



## 5M9 Service Journal



**We Serve**



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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**United in Kindness and Diversity  
with International President,  
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**

**Dear Lion,**

Together we have accomplished incredible, life-changing work around the world, but that good work has always begun with you. Your kindness and service unites your community in both good times and times of great need. And at all times, in all places around the world, where there is need, there are Lions. That is our strength and the inspiration for my presidential theme, "United in Kindness and Diversity."

This year, we will continue to safely serve our communities. Though we face many new challenges, we will respond as we always have—with kindness, commitment and innovation. I believe that when we serve together, we can unite our communities, and our world, to achieve a greater good for all.

I am honored to continue to serve another year as your International President. It will be my great privilege to stand together with you in service.

Regards,  
**Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**  
International President



Watch a [special video message](#) from President Choi to learn how we will serve "United in Kindness and Diversity" this year. You can also visit his [theme page](#) to read his presidential program and watch his biography video to learn about his service journey and life as a Lion in South Korea.



*District Governor*

*Les Swift*

## **Facing our Challenges**



Facing Our Challenges United in Kindness and Diversity

It is hard to believe how fast the month of July slipped by. It was a very busy and a challenging month with trying to come up with new ideas on how we all can serve are communities with a pandemic challenging are everyday lives. But as Lions always do, we will hold our heads up high and show the world what we can do.

United in Kindness and Diversity is what our International President Jung Yul Choi's message is to all of us. Kindness, Commitment and Innovation may be the way to a brighter future. By addressing global and local causes we can do this by supporting LCIF and showing acts of kindness to others. Most important is keeping Lions clubs healthy and safe. We must do our service safely.

One of the most important challenges we have in front of us today is that our membership has been declining which leaves us with fewer Lions to serve. With more Lions we gain more friends that give us new ideas and hands to do the job. The more hands the lighter the load.

LCI has brought forward a new program, called NAMI that will help us with the declining membership but we do need all your help. Your GAT team has been working hard to get it up and running so please help us launch this program. It will be fun and exciting to see our clubs grow.

We started working on a new club in Jenkins and it has been held up, like everything else with the Corona Virus. But I am happy to say we do have a new club in Jenkins now that is going to be a very exciting new club with a fantastic make up of Veterans and civic minded citizens. We hope to have a charter event on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Hope you all can find a way to help support this new Lions Club.

We were able to hold a safe in person cabinet meeting on July 25<sup>th</sup> at Bluffton. Thank you to the Bluffton Lions for hosting and making it such a safe gathering with social distancing. We learned that we can hold an in person meeting, it does take a little more planning and cooperation from all of us. Believe me it is worth the extra effort.

I hope everyone that was able to attend felt that we were able to address some important issues. We discussed software updates that will help keep our district up to speed. Also a club merger with Cass Lake & Cass Lake Country Lions. We also agreed to help Lions out with off setting Leadership training. If you are interested contact GLT Jay Norby on the training that is available. We also received approval to make some changes as needed to have our Mid-Winter Convention. It is so important that we have one. We will keep you all updated on that.

GLT Jay Norby gave a great presentation on why NAMI is so important to our survival of Lions. We will be talking more about it soon. We did have a great turn out of old and new Zone Chairs & Service Chairs that are all ready to share great new information with us. So please contact them for information and club visits.

One of the most memorable moments is when PDG Sandy Remington presented the MD5M Hall Of Fame award to PDG Judy Brasgalla. PID Judy is so deserving of this award. Congratulations Lion Judy.

Sorry for such a long news letter but so much is happening and so much we as Lions can be doing, as long if we work on doing it safely. We must keep moving forward with our service to help where it is needed. Take a community survey to find out where it is needed most. Thank you to Sue Stebbins for giving me the extra time to do this newsletter.

Kindness Matters,

DG Les Swift

Email <[swiftleslie67@gmail.com](mailto:swiftleslie67@gmail.com)>





**1st Vice District Governor**  
**Jamie Huttunen**  
**Lions Building for Service**



Hello 5m9 Lions

With Lions years just started with New Ideas and New Leadership team for this year with our Multiple and District teams. With some new lions member on the cabinet this year hopefully we get new ideas to see our district grow.

Want to thank PDG Margaret Van Erp for doing a wonderful job on the secretary training at Bluffton, we had 25 member show up to learn how LCI and district reporting works

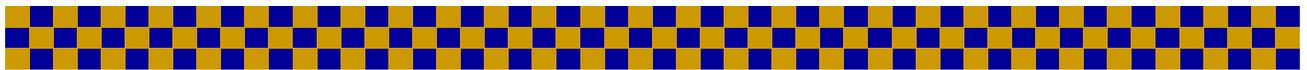
This is why Service reporting is so important to LCI and our District.

How do clubs and district collectively benefit from reporting service? » Reporting Shines a light on how and where local clubs are making a difference in their community. Service reports provide tangible evidence of our global engagement and impact our relationship with our community with service and helping out with different organization in our community. » People want to participate in real, visible change. Service reporting allow clubs to continually engage communities and ultimately grow their member base. Service is a matter of local pride.



In the next few months I will be talking more about service and membership with our new NAMI ( North America Membership Initiative)

1st VDG Jamie Huttunen



# 5M9 Mid-Winter Convention is Postponed



# Scott Rolfe

## 2 Vice District Governor



### SCOTT ROLFE

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, 5M19

#### CONTACT

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WOW! What a start to 2020! After our Convention and a couple Zone Meetings, BOOM! Shut Down! The Best part of all this is being a Lion! Our leadership from our Clubs, Districts all the way to our International Leaders have made it easy for us to adapt to our new way of life. Going forward, I would like to Thank Sandy Remington for her years of service and helping me follow in her footsteps. Also, Congratulations to DG Les Swift and 1st DG Jamie Huttunen, I am honored to be a part of this Great District and this Leadership team. There are Great things happening with our Lions this year and I am excited to be a part of it all. NAMI fits right in with what I am passionate about our Lions. Making a Connection! Connect your Club to the District, get involved with our District, get involved with other clubs, bring everyone to Zone Fairs and Zone Meetings along with potential members. Bring new members and potential members to District Orientation. We are going to have some FUN this year and I would hate for you to miss any of it. Finally, my most sincere Thank You to all who have given me this opportunity to serve.

#### MAKING A CONNECTION!

Go on An Adventure

Visit another Club, Go to a Zone Meeting

Do an Activity Together

Sponsor a District Meeting or Training

Have a Membership Drive

Sponsor a New Member

Keep Everyone Involved

Be a Leader

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# What is NAMI



## (North American Membership Initiative)

It brings to mind the question? What came first, the chicken or the egg. Without membership we will not have strong leadership or service. Without leadership we will not have strong membership or service. And without service, we will not have strong leadership or membership.

In the past when Lions Club International started a drive to increase the number of members in Lions they never came up with a comprehensive plan to help the clubs be successful in increasing their membership. It went from international to the multiple and to the district and never was fully explained to the clubs.

The NAMI initiative started almost a year and a half ago. In the 2019-2020 year, phase one was implemented with test districts throughout North America chosen to implement, expand, put into practice and in some cases rewrite part of the program so it would suit the needs of the districts. The results should be published by the end of July. Phase 2 has started with all districts in North America participating in the beginning of this process. Phase 3 will be starting in the next couple of months where test districts will be chosen to record, study and implement ideas and programs on the zone and club level. This will take another year and next year there should be a comprehensive plan and program in place that will have guidelines and ideas to make every club successful.

So what do we do? In order for this to work we first need to reinvigorate our current members with new service projects and fundraisers. Get every member involved in planning and implementing these new ideas. Encourage and mentor members to step up into leadership positions in your club.

In the coming months you will be receiving ideas for service projects, finding new leaders and ideas and suggestions to increase your membership. Again, without service and leadership you won't find membership. Your GMT Coordinator Lion Jerry Haase, GST Coordinator IPDG Sandy Remington and myself are here to help. Give us a call to arrange a visit.

This is truly a team effort and we want every club to be on board. Your president and secretary should have received a list of the district team to help you in anyway we can. All you have to do is ask.

As Helen Keller said, *"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much"*

PDG Jay Norby  
5M9 GLT Coordinator/NAMI Champion

# MD5M PHOTO CONTEST 2019-2020



## 1st PLACE

LION SHERI GREENWALDT

Hewitt Lions

“Old Mill State Park”

## 2nd PLACE

LION NORM CIFFRA

Nevis Lions

“Island Lake”



## 3rd PLACE

LION MATT SCOTT

Avon Lions

“The Path Less Traveled”

Thank you to all for your support and wonderful pictures. I will be posting all entries on [lionsof5M9.org](http://lionsof5M9.org) and on the 5MD5 Facebook page.  
Lion Rose Puckett, MD5M Environment Chair

## Lions Roar!



### **Aitkin Lions have been active in the Aitkin Community.**

April 27-29 the Aitkin Lions hosted Red Cross at St. John's Lutheran church in Aitkin to do a blood-mobile. We had 131 donors and collected 139 units of blood.

June 6 the Aitkin Lions honored Elaine Bruss a thirty year plus member of the Lions, with a memorial silent parade for her graveside service. 18 cars lined up with signs of condolence and 31 lions wearing their Lions shirts honor Elaine and her family.

June 23-- 15 Aitkin Lions did a two mile highway clean up with homemade ice cream as our ending treat.

June 30 Aitkin Lions put out sixteen Aitkin Lions benches throughout Aitkin Community and the Lions Fountain on Main street of Aitkin. Letting everyone remember the Lions are still at work in our community and "We Serve



**Baxter Lions PDG Dick Stebbins** inducted two new members Missy Best (L) and Granddaughter Karlie Ray former Brainerd Leo.

# Lions



# Detroit Lakes Lions



Armand and Mari Radke delivering some hanging plants, bird feeders and seed to our local DL nursing homes. A donation from the DL Lions Club to Emanuel Nursing Home is pictured. There is a new shelter the **Detroit Lakes Lions** helped to build near our middle school



# Proud Lions



**Battle Lake Lions** awards Melvin Jones Fellow recipient Jon Tamke. Missing was Marlyn Kruschke. Youth Outreach Award to Connie Krusemark.

# Proud Lions



District Governor Les and his wife Terri, together with Past District Governor's Jay and Linda Norby came to experience "Lent in July" with the **Parkers Prairie LIONS** at their Fabulous Fish Fry!! The Event was hosted by Thousand Lakes Brewery in Parkers Prairie.



(left picture) **Osage Lions**  
Bob Mack with President's award for 2019-2020.



Treasurer Larry Frehse received the Lion of the year award for 2019-2020 **Osage Lions**

LION Dave Bunde was recognized as a Melvin Jones Fellow at the **Parkers Prairie LIONS** Annual Steak Fry. Joining him was his wife Nancy and children..... Kevin, Jake and Sarah.



# What's Doing

## RUMMAGE SALE

Friday and Saturday,  
 August 14<sup>th</sup> 8:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
 and  
 August 15<sup>th</sup> 8:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
 Palisade Community Center

Lots of Household and Misc.

Proceeds go back into the community  
 and charitable causes

**Saturday only**  
**Kids - Pick up**  
**free pack of**  
**school supplies**

Pre-K thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade  
 One per student



**Brat &**  
**Hot Dog**  
**Sale, too!**



Sponsored by Palisade Area Lions Club



## Aitkin Lions Garage Sale!

Sept. 3-4  
 8:00-5:00

Aitkin Fairground

**BAKE SALE!**  
**PROCEEDS TO AITKIN LIONS**  
**PROJECTS IN THE COMMUNITY**



## COMMUNITY COOKOUT



Saturday, August 10  
 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

at the Pillager Lake Park

**FREE for the whole community!**

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

- Fishing event for kids ages 12 and under  
 Bring your own pole.
- Yard games for teens and adults
- FREE Carnival games for the kids.
- Bring your own lawn chair if you wish.



**FREE Meal served at noon until food is gone.**

Prize Drawings: (Must be present to win)  
 Adults — \$100 grand prize, many smaller prizes  
 Kids — \$50 grand prize, many smaller prizes

In case of rain, watch Facebook  
 for rescheduled date.  
 If you have questions, call 821-2276.

Sponsored by the Pillager Area Lions Club

Who are the LIONS? We are a local service organization made up of friends and neighbors who want to do good things for our community. We invite anyone to join us as we take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the Pillager community. For more information, call our membership chairman, John Driscoll (851-216-2400).



## MD5M PHOTO CONTEST

July 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021

**"PETS AND CRITTERS"**

### RULES:

- Original work of a Lion or Leo Member
- Submit name, phone number, district, name of the subject, and area where photo was taken
- Only one entry per member
- Photos must not include people
- Submit photo by email in digital format and resolution of 300dpi
- Send photo to: [rcspeckett313@gmail.com](mailto:rcspeckett313@gmail.com)
- Entry will imply consent to use for promotional activities
- Winners determined by committee

First Place \$100.00  
 Second Place \$75.00  
 Third Place \$50.00



**LET'S GET CLICKIN!**

**Congratulations PDG Judy Brasgalla!**  
**2020 5MD Hall of Fame Award**



Immediate Past District Governor Sandy presented **PDG Judy Brasgalla of Cass Lake Lions** with a well deserved 5MD Hall of Fame Award. Congrats PDG Judy!

## District 5M9 Youth Outreach Scholarship application 2020-2021 is now available!

Our college students are home on their summer breaks and now is the best time to let them know about the District 5M9 Youth Outreach Scholarship. This scholarship is available to a college student who is in their final two years of obtaining a degree in a field that leads to a career in working with youth.

The scholarship application is available to download on the 5M9 website: [www.lionsof5m9.org](http://www.lionsof5m9.org) . You can print the cover letter that instructs the students on how they can access the fillable application form or print the entire scholarship to distribute to potential applicants. Keep a few copies available for your club members to reach out to any eligible college students in your community.

A prepared sample newspaper article below is also provided for each club to use for the purpose of promoting the scholarship in your community. Please substitute the names of your area clubs for the ones listed in the article.

### Lions of 5M9 Youth Outreach Scholarship for Newspapers

The Youth Outreach scholarship committee of Lions District 5M9 is offering up to \$12,000 in college scholarships for the 2020-2021 school year. **The application deadline is November 15, 2020.**

Students must be in their final two years of college and have a major which will lead to a career in working with youth. To be eligible the students must have graduated from a high school that is within Lions District 5M9 or their home is in District 5M9. District 5M9 has 66 Lions Clubs and includes the following clubs in this region: Baxter, Brainerd, Merrifield, Nisswa, Pequot Lakes/Breezy Point, Pillager Area, Aitkin, Bay Lake Area, Cuyuna Range, Deerwood Lakes, Garrison, Hill City, Malmo, McGregor, Palisade Area, Backus, Crosslake Ideal, Emily Outing Fifty Lakes, Hackensack, Longville, Northland Remer, and Pine River.

Scholarship applications are available by contacting a Lions member from one of the clubs or downloading the fillable application from [www.lionsof5m9.org](http://www.lionsof5m9.org) . Click on the Youth Outreach image.



2020 - 2021

## LIONS 5M9 YOUTH OUTREACH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Youth Outreach Committee of Lions District 5M9 is offering up to \$12,000.00 in college scholarships. The scholarships will be for the 2020-2021 school year.

**To be eligible to apply for a scholarship a student:** 1. Must be in the last two years of a de-greed college program. Graduate students are not eligible for this scholarship. 2. Have a major in a program which leads to a career in working with youth. 3. Have graduated from a high school that is within District 5M9 or their home is in District 5M9. The student can only receive this scholarship one time.

The Youth Outreach co-chairpersons of District 5M9 shall do the final selecting and awarding of scholarships.

### **Required scholarship application enclosures:**

A transcript of your college grades for all the years you have attended college.

Two letters of recommendation. One should be from your college; an instructor or an adviser and the second letter from a member of your community or a Lions Club member.

Recent photograph; to be used for the awards ceremony if you are selected.

Completed scholarship application including the essay.

### **Criteria used to select recipients:**

College GPA

Involvement in college and outside activities

The two letters of recommendation

The essay portion of the application

**All letters and submissions must be in print form. No hand-written documents will be accepted.**

Any questions: Contact one of the following:

Lion Mike Kern

15545 Big Buck Drive

Menahga, MN 56464

218 849-4577

mjk20030@yahoo.com

Lion Evie Ladd

48372 Great River Road

Palisade, MN. 56469

218-845-2932

evieladd.5@gmail.com



b. List community activities/organizations in which you have been active, including recognitions, awards, etc. which you have received beginning with high school. A separate page may be attached if needed.

ACTIVITY	DATES	LEVEL OF INVOLVEMENT
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Work experiences both out of school and while in school.

Employer	Date of employment	Duties
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Essay: Describe your career goals in a youth related occupation which will utilize the knowledge and skills acquired from your major. (Describe in essay form with a minimum of 250 typed words on an attached page).

The information in this application is true and factual.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**We Serve**  
**BRainerd LIONS PLATINUM JUBILEE 1921-2021**  
**RACING TO SERVE – KINDNESS MATTERS**

5M9 MIDWINTER CONVENTION REGISTRATION JANUARY 8-10, 2021, AT CRAGUN'S ON GULL L

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one: Lion Lioness Leo Guest

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

2021 Lions Title (District level and/or local) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ This is my first 5M9 Convention

\_\_\_ I require handicap seating

\_\_\_ I have dietary needs--Please explain \_\_\_\_\_

**FULL CONVENTION COST**

(includes gift bag, registration, and car)

Cost until Dec. 1, 2020 \$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Pine Wood Derby \$ 30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Cost Dec 2 – Dec 27, 2020 \$156.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Pine Wood Derby \$ 30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

No refunds after December 27, 2020.

**INDIVIDUAL COSTS (Please check the items included)**

Saturday Breakfast \$16.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Lunch \$29.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Governors Banquet \$49.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday Brunch \$27.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Pin \$ 5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Gift Bag \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Pinewood Derby \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

(includes car)

Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please return one registration form for each person attending the convention to:

Amanda Bachman, 406 West Washington Suite #5, #216, Brainerd, MN 56401

Checks to be made out to: Brainerd Lions Club

For information or to pay by credit card, call Nancy Cross at 218-829-9079 or

Email: [ncross00@gmail.com](mailto:ncross00@gmail.com), there is an additional \$3.00 charge to pay by credit.

Room Reservations: Complete a room reservation form provided by Cragun's. The standard room rate for the 2021 convention is \$98.78, which includes all taxes, per night payable directly to Cragun's.

Postponed

**PREFERRED LODGING HELD UNTIL  
December 4, 2020**

(Room Rates honored after December 4 but  
room AVAILABILITY is NOT GUARANTEED)  
\$50 deposit required with reservation  
Credit/Debit Card/personal check must accompany form.  
Deposits will be processed upon receipt of form.

District: Lions 5M0  
 Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Arrive/Depart Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print clearly  
 Confirmations will be sent to the above e-mail address.  
 E-mail address will not be used for special offers by Cragun's.  
 Please do NOT send me e-mail specials from Cragun's  
**PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION  
WITHIN 2 WEEKS FROM THE TIME YOU SEND US THE FORM**

**DEPOSIT METHOD OF PAYMENT**

All Deposits will be processed upon receipt of form.  
 Check (Send with form - Payable to Cragun's)  
 Credit/Debit Card (Card charged upon receipt of form)  
 Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover/ Card Accepted  
 Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL FORM (No phone reservations)**  
 Cragun's Resort & Hotel on Gull Lake  
 11000 Craguns Drive, Brainerd, MN 56401  
 Fax Number: (218) 825-2727  
 Website: [www.craguns.com](http://www.craguns.com)  
 Questions email: [Lbourassa@craguns.com](mailto:Lbourassa@craguns.com)

**CRAGUN'S LODGING RESERVATION FORM**  
 Lions 5M-9 – January 8 - 10, 2021

**PACKAGE INCLUDES**

- Lodging: (Friday and/or Saturday, nightly rates)
- Sales tax

Please X nights to reserve:  Friday  Saturday

Two-night reservations are given priority lodging.  
 Rooms assigned first come, first served. If the type you  
 choose is not available, you will be placed in the next  
 available type at the adjusted rate.

All Rooms are Non-Smoking - \$300.00 charge for smoking  
 in a non-smoking room. Any additional cleaning or  
 damage to rooms will be charged accordingly.

**Lakeview Fireplace Room:** Spacious room  
 king or two queen beds, fireplace, refrigerator, microwave,  
 coffeemaker, TV, balcony on lake side.  
 All non-smoking rooms

- \$99.86 per night up to 4 people per room

**Pool Area Room:** Large rooms with full  
 TV, coffee maker, refrigerator, microwave, toilet  
 overlook indoor pool.

- All non-smoking rooms.
- \$99.86 per night up to 4 people per room.
- Clubs having hospitality have priority in rooms.
- If your club wants a hospitality room, please contact  
 Rocky Biles  
 @ 218 825-2855.
- All other pool area rooms are available.

**CRAGUN'S SHUTTLE SERVICE PROVIDE ON-SITE  
 SHUTTLE SERVICE FROM SLEEPING  
 ROOM & EVENT LOCATIONS**

**ROOM OCCUPANCY**

Total # of people in room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Names of all adults \_\_\_\_\_  
 Names & ages of kids \_\_\_\_\_  
 Allergies \_\_\_\_\_  
 House Linen \_\_\_\_\_

and security reasons, Cragun's will not assign  
 roommates.

**DAILY ARRIVAL/STAYOVER RATE**

like to arrive a day early, Thursday, or stayover  
 Friday, at the special rate of \$99.86 per room (includes  
 tax), no meals included. Please X below.

Thursday  Sunday  
 (Room will be held until 12 noon the following day)

**SPECIAL REQUESTS**

(i.e. room accessibility, dietary needs, etc.)

Please Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**CRAGUN'S HAS A NO PET POLICY  
 PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF  
 CERTIFIED SERVICE ANIMALS REQUIRED**

**Cancellation/Refund/No Show Policy:**

- Less than 30 days prior to arrival: NO DEPOSIT REFUND.
- All 30 days or more prior to arrival: REFUND less \$40 processing fee.
- No Show (arrival night) – NO DEPOSIT REFUND  
 (Room will be held until 12 noon the following day).

You are responsible for the dates indicated on this reservation form.  
 25248 PM

Complete 1 Form Per Person or Couple.  
 Make A Copy Of This Form For Your Records.



# Global Service Team

Here we are in the start of a new Lions year. The 5M9 Global Action Team is up and running. I am proud to be serving with team members Global Leadership Chair Jay Norby, Global Memberships Chair Jerry Haase and Lions Club International Foundation Chairs Zelda and Larry Novak and Tom Plagman. I'm the newbie in the group, and as your Global Service Chair, I will be covering SERVICE. I would be delighted to come to your club and share ideas, thoughts, guidance on Service Projects and reporting such projects.

I am also looking for people who would be interested in serving on my team to get these messages out to the district. The work load would be light; a few club visits, keeping in touch with each other and sharing ideas and information.

Just drop an email to [purplesandy07@gmail.com](mailto:purplesandy07@gmail.com) and we can talk.

.Some of our goals for the district this year include

1. 90% of the clubs will designate a Service Chair in their club.
2. 90% of clubs are reporting their service projects on My Lion.
3. Each club will do at least 5 service projects this year. These projects will be in each of the five initiatives Lions are featuring this year. Those are Hunger, Vision, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer, and Environment.
4. Our district will serve 5,000 people this year. This sounds like a lot, but when you break it down per club, it comes to a little under 80 people per club. At 5 projects per club, that's 16 people per project. That's a much more doable number. We should be able to pass that 5K number with no problem!

Some fall service project ideas are

: Raking leaves for the elderly or handicapped, mulching community gardens, roadside and cemetery cleanup's, mentoring school children, Reading program, reading or shopping for those unable to get out, collecting plastic bags for recycle, making blankets for children undergoing Cancer therapies.

As your GST Chair, I will be meeting with the other GST Chairs in the Multiple District and our MD5M GST Coordinator. We are all working to encourage clubs to designate a Service Chair at the club level, who is coordinating projects in your community and doing the reporting of those projects. If any one has questions about how to do these things, contact that email above and we will walk you through the reporting and give you some ideas for developing projects for your community.

IPDG Cassandra (Sandy) Remington, 5M9 GST Chair



## 5M9 District Governor Les Swift Club Visit Form



Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club Location \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Dates for Club Visit: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice

\_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice

\_\_\_\_\_

Time Club Meeting Begins: \_\_\_\_\_

When does your Social Hour Start? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a Board of Directors Meeting? Yes No

Would you like the DG to attend your Board of Directors Meeting? Yes No

Are there other Lions, or Leo Clubs involved for the DG visit? Yes No

Please list other Clubs

\_\_\_\_\_

Will you have Meal? Yes No

Lion, or Leo, requesting the Governor's visit:

\_\_\_\_\_

Club contact telephone #

Email address

\_\_\_\_\_

Will the Governor be expected to install officers: Yes No

If yes, please send names of new officers. If inducting new members, please have the LCI New Member Kit with Pin and signed Certificate.

Will the Governor be expected to give out awards to club members: Yes No

If yes, please send information stating the awards and the names of those receiving the awards. Please have awards, certificates, pins, or changes in installation or inductee ceremony available when I arrive for the Governor's visit. I am looking forward to coming to visit with your club!!

Please mail to: District Governor Les Swift, 11889 57<sup>th</sup> Ave .SW,  
Pillager, MN. 56473,

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## DISTRICT GOVERNOR LES'S CALENDAR

### August

2nd Parkers Prairie Fall Fest  
4th GLT Meeting 8pm  
5th GAT meeting 8pm  
13 Lions Meeting 7pm  
16 DG meeting 8pm  
30th Guiding Lions Training 6 9pm

### September

10th Lions Meeting 7pm  
11-12 personal  
14th Cass Lake Club Visit  
25th class reunion  
28th- 30th personal



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