

# 5M4 Newsletter



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## Spring cleaning

Just when you think spring has sprung, the high school tournaments begin and winter hits all over again! I'm just going to ignore it and keep moving forward with spring cleaning and projects. It's also a good reminder that it's not only time to clean out closets, but maybe your club could use a good scrubbing! Maybe you need to review some practices you've always done and see if there is a way to streamline things or maybe there are some new



DG Sue Kulbeik and PDG Bob Kulbeik

people that need to become involved in service projects and help organize the club or try an entirely new project. Ask your new members what they would like to try and help them take leadership in the event. Review your reporting each month to LCI and be sure your membership numbers are being reported EVERY month. Be sure your payments for dues are completed since you will not be able to vote at the Multiple District Convention if your club owes money to LCI.

We are still looking for our first new club to start in 5M4. It can be a new club in a new city, or maybe a branch club from your own club – you only need 5 members for a branch club! Is there an organization or a group of people with a similar interest in your community that could become that branch of your club? We have community grants that would help them grow their club and become more visible to your community. It can also be a specialty club – common interests, prefer on-line meetings, or have a special service project we can help them complete. You name it – we'll start a club for them!

Elsewhere in this newsletter you'll find the information about our environmental project for spring – Tree Planting! (Page 17). I'm very excited about this and appreciate PCC Dennis Heinen taking the lead on securing the trees. We've writing yet another LCIF Grant and are hoping to get word very soon that the trees are on the way. Be sure and contact Lion Dennis and get your supply reserved! And while you're planting trees – don't forget to plant the wildflower seeds you received at our Mid-Winter Convention. What a fun day of being environmentally friendly!

Thank you all for your continued support and kind words. We are enjoying every pancake, fish fry, or other events we are attending. The DG Club Visits are so interesting because we get to hear what you are doing and meet so many great Lions. I'm going to be sad when my year is over.

DG Sue Kulbeik kulbeik@gmail.com 605-949-0161

Clubs: Would you like to give a Melvin Jones Fellowship award? Contact me to find out the amount of MJF credit you have to give out a MJF award and I can also help you order. Thanks!  
Lion Allan Ulbricht, Cell 320.267.4207  
Allan.ulbricht@gmail.com

HAPPY EARTH DAY!

Make Your Own Pine Cone Bird Feeders

Monday, April 22 - 6 pm  
Buffalo Lake City Park

FREE for ALL ages!

A great event for families and community to celebrate Earth Day!

Please RSVP to susanreuberkrumrey@outlook.com by April 14 so materials can be purchased.

Hosted by the Buffalo Lake Lions





# Jottings from Jacque!

Greetings Lions of 5M4 –

*Easter Blessings Lions of 5M4. With Easter right around the corner and spring seemly close at hand, it sure is nice to get outside if only to pick up sticks off the lawn. It was amazing to see the ice off the lake by March 12!! WOW. It seems more common to wonder if ice will be out by fishing opener.*

*Hope everyone has made their plans to attend the Multiple Convention April 18-21 in Winnipeg – it's not too late to do so. Please make sure your club delegates are informed voters: There is a funding proposal to raise dues \$1.50 per year 7/2024 thru 1/2029 for hosting the 2029 International Convention in Minneapolis. Also, they will vote for the next International Director either PCC Bert Nelson, 5M9 or PDG Dennis Kelley III, 5M6 to represent our Multiple.*

*ID Joanne Ogden has stated the new portal will be going live April 15th, so watch your emails for more information.*

*SAVE the DATE Please save the date Sunday afternoon, May 19 to have current and newly elected Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, District Administrators and Zone Chairs attend an afternoon of fellowship, training and a light meal. In addition, bring your questions, offer up your suggestions so all of us can benefit – we are in this together to serve our communities and the district wants to provide guidance and updates to what information Lions International is needing from clubs. If there is ANY other training you'd like to see that day, please reach out to Mickie at mickierogal@gmail.com or myself at lionheinen@gmail.com. May your mornings bring joy and your evenings bring peace. May your troubles grow less as your blessings increase.*

*May you feel your faith renewed and your heart made new with the Hope this Easter season brings.*

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*---Ask One ---Keep One In Lions, We Serve*

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PCC Dennis Heinen and DGE Jacque Heinen

## HOW CAN YOU HELP YOUR COMMUNITY?

New Service Ideas this spring from the Global Service Team:

- **Food Drive** for the food shelf
- **Birthday Cake Kit** for the food shelf  
Included cake mix, cake pan, candles, vegetable oil...they just need eggs
- **Community Garden**  
Help plant, weed and harvest items for the community or food shelf.
- **Community Orchard**  
Help plant apple trees and have available for the community.
- **Scholarships** for your High School
- **Purchase a Book** for every child, do a book for every second grader.



**KEEP THINKING OF WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR COMMUNITY!**

PCC Dennis Heinen, Global Service Team heinende@centracare.com 320-491-3996

# A note from Susan

Happy Spring!! It always seems to start with some snow, but it won't last long, I hope!!



Lion Brad Krumrey and  
1st VDGE Susan Krumrey

As we come off a couple months of the district's Mid-Winter conventions, it warms my heart seeing everyone having a great time together, sharing in the same mission – WE SERVE. I am honored to be doing the work we do with some great minded people. I am honored to be chosen to be on the ladder for your District Governor. I have learned a lot over the year from DG Sue and as we continue to move forward with DGE Jacque and 2nd VDGE Jason, we will work hard at serving all in 5M4.

I am most looking forward to not only growing personally but growing our district with you. Our Mission 1.5 is in full swing and there are a lot of opportunities for everyone to take in some training for growth. We are hearing the main reason for joining our great service organization is our service projects. Whether it is through our community projects, or donating to LCIF, every action we take touches the lives around us and makes our space a better one to be in. Make sure your service projects are advertised well, invite non-members to join you, and be welcoming to all. Let's "Change the World", it starts by making a positive impact within your own communities! Through serving, we learn compassion, empathy, and the joy in giving to others, take pride in what your team has accomplished. AND THEN, make sure your club is reporting all your good works! Reporting your impact is important to those around us that want to see how many hours we have served, how many lives we have touched, how much we have donated to our global causes, and how we are being good stewards with this one earth we have been given. Make sure the value of your teamwork is getting noticed!

Leadership, personal growth, being a part of something greater than yourself... if you have the drive to lead, come join us! There are so many opportunities for training. Maybe you start by volunteering to head up a project within your club. Maybe you start by taking on the secretary job to relieve that person that has done it for years, so they too can do something different within your club. Or maybe you have the vision to go higher and want to see what really happens behind the scenes and you want to become our Cabinet Secretary (please email me!). As your clubs start talking about leadership roles for the next Lions year, volunteer yourself! We all have the same goal: to make the world a better place. Together, we can accomplish so much, and we need leaders like you to step up and help your club and district in all aspects of what it takes to accomplish our goals. By adding your idea's, you have a diverse power to tackle challenges and create meaningful change, all while enriching many lives in ways you may not have imagined! If you want to be involved in more, your 5M4 leadership team wants to talk to you! Together, let's create a brighter future for all, one act of service, one hour of volunteering at a time!

Together In Service, 1st VDGE Susan Krumrey, susanreuberkrumrey@outlook.com

**TWO  
locations!  
Sign  
up  
now!**



**JUNE 1, 2024 - 9:30 AM**

**MINNESOTA LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM - CHASKA, MN**  
**DIAMOND POINT PARK - BEMIDJI, MN**

**FUN FOR FAMILIES OF ALL AGES!** | **A CHANCE TO CHANGE A PERSON'S LIFE THROUGH YOUR REGISTRATION DONATION!** | **KIDS UNDER 12 ARE FREE!**

Register at: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/2024walktod-feethearingloss>  
Text DFEET2024 to 50155 to donate or register.

# MN Lions Diabetes Foundation Physical Activity Challenge - 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fundraiser!



February-March-April 2024

### How To Participate:

- Choose your own activity
- Be active on your own
- Be part of a team
- Donate or register anytime between Feb 1 and April 30
- Commit to 15 miles of physical activity per month

### How to donate/register:

Turn in the bottom portion of this flyer

- OR -

Register and donate online here: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/mldfstrides2024/>

\$30.00 Registration fee

T-shirts available

*“Catch the Dream”  
...Life Without Diabetes!*



Lions Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Challenge Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount:

\$30 \_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_ \$250 \_\_\_ \$500 \_\_\_ \$1,000 \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:

MLDF Treasurer, MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, 11070 15<sup>th</sup> St NE, St. Michael, MN 55376

(Net Proceeds benefit the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation)



# LCIF Gala

Paint the Town ~~RED~~

GREEN!



Sat, April 13, 2024

Prairie Event Center

Parkers Prairie, MN

10:30 am to 4:00 pm



**You don't need to wait for someone to award you a Melvin Jones, though it is a nice surprise. You can join the Fellowship yourself! For every \$1000 that you donate to LCIF, you first receive a plaque, then progressive pins.**

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

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

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

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

Any further questions please contact:

Bert Nelson 218-298-0599 or lionbert.a.nelson@gmail.com

*“Tickets still available!”*





104th - MD5M Multiple Convention  
Victoria Inn Hotel & Convention Centre  
April 19th-21st, 2024, Winnipeg, MB, Canada



2024 MD5M Registration Form

You can put two names on a form

Date Rec \_\_\_\_\_

Lion  Lioness  Leo  Guest  1st Timer   
Name & Title \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip/Postal \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
District & Club: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

2024 MD5M FULL REGISTRATION  
\$220.00 CDN  
\$165.00 USD  
MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS EARLY

Special Dietary Needs: Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

(Convention Committee is not responsible for any food allergy reactions - This is a SCENT FREE event)

I am attending the convention but NO meals are required, \$0.00 cost to attend

Full Hospitality Book (Inc. Friday night event, Saturday Breakfast, Lunch, Banquet & Sunday Brunch)

			\$ AMOUNT
<b>Full Hospitality Book</b>	<b>\$220.00</b>	<b>CDN</b>	<b>\$165.00 USD</b>
Friday Night Social	\$ 50.00	CDN	\$35.00 USD
Saturday Breakfast	\$ 35.00	CDN	\$27.00 USD
Saturday Lunch	\$ 50.00	CDN	\$35.00 USD
Saturday Banquet	\$ 65.00	CDN	\$48.00 USD
Sunday Brunch	\$ 45.00	CDN	\$33.00 USD

Place Total amount in this box if attending only separate events

NO meals available after March 31st, 2024 - Make cheques payable to "Lions Convention"  
Mail registrations to: MD5M Convention % PDG Dave Hollyoake, Box 204, Arnes, Manitoba, Canada R0C 0C0  
Cancellations prior to March 31st, 2024 will have a 25% processing fee applied, NO Cancellations after March 31st, 2024.

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** Victoria Inn Hotel & Convention Centre, 1808 Wellington Ave. Winnipeg, MB R3H 0G3  
Call 204.786.4801 or 1.877.842.4667 email [winnipeg.vicinn.com](mailto:winnipeg.vicinn.com) Ask for Group # 178163 "Lions Convention" rates  
For more information contact: Registration Committee PDG Dave Hollyoake e. [2024md5mconvention@gmail.com](mailto:2024md5mconvention@gmail.com)  
or his cell 1.204.797.5930 or Convention Chair PDG Doug Wiens - cell 1.204.326.0189 e. [dougwiens13@gmail.com](mailto:dougwiens13@gmail.com)  
Room rates CDN \$\$ - Standard \$134.00, Deluxe \$144.00, Corporate Floor \$154.00 & Suites @ \$184.00 CDN

7.

# PUT YOUR EVENT ON THE 5M4 WEBSITE!

Please let us know if you'd like us to post your 5M4 club event.  
Send to [patrickposl@gmail.com](mailto:patrickposl@gmail.com)



5M4 Newsletter  
[www.e-district.org/sites/5M4](http://www.e-district.org/sites/5M4)  
APRIL 2024

## REMEMBER THESE 2 KIDS?



### IT'S TIME TO WELCOME THEM HOME!

WHEN: Friday, July 19, 2024

WHERE: Best Western Plus Kelly Inn  
100 - 4th Avenue S.; St. Cloud, MN; (320) 253-0606; Rooms: \$115/night  
[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.24113.html?groupId=1H4EB8R3](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.24113.html?groupId=1H4EB8R3)

TIME: Warm up: 6:00 pm  
Dinner: 6:45 pm  
Program: 7:30 pm

DRESS: Black and White attire (Notice we didn't say "black tie")

COST: \$15.00 PER PERSON (Not a typo!); CAPACITY: Only 280

**NO GIFTS PLEASE:  
THEY ALREADY NEED TO BUILD AN ADDITION ONTO THEIR HOME!**

#### ONLY IF YOU INSIST:

Consider bringing a check payable to "LCIF" or "TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation"

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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ District # \_\_\_\_\_

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

Dinner Choices: Top Sirloin \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Breast \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail the completed form and your check for \$15/person payable to "Lion Brian Campaign Fund" to:

Mike Molenda  
1462 Featherstone Court  
Hastings, MN 55033-9181





### PDG Dennis Kelly III for International Director

It's not about how long you've been a Lion. (28 years, but who's counting?) It's not about how many offices or positions you've held. It's not about how many awards, medals, or certificates you've received.

It's about your impact.

KidSight, a new program since 2016. Leading a team of Lions. Over 180,000 kids have had their vision checked. Over 22,000 have seen an eye doctor changing their lives. Changing the lives of hundreds of Lions.

MD5M GLT since 2019. Leading teams that have resulted in more training being done at the club and district level. Two leadership institutes happening every year rather than one institute every other year. The least number of vacancies in the District Governor, 1st VDG and 2nd VDG leadership position, only three, in the last five years.

That is my impact.

We are asking for your vote.

Please vote for the Lion who has made an impact on our Multiple District and the lives of thousand of Kids and Lions through KidSight.

Please vote for the Lion who has made an impact on leadership development both in our multiple district and Internationally.

Your vote for will allow me to continue to make an impact in our multiple district and on the International level.

Please allow me to represent you and be your voice. Please vote for PDG Dennis Kelly III for International Director.

We appreciate you and thank you for your support and your vote.



Now more than ever we need to step up and provide that district guidance. All Lions have been challenged to grow our association and International President Dr. Patti Hill is asking us as PDGs to step up and show the Lions of MD5M that we lead by example.

The challenge is simple, recruit at least one new member to our association. As leaders of our multiple will you accept the challenge of our International President and sign up that new member?

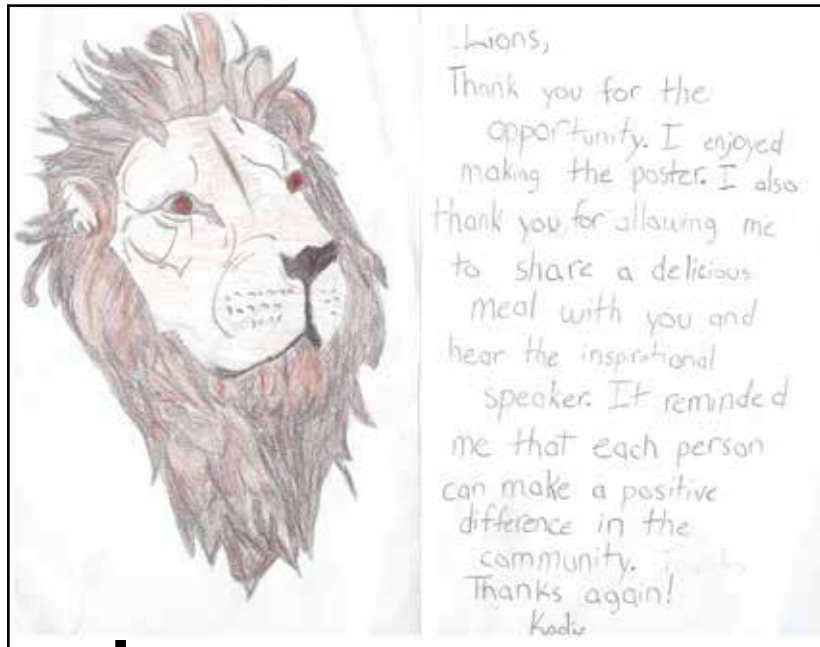
The challenge is made!  
Will you accept the Challenge?  
I Have!!

If you are ready to accept our International Presidents Challenge, let your Fellow PDGs know that you are on the team to grow our association.

PDG Jay Norby  
CA1 GAT Area "C" Leader  
IA/MN/ND/SD/WI  
Lions International  
218-298-1031 ljnorb@arvig.net

MISSION 1.5 is the drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide, so we can better meet the growing needs of our communities and serve more people than ever before. MISSION 1.5 starts with you. When we invite new members to our clubs and build new vibrant clubs, it does more than make our communities stronger, it makes the world a kinder, healthier and better place to live. Our International President Dr. Patti Hill is challenging all of us to step up and help grow our association. Dr. Hill is asking all of us to go out and find at least one new member to join our association. We have all heard the different acronyms that are associated with PDG. Everything from Power Done Gone, Permanent Dinner Guest, Pretty Darn Good and the one that is the most accurate, Providing District Guidance.

### Peace Poster thank you!







## Bert Nelson for International Director

Pam and I have enjoyed meeting many of you at the Mid-Winter conventions. Our hope is that we will meet again at MD5M Convention in Winnipeg on April 19-21, 2024. There the delegates will vote for the endorsement of the International Director who will represent MD5M.

I feel I have the right qualifications to run for International Director which include:

Zone 6 Chairman

District 5M9 Public Relations Chairman

District 5M9 Newsletter Editor

Chairman of three 5M9 Mid-Winter Conventions

District Governor 2005-06

Council Chairman 2006-07

MD5M Long Range Planning Committee Chairman

MD5M Public Relations Chairman

MD5M Newsletter Editor

MD5M LCIF Chairman for past 11 years

Certified Guiding Lion

Global Extension Team

Global Leadership Team

Global Service Team

Training Instructor for six groups of incoming governors

Facilitator for 8 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institutes

Facilitator for 1 MD5M Emerging Lions Leadership Institute

Assisted on 5 International Director Campaigns for candidates from MD5M.

Campaign Chairman for IP Brian Sheehan

Planning Committee member of 2 USA/Canada Forums

Presenter at 5 USA/Canada Forums



Scan the QR code to listen to the endorsements by Lions from MD5M. Pam and I want to thank you for your consideration and continued support with my campaign for International Director. We plan to visit your Mid-Winter Conventions and we hope to see you in Winnipeg.

PCC Bert Nelson

[lionbert.a.nelson@gmail.com](mailto:lionbert.a.nelson@gmail.com)

cell: 218-298-0599



*Exciting news!*

## A “Lions Alert Program” is being developed within our District.

*The Objective:* “Preparedness, Response, Recovery, and Relief in relation to a disaster, means measures taken during or immediately after a disaster in order to bring relief to people and communities affected by the disaster”.

- **PREPAREDNESS** involves the development of a plan of action in case of emergency. A logistic operations center and a practiced emergency response plan are two elements of the preparedness phase. Lions Clubs continuous cycle of planning, organizing, training, equipping, exercise, evaluation and improvement activities to ensure effective coordination and the enhancement of capabilities to respond to incidents or disasters.
- **RESPONSE** includes the mobilization of Lions Clubs and Lions Alert Coordinators. They should be prepared to do a rapid needs assessment and bring Lions to where they can do the most good.
- **RECOVERY** aims to restore the affected area to its previous state, such as rebuilding destroyed property, infrastructure. Recovery can be immediate and/or can be longer term depending on the situation. Relief can come in the form of providing food and drink to recovery workers and affected people, working with other agencies, assistance in long term recovery.

### 1. Communication

Our first phase of the program will be communication. **We need to develop a plan of communicating the program information to our clubs.** This will happen through a variety of means:

- District Leadership
- Cabinet members
- PDGs
- Zone Chairs
- Newsletter
- Leadership meetings with clubs
- Meeting with non-Lions organizations

### 2. Club Participation

We will begin to roll this out immediately.

**Each Lions Club meeting should include the following discussion:**

1. Focus of the plan
2. Structure of the program
3. Develop a leader in each club (or neighboring club if none available in all clubs)
4. Develop a call chain template in case of emergency to muster membership
5. Develop a list of members who are willing to go through training
6. Organize training sessions for Lions to become prepared for emergencies
7. Develop a list of resources available already and contact names (equipment, generators, tools, capabilities, storage, etc.)
8. Work with local Emergency Management Directors so they know of our availability and capabilities

### 3. Types of Emergencies

- **LEVEL ONE: A local emergency. House fire, flood, lost child, are some examples.** A single club could respond to the affected area. Each club will develop their own plan on how to help their community.
- **LEVEL TWO: Affects a larger geographical area, flooding, fires, or storm damage.** At this level, Districts would respond and may possibly be eligible for a LCIF Emergency Grant. Our District will develop a plan for response, capabilities, and communication depending on what each local club is willing to provide.
- **LEVEL THREE: Catastrophic event such as earthquake, tsunami, or large tornado affecting a huge area and thousands of people.**

*Questions?*

Please contact Lion Bonnie Lay at: laybonnie@icloud.com or 5M4 DG Sue Kulbeik at kulbeik@hotmail.com

*This is just the start of the Lions Alert Program in our District. First, communicating the information to the Leadership and then the clubs. From here, the rest of the program will be defined and implemented. Each club or Zone could develop their own plan according to their capabilities and their needs. They must work with local Emergency Management and First Responders to maximize their contribution. We will also work to have each club insured properly and be able to provide proof of insurance to local command centers on site. Our hope is to eventually have a mobile command unit stocked with equipment need to provide assistance and relief in case of emergency, both short and long term.*



# Lions Portal Phased rollout for Lion Account Users

**Our target launch window is April 15 – May 13\*. During this time, all current Lion Account users will receive an email inviting them to access the new Lion Portal\*\*. We're doing this phased rollout to ensure staff are available to provide the best support possible and offer you a positive introductory experience. Now – April 11: MyLion, MyLCI and Insights will continue to function as normal. April 12 and beyond: MyLion, MyLCI and Insights are no longer available. April 15 – May 13: Invitations to access the new Lion Portal sent via email on a rolling basis to existing Lion Account users. Please note: User permissions will not change. In other words, those who can report service, access member data and other key functions remains the same. May 13 and beyond: All visitors attempting to access the previous digital tools will be automatically redirected to the new Lion Portal. \*Dates are subject to change. Our number one goal is to create a positive experience for Lions and Leos. If determined more time is required to ensure the product is in an optimal state, the dates may be adjusted accordingly.**

## Jersey Mike's Month of Giving!

March is Jersey Mike's Annual Month of Giving. All 54 Jersey Mike's locations in Minnesota will be encouraging customers to donate to Special Olympics Minnesota throughout the month.

**Save the date:** Jersey Mike's Day of Giving is Wednesday, March 27. 100% of sales (not just profits!) support Special Olympics Minnesota on this day. Eat some sandwiches and support SOMNI!



## Jersey Mike's Locations in Minnesota

You can help Special Olympics by visiting any of the following Jersey Mike's location during the month of March. And even more so if you go on March 27th! Thanks for supporting Special Olympics athletes. MD5M Special Olympics Chair Lion Laura Maki

- Albert Lea
- Alberville
- Apple Valley
- Baxter
- Blaine x 2
- Brooklyn Park
- Burnsville
- Champlin
- Chanhassen
- Coon Rapids
- Cottage Grove
- Duluth x 2
- Eagan x 3
- Eden Prairie
- Edina x 2
- Fergus Falls
- Fridley x 2
- Golden Valley
- Hastings
- Hopkins
- Lakeville
- Lino Lakes
- Mankato x 2
- Maple Grove
- Maplewood
- Minneapolis
- Moorhead
- North Oaks
- Owatonna
- Plymouth
- Richfield
- Rochester x 2
- Rogers
- Rosemount
- Roseville
- Savage
- Shakopee
- St Cloud
- St Anthony Village
- St. Louis Park
- St. Paul
- Vadnais Heights
- W. St. Paul
- Waconia

## AWARD & SCHOLARSHIP CONTACTS:

- MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation, Inc.  
**BELIEVE AWARD:** e-mail tpcmcc0526@yahoo.com
- **Heart of a Lion Award:** Contact DG Sue Kulbeik
- **LITPC Youth Scholarship** Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie at 763-786-8072 or e-mail: bmguthrie9@q.com
- **Lions Hearing Foundation** Fellowship:  
Contact PDG Mike Voss at 20472 371st Ave., Green Isle, MN 55338



# 43<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL OSAKIS LIONS CLUB WALLEYE TOURNAMENT

## WHEN

**June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**7am – 3pm**

## WHERE

**Lake Osakis**

Headquarters: town access

FEATURING · 1<sup>st</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> place payout · 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> place plaques ·  
large walleye contest: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place · \$8,000 first place  
prize ( payouts based on 75 entrants)

**[WWW.FISHDONKEY.COM](http://WWW.FISHDONKEY.COM)**

**FACEBOOK: OSAKIS LIONS WALLEYE  
TOURNAMENT**

**2 PERSON  
TEAMS**

**REGISTER AT:  
FISHDONKEY.COM**  
\$350 (\$25 goes  
towards big walleye  
contest) + \$10  
registration fee

**75 TEAMS  
MAX**

**6 FISH  
STRINGER: 5  
FISH BETWEEN  
15-21.75" AND  
ONE FISH OVER  
22" (UNLIMITED  
CULLING)**

**BOAT CHECK-IN  
STARTING AT 5:30  
AM MORNING OF  
TOURNAMENT**

**BENEFITING  
The Osakis Lions  
Club and the  
Osakis Community**



# Your donations to **LCIF** make a difference at home and in the world!



**5M4 is proud of our contributions! Watch this chart to see how we are supporting the amazing work of Lions at home and around the world.**

<b>JULY 2023</b>	<b>\$7,384.00</b>	
<b>AUGUST 2023</b>	<b>\$1,115</b>	<b>YTD: \$8,499</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER 2023</b>	<b>\$2,990</b>	<b>YTD: \$11,489</b>
<b>OCTOBER 2023</b>	<b>\$4,122</b>	<b>YTD: \$15,611.50</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 2023</b>	<b>\$614</b>	<b>YTD: \$16,225.50</b>
<b>DECEMBER 2023</b>	<b>\$8,811</b>	<b>YTD: \$25,036.50</b>
<b>JANUARY 2024</b>	<b>\$3,834.32</b>	<b>YTD: \$28,870.82</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 2024</b>	<b>\$15,325.95</b>	<b>YTD: \$44,196.77</b>
<b>MARCH 2024</b>		
<b>APRIL 2024</b>		
<b>MAY 2024</b>		
<b>JUNE 2024</b>		

*Our goal for this year is \$57,350 (~\$39.50/member). 13 clubs (or individuals from the club) out of 53 clubs have donated this year. A major goal is that 100% of clubs donate to LCIF (any amount counts).*

As of the end of February 37 clubs (or one of their members) of the 52 total clubs in our district have given to LCIF. That is 71%! Compared to 13 clubs prior to Mid-Winter in January. A major goal continues to be 100% of clubs (or one of their members) donate some amount to LCIF by the end of our Lions year on 6/30/2024. Please give something. Every bit helps. I will be reaching out to club officers and zone chairs to learn how I can support you and to ask your support for LCIF. Allan Ulbricht  
 Cell 320.267.4207

Thank you to all 5M4 Clubs for your donations!



# GLOBAL ACTION TEAM SUMMIT

**MAY 18TH**  
**9:00AM-4:00PM**

📍 Sauk Centre American Legion  
128 Main St S, Sauk Centre, MN 56378



**LUNCH PROVIDED**

## GREAT IDEAS FOR

- GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM
- GLOBAL EXTENSION TEAM
- GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM
- GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM
- GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP APPROACH CHAMPIONS

**RSVP WITH**

**CC ROB WIENER**  
**NO LATER THAN MAY 12TH**

✉ 5M4lionrob@gmail.com



**SPECIAL GUEST PCC JODI BURMESTER**  
**FROM WISCONSIN'S MD27**

*ALL LIONS  
ENCOURAGED TO  
ATTEND!*

## Cabinet Secretary needed

Due to other leadership roles coming up, I am in need of giving up the position of Cabinet Secretary to another capable individual that is interested in learning more about how our district runs, has interest in a leadership role, and is willing to take meeting minutes for us! You will need to commit to 4 meetings a year, one happening at the Mid-Winter convention, and also take notes for the business meeting at the convention. This person will also keep an email list of all clubs in our district (Secretary and/or President) for furthering on communication with them as directed from our District Governor or other cabinet members, to ensure our zone chairs and clubs within our district are well informed. You will be the contact for them as they may reply to you – you will need to have good communication skills, answering their needs or furthering on their email to the correct person to ensure all club members are taken care of in a timely manner. If this position is for you, or you have interest and want to learn more, please contact DG Sue Kulbeik at kulbeik@gmail.com, 1VDG Jacque Heinen at lionheinen@gmail.com, or myself/2VDG and Cabinet Secretary Susan Krumrey at susan@ksmillwrights.com. There is a cabinet meeting coming up, I invite you to come along with me, I can train you in!

**PUT YOUR EVENT ON  
THE 5M4 WEBSITE!**  
Please let us know if you'd like us to post your 5M4 club event.  
Send to [patrickposl@gmail.com](mailto:patrickposl@gmail.com)

**BUFFALO LAKE LIONS  
FISH FRY**

JOIN US FOR DELICIOUS  
BEER-BATTERED ALASKAN  
POLLOCK!

SIDES INCLUDE LIONS  
HOMEMADE BAKED BEANS,  
POTATO WEDGES, AND  
COLESLAW

FRIDAY, APRIL 5  
11 AM UNTIL FISH IS GONE!

**\$16**  
ADULTS

**\$8**  
AGE 6-10  
5 & UNDER  
FREE

BUFFALO LAKE FIRE HALL  
DINE-IN ONLY  
TAKEOUT AVAILABLE





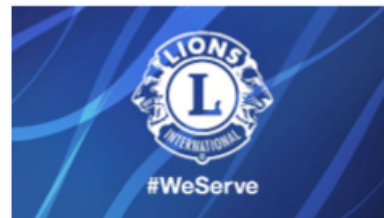
The Buffalo Lake Lions Club honored our Childhood Cancer Awareness month by serving at the Ronald McDonald House on Oak Street in February. This is a project dear to our hearts as one of our family's once needed those services. All meals are served by volunteers, every day, 365 days a year, or by donations given and then the meal is catered. When we were there, of the four connected houses, there were 4 open rooms only. Upon arrival, we wheeled in the pop can tabs that we collected with help of the BLHS elementary school... but then COVID shut down the in-person serving. We were happy to deliver these and be able to serve again! After set up and waiting to serve, we got a tour of the homes that families stay in while their children are there for medical treatments. Pictured is in the classroom/library where the kids (if able) do school. They have a teacher that runs the classroom for all the kids, helping them with the homework that is given by their school. The gym is fully stocked with items for play and running off steam of being inside all the time. There are other rooms for the families such as a theater, play/gaming rooms throughout the houses, laundry rooms, a piano room, book nooks to sit and read at, a back yard patio... all the comforts of a home away from home. If you would like to serve/donate a meal or want to know more about the services they offer, please look them up at [www.rmhc-uppermidwest.org](http://www.rmhc-uppermidwest.org).



The Buffalo Lake Lions Club has been drawing for a winner each month this school year for a lucky educator at the BLHS School for a \$250 gift card to help them purchase things for their classroom. As you can imagine, they are thrilled to be the recipient! Pictured with Lion Susan Krumrey is one of the winners for this school year, Mrs. Melberg, the high/middle school Social Worker. She was trilled to get the gift card to help restock her shelves of sensory items, and the closet she helps manage for personal hygiene items that the kids might need but aren't available at their home. She also takes on used BLHS apparel and other clothes so those in need can have, whenever needed, no questions asked.

## Lions Clubs International – Branding matters!

Marketing your club and its projects or events is crucial for gaining public support for your activities and for growing club membership. In doing so, it's important to remain consistent with Lions Clubs International branded materials to maintain the brand equity our organization has built over the last century.



Lions' clubs are completely autonomous. However, one of the reasons that members choose to join a club is because they identify with what our association stands for. Correctly using the graphic elements, verbal tone and personality developed by Lions Clubs International will ensure that all clubs are communicating clearly and effectively with a unified voice.

The link below takes you to the LCI website page that features all the tools you need to publicize your club's events, updates, recruitment and more while staying true to the Lions International brand.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/brand-guidelines>

On this webpage you can find items you need to successfully market your club — from photos and videos for digital communications to Lions emblems, service icons, Leo logos and more. Your club can utilize the resources, templates, and everything else found there to help you jumpstart your club marketing. From service event promotions to new member engagement, use these tools to elevate your club marketing efforts.

Included on this webpage is a branding guideline manual that you can read or download. Please use this reference guide to ensure that your club is properly using all the Lions logos and other branding. The guidelines found in this manual should be used in everything you do for promotion and marketing, whether it is



Usage of the correct Lions logo is important. A few of the easiest ways to recognize the correct logo branding requirements are:

- if the logo has a red tongue, it is the wrong logo,
- if the logo is multi-colored and not the two-colored version, it is the wrong logo,
- if the logo is not smooth across the top, it is the wrong logo, and
- if the *I* and the *L* in the word *International* are illegible, it is the wrong logo.

If any of your printed materials, advertisements, webpages, or social media sites are using the wrong logo, please change them to the current logo at your earliest convenience.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Lyle Goff  
MD5M Marketing & Lions Information Chair  
[gofflt@msn.com](mailto:gofflt@msn.com)



# SIGN UP!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/g60B0E49AAA2AA6FB6-mnlions1>  
 Newsletter website Facebook page.



5M4 has 69% of clubs who report their members info and meeting attendance.

We'd like to get that up to at least 75%! You can help!

Club Secretaries - we need your reports please!

1. After each meeting go to Lions Clubs International link (on E-club site) or [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)
2. Go to Member login: MyLion
3. Enter the information - and you are finished!



<https://www.e-district.org/sites/5m4/>

## 5M Tree Planting



Lions International President Patti Hill has an emphasis on the environment. She will be at the Multiple District 5M Convention as the keynote speaker. With that Lions of Multiple District 5M are planning on planting 6,000 trees this spring. District 5M4 has ordered 500 trees for our District and will have them available in April or May. We will have 10 trees per club. I have ordered **White Pine, Midwest Crabapple, Silver Maple and White Spruce**. These trees will be 6-12 inches tall and grow in well-drained soil and can tolerate dry conditions. The trees come as a bare root plant and will need to be kept wet and planted within a few weeks. Please make sure the trees are taken care of for the future also. These trees can be planted on public land or private. The plan would be to bring them to a regional area to be picked up. There will be no cost for these trees.

Please contact Global Service Chair Dennis Heinen at [Heinende@centracare.com](mailto:Heinende@centracare.com) if your club:

1. Is interested in receiving trees.
2. Which variety of tree you prefer (no guarantees).
3. Is willing to take more trees than 10 if more are available.

We Serve,

5M4 Global Service Team

## Sponsor a hero. Be a hero.



Throughout our history, thousands of amazing donors worldwide have helped us empower people who are blind or visually impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel. Now you have the opportunity to show your support in a new way, through a **Symbolic Puppy Sponsorship**. For \$500, you'll receive a picture, a profile and an official certificate of your sponsored Future Leader Dog. **Leader Dog services are critically important. LAST YEAR, we were able to safely provide:**

- ▶ **500,000+**  
Days of safe and independent daily travel
- ▶ **123**  
Guide Dog clients served
- ▶ **149**  
Clients received white cane training
- ▶ **3**  
Clients who are deaf and blind received customized guide dog training
- ▶ **18**  
Teenagers gained leadership and travel skills
- ▶ **287**  
Current and potential clients received a visit from a field services guide dog mobility instructor
- ▶ **336**  
Clients and Q&M pro's viewed virtual learning videos
- ▶ **\$0**  
Cost to client



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## GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM

Lions how are we doing with service projects? Maybe it is time to add a new project. Keep looking for new ideas to help your community. Ask your members for new ideas. New club members often bring new ideas. Is there something you can do for your local nursing home or help with a Special Olympics event. What does your local school need?

Need something in the newsletter? Send to: [aneo@runestone.net](mailto:aneo@runestone.net)



### **Benson Lions present check to Prairie Five**

Benson Lions Club President Laura Thomas and Treasurer Marlys Boone present a check for \$500 to Prairie Five Outreach Specialist Sue Fragodt and Outreach Assistant Lori Holt for the Swift County Food Shelf MN Food Share March Campaign.

## **Volunteers Needed!**

*Local news is for everyone! The Lions Reading Program for the Visually and Physically Impaired provides a means for the visually and physically impaired to be kept informed by the hearing of local newspapers read and broadcast through online, through an app, or your smart speaker. We are in need of volunteers. Any interested people can contact Lion Ginny Paulson (218-736-5109) or Pamela Shroden (218-731-2954).*

*It is an easy and important way to make a wonderful difference in our communities. This is a nonprofit organization. It is governed by representatives from Riverside Fergus Falls Lions Club, Elizabeth Lions Club, consumers, and readers.*

## **LEADER DOG.NEWS**

Spice up your meetings! Have you noticed that the calendar says “Spring” but nature has decided to give us Winter instead? Beat the Winter Blues by having a Leader Dog Puppy (Klinger) come to your meetings and let the raiser/ambassador (that would be me) tell you the magic that can happen when you invite one of these special puppies into your home as a puppy raiser. Talk to our support crew at home to see what’s REALLY involved. Ask questions... see the development of Klinger from the Winter Convention to today. Just like his namesake, Klinger likes to play, but when he must, he can be a very good and mannerly puppy. Just like any young personality – you never know what you’re going to get. Thus, the spice to make your Lions meeting exciting. Contact me to arrange a speaker with a puppy: Mary Bolas, 320-815-0343, marybolas.mb@gmail.com

Ever think that puppy raising is too hard or that you couldn’t possibly return your puppy without leaky eyes. I got news for you! Leader Dog has obligations of not just a year...but for 3-, 6-, or 9-month tours. If you find a co-raiser in your town, it is possible to allow the co-raiser to “babysit” when things come up, and you have a problem with bringing a future leader dog. Then when your time is up, the future leader dog will move on to his new household and when you need that “puppy fix” you can volunteer to take the puppy for a short period of time. It’s really the best of both worlds. Have you ever wondered what the facility is like at Leader Dog? You can! Just go on to their website, click on volunteer and register for a VIRTUAL tour. Ask questions... consider the possibilities of spreading a little magic and happiness in your community. If you decide to raise--- GREAT, if you decide that is isn’t quite for you or your situation just yet...that’s ok too. You won’t be pressured or hassled in any way.

IS YOUR LIONS GROUP IN NEED OF PLACEMATS for your fundraising breakfasts and dinners? We can supply you with those...just need to let us know either email, or text of your event the number of people that you think will attend, the person’s address that is planning the event, and date. We need about 3 weeks lead time to get these to you.

UPDATE on Hawkeye...Hawkeye is in his final month of training at Leader Dog. He has gotten great report cards from his trainers as he has progressed through school. So, so far so good. GO TEAM HAWKEYE!

Where has Klinger been in January, February, and March? Attending Lions Winter Convention, playing with his litter mate from North Dakota as we puppy sat for almost 2 weeks, going to a retirement party for my husband, playing with Sue and Bob Kulbeik’s puppy, Trooper, for 2 weeks while we celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in Hawaii, went to the Wendell Lions Fish Fry, and attended West Central Area High School’s screening of Prairie Yard and Garden on PBS (this program will air April 4 and can be accessed on UTUBE PYG 3710-Growing at WCA Schools- Program). This story is truly amazing! See what Lions Clubs and International Lions can do when they join hands!? IT HAPPENED IN OUR BACK YARD.

*Remember, spice up your meeting with a speaker and future Leader Dog puppy visit.*

## 2023/24 5M4 Cabinet Members

We are here to support you! If you need anything, or would like to schedule us to come visit your club, please reach out! ***We Serve Together!***

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