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***Congratulations to
Osseo Lions Celebrating 81 years!
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***Northwest Tonka Lions Celebrating 74 years!
08-30-1950***

***Wayzata Lions Celebrating 72 years!!
08-27-1952***



MEET NEW INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

A.P. SINGH INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

A.P. Singh, of Kolkata, India, was elected to serve as international president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 107th international convention, held in Orlando, Florida from July 13 through July 17, 2025.

International President Singh is a practicing-chartered accountant and has family business interests in automobile dealerships.

A Lion since 1984 and a member of the Calcutta Vikas Lions Club, International President Singh has held many positions within the association, including district governor and council chairperson. He has served as GMT international coordinator for four years and as a member on a number of ad hoc board committees. He was chairperson for the 2017 DGE seminar in Chicago, USA, and has served as faculty at more than 50 ALLIs/RLLIs, RLLIs, FDIs and LCIP certification programs. He has also served as multi-national coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II, CA leader for Campaign 100, member of the LCIF Steering Committee and as chairperson of the National SightFirst Committee of India.



International President Singh has participated in and presented seminars at area forums in all constitutional areas. He was the co-chairperson of the Organizing Committee for the ISAAME Forum in Kolkata, India.

In recognition of his service to the association, International President Singh has received numerous awards, including multiple International President's Awards, as well as the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association grants its members. He is a major gift donor for Campaign SightFirst II and Campaign 100, and a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, International President Singh is accredited with the initiation of various service programs in collaboration with other trusts, foundations and corporate houses. He has worked on establishing a web-based Lion leadership development platform, a micro-finance program, and has organized multiple large-scale online events to keep Lions engaged.

International President Singh has three children.

Editors Note:

*If you have a chance watch this very inspiring video to hear IP AP himself! **[CLICK HERE](#)***

Or copy this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7QfOWIXCx_w

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!



Way to go Lions and Clubs – We are GROWING!



Thank you for all your dedication and commitment to strengthening our Clubs, our District, and Lions International. Your hard work is paying off, and our increasing membership means we can achieve even more together.
New Members = More Service!!

New Member	Sponsor	Club
Thomas Freeman, Jr.	Phillip Musa	Brooklyn Center Lions
Clint Draughn	Michael Crenshaw	Brooklyn Park Lions
Christina Jones	Michael Crenshaw	Brooklyn Park Lions
Francis Tyler	Wynfred Russell	Brooklyn Park Lions
David Kraemer	Charles Rodman	Eden Prairie Lions
Ravie Singh	Andrew McGlory	Mpls. Northside Roaring Lions
Timothy Baylor	Michael Chaney	Mpls. Northside Roaring Lions
Keiona Cook	Andrew McGlory	Mpls. Northside Roaring Lions
Lauren Evans	Michael Chaney	Mpls. Northside Roaring Lions
Catherine Fleming	Michael Chaney	Mpls. Northside Roaring Lions
Cathy Spann	Andrew McGlory	Mpls. Northside Roaring Lions
Annika Russell	Cheryl Hillman	Robbinsdale Lions
Jennavive Blasig	Joneal Blasig	St. Bonifacius Lions
Donald Lamar	Tim Anderson	Wayzata Lions

Congratulations! You're now a part of the world's largest humanitarian service organization. This means that you've joined a global community of kind-hearted, service-minded people, dedicated to making a positive impact.

We couldn't be happier to have you as a Lion!

[Click here for more information from Lions Club International](#)

Let's Keep PUMPING UP THE 5M-5 PRIDE!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

If the Date (Month, Day) is blue and underlined, that is a link to more info, a flyer, an email, or a website.

If the Date (Month, Day) is black and not underlined, there is no link or further information at this time.

[Submit articles](#), news, photo for the next issue by the 25th To this email:
lionsdistrict5m5@gmail.com

August 2025			
08/01/2025	Hamel Lions Flea Market	Medina Entertainment Center Parking Lot 500 Hwy 55 W, Medina	6 AM to Noon
08/06/2025	New Hope Lions Corn Feed	Unique Thrift Store Parking Lot 4471 Winnetka Ave N New Hope	4:30 PM to 8 PM
08/09/2025	Robbinsdale Lions at Public Safety Open House	Robbinsdale Public Safety Bldg 4101 Hubbard Ave	11 AM to 3 PM
08/11/2025	5M5 Cabinet Meeting	Magnus Vets Wellness Campus 16861 N Diamond Lake Rd Dayton	5:30 PM Tour 6PM Social 6:30 PM Dinner 7 PM Meeting
08/13/2025	Crystal Lions Steak Fry	Crystal VFW 5222 Bass Lake Road	5 PM to 7 PM
08/16/2025	Crystal Lions Corn Feed	Crystal Little League Concessions 4800 Douglas Drive N	11 AM to 4 PM
08/19/2025	Can Do Canines Open House	9440 Science Center Drive New Hope	6 PM to 8 PM
08/21/2025	MN State Fair (Diabetes, Vision, Hearing Foundations)	Education Building On Cosgrove Ave Between Wright & Dan Patch Ave	8:45 AM to 9 PM
08/25/2025	All Club Meeting	Crystal VFW 5222 Bass Lake Road	5:30 PM Social 6:00 PM Dinner
September 2025			
09/01/2025	Hamel Lions Flea Market	Medina Entertainment Center Parking Lot 500 Hwy 55 W Medina, MN	6 AM to Noon
09/05/2025	Excelsior Lions Golf Classic	Timber Creek Golf Course 9750 County Rd 24 Watertown, MN	9 AM Shotgun Start
09/10/2025	Crystal Lions Steak Fry	Crystal VFW 5222 Bass Lake Road	5 PM to 7 PM

<u>09/13/2025</u>	Maple Grove Lions-Rock n Grove-Hairball	Maple Grove Central Park 12000 Central Park Way Maple Grove, MN	12 Noon to 11:00 PM
<u>09/13/2025</u>	Bloomington Lions-Kid's Vision Screening	Bloomington Farmers Market 1800 W Old Shakopee Rd Bloomington, MN	8 AM to 1 PM
<u>09/13/2025</u>	Can Do Woofaroo!	9440 Science Center Drive New Hope, MN	10 AM Registration Starts
<u>09/14/2025</u>	Riverview Lions French Toast Breakfast	St. Albert the Great Corner of 32nd Ave & 29th St. Minneapolis, MN	9 AM to 12 Noon
<u>09/18/2025</u>	USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum	Atlantic City, NJ	TBD
<u>09/25/2025</u>	RLLI Regional Lions Leadership Institute	Country Inn & Suites Mankato, MN	TBD
October 2025			
<u>10/03/2025</u>	Project New Hope Retreat	Good Earth Village Spring Valley, MN	NA
<u>10/08/2025</u>	Crystal Lions Steak Fry	Crystal VFW 5222 Bass Lake Road	5 PM to 7 PM
<u>10/18/2025</u>	Council of Governors	Alexandria, MN	TBD
<u>10/27/2025</u>	5M5 Cabinet Meeting	TBD	TBD
November 2025			
<u>11/02/2025</u>	Daylight Savings FALL BACK		2:00 AM
<u>11/08/2025</u>	Maple Grove Holiday Boutique	Maple Grove Community Center 12951 Weaver Lake Road	9 AM to 4 PM
11/10/2025	All Club Meeting	TBD	TBD
<u>11/12/2025</u>	Crystal Lions Steak Fry	Crystal VFW 5222 Bass Lake Road	5 PM to 7 PM
December 2025			
12/05/2025	Project New Hope Retreat	Faith Haven Camp near Battle Lake, MN	NA
<u>12/10/2025</u>	Crystal Lions Steak Fry	Crystal VFW 5222 Bass Lake Road	5 PM to 7 PM
January 2026			
01/09/2026	Mid-Winter Convention, Day 1	Sheraton Minneapolis West 12201 Ridgedale Drive Minnetonka, MN	Noon
01/10/2026	5M5 Cabinet Meeting, at MWC	Sheraton Minneapolis West	TBD
01/10/2026	Mid-Winter Convention, Day 2	Sheraton Minneapolis West	TBD
01/11/2026	Mid-Winter Convention, Day 3	Sheraton Minneapolis West	TBD



DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Lion Sara McFee



Serve with Passion!

Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead.

Lions International President A.P. Singh reminds us that *“every act of service is a gift to humanity”* that is also *“an act of leadership that inspires others to join us in making a difference.”* That’s what we do as Lions: lead through service and serve to lead.

A.P. also says, *“The purpose of life is to live a life of purpose.”* What greater purpose is there than lifting up others through kindness, compassion, and action?

5M5 has made a big impact — our potential is even greater.

Imagine what’s next when we grow our membership, spark new ideas, and serve in new ways. It’s not about numbers. It’s about multiplying our mission of service — more hands, more heart, more hope.

5M5 Lions are Servant Leaders As servant leaders, we listen first. When we talk with community leaders and neighbors, we discover what truly matters — and how Lions can help lead the way.

We don’t just ask, “How can we help?” We ask, “What does our community truly need?” By connecting with neighbors and community and business leaders, we gain insight — and we light the spark of change. That’s how we go beyond volunteering to being changemakers.

August Connect Challenge: Make It Personal. Make It Fun. Make It Count.

By August 31, take the lead:

- Invite 3 non-Lions to a club service project, meeting, or activity.
- Connect with 3 community or business leaders.
- Ask potential members and local leaders: What lights your fire? What does our community need? Then:
- Share your club’s Lions story, and your personal Lions story and connect to their passion.
- Talk about the fun, the friendship, and the fulfillment you’ve found in Lions’ service.
- Bring ideas and needs back to your club and explore how your club can act on the needs. We are more than Lions Clubs. We are a movement of kindness, a network of action, and a family of servant leaders. Let’s grow with heart, purpose — and with fun.

Let’s **ROAR into August** inspiring and welcoming others to join us in service.

Together, We Serve. Serve with Passion.

Thank you – for everything you do to improve your communities and the world.

Lion Sara McFee
5M5 District Governor
Minneapolis Ambassadors Lions Club
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1st VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Lion Bruce Strachota



Greetings from your FVDG Bruce Strachota.

As your 1st VDG I am committed to helping clubs increase their membership. What does your club do to get new members? Do you have a membership event? Do you just ask? There are many ways, and no way is the right way. I have had trouble getting new members. It is a work in progress.

In June I volunteered at the Special Olympics event at the University of Minnesota. It was my first time volunteering. I interacted with a lot of the athletes and found out how committed they are to do the very best they can. I think we should also be committed to doing the very best we can! Find the best way to interact with people to get to know them and tell them about the Lions Club and how we strive to help others with Hearing and Vision loss, Diabetes, and other disabilities.

Recently, I attended the Council of Governors meeting in St Cloud. These meetings are usually very boring but how can it be boring when PIP Brian Sheehan was there. I enjoyed the meeting immensely!

As your 1st Vice District Governor, I would consider it an honor to attend one of your club meetings. I know I have been to some but not all. My goal is to visit at least half of the clubs. Please invite me! I am a good singer, and I may even dance for you! Above all, I will be promoting the goals of A.P. Singh from Kolkata India. I am here to support your club and District Governor Sara McFee.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Bruce Strachota
1st Vice District Governor



GLOBAL EXTENTION TEAM (GET)

Grow with the Global Extension Team!

Exciting things are happening in our district! Our Global Extension Team recently completed a successful merger between the Downtown group and the Minneapolis Northeast Lions Club. This unification strengthens our presence and impact in the heart of the city.

Right now, we're pushing hard to bring the Minnetonka Lions Club across the finish line — and we're hopeful we'll charter by the end of August!

But we're not stopping there. We're actively scouting other communities where new Lions clubs can thrive. The more clubs we start, the more lives we touch. That's the power of Lionism in action.

If you're passionate about service, community building, and growing our district, we invite YOU to join our Global Extension Team. Be part of something bigger than yourself — help us grow new clubs, empower new leaders, and expand our reach.

Interested?



Global Extension Team Coordinator

Lion Michael Crenshaw

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GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM (GMT)

District 5M-5 Global Membership Team (GMT) End of Year Celebration Report, July 2025



**When Membership Grows,
Our Service Grows,
and Our Impact Grows.
More ROAR!**



WELCOME TO THE PRIDE—LET’S CELEBRATE!

Have you brought someone new into the Lions family lately? That’s a BIG DEAL – and we want to shout it from the rooftops! Join us at the All Club Meeting on August 25th at Crystal VFW. Get you “Pump Up The Pride” pin and be celebrated for growing our pride!



OR – we’ll come to YOU!

Invite us to your next club meeting and we’ll personally honor your amazing recruiters with their pins. We also want to meet every new member because every new Lion makes us stronger. Let’s give them the warmest, loudest, most Lion-worthy welcome they’ve ever had.



5M-5 MEMBERSHIP STATS (As of 07/31/2025)



- Total Clubs: 37
- District 5M-5 Membership: 1,344
- Net Gain: -10
- Members Dropped: -22
- Members Added: 147!!



Let’s be real—the numbers show we’ve got work to do.

But here’s the good news: momentum is on our side.

LET’S KEEP PUMPING UP THE PRIDE!

Your District Global Membership Team is here for YOU.

Want to grow your club? Strengthen your team? Keep members engaged?

We’re all ears—and full of ideas. Let’s talk about what’s working, what’s not, and how we can keep more Lions in the den.

NOW RECRUITING: POWERHOUSE LIONS!

Love energizing people? Obsessed with growing impact? Ready to roar louder than ever? We’re building the boldest GMT team around—and we want you on it. If you’ve got the fire, we’ve got the fun (and strategy) to match.

Let’s shake things up. Let’s lead with purpose. Let’s grow this Pride.



Yours in Lionism,

Your Wonderful 2025-2026 Global Membership Team

Lion Hannah Maxwell

GET Chair Michael Crenshaw

PDG Jennifer Marshall

1st DG Bruce Strachota

GMT Chair Lion Heidi Zaworski

Lion Shari Thurston

PDG Kristine Morin

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PDG Dick Kentzelman

DG Sara McFee

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<https://lions5m5.org/gmt-global-membership>

GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM (GST)

WE SERVE IN UNITY



Childhood
Cancer



Diabetes



Disaster



Environment



Humanitarian



Hunger



Vision



Youth

August is Youth Service Month

Will you help the youth in your community by collecting school supplies needed to send them back to school?



Check your local school web site for a list of the items that they are asking all students to have at the start of the school year. The list of items is also available at your local Target or Walmart stores.

LET'S KEEP ROARING 5M5!

MEDIA TIPS FOR CLUBS

Want to boost your club's visibility on Facebook?

Help others grow too!

Take a minute to like, comment, or share posts from other Lions clubs and districts.

Use your personal account or club page — every interaction helps more people see the great work we're all doing.

Let's grow together!



Members of our Multiple District represented us at the Lions Clubs International Convention in Orlando, Florida.

SOCIAL MEDIA SCHEDULES

Hi everyone! The district Facebook and Instagram pages are here for you—they're your resource too. We're following a social media schedule that highlights Membership, LCIF, our members, foundations, and service, with fun and informative posts almost every day.

Social media schedules are a great way to keep your audience engaged, and consistency is key! I challenge you to post at least once a week this month on your club pages. Keep it light, fun, and don't be afraid to be a little silly—silly sells and keeps people coming back for more!

JOIN THE DISTRICT 5M5 LIONS NETWORK

The District 5M5 Lions Network on Facebook is just for our 5M5 members! Share updates or ask for help using your personal or club Facebook account. Just search the name and look for the yellow cover photo. Join today and start posting!



Hannah Maxwell
Marketing/ Communications
Cabinet Chair

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Contact me for any questions relating to marketing and communication for yourself or your club.

ZONE CHAIRS

ZONE 1 CHAIR (terms ends 2027)

Laurie Carlson lcarlson@candocanines.org

Loretto Lions
Mpls. Can Do Canines
New Hope Lions
St. Louis Park Lions
Wayzata Lions

ZONE 3 CHAIR (terms ends 2027)

Amber Georgeson georgeson.amber@gmail.com

Hopkins Noontime Lions *(now meets evenings and name changing soon)*
Minneapolis Ambassadors Lions
Minneapolis Next Generation Downtown Lions
Minneapolis Northeast Lions
Minneapolis Northside Roaring Lions

ZONE 5 CHAIR

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Brooklyn Center Lady Lions
Brooklyn Center Lions
Brooklyn Park Lady Lions
Brooklyn Park Lions
Osseo Lions
Robbinsdale Lions

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Eden Prairie Lioness Lions
Edina Lions
Hopkins Lions
Northwest Tonka Lions
Orono Lions
Saint Bonifacius Lions

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Bloomington Lions
Camden Lions
Excelsior Lions
Minneapolis Riverview Lions
Minneapolis Southwest Lions
Minneapolis Special Olympics Minnesota Lions
Richfield Lions

ZONE 6 CHAIR (terms ends 2026)

Vickie Parks vickieparks@gmail.com

Corcoran Lions
Dayton Lions
Hamel Lions
Maple Grove Lions
Plymouth Lions
Rogers Lions

REGION CHAIR

Lion Heidi Zaworski

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ALL-CLUB (ZONE) MEETING DATES

Open to all 5M5 Lions and potential new Lions attending as guest of 5M5 Lion.

Option to attend at no cost if not eating dinner.

August 25, 2025

November 10, 2025

April 13, 2026

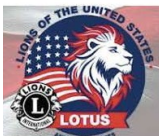
RSVP BY DATE & LOCATION INFORMATION

RSVP's needed for dinner and no dinner attendees for venue setup.

Watch for information in / during

- Email Announcements	- Monthly Informer Newsletter
- Lions5M5.org Website	- Lions 5M5 social media
	- Club Meetings

5M5 DISTRICT INFORMATION



Lions of the United States are more than just volunteers.

We are a global force of compassion and service, united by a shared mission to offer hope by improving and strengthening our communities and the world!

Learn more (and subscribe for free) www.YouTube.com/@USLionsRock

Share the Lions YouTube link with your Lions club, and others who want to volunteer and be a part of meaningful change.



Calendar of Events and Activities - District 5M5's calendar is your key source for information on what is happening at the club, District, Multiple, and International levels. The 5M5's District website calendar is updated throughout the month at Lions5M5.org



5M5 District Website Update - 5M5's website has a fresh look! Check out the website for information, resources, and calendar. Click on the above title to learn more.



New Facebook page - we have a new page. It's:

District 5M5 Lions Network: Connect, Serve & Grow

Check it out and "Follow" it! Here is the link to the page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/district5m5lions>



Lions License Plates for your cars - After January 1, 2024, you will be able to purchase special Lions plates for your vehicles! Minnesota lawmakers approved a Lions Club special plate for use on passenger automobiles, non-commercial one-ton pickup trucks, motorcycles, and recreational vehicles. Ask to purchase the Lions plates at a Minnesota Driver and Vehicles office. The plate includes the Lions logo.

LCI's Eight Global Causes



While LCI's website is still being updated, it is true that Lions Clubs International's Eight Global Causes now include Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Disaster Relief, Environment, Humanitarian, Hunger, Vision, and Youth. This is great info to share with your club, potential members, and your community!

2029 Lions International Convention in Minneapolis

Volunteers will be needed before and after the Lions International's annual convention in Minneapolis. From planning to hosting to help with airport arrivals and departures, there will be opportunities to welcome and connect with Lions from around the world. Watch for updates.

(The last Lions International convention was in Minneapolis in 2009.)

Lions Needed to Serve in the Education Building

This year the Education Building at the Minnesota State Fair will feature two Lions exhibits. We need a lot of Lions to talk about Lions service and our foundations. We hope you will volunteer!

MD5M Lions KidSight

Volunteer with KidSight, a Multiple District-wide program. Volunteers are needed to provide information about KidSight, greet, escort and vision screen. Free entry tickets to the fair are provided to those serving at KidSight.

SignUp Genius link for KidSight exhibit

[KidSight 2025 State Fair SignUpGenius link](#)

Minnesota Lions Diabetes, Hearing and Vision Foundations

Volunteers are needed to staff the shared foundations exhibit – providing information about the Foundations and offering giveaways to fairgoers.

SignUp Genius link for Lions Diabetes, Hearing & Vision foundation exhibit

[Diabetes Hearing Vision 2025 State Fair SignUpGenius link](#)

Volunteers will receive information prior to the State Fair so they will be able to answer questions KidSight and the Lions Diabetes, Hearing and Vision foundations.



MID WINTER CONVENTION 2026

Convention Committee Members Needed

Volunteers are needed to help plan, promote and organize the 2026 Midwinter Convention. If you have an interest in being part of the pride that makes the convention successful, here is your opportunity to learn more about it!

Audio Visual – Coordinate the audio-visual needs and set up with the hotel and their provider AV for you. Be on site to make sure needs are met and troubleshoot as needed.

Ballroom Set-Up for Events – Be involved in the planning for events to be held in the Ballroom and on hand prior to the events to make sure everything is set up correctly.

Collection of coats, socks, eyeglasses and other items – Determine collection site for donations, make arrangements to have donations picked-up on Saturday afternoon. Coordinate promotion of the donations in Convention literature and talking points.

Contests: Crock Pot Challenge and Dessert Challenge - Organize both events, deliver needed materials to clubs, pick up vote boxes, count votes, announce winner at the Sunday breakfast.

Display Tables for Foundations and Projects – Take reservations for display tables, work with the hotel to order and set up tables, consider charging for table, manage set up and organization of tables for the event.

Every Day Hero Awards – Promote Every Day Hero Awards, receive applications and checks for the awards. Create slides with picture and informational bullets for the Award Program. Assemble plaques and certificates to be presented.

First Timer Contest – Prepare contest form to be distributed to new attendees. Collect completed forms, score forms and announce winner at the Sunday Breakfast.

Hospitality Books & Meal Tickets - Receive orders for hospitality books and meal tickets, deliver tickets and books to recipients. Prepare counts for hotel guarantees, collect tickets at events. Sell extra tickets/seats prior to events.

Hospitality Room Theme Competition and Judging – Prepare judging form, appoint judges, count score, announce winners at Sunday Breakfast.

Hospitality Rooms - Receive orders for hospitality rooms, notify clubs that their orders have been received, notify clubs of their room number and check in process.

Leo District Meeting and Service Projects – Coordinate the Leo District meeting and service projects with the District Leo Chair. Monitor ballroom and keep track of Leos during the event.

Marketing & Promotion - Visit clubs and attend the All-Club meetings to talk about the convention. Use digital media to promote the convention. Create articles and flyers to be placed in The Informer and sent to clubs. Create talking points for Officers, Zone Chairs and Committee members.

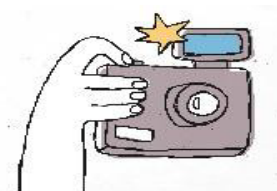
Meeting Rooms – Coordinate smaller meeting rooms with committee by attending committee meetings and determining rooms needed and when.

Memorial Service – Promote service and create a memorial service form. Receive forms and create slides for each deceased member with a picture and informational bullets. Plan Service, find volunteers to help during the service and manage the event on Saturday morning.

Signage for Events – Determine through committee meetings what signage is needed during the weekend. Have signage produced and hung during the event.

If you have a skill set that will fit any of these opportunities we would love you to join us!

Contact Lion Ross Thorfinson
rthorf@aol.com

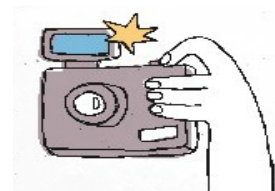


LIONS SERVING

Email [Your Photos](mailto:lionsdistrict5m5@gmail.com) of your Lions in action.

Please include dates, names, locations etc. to this email:

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The Osseo Lions sponsor Movies and Music in the Park in Osseo.

On July 8th, the Teddy Bear Band played to a full park.

Lion Chuck Rue brought his 73 year old teddy bear to the park



Ed Columbus leads the children in singing the Rubber Ducky song.



Lions Tim Conaway, Robin Kaehler, Denishia Moore staff the KidSight tent.



Pictures from the Maple Grove Lions Corn Feed. Included are pictures of the new Maple Grove Ambassadors. One is Lion Jay Boatman's daughter Sabrina who is sponsored by the MG Lions. Pictures also in KidSight, Charitable Gambling Booth and loads of fun times!







Excelsior Lions Club Member Recognition on June 13th.

Lion Mike Filippi awarded the Builder Key.



Lion Josh Radziej awarded the Membership Key.



Lion Lisa Skaff (Volunteer Coordinator) writes and performs original songs about volunteer opportunities at their monthly meetings.



Excelsior Lions Erin Fischer, Jim Flattum, Kristin Seibold, Karen Flattum, Pat Grose, Chuck Leach and Ginger Gordon served at the monthly Mount Calvary Community meal on June 26th.



[Email Your Photos](#) of your Lions in action.

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Mayor of Excelsior (and club member) visits the Excelsior Lions Club - July 9
We had the pleasure of hosting Mayor Gary Ringate and were given updates on all things Excelsior.
Gary is not only our Mayor, he is also an Excelsior Lions Club member!



Excelsior Lions Serve at the Firecracker 5k Run - July 4
Lions Dan Statsick, Nora Scallen, Karen Koehnen, Bruce Kelly, and guests serve water to runners
at the Firecracker 5k Run



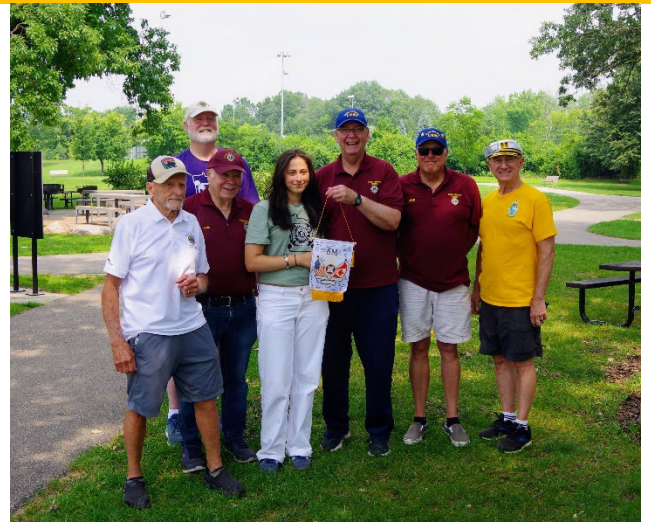
Excelsior Lions Member Recognition- July 9

We celebrated our outgoing Treasurer Dan Statsick, and welcomed incoming Treasurer Karen Ellman



Wednesday July 30th the Eden Prairie Lions Club hosted a picnic lunch for the international students and coordinated a peaceful boat ride thanks to the wonderful volunteers from the Let's Go Fishing program. It was a day full of sunshine, laughter, and international friendship—everything the Lions Youth Exchange program represents.





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Ruthie Takes Great Pride in Her Hearing Assist Dog, Samosa

July 30, 2025

By Laurie Lykken -



Ruthie has always loved dogs, so having a trained dog to help her navigate the hearing world more safely made perfect sense. Newly certified Hearing Assist Dog Samosa is that dog. “I am grateful to have such a silly, sweet, and fun partner,” Ruthie says with special pride, having raised Samosa, a Sheepadoodle, from puppyhood with the intention of Samosa becoming an owner-provided assistance dog for herself.

Ruthie learned she had late-onset hearing loss in her late twenties. She thought she was getting by despite having a disability that means she cannot always locate the source of a sound or hear specific pitches or even hear some sounds at all. “I had renters or housemates,” Ruthie explains. “I didn’t realize how much my

hearing loss impacted me. I could often take cues from the people I lived with.” Once she was living alone, however, Ruthie realized how much she was missing and how potentially dangerous that could be. “It’s my normal,” Ruthie says about her hearing loss. Having her gas furnace go out was a wake-up call.

Ruthie had not realized the furnace was beginning to fail because she did not hear the change in the sounds it was making. The mechanic who eventually came to do the repair told her she was lucky that something worse hadn’t happened because her furnace is gas. He told Ruthie she should have heard the furnace making a high-pitched squeal before it actually went out, a squeal that is just the kind of sound she can’t hear. Ruthie realized she needed to make a change if she was to continue to live alone.

After doing some research via dog training networks, Ruthie located Can Do Canines. She got Samosa at just 8 weeks old, specifically to train her as an owner-provided Hearing Assist Dog. “I was always concerned that I’d do something wrong, and Samosa would not be a good candidate as a result,” Ruthie admits. “There was a lot of learning for both of us!” she adds. Now Ruthie is glad that she got Samosa when she did and put in the hard work. “I have even more respect for puppy raisers now!” Ruthie says. “Once we were accepted into the program,” she adds, “my trainer helped me understand not just what we were doing but why.” Samosa is now trained to alert Ruthie to a dropped item, a fire alarm, a timer, and Ruthie’s name being called.

Being certified means Samosa can be with Ruthie in public places. “This has been especially helpful with going into a new environment where I’m not always aware of what I might not hear,” Ruthie shares. With Samosa along, Ruthie is more relaxed and less worried that she is missing something because she hasn’t heard it. Together they attend community education classes and enjoy being outside to paddleboard and visit the park. “When we are together,” Ruthie says, “if I miss something, she’ll notice and alert me.” During a recent visit to the park, Samosa’s training prevented a potential accident from happening.

A bicycle that Ruthie didn’t hear was bearing down on them. Although the bicyclist was ringing a warning bell, Ruthie didn’t hear it. Samosa did, though, and looked in the direction of the bike, then nudged Ruthie—a nose poke that means Samosa has heard something she thinks Ruthie should notice. Ruthie saw the bike then and was able to get out of the way in time. “Samosa is obviously transferring some of her training to other things,” Ruthie says proudly. “She’s a smarty.”

“She’s very friendly,” Ruthie concludes. “People notice her cute spots and speckles and swoopy tail.” If asked, Ruthie says, “I tell people we are a work hard/play hard team.”



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Lions in Action at the Hamel Rodeo!

A heartfelt *thank you* to all the amazing Lion volunteers from 5M5 who helped make the **2025 Hamel Rodeo** a resounding success. From taking tickets to working tirelessly in the food area, your dedication and cheerful service made a huge difference. Your support helps raise vital funds for the Minnesota Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation.

We were especially proud to have two special international guests join our team this year—students from **Norway** (Eirik) and **Finland** (Veikko) who are part of our **Lions Youth Exchange Program**. They enthusiastically greeted guests and handed out programs, bringing global spirit and service to our local event.

Also, a special shoutout goes to those of you who helped spread the word about Thursday night—Opening Night—when \$2.00 from each ticket sold was donated to the Minnesota Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation. Thanks to your efforts in promoting the evening, it **became the largest attended Opening Night in the history of the rodeo!** What an incredible achievement. We Lions did a fabulous job making it happen.

Pictured below are some of the volunteers, including our international youth exchange students, proudly wearing their red MLCCF shirts. Your energy and smiles made a lasting impression on thousands of rodeo-goers.

Together, we continue to show what it means to be a Lion—**We Serve**.



Lion Gary Stevens
612.867.7249

Chair, MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation
edenprairiegary@gmail.com



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[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

The Great KidSight Opportunity is coming up at the Great Minnesota Get-Together. Lions from all over MD5M will be on hand to screen kids during the State Fair.

District 5M-5 has two days when we are asked to provide volunteers:

Wednesday August 27 and Monday September 1.

Here is the Signup Genius Link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D45ADAC2FA7F58-56251349-state#/>

At this writing we still have some openings that need to be filled.

If you can't make it on one of the 5M-5 days, look at the openings on days when you can make it. Some Districts don't have enough Lions to attend, and they will appreciate your help.

Admission for KidSight volunteers is FREE. There is also free volunteer parking with a short bus ride (also free) to the Fairgrounds.

KidSight is in the Education Building this year. The Health Fair 11 building has been repurposed. So, we will be near the Vision/Hearing/Diabetes location, making it easy for you to do double-duty.

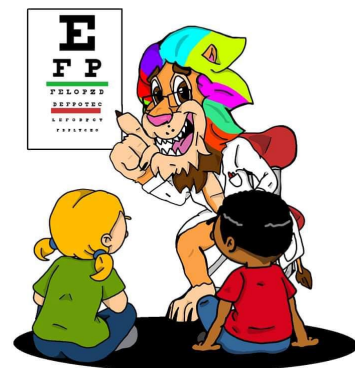
We look forward to seeing you at the Fair.

Lion Shari Thurston

Lion Tim Conaway

seethurston@comcast.net

liontimconaway@gmail.com





TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation

(Together Everyone Achieves More)



Lions of 5M-5,

To date, we have had no submissions for the Team Sheehan matching grant from 5M-5. If you are considering a project and in need of matching funds, please consider applying for a TSF grant.

Applications are reviewed January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. If your club is interested in applying, please follow the directions listed on the application. If you plan to apply, the next deadline is October 1, 2025. Send these to PCC Rob Rand as soon as you have completed your application.

TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation was incorporated in February 2022 and was granted 501c3 status by the IRS in June 2022. This Foundation was formed to provide matching Funds for Club projects which are too large for the club to do for itself, but too small for an LCIF grant.

As your district representative, I am here to answer any questions that you may have as you complete your grant request. Please contact me at robrandmn@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Lion Rob Rand
District 5M-5 TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation Director

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The TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation (TSCF) MD5M Club Matching Grant Application

“The mission of the TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation (501c3) is to empower MD5M Lions clubs to provide greater service by boosting their ability to complete community projects with matching grants.”

1. The Lions project must address an important humanitarian need and provide an opportunity to highlight Lions in the communities they serve.
2. Grant applicants must submit their project proposals using the TSCF MD5M Club Grant application form.
3. The maximum grant amount that may be requested is currently \$3,000.00. All grants are 50/50 matching grants.
4. Grant proposals may be submitted by any Lions club within Multiple District 5M. Applications submitted by a club shall be signed by the current club president. The appropriate meeting minutes at which the application was voted on and approved must be submitted with the application.
5. TSCF grant applications should be submitted to TSCF prior to January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1 for consideration at the following TSCF board meeting to allow adequate processing time.
6. Lions and/or their families may not receive direct or professional benefit from TSCF projects or have proprietary interest in projects receiving TSCF assistance.
7. Projects receiving TSCF funding shall be clearly identified in marketing as being made possible by Lions and TSCF.
8. Upon project completion, grant recipients are responsible for submission of a report detailing project results, all receipts/expenditures and use of TSCF grant funds.
9. Projects should be completed within one year of approval by TSCF, unless otherwise requested by applicant.

Clubs applying for a grant should provide the following information on their project.

Project Description:

1. Project name: _____
2. Project location: _____
3. Amount of funds requested from TSCF: _____

4. If appropriate, the approximate number of people who will benefit from this project:

5. **ATTACH** description of the particular area/items to be addressed.

6. **ATTACH** project goals, plan of action and including timeline.

Project Budget: Include an itemized budget for the entire project using the information shown below.

Income and Expenses

Requested TSCF Funds: \$ _____

Expenses: Item #1: \$ _____

Other sources of income (if applicable): \$ _____

Other expenses: Item #2: \$ _____

Total Income: \$ _____

Total Expenses: \$ _____

Application Endorsement

Club approval must be included with every grant application. Please submit a copy of the club meeting minutes at which the application was approved. The minutes should make specific reference to the amount of TSCF funds being requested.

Signature Endorsement:

Club President: "I certify that I have reviewed the TSCF Application. To the best of my knowledge, the information submitted is accurate and the need exists as indicated. I endorse this proposal and will do everything within my power as administrator of any funds granted to assure their proper and efficient use, proper accounting and required reporting to TSCF Foundation."

Club President Name _____

Project Chairperson Name _____

Project Chairperson Email _____ Cell _____

District and Club Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Electronic Signature and Date _____ (Type your name)

Contact your District's TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundation Board Member with questions and to request a Grant Application.

Questions regarding donations, submit to TSCF Treasurer at athmannmarty@hotmail.com

YOUTH EXCHANGE YOUTH CAMP



The following is an email exchange between Lion Gary, Grant & Eden Prairie Lions. It is a testament to the benefits of the Youth Camps & Exchange Program. The pictures mentioned will appear in the **Lions Serving section**.

On Thu, Jul 31, 2025 at 8:20 AM Gary Stevens <edenprairiegary@gmail.com> wrote:

On Wednesday, our club hosted a picnic lunch for the international students and coordinated a peaceful boat ride thanks to the wonderful volunteers from the Let's Go Fishing program. It was a day full of sunshine, laughter, and international friendship—everything the Lions Youth Exchange program represents.

A special thank-you goes to Grant Hendrickson, who serves as our 5M5 Youth Exchange Chair. His leadership and dedication make this program possible year after year, and 5M5 is grateful for his tireless efforts to create life-changing experiences for these young people.

These students, hosted by Lions families across Minnesota, are part of a global program that promotes peace, understanding, and lifelong connections. You can learn more about the Lions Youth Exchange and Youth Camps Program here:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/youth-camps-and-exchange>

Attached are a few photos from the day. Thanks again to everyone who contributed—you helped represent the Eden Prairie Lions in a powerful way.
Lion Gary Stevens

On Thu, Jul 31, 2025, 10:28 Grant Hendrickson <grant@southsideservices.org> wrote:

Hi Lion Gary,

Thank you for this kind post. I really appreciate the shout out to the district. A big thank you to Lion Mike Gruidl and the Eden Prairie Lions and The "Let's Go Fishing" group for making this lunch a big success! It was truly a group effort and I'm glad you were there to be a part of it!

Hamel Lions Flea Market

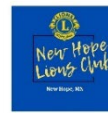
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New Hope Lions Club

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Saturday, August 9

11 am - 3 pm

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August 13, 2025

5:00-7:00 PM

Crystal VFW Post #494

5222 Bass Lake Road, Crystal


\$14

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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 five types of areas Can Do Canines trains dogs: hearing, mobility, seizure, diabetes, and childhood autism.

Also, don't miss out on two special promotions during this open house! The first 75 people in attendance will receive a free cup of Culver's custard, thanks to Culver's-Golden Valley. Plus, all attendees can enter a drawing to win a Bogg beach bag (value \$72) plus accessories!

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

To request a sign language interpreter for the Open House, please contact Laurie at lcarlson@candocanines.org or 763-331-3000 at least two weeks in advance. We'll do our best to accommodate late requests, but availability is not guaranteed.

More information about Can Do Canines is at CanDoCanines.org.



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ALL CLUB MEETING




**AUGUST
25th**

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- > Fun and Camaraderie
- > Service Project Ideas
- > Making Meetings FUN Tips
- > Upcoming Events
- > Training Opportunities
- > Prize Drawings
- > Awards

**5:30 PM Social
6:00 PM Dinner**

**CRYSTAL VFW Post 494
5222 Bass Lake Road Crystal
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Saturday, September 13, 2025

Registration starts at 10 a.m. at Can Do Canines

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Sunday September 14, 2025

9:00am to 12:00pm

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Good Earth Village - Spring Valley, MN

2025 DECEMBER 5-7

Faith Haven Camp near Battle Lake, MN



Maple Grove Lions & Seniors Holiday Craft Boutique

Maple Grove Community Center
Saturday Nov 8, 9am-4pm



Lions Clubs International

Lions Abbreviations and Terms

This is a helpful reference, but not a complete list.

ALLI	Advanced Lions Leadership Institute	MC	Membership Chair
CBL	Constitutions and By-Laws	MD	Multiple District
CC	Council Chair	MJF	Melvin Jones Fellow
CEP	Club Excellence Process	MMR	LCI monthly membership report
CGL	Certified Guiding Lion	MyLCI	LCI electronic membership database
COG	Council of Governors	MyLion	LCI app for connecting members, setting up and promoting activities, etc.
CP	Club President		
CS	Cabinet Secretary (District)	NPLF	Northern Pride Lions Forum
CT	Cabinet Treasurer (District)		
CSC	Club Service Chair	PCC	Past Council Chair
DA	District Administrator	PDG	Past District Governor
DG	District Governor	PID	Past International Director
DGE	District Governor-Elect	PinS	Partner in Service
		PIP	Past International President
ELLI	Emerging Lions Leadership Institute	PMJF	Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow
FDI	Faculty Development Institute	PU-101	Club Officer Reporting Form
GAT	Global Action Team	RC	Region Zone Chair
GLT	Global Leadership Team	RLLI	Regional Lions Leadership Institute
GMA	Global Membership Approach	STRIDES	Strides for Diabetes Awareness
GMT	Global Membership Team		
GST	Global Service Team	TT	TailTwister
ID	International Director	VDG	Vice District Governor
IP	International President	1VDG	First Vice District Governor
IPCC	Immediate Past Council Chair	2VDG	Second Vice District Governor
IPDG	Immediate Past District Governor	VDGE	Vice District Governor-Elect
IPID	Immediate Past International Director	1VDGE	First Vice District Governor-Elect
IPIP	Immediate Past International President	2VDGE	Second Vice District Governor-Elect
IVP	International Vice President	WCD	White Cane Day
LCI	Lions Club International	WSD	World Sight Day
LCICon	Lions International Convention	YE	Youth Exchange
LCIF	Lions Clubs International Foundation	ZC	Zone Chair
LEHP	Lions Eye Health Program		
LEO	Leadership Experience Opportunity		
LERC	Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center		
LIONS	Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nations' Safety		
LT	LionTamer		

WEB SITES & LINKS

Awards	lions5m5.org/awards
District 5M5	lions5m5.org
Lions Clubs International	lionsclubs.org
Multiple District 5M (MD5M)	lionsmd5m.org

District Approved Projects & Links

Can Do Canines	candocanines.org
Confidence Learning Center	campconfidence.com
Leader Dogs for the Blind	leaderdog.org
Leos	lionsclubs.org/about-leos
Lions Clubs International Foundation	lcif.org
MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation	kidsightmd5m.org
Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation	mnlionsdiabetes.org
Minnesota Lions Hearing Foundation	5mhf.org
Minnesota Lions Vision Foundation	mnlionsvisionfoundation.org
MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation	mnlionschildhoodcancerfoundation.org
Project New Hope	projectnewhope.net
Special Olympics Minnesota	specialolympicsminnesota.org
TEAM Sheehan Charitable Foundations	facebook.com/groups/TEAM SHEEHAN
True Friends	truefriends.org
Youth Exchange/Youth Camps	lionsclubs.org/youth/youth-camps-and-exchange