



5M4 Newsletter



Time to Serve

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It's time to SERVE... COVID Style!

As the Covid numbers continue to rise in the state, my District Governor pin and theme, "Time to Serve" and my house (I sell insurance and real estate) is proving to be more important than ever! I encourage you to stay home and safe and healthy during this time but also think of alternative ways to meet (Zoom, Go To Meeting, phone calls) and continue to serve your communities as Lions have always done.



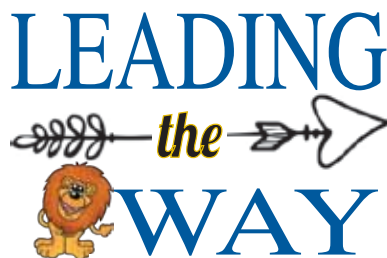
District Governor
Kellie Knudson

Some Mid-Winter convention changes will be coming, via mail and e-mail, to your club secretaries soon! As a cabinet we voted to change our convention to a 1 day online/business meeting for 2021 due to COVID. Clubs will be getting a mailing in the next 2 weeks regarding where to send individual donations for Parade of Green, details for the memorial service and the virtual convention and how voting will be done, via mail, for this year. The cabinet meeting will be held virtually Friday night and the business meeting will be held online Saturday morning at 10 a.m., January 30th. There will also be pre-recorded videos from many of our speakers and foundations to watch as well as a message from our International Director, Justin Faber from Michigan.

Keep recruiting new members! Remember through December 31st the new member enrollment fee has been waived by LCI. We need to keep the members we have, continue to keep them involved and recruit new members to keep our clubs and organizations going for many years to come! This is part of the NAMI (North American Membership Initiative) that 2nd Int'l VP Brian Sheehan started and District 5M4 has committed to. Todd Neumann is our NAMI chair and has done a great job hosting online meetings to help us with our NAMI goals but its everyone's job to help us grow! As I visit clubs in our district, maintaining our social distancing, I remind and ask them what they are doing to end the year +2 for members in their club! Please share your successes with other clubs, your zone and district!

Thank you again for being a Lions member and all you do for your communities!
District Governor Kellie Kundson

**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**

Be thankful & creative

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

Each year Thanksgiving is a time for me to reflect on the past year and evaluate many things that I am thankful for in my life. It's a great exercise to help me put, and, keep things in perspective. This year is a bit more challenging than others, but my perspective (bad mood) can improve when I look back on all the things I am thankful for. I'd like to share a few with you.

This year both of my sons have bought houses and moved to Olivia, a neighboring town to Bird Island, some call it a suburb of Bird Island. After each had lived between 1-4 hours away from me, they both now live 5 minutes from me. My younger son Trent was married this past summer, so I now have 2 sons, 2 daughter-in-laws, and 1 awesome grandson living just minutes from my house! After spending her Spring semester living in our home, my daughter was able to return to her college and continue her quest for a college degree. For this I am truly grateful.

This year we have been forced to invent new ways to conduct old business. What I mean by that is my family owned restaurant has had to come up with some "new" ways to do things that we have done the "old" way for many years. I'm thankful that it has actually made some things more efficient. In the same way, we as Lions have had to invent new ways to conduct our old business. It has been a challenge but we are getting better and better striving to work as a T.E.A.M. to accomplish our goals.

As we continue to keep ourselves in a service orientated frame of mind, our old ways of service need to be tweaked a bit to accommodate our new world. I'd like to mention a few service ideas for you to consider:

VISION: -- Continue to collect eyeglasses

-- Donate large print books to your local library and be sure to put a label in them saying "donated by _____ Lions Club"

ENVIRONMENT:

-- Adopt-A-Drain: clean leaves and debris from road drains to avoid water back-up during heavy rains.

-- Plant a flower garden or flower pots for your community

-- Work with local youth to create a "Tree Trail" in your community to highlight the diversity of trees that are growing in your parks and city.

-- Host a Plant Swap. People bring in their plants that they are dividing or no longer want. If plants are unclaimed Lions could plant them around your city.

HUNGER:-- Make "Blessing Boxes" for Christmas. Include ham, canned goods, produce, etc. as well as Christmas themed plates, placemats, napkins etc.

-- Help with Meals on Wheels deliveries.

-- Volunteer at your local food shelf.

DIABETES:-- Conduct "Diabetes at risk tests" use your Lions Club as a start.

-- Have a guest speaker at your meeting to talk about Diabetes Prevention or managing diabetes.

-- Distribute books/pamphlets about Diabetes Awareness, healthy eating, exercise, remember to put stickers in them stating that they were donated by your Lions Club.

CHILDHOOD CANCER:

-- Deliver meals to a family with a child who is battling cancer.

-- Sponsor C.C.Bears through Children's Cancer Research Fund in Minneapolis. <https://childrenscancer.org/resources-for-families/c-c-bear/>.

-- Help serve meals to patients and families at the U of M Masonic Children's Hospital

-- Make fleece tied blankets for Project Linus.

OTHER IDEAS:

-- Pen Pals for Seniors. Seniors feel very lonely and isolated during this pandemic.

-- Donate school bags with supplies for schools and/or distance learning.

Your in Lionism

1st VDG Marty



Reflect on good things

One more month of 2020 in the books!!

A quick update on my covid-19 progress. I am feeling much better. I do have a lot of fatigue. Different fatigue from just being overweight and a little lazy. Jo (my wife) is doing amazing. She tested positive but had no symptoms at all. We both hope each and everyone of you are doing great.

As I sit down and write this article, I find myself reflecting on the good things in my life. I have an amazing wife. I have been blessed with six outstanding children, and seven unbelievable grandkids. I have to say there has been some bumps in the road over the years. and right now the road looks more like a cow path with all that is going on. My wife and I usually host Thanksgiving at our house. This typically includes between 40- 60 friends and family members. This year obviously we are not doing that. This is a joyous time of laughs and jokes. We play games, including having my 93 year-old father call BINGO. We are the only family who has numbers like B-65. Sometime he can't focus on all the numbers. It is memories like this that keep me going. There may never be a Wiener Thanksgiving again with famous BINGO caller Lion Vic. So in this time of uncertainty lets look at the positive in life the memories we made and the memories we are going to make. Some times we dwell on the negative too much. Lets keep our heads up and a smile on our face. Like the Lions motto says "We Serve." Sometimes that service is just a smile or nod. Keep a positive vibe and be the difference someone needs.

Remember to sign up for RLLI, and LCI institutes. I believe we all have a little extra time on our hands right now, Stay safe everyone. And with that I look forward to the exciting and different mid winter convention we will have this year. We are in the process of planning a virtual Mid winter like nothing you have experienced before. Lion Secretaries keep a eye out for packet you will be receiving in the mail. This packet will include a lot of useful information. Secretaries - if you have not updated your information on My Lcl please do so that way we send the information to the right person.



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

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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 Multiple District
International Webinars
Lions Learning Center

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 Local Paper
Instagram Radio
Twitter Club Website
Billboards Posted or Distributed Flyers
Presentations to Groups
Other _____

District 2020-2021 District Governor Signature* Member Number Date

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.



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. But more importantly you'll help make the following possible each year:

- ▶ **1,000,000+**
Days of safe and independent daily travel
- ▶ **200**
Leader Dog teams paired
- ▶ **100**
Clients receive white cane training
- ▶ **6**
Clients who are deaf and blind receive customized guide dog training
- ▶ **24**
Teenagers gain leadership and travel skills
- ▶ **\$0**
Cost to client



IN EVERY LEADER DOG
LIES THE HEART OF A LION.

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"I'm retired and on my own, so the dog is my world. If I don't get my five miles of walking, hiking or snowshoeing—I don't feel right. It's kind of an existence." -Randy & LD Senna

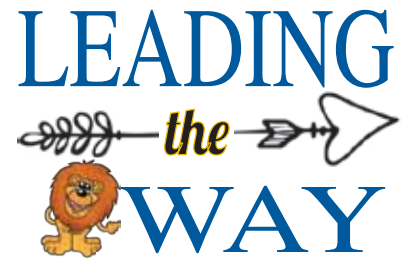


LEADER DOGS
FOR THE BLIND

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

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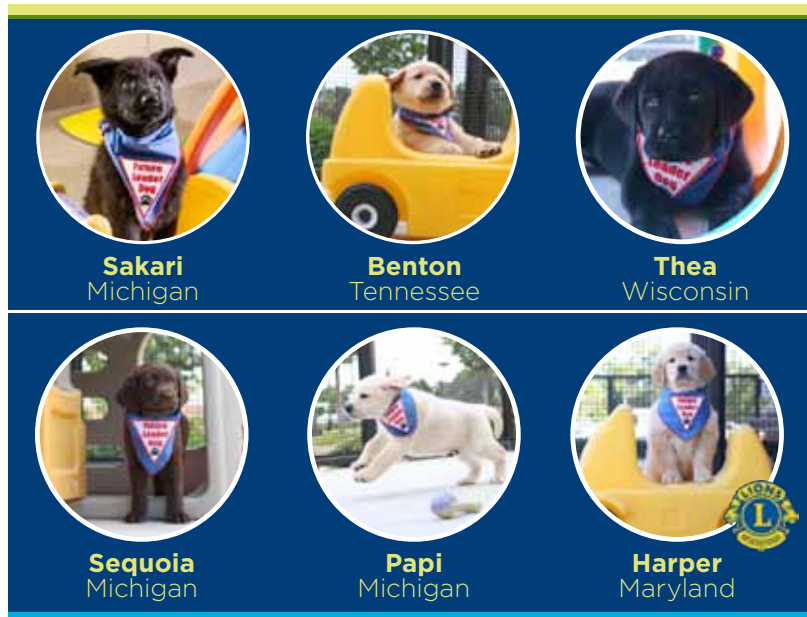
1039 S. Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115



Dear Lions, Lioness and Leos,

Hear these puppies ROAR!

These six puppies are currently being raised by volunteer puppy raisers across the country. Some of them are Lions volunteers. Just one more way Lions partner with Leader Dog to serve your local communities.



With your club's sponsorship, you will receive a 5x7 photograph of your sponsored Future Leader Dog and an official sponsorship certificate.

All symbolic sponsorships will receive a matching plush puppy! Be sure to post a picture of your club and your plush puppy on social media to share the joy!

Thank you for helping Leader Dog serve people who are blind, visually impaired and Deaf-Blind in your communities—together we serve!

Sincerely,

Lion Sue Daniels

Lion Sue Daniels
President and CEO

PS: Remember Lake Orion Lions Club President Mike Pikalis and Future Leader Dog Senna last year? Here is Leader Dog Senna (pictured right with client) this year—what a difference a year makes! Find out more at LeaderDog.org.



"I'm retired and on my own, so the dog is my world. If I don't get my five miles of walking, hiking or snowshoeing— I don't feel right. It's kind of an existence."
-Randy & LD Senna



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W A N T E D

2021 Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)

March 18 – 21, 2021

Holiday Inn-Detroit Lakes MN

*We are looking for Lions from your district to attend the
2021 MD5M Regional Lions Leadership Institute!*

Lions that are selected as participants in the Institute must be in good standing in a Lions Club and may not be a 1st Vice District Governor, District Governor, Past District Governor, International Director, or Past International Director.

The \$150 fee for the Leadership Institute includes the cost of materials, facility, staff, and four (4) meals. Room costs and additional meals are not included.

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

Participants MUST be available to attend ALL sessions beginning on Thursday evening and ending Sunday afternoon.

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

The Institute will have a maximum of 72 participants.

Applications are available from your District Governor or on the MD5M Website and are due (without fees) by December 1, 2020.

Your District Governor will then make the final participant selection.

Institute graduates will tell you that the Regional Lions Leadership Institute is beneficial for you in every facet of your life and not just in your role as a Lion.

*If you have questions concerning the Institute, please contact:
Lion Dennis W. Kelly III - dkellylion@gmail.com*

5M4 CONVENTION UPDATE!

It's time to start promoting the next Mid-Winter Convention.

Details to come!

Bob Knutson is in charge of the Memorial Service. It's important that your club needs to send obituaries and pictures to him by e-mail asap please.

Send info to Bob Knutson at lionbobbyk2017@gmail.com.

2021 MD5M Convention

The 2021 MD5M Convention is just around the bend! District 5M-2 invites you to join the jamboree at the Mankato Event Center, Mankato, MN, April 30 through May 2nd, 2021.

Save the date, as District 5M-2 prepares for a weekend that is guaranteed to entertain you with festive music and inspire you with our speakers. District 5M-2 will also plan on a virtual convention as an alternative to unforeseen events.

More information on the hotels and registration form can be found on the 5M2 Lions Facebook page or at www.lionsmd5m.org. Registration and meal packages range from 0- \$130.00 per person. Information on the site will be updated periodically.

Along with all of the fun and festivities, a raffle room will be available and co-hosted by the MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation and the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation. There will be speakers from the University of MN on Childhood Cancer, Lions Gift of Sight, MN Lions Hearing Foundation, and a speaker from Leader Dogs.

In addition to the usual business happenings of the convention, service projects will be included. Your help is always appreciated in making Service Projects a success. The MD5M convention host committee plans to focus on a few projects of need. More information to come! District 5M-2 hopes to see you at the Bend in the River III 2021 Convention!

Mn Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation Report

Greetings ALL!!! Cancer doesn't stop so 5M is actively working. Here's a few of our projects:

- \$100,000 check presented to Masonic Childrens Hospital on Sept 29th ("Garden Party was canceled in July)
- "Shave the Brave" Fundraiser total: \$18,727.48 raised
- \$9000 given to Crescent Cove: \$15,000 total for a picnic area located on their new playground
- \$9000 given to Kamp Kace
- Finally the blankets from our 5m4 convention got delivered to Crescent Cove. They LOVE THEM..... THANKS!!!

- 2021 MD5M Convention: Dr. Lucy Turcotte booked to speak. U of M Childhood Cancer Survival Program
- MD5M Convention: Quilt Auction and sharing Raffle room with Diabetes Foundation
- All Districts have a member represented on our board....YES!!!

Reminder: What can Lions Do

- Help Crescent Cove
- Help Kamp Kace
- Help Masonic Childrens Hospital
- Help local Families
- Help local Hospice programs
- Deliver Meals...help with yard work etc

Needs for our board:

- We would like stories/pictures to put on our fb page. PLEASE LET US KNOW if you have something.
- We have the "Believe Awards"... fill out an application if you have someone in mind.

Stay Safe and THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO!!!

Co-Chairs (Two bobbyks),

IPDG Bob Kulbeik and PDG Bob Knutson



That's a really, really big check!

Representatives of the MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation present a symbolic "big check" to Dr. Kim Sadak and Dr. Luci Turcotte. The \$100,000 raised by Minnesota Lions was matched, dollar for dollar, by the University of Minnesota Foundation and the Children's Cancer Research Fund to make \$300,000 donated to the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital to fund research and services for survivors of childhood cancer. Presenting the check on behalf of the Foundation were President Jeannine McDonald, Secretary Linda Albrecht, Director Bob Knutson and Treasurer Tom McCarthy. One of the innovative programs being funded by the Lions is a smart phone app to keep in touch with survivors as they leave the hospital program and move on with their lives. Dr. Karim Sadak, Director, Childhood Cancer Survivor Program at the Masonic Children's Hospital, has stated, "Funds from the Minnesota Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation have made it possible to create a way through mobile health to never let childhood cancer survivors slip through the cracks of the healthcare system."

Be proud, Minnesota Lions!!! Be very proud! (And, yes, we are all smiling!!!) Dr. Kim Sudak is far left and Dr Luci Turcotte is next.

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

Lions Clubs International Education Opportunities

The following Institutes will be offered by Lions Clubs International.

Advanced Lions Leadership Institute

Advanced Lions Leadership Institutes focus on building the skills of Lions leaders to prepare them for leadership responsibilities at zone, region, and district levels. Qualified candidates are Lions that have completed a successful term as club president but have not yet attained the position of First Vice District Governor. Candidates must be willing to commit to all days of the institute.

Lions Clubs International will provide meals and lodging according to the dates and schedule of the institute. Please note that a non-refundable participation fee of US\$125.00 will be required to offset a portion of these costs for all institutes. Participants are also responsible to pay for their own transportation and other travel related expenses to and from the institute site.

DATE: MARCH 13-15, 2021 • LOCATION: TORONTO, ON, CANADA

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH • SUBMISSION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 13, 2020

APPLICATION AVAILABLE ON THE LCI WEBSITE/RESOURCE CENTER/SEARCH ALLI

Faculty Development Institute (FDI)

The Faculty Development Institute is a three-day institute that serves to develop and expand the number of skilled Lions faculty available for use in training at the club, district, and multiple district levels. The curriculum is designed to enhance training delivery skills and training techniques that will increase the quality of training and overall effectiveness of Lions leadership development programs. Lions who complete the FDI are expected to be able to effectively deliver training sessions with provided materials. They should not be expected to create their own training materials.

Qualified candidates are those Lions who have some experience as instructors at local Lions training events, have demonstrated basic instructional skills, and have a keen interest in further developing those skills. A candidate's training experience should include using PowerPoint to support training delivery. (Note: Participants will not be expected to create any materials while at the FDI, but it will be necessary to use PowerPoint and other provided materials for some activities. Lions Clubs International will provide meals and lodging according to the dates and schedule of the institute. In compliance with board policy, a non-refundable participation fee of US\$150.00 will be required to offset a portion of these costs. Participants are also responsible to pay for their own transportation and other travel related expenses to and from the institute site.

DATE: FEBRUARY 20-22, 2021

LOCATION: LOS ANGELES, CA, USA

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 22, 2020

APPLICATION AVAILABLE ON THE LCI WEBSITE/RESOURCE CENTER/SEARCH FDI



Lion Kellie Knudson

District Governor 5M4

4171 340th Ave

Montevideo, MN 56265

Cell: 320-226-4156

E-mail: lionkellieknudson@gmail.com

Visitation requests are preferred for August through mid-

December and early January through late March. Two or more

clubs working together for a joint visit would be appreciated.

Lions 5M4 2020-2021 Request for Club Visitation by Lion Kellie Knudson

Lions Club Name: _____ Today's date: _____

Lion requesting the visit: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____ Dates of preference: 1st: _____ 2nd: _____

Time of social, if held: _____ Time of meeting: _____ Will there be a meal: Yes ___ No ___

Name of meeting location: _____

Address of meeting location: _____

Will there be other Lions Clubs represented? If so, please list: _____

What time will be best to meet with the executive officers? _____ Before the meeting would be preferred.

Would you like any of the following done?

District Governor Dress Code

1. Install Officers: Yes ___ No ___

Formal, in uniform: _____

2. Install Members: Yes ___ No ___

Casual, in comfort: _____

3. Present Awards: Yes ___ No ___

Spouse able to attend: Yes ___ No ___

4. Other, Please List: _____

Please mail this request form or email it to the appropriate address above. Thank you!

The date will be confirmed after checking the schedule and the requesting Lion is notified.





LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) has announced for the 2020 - 2021 school year that there will be 3 US \$2,500 scholarships awarded. Graduating Leos OR graduating sons/daughters, grandsons/granddaughters of Lions or Lioness are eligible to apply for the LITPC Youth Scholarship. The LITPC goal is to help our future leaders and give students a financial helping hand. This program started in 2012. Recipients have been from Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota (2), New York (2), Ohio (3), Oklahoma (2), Pennsylvania (2) and Virginia (3). The 2021 recipients will be announced at the LITPC Pin Traders Annual Breakfast in June, 2021.

Selection of the scholarship recipients will be based on academic achievement, an essay stating the student's goals, a statement of reason(s) for applying and an overview of work, community and school service, and letters of recommendation.

The current forms for the scholarships are available on line at www.litpc.org In the right column, click on LITPC Scholarship Information. Then click on Scholarship Application Form. Please follow the instructions, fill out ALL the forms neatly and correctly which includes the 4 essay questions (in 350 words or less) and the question about scholarships that you have been offered along with submitting a certified copy of your high school transcript including activities. Plus you also need to attach recommendations from 2 persons (i.e. teacher, coach, clergy, employer, etc.) AND attach a recommendation letter from a Lions Club member indicating the name of the Club and state/province and country in which the Club is located.

ALL forms and letters are to be submitted by MARCH 1, 2021 to:

Lion Bill Guthrie, Scholarship Chairman bmguthrie9@q.com #763-786-8072

You can either email me your application OR call me and I will give you my mailing address.

Thank You and Good Luck to all!!

The LITPC takes great pride in fulfilling the motto of Lions Clubs International,
"WE SERVE"

The Hector Lions along with the wonderful help from Buffalo Lake and Stewart Lions, many volunteers and generous donators were able to raise \$10,000 during the 78th annual flight breakfast for the BLHS pandemic relief fund. THANK YOU.

In addition, the Hector Lions donated \$2500 to the BLHS Foundation to help the teachers purchase additional supplies for their classrooms.

Hector Lions president Kurt Sandgren, BLHS superintendant Dr. Mortensen, Fly in chair Hector Lion PDG Curt Hollan, Stewart Lion Brandon Nelson, Buffalo Lake Lions president Brad Krumrey, BLHS Principal Mr. Kielty





Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

BUFFALO LAKE LIONS WORK WITH THE BLHS BUFFALO LAKE CAMPUS ON OBTAINING UPDATED MATERIALS FOR THE LIONS QUEST PROGRAM

The Buffalo Lake Lions Club is sponsoring the Lions Quest program at the elementary campus of the BLHS School District. Lions Quest is a school-based, life-skills program for children in kindergarten through 12th grade. It teaches skills to resist drugs, peer pressure and violence while building self-esteem, positive behavioral skills, peer relations, decision-making and problem solving, and character education. This program will update the current curriculum used every year by counselor Lori Jensen-Hagert for our BL campus, Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Lions Quest has received high marks for its content and effectiveness. Worldwide studies show that it helps drastically reduce violence and drug use while improving dropout rates. In a recent SHARE study that Lori has done with our 5th graders, students responded that 93.8% of them felt safe at school and 96.4% had not tried alcohol. Lori says, “the lessons we teach from this material are highly effective and well worth the time and money. In using this material, we are able to identify qualities in ourselves, no matter what situation we find ourselves in, that make us stronger community members and shows us ways to positively support others. There is great value in teaching this program to our students and I thank the Buffalo Lake Lions for supporting us in updating our curriculum.”

“Our mission WE SERVE, links us to being committed to serving the youth in our community,” said Susan Krumrey, Service Chairperson of the Buffalo Lake Lions Club. “Through Lions Quest we are able to provide our children with healthy decision-making skills they might not otherwise have the opportunity to develop. We are very grateful for Lori and what she does for the children of the district, teaching them valuable skills for emotional and social development is so important at a young age. Through the Lions Quest program, our children learn these lessons early on, some of which may not be taught in the home. We truly appreciate Lori bringing this project to our attention, it is a great program to sponsor for our youth.”

Lions Quest is a worldwide initiative of Lions Clubs International Foundation, the official charitable organization of Lions Clubs. Issues facing youth today are similar globally and the program is currently conducted in nearly 73 countries around the world. Lions Quest provides more than 12 million youth worldwide with essential life skills to make healthy choices.

Lions Clubs International is the world’s largest service club organization with nearly 1.35 million members in approximately 46,000 clubs in 206 countries and geographical areas around the world. Since 1917, Lions clubs have aided the blind and visually impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and serving youth throughout the world.





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!



Peace Poster Winners for the three clubs of BLHS/Buffalo Lake, Hector, and Stewart. They promote the program and then each club participates.



Drawings by Elizabeth Ovitt, Sadie Kirtz and Roselyn Markgraff,

MUSTANGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2020 GRAND PRIZE LIONS PEACE POSTER WINNERS

The Hector, Buffalo Lake and Stewart Lions Clubs will be awarding each winner \$100.00. Their posters will advance to the next round of judging.



Elizabeth Ovitt



Sadie Kirtz



Roselyn Markgraff

Buffalo Lake Lions 3rd Annual
Christmas Giving Tree

Help those in need this holiday season!

Pick up an Ornament at Main Street Market


Simply choose an ornament and return gift unwrapped or in a gift bag, with ornament tag, by December 7th at Main Street Market or CenBank!

Monetary donations can be made payable to the Buffalo Lake Lions Giving Tree and mailed to Buffalo Lake Lions PO Box 5 Buffalo Lake, MN 55314.

Recipients span across all generations, including:

- BLHS Faculty & Staff (snowman)
- Buffalo Lake Healthcare Center residents (silver)
- Olivia's House of Hope (tree)
- Renville County Food Shelf (gold)
- Local Youth in Need (female: red, male: green)

Thank you for your support!



(Below) Since November is Lions Diabetes Awareness Month, the Buffalo Lake Lions Club organized their first annual 5K run to help raise funds for the cause. We decided to do it a day early and tie some Halloween fun to the afternoon. We had 47 adults and 10 children participate in the run, 5 major sponsors and we raised almost a \$1000 for the cause! Thank the Lord for great weather!



BUFFALO LAKE LIONS 2020 SPOOKTACULAR RUN/WALK

FOR LIONS INTERNATIONAL DIABETES FOUNDATION

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GLENCOE REGIONAL HEALTH





Multi-year membership recognition winners

Dean Travland, (District Gov. Kellie Knutson) Muriel Krusemark, Betty Anderson, and Gene Eblen



Melvin Jones award winners

(District Gov. Kellie Knutson) Dean Travland, Shirley Sampson, and Ted Anderson

Hoffman
Lions host
District
Governor



Helen Keller award winner

District Gov. Kellie Knutson with Keith Swanson

On Tuesday, November 9, the Hoffman Lions hosted District Governor Kellie Knutson, who gave a presentation about area Lions Clubs activities, and then presented awards to several Hoffman members. (Top photo) Multi-year membership recognition pins were presented to Dean Travland, Muriel Krusemark, Betty Anderson, and Gene Eblen. Ted Anderson, Hazel Prael, David Strunk, Cindy Kloos, and Muriel Krusemark were presented with pins to recognize them for recruiting new members. In addition, special awards were given to several members for the work they have done for the Lions. The “Melvin Jones” awards were presented to Ted Anderson, Shirley Sampson, and Dean Travland. The “Helen Keller” award was presented to Keith Swanson. The club also welcomed new member, Carmel Bohrer.



GLENWOOD LIONS

Glenwood Lions honor 3 of their members with the Helen Keller Service Award. This award is presented to an individual who has accomplished outstanding humanitarian service to community.

(Picture) Lion Dave Tostenson – Lion Jerry Larson – Lion Gerald Maher (Lion Jerry Wright Secretary)
Lion Dave is in his 45th year as a Glenwood Lion and he has been a dedicated member and an awesome fundraiser for our projects over years as well as Club Tail Twister for the last few years Lion Jerry, a member for 8 years has provided leadership in organizing some new projects for the Club like Soles4Souls; Mount Lookout Free Library Box; and recently has provide long hours of team leadership in building another house on behalf of Habitat for Humanity Prairie Lakes in Pope County. Lion Gerald has been an active member for 38 years with many leadership roles; an excellent fundraiser and the lead person for the Mount Lookout Lions flower garden for the past several years.

Glenwood Lions membership is very appreciated of the area community and their financial support so the Club can bring assistance to many local projects, statewide and International Lions projects. Lions Clubs International mission is “To Serve.” Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world. More than 1.4 million members in over 48,000 clubs are serving in 200 countries and geographic areas around the globe.

For more information about the Glenwood Lions Club contact president Dewey Essig (doessig@msn.com) or Secretary Jerry Wright (wrightsj@charter.net)

Elbow Lake Lions Parking Lot Turkey Bingo a hit!



(Lion daughter) Brianna Kreft and her roommates came from St. Ben's just to play Bingo! They were big winners - that dorm room is going to smell great when they start cooking those turkeys!



Between games Lion Brian Kjesbo read ads (written by John Zdrzil) and Lion Larry Schneeberger called Bingo numbers for the 20 games played.



Hoffman Lions are community-minded and generous!

Hoffman Lions Club members Keith Swanson and Gary Johnson have put up the Christmas lights in the city park for 'many, many' years - just part of serving for the greater good! (Right) carpenters Phillip Judkins and Jerome Kiehne prepare to put a steel roof on the community picnic shelter. Funds for the roof were donated by the Hoffman Lions. They are a generous bunch!



Treasurer Doug Godwin and DG Kellie Knudson set up a lighted display.

Monte Noon Lions

The Montevideo Noon Lions have decorated Smith Park in Montevideo for the holidays for about ten years. We started by asking businesses to set up their own display along Park drive. From there we donated lights to light up one large tree in Smith park. The following years we set up displays and many deer. From there animated items were purchased. We also asked the shop class to build us a train and it was fantastic. This year it is resting as it needs new lights. We hope to have it back up next year. It takes about 60 hours to set up the displays and another 30-50 in repairing and planning. This year Leos and Lions worked side by side to decorate the park. Lights will be on for Thanksgiving



Leo Audrey and aunt Trisha ready to secure the deer herd.



District 5M4 Lions

Virtual Mid-Winter Convention

Saturday, January 30, 2021



Leading the way - Time to Serve!
Live Business meeting at 10:00 AM

Welcome by District Governor - Kellie Knudson

Guest speakers:

International Director - Justin Faber

International 2nd Vice President - Brian Sheehan

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Results**

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