evening banquet featuring our International Director
- Sunday worship service
- Sunday closing brunch, door prizes

  
**HATS OFF!**

**“To 5M2 For All That You Do”**

\*Please have these items to Lion Dar Mondor by the first part of January, 2019

## Painting Activity at Mid-Winter Convention

The Committee for the Lions 5M2 Convention would like to offer an alternative activity for Saturday afternoon for spouses, other guests or Lions not attending the business meeting.

For \$25 you get a two-hour painting session and an 8 X 10 original creation to take home and drop right into a standard frame. All supplies are included – paint board, brushes, paints, rags, aprons, etc. Lana Beck can only accept up to 30 participants, so sign up early.

Below left is a picture from a recent painting class given by Lana Beck. She is a well-known muralist and teacher from Le Sueur. The picture on the right was a mural in the hallway one of the schools within the Le Sueur-Henderson District. Her recent murals include the new Belle Plaine Plaza and many works at the LS\_H schools.

For more examples of her recent works check out LKB, etc. or City of Belle Plaine on Facebook.



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Name of person interested in attending \_\_\_\_\_

Amount paid \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose this registration slip with your payment and send it to:

Lion Beth Cornish, 307 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Henderson, MN. 56044

**(Registration Deadline is Jan. 12, 2019)**

## \$\$\$\$ Parade of Green \$\$\$\$

Please note that not all projects have 501(c)(3) status, which is needed for gambling funds donations. To avoid problems during an audit, gambling clubs should have checks written out exactly as noted below.

- Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) – 501(c)(3)
- Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation – 501(c)(3)
- MD5M Lions Hearing Foundation – 501(c)(3)
- Leader Dogs for the Blind – 501(c)(3)
- Can Do Canines – 501(c)(3)
- Diabetes (Can be given to either or both)
  - MN Lions Diabetes Foundation (501(c)(3))
  - 5M-2 Diabetes – funds stay in 5M-2, NOT a 501(c)(3)
- Lions Quest
- Youth Exchange (Can be given to either or both)
  - Lions International Youth Exchange Camp Spicer – 501(c)(3)
  - 5M-2 Youth Exchange – funds stay in 5M-2, NOT a 501(c)(3)
- 5M-2 Youth Activities (Leos, Peace Poster Contest, Lions International Essay Contest, Liberty Day and Write-Off contest)
- Project New Hope Lions Foundation of Minnesota – 501(c)(3)
- MD5M LIONS KIDSIGHT FOUNDATION – 501(c)(3)



HATS OFF!

### “To 5M2 For All That You Do”

In keeping with the theme of this year’s District Convention, I would like to have a power point at the opening ceremony highlighting each club in the district. What I need is about 2-4 photos of your club involved in a service project. It can be a project that you have done in the past or a current one. Hopefully you have all taken a photo of something you have done in your communities. There is still time to get out there and shoot a photo of some of your members at a park bench, playground equipment, a building upgrade, donating to a food shelf, packing backpacks, Santa Day activities and anything that your clubs does. A group photo of clubs members is welcomed also.

I will be going around the District taking photos of the welcome flags or water towers in each town to distinguish your club. Please email those photos to me at [dianakroells@gmail.com](mailto:dianakroells@gmail.com) by Jan 10, 2018 so that a power point can be prepared in time for the convention. Please do not let your club be the only one not highlighted. Send in your photos!!!

Thank you for your help!! DG Diana Kroells





Lion's 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention  
February 8 - 10, 2019

**MAIL DIRECTLY TO HOTEL**

**Reservations will be accepted by mail, fax, or phone.**

Please complete and return this form to Mankato City Center Hotel with payment information no later than January 11, 2019.

**Mail to:**

Mankato City Center Hotel  
c/o Lions 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention  
101 East Main Street  
Mankato, MN 56001  
Phone: 507-345-1234  
Fax: 507-345-1248

**\*\*One-night reservations will be based on availability\*\***

**CANCELLATION POLICY**

If you need to cancel your reservation, you must do so 24 hours in advance of the date you wish to cancel.

**\*\*CONTACT THE HOTEL DIRECTLY TO CANCEL\*\***

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Special Requests cannot be guaranteed but we will try to accommodate as best we can.\*\***

**\*\*Poolside rooms are subject to hearing noise from the Fri. and Sat. evening events, including band music. If this is a concern, it is best not to request poolside\*\***

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person(s) Sharing Room: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Only send one registration form if sharing a room\***

Payment methods:

Check \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Money Order \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card – Circle One

Visa MC Amex Diners Discover

CC# \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/yy)

**TO GUARANTEE ROOM:**

Credit card number is required  
(credit card authorized upon arrival at hotel)  
OR

Pre-payment by check for one-night stay  
(with remaining balance due at check in)

**HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM**

Please note that your reservations must be received by January 11, 2019 to receive the Lion's 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention discounted rate.

**Reservations received after this date will be booked at standard rates.**

**Arrival Date – Select One**

\_\_\_\_ Thursday, February 07  
\_\_\_\_ Friday, February 08  
\_\_\_\_ Saturday, February 09

**Cost for Three Nights**

\_\_\_\_ One King Bed \$362.58  
\_\_\_\_ Two Queen Beds \$362.58  
\_\_\_\_ King Bed w/ Sofa \$399.85  
\_\_\_\_ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$399.85

**Cost for Two Nights**

\_\_\_\_ One King Bed \$241.72  
\_\_\_\_ Two Queen Beds \$241.72  
\_\_\_\_ King Bed w/ Sofa \$263.90  
\_\_\_\_ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$263.90

**Cost for One Night**

\_\_\_\_ One King Bed \$120.86  
\_\_\_\_ Two Queen Beds \$120.86  
\_\_\_\_ King Bed w/ Sofa \$131.95  
\_\_\_\_ Poolside w/ Two Beds \$131.95  
\_\_\_\_ Handicap Access Room Required  
(room contains one Queen bed)

**\*\*\*Taxes of 10.875% are included in the price  
\*\*\*All rooms are non-smoking and are equipped with microwaves and refrigerators**

**We will confirm your reservation by sending you a postcard with a confirmation number. If you do not receive a postcard, please call the hotel. Please give us three weeks from the date you send in your registration form for processing. If e-mail confirmation is preferred please include e-mail address.**

2019 5M-2 Mid Winter Convention

# Club Delegate Roster

Form must be returned to get your voting credentials

**Club Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Each Club receives one (1) Delegate for every 10 members or major fraction (5) thereof.

Number of Club Members \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Delegates \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LIST YOUR CLUB DELEGATES:

**IMPORTANT: Return Delegate Form by February 1, 2019**

<u>Print Name</u>	<u>Initial when picked up</u>	<u>Print Name</u>	<u>Initial when picked up</u>
1. _____	_____	6. _____	_____
2. _____	_____	7. _____	_____
3. _____	_____	8. _____	_____
4. _____	_____	9. _____	_____
5. _____	_____	10. _____	_____

**YOU MUST RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM BY FEBRUARY 1, 2019  
TO GET YOUR DELEGATE VOTING CREDENTIALS!!!**

Mail to: Lion Cindy Walters, Cabinet Secretary      or      E-Mail to [cjwalters@me.com](mailto:cjwalters@me.com)  
1915 Waterford Circle  
Chaska, MN 55318

If you e-mail, be sure to include the number of club members. Thank You.



“Catch the Sweet Deal” and join us for the 100th Birthday Party of MD5M  
**100<sup>th</sup> Annual MD5M Multiple Convention**  
 April 26th, 27th & 28th 2019, Mahnomen, MN, USA



**Your District & Club Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Lion \_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_ **1<sup>st</sup> TIMER** \_\_\_

Title & Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (w/area code) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Registration form also on  
<http://www.lionsmd5m.org>

“Will you require Braille Documents at the convention?”  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Dietary Needs:** Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

I am attending the convention, but **NO** meals are required, \$10.00 cost to attend \_\_\_\_\_ (Name Tag & Pin)

**Full Hospitality Book** (Includes Friday night Social, Saturday Breakfast, Lunch, Banquet & Sunday Brunch)

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>Before March 1, 2019</b>		<b>After March 1, 2019</b>		<b># ATTENDING</b>	<b>\$ AMOUNT</b>
Full Hospitality Book	\$ 95. USD	\$ 120. CDN	\$ 105. USD	\$ 130. CDN	_____	_____
Friday Night Social	\$ 15. USD	\$ 20. CDN	\$ 20. USD	\$ 25. CDN	_____	_____
Saturday Breakfast	\$ 20. USD	\$ 25. CDN	\$ 25. USD	\$ 30. CDN	_____	_____
Saturday Lunch	\$ 25. USD	\$ 30. CDN	\$ 30. USD	\$ 35. CDN	_____	_____
Saturday Banquet	\$ 40. USD	\$ 45. CDN	\$ 45. USD	\$ 50. CDN	_____	_____
Sunday Brunch	\$ 30. USD	\$ 35. CDN	\$ 35. USD	\$ 40. CDN	_____	_____
<b>***NO Meals available after April 22, 2019***</b>					<b>Totals</b>	_____

Make checks payable to: **Vergas Lions** Memo: 2019 MD5M Convention

Mail form & payment to: Linda Norby, 1021 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, Perham, Mn. 56573

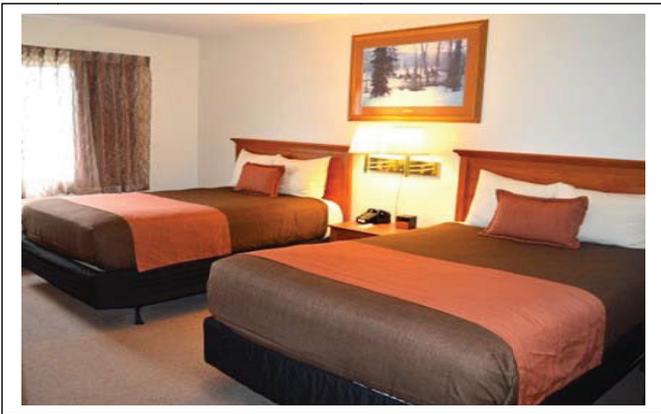
For Convention Information contact: PDG Rodger Palmer, [repotter@eot.com](mailto:repotter@eot.com) or phone 218-841-0302 or PDG Jay Norby, [ljnorb@eot.com](mailto:ljnorb@eot.com) or phone 218-298-1041.

**Check our website for information & updates on the 2019 MD5M Convention, lionsmd5m.org**



Hotel & Event Center
777 Casino Road, P.O. Box 418
Mahnomen, MN USA 56557
April 26, 27 & 28, 2019
1-800-453-7827

WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATION PLEASE USE CONFIRMATION NUMBER 5381



\$65.00/Night + Tax

This room features two full beds.

Amenities: Refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker, TV



\$70.00/Night + Tax

This room features two Queen beds.

Amenities: Refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker, TV



Park Your Wheels & Enjoy Some Thrills.

Shooting Star's on-premise RV park. With a five-star rating from Woodall's Campground Directory, our paved park offers 47 deluxe sites complete with water, sewer and electric hookups, plus shower and laundry facilities. Call (800) 453-7827(STAR).



Four Restaurants to choose from.

2 ONE 8 – Fine Dining

Traditions Buffet

MINO WIISINI – Eat Well Cafe

SMOKE Barbeque & Brew

LIONS', LEOS' CLUBS NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

HUTCHINSON LIONS



Hutchinson Lions chevrons recipients representing 110 years of service: PDG Cathy Plath 25 years, Lions Gene Brandt 25 years, Jarvis Watnemo 30 years and Deane Dietel 30 years.

NICOLLET LIONS



Nicollet Lions receiving chevrons for years of service: Mike Holmin 35 years, Ivan Enter 35 years, Dana Potter 35 years & Dwayne Pipping 45 years Thanks for 150 years of service!

PLATO LIONS



Plato Lion Bev Wilkens trades in her vest for a Mrs. Santa suit.

ST. PETER LIONS



St Peter Lions Bill Dixon 40 years of services, Bob Sandeen 15 years of services & Ron Scharpen 10 years of service.

HAMBURG LIONS



Right: 2nd VDG Anna Wickenhauser presented 3 Hamburg Lions Awards at their annual Christmas party.

Pictured are Lion Curtis Wolter- MD5M Hearing Research Fellowship, 2nd VDG Anna, Lion Wallace Rolf - Helen Keller, & Lion Harlan Mackenthun - MD5M Hearing Research Fellowship.

### BUSY WEEK FOR LAFAYETTE AREA LIONS

The Lafayette Area Lions were definitely in a holiday mood the week of December 10-15. On Monday, they gathered to decorate the Lafayette Community Center and pack treat bags for Santa Day, on Tuesday they welcomed about 130 kids and even more parents when Santa visited Lafayette, and on Wednesday, they selected the winners of the home lighting contest.

At Santa Day, Santa – a.k.a. Lion Joe Maidl – arrived on a fire truck and led the kids in singing a few Christmas carols before sitting down to talk to each one individually. Maidl is an exceptional Santa in that he knows virtually every kid in the area, calls them by name, and even knows what color (kind) of tractors their dads drive! That leads to many wide-

eyed kids who can't figure out how Santa could possibly know so much.

The Lions partner with Bernadotte 4-H and Citizens Bank Minnesota, Lafayette for Santa Day. 4-H members provide special treats and the bank serves doughnuts and milk.

The next evening, Lions members met to drive around town to pick the winners of this year's home lighting contest. Instead of naming first, second, and third place winners – as they've done in the past – the eleven best-decorated homes were named co-winners, with each receiving a \$25 prize. Many additional homes are decorated – making the town very attractive for the holidays.



*Santa Claus arrived at the Lafayette Community Center on a fire truck late Tuesday afternoon, December 11.*

*Before sitting down to talk to the kids, Santa always asks the group to sing a few songs – usually Jingle Bells and Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer.*



*Left: Lafayette Lions gathered for a photo with Santa after he finished talking to the kids.*



### WATERVILLE LIONS



Waterville Lions and DG Diana welcomes new member Lion Mercedes Hayunga to our club. Her sponsor was Lion Joe Christenson.

Membership year chevrons were given to Lion John Scholjegerdes (15 years) and Lion Marilyn Waldschmidt (15 years). Not present to receive their year chevrons were Lions Dolores and John Moore (15 years), Lion Arne Lee (50 years) and Lion Jack Webster (50 years).



### ARLINGTON LIONS



Arlington Lion Marlys Gaucher receives 10 years of Service chevron.

### GREEN ISLE LIONS



Years of Service Chevrons awarded to Green Isle Lions Rita Edmonds 20 years of service, Haven Hawkins & Mary Kay Donney 10 years of service.

### OWATONNA LIONS



Left: Owatonna Lion receives Year of Service Chevron Richard Gnemi 40 years.

Right: Owatonna welcomes Lion Rian Copeland sponsored by Lion Dave Fandel.



### JORDANESS LIONS



The community of Jordan hosted their annual Jordan Dazzle Parade on December 1st. The Jordaness Lions, regular participants in the parade sported our Christmas hats and lights with our entry this year being "Hats Off to Service". The snow that night was a bonus from Mother Nature that definitely added to the spirit of the season.



Members of the Jordaness Lions club recognized World Service Day with our annual Holiday Bingo Party at Valley View Assisted Living Center. The afternoon includes playing bingo, enjoying delicious homemade treats, and singing Christmas carols.



Lion Connie Crimi was presented the Top Dog Award for her significant role in the Jordan Jordaness Lions Club. Pictured with Lion Connie are Lions Tony & Andrea Oldenburg, District Co-Chairs of Can Do Canines and DG Diana.

The Jordaness Lions were thrilled to have District Governor Diana Kroells induct five new members into the club! A warm welcome to new Lions, Diane Hesslund, Gretchen Naylor, Angie Newton, Stina Moran and Monica Sprecher.

Pictured are the new club members with their sponsors: Lions Teena Medick, Diane Hesslund, Donna Will, Gretchen Naylor, Amy Piotrowski, Monica Sprecher, Stina Moran, Lindsay Barker and District Governor Diana Kroells (not pictured is new club member Lion Angie Newton.)



CARVER LIONS



Carver Lions Village Christmas...



Above: Years of Service Chevrons Awarded - Carver Lions Tim Craig 15 years of service & Cathy Elke 10 years of Service.

Below: Carver Lions New Member Lindsey Boldt sponsored by Lion Lynda Glynn.



Left: Carver Lion, Evelyn Grimm, was presented the Silver Centennial pin & membership key by DG Diana at their annual Christmas Part



**5M2 LIONS' NEWS NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 15TH OF EACH MONTH...**

Submit your club events and Lions program articles to: [5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com)



# Pork Chop Dinner

**ALL Proceeds - LCIF\* Grant to Benefit  
Plato Fire Dept/Communication Devices**

**King Pin Pub on January 1<sup>st</sup>**

**From 11 am - Chops are gone!**



- \$12 - 2 Pork Chop Dinner
- \$10 - 1 Chop Dinner
- Chop(s), Scalloped Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole, Roll, Beverage, & Dessert
- \$4 - Kids Meal (Mac & Cheese, Hot Dog, Cookie)

Meat Raffles to Benefit Plato Blue Jays  
 Bloody Mary Bar - Build Your Own!  
 4 PM - Music by Doug Stuedemann

\*Lions Club International Foundation

# Win Big at BINGO

Henderson Event Center  
Every Thursday  
Beginning Jan. 3 at 6:30 p.m.

*Continuing through April 11!*

**Progressive Jackpot starts at \$500**  
*(Could grow to \$1,199)*



Sponsored by the

**Henderson Lions Club**



(Check Henderson Lions on Facebook or  
[www.henderson-mn.com](http://www.henderson-mn.com) for cancellations)

THE LAFAYETTE AREA LIONS INVITE YOU TO

# Dad's Belgian Waffles

**Sunday, January 13, 2019**

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

**Lafayette  
Community Center**

All  
You  
Can  
Eat



Serving: Waffles, Sausage,  
Flavored Syrups,  
Strawberries, Beverages  
*Take-Outs Available*

Adults: \$8.00 in advance; \$9.00 at the door  
Ages 6-12: \$5.00; Kids 5 & under free

*Advance tickets available from any Lions member,  
Citizens Bank Minnesota, Lafayette Branch,  
or at the Ledger office*

*It's Bingo  
time in  
Lafayette!*



**Bar Bingo**  
*every Saturday afternoon,  
through April 27*

*(except holiday weekends)*

**2:00 p.m. at Dave's Place**

*Must be 18 to play*

*Sponsored by  
the Lafayette Area  
Lions Club*



*Bar Bingo is a  
fundraiser for  
area projects*

Cologne Lions Club



Friday, Jan. 18, 2019

Cologne Community Center, 1211 Village Pkwy., Cologne, MN 55322  
5:30 pm - Food Service 7:00 pm - First Bingo Game

25 Games for just \$10

DOOR PRIZES ★ FOOD ★ COACH PURSE RAFFLE  
MEAT RAFFLES ★ CASH BAR  
SPECIAL 25TH GAME!!

13th game to win a Coach Purse included in admission price! Play the 26th game for FREE when you bring a minimum of 4 non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food shelf. Watch facebook for event updates.



# Northfield Cannon Valley Lions

## Omelet Breakfast!

Sunday, January 20, 2019  
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.



Northfield Eagles Club  
304 Water St. S

**\$10.00 Age 11 & up, \$5.00 Age 5 – 10, 5 & Under - FREE**

Please purchase ticket in advance from one of our Northfield Cannon Valley Lions Members. Call Lion Sheila @ 507-645-7154 or Lion Doug @ 952-356-6922 for tickets. Please leave a message. Only advanced purchases will help us help our community and more.

### Menu

Omelets, pancakes, bacon, sausage, toast, fruit, orange juice and coffee

MMM,

Your choice of some Good Fixin's



100% of the proceeds benefit Lion's projects. (Local, Nation and World)



## Jordaness Lions Bowling Fundraiser

Saturday January 26th, 2019

Louisville Lanes  
3020 W. 133<sup>rd</sup> St. Shakopee, MN 55379 952-445-8112

1:00 pm Player check-in / 2:00 – 5:00 pm Bowling  
\$25/player (up to 6-players per lane, you do NOT need 6 players to register)

Theme: Wear your favorite, craziest or fanciest hat!

Registration Includes  
3 Games, Bowling Shoes & FUN

Proceeds benefit the Food Shelf, MN Diabetes Association and other Community Events/Organizations

**\*\*Bring non-perishable items for the Food Shelf and receive a free raffle ticket**

Prizes for:

Men's & Women's 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Highest Individual Scores, High Team Score, Low Team Score & More  
Other events include: Raffle prizes & door prize drawings

Please send this registration form and fees to: **\*Up to 6 Players per form**  
Lion Linnae Schansberg: 824 Bridle Creek Lane, Jordan MN 55352

Players:  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information contact:  
Lion Linnae: linnsch@comcast.net

Please Make Checks payable to: Jordaness Lions

Deadline for entry is January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - - Secure your spot early, there are only 24 lanes!



# Green Isle Lions Club's ANNUAL DINNER & SHOW

Saturday, February 2, 2019  
Social Hour 6:00 pm – Dinner 7:00 pm  
Held at the Green Isle School Gymnasium

Dinner provided by *Chef Craig's Catering*  
Entertainment by *Travis Nye a comedy magic show*

\$25 DONATION PER PERSON  
BYOB, Beer & Pop Available

THREE CASH PRIZES: \$100, \$75, & \$50  
(You need not be present to win)

SILENT AUCTION & DOOR PRIZES  
(Net Proceeds for improvements of our local parks)

Tickets can be purchased from any Green Isle Lion or at the CornerStone State Bank in Green Isle

## Waterville Lions "Chilly" Open Ice Golf Tourney

February 16th, 2019  
1:00 pm Shot Gun Start  
Waterville Public Beach  
9 holes, Par 3

**Family Friendly Fun!**

**Register day of event**

Register teams as foresomes  
Families can play together  
Cost \$10.00 per player  
Families \$25.00

**JOIN US**  
After golf for  
**Banquet—Chili Feed, door prizes**  
5:00 pm at "The Village"  
205 1st St N, Waterville

**Rules:**

Game is played using a tennis ball.  
Bring your own tennis ball.

Golf club can be anything. (Be Creative—Hockey stick, broom, bat, tennis racket, etc.)

Played just like regular golf.

Prize for most outlandishly dressed team.

Motorized golf cars and ATVs NOT ALLOWED.

Teams can come up with fun and unique sleds to pull their clubs.  
Beverages are encouraged!

## In Search of a Pianist

Long time convention pianist PDG Marlys Meskin has decided to "take a break" from playing piano at the 2019 convention. Thank you Marlys for sharing your talent for so many years.

Is there a Lion out there willing to step forward to play for the Saturday evening banquet (Star Spangled Banner & Oh Canada) and also for the church service on Sunday morning?

Please contact DG Diana at dianakroells@gmail.com by Jan 15, 2019 if you would like to share your musical talent.

The Chaska Lions are ROARING about this deal from the  
**Jim Hansel collection**

### HOME OF THE BRAVE

This special painting titled "Home Of the Brave" was created to honor the men and women who have served and continue to serve this great country of ours. Not only is this painting a tribute to the military, law-enforcement and firefighters, it also represents a slice of Americana, reminiscent of small town USA.

It's God, country and family all rolled up into one!

As a lifetime resident of Chaska Jim has used elements from this area to create this painting. The Church Steeple from Guardian Angels Church, a squad car from the Chaska police department and the post number from the Chaska American Legion are just some of the examples. Many of the buildings were also taken from downtown Carver.

**NOTICE THE STARS AND STRIPES IN THE SKY!**

Jim is a member of the Chaska Lions and is legally blind. 50% of the proceeds from this print will go to the Lions Vision Foundation.

Visit [www.jimhanselart.com](http://www.jimhanselart.com) To learn more about the artist and watch his documentary

Choices: Select a Size and Delivery Method

<b>#1</b>	13" x 21" unframed signed \$20.00 + \$1.50 tax	Shipping .48	Pick Up No Charge
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 - Call 952-448-7213 to charge by phone and for questions about prints or framing.  
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 - All items are sold by Jim Hansel Art

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## Catch the Dream... & Catch some CASH!

The Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation will donate the proceeds from this raffle towards FINDING A CURE of Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes. Join us...Catch the Dream...a World Without Diabetes.

\*Drawing held on April 27, 2019\*

**PRIZES:**

**Grand Prize: \$2000 Cash**

**2nd Prize: \$1000 Cash**

**3rd Prize: Two \$500 Cash Prizes**

**4th Prize: Ten \$100 Cash Prizes**

**Tickets \$10**

**Contact your local Diabetes Trustee for tickets.**

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