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Childhood Cancer Grant Program

Each year, more than 300,000 children are diagnosed with cancer. Improving childhood cancer survival requires supporting children and their families while they experience the unimaginable social, economic, and emotional burdens of having a child with cancer.

Our Strategy

Grants are available to Lions districts and multiple districts in amounts from US\$10,000 to US\$150,000. Projects must be implemented in coordination or collaboration with existing government or charitable childhood cancer medical facilities.

The Childhood Cancer grant program will not fund medical care directly. If an applicant wishes to implement a project involving medical equipment or infrastructure, they may be eligible to apply for support through the [LCIF Matching grant program](#).

Examples

Project examples include but are not limited to:

- Construction, expansion, or renovation of child, teenager, and family-friendly waiting rooms in healthcare facilities
- Construction, expansion, or renovation of rooms or houses where families can rest, sleep, or cook meals while their child is receiving treatment
- Projects that strengthen access to or improve transportation to and from medical appointments
- Projects that address the educational and recreational needs of childhood cancer patients receiving treatment at a healthcare facility
- Infrastructure to support palliative care

GUIDELINES

Childhood Cancer grants are awarded in amounts between US\$10,000 to US\$150,000 per project. Applicants from developed countries can apply for up to 50 percent of the total project budget and applicants from developing countries can apply for up to 75 percent of the total project budget (up to the maximum request amount of US\$150,000 for all applicants).

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis, but must be received at least 90 days before a scheduled LCIF Board of Trustees meeting. These meetings occur annually in August, January, and May. Please visit www.lcif.org or contact LCIF for specific application deadline dates. The LCIF Board of Trustees and LCIF New and Emerging Initiatives staff reserve the right to request additional pertinent information as needed.

Please review the Childhood Cancer grant criteria and regulations before completing this application. All information requested below must be provided to LCIF to determine eligibility for funding consideration. Questions regarding the Childhood Cancer grant program should be directed to the New and Emerging Initiatives Department at new.emerging@lionsclubs.org.

UPCOMING:

ZONE 7 MEETING

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DG~Don Kuehl~

ACHIEVE NEW HEIGHTS

Greetings Lions of 5M3. For all you romantics out there, happy Valentine's Day. Need a gift idea for your sweetheart? Get registered and bring them to our Mid-Winter Convention on the 17th through the 19th in Fairmont, MN (Best Western). I'm happy with myself for thinking of that great segway into my thoughts on the convention. Yes, you can still register late (February) to make the convention. Registration information along with the convention schedule is included with this newsletter. We have a great line up of speakers and great food to enjoy at the convention, so I look forward to seeing you there.

Parade of Green will again take center stage at the business meeting Saturday afternoon. Please bring your donations to the various foundations and service projects that the Lions support each year to the convention. **Remember, we have a new item to support in the "Team Sheehan Foundation"**. This foundation will support clubs in the MD5M area only so all donations will go to support local club service projects and activities with matching grants up to \$3,000. This is a 501c3 foundation so it can be a deductible tax donation. It is encouraged that each club consider a donation of \$75.00 each year. Every club should have received from PDG Vicki Radloff information on this new foundation. If you haven't, please let me know.

Our district raffle room (always a hit and popular spot) will again be at the convention. Please, clubs, consider donating a raffle room item (\$25.00 or more) for the convention. Additionally, there will be several items from PDG Lion Barney Olson collection in the raffle room. Stop in and look, should be several "gotta have" items to choose from. Proceeds from the raffle room will go to Lions Diabetes Foundation.

In addition, tail twisting will be done Saturday and Sunday by Lion Doug Rosenburg. Fines collected will be donated to LCIF. I'm planning on bringing cash as I'm probably going to be in the cross hairs of our tail twister. Should be fun and I'm looking forward to it.

Membership must be a priority for all our clubs in 5M3. As of the end of December we are down 14 members year to date. Our current membership total stands at 1021. I don't have a magic pill or formula for you to increase your club membership. You must ask people to help you with your service projects and then ask them to join and continue to serve the people in your community. You may have to ask people several times before any success, but don't give up after the first try. Along with this do you know of a community that would be a candidate for a new club? If you do, please let me or any of the leadership in the district know.

Service is what we do. From my governor's visits you are doing an excellent job of serving your communities. Keep it up, it's what makes your communities strong and helps people in the process. As of the end of December we had 51% of our clubs reporting that service on LCI. Good job but we can do better.

And finally, please give me a call to schedule a governor's visit. If you don't, I will have to. Governor's visits are one of the best parts of being a DG. If you are asked to service in a leadership or service roll in our district, please don't just say no, give it some consideration. We will be needing Zone Chairs for all our Zones, along with some foundation members. We do not have anyone that has stepped forward to be a 2VDG candidate for our district. Need that for our convention. Any of our current district leaders can help you with any questions you may have about these open positions. So instead of being "I don't think I can do that" please step up and help us fill those needs.

Guess that's all. I'm sure I'm forgetting something, but it will have to wait till next month. Again, looking forward to seeing you at the convention and till then remember "TOGETHER WE CAN", "ACHIEVE NEW HEIGHTS"

DG Don



1VDG~Patty Peterson

Hello Lions,

In the midst of all this lovely winter weather, I hope we can all take some time to see the beauty of the season. The trees have been absolutely gorgeous when they are frosted.

In this newsletter is information for the ELLI (Emerging Lions Leadership Institute) training to be held in Shakopee in April. All club vice-presidents are urged to attend. You can attend even if you are not a vice-president. Submit your application to DG Don by March 17. I believe you will find it to be very beneficial. Please consider attending.

Also, there is still time to register for our 5M3 Mid-Winter Convention, to be held in Fairmont, on Feb. 17-19. Come for all or part of the weekend. I look forward to our Mid-Winter every year. It's a great way to make new friends, meet with old friends, and learn about Lions projects. We have great speakers lined up. I am looking forward to hearing each one. There is also time for socializing and just having fun. I hope to see many of you there.

1VDG Patty



2VDG~Deb Rasset

Hello again fellow Lions

I have been busy most weekends with other districts Mid- Winter Conventions. It has been very interesting and I have made some wonderful new friends. Also connected with a few of the Lion friends I made at RLLI and leadership trainings. Our own convention is right around the corner (February 17-19) in Fairmont. Please consider attending, the committee has been hard at work to put together the best convention possible. We want you to learn a little more about Lions projects and happenings, make some new Lion friends and catch up with Lion friends you don't see very often. We have a discounted price for first timers. So please encourage your new members to attend. We also have a first timers contest for them. The winners get part of next year's convention paid for.

We also enjoy a little poolside hospitality. Of course we have a little business to take care of.

I would like everyone to consider stepping up, into some leadership roles. We have some cabinet positions to fill. Including Zone chairs and 2VDG. I'm on my last half of the year doing both positions. If you are considering and have any questions about the positions, please reach out to anyone on our Leadership Team. We are here to help. It may seem a little overwhelming at first, but it has been a wonderful journey. Hope to see everyone at Mid-Winter convention.

Thanks for all you do.

Make it a great day

2VDG Deb

5M3 DISTRICT CHILDHOOD CANCER

BLANKETS WILL BE TIED AT THE MID-WINTER

Cash donation, individual or club, are needed to purchase the kits and fabric.

Please make your check payable to :

District 5M3, note blanket project in memo.

Mail to: Denise Nelson 405 South St. Morgan, MN 56266



5M3 Mid-Winter Convention February 17-19, 2023

The raffle room at our mid-winter Lions Convention needs your help! Please think of something you can donate to our raffle. You may donate several items if you wish!! Think of something you would buy a raffle ticket for and let the fun begin. Remember, raffle profits all go to support Lions' projects! If you have something you wish to donate and can't make the Convention, please call 507-227-1711 and we will find a way to get your gift to the convention!!



The Eyeglass Recycling Center will be picking up BOXES of eyeglasses without eyeglass cases. Loose lenses will not be picked up either. Please make sure all eyeglass cases are not in with the eyeglasses.

They will be at the Best Western in Fairmont, MN on Sunday Morning, February 19, 2023 Be sure to count them for your report.

NO CASES OR LOOSE LENSES

\$\$ Parade of Green \$\$

Parade of Green is an annual event done at every Mid Winter Convention in our Multiple. It is the annual donations collection from clubs to the charities that Lions support throughout the year. It is very important that each club give to help keep them operational. We are halfway through our Lions year (July 1– June 30). If you haven't given already, this is your reminder to contribute. **If you have already given to a charity before the Mid-Winter Convention, your Treasurer can put a note in that charity's Parade of Green Bucket that states your club name and the amount that was already sent in this year. 5M3 and the charity say "THANK YOU!"**

Charity donations are listed below. **Please donate to as many as you can at Mid Winter Convention. If you need to mail in your Parade of Green checks, each charity may be sent in one envelope to:**

****Lion Denise Nelson, 405 S St., Morgan MN 56266**

- 5M3 Special Olympics
- Camp Courage
- Camp Confidence
- Can Do Canines
- Childhood Cancer
- KidSight **"CHECK PAYABLE TO: MD5M Lions Kidsight Foundation"**
- LCIF
- Leader Dog for the Blind
- MD5M Lions Hearing Foundation
- MN Lions Diabetes Foundation
- MN Lions Vision Foundation-Eye Bank, MAC Center, Cornea Transplants, Children's Eye Clinic
- Project New Hope Lions Foundation of MN
- Quest/Youth Outreach/Peace Poster **"CHECK PAYABLE TO: District 5M3 Lions"-Memo: donation area**
- True Friends
- Youth Exchange-Lions International/Youth Exchange Camp Spicer
"CHECK PAYABLE TO: District 5M3 Lions"-Memo: donation area
- (new) Brian Sheehan Foundation

*****Lions Den Newsletter IS NOT a Parade of Green donation. If you donate to the newsletter:
CHECK PAYABLE TO: District 5M3 Newsletter \$40 per club is appreciated**



5M3 Lions Mid-Winter Convention
February 17-19, 2023
Best Western, Fairmont MN
ACHIEVE NEW HEIGHTS!

REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Title ☐ Lion ☐ Guest ☐ 1st Timer

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Lions District: _____

Club Name: _____

☐ Title ☐ Lion ☐ Guest ☐ 1st Timer

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Lions District: _____

Club Name: _____

DISCOUNTED BOOKLETS-****Prices reflect cost of Speakers, Entertainment & Extras at this Convention****

EVENT CHOICES:	Before Jan 24	After Jan 24	#Attending	\$ Amount
YES! I am coming to the convention but not staying for meals				
** Meal Booklet (all meals)	\$70.00	\$85.00	_____	\$ _____
** 1st Timers Special Price	\$55.00	\$70.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Noon Luncheon	\$22.00	\$27.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Banquet	\$33.00	\$38.00	_____	\$ _____
Sunday Brunch Buffet	\$17.00	\$20.00	_____	\$ _____
"I WANNA BE A LEO" (ages 12-18)	\$50.00	\$50.00	_____	\$ _____
Meal Packet			_____	\$ _____
Total Amount			_____	\$ _____

Make Check Payable to:

District 5M3 Lions (memo-Mid Winter Conv)

Mail Completed Form and Payment to:

5M3 Lions Mid-Winter Convention

% PDG Gordon Mulder

1631 175th Street

Luverne, MN 56156

Cell: 507-601-8359

Home: 507-283-2861 gordonmulder@yahoo.com

Room Reservations:

Best Western - Fairmont, MN: 507-238-4771

***Make reservations by January 24**

***Tell them you are with "Lions 5M3"**

Room Rates - \$86.00 + tax

MID-WINTER CONVENTION

ID and AGENDA

Lions Clubs International Director JOHN YOUNEY



John W. Youney, from Skowhegan, Maine, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 103rd International Convention, June 25 through June 29, 2021.

Director Youney has worked as a trial attorney for the past 41 years and is the president of Merrill, Hyde, Fortier & Youney, P.A. His experience and reputation have qualified him to serve as a court-rostered mediator, as well as a court-rostered guardian ad litem in child protection.

He has served with the Skowhegan Lions Club since becoming a Lion in 1975 and has held a number of offices with the association including district governor, Campaign SightFirst II state coordinator, and GMT state coordinator. He has also served as the director as well as president of the New England Lions Council. Director Youney has presented at several DGE Regional School seminars and has served multiple times as a presenter and moderator for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

In recognition of his service, he has received numerous awards including several International President's Awards and International President's Leadership Awards. He is also the recipient of a number of International President's Certificates of Appreciation. Director Youney is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Youney is active in numerous civic and professional organizations including his service as chairperson of the Skowhegan Planning Board for over 18 years. He was a co-founder and president of the Downtown Business Association, now Main Street Skowhegan, and also served on the parish council for the St. George Greek Orthodox Church.

Director Youney is married to Lion Karol Kish Youney having served together since 1981. Lion Karol is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Friday, February 17, 2023

4:00-7:15 p.m.	Registration/Credential
4:00-7:15 p.m.	Raffle Room
5:00 p.m.	Cabinet Meeting
7:30-8:30 p.m.	Memorial Service
8:30 p.m.	First Timers Meeting (poolside)
8:30-11:00 p.m.	Poolside-DJ Scott Wessels Hospitality rooms

Saturday, February 18, 2023

7:00-9:00 a.m.	Registration/Credentials
3:30-4:30 p.m.	Registration
7:30-8:15 a.m.	Raffle Room
8:15-8:30 a.m.	Opening Ceremony SM3 DG Don Kuehl
8:30-9:15 a.m.	Leader Dog-Michael Brown
9:15-9:50 a.m.	Vision Foundation- Jennifer Marshal
9:50-10:05 a.m.	Break
10:05-10:45 a.m.	Diabetes Foundation- Sara McFee
10:45-11:25 a.m.	Childhood Cancer- Jeannine McDonald
11:25-1:45 p.m.	Recognition Luncheon Tail twisting-Lion Doug Rosenberg

Speaker	Dan Larock—Rock Farms
Peace Poster:	Lion Deb Rasset, Chair
Awards:	DG Don Kuehl ID John Youney
1:45-2:30 p.m.	Break
2:30-3:00 p.m.	Business Meeting
4:30-5:00 p.m.	Club President meeting with ID John Youney
3:30-5:00 p.m.	Raffle Room (Open)
5:00-6:00 p.m.	ID Reception for All- Fairmont School Band
6:00-8:00 p.m.	Governors Banquet

Keynote Speaker ID John Youney

	Presidential Awards
9 p.m.	Hospitality Rooms & Visiting

Sunday, February 19, 2023

8:00 a.m.	Raffle Drawing- Donating to Diabetes Foundation
8:00-8:40 a.m.	Worship Service Lion Merrill Davis
8:45-11:00 a.m.	Brunch

Speaker: Jonathan Ceplecha

	Parade of Green- Lion Denise Nelson, District Treasurer
	1st Timers Winners- PDG Al Struck
	Tail Twisting- Lion Doug Rosenberg- Donating to LCIF
11:00 a.m.	Adjournment

Welcome to the new year for Lions of 5M3. Winter is about half over and spring is on way soon. The lions clubs are busy with projects, fundraisers and pancake breakfasts. Just reminder to do your service reporting on the LCI website.

Mid-winter Convention is coming February 17—19 in Fairmont at the Best Western Motel. Make new friends and meet new ones. Please send your registration letter in. It is in the Lions Newsletter. There is Dan Larock a motivational speaker for the Saturday luncheon and other speakers on the Lions Foundations. It looks to be a great Mid-Winter Convention you don't want to miss.

Service reporting is improving as we speak but it could be better. Looking at the numbers, some of the clubs are doing great things for the Lions of 5M3 and the service reporting shows what they are doing. If your Club is not reporting, we don't know what is happening at club level.

I have starting calling clubs in zone five to see if it makes a difference. High levels of service reporting are a sign of healthy clubs, zones and districts. Knowledge of your club's service history provides invaluable insight to current and future club officers. In addition, district, zone and Global Action Team Leaders can best support your club when they understand how clubs in their area serve their communities. Any questions on service reporting just give me a call at (507) 236- 2480 or e-mail at davidjanssen1947@hotmail.com and I will try to answer your questions.

Thanks for the great job on service reporting.



Lion's Club Reporting

	People Served	Service Activities	Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated	Funds raised
Comfrey	150	3	20		800
Fairmont	3,082	2	190	3,000	3,000
Hadley	1,703	17	124	5,700	
Jackson	695	4	160	3,640	3,631
Jasper	1,507	49	325	2,850	
Lake Benton	165	1	85	1,177	1,908
Lakefield	900	5	122	1,700	
Lamberton		2			1,983
Lucan	6,655	33	1254	4,100	
Madelia	250	2	55	500	500
Marshall	7,868	98	374	925	1,536
MilRoy	300	1	60	650	650
Morgan	793	19	592	1,000	6,617
New Ulm	3,071	30	650	51,281	51,062
Redwood Falls	268	2	44		
Sherburn	3,246	7	246	3,120	2,400
Sleep Eye	520	2	120	600	600
Springfield Area	373	4	90	1,072	1,072
St. James	358	14	243	1,555	1,900
Tracy	2,264	25	398	13,800	1,030
Truman	160	2	40	1,000	1,068
Windom	910	19	303	16,265	3,833
Total served	36,140	Total Service Activities 344	Total Volunteer Hours 5,445	Funds Donated 114,735	Funds Raised 83,590

Thanks to all the clubs that are reporting and let's keep up the great work the Lions of 5M3 are doing. If we could get some more clubs to do reporting, that would be great. Any questions don't be afraid to ask, I will help the clubs on reporting.



LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION



The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) has announced for the 2022 – 2023 school year that there will be 4 US \$2,500 scholarships awarded. Graduating Leos OR graduating sons/daughters, grandsons/granddaughters of Lions are eligible to apply for the LITPC Youth Scholarship. The LITPC goal is to help our future leaders and give students a financial helping hand. This program started in 2012. Recipients have been from Connecticut, Delaware (2), Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota (3), New York (3), Ohio (3), Oklahoma (2), Pennsylvania (2) and Virginia (5). The 2023 recipients will be announced at the LITPC Pin Traders Annual Breakfast in June, 2023.

To obtain the current LITPC Youth Scholarship information:

1. Go to the **LITPC website**: www.litpc.org
2. In the left column, click on **LITPC Scholarship Forms**.
3. Then click on **LITPC Scholarship Information**.
4. When that page comes up, click on **Scholarship Application Form**. Read and follow **ALL** directions. Be sure to fill out **ALL** the forms neatly and correctly which includes the 4 essay questions (in 350 words or less) and the question about scholarships that you have been offered along with submitting a **certified** copy of your high school transcript including activities. Plus you also need to attach recommendations from 2 persons (i.e. teacher, coach, clergy, employer, etc.) **AND** attach a recommendation letter from a Lions Club member indicating the name of the Club and state/province and country in which the Club is located.

ALL forms and letters are to be submitted by **MARCH 1, 2023** to:

Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie, Scholarship Chairman 763-786-8072

9 101st Lane NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55448 bmguthrie9@q.com

You can either mail us your application or email it to us.

THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK TO ALL!!!

The LITPC fulfills the motto of Lions Clubs International – “WE SERVE”



14th Annual Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Research Update

March 18, 2023

Hosted by the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

More than 29 million people in the United States are living with diabetes—a growing number that includes 340,000 people in Minnesota alone. Unfortunately, that number is on the rise.

Join us at the annual Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation *Research Update* to hear from University of Minnesota scientists, who are conducting leading-edge research aimed at both preventing and curing diabetes. Learn first hand how these scientists, funded by the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, are making a direct impact in our community, state, and beyond.

Following the research presentations, guests will have the chance to interact with the scientists one on one, learn more about their research, and ask questions.

Saturday, March 18, 2023

11 a.m. Registration and Social
12 p.m. Lunch
1 p.m. Program
2:30 p.m. Meet n' Greet with Scientists

**St. Cloud River's Edge Convention Center
Opportunities Suite
10 4th Avenue South
St. Cloud, MN 56301**

Faculty Research Presentations:

- The search for a new drug to treat Type 2 diabetes
- Stopping the body's immune system from attacking islet cells, curing diabetes
- Introduction and vision for the Institute for Diabetes, Obesity and Metabolism
- The efforts to generate organs and tissues from animals
- Advances in viewing transplanted islets pre and post transplant
- Eliminating the use of lifelong immunosuppressant medications following transplants

RSVP by Tuesday, March 7:

RSVP via email to Larry Winner at lrrywnnr@gmail.com

A Zoom Link will be e-mailed to those unable to attend in person. Please request in e-mail above.

Please contact Larry Winner with any questions.

A confirmation email, including a parking map, will be sent prior to event.



Energy Conservation is Priority for Amy and Skilled Home Companion Jackson

January 11, 2023

Amy has had multiple sclerosis since 2007, and in the past few years, her disability has become more progressive. "I get lightheaded sometimes when I bend to pick up things off the floor," she explains. She also has difficulty walking more than a few steps unassisted, and it's not uncommon for her to fall or slip to the floor. "I did my best to keep my cell phone handy," says Amy.

While Amy was working with her occupational therapist in 2021, the therapist suggested that she consider an assistance dog. Amy remembers thinking, "I wonder what a dog could do for me."

The answer: A lot.

Amy works entirely from home for her job, taking calls related to dental insurance claims, and doesn't have much need to go out in public. Yet, she wished to be more self-sufficient at home.

Can Do Canines found the perfect homebody partner for her in Jackson, a black Lab that Amy describes as handsome, with jowls like an old man's.

Their similar low-energy personalities work great together, also being in sync with Amy's 14-year-old Shitzu, Flora.

There is definitely no shortage of dog beds in Amy's house. Family and friends helped welcome Jackson into the home with multiple beds: one for the living room, Amy's office, and Jackson's kennel. Although Jackson is more than happy to konk out on the kitchen floor, Amy says, "The humans in his life determined that he should not always be forced to." Amy also jokes that he sometimes even tries to stake claim on Flora's much smaller accommodations. "He'll just get the idea in his head to curl up his 73-pound self and try to shoehorn himself into a bed for a 10-pound dog."

Though Jackson doesn't mind these relaxing moments of conserving his energy, helping Amy conserve her own energy is his top goal. Whether it's bringing Amy's walker to her, retrieving her shoes, tugging the laundry basket, or opening and closing doors, Jackson puts his Skilled Home Companion skills to good use for his companion in their home. Amy's appreciation is palpable, especially as she shares, "He's shown that he can apply his skills to different situations ... The 'legs' command can be used to nudge my leg into the car, not just onto the bed."

In addition, Jackson can make sure someone can be alerted to give Amy help when needed, pressing an appropriate button. "It's a relief to know that he can do things to get attention if something happens," Amy confirms. "It's definitely another level of security."

Amy only has one unfulfilled request of her furry friend. Having recently invested in a new hand-held vacuum, she jokes, "If he could just run that, it'd be great!"



Thank you to all those who made this partnership possible:

Puppy Raiser — Jackson Correctional Institution

Great Start Home — Sara VanderLugt

Whelping Home — Dana and Pete Kittok

Special Thanks — Kathy and Mark Broten

Name-A-Puppy Donor — Optum



Why should I go to a Lions Leadership Institute?



Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI):

Registration is now open

The goal of the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) is to prepare Lions for leadership positions at the club level. Qualified candidates are Lions in good standing who have successfully served on a club committee and have not yet obtained the level of club president.

It is strongly recommended that all club vice presidents attend ELLI.

The Institute will be held at:

the *Dean Lakes Education Center 4601 Dean Lakes Boulevard | Shakopee, MN 55379*

Accommodations are available at the *Holiday Inn Express 4550 12th Avenue E Shakopee, MN 55379 952-445-2244*. Cost will be \$124 USD per night not including tax. Reservations must be made by Friday, March 24. Lions will be allowed to commute to the Institute providing they can do so from a safe distance and attend all Institute functions.

Cost of the Institute is \$100 USD in addition to lodging and travel expenses. The Multiple District will provide all meals and training materials.

The deadline to submit your completed application to your District Governor is March 17, 2023.

The application is located on the MD5M website:
lionsmd5m.org under resources.

If you have any questions please email Lion Dennis W. Kelly III,
MD5M GLT Coordinator at dkellylion@gmail.com

For more information on Lions Leadership institutes



MD5M EMERGING LIONS' LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

APRIL 13-16, 2023, SHAKOPEE MN

PARTICIPANT APPLICATION FORM

MUST BE SUBMITTED to your DISTRICT GOVERNOR no later than March 17, 2023

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: _____ DATE JOINED LIONS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-Mail ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE NO: _____

CLUB NAME: _____ MEMBER NUMBER: _____

CURRENT OFFICE HELD: _____

OTHER OFFICES HELD: _____

I WAS REFERRED BY: _____

WHY DO YOU WISH TO ATTEND THE MD5M EMERGING LIONS' LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE?

Use the back of this document or add another page if you require more space.

Any food or other allergies? _____

APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE FOLLOWING:

APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

CLUB PRESIDENT OR ZONE CHAIR: _____ DATE: _____

NOTE: If you are selected to attend the Leadership Institute you will need to provide a check payable to MD5M for \$100 upon notification of your acceptance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sleepy Eye Lions Club

Dad's Belgian Waffle Brunch

Sunday, March 19th, 2023
8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Snow date: March 26th



ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT

WAFFLES, SAUSAGES, FLAVORED SYRUPS,
SUGAR-FREE SYRUP AVAILABLE AND
WHIPPED TOPPINGS, COFFEE, MILK & WATER

- ~ Adults (at the door) \$10.00
(In Advance) \$9.00
- ~ Children 6-11 (at the door) \$6.00
(In Advance) \$5.00
- ~ Under 6 FREE
- ~ Take-outs available

Tickets available at the
Elementary Public School Office,
First Security Agency
or from any Lions member.

Sleepy Eye Public School Cafeteria
Use Elementary Wing Doors



Sponsored by Sleepy Eye Lions Club
Proceeds go to Lions Community Projects

Zone 7 Meeting

When: Thursday Feb. 23, 2023

Where: Jackson Pizza Ranch

Time: 6:30 PM

Come earlier if you would like to
have a meal before meeting.

Lion John-236-9313, Zone Chair

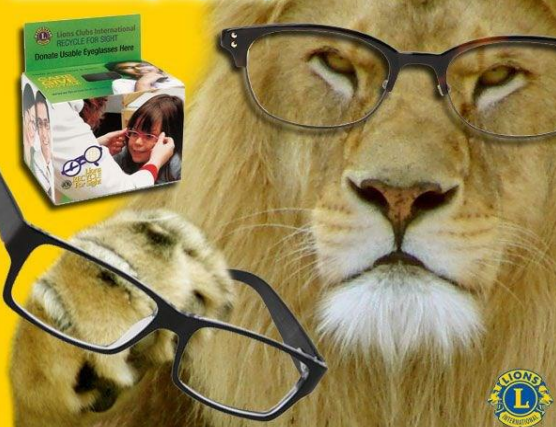
ZONE MEETING!

DG Don's Upcoming Schedule-2023

February 13th, Mt Lake Lions Club visit
February 17-19 5M3 Convention Fairmont
March 3-4, Council of Governors, St Cloud
March 7th, Sleepy Eye Lions Club visit
May 5- 7, MD5M Convention, St Cloud
July 7- 12, LCI Convention, Boston

Donate Your Old Eyeglasses

lionsclubs.org/recyclesight



Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation ANNUAL WALK

JUNE 3, 2023 - 9:30 AM

MINNESOTA LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM - CHASKA, MN
DIAMOND POINT PARK - BEMIDJI, MN

Register at: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/2023mlhfwalk/>

Text DFEET2023 to 50155 to donate or register!



5M3 HAPPENINGS



2023 5M3 WINNING PEACE POSTER

Brielle Plotz of Murray County Central Elementary in Slayton

Sponsored by HADLEY LIONS CLUB



New Ulm Lions Pizza Ranch Tip Night

On Monday, January 2nd, the New Ulm Lions bussed tables at New Ulm Pizza Ranch's "Tip Night". The Lions received all the tips plus 10% of the proceeds for their efforts. \$342.00 was raised for Childhood Cancer. "Thank You" to all who came to eat at the Pizza Ranch and to store manager, Brenan Charlton, for making this event possible.

Pictured left to right, Lion Bradley Moldan, Lion Hunter Volk; Assistant Store Manager, Brenan Charlton and Lion Gunner Volk. Not pictured, Lion Keith Richter.

For more information please go to:

<https://mnlionschildhoodcancerfoundation>

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Nov 30, 2021.....1,022

Dec 31, 2022.....1,021

YTD Members Added: 34

YTD Members Dropped: ... -48 YTD

Net Loss/Gain: -14

35 clubs



Above: The **Tyler Lions Club** began collecting shoes over the holidays for Soles4Souls, with drop boxes at various locations within the community. They recently paired, boxed and shipped 237 pairs using the Zappos free shipping program.

5M3 HAPPENINGS



Hadley Lions held their annual Chili Challenge with 7 teams competing. Proceeds went to local resident to help with medical expenses. Winning team is Slayton Fire Department. Over 300 people were served.

Above left: Slayton Fire Dept team Austin Boock, Nick Obermoller, Cody Hansen, Elissa Wieneke.

Above: Hadley Lions and helpers—Front: Arlys Huesfeldt, Lisa Saner, Rhonda Wynia, Taunya Kohls, Darren Saner, Rick Like, Kim Eisfeld Back: Henry Veldhuisen, Brent Johnson, Al Husfeldt, Steve Wynia, Bill Baune, Riley Engbarth, Ryan Beers.



New Ulm Lions Welcome Joyce Walsh

Lion Joyce Walsh was inducted into the Lions Club of New Ulm on January 12, 2023.

Pictured above: L to R, are Lion Joyce's sponsor, Helen Vogel; Lion Joyce, and New Ulm Lions Club President, Brad Kirk.



Above: **Fairmont Lions** Judy Bloomgren and Tony Rosenor are shown with seat cushions gifted to Fairmont Mayo Dialysis RN Kenna Krahmer. Fairmont will host the upcoming Lions 5M3 District Mid-Winter Convention on February 17-19 at Best Western in Fairmont.

5M3 HAPPENINGS



New Ulm Lions Club Presents Four Dream Catcher Awards

The Lions Club of New Ulm presented 4 Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation "Dream Catcher Awards" at the club's January 12 meeting. Lions Gayle O'Connor, Bob Schirlinger, Eileen Jacobson and Sue Harder were honored because of their work and donations at Walmart Wellness Days and the New Ulm Diabetes Walk, which supports the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation's goal to find a "Cure". The "Dream Catcher Award" represents the foundation's motto "Catch the Dream, Life without Diabetes"

Pictured, left to right, are Lions Gayle O'Connor, Bob Schirlinger, Eileen Jacobson, Sue Harder and New Ulm Lions President, Brad Kirk.



Fairmont Lion's Club for donated diabetic kits to both Fairmont Elementary and Fairmont High School. Pictured, L-R, Emily Fett, high school nurse; Duane Nawrocki, Lion's Club representative; April Torsen, elementary school nurse.



American Legion Post 64 Commanger Brad Pagel accepts \$1000 donation from **Hadley Lions** towards the Vietnam Travel Wall display that will com to the Murray County Fair Aug. 15-20, 2023.



Above and Left: **Luverne Lions** tie blankets for Childhood Cancer.



St James Lions 1st Wed; 6:00 pm Eagles Club #320 701 1st Ave S St. James Lion Brad Holmberg Pres.	Springfield Area Lions 2nd Thurs; 6:30 pm American Legion Lion Deb Miesen, Pres.		Luverne Lions 2nd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Charles Egland, Pres.	Tracy Lions 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. The Caboose Lion Quinn Horvath, Pres.
	Jackson Lions 2 & 4 Mon; 6:15 pm Jackson American Legion Lion Mark Walter, Pres.	Sleepy Eye Lions 1st Tues; 6:05 p.m. Sleepy Eye Golf Club Lion John Cselovszki, Pres.	Wabasso Lions 3rd Wed; 6:00 pm Community Center Lion Mike Eichten, Pres.	
Vesta Lions 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Vesta Café Lion Jim Penske, Pres.	Redwood Falls Lions 1 & 3 Mon; 6:00 p.m. VFW-Redwood Falls Lion Caitlyn Krueger, Pres.	Comfrey Lions 2nd Mon; 6:00 p.m. Comfrey Comm Ctr Lion Nathan Hesse, Pres.	Hadley Lions 3rd Tues; 6:30 p.m. Hadley Community Ctr Lion Lisa Saner, Pres.	Morgan Lions 4th Mon; 6:30 p.m. Lions Community Ctr Lion James Lueken, Pres.
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Lions of New Ulm 1 & 2 Thurs; 6 p.m. Turner Hall Lion Brad Kirk, Pres.	Marshall Lions 2 & 4 Tues; 6 p.m. Lion Jackie Meyer, Pres.	Jasper Lions 3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Stonewall Bar & Grill Lion Tim Houg, Pres.		Westbrook Lions 1st Wed; 8 p.m. Senior Center Lion Russell Gundermann, Pres.
Truman Lions 6:00 pm 1st Mon; Jan-May and Oct-Nov 2nd Mon Church of Christ Lion Ann Erdmann, Pres.	Granite Falls Lions 1 & 3 Mon; 6:30 p.m. Trolley's Bar & Grill Lion Camille TeBeest, Pres.	Fulda Lions 3rd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Fulda Sr Citizens Ctr Lion Michael Zins Pres.	Canby Lions 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. PK Egan's Lion Gene Bies, Pres.	Lucan Lions 2nd Thur; 7 p.m. Knotts Corner Lion Bradley Salfer, Pres.
Sherburn Lions 2 & 4 Mon; 7 p.m. Sherburn Legion Lion Nate Kilma, Pres.	Fulda Wood Duck Festival June 16-19, 2022 			Lakefield Lions 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Multi-Purpose Bldg Lion Dewayne Hage Pres.
Jeffers Community Lions 1st Thurs; 6:30 p.m. Jeffers City Hall Lion Susan Goeman, Pres.	Clarkfield Lions 3rd Tues; 7:30 a.m. Friendship Café Lion Jim Lynner, Pres.		Windom Lions 2 & 4 Wed; 6:30 p.m. Jack Slades Lion Alan Saffert, Pres.	Fairmont Lions 3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Allen Struck, Pres.

Newsletters are available 16 months back at:

e-district.org/sites/5m3/