



## District 5M3

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# FEBRUARY IS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

## Our Strategy

Grants are available to Lions districts and multiple districts in amounts from US\$10,000 to US\$160,000. 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

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## DG~Patty Peterson



Hello Lions,

Our Mid-Winter Convention is rapidly approaching, Feb. 16-18, in Fairmont. Please consider attending, even if for just part of it. I would love to see every club have at least one member there.

One of the items we do at the business meeting of the convention is vote on the next year's leaders. If you are thinking about running for 2VDG, please be nominated at the convention. It is so much easier to elect someone at convention than try to get someone during the year. It is also easier for the incoming officers to be in right the start than to try to "catch up." We also have openings on the cabinet for project chairs and trustees. Please help us out by saying "yes" early. It will be much appreciated!

I am enjoying my year as District Governor. It has given me opportunities and experiences that I likely would not have had otherwise. I have met wonderful people. Gary & I got to travel to Boston, and we will be going to Winnipeg in April, two places we had not been to. Most importantly, we are all working together to help others. WE SERVE!!

I still have a few club visits to make. If your club is not yet scheduled, please contact me as soon as possible. I would like to visit every club.

See you at Mid-Winter!

DG Patty

DG Patty's Schedule

Feb 2-4 5M8 Mid-Winter Convention in St. Cloud

Feb 9-11 5M2 Mid-Winter Convention in Mankato

Feb 16-18 5M3 Mid-Winter Convention in Fairmont



# VDG~Deb Rasset

Hello Lions,

What a busy time of year. Just got through the holidays. Now it is Lions Midwinter Convention season. I've already attended 5 conventions. Everyone of them does things a little differently. It has been very interesting. We may find some ways to add to our convention. Which is just a few weeks away. We have a great convention planned. So I hope to see many of our Lions there.

The training for my journey to become District Governor is going great. I will be traveling to St. Charles, Illinois at the end of February. This will be 3 days of training and touring Lions International headquarters. The beginning of March I'll be in Roseville for 3 days of additional training and touring the foundations. LCI makes sure that we have the information to make our year as District Governor successful.

My message this month is about Mission 1.5. The goal is to get our International membership to 1.5 million members by July 1, 2027. Growing our membership makes Lions stronger at every level. With more members we will have more resources to fulfill our mission of service. DG Patty's net growth goal is +42. We have not achieved this goal yet. Therefore we all need to work hard to get our membership increased. I will be getting our next year's district target numbers soon. Our district is -12 for the fiscal year. So we all need to remember to invite others to join our wonderful organization. Lions International is also asking every district to start a new club. We need to be looking for other communities in our district that would greatly benefit from having a Lions Club in their community. The Lions International website has information available to help our clubs. Please check out their information.

Thank you for all you do,  
Make it a great day,

1VDG Deb

## BE THE CHANGE



We Serve

MD5M GET Multiple District Coordinator

## MD5M GLOBAL ACTION TEAM NEEDS YOU!

The position of Global Extension Team Multiple District Coordinator is open.



### Attributes of a GET Coordinator

Passion for Lions

Understands New Club Development

Committed to Missiom 1.5

Ability to Mentor Others

Motivator, Trainer & Collaborator

Technology Savvy



Mission 1.5 is well underway and to support our Districts GETs, filling the MD GET position is one step toward achieving our membership goals. Are you ready to join the MD GAT? If so, please send a resume to [executivesecretary@lionsmd5m.org](mailto:executivesecretary@lionsmd5m.org).



For more information please visit the LCI website for the GET Coordinator roles and responsibilities at: [https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md\\_YLxSzh4U8n5.jpg.pdf?v=1](https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md_YLxSzh4U8n5.jpg.pdf?v=1)

# Coming Soon: Special Olympics returns to Red- wood Falls

## 2024

### Watch for Date/Time and service opportunities.



Greetings from the Global Service Desk



Welcome to wonderful season that is called winter, and the temperature is five degrees with 30 mph wind. We had really nice weather the last couple of weeks and it looks like it is just averaging it out. Just enjoy the weather we have, and spring will be here very soon.

The big service project of making youth beds is going very well. Tracy Lions have given out about 41 beds to the children that don't have a bed. There have been some heartwarming stories of children getting their first bed. They have started on the next batch of about 20 bed frames that working on. The Sherburn Lions started making beds and it is a learning process and it has gone very well. Sherburn Lions made 2 beds and they looked just like the ones that the Tracy Lion's made. GREAT JOB SHERBURN LIONS.

Tracy Lions are putting together a booklet of instructions on how to make these beds, along with details of the project. Tracy Lions will sell these at kits to other Lions clubs. The motto for this project is "TUCK THEM IN ". Donations from business, such as mattress, bed sheets, cash donations would be appreciated. Any club that is interested in this project please call the Tracy Lions President Dennis Fultz (507 626-0281. Dennis will do give the information that you are looking for. Also, cash donations from clubs are accepted at any time. Service reporting is improving, and we are at 22 clubs this month. That is great and maybe next month we could have close to 25 clubs doing some reporting. Lion's members of 5M3 are keeping busy with all the projects and fund raisers. Keep up the good work and thanks to the clubs that are reporting. Looking at the list of clubs, there is a lot of activity going on by the numbers they are reporting for number people that are served, number of service activities, funds raised, and funds donated. THANKS TO THE CLUBS REPORTING.

The Mid-Winter Convention coming up in Fairmont at Best Western. It starts on Friday Feb. 16 and ends on Sunday Feb. 18. Please plan on attending and everyone will have a great learning experience and enjoy visiting other Lions from the district.

Lions Club Service Reporting

	People Served	Service Activities	Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated	Funds Raised
Canby	1,982	5	45	100	
Clarkfield		1	12		
Comfrey	100	1	124		
Fairmont	1,500	1	300	3,000	3,000
Hadley	2,355	27	172	16,945	8,141
Jackson	1,210	6	276	1,900	16,400
Jasper	2,447	30	306	949	
Lakefield	290	6	75	1,000	
Lamberton	270	2	40		
Lucan	4,075	28	712	4,260	4,178
Marshall	9,680	112	392	1,720	3,154
Morgan	7,512	24	929	799	6,517
Mountain Lake	1,000	2	114	500	800
New Ulm	7,418	42	1,130	8,533	9,911
Pipestone	439	4	6	150	
Redwood Falls	4,587	26	412		5,000
Sherburn	3,726	9	579	2,800	10,300
Springfield Area	1,162	4	238		684
St. James	536	14	312	375	2,498
Tracy	2,404	30	475	6,079	9,311
Truman	100	1	50		600
Westbrook	2,846	22	139	900	3,570
<b>Totals</b>	<b>55,639</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>6,719</b>	<b>50,010</b>	<b>84,064</b>

THANKS TO THE LION' S CLUBS FOR THE GREAT SERVICE REPORTING and KEEP THE GOOD WORK!!!!  
 GST David J.



**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!! 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!!**

## \$\$ 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 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/Camp Courage
- 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 \$25  
per club is appreciated.



## 5M3 Memorial Service list—Feb 2024

Lion George Rysdahl	Clarkfield Lions Club
Lion Ron Arens	Fairmont Lions Club
Lion Gunval "Gunny" Knutson	Granite Falls Lions Club
Lion Ronald Muller	Jasper Lions Club
Lion Mary Stegemann	Lakefield Lions Club
Lion Eldon Hammerschmidt	Lucan Lions Club
Lion Curt Kenyon	Marshall Lions Club
Lion Mark Dolan	Milroy Lions Club
Lion Brian Harder	Mountain Lake Lions Club
Lion James Harder	Mountain Lake Lions Club
Lion Terrance Dempsey	Lions Club of New Ulm
Lion William Carlson	Tracy Lions Club
Lion Deb Chukuske	Tracy Lions Club
Lion Darrel Janssen	Tracy Lions Club
Lion Dale Rykhuis	Tracy Lions Club
Lion Ron Thooft	Tyler Lions Club
Lion Gary Hindt	Wabasso Lions Club
Lion Scott Jenniges	Wabasso Lions Club
Lion John Rupp	Westbrook Community



**The Eyeglass Recycling Center will be picking up BOXES of eyeglasses without eyeglass cases.**

**Loose lenses will not be picked up either. Please remove all eyeglass cases.**

**They will be at the Best Western in Fairmont, MN during the 5M3 Mid-Winter Convention!**

**Be sure to count them.  
NO CASES OR LOOSE  
LENSES**



**5M3 Lions Mid-Winter Convention**  
**February 16-18, 2024**  
**Best Western, Fairmont MN**  
**MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Title \_\_\_\_\_  Lion  Guest  1<sup>st</sup> Timer

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions District: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title \_\_\_\_\_  Lion  Guest  1<sup>st</sup> Timer

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions District: \_\_\_\_\_

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

DISCOUNTED BOOKLETS -\*\*Prices reflect cost of Speakers, Entertainment & Extras at 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)	\$80.00	\$95.00	_____	\$ _____
** 1 <sup>st</sup> Timers Special Price	\$65.00	\$80.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Noon Luncheon	\$27.00	\$32.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Banquet	\$37.00	\$42.00	_____	\$ _____
Sunday Brunch Buffet	\$22.00	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
<i>"I WANNA BE A LEO" (ages 12-18)</i>	\$50.00	\$50.00	_____	\$ _____
<i>Meal Packet</i>				
	<b>Total Amount</b>			\$ _____

Make Check Payable to:

**District 5M3 Lions** (memo-Mid Winter Conv)

Mail Completed Form and Payment to:

5M3 Lions Mid-Winter Convention  
 % IPDG Donald Kuehl  
 141 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
 Jackson, MN 56143  
 Cell: 507-841-4917  
 Home: 507-847-3126 ddkuehl@msn.com

Room Reservations:

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

\*Make reservations by **January 24**

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

Room Rates - \$109.00 + tax

**Friday, February 16, 2024**

- 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
- 8:30 p.m. Poolside-Lion Al Lang  
Hospitality rooms

**Saturday, February 17, 2024**

- 7:00-9:30 a.m. Registration/Credentials
- 8:15-8:30 a.m. Opening Ceremony  
5M3 DG Patty Peterson
- 8:30 a.m. Raffle Room open all day
- 8:30-9:15 a.m. Hearing Foundation-  
Dr. Samir Khariwala
- 9:15-9:50 a.m. Sheehan Foundation-video
- 9:50-10:05 a.m. Break
- 10:05-10:45 a.m. Can-Do-Canines
- 10:45-11:25 a.m. Project New Hope
- 11:25-12:00 p.m. Break
- 12:00-1:45 p.m. Recognition Luncheon

Tail twisting-Lion Doug Rosenberg

**Speaker**

- Peace Poster:** Lion Ryan Brinks, Chair
- 1:45-2:30 p.m. Break
- 1:45-2:30 p.m. Registration/Credentials
- 2:30-3:30 p.m. Business Meeting
- 3:30-4:30 p.m. Registration
- 3:30-4:00 p.m. Club President meeting  
with ID Marie Cunning
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. ID Reception for All
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. Governors Banquet

**Keynote Speaker ID Marie Cunning**

*Presidential Awards*

- 9 p.m. Hospitality Rooms & Visiting

**Sunday, February 18, 2024**

- 8:00 a.m. Raffle Drawing-  
*Donating to Childhood Cancer*
- 8:00-8:40 a.m. Worship Service
- 8:45-11:00 a.m. Brunch
- Speaker:**
- Parade of Green-  
*Lion Denise Nelson,*  
*District Treasurer*
- 1st Timers Winners- *PDG Al Struck*
- Tail Twisting- *Lion Doug Rosenberg-*  
*Donating to Diabetes Foundation*
- 11:00 a.m. Adjournment

**Friday Nite Mixer  
8:30 p.m. Poolside**

Join Lion Al Lang for some good **You name it,**  
ole fashioned 50-60's music and **Lion Al will**  
**play it!**



country  
western  
music by  
5M3's own:

**Lion  
Al Lang**



**Saturday Night  
after banquet!**



**Music by "Sparky"**  
**Games and socializing.**  
**Hospitality rooms will be open.**

# Lions Clubs International Director Marie T. Cunning



Maria T. Cunning from Phoenix, Arizona, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions Clubs International at the association’s 105th International Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, July 7 through July 11, 2023.

Director Cunning is a business owner and entrepreneur with more than 35 years of experience in real estate development. She currently manages and operates three companies. She is president and CEO of Arista Development, Inc., she is the owner and a designated broker for Altair Realty, LLC and she is the owner of Arizona Discount Flooring, LLC. Among her many notable projects are the construction of over 100 custom homes and a 120-unit apartment complex in the Phoenix and Scottsdale areas. She speaks 3 languages—English, Filipino and Spanish.

She is a third generation Lion with a passion for service and going on medical missions. She joined the Phoenix Barangay Lions Club as a charter member in 1996 and has served with them ever since. Additionally, she has served as guiding Lion for two clubs in the Phoenix area.

Director Cunning has held a number of offices within the association including district Youth Exchange chairperson and multiple district youth coordinator. She has served several years as multiple district membership chair and is currently the district 21-N membership chair. She has served multiple times as LCI Tel-a-thon fundraising chairperson and has been a speaker at the USA-Canada leadership forum and for LCIF Foundation Fridays. She was also a task force member for the North American Membership Initiative. Additionally, she participates in the Global Service Missions and “A Ball for All” initiative for sight impaired children.

In recognition of her service to the association, she has received numerous awards including an International President’s Award and an International President’s Leadership Award. She is also a LCIF Progressive Lead Donor and a LCIF Legacy Society member.

In addition to her Lions activities, Director Cunning is active in numerous professional and community organizations. She is currently the national president for the Federation of Philippine American Chambers of Commerce (FPACC), president of the Filipino American Business Chamber of Commerce of Arizona, Board of Trustees for the National Federation of Filipino American Associations and is director at-large for the Arizona Asian American Association.

Director Cunning has received a number of civic awards for her kindness and service including Outstanding Asian American Citizen awarded by former US Senator Jon Kyl, the International Global Leadership Excellence Award, as well as the Excellence in Community Leadership award given by Filipino American National Historical Society. She was also honored as Woman of the Year in 2017 for Chicago by the TV Hall of Fame Awards.

Director Cunning has two wonderful adult sons and hopes that grandchildren are in her future. Her hobbies are service, recruiting new Lions and travel.



### LEARN

- Raise club awareness about childhood cancer by holding an educational talk with a healthcare professional or public health official at your club or district meeting or related events.
- Collaborate with a local childhood cancer hospital or support home staff to learn about the needs of their patients and families. Brainstorm ways your club can address key challenges and gaps.
- Research and develop a list of local childhood cancer organizations in your community to support future projects.
- Identify local advocacy events related to childhood cancer and explore ways to get involved.

### ACT // BEGINNER

- Identify nearby childhood cancer centers and support homes to request a wish or needs list. Conduct a drive to donate the requested items.
- Prepare healthy meals for families with children undergoing treatment. This can be done in collaboration with other community members to ensure the family receives food on a regular basis.
- Collect recyclable materials and donate the profits to a childhood cancer organization.
- Write cards full of well-wishes and share them with a local cancer center.
- Donate financial support or gift cards to identified families in need or a nearby childhood cancer center. This could cover expenses like gasoline, parking, food, medical expenses, etc.
- Make or buy new hats, caps, head scarves or blankets to donate to childhood cancer centers.
- Volunteer at a local childhood cancer organization fundraising event.
- Organize a community drive to assemble a toy library for the enjoyment of patients.
- Participate in a blood donation or bone marrow registry event to benefit cancer treatment.

### ACT // INTERMEDIATE

- Collaborate with an organization that makes wigs for children with cancer to collect and donate hair.
- Provide tutoring services to children with cancer, their siblings, or adult learning opportunities for parents.
- Organize an event with a cancer support center to have family photographs taken.
- Raise awareness of childhood cancer through informational pamphlet distribution, radio public service announcements, or social media campaigns.
- Provide children’s entertainment at a local hospital or treatment center for children with cancer. Entertainment can include social visits to read books and play games, hosting a seasonal party, or spending time with siblings of patients.
- Provide funding support for essential medicines and supportive services. Crucial medical needs could include chemotherapy supplies, nutritional supplements, medical equipment, essential staff, etc.
- Participate in a one-time volunteer activity at a childhood cancer camp.
- Organize a community childhood cancer awareness event such as a walk/run event or pamphlet distribution.

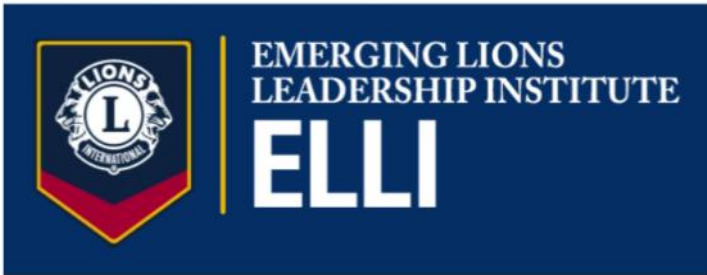
### ACT // ADVANCED

- Familiarize yourself with the bone marrow transplant registry. If one is not established in your country, determine what would be needed to create one.
- Organize an advocacy event to impact government policy around childhood cancer.
- Acquire and equip vehicles for the transportation of patients and family members for commuting to and from the hospital.
- Volunteer at established support housing facilities or develop a new one.
- Make yarn character wigs (ex. Superhero, princess) for children with cancer.
- Organize a workshop with medical specialists in child oncology for pediatric physicians, nurses, related medical personnel, or parents to train on early diagnosis of childhood cancer.
- Organize a fun half-day retreat for families of children in remission or the siblings of children with cancer.
- Furnish waiting rooms for the families and guests of children with cancer.
- Organize and facilitate an activity at a childhood cancer camp.
- Create mini-kitchens at hospitals or support homes for food preparation and supply with food.
- Organize a fundraiser for a childhood cancer organization, or for a local family who has been impacted by childhood cancer.



GET 1D EN 01/20





This institute is for Lions who wish to pursue leadership roles within their club. You will learn the history and goals of LCI and LCIF, develop strategies for being an effective leader, creative thinking, change management and collaborate with a diverse group of fellow Lions.



**March 15-17, 2024**  
**Shooting Star Casino**  
**777 Casino Dr, Mahnomen, MN**



The cost of the institute is \$100 USD which includes all training materials and meals. Lodging is available at the casino hotel for \$85 USD per night.

Additional details and the application can be found on the MD5M website: [lionsmd5m.org](http://lionsmd5m.org) under resources.

Contact Lion Dennis W. Kelly III, MD5M GLT Coordinator at [dkellylion@gmail.com](mailto:dkellylion@gmail.com) with questions.

## Emerging Lions Leadership Institutes (ELLI)

The goal of this institute is to prepare Lions for leadership positions at the club level.

Qualified candidates are:

- Lions in good standing
- Have successfully served on a club committee and have not yet obtained the level of club president.

\*\*\*It is strongly recommended that the club's first vice president attend.\*\*\*

This institute and accommodations will be at Shooting Star Casino, 777 Casino Dr, Mahnomen, MN. Hotel rooms will cost \$85 USD per night not including tax. Reservations must be made by Friday, March 1st. Lions will be allowed to commute to the Institute providing they can do so from a safe distance and attend all Institute functions.

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

Courses will include:

- Lions, Past, Present and Future
- Change Management
- Supporting Lions' Teams
- LCIF
- Communication
- Conducting Effective Meetings
- Diversity
- Lions Mentoring Program
- Creative Thinking
- Ensuring Club success

**The deadline to submit your completed application to your District Governor is February 23rd, 2024.**



EMERGING LIONS  
 LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE  
**ELLI**

## MD5M Mahnomen March 14-17, 2024

Thursday 3-14	Friday 3-15	Saturday 3-16	Sunday 3-17
Arrival at host venue	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
	8:00-8:30 am Late Registration	8:00-10:00 am Communication	8:30-10:00 am Creative Thinking
	8:30-10:00 am Opening Session		10:00-10:15 am Break
	10:00-10:15 am Break	10:00-10:15 am Break	10:00-10:15 am Break
	10:15 am-12:15 pm Lions, Past, Present & Future	10:15 am-12:15 pm Conducting Effective Meetings	10:15 am-11:45 pm LCIF
	12:15-1:15 pm Lunch	12:15-1:15 pm Lunch	11:45-12:45 pm Lunch
Faculty Prep Day	1:15-2:45 pm Change Management	1:15-2:45 pm Diversity	12:45-2:15 pm Ensuring Club Success
	2:45-3:00 pm Break	2:45-3:00 pm Break	2:15-3:00 pm Closing
	3:00-4:30 pm Supporting Lions Teams	3:00-4:30 pm Lions Mentoring Program	3:00 pm Departure
	4:30-5:30 pm LCIF Topic Preparation	4:30-5:30 pm Focused Discussion	
	Dinner	Appreciation Dinner	



**MD5M EMERGING LIONS' LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

**MARCH 15-17, 2024, MAHNOMEN MN**

**PARTICIPANT APPLICATION FORM**

***MUST BE SUBMITTED to your DISTRICT GOVERNOR no later than February 23, 2024***

***PLEASE PRINT***

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE JOINED LIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB NAME & NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT OFFICE HELD: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER OFFICES HELD: \_\_\_\_\_

I WAS REFERRED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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: The registration fee for the Institute will be \$100 USD. This fee will be payable by check or credit card before you can attend the Institute. You will be notified of your acceptance and provided with the payment information by March 1<sup>st</sup> 2024.



## LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) has announced for the 2023 – 2024 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 (2), Delaware (2), Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota (4), New York (3), Ohio (4), Oklahoma (2), Pennsylvania (2) and Virginia (6). The 2024 recipients will be announced at the LITPC Annual Meeting in 2024.

To obtain the current LITPC Youth Scholarship information:

1. Go to the **LITPC website**: [www.litpc.org](http://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, 2024** to:

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

**9 101<sup>st</sup> Lane NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55448      [bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto: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”**

### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

**Nov 30, 2022.....1,021**

**Dec 31, 2023.....1,015**

**YTD Members Added: 39**

**YTD Members Dropped: -48 YTD**

**Net Loss/Gain: -9**

**35 clubs**



## Club Sponsor Page

### NEW FEE!

To have your Club listed on the sponsor page, send **\$25.00** to District Treasurer, Denise Nelson at 405 S St, Morgan MN 56266 Memo line: Newsletter Sponsor.

**NOTE: Clubs can be sponsored in more than one box.**

# UPCOMING EVENTS



Redwood Falls  
Pizza Ranch

## A PIZZA PARTY FOR A CAUSE

A Fundraising Effort for  
the Redwood Falls Lions



**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH**  
5:00 - 7:30 PM  
1360 E BRIDGE ST,  
REDWOOD FALLS, MN

Join us for a evening of delicious  
pizza, fabulous chicken, fresh  
salads and mouthwatering  
desserts

**Sleepy Eye Lions Club**

## Dad's Belgian Waffle Brunch

**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Snow date: March 24th



**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT**  
WAFFLES, SAUSAGES, FLAVORED SYRUPS,  
SUGAR-FREE SYRUP AVAILABLE AND  
WHIPPED TOPPING, 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 and  
Minnesota Lions Eye Bank - In honor of Lion Bridget Hilleseim, Sleepy Eye Lions



LIONS CLUB OF NEW ULM



## Dad's Belgian Waffles

Serving all you can eat waffles, sausages, flavored syrups  
butter, whipped cream, coffee, milk, juice

### Turner Hall

102 S. State Street

**Sunday, February 25, 2024**

**7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Tickets at the door: \$11.00

Tickets in advance: \$10.00

Children 5 and under are free  
Handicap Accessible

*Carry out available*

Advance tickets are available from any New Ulm Lion and  
The Chamber of Commerce 233-4300 (1 N. Minnesota Street)  
Cash Wise Foods 354-2717 (1220 Westridge Rd.)  
Hy Vee Food Store 354-8255 (2015 S. Broadway)  
Sid's Signs on Broadway 359-9536 9700 N. Broadway St.)



**Mark Your Calendar!**

**Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation**  
**Diabetes Research Update**  
**Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Attend in person or via Zoom Link  
Event details available soon through your  
District MLDF Trustees and on  
[MNLionsDiabetes.org](http://MNLionsDiabetes.org) website.



**"Catch the Dream"**  
**Life Without Diabetes!**

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## LCIF Gala Paint the Town **RED** GREEN!



Sat, April 13, 2024  
Prairie Event Center  
Parkers Prairie, MN  
10:30 am to 4:00 pm



LCIF Chairman Bert Nelson telling Melvin Jones all about the LCIF Gala in April.

If you want to join in on the fun that we will have with PIP Brian and Lori Sheehan with raising money for LCIF, than read below what you need to know and do.

Check with your District LCIF Coordinator to find your personal balance that you have donated to LCIF. If you want to be presented with a MJF plaque or PMJF pin by PIP Brian Sheehan, then you will need to order your plaque/pin by Feb 29, 2024. You can contact LCIF Donor Services at 630-203-3836 to have the plaque/pin sent to you and bring it to the LCIF Gala if you are attending.

Tickets are now available through your District LCIF Coordinator for \$45 each or \$500 for a table of 8 (perks included).

The Gala will begin at 10:30 am at the Prairie Event Center with Lion Lori Sheehan leading a Lions in Motion activity at 11:00. There will be a costume contest with a green theme. Dinner will start at 12:30.

If you need a place to stay before or after the gala, a Grandstay Hotel is located next door with rates starting around \$157.00. Their phone # is 1-855-230-2535. There are also hotels available in nearby Alexandria, MN.

Any further questions please contact:  
Bert Nelson 218-298-0599 or lionbert.a.nelson@gmail.com

July 11<sup>th</sup> is

**MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation**

**At the Hamel Rodeo!!**

**For every ticket sold for the July 11<sup>th</sup> show, MNLCCF will receive a portion of the ticket sales!**

**Rodeo starts at 7:30pm Gates open 2 hours before the show.**

**5 shows throughout the weekend.**

**Order tickets online: <https://www.hamelrodeo.org>**



## STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness

## Physical Activity Challenge

---Coming Soon ---

February, March & April 2024

### Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation

Registration / Donation Site will Open on February 1, 2024

*We look forward to working with you,  
Your District Trustees Lion John Tirevold and Lion  
Bob Schirlinger*

**"Catch the Dream"  
...Life Without Diabetes!**



MD5M GLT Multiple  
District Coordinator

## MD5M GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM NEEDS YOU!

The position of Global Leadership Team Multiple District Coordinator is open beginning July 1, 2024.



### Attributes of a GLT Corrdinator

- Passion for Lions
- Effective Communicator
- Leads by Example
- Ability to Mentor Others
- Motivator
- Encourages Diversity
- Recommended graduate of FDI, LCIP Certified or a participant of an ALLI

Recruitment Period  
January 1 - 31, 2024

Send a Resume and Letter of Recommendation to:  
[executivesecretary@lionsmd5m.org](mailto:executivesecretary@lionsmd5m.org)

For more information please visit the LCI website for the GLT Coordinator roles and responsibilities at: [https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md\\_YLlxSzh4U8n5.jpg.pdf?v=1](https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md_YLlxSzh4U8n5.jpg.pdf?v=1)

# UPCOMING EVENTS



**The FUN Pianos! Show**  
[www.FunPianos.com](http://www.FunPianos.com)  
 @FunPianos

SPRINGFIELD AREA LIONS CLUB PRESENTS

## The Fun Dueling Pianos Show

Friday, March 15, 2024 · 7:30 p.m.  
 Doors open at 6:30

Springfield Area Community Center  
 \$35/ticket - Advance Sales Only

Tickets available from any Lions Club Member  
 or at Red Rock Bank, Springfield Location

### Take a peek at our building updates

For more than 18 months, we have been reworking our facility tour experience to share the Can Do Canines story consistently, cohesively, and meaningfully. This facility tour project is more than a brand re-fresh. It is an opportunity to invite our community into our renewed space and give them a sense of the scope and impact of our mission.








#### UPCOMING EVENTS

More information on our website: [candocanines.org/events](http://candocanines.org/events)

**Fetching Ball Gala, February 17**  
 Join us for an evening celebrating the amazing teams of Can Do Canines. Enjoy dinner, games, and silent and live auctions. Buy your tickets at [candocanines.org/fetchingball](http://candocanines.org/fetchingball).

**Open House, March 9**  
 If you or someone you know might want to learn more about us, check out our open house being held at our New Hope campus on Saturday, March 9, from noon-2 p.m.

**Our Mission**  
 Can Do Canines is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities by creating mutually beneficial partnerships with specially trained dogs.

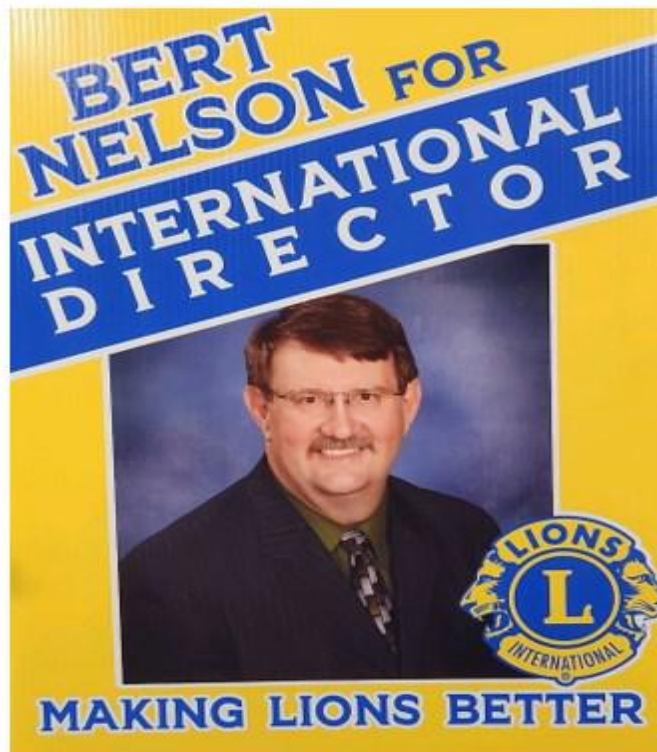
4446 Science Center Drive, New Hope, MN 55428  
 763-331-3995 | [info@candocanines.org](mailto:info@candocanines.org) | [candocanines.org](http://candocanines.org)

Can Do Canines ASSISTANCE DOGS

Assistance Dogs International  
 National Dog Care  
 MEETS STANDARDS  
 MEMBER

Cover Photo and Dewitt's story image: Liz Berfield Fetching Ball Photo: Owen Larson

## You're going to Canada in April, eh?



**BERT NELSON FOR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

**MAKING LIONS BETTER**

It has been great meeting the Lions in our multiple as Pam and I have been attending the Mid-Winter conventions. We are hoping to make it to each one, weather and work permitting. Come check my table at the convention with this sign. I do have some jokebooks and pins that you may be interested in.

We do have a race for the endorsement of International Director. We need to show Lions Clubs International that the Lions from MD5M strongly support our members in the service they do for Lions.

I appreciate the support that I have been given already and I encourage your clubs to send voting delegates to the MD5M convention in April in Winnipeg, MB.

# 5M3 HAPPENINGS



## Lions Club Donates to Quilters

The Lions Club of New Ulm recently donated \$500 to the Washington School Quilters. This money will be used to purchase fabric, yarn, batting, needles, clamps and other supplies. This all voluntary group meets twice a month to make and tie quilts for donation in space provided for them at the Washington Learning Center. The Washington School Quilters work directly with Family Services to help identify those in need. Just this past December they donated 46 quilts. Six were to Adopt a Families, 10 to Head Start and 8 each to Ivy House and First Choice Pregnancy Center. They also donated quilts to military veterans and to a family that had a fire. In addition, they donate to fund raisers as the need arises and make pillows for Heart to Home. They have also received donations from Thimble Box in the past. The Washington School Quilters rely solely on donations to make and donate their quilts. To donate materials or cash, please contact Nancy Ginkel at 507-766-1820.



**Lucan Lions** December dinner meeting welcomed guest Delbert Hertling to speak about Redwood County Warriors. L-R: Lion Greg Janachovsky, Delbert Hertling and Lion Jeff Turbes.



## Lions Donate to Food Shelf

The Lions Club of New Ulm donated \$1,500 to the New Ulm Area Emergency Food Shelf. The New Ulm Area Emergency Food Shelf is always in need of cash donations and volunteers. Cash donations can be sent to P O Box 761, New Ulm, MN 56073. If you would like to volunteer your time to help the less fortunate in our community, please contact board member Gary Roiger at 507-359-9569. If you are in need of food, please come down during business hours or call 507-354-7668. The New Ulm Area Emergency Food Shelf is located at 1305 South Valley St. Hours are 12:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. the first Monday of every month.

Pictured above left to right: New Ulm Area Emergency Food Shelf Executive Director, Brad Kirk; Board Member, Gary Roiger; New Ulm Lions President, Bob Schirlinger; Lion Keith Richter and New Ulm Lions Treasurer, John Micheel.



Left: **Sherburn Lions** are doing service project of making youth size bed for young children that maybe sleeping on the floor.



The Lions have made two beds and they turned out very nice. There has been donations for this project. Mattress, comforter, sheets, pillows and lumber to build the bed.

Lion member donated this use of use shop. Thanks to all the members get this project going.



# 5M3 HAPPENINGS



**Hadley Lions** and helpers at annual Chili Challenge. Proceeds went to local family for medical expenses. Over 300 people were served. **Below:** Recipient family gave Hadley Lions appreciation plaque.



**Above:** Slayton Fire Department had the winning chili for second year. **Below:** 8 teams made chilis for the fundraiser.



**Hadley Lions** have begun serving food during Currie Town & Country Boosters Bingo on Friday evenings, January-March. **Right:** It is well attended.

At: Hadley Community Center

Food serving begins 5:30 pm, Bingo 6:30 pm.  
Hope to see you there!



## Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation



Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Club Visits.

We would like to Thank all district 5M3 clubs for the support you have given to the MLDF and Diabetes Research. Currently, Lions Bob Schirlinger from New Ulm and John Tirevold from Sherburn are serving as the Diabetes Co-Chairs of our 5M3 District. **We are interested in coming to visit your club and share what is happening with Lions Diabetes in our district and with our MN Lions Diabetes Foundation.** Please contact one of us so that we can arrange a time and date as to when we can speak at your club.

**Please remember the MLDF as you prepare you Parade of Green donations.**

Bob Schirlinger

801 North Payne St.

New Ulm, MN 56073

[bbschir@comcast.net](mailto:bbschir@comcast.net)

C) 612-501-2719

John Tirevold

PO Box 195

Sherburn, MN 56171

[tirejohn784@gmail.com](mailto:tirejohn784@gmail.com)

C) 507-236-9313

Good Afternoon Fellow Lions,

In the last couple of days we have once again received reports of phishing emails where the perpetrators were pretending to be the District Governor.

The emails I was shown screenshots of, included many of the hallmarks of phishing attempts.

1. There were misspelled words
2. The email addresses when viewed were junk and definitely not from the DG
3. They were trying to trick you into clicking on links or had an attachment they hoped you would open.

Please remain vigilant and review each email thoroughly before you click on something.

Unfortunately, there is almost no way to stop perpetrators from pulling documents from our websites and making something the looks like it might be legit.

If you question it at all, do not click on a link and do not open the attachment. Delete the email, and I would recommend you block that email address if your email view has that option.

-Lion Matt Huggenvik  
MD5M Webmaster



Newsletters are available 13 months back at:

[e-district.org/sites/5m3/](http://e-district.org/sites/5m3/)

<p><b>Vesta Lions</b> 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Vesta Café Lion Jim Penske, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Springfield Area Lions</b> 2nd Thurs; 6:30 pm American Legion Lion Paul Hocum, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Sleepy Eye Lions</b> 1st Tues; 6:05 p.m. Sleepy Eye Golf Club Lion Connie Knutson, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Jackson Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6:15 pm Jackson Golf Course Lion Mark Walter, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Tracy Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. The Caboose Lion Dennis Fultz, Pres.</p>
<p><b>Westbrook Lions</b> 1st Wed; 8 p.m. Senior Center Lion John Madson, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Redwood Falls Lions</b> 1 &amp; 3 Mon; 6:00 p.m. VFW-Redwood Falls Lion Chad Johnson, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Luverne Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Lois Mulder, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Wabasso Lions</b> 3rd Wed; 6:00 pm Community Center Lion Mike Eichten, Pres.</p>	
<p><b>Tyler Lions</b> 4th Wed; 7:30 p.m. Kronborg Inn 101 Hwy 14 Tyler Lion Ted Kern, Pres.</p>		<p><b>Comfrey Lions</b> 2nd Mon; 6:00 p.m. Comfrey Comm Ctr Lion Linda Wallin, Pres.</p>		<p><b>Morgan Lions</b> 4th Mon; 6:30 p.m. Lions Community Ctr Lion Cheryl Gewerth, Pres.</p>
<p><b>Windom Lions</b> 2 &amp; 4 Wed; 6:30 p.m. Jack Slades Lion Eric Haken, Pres.</p>	<p>Bringing the District news to you with NEW FEE! If your Club is not listed, be sure to send in <b>\$25.00</b> to <b>District Treasurer, Denise Nelson</b> <b>405 S St, Morgan MN 56266.</b> Memo line: <b>Newsletter Sponsor.</b></p>			

# 5M3 Lions Clubs Sponsor Page



<p><b>Lions of New Ulm</b> 1 &amp; 2 Thurs; 6 p.m. Turner Hall Lion Bob Schirlinger, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Granite Falls Lions</b> 1 &amp; 3 Mon; 6:30 p.m. Trolley's Bar &amp; Grill Lion Amy Richter, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Jasper Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Stonewall Bar &amp; Grill Lion Tim Houg, Pres.</p>		<p><b>Marshall Lions</b> 2 &amp; 4 Tues; 6 p.m.  Lion Jackie Meyer, Pres.</p>
	<p><b>Truman Lions</b> 6:00 pm 1st Mon; Jan-May and Oct-Nov 2nd Mon Church of Christ Lion Lynn Brownlee, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Fairmont Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Jim Davison, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Lucan Lions</b> 2nd Thur; 7 p.m. Knotts Corner Lion Jeffrey Turbes, Pres.</p>	
<p><b>Sherburn Lions</b> 2 &amp; 4 Mon; 7 p.m. Sherburn Legion Lion Doug Rosenberg, Pres.</p>		<p><b>Jeffers Community Lions</b> 1st Thurs; 6:30 p.m. Jeffers City Hall Lion Susan Goeman, Pres.</p>		<p><b>Lakefield Lions</b> 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Multi-Purpose Bldg Lion Joel Poppe, Pres.</p>
<p><b>St James Lions</b> 1st Mon; 6:00 pm Eagles Club #320 701 1st Ave S St. James Lion Stephen Ferazzano II Pres.</p>	<p><b>Hadley Lions</b> 4th Wed; 6:30 p.m. Hadley Community Ctr Lion Robyn Moger, Pres.</p>	<p><b>Fulda Wood Duck Festival</b> <b>June 15-18, 2023</b></p> 		<p><b>Fulda Lions</b> 3rd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Fulda Sr Citizens Ctr Lion Michael Schaffer, Pres.</p>