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5M4 Newsletter



WOW!

by District Governor Bob Kulbeik

Sometimes when you spend months, even years, thinking about and planning an event it doesn't live up to your expectations. Not the case with the 5M4 Mid-Winter Convention that just wrapped up! We could not be happier with how well things went, how many people attended, and the multitude of compliments we received.

But, of course, you don't put on an event of this size by yourself. We had a great team and will be ever indebted to them for all of their hard work. Starting at the top with newly elected 2DGE Rob Wiener - who did an amazing job of keeping the rest of us on task, solving problems, and never saying no to our sometimes crazy ideas. Lion Jo Wiener was equally involved and worked many hours on the decorations. Lion Jean Raatz was our local contact in Willmar and made sure everything ran smoothly with the hotel and conference center. Lion Jennifer Uttenberger was our treasurer and saw that we were provided with all the information needed to make good decisions.

Our speakers were phenomenal! ID B.J. Blankenship and his wife PDG Carolyn Blankenship were a terrific fit within our group and asked us to pass along their gratitude for everyone making them feel so welcome. Not only did ID Blankenship lose his Santa beard for the fund raiser for Childhood Cancer, but they got to try their hand at ice fishing and snowmobiling for the first time! Many thanks also go to IPID Bruce and Lion Erin Beck for acting as hosts for the Blankenships.

2nd VDGE Rob Wiener told the tale of the Blue Hair. His commitment to raising funds for Childhood Cancer resulted in him dying his hair blue and then shaving it off at the convention. This resulted in donations over \$11,000! Way to go Rob!

The Libbesmeiers of Herman, MN, left a lasting impression on everyone who heard their story. Tatum and her dad Scott shared their journey through retinoblastoma (cancer of the eye) and how it affected their whole family. There wasn't a dry eye in the room.

PDG Dave Jensen showed us all how a deck of cards can tell us so much about Lionism. Speaking of the Jensen family - Congratulations to PCC Kathy Jensen for being selected as a Hall of Fame Award winner. This makes PCC Kathy and PDG Dave the only couple to receive the Hall of Fame Award in our multiple district.

Thanks to Lion Jamie Shoutz for speaking about starting and growing a Leo's Club. We learned so much about being a Leo from the kids themselves. And when Leo Jordan stepped up and offered to shave his head during the fundraiser it shows what kind of quality kids we have in Leos.

Many thanks to all the Leader Dog clients and their beautiful dogs who came and shared their stories with us. And to Lion Mike Dengate of Leader Dog for working hard all weekend and putting on our "Dining in the Dark" for the Leos. Thanks to Lion Bob Kundering for volunteering his technical expertise to every session.

And to all of you - who participated in our "Santa's Workshop" blanket tying project. To Lions Patty and Bob Dahlheimer, and PDG Kent and Lion Judy Biessel for their hard work in coordinating the project. We completed 197 blankets and auctioned off a few that didn't get done to raise even more funds. 100 blankets will be donated to the University of MN Children's Cancer Center, 25 blankets will be going to the Ronald McDonald House, the remainder were divided up among the clubs who helped make blankets to take home and distribute as they wished. Some ideas were to give them to local hospitals, sheriff's department, fire department, and Foster Family organizations.

Again, thanks to everyone who help us, who attended, and we hope you will support DGE Kellie Knutson in her convention next year.

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DG Bob's visits:

February 7 - 9 5M8 Convention - St. Cloud, MN
 February 14 - 19 5M2 Convention - Mankato, MN
 February 19 - 21 5M3 Convention - Marshall, MN
 February 24 Milan/ Appleton/Watson/Dawson Lions

DATES TO REMEMBER:

MAY 1-3, 2020 MD5M CONVENTION-ROCHESTER, MN

INTERNATIONAL DATES AND LOCATIONS:

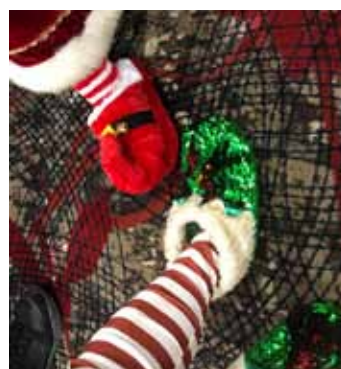
JUNE 26-03, 2020 SINGAPORE
 JUNE 25-29, 2021 MONTREAL
 JULY 1-5, 2022 NEW DELHI, INDIA
 JULY 7-11, 2023 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
 JULY 4-8, 2025 MEXICO CITY, MEXICO



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www.e-district.org/sites/5M4
FEBRUARY 2020



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Awards and 'thank yous'



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



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The sold out WinterFest Raffle means that the charitable work of the Lions will continue in our community and around the world.

Here are The 2020 Spicer Sunrise Lions WinterFest Raffle winners.

- \$1000 cash to Mike Sagedahl
- \$500 cash to Susie Hayden
- \$200/Zorbaz, to Bill Marcus
- \$200/Teals to Dick Score
- \$100/SuperStop to Ron Renner
- \$100/Mel's to Chris Randleman
- \$100/O'Neils to Jolene Juhl
- \$25/O'Neils to: Steve Nelson
- \$25/O'Neils to: Loren Mohs

IT'S TIME FOR THE ANNUAL
CARLOS LIONS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

ADULTS 8.00 CHILDREN 5.00

KIDS UNDER 5 EAT FREE

9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Sunday - March 7, 2017

AT THE CARLOS TOWN HALL

Sausage and Hash Browns



See www.carloslions.org for details.

« WENDELL LIONS »



Annual FISH FRY

Friday, March 13, 2020

Serving 5-8 p.m.

Wendell Community Center

**ALL
YOU CAN
EAT**

Fish, scalloped potatoes,
coleslaw, bread & butter
« beverages available »



Thank you for helping us help others! (We Serve)



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'We had a LOT of fun!'

Wow, what a great 5M4 Convention! Thank you to all the Lions, Leo's and Lioness that attended our Mid-Winter convention in Willmar, we had a lot of fun! Tatum, the Childhood cancer speaker at the Saturday luncheon was absolutely amazing! She and her dad told her journey of eye sight problems, starting at the age of 7, and further down the road finding out about her cancer diagnosis. Thankfully she was able to go through surgery, chemo, and is now cancer free! Amazing what they can do when caught early in young people.

Thank you to everyone who donated to childhood cancer in the Parade of Green and the beard shaving that District Governor Bob did with International Director BJ Blankenship. Rob Wiener, incoming 2nd Vice District Governor elect also dyed his hair blue, for 54 days for Childhood Cancer. What an interesting journey for him, he announced Sunday he raised \$11,580 for Childhood cancer in just 54 days... great job! Leo Jordan from Sauk Centre also got in on the head-shaving, and raised an additional \$125 for Childhood Cancer on Saturday night!



**DG Elect
Kellie Knudson**

Project Linus also turned out wonderful! 197 blankets were tied during the convention and will be given to the University of MN Children's Hospital, Ronald McDonald house. What a great service project and thanks to the many hands and clubs that donated to this project that made this successful!

A little fun was had at the convention as well! The Chinese auction and silent auction were both a success! It was a great 2 man band that played Friday and Saturday night for the hospitality room and there was a 9 hole mini golf and large Jenga game for attendees to play! Santa on vacation made his appearance with a few other characters making a 2 nights of great fun! Thank you for everyone who helped make the hospitality room, bar, games and nights a success!

Thank you to everyone who attended the business meeting and voted for me! I am now your District Governor Elect for 5M4 and will officially become District Governor July 1st, 2020. I am looking forward to this adventure and thank everyone for their support. I need to fill many positions on my cabinet for 2020-2021, so if you know someone who would be good for cabinet secretary, Youth Exchange/Peace Poster chair, Technology chair, GMT, GST or GLT leader, or a zone chair position please contact me.

I am proud of Lions Clubs around our 5M4 District and our Multiple MD5M that support KidSight. We are having a 7-10% referral rate on children being screened. Let's make sure we are reporting timely our KidSight data and following up on these screenings. We want to make sure referred kids get seen by an eye doctor and these issues get taken care timely.

Looking ahead, the Multiple District MD5M convention will be held in Rochester May 1st – 3rd, 2020, so please consider attending and get registered today! This brings together Lions, Leos and Lioness from our 12 districts in Minnesota, Manitoba and NW Ontario together. It's always a good time, great speakers and lots of networking with other Lions Clubs and leaders of our organization.



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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!



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The Heart of the Lion Award Application



District 5M4 is initiating a new award. Any Lion member is eligible to apply. The club member can apply or the club can apply for the member. It can be turned in throughout the year and the award will be presented at the next Mid-Winter Convention. It is an accumulative award meaning that not everything needs to be accomplished in one year.

The Lion member must MEET 5 of the 8 CRITERIA listed below to RECEIVE the AWARD!
(It is retroactive to July 2015 and progressive over several years.)

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

Sponsored a New Lion _____
Name of new member _____
Date: _____
(Signature of club president or secretary)

Attended a Zone Meeting _____ **Date:** _____
(Date and Zone # meeting attended)
_____ Date: _____
(Signature of a Zone chairperson)

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

Served as a Club Officer or District Chairperson. _____ **Date:** _____
(Office or Committee Chaired)
_____ Date: _____
(Signature of club president, secretary or DG)

Chair or Co-Chair of a club or District project. _____
(Name of Project) _____
Date: _____
(Signature of club president, secretary or DG)

Attended one training event: 5M4 Forum, Officer training, Leadership training or other Lions Clubs International sponsored class. _____ **Date:** _____
(Training attended and date)
_____ Date: _____
(Signature of District officer, trainer or copy of certificate of completion)

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

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

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

Signature of DG or District Secretary _____ Date: _____



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Event Details:

- **Date: June 6, 2020**
- **Time: 9:30 a.m.**
- **Place: Landscape Arboretum Chaska, MN**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
June 6, 2020

FEATURING:

Kids 12 & Under Free!



TEDDY BEAR BAND

With your \$25.00 registration/donation you receive:

- ♦ Free entrance to Landscape Arboretum for the day
- ♦ Free event t-shirt
- ♦ Free Lunch (including root-beer floats)
- ♦ Dance to the Teddy Bear Band
- ♦ Lots of children's activities, games & prizes
- ♦ Fun for families of all ages
- ♦ A chance to change a child's life through your \$25.00 registration/donation

Bring the whole family for a day of fun for all ages!!!!

Visit us for more info at: www.5mhf.org

LIONS CLUB OF CARLOS PRESENT A ...

Mid-Winter Ball Extravaganza Fundraiser



Saturday, February 8th, 2020
From 5 to 8 pm

Rocky Mountain Oysters!!!
Chicken Wings and Meatballs

Served with: French Fries, Beans and Refreshments

BEER, POP AND WINE COOLERS for SALE
SETUPS FOR SALE – Bring Your Own Liquor

\$10.00 Adults - \$5.00 Kids 6 to 12 – Under 6 free

CARLOS EVENTS CENTER AND TOWN HALL



SAUK CENTRE LIONS 59th ANNUAL BENEFIT

PANCAKE DAY

SUNDAY, February 2, 2020
Serving 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

~ Serving ~

- * Pancakes * French Toast with Fresh Creamery Butter & Syrup
- * Good Country Style Sausage
- * Potatoes * Apple Sauce
- * Choice of Beverage



DON'T MISS THIS GREAT BREAKFAST!

- Advance:**
 Adults-\$8.00
- At Door:**
 Adults-\$8.50
 Children Under 10-\$5.00
 Children 2 & Under FREE

TAKE OUTS AVAILABLE

Sauk Centre High School Cafeteria
Sauk Centre, MN
ALL THE DELICIOUS FOOD YOU CAN EAT!
Buy Your Ticket Today from Any Lion Member or at
MN National Bank, First State Bank, Central MN Credit Union, Schaefer's Market,
Coborn's, SC Chamber of Commerce & Merchants on Main Street
or tickets will also be available at the door

~ EVERYBODY WELCOME ~
Proceeds for Fairy Lake Park, Outdoor Skating Rinks, Dollars For Scholars,
Vision, Hearing and Diabetes Programs & many other Lions Activities



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The Buffalo Lake Lions Club hosted the Renville County Sheriff's Department for an event titled "Street Drugs and Their Devastating Effects on Our Communities". Presented by Sheriff Scott Hable and Investigator Tom Hendrichs, they presented great information to a room packed full of interested listeners and those that wanted to learn about what is going on in our communities, who is using them, signs to watch for, and the effects drugs leave behind. We got to see first hand actual drugs and paraphernalia that have been confiscated, and gain knowledge on what they are, what to look for, and how ordinary citizens can help our community and county officers. It was a very informative evening!

HARVEST PACK EVENT

Facilitated by The Forada Lions

Date: Thursday, April 2, 2020
Shift Times: 2PM, 4PM, & 6PM
Location: Forada Fire Hall
Goal: 100,000 Meals
\$24,000 in Donations Needed by March 25*

83,000 meals were packed last year with the support of the following organizations, businesses, and churches - as well as over 250 volunteers:

Forada Lions, Forada Fire Dept, Alex Evening Lions, Carlos Lions, Osakis Lions, Garfield Lions, Sauk Center Lions, Brandon Lions, Runestone Lions, Kensington Lions, Villard Lions, Knights of Columbus, Rotary, VFW Post 936, Golden Kiwanis, Sertoma, Kiwanis, Geneva Capital, Hometown Community Bank, Glenwood Bank, Neighborhood Bank, Bremer Bank, Ferguson Excavating, Villard Church, Winning Ridge

Meals are sent to Haiti, the Philippines, and local Minnesota Food Distribution outlets.

The Muddy Boot In Forada is offering a 25% discount on April 2nd to those who help with the project

*Send donations to: Harvest Pack, 11791 Maple Springs Drive SE, Alexandria, MN 56308

HARVEST PACK EVENT IN FORADA!

*Here's a link for more info
about the Forada event:*

<http://online.harvestpack.org/forada2020>

*Credit card donations
can be made online here,
and they will go directly
to the Forada event*



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Speakers & more!





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MD5M PHOTO CONTEST

July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

"UNFORGETTABE SCENERY – CITY OR COUNTRY"

RULES:

- Original work of a Lion or Leo Member
- Submit name, phone number, district, name of the subject, and city or town photo was taken
- Only one entry per member
- Submit photo by email in digital format, must be minimum resolution of 300dpi, and in jpeg format to rosepuckett313@gmail.com
- No snail mail
- Entry will imply consent to use for promotional activities
- First Place \$50.00 or 11x17 Canvas
- Second Place \$30.00 or 8x10 Canvas



LET'S GET CLICKIN!



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Rochester...

... Our VISION is 20/20

Go to MD5M
Website:
Events Tab
for Links

2019-20 District Governors: Someone from the host committee will attend the Mid-Winter Conventions! Please arrange with the venue to have a secure wi-fi connection so registrations can be safe. Remember: Online Registration ONLY.

88 Current Registrations














The convention prices listed are valid through July 31, 2019

2019/2020 Multiple District Convention and Registration Information...

<https://www.experiencerochestermn.com/rsvp/?action=details&noredirect=1&eventid=352>

For Hotel Booking, click the following link

<https://res.windsurfercrs.com/ibe/details.aspx?propertyid=9733&nights=1&checkin=04/30/2020&group=LIONSCLUB2020>

-  May 1-3, 2020—Rochester, MN
-  Rochester Civic Center Venue
-  Kahler Hotel for Housing—being renovated!
-  Working on transportation between the main venues
-  60th Anniversary of the Lions Eye Bank (now known as Gift of Sight)
-  Use the 20/20 theme for vision references
-  Dr. Erik van Kuijk will update us on the Lions Eye Institute
-  Vision speaker-corneal transplant for example
-  Post Town Winery (4 miles from Civic Center)
-  Salem Glen Winery (10 miles from Civic Center)
-  Oxbow Park and Zollman Zoo (13 miles from Civic Center)
-  'O' K walk incorporating Rochester's famous Canadian Geese population
-  World famous Mayo Clinic across from the Kahler Hotel (tours available)



Please feel free to share this document so others may have the links!!



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Great crew - great 'Project Linus'





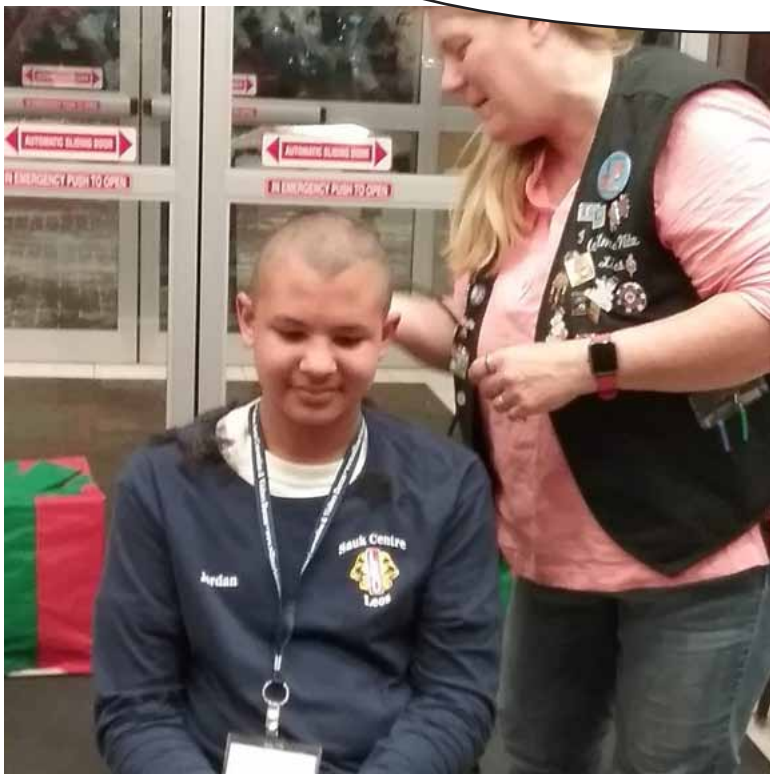
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Shaving for a good cause!



\$16,916 raised!



Raised the most - great job Rob!



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197 quilts were tied for Project Linus!

A touch of winter for our Tennessee guests!





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LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) has announced for the 2019 - 2020 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. Last year the recipients were from Minnesota, Ohio and Oklahoma. The 2020 recipients will be announced at the LITPC Pin Traders Annual Breakfast in June, 2020.

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, 2020 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"*