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October 2024

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January 10-12, 2025

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Hospitality Rooms "Theme for 2025 is Mexico City, Mexico!" •
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John Lutter Memorial Award, International Awards

There are links on the District 5M5 website (<https://lions5m5.org/mwc-links>) that will take you to all of the following forms. But, for your convenience here are some copies of the forms.

MID-WINTER CONVENTION-APPROVED PROJECTS

5M5 Mid-Winter Convention Parade of Green, Approved Projects

This time of year, we cabinet members and zone chairs get a lot of questions about whom the clubs can write checks for the Mid-Winter Convention Parade of Checks. We've put together this partial list of activities sponsored by our district and the name and phone number of the Cabinet Chairperson.

If your club is using Gambling Funds, we have noted the 501(c)3 organizations.

Any check made out to 5M5 cannot be paid with gambling funds as 5M5 has no tax status.

CAN DO CANINES ASSISTANCE DOGS			
Yes-501c3	The Lions have been supporting this program to provide 5 types of specially trained assistance dogs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hearing Assist - Diabetes Assist - Seizure Assist - Mobility Assist - Autism Assist 	Cabinet Chair: Daren Johnson 4910 Washburn Ave N Minneapolis, MN 55430 C: 612-720-0271 E: Daren.Johnson@mpls.k12.mn.us	Can Do Canines 9440 Science Center Dr. New Hope, MN 55428 B: 763-331-3000 F: 763-331-3009
CONFIDENCE LEARNING CENTER			
Yes-501c3	Also known as Camp Confidence, it is an outdoor center for persons with developmental disabilities. The program at Camp Confidence is aimed at promoting self-confidence and self-esteem and the necessary skills to become contributing members of society.	Cabinet Chair: Not Assigned	Contact: PID Ross Thorfinson 612-819-1743 rthorf@aol.com
LCIF, LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION			
Yes-501c3	Lions Clubs International Foundation provides money and services throughout the world such as fighting river blindness in remote regions of the world, providing seed money for Diabetes programs, relief for natural disasters, and for national emergencies such as the World Trade Center attack.	Cabinet Chair Rob Hed (Rhonna) 17440 45 th Ave N Plymouth, MN 55446 C: 763-300-9454 E: hedrob33@yahoo.com	LCIF Department 4547 Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547 The Melvin Jones Fellow Award is given for contributions of \$1,000
LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND			
Yes-501c3	Located in Rochester, Michigan this Lions sponsored service trains dogs for the visually impaired. The dog recipient attends Leader Dog, receiving his/her dog and training at no personal cost.	Cabinet Chair: Michael Crenshaw (Flora) 5313 68 th Ave N Brooklyn Center, MN 55429 C: 651-500-9400 E: bplionmichael@gmail.com	Leader Dogs for the Blind PO Box 5000 Rochester, MI 48308 248-651-9011 www.leaderdog.org
LEOS			

No	<p>Our Leos program has some ancillary costs associated with creating new clubs, start-up money, officer training, etc.</p> <p>Make checks payable to: District 5M5 with a memo to "Lions Leos"</p>	<p>Cabinet Chair: Mike Peach 8923 Annapolis Ln N Maple Grove, MN 55369 C: 651-369-5045 E: medicpeach@comcast.net</p>	<p>Currently, the district asks to hold donations to Lions Quest, but donate to LEOs or Youth Exchange instead.</p>
MD5M LIONS KIDSIGHT FOUNDATION			
Yes-501c3	<p>Send your checks to: Bill Thurston 3817 Lynn Ave S St. Louis Park, MN 55416 H: 952-920-4320</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Bill Thurston 3817 Lynn Ave S St. Louis Park, MN 55416 C: 612-790-7367 E: withurston@comcast.net</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Tim Conaway 11949 90th Ave N Maple Grove, MN 55369 C: 612-269-0027 E: LionTimConaway@gmail.com</p>
MN LIONS CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION			
Yes-501c3	<p>Provides services and resources for survivors of childhood cancer and their families. Such as Camp KACE (Kids Against Cancer Everywhere).</p> <p>Supports research by providing funds to the University of Minnesota Masonic Cancer Center or such other organizations that engage in research and/or treatment or care of childhood cancer as the board of directors may from time to time approve.</p> <p>Provides service for the support of families of childhood cancer patients. <i>Clubs can receive matching grants up to \$500 for a family in their district.</i></p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Lion Gary Stevens 18320 Cascade Drive Eden Prairie, MN 55347 C: 612-867-7249 E: edenprairiegary@gmail.com</p> <p>Mail checks to: MN Childhood Cancer Foundation % Tom O'Brien 5028 Norwood Street Duluth, MN 55804</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Lion Colleen Patterson 4516 Grimes Ave N Robbinsdale, MN 55422 C: 612-275-7785 E: cmp55422@gmail.com</p> <p>Pay Online at: www.mnlionschildhoodcancerfoundation.org/donate-1</p>
MN LIONS DIABETES FOUNDATION			
Yes-501c3	<p>Raises funds to support research for a cure for Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes, and treatments for diabetes. Provides funding for education, health screening and programs, services and activities related to diabetes.</p> <p>www.MNLionsDiabetes.org</p> <p>Make checks payable to: MN Lions Diabetes Foundation, Inc.</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Sara McFee (Mike) 2101 Inca Lane New Brighton, MN 55112 C: 612-269-8709 E: LionSaraMcFee@gmail.com</p> <p>Mail checks to: Lion Mike Edwards 11070 16th Street NE St. Michael, MN 55376</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Paul Newman 20006 Texas Ave Prior Lake, MN 55372 C: 612-799-4165 H: 952-447-4594 E: penewman@cbburnet.com</p>
MN LIONS HEARING FOUNDATION, INC			
Yes-501c3	<p>The MN Lions Hearing Foundation - Lions 5M International Hearing Center,</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Cheryl Jechorek (Bob)</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Kevin Walsh</p>

	<p>Lions Children's Hearing Center, Lions Voice Clinic; Cochlear implants, hearing tests, infant hearing testing, hearing aids, and research are among the many important works of the Lions Hearing Foundation.</p> <p>Children's Hearing Center - You may also designate in the memo line that you wish your contribution to be used for the Children's Hearing Center.</p>	<p>5400 Morgan Ave N Brooklyn Center, MN 55430 H: 763-560-1132 C: 763-300-6749 E: ciechorek28@gmail.com</p> <p>Send checks to Cheryl or Kevin</p>	<p>2005 E 122nd St; Apt A10 Burnsville, MN 55337 C: 612-810-6075 E: kwash75@live.com</p>
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MN LIONS VISION FOUNDATION, INC

Yes-501c3	<p>Make checks payable to: MN Lions Vision Foundation, Inc.</p> <p>Cabinet Co-Chair: David Danielson (Barb) 6221 Boulder Ridge Drive Rockford, MN 55373 C: 612-327-5872 E: daviddanielson2@gmail.com</p> <p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Kathy Barclay PO Box 601 Chanhassen, MN 55317 H: 952-201-1348 E: 1kathybarclay@gmail.com</p> <p><i>Lions Gift of Sight, dedicated to recovering, processing, and distributing donated eye tissue for use in sight-saving corneal transplants, vision-enhancing surgery, research, and education. Lions Gift of Sight is one of the most successful eye banks in the country, and more than 29,000 people have received the gift of sight with donated eye tissue provided through the eye bank</i></p> <p><i>Children's Eye Clinic, established in 1969, where more than 8,000 children are seen every year. The clinic is the second largest and best-staffed clinic of its kind in the country.</i></p> <p><i>MAC Center, Minnesota Lions Macular Degeneration Research and Rehabilitation Center (The MAC), established in 1998, researches and treats macular degeneration, a disease that affects the central vision. Macular degeneration is the leading cause of blindness in the United States. The MAC brings together the expertise of physicians, the research of various departments around the University, and the knowledge of those in the medical technology industry. It is a powerful collaboration of resources dedicated to fighting macular degeneration.</i></p>
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PROJECT NEW HOPE

Yes-501c3	<p>The mission is to provide Veterans and their families the education, training and skills necessary to manage their lives after wartime services.</p> <p>They do this by offering retreats for the whole family.</p> <p>Make checks payable to: Project New Hope Lions Foundation of MN, Inc</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Kevin Harris (Alissa) 4911 Vincent Ave N Minneapolis, MN 55430 C: 612-581-7056 E: ukharris31@gmail.com</p> <p>Website: www.projectnewhope.net</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Dick Kentzelman (Amanda) 9928 95th Ave N Maple Grove, MN 55369 H: 763-425-5225 C: 612-889-1435 E: rkentzelman@hotmail.com</p>
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SPECIAL OLYMPICS-MINNESOTA

Yes-501c3	<p>The 5M-5 Lions have been helping Special Olympics with their Healthy Athletes program at the state Competitions of the</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: James Cain</p>	<p>Cabinet Co-Chair: Ray Moonen</p>
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	<p>University of MN.</p> <p>We incur some miscellaneous expense that are not in the District's budget.</p> <p>Checks can be made to: Special Olympics Minnesota 100 Washington Ave S., Suite 550 Minneapolis, MN 55401</p>	<p>5151 Russell Ave N Minneapolis, MN 55430 H: 612-521-1903 C: 763-232-0790 E: jhcain2@gmail.com B: 612-333-0999 or 800-783-7732 F: 612-333-8732</p>	<p>6143 Brookview Ave S Edina, MN 55424 H: 952-926-3166 C: 952-201-7031 E: moonen@myinfmail.com</p> <p>Website: www.specialolympicsminnesota.org</p>
TEAM SHEEHAN CHARITABLE FOUNDATION			
Yes-501c3	<p>Named after 2021 2022 International President and Minnesota Lion Brian Sheehan, the T.E.A.M. Sheehan Charitable Foundation was established to raise funds and support the global causes of Lions Clubs International: Diabetes, Environment, Hunger, Vision, and Childhood Cancer. The foundation is governed by trustees appointed by the District Governors in each of the districts in MD5M.</p> <p>Mail checks to: PDG Merlin Athmann, Treasurer P.O. Box337 Bird Island, MN 55310</p>		<p>Cabinet Chair Rob Rand 6600 Lyndale Ave S., #600 Richfield, MN 55423 C: 612-715-6055 E: robrandmn@gmail.com</p>
TRUE FRIENDS			
Yes-501c3	<p>True Friends is the umbrella organization which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Camp Courage - Camp Friendship - Camp Eden Wood - Camp Courage North <p>Each camp provided a great experience for persons with physical, intellectual, and emotional disabilities.</p> <p>Make checks payable to: True Friends-A specific camp can be designated by putting its name in the memo portion.</p>	<p>Cabinet Chair: Not Assigned</p>	<p>Contact: PID Ross Thorfinson 612-819-1743 rthorf@aol.com</p>
YOUTH EXCHANGE			
No	<p>This Lions program has students from all over the world visiting the United States and vice versa.</p> <p>The district recommends that all checks go to 5M5 with Youth Exchange in the memo.</p>	<p>Cabinet Chair: Grant Hendrickson 9025 Telford Crossing Brooklyn Park, MN 55443</p>	<p>H: 763-391-7628 C: 612-508-9461 B: 612-721-1696 E: grant@southsideservices.org</p>

Nomination for the John Lutter Memorial Award
To Be Presented at the Mid-Winter Lions Awards Dinner

The Past District Governors of 5M5 are seeking nominations for the John Lutter Memorial Award. This award is given annually to a Lion who has given extraordinary service to Lionism and to his or her community. Past International Director John Lutter, who inspired us all with his strong cooperative spirit, enthusiasm, and his willingness to respond to the needs of his fellow Lions, passed away in December, 2002. John lived the motto, “We Serve.”

The recipient of this award must be a current club member in good standing of his or her Lions club, must have been a Lion member for at least 15 years, and cannot be a District Governor or past District Governor.

Name of Nominated Lion: _____

Name of local Lions club: _____ A Lion since (year): _____

Explain why you think this Lion deserves this award. To help us fully appreciate the service and dedication of this Lion, please give specific details. Use the back of this form or separate sheets if needed. The Past District Governors will use the information you provide when choosing a recipient for this award. **Nomination is due by December 1st.**

This Lion has served the Lions club in these ways: _____

This Lion has demonstrated an eagerness to help others in these ways: _____

This Lion has served the community by: _____

Submitted by _____ Lions Club

Nomination can be submitted by email to Robert Vokes (hisfootness@comcast.net) or mailed to:

PDG Robert Vokes
7220 York Ave S; Apt 307
Edina, MN 55435

Note: A fillable application form can be found in the District 5M-5 web site under “More” and “Award Links.”

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Appendix 28.0 MD5M HALL OF FAME Procedure

Purpose

To honor those Lion members of character and substance who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment and dedication to the efforts of their club, district or multiple district and the motto of our association, "We Serve."

Award

There shall be a maximum of one (1) recipient of the MD5M Hall of Fame Award per district, inducted into the MD5M Hall of Fame each year. The award may be presented posthumously.

The MD5M Hall of Fame award recipients are to be inducted into the Hall of Fame at the annual MD5M Multiple District Convention during the Saturday noon luncheon.

MD5M Hall of Fame recipients shall receive a MD5M Hall of Fame award plaque and a Hall of Fame lapel pin in recognition of their induction in the MD5M Hall of Fame. In addition, a complete listing of all MD5M Hall of Fame recipients shall appear in the annual MD5M directory and a perpetual plaque, with the names of all inductees and the year of their induction inscribed thereon, shall be kept in a prominent place in the MD5M office, when available.

The presentation of the MD5M Hall of Fame inductees shall be the responsibility of the current International Director from MD5M, if there is one and they are in attendance at the MD5M Multiple District Convention. If not, then the most recent Past International Director having served from MD5M in attendance at the MD5M Multiple District Convention.

Criteria

A candidate may be a Lion, must have been a member in good standing for at least 15 years, be at least two (2) years removed from the Council of Governors if a PDG, should have qualifications above and beyond the call of duty including social and human endeavors, and they should be of good moral character and have a good reputation in his/her community. A nominee must be a member in good standing of a Lions Club, or must have been a member in good standing of a Lions Club at the time of their death.

Process

A candidate may be sponsored by any Lion, Lions Club, Zone, or District.

There shall be a nomination fee of \$150.00 per each candidate nominated. The nomination fee shall be returned to those sponsors whose candidates are not elected for induction into the MD5M Hall of Fame. The nomination fee for those selected for induction shall be sent to MD5M and shall be used to offset the cost of the award process, plaques and pin.

Nominations, including the nomination fee, must be received by the District Governor at least 30 days prior to the District's Midwinter Convention.

Each individual District shall annually hold an election at their Midwinter Convention to determine the candidate(s), if any, to be inducted into the Hall of Fame for that Lion Year. Each sponsor

shall have an opportunity to give a brief presentation on the merits and biographical information of their nominee prior to the election. Those elected to be inducted into the MD5M Hall of Fame shall not be publicly announced until their induction at the MD5M Multiple District Convention.

All nominations shall use the standard form, no others shall be accepted. The nomination fee must be received at the time the application is received, otherwise the nomination shall not be considered.

All successful candidates shall be inducted into the MD5M Hall of Fame at the next MD5M Multiple District Convention. The sponsor(s) and the respective District Governor shall ensure that the honoree or a suitable representative shall be in attendance at the MD5M Multiple District Convention Saturday Luncheon when the honorees are inducted.

A brief biography of each inductee shall be announced to those in attendance during the induction ceremony at the annual MD5M Multiple District Convention.

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MD5M Hall of Fame Nomination _____
(year)

Date _____

District _____

Nominee:

Name
Address
Address
Club Name

Sponsor:

Name
Address
Address
Phone Number
Club Name

Nominee's Biographical Information

Lions, Community Service, Family, Work.
Include Length of service, positions/offices held, committees, service projects.
Attach additional/separate sheet if more room is required.

Why is this person being nominated for the MD5M Hall of Fame?

Nominations MUST be received by the respective District Governor at least 30 days prior to the District's annual Mid Winter Convention. A nomination fee of \$150.00 (US funds) must accompany this form. Only this official form will be accepted and must be accompanied by the nomination fee.

MID-WINTER CONVENTION-AWARD FORM, EVERY DAY HERO

District 5M5 Everyday Hero Nomination Form

Every club has members who can always be counted on, always there to help with the next project. Every year at the 5M5 Mid-Winter Convention we celebrate the Lions who truly make a difference. Those Lions who embrace the vision of Lions International. When it comes to meeting challenges, our response is simple:

We serve. It's something that unites Lions around the world.

It's unconditional. Lions aren't limited by continents or restricted to certain causes.

Lions help wherever, whenever and however we can.

Nominate "those" Lions...

Name of Nominating
Club:

Club Address:

Nominated Lion's Name:

Short Bio and Reason
for Nomination:

Please include a picture of nominee.

Please include a check for \$80.00.

A nicely framed certificate and one (1) meal ticket is included.

*** * * Payment must accompany the application for the Everyday Hero * * ***

Additional tickets for the banquet can be purchased separately, so family and other club members can attend.

Include \$59.00 each, for additional meal(s)

Deadline for nominations is January 1st, 2025

Award will be presented on Saturday, January 11th, 2025 at the Mid-Winter Convention

Submitted By:

Extra meal tickets:

Phone:

Email:

Send application, picture and check to:

Lion Ross Thorfinnson, Spectrum Financial Group
300 Prairie Center Drive, Suite 210
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Email: rthorf@aol.com

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9th
Annual



Crock-Pot Challenge

Friday Night January 10, 2025



The clubs of 5M-5 are invited
to participate in
The Friday Night CROCK-POT CHALLENGE!

To participate we need you to make your most yummy crock-pot dish
to share at the convention.

The theme for 2025 is Mexico City, Mexico!

We will judge the dishes and the winner will be presented with
the traveling trophy and bragging rights

'till next years challenge.

This will be going on during the Hospitality Room fun and our
Friday night events.

**District 5M-5
MidWinter Convention
Make your Mark!**

5th Annual Fabulous Dessert Challenge

Saturday Night January 11, 2025

Which club of 5M-5 will make the best Mexican Themed Dessert?

Who will take home the Dessert Trophy?

To participate we need you to make your most
Fabulous Dessert to share at the convention.

The Lions of 5M-5 will judge the desserts and the winner will be announced at the Sunday Morning breakfast.

A traveling trophy has been created and will be displayed at the convention

Help us make Saturday night a great event



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MID-WINTER CONVENTION-HOSPITALITY ROOMS-LARGE

2025 District 5M5 Mid-Winter Convention
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Large Hospitality Room Reservation Form - two nights \$680 total

Lions Club:

Lion Checking In/Picking up Key:

Phone Number:Email:

Address:

City:

State:Zip Code:

Large Club Hospitality Room - two nights \$680 total

The only acceptable form of payment for a large hospitality room is by check.
A credit card will be required at check-in to cover incidentals.

Form AND Check for payment must be received by October 31, 2024
There is no advantage to a club that submits their form and payment earlier.

Large rooms are assigned by lottery only.
There are three large adjoining rooms available, all located on the 1st floor. They are assigned by lottery only.

Four additional sets of adjoining rooms are also available - two nights \$680 total.
These four adjoining rooms will be drawn after the three large rooms are chosen.

If not chosen for a large or other adjoining room the payment will be applied to a small room.
Refund of the difference, if applicable, will be sent to the club.

Optional 8 ft. table available for \$25.00 - Must be reserved in advance.

To pay by check, make check payable to:
5M-5 Mid-Winter Convention

Lion Ross Thorfinnson, Spectrum Financial Group
300 Prairie Center Drive, Suite 210
Eden Prairie, MN 55344
lions5M5conv@aol.com

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MID-WINTER CONVENTION-HOSPITALITY ROOMS-SMALL

2025 District 5M5 Mid-Winter Convention
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Small Hospitality Room Reservation Form - two nights \$450 total

Lions Club:

Lion Checking In/Picking up Key:

Phone Number:Email:

Address:

City:

State:Zip Code:

Small Club Hospitality Room - two nights \$450 total (Reduced \$10 from last year)

The only acceptable form of payment for a small hospitality room is by check.
A credit card will be required at check-in to cover incidentals.

Form AND Check for payment must be received by December 16, 2024
Room numbers will be sent to the clubs once they've been assigned.

Clubs must contact the hotel directly a minimum of 3 days prior to check-in, to have beds removed or other special requests.
The club is responsible and must pay for these requests.

Optional 8 ft. table available for \$25.00 - Must be reserved in advance.
Will be charged to your incidentals card. Include table with Hospitality Room? Y / N

To pay by check, make check payable to:
5M-5 Mid-Winter Convention

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300 Prairie Center Drive, Suite 210
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lions5M5conv@aol.com

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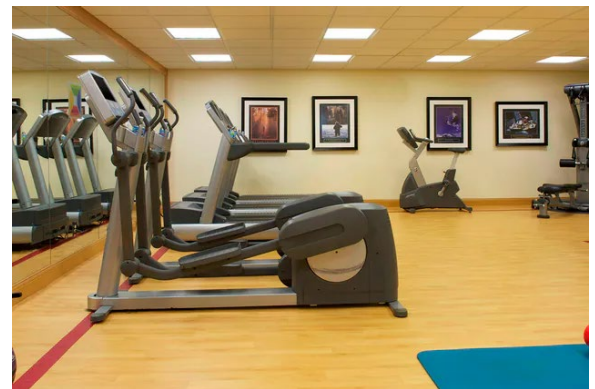
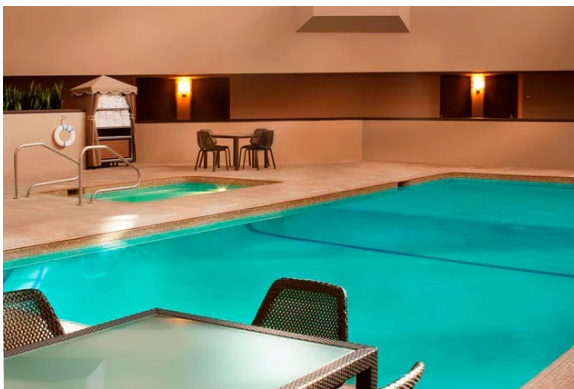
SLEEPING ROOMS



Sheraton Minneapolis West Hotel

12201 Ridgedale Drive
Minnetonka, Minnesota 55305

Direct Link: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1714578768673&key=GRP&app=resvlink>



MID-WINTER CONVENTION- MEAL TICKETS

2025 District 5M5 Mid-Winter Convention
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Meal ticket requests must be received by December 31st

Hospitality Book and Individual Meal Ticket Form

Lions Club:

Lion Picking Up Books/Tickets:

Full Hospitality Book(s)	QTY	PRICE		TOTAL
Hospitality Book(s):		\$135	per books ordered by 12/1 \$145 between 12/1 - 12/31 \$150 at Convention - only if tickets are available.	
Includes: Saturday Luncheon				
Saturday Evening Dinner				
Sunday Brunch				

Individual Meal Ticket(s)	QTY	PRICE		TOTAL
Saturday Luncheon:		\$48	per ticket	
Saturday Evening Dinner:		\$59	per ticket	
Sunday Brunch:		\$38	per ticket	
Grand Total:				<input type="text"/>

Please note if you have special dietary needs:

Gluten Free	Vegetarian	Diabetic	Allergy (type):
No	No	No	

To pay by check, make check payable to: 5M5 Mid-Winter Convention

Mail this form and check to:
Lion Ross Thorfinnson, Spectrum Financial Group
300 Prairie Center Drive, Suite 210
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

To pay by credit card, you must use the form on the District website (www.lions5m5.org)
and pay via PayPal - our secure vendor. (PayPal fee will apply).

Meal ticket requests must be received by December 31st.

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MID-WINTER CONVENTION-MEMORIAL PROGRAM FORM

2025 District 5M5 Mid-Winter Convention

Sheraton Minneapolis West
12201 Ridgedale Dr, Minnetonka, MN 55305

Janary 11, 2025
Saturday 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Ballrooms 2 & 3

Memorial Service Program Form

This form is to notify the Memorial Service Program Committee of the death of a Lion in 2024 and ensure that he/she is remembered in the upcoming service.

1. Mail or email a high quality color photo. Digital photos should be 300 dpi/ppi in size.
If a group shot, please identify the departed member in the photo.
2. Include 3 or 4 bullet points about the departed member.
3. Designate someone from your club or a family member to participate in the candle lighting ceremony.
The person must meet us 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the service for instructions.

Information about Departed

Name					
Title (circle all that apply)	Lion	Lioness	PDG	PCC	PID
Club Name					
Comments about their: Charter or regular member and number of years a Lion					
Comments about their: Club/Lions offices and awards					
Comments about their: Favorite projects or notable accomplishments					
Comments about their: Why member was special to your club					

Contact Info of Person Filling Out This Form

Name & Office		
Club Name		
Phone Number	Email Address	

Contact Info of Person Who Will Be Lighting Candle at the Service

Name		
Relationship		
Phone Number	Email Address	

Please complete this form and return it to:

Lion Jennifer Marshall, Minneapolis Ambassadors Lions Club
1000 Westgate Drive - Suite 260 St. Paul, MN 55114
Phone: 612-626-6081 Fax: 612-625-4265 LionJenniferMarshall@gmail.com

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MID-WINTER CONVENTION-SCHEDULE

2025 District 5M5 Mid-Winter Convention Schedule

January 10-12, 2025

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Friday, January 10th

- 2:00 p.m. Hospitality Room Check-in
- 3:00- 5:00 p.m. Credentials (Voting Cards) – Lobby Atrium
- 3:00- 6:00 p.m. Pick-up Meal Tickets, First Timers Materials – Lobby Atrium
- 3:45- 4:15 p.m. Leo Meeting – Ballrooms 2 & 3
- 4:15- 6:30 p.m. Leo Service Projects – Wellingtons Room
- 5:00 p.m. Sorting of Eyeglasses, Socks, and Coats – Cedar Room
- 5:00 p.m. Hospitality Rooms Open
- 5:00- 9:00 p.m. Crock Pot Challenge – Hospitality Rooms
- 6:30- 9:00 p.m. Hospitality Room Judging

Saturday, January 11th

- 8:00- 9:00 a.m. Cabinet Meeting (All Lions invited) – Minnetonka Room
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. Memorial Service – Ballrooms 2 & 3
- 10:00-11:15 a.m. Credentials and Pick-up Meal Tickets – Ballroom Foyer

Doors open at 11:15 AM

- 11:15- 1:15 p.m. **Lions Presentations and Luncheon – Ballroom 1**
Luncheon Keynote Speaker – International Visitor
- 12:45- 1:15 p.m. Credentials – Ballroom Foyer
- 1:30 p.m. Business Meeting and Voting – Ballrooms 2 & 3

- 6:00- 8:00 p.m. **Lions Awards Dinner – Ballrooms 1, 2 & 3**

Social begins at 5:00 PM in Ballroom Foyer - Doors open at 5:30 PM

- Everyday Hero Awards
- John Lutter Memorial Award
- International Awards

- 8:00- 9:30 p.m. Dessert Challenge – Hospitality Rooms
- 11:00 p.m. First Timers Contest Ends

Sunday, January 12th

- 7:45- 8:45 a.m. Past District Governors Fellowship Meeting – Minnetonka Room A
- 8:00- 9:00 a.m. Club Presidents Meet with Int'l Visitor – Minnetonka Room B
- 9:00 a.m. **Lions Celebration Breakfast – Ballroom 1**

Doors open at 8:30 AM

- Tail-Twisting
- Parade of Checks
- Auction of Lions Gong (Bell), Boom Box, and Framed Code of Ethics (Proceeds to Leader Dogs for the Blind)