



## IT'S TIME FOR CLUB ELECTIONS !!

The Lions Year runs from July 1 to June 30, but your new officer listing **HAS TO BE SENT TO LCI BY MAY 1**.

### TO DO LIST:

- **Hold your club elections –if you've cancelled meetings, please find a way to hold elections: e-mail, conference call, Skype, etc. This is very important!**
- **Secretary enter clubs PU-101's into LCI—this is how officers get listed in new directory and receive needed information from LCI.**
- **List e-mail addresses for Officers in PU-101 so they receive newsletter.**
- **Have new officers attend Officer Training (dates are below)**
- **July 1st, new officers begin their year (or more) of service.**

Dear Registered Northern Pride Lions Forum attendees,

We are happy to let you know that the Northern Pride Lions Forum has been rescheduled! The new dates are October 30-31, 2020, in St. Cloud. The Forum will take place at the Best Western (Kelly Inn) and St. Cloud Civic Center as previously planned. With this new information some Lions have stated that they wish to continue their current registration and not receive a refund. . **If you plan on staying registered for the event no response is necessary.** The Northern Pride Lions Forum Committee will gladly refund your fee you wish to cancel your registration. Please reply to this email ([npllfmd5m@gmail.com](mailto:npllfmd5m@gmail.com)) if you desire a refund.

**The New Date is Set!**  
October 30-31, 2020

St Cloud River's Edge Convention Centre



 **Northern Pride**  
Lions Forum  
October 30-31, 2020  
<https://forum.northernpridelions.com>

If you stay registered you will need to contact the Best Western (Kelly Inn) and reserve your room 320-253-0606.

Thank you for your patience.

Northern Pride Lions Forum Committee



# 5M3 District Governor Don Kuehl~



Greetings Lions of 5M3,

First I hope everyone is staying safe and doing the right things to help avoid getting sick. I know that we (my wife and I) have stopped a lot of activities in our life and also what we do locally. Want to pass along to you (if you haven't already heard) that the MD5M Convention scheduled for May in Rochester has been cancelled. Right now there are more questions than answers and we'll try to sort things out over the next few weeks as to what will happen. Stay tuned.....Not sure about activities in your Clubs, but we have pretty much cancelled or postponed all activities here over the next several weeks. Also, not sure what will happen with the scheduled Club visits in April or what we will do about officers training in April. When that decision is made we will keep you informed. Just be aware that things will be changing probably on a weekly basis. As DGE David said "we are in a new normal". We still need to consider those in our communities that may be struggling at this time. Our Club is still helping to deliver Meals on Wheels to those folks unable to get out. So don't totally shut down, consider what projects/opportunities there are to support your communities, then do them in a safe manner.

I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere "Thank-you" to all the clubs in the District that have stepped up and supported our new District wide Childhood Cancer Blanket project. So far the response has been great. We have been able to secure blanket kits for under \$10.00 a kit which is awesome. My wife, Lion Diana, is working to get kits completed for those clubs that want to tie their own blankets at their club functions. If your club has not supported this project and would like to do so make your contribution and mail to our Treasurer, Lion Denise Nelson. Put on your check that it is for the "Childhood Cancer Blanket" project on the memo line of the check. Any questions regarding this please give me or my wife a call (or email)....

Till next month, be safe and continue to serve where you can,

DG Don



CURRENT DG'S of MD5M



INCOMING DGE'S of MD5M



DG DON KUEHL, ID LARRY EDWARDS, PDG DAN JONES



FRIENDSHIP BANQUET





# District Governor Elect David Janssen

Welcome Lions of 5M3

Just returned from Roseville MN, where we just completed 5 days of training. There were tours on the first day of the Lions Foundation programs that we support. The first one being Can Do Canines. They showed us their training areas and also the kennels where the dogs stay. Two people told their story on how Can Do Canines improved their lives and what their dogs do for them.

Next we went to 5M Hearing Foundation and had a great speaker tell about what they are doing to help the hearing impaired. On to the Diabetes Clinic and what they are working on for Diabetes. The speaker talked about how the University of Minnesota has begun to experiment with human Islet transplantation. This helps on Hypoglycemia Unawareness. A second human Islet transplant enabled a gentleman to be free of the need for daily insulin injections and cured his diabetes. The Researcher that was giving the presentation was very interesting and as he talked it was easy to see he is very dedicated in his work. The day was finished at the Lions Gift of Sight. We got a nice tour of the place and lots of information was gathered. Eye research was going on in different booths and eye research were taking place for people to watch. Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation and Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation put on the Banquet and Program to finish out the day. Everyone enjoyed the day very much. The next two days we trained for DG, which went very well. Friendship Banquet was held on Friday evening. Current District Governors put on the Banquet for District Governors Elect and did a great job. It had a Singapore theme for the upcoming International Convention that will take place in June. Thanks for the nice meal and great time at the banquet.

The next day we had a Council of Governors meeting for us to see how COG meeting is run. DG Brian Thies was elected to Council Chair.

Officers Training is on April 19 at Windom BARC Center starting at 2:00 and running to 4:00. The second training session will be in Marshall at the High school on April 26 from 2:00pm to 4:00 pm. All Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Zone chairs are invited. Even if you have been officer over the past three years and haven't had the training, you should attend this training. Changes have been made in reporting system for the club activities and entering service hours. Let's get a nice turnout for Officers Training. Everyone will be glad they came.

We are still looking for a second Vice Governor and hope you will step forward and take the position. Any questions, please call DG Don or myself.

Last thing that I have to say. There is a lot of information in the newsletter and everyone should be reading and enjoying what the 5M3 Lions are doing these days. Have fun being a LION and ask someone to be a LION today. It doesn't hurt to ask.

Thanks for your service  
DGE David J.

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# 1st Vice District Governor Gordon Mulder

From the desk of 1VDGE Gordon Mulder, a look back, a look ahead—

Not much happening now that coronavirus has descended upon us. Looking back, Leroy and I accomplished a kidsight pre-school screening in Adrian Elementary School. There are still opportunities to serve our communities. Who needs help? Neighbors that can't get out to get groceries or other supplies?

Let us work together to cripple the coronavirus. We can do that by self quarantining. If the virus needs people together to spread, then let us limit togetherness. Maybe the best way is to pretend that we are sick and by staying isolated we are trying not to spread the virus to others.

Northern Pride, in St. Cloud, has been postponed until October. Hopefully, all this is over by then. Try to stay informed. Hysteria doesn't help. It is still a good day to be a Lion. Serve with pride, with the Pride.

Lion Gordon Mulder



Well here is hoping all is well at your house.

I would like to start by thanking all of you that donated to Can-Do-Canines in the parade of green at the midwinter. Your generous support is greatly appreciated. Your generosity has amounted to a grand total of \$3111.28. What a great showing of your support for us. THANK YOU. Just a reminder that if you have donated a total of \$500 in the last 5 years your club is entitled to a Top Dog award that can be given to someone in your club or anyone that you would like to have the award. Please let me know if I can be of help. Let me know and I will do the paper work.

Our facility is also affected by the COVID-19 and we had to take precautions. A Message on Precautions: Our goal is to keep our clients, volunteers, staff, donors, and dogs safe and healthy by decreasing the risk of exposure to Coronavirus. We've continued to monitor recommendations from the Center for Disease Control and Minnesota Department of Health and have decided to increase preventative measures. In order to help reduce unnecessary contact, our facility will be closed to all visitors. We are discontinuing all training classes, kennel dog walking, kennel outings, as well as all events until further notice. Amidst all these precautions, we are working every day to train our service dogs to be matched with the perfect client who needs them. We need your help to ensure we are able to continue to work towards a future in which every person who needs and wants an assistance dog can have one. In this newsletter, you will find uplifting stories and ways you can support our mission.

Not sure what will happen with the June graduation, which is scheduled for June 27 at 1 PM. Will try to keep you posted.

I want you to all stay healthy and when it is over give me a call and I will again be available for presentations.

Sincerely,  
Can-Do-Canines chair  
Lion Galen Engholm  
Cell: 507-920-7129





# 5M3 MID-WINTER CONVENTION



Presidents Medal—Lion Brad Kirk (center)



Presidential Certificates of Appreciation given by (far left) ID Larry Edwards and (far right) DG Don Kuehl to GAT team: GLT PDG Wayne Radloff, GMT PDG Larry Muenchow & GST PDG Dan Jones



Presidential Leadership Award—5M3 Webmaster and Diabetes Foundation Chair Lion Bob Schirlinger (center)



Certificates of Service: Zone Chairs, Lions John Tirevold, Darren Saner, Sue Muenchow, Edie Aas and Bob Schirlinger

**ROAR!**



Presidential Leadership Award—District Peace Poster Chair—Lion Deb Rasset (center)



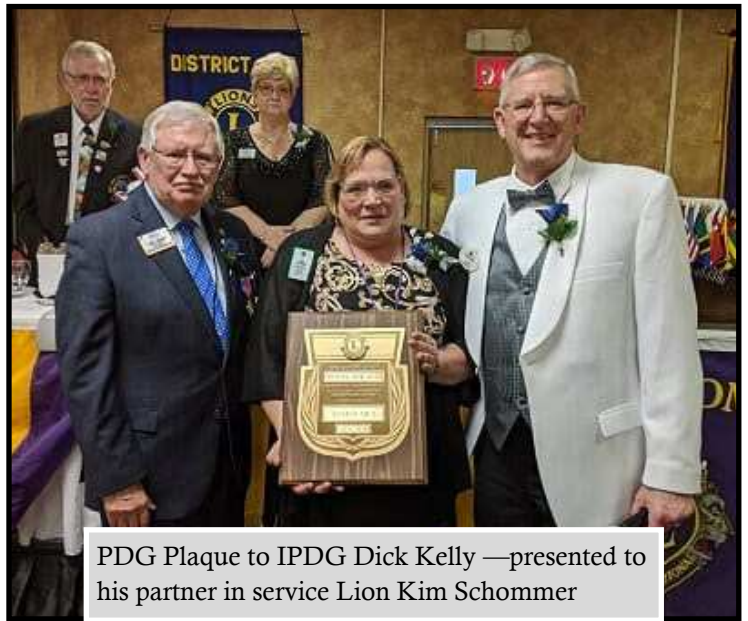
Presidential Leadership Award—5M3 Secretary Lion Diana Kuehl



# 5M3 MID-WINTER CONVENTION



PDG Plaque—PDG Vickie Radloff for serving as 5M3 DG 2011-2012



PDG Plaque to IPDG Dick Kelly —presented to his partner in service Lion Kim Schommer



Outstanding Leadership & Dedicated Service Award—5M3 Treasurer Lion Denise Nelson



Presidents Medal—Lion Martha Fredin

## SPEAKERS



PID Pat Vannett



Scott Hanson



James Johansen



Michael McKinley



Meg Spartz



Bunny Tabbatt





**District 5M3 Service Project**  
**Blankets for Childhood Cancer**



**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

1. Cash Donation to purchase blanket kits
2. Help tie blankets at the 2021 Convention

Make checks payable to: **District 5M3 Lions.**

**Blanket Project** in memo

**Mail to: Denise Nelson District Treasurer**

**405 South Street Morgan, MN 56266**

**Questions: Diana Kuehl at 507.847.3126**



**5M3 is  
 looking  
 for a Lion  
 to serve as 2VDG  
 next year.**

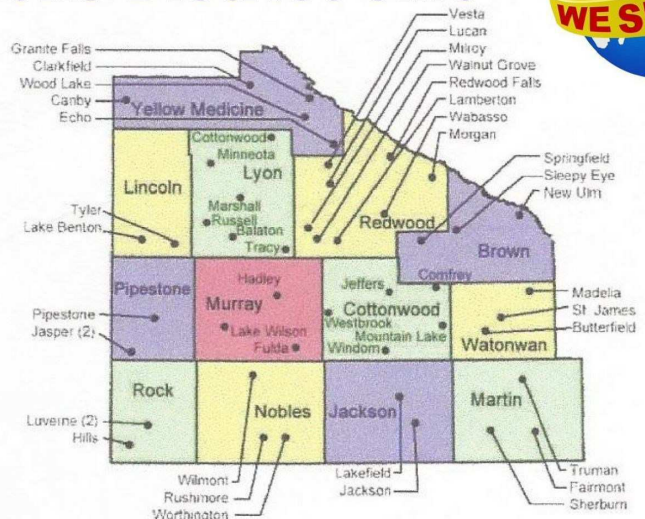


**Are you the one???**

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

Jan 31, 2019..... 1,134  
 Feb 31, 2020.....1,129  
 YTD Members Added: ..... 41  
 YTD Members Dropped: ..... 46  
**Net Loss/Gain: -5**  
 38 clubs

**Lions District 5M3**



**REMINDER:**  
**Articles for newsletter are  
 due the 20th of the month!**



# 5M3 HAPPENINGS



WELCOME 3 NEW MEMBERS!

## WINDOM LIONS CLUB



GOVERNOR'S VISIT



NEW MEMBER SPONSOR



ANNIVERSARY MEMBERS AWARDS

## GRANITE FALLS LIONS CLUB GOVERNOR'S VISIT





# 5M3 HAPPENINGS

## SLEEPY EYE LIONS



Above: Jeff and Angela Peterson donate a \$1000 check to Can Do Canines in New Hope, MN. Lion Russ



Sorensen of Sleepy Eye Lions receives the check. Jeff and Angela have done this for 9 consecutive years. This is their way to help. We thank them for this gift.

## TRACY LIONS



Above: L-R Lion Bob Schirlinger; Summer, Shelby and Jared Johnson; Tracy Lions Club President Lion George Erbes.



### Tracy Lions present 'Dream Catcher' to Summer and Jared Johnson

The Tracy Lions Club presented the MLDF "Dream Catcher Award" to Jared and Summer Johnson. Jared, Summer and their daughter, Shelby, accepted the award at the clubs regular meeting on March 9, 2020. Shelby got Type 1 diabetes at the age of 5 years old. She is now 11 years old. The family spoke about what it takes to manage Shelby's diabetes. They gave Shelby a lot of credit for helping manage her diabetes. Shelby uses a CGM (Continuous Blood Glucose Monitor) and an insulin pump to help control her diabetes.

That same night, Lion Bob Schirlinger, Trustee for the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, showed a Video and PowerPoint presentation. He explained how Type 1 Diabetes (which affects children) and Type 2 Diabetes (which affects mostly older adults) can affect people of all ages.

He also explained that the University of Minnesota, with the help of the Lions, is working on a permanent CURE for this disease which affects millions.



The district **Public Relations Kit** is available for clubs to use for special events and fundraisers. If your club would like to arrange to use a kit, please contact Lion Denise Nelson at 507-227-1712 [dlnelson0714@hotmail.com](mailto:dlnelson0714@hotmail.com)







# IMPORTANT NOTICES!!!

Dear Lion,

We regret to announce that the Lions Clubs International Convention, scheduled for 26-30 June 2020, will not be held as originally planned in the city of Singapore.

The Ministry of Health in Singapore just announced that all large-scale events through June 30 will be cancelled to further reduce the transmission of the coronavirus. The Lions Board of Directors received the notification today from Singapore, and this important topic will be discussed by the Board of Directors at or before the April Board meeting.

Earlier this month, I informed you that while we were optimistic we could hold the convention in Singapore, we were also assessing the feasibility of other host cities. For the past several weeks, the Executive Officers and the Convention Division Team have been exploring alternative options. Any changes surrounding the convention site and times are subject to Board approval, and will be shared with Lions as soon as available.

In the meantime, our Convention Team will be working diligently to assist you. Lions International will issue full refunds for all registration fees paid. At this time, we kindly ask that you do not contact LCI Registration to inquire about your registration, ticket or housing cancellations as we establish our cancellation details.

We are disappointed, but we will continue to move forward as a global organization, keeping the health and safety of our members in mind.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President

## OFFICER TRAINING

~~SUN, APRIL 19 2:00 TO 4:00 BARC CENTER WINDOM~~  
~~SUN, APRIL 26 2:00 TO 4:00 HIGH SCHOOL IN MARSHALL~~

# POSTPONED

NEW TIMES/PLACES  
WILL BE SET AT A LATER DATE

Dear Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation Directors,

I think the time has come to officially postpone the Spring Lions tour (May 16). I just don't think we can responsibly choose any other path given the COVID-19 pandemic and the directives we are receiving from our governments, institutions, doctors, and scientists.

We will continue to monitor the situation and look at possible fall dates or push it to spring 2021. FYI, we are also postponing the Lions Gift of Sight Donor Recognition Program on May 17.

Thank you for your service and your support!

Lion Jennifer  
Jennifer J. Marshall  
Communications Manager  
Lions Gift of Sight—University of Minnesota





# IMPORTANT NOTICES!!!

## Suspension of MD5M Lions KidSight Vision Screening

The Board of Directors of the MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation, Inc. has voted to suspend all KidSight vision screening activities until further notice.

This action is being taken due to the impact of Covid-19 on the normal ability of Lions to provide screening in a safe environment. We must ensure the safety of our Lions as well as the children and educational professionals that they would interact with.

Hopefully, this suspension will be of short duration and we can once again provide needed vision screening to our communities.

Please let me know if you have any questions and thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Lion Dennis

Dennis W. Kelly III

Chair, Board of Directors

MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation, Inc

## 2020 MD5M CONVENTION IN ROCHESTER HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

See 5M3 Lions Facebook page for information.

**A little Lion humor to brighten your day:**

**What is a Lions favorite State?**

**Maine!**

**What is another name for a Lion with a really nice hat?**

**Dandy Lion!**



**Why couldn't the Lion ever win when playing CandyLand?  
Because he was playing with a Cheetah!**

**Joke credits go to Miss Erica on YouTube.com  
Lions of 5M3 do not take responsibility for this.**



<b>St James Lions</b> 1st Wed; 6:00 pm Eagles Club #320 701 1st Ave S St. James Lion Joseph McCabe, Pres.	<b>Springfield Area Lions</b> 2nd Thurs; 6:30 pm American Legion Lion Gilbert Anderson, Pres.		<b>Walnut Grove Lions</b> 2nd Thurs; 6 p.m. St. Pauls Church Hall Lion Greg Hansen, Pres.	<b>Tracy Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Multi-Purpose Center Lion George Erbes, Pres.
	<b>Hadley Lioness</b> 2nd Wed; 6:30 pm Hadley Community Ctr Lioness Deb Helmke, Pres.	<b>Sleepy Eye Lions</b> 1st Tues; 6:05 p.m. Railway Bar & Grill Lion Thomas Goetz, Pres.	<b>Wabasso Lions</b> 3rd Wed; 6:00 pm Community Center Lion Andy Simon, Pres.	
<b>Vesta Lions</b> 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Vesta Café Lion Jim Penske, Pres.	<b>Redwood Falls Lions</b> 1 & 3 Mon; 6:30 p.m. AM Legion Lion Teresa Rossow, Pres.	<b>Comfrey Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6:00 p.m. Comfrey Comm Ctr Lion Martha Fredin, Pres.	<b>Hadley Lions</b> 3rd Tues; 6:30 p.m. Hadley Community Ctr Lion Al Husfeldt, Pres.	<b>Morgan Lions</b> 4th Mon; 6:30 p.m. Lions Community Ctr Lion Galen Engholm, Pres.
<p>Bringing the District news to you!          If your Club is not listed, be sure to send in \$40.00 to  <b>District Treasurer, Denise Nelson at 405 S St, Morgan MN 56266.</b>          Memo line: <b>Newsletter Sponsor.</b>          NOTE: Clubs can sponsor more than one time!</p>				

# 5M3 Lions Clubs Sponsor Page



<b>Lions of New Ulm</b> 1/2 Thurs; 6:15 p.m. Turner Halle Lion Jean Nielsen, Pres.	<b>Marshall Lions</b> 2/4 Tues; 6 p.m. Bello Cucina's Lion Jackie Meyer, Pres.	<b>Jasper Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 7 p.m. Stonewall Bar & Grill Lion Bob Quissell, Pres.	<b>Lake Wilson Lions</b> 4th Tues; 6:30 p.m. Lake Wilson Legion Lion Jack VanEck, Pres.	<b>Westbrook Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 7 p.m. Senior Center Lion Darren Peters, Pres.
<b>Truman Lions</b> 1st Mon; 6 p.m. Church of Christ Lion David Petersen, Pres.	<b>Granite Falls Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Trolley's Bar & Grill Lion Todd Trudel, Pres.	<b>Fulda Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Fulda Sr Citizens Ctr Lion Mike Peterson, Pres.	<b>Ganby Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. PK Egan's Lion Gene Bies, Pres.	<b>Lucan Lions</b> 2nd Thur; 7 p.m. Knotts Corner Lion Joel Weidemann, Pres.
	<p><b>Fulda Wood Duck Festival</b>  <b>June 17-20, 2020</b></p> 			<b>Lakefield Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6 p.m. Multi-Purpose Bldg Lion Lion Joel Poppe, Pres.
<b>Jeffers Community Lions</b> 1st Thurs; 6:30 p.m. Jeffers City Hall Lion Ron Knoll, Pres.	<b>Clarkfield Lions</b> 3rd Tues; 7 a.m. Friendship Café Lion Douglas Clevenger, Pres.		<b>Windom Lions</b> 2/4 Wed; 6:30 p.m. Jack Slades Lion John Holt, Pres.	<b>Fairmont Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Tony Rosener, Pres.