

5M4 Newsletter



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Am I A Leader?

Please join us for an informal informational zoom meeting to talk about all the exciting opportunities that are available to Lions in our district. If you have any interest in stepping up to the district level or are just curious as to what is available, please join us. We will talk about the support that is available, the resources and training that is provided, job descriptions and expectations.

March 21st at 7:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82269263333?pwd=mQo3btAsxRm7b5Z1m2aGoi4Y3vToE.1>

Meeting ID: 822 6926 3333

Passcode: 165027

Please reach out if you have any further questions.

Mickie Rogal, Global Leadership Team Coordinator

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‘Just ask!’

One of the hot topics for this time of year is “Will March come in like a lion or a lamb? Weather wise, I sure hope our lamb-like weather continues. But for OUR Lions Club purposes, let's have March come in with a ROAR!

This is a perfect time of year to think about what can we do different this year:

- How can we attract more new, perhaps younger, members?
 - Is there an opportunity for a new club or a branch club in our area?
 - Maybe a specialty club would work?
 - What can we do this year to shake things up a bit?
 - Maybe the excuse - we've always done it that way - needs to be tossed out?
 - What if we.....? (insert your own idea here).
 - What would happen if each of your members asked just one new person to come to a meeting or participate in a service project?
 - What other organizations can we partner with in our community?
 - Is there an organization in our town that could also become a partner with our Lions club?
- IP Dr. Patti Hill has challenged us to move our membership to 1.5 million Lions by 2027. Let's get started now! In our Multiple District we have clubs that are virtual because they are in downtown Minneapolis and meet over lunch. No one had time for a in-person meeting so they have a Zoom call instead. Yet they do many service projects and fund raisers.

I know of another club that started as a bicycle club and now are a Lions club too!

In our 5M4 District, we have a club made up of Special Olympians. I speak of them often on my club visits. I'm so impressed with their enthusiasm and how many new members I am hearing that they are recruiting just by talking about being a Lion! Is there a Special Olympics group in your town? We could help you speak with them and help them become Lions!

We will soon be talking to folks from a large dairy in West Central Minnesota. I was approached by a social worker who knew I was involved with Lions. She told me that the employees were hungry to become part of the community and be of some kind of service. We are talking with the employer about who are the right key people to help us establish a Lions club and maybe even a Leo's Club too at their location. This company has multiple locations so it might be more than one club!

- Who are your largest employers? Is there a business in your community that could help you organize a club?
- Is there a college or university you could contact and sponsor a club? Remind them how great it looks on a resume to have been part of the largest service organization in the world!
- Is there an opportunity for a Leo's club in your town? It can be school based or community based.

What is the big summer event in your community? Could you set up a booth for your club and provide information to your community about the service projects you have worked on and about Lions in general? What a great chance to do KidSight screening and attract new families by providing that wonderful service to them. Find yourself a fish house for an instant dark room and you're ready to start screening! Let our KidSight folks know so they can reserve the cameras for you. (See our cabinet list elsewhere in this newsletter).

Partner with your local law enforcement on a “Bike Rodeo” where kids can bring their bikes to get checked over by a police officer for safety, tire pressure, etc. They can set up cones for an obstacle course. Maybe partner with the law enforcement on giving away bike helmets. Perhaps the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts could help. Lots of options – all of which will attract young families. Have some door prizes and maybe a raffle for a new bike?

Maybe the same type of project as above but for baby car seats in cars. Are they up to code? Have they been installed correctly? Are they the correct size for the child? Every new parent I know has needed help with this. We have a whole team of people just waiting to come help you start a new club or sponsor a membership event. Just contact me and we'll take it from there. We also have LCIF Grants available to help assist with membership!

If all the above seems too much – start small. Just wear your Lion pin wherever you go and you'll be surprised how many people notice and share that they are a Lion too, or ask what that pin is for, or maybe just say they like your pin and how can they get one? Either way, you've started the conversation! Just ask!



DG Sue Kulbeik and PDG Bob Kulbeik



Jottings from Jacque!

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Greetings Lions of 5M4 –

Our district global Leadership chair Mickie, will be hosting an informational training on March 21st 7pm via zoom “Am I a Leader” any & all Lions are encouraged to attend. Leadership: Find out what you don’t know, what you need to know and all the ways the district is here to help. The resources that are available, along with job descriptions and expectations. Please take advantage of this opportunity. (See link on page 1)

I’ll be traveling Feb 26 to St Charles, IL for a 3 day DG training that will include a tour of Oakbrook! I will meet first Vice International President Fabrício Oliveira and hear his message. I will have the opportunity to visit with DGE’s from around the world! Then March 5 will bring me to Roseville, MN where I will tour and learn what is new and upcoming for our Multiple’s foundations; Vision, Hearing, Diabetes and also the Can Do Canines program.

Our MD5M multiple convention in Winnipeg will be here soon too! (April 18-21) There is still time to register. Come meet IP Patti Hill, attend a Manitoba social, and vote for our multiples next International Director.

The Lions year end is coming so fast, it’s been a terrific journey so far. Mission 1.5 began and Multiple District 5M has a hill to climb just to be positive in growth, with everyone’s help a big job can become a light task.

---Ask One ---Keep One

In Lions, We Serve

DGE Jacque Heinen

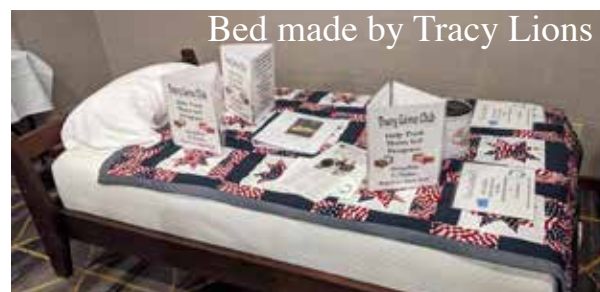


PCC Dennis Geinen and DGE Jacque Heinen

SERVICE IDEAS FROM THE MID-WINTER CONVENTION

Lions here are some of the service ideas shared at the Mid-Winter Convention:

- Christmas Cookie Walk – take orders and deliver cookies - New London Lions
- Gas cards for families with health issues – Raymond Lions
- Eye Glasses for family who couldn’t afford – Atwater Lions
- Gas cards for chemotherapy patients – Kerkhoven Lions
- Fruit Plates for people in need –
- Blankets for patients at infusion center – Sauk Centre Lions
- Fruit Baskets for random deliveries – Sturgeon Lake Lions (5M8)
- Build ramps for people wheelchair bound – Pierz Lions (5M8)
- Making beds for children who don’t have one – Tracy Lions (5M3)



Bed made by Tracy Lions

The Tracy Lions make bedframes and deliver them to children in need. The club makes the beds and assembles them. They provide sheets, pillows and a mattress for the bed. County Social workers contact them and let them know if someone is in need. They deliver it to the address given by the Social Worker. They figure the cost of all these items is \$303. They have received donations from Slumberland for mattresses and wood from a local lumber company to decrease these costs more. They have another club doing this also in District 5M3 and as a district done 53 beds since last spring.

If anyone would like more information about this please contact me.

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A note from Susan

Hello 5M4!

Since this is my first newsletter article, I'll start by introducing myself. I am your 1st VDGE Susan Krumrey, a member of the Buffalo Lake Lions Club since 2018, and have also been your 5M4 Cabinet Secretary for the last three years. I am recently retired, so other than traveling, family time, and hanging out with grandkids every chance I get, I will have to figure out what my new hobbies will be!

My husband, Brad, has been a Lion since 1995. He is the General Manager of K & S Millwrights in Buffalo Lake. I truly enjoy being a Lion and we are looking forward to serving with you!

Are you interested in the leadership of our District? There is no better way to learn than being the District Secretary! We are still looking for someone to take on this position. If you have questions or an interest to learn more, please contact me. Does your club promote the Lions Peace Poster Contest? This is a great way to work with your school or church youth groups, which in turn gets your Club more visible within your communities. Our 2024 theme is "Peace Without Limits", think about the extreme kindness in our world if we had peace without limits. It will be inspiring to see the art work of this possibility from our youth! Packets are on sale now in our LCI store.

I and your other district leaders are here for you! With Mission 1.5 in full swing, how can we help your clubs grow? If you need ideas, more training, or would like us to come visit your club, please reach out!

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



Lion Brad Krumrey and 1st VDGE Susan Krumrey



Contact DGE Jacque (lionheinen@gmail.com) or 1st VDGE Susan (susanreuberkrumrey@outlook.com) if you are interested in knowing more or need tickets for the LCIF Gala! See pg. 7

TWO locations! Sign up now!




JUNE 1, 2024 - 9:30 AM

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

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

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



MN Lions Diabetes Foundation Physical Activity Challenge - 3rd Annual Fundraiser!



February-March-April 2024

How To Participate:

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

How to donate/register:

Turn in the bottom portion of this flyer

- OR -

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

\$30.00 Registration fee

T-shirts available

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



Lions Club Name: _____ District: _____

Challenge Team Name: _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Donation Amount:

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

Mail to:

MLDF Treasurer, MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, 11070 15th St NE, St. Michael, MN 55376

(Net Proceeds benefit the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation)



Champions club decorating Valentine's Day cookies - and eating them, too!



Sauk River Champions club serving breakfast



Champions at Mid-Winter Convention

Sauk River Champions are great Lions!

Can Do Canines to Host Open House March 9

Can Do Canines invites you to attend an open house on Saturday, March 9, from 12-2 p.m., at its Can Do Canines campus (9440 Science Center Drive, New Hope, Minnesota). Potential volunteers, clients, or anyone who might be interested in supporting the organization are invited to attend to learn how an assistance dog changes the life of a person with a disability.

Through a self-guided tour, attendees will be able to watch a trainer working with an assistance dog, hear from a volunteer dog host, talk with staff members from the volunteer department, pose questions to client services coordinators about the application process, and meet graduate teams from each of the five types of areas Can Do Canines trains dogs: hearing, mobility, seizure, diabetes, and childhood autism.

There is no pre-registration for this event, though attendees will be asked to share some contact information when arriving.

More information about Can Do Canines is at www.candocanines.org.





LCIF Coordinator news

It was a lot of fun seeing many of you at our District Mid-Winter convention in January in Willmar. it was a wonderful weekend. Congratulations DG Sue, Lions Craig and Lori Schelberg and everyone involved in planning it. Thank you everyone for your support of LCIF.

\$11,160 was collected for LCIF and an additional \$2,000 for tables to the LCIF Gala coming up in April.

Congratulations to Robert Bliss from the Spicer Sunrise Lions Club. His name was drawn in our raffle board fundraiser and he received \$1,000 in Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) credit at LCIF; which entitles him to receive a Progressive MJF or to bestow a MJF to someone of his choosing.

I encourage clubs and individuals to use the MJF credit you've built up and bestow a MJF to worthy candidates (doesn't even need to be a Lions member) or request a Progressive MJF for yourself.

For every \$1,000 of credit you can give out a MJF. There are multiple levels of Progressive MJF's. Contact me and I'll look up the amount of MJF credit you have available.

Some of you are very close to having \$1,000 of credit. Consider donating and getting to the next level.

Order your MJF's as soon as possible. LCIF indicates there is an 6-8 week wait time. Bring your plaque and pin to the Gala.

Don't worry. If you don't receive your MJF plaque and pin in time, there will be a MJF plaque and pin at the event that you can have your picture taken with. So sign up and join us at the Gala!

I encourage everyone that received a MJF or a PMJF this Lions year to join us at the Gala to be pinned by PIP Brian- even if you've already been pinned. No one said you can't be pinned twice.

See the enclosed flyer for more info on the LCIF Gala. Remember to wear some green

Contact me as soon as possible if you want a ticket/ table please. This is really going to be fun!

Our district is getting noticed for the number of LCIF grants we've received in recent years. Pictures from some of these grant projects will likely be shown at the Gala. That's fantastic! Keep striving to serve needs in our communities and lets visit if you have a question about a possible grant. Google "LCIF Grants Toolkit" and it will take you to a page on the LCIF website that has lots of resources about LCIF grants. Check that out!

Thank you DG Sue and the District cabinet for conducting the environmental project at MidWinter. Smart thinking on your part to apply for a District & Community Impact Grant (DCG) from LCIF to cover costs of the wildflower seed. The Ukraine Relief project at our Multiple District convention last year also received a DCG grant. Clubs that give \$5,000 or more in a Lions year receive 15% as DCG credit to use in their communities and the conditions are fairly easy to meet. This builds up until used. The district receives 15% DCG credit for monies given by the district (and also from the remaining clubs donations that didn't reach \$5,000 on their own).

I would love to share some really nice pictures of Ukraine children receiving the packs that many of you helped assemble at Multiple District convention. It's fun to see actual recipients of your efforts.

Contact me if you'd like me to present at one of your zone of club meetings or simply want some materials. Please give. You truly do make a difference, no matter what amount you give. \$1, \$5. It all adds up.

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Allan Ulbricht

District 5M4 LCIF Coordinator

7.

PUT YOUR EVENT ON THE 5M4 WEBSITE!

Please let us know if you'd like us to post your 5M4 club event.
Send to patrickposl@gmail.com



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

MARCH 2024



LCIF Gala

Paint the Town ~~RED~~ GREEN!



Sat, April 13, 2024

Prairie Event Center

Parkers Prairie, MN

10:30 am to 4:00 pm



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

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

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

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

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

Any further questions please contact:

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

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



PDG Dennis Kelly III for International Director

Hello Lions,

I am not very comfortable talking about myself. My passion is to motivate, inspire, and challenge Lions to be the best that they can be. But I am asking for your vote, and I have an obligation to you to show that I am qualified and worthy of that vote.

Let's talk about impact.

In 2016 we started KidSight as a Multiple District program.. I was appointed by the Council of Governors as the program manager, tasked to get the program up and running. Within a year we had raised over \$250K, bought 32 systems, and trained hundreds of Lions. I continue to lead a team of dedicated Lions as the Chair of the Board of Directors. To date, you, and your fellow Lions in our Multiple District, have screened over 178,000 kids with over 21,000 referred for follow up by an eye care professional. This program has changed thousands of lives in and out of Lions, and that is impact.



In 2019 I was selected as the Multiple District Global Leadership Team Coordinator, responsible for all the leadership training and development for our multiple district. We now offer 2 Leadership Institutes each year rather than 1 every other year. ELLI, Emerging Lions Leadership Institute, designed for Lions who have not been a club president to help build stronger clubs. And RLLI, Regional Lions Leadership Institute, designed to give our Lions enhanced leadership skills. RLLI is truly a "leadership incubator". Since 2011, the earliest year that I have records for, 502 Lions have attended of that number 100 or 20% have been or will be a District Governor. That's impact. So, that is some of what I have accomplished in our multiple district. Outside of our multiple I have:

- Facilitated 6 RLLIs, 4 Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI), 4 Faculty Development Institute (FDI), plus one local FDI in California and Wisconsin.
- I have earned the Lions Certified Instructor designation (LCIP), the highest instructor qualification awarded by Lions International and have facilitated 2 LCIP Institutes.
- I have been entrusted by the last 3 International Presidents, Doug Alexander, Brian Sheehan and Dr. Patti Hill with the training of their incoming District Governors as a District Governor Elect Group Leader, one of 30 Lions from around the world, tasked with this important responsibility.
- I am on the faculty of Lions University and have presented at 7 USA/Canada Leadership Forums.

But what do I offer you and the International Board as a member? There are 10 major committees where a director can serve. I believe, based on my business and Lions experience, that I can add value to 6 of these committees.

Finance, Leadership Development, Marketing, Membership Operations and Services, Membership, and Service Activities, But these are not the most important reasons I would like to serve on the board, I want to serve to represent you. To be your voice, to carry your questions and concerns to the highest levels of our association. To be able to help our districts solve local problems and provide guidance and motivation to our Lions and our leaders. I would not have been able to accomplish any of this without a dedicated service partner, a Lion who can hold her own on any stage, the love of my life, my Lion Cheryl. Together we will work hard to make you proud as your representative on the International Board.

We need your support. Please plan on attending the Multiple District Convention in Winnipeg April 19-21 as a voting delegate. Together we can make our association the envy of all other service organizations in the world.



Bert Nelson for International Director

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

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

Zone 6 Chairman

District 5M9 Public Relations Chairman

District 5M9 Newsletter Editor

Chairman of three 5M9 Mid-Winter Conventions

District Governor 2005-06

Council Chairman 2006-07

MD5M Long Range Planning Committee Chairman

MD5M Public Relations Chairman

MD5M Newsletter Editor

MD5M LCIF Chairman for past 11 years

Certified Guiding Lion

Global Extension Team

Global Leadership Team

Global Service Team

Training Instructor for six groups of incoming governors

Facilitator for 8 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institutes

Facilitator for 1 MD5M Emerging Lions Leadership Institute

Assisted on 5 International Director Campaigns for candidates from MD5M.

Campaign Chairman for IP Brian Sheehan

Planning Committee member of 2 USA/Canada Forums

Presenter at 5 USA/Canada Forums



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

PCC Bert Nelson

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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.



Jersey Mike's Month of Giving!

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

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



Jersey Mike's Locations in Minnesota

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

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

AWARD & SCHOLARSHIP CONTACTS:

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

Lions Portal

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.

43RD ANNUAL OSAKIS LIONS CLUB WALLEYE TOURNAMENT

WHEN

June 15th, 2024
7am – 3pm

WHERE

Lake Osakis

Headquarters: town access

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

WWW.FISHDONKEY.COM

**FACEBOOK: OSAKIS LIONS WALLEYE
TOURNAMENT**

**2 PERSON
TEAMS**

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

**75 TEAMS
MAX**

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

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

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



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



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

JULY 2023	\$7,384.00	
AUGUST 2023	\$1,115	YTD: \$8,499
SEPTEMBER 2023	\$2,990	YTD: \$11,489
OCTOBER 2023	\$4,122	YTD: \$15,611.50
NOVEMBER 2023	\$614	YTD: \$16,225.50
DECEMBER 2023	\$8,811	YTD: \$25,036.50
JANUARY 2024	\$3,834.32	YTD: \$28,870.82
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!



MD5M GLT Multiple
District Coordinator

MD5M GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM NEEDS YOU!

The position of Global Leadership Team Multiple District Coordinator is open beginning July 1, 2024.

Attributes of a GLT Coordinator

Passion for Lions

Leads by Example

Motivator

Encourages Diversity

Effective Communicator

Ability to Mentor Others

Recommended graduate of FDI,
LCIP Certified or a participant of
an ALLI



Recruitment Period
January 1 - 31, 2024



Send a Resume and Letter of Recommendation to:
executivesecretary@lionsmd5m.org

For more information please visit the LCI website for the GLT Coordinator roles and responsibilities at: https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md_YL1xSzh4U8n5.jpg.pdf?v=1

Cabinet Secretary needed

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

PUT YOUR EVENT ON THE 5M4 WEBSITE!

Please let us know if you'd like us to post your 5M4 club event.

Send to patrickposl@gmail.com

Research Update on March 16:

The 15th Annual Minnesota

Lions Diabetes Foundation Diabetes Research Update will be held in the Sun-wood/Congress/Senate Ballroom in the Best Western Plus Kelly Inn at St Cloud starting at 11:00 a.m. with a box lunch being served at noon. Hear what the researchers we've funded have discovered and also support our silent auction.

Lion Lori Schellberg

5M4 District trustee MDF 320-894-8643



This institute 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.

March 15-17, 2024

Shooting Star Casino

777 Casino Dr, Mahnomon, MN

The cost of the institute is \$100 USD which includes all training materials and meals. Lodging is available at the casino hotel for \$85 USD per night.

Additional details and the application can be found on the MD5M website: lionsmd5m.org under resources.

Contact Lion Dennis W. Kelly III, MD5M GLT Coordinator at dkellylion@gmail.com with questions.

Emerging Lions Leadership Institutes (ELLI)

The goal of this institute is to prepare Lions for leadership positions at the club level.

Qualified candidates are:

- Lions in good standing
- Have successfully served on a club committee and have not yet obtained the level of club president.

It is strongly recommended that the club's first vice president attend.

This institute and accommodations will be at Shooting Star Casino, 777 Casino Dr, Mahnomon, MN. Hotel rooms will cost \$85 USD per night not including tax. Reservations must be made by Friday, March 1st. Lions will be allowed to commute to the Institute providing they can do so from a safe distance and attend all Institute functions.

The cost of the Institute is \$100 USD in addition to lodging and travel expenses. The Multiple District will provide all meals and training materials.

Courses will include:

- Lions, Past, Present and Future
- Change Management
- Supporting Lions' Teams
- LCIF
- Communication
- Conducting Effective Meetings
- Diversity
- Lions Mentoring Program
- Creative Thinking
- Ensuring Club success

The deadline to submit your completed application to your District Governor is February 23rd, 2024.

REGISTRATION FORM ON THE NEXT PAGE



MD5M EMERGING LIONS' LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

MARCH 15-17, 2024, MAHNOMEN MN

PARTICIPANT APPLICATION FORM

MUST BE SUBMITTED to your DISTRICT GOVERNOR no later than February 23, 2024

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: _____ DATE JOINED LIONS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-Mail ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NO: _____

CLUB NAME & NUMBER: _____

MEMBER NUMBER: _____

CURRENT OFFICE HELD: _____

OTHER OFFICES HELD: _____

I WAS REFERRED BY: _____

WHY DO YOU WISH TO ATTEND THE MD5M EMERGING LIONS' LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE?

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

Any food or other allergies? _____

APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE FOLLOWING:



SIGN UP!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/g60B0E49AAAA2AA6FB6-mnlions1>

Newsletter website Facebook page.

On behalf of Camp Sweet Life Adventures, Inc - programs connecting kids and young adults affected by Type One Diabetes - we appreciate the support of Lions Clubs!

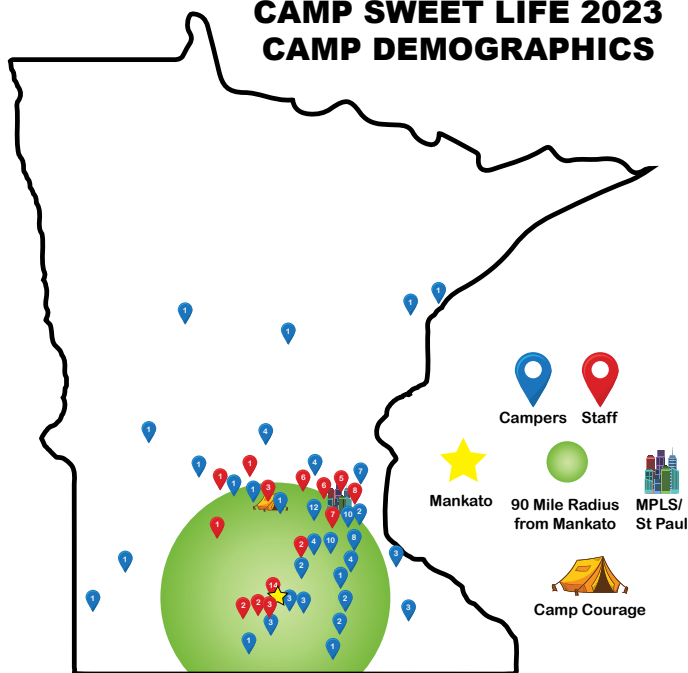
Please watch our thank you video (link below) and see more information about Camp Sweet Life on our website - Campsweetlife.org. Also attached is demographics from our 2023 Camp!

Would you consider making a donation to Camp Sweet Life (a 501c3 non-profit in its 14th year). Attached is our 2024 "Wish List".

Camp Sweet Life 2023 Thank-You video - Rene' Maes Jr. Lion Rene' - member of Mankato Sunrise Lions Club Executive Director of Camp Sweet Life - cell - 507-995-6910 - email - rene.maes@campsweetlife.org web site - www.campsweetlife.org



CAMP SWEET LIFE 2023 CAMP DEMOGRAPHICS



2024 WISH LIST!

Dear Lions, as 2024 starts Camp Sweet Life Adventures, Inc. says thanks to all the Lion's Clubs for continued support or our programs for kids affected by Type 1 Diabetes.

MATCHING FUNDS – In 2023/2024 your donation is being matched by an LCIF Grant# DIA22720! Up to \$50,000 of matching funds! Camp Sweet Life is a 501c3 non-profit organization and accepts charitable donations through gambling funds!

Here are a few of our "Wish List" items for Camp 2024. Or make a generic tax-deductible donation to support Camp Sweet Life!

- A. Sponsor a Cabin - \$150 – your Lions Club name put on Cabin for Camp 2024!
- B. Sponsor a Golf Cart - \$500 per cart for the week of Camp (need 6)
- C. Sponsor a Camper - \$500 per camper. Note: LCIF does not match scholarships
- D. Juice Boxes - \$1,000 (a necessary ER staple needed at camp for lows)

E. Camp Staff Training - \$2,000 – necessary to have a great trained staff. In 2023 we had a staff of 44 counselors and 26 medical staff (see demographics attached from 2023 Camp)!

F. CampViews – \$3,750 – What is CampViews: CampViews™ is an Electronic Medical Record (EMR) application developed to eliminate the use and waste of paper files while easing the work loads of diabetes camps, Pre, During and Post Camp. CampViews is also an online registration system that takes the information taken in before camp and puts it into the EMR software for easy access at camp. The increased efficiency and seamless access to the medical data keeps all staff informed in real time. CampViews software creates the safest environment for all campers, counselors and medical providers by giving you everything you need for a camp setting at your fingertips and the ability to view that information from anywhere.

Make Donation today: make your check to Camp Sweet Life and mail to:
Camp Sweet Life Adventures, Inc
26486 Sioux Trail
Madison Lake, MN 56063

Can we visit your club? Contact Rene' Maes Jr. (Lion Rene') at:
Rene.Maes@campsweetlife.org or 507-995-6910 cell

In State	Campers	Counselors / Program	Medical Staff	Out of State	Campers	Counselors / Program	Medical Staff
Within 90 mile radius of Mankato	71	31	15	AZ	1		
Outside 90 mile radius of Mankato	29	5	10	FL		1	
Out of state	8	8	1	IA	1	2	
Totals	108	44	26	ND		1	
				SD		2	
				WI	6	2	1
				Total Out of State	8	8	1



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

You can put two names on a form

Date Rec _____

Lion Lioness Leo Guest 1st Timer

Name & Title _____ / _____

Address _____

City/Town _____ State/Prov. _____

Zip/Postal _____ Phone _____

District & Club: _____ / _____

Email _____ / _____

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

Special Dietary Needs: Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Allergies _____

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

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

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

			\$ AMOUNT		
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

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?



PDGs 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 PDGs to step up and show the Lions of MD5M that we lead by

example.

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

The challenge is made!

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

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

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/>

Sponsor a hero. Be a hero.



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

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



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For more information or to sponsor, visit LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy

FOLLOW THE LEADER
LeaderDog.org

1039 S. Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115



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!

DG Lion Sue Kulbeik	District Governor	kulbeik@gmail.com	605-949-0161
1VDG Lion Jacque Heinen	1st Vice DG (2024/25)	lionheinen@gmail.com	320-249-6536
2VDG Lion Susan Krumrey	2nd Vice DG (2025/26)	susan@ksmillwrights.com	320-295-8327
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Lion Amy Swenson	Diabetes Foundation	aswenson@isd2342.org	218-770-1219
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Lion Pat Posl	Website	patrickposl@gmail.com	---
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Open Position

Constitution/By-Laws

Open Position

USA/Canada Forum

Open Position

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Open Position

Zone 8 Chair, Atwater, Cedar Mills, Cosmos, Darwin, Grove City, Kingston, Litchfield