



Burgers in the Park -- Fourth of July edition

New England Lions host event

Unfurling aromas, explosions of flavor, and delightful surprises treated visitors to the New England Lions Burgers in the Park on the Fourth of July. In addition to the usual menu of hamburgers, hot dogs, bison burgers, and brat burgers, a holiday treat of barbecued ribs took the weekly event to a new level.

John Dorner of Grand Forks set up his barbecue trailer at the park early that morning, fired it up, and began cooking the delicious ribs that have become a popular culinary treat in the Grand Forks area. Three years ago, he built the cooking unit on wheels, to take to the Fighting Sioux football games "tailgate parties."

When John called a local Lion and asked if he could join in the festivities at New England's Burgers in the Park, the obvious answer was, "Of course!"

John, a 1971 New England High School graduate, has been a supporter of the Lions Club's Burgers in the Park since the project was launched a few years ago. "This is such a great thing you're doing!" he exclaimed, noting all of the local folks, and out-of-town guests and visitors who were enjoying the food and fellowship. Typically, the weekly event draws 250-300 people.

When he was introduced to the crowd as the donor of the delicious ribs, he responded to the applause by saying, "You people live in the best place in the world, so I thought you should have the best ribs, too!"

The grin never left John's face all evening. "I just love doing it! People say, 'you don't even break even' (at the tailgate parties, there is a jar for donations) and I tell them, I don't do it to break even. People who go fishing -- don't expect that their boat will get paid for. This is my hobby. I buy my fish at the store!"

John donated all the ribs he cooked for the crowd to the Lions Club, who sold them along with their regular items. Project chairman Lion John Plaggemeyer said that



John Dorner preparing ribs with his barbecue trailer at the New England Lions Park. Photo by Kevin Schaefer

meant more than \$500 in additional profits for the club's project.

The New England Lions also were using their own new barbecue trailer that evening. The recently completed cooking unit replaces several conventional grills. Utilizing a used cook top that was replaced when the local restaurant upgraded its kitchen, the unit cooks meat away from direct flames, and also can be used for making pancakes and frying eggs.

The unit is available for use by local organizations at no charge, and by private groups for a nominal fee. It was used for the 2006 American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Dickinson held on July 28-29. New England Lions will be joined by others to serve burgers throughout the night, and breakfast in the morning, to relay participants and spectators. Proceeds will be added to the funds raised for the fight against cancer.

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Message from Lions President Jimmy Ross

'Renew' your club

State convention taking shape

The upcoming 2006 State Lions Convention promises to be one of a kind with many renowned speakers and entertaining acts.

One of the entertainment acts scheduled for the ice breaker Friday night is ""Mystical Mind"" by Mr. Greg Willickson and Mr. Ron Rhodes." This Mystical Comedy act has performed in Las Vegas and should be a night filled with laughter and awe.

Saturday hosts a number of speakers who have offered their talents at national conventions and conferences -- programs you won't want to miss.

Watch next month's newsletter, which will highlight other speakers or acts to be featured at the 2006 Dickinson State Lions Convention.

No Monkeying
Around
Plan to Attend
2006 ND
State Lions
Convention!



Dear Lions Club officers:

During the next twelve months, you will encounter many opportunities to contribute to the success of your Lions Club.

One such opportunity is the Lions Club Renewal Initiative. At a full meeting early this year, please consider conducting a review of club practices. This can include the success of your club meetings, member recruitment, member relations, service projects, and fundraisers.

A Club Renewal Initiative form may be accessed and submitted online through the Lions Web site: www.lionsclubs.org. The form is also available in a paper format from executiveservices@lionsclubs.org or by calling 630-571-5466, ext. 287. It will help guide you and your club through the renewal process by identifying:

- *Highly successful club activities/practices that should be continued and expanded.

- *Less successful club activities/practices that should be changed and improved.

- *Unsuccessful club activities/practices that should be replaced by something brand new.

This discussion will help strengthen your club. Your fellow members may decide to eliminate an unprofitable fundraiser, or perhaps introduce a new service project.

For your club's participation in the renewal process, the club will receive from Lions Clubs International a Club Renewal Banner Patch. Through your participation, your fellow Lions will benefit as members of a renewed, invigorated club.

Thank you for participating in the Lions Club Renewal Initiative.
Sincerely,

Jimmy Ross, International Lions Club president



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No Report this month!

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I would like your support!

Dear Lions Clubs:

On Saturday Oct. 14, I will be running in the Baltimore Marathon as a member of Tissue Banks International's Run for Vision.

I am participating not only for the fun of the race, but because I want to support the important work the Lions Clubs do in advancing corneal transplantation for people in need.

My personal goal is to raise \$5,000. I hope you consider sponsoring me at your discretion for your club or individual donation.

Your donations are tax deductible. A letter will be sent out to you for tax purposes.

Thank you so much!

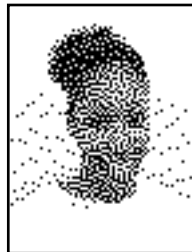
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Sheri Harrison has always been an athlete. Basketball meant everything to her; it was her ticket to college on an athletic scholarship. So when she tore her ACL ligament for a second time, she was devastated, remembering the long and painful recuperation from her previous surgery. For her second operation, she made an important decision: she opted for a patellar ligament allograft from Tissue Banks International instead of using her own tissue, as she had in her first ACL repair. "I thought I knew what to expect, but the recovery from the second surgery was so much easier. The incision was smaller. And a day later I was walking with a limp,

and walking normally in a week!"

The future is bright for Sheri, who graduated recently. She knows basketball will continue to be an important part of her life. "I will always love the sport and want to play recreationally while I'm pursuing my career. And now I'll be in great shape to do that."

"I think that (eye and tissue donation) is so honorable, so selfless. Just to be able to contribute to humanity in that way is something I will appreciate all my life. The donee doesn't know it, of course, but that donation has made me as good as new, maybe even better. I am very grateful."

Bets Cole is a painter who struggled with corneal disease and reduced vision for more than 20 years. Her work was hampered by pain, light sensitivity and nagging spells of distorted vision. She had difficulty distinguishing the shapes and colors that defined her work and her life as an artist. Some days, she couldn't drive her son to school, or check her daughter's homework because of her clouded vision.

Today, Bets can see the world through the clear lens of her new corneas. Transplanted in two separate surgeries, these donated corneas have allowed her to regain a more active life, and to be more involved in her fulfilling work as an artist, teacher, mother and wife.

"I feel privileged to be able to carry on someone's life through this precious cornea that has been given to me. It feels wonderful to have this responsibility, to go forward using this gift to make the most of my life through my work and relationships."



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Greetings Lions and Leos,

Pride is the only possible word to describe the first Dist. 5NE Cabinet meeting. Seeing veteran Cabinet members welcome new Cabinet members, accepting and encouraging new ideas and ways of doing things, and hearing regular laughter during the meeting assured me we're on the way to a great Lions year.

Lion Sarah Nathan, Public Relations (Fargo Lions Club) and Lion Lori Pithey, Youth Outreach and Opportunities, (Wahpeton Headwaters Club) both have ideas and are on their way to implementing specialized communications within the District.

Sarah's newsletter will keep club officers informed so clubs can stay informed. Please send information to me as soon as an event is planned – if your year's calendar is ready, please send that along. Let us know what's happening and what you need. While this is only one of Sarah's goals, she plans to make sure Lions are not a "secret" in Dist. 5NE.

Lori collected information from the Lions Clubs International Web site and at the meeting from Lion Lori Scheel (Fargo Lions Club) about Leo Clubs,

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from Lion Cliff Vining (Leonard Lions Club) about the Peace Poster Contest and from Lion Cecil Schimke (Grand Forks Lions Club) about Youth Exchange for a special newsletter she is doing regarding youth activities. She'll be adding more information from Lion Pat Roundy (Carrington Lions Club) about Liberty Day.

Please be sure the circle of communications among Lions, Clubs and Cabinet buzzes.

E-communications vibrates for our District. Lion Mike Brand (Valley City Lions Club), District Technology chairperson, plans to enhance the Web site – he has a wealth to draw upon from newbies, Sarah and Lori.

Lion Rick Swenson (New Rockford Lions) shared information about Campaign SightFirst II, World Sight Day and White Cane Day. His certificate acknowledging his group coordinator CSFII position, along with that of Lion Larry Sayler (Valley City Lions Club) and Lion Lori Scheel, were presented. Lion Terra Boettcher (Grand Forks Lions Club), Lion David Dokken (Northwood Lions Club) and Lion Mike Martin (Enderlin Lions Club) complete the CSFII team. They'll bring you the story of all the good CSFII will do, and how clubs and individuals can participate.

Lion Sheila Christensen (West Fargo Lions Club) chairs Diabetes Awareness and is a professional in diabetes education.

Lion Rob Lein (Fargo Lions Club) has a tree population plan through his environmental portfolio.

Lion Al Kahlbaugh (Red River Lions Club, Grand Forks) holds the Hearing and Work with the Deaf file. He's already researching hearing aids.

Lions Clubs International Foundation will be represented by Lion Dennis Anderson (Emerado-Arvilla Lions Club). LCIF channeled thousands of dollars through local Lions Clubs into North Dakota to help people following flood and other disasters – funds that came from clubs around the world.

Leader Dogs for the Blind and Great Plains Assistance Dogs in Jud, N.D., are both championed by Lion Salli Lou Anderson (Emerado-Arvilla Lions Club).

Lion Arlo Anderson (Chaffee Lions Club) is the master Pin chairperson. Any help you need with pins, he's your Lion.

Vice District Governor John Dobbs (Fargo Lions Club) and the MERL+WTeam are on the move, too. Lion Jerry Jernberg (Gateway Lions Club) in Extension, Lion

Gerald Sletmoe (Sheldon Lions Club) in Retention, Lion Robert Littlefield (Fargo Lions Club) in Leadership and Lion Judy Karch (Valley City Lions Club) for Women shared defined plans to enrich our District with positive, forward-thinking innovation. The Membership position remains open. Baby Boomers, special interest groups and New Century Lions are among the exciting opportunities for prospective members.

Please contact me or VDG John if you want to get on board with this rapid transit group, already on the road in our District.

Two other positions remain open. Zone Chairs are needed in Zone B-2 and Zone B-3. PDGs Bill Gackle and Gerald Sletmoe will fill the positions temporarily. Please contact either them or me – soon.

Lion Duane Zwinger's name was put forward as a candidate for 2008-2009 District Governor. He has been president of the Carrington Lions Club and is serving as Zone chair for the second time. Other candidates who want their names in consideration for District Governor, for any upcoming year, should contact Long-Range Planning Chairperson Lion Larry Sayler or committee members Lion Al Kahlbaugh or Lion Mark Hennemann. Candidates may also contact me. A letter of intent to seek the office of Vice District Governor must be filed with the Long-Range Planning Committee 30 days before the state convention. The Vice District Governor is elected at the State Convention, this year in Dickinson, Oct. 27-29. Thank you Lion Duane.

The District 5NE Cabinet is filled with informed and talented people. They have expertise in their areas and want to share with clubs. Please contact them for information, perhaps invite them to your Club or Zone meeting, and let them share with you.

Let me know if you have a particular meeting or special event you would like me to attend. My calendar is filling fast.

All of these names are connected to real people, Lions who have chosen to serve our District. Every Lion fulfills "We Serve" through the many hours devoted to helping others, our communities, our state, country and world. Every Lion is important. Invite and include someone at your next meeting or event. We don't want to be a secret – we want the eastern third of North Dakota to know we're vigorous, enthused and leading the way. Lions in service, together.

Fargo

At leadership institute

Two North Dakota Lions were in attendance recently at the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute. Pictured are Fargo Lions John Dobbs and Sarah Nathan. Lion John is the 5NE Vice District Governor. Lion Sarah is Secretary for the Fargo Lions. They report that it was a fabulous weekend spent learning with Lions from Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and South Dakota.



You Can Still be a Donor!

Even if you:

- ~ Wear Eyeglasses
- ~ Had Cataract Surgery
- ~ Have Diabetes
- ~ Have Cancer

Over forty thousand North Americans and hundreds of thousands of others around the world suffer from corneal blindness each year.

By donating your eyes after death, you may contribute in a positive and generous way to restore or improve the sight of two people. Sight restoration makes a tremendous difference in the quality of life.

An eye donation used in transplantation can help two people. An eye donation used in research and teaching helps thousands and can make a difference for generations of people.

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NOTE: District 5NE Cabinet Meetings

Meetings begin at 10 a.m., except at the state convention.

Oct. 27 – Dickinson, state convention

Jan. 6 – Northwood

May 5 – Fargo, Expressway Inn

District Leadership Training

April 14 – Valley City Eagles Club

All Lions are welcome at all meetings and training. Just let me know in advance so we can plan a place at the table. DG Katherine

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Are you riding the Lions Brand?

International President Jimmy Ross is a rancher. He talks about the days when ranch hands rode the Brand rather than the Ranch. He talks about how hard they worked for the Brand and defended it. He is inviting us all to ride the Lions brand and what it stands for. Our motto is "We Serve". Let's all find new ways to accomplish our motto and enjoy it! Check out the "Club Renewal Initiative" on the Lions Web site.

Our Boston Experience at the International Convention was great! We met lots of new people and learned many things about Lions from around the world! I encourage you to attend a Convention. The needs of people elsewhere are not the same as the ones we have. Our Multiple District marched in the colorful International Parade. Afterwards we marched to the Original Cheers and had Lunch!

My husband Lion Cal and I toured the Leader Dog School in Michigan and

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enjoyed seeing how this place worked. We went on tours and walked with a dog while blindfolded-talk about scary. We observed 6-week-old puppies that would go to foster families until they turn 12-16 months old. At the ripe old age of 12 months they receive a birthday card from Leader Dog, which indicates it is time to come back and start training. There are many stages of training while they are being evaluated. One stage will either let them go on or they go to Career Change. Not every dog is a Leader Dog. The dogs they find most adaptable are the Golden Labs and second are the Golden Retrievers. We talked with a student who has a dog. You Lions provide dogs for blind persons with your donations to Leader Dog! The average cost per dog to train is \$37,000.

The first Cabinet meeting for 5NC was Aug. 5th and was fruitful! I appointed Lion Brian Tinker from McClusky as the new VDG and he accepted. We are so happy to have him! Thanks for stepping up to the plate Brian and thank you PDG Marian for asking him! VDG Brian has not been a Lion very long but, he is very capable and most of all is willing to do the job. In his everyday life he is a CPA. His wife Allan and him run some cattle. To find out more you will need to read future issues! He is also Regional Chair!

The Zone Chairs that attended the meeting had excellent comments and needs! Lion Gene Bender indicated that Eye Tissue Transport people are needed. Please volunteer with the ND Eye Bank if you can help! Lion Judy Beaudry reported that Coleharbor still needs help. Special Projects Chairperson Julie Schwartz will coordinate with Judy and Gene about a tree-planting project in Coleharbor. I let them know that District 5NW had applied for a Disaster Grant for Coleharbor to help with everyday needs. If any of the clubs want to send money or provide trees for this tree project, mail checks to Lion Julie Schwartz, 1237 S. Highland Acres Rd, Bismarck, ND 58501. A Tree Planting Day will be chosen so all of us can help. Lion Arlyn Schmidt is planning to have Lion Michele Renner (Information and Technology) come to their Zone and help with some Technology questions. Lion Michele would like you to email her with your club information (Officers, meeting times, special events). The Web site is www.ndlion.com

* I did make the Regional and Zone

Chairpersons our "Disaster Team." I did this because they know when something happens in their area and if we communicate amongst us, we can help each other just like we helped with the Katrina Relief. The Zone persons are my eyes and ears!

PDG Don Stoltz is planning his last Spring Rally and requested Lion Ross Espeseth to be his CoChair. Lion Ross accepted with gusto! VDG Brian will be on the committee also. The date is April 14, 2007, so put that on the calendar, especially for next year's president, secretary, and treasurer in each club.

The State Convention in Dickinson in October has many things on the meeting agenda. This is your official notice about them. Come and Vote!

1) There will be a vote to assess each club automatically for the Spring Rally at the rate of \$50 per club instead of paying at the door. 5NW has done this for years.

2) We will vote for VDG Brian Tinker to become DG in 2007-2008.

3) We need another Vice District Governor Elect candidate for 2007-2008 so that person can move up after Brian. Let PDG Marian or Brach Johnson know if you can step up to this position! We would vote this person in at the Convention. If you have another year in mind let them know. We do have a candidate for 2010.

4) Melvin Jones presentations will be made. Let me know if you will be having a MJ presented at the State Convention by Oct. 14, 2006. I will need their name by then and get me the plaque by the 27th.

5) Lion Ross Espeseth will ask that each club set aside \$2.00 per member for Vision USA as you have in the past.

Your District Directories will come out the end of August according to PDG Dave Blackstead. Under 5NC you will see names, phone numbers, and emails. If you need a program let me or one of the cabinet people know. All of them have indicated that they are willing and ready to present a program.

Are you ready to Ride the Lions Brand? If you know of a group of 20 people that would like to start a new Lions Club and start Ridin' the Brand let me or PDG Garry Freier know. We are itchin' to have more Riders! The more the merrier when it comes to helping people! Be sure to ask someone this week if they would like to Ride the Lions Brand!!

Lion Carla Bender
District Governor

Washburn



New Washburn Lions officers include President Judy Beudry, Lion Tamer Duane Knell, First Vice President John Samuelson, Secretary Arden Wagner, Treasurer Richard Brewster, Third Vice President Doug Reiser. Not pictured are Second Vice President Mike Blazek and Tail Twister Mac Beudry.



New Washburn Lions Club members and their sponsors are, from left, Richard Brewster, Eric Johnson Morris Nelson, Bill Beeks, West Sauer, Terry Peterson, Elmer Schwarz, Arden Wagner and Art Bender.

Lions members receive awards

BY JEAN BINSFELD

The local Washburn Lions Club held its annual potluck supper June 5 at the Cross Ranch, and this means a little vacation from the monthly meetings for July and August. The next monthly meeting is Sept. 4, but since this is Labor Day, the meeting will be moved to Aug. 28. There were 23 members and spouses in attendance at the potluck.

Three members were awarded the coveted Melvin Jones Fellow Award, presented for dedicated humanitarian services in Lions Clubs International Foundation and awarded to local members who were voted to receive the award. The award was made possible because the local club donated more than \$3,000 for projects within and for the local club.

The members chosen to receive the prestigious award for 2005 were Mike Nelson, Duane Knell and Jean Binsfeld, honoring them for services rendered for the club. This brings to seven the number of awards that have been awarded to Washburn Lions members. Receiving this award and plaques in the past were Robbie Robinson, Herb Patzer, Ernie Dierks and Morris Nelson.

Entertainment for the potluck was

provided by Don Winters, interpretive ranger at Cross Ranch State Park, as he portrayed Pierre, voyager with the Lewis and Clark Expedition. The club sponsored the annual Lions Carnival with many local organizations having booths to support the carnival, and also making money for the clubs. The carnival is sponsored from 3-7 p.m. with a variety of entertainment for the young and old.

The club honored the local Scouts and leaders at their April meeting with a spaghetti supper and all the trimmings, serving about 125. On April 30, club members, along with Scouts and friends, conducted the annual spring ditch cleanup, followed by a picnic supper at the Mac and Judy Beudry home.

All officers of the club were reinstated for the coming year. DG Marian Johnson



Three members of the Washburn Lions Club received Melvin Jones Awards. They were, from left, Duane Knell, Jean Binsfeld and Mike Nelson.

installed officers, including President Judy Beudry, First Vice President John Samuelson, Second Vice President Mike Blazek, Third Vice President Doug Reiser, Secretary Arden Wagner, Treasurer Richard Brewster, Tail Twister Mac Beudry and Lion Tamer Duane Knell.

The Washburn Lions will again be hosting a golf tournament July 15, 2007,

Wishek

Glasses delivered

Lion PDG Art Bender, right, delivered 330 used eyeglasses to Dr. Daniel Long, optometrist, to be sorted and sent to needy people in South America. In the absence of Dr. Long, his secretary, left, accepted the two boxes. The Wishek Lions collected the glasses.



Attention Lions Golfers

Mark Saturday, September 15, 2006 on your calendars
for the 12th Annual

5NC Golfarama Fundraiser For the Lions EyeBank of North Dakota

- THE PLACE:** Beautiful Harvey Country Club, Harvey, ND
- THE FORMAT:** 4 Person teams with at least 2 Lions per team, Open to first 18 teams
- THE PLAY:** Blend of Scramble and Alternate Shot, 11 a.m. start time
- ENTRY FEE:** \$120 per team which includes entry fee and brats/hamburgers, served during/following the tournament. Registration closes Sept. 1.

If your club wants to be included, get your registration fee in now. You can line up your players later. We don't anticipate any open slots and the first 18 paid teams will be all we can allow.

Please send your check and your list of players (if you have them, male or female) along with thier 18 hole score to the Harvey Lions Club, c/o Steve Kouralian, 6113 Riverview Drive, Harvey ND, 58341. The checks can be made out to the Harvey Lions Club Questions? Call Steve Kourlian at 324-4456 evenings.

Remember that contributing to this event is considered as part of your club's donation to the EyeBank. Why not have a little fun and get credit for your Lions Club for donating to a worthy cause.

Put your teams together and register today for a great golf outing and help us raise a nice amount for the Lions EyeBank of North Dakota. Use this form to sign-up, please duplicate as needed.



Name of Club _____

Name _____ Score _____

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Name _____ Score _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____

Golf Carts Needed _____ •Can rent at course or bring your own

Lake Metigoshe

PDG Chris Helgesen installed Lake Metigoshe officers at the June meeting. Pictured, from left, are PDG Chris, Jim Dahle, third vice president; Les Halvorson, first vice president; Dennis Hanson, second vice president; Immediate Past President and Membership Chairman Terry Espe; Gene Bender, zone chair 3B; Gale Feland, president, and Mona Johnson, secretary.



PDG Chris Helgesen presented Lake Metigoshe Lions 100 percent attendance pins in June. Pictured are, from left, PDG Chris, Lions Terry Espe, Mona Johnson, Dennis Hanson, Gene Bender and Gary Wysocki.



Lake Metigoshe Lions inducted a new member in June. Pictured are new Lion Diane Christensen, PDG Chris Helgesen and sponsor Lion Gary Wysocki.



President-elect Lion Gale Feland presents President Terry Espe with the President's Appreciation Award, following installation ceremonies the Lake Metigoshe Lions held in June.

McClusky Lions start new club year

BY ALLAN TINKER

The McClusky Lions officially rolled their 2005-2006 year to a close on June 12 and the annual Lions award night at the McClusky City Hall Community room. A good number of the members brought along their spouses for the German-flavored meal, with Schnitzel and potato salad, along with ice cream and cake. Some of the food was leftovers, paid for and donated by Lions members. The group tally was 19 present for the event.

Outgoing Lions President Brian Tinker was recognized by Lion Orville Schindler as the most exceptional leader he has ever seen run a meeting. The group gave a standing ovation, which took Tinker by surprise, stopping him in mid-speech.

Tinker distributed "President's Awards," a personal tribute for exceptional members, each year of his office. He recognized members through no particular criteria, he said. The awards ranged from general good club attitude and support of Lions activities, to appreciation of the repair and improvement of the Lions bulletin board.

The 2005-2006 Lion of the Year award was presented to incoming President Don Wenning. This award is chosen by a special committee within the local Lions members.

New officers are: president, Don Wenning;

secretary-treasurer, Jeff Martwick; tail-twister, Dave Martwick; lion-tamer, Armin Erdmann; vice-presidents (present for ceremony), Robert Sorenson and Orville Schindler.

The past year's projects included the Christmas cheer baskets, the Centennial parade, a Christmas raffle fund raiser, support for two disability-assist programs, one for the blind with seeing-eye dogs and one for companion dogs, two annual blood drives, a spring fundraiser

that brought musician Glenn Schmidt and his multi-talented family to entertain the community, a free wildflower seed program, Bavarian Valentine social, a Lions zone meeting, and the annual Lions School Awards night.

Lions return their fundraising money to the community through their many



McClusky Lions Past-President Brian Tinker was appointed vice-district governor at the August 5, Lions District 5NC cabinet meeting in Bismarck. He will serve his term under the current District Governor Carla Bender. Tinker also serves as Region II chairman for the District 5NC North Dakota Lions.

projects and awards through the year. The club supports its membership obligations, meeting room fee, and meals through their local dues.

Wenning will start his club's year of Lions service with member support for the Harvey Centennial parade and the McClusky Midsummer-fest parade.

International Lions Club Board of Directors meet

*Executive Summary
Lions Clubs International
Board of Directors Meeting
Boston, Massachusetts, USA
June 24-29, 2006*

Constitution and By-Laws:

11--Amended the Standard Form Club By-Laws, contingent on the adoption of the Family Dues Structure resolution amending the International Constitution, to provide that qualifying family members shall be Active Members and be entitled to all rights and privileges thereof.

12--Amended the Standard Form Club By-Laws to provide that former Lioness members, who are now Active members of their Lions Club or who become Active members of a Lions Club on or before June 30, 2007, may apply all of their prior Lioness service toward Life membership eligibility.

Finance and Headquarters Operation:

5--The board approved a revision to board policy regarding cancellation of clubs that fail to pay their balances.

Effective July 1, 2007, a club which has an unpaid balance in excess of US\$20 per member or US\$1000 per club, whichever

is less, outstanding past 150 days will be suspended including, rights, privileges, and obligations of the Lions Club for a period not to exceed 90 days.

Any club that has been approved for a payment plan by the Finance Division will not be suspended. In the event the club does not reach good standing within the 90 day suspension period their charter would be automatically canceled.

LCIF:

1--Approved 58 Standard, International Assistance and Core 4 grants totaling US\$2,941,648.

2--Tabled three grant applications and denied two others.

3--Authorized the use of the Grant Budget Reserve to fund projects not covered by the LY2005-2006 Unrestricted Grants Award Budget.

Membership Development:

1--Approved continuation of the current Spouse Entrance Fee Rebate until December 31, 2006, as an interim measure until the Family Membership Due Rate is in operation on January 1, 2007.

2--Approved continuation of the Former Member Charter and Entrance Fee Rebate for one additional year through June 30,

2007.

6--Approved three new countries for the establishment of Lions Clubs: The Republic of Seychelles, the Republic of Iraq, and the United Arab Emirates, resulting in LCI being present or approved to operate in 200 countries and territories around the world.

7--Approved a change to Life Membership criteria that allows former Lionesses who are now Lions, or who become formal Active members by June 30, 2007, to apply all their prior service years as a Lioness toward Life Membership requirements.

8--Approved a policy provision for the proposed Family Membership Dues Rate that would require clubs to recertify existing, qualifying members under the new rate by November 30th. and May 31st. of each per capita billing cycle in order to be assessed at the reduced rate for the subsequent per capita cycle.

Service Activities:

1--Named 18 Leo members in seven countries to receive the 2005-2006 Leos of the Year Award.

3--Approved expense reimbursement for district governors to visit Leo Clubs in the district.

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Greetings to all Lions and Leos of District 5NW and throughout all of North Dakota.

The past month has been very interesting and exciting for me and for my wife, Shirley. We have spent ten days in Boston learning about and sharing the Lions story at our final DG training and the International Lions Convention. We have spent July 21-23, 2006 in Rochester, Mich., learning about Leader Dogs for the Blind. What a great story each of these are! Lions clubs locally and around the world are doing a tremendous service everyday somewhere.

We had the opportunity to meet our new 2006-2007 Lions International President who is President Jimmy Ross. He is a rancher for Quitaque, Texas. This little town is so small it is not even in the quick reference index of our Road Atlas. Lion Jimmy said Quitaque has about 400 residents. I did find it on the map halfway between Amarillo and Lubbock, Texas toward the east about forty miles. Our International President is one of us. He could fit well into any part of District 5NW. He has chosen "We Serve" as the theme for this year and he urges us to do the same." He said, "Our motto is rooted in

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everything we do and stand for whether in Quitaque, Texas, USA, or Quito, Ecuador. It is the perfect expression of why people become Lions Club Members." He said and I quote, "There is one other reason why he has chosen "We Serve" as the theme. This year is not about him. It is about all of us Lions: we service minded men and women, young and old, who work together voluntarily for the betterment of society in our hometowns and around the world. This is our theme. Let it be our year!"

Let me shift gears to the North Dakota State Lions Convention set for October 27, 28, and 29, 2006 in Dickinson, ND. The Dickinson Lions' Club and a few of their neighbors are planning a very interesting event.

Friday is filled with cabinet meetings, N. D. Lions' Eyebank, N. Dak. Lions' Foundation, PDG Association meeting, and an evening Ice Breaker.

They have planned to bring some excellent presenters to us beginning at 10:15 a.m. and rotating them again at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 28. Some of the speakers include LoAnn Wegh, Pat Testa, Joe Wanner, Cliff Naylor and more. You will also have the opportunity to hear Dr. Terry Fleck and International Director, Ms. Beverly Roberts of Hezhzibak, Ga.

Saturday afternoon has a session from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. for Leos and anyone who is interested in organizing a Leo Club in their community. Cy Kotaska of Sawyer, N. D. will chair this, but he said he will involve Leos from around the state. I'm asking Lions Clubs who have a Leo Club in their community to reach out and send as many

Leos as you can.

This will be a great convention. We need all of you Lions from 5NW, 5NC, and 5NE to become a part of celebrating Lionism.

How is the goal setting going for your club? Please take the time to discuss and identify activities your club members like, activities your club would like to change and activities your club would like to discontinue. This positive exercise will help each club find new ways to operate and find meaningful projects that will enhance your club experiences.

Lions, I encourage all of you to take a new look at what our clubs are doing. I challenge each of you to sponsor one new Lions member in the next few months. Our district can really have 2000 members if "WE" each care enough to share this great organization with our family, friends and neighbors.

The June 2006 Lions' Club International publication has an article on page 26 entitled "The Family Dues Amendment." This issue was voted on at the convention in Boston and was approved. It will be in operation by January 1, 2007. This opens many new doors for membership and reduces costs.

From the July ND Lion, I repeat, "We each can have a fantastic year as a Lion if we attend our local club meetings, our area zone meetings, our state convention, and our spring rally." We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence is not an act, but a habit!

In Lionism,
Herman A. Schafer
District Governor

Reeder

New Melvin Jones

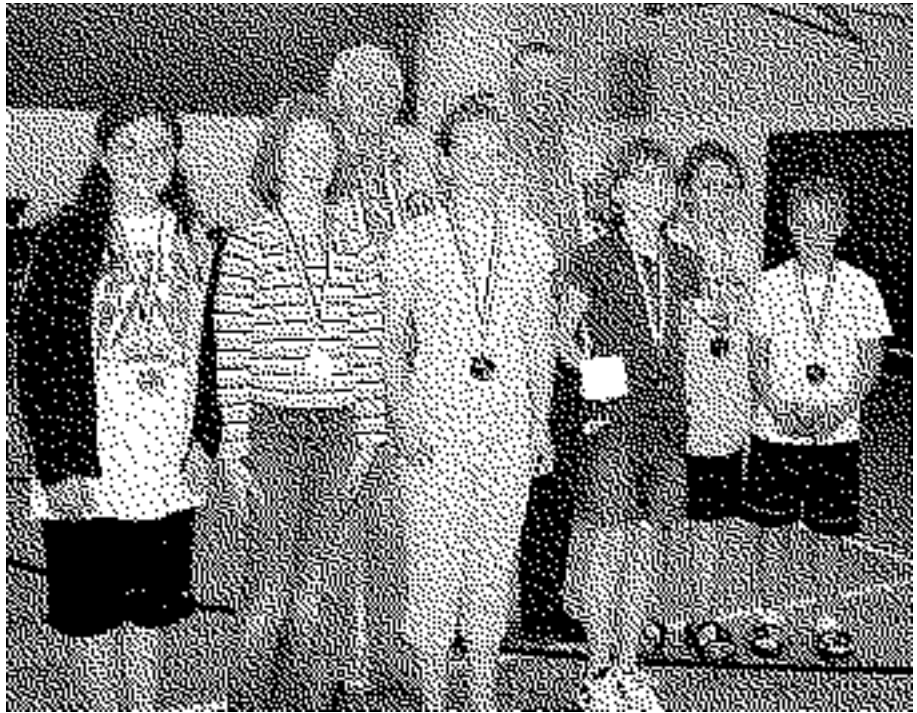
The Reeder Lions Club presented Lion Leonard Jacobs with a Melvin Jones Award and Pin. With Lion Leonard, left, is Lion Derald Bugner, also a Melvin Jones Fellow, and 2005-06 Reeder Lions Club President Lion Sonja Haugen.



Columbus

Club donates to school

The Columbus Lions Club donated money to be used for reading incentives at Burke Central Elementary School. This year, medals representing the Olympics, were purchased for reading awards. Grades Five and Six had specific reading goals that had to be met in order to receive gold, silver and bronze medals. Fifth grade medallists were Abby Dalin (gold), Bailey Hawbaker (silver), and Ayla Martin (bronze). Sixth grade medallists were Jonathan Bloom (gold), Cameron Sandberg (silver) and Stephanie Stead (bronze). The support of the students is greatly appreciated.



Hazen

Henriksen awarded Hazen Lions scholarship

Paula Henriksen, a 2006 Hazen High School graduate, is the recipient of a \$500 Hazen Lions Club scholarship. Kathy Mettler, representing Hazen Lions Club, said the award was based on Paula's community service and scholastic achievement.

Paula will be attending North Dakota State University, Fargo, this fall, majoring in Theater Arts. She is the daughter of Gerry and Karen Henriksen, Hazen.



Kathy Mettler, Hazen Lions Club, left, presents 2006 Hazen graduate Paula Henriksen with a \$500 Hazen Lions Club scholarship.

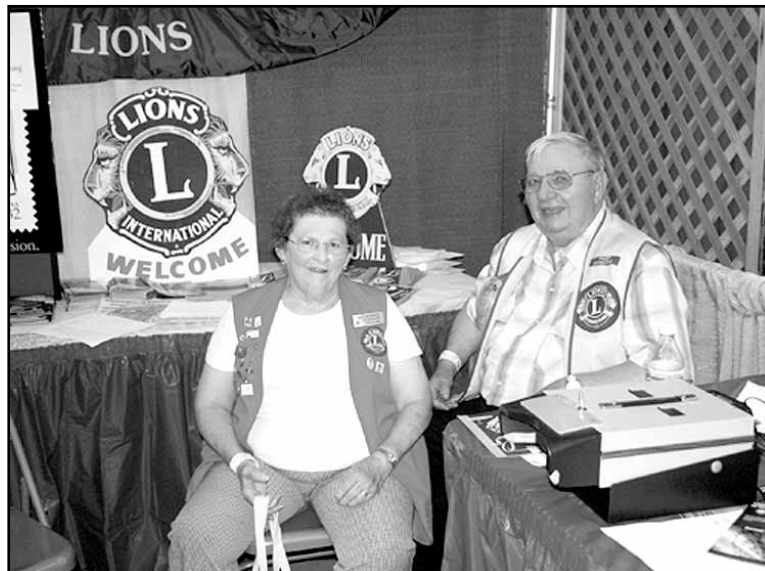
Elgin

Screening Assistants



Twelve Lion members from the Elgin Lions and Elgin Dakota Lions Club went to the North Dakota State Fair on Tuesday, July 25 to assist the State Lions with Glucoma Screening for one day at the Commercial Exhibit Building. Attending were Duane Schatz, Harry Zacher, Art Rath, Rueben Zacher, Ralph Meidinger, Mildred Rath, Esther Zacher, Elmor Wutzke, Leona Wutzke, Elsie Stelter, Agnes Meidinger and Gail Schatz.

Elgin Lions at State Fair



Lion Agnes Meidinger and Lion Ralph Meidinger at the North Dakota State Fair booth for Glucoma Screening Tuesday, July 25. Twelve Lion members from the Elgin Lions and Elgin Dakota Lions attended the State Fair and assisted the State Lions with Glucoma Screening. *Photo by Lion Duane*

Dickinson

Dickinson Lions golf event a big success



Logen Hippe's team took first place. Pictured are Schmelling, Pierce, Hippe and Hippe.

A wonderful time was had by all who attended the Third Annual Lions Golf Tournament sponsored by the Dickinson Lions Club and hosted by the Pheasant Country Golf Club in South Heart, N.D. (10 miles west of Dickinson).

One of the most challenging contests and definitely the most fun for the golfers was to see if they could shoot a golf ball in a floating canoe anchored in the course's irrigation pond. The lucky winner was Killdeer's Shawn Gunwall, receiving half of the proceeds.

Logan Hippe's Dickinson team was the overall winner of the tournament. Next year's tournament is scheduled to be held the later part of June or early July, 2007. Watch this newsletter for that announcement in the spring.

Williston Korner



Lions install

PDG Rich Christensen installs Lion Roy Clark as president of Williston Korner Lions for the 2006/2007 term.



The Dickinson Lions hosted a golf tournament Saturday, Aug. 5. Pictured is Logan Hippe, aiming for canoe.



Dickinson Lions team comprised of Neal Steiner, Steve Lervik, Ken Davis, and Scott Schwindt are getting ready to tee off.

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Dakota Adventure a big success

"Dakota Adventure 2006", the MD5 Lions International Youth Camp, was held July 2-8 near Volga, S.D.

The camp brought together 40 youth from 16 countries and four continents for the purpose of creating friendship among the nations of our world. The 22 foreign youth were from Mongolia, Turkey, Tunisia, Finland, Norway, Austria, Romania, Hungary, Germany, Peru, Brazil, Italy, Israel and Poland plus six youth from Saskatchewan, five from North Dakota and seven from South Dakota. The foreign youth stayed with host families an additional three weeks before and/or after camp. Three youth were hosted in Saskatchewan, three in North Dakota, three in rural South Dakota and 13 were hosted in Sioux Falls.

The camp was organized and managed by Lions under the leadership of Camp Coordinator Lion Mike Hall of Sioux Falls. Lion Mike, past president of the Sioux Falls Downtown Lions, has 10 years of Lions Youth Exchange experience. Lion Mike contracted the Sioux Falls YMCA to provide five youth counselors and a Greyhound type bus for transportation.

The campers carried the flag of their countries in the Brookings, S.D. 4th of July parade,

they toured S.D. Industries for the Blind, spend a day at Wild Water West in Sioux Falls, had lunch with the mayor of Sioux Falls and spend time telling each other about their country and culture. A major camp highlight was serving a evening meal to 405 needy people at "The Banquet," a "free" food service facility managed by Lion Carolyn Downs.

Other special activities included a tour of a 1,500-cow dairy farm, a golf tournament and an evening with a hypnotist from Houston, Texas.

The camp generated great Lions publicity in three newspapers and two TV stations.

For more information visit: <http://youthexchange.md5lions.org/>



Forty youth from 16 countries had lunch with mayor Dave Munson in Falls Park, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, USA. The camp included 22 foreign youth from Austria, Brazil, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Mongolia, Norway, Peru, Poland, Romania, Tunisia and Turkey plus 18 MD5 Youth. The MD5 youth included six from Saskatchewan Canada, five from North Dakota and seven from South Dakota.



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