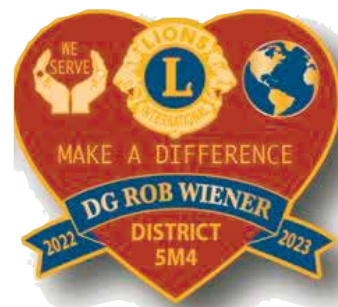




5M4 Newsletter



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***NEWSLETTER E-MAIL CHANGE!**

anneo@runestone.net

2023



‘Let’s make a DIFFERENCE!’

That is my slogan for next year. My goals as District Governor is to make a difference. I am not reinventing the wheel. I am building on the success and the legacy of the district.

My membership goal is simple. Let's be positive in members at the end of the year. That means if someone leaves your club for any reason, replace them. It is always great if we can get new members. But it is just as important to keep the old members.

I am also trying to start at least one new club in the district. This may be a cyber club, or a work club, or a special needs club. I am open to any ideas or thoughts. We could even start a family club.

I am also looking at getting 100% club participation in donating to LCIF. Our foundation. I would like to see more individual member donations. My wife and I donate monthly through an auto pay from our bank. It is easy to do and every dollar counts. If 100 members give \$1.00 a month that is \$1200.00 a dollars a year that can be used to help others.

Now that I have given everyone a little insight into what I am trying to do this year. I will tell you how I am going to try and do it.

I am going to try to come to at least one club event or service project for every club in the district. To do this I need to know when your events are. I ask you to share them in the newsletter. Or email or text me what you have going on. The farther in advance the better chance Jo and I will be there.

I am also looking forward to visiting the clubs. My calendar is slowly



**DG Lion Rob Wiener
and Lion Jo Wiener**

filling up with club visits. Give me a call, shoot me an email or send me a text. Lets get your date on the board. I have a number of cubs that are sharing club visits. Where one club hosts the visits and invites neighboring clubs to join them. Whatever works for you. Jo and I are excited to visit. And talk to each and everyone of you.

This year is going to be exciting, challenging and fun. I look forward to working with each and every club to make a difference in the District and Lions Club International.

To do this I am letting everyone know I am here to help. If there is any question, concerns or needs. Never hesitate to contact me. That is what I am here for. To help you help me make a Difference. This can be anything from a question about membership, to officers to club dynamics. I am always available to listen and guide where needed.

We have assembled, in my opinion, one of the best cabinets around. The leadership and experience we have on the cabinet is second to none. Use those resources whenever you can. If you need help getting your officers into My LCI, or you are having trouble accessing My Lion. Give me a call and we have people to help. They want to help.

Thank you for making 5M4 the best it can be.

5m4 DG Rob Wiener
5m4lionrob@gmail.com
320-241-7100



A note from VDGE Sue

PDG Bob Kulberk and 1st VDGE Sue Kulbeik

I have some questions for you this month...

What is it about a sunny summer day that makes everything better? My mood goes up, I feel organized, empowered, and ready to conquer the world. How is it something out of my control, like the weather, can have such an effect on my whole day?

Isn't that a metaphor for life? We get up ready to conquer the world then the coffee pot doesn't work and your whole day is ruined. Might as well go back to bed!

I find the best way to get past those little set-backs is to focus on the bigger picture. Yes, some things go wrong, but others have much bigger challenges in their lives. Hunger, homelessness, blindness, hearing deficit, or maybe living in a war zone such as the Ukraine are all reasons for us to get up and think about how we can serve those others today. Can you be a Leader who accomplishes what needs to be done? If not you, then who?

How can we serve someone tomorrow and the next day? Who can we call on to help us serve more people. Because, after all, as our International President has said, "Together We Can!"

What can you do?

Please contact me at any time if I can be of assistance. My phone is 605-949-0161 and my email is kulbeik@gmail.com.



Also, I am still Leader Dog Chair and would love to bring our puppy, Olee to meet your club or event.



*"Lions Strong:
 Making A Difference"*



Registration Form

44th District 5M4

LIONS MIDWINTER CONVENTION

January 27, 28, 29, 2023 at Arrowwood Resort, Alexandria, MN

PLEASE MAKE YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS!

Call Arrowwood Resort @ 320-762-1124

2100 Arrowwood Lane NW, Alexandria, MN 56308

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Club _____ Club Title _____ Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Non-Member _____
 Name: _____ Club _____ Club Title _____ Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Non-Member _____
 District or Other Title: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Guest Children: _____ Age: _____
 Guest Children: _____ Age: _____

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Convention Package (includes all meals)

Regardless of postmark: Name on Card _____
 (Credit card add 3% for card fee) Credit Card # _____ EXP Date _____
 _____ @ \$50.00 (\$51.50) Children 12 & Under Security Code _____
 _____ @ \$50.00 (\$51.50) LEOs
 _____ @ \$ 50.00 (\$51.50) First Time Attendee (District 5M4 members only)
 _____ @ \$30.00 (\$30.90) Saturday only – no meals

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Postmarked 7/16/22 – 12/15/22 Name on Card _____
 (Credit card add 3% for card fee) Credit Card # _____ EXP Date _____
 _____ @ \$115.00 (\$118.45) Regular Attendees Security Code _____

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Postmarked 12/16/22 – 1/10/22 Name on Card _____
 (Credit card add 3% for card fee) Credit Card # _____ EXP Date _____
 _____ @ \$135.00 (\$139.05) Regular Attendees Security Code _____

PLEASE CHOOSE YOUR BANQUET MEAL: Beef _____ Fish _____ Vegetarian _____ (How many for each selection)
 Any Special Dietary Needs? _____

Meals available: Saturday Breakfast: _____ @ \$30.00 Saturday Lunch: _____ @ \$35 Saturday Banquet: _____ @ \$50
 Sunday Breakfast: _____ @ \$30 No meals sold on site.

Waterpark tickets \$10.00 per day per child (To be purchased after arrival.)

Cancellations will be charged a \$20 fee. Cancellations after January 1, 2023 no refund will be made.

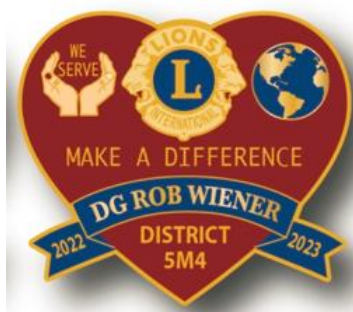
Make Checks payable to: District 5M4 Lions Mid-Winter Convention Fund

Send to: Cindy Fronning, 324 E. Hillside Ave. Fergus Falls, MN 56537

Contact Cindy Fronning for questions 651-324-8415 or email cindy@nadona.org



2023 5M4 Mid-Winter Lions Convention Tidbits



Hi Everyone,

Wow! The International Convention has come and gone. We now have a new International President, Brian Sheehan and a new 5M4 District Governor, Rob Wiener. It is going to be a great year in Lions!

The summer is half over which means that the year is half over so its time to get very serious about our 2023 5M4 District convention.

DG Rob and the convention committee are very busy putting together great speakers and fun activities for you in January 2023.

We have ID Dr. Dianne J. Pitts coming to spend the weekend with us. She is very energetic and will bring us some great tips on being a Lion. We have more great speakers lined up, more to come on them in the next few months.

We have some changes this year. Our schedule will be a little different. Keep watching these tidbits for more on speakers and the schedule.

Our theme of **Lions Strong: Making a Difference** seems to resonate even more these days as we see needs growing here at home and around the world. As we work together, we can make things happen and provide more relief and hope!

Thank **YOU** for being a Lion and for all that you do.

More to share later!

Lion Cindy Fronning
2023 Convention Chair
651-324-8415
cindy@nadona.org



Mn Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation Inc.

Believe Award

Application

Club Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Recipient:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Please check:

_____ Memorial Donation \$1,000.00, given in memory of a deceased Lion or non-Lion.

_____ Cumulative Award - Accumulated gifts over time resulting in a \$1,000.00 donation.

Mail or Email Application to:

Lion Genia Sjerven
14496 Geneva Ave N
Hugo MN 55038
sjerven@gmail.com

Mail Award to: Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

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

Benson Lions serve *Music in the Park held Thursday*

The City of Benson "Music in the Park" began Thursday, July 7 with the Joe Lindner-One Man Band performing from 6-9 p.m. The Benson Lions Club served root beer floats. Due to inclement weather, the event was held at the Benson Golf Club.



Benson Lions Club
Best of the Beast

OCTOBER
Calendar
Drawing

\$4,000
CASH GIVE AWAY

| Benson, MN | | | | | | |
|--------------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| October 2022 | | | | | | |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| | | | | | | \$200 |
| \$100 | \$200 | \$100 | \$100 | \$150 | \$100 | \$200 |
| \$150 | \$100 | \$100 | \$100 | \$150 | \$100 | \$200 |
| \$150 | \$100 | \$100 | \$100 | \$150 | \$100 | \$200 |
| \$100 | \$100 | \$100 | \$150 | \$150 | \$100 | \$150 |
| \$100 | \$100 | | | | | |

\$20 Per Poster

600 Tickets Sold



Daily drawing will be held for the month of October 2022. Must be 18 years or older to participate. Need not be present to win. Winners will be announced on KSCR • Benson Radio between 8:30-8:45 a.m. sponsored by Hughes Real Estate & Auction Service. All Proceeds will be used for local area projects.

No.

\$4,000
GIVE AWAY

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

No.

Permit #: X-94269-22-002



Donation to the Benson Lions

The Benson Lions Club recently received a \$5,000 donation from the L.A. Amundson fund at First Security Bank in Benson for softball field complex improvements. From left to right are Brent Grube, Rod Burns, Linda Smith, Cheryl McGeary, Terry Smith, Loretta Burns, Mick and Mariys Boone, Mark Frank, and Laura Thomas.

Having a hard time finding new members?...maybe you should ask one of these?...

your spouse
your children
your neighbor
your brother
your sister
your best friend
your mailman
your garbage man
your insurance agent
your banker
your car dealer
your doctor
your nurse
your pastor
your boyfriend
your girlfriend
your mother
your father
your cousin
your past Lions members
your business partner
your barista
your mayor
your local store owners

As you can see the options are limitless. Find one of the above or one of your own choices. Share the gift of Lionism today!!

Submitted by Jason Kerfeld



Milan Lions Support Youth Program

The Milan Lions Club is supporting the Milan Youth Program by providing a trailer to collect aluminum cans. Located on Main Street in Milan, proceeds from the aluminum can collection will help to support a variety of year-round youth programs in Milan. Pictured are several Microneasian youth with (L-R) Dough Hanen - Past President, Dough Spray - President, and Ken Lee - Secretary of the Milan Lions Club.



**Minnesota Lions Hearing
Foundation
Hearing Research Fellowship
Application**

The Hearing Research Fellowship Award can be presented to a club member, family member or member of the community by a local club on behalf of the MN Lions Hearing Foundation. For every \$1000 donated to the Hearing Foundation, a Club earns one recognition award. Please consult with your District Hearing Foundation Trustee to determine how many club credits your club has earned.

Please PRINT

Club Name: _____ District _____

Person submitting Application: _____

Address where to ship recognition: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Contact email address: _____

RECIPIENT:

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Please Check Appropriate Fellowship:

- _____ **Individual Fellowship** = gift totaling \$1000 made by individual, Lions Club, or Lions District to honor someone as a Lion Hearing Research Fellowship.
- _____ **Memorial Fellowship**= gift totaling cumulative \$1000 given in memory of a deceased Lion or individual.
- _____ **Cumulative Fellowship**= accumulated gifts over time resulting in \$1000 donation. Fellowship plaque awarded upon cumulative \$1000 donated.
- _____ **Progressive Fellowship**= gift to honor an individual who has previously been awarded a Hearing Fellowship Award.

Amount of donation: _____ Check # _____ Date _____

Please send completed application to PDG Mike Vos, Foundation Treasurer for processing.

Check Payable to: **Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation**

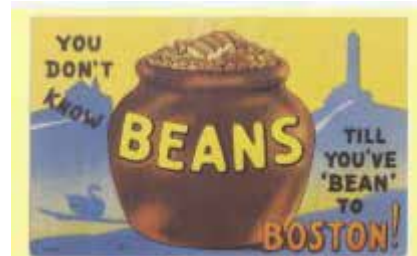
Payment to: PDG Mike Vos, Foundation Treasurer
20472 371st Avenue, Green Isle, MN 55338

Hearing Research Fellowship Application

This award can be awarded to a Lion, a community member or business or other organization the club chooses. The award helps with the ongoing hearing health research projects at the University of Minnesota.

This award can be given for every \$1,000 the club gives to our organization. Clubs can check with their trustees to find our their balance.

Please allow 30 days to process & ship award recognition



"5M4 Membership Helper T-Shirt"

Some of you may have a hard time trying to find future Lions

Here is a chance for your shirt to break the ice and start a Lions discussion. Without membership our clubs and communities will start to suffer. The GMT of 5M4 is urging our members to strongly consider ordering some for yourself or the club ordering these to assist you with your membership advancement, plus they are only \$10.

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|------------------------------------|---|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Club name | | | | | | | | | <i>Order now!</i> |
| Contact | | | | | | | | | |
| Phone # | | | | | | | | | |
| E-mail | | | | | | | | | |
| Qty. | Garment | S | M | L | XL | XXL | XXXL | XXXXL | |
| | Lions Gold 100% Cotton Short Sleeve Tee | | | | | | | | \$10.00 |
| Note: All sizes \$10.00 ea. | | | | | | | | | Total \$ |

*Complete this form above.

*Send payment with checks written to the Sauk Centre Lions Club, 333 Morning View Lane, Sauk Centre MN 56378

*Any questions please contact: Jason Kerfeld (320-429-0794) (fax 320-352-0047) kerfeld@mainstreetcom.com

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| SIZE CHART | S | M | L | XL | 2XL | 3XL | 4XL |
| Chest" | 35-37 | 38-40 | 41-43 | 44-46 | 47-49 | 50-53 | 54-57 |



Join us at the Can Do Woofaroo!

Saturday, September 24, 2022

Registration starts at 10 a.m. at Can Do Canines

Invite your friends (even the four-legged ones) to celebrate the amazing partnership between assistance dogs and the people who need them. This outdoor fundraising event includes a one-mile walk, live music, dog-centric vendors, dog costume contest, food and more!

**The Lions Clubs of Minnesota will
once again be the Presenting Sponsors.**



candocanines.org/woofaroo





REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE RLLI

October 13-16, 2022

Hilton DoubleTree Hotel Roseville MN

Registration is now open for the October 2022 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)

The institute is open to all lions who are members in good standing of a Lions Club except for Past District Governors, District Governors, or 1st Vice District Governors.

The \$150 USD registration fee for RLLI includes the cost of materials, facility, staff, and four (4) meals. Room costs, \$129 USD excluding tax, and additional meals are not included.

A \$75 rebate from MD5M, through a grant from LCI, will be given to each participant that completes the program.

Early Bird Discount: Register by July 1st and save \$25 USD

Participants must attend all sessions beginning on Thursday evening and ending Sunday afternoon.

Each district can send six (6) participants; however, if other districts do not meet their allotment, your district may send additional Lions.

Applications are available from your District Governor or District Global Leadership Team Chairperson as well as on the MD5M website: lionsmd5m.org under resources. Completed applications must be submitted to your District Governor, without fees by August 31st, 2022. Your District Governor will make the final participant selection and you will be notified by September 15th if you were or were not accepted.

If you have any questions concerning the Institute please email Lion Dennis W. Kelly III, MD5M GLT Coordinator at dkellylion@gmail.com

Ask an Institute Graduate, they will tell you that the Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) is beneficial for you in every facet of your life and not just in your role as a Lion, and it is a lot of fun!!!!!!

Click here to view a video testimonial: https://drive.google.com/file/d/10INpegy-iJYw-UTt1q5-_dgDBm_TdF2G/view?usp=sharing



Why Should You Attend the Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)

There are many reasons to attend RLLI for a Lion. One of the most important is the networking opportunity. You have a chance to meet Lions from all over our Multiple District. You can share challenges as well as solutions. Hear new ideas on growing membership, keeping members, new service projects and fundraisers, and that is just in the networking segment.

RLLI offers courses in life skills and Lion skills.

For example:

Diversity, Lions Fundamentals, Local Issues and Opportunities, Motivating Club Members, Personal Mission Statement, Public Speaking, Setting and Reaching Club Goals, Time Management and Working in Teams.

These are areas that are of value whether you are a Lion working on a project, a project chairperson, club president or officer or a future club or district leader.

We have an outstanding faculty!!!

The **Red Team**, Team Lead 2nd VDGE Cheryl Kelly with DG Marty Athmann and CC Matt Huggenvik.

The **Blue Team**, Team Lead PCC Todd Neumann with DGE Kathleen Blekeburg and 2nd VDGE Denise Laudenbach

The **Green Team**, Team Lead PDG Rob Hed with PCC Rob Rand and Lion Stefanie Nelson.

The \$150 dollar fee for RLLI includes the cost of materials and four meals. Room costs of \$129 per night not including taxes and fees as well as additional meals are not included. You will receive a \$75.00 rebate from the Multiple District and possibly additional funds from your district to help make attendance affordable.

If you have any questions please contact you District GLT coordinator or email me at:

dkellylion@gmail.com

Lion Dennis W Kelly III

MD5M GLT Coordinator



MD5M REGIONAL LIONS’ LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
October 13-16, 2022, Hilton Doubletree Roseville MN
PARTICIPANT APPLICATION FORM

MUST BE SUBMITTED to your DISTRICT GOVERNOR no later than August 31st 2022

NAME: _____ DATE JOINED LIONS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-Mail ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE NO: _____

CLUB NAME: _____ MEMBER NUMBER: _____

CURRENT OFFICE HELD: _____

OTHER OFFICES HELD: _____

I WAS REFERRED BY: _____

WHY DO YOU WISH TO ATTEND THE MD5M REGIONAL LIONS’ LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE?

Use the back of this document or add another page if you require more space.

Any food or other allergies? _____

APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE FOLLOWING:

APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

CLUB PRESIDENT OR ZONE CHAIR: _____ DATE: _____

NOTE: If you are selected to attend the Leadership Institute, your District Governor will require a check for \$150.00 before your registration can be forwarded to MD5M. Your District Governor must send the registration and check to MD5M Executive Secretary Cindy Walters by September 30th, 2022.

Early Bird Discount: Register by July 1st and save \$25.00

Special request from your newsletter editor...

Please e-mail your items to me at

| |
|--------------------|
| "5M4 Member |
|--------------------|

*I'm retiring from my newspaper job on July 29 - and
will not be using the (gcanne@runestone.net) e-mail
any longer. I'm continuing as 5M4 newsletter editor :)*

Thanks! Lion Annie O'Flynn