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## ORLD DIABETES DAY NOVEMBER 14

Diabetes is the signature cause of Lions and Leos around the world. This year, in partnership with the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) we're on a mission to make our mark by screening 1 million people for type 2 diabetes. Help us reach our goal by World Diabetes Day (November 14) by taking the online risk assessment or organizing a screening.

## **Online Risk Assessment**

Finding out if you're at risk for type 2 diabetes is simple. You can complete the Test2Prevent in roughly 10 minutes and a few clicks—then encourage others to take the assessment.

## **Organize a Service Project**

Clubs can make a difference by organizing a screening project in their communities. Get started by using the step-by-step guides and resources provided by Lions International.

## **GET READY FOR 2020**

## MID WINTER CONVENTION!!!



## 5M3 Convention Display Tables

The Mid Winter Convention will furnish Display Tables for Cabinet Chairs or Club Project Displays for a project that your club has held. More information to come in future newsletters.



Bring your donated eye glasses to Mid Winter Convention for collection at the Vision Foundation Booth.

Be sure to count them for your report.

## Club Raffle Donations Lana Club Reminder

## Lions Club Reminder~

Each club's responsible to contribute to the Sunday Morning Raffle. It is suggested that a contribution of \$30.00 gift be donated. Please have your items to the convention by early Saturday morning to the Raffle Room.

Questions? Contact PDG Larry & Lion Sue Muenchow at 507-629-3291 or Imuenchow@hotmail.com

## Club Sponsor Page

If your Club is not listed on the sponsor page, be sure to send in your \$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!

## Passing of the Pride...

Has your club had any of your members pass away since

February 2019's Mid Winter Convention? If so, Please send a photo of the deceased member along with their name, club name and a paragraph of information about the member to PDG Wayne Radloff. We need this for the Friday evening **Service of Remembrance** at the:

2020 February Mid Winter Convention\_

<u>DO IT NOW!</u> Before you forget. This service is a way to memorialize and pay our final respect to our Lions and Lioness families since we last met as a district.

Wayne.radloff@yahoo.com

**REGISTRATION ON FOLLOWING PAGE!** 



## 5M3 Lions Mid-Winter Convention February 21-23, 2020 Ramkota Inn, Marshall MN



## REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Title ☐ Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Guest ☐ 1 <sup>st</sup> Timer		$\Box$ Title $\Box$ Lion $\Box$ Lioness $\Box$ Guest $\Box$ 1 <sup>st</sup> Time			
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DISCOUNTED BOOKLETS -** Prices reflect cos	t of Speakers, I	Entertainmen	t & Extras at thi	s Convention**	
EVENT CHOICES.	Before	After	#Attanding	¢ Amount	
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** Meal Booklet (all meals)	\$65.00	\$80.00		\$	
** 1 <sup>st</sup> Timers Special Price	\$50.00	\$65.00		\$	
Saturday Noon Luncheon	\$22.00	\$27.00		\$	
Saturday Banquet	\$33.00	\$38.00		\$	
Sunday Brunch Buffet	\$15.00	\$17.00		\$	
"I WANNA BE A LEO" (ages 12-18)	\$50.00	\$50.00		\$	
Meal Packet	Tota	l Amount		\$	

Make Check Payable to: District 5M3 Lions (memo-Mid Winter Conv)

Mail Completed Form and Payment to: 5M3 Lions Mid-Winter Convention % PDG Dan Jones, 875 20th St, Windom MN 56101

507-822-4200 windom5854@gmail.com

## **Room Reservations:**

Ramkota Inn-Marshall 1-507-532-3221

Make reservations by January 20 – Tell them you are with "Lions 5M3"

Room Rates - \$112.38

## 5M3 District Governor Don Kuehl~

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DG DON-KUEHL 2019-2020

Greetings Lions of 5M3

I just got back from the Council of Governors meeting in Mahnomen, MN this past weekend. It was beautiful weather going up on Friday and coming home on Sunday. Our farmers

were taking advantage of the weather and were harvesting crops in full force. To our farmer Lions please be careful out there this fall. The COG meeting started Friday evening with the first two hours working on Leadership, Membership, Service, Diversity, and LCIF. Interesting fact, North America has not had a "positive" membership growth for over 38 years. The NAMI project (North American Membership Initiative) is trying to turn this around starting in pilot districts. The end of September we were at +2 in 5M3, at 1131 members. The month of October isn't over yet so hopefully we will show another improvement. My congratulations to those Clubs who have or will be sponsoring a "New Members Night". Springfield just completed theirs, signed one new member and have the potential for at least another four new members. St. James inked a new member the night of my Governor's visit as did Lamberton Lions. Canby Lions are working on new members. Great Job everyone. If you haven't done a membership drive in your Club now is the time to think about it.....Leadership (that's all Lions in your Club) have several opportunities coming up. First is the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute in Detroit Lakes, MN, Nov 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 9<sup>th</sup>. Excellent training, 37 folks from MD5M have registered (no one from 5M3????). They will take up to 50 registrations so it's still not too late. Next one is Northern Pride in St. Cloud, MN on March 27<sup>th</sup> thru the 28<sup>th</sup>. They plan to have over 30 presentations during the weekend for you to pick from. Another excellent opportunity to learn about what we do as Lions. Prior to that is our 5M3 Mid-Winter convention, February 21<sup>st</sup> thru the 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Ramada Inn in Marshall, MN. A registration form can be found in this edition of the newsletter. Final plans are being put together at this time. We do have several good presentations scheduled for Saturday morning with ID Larry Edwards as our guest during the convention. Please put this on your calendar and plan to attend. There is no reason not to have 100% Club attendance for this. Clubs, you need to report your service projects monthly. If you are having problems with the MyLion site a good cheat sheet on how to get on is in the newsletter. A video is available to watch at <a href="www.vimeo.com/showcase/mylion">www.vimeo.com/showcase/mylion</a>. I just tried the link/website and it has two videos on it. One to report PAST activities, and one to report CURRENT activities, so I know it works.....Thank-you for your efforts to get this done. I also want to say Thank-you to all the Clubs that are or will be supporting LCIF (Parade of Green is coming up at the Mid-Winter). At the COG this past weekend all the Districts are working hard to become 100% supporters of LCIF. If my facts are correct, 5M3 has been at 100% for the past 4 years. Great Job!!! My observations from my Governor's visits tell me you are busy with activities within your communities and supporting Lion's projects/foundations in MD5M. My wife and I want to express our thanks and appreciation for the hospitality that has been extended to us during our visits. We really enjoy meeting everyone and hearing what you are doing. I have 12 Clubs that have not scheduled a visit yet and I do have a couple of dates yet in November, otherwise it will be January. Please contact me to get a date scheduled. If anyone has any concerns or questions please contact me (ddkuehl@msn.com or cell 507-841-4917). I guarantee you that I do not have all the answers but I'll try and help....OK, I know I'm probably forgetting something that I need to inform you about (I'll think about it after I send this) but till next time, get on the runway, push the throttle forward and "Take Off to Serve".

DG Don

## **UPCOMING CLUB VISITS:**

Nov 11th - Tracy Lions Club

Nov 15th - 17th, - 5M13 Mid-Winter

Nov 20th -Tyler Lions Club

Nov 25<sup>th</sup> - Sherburn, Fairmont, Truman

**Lions Clubs** 

Dec 8th - Lucan Lions Club

Jan 13th - Luverne Lions Club

Feb 10th - Mt Lake Lions Club

Contact DG Don Kuehl to set up a visit with your club! 507-847-3126 <a href="mailto:ddkuehl@msn.com">ddkuehl@msn.com</a>

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.



There's No Politics in Lions!

But Lions have been, and should be, involved in politics. Imagine the world without newborn hearing screenings. It was the MD5M Lions who were responsible for getting legislation requiring those hearing screenings enacted.

Occasionally, such as now, there occurs an issue that requires Lions to take action. Outside organizations are attempting to put Lions Gift of Sight, formerly known as the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank, out of business. This means that eyes donated in Minnesota will be shipped to the west coast and the valuable eye research done at the University of Minnesota in fields such as Macular Degeneration will be without valuable tissue.

The Council of Governors has added an Advocacy Coordinator position to help coordinate Lions efforts when needed throughout the Multiple. All directors in all supported foundations, from the Vision Foundation, Diabetes Foundation, Hearing Foundation, KidSight Foundation, Special Olympics and Canadian foundations need to be ready to be advocates for their respective activities to their legislative bodies.

But more than that, MD5M needs Lions who are willing to write their legislators, follow up and perhaps even attend hearings to show their support for issues affecting Lions and their programs. It would be wonderful if 30 or more Lions would volunteer to be Advocates besides those who are Foundation directors. Sample letters, talking points and prompt notice of hearings will all be provided.

If you can help, please email your name and email address to the address listed below so I may get in touch with you when needed. This doesn't occur often, but when it does, we need to be ready.

Thank you for your consideration, help and service!

Lion PID Mike Molenda MD5M Advocacy Coordinator MD5MAdvocates@gmail.com

A measles outbreak attacks the children of an African village, where approaching 10% could die of the affliction....families in the Bahamas lose everything they have to a hurricane; food, water and even shelter....young school children somewhere fall terribly behind in their studies, simply because they can't see well enough.... all devastating circumstances that could be prevented, or largely rectified, by just a helping hand.

So, who is going to address those needs? It's rather doubtful that it would be a government, where bureaucracy encumbers their ability's. The duty needs to be covered by a civic organization, of which there are several, but none as thorough and comprehensive as LCIF! We land first and leave last, every time; supplying the need and relieving the pain. What a proud tradition!

But, the funds to accomplish these efforts doesn't just come out of thin air; they need to be provided by us, the individual Lions members of Lions Clubs International. When each of us joined the Lions we declared our desire to be of assistance to others, to make the difference that improves lives. A big part of that vow is committing a portion of our own resources to supporting our foundation, LCIF, the arm of Lions Clubs International that directly addresses those humanitarian services, that may otherwise go largely unfulfilled; the heart and soul of who we say we are...

I am asking you to join me in supporting our LCIF mission, only not just as a club, most 5m3 clubs already do that, but as an individual Lion. If you'll allow me, I would love to address your club at one of your upcoming meetings, and explain how we can make a real difference in this world. Together, we can make the difference we claim to pursue, the one that improves that other person's life.

You can reach me at kimball5854@gmail.com, or at (507) 822-4200. Together we could do a great service!

Together in Service
Daniel Jones - LCIF Coordinator



## 1st Vice District Governor David Janssen



Welcome Lions of 5M3

Just returned from 3 days of training for 1VDG that was held at Mahnomen. The training covered a lot of different areas of the District Governor position. Some of the courses that we took were

Goal setting, District E-Book, Public Speaking and building your District Cabinet. The 3 days we spent were very rewarding and very busy with a lot of information. It was enjoyable to get together with all the other 1VDG and the 2VDG and go through the training. A Council of Governors was also held and was well attended.

The next training opportunity will be "Emerging Lions Leadership Institute" which is coming up real soon.. It will be held in Detroit Lakes, Hoilday Inn, on November 7 through the 9. We do not have anyone signed up to take this at this time from 5M3. Please consider this and contact DG Don Kuehl. He will get you in.

Have some on-line classes for 1VDG training to finish up on. Planning for the Midwinter Convention is taking place at this time. Convention is taking place in Marshall, February 21 through 23 at the Ramada Inn. A few people from the planning committee are going to visit the Ramada and do a walk thru and check it out.

Thanks for your service.

1VDG David J.

## 2nd Vice District Governor Gordon Mulder

From the desk of Lion Gordon Mulder: a look back, a look ahead. We received a call from the Adrian Elementary School nurse, a request—could we help with the eye screening as we did last year? Why yes, we could! So we reserved a spot camera for the day, asked for help from our club, and three of us spent day at Adrian and tested about 250 kids. A good day, a good job done.

My wife and I then headed to Springfield to hand the camera off to the next user, which I believe was Redwood Falls, and then attend the planning meeting for our Mid-winter convention. My memory, which is usually goood, told me the meeting started at 6:00. Reality, and checking past emails, told me that my memory is actually very short and that the meeting started at 6:30. We had a nice one half hour rest sitting on main street in Springfield, in front of the café.

I just returned from two days of VDG training in Mahnomen, Mn. The training covered things from 'impromptu speaking' to 'the Lions Learning Center', at myLion.com, to 'technology' and 'teamwork'. I also found out that a train and its whistle come through Mahnomen on early Thursday mornings at 2:30 am, 3:30 am, and at 4:30 am.

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

Lion Gordon Mulder, 2nd VDG of 5M3



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Well I am back. I was really busy and did not get to talk to you last month.

I have made a couple of great visits. I was down in Jeffers on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September and in Morgan on the 9<sup>th</sup>. What a great time I had meeting with the Jeffers lions and great time was had at my home club in Morgan. I am waiting for a call to come to your club and get a chance to talk to you. Our woofaroo was a great success with more than 500 donors who helped raise more than \$85,000. The day was a great celebration of can-do-canines and all of our supporters. Our fall graduation will be held October 26<sup>th</sup> with another 14 teams graduating.

If you have a chance to attend please do as it is a event that will be a experience that you will not forget.

This month I am going to share the story of Greg and his hearing assist dog Duke.

Greg was only in his 20s when he learned he had Meniere's disease, an inner ear disease that causes progressive hearing loss, tinnitus, and, in some cases, vertigo. Over the years, Greg received two cochlear implants to help combat his hearing loss. Samantha, Greg's daughter, lives with him part-time. Samantha worried about her father. "She was pretty nervous about me being alone at night, smoke alarms specifically," Greg says. He was afraid he would sleep through his alarm and found himself unable to sleep soundly through the night. When Samantha suggested her father look into an assistance dog, Greg agreed. After applying to Can Do Canines, Greg was matched with Hearing Assist Dog Duke. "[Duke] actually came quite a bit quicker than I had anticipated," Greg says. "Within four, maybe five months." For Greg, the most difficult part of the training process has been taking his previous experience training hunting dogs and adjusting to train with an assistance dog. "[It's a] completely different beast," he says. On a daily basis, Duke alerts Greg to different sounds such as doorbells, the tea pot, alarm clocks, oven timers and the telephone by gently nudging or pawing him. Of all the tasks Duke performs, Greg firmly believes Duke's favorite to be waking him up in the morning. "He wakes me every morning. He either nudges my cheek or he'll give me a little lick," he explains. "My sleep patterns have absolutely changed for the better!" Greg exclaims. Before Duke, he would wake throughout the night and be unable to fall back asleep, resulting in perpetual exhaustion. "I would usually average around 4 to 5 hours of sleep a night before Duke," he explains. Thanks to Duke, Greg is able to sleep soundly knowing Duke will rouse him if needed. Duke has already been on camping trips, pontoon rides and grocery store runs. When asked if Duke has made the difference she wanted for her dad, Samantha replies with a firm, "Yes." The entire family is extremely grateful for the newest addition. "I just want to thank every single person that's involved in Can Do Canines because what you're doing matters and is really, really beneficial to people like me. So, I just want to say thanks to everyone.

That is it for the month. As always, if you are looking for a program, do not hesitate to call.

Can-Do-Canines Chair Lion Galen Engholm Cell 507-920-7129



## HELP WANTED International Exchange Chair

Call DGE Don Kuehl for details 507-847-3126 <a href="mailto:ddkuehl@msn.com">ddkuehl@msn.com</a>

This chair attends MD5M International Exchange meetings to find out how to work with the Youth in our District who are traveling on a 4 week exchange to another state or country by supplying information and applications. They also assist in finding homes for youth coming from other countries for the month of July. There are usually around 30 young adults who visit the state of Minnesota who needs host families. They spend 3 weeks with the family and 1 week at Camp Spicer. This is a very rewarding position for those who like to work with young adults. Are you interested in finding out more about this position? Call DGE Don Kuehl -send him an email ddkuehl@msn.com

## Continued from previous page from Leader Dogs for the Blind



## TOP DOG CLUB AWARD

Every year, 75,000 people become blind or visually impaired. Your club has the opportunity to make a positive impact on the lives of people in your hometown, and across the U.S. and Canada, by joining with Leader Dogs for the Blind to help make people unstoppable.

## "In every Leader Dog lies the heart of a Lion."

- LDB Client and PDG Len Quinn

By supporting Leader Dog's annual fund at a level of \$5,000 or more in a single fiscal year, your club will be recognized as a Top Dog Club. This elite group represents just 1% of all Lions clubs in the United States and Canada.

## New for 2018 - Top Dog Club Awards are available in four levels:

**\$5,000+** receives a Top Dog Club Award patch, club pin, recognition on website, social media, local press and LDB campus digital display board.

**\$7,500+** receives all \$5,000 level acknowledgments plus one club member invitation to Lions Summer Visit.

**\$10,000+** receives all \$5,000 level acknowledgments plus a Founders Tribute Plaque, two invitations to Lions Summer Visits and \$100 gift shop credit.

**\$20,000**\* receives all \$5,000 level acknowledgments plus a Founders Tribute Plaque, three invitations to Lions Summer Visits and \$200 gift shop credit.

Top Dog Club status can be attained through a one-time donation or cumulative donations within a single fiscal year.

Yes, our club wants to be a Top Dog Club. Here is our donation.

For questions regarding how your club can attain Top Dog Club status, please contact a Lions relations specialist at 248.659.5012

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## MORGAN LIONS CLUB FALL BRUNCH & RAFFLE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 03, 2019 SERVING FROM 10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM St. Michael's Catholic Church Basement

Proceeds benefit Lions and community projects
Handicap accessible

MENU:

SCRAMBLED EGGS APPLE SAUCE

APPLE SAUCE PANCAKES

HAM

HAM

MILK

COFFEE

ALL ARE WELCOME

All you can eat

Take outs available

COST: \$9.00 - 12 years and older \$4.00 - 5 to 11 years No charge - under 5 years old







## Hospice of Murray County & Hadley Lions



Wednesdays: November 6

6:00 pm at

November 20

City Limits-Slayton

December 4

Pot starts at

January 8

\$200

January 22

φ200

February 5 February 19

**Paper Cards** 

In Honor of National Hospice Month

Hospice of Murray County will be drawing names
for Turkeys November 6th & 20th

## **ZONE 7 MEETING!**

TUES, NOVEMBER 12, 2019 6:30 PM

## JACKSON PIZZA RANCH

Clubs: Fairmont, Truman, Sherburn, Jackson, Mountain Lake & Lakefield

Officers encouraged to attend.

Please be there by 6:00 if you would like to dine at the buffet prior to meeting start.

## PEACE POSTER CONTEST

November 15 is postmark deadline for clubs to send one winning Peace Poster to:

Don Kuehl 141 Second Ave Jackson, MN 56143

Thank you,

Do not fold poster. Roll up and send in mailing tube. Make sure sections I & II on winner sticker are filled out. Affix sticker to the back lower right-hand corner of poster.

District Peace Poster Chairperson, Lion Deb Rasset debbirasset@yahoo.com

## Save the Date for the Fetching Ball Gala

Saturday, February 8, 2020

DoubleTree Bloomington Hotel

Save the date and join us as we celebrate Can Do Canines at the Fetching Ball Gala. Enjoy a delicious dinner, cocktails, silent and live auctions, games, and entertainment.

## **NEW MEMBER INSTALLATIONS**





On October 10, 2019, Keith Richter became a member of the Lions Club of New Ulm and therefore, Lions Clubs International.

Pictured L-R is Lion Glen Setterholm, who did the induction ceremony; Lion Brad Kirk, Sponsor; Lion Keith Richter and Lion Jean Nielsen, Lions Club of New Ulm President.







DG Kuehl installs new members into the Comfrey Lions Club.

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Aug 31, 2018...... 1,181

Sept 30, 2019......1,131

YTD Members Added: ...... 15 YTD Members Dropped: ..... 18

Net Loss/Gain: -3

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## LIONS OF NEW ULM



Above: NU Diabetes Walk Committee, Pictured L-R, Lion Bob Schirlinger, Michael Wise, Jill Wise, Randi Blackstad, Lion Bob Wise, Melissa Lawson and Lion Annette Haynes. Not Pictured is Lion Bonnie Schirlinger.





## New Ulm Diabetes Walk a Huge Success

The Lions Club of New Ulm from District 5M3 and the Lafayette Area Lions Club from District 5M2 again joined forces on Sept. 28, 2019 to hold their Fifth Annual "New Ulm Diabetes Walk". Over \$18,000 was raised. \$16,894.90 will be donated to the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation. These funds will be used to find a CURE for diabetes at the University of Minnesota. \$1175.00 will be used for scholarships for three Type 1 Diabetic children at Camp Sweet Life next summer. This year's walk was dedicated to Whitney LeGare, a young woman from the Lafayette Minnesota area who lost her life one day short of her 25th birthday due to complications from T1D. Over 160 walkers participated. Thank you to all the Lafayette Lions, New Ulm Lions and others who helped, participated and donated to this very successful event. This event has generated over \$60,000 over the last four years. We hope that our success encourages other Lions Clubs in Multiple District 5M to hold similar events to raise money for this very worthwhile cause.



Above: Team Firmenich Inc, Second from left, Team Leader, Laura Gaylord. Firmenich Inc. donated \$1,000 to the NU Diabetes Walk.

## **LUVERNE LIONS**

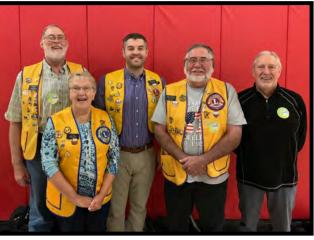
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The 'Luverne Crew" worked Kidssight screening at the Luverne Elementary School. 505 kids were screened in two days.





On October 8, 9 & 10 Hadley Lions joined forces with Hadley Lioness and Fulda Lions to screen Murray County Central School students K-12.

Over 600 youth were screened.

## **JASPER LIONS**



Members of the Jasper Lions club have screened 423 Pipestone Area School students ages Preschool through 10th grade.

The Jasper Lions Club handed out candy and emoji bracelets to over 200 kids during the 3rd Annual Jasper Trunk or Treat.







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## SPRINGFIELD LIONS FLY-IN BREAKFAST



The Springfield Area Lions Club cohosted a FLY IN/DRIVE IN BREAK-FAST at the Springfield Municipal Airport. Along with airplanes, owners of classic cars and motorcycles, about 350 people attended. The event was held in order to create the awareness and importance of an airport. Pancakes, sausage, fruit, milk, juice and coffee were served from 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM.













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## **REDWOOD FALLS LIONS**



The Redwood Falls Lions were able to pay off 2 years early their commitment for a new Daktronics scoreboard at Memorial Field ball park through their 300 Club raffle fundraiser.



While you can't see that the sign says "scenic route" (because the beautiful sun is shining!), it did get a whole lot more scenic AFTER 14 Redwood Falls Lions and one helper picked up all this trash! You're welcome.





Jackson Lions finishing another wheel chair ramp deployment.

## **GOVERNOR VISITS**





ST. JAMES LIONS

**LAKEFIELD LIONS** 



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**MADELIA LIONS** 



## **COMFREY LIONS**

The district **Public Relations Kit is** available for clubs to use for special events and fundraisers. If your club would like to arrange to use a kit, please contact Lion Denise Nelson at 507-227-1712 dlnelson0714@hotmail.com

## **Have You Filed Your Federal Tax Form (990-N) for 2018?**

Lions: <u>PLEASE</u> remember that all **Lions Clubs**, that have annual gross receipts less than \$50,000 MUST file the E-Postcard. Please note that this is an IRS requirement. This has to be filed online, and for most clubs it must be filed before <u>November 15</u> of this year (there are a few Lion Clubs that have a calendar year as their fiscal year and your club must file each year by May 15).

To file, the easiest way to do it is to go to the following website: <a href="http://epostcard.form990.org">http://epostcard.form990.org</a>. Once you are at the site, you need to have the following:

Employer Identification Number (EIN), also known as a Taxpayer identification Number (TIN). Your secretary should have this, or you can get it for your club on the LCI website, <a href="www.mylci.org">www.mylci.org</a>, then pull up your club; it will have the number listed. This is a nine digit number.

- 1. Tax Year Use July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018
- 2. Legal name and mailing address
- 3. Any other names the organization uses.
- 4. Name and address of the principal officer.
- 5. Website address if the organization has one.
- 6. Confirmation that the organization's annual gross receipts are \$50,000 or less.
- 7. If applicable, a statement that the organization has terminated or is terminating (going out of business).
- 8. When you enter the site, it will ask for a User Name. Hopefully you wrote it down from the previous year. If not, you can create a new one.

You MUST complete this every year. If you miss for 3 years, your club loses its tax exempt status and you must pay a reinstatement fee to get re-registered. Avoid the pain, make sure that this is done at the latest by November 15 of each year, but do it early in case there is some glitch that needs to be dealt with.

~Lion Denise Nelson, District Administrator

## **District Childhood Cancer Chairperson**

The District Childhood Cancer Chairperson is appointed by the district governor. Childhood Cancer Chairpersons support Lions clubs engaged or interested in projects to expand access to life-saving treatment and provide support to the children and families who face childhood cancers. They may collaborate with leadership throughout the organization, including the Global Service Team (GST).

Encourage clubs to utilize Childhood Cancer Project Blueprints (Coming soon!) to implement turn-key projects that will increase their level of community engagement. Promote projects and funding opportunities throughout the district. Inspire Lions clubs in the district to serve and report their service to MyLCI.

Also refer to Lions-International.org/Resources for members/information for Childhood Cancer Chairperson.

Call DG Don Kuehl if interested.





## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!**

## **MY LIONS REPORTING**



## How to report service activities with My Lion Reporting

- 1. Log into Lions Club International website. (www.lionsclubs.org)
- 2. Click "Go" under MyLion tab
- 3. MyLion home page will appear—there are 5 tabs across top of page, right side: Home, New Activity, Report Activity, My Activities and Metrics)
- 4. "**Home"** shows how many people you have reported as serving; signature activities as well as up coming activities
- 5. "**New Activity**"-used to report **upcoming** activities—an activity that will happen in future so fellow Lions can be "invited" to join the activity.
- 6. "**Report Activity**"-used to report **past** activities—activities that have happed within the last month. This is what most of us are used to doing with MYLCI. The reporting is **after** the event is completed.
- 7. "My Activities"-listing of activities the you (and others) have reported. You need to click "Past Activities" on left hand column to see past activities that have been reported. Also, if you click an option on top of page, you can see reporting for the District, Multiple District, as well as others.

## How to report a Past Activity:

- 1. Click "Report Activity"
- 2. Click "Create Past Activity to Report" on right side of screen.
- 3. Select your activity type by clicking appropriate tab. Click "Continue" on right side.
- 4. Select the Cause that reflects your activity type or Other. Click "Continue" on right side.
- 5. Choose a project planner that applies, or choose Other. Click "Continue" on right side.
- 6. Fill in following page as best as you can, give your activity a name and input dates and times. You can choose on this page who can see this report by clicking "Everyone", "Club" or "Only Me". Click "Continue" on right side.
- 7. Fill in next page with number of volunteers and hours of the volunteers. If you do not have volunteers for one or more catagories, you must enter "O" zero. Otherwise you may get an error that the information has not been entered. Click "Continue".
- 8. Review the information you have entered, then click "Submit" on bottom of page.
- 9. Click "Submit" and you are done. Hooray!
- \*If you have troubles, you may contact District Administrator, Lion Denise Nelson at 507-227-1712 or e-mail question to dlnelson0714@hotmail.com.
- \*If you are uncomfortable entering this information yourself, you can send Lion Denise the information. As District Administrator, she can enter it for you.

Below is a link that can give you more information.

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center?query=MyLion%20reporting

## LAST CHANCE!!!

## **Application November 2019 MD5M ELLI**

Name		
Address		
Address		
City	_State/Province	Zip Code
Member Number	AL MO	
Club Name		151
Current position in yo	ur Lion Club	7/14
Food allergies (list)		
Distri <mark>ct num</mark> ber	/4/	
District Governor		
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## **Hotel information:**

Please make your own lodging reservations PRIOR TO 10/25/2019!!!!
Plan on arriving early evening Thursday 11/07/2019 Check out
Saturday 11/09/2019.

HOLIDAY INN - 1155 US Hwy 10 – Detroit Lakes MN 56501

218-847-2121

Lion Block reservation code: Lions ELLI

QQ-\$99 plus tax, King-\$99 plus tax, Lake View (QQ and King)-\$109 plus tax

Free WIFI

## Meals information:

ELLI provided Breakfast (light) Friday and Saturday
Lunch On Your Own Friday and Saturday (restaurant on premises)
ELLI provided afternoon break beverages and snacks ELLI
provided Dinner Friday evening

## Completed applications (District Governor Approved) and payment:

Mail: MD5M – 709 River Lane – Anoka MN 55303

(Send \$150 payment in mail with application or contact Lion Vicki for credit card

payment via PayPal)

FAX: 763-208-6583

(Send \$150 payment in mail separately or contact Lion Vicki for credit card

payment via PayPal)

Email: MD5M.ExecutiveSecretary@gmail.com

(Send \$150 payment in mail separately or contact Lion Vicki for credit card

payment via PayPal)

Checks and Money Orders are payable to: MD5M Leadership Institute

James Lions 1st Wed; 6:00 pm Eagles Club #320	6 <b>Pringfield Are</b> ↓ Lions 2nd Thurs; 6:30 pm	Lions 2nd Thurs; 6 p.m.	2 & 4 Mon; 6:15 pm	2nd Mon; 6 p.m.
701 1st Ave S St. James Lion Joseph McCabe, Pres.	American Legion Lion Gilbert Anderson, Pres.	St. Pauls Church Hall Lion Greg Hansen, Pres.	Jackson Legion Lion Mark Walter, Pres.	Pizza Ranch Lion LeRoy Schomacker, Pres.
Kracy Lions	Hadley Lioness		Wabasso Llong	sherburn Lions
2nd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Multi-Purpose Center Lion George Erbes, Pres.	2nd Wed; 6:30 pm Hadley Community Ctr Lioness Deb Helmke, Pres.		3rd Wed; 6:00 pm Community Center Lion Duane Heiling, Pres.	2 & 4 Mon; 7 p.m. Sherburn Legion Lion Mark Wohlhuter, Pres.
Vesta Lions	Redwood Falls Lions	Comfrey Llong	Hadley Lions	Morgan Lion
1st Mon; 6:30 p.m. Vesta Café Lion Jim Penske, Pres.	1 & 3 Mon; 6:30 p.m. AM Legion Lion Teresa Rossow, Pres.	2nd Mon; 6:00 p.m. Comfrey Comm Ctr Lion Martha Fredin, Pres.	3rd Tues; 6:30 p.m. Hadley Community Ctr Lion Al Husfeldt, Pres.	4th Mon; 6:30 p.m. Lions Community Ctr Lion Galen Engholm, Pres.
	The Newsletter Club Club is not listed, be so Denise Nelson at Newsletter Clubs c			

## **5M3 Lions Clubs Sponsor Page**

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Lions of New Ulm 1/2 Thurs; 6:15 p.m. Turner Halle Lion Jean Nielsen, Pres.	2/4 Tues; 6 p.m. Call 507-532-5364 Lion Jackie Meyer, Pres.		Lions 4th Tues; 6:30 p.m. Lake Wilson Legion Lion Jack VanEck, Pres.	3rd Mon; 7 p.m. Senior Center Lion Darren Peters, Pres.
1st Mon; 6 p.m. Church of Christ Lion David Petersen, Pres.	Granite Falls Lions 3rd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Trolley's Bar & Grill Lion Todd Trudel, Pres.	3rd Mon; 6:30 p.m. Fulda Sr Citizens Ctr Lion Mike Peterson, Pres.		2nd Thur; 7 p.m. Knotts Corner Lion Joel Weidemann, Pres.
3rd Mon; 7 p.m. Stonewall Bar & Grill Lion Bob Quissell, Pres.	Fulda Wo Festi June 13-16, 2019	od Duck ival		2nd Mon; 6 p.m. Multi-Purpose Bldg Lion Lion Joel Poppe, Pres.
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