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Service project during convention was tying blankets for distribution to Childhood Cancer patients. See Page 6 for more information.





Handing Over the Gavel

At 5M3 2022 Mid-Winter's end, DG Gordon handed the gavel to PDG Don Kuehl, who will take over as District Governor in July.

Changing of the Guard!

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5M3 Lions Den



At 5M3 Mid-Winter Convention, 1st VDG and 2nd VDG were elected and DGE appointed by the Cabinet. They will begin their prospective offices when the new Lions year begins, July 1st. R-L: 1st Vice District Governor Elect Patty Peterson, DGE Don Kuehl, 2nd Vice District Governor Elect Deb Rasset.



District Governor ~Gordon Mulder~

From the desk of 5M3 DG Gordon Mulder: A look back, a look forward.

Looking back: Ground Hogs day – the evil rodent - winter to spring -

predicting methods need improvement. Families being touched by Covid. That disease is extremely different to many people. From a little sniffle to a stay in the hospital. Personal opinion, I think vaccinations help in the long run.

Mid-winter planning is a always a process. Hopefully two steps ahead and only a little misstep, bump going backwards. I'm writing this before the convention, but you will be reading this afterward. We all hope the convention comes off without much disruptions. It should be good altogether.

Looking ahead: the planning is mostly done. Now the applying of the plan!

Dfeet hearing loss walk fund raiser to be held at the Arberetum by Chaska on June 4, 2022. Every club is encouraged to send a representation to the walk, or maybe have one put on by your own club in your own town.

Mike Sullivan with the eyeglass collection is looking for some help. Please get in line to help Mike. There will be eyeglass collection at the Mid-winter convention in Marshall

LCIF is in the last 4 ½ months of Campaign 100. Campaign 100 is still going strong as the goal is not quite met yet. This morning the reported amount raised so far was \$251,499,907.77. So c'mon lions, we can do this. Personally and clubs are asked to contribute.

Parade of Green at the convention is a major fund raiser for many projects. You can give year round, just send your gifts to the district treasurer. Together we can help so many projects.

Lions Mid-Winter Convention is on my brain. Expecting a good turnout. Expecting to talk to old friends and make a few new ones. Expecting the speakers to be interesting. Expecting smooth sailing.

Different clubs are having a variety of fund raisers, from serving pancakes and waffles, to chicken dinners, to fly ins, to whatever... It is good for Lions to support other Lion projects.

It is a good day to be a Lion. Work with pride with the Lion Pride.

5M3 DG Gordon Mulder

Don't forget to invite DG Gordon for a visit to your club before July!

District Governor's Visit Request July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

It is VERY important that the District Governor visits EVERY Lions Club in his/her District. Please send this form to DG Gordon Mulder or contact him via email to set up your club visit. Today's Date: _____ Club Name: Name/Location of Meeting: Address/Directions to Meeting place (Very Important): Dates in order of preference: 1st: 2nd Time meeting begins: _____ If a meal, when does it begin? Will new members be inducted by DG? New Officers Installed? _____ If yes, please have all information on hand or forward to the DG before the meeting. Is this a joint meeting with other Lions Clubs? Who?: Contact Name

Telephone#_____

Send to: Gordon Mulder, 1631 175th St. Luverne MN 56175

Parade of Green 2022 5M3 Mid Winter Convention

Camp Confidence	\$ 830.34
Can Do Canines	\$2,170.58
MN Lions Diabetes Foundation	\$3,976.38
MN Lions Hearing Foundation	\$3,523.22
KidSight Foundation	\$2,220.53
Vison	\$2,999.56
Leader Dog	\$2,807.21
LCIF	\$4,309.00
Project New Hope	\$1,735.26
Quest, Youth Outreach, Peace Poster	\$ 699.00
Special Olympics	\$1,124.00
True Friends	\$1,604.82
Youth Exchange/Camp Spicer	\$ 572.00
Diabetes Assistance Initiative	\$ 316.70
Blanket Fund	\$1,880.00
Childhood Cancer	<u>\$ 982.00</u>
Sub-Total	\$31,750.60
Convention Tail Twisting	\$ 345.10
Convention Raffle Room	<u>\$ 1,035.00</u>
Total this Year	<u>\$33,130.70</u>

Thank You to all the Lions Clubs of 5M3 who donated to our yearly Parade of Green.

5M3 MID-WINTER CONVENTION-SPEAKERS



Hearing Foundation

Mayor of Marshall

Sean Poppoff MNLV

Motivational

Speaker

5M3 MID-WINTER CONVENTION- AWARDS



District 5M3 Childhood Cancer Blanket Project Data

- \$1880.84 was donated from individuals and 11 clubs
- 205 kits were purchased
- 33 completed blankets were donated for a total of 238 blankets for the children
- During the Convention, 125 blankets were tied
- 80 blanket kits were sent with clubs and individuals to be tied and returned.

From Lion Diana Kuehl to all of the clubs and individuals who donated money and helped tie blankets, **THANK YOU!**

5M3 MID-WINTER CONVENTION







Everyone needs penguin socks!











Planning the Future





Big D and Al "The Lion Tour" Coming Soon!



DG Gordon, Lion Lois, 2VDGE Deb, 1VDGE Patty, Lion Gary

Sean Poppoff speaking on Lions Gift of Sight





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A global connection



Photo by Deb Gai rention in Mar e with area Lions Club members on Sunday, during their m Brian Sheehan, Lions international first vice president, spoke with area Lions Club members on Sunday, during their midwinter convention in Mar-shall. Sheehan, a Bird Island resident, will be taking office as president of Lions Clubs International this summer. He'll be the first Lions International president from Minnesota in over a century

As members of the Lions Club, area residents connect with communities

Marshall, Minne

By Deb Gau

into office as president of Lions Clubs International

International. "It's unbelievable," Sheehan said. "The last time we had a president from Minne-sota was exactly 100 years ago last year." Sheehan and other Lions members from southwest Minnesota gathered in Marshall over the weekend for the District SM3 midwinter convention. It's a chance MARSHALL — There were plenty of reasons to like being part of a Lions club, area residents said Sunday. One important reason was a chance to be part of some-thing bigger they eaid

5M3 midwinter convention. It's a chance for Lions members to conduct district business, hear speakers and socialize, said Vickie Radloff, a member of the Marshall Lions Page 54



Lions From Page 1A



Lions 5M3 District Governor Gordon Mulder, at right, officially passed the gavel to District Governor-elect Donald Kuehl at the end of the convention on Sunday. First Vice District Governor-elect Patty Peterson and Second Vice District Governor Elect Deb Rasset were also recognized on Sunday

Lions Club.

I On average, around 150 people attend the convention, she said. District 5M3 includes more than 30 Lions clubs in a

13-county area. Lions clubs in District 5M3 served a total of more than 28,000 people in the past year, Lions leaders said. Region-wide, Lions members also raised a total of \$33,130 in donations for programs ranging from the Special Olympics to youth camps, and vision, hearing and diabetes foundations.

On Sunday, Sheehan and fellow Lion Bruce Beck, of Palisade, helped area clubs plan membership strategies. Sheehan encouraged clubs to take a "global membership approach" in growing club mem-

berships and starting new Lions clubs. "5M3 does a wonderful job" helping their local communities through service projects and fundraising, Sheehan said. It was one of his favorite things about being active in the Bird Island Lions.

"We do things that help our community out. That's the best," he said. But area Lions clubs also have a con-

nection to the 1.4 million Lions members worldwide. Sheehan said his work with Lions Clubs International means he gets to travel and work with many of those people around the world.

"I really have to have a global concept of things," he said.

On a local level, the Marshall Lions Club has been active for 76 years, Radloff said. Club members take part in a number of ongoing service projects, including ditch cleanup, helping with children's vision screenings at Marshall schools, and collecting used eyeglasses that can be recycled to help people in low-income areas of the world. Around 1,500 to 2,000 pairs of glasses are collected each year in Marshall, she said.

Radloff and other Lions members said making a difference in their communities and building relationships were some of

the best parts of being a Lion. "It's a family," Radloff said. The Marshall Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Bello Cucina in Marshall.



Lions Mike and Cheri Appel, along with PID Bruce and Lion Erin Beck, transported approximately 7500 eye glasses from the 5M3 Mid Winter Convention to the MD5M Collection Site near Sauk Rapids MN.







Thirteenth Annual Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Research Update March 19, 2022

Hosted by the University of Minnesota Foundation and 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 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 19, 2022

11 a.m. | Registration and social 12 p.m. | Lunch 1 p.m. | Program 2:30 p.m. | Meet and greet with scientists

St. Cloud River's Edge Convention Center Opportunities Suite 10 4th Ave S

St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301

Faculty Research Presentations:

- David Bernlohr, Ph.D., New discoveries on the roll of cellular senescence in diabetes
- Brian T. Fife, Ph.D., How regulating the body's immune response could stop the immune attack on the islet cells
- Michael Garwood, Ph.D. and Paul Wang, M.D./Ph.D. candidate, Technology to monitor oxygen availability for transplanted islet cells
- Bernhard Hering, M.D., Updates from the Schulze Diabetes Institute

Please RSVP by **Tuesday, March 8** by contacting Larry Winner at Irrywnnr@gmail.com and a confirmation email will be sent prior to the event.

Please contact Larry Winner at Irrywnnr@gmail.com or 218-260-8110 with any questions.



Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation



Greetings Fellow Lions,



The Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation invites and encourages all clubs in 5M to participate in a STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness event. This will be the foundation's major fundraiser for the year. All proceeds will be used to support the missions of the foundation, the major focus of which is funding research to cure diabetes. With your support we are getting closer to *life without diabetes*.

The STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness event will run from February – April. During these months, participants will be expected to log 15 miles of activity each month. Any kind of physical activity you can track in miles will count toward this goal . . . walking, jogging, bicycling, lap swimming, etc. You can also encourage friends and family members to join you in this quest and do your activity as a team – each of you covering your 15 miles per month.

We will have two options for registration. The best option is to go to the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. website to register - www.mnlionsdiabetes.org. The second option will be to work with one of your district trustees to complete the process. The cost will be \$25 per participant, with an option to give an additional donation.

For an additional \$6.00 plus shipping you can purchase a Minnesota Lions Diabetes – STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness t-shirt. Clubs or individuals can also consider being a sponsor for the event. Those who do so will be recognized on the foundation website. The table below lists sponsorship level recognition:

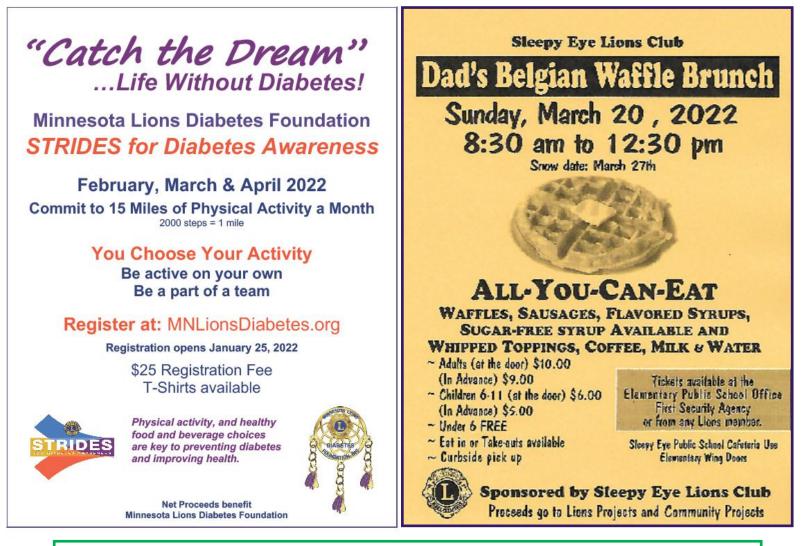
Sponsorship Levels	Minimal Contribution Requirement		
Platinum Sponsor Level	\$10,000		
Gold Sponsor Level	\$5,000		
Silver Sponsor Level	\$2,500		
Bronze Sponsor Level	\$1,000		

Included in this newsletter is our STRIDES for Diabetes flyer with additional information to share with your clubs regarding registration, dates, etc Don't hesitate to contact your MLDF co-trustees with any questions you may have.

<u>John Tirevold- Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation</u> Email- tirejohn784@gmail.com

"Catch the Dream . . . Life Without Diabetes!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Lucan Lions Scrambled Egg & Ham Breakfast Sunday, MARCH 13, 2022 Serving 9 – 12:30 p.m. at the Community Ctr. Free Will Donation -- Proceeds of Breakfast to go to Community Projects



Lucan Booster Club 36th Annual

St. Patrick's Parade, 1 p.m. Main Street Knott's Corner will be open noon-6 p.m. with St. Patrick's Specials to continue the Celebration!

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Your District & Club Name:	
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	Sunday Brunch	\$ 25 USD \$ 30 CD	N			
	Registration Fee	\$ 25 USD \$ 30 CD	N <mark>\$25 USD \$30</mark>	CAD		
3	***NO Meals available after April 20, 2020** Totals					
Make checks payable to: MD5M Convention Mail form & payment to: 2VDG Christy Trutnau, 110 Rebecca Drive, Jordan, MN 55352						
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For Convention Information contact: IPDG Anna Wickenhauser, <u>lionannaw@gmail.com</u> ; Phone: (952)-913-1467 or CC Matt Huggenvik, <u>squiggy23@hotmail.com</u> ; Phone: (507)-250-6598.						
Check	our website for informati	on & updates on the 20	022 MD5M Convention,	www.lionsmd5m.org		

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

"Will you require Braille Documents at the convention?



IT'S TIME FOR CLUB ELECTIONS!!

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

TO DO LIST:

- Hold your club elections
- Secretary, enter clubs PU-101's into LCI—this is how officers get listed in new directory and receive needed information from LCI.
- List e-mail addresses for Officers in PU-101 so they receive newsletter.
- Have new officers attend Officer Training (watch for future dates)
- July 1st, new officers begin their year (or more) of service.



Northern Pride Lions Forum

Dear MD5M Lions and friends,

Due to logistics associated with the ongoing COVID pandemic, the Northern Pride Lions Forum committee has made the difficult decision to cancel the 2022 Forum. We are in the process of scheduling a date for the 2024 Forum.

If you registered online for the Forum, a refund will be made through Eventbrite. If you sent a check and reservation via US mail, a refund check will be sent to you from the Forum treasurer. Information regarding cancelling hotel reservations will follow.

We regret any inconvenience or disappointment with the cancellation. We hope you will join us for the "Third Time's A Charm" Forum in 2024.

In service,

PCC Bob Jechorek Chair, Northern Pride Lions Forum

CANCELLED

Let your club members know that Newsletters 16 mo back (and other information) are available online at:

<u>e-district.org/sites/5m3/</u>

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Dec 31, 2020.....1,054

Jan 31, 2022.....1,042

YTD Members Added: 64 YTD

Members Dropped: ... -48 YTD

Net Loss/Gain: +16!!!!!

36 clubs

Retention is the key to keeping your membership numbers. You cannot run your programs without your members. Talk to them, see what keeps them and what makes them leave. Meet their needs.

Club Sponsor Page

To have your Club listed on the sponsor page, send your **\$40.00** 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.

5M3 HAPPENINGS



Midwest Honor Flight soup luncheon was sponsored by the Pipestone and Jasper Lions Clubs

Photo L-R: (1) Lions Duane DeCroock (Jasper), (2) Lion Dennis Roelfsema (Pipestone) & Lion Don Plahn (Jasper), (3) Lion Tim Houg (Jasper), (4) Lions Paula Gerlach & Jerry Tower (Jasper)



Hadley Lions welcome new member. L-R: Sponsor Lion Robyn Moger, Lion Riley Engbarth, Secretary PDG Al Husfeldt. Welcome Lion Riley!



District 5M3 Lions Memorial Service

Lions who are gone, but not forgotten...

Lion Robert "Bobby" Eddy Lion James Schneider Lion William "Bill" Christianson Fairmont Lions Club Lion Irv Johnson Lion James Troje Lion Lloyd Duane Bennett Lion John Dykstra Lion Gordon "Gordy" Aas Lion Arnold "Arnie" Callsen Lion Bill Madetzke Lion Jerry Gentry Lion Alice Marsh Lion Russell McCloud Lion George Pankonin Lion Allan Lundberg Lion Dorothy McCabe Lion Dale Trulock Lion Galen Engholm Lion Bill Vollbrecht Lion James Swanson Lion Duane Bergemann Lion Wil Burdof Lion Carl Enck

Canby Lions Club Comfrey Lions Club Fairmont Lions Club Fulda Lions Club Hadley Lions Club Jackson Lions Club Jasper Lions Club Jasper Lions Club Jasper Lions Club Jeffers Community Lions Club Jeffers Community Lions Club Jeffers Community Lions Club Jeffers Community Lions Club Lake Benton Lions Club Madelia Lions Club Milroy Lions Club Morgan Lions Club Morgan Lions Club Mt Lake Lions Club Lions Club of New Ulm Lions Club of New Ulm Lions Club of New Ulm

Lion PDG Darvin "Dar" Raddatz Lion Jim Schuetzle Lion Donald Wilfahrt Lion Joyce Weltsch Lion Len Dalen Lion Nathan Behne Lion Darv Roebbeke Lion Arnold Hinderman Lion LaMoine "Tuffy" Meyer Lion Ron Ries Lion Darrel Baune Lion Glen Bock Lion Walter Fennern Lion Nick Fischer Lion PDG Orrin Fixsen Lion Leonard Jenninges Lion Clarence Rothmeier Lion Lavonne Villa Lion Ken Cogley Lion Lenis "Len" Defries Lion PDG Dan Jones Lion Verlon Ray

Lions Club of New Ulm Lions Club of New Ulm Lions Club of New Ulm Red wood Falls Lions Club St James Lions Club Sherburn Lions Club Sherburn Lions Club Sleepy Eye Lions Club Tracy Lions Club Tyler Lions Club Wabasso Lions Club Westbrook Lions Club Windom Lions Club Windom Lions Club Windom Lions Club Windom Lions Club

James Llong 1st Wed; 6:00 pm Eagles Club #320 701 1st Ave S St. James Lion Mark Collier Pres.	 Pringfield Are Lions 2nd Thurs; 6:30 pm American Legion Lion Joel Pingeon, Pres. 	35	2nd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Steve Cattnach, Pres.	Cracy Lions 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. The Caboose Lion Larry Muenchow, Pres.
35	Sackson Llons 2nd Mon; 6:00 pm Jackson Golf Course Lion Phil Handevidt, Pres.	GABBPY Eye Lions 1st Tues; 6:05 p.m. Sleepy Eye Golf Club Lion John Cselovszki, Pres.	Wabasso Llon, 3rd Wed; 6:00 pm Community Center Lion Dan Fischer, Pres.	35
Comfrey Llons 2nd Mon; 6:00 p.m. Comfrey Comm Ctr Lion Gary Richter, Pres.	Redwood Falls Lions 1 & 3 Mon; 6:30 p.m. American Legion Lion Caitlyn Krueger, Pres.	35	Adley Lions 3rd Tues; 6:30 p.m. Hadley Community Ctr Lion Lisa Saner, Pres.	Ath Mon; 6:30 p.m. Lions Community Ctr Lion David Simonsen, Pres.
esta Lions 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Vesta Café Lion Jim Penske, Pres.	Bringing the District news to you! If your Club is not listed, be sure to send in \$40.00 to District Treasurer, Denise Nelson at 405 S St, Morgan MN 56266. Memo line: Newsletter Sponsor. NOTE: Clubs can sponsor more than one time!			35

5M3 Lions Clubs Sponsor Page

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New Uim 1 & 2 Thurs; 6 p.m. Turner Hall Lion Diann Warta, Pres.	2 & 4 Tues; 6 p.m. Bello Cucina's Lion Jackie Meyer, Pres.	3rd Mon; 7 p.m. Stonewall Bar & Grill Lion Bob Quissell, Pres.	Lions 4th Tues; 6:30 p.m. Lake Wilson Legion Lion Linda Johnson, Pres.	1st Wed; 8 p.m. Senior Center Lion John Madson, Pres.
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1st Mon; 6 p.m. Church of Christ Lion Gary Wassman, Pres.	1 & 3 Mon; 6:30 p.m. Trolley's Bar & Grill Lion John Berends, Pres.	3rd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Fulda Sr Citizens Ctr Lion Duane Gehl, Pres.	2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. PK Egan's Lion Gene Bies, Pres.	2nd Thur; 7 p.m. Knotts Corner Lion Dennis Plaetz, Pres.
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2 & 4 Mon; 7 p.m. Sherburn Legion Lion Nate Kilma, Pres.	Fest <i>June 2022</i>	ival 🧞		2nd Mon; 6 p.m. Multi-Purpose Bldg Lion Dewayne Hage Pres.
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1st Thurs; 6:30 p.m. Jeffers City Hall Lion Ron Knoll, Pres.	3rd Tues; 7 a.m. Friendship Café Lion Jim Lynner, Pres.		2 & 4 Wed; 6:30 p.m. Jack Slades Lion Alan Saffert, Pres.	3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Roger Bloomgren, Pres

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