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THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Leads. Empowers. Inspires.

“ It’s not about taking credit. It’s about creating opportunity. It’s about **inspiring** others to lead. ”

STRONG LEADERS
BUILD STRONG CLUBS.

*Strong Clubs
Build a Brighter District. ♥*

BE THE SPARK.
Be the Change.

WHAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DOES

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SERVES AS A LEADER
Guides clubs, supports members, and fosters a culture of service and excellence.
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DEVELOPS LEADERS
Mentors current members and encourages new leaders to step forward with confidence.
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BUILDS CONNECTIONS
Brings clubs together, strengthens relationships, and creates a united, impactful District.
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DRIVES GROWTH & IMPACT
Supports club success, expands our reach, and helps more people in need.
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REPRESENTS OUR MISSION
Champions Lions International’s vision and ensures our District thrives today and tomorrow.



STEP UP. LEAD FORWARD.
BUILD A BRIGHTER DISTRICT!

The future is in our hands—let’s lead it together.

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DG DENISE NELSON

As the Lions year draws to a close, I find myself reflecting on what a wonderful year it has been serving as your District Governor. Everyone has been so supportive, welcoming, and encouraging throughout this journey. We may be a smaller district, but we truly are a strong and dedicated one!

To those who served on committees, organized events, attended training sessions, or simply stepped in to lend a helping hand when needed — thank you. You have made my job not only easier, but truly an experience to remember. This year has been a team effort in every sense of the word.

As I pass the torch to District Governor Elect Greg, I do so with gratitude and optimism. The future is bright for District 5M3 because of each and every one of you. DGE Greg will be a great leader this coming year. Let's continue building on our momentum, growing our service, membership and making a difference together.

Thank you for the honor of serving as your District Governor.

Until next time...

Can you hear those Lions roar? 

DG Denise

District 5M3 Zones 1 & 2 Meeting

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

SLAYTON PIZZA RANCH

6:00 pm meeting

Come earlier if eating (on your own)

Zone 1 Clubs: Canby, Clarkfield, Granite Falls, Marshall, Tracy, Tyler

Zone 2 Clubs: Lake Benton, Pipestone, Luverne, Hadley, Fulda, Westbrook, Jasper

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Mar 31, 2025.....987

Apr 30, 2026.....946

34 Clubs

YTD Members Added: 36

YTD Members Dropped: -55 YTD

Net Loss/Gain: -19

34 clubs





**DGE GREG
JANACHOVSKY**

2026/2027 LEADERSHIP TRAINING: Change in the format this year, each zone is having at Leadership Training Meeting. Instead of two large Sunday sessions in Windom and Marshall, we bringing training closer to you by hosting weeknight sessions in each zone during May and June. **Who should attend: All current and incoming club officers (attendance is expected as part of your role), and any Lions member interested in future leadership opportunities.**

MEETING DATES: Zone 1; May 26, 2026, Tolley's in Granite Falls at 6:30 pm; Zone 3; May 27, 2026, Springfield Legion at 6:30 pm; Zone 5; June 10, 2026, Multi-Purpose Center in Lakefield at 6:30 pm; Zone 4; June 16, 2026, Knott's Corner in Lucan at 6:30 pm. Luverne has step forward to host for zone 2 looking at dates in June 15, 17 or 18.

This training is a great opportunity to better understand leadership roles and expectations at both the club and district level. Meeting should be about one hour. Food may be provided; Hosting Lions clubs will decide on the food menu. Would be great if you let the hosting Lions club that you are attending a few days in advance, so they can plan on the amount of food needed. **Remember all current and new officers are expected to attend as this is part of your duties and responsibilities.**

IT'S TIME TO GROW AND SERVE MORE PEOPLE: What does it take to grow and serve more people? It takes Lions in each of our clubs to provide more service, which makes an impact on our communities by finding new opportunities to serve and helping more people and inspire them to join our clubs. It takes Lions in each club who want to spread the word of Lionism and grow and serve in leadership roles in our clubs and district that are meaningful and make an impact. It takes Lions who are open to listen to new members and support their new ideas and try them, why not? It may be time to freshen up the list of projects we do. It takes Lions who are passionate about service and reach out whenever and wherever they can to be inclusive of all members or their club and community. It takes Lions who inspire and ask questions, give directions and support each other to make sure their club is following an action plan for future growth in leadership, membership and service. It takes Lions who find their voice, their passion, their strength to make their club and community a better place to be a part of. It takes every Lion to live our moto "We Serve" in everything we do. We are a source of help, hope and happiness to every person we meet. **5M3 Lions are a force of change and we can grow and make a difference by serving more people at home and around the world! Believe in yourself, believe in Lions!**

LOOKING FOR CABINET & FOUNDATION CHAIRS: If you are interested joining the 5M3 cabinet, please contact District Governor Denise Nelson or myself. **We are looking for a Second Vice District Governor, zone 3 chair, Constitution & By-Laws chair and a Youth Exchange chair.**

THE SEASON OF LIONS FUNRAISERS: Please support your neighboring Lions clubs' fundraisers. A wonderful way to socialize, visit with friends, family & neighbors, plus helping them raise money for local community projects. **Check out the 5M3 website and the latest newsletter for Lions clubs fundraisers and foundation activities.**

Thank you for being a Lion.
5M3 DGE
Greg Janachovsky





1VDGE DARREN SANER

My first year of DG training will end soon and the beginning of another draws near with more club visits, seminars and gathering of information. I'll endeavor to bring that knowledge to your clubs and together we'll keep District 5M3 growing stronger.

I've enjoyed working with DG Denise and look forward to continued alliance with DG Greg and whomever steps into the 2VDG role. I know you're out there! Call me 507-227-0944 and we'll talk.

If you're stepping into or continuing in your club's leadership role, please attend one of the trainings. It's very helpful and you'll meet other Lions in those same positions who can be good contacts in the future. We don't always know what those roles involve unless we're told.

I am looking forward to touring Leader Dog in September and will start FVDG training soon. Please invite me to your Gov. visits along with Greg so I can get to know you all.

We are currently down 19 members for the year and want to end on a positive. Please ask someone to be a lion today!

Keep on serving!!

1VDGE Darren.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED FOR ALL CURRENT/INCOMING OFFICERS!


*** May 26, 2026 – Granite Falls
Tolley's – 6:30 pm**

*** May 27, 2026 – Springfield
Legion – 6:30 pm**

*** June 10, 2026 – Lakefield
Multi-Purpose Center – 6:30 pm
(they need to know how many)**




*** June 16, 2026 – Lucan
Knott's Corner – 6:30 pm**

*** June 18, 2026 – Luverne
Trailshead – 6:30 pm**



WE NEED YOU!

LIONS QUEST CHAIRPERSON

Lions Quest is a comprehensive, positive youth development program that empowers young people with important social and emotional skills. Join us in making a difference in the lives of children and youth in our community.

Key responsibilities of the Lions Quest Chairperson include:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Program Leadership ✔ Workshop Coordination ✔ Training Facilitation ✔ Resource Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Community Outreach ✔ School Partnerships ✔ Progress Reporting ✔ Youth Advocacy
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District Chairperson Needed! Contact DG if interested in supporting Lions Quest for '26-27. Training and support will be provided from Multiple Lions Quest Chair.





Board of Trustees

Matt Huggenvick & Cindy Stansfield, 5M1

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5M2

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mndfeetwalk@gmail.com

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Checks payable to:

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation

Rose Thies, Treasurer

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation

21515 371st Avenue

Green Isle, MN 55338-2027

DFEET WALK

2026 MN Lions Hearing Foundation Fundraiser

Dear Lions and Friends:

Your Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation 2026 Walk to DFEET Hearing Loss is just around the corner on June 6th, 2026.

It is not too late to help those with hearing-related issues.

Please consider participating in our 2026 Walk at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum and at Diamond Point Park in Bemidji, MN. If you or your club cannot participate at either site, you can take a walk at your local park, bring some club members together for a walk in a park, jump on your treadmill, or ride your bike.

Levels of Support

\$25

\$35 includes a walk t-shirt

\$100

\$250

\$500

\$1000 gets your Club name on back of the t-shirt

Children under 12 will receive a free walk shirt.

We challenge your club to create a team to help raise funds for this important event. Please complete the attached registration form and mail to Lion Rose Thies by April 15th, 2026.

We hope you will support the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation to raise the much-needed funds to support our mission of research, education, and clinical support to the deaf and hard of hearing community.

With regards,

Kathleen Bleckenberg

Board Chair

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation





D-FEET WALK REGISTRATION FORM

June 6, 2026

Club Name _____ Dis-
trict _____

Contact Person (please print)

Address: _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Phone # _____ Email ad-
dress: _____

Donation Amount: \$1000 _____ \$500 _____ \$250 _____ \$100 _____ \$50 _____ \$35 _____
\$25 _____

Check the box for the type of donation:

Club Donation

Personal Donation

\$25 donation with no t-shirt.

*\$35 donation includes a t-shirt. Registration form must be received by April 15th, 2026 to re-
ceive a t-shirt.*

**Complete the next page for t-shirts*

Club Sponsorships:

\$1000 level - Club's name on the back of the t-shirt and up to 28 entrants with t-shirts

\$500 level - Up to 14 entrants with t-shirts

\$250 level - Up to 7 entrants with t-shirts

\$100 level - Up to 3 entrants with t-shirts

Check the box for which event you/your club are attending:

Dfeet Walk at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

Dfeet Walk at the Diamond Point Park in Bemidji

Donation Only



Greetings from the Global Service Desk

Welcome to a busy time of the year, attending graduations and a few Lions meetings that are taking place. The Global Action Team is working on maybe getting a Lions club starting in Ellsworth. We are meeting with the Mayor and city council and a community group that is pretty involved with the city. We will see what happens down the road. A few other towns were visited, and they are Cottonwood and Wanda. We also went to the Comfrey club's Meet and Greet that turned out very well with a couple of prospective members. We are closer than many realize. One new member per club and one more service plus invitation moment can shift the entire year. Lions International have a goal of 1.5 members by June 30, 2026. Our 1.4 million members are serving locally and globally to help take on some of the biggest challenges facing humanity. JUST KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK THE LIONS ARE DOING. LET'S SEE IF WE GET TO 1.5MILLION. Just remember to ask. Have a great summer. Thanks again for your service.

	Number of Members	Service Activities	People Served	Volunteer Hours	LCIF Donations
1.Canby	15	15	3,957	160	145.00
2.Clarkfield	22	1	25	10	0
3.Comfrey	9	4	235	20	10.00
4.Fairmont	24	8	4,611	735	600.00
5.Fulda	24	15	1,658	458	25.00
6.Granite Falls	38	32	4,610	119	101.00
7.Hadley	35	95	8,316	1,192	1,009.71
8.Jackson	35	4	1,060	250	2018.04
9.Jasper	24	49	1,681	229	240.00
10.JeffersComm	19	1	0	0	50.00
11.LakeBenton	25	5	282	154	0
12.Lakefield	23	38	1,649	371	164.95
13.Lamberton	13	4	170	46	1,060.60
14.Lucan	46	80	10,660	1,352	823.65
15.Luverne	25	1	0	11	285.24
16.Madelia	24	1	0	0	500.00
17.Marshall	23	80	8,598	613	165.45
18.Milroy	31	5	650	236	35.00
19.Morgan	21	40	9,263	986	380.00
20.MountainLake	18	19	2,636	37	50.00
21.NewUlm	56	67	6,184	1,681	1218.00
22.Pipestone	11	4	467	63	38.00
23.RedwoodFalls	29	13	6,800	309	200.00
24.Sherburn	38	14	2,978	764	627.95
25.SleepyEye	19	16	1,220	188	100.00
26.SpringfieldArea	30	23	2,809	323	533.00
27.St.James	19	15	861	350	800.00
28.Tracy	59	14	1,591	241	649.00
29.Truman	11	12	1045	1401	50.00
30.Tyler	33	8	2334	272	260.00
31.Vesta	28	2	100	145	125.00
32.Wabasso	66	1	450	500	200.00
33.Westbrook	18	84	10,171	657	410.35
34.Windom	35	44	5,131	876	473.28
District Level Activities 3		500			
No Club Designated	951	818	103,002	14,919	29,605.10

5M3 Lions Service Reporting
THANKS FOR YOUR SERVICE

GST DAVID J.



8 SAVE THE DATE!



PROJECT NEW HOPE

Military Family Retreats
at no cost to Veterans




"At Project New Hope, we are driven by our mission - to provide education, training and skills necessary to manage their lives after wartime service."



FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO
WWW.PROJECTNEUHOPE.NET OR SCAN THIS CODE:



2026 MINNESOTA RETREATS

2026 JUNE 5-7
Osprey Wilds near Sandstone, MN

2026 OCTOBER 2-4
Good Earth Village, Spring Valley, MN

2026 DECEMBER 4-6
Faith Haven Camp near Battle Lake, MN

TRACTOR TRAIL RIDE



John Deere, Massey, International, bring them all!!

Saturday, June 20th, 2026
1:00pm - approx. 4:30pm

MEET AT NOON AT THE MORGAN CITY PARK, WE WILL THEN DRIVE THRU GIL-MOR, HEAD TO THE RIVER BOTTOM, TO KETTNER'S LANDING FOR REFRESHMENTS AND THEN RETURN TO MORGAN.

****FOR SAFETY REASONS 10MPH OR BETTER IS REQUIRED****

CALL DAN BILLMEIER AT 507-828-8493 WITH ANY QUESTIONS





SPECIAL OLYMPICS
USA GAMES
MINNESOTA 2026



Multiple District 5M
proudly announces...

2026

Coming to MINNESOTA

JUNE 20-26



PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP!



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Your donations designated to Special Olympics USA Games Minnesota to LCIF will help make our \$250,000 grant possible!

Family Night!
For athletes & their families

Opening Eyes®
(Vision Screening)

ALL BALLS

Separate Sponsorships will be available for (Sensory) All-Balls are for each participating athlete.

Sponsorship information will be coming in the District Newsletters and Multiple District Website soon.

Scan this code for more about All Balls



WANT TO VOLUNTEER for the

Special Olympics USA Games?




Family Night is TWO NIGHTS (Mariucci Arena)

Pick as many opportunities as you want to!

<p>Family Night Setup Volunteers</p> <p>Tue, Jun 16, 2026 - 01:00 PM to 06:00 PM</p> <p>Family Night</p>	FUL
<p>Lions Club - Opening Eyes</p> <p>Jun 19 - Jun 25, 2026 (Multiple Shifts Available)</p> <p>Healthy Athletes</p>	66
<p>Family Night Guest Service Volunteer</p> <p>Jun 24 - Jun 25, 2026 (Multiple Shifts Available)</p> <p>Family Night</p>	41
<p>Family Night Greet Team Volunteers</p> <p>Jun 24 - Jun 25, 2026 (Multiple Shifts Available)</p> <p>Family Night</p>	FUL



A HARD DAY'S NIGHT

BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND

PLAYING THE GREAT SONGS OF THE FAB FOUR

THURSDAY JUNE 11th 7:00 PM

FAIRMONT HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

**ADVANCED TICKETS \$20 (GENERAL ADMISSION)
\$25 AT THE DOOR**

*PROCEEDS BENEFIT INTERLAKEN HERITAGE DAYS &
EMPOWER YOUTH (MARTIN CO. SUBSTANCE ABUSE)*

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT HY-VEE, FAREWAY, STATE BANK,
FIRST FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK



PRESENTED BY:



SPONSORED BY:

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation

ANNUAL WALK TO D-FEET HEARING LOSS

JUNE 6, 2026

**Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
Chaska, MN**

Registration: 9am - 10am
Walk Starts: 10:15am
Lunch Begins: 11:15am

**Diamond Point Park
Bemidji, M**

Registration: 8:30am - 9:30am
Walk Starts: 9:45am
Lunch Begins: 11:30am

- Entry Fee: \$25 (no t-shirt) or \$35 (includes t-shirt)
- Fee includes entry to arboretum/park, lunch, plus lots of activities and games!
- Kids under 12 are free!
- Fun for families of all ages!
- A chance to change a person's life through your registration donation.
- Register at: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/2026walktod-feethearingloss/>



Minnesota Landscape
ARBORETUM



To learn more visit us at:
5mhf.org or at
facebook.com/5mhf.org



2026 LIONS GOLF

TOURNAMENT

NET PROCEEDS BENEFIT
MINNESOTA LIONS
DIABETES FOUNDATION

**JUNE 12
FRIDAY**

\$45.00 per golfer
Golf fee includes green fees &
Dinner, Golf Cart not included.
Call 507-764-8381 to reserve cart.

11 a.m. Check in
Noon Shotgun Start
4 p.m. Social
followed by dinner

Location: Fox Lake Golf Course

REGISTER / RSVP BY JUNE 5

Call or Email
Mark Wohlhuter
507-236-2444
mwohlhuter32@gmail.com

NOT A GOLFER?
JOIN US AT 4 P.M. FOR
SOCIAL & DINNER
\$20 PERSON RSVP BY JUNE 5

SPONSORED BY SHERBURN & JACKSON LIONS CLUBS

PORK CHOP DINNER

**THURSDAY
JUNE 18TH, 2026**

Served from 5pm-7pm
at the Morgan City Park

MEAL INCLUDES:
PORK CHOP, POTATO
SALAD, BAKED
BEANS AND JUICE OR
COFFEE.

ADULTS	\$15
EXTRA CHOP	\$7
HOT DOG MEAL	\$6

PORK CHOPS
DONATED BY:



SCHWARTZ FARMS INC.



Morgan Lions Club
Proceeds will benefit Morgan community projects!

55th Annual Wabasso Lions Pork BBQ

Wednesday, June 24th, 2026

Wabasso Community Center

Serving 5pm-8pm

BBQ pork, potato salad, beans, bread,
pickles, juice & coffee

\$10 (adults), \$5 (6 to 12)

Hot Dog & Mac & Cheese as well

take-outs available

Lions Bar, Lions Raffle, DJ Bob, Kids Pedal
Pull (reg @ 6:30, pull @ 7pm) & other
activities!!



All proceeds to Lions community projects

All events on Community Center grounds

“Wabasso Lions....some bigger, none
better”



BREAKFAST

Fairmont Lions Club

June 28, 2026

At the Fairmont, MN Airport (KFRM)

**Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage,
Milk, Orange Juice, Coffee**

7am to 12pm

Adv. Ticket: Adult-\$8 Children (6-10) \$4

At the Door: Adult-\$10 Children (6-10) \$5

Children under 6 - Free

AIRPLANE RIDES

WEATHER PERMITTING

VOLUNTEER TO HELP



SIGN UP TO WORK A SHIFT AT THE



FREE ADMISSION INTO THE FAIR & MILEAGE IS
REIMBURSED!



Scan the QR code to access the
online sign-up app and choose
any shift that works for you!
Onsite training will be provided.
Below are the job descriptions
for each position.

Team Lead (District Director) : Oversees the event and team operations.

Vision Screener (2) : Conducts screenings using the Welch Allyn SPOT
or PlusOptix devices.

Greeter (2) : Welcomes families, explains the screening, assists with
consent forms, checks for completeness, and manages the waiting line
until a screener is ready.

Escort (2) : Guides families to the screener, delivers results, and files
paperwork.

**Note: Greeter and Escort roles require standing and interacting with
families; Escort also requires attention to detail.**



Madelia
Lions Club

FLY THE FLAG PROGRAM

Show your pride while supporting Madelia
Muestra tu orgullo mientras apoyas a Madelia



The Madelia Lions Club will place an
American flag in your yard to honor our
veterans, show your American pride, and
support your local community.



El Club de Leones de Madelia colocará una
bandera americana en su jardín para honrar
a nuestros veteranos, mostrar su orgullo
americano y apoyar a su comunidad local.

HOW IT WORKS

- Sign up for the program
Join via the QR-code on this poster, or at madelialions.org
- Flags are installed
before Armed Forces Day
- Flags are removed
after POW/MIA Recognition Day
- All proceeds stay local!
Every single dollar goes back into Madelia

WHY IT MATTERS

Your participation helps fund:

- Community projects
- Local events
- Support for families in need
- Youth and education programs



CÓMO FUNCIONA

- Regístrese para el programa
Únase a través del código QR en este póster, o en madelialions.org
- Las banderas se instalan
antes del Día de las Fuerzas Armadas.
- Las banderas se retiran
después del Día de Reconocimiento de los POW/MIA
¡Todas las ganancias se quedan locales!
Cada dólar regresa a Madelia.

POR QUÉ IMPORTA

Su participación ayuda a financiar:

- Proyectos comunitarios
- Eventos locales
- Apoyo para familias necesitadas
- Programas juveniles y educativos



**JOIN TODAY, FLY THE FLAG,
AND SUPPORT MADELIA!!**
Visitmadelialions.org/flag

**¡ÚNASE HOY, VUELE LA
BANDERA Y APOYE A MADELIA!**
VisitaMadelialions.org/flag



MADELIA
LIONS CLUB
— We Serve —

info@madelialions.org
(507) 317-8083
P.O. Box 75
Madelia, MN 56062

Thank you for
supporting
Madelia!



★ All proceeds stay in the community. Thank you for your support! ★ Las ganancias se quedan en nuestra comunidad. ¡Gracias por tu apoyo! ★

Tracy Lions are celebrating 50 years!

5 p.m. Sunday, June 14, 2026, at The Caboose in Tracy

RSVP by

JUNE 1



Social hour: 5 p.m., dinner: 6 p.m., guest speaker is past International President Brian Sheehan, awards following

Cost: \$25 / RSVP to Tammy Horner (507-626-0447) or Patty Peterson (507-531-0950)

LUCAN LIONS CLUB (47th) Annual BEEF BAR-BE-QUE

Friday, June 12, 2026

***Serving from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.
at the Lucan Community Center***

**Menu: Bar-be-que Beef from South 40 Meat Market, Potato Salad,
Baked Beans, Chips, Pickles, Bread, Coffee & Juice |
*Hot Dog Meal Available.***



Later check out the youth ball games at the park.

***These events kick-off Lucan's Pretzel Days –
– Come check it out!!***

FOOD TRUCK

FESTIVAL

- GYPSY BOWLS
- CHICKEN CONNECTION
- LINGEN DAIRY
- SCOTTY BIGGS BBQ
- PLAZA GARIBALDI

4:30 – 7:30 PM



Monday, June 8th
REDWOOD
FAIR GROUNDS

HOSTED BY REDWOOD FAIR BOARD
& REDWOOD FALLS LIONS CLUB

ATTENTION EVERYONE!!!

Luverne Lions Club is having their 2nd annual Buffalo Days Raffle on June 5, 2026.

Five big raffle prizes!! #1. Sophia and William 3 Burner/Charcoal Combo with Smoker Grill!! #2. Ninja Food Air Fryer with smart cook thermometer!! #3 – #4 – #5. Meat bundles (Premium MN Pork Bundles)!!

\$5.00 a ticket each or \$50.00 FOR A PACKET OF 10 TICKETS !! (must be 18 to purchase or win). Need not be present to win. **Call any Luverne Lions Club member to buy tickets.**

Luverne Lions Club president: Glenda Schomaker – 507-220-3226

Raffle committee Chair – Mike Wagley – 320-979-0801

Drawing to be held June 5, 2026 at approximately 7:30 pm.

Net proceeds split between MN Lions Hearing Foundation and Mn Lions Diabetes Foundation.



Good evening, Lions,

I have a couple of updates on LCIF.

I want to thank all of the clubs and individuals that have made a donation to LCIF this year.

We have made our Multiple goal of \$300,000 for Special Olympics!

Our district is just \$3000 short of our LCIF goal for this year.

We have 2 months left, so if you or your club has not donated and would like to help out, please let me know.

If your club is still collecting donations with the jar, please get the donations to me by June 1st to make sure they get credited by July 1st.

The winners at the Mid-Winter convention were;

Most Creative- Springfield Area

Most representative of LCIF-Marshall

Highest percent donation per member- Jackson.

They all received a \$50 for their club to LCIF.

If you have any ideas for fundraising next year, please share with me.

Please share this message with your club.

Once again, Thank you for supporting our foundation.

5M3 LCIF District Coordinator

Deb Rasset



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

FREE 18-INCH ROAD SIGNS GET YOURS TODAY!



FREE 18-INCH ROAD SIGNS
available while supplies last



LIMIT ONE REQUEST PER CLUB
Thank you for helping us
spread the word!



FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED
Signs will be fulfilled on a
first-come, first-served basis.



*Show your
impact.
Inspire your
community.*



LIONS 18" STREET SIGN



REQUEST YOUR SIGN TODAY:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/member-resource-center/marketing-events/marketing-public-relations/club-marketing/road-signs>



5M3 HAPPENINGS!



Lion Jerry Wohlers (red shirt) between 2 Past District Presidents from the **Jackson Lions Club**, Lion Don Kuehl and Lion John Meyers, and Lion Mark Walter (blue sweatshirt) who organized a great meeting to hear how CAMP CONFIDENCE continues to impact families across Minnesota!

Granite Falls Lions braved the wind to clean up their section of Highway 23!



Redwood Falls Lions once again took part in the Adopt-A-Highway program this spring, cleaning up the ditches west of Redwood Falls. One step at a time, Lions continue working to make our world a better place.



PROJECT NEW HOPE



Redwood Falls Lion Alexis Nelson received a Certificate of Appreciation from DG Denise for Project New Hope Retreat at Lake Shetek which was held May 1st-3rd, 2026.



Redwood Falls Lions Members were putting up lights for the Celebrate Redwood's Annual "Night Falls" which took place on May 7th – 9th at Ramsey Park.



The Redwood Falls Lions were happy to help this year at the Redwood Valley High School prom. One of their longest-serving members, Denny Moore, dressed up and warmly greeted each couple as he opened the door for them, helping make the evening extra special.





Granite Falls Lions held their annual honors banquet at the rock in granite falls. Honoring YME seniors who have maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher throughout their high school career.



Hadley Lions held their annual baseball tournament on May 9th. Far left: Lions Teresa, Robin, Kim and Rhonda sell concessions. Near right: Lion Joe trains Scott on the fire dept grill.



Redwood Falls Lions were happy to be able to donate to the new "Lake Redwood Paddle Share." This gives patrons the opportunity to rent paddle boards, single kayaks and double kayaks with life jackets included to take out on and explore Lake Redwood.



Redwood Falls Lions members Stacey Draeger & Denny Moore were happy to give out 2 - \$500 scholarships to Redwood Valley Senior recipients Zach Wilson & Delayna Nez at the "Evening of the Stars" Event held on May 13th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE MCC GRADUATING SENIORS!!!

Hadley Lions Scholarships were awarded to...

2026



Quintin Lewis
Olivia Lewis & Ben Lewis



Cayden Veldhuisen
Darren and Jackie Veldhuisen

Morgan Lion Craig recognized four scholarship recipients during Senior Recognition Night.

Congrats!

TO THE
2026
SCHOLARSHIP
WINNERS



THOMAS, GRACE, BRYNN AND JAYLYN







THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS <4% OF CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH

30% of children won't survive the disease.

27,000 Moms & Dads will have to hear the words "Your child has cancer" this year.

4,150/YEAR Are Diagnosed With a Pediatric Brain Tumor in the U.S.

11/DAY

THE AVERAGE AGE OF DIAGNOSIS IS **6 YEARS OLD**

#1 CAUSE OF DEATH
Cancer is the #1 Cause of Death by Disease Among Children Ages 1-14
And Among Those Who Die from Cancer, Brain and Central Nervous System Tumors are the Leading Cause of Death Among Pediatric Oncology Patients.



The Lions Club of New Ulm are hosted the Cash Wise Brat Stand, Thursday, May 21st and Friday, May 22. Shoppers enjoyed a delicious Brat or Hot Dog with all the trimmings while supporting the Lions.

5M3 Lions volunteered for Project New Hope weekend at Lake Shetek. Lions Alexis, Shirley, Darren, Greg and Deb wait for instructions.





District banner is available for clubs to use. Contact DG Denise if interested.

District Shirts

Deluxe Print:

#222830- Purple

Sizes- XS-XL: \$34
 2XL: \$36
 3XL: \$37
 4XL: \$38



#222830 Purple

#6917- Granite/Heather

Sizes- XS-XL: \$30
 2XL: \$32
 3XL: \$33



#6917 Granite/Heather

#ST406- Royal Heather

Sizes- XS-XL: \$30
 2XL: \$32
 3XL: \$33
 4XL: \$34



#ST406 Roal Heather

#Short Sleeve- Purple

Unisex Sizes- XS-XL: \$20
 2XL: \$22
 3XL: \$23
 4XL: \$24

507 Designs-

Long sleeve T-Shirt- Navy

Sizes- S-XL: \$28
 Extended sizes: \$30



Above shirt is available at 507 Designs in Slayton.

507-836-6255



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karen.fennern@icloud.com skoblik@hotmail.com
 507-88-8498 507-401-6139

Make check payable to: Can Do Canines

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Make check payable to: LCIF

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cvalentin_00@hotmail.com
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Make check payable to: District 5M3 Lions
Memo Line Special Olympics

**Camp Courage/True
Friends/Friendship
Ventures (all the
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different programs)**

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Chair (None)
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Annandale MN 55032
Make check payable to: True Friends
Camp Courage, or Friendship
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Chair James Hoyt
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218-639-8517

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117 Homewood Dr.
Fairmont MN 56031
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507-235-8655

Make check payable to: MN Lions Vision Foundation



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 Tracy MN 56175 Tracy MN 56175
lionpatty8791@gmail.com rthbrner@gmail.com
 507-531-0950 507-626-0447

Make check payable to: MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation

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 Sherburn MN 56171 Franklin MN 55333
hanson1052@gmail.com raen1130@gmail.com
 507-236-4031 507-430-6315

Make check payable to: Project New Hope Lions Foundation of MN

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 507-828-4490

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 Memo Line Peace Poster

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Make check payable to: District 5M3 Lions
Memo Line Youth Exchange

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