

# NORTH DAKOTA LION



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## Campaign SightFirst II gets organized

By PID BRUCE SCHWARTZ

Fifteen years ago the original Campaign SightFirst was conducted with such great success that Lions Clubs International decided to do another campaign. It's called CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II, has PIP Tae Sup Lee as its worldwide chairperson, has a goal of US\$200,000,000 and is set up to run for three years.

**YEAR ONE (2005-06):** Planning, organization and preparation. Lead gifts and corporate gifts are requested. Model Clubs are recruited and begin fund-raising.

**YEAR TWO (2006-07):** Clubs set goals and begin fund-raising activities. Lead gifts and Model Club activities continue.

**YEAR THREE (2007-08):** Clubs complete fund-raising. Lead Gift effort concludes. All reporting is completed. Success is celebrated at Bangkok International Convention!

CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II is organized worldwide according to LCI Constitutional Areas. The United States, Bermuda and the Bahamas comprise Constitutional Area I. Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota are in Constitutional Area I (West) which is designated as National/Multi-National Area I-7 with PID Ross Thorfinnson of Minnesota as its coordinator.

National/Multi-national Area I-7 is broken down further with North Dakota and South Dakota making up Sector I-7-D, of which I am sector coordinator.

Sector I-7-D (ND & SD) is divided by Lions districts with each having a district coordinator.

Districts are broken down into club groupings with no more than eight clubs in a group similar to and in some cases exactly like our current zones. Each group has a group coordinator.

The following shows the leadership personnel for Sector I-7-D (ND & SD).

**DISTRICT 5SW – Neil Vollmer,**  
**District Coordinator**

Group Coordinators: Kenneth Wetz, Richard Drabek, Wanda Mitchell, Galen

Jones, Gary Watzel, LeRoy Steiger, Mike Sprenger and Phil Pearson

**DISTRICT 5NE – Katherine Tweed,**  
**District Coordinator**

Group Coordinators: Terra Boettcher, David Dokken, Rick Swenson, Lori Scheel, Mike Martin and Larry Saylor

**DISTRICT 5SE – Delmer Hofer,**  
**District Coordinator**

Group Coordinators: Sharon Paranto, Bruce Zegzda, Barbara Stephans, Cindy Iversen, Don Lagge, Roger/Joyce Klinghagen, Roger Braaten and Katherine French.

**DISTRICT 5NW – Dale Ekstrom,**  
**District Coordinator**

Group Coordinators: Austin Engel, Vern Fredricks, Kim Steffan, Mark Koller, Dave/ Linda Czywczynski and Dennis

Bratlien

**DISTRICT 5NC – Brach Johnson,**  
**District Coordinator**

Group Coordinators: LeRoy Haas, Andy Schmidt, Dan Vondrachek, Tim Thueson, Marvin Wierengra and Lisa Maki/Sheila Miller

Congratulations, kudos and thank yous go out to all of these Lions for volunteering to lead the CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II effort in North Dakota and South Dakota. It is a big job and will require the cooperation of all Lions Clubs to be successful.

My goal for Sector I-7-D (ND & SD) is to raise more money per capita than the Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska sectors. I think we can do it!



**CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II**  
LIONS' VISION FOR ALL

**PASSION:** There are many things in life that will catch your eye, but only a few will catch your heart—pursue those!

**The Funnies:** If you want to keep your teenager out of hot water, just put some dirty dishes in it.

### MD5 Committee Chairman Positions Open:

Leadership, Membership, Extension, Retention & Pin

The MD5 Council of Governors would like to inform all Lions of Multiple District 5 that there are Five- (5) committee chairman positions becoming available as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The term of these positions will be from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009. If you have an interest in any of the above positions and would like a job description and application, please contact the Council of Governors Secretary-Treasurer:

Mike Brand, 340 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072-832

Phone/fax: 701-845-3204

Email: [vc1ion@msn.com](mailto:vc1ion@msn.com)

**Deadline for all applications will be March 1st, 2006**

# "What's Goin' On"



## Dickinson Lions

### State Pinochle Tournament

**When:** Saturday/Sunday  
March 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2006

**Where:** Dickinson Eagles  
Dickinson, N.D.

**Entrance Fee:** \$50 per team

**Contact Person:** Terry Scheer 701-225-9681  
Don Kosteletzky 701-483-9921

**Reg. Deadline:** March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006



1<sup>st</sup> Place  
\$1,000

You are invited to participate in the  
**Fargo Lions**

## Take The Cake

*Auction*

Proceeds go to charitable projects  
supported by the Fargo Lions Club

**Sunday, Feb. 12**

**2 to 4 p.m.**

*(Doors open at 2 p.m. ~ Auction begins at 2:30 p.m.)*

*at the*

**Ramada Plaza Suites**

The event is open to the public. General Admission \$5\*  
Cake and beverages provided to all ticket holders.

\*As a participating individual and/or organization, you will receive  
a packet of complimentary tickets for your group.

#### 2 Levels of Competition:

##### Professional Cake Decorators

##### Amateur Cake Decorators

Specifications for submission of a cake:

~ Cakes may not have a base greater than 20  
inches in diameter

and may not be taller than 15 inches.

~ Cakes should be made in a licensed kitchen  
(churches, schools, licensed bakeries,  
restaurants)

~ Participating organizations and groups must  
bring their cakes

to the Ramada Plaza Suites by 11:00 noon on Sunday,  
February 12th.

A group of Fargo dignitaries will present several awards

For professionals and amateurs, including:

Best Commemoration of a February Holiday ~ Most Original Design

~ Most Patriotic Design ~ Most Pleasing to the Eye

**For more information,**

**please contact Fargo Lions Club**

**(Sarah @ 701-212-3128)**



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**Lions Foundation  
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**Lions Foundation of ND**

**Board Meeting**

**Oct 28, 2005**

**International Inn, Minot, ND**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

**5NE** PDG Larry Sayler, Lion Rita Harris, DG Al Kahlbaugh, VDG Katherine Tweed,  
Sec. Lion Salli Lou Anderson

**5NC** Pres. PDG Chris Helegesen, DG Marian Johnson, VDG Carla Bender, PDG  
Garry Freier

**5NW** DG Chuck Whitney, VDG Herman Schafer, Lion Jan Froemming

**Guests:** PDG Gerald Sletmoe-5NE, PDG Dennis Anderson-5NE, PDG Sam  
Kaufman, -5NE, PDG Oscar Sorenson-5NE, Lion Stu Merry. ND Lion Editor-5NC, PDG  
Ed Gruneett-5NW. PDG Jack Stewart-5NW

The meeting was called to order at 1:16PM Oct 28, 2005 by Pres Helegesen. He  
welcomed the Board Members and guests.

The secretary's minutes were approved as printed.

The Treasurer's report is for all of last year. The books have been audited and the  
taxes filed. Motion to accept by Lion Froemming and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Johnson. We currently  
have \$85,518.55, but \$16,883. is designated funds. We have \$56,053.05 in CD's.

Pres. Helegesen thanked PDG Sorenson for his past service and his faithful work  
with the Foundation. PDG Sorenson responded with thanked the past members for their  
help and commented positively on how the corpus has grown over the past few years.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Pres. Helegesen reminded us that we still have raffle tickets left to sell for the vest  
with all the pins on it that PDG Voegele has donated as a fund-raiser. The drawing will  
be on Sunday morning at the state meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Newspaper:** The paper is doing well and PDG Helegesen says he has had no  
complaints. Returned postage costs have improved. VGD Tweed asked that the other  
DG's and VDG's from the MultiDistrict receive the paper. Motion by DG Whitney and  
PDG Sayler, Motion Carried. VDG Tweed will take care of getting the names and  
addresses to the paper. It was noted that the DG's are getting reimbursed at a higher rate  
than before for the paper. They each receive \$600 per year now instead of \$300. The  
subscription rate for the newspaper is \$5/year for US delivery and \$10/year for Canadian  
delivery for folks who are not ND Lions.

**White Cane Day:** PDG Voegele has all the White Cane day supplies with him and  
the Foundation will have a table where clubs can pick them up. Foundation members are  
needed to help staff the table during convention. We will also be selling raffle tickets for  
the pin filled vest at the booth.

**Vision USA** – DG Whitney gave the report. A letter went out from the ND Optometry  
Association to all the clubs. He is for a resolution for \$2/Lions member from all the  
Lions of ND. This is now a 12-month program and has been working much better the  
last year.

**ByLaws** – DG Marian Johnson states that that changes to the bylaws have been  
published in the ND Lion and sent to all the clubs statewide. The proposed changes will  
be voted upon at the State meeting.

**Lions In Action** – President Helgesen stated that he had appointed PDG Grunett to  
chair this committee. PDG Grunett's says that we have accomplished quite a bit this  
year. We have a new site manager for the concession stand at the Ralph and we are  
making progress. He has 6 committees set up for this project and several meetings have  
been held. Our menu has changed somewhat and we are still experimenting. We are  
looking for Lion club members to volunteer.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Future meetings will be held the same day of the eye bank meetings.

PDG Helegesen shared a fund raising project that Schwann's sponsors.

Our next meeting will be in January, date to be announced.

No other business.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lion Salli Lou Anderson  
Secretary

**Memorials**

Valley City Lions Club  
In Memory of Maggie Machayya

**Sustaining Memberships ~ \$10 each**

Duane Zwinger, Mary Ann Zwinger, Donald  
C. Duerre and Jacquelyn J. Duerre

**Designated Funds**

**Katrina Relief:**

Mott Lions Club ..... \$298.45

**Vision USA:**

Devils Lake ..... \$100

Edgeley ..... \$50

Dickinson Noon ..... \$20

Gackle ..... \$60

Hurdsfield ..... \$50

Lake Metigoshe ..... \$82

LaMoure ..... \$60

Linton ..... \$200

Minot ..... \$500

Minot Knight Riders ..... \$50

Minot Magic City ..... \$60

Robinson ..... \$50

Wilton ..... \$50

Dickinson ..... \$100

Your Foundation Board extends a  
sincere **Thank You** to all of you  
for your continued support!

PDG Chris D. Voegele, treasurer  
Lions Foundation of North Dakota

**ATTN:**

**Club Secretaries**

On Dec. 16, 2004 I mailed a  
letter to all of the secretaries in  
the State asking for a current  
membership list. I included a  
stamped, self-addressed envelope  
for you to use. As of today, 1/3/  
06 I still need to hear from 63  
clubs.

PLEASE-PLEASE-PLEASE  
do this today if you have not  
returned this yet. To all of the  
secretaries that have returned the  
lists to me, A GREAT BIG  
THANK YOU.



Lion Stu Merry  
editor

## NOTICE "Thank You Lions!"

Fellow Lions:

Thank you for the overwhelming support of the ND LION.  
If you do not see your photos or news items in this month's Lion,  
rest assured it will be in next month.

Submissions are growing.  
Lions, keep up the good work!

# Support your Foundation

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Club

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☐ \$10.00

☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## LIONS FOUNDATION OF NORTH DAKOTA INC CLUB MEMBERSHIP



FOR

Name

Address

Club

☐ \$1,000 - Diamond Club

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☐ \$300 - Silver Club

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☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 100 % Club

*\*Check here if all your club members  
are sustaining members for this year.*

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I am writing this on Jan. 3, 2006, which means the second half of the Lions year has begun! I have had a terrific first 6 months as being District Governor and am looking forward to having another 6 months of great enjoyment! Melody and I hope that you all enjoyed the Christmas season and wish everyone a great Lions year in 2006!!

Our December was busy with the usual

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hustle and bustle of the season but we were able to make some Lions Clubs visitations! We attended the Carrington Lions Christmas Party and Zone Chairman Duane Zwinger made sure we felt at home for our visit! The dinner was festive and fabulous, especially with the chocolate fountain dessert table! We also visited the Devils Lake Lions for dinner and then attended the zone meeting held there that night. I also had the pleasure of attending all three Grand Forks Lions Clubs and had the privilege of inducting new members at each of the clubs! CONGRATULATIONS and WELCOME to all new Lions members!

I am thinking of what subjects need to be addressed at this time. One is the charity we may think about contributing to. As always, each Lions Club decides who are the recipients. My only function is to suggest some that you may consider and which you may have forgotten about. Two of those that come to mind are LCIF and Sight First II. I do not mandate any of the national funds but only suggest them for you to think about.

Sight First II is a continuation of or Sight First I. There are vast numbers of people who have had their sight preserved because of the efforts of Lions International. These are the programs that affect millions of humans either directly or indirectly. The cost of caring for a blind person is far greater than the cost of preventing blindness in the first place.

January is looking to be a very busy month for visitations and other meetings. As of this date, Sheldon Lions, Davenport Lions, and Larimore Turtle River Lions have their dates set. All the remaining clubs have been contacted or have dates

set for later in the year. Thank you to all of the club secretaries and presidents for being very flexible when I call for my visitation. I arrange for visits to cut down on distance to travel whenever possible. Clubs with special events get consideration on my schedule. Weather is also a consideration when traveling. December is a case-in-point. Melody and I were to go to the Arthur Lions but bad weather caused us to cancel.

Before this letter is published, I will have had my third cabinet meeting on Jan. 7, at Valley City. This year I am moving the cabinet meetings around the district. This way all members have a break when it comes to the distance and time involved with going to the meeting. At this meeting we will be discussing general Lions issues and the big topic of MEMBERSHIP! Also to be discussed will be the proposed 5NE Lions Spring Rally which will possibly be at Casselton in April. DG Elect Katherine Tweed and VDG Elect John Dobbs will be in charge of this rally. You will read more information on this in the next newsletter.

On Jan. 21, the ND Eye Bank and The Lions Foundation of ND will meet in Bismarck. The eye bank meeting will take place in the a.m. and the Foundation will meet in the p.m. I hope this will work out to save on traveling expense. This means the six directors who are on both boards won't make the double trip to Bismarck, which will result in reduced expense for the three districts of North Dakota.

In closing, I wish to thank all Lions for all your hard work and the service that you do for your fellow man! Let's keep the PASSION TO EXCEL theme going into the New Year ahead of us!!

District Governor  
Al Kahlbaugh



## MD5 Convention

Lions Under Construction: Building for the 21st Century

**Dates: June 8-10, 2006**

Most sessions and activities will be at Ramada Plaza Suites in Fargo, just across the street from the region's largest shopping center. Call 701-277-9000 for reservations at the Ramada. Many other hotels and motels are in the vicinity. If you want to park a camper, contact the Ramada as soon as possible.

### Club Secretaries:

Please send information and a photograph of those Lions who should be remembered at the Necrology Memorial Service to Lion VDG John Dobbs, 2450 Lilac Lane NE, Fargo, ND 58102 or [johnita13@netzero.net](mailto:johnita13@netzero.net).

The final date for submission is **May 15**. Please submit full names, spelled correctly, of those who passed on since the Spearfish MD5 convention.

If you have questions, please call Lion Robert Littlefield, 218.236.1109.

Please send the materials as soon as possible.



*See you with your hardhat and Lions heart!*

## ***Grand Forks***



### **Lighting up the holiday**

Photos of some displays taken at Christmas in the Park in Grand Forks. This is a major fundraiser put on by the three Grand Forks Lions Clubs and has turned into a yearly event enjoyed by the community. The event features about 50 displays constructed by local groups and is held at Lincoln Drive Park.

## ***Leonard***



Leonard Lions Beef & Turkey Bingo Night held Nov. 19, 2005. Pictured are Hubert Blegen, Chairman. Proceeds to Little Pre-School on the Prairie, ND Eye Bank, Leonard's Summer Youth Programs.

# 5NC



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↑ **New e-Mail!**

January affects people in different ways. My husband Brach, who is in a competitive business, dreads the New Year, because after a year of achieving goals and working upwards, January means starting all over again from the bottom. On the other hand, for many of us, January means a fresh start, a new beginning. In writing this article, I decided to concentrate

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on some projects which we should consider anew.

One program which will soon undergo a new start is the Peace Poster Contest for 2006. By Jan. 15 of each year, Lions International announces its new theme for the next year's Peace Posters, according to Lion Lisa Olson of Minot Plum Valley, who is our 5NC Peace Poster Chairman.

I would really like to see more participation in this fine program than we have seen up to now. Lion Lisa will be getting information to the ND LION and to the clubs of 5NC as to how we can promote this program in our local schools. This program is not costly!

A kit is only \$7.95, and it includes all of the information you will need to sponsor a contest. Watch for Lion Lisa's information, or check on the Lions International Web site, [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) to get the latest details. (click on "Other Programs", and then "Peace Poster Contest"). The Web site currently shows a number of last year's winning posters. I have seen these posters in person at several International Conventions, and I cannot look at them without tears welling up in my eyes. It is so touching to see the artwork of these talented 11- to 13-year-olds and to read their quotes of what peace means to them.

Another area of concern is gaining members. Wait, you say, that's not new! But, as you can see from Membership Chairman Chris Helgesen's article last month, there is a new wrinkle. As an incentive, the 5NC Cabinet has authorized a rebate of the induction fee (\$25) for each new member after Dec. 1 - man or woman. However, we can only cover this cost for **the first 25 new members** whose clubs apply to Tim Johnson, the District Treasurer, for the reimbursement. So if you have a prospective member in mind, do not hesitate. In addition, according to an e-mail I received

just after Christmas, the Lions International Board has also approved two "entrance fee" rebates: 1) for spouses of current members, but they must join the same club as the spouse, and 2) for former members who are re-joining. Please make your members, and your treasurers, aware of these possibilities for saving your new member some money, or your club, if they traditionally pay this fee. The International rebates are in force through June 30, 2006. Let's get busy inviting friends, neighbors, and relatives to join us in this great organization!

We are also beginning several new extension efforts. My goal at the beginning of the year was to start a Lions Club in Rollette County, a Campus Lions Club at the University of Mary, and a new Leo Club at Bishop Ryan in Minot. Easy to say, but now we have the work ahead of us! We are just in the beginning stages of all of these efforts. If any of you would like to work with one of these areas, please contact me, and we'll add you to the team. As Woodrow Wilson once said, "I don't just use all the brains I have, but all the brains I can borrow." I need to borrow some brains for these projects—I promise to give them back!

My brand new calendar tells me that the following visitations are coming up:

Jan. 27-Lake Metigoshe's 25th Anniversary  
Feb. 8-Lehr Lions

Feb. 9-Hurdsfield Lions  
Feb. 11-McClusky, DJ Dance  
& Dessert Competition

Feb. 13-Bismarck Lions at Noon  
Feb. 13-Garrison Lions in evening  
Feb. 16-Braddock Ladies Night  
Feb. 27-Wishek Ladies Night

New challenges, new life, new options! That's what January is all about! I'm excited to get on with the rest of my year. Now if I can just find a way to cheer Brach up.

**e-mailing to the ND LION!**

**\*NOTE; NEW e-mail address**

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### Kevin Vannett

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## 5NC 2nd Annual "Spring Into Action" Leadership Conference

District 5NC 2nd Annual "Spring Into Action" Leadership Conference is scheduled for Saturday, April 1, 2006, in Bismarck. The conference will be at the Best Western Doublewood Inn and is going to be bigger and better than the first – and that is going to be hard to accomplish. The first was attended by nearly 80 Lions, who had the choice of 16 seminars to attend. This year will be trying to make the seminars more diverse but still relevant to Lions. The following are a few seminars that are planned for the 2nd conference:

- The computer mobile lab will again be available. Do you have questions on how to use the Internet, developing club Web site, using the computer to manage your club's activities, sending reports to Lions Clubs International or to the District Governor? A professional computer trainer will answer all these questions and more.
- Long meetings are a problem with most clubs. A seminar on parliamentary procedures and how to conduct a meeting will be available.
- Are you reluctant to take leadership roles in Lions because you are not familiar with duties and responsibility of the position? Problem solved. Seminars on duties of club presidents, secretaries, and treasurers as well as seminars for district offices will be offered.
- Communication a problem? A professional speech instructor will present a seminar on Public Speaking and Communication.
- There will be a seminar on orientation for new lion members. One key aspect for keeping new member is to make sure they understand what Lions is all about and getting the new member involved in club activities. This seminar will help accomplish these goals.
- The noon luncheon will provide us with the opportunity to hear a motivational and entertaining speaker. This year the Luncheon speaker will be Dr. Bob Edwards, Senior Pastor at the First Presbyterian Church of Minot. Dr. Edwards is a widely known motivation speaker who introduces a good portion of humor in his presentation. You will be entertained as well as informed.

You may think this is an April Fools joke when you hear the cost. The cost is \$15 per person in advance and \$20 the day of the conference. This price includes the noon lunch. However, if you can only attend the noon luncheon, the cost is \$10. Spouses are welcome to attend.

There is more. You will have the opportunity to win a Melvin Jones Fellowship for your club. The club can then present it to a member of its choice. The value of this Award is \$1000.

### **Conference Registration Form**

Second Annual District 5NC

"Spring into Action" Leadership Conference

Saturday, April 1, 2006

9 a.m.

Best Western Doublewood Inn (701-258-7000)

1400 East Interchange Avenue

Bismarck, ND 58501

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Club Affiliation</u>
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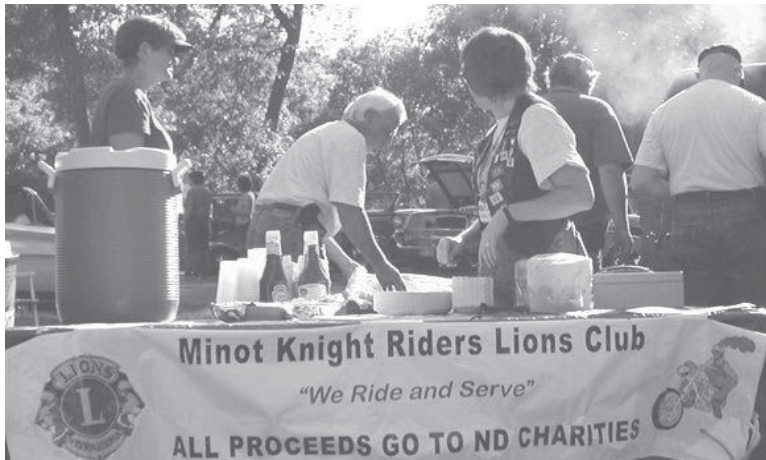
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**Bismarck, ND 58503.**

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## Minot's Knight Riders



From left, Alice Knopp, Randy Arneson and Deb Wierenga getting ready to feed the masses of people.



Keith Rensland, Marvin Wierenga, Paul Erickson & Mike Knopp busy turning Hamburgers and Hot Dogs for one of the many fundraisers. The grill is 8 feet long that is mounted to a 12-foot trailer, runs off of LP. We have also added a deep freezer to keep the food cold.



This event was  
"At the Hop" in Oak Park-Minot.



From left, Paul Erickson, The Good Fryer (Romeo and Juliet), Keith Rensland and Marvin Wierenga. We sell turkey legs, steak and chicken on a stick, hamburger, hot dogs and refreshments for "Shakespeare in the Park". The Grill can do 50 turkey legs at a time.

# 5NW



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Fellow Lions of 5 NW

As I sit down to write this letter to you it is early January and Christmas is over for another year. As have been your lives these past few weeks, so has been mine: so busy I needed an appointment with myself to catch myself before the next place I needed to be. It has been a time of meetings and greetings as my oldest kids have been home for Christmas (sorry you politically correct folks out there, I just celebrated Christ's birthday not some "holiday") and we try to cram in as much as we can with them before they leave



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again. Yesterday the oldest left to go back to Grand Forks and Terri took down the tree and now our family has the specter of January/February winter in front of us. But wait a minute, the second oldest is here until Sunday and we have lots going on yet, so Whitney's take heart!

How many of us spend days and weeks and maybe months preparing for Christmas only to feel somehow let down at its rapid passage and the not so welcome extra pounds we have after all the goodies have been eaten and now we literally have to clean up from the holiday? In our house, that certainly seems like the way it goes.

For many of you there were visits with kids and grandkids that also mark this time of year as special even if Santa only visited some members of our households! Without meaning to sound too preachy, let's all try to remember the greatest gift of all was received on the evening of Dec. 24, and that gift does not wear out nor break and never goes out of style. The second greatest gift has to be our families and friends, who unfortunately can break and can wear out, but we love them nonetheless. At this time of year, it's wonderful to have them near us and to remember with fondness those who cannot be.

With many of my patients this has been a time of remembrance as well as celebration, and I hope it has been a healing and happier time for each of you. I find it is a time that I want to reach out and touch someone to paraphrase the old AT&T commercial; I thank you for the opportunity to do just that. This past month I have been to several Lions Christmas parties and felt privileged to share that time with you. I hope that you too have been able to do the same for others around you, and I have hope for our communities because I see you doing just that as Lions Clubs and as members of Lions Clubs.

I am often amazed at how well people will "get along" during this season and that too gives me hope. I'm not too big on the issue of New Year's Resolutions, but if there is one I hope to follow and I wish for you it's that I hope to and will work to try to always engage my brain before I release my mouth so that maybe this year the spirit of Christmas can last a lot longer. My second one is a perennial one ... as timeliness may be next to Godliness, but I'm afraid that may not be within this visitor's soul! The try is always worth the effort.

As many of you know, I have largely finished my club visitations. I have several clubs left to go and several that I will see a

second time. My job is far from over as there are 6 months left before Lion Herman takes over. For the second half of our year there are a few goals to be met. When I took office we were losing members and many of you have done splendid work recruiting new members, but there is more to do.

As I have said to you when I visited your clubs, it's not just the numbers, but the fellowship and the service we can do with more help. Some of that help is sitting right next to you at your meeting. Some of that helps life next door or with you at Church or at work. This year and every year to come, let's try to appreciate that help and ASK that help to join us. We have regenerated ourselves several times over with new members who often don't stay. It's NOT that Lions isn't worth it because WE know it is, but often that we expect that new Lion to know what we know. The other half of that is that WE don't know what THEY know, and sometimes the solution to some project or club problem is no further away than a question to someone we may feel doesn't know anything because he/she is so new to our club! Reach out and touch someone. I have faith in you that you will.

As I finish up this letter to you I would also like to leave you with a thought for the future. If Lionism has meant some thing to you shouldn't you leave it with something when you are not there? Life will go on as we all know, but we can help shape that future too.

Membership is one way. Helping lead or helping with projects is another way. I know it's not easy to stick your hand up at a meeting, so if that doesn't work for you, speak to the chairperson after the meeting and get involved. You'll be glad you did. Just a gentle reminder that you should be thinking about club elections and new officers. Traditionally, we should be looking this month, asking and volunteering next month and holding elections in March. Put your thinking caps on, because your club needs you however you can help.

If there is some special event that you want me to come to, let me know. It has always been a pleasure to come and see you and I will be glad to do that if I can. In the meantime, I wish you all a 12-month wonder of Christmas Spirit and a Happy Healthy 2006.

Yours in Lionism,  
Chuck Whitney  
District Governor





## Williston



### Club member bids farewell

The Williston Lions gathered at First National Bank & Trust recently to wish Lion Tom Tietz best wishes on his new position he is taking in South Dakota. Lion Tom was an employee of First National Bank for 19 years and very active in the Williston community. Tom was a member and secretary of the Williston Noon Lions, officer for the National Hard Spring Wheat Show, served on the Chamber Ag Committee and the Upper Missouri Valley Fair Board. PDG Dorothy Polson presented Lion Tom Tietz with a plaque for his years of service as secretary for the Williston Lions.





# North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame



## Selection Guide

### Section A

**Description** (On separate sheet(s) list office and year or as requested)

1. Each year Active, Privileged, or Member at Large Lion.
2. Each year Club Office of President, Club Secretary and/or Treasurer.
3. Each year Club Board Member (not as President, Secretary or Treasurer).
4. Each year Club Committee Chairman.
5. Each year Program Presenter, Club, District, State and/or Multiple.
6. Each year District Governor or International Office.
7. Each year Vice District Governor (or Deputy District Governor).
8. Each year District Cabinet Secretary or Treasurer.
9. Each year Region Chairman or Zone Chairman.
10. Each year appointed as member of District Cabinet.
11. Each year State Chairperson of a Lions function.
12. Each year as North Dakota Lions Foundation President.
13. Each year as North Dakota Lions Foundation Secretary and/or Treasurer.
14. Each year as North Dakota Lions Foundation Board Member.
15. Each year as North Dakota Lions Eye Bank President.
16. Each year as North Dakota Eye Bank Secretary and/or Treasurer.
17. Each year North Dakota Lions Eye Bank Board Member.
18. Each year Multiple District 5 Council Chairman
19. Each year Multiple District 5 Chairperson (does not apply to council members)
20. State Conventions attended (list year and city)
21. Multiple District conventions attended (list year and city)
22. International Conventions attended (list year and city)
23. USA/CANADA Forums attended (list year and city)
24. Melvin Jones Fellow (list year)
25. 100% District Governor Award
26. Club President Excellence Award
27. 100% Club Secretary Award
28. Hosting Foreign Exchange Student(s) (list year, student's name and home country).

### **Section B**

#### **Description**

1. Each sponsored new Lion Member (must include a printout from Lions International listing new members sponsored)
2. Guiding Lion (one year only – list year and club)
3. Extension Award
4. Awards received from Club, District and International.

### **Section C**

Prepare a written personal resume including name, marital status, family, occupation, when and where joining Lionism. Include all achievements outside of Lionism, volunteer work and other associations and personal recognition.

### **Section D**

Nominee Certification: I certify that the information I have provided is a true and accurate rendering taken from personal and club records.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print or type)

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ (daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ (evenings)

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB CERTIFICATION: We certify that the information we have provided is a true and accurate rendering taken from Club records and other verifiable sources.

PRESIDENT: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print or type)

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print or type)

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominations must be postmarked **NO LATER THAN SATURDAY MAY 27, 2006**

**This nomination from must be signed by nominee, Club President and Club Secretary and returned along with the information submitted for points in Sections A and B and the resume in Section C for consideration by the Hall of Fame Committee.**

Other Items To Include In Application:

4 x 5 or smaller recent b/w photograph of applicant

Ring Size \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed application to:

PDG Duane Reinhardt, Secretary  
North Dakota Past District Governors Association  
1824 Cottontail Drive  
Beulah, ND 58523



## Youth Exchange News

For more information contact:

Wayne C. Wiseman  
Registration Chairman  
1505 S Garfield

Sioux Falls, SD 57105 USA

Tel 605-334-1264 E-mail: [waynewiseman@prodigy.net](mailto:waynewiseman@prodigy.net)



## Dakota Adventure 2006 News

"Dakota Adventure 2006", the MD5 Lions International Youth Camp will be held July 2-8, 2006 near Volga, South Dakota. It will bring together 20 youth from all parts of MD5 plus 20 foreign youth from 13-14 countries around the world. Foreign youth will stay an additional three weeks with host families.

The camp is filling fast so families and youth interested should contact their District Youth Exchange Chairman, visit the MD5 web page at <http://youthexchange.md5lions.org> or contact the following Chairmen.

### Host Family Chairman

Lion Todd Smith

Tel: 605-334-5710

E-mail: [smithhen@sio.midco.net](mailto:smithhen@sio.midco.net)

### Registration Chairman

Lion Wayne Wiseman

Tel: 605-366-6522 or 480-802-8112

E-mail: [waynewiseman@prodigy.net](mailto:waynewiseman@prodigy.net)



## Lion's Corner

Lions Clubs International  
Headquarters & Lions Clubs

International Foundation  
300 - 22nd St., Oak Brook, IL  
60521-8842

Ph. 630-571-5466; Fax 630-571-8890  
<http://www.lionsclubs.org>

### Multiple District 5

### Council of Governors

Lion Mike Brand, Sec./Treasurer  
340 7th Ave. NW  
Valley City, ND 58072-2832

### MD5 Lions Website

[Md5lion@md5lions.com](mailto:Md5lion@md5lions.com)  
(306) 783-9649

e-mailing to the ND LION!

\*NOTE; NEW e-mail address

[editors@nd-bhginc.com](mailto:editors@nd-bhginc.com)



## In Sympathy

The following fellow Lions have recently passed away. They will be sadly missed by all.  
May their lives and spirit of Lionism be a memory of warmth and inspiration.

Nov. 9 ..... Patrick Silvernagel ..... Braddock Lions  
(Correction)

Nov. 28 ..... Richard Compton ..... South Forks Lions

Nov. 28 ..... Chester Loftin ..... Lakota Lions

Dec. 2 ..... Wesley Poykko ..... Gackle Lions

Dec. 15 ..... Melvin Hill ..... Valley City Lions

Dec. 18 ..... Clarence Disscher ..... Leonard Lions

# The Back Page

## CHANGES

### 2005-06 ND Lions Directory

Listed below are the known changes that should be entered into this year's club directory. Verification was made and all changes should be correct. If changes are still necessary, please contact me at davidj@bis.midco.net

**Don Kainz** ..... P 3  
911 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE., Aberdeen, SD 57401  
(h) 605-262-0823 (w) 605-225-8783  
(e): No Change

**MD5 MERL Team** ..... P 6  
Neil Vollmer  
(e) lvollmer@sdplains.com  
(lower case L)

**District 5NE** ..... P 16  
Zone A-2  
Gary Butz  
4314 5<sup>th</sup> Ave NE  
Northwood, ND 58267  
(h) 326-4537

**District 5NE** ..... P 17  
MERL Team Leadership Chairman  
John Dobbs  
(e) johndobbs@aol.com

**Argusville-Gardner LC** ..... P 21  
President: Corby Heller  
1580 167<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE Gardner 58036  
(h) 484-5754

Secretary: Bennett Ohnstad  
523 Front St. Gardner 58036  
(e) bennett.ohnstad@sendit.nodak.edu

Membership: Russell Baaker  
1849 167 Ave. SE Gardner 58036

**Arthur Lions Club** ..... P 21  
Sec (e) mkilloran@fsbnd.com

**Edgeley Lions Club** ..... P 24  
Sec. (e) blaineeh@drtel.net

**Grand Forks Red River LC** ..... P 27  
Debra Thompson  
(e) debra.l.thompson@xcelenergy.com  
(Note: lower case L not a one  
and no e in front of excel)

**Horace LC** ..... P 28  
Club Number 6796  
Sec. (e): dan.hoeger@microsoft.com

**Horace (Heart of)** ..... P 29  
Sec. (e) sue.sandlie@qwest.com

**Kulm LC** ..... P 31  
Gackle (e) ..... tigerbil@drtel.net

**Valley City LC** ..... P 36  
Sec. (e) dhpetersen@starband.net

**Zone Changes 5NC**  
Harvey Zone is 2B ..... P 53  
Sawyer from 3b to 3a ..... P 43

**5NC Cabinet** ..... P 46  
**Sight Conservation**  
Terry Narum  
Telephone number: 838-7387

**Bis/Mdn Ridin' Lions** ..... P 49  
Chg. meeting day to 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

**Garrison LC** ..... P 52  
Club (e) editors@nd-bhginc.com

**Hooterville Flion Lions Club** ..... P 54  
Club Address:  
102 128<sup>th</sup> Ave. N  
Minot, ND 58703

**Lehr Lions Club** ..... P 56  
James Ruff, President  
Work telephone number: 378-2930

**McClusky Lions Club** ..... P 57  
Jeffrey Martwick, Secretary  
PO Box number is 529  
(e) jam@westriv.com

**Minot Magic City Lions Club** ..... P 59  
New Secretary:  
Gene Neal ..... Cathy  
1721 13<sup>th</sup> St. SW Minot, ND 58701  
(h) 852-4929 (w) 838-2213 A.M only  
(e) geneal5@srt.com

**Minot Plum Valley Lions Club** .... P 60  
Peggy Roberts, Secretary  
605 13<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Minot, ND 58703  
(h) 838-4320 ..... (e) No Change  
President email rlbest@minot.com

**Napoleon Lions Club** ..... P 60  
Schwartzberger (e):  
peewee@bektel.com

**Streeter Lions Club** ..... P 64  
Mike Zimmerman, Secretary  
(e) mikezimmerman@daktel.com

**Wishek Lions Club** ..... P 67  
President: James Raile  
PO Box 87  
Wishek, ND 58495  
(h) 452-2807

**Bowman Lions Club** ..... P 79  
Debbie Patterson, Secretary  
(e) alonzo@ndsupernet.com

**Dickinson LC** ..... P 80  
Sec. (e) sandvick@ndsupernet.com

**Dickinson Noon Lions Club** ..... P 80  
Change in Secretary  
Todd Solem  
1156 21<sup>st</sup> St W. #810  
Dickinson, ND 58601  
(h) 483-2268 (w) 225-3811  
(e) toddsolem@ndsupernet.com

**Hazen Lions Club** ..... P 83  
Joyce Vachal (e) carolou@westriv.com

**Mandan West River LC** ..... P 87  
Sec. (e) DDE12854@aol.com

**Ray Lions Club** ..... P 89  
Charter date: 5-20-1952  
Debbie Hauge, Secretary  
(e) ndkids@hotmail.com

**Reeder Lions Club** ..... P 90  
Club (e-mail  
gabeaton@hotmail.com

Change of meetings  
Second Thursday only 7:00 PM  
Dean's Diner South Main

Remove husband's name from  
President and Membership

**Wildrose and Williston LC** ..... P 94  
Page number 94 listing the Wildrose and  
Williston clubs was omitted from the  
directory. If anyone wishes a replacement  
page ask your club secretary for one as  
each received a copy of that page last fall.