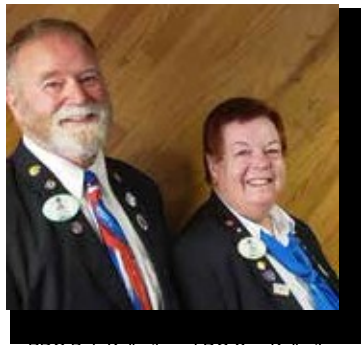


5M4 Newsletter



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PDG Bob Kulbeik and DG Sue Kulbeik

NOW is the time for you to register for our Mid-Winter convention!

Contact the hotel directly or you may not be quoted our convention rate of \$119!
(320) 235-6060. Best Western, Willmar, MN.

The Holidays are upon us and it gives us a chance to stop and take stock of where we are in the world. If you and your family are healthy and happy – big plus on the positive side. If you and your club are making a difference in your community – another big positive. I have kids that stop by my Chamber of Commerce office in Elbow Lake on a regular basis (not to see me as much as the candy I keep in a big jar on my desk). They come by and before they get any candy, they have to tell me one good thing they've done for someone else. It's interesting to see how they now prepare to tell me the story – and have a long, detailed list of all the good deeds they now are doing. It's fun to start Lions training early!

Club visits are going well – it's so fun to see everyone and hear what the clubs have been doing. I'm inducting new members at almost every club, which is great – thank you all for what you are doing to keep our District growing. We'll be hitting that 1.5 million members worldwide before you know it.

Mid-Winter Convention plans are coming along nicely too! We have a great list of speakers, service projects, and lots, and lots of fun coming up. Please get your registrations in so we get a head count for meals and other events. We sent out the letters this week with information and raffle tickets for the convention, along with specifics on what each club can do to help us have a successful event. Please be sure your secretary brings that info to the club and all the items are covered.

There will be multiple tables with information from all of our foundations, organizations we support, and even the candidates for International Director will be there. They will be speaking at our business meeting on Saturday morning and have a table where you can gather information about each person and their experience. The Foundation tables will have info about our success stories and representatives you can ask to come and speak to your club. There should be no reason you don't have a speaker at your meetings when these folks are willing to come and speak and give you the latest news on what's going on. They also have information about how much your club has donated to their Foundations – and whether your club qualifies for awards. You may have many awards coming and don't even know it!

Lastly, as I write this it is almost Thanksgiving (which this year is also my birthday). It is my birthday wish that each of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas season with lots of love and laughter. PDG Bob and I will be having some down time to rest and regroup, plus our Santa and Mrs. Claus schedule kicks in very soon. It's one of our best jobs we do to give back to many communities – talking with the children and hearing what they want for Christmas is always a great way to spend some time. We hope that all of them, and all of you, have all your wishes come true during this season.

Please remember those who have lost someone, including the Lions we've lost, and those who are in need. Find it in your heart, and budget, to give a little extra for them. We are so blessed, and it's an opportunity to share those blessings.

Peace and love to all,

DG Sue and PDG Bob Kulbeik

Remember, 5M4 is "Leading the Way"

DG Sue Kulbeik

kulbeik@gmail.com 605-949-0161

Form in this newsletter! Contact:
DGE Sue Kulbeik
kulbeik@gmail.com
Cell: 605-949-0161

Zone meeting on December 6th at Knights Pub & Grub in Osakis MN. with social hour at 6pm and the meeting starts at 7pm. See you there!
Lion Mike Beilke Zone 1 Chair.



Greetings from Jacque!

Cell: 320.249.6536

VDG Jacque Heinen

Email: lionheinen@gmail.com

Cell: 320.249.6536

Greetings fellow Lions...

In October we found ourselves attending the Vision foundations Eye Ball Gala and the Thanksgiving for Vision event in Brooklyn Center where we got some updates on what the foundation is working on.

November we held a cabinet meeting. DG Sue updated us on the upcoming mid- winter convention "Made in Minnesota". This should be a good time to socialize and hear from Leader Dog, our own Lion Bonnie Lay and International Director Bob Lee.

November and December I will be working with my fellow Vice District Governors on Mid Winters for fun and discussions on February training and looking at the councils vacant and other positions that need to be filled.

Remember orientation is not just for new members and officers. Do you have an interactive orientation? Do you need help putting something together? Did you know there is help on Lionsclubs.org? Did you know we have a GLT chair and team that can help you? We are just an email away. Contact myself

or our GLT Mikki Rogal to get some answers.

With the holiday's right around the corner, it is never too early to start reflecting on all that you are thankful for. Make time for family, church, holidays and helping those who need.

Thank you Lions for all you do.

...Until January, Ask One, and continue to Serve.

1VDG Jacque Heinen



lions Portal coming

The new lions Portal will be released after January 2024. Please keep reporting in mylion and mylci until it is available. The new lions Portal will be gathering the same information that is reported in mylion and mylci. Please contact Global Service Team if you need help entering service projects. Pcc Dennis Heinen at heinende@centracare.com or cell 320-491-3996.

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? Here is a list of 100 Service Projects, hopefully you get a few new ideas.



Santa family!



ALERT TEAM

preparedness · response · relief

*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.



2024 MID WINTER CONVENTION

45TH DISTRICT 5M4 LIONS MIDWINTER CONVENTION

JANUARY 26, 27, AND 28, 2024

WILLMAR CONFERENCE CENTER, WILLMAR, MN

Please make your own Room Reservation

HOST HOTEL - BEST WESTERN PLUS, WILLMAR, MN
2100 E HIGHWAY 12, WILLMAR, MN 56201
320-235-6060
OUR ROOMS WILL BE RELEASED TO THE PUBLIC ON DEC. 29, 2023



Theme: 'Made in Minnesota'



INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Club _____
 Lion's Title _____ Lion _____ Lioness _____ Non-member _____
 Name: _____ Club: _____
 Lion's Title _____ Lion _____ Lioness _____ Non-member _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ E-mail _____
 Guest Children _____ Ages _____
 Guest Children _____ Ages _____

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

REGULAR CONVENTION PACKAGE (INCLUDES ALL MEALS) REGISTER BY DECEMBER 19, 2023
 - @ \$125.00 Regular Attendees @ \$50.00 First Time Attendee (Dist. 5M4 only)
 - @ \$50.00 Children 12 and Under
REGULAR CONVENTION PACKAGE (INCLUDES ALL MEALS) REGISTER DEC 20, 2023 OR AFTER
 - @ \$135.00 Regular Attendees @ \$50.00 First Time Attendee (Dist. 5M4 only)
 - @ \$50.00 Children 12 and Under
PLEASE CHOOSE YOUR BANQUET MEAL: Walleye _____ Turkey _____ (note how many each)
Any special dietary needs? _____
For those attending ONLY Saturday or Sunday (no meals sold on site)
 Breakfast @ \$25.00 / Lunch @ \$30.00
 Banquet @ \$40.00 / Please include your meal choice: Walleye _____ Turkey _____
 Sunday Brunch @ \$30.00 *Any special dietary needs?* _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS

ALL REGISTRATIONS NEED TO BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 10, 2024

Cancellations after January 10, 2023 will be charged \$20. Cancellations after January 15, 2024 - no refund.
 Make Checks Payable to: District 5M4 Lions Mid-Winter Convention Fund
 Send to: Schellberg Lions, 6233 97th Ave. NE, Spicer, MN 56288

Credit Card _____ Exp. Date _____ CVC _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Printed Name _____ Signature _____

QUESTIONS? CALL: 320-894-8643 OR E-MAIL: spicerlioncraig@gmail.com

Mid-Winter Convention Monthly Update Page

Date: January 26, 27, 28, 2024

Place: Willmar Convention Center/Best Western Motel

Theme: "Made in Minnesota"

NOTE THE TWO REGISTRATION PAGES – ONE FOR LEOs AND CHAMPION LIONS, ANOTHER FOR EVERYONE ELSE. PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR REGISTRATIONS AND SEND THEM IN ACCORDING TO DIRECTIONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGES.

NEW PANEL DISCUSSION

How to attract new, younger Lions, how to keep them, and what type of service projects interests them

FUN FOR LEOS & CHAMPIONS



They will be having "Dining in the Dark," white cane training, and test driving a Leader Dog – all while blindfolded. Special guests from Leader Dog will 'guide.'

RECYCLING SERVICE PROJECT



Bring your collected glasses, hearing aids, shoes for Soles for Souls, and plastic garbage bags. We will be sorting at the convention and would love to get as much of these items as possible

GOOD OLD MINNESOTA POT LUCK

Be sure and bring a snack to share in our Hospitality Room! What's your favorite munchie? Herring? Lefsa? Bars? We're hoping to have the biggest smorgasbord of snacks ever offered on Friday night. And what are we having on Saturday night, you ask? Leftovers – a Minnesota tradition! There will also be s'mores and a cash bar available.

**LIVE
MUSIC!**

MADE IN MINNESOTA

Wear your favorite Minnesota wear to the Hospitality Room – sports gear, red plaid, cammo, or dress like a Minnesota famous person. Anybody got a Prince outfit, or how about Jesse Ventura?

Watch this page for updates each month!

**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

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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- Open Position Constitution/By-Laws
- Open Position USA/Canada Forum
- Open Position Open Position
- Open Position Zone 3 Chair, Benson, Garfield, Glenwood, Hancock, Lowry, Morris
- Open Position Zone 8 Chair, Atwater, Cedar Mills, Cosmos, Darwin, Grove City, Kingston, Litchfield



Bert Nelson for International Director

Pam and I are hopeful that everyone is considering going to the MD5M Convention in Winnipeg, Canada April 19-21, 2024. It is a beautiful city with wonderful attractions. We especially enjoyed visiting the Assiniboine Zoo the last time we were there. The convention is a good place to visit with other Lions outside our own districts and learn what other clubs are doing. It is also the place to be when voting to endorse our next International Director from our great multiple.

I want to be an International Director for Lions Clubs as I want to be involved in keeping our association moving forward to help each other become better stewards of our motto "We serve". There is such a need in our world for Lions to step forward and help wherever we can.

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



"LCIF Chairman Bert Nelson greeting volunteers during 5M9's district service project which was possible in part by a grant from LCIF."

Planning Committee member of 2 USA/Canada Forums
Presenter at 5 USA/Canada Forums

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
218-298-0932



Please remember your club members who have passed away this past year

5M4 Memorial Service names/photos are needed to honor them at the convention.

It's time to gather the names and photos of any Lions members, from your club, who have passed away in 2023. This will be used for the Mid Winter convention Memorial Service in Willmar on Friday, January 26th. Please email Kellie Knudson, no later than January 10th, your Club name, a list of deceased members and a photo for each Lion to be included in the slide show. My email is: lionkellieknudson@yahoo.com

CONVENTION 2024 - JANUARY 26, 2024 - FRIDAY EVENING FUN
FRIDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY TREATS

Potluck



What is more 'Minnesotan' than a potluck get together?

Friday Hospitality Night will be extra fun this year! Put on your best MINNESOTA gear (sports teams, fishing gear, hunting gear, or your best plaid shirt) and come to have fun!

Like any good gathering in Minnesota - we are asking that you bring an appetizer/snack to share with your fellow Lions! If you want to share the recipe - just bring a recipe card to put by it - people can snap a photo of your recipe!

You betcha- it will be GOOD!

Cabinet Secretary Needed

Due to oth

Cabinet

er leadership roles coming up, I am in need of giving up the position of 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!



2024 MID WINTER CONVENTION

45TH DISTRICT 5M4 LIONS MIDWINTER CONVENTION

JANUARY 26, 27, AND 28, 2024

WILLMAR CONFERENCE CENTER, WILLMAR, MN

Leo and
Champions
registration form

HOST HOTEL - BEST WESTERN PLUS, WILLMAR, MN
2100 E HIGHWAY 12, WILLMAR, MN 56201 • 320-235-6060

A special January 27 is planned for you!



Theme: 'Made in Minnesota'



*A full day of events on Saturday just for you
Leos and the Sauk River Champions Club!*

*Recycling project • Pizza 'Lunch & Learn' with Leader Dogs and their partners
"How does it feel to be blind?" - lunch in the dark, white cane training, and Leader Dog test drive!*

LEO & SAUKRIVER CHAMPIONS REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Club _____
Lion's Title _____ (President, etc.)
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____

REGISTRATION FOR SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024

Pizza Lunch _____ (how many?) @ \$15.00 - Includes pizza, a beverage, and dessert
(all served while you are wearing a blindfold so you can feel what it's like to be blind
and eating your lunch)
Any special dietary needs? _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS

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

Send to: Schellberg Lions, 6233 97th Ave, NE, Spicer, MN 56288

Credit Card _____ Exp. Date _____ CVC _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Printed Name _____ Signature _____

QUESTIONS? CALL : 320-894-8643

OR E-MAIL: spicerlioncraig@gmail.com



Montevideo Leos & Lions stay very busy!



Pictured are Merrie Bertrand & Doug Godwin presenting the first \$50 gift card to the Middle School teachers. The card is to be used by the teachers to enhance their students' learning experience. Cards were presented to 60 teachers in the Middle and High School. Teachers used the funds to encourage games and projects without cell phones.



It was a cool October 28th when the Montevideo Leos helped the Lions with the decorating of Smith Park. Santa's reindeer were calm and hot lunch afterwards was welcome. Leos pictured are MaKena Harrington, Anika Brown and Cali Janke.



The Montevideo Lions took part in the annual Trunk or Treat for Montevideo children on October 31. Over 700 children participate in this safe, Halloween event. Roary (Doug Godwin) is always a hit!



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
2. Go to Member login: MyLion
3. Enter the information - and you are finished!



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

5M4 CluBs!

Please start planning your silent auction basket donation for the Mid-Winter convention- remember the theme: 'Made in Minnesota' THANK YOU!





Club Name: _____

Club Location: _____

Address: _____

Dates for Club Visits: 1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

What time does your club meeting begin? _____

What time does your social hour start? _____

Do you have a Board Meeting? Yes _____ No _____

Would you like the DG to attend the Board Meeting? Yes _____ No _____

Are there other Lions Clubs or Leo Clubs involved for the DG Visit? Yes _____ No _____

Please List other Clubs: _____

Will you have a meal? Yes _____ No _____

Lion, or Leo requesting the Governor's visit: _____

Contact telephone # _____ Email address _____

Will the Governor be expected to install officers? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please send names of new officers. If inducting new members, please have the LCI New Member Kit with Pin and signed Certificate.

Will the Governor be expected to give out awards to club members? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please send information stating the awards and the names of those receiving the awards. Please have awards, certificates, pins, or changes in installation or inductee ceremony available when I arrive for the Governor's visit. I am looking forward to coming to visit with your club!!

DGE Sue Kulbeik
kulbeik@gmail.com
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Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!



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3 Store bags



3 Ice bags



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3 Cereal box liners

3 Case overwrap



3 Bread bags



3 Newspaper sleeves

FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR

3 Dry cleaning bags

3 Bubble wrap

3 Plastic e-commerce mailers

Plastics must be clean, dry and free of food and organic residue



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1-800-Buy-Trex



PDG'S of MD5M, 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.

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 PDG'S 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 PDG'S know that you are on the team to grow our association.

PDG Jay Norby
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lions international
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SAVE THE DATE! This convention is in April!



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

2024 MD5M Registration Form

Date Rec _____

You can put two names on a form



Lion Lioness Leo Guest 1st Timer

Name & Title _____ / _____

Address _____

City/Town _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/Postal _____

_____ Phone _____

District & Club: _____ / _____

Email _____ / _____

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 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------------|--|
| Full Hospitality Book | \$220.00 | CDN | \$165.00 USD <input type="text"/> |
| Friday Night Social | \$ 50.00 | CDN | \$35.00 USD <input type="text"/> |
| Saturday Breakfast | \$ 35.00 | CDN | \$27.00 USD <input type="text"/> |
| Saturday Lunch | \$ 50.00 | CDN | \$35.00 USD <input type="text"/> |
| Saturday Banquet | \$ 65.00 | CDN | \$48.00 USD <input type="text"/> |
| Sunday Brunch | \$ 45.00 | CDN | \$33.00 USD <input type="text"/> |

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 Ask for Group # 178163 "Lions Convention" rates For

more information contact: Registration Committee PDG Dave Hollyoake e. 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

Room rates CDN \$\$ - Standard \$134.00, Deluxe \$144.00, Corporate Floor \$154.00 & Suites @ \$184.00 CDN



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



M4 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.

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| JULY 2023 | \$7,384.00 | |
| AUGUST 2023 | \$1,115 | YTD: \$8,499 |
| SEPTEMBER 2023 | \$2,990 | YTD: \$11,489 |
| OCTOBER 2023 | \$4122 | YTD: \$15,611.50 |
| NOVEMBER 2023 | | |
| DECEMBER 2023 | | |
| JANUARY 2024 | | |
| FEBRUARY 2024 | | |
| MARCH 2024 | | |
| APRIL 2024 | | |
| MAY 2024 | | |
| JUNE 2024 | | |

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).

Thank you to all 5M4 Clubs for your donations!

www.lionsclubs.org



LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION



The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) has announced for the 2023 – 2024 school year that there will be 4 US \$2,500 scholarships awarded. Graduating Leos OR graduating sons/daughters, grandsons/granddaughters of Lions are eligible to apply for the LITPC Youth Scholarship. The LITPC goal is to help our future leaders and give students a financial helping hand. This program started in 2012. Recipients have been from Connecticut (2), Delaware (2), Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota (4), New York (3), Ohio (4), Oklahoma (2), Pennsylvania (2) and Virginia (6). The 2024 recipients will be announced at the LITPC Annual Meeting in 2024.

To obtain the current LITPC Youth Scholarship information:

1. Go to the **LITPC website**: www.litpc.org
2. In the left column, click on **LITPC Scholarship Forms**.
3. Then click on **LITPC Scholarship Information**.

4. When that page comes up, click on **Scholarship Application Form**. Read and follow **ALL** directions. Be sure to fill out **ALL** the forms neatly and correctly which includes the 4 essay questions (in 350 words or less) and the question about scholarships that you have been offered along with submitting a **certified** copy of your high school transcript including activities. Plus you also need to attach recommendations from 2 persons (i.e. teacher, coach, clergy, employer, etc.) **AND** attach a recommendation letter from a Lions Club member indicating the name of the Club and state/province and country in which the Club is located.

ALL forms and letters are to be submitted by **MARCH 1, 2024** to:

Lions Bill & Marcia Guthrie, Scholarship Chairman 763-786-8072

[9 101st Lane NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55448 bmguthrie9@q.com](mailto:bmguthrie9@q.com)

You can either mail us your application OR email it to us.

THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK TO ALL!!!

The LITPC fulfills the motto of Lions Clubs International – “WE SERVE”

**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 Club decorate for the

Veterans Day Supper



All veterans and former military personnel including members of the National Guard and Reserve, auxiliary members and spouses were welcomed to a supper held at Track Bar and Grill, Saturday, Nov. 11. The Benson Lions Club decorated with red/white/blue for the event along with providing cupcakes for the evening dessert.





Notes on Lions Clubs International Foundation-

As Thanksgiving approaches, I want you to know how thankful I am to be a Lion and to work alongside you to serve others in our communities, our state and around the world. Below are URL's for three of the many LCIF videos available to us. I encourage you to copy and paste the URL into your computer's browser to watch.

United in Kindness: LCIF grants empower Lions to suppose Ukrainian refugees.

<https://youtu.be/m26i8SqjLwE?list=PLD59FDFE87A862ECF>

LCIF video on Wishing big for childhood cancer patients (features Children's Hospital of Illinois)

<https://youtu.be/QNyHXgVrghE?list=PLD59FDFE87A862ECF>

LCIF and Lions- Bringing Possibilities to Life

<https://youtu.be/WxLxS4CbSYs?list=PLD59FDFE87A862ECF>

I also want to share with you the following timely items:

Information on how to apply/order a Melvin Jones Fellowship recognition.

themJF ApplicAtion See additional LCIF file. Many of our district clubs as well as individuals have more than \$1,000 in MJF credit with which to bestow an MJF. The form is actually simple & you don't need to send another donation if you have sufficient MJF credit built up. If you are unsure how much credit you or your club has available, please call, text or email me and I will look it up for you.

Allow a full 8 weeks for receipt of the MJF plaque and pin. So, if a club has an awards banquet in early February, they should be sending in their MJF application in early December!

LCIF Chairman Brian Sheehan (our Brian) is challenging us to bestow 100 or more MJF's at a Multiple 5M gala on April 13th at Parkers Prairie. He and Lori will be attending. Consider ordering your MJF's and join us that day!

Giving Tuesday is November 28th. Please consider a donation to LCIF.

WAysto givepdf and the **LCiF pledge Form**. See additional LCIF file

The pledge form can be filled out and mailed in for those interested in signing up to make monthly recurring donations to LCIF. People can easily do this online, however some people prefer to do it on a piece of paper. (you can input your debit card info where it calls for credit card if you wish)

mJF credit trAnsFer releAse Form. See additional LCIF file

Does your club have a member that passed away or left the Lions organization? If so, they may have MJF credit which can be transferred to your club or district to use.

Attached is the form and instructions.

If you're uncertain who has MJF credit within your club, please contact me and I'll assist you.

Have you ever heard someone say "But how much of the LCIF money comes back to us?" Our multiple district has received over \$8.1 million in grants from LCIF! Let me know if you'd like a copy of the Grant History list.

Please commit to making a personal donation of some amount to LCIF this year. It can be a few dollars, but please give something.

100% of donations to LCIF goes to grants/ programs and not for administration.

If you make a personal donation, LCIF will consider your club to have contributed and it counts towards our goal of 100% of clubs donating to LCIF this year.

Governors, District LCIF Coordinators and possibly cabinet members are held accountable for 100% of their clubs to donate to LCIF.

Please support and encourage your club(s) to make a donation to LCIF at our upcoming Mid-Winter convention.

Please support and encourage your clubs to make a donation to at least one more of our Lions foundations at our upcoming Mid-Winter convention. Each one is vitally important.

As you join your family and loved ones at Thanksgiving, please be sure to tell them you love and care for them. Let's put our differences aside and be thankful for who and what we have. God has truly blessed us! Everything we have can be gone in a blink of an eye. There are many people that would love to be in our shoes.

Once again, please know that I truly care for each of you and for what we stand for. If I can assist you in any way, reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Allan Ulbricht

District 5M4 LCIF Coordinator & a member of the Sauk Centre Lions

320-267-4207

Allan.ulbricht@gmail.com

sign Up!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/g60B0e49AAA2AA6FB6-mnlions1>
newsletter website Facebook page.



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

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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.

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▶ **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 O&M pro's viewed virtual learning videos

▶ **\$0**

Cost to client



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One Hundred Service Ideas



Diabetes

1. Organize a "Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness" event.
2. Organize a community support group for parents of children with diabetes.
3. Volunteer to serve at a children's diabetes camp.
4. Invite a healthcare professional to speak about diabetes at your club or district meeting.
5. Partner with local healthcare providers to organize diabetes & vision screenings.
6. Distribute educational resources to increase diabetes awareness at a community health fair.
7. Organize a walking club for seniors with diabetes.
8. Provide a diabetes magazine subscription to your local library.
9. Sponsor a child in need to attend diabetes camp.
10. Donate diabetes books to your library with a bookplate to identify your club's donation.
11. Work with your local school to invite a health care professional to speak about diabetes.
12. Post monthly articles about diabetes on your club or district website.
13. Promote diabetes prevention through a radio public service announcement.
14. Sponsor a healthy cooking demonstration for people with diabetes.
15. Organize a school or community vegetable garden to encourage healthy eating.
16. Work with a community podiatrist or foot care specialist to provide foot screenings.
17. Partner with your local diabetes organization to offer programs & materials.
18. Promote community resources and online materials from LCI partners NDEP, DECA & IDF.
19. Promote the importance of an annual dilated eye exam to detect diabetic eye disease.
20. Provide educational materials to schools & physician offices.



Environment

21. Plant trees with the advice of a local environment organization on the best locations and varieties.
22. Clean up a beach, community space or roadside area monthly as a club.
23. Hold an environment-themed photo contest at a school. Plant a tree or another green form of recognition to honor the winner.
24. Challenge all Lions in your club or district to add one green habit to their daily lives.

25. Recognize a local organization or community leader for environmental conservation work.
26. Volunteer with your local park service to maintain trails. Help more people access and enjoy nature!
27. Commit to "Meatless Mondays" or not eating meat one day each week.
28. Collect used cellphones and donate them to individuals in need.
29. Lead an after-school nature walk.
30. Survey homes and community areas for leaks in sinks, communal spigots or water fountains. Contact relevant officials for repairs.
31. Work with city officials to paint "no dumping" signs near road drainage areas.
32. Identify where to recycle toxic items and share the collection schedule.
33. Organize a mural competition to promote environmental awareness. Paint the mural in a prominent community location.
34. Implement a recycling drive where people donate gently-used items to charity organizations.
35. Develop a demonstration garden or landscaping plot using native plant species to restore the habitat and conserve water.
36. Sponsor a training program for farmers on how to make and use organic fertilizers and pesticides.
37. Produce a monthly nature program on a local public radio station.
38. Partner with a local carpenter to build rain barrels. Hold a training session with community members to promote using them for watering and irrigation.
39. Organize an alternative transportation incentive program to encourage walking, biking, public transportation and carpooling.
40. Establish a school garden and composting program to improve school meals & reduce waste.



Hunger

41. Volunteer to deliver prepared meals to those who are elderly or visually impaired.
42. Organize a program at a local school to provide healthy, nutritious meals.
43. Prepare food baskets for families in need.
44. Volunteer at a soup kitchen or homeless shelter.
45. Take families in need shopping for fruits and vegetables.
46. Organize an event to benefit a food bank in your community; use cans of food as admission.
47. Hold a hunger walk and use proceeds to buy food for a children's center or a homeless shelter.
48. Create a cookbook of inexpensive, easy recipes.



Heart of a Lion Award Application

District 5M4 Lion members are eligible to apply. A Lion member may apply or a club may apply on behalf of a member. Applications can be turned in throughout the year. Awards will be presented at the Mid- Winter Convention following completion of the application. Any criteria completed after July of 2015 qualifies toward this award and may be earned over several years.

A Lion member must MEET 5 of the 8 CRITERIA listed below to RECEIVE the AWARD!

The Lion member: _____ Club: _____
(Name of Lion Member)

_____ Sponsored a New Lion _____ Club: _____
(Name of new member)

(Signature of club president or secretary) Date: _____

_____ Attended a Zone Meeting _____ Date: _____
(Date and Zone # meeting attended)

(Signature of a Zone chairperson) Date: _____

_____ Attended the 5M4 Mid-Winter Convention. _____ Date: _____
(Signature of convention chairperson)

_____ Served as a Club Officer or District Chairperson. _____ Date: _____
(Office or Committee Chaired)

(Signature of club president, secretary or DG) Date: _____

_____ Be a Chair or Co-Chair of a club or district project. _____
(Name of Project)

(Signature of club president, secretary or DG) Date: _____

_____ Attended one training event: 5M4 Forum, Officer training, Leadership training or
other Lions Clubs International sponsored class. _____ Date: _____
(Training attended and date)

(Signature of District officer, trainer or copy of certificate of completion) Date: _____

_____ Attended one of the following: USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum, International
Convention or Multiple Convention. _____ Date: _____
(Event attended and date)

(Signature of District officer, Council Chairperson or Convention Chairperson) Date: _____

_____ Promote a new idea, service project or fundraiser that is adopted by your club or
District that meets the mission of LIONS. _____ Date: _____
(Promotion Idea and Date)

(Signature of club president, secretary or DG) Date: _____

Original to be completed and turned in to the DG or District Secretary

Signature of DG or District Secretary _____ Date: _____



MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation Inc.

BELIEVE AWARD APPLICATION

Club Name: _____

Recipient Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **ST:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Please Check:

_____ Donation/cumulative donations of \$1,000.00, for a Lion or non-Lion.

_____ Memorial Donation of \$1,000 given in memory of a deceased Lion or non-Lion.

Mail Application to:

Lion Tom McCarthy
23535 735th Ave
Dassel, MN 55325

or

Email Application to:

tpcmcc0526@yahoo.com

Mail Award to Club Representative:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **ST:** _____ **Zip:** _____



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