

5M4 Newsletter



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Holidays are here!

Greetings, Fellow Lions!
December is already upon us, and the sight of white snow reminds us that winter and the holiday season are here! I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy time with family and friends over Thanksgiving.

November was a busy month for me as I traveled for District Governor visits. If your club hasn't scheduled a visit yet, please don't hesitate to call or email me so we can set up a date. It has been truly inspiring to see and hear about the incredible service projects happening across our communities—thank you for all you do! (The DG Visit form is on page 16 of this newsletter)

Exciting news: Convention materials have been sent to all clubs! If your club hasn't received the packet yet, please reach out to me as soon as possible. Inside, you'll find details about the Mid-Winter Convention and the special "Golden Ticket," which covers the registration fee for a club member who hasn't attended the convention before. This is a fantastic opportunity to bring someone new, share ideas, and have fun at our "Summer Block Party" event. Look for additional information in the following pages!

As we wrap up 2024 and look ahead to 2025, I encourage each of you to think about how you can 'Make your Mark' in the community. Every act of service we do not only strengthens our communities, but also inspires others to join our mission. Let's plant the seeds for growth by finding and inviting new members to join our clubs. New members bring fresh energy, ideas, and hands to help us expand our service and reach. Together, we can make an even greater impact!

As you prepare for Christmas and time with loved ones, let's also take a moment to reflect on the reason for the season. Wishing you all a joyous and blessed holiday season!

Plant the Seeds of service and membership - making a mark in your community.

Ask One ... Keep One ... and continue to Serve.
2024-25 5M4 DG Jacque Heinen
lionheinen@gmail.com
320.249.6536



PCC Dennis Heinen and DG Jacque Heinen

Lowry
Lions
invite
you!



JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE
THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
THE LOWRY LIONS.

Thursday, December 12th
6 p.m. Social / 6:30 p.m. Dinner

MINNEWASKA HOUSE,
GLENWOOD MN

RSVP can be sent to
dahlseng@hcinet.net
or call 320-760-1747.

5M4 Cabinet Meeting Dates: January 24-26 2025 at the Mid-Winter convention, and the last meeting is on April 30, 2025.

A note from Susan



Merry Christmas 5M4!

How time quickly flies... fall harvest, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and our Mid-Winter Convention is just around the corner! By now you all should have received your convention packets (if not, be sure to let me know!). We will be sticking with some of our traditional highlights, such as the Friday evening annual Memorial Service, honoring those that have paved our way, and the collection of eye glasses, hearing aids, and shoes (please bring them in bags of 15 pairs/30 singles, they don't have to match).

Our service projects for this year will be collecting items for those in our communities; lets build a wall of diaper boxes! We will also collect personal hygiene items and bag them up for individuals. (See page 8) All clubs will get both these items to deliver back to those in need within your communities. Evening hospitality rooms, live entertainment, Lions In Motion, Silent Auction, 50/50 raffle, food, speakers, our business meeting, and speed learning are just a few experiences that we will pack into our fun filled weekend.

For those that have gone before or new Lions wondering what it is all about... not only will there be Lions learning and fun, but conventions are so much more! It is a weekend of networking opportunities for you, to not only bond with like-minded Lions individuals, but they bring together professionals, experts in various fields, speakers from other service businesses/organizations that we can learn from, connect with, share ideas, and build valuable relationships and new friendships.

Our speakers will be representatives from Can Do Canines, MN Lions Missions Foundations, Soles4Souls, and our International Director Marie Cunning from Phoenix Arizona. Broaden your knowledge by listening to these leaders, offering insight to more ways that our Lions Clubs can serve those in need within our communities. There will also be tables set up to showcase our MN Lions Foundations, Camps and other organizations we support. Don't forget to bring a basket full of your favorite items for our silent auction, and your Parade of Green donations; a way for your clubs to support the missions that are most dear to you!

We will also offer some learning opportunities! Are you a First Timer here at the Convention? Come join us in learning all things Lions and join in our mingle activity for a chance to win free registration to your next convention! We will also be offering New Member Orientation, a chance for you to ask questions to our District Leadership coordinator, Lion Mickie.

Do you have a desire to be apart of our Global Teams? Do you have skills that you can share with your 5M4 district in the name of "We Serve", but not sure where you would fit in? If you have the desire, come learn more about the Global Action Team (GAT), Global Membership Team (GMT), Global Leadership Team (GLT), and Global Service Team (GST). We need YOU on our Team!

WOW – all this and more! You won't want to miss out on this weekend. Be sure to invite your fellow Lions and your friends that should be Lions! All Are Welcome! Read on in this newsletter to find more information, a registration form, and an opportunity for you to place an ad in our convention booklet. Please contact me with any questions. Hope to see you in Alexandria next month, January 24-26, 2025!



1st VDG Susan Krumrey and Lion Brad Krumrey

Together In Service,
1VDG Susan Krumrey (jmh)
Email: susanreuberkrumrey@outlook.com | Phone: 320-295-8327



Kensington Lions serve delicious fundraising breakfast.



Grant County Sheriff, Jon Combs, gave a tour of the county's new Law Enforcement Center to the Elbow Lake Lions.



Lions District 5M4 Mid-Winter Convention

January 24-26th, 2025

Holiday Inn – 5637 Hwy 29 South – Alexandria

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____ Title: PID PCC CC PDG DG

(Please circle all that apply) Lion LEO Spouse First Timer

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(Please circle all that apply) Lion LEO Spouse First Timer

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Club Name _____

Hospitality Book – (Includes all convention meals): *Indicate number of books needed.*

1st Time Attendee (Dist 5M4 only) \$50.00 per attendee _____ @ \$50 = \$ _____

Lions and Guests _____ @ \$140.00 = \$ _____

LEO attendee _____ @ \$50 = \$ _____

Total Hospitality Book Amount: \$ _____

Governor Banquet Meal - Choose One: Northwoods Chicken _____ Pot Roast _____

If Purchasing Only Individual Meal Preferences:

Saturday Breakfast: Willy T's Tavern & Grill (on your own) / Saturday Lunch: _____ at \$35.00 = \$ _____

Governor's Banquet-Saturday Evening: _____ at \$50.00 = _____ / Sunday Brunch: _____ at \$30.00 = _____

Individual Meals Only Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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

Mail registration and check to: Buffalo Lake Lions Club - PO Box 5 - Buffalo Lake, MN 55314

Hotel Accommodations: *Should be made directly with Holiday Inn @ (320)763-6577*

Hotel Rates: King Bed -- \$189.00 | 2 Queen Bed -- \$179.00 | Pool View -- \$199.00





2025 Lions 5M4 Convention Booklet Ad Form

Thank you for considering placing an ad in our 2025 5M4 Mid-Winter Convention Booklet! Our convention will be held at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria, January 25-27, 2025. We will be printing approximately 250 booklets which will be used every day of the convention. The booklet will then go home with the attendee to share with their club members.

There are 53 Clubs in our 5M4 District, spanning 13 counties, and approximately 1415 members.

BUSINESSES: Promote your goods, services, business card, or help wanted ad!!

CLUBS: Promote your clubs favorite service project, put an ad in the book for your next meal or event that you would like others to attend, or share good idea's that you think others could use in their club as well!

Ad Size – Price (all ads are black and white unless specified below)

1/8th of a page/business card - \$40 1/4 of a page (3" x 4 5/8") - \$60

1/2 of a page (6 1/4" x 4 5/8") - \$100 Full Page (6 1/4" x 7 1/2") - \$190

Inside Front Cover – Color \$260

Inside Back Cover – Color \$260

Outside Back Cover – Color \$260

_____ Will email Print Ready Ad _____ Would like the Ad created by printing company (additional fees will apply)

Business or Club Name: _____

Contact Name, Phone # or Email: _____

Ad Deadline – December 20th, 2024

No ads will be published without payment received!

Please submit questions, ad information, artwork/photos, or your print ready ad in .pdf or .jpg format to Susan Krumrey at susanreuberkrumrey@outlook.com.

Payment for your ad can be made payable to: 5M4 Mid-Winter Convention

ATTENTION CLUBS!
**The next three pages contain a lot of
 information that you'll want to know about our
 5M4 Mid-Winter Convention! PLEASE READ!**



Greetings District 5M4 Clubs!

Enclosed you will find several things to help get your club prepared for our upcoming 2025 Mid-Winter Convention, held at the Holiday Inn, Alexandria MN, January 24-26th!

We are making plans for our Summer Block Party, a welcoming event for all our “neighborhoods” (clubs) to come together in fun, participate in great Lions fellowship, and of course food, supporting others in need, learning, and nightly entertainment!

Enclosed are the following papers for you:

A registration form: Make as many copies as you need! Invite non-Lions, everyone is welcome! This is a great way to invite a new/prospective member and give them a taste of what a great group we are! Encourage all your members to attend. Let’s have some fun!!

A “Golden Ticket”: We really want to expand our fun conventions to an individual from each club that has never attended a convention before. Do your own club raffle to encourage this member to attend. Their Golden Ticket is for a free registration (hotel reservations need to be made on their own – maybe your club could help pay for this?!) Please advise them to send this ticket with their completed registration as their form of payment. There will be a “First Timers” meeting Friday evening to get them up to date on all things Lions and to get them involved in a little friendly competition!

Place an ad in our convention booklet: Please consider placing an ad. This is available to all clubs, businesses, and individuals so pass this along. We have ad space available in all sizes, full page down to your business card. It’s a great way to promote your club, your events, your business, or your community projects. Payments must be received before ad will be printed, due by 12/20/24.

Lions Only raffle tickets: We have sent you approximately the same number of tickets as you have members in your club (rounding up for those who want more than one ticket.) Each ticket is numbered and is \$5. You can only sell these tickets to fellow Lions. Many clubs choose to purchase all the tickets on behalf of your club, or sell to your members and the club purchases the remainder. The choice is yours. ALL tickets and money (cash or checks made out to 5M4 Mid-Winter Convention) must be brought back to the convention by an attending member, or mailed to PDG Marty Athmann, PO Box 337, Bird Island, MN 55310 by 1/17/2025. All proceeds from this raffle will go towards convention expenses.

AND, other information so your club and members can plan:

Memorial Service: Our memorial service will kick off the convention on Friday evening, 7pm. If you have a club member to honor that passed away this past year please email their name and a picture for our program to PDG Marty Athmann by 1/6/2025 at athmannmarty@hotmail.com. Please remember to invite their family members to attend our ceremony. If they are just attending the Memorial Service, there is no registration fee.



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www.e-district.org/sites/5M4

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Banquet and the winner will be drawn after our supper (must be present to win). Each ticket will cost \$1.

IF our off-premises gambling permit goes through, we will have a little fun playing/betting on “Horse Racing”! Each chance will cost \$2 and games will be played both Friday and Saturday evening during the live entertainment. (This activity subject to change!)

Hospitality Rooms and Live Entertainment: We are bringing back the hospitality rooms! We have 4 rooms reserved for clubs/zones/groups to host others with your favorite drinks and snacks! Get creative, decorate/theme your room, invite all to visit, and HAVE FUN! Your DG Team has two rooms reserved, two rooms left for the taking! Please contact 1VDG Susan Krumrey if you are interested – first come, first served! susanreuberkrumrey@outlook.com

There will be live entertainment in the courtyard outside the hospitality rooms both Friday and Saturday evening until 11pm. Bring your dancing shoes!

We are looking forward to seeing all of you in January, and have enjoyed planning this fun event full of food, fun, and fellowship opportunities! If you have any questions, please let us know!

Together We Serve!

DG Jacque Heinen - lionheinen@gmail.com
1VDG Susan Krumrey – susanreuberkrumrey@outlook.com
PDG Marty Athmann - athmannmarty@hotmail.com

Recap of Due Dates:

December 20th, 2024 - Convention Booklet Ads

January 6th, 2025 – Member information and picture for the Memorial Service

January 13th, 2025 – Registrations

January 17th, 2025 – If you are mailing in your Parade of Green donations

January 17th, 2025 - If you are mailing in your Lions Only Raffle Tickets and Money

Need something in the newsletter? Send to: anneo@runestone.net




DIAPER drive

Donate New Diapers to Help those in Need
 Let's Make a Difference to the Community

5M4 Mid Winter Convention
 January 24-26

For More Information:
320-491-3996
heinende@centracare.com

♥ Thank You For Your Donation

5M4 LIONS

TOILETRIES DRIVE

WE NEED:
 Shampoo
 Bar soap
 Deodorant
 Aftershave lotion
 Toothbrush \ toothpaste \ dental floss
 Disposable wipes
 Shower Sponge or Loofah
 Travel size First Aid Kits

Be ready to help pack items at the 5M4 Mid Winter Convention at the Alexandria Holiday Inn. Items will also be distributed to all clubs of the district.

5M4 Mid Winter Convention
 January 24-26




Morris Lions donate books
 Morris Lions Sheldon, Mark, and Joe helped Morris Area Elementary second graders select books at their book fair on November 4, 2024.

Morris Lions Club visited Riverview Dairy for our November 11 meeting. Brad Fehr, Riverview Dairy, gave us a tour of facility and answered dairy cow questions. A very informative and appreciated tour.



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LEADING THE WAY

Leader Dogs for the Blind - Lions Newsletter



HAPPY HOWL-IDAYS FROM ALL OF US AT LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND!

Navigating Life After A Hurricane

GUIDE DOG CLIENT STORY - LION WALKER J. AND LEADER DOG LOKI

"Going to get vulnerable here for a moment. This morning, I had the most TERRIFYING experience of my life! My son, Riley, had to return to school after two weeks of no school courtesy of the hurricane. Because of that, I was notified yesterday that his bus can only pick him up at the end of our street because of all the debris and power lines down. Which means he has to walk there. However, it's a very long road and I'm not going to let my son walk that far in the dark by himself at 6:00 a.m. So, I decided that I would go with him with Leader Dog Loki guiding me.

Loki and I have been practicing night walks for a while now, so I figured we could do this despite all the debris. As we began our walk to Riley's bus stop, things were fine at first—felt like any other night walk. But as we got further down the road, that's when things got scary. The amount of debris began to become worse and worse, and it got so bad that I could feel Loki pulling me to the middle of the road for long periods of time. This could only mean that there was a lot of stuff he was having to take me around. At this exact time, there were no more streetlights to give me any indication of where we were because they had fallen. So, while Loki could see, it was completely black for me. I was completely and totally blind. Finally, we reached the end of the street. I could hear Riley's bus and then I heard Riley yell "Bye, Dad. Love you!" So, I knew he got on the bus.

Now it was time to walk back, but this time on the other side of the road. This is when I lost it. We're walking and Loki is pulling me around even more stuff and I have no clue what it is. All I could think about is what if we get hurt? What if he makes a mistake and I get stabbed by a sharp branch or worse? I started hyperventilating and I couldn't stop. Loki's a fast walker, which didn't help my nerves either. As we continued forward, my heart was pounding out of my chest. All of a sudden, I yelled out "Loki stop!" and I completely froze for about a minute. There we were, standing in the dark right there in the middle of the road, and I couldn't move. I had never been so scared in my entire life. Eventually I decided we couldn't stay there forever, so I knelt down and told Loki "I'm going to give you everything I have right now. We can do this. Take us home." So, we marched on. He's pulling me left and right. It felt like we were walking through an obstacle course. Not a single clue as what any of these obstacles were, but I trusted him with my whole heart and kept reminding myself that he can see things

Leader Dog Client and Lion, Walker navigating an intersection with his Leader Dog Loki.



People
Guide Dog Nonprofit 'Urgently Needs' Volunteer Puppy Raisers for 70 Adorable Pups

Leader Dogs for the Blind is in desperate need of puppy raisers! Puppies are available and waiting right now. Imagine a Leader Dog puppy in your home for Christmas!

It's a one-year commitment, we provide the training curriculum, and you will get guidance from your puppy counselor. It's the best thing you'll ever do! Contact PDG Sue Kulbeik for more info. kulbeik@gmail.com

Please consider being a puppy raiser!



Update on KidSight

Our scanners have traveled many miles across District 5M4 this fall. We thank all clubs who have been conducting screenings. We congratulate the clubs who have expanded their Kidsight experiences.

Please remember to report your numbers on line or contact Lion Susan at 320-905-2412 to get them reported. We still need documentation from earlier this fall from some clubs.

Please leave the foam in the scanner cases. Three of the six foam protectors are missing. If you have the missing foam, please contact us and return immediately.

We have a Kidsight Directors' Meeting Nov. 22&23 and will have new information soon. Our goal is to update all six cases with pertinent forms, etc.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Bob Knutson, Lion Ron & Lion Susan



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

LOCAL INSTITUTE PROGRAM



March 13-16, 2025 Site: TBD



ELLI is for Lions who wish to pursue leadership roles within their club. You will learn the history and goals of LCI and LCIF, develop strategies for being an effective leader, creative thinking, change management and collaborate with a diverse group of fellow Lions.

You qualify for trainings if you:

- Are a current member in good standing
- Have an interest in becoming a better Lions member.
- Enjoy meeting other Lions and sharing ideas
- Like having FUN!!!!

Participants are required to:

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

Contact your Global Leadership Team (GLT) District Coordinator or District Governor to register



November

National Diabetes Month

More than 38 million Americans have diabetes. More than 97 million Americans are pre-diabetic.



STRIDES for Diabetes Awareness

Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation

Physical Activity Challenge

November 1, 2024 – January 1, 2025

Register / Donate at MNLionsDiabetes.org

Registration opens November 1, 2024

Commit to a minimum of 15 miles of activity each month. (2,000 steps = 1 mile) You choose your:

- Activities
- Days and times
- Locations (indoor / outdoor)

Be active on your own. Be active with a team.

Physical activity, and healthy food and beverage choices, are key to preventing diabetes and improving health.



Net Proceeds benefit Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc. "Catch the Dream"...Life without Diabetes!

UPDATE ON THE

'GO FOR THE GOLD GALA'

Note: The location might change from what the poster says... stay tuned)

In March of this year, our Multiple District held a LCIF Gala in Parkers Prairie MN with PIP Brian Sheehan pinning over 100 Melvin Jones recipients. Plans are under way for another gala on March 29, 2025. It will be referred to as "Go for The Gold Gala" and it will be held in St Cloud MN. (Sounds like the venue is changing in order to provide more space.) The Olympic games were underway when initial plans were made for this Gala, hence the name. There will be some games and activities as well as PIP Douglas X Alexander being the keynote speaker. He's a great guy and it is a wonderful event. Please plan to attend and help to support it.

Sincerely, Allan Ulbricht - 320-267-4207 District 5M4 LCIF Coordinator



We Serve

Raymond Lions Club



We Serve

Pancakes - French Toast - Sausage Breakfast

Saturday, December 7, 2024

Serving from 8 am to 12 noon Raymond Community Center Dine in or take out!



--- FREE WILL DONATION ---

We'll mix the "batter-up" if you'll "pitch-in" to help update our local softball fields!



Save the date!



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

Go for the Gold Gala

Saturday March 29, 2025

Best Western Plus Kelly Inn

100 4th Ave S. St Cloud, MN 56301

We had such a fantastic response to last years Gala-we are going to do it again! MDSM's LCIF District Coordinators have been brainstorming to make this a fun filled event. What we know so far is that there will be a silent/live auction, "Olympic" games, raffles and perhaps a costume contest. We are working on special guest speakers. There will be more to come. Invite your club members, community leaders, anyone that you think that would be interested in learning what our Foundation does for others. Yes-this is a Fun-Raiser!!

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 Douglas Alexander, then you will need to order your plague/pin by Feb 3, 2025. You can contact LCIF Donor Services at 630-203-3836 to have the plaque/pin sent to you and bring it to the LCIF Gala if you are attending.

Any further questions please contact Lion Anna Wickenhauser 952-913-1467 or lionannaw@gmail.com



Lions Clubs International – Marketing Tools matters!

Lions Clubs International has some tools available to you to help your efforts to promote your Lions' projects, activities, and your club in general. By utilizing these tools, you may learn something which will help you in your efforts to market your club as a community-minded, fun, and engaging organization.



This link will take you to the LCI Marketing Matters website that provides you with some informational videos which provide some Marketing 101 training and tips:

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/marketingmatters>

Some of the videos cover topics such as utilizing social media and how to use LCI marketing kits available on the website. Here are some direct links to some of the informational videos that may prove useful to you:

How to Use Hashtags to Grow your Lions' Clubs Social Media Following -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/909166997>

Take Your Promotions to the Next Level – Making High-Impact Promotions -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/799208700>

How to Use the Lions Clubs International Social Media Kits -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/564738434>



Lions Clubs International PR Kit Overview – Working with your Local Media -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/880303247>

Lions Get Social - Tell a Story to Promote Your Club -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/819214881>

Which Social Media Platform Should Lions Use? -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/564739219>

How to Build Community on Social Media -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/565614103>



Social Media Photo and Video Tips – Improving you Social Media Presence -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/564738541>

How to Create a Facebook Reel with Captions – Lions Social Media Tutorial -

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10353816/video/815466447>

These videos are informative, can be watched repeatedly, and can be viewed in a setting to be shared with other Lions. Over time, LCI will be adding other marketing videos to this Vimeo LCI marketing showcase.

Speaking of Lions' videos, if you haven't visited it please check out the Lions International YouTube channel for fun and informative on-line videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/lionsclubs>

Lion Lyle Goff

MD5M Marketing & Lions Information Chair

gofflt@msn.com



Benson Area Lions news



Rodney Burns and Mark Frank, representing the Benson Lions Club, presented Jack Evenson (left), Mayor of Benson, a check for \$500 to go towards the planting of the city flowers.



The Benson Area Lions Club recently gave a gift of \$2,000 to the Swift County Historical Society for the Historic 1871 District #6 Schoolhouse, which is now at home on the grounds of the Swift County Historical Museum. All such designated gifts are used to help defray the cost of moving the building from Ambush Park, digging and building a new foundation at the Museum, laying a sidewalk and handicap access into the school, installing electricity and a heating and cooling system and for replacement of rotted clapboards as well as paint for the exterior and a few minor repairs for the interior. At some point the Historical Society will also need to replace the window frames which are beginning to deteriorate and no longer close tightly. Next spring (2025) the Historical Society will put out a call for volunteers to assist in the scraping and painting of the exterior walls and window frames. The school has served the Swift County community for over 150 years. We hope that we can now care for it so that it lasts for another 150 years, making it available as both an educational and an entertainment location for all in the county.

Lions Portal

LIONS PORTAL has been being made available in a phased roll out and will eventually be available to all members. Two district wide trainings have occurred and more will be scheduled if there is interest.

Having problems logging onto the portal or have questions on reporting, you can reach out to District Administrator PCC Dennis Heinen at heinende@centracare.com or 320.491.3996.



Benson Lions induct six new members

Monday evening, Nov. 18, the Benson Lions inducted six new members at their monthly meeting. Pictured above are (left to right): Cheryl Haas (inductee), Nancy Dokken (sponsor), Rod Burns (sponsor), Lori and Dave Martin (inductees), Loretta Burns (sponsor), Mark Frank (sponsor), Jason Heinzig (inductee), Marlys Boone (sponsor), Rhonda Flower (inductee), Patti Madden (sponsor), and Jolene Valley (inductee).



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.

| | | |
|----------------|----------|--------------|
| JULY 2024 | \$295.00 | |
| AUGUST 2024 | \$1,335 | YTD: \$1,630 |
| SEPTEMBER 2024 | \$3,215 | YTD: \$4,845 |
| OCTOBER 2024 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| NOVEMBER 2024 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| DEC. 2024 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| JANUARY 2025 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| FEBRUARY 2025 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| MARCH 2025 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| APRIL 2025 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| MAY 2025 | \$ | YTD: \$ |
| JUNE 2025 | \$ | YTD: \$ |

GOAL FOR next year is \$65,000

By working together, we can meet our goal! THANK YOU!

LCIF news

Please make a personal donation to LCIF. One of DG Jacque's goals this year is that 100% of our clubs (or their individual members) make a donation, no matter what amount. As your clubs meet in December and January in preparation for our Mid-Winter convention, please give to LCIF. If your club has been giving the same amount for a number of years, please consider bumping it up a little bit. Thank you, Wendell Lions Club, for making donations to LCIF in memory of two of your Lions members. What a great way to remember them and to recognize their service.

I am excited about the \$15,000 LCIF disaster preparedness grant that has been approved for the Bird Island Lions to purchase a \$36,000 food trailer that will be used by their club as well as be available to other clubs within our district when a disaster hits. One thing creative that they are doing is to use their Community Impact credits (aka "DCG") in lieu of cash for a portion of the matching funds needed. School supplies, purchased with monies from a LCIF District Impact Grant (aka "DCG") are being distributed to clubs when DG Jacque does club visits. These supplies will then be distributed to schools in our district. Another District Impact Grant and service project will take place at our Mid-Winter convention in January.

To learn more about LCIF grants, google "LCIF Grants Toolkit" and you will be taken to the LCIF website which will answer most questions. Members can also email donorassistance@lionsclubs.org or call them at 1-630-203-3836.

I encourage you to google "LCIF Stories of Pride" to learn actual stories of how your foundation has been busy helping others. It's truly inspiring. You are truly inspiring to me!

If you would like more information about LCIF, about what you or your club have built up in Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) credits, how to order a MJF to bestow to someone or about how to make a donation, please contact me. I am here to serve you. I can provide you a wide variety of high gloss professionally designed materials to give out at events or however you want. I can also provide you links to inspiring videos. I would enjoy attending your club functions and to answer questions about LCIF if you'd like.

Sincerely,
 Allan Ulbricht 320-267-4207
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GIVINGTUESDAY



lionsclubs.org/GivingTuesday



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



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

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

Join Lions from across Minnesota, NW Ontario & Manitoba

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



**To register online use the QR code
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**For more convention information
[https://sites.google.com/view/
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DISTRICT 5M4 2024/2025

CLUB VISIT REQUEST FORM DISTRICT GOVERNOR JACQUE HEINEN

PLANT THE SEED



CLUB INFORMATION

CLUB NAME

CONTACT NAME

CONTACT EMAIL

CONTACT PHONE

MEETING INFORMATION

PROVIDE THREE CHOICES OF DATES:

1ST CHOICE 2ND CHOICE 3RD CHOICE

PROVIDE START TIMES:

SOCIAL TIME MEAL TIME MEETING TIME

MEETING LOCATION

BUSINESS NAME:

STREET ADDRESS:

CITY

SPECIAL REQUESTS & NOTES

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION OFFICER INSTALLATION AWARD PRESENTATION

OTHER

DG Jacque's chosen charities are LCIF or Can Do Canines.

Return form to: lionheinen@gmail.com
or call with above info at 320.249.6536

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