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Three to vie for Lions Hall

Editor's note:

Three North Dakota Lions have been nominated for consideration to be inducted to the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame.

The Lions include, in alphabetical order, Lion Allen Dockter, Peter Lazorenko and Chris Voegele. The Hall of Fame induction ceremonies will be part of the State Lions Convention in Dickinson in late October.

Lion Allen Dockter

Lion Allen Dockter is a retired educator of 39 years, having the distinction of

teaching in a one-room c o u n t r y school, high school and on the college level his last 31 years.

L i o n D o c k t e r has been a member of the Capital City Lions



for the past 30 years, holding all offices of the club except secretary-treasurer and lion tamer. His involvement in his local club included being co-chairperson of the Lions-All Star Basketball in addition to the many service projects of the club. His club honored him with a Melvin Jones Fellowship award in 1994-95.

On the district level he has served as zone chairman, deputy district governor, vice-governor and governor for two terms. He has served Multiple District 5 as Council Chairman and served as MD5 Youth Outreach Chairperson for two years.

Well known on the state and district levels, Lion Allen has attended 16 state conventions, 16 Multiple Conventions, six International Conventions, 11 state and district conventions in South Dakota

and Saskatchewan and one USA/Canada Forum. Lion Allen served as campaign manager for International Director Bruce Schwartz.

In addition to his involvement in Lions, he has served as president of the North Dakota Vocation Association, North Dakota Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, Bismarck State College Faculty Senate and Faith Lutheran Church. He also has sung in the church choir for 38 years. Lion Allen is the State Coordinator for the AARP Driver Safety Program and teaches Defensive Driver Safety Classes. He has officiated football at the high school and college level for 30 years and was chosen North Dakota Football Official of the Year in 2000 and was inducted into the North Dakota Officials Hall of Fame in 2004.

Awards received include Outstanding Young Agriculture Teacher, Post-Secondary Agriculture Teacher of the Year and recipient of the Crystal Apple Award as the outstanding higher education educator in the Bismarck-Mandan area. He also has received two Honorary Chapter Farmer FFA Degrees and the ND Honorary State Farmer FFA Degree.

Lion Allen and his wife, Lion Diane have been married for 46 years. They have three children and six grandchildren.

Lion Peter Lazorenko

Lion Pete Lazorenko grew up in the Grassy Butte, N.D. area, attended high school in Killdeer and later spent 21 months in the Army with 11 months in Korea (awarded the Bronze Star with Valor while in Korea.)

Lion Peter attended NDSU and graduated with a bachelor's degree in Ag. Engineering. He worked for John Deere in Waterloo, Iowa (tractor division) for 11 years, returning to North Dakota in 1970. Lion Peter moved to Grand Forks in 1971, joining the South Forks Lions in 1972 where he had perfect attendance (18 years).

He then moved to West Fargo.

While in Grand Forks, he was president of Southside Development, North Dakota Manufactured Housing Assoc. and also served on the Federated Church Building Committee (new church).



Lion Peter and his wife Joan have two children (Don and Karen) and three grandchildren.

Lion Chris Voegele

Lion Chris Voegele was born July 12, 1942, in rural Glen Ullin, Mercer

County. He is the 10th of a family of 10. He attended a rural school through sixth grade, and junior high and high school at Beulah. He graduated from Beulah High School in May 1960.



He enrolled at the National School of Business in Rapid City, S.D. in September 1960.

Chris and his wife, Carol were marred in Mott Nov. 17, 1962. They have three children and five grandchildren.

Lion Chris retired from Scranton Equity

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as a department manager in July of 2004. Lion Chris Voegele was inducted into the Bowman Lions Club June 21, 1980, and has continued to be very active in the club to this date. He has served the club in nearly all the positions including president, 1st and 2nd vice-president, tail twister, board member and secretary/treasurer. He served as district governor of District 5NW in 1999-2000 and ND Council Representative in 2000-2001. He became a Melvin Jones Fellow in 1995-1996. He has attended 21 state conventions, 17 multiple district conventions, one international convention, one USA/Canada Leadership Forum, and four district spring rallies. He has received three International President Certificates of Appreciation and one International President's Leadership Award.

Lion Chris joined the Scranton Lions Club as an associate member in August of 2000 and maintained perfect attendance there as well.

Lion Chris received on International Extension Award and one Guiding Lion

Along with his involvement in Lions, he has served on the Bowman Ambulance Squad for eight years. He has been active in the Scranton Community Club for the last 20 years during which he has been the chairman for the annual picnic event for seven years. He also co-chaired the fall festival celebration for two years. He is currently serving on the centennial committee for the City of Bowman of which he is chairman of the Parade and Food Committee. He is an active member in the Bowman Lutheran Church and has been involved in the Sunday school program and also the church choir.

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Membership lists needed!

I HAVE MADE MANY PLEAS TO ALL CLUBS FOR A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP LIST SO I CAN FINISH UPDATING ALL OF OUR RECORDS. THANKS TO ALL OF THE CLUBS THAT HAVE SENT THIS INFORMATION TO ME. THE FOLLOWING CLUBS HAVE FAILED TO DO THIS, SO PLEASE SEND ME YOUR MEMBERSHIP LIST NOW!

CLUBS THAT HAVE FAILED TO DO THIS INCLUDE (5NE) -- JUD, LAKOTA AND WIMBLEDON. (5NC) - LINTON AND PLUM VALLEY.

The following donations were received for the Foundation in the months of July and August:

Memorials

Gary and Bonnie Morel – In memory of Lion Don Thompson

David and Myrna Blackstead - In memory of Mary Morton

Bronze clubs (\$100) Mandan Dakotah Lioness Club

Make your plans now to attend the Lions State Convention in Dickinson, Oct. 27-29. Remember there will be the Parade of Green for your Foundation and Lions Eye Bank Sunday morning, Oct. 29.

> Chris Voegele, treasurer Lions Foundation of North Dakota PO Box 273 Bowman, ND 58623



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Past International Director's comments

We're cookin' in Sector D!

Campaign SightFirst II

By BRUCE SCHWARTZ
Past International Director

THIS JUST IN:

Campaign SightFirst II is just beginning its second year and I have great news. SECTOR D (NORTH AND SOUTH DAKOTA) IS IN 4th PLACE IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADAWITH \$206,287 IN FUNDS PLEDGED!

The top five sectors in the United States and Canada are:

- 1. Sector I-9-E (Arizona, New Mexico, Hawaii) -- \$317,583
 - 2. Sector I-3-C (Florida) -- \$290,800
- 3. Sector I-2-G (New Jersey) -- \$236,450
- 4. SECTOR I-7-D (NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA) -- \$206.687
 - 5. Sector I-5-C (Indiana) -- \$205,826

You may be wondering what a Sector is. A CSFII Sector is a smaller portion of what is called a National/Multi-National Area. North and South Dakota belong to National/Multi-National Area 7, which is made up of five Sectors (Sectors A through

E) in Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota. Minnesota has two Sectors; Iowa is a Sector; Nebraska is a Sector and North and South Dakota is a Sector. The entire world is set up in this manner for CSFII.

The primary reason for the great success to this point of Sector D is the emphasis on CSFII Model Clubs. Model Clubs have agreed to set the pace, set an example and set the standard for clubs in its area. The only requirement to be designated as a Model Club is to pledge \$400 per club member usually over a five-year period. For example, a Model Club with 50 members agrees to raise \$20,000 over five years. The \$20,000 would qualify that club for 20 Melvin Jones Fellowships as well.

Sector D has 10 Model Clubs as of Sept. 1. They are:

1. <u>District 5-SE</u>. Parkston (21 members); Sioux Falls Downtown (160 members)

Mitchell Palace (13 members); Aberdeen (60 members) and Corsica (unknown).

- 2. District 5-SW. Hill City (42 members).
- 3. <u>District 5-NC.</u> Capitol City (39 members); North Star (50 members) and Bismarck (55 members).

- 4. <u>District 5-NE.</u> Fargo (65 members).
- 5. <u>District 5-NW.</u> Two or three clubs strongly considering Model Club status.

If your club wishes to explore the Model Club possibilities, simply contact your District Coordinator. The District Coordinators in Sector D are: Dale Ekstrom, District 5-NW; Brach Johnson, District 5-NC; Katherine Tweed, District 5-NE; Neil Vollmer, District 5-SW and Delmer Hofer, District 5-SE.

Sept. 27 important date to remember

Sept. 27 is a very important date for CSFII. All clubs should have their CSFII fund-raising goals turned in to their Group Coordinators by that date. This information will then be sent on up the line and will be used for CSFII World Report Day in October.

Sector D, North Dakota and South Dakota, is full of CSFII momentum. Thank you to the leaders at every level and a special thank you to the clubs.

Sight Night is in October

Public Relations Department Lions Clubs International

Dear District and MD Sight Chairs,

We are encouraging Lions to join together with Leos, Scouts, schools and other community groups to collect used eyeglasses in October for Sight Night. Sight Night is a door-to-door collection of used eyeglasses sponsored by Lions Clubs International and Give the Gift of Sight Foundation. To get started, visit www.sightnight.org to download collection materials, or call 877-605-4242 to order a collection kit (one per group please). Sight Night is a great opportunity to organize a first-time collection or to promote awareness of your club's ongoing eyeglass collection efforts.

Lions clubs that collect with Scouts for Sight Night may present the Lions Clubs-Boy Scouts of America Community Service Award (A-64) or Lions Clubs-Girl Scouts of the USA Award (A-66). Lions can order patches for Scouts who participate in this joint project through the Club Supplies Sales Department. Read further about the available Lions-Scouts awards online at: http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/youth-outreach-scouts.shtml. Look for the Sight Night article in the September issue of THE LION Magazine (Headquarters Edition).

Lions World Sight Day is another opportunity to raise awareness of your

club and district sight activities during the month of October. Lions World Sight Day 2006 will be marked in Mali and Lions around the world are encouraged to plan activities in their communities on October 12 and throughout the month to coincide with the day. Possible activities include collecting eyeglasses, eye health education, conducting screenings in area schools or sponsoring a cataract surgery. Read further online at http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/vision_services_wsday.shtml, and download the Lions World Sight Day Activity Guide (PR804) for ideas on how to participate this year.



International President's comments

We're on our way!

By LION JIMMY ROSS International President, Lions Clubs International

Dear club presidents,

Well, we are on our way to building a bright new future for Lions Clubs International.

By now you should have received the Lions Club Renewal Initiative in my last e-mail. If your club is in need of some new ideas and energy, I think you'll find the club renewal process to be very helpful. Because I believe the best way to grow your club is not to focus only on numbers, but on building a stronger club.

When I have talked about the Paradigm Shift occurring in our organization, one of the questions I'm being asked by some Lions is, "what does that mean to an individual club?" Simply put, it means, that it may be time to consider changes in your club if too many members are leaving. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/intprogram.pdf It means phrases such as: "But that's the way we've always done it" "We tried that once, it didn't work"

Should be replaced with: "How do you see us improving this?" "Would you be willing to work on this and make the changes?" "What can we do to make this work?"

Members stay when they feel they are making a difference in their community and when they can participate in a meaningful way in club activities. In view of that, don't hesitate to ask your members if they have any new service projects or fundraising ideas for your club. Or, bring a new perspective to your club's committees by appointing new members, especially those who have recently joined.

Another example of paradigm shift is how Lions treat the idea of networking. Networking should not be a taboo, and somehow we may have lost sight of that. Lions who have trusting, social connections with each other is good for a club, so it's okay to talk about our business and professional interests, within reason of course and at the right times.

Sometimes our "Club Tail Twisters" may be a little to eager to fine members who mention their professional interests or work, which can be bit off-putting

particularly to a new member. It's up to your club to set the right balance on this. But let us not forget the business networking is one of the benefits people see in our organization. I'll be sharing more of my views on the value of networking in my upcoming monthly emails.

I will be in touch again next month, and hope that you and your club find this note helpful. Meanwhile, below are a number of updates on programs and resources your club will find very helpful this time of year.

Updates:

Family Membership Dues information: This page will be updated on a regular basis over the next few months. Information about certification of family members will be posted and mailed to club secretaries in early September. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/programs mem family. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/programs mem family.

Boomers: Lions Clubs International has developed some new materials for Lions to use to invite new members and/or start a new club. Check out the Web site for more information. http://www.lionsclubs.org/boomers/

October Membership Drive: Many

clubs hold an October membership drive; so as to support the clubs activities for the next year. Check out the winning Best Practice results to give you some ideals that have worked for other clubs and the Inviting Members web pages for more information. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/programs_mem_invite.shtml

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/programs_mem_practices.shtml

Peace Poster Contest: To participate in the Peace Poster Contest, kits must be purchased by October 1, 2006. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/youth peace poster.php3

Club Renewal: For those clubs who still have not yet participated or completed the club renewal form, click on Club Renewal on the left side of the Lions Clubs International home page. http://www.lionsclubs.org

Club President Diamond Challenge: A special diamond pin will be awarded to Club Presidents who have a net membership increase of two of more Lions for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Use the link for access to additional information. Awards will be sent to the club at the end of this fiscal year. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/awards_flyer.pdf

Letters

Grateful for support

PCC Lion Bob Moore Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan

Fellow Lions,

I would like to express my thanks to the Lions of MD5 for their endorsement as the candidate for the position of Canadian Director. There are so many who supported me in many different ways. It was greatly appreciated and most humbling.

Since Fargo and after a quick trip to Boston to the International Convention, we have been informed that a decision has been made which will call for further campaigning. We will now need to campaign at the four multiple district conventions which take place across the west. They will be in MD19, MD37, MD5M and finally at the MD5 convention in Regina in June, 2007.

We will once again be asking for your support, at the MD5 Convention in June 2007, as we continue our quest to become the Canadian Director so that we can serve our great organization and the members who serve their communities.

5NE



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It seemed as though the phone rang with a special urgency one summer evening. Lion Barney Danielson from the Emerado-Arvilla Lions Club called with an idea for eyeglass collection. He had read about Minot Lion Terry Narum, and the collection and distribution system he developed.

A few days later, the phone rang again with more happy news. Jamie Quackenbush is the new Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota person in the eastern part of the state and also wanted to work with eyeglass recycling.

The best news for District 5NE is this. No one needs to have glasses pile up in garages and car trunks anymore. There are two wonderful ways to share the gift of sight with two solid programs.

Lion Barney will help send any glasses collected in Region A to Lion Terry in Minot. Lion Barney's e-mail is <u>arberacres@</u> hotmail.com.

Lions in Region B will be able to recycle their collections through the Lions Eye Bank office in Fargo at $100\,4^{\rm th}$ St. S., Fargo. The phone number there is 701.297.8104. The Eye Bank lobby will be the hub for collections. Eyeglasses from Region B will

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be shipped to the Bismarck Eye Bank office for processing and distribution.

Zone and region chairs are being asked to collect glasses as they visit clubs. I will collect glasses on my visits, too.

Thanks to Lion Barney, Lion Terry, Jamie and the North Dakota Eye Bank, we will efficiently move eyeglasses to the people who need them.

FARGO EYE BANK IN ACTION

Jamie Quackenbush is the new Eye Bank representative in Fargo. Later this fall she will host an open house. She also hopes to visit clubs, set up liaisons with the medical community and find ways to more closely link clubs and community with the Eye Bank.

The North Dakota Lions Eye Bank thanks all Lions for individual and club contributions to its eye programs. Transporters are a special and important link – thank you.

INTRODUCING ZONE B-2 CHAIRPERSON

Lion Leon Roesler of the Leonard Lions Club is the new zone chairperson for Zone B-2. His phone number is 645.2258. Thank you to PDG Gerald Sletmoe for recruiting Lion Leon into zone and cabinet service.

KUDOS TO CLUBS

Thank you clubs for sending your reports – especially on time – because it gives me an opportunity to know you better. Please keep me informed about your projects and events. (When all your reports and dues payments are timely, it makes Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Lion Edi Falk's work easier, too. Thank you from Lion Edi!)

These are a few of the things I know about – please tell me more:

- The Sheldon Lions Club constructed a public rest room in Lions Park. They worked with Ransom County Parks and Recreation, raised the \$15,000 needed and, most important, made the park better for everyone.
- The Larimore-Turtle River Lions Club works collecting coats and other warm winter clothing for KVLY's Coats for Kids program. They go beyond that and provide boots, mittens and caps, too.
- Both the Carrington Lions Club and the New Rockford Lions Club sponsor the NFL's Punt, Pass and Kick competition for girls and boys in four separate age divisions. The New Rockford Club is in the process of building another wheelchair

accessible ramp, too.

- •On page 22 of the new Lions International magazine, the Fargo Lions Club is featured for its work for Sight Night last year. Lion Wally Johnson had been the club's glasses collector for years.
- •The Kulm Lions Club sponsored a softball tournament and corn feed during Kulm Windfest Day.
- •The Gateway Lions Club regularly sponsors bowling for the blind as well as its annual cooperative effort with the Lions All-Star Basketball Tournament.

DISTRICT E-NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE

Lion Sarah Nathan recently distributed our first District E-newsletter, "5NE News and Views." She sent it to cabinet members, club presidents and secretaries. If you did not receive your copy, please let me know. If either the president or secretary or both in your club does not have an e-mail address, please send me an address we can use as the E-contact for your club. And, if you'd just like to be on the e-mail list, send me your e-mail address.

Thank you to all of you for all your service. You're the best!

"The first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say thank you. In between, the leader is a servant."

-Max Depree



Grand Forks



Enderlin

Melvin Jones

Enderlin Lions Clubs members received Melvin Jones Awards July 25 at the Enderlin Golf Course. Six were honored as charter members of the club. The club surprised its secretary, Lion Mike Martin, with a Melvin Jones award. Pictured, from left, are Lions Marvin Fink, Leo Schall, Mike Martin, Ron Torbenson, Hal Kemmer, Jim Gilbert and Andrew Peterson.



Jamestown clubs, Jud missing from directory

Lions Clubs in North Dakota, regarding Jamestown Buffalo City Club and Jud Lions Club not being in the 2006-07 Lions Directory:

Through a publishing error, the Jamestown Buffalo City and Jud Lions Clubs were not listed in the Lions directory. Following is the information that should have been in the directory. This information will also be sent in the district newsletter.

DG Katherine Tweed is also asking clubs in 5NE to send her any corrections they need when they receive the directory.

JAMESTOWN BUFFALO CITY

58401

Club #40493

Chartered: 11-6-1981 Zone A-3 1st & 3rd Wed. 12 noon Shady's Rest. Select Inn Club Address PO Box 1213, 58402

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Harley Trefz Spouse: Jaci 1501 River Circle NE Jamestown, ND

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JUD 58454

Club #34935

Chartered: 1-10-1978 Zone B-3 2nd Monday 7:00 p.m. Jud Café – 520 Logie St.

Club e-mail:

vicki2657@yahoo.com

PRESIDENT

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

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Chaffee

Community fun!



Former Lion rebate extended!

During the board of directors meeting held in Boston, the board extended the Former Lion Rebate Program through June 30, 2007.

Lions leave their clubs for many reasons, and often these reasons are temporary. This program provides an opportunity for former Lions who left their club in good standing, or were dropped due to the cancellation of their club, to rejoin as a charter member of a new club without paying an entrance fee.

To qualify

- •The former member must be reported to the New Clubs and Marketing Department as a charter member on or before June 30, 2007.
- •The club must be chartered between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2007.
- •The former member must have left his/her club in good standing, or dropped

from his/her former club due to club cancellation.

- •The rebate may be applied to up to 25% of the total charter membership.
- •To receive the rebate, please complete the Former Lion Charter Fee Rebate form and submit this form with both the charter fees and its first per capita dues before the clubs charter date. When the club is approved, the rebate amount will be credited to the club account.

For an immediate copy of the rebate form click the link: http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/former_lion_charter_fee_rebate.pdf

If you have any questions, or if we can be of any additional assistance, please contact us by phone at 630-571-5466, extension 306, by fax at 630-571-1691 or by email Natalie.Kenny@lionsclubs.org





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Get em' Up and Move Em' Out!

Why did I say that? I guess we do have to get up and move ourselves to get some Service and Fundraising and Recruiting Work done this year!

Membership is a real concern. We need 1250 members to operate as a District. We have 1,240 members as of 6/30/06. 5NC (the central part of ND) has never been below 1,250 as long as I have been a Lion. You would be surprised at places you can find new members. Sometimes we need to start a new club. For instance, if there is a group of 20 plus persons in your community that like to garden or grow flowers, etc. and they want to do some service work too - they could become a Special Interest Lions Club. We need to get them organized and have a club (maybe yours) sponsor them and we would have a new club to be proud of! Lion PDG Garry Freier, PDG Marian Johnson and I would love to help with this. Our communities would love to have more people helping! So far this year, International's records show that Fredonia, Minot, Robinson, and Rugby all gained members! Good for you!

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If you have recruited a new member be sure to get your paperwork in! PDG's Marian Johnson & Garry Freier and our Youth Program Chairs Lions Tim Johnson & Jed Geer have been working on the possible new Campus Club at the University of Mary. There is a lot of interest from former Leos and they have an advisor lined up! This is a positive thing in our future!

Whether you are finishing harvest, gearing up for work projects in the city, or going to school, I urge you to ask someone in your travels of life to join your club and carry out the Lions Motto "We Serve".

I want all Presidents and Secretaries to attend their Zone Meetings this year! I need the Secretaries to send your reports in according to the packet with instructions I sent all of you! I have really enjoyed reading the clubs reports — wonderful projects! However, some of you have been shy about telling me what is going on! There are about 14 clubs not reporting to International at this time. Please, "Get Em Done!"

I visited the Prairie Rose and Hooterville Lions Clubs in August. Terrific Turnouts!!

The Clubs I will visit in September include: Plum Valley, Garrison, and Glenburn, October visits will include Ashley, Harvey, Knightriders, Lehr, Magic City, Minot, Robinson, and Rugby. I have room for more.

Hall of Fame Dues will be assessed on the second Billing this year. Lion Paul, our Treasurer for 5NC urges you to send in the dues ASAP. International has also sent out the dues bills, please get those paid too!

Another Money Issue, don't forget the Campaign Sight First II donations in your planning. Read all about it in your Lions Magazines! There are so many people to help!

While visiting with some Presidents, I found out that some of the Lions members are not receiving their ND Lion. Another job for the Secretaries, please review your membership lists and send Stu the ones to drop and ones to add. Send their names & addresses. You can even do this by email.

Dates to remember: Sept. 14-16, 2007 is the USA/Canada Forum, Sept. 16th is the 4th Annual Pride Ride for charity with the Ridin' Lions, Sept. 18 is the 3A Zone meeting in Garrison, Sept. 18 is the 3B Zone meeting at Lake Metigoshe, Oct 9 in Linton is the Zone 1A meeting, Oct. 16 in Turtle Lake is the Zone 2A Zone Meeting, World Sight Day Oct. 14, 2007, Oct. 27-29 is the State Convention in Dickinson, & Sight Night is Oct. 31. November is the time to have your first Strides Walk.

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

I am looking forward to meeting you.



Van Vleet honored

Pictured is Lion AI Van Vleet, right, receiving his Monarch Chevron Award for 55 years of service to Lionism. He received the honor from PDG Don Stoltz.

Capital City



New Melvin Jones

PDG Marian Johnson, center, recently presented Melvin Jones Awards to Capital City Lions members Jan Rogneby and Gary Arman.

Minot Lions Club Eyeglass Recycling Program Report

Editor's note: The Minot Lions Club Eyeglass Recycling Program Report is a new regular feature of the North Dakota Lion. North Dakota Lion by Lion Terry Narum, Minot Lions Club Eyeglass Recycling Program coordinator, will provide the information. Narum is requesting that any Lions Club in the state who collects glasses should post its name, number of glasses collected and where they collected them for (i.e. Minot Lions Recycling Program, Lions Club International Program in Chicago, or a local optometrist going on a mission trip.)

Concerning count, Narum notes individual glasses need not necessarily be counted, rather clubs could indicate by saying two boxes or two bags of glasses.

"It would be nice for clubs to get some recognition," Narum said.

Narum went on to say sometimes the glasses may not be going directly to him

"If I know where glasses come from, I will add that information to my

monthly report."

Report for August

Glasses processed since 1998 -- 425,000

Total glasses presently in process -- 76,000

Total glasses read and ready to ship -- 6,000

Our next shipment will be to Minneapolis for ND, MN, WA and NV optometrists going to Vietnam.

(The information is in relation to the Minot Lions Club (and other clubs') Eyeglass Recycling Program.)

For more information, contact Terry Narum, Minot Lions Club Eyeglass Recycling Program chair

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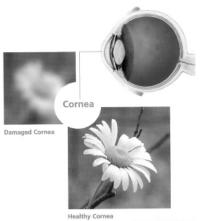
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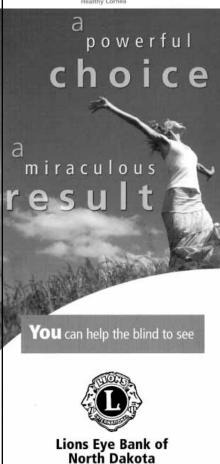
About Corneas

The cornea is the eye's outermost layer—a thin, dome-shaped piece of tissue that covers the front of the eye and acts as the eye's primary lens, controlling and focusing the light that enters the eye. Clear as the crystal of a watch, it is our window to the world.

A surgeon can remove a patient's damaged cornea and replace it with a clear, healthy cornea that has been donated to the eye bank. More than 30,000 corneal transplants are performed in the United States each year, with a success rate of more than 90%.

The eye tissue for these sight-restoring surgeries is donated to an eye bank by people who have decided to be an eye, tissue and organ donor. After the donor has passed away, the eye bank recovers the cornea, prepares it for surgery and distributes it to the surgeons for their patients in need.





CONVENTION "BIRDSEYE" OF 06 STATE LIONS

(tentative schedule—subject to change)

October 27, 2006---

FRIDAY: 10:00 a.m. (MDT) District Cabinet meetings.

1:00 p.m. ND Lions Foundation Board meeting

2:30 p.m. ND Eye Bank Board meeting

3:45 p.m. ND PDG Association meeting

5:00 p.m. Hall of Fame Reception

7:00 p.m. Ice Breaker Social

October 28, 2006---

SATURDAY: 7:15 a.m. Opening general session with breakfast

Guest Speaker; Lion Leonard Quinn 9:00 a.m. ND Lions District meetings

10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Information forum's of---

1. "Don't, Sweat" -- LoAnn's Marketing

2. Facts & Stats on Drug and Alcohol Drug Programs

3. Bird Flu and Meth Awareness

4. Jud Dog Assistance program

5. Touring North Dakota

6. Lionism History

12:00 noon Model Luncheon Guest Speaker: Dr Terry Fleck 4:00 p.m. Leo Club's Seminar

6:15 p.m. Parade of Governor's and Hall of Fame Banquet Guest Speaker: Ms Beverly A. Roberts (ID) Hephzibah, Georgia

October 29, 2006

SUNDAY: 8:00 a.m. Ecumenical Worship Service 9.00 a.m. Second general business session with breakfast 10:00 a.m. Lions Foundation of ND—general meeting 10:30 a.m. Lions Eye Bank of ND—general meeting

11:15 a.m. ND State Lions Meeting with closing ceremonies

SPEAKER HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2006 STATE CONVENTION

Ms. LoAnn Wegh has presented at many state conventions and always leaves the participants wanting more.

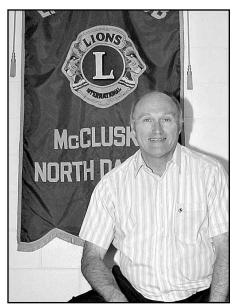
This convention will find her presenting on how not to "Sweat the Small Stuff"--. It hopefully will give us a test on how to avoid the feeling of being overwhelmed in this never ending world of changes.

There also will be another speaker you will want to meet. A national motivational speaker who will leave his audiences spell-bound and wanting more. Read your newsletter next month to find out who this speaker may be –You will not be disappointed.

McClusky



The new McClusky Lions Club officers for 2006 include, from left, Orville Schindler, Robert Sorenson, Don Wenning, Jeff Martwick, Dave Martwick and Armin Erdmann.



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

5NW



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Greetings to all the men and women who are Lions and to the Leo Clubs in District 5NW. How have each of us helped our clubs, our community, and our world since we visited last month in the ND Lion?

In our August, 2006 ND Lion we were presented with a plan by International President Jimmy Ross to follow the Club Renewal Initiative process. This can be accessed online through the Lions Web site: www.lionsclubs.org or by calling 630-571-5466, ext. 287. I ask each club in 5NW to use this guide to identify your strengths and areas of need. This type of planning will help us set goals and will strengthen our clubs. Our district does many super activities in our communities, for Leader Dog, for the ND Lions Eye Bank, for the ND Lions Foundation, for LCIF and now for the new Campaign Sightfirst II project. All these are so very important and I ask each club to set your goals a little higher then you did one year ago. We are all about service to those who need our help. Actually, service is the rent we pay for the space we occupy here in earth.

District 5NW has 36 Lions Clubs and

Governor's Report

3 Leo Clubs. As of June 30, 2006 we have 1,076 Lions members in good standing. My question to Lions Clubs International was, "What is the transitional district?" Let me share the answer.

"A transitional district is a district which does not meet the minimum constitutional membership requirement of 35 clubs and 1,250 members in good standing based on the Monthly Cumulative Membership Report. This designation is determined annually. A transitional district becomes a regular district as soon as it meets the minimum membership requirements according to the MCMR.

When a district first falls below 35 clubs and 1,250 members, it has two years to increase its clubs and members. If at the end of two years, the district is still below the required numbers, it automatically becomes a transitional district."

Our District 5NW risks becoming transitional in July, 2007 if we do not increase our membership to 1,250 by this date. When we are a transitional district, our District Governors are appointed by the International Board of Directors each year.

Please don't read and interpret this as gloom and doom. We have these basic guidelines to follow and it is my job to report to you where we stand. I ask all of us to accept the challenge and to fix our problem. We can do this if we all do our part. Let's each sponsor no less then one new Lion and let's make our meetings interesting enough so we do not lose any members out the back door. Do we know of an area in our district where we should have a new club? If so, contact our Extension Chair, PDG Russell Doe, and help us sponsor this new club. Sponsor a Leo Club in your community. These young leaders add a great deal to your club. They help give us life, and they have parents who could be great Lions members.

My wife and I have started the club visitation process with a visit to the Noonan Lions Club on August 7 and a visit to the Hebron Lions Club on August 31, 2006. You are doing some great projects in your communities. Our International President would be proud to see you in action. Our visitation schedule in September and October will take us to twenty (20) additional clubs. We're looking forward to meeting all of you. I hope we can help your club by bringing you new information, with welcoming new members to your club and with reaching new heights in service. Perhaps we can help you be more successful in what you do. Melvin Jones

said it simply and said it best: "We will never get very far until we start doing something for somebody else."

On August 12, 2006 we held our first 5NW Cabinet meeting in Dickinson, ND. We have a very good cabinet made up of people who wish to help lions everywhere. Zone meetings will be scheduled for each zone in September. Please notice this and take part by attending in your zone. The MERLOW Team is making plans to help District 5NW in all areas. The other cabinet members are working to have a successful year. We will be successful as a cabinet when your club calls on us to make club and zone presentations. We can be super successful by working together, all 1,076 of us. Wow! There could be more then 2000 of us before the close of this Lions year!

The new 2006-2007 Lions Directories are now complete and will be in the mail very soon. Perhaps you will have yours by the time this is printed. We hope it is of value to each of you as you plan your year.

The ND State Lions Convention in Dickinson, ND on October 27, 28, and 29, 2006 is taking shape under the leadership of the Dickinson Lions Club and Convention Chair, Lion Don Kostelecky. One of the special features of this convention is bringing a speaker from Leader Dog in Rochester, Michigan. We will all have the real pleasure of hearing Len Quinn and seeing his dog, Mikey, on Saturday, October 28 at the opening session. He is a super person. You will not be disappointed.

We encourage you to register for and to attend the ND State Lions Convention. Be part of the action and part of the solution to any needs that exist in District 5NW. Remember, also, to plan to take part in the Parade of Green for both the ND Lions Eye Bank and the ND Lions Foundation.

Thank you for being a leader in District 5NW.

In Lionism, Herman A. Schafer DG 5NW



Williston Korner

Williston Korner Lions assist the Good Sam Club

Williston Korner Lions helped out the Good Sam Club by serving burgers for an evening meal and also by preparing pancakes for a breakfast. They were kept hopping at both events and sent the crowd away with full tummies and a lot of good things to say about the Lions.

Korner Lions had a pleasant surprise when they found that the Lion who was instrumental in organizing their club was in attendance. Lion Had Seeklander, of both Hazen and Bismarck Lions Clubs, has assisted in setting up over 300 Lions Clubs and has had perfect meeting attendance for 40 years.

Lion Pat Trotter, PR Chair for 5NW and Lion Val Trotter, PR Chair for the Korner Lions, also had the pleasure of visiting in the evening with Good Sam members, Lions Karen & Gene Grimm from Michigan. The Lions Grimm were happy to be heading home with a few North Dakota Lions' pins to add to their vests.



Lions Bill Christensen (Williston Korner 1st Vice President), Pat Trotter (Zone 3A Chairman), Had Seeklander (of Hazen & Bismarck Lions) & Roy Clark (Williston Korner President)



Lions Randa Eldred, Les Olson, Jack Colby and Bill Christensen as they cook pancakes and prepare to take them to the hungry Good Sam Club members.

Lions Bill Brunsman & Stevie Broe take a break from mixing pancake batter and serving.

Magic City Lions Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament! Sunday, September 24, 2006 at



Tournament is limited to first 153 paid players.
Entry Fee is \$50 with ONE \$25 rebuy.
Registration starts at 10:00 am.
Play begins at 11:30 am

Estimated payouts are as follows:

1st \$1500	2nd \$1000
3rd \$800	4th \$650
5th \$500	6th \$400
7th \$300	8th \$200
9th \$150	10th \$100

To pre-register contact Terry Alexander at 852-3161 or 720-9068 or register at Front Desk at Grand International.

ALL PLAYERS MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO PARTICIPATE.

Elgin



Lion Clarence Werner and Lion Rueben Zacher prepare hamburger patties for the Elgin Lions' burgers in the park event. Photo by Lion Gertie Werner.

Elgin Lions prepare hamburger patties

Each Friday morning during the summer two Elgin Lion Club members, Lion Clarence Werner and Lion Rueben Zacher, head to the Lions shack in the City Park to prepare hamburger patties for the evening's main event.

The bulk hamburger is purchased at the local grocery store and around 100 pounds of patties are made into quarter pound burgers that are prepared and served by other Lion Club members. Proceeds of each Friday evening are donated to

many charitable organizations, including the Carson and New Leipzig Ambulances, ENL Senior Class, Highway 21 bus, Elgin Golf Club, Senior Meals Programs and Elgin Museum.

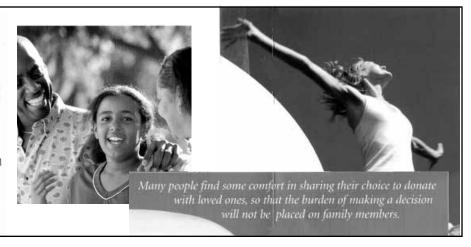
This year, two students from the FCCLA Chapter at the school have assisted the Lion Club members each Friday evening. As a special treat the Elgin Dakota Lion Club members also serve homemade pie. The last hamburgers in the park was Friday, Aug. 25.

Becoming a Donor

The Power to Change Lives

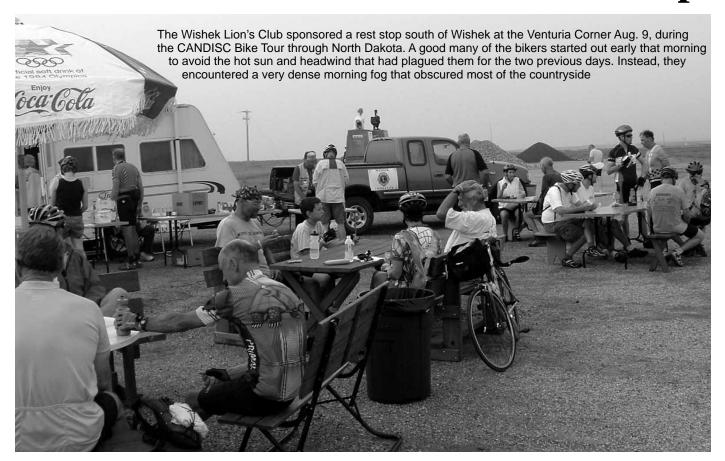
At the time of your death, your family will be offered the option of donation. Sharing your decision with your family now will help them carry out your wishes later. Many people find some comfort in sharing their choice to donate with loved ones, so that the burden of making a decision will not be placed on family members.

Take a few minutes now to sign the attached donor card, but more importantly, find time to have the vital family conversation about eye and tissue donation. You have the amazing power to turn a loss into a liferenewing opportunity. Your decision to be an eye donor will improve lives, and be a source of lasting consolation to your family.



Wishek

Wishek Lions host CANDISC rest stop









Lions Pride of Dakota ND State Lions Convention

October 27 - 29, 2006 Dickinson, ND

Convention Headquarters Days Inn Grand Dakota Lodge

532 15th Street West Dickinson, ND 58601 701-483-5600 or 1-800-422-0949 Room Rates:

\$60 Single Occupancy

\$65 Double Occupancy

(includes breakfast coupons)

Call early for reservations!

This is prime hunting season, so call early to reserve before the hunters come!

Additional Housing at the Comfort Inn at same cost.

Registration Fees

New Lions (Member since 10)/05) \$25
Lions	\$45
Leos	\$15
Guests	\$45



Please make checks payable to: ND State Lions Convention

Mail Registration Form (below) and check to:

ND State Lions Convention Registration Committee PO Box 781 Dickinson, ND 58602-0781

Complete registration below Use ONE form for EACH participant RSVP before September 1, 2006.

Name:		New Lion	Lion Leo	Gues
Badge Name:	Club:	,	Please circle one)	
Address:	City	State	Zip	
Telephone:		e -mail:	<u>-</u>	
Fees:	Total Amount Enclosed:	Che	ck Number:	

Leadership Forum countdown

The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum was first held in Chicago in 1971 and is the largest regular Lions event on this continent. It is also considered the best opportunity to not just learn about but also to feel good about Lionism. The Forum has been held in Canada only three times and upcoming Forums are scheduled as follows:

2006: Columbus, Ohio, Sept 14-16

- a dozen Saskatchewan Lions to attend.

2007: Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 5-8

- several dozen Saskatchewan Lions to attend.

2008: SASKATOON, SASK., SEPT. 18-20

3,000-4,000 delegates to attend, 1,000, including 300 volunteers from Saskatchewan, North Dakota, South



Dakota, Manitoba, and Alberta. Plan now to be part of the fun!

This year at Columbus the Forum Host Committee from Saskatchewan will have a Trade Show booth to spread the word that we will be hosting in 2008. We are getting help from the tourist Boards of Saskatoon and Saskatchewan, from Enterprise Renta-Car and from the city of Saskatoon. A "fund-raiser" position has been created and is filled by Wanda Carter who is already producing positive results. If you

have any sponsorship ideas please let her or any of the Host Committee know.

Next year in Grand Rapids we will "promote like crazy" and show off stuff and sell stuff and take Early Registrations. We'll be chartering a bus – please consider joining us.

And in 2008 in Saskatoon we will host what will be by far the largest Lions Event in the history of Saskatchewan. Lions Clubs across our province are already partnering with the Host Committee and putting on special events to help raise funds for promotion. Again, please call any Host Committee member if you have ideas or would be interested in serving on any sub-committee or getting involved in any way.

In Rememberance

Leadership Forum reminder

PCC Bill Filmore Web site Chairbill@filmore.net

Lions:

Registering early for the Forum is important this year. Ohio State will be playing football in Columbus the Saturday of the Forum and the hotel rooms will fill up fast. Lions need to get their registration and room reservations in no later than Sept. 1st, but the earlier ... the better.

Registration Form:

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/registration.html

Airport Shuttle:

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/airportshuttle.pdf

NEW: Schedule of Events:

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/schedule.pdf

NEW: Shuttle Bus Schedule; Scooters, Wheelchairs & Medical Equipment; ions Chorus

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/shuttlechorus.html

Latest Seminar List (7/21/06):

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/seminars.html

NEW: MAPS of City, Rest Stops, and Remember to sign up for the Friday Night Party - this is the 30th Anniversary of the Forum!

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/host.html

Bring One Campaign:

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/bringone.html

NEW: Message from General Chairman for those who are registered:

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/pccjackharris.html

If you have questions, please contact Geri:

http://usacanadalionsforum.org/contactinformation.html

Zeeland

Thomas Boschee

Ridin' Lions

Derk Bakke

Strasburg

Eugene Welk

West Fargo

Gregory Beach

Lehr

Vernon Ruff

Wishek

Edwin Rath

Edgley

Merritt Ogren

Minot

Paul Ristvedt

Napoleon

Michael Vetter

Valley City

Lester Jackson

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