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Upcoming Leaders: 2VDGE Darren Saner and 1VDGE Greg Janachowsky.



DG Deb Rasset

Hello my Lions family,

What a great Mid-Winter Convention! I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended the Convention. Your presence and participation made this event a huge success! We started off the convention with a memorial service to remember the 27 Lions we lost in the last year. Remember their service and lasting impact on our communities. Let's renew our commitment to the work that remains to be done to ensure that the legacy of our dear Lions lives on.

The presentations offered insightful knowledge and ideas to help us grow as Lions and improve our communities. The presentations were about Camp Sweet Life, Lions Gift of Sight, Second Harvest Heartland, Lions 101, Camp Confidence, Help Tuck Them In and Leader Dog. Every presentation was great. We take a lot of valuable information back to our clubs and communities.

Our International guests- PID Joyce Middleton and her Service Partner PDG Martin were a wonderful blessing to our district. Hopefully her message to "Try" will inspire all of our Lions to just try.

We encourage all attendees to bring the valuable information and inspiration gathered back to your local clubs. Share what you've learned and inspire others to get involved, so we can continue to build stronger, more impactful Lions clubs across the region. Let's work together to make next year's convention even more engaging and impactful—don't forget to encourage others to attend next years Mid-Winter Convention!

Thank you again, and we look forward to seeing you next year!

Next, mark your calendar! We are doing a district service project. Sunday, April 13th we are doing a family fun day of bowling for diabetes. It will be at Concordia Lane in New Ulm from Noon until 3. We will have bowling, card games, door prizes and a silent auction. Please plan on attending or donating something to help with this project. We will have more information soon.

Continue doing all of the great work! Believe me it is greatly appreciated;

Thank you for all that you do!

Make it a great day and Be Positive!

DG Deb

DG Deb's Calendar

March 8 - COG meeting

March 10 - Canby Governor Visit

March 13-16 - ELLI: Willmar

March 17 - Happy St. Patrick's Day

March 18-Lions Day at the Capitol

March 29 - LCIF Gala St. Cloud

April 13-Bowling Family Fun Day: New Ulm

April 14-Canby Governor Visit

April 20-Easter Sunday

April 25-27 - Hilton Airport- Bloomington

May 2-4 Project New Hope: Lake Shetek

PARADE OF GREEN DONATIONS RECEIVED FEB	
Organization Name	2025
Camp Confidence	1,175.00
Can Do Canines	2,952.00
MN Lions Diabetes Foundation	4,990.03
MN Lions Hearing Foundation	5,333.00
KidSight Foundation	2,275.00
Vision	4,298.00
Leader Dog	3,758.00
LCIF	5,346.00
Project New Hope	3,880.00
Quest, Yoouth Outreach, Peace Poster	757.00
Team Sheehan Foundation	1,373.00
Special Olympics	1,412.00
True Friends	1,237.00
Youth Exchange/Camp Spicer	757.00
Childhood Cancer	1,251.00
Sub total	40,794.03
Tail Twisting	492.00
Raffle Room	1,711.00
Squeeze the Stuffins	240.00
Total this year	43,237.03
Newsletter	480.00



1VDGE Greg Janachovsky

What a great day to be a Lion. Did you ask someone to be a Lion, today?

If you ask, you may have a new Lion to add to your club.

WOW, WOW, WOW, WOW.

What a fun time at the LIONS 5M3 2024/2025 Mid-Winter Convention. Excellent speakers, great fellowship, wonderful entertainment and excellent fundraising and donations. I believe a fun time was had by all. Food Drive, congratulation to Zones 2 & 3, for the great sculptures for 1st & second place. Unbelievable food and monetary donation. You all need a pat yourselves on the back. Thanks to all the 5M3 attendees, guests from the MD5M district, speakers, current 5MDM District Governors, Council Chair Judy, Executive Secretary Cindy, (you are all awesome). "Squeeze the Stuffin", what a fundraiser for MN Childhood Cancer Foundation and what a job by District and the Tracy Lions on the "Help Tuck Then In" Bed Project. Excellent job for the 50/50 drawing for LCIF. Thank you all for your contribution. Next year's 5M3 Convention is February 20, 21, 22 2026 at the Everspring Inn in Marshall, MN. If you missed this year, you need to come and find out what you are missing and hopefully we will be seeing those who attended this year next year. Congratulation, Darren Saner (Hadley Lions) on being elected the new SVDGE, It is going to be fun working with you.

A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL. LIONS ROCK AND ARE AWESOME.

REMINDERS:

Bowling For Diabetes; Sunday, April 13, 2025, at Concordia Lanes, 416 19th St. N., New Ulm, MN. More information in the near future. MARK YOUR CALENDAR.

TECH TALKS; help with Lions portal.

Zoom Meeting, 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.
ID: 867 4984 8671; Passcode: 244964

GAT: Webinar Series;

Zoom Meeting, 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.
ID: 826 8787 8863; Passcode: 986599

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REPORT YOUR SERVICE PROJECTS IN THE LIONS PORTAL.

89% IS GREAT, 100% WOULD BE AWESOME. MISSING 3 CLUBS THAT HAVE NOT REPORTED ANYTHING. THANK YOU ALL THAT ARE REPORTING.

Thank you for being a Lion.

5M3 1VDGE

Greg Janachovsky



PIP Douglas X. Alexander was our International President from 2021-2022. He is from Brooklyn, New York and his theme was "Service from the Heart".

LCIF Gala "Go for the Gold"

Saturday, March 29, 2025
Holiday Inn & Suites St. Cloud
75 37th Avenue South
St. Cloud, MN 563011
10:30 am to 4:00 pm

Who wants to get their Melvin Jones Fellowship Plaque or Progressive pin presented by Past International President Douglas X. Alexander??? Have I got the opportunity for YOU!

Check with your District LCIF Coordinator to find the personal balance you donated to LCIF. If you have donated \$1,000 and want to be presented with an MJF plaque (or PMJF pin for each additional \$1,000) by PIP Doug Alexander, then you will need to order your plaque/pin by Feb 18, 2025.

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. If you or your club want to present someone with a Melvin Jones Fellowship/or a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship, the same criteria applies. Remember this Gala is not for Lions members only. Invite people who are interested in learning about our Foundation and what it does. This year, there will be stories shared from around our Multiple about the impact our Foundation/Grants had on the community.

Registrations are now available through your District LCIF Coordinator, MD5M Website, and District/MD Newsletters and will be available at your District Conventions. The cost is \$45 for each person, or if you prefer, you can purchase a table of 8 for \$500 that comes with perks. There is a PayPal, Venmo, or check option to register.

The Gala will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn & Suites, Saint Cloud. There will be a costume contest with a Gold Theme. A tentative agenda will be posted as the Gala gets closer. Remember this is a FUN-Raiser...and there will be a cash bar.

If you need a place to stay before or after the gala, a booking link with the Holiday Inn is in the registration form.

WooHoo - Get your Lion on!!! I would love to help you with any questions.

Anna Wickenhauser 952-913-1467 or lionannaw@gmail.com



Dear Lions Club International Foundation Supporters,

We are excited to host the 2nd annual LCIF Gala at The Holiday Inn & Suites in St. Cloud MN in MD5M March 29th, 2025. We are looking forward to many people attending from around our multiple and need your help to make this event a success!

We need Silent Auction and raffle prizes to be given at this event to encourage donations to LCIF. We would love to include a raffle basket or larger value silent auction item for the Gala to not only showcase your support to LCIF but to the Gala and raising funds for LCIF!

Please respond to this letter at email: davecarrieshofner@gmail.com with what you would like to donate for the event and the estimated value of the donation. I will then connect with you on receiving the item from you if you are not attending the Gala.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting this worthy cause and we look forward to your donation confirmation soon. Please respond before the Gala with your donation gift information and to coordinate pick up/delivery. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

In Lionism,

Lions Carrie & Dave Shofner

Registration on following page:

MD5M "Go for the Gold Gala"

March 29, 2025

Holiday Inn & Suites
75 37th Avenue South
St. Cloud, MN 56301

Name _____

Email: _____

Phone #: _____ Club: _____

Tickets: Individual \$45.00 Tables of 8 \$ 500.00

Pay online or return Registration form, no later than March 14, 2025.

Make checks payable to: **LCIF Gala**

c/o Rose Thies

21515 371st Ave.

Green Isle, MN 55338

Pay online by Venmo or PayPal, please scan or email your registration form to: rthies001@gmail.com or 612-756-1316.

o **PayPal:** Rosemary Thies [paypal.me/GreenIsleLions](https://www.paypal.me/GreenIsleLions)

o **Venmo:** [@Rose-Thies](https://venmo.com/Rose-Thies)

Lunch Menu

Choice of Chicken Parmesan or Lasagna (Beef or Vegetarian)

Choice of Penne, Cavatappi or Gluten-free Penne

Choose two of Grilled Chicken, Meatballs, Broccoli or Mushrooms

Choice of Garlic Alfredo or Marinara

Caesar Salad and Garlic Bread sticks

Dessert: Cupcakes

Hotel Accommodations: Book Directly to Holiday Inn & Suites by calling 615-321-8259 (mention 2025 Lions Club)

<https://www.holidayinn.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=HI&locateCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=STCMN&PMID=99801505&GPC=LIO7cn=no&viewfullsite=true> to book online. Block held until, Monday, March 3, 2025.



1. Terry Emmers-Camp Sweet Life
2. Patty Stockdale-Lions Gift of Sight
3. Marshall Mayor Robert Burns
4. Lion Jerry Wohlers-Camp Confidence



1. Joe Buyck-Help Tuck Them In
2. Tail Twister Lion Doug Rosenberg
3. Lori Alf-Help Tuck Them In
4. Angelica Klebsch-Second Harvest Heartland
5. Michelle Londe-Second Harvest Heartland

6. Dan Cochran-Worship Service
7. PID Joyce Middleton
8. Jeff Hawkins and Dove-Leader Dogs for the Blind

AWARDS

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1. Club Excellence-Lucan Lions
2. KidSight-Jackie Meyers
3. Int'l Certificate of Appreciation-Tammy Horner.
4. Int'l Certificate of Appreciation-Greg Janachovsky
5. Presidential Medal-Deloy King
6. International Certificate of Appreciation-Wayne and Vickie Radloff
7. Presidential Medal-Deb Plahn



AWARDS



Melvin Fellow Award PDG Patty Peterson.



District Governor Appreciation Awards

David Nelson (for Denise Nelson), Diana Kuehl, Lisa Saner.



5M3 Peace Poster Winner Cassie Scandrett and PDG Don Kuehl.



Two new members were inducted into Lucan Lions Club. L-R: Lions Delbert Skoblik, Phyllis Skoblik, Wayne Chaussee, Linda Chaussee, DG Deb, PID Joyce Meyer. Welcome Lions Phyllis and Linda!



Consider Hosting a Youth Exchange Student this summer

What is Youth Exchange?	Students from around the world come to Minnesota for the month of July and live with host families. This is an amazing way to share our culture and learn about others.
Travel Dates	Jul 1, 2025 to Aug 3, 2025
Camp Spicer Dates	July 25, 2025 to August 2, 2025...all students come together for a week of activities. No hosting required during this week.
What's next?	Stay inspired, and participate in achieving World Peace one young person at a time!

For more information about this incredible opportunity please contact your District Youth Exchange chair or PDG Sue Mullen/ES Cindy Walters at MD5MLionsyouthexchange@gmail.com.

Not able to host this summer? Perhaps you/your club would consider sponsoring a Camp Activity

<input type="checkbox"/> \$8,800	Bussing for the week	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,200	Valleyfair	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	Camp Confidence Team Building
<input type="checkbox"/> \$3,500	Brainerd Housing (3 nights)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$600	Zoo Event	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	T-shirts
<input type="checkbox"/> \$4,000	Metro Housing (3 nights)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	Banquet facility rental	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	Evening Snacks
<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,700	Chanhasen Dinner Theater	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	A Meal for Camp	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	Any amount is helpful!!!
<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,500	Dorm Housing (2 nights)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300	Mini-Golf		

Any and all donations are greatly appreciated by the students and staff of MD5M Youth Exchange.
MD5M Youth Exchange Foundation is a 501(c)3 and can accept gambling funds. (EIN #46-4182698)

Checks can be mailed to: MD5M Youth Exchange Foundation; attn: Cindy Walters; 1915 Waterford Circle, Chaska MN USA 55318



5M3 District Challenge 2024-2025

CLUB _____

Club Activity	Points	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
Club officers trained (per officer)	20						
Submit Service Report to LI	20						
New Members added (per member)	20						
Total Membership +1 at end of challenge	20						
2 or more clubs do an activity together	30						
Governors visit scheduled or held	20						
1st half of dues paid	50						
2nd half of dues paid	50						
Attend another Lions club activity/Fundraiser	10						
Do a new service project	20						

Attend Zone meeting	
Officer (per officer)	30
General Membership (per member)	20

Donate to LCIF	50
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		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
District chairperson presentation to club							
Can Do Canines	50						
Childhood Cancer	50						
Diabetes	50						
GMA	50						
GMT	50						
GST	50						
GET	50						
Hearing Foundation	50						
Kidsight	50						
LCIF	50						
Leader Dog	50						
Project New Hope	50						
Sheehan Foundation	50						
Vision Foundation	50						

Donations to Parade of Greens per donation	50
Bring eyeglasses to Convention	50

TURN COMPLETED CHALLENGE INTO 5M3 LEADERSHIP TEAM



Greetings from the Global Service Desk

Welcome to the nice Minnesota winter, it goes from 50 degrees to 17 below this morning. It sounds like by the end of week it will be close to 50 degrees. We are tough and we are used to kind of weather, spring is around the corner we will make it.

SERVICE REPORTING IS GOING VERY WELL. There are 34 clubs in 5M3 and a record of 30 clubs reporting this month. Congratulations to all the Lion's Clubs that are reporting. Big thank you for 2VDG Greg J. and DG Deb for getting the zone chairs to help the clubs to get started to do some service reporting. There was hope at the end of the tunnel. Thanks Everyone that help make this happen. Lion's Portal usage is getting better, and everyone is getting more comfortable.

The Lions clubs that are not reporting are Clarkfield, Luverne, Madelia, Redwood Falls and if they report we could get 100%, not too far away.

THANKS AGAIN FOR THE GREAT SERVICE REPORTING FOR THE LIONS'S OF 5M3.

	Service Activities	People Served	Volunteer Hours	LCIF Donations
1. Canby	6	2,090	65	
2. Comfrey	3	100	28	
3. Fairmont	4	1,612	275	100.00
4. Fulda	17	5,181	398	
5. Granite Falls	24	768	70	65.00
6. Hadley	37	2,898	454	15.00
7. Jackson	2	260	90	
8. Jasper	29	3,023	391	45.00
9. Jeffers Community	1		12	
10. Lake Benton	2	317	288	
11. Lakefield	40	4,514	514	30.00
12. Lamberton	6	825	232	2,505.00
13. Lucan	61	6,334	878	465.00
14. Marshall	133	10,387	739	80.00
15. Milroy	6	800	232	
16. Morgan	29	5,456	1,007	10.00
17. Mountain Lake	3	86	15	
18. New Ulm	42	5,799	1,479	1,020.00
19. Sherburn	5	3,045	200	
20. Sleep Eye	15	1,293	220	45.00
21. Springfield Area	6	1,248	96	1,130.00
22. St. James	11	516	239	
23. Tracy	26	8,601	1,947	130.00
24. Truman	6	2,610	873	
25. Tyler	5	505	113	
26. Vesta	1	100	84	
27. Wabasso	1	600	500	
28. Westbrook	39	6,665	452	40.00
29. Windom	19	875		200.00
30. Pipestone				15.00
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Reporting Totals	579	57,508	12,521	5,895
30 Clubs Reporting about 85%				

Thanks for your service in Lions.
GST David J.

T.E.A.M. Sheehan Foundation report for 5M3 District Cabinet on February 21, 2025.

It has been a very exciting time for **the** foundation and for our district. There have been 7 grants awarded in the first 3 quarters of this year. Two of those grants were in our district. The next deadline is March 30th. The review board will meet in April, decide which grants are to be given to which clubs and then, the whole board of directors will vote on the recommended grants from the committee. Then grant recipients will be informed in May. If you have applied before you are encouraged to resubmit your grant. If you would like to apply, please e-mail me.

Thboss57@hotmail.com

Below is more information on the T.E.A.M. Sheehan Foundation:

The T.E.A.M. Sheehan Charitable Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering Lions Clubs within Multiple District 5M (MD5M) to enhance their community service initiatives. Established in Minnesota on March 17, 2022, the foundation received its 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status on June 23, 2022.

Mission and Objectives

The foundation's mission is to support MD5M Lions Clubs by providing matching grants for community projects. These grants are designed to assist clubs in undertaking projects that may be too large for their individual budgets but are not eligible for larger Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) grants. By offering matching funds, the foundation aims to fill the funding gap for smaller-scale projects, thereby enabling clubs to serve their communities more effectively.

Board of Directors

The foundation is governed by a Board of Directors comprising 15 members, each representing one of the MD5M districts. The Executive Committee includes:

- **Mike Molenda**, Chairperson (District 5M6)
- **Bruce Beck**, Vice-Chairperson (District 5M9)
- **Joan Blank**, Secretary (District 5M2)
- **Marty Athmann**, Treasurer (District 5M4)
- **Brian & Lori Sheehan**, Advisory Members (District 5M4)

The foundation's leadership reflects a diverse representation from across the MD5M districts, ensuring a broad perspective in decision-making processes.

Grant Program

The foundation offers matching 50/50 fund grants, initially up to \$3,000, to support Lions Clubs in their community projects. These grants are intended to assist clubs in undertaking projects that may be too large for their individual budgets but are not eligible for larger LCIF grants. By providing matching funds, the foundation aims to fill the funding gap for smaller-scale projects, thereby enabling clubs to serve their communities more effectively.

teamsheehan.foundation

Recent Developments

In August 2024, the foundation awarded its first two matching grants during a board meeting held on August 27. This milestone marks the foundation's active role in supporting Lions Clubs' community service efforts.

Connection to the Sheehan Lion Brian E. Sheehan, who served as the Immediate Past International President of Lions Clubs International and is the current LCIF Chairperson. Lion Brian and his wife, Lori, have been instrumental in the foundation's establishment and ongoing initiatives.

Conclusion

The T.E.A.M. Sheehan Charitable Foundation plays a pivotal role in enhancing the capacity of MD5M Lions Clubs to execute meaningful community projects. Through its matching grant program and strong leadership, the foundation exemplifies a commitment to service and community empowerment.

Together

Everyone

Acheives

More

Vickie Radloff

UPCOMING EVENTS

YOU'RE INVITED! 

The Redwood Falls Lions Club
ST. PADDY PARTY
Sat. March 15th, 2025
REDWOOD FALLS VFW

\$5 RAFFLE TICKETS
 FOR A CHANCE AT THE
BOOZE WAGON
 (VALUED AT \$500!!!)
DRAWING AT 9PM


 @RWF Lions

SHENANIGANS START AT 7PM
MEAT RAFFLE AT 8:00PM
SPECIAL GIFT BASKET RAFFLES!

 ALL PROCEEDS
 BENEFIT REDWOOD
 FALLS LIONS CLUB
 PROJECTS &
 COMMUNITY
 ORGANIZATIONS 

LUCAN LIONS
MEAT
RAFFLE

*Meat bundles by: South Forty Meat Market
 & Ourada Cattle Company*

JANUARY 25
FEBRUARY 15
MARCH 8
APRIL 12

6:00pm

Knotts Corner | 111 Main Street | Lucan

Westbrook Lions Welcome Spring!

Pancake Breakfast
 Sunday, April 6
 10:30-1
 Community Center

Pancakes, Eggs,
 Sausages, Milk,
 Juice and Coffee

Free Will Donation



Sleepy Eye Lions Club

Dad's Belgian Waffle Brunch
Sunday, March 16th, 2025
8:30 am to 12:30 pm
 Snow date: March 23rd



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

~ Adults (at the door) \$11.00
 (In Advance) \$10.00
 ~ Children 6-11 (at the door) \$6.00
 (In Advance) \$5.00
 ~ Under 6 FREE
 ~ Take-outs available (inside/outside)

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

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Dec 31, 2023.....1,011

Jan 31, 2025.....983

YTD Members Added: 50

YTD Members Dropped: -58 YTD

Net Loss/Gain: -8

34 clubs



UPCOMING EVENTS



THE LIONS PRIDE

Ignite the Lions Pride MD5M Convention April 25-27, 2025

Hilton Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport
3800 American Boulevard East
Bloomington, MN 55425

Join Lions from across Minnesota, NW Ontario & Manitoba

Explore opportunities for service
Learn what is going on throughout Lionism
Hear from inspirational speakers
Build Lions knowledge and leadership
Hear updates from all Lions Foundations
Meet new friends and have fun



To register online use the QR code
(click "skip advertisement" box)

For more convention information
<https://sites.google.com/view/md5mmultipleconvention/home>



EMERGING LIONS
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
ELLI



Date: March 14-16, 2025

Location: Holiday Inn, Willmar



ELLI 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.

You qualify for trainings if you:

- Have NOT served as Club President
- Are a current member in good standing
- Have an interest in becoming a better Lions member.
- Enjoy meeting other Lions and sharing ideas
- Like having FUN!!!!

Participants are required to:

- Attend all sessions of the three-day institute.
- You may commute to trainings if you attend all sessions and can do so safely.
- Complete pre-assignments prior to beginning of training weekends

Applications due by
Thursday, February 27, 2025
Applications are due to the
District Governor

Cost: \$125 Registration fee (Non-refundable)
Hotel Room Rate: \$144.99

Questions, please reach out to your GLT Chair or your District Governor



Family fun Day for Diabetes

Sunday April 13, 2025
Concordia Lanes in New Ulm
Noon - 3:00 PM

ENJOY BOWLING,
CARD GAMES, DOOR
PRIZES & SILENT
AUCTION ITEMS
DETAILS TO COME
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.PROJECTNEWHOPE.NET OR SCAN THIS CODE:

**2025
MINNESOTA
RETREATS**

2025 MAY 2-4
Camp Shetek near Slayton, MN
2025 JUNE 6-8
Osprey Wilds near Sandstone, MN
2025 OCTOBER 3-5
Good Earth Village - Spring Valley, MN
2025 DECEMBER 5-7
Faith Haven Camp near Battle Lake, MN

UPCOMING EVENTS



16th Annual Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Research Update March 15, 2025

Hosted by the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.

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

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

Following the research presentations, guests will have the chance to interact with the scientists one on one, learn more about their research, and ask questions. There will also be silent auction items where you will have the opportunity to support the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation in their mission.

Saturday, March 15, 2025

11 a.m. Registration and Social

11:30 a.m. Lunch

12:30 p.m. Program

2:30 p.m. Meet n' Greet with Scientists

Best Western Plus Kelly Inn

State/Sunwood Ballroom

300 4th Ave. S.

St. Cloud, MN 56301

Faculty Research Presentations:

Among the Faculty Research Presentations by scientists will be:

- Curing Diabetes by Stopping the Body's Immune System - Dr. Brian Fife
- Bringing Immune Tolerance to the Clinic for People with Diabetes and Kidney Failure - Dr. Subarathnan Ramachandran and Dr. Singh

RSVP by Tuesday, March 4


RSVP via email to MNLDiabetesFdn@gmail.com

A Zoom link will be emailed to those unable to attend in person.

Please request Zoom link by email above.


A confirmation email will be sent prior to event.





MARCH 18, 2025
1:30 - 4:30 PM

LIONS DAY AT THE CAPITAL




The goals of Lions Day at the Capitol is to increase Public Awareness,
Advocate for Change & Strengthen Partnerships

HOW CLUBS CAN PARTICIPATE

GENERATE ENTHUSIASM. SHARE THE EVENT DETAILS AT CLUB MEETINGS.
SET ATTENDANCE GOALS. AIM FOR 5 - 10 ATTENDEES PER CLUB TO ENSURE
STRONG REPRESENTATION.

ENGAGE WITH LOCAL GOVERNING REPRESENTATIVES. SCHEDULE MEETINGS WITH YOUR
LOCAL OFFICIALS IN ADVANCE TO DISCUSS KEY ISSUES AND INVITE THEM TO ATTEND.

To sign-up click the link below.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/view/100094544AF2DA3FCC14-348D1515-6org>



Host: Maple
Grove Lions



Lion Tammy Horner displays her 5M3 long-sleeved t-shirt. She had it made through 507 Designs in Slayton.



5M3 HAPPENINGS



Above and below: **Lakefield Lions** participated in a community event in Lakefield. Each month the St. Peter Lutheran Church hosts a Date Night Dinner. The Lions contributed to the community dinner as well as serving and hosting.



New Ulm Lions Welcome a New Member

Lion Brad Ufer was inducted into the Lions Club of New Ulm on February 13, 2025. Pictured, L to R, is New Ulm Lions Club President, Helen Vogel; Lion Brad Ufer and Lion Brad's sponsor, Glen Setterholm. Welcome Lion Brad!



At the January 9, 2025 **Lucan Lions** dinner meeting, Lion Karen Fennern spoke on the program Can-Do-Canines. Karan recently received training for distributing information on that program to our district. She will be visiting other clubs with the information and for fund raising purposes. Pictured L-R: Lion Karen Fennern and President Lion Joel Weidemann.



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DG Deb and the Tracy Lions.



Hadley Lions welcomed two new members in February. Above L-R: Sponsor Lion Jackie Giesen, Lion Cary Quigley, Vice President Riley Engbarth and Lions Alex Petersen. Welcome Lions Cary and Alex!



New Ulm Lions Present Dream Catcher Award

The Lions Club of New Ulm presented a MN Lions Diabetes Foundation "Dream Catcher Award" to Lion Robert Reinhart at the club's February 13th meeting. Lion Robert, a 32 year New Ulm Lion, was honored because of his donations to the "Feed the Pig" program and the donation of his services to do the club's financial audit for many years. The donation of his services frees up money which then can be donated to the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation.

Pictured, left to right, is Lion Bob Schirlinger, Trustee of the MLDF and Lion Robert Reinhart receiving his award.



Left: A special thank you was posted on WWG school Facebook page. They were thanking the two Lions pictured for taking tickets at the games. The Westbrook Lions have been doing this since the Lions Club was chartered in 1987

Pictured L-R: Westbrook Lions Bob Nelsen and John Madson.

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New Ulm Lions Screen Student's Eyes

The Lions Club of New Ulm, under the direction of School Nurse Tara Fausch, RN, PHN and New Ulm Lions KidSight Chair, Annette Haynes, screened the eyes of 613 students. The students screened were from the 1st and 3rd grades of Jefferson Elementary School and the 5th and 7th grades of the Middle School. A total of 613 students were screened on November 22nd and February 13th. Of the 613 students screened, 60 were referred to be seen by an eye care professional.

The device the Lions use to screen the student's eyes is a Welch Allyn SPOT Vision Screener that is capable of screening for Astigmatism (blurred vision), Myopia (near-sightedness), Hyperopia (far-sightedness), Anisometropia (unequal refractive power), Strabismus (eye misalignment), Amblyopia (lazy-eye), and Anisocoria (pupil size deviations). The screening takes just in a few seconds and is performed from a distance of about three feet.

This year's New Ulm Lions KidSight team were, pictured, L to R, Bob Schirlinger, Jared Hoscheit, John Micheel, Carol Behrens, Cindy Tallage and Annette Haynes. Not pictured, Glen Setterholm, Joyce Walsh, Helen Vogel and Jean Nielsen.



Jeffers Community Lions new members Nick Edwards, Nathan McClanahan, Shannon McClanahan, Beth Hansen, Kent Hansen and DG Deb. Welcome Lions Nick, Nathan, Shannon, Beth and Kent!



DG Deb and **Wabasso Lions**.



Newsletter articles and photos are due the 20th of the month

Vesta Lions 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Vesta Café Lion Jim Penske, Pres.	Springfield Area Lions 2nd Thurs; 6:30 pm American Legion Lion Michelle Tauer, Pres.	Sleepy Eye Lions 1st Tues; 6:05 p.m. The Dawg House Lion Gwen Mack, Pres.	Jackson Lions 2nd Mon; 6:15 pm Jackson Golf Course Lion Mark Walter, Pres.	Tracy Lions 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. The Caboose Lion Robert Rialson, Pres.
Westbrook Lions 1st Wed; 8 p.m. Senior Center Lion Connie Rupp, Pres.	Redwood Falls Lions 1 & 3 Mon; 6:00 p.m. VFW-Redwood Falls Lion Chad Johnson, Pres.	Luverne Lions 2nd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Codie Zeutenhorst, Pres.	Wabasso Lions 3rd Wed; 6:00 pm Community Center Lion Jon Fulton, Pres.	
Tyler Lions 4th Wed; 7:30 p.m. Kronborg Inn 101 Hwy 14 Tyler Lion Aaron Swanson, Pres.		Comfrey Lions 2nd Mon; 6:00 p.m. Comfrey Comm Ctr Lion Linda Wallin, Pres.		Morgan Lions 4th Mon; 6:30 p.m. Lions Community Ctr Lion David Nelson, Pres.
Windom Lions 2 & 4 Wed; 6:30 p.m. Jack Slades Lion Eric Haken, Pres.	Bringing the District news to you with NEW FEE! If your Club is not listed, be sure to send in \$25.00 to District Treasurer, Denise Nelson 405 S St, Morgan MN 56266. Memo line: Newsletter Sponsor.			

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Lions of New Ulm 2nd Thurs; 6 p.m. Turner Hall Lion Helen Vogel, Pres.	Granite Falls Lions 1 & 3 Mon; 6:30 p.m. Trolley's Bar & Grill Lion Keith Koerlin, Pres.	Jasper Lions 3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Stonewall Bar & Grill Lion Paula Sanow, Pres.		Marshall Lions 2 & 4 Tues; 6 pm Wooden Nickel (2nd Tues only) Lion Mark Mather, Pres.
	Truman Lions 6:00 pm 1st Mon; Jan-May and Oct-Nov 2nd Mon Church of Christ Lion Mark Steuber, Pres.	Fairmont Lions 3rd Mon; 6 p.m. Pizza Ranch Lion Dustin Tino, Pres.	Lucan Lions 2nd Thur; 7 p.m. Knotts Corner Lion Joel Weidemann, Pres.	
Sherburn Lions 2 & 4 Mon; 7 p.m. Sherburn Legion Lion Doug Rosenberg, Pres.		Jeffers Community Lions 1st Thurs; 6:30 p.m. Jeffers City Hall Lion Susan Goeman, Pres.		Lakefield Lions 1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Multi-Purpose Bldg Lion Barbara Bakalyar, Pres.
St James Lions 1st Mon; 6:00 pm Eagles Club #320 701 1st Ave S St. James Lion Harold Wolle Pres.	Hadley Lions 4th Wed; 6:30 p.m. Hadley Community Ctr Lion Robyn Moger, Pres.	Clarkfield Lions 3rd Tues; 7:30 a.m. City Hall Lion Paul Wilson, Pres.	Canby Lions 2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. PK Egan's Lion Gene Bies, Pres.	Fulda Lions 3rd Mon; 5:30 p.m. Fulda Sr Citizens Ctr Lion Loren Carlson, Pres.