

5M4 Newsletter



Time to Serve



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Thank you to all!

As the year comes to a close I want to thank all clubs and Lions members for adapting this year during Covid and finding ways to meet, serve, and grow your clubs! Thank you to everyone who attended my virtual convention in January, hopefully next year we can see each other in person! Also thank you to those who attended the virtual multiple MD5M convention and those Lions members and delegates who will be attending the virtual International convention that would have been held in Montreal.

I have many club meetings and get togethers planned for June already but still have a few open dates. Please contact me if you still want to get a club visit scheduled! I am willing to install officers and new members if you wish.

Thank you to my Montevideo Noon Lions club for your support and encouragement during my District Governor year. I also want to thank all the cabinet members and club officers for their hard work this year and support during my DG term.

Please remember new member dues are waived through the end of June, so let's end the Lions year with a positive membership growth! I also have my membership contest going through June 1st! The club with the most new member members from April 1st-June 1st will win a cook out from Rob, Marty and myself.

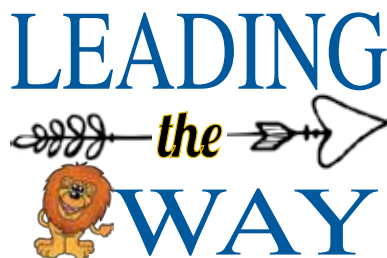
Campaign 100 is still in effect for one more year, let's go out with a bang! We've hit the \$200 million mark but still have \$100 million more to raise to reach our campaign goal by June 30, 2022. My District Governor goal was to have 100% club participation for LCIF's Campaign 100. If you or your club haven't donated, please do so online prior to June 30th. Any donation, of any amount is appreciated and a good portion of those funds come back to our area in the form of grants or disaster relief.

Serving our communities is a rewarding and fun, so please continue to take part in service projects, fundraisers, various Lions activities throughout the year. Always remember President Choi's Theme, "United in Kindness and Diversity" and let's continue to shine in our communities with the Lions motto of "We Serve"



District Governor
Kellie Knudson

**CONTACT KELLIE
NOW
TO SET UP YOUR
CLUB 'VISIT'!
320-226-4156
OR E-MAIL:
lionkellieknudson
@gmail.com
FORM INSIDE**





*Lion Karla Athman and
1st VDG Lion Marty Athman*

with them for several days, but nonetheless it is interesting to get to know them.

Many clubs are winding down their meeting years, taking a break for the summer months but there are some things to keep in mind during the summer. We will be having "Successfest" coming up June 16th in Willmar. I can't wait for this evening, should be fun to get together with everyone again in person for training. Many of the Cabinet will be in attendance that night so you can get to know them and visit with them about making a club visit to you club meetings. I am hoping that many of you, whether a club officer or not, will be able to attend and have a night of learning and sharing.

Don't forget the upcoming training in our Multiple later this year. We are looking to send some members to the Regional Lion Leadership Institute on October 21-24 2021. This training will be held in Detroit Lakes at the Holiday Inn. I hope that we will fill all of our available spots for this awesome training event.

Please be sure to stay in contact with us to be aware of any and all fundraisers taking place this summer. I hope to be able to get out and attend many of them.

I want to especially thank District Governor Kellie for her leadership this year. It has been a trying and difficult year but she has kept us on track and headed forward as a District. No small task given that many things this year have had to be made up on the fly.

Keep up the good work!!

DGE Marty

Some upcoming dates to remember are:

International Conv. June 25-29.

USA-Canada Leadership Forum Sept 9-11.

Regional Lions Leadership Institute – Detroit Lakes October 21-24.

Thanks for ALL that you do!!

Goodbye spring, Hello summer!

It seems like we just finished with cool weather and BAM, we jump right into summer heat!

We still have a few weeks left of this Lions year and we will hopefully finish up strong!! Dist Gov Kellie still has goals that we can reach for this year. It has been nice to get back into a slightly more normal routine, so I hope that everyone will work hard to make this last part of the year successful.

I have been working my way through the DGE 6-week online training sessions. The weekly sessions are very enlightening and have been super helpful in preparation for my year as DG. It has been cool getting to know my "classmates" from other states and countries. Not quite the same as I presume it would be to be in person



Let's talk leadership!

The time has come to get signed up for the USA/CANADA forum Sept 9th through 11th. The early bird pricing of \$285 ends May 31st. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to attend the USA/CANADA Forum so close to home. It is a beautiful drive to Des Moines, Iowa. This is an event everyone should experience at least once.

We also have Successfest coming up on June 16th in Willmar. This is going to be an interactive demonstration on My Lion and My LCI, so bring your laptops. We will also have members from the cabinet and all the foundations there. This gives you an opportunity to schedule your speakers for your club and zone meetings. Bring your calendars with you. There will be a chance to learn the difference between administration funds and fundraising accounts and there will be a short exciting presentation from DGE Marty on leadership. Everyone is welcome to join not just club officers. We will be serving pizza and soda. See Flier in the newsletter for the time and location.

The last thing I want to mention is Build your Club membership drive which is a challenge to all clubs in our district from DG Kellie. The club with the most new members wins a meal of a lifetime! Please promote new members, as the new member fee has been waived through June 30th and this price is priceless.

The State Fair is a go this year, that means we need volunteers to sign up and work the Lions booth. 5M4's date is Monday August 30th. Any day you are available to work is great. Shoot me a text, email or give me a call and let's talk about getting you signed up. THANKS

Like I have said in the past if you have any question comments or concerns please get ahold of me. I may not have the answer but I do know who does.



**2st VDG Lion Rob Wiener
and Lion Jo Wiener**

1ST VDGE/GLT

Lion Rob Wiener, 320-241-7100

5m4lionrob@gmail.com



Benson Lions

Benson Lions Club members, Nancy Ridler and Linda Smith, presented a \$500 check to Barb Schwartz, varsity softball coach, (center) for the Benson Softball Association, May 13, 2021.



Buffalo Lake Lions

13 members (not all made it for the picture) from the Buffalo Lake Lion's Club got together on April 22nd for Earth Day to clean up the Buffalo Lake City Park. We worked for 3 hours and got the whole area cleaned up! It looks so nice with the grass turning green and the tennis courts cleared out!



Spicer Sunrise Lions

Highway cleanup finished for spring 2021.

WANTED
APPLY TODAY

?

2022 CABINET MEMBERS

DESCRIPTION

- ENERGETIC
- FORWARD THINKING
- CREATIVE
- DETERMINED

INDIVIDUALS.

REWARD

MANY REWARDING EXPERIENCES



Lions Children's Hearing Center 10TH ANNUAL WALK



JUNE 5, 2021 9:30AM

We are going virtual this year for our walk to D-Feet Hearing Loss! Although we won't gather, the important work of the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation doesn't stop so join us on June 5th wherever you are to support hearing health!

Your participation in this fundraiser helps us continue to meet our commitments to the Lions Children's Hearing Center at the University of Minnesota and the Department of Otolaryngology at the U of M. Kids are diagnosed and treated six days a week at the Lions Children's Hearing Center. Thanks to the Foundation's pledge to fund the new sound booth construction and equipment purchases, you can help us and the U of M provide support to even more kids! In addition, we continue funding research projects to find new cures and treatments for patients experiencing hearing issues and our Professorship endowment will facilitate teaching students who will help those with hearing loss well into the future.

YOU can help continue this important work by participating in our virtual walk on June 5. TOGETHER, we can all do our part to help D-Feet Hearing Loss!



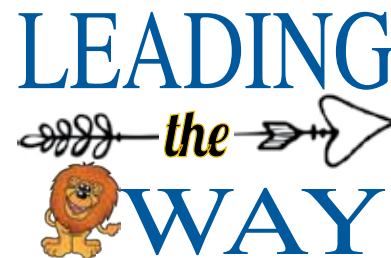
To learn more visit us at:
5mhf.org or at facebook.com/5mhf.org

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

JUNE 2021



\$50

Augtoberfest
Elbow Lake Lions Club

Sat., August 28, 2021
Barrett MN Lakeside Pavilion & Grounds
Doors open 4 to 9 p.m. (Food ready at 5)




Your \$50 Ticket includes: Authentic German Food (lots of choices!), 1 Adult Beverage, (Full bar), Beer Vendors, Free Games, Live Music, Dancing

Thank you to these sponsors:

BARRETT FARM SUPPLY
ELBOW LAKE CO-OP GRAIN

To purchase your Tickets:
See any Elbow Lake Lions Club member;

Go to: "Elbow Lake Lions Club/ Augtoberfest" Facebook page, you can pay via Venmo (@Elbow_Lake_Lions) if you like; e-mail: elbowlakelions@gmail.com; Available at the Grant County Herald, too



Walleye Tournament

Osakis Lions Club will be hosting their 40th Annual Lake Osakis Walleye Tournament on Saturday, June 19, 2021, in Osakis, MN. This will be a one-day CPR (Catch-Photo-Release) tournament. First place prize money of \$8,000 will be awarded to the winning team with \$4,000 for 2nd place, \$2,000 for 3rd place, and prizes for the top ten teams. In addition, \$1,500 for the largest walleye and \$375 for the 2nd largest walleye will be awarded. Cash payoff is based on a full field of 75 teams – payoff decreases proportionately to the number of entrants.

More information can be found on Facebook @ Osakis Lions Walleye Tournament. For inquiries and/or entry forms, please call Shad at 320-760-8777 or Dan at 320-250-3078.



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.

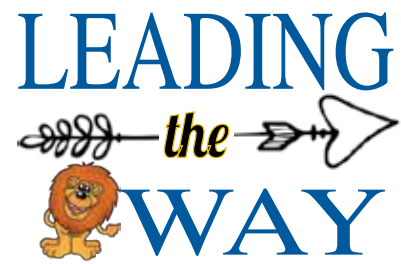
Mail or Email Application to:

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

Mail Award to: Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____



2020-2021 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION
Club must be chartered prior to January 1 of the fiscal year to qualify

Date _____

Club Number	Club Name	District
Member Number	2020-2021 Club President's Name	Email Address

1. MEMBERSHIP

Achieved a net growth of: _____ **or** Chartered new Lions club, Leo Club or Club Branch:
Name of club, or branch: _____

2. SERVICE

- Contributed to LCIF
- Started a new service project. *Consider one of our Global Causes!*
- List Three projects/events hosted by the club:
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

3. ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- Club is in Good Standing: Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension. District dues paid and no unpaid balance with LCI greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.
- Key Officers participate in one or more of the following leadership training events. *Select all that apply:*
 - District
 - International
 - Lions Learning Center
 - Multiple District
 - Webinars
- Improved club operations. Use the Club Quality Initiative to identify opportunities for improving your club.
Improvements include: _____

4. MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION

- The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media. Choose all that apply:
 - Facebook
 - Instagram
 - Twitter
 - Billboards
 - Presentations to Groups
 - Other _____
 - Local Paper
 - Radio
 - Club Website
 - Posted or Distributed Flyers

District	2020-2021 District Governor Signature*	Member Number	Date
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Due by: August 31, 2021
Send to: clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org or fax to (630) 468-6828
Awards Mailed to: 2021-2022 District Governors

*If sent from district governor's registered email, it qualifies as signature on applications submitted electronically.
Request for review of award eligibility from a disqualified club will be considered only if received at International Headquarters within 12 months after completion of the fiscal year, provided that the original application form is already filed at LCI.



Elbow Lake Lions

After their 'in the park' meeting last month, the Elbow Lake Lions stopped at the new senior residential living facility in Elbow Lake - Maplewood Manor. They enjoyed a tour of the building.



Hoffman Lions

Several members of the Hoffman Lions collected eight large trash bags several pieces of debris from their two mile section of MN Highway 29 north of Hoffman. Because of COVID 19, the clean up , which normally is done in spring & fall, had not been done in over a year.

Lion Phil Corrigan

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

BUFFALO LAKE LIONS
 FACEBOOK.COM/BLLIONS



**MEN & COED
 SOFTBALL
 TOURNAMENTS**

MEN: FRI-SAT, JULY 16TH-17TH

COED: SUN, JULY 18TH

TAYLOR-KOOPMAN FIELD, SOUTH OF ELEM

MEN: 8 TEAM DOUBLE ELIMINATION

COED: 8 TEAM BRACKET

OPEN TO D & E TEAMS

ASA RULES W/UNLIMITED HOME RUNS & ARC

100% PAYOUT TO 1ST 2ND 3RD

\$150 ENTRY FEE PER TEAM

CONTACT CHAD SKOLBERG (320) 510-1849

OR RYAN BEICH (320) 583-3288

**CONCESSIONS AND BEVERAGES ON SITE ALL WEEKEND!
 SEE OUR FACEBOOK EVENT FOR MORE UPDATES**



**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

Please allow 30 days to process & ship award recognition

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.



Early Identification By Newborn Hearing Screening

In 1999, the Lions Multiple District 5M Hearing Foundation established the first and only statewide screening program for the early detection of hearing problems in newborns.

With more than \$417,000 in contributions and a matching grant from the Lions Clubs International Foundation, WE created the Lions Newborn Hearing Screening Program.

This was an ambitious initiative designed to establish newborn screening, without state funding or mandate, in every birthing hospital in Minnesota. All newborns in Minnesota are now screened.

Thank you, Minnesota Lions!



PS. Don't forget to award members of your club with a Hearing Foundation award.

5m4 Lions Successfest

Brought to you by the 5m4 gat team
live interactive demonstrations on:

- my lion and my lci (bring your laptop for personal instruction and set up)
- membership ideas: how to get and how to keep
- the role of the president, what is expected and how to do it
- the difference between fund raising and administration accounts

Featuring the Cabinet Fair including Foundations
(bring your calendar to book speakers and DG VISITS!)

Date: June 16th/ Time: 6:30- 9:00 PM / Location: Willmar
1600 US-12 / West Side Liquor meeting room
IN PERSON IS PREFERRED, BUT ZOOM IS AVAILABLE.
Open to all 5M4 Lions! Pizza and Refreshments will be provided.

*Questions? Call or e-mail Lion Rob Wiener at
1-320-241-7100 or 5m4lionrob@gmail.com*



HELP BUILD UP A FUND FOR AFFORDABLE HEARING AID BY DONATING USED HEARING AIDS!

Most clubs and communities don't realize that it isn't **just glasses** that can be donated to Lions, but also **HEARING AIDS**. These are then sent to a place that refurbish them as needed and make them available at a lower cost. PLEASE LET YOUR COMMUNITIES KNOW ABOUT THIS!

Your contribution of used hearing aids makes a significant difference in the lives of those who would simply slip through the cracks.



LIONS CHILDREN'S HEARING CENTER
"D-FEET" HEARING LOSS
10TH ANNUAL WALK

ORGANIZED BY THE BUFFALO LAKE LIONS

FRIDAY, JUNE 18TH - 6 PM

Start/Finish at the Lions Den
 108 N Main Street Buffalo Lake
 \$35 Suggested Donation
 Children under 12 Free

REGISTER BY MAY 26TH

to guarantee a shirt!

Children under 12 will receive their shirt free if registered by the deadline. Registrations received after May 26 up until day-of are welcome, but no shirt is guaranteed.

Registration forms available at K&S Millwrights and Main Street Market in Buffalo Lake or online at facebook.com/BLLions.

FUNDS BENEFIT THE MINNESOTA LIONS HEARING FOUNDATION

We hope you will join us in raising funds and awareness for hearing loss and the isolation associated to those inflicted with hearing loss!

Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation implements and supports programs such as:

- Lions Children's Hearing Center, Minneapolis
- Lions Children's Hearing & ENT Clinic, Minneapolis
- Lions Professorship and ongoing research
- Diagnostic equipment for the clinic



HEARING FOUNDATION, INC.



LCIF = Our Lions Foundation - Donation Information Campaign 100 started July 1, 2018

- * Our district 5M4 targeted is to do our part for this 3 year campaign matching with the 100 theme:
- > 100 percent participation
- > \$100 average per club member per year with personal and club donations going into the average
- * Easy ways to donate are:
- > Go to web address: lcif.org and set up ACH bank account or credit card automatic giving
- > Go to lcif.org and donate with credit card

Mail with attached form to
Lions Club International Foundation, Dept 4547, Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547
 or give to your president, secretary or treasurer
OR: Give or mail to: 5M4 Foundation District chair Craig Schellberg, 6233 97th Ave NE, Spicer, MN 56288. Phone/text: 320-894-6843 email: spicerlioncraig@gmail.com

For technical help: Phone 630-203-3836 or email: donorassistance@lionsclubs.org

Please Detach this form and include with donation

Date: _____

Name: _____ Member # _____

Address with town: _____

Donate to: Empowering Service = Area of Humanitarian greatest needs
 (pick one) Disaster Relief
 Half & half

Donation amount: _____ I plan to give this amount:
 (pick one)
 One time
 Monthly
 Yearly

I would like to receive a recognition pin (minimum \$50 donation): yes___ or no ___

Thanks for giving to Campaign 100 for others in need!



The Children's Hearing Clinic is done. PCC's Bob Jechorek (5M2) and Dave Dominick (5M6) toured it and presented a final check and a carload of wooden cars made by Lion Vern Breamer (5M2). The story of the new clinic booth will be covered more in a future newsletter.



The following Lions are going off the board of Trustees this year: Lion Cindy Labrie 5M3 – 6 yrs, Lion Julie Nielson 5M5 – 6 yrs, PCC Dave Dominick 5M6 – 6yrs, Lion Barb Tanski 5M10 – 6 years and PCC Kathy Jensen 5M4 – 4 yrs. *Thanks to all of these Lions for their service to the Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation and to their districts.*

The 2021 D Feet Hearing Loss Walk has gone virtual. Your club secretaries should have received information about the D Feet Walk. The Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation needs your help today! In 2020 we had to pause our Annual Walk due to the pandemic. We started a project several years ago to establish an endowment chair in the Department of Otolaryngology. To help wrap up this critical project, we need your help in completing it. Dr. Bevan Yueh, Department of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery will talk about this at the 2021 MD5M Convention.

Please consider participating in our 2021 virtual walk. You can take a walk at your local park, bring some club members together for a walk in the park or jump on your treadmill.

You can hold a virtual walk any time in May or June, although the t-shirts may not be available after a certain time.

There are various levels of support and also the option for a t-shirt that would be mailed to you. Children under 12 will receive a free walk shirt. Example support level \$25 no shirt, support level \$35 include walk t-shirt mailed to you. All other levels of support are accepted. \$1,000 gets your Club name on back of the t-shirt. Mail your registration forms to PDG Mike Voss, Treasurer, Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation, 2047237 1st Ave, Green Isle, MN 55338-2171. **Make your check payable to Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation**

Thank you for all your support in this last year.



SATURDAY * JULY 10 * 2021

FREE WILL DONATION * WITH A SUGGESTION OF \$\$
Proceeds go toward Lion's Eye Sight Project and Local Community Projects.

- ★ **Registration starts at 11:00 AM - Noon at Wendell Community Hall**
Register and take off on the route will be done from this location.
- ★ **Riders must return by 4:30 - 6:00 PM**
Return to Wendell Community Hall in Wendell. Meals will be provided at the Community Hall at the end of ride.
- ★ **Drawings will be held at the end of ride**
- ★ **We will be respecting social distancing and CDC recommendations during this event**
- ★ **For early registration contact**
Daryl Jensen 218-458-2207, Randy Zens 218-770-2911
or Brian or Debbie Lacey 701-640-9806.



STREET DANCE

Outside the Community Hall
Featuring The Johnny Holm Band

The Johnny Holm Band



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT