



## New England Lions bring Santa to North Dakota women's prison

By LION LEWELLYN RUSTAN

Shortly before Christmas, "Santa" paid a visit to the Dakota Women's Correctional Rehab Center. Inmates at the state women's prison were treated to a visit with the old bearded gentleman, and each was given a sack of peanuts and candy.

Each inmate was also given the option of having her picture taken with Santa. Many of those pictures find their way back to the homes of those inmates, where they are enjoyed by family members.

Each year since the facility opened, the New England Lions have brought Santa to the Center. "You can't believe how much this means to these women," one of the inmates said. "They've been asking for weeks, 'Is Santa coming this year?'"

Some of the inmates have been there since the Santa visits began. Others were "first-timers" this season. But nearly all of them enjoy the visits, and the bag of goodies.

One of those first-timers said she was very familiar with the work of the Lions. She had been involved in one of the organization's major sight preservation projects before getting into drug related trouble and finding herself in prison. "I really



Santa, with a sampling of the inmates who were treated by his visit just before Christmas. Each inmate received a sack of goodies. For many of them, sitting on Santa's knee for a picture they could later send to family, was an emotional moment with memories of a happier time, before the mistakes that led them to prison.



A group of happy children with Santa at the Tumbleweed Day Care Center. Each child sat on Santa's knee and most eagerly told him what they wanted him to bring them. One or two were a bit shy, but enjoyed the experience all the same.

hope I can work with the Lions again after I am released," she said.

The New England Lions have been Santa's helpers for several years before the prison was located in New England. With funds donated by community businesses, the Lions purchase peanuts and candy. Just before Christmas, 25-30 Lions gather to "sack candy." It's a time of fellowship and fun for the members, who enjoy putting smiles on the faces of kids of all ages.

Again this year, goodie sacks were distributed to the students at the New England school following their annual Christmas musical program. Santa was well rehearsed, having just hours before, spread his Christmas joy to the inmates at the prison. "This was a highlight of my life," he said following the stop at the prison. "These girls really seemed to appreciate it."

Santa also visited the Tumbleweed Day Care Center with more sacks of candy. The joy and awe displayed on their young faces, although different than the expressions of gratitude given by the inmates, also help understand the joy of giving, and the true spirit of Christmas.



# President's Letter

JIMMY V. ROSS  
International President  
Lions Clubs International



## *A special year lies ahead*

Dear club officer,

The coming year will be a very special one for Lions Clubs International. Lions from all over the world are invited to "come home to Chicago" for our 90th International Convention in July. There will be many other celebrations and events marking our 90th anniversary beginning with a special feature in an upcoming issue of The LION magazine. Information on other events will be available throughout the year at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org).

Other parts of our association family will be celebrating significant milestones as well. This year will mark the 50th anniversary of Leo clubs, the 20th anniversary of the Peace Poster contest and the 20th anniversary of women's participation as Lions club members. These anniversaries will also be featured in The LION magazine and on the Lions Clubs International Web site.

While we will be taking special note of the past in this year of anniversaries, we will also be moving ahead with the new paradigm for our organization. As part of this new paradigm, we are focusing membership extension efforts on "target markets" that are underrepresented in the association. Urban populations and the "baby boomer" generation are two important examples.

But perhaps the most important group we can reach out to is young people. It should be obvious to everyone that the youth of our communities will be the Lions Club members of the future. That is why I am asking all Lions clubs throughout the world to consider sponsoring a Leo Club.

The association is placing great importance on Leo Clubs in their 50th anniversary year. In a letter to all Leo Club members throughout the world at [http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/youth\\_leo\\_convention.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/youth_leo_convention.shtml) (I have invited them to come to Chicago and participate in a special Global Leo Conference during our International Convention. I believe that knowing that Lions Clubs International is dedicated to providing activities and programs that are specially tailored to young people will energize existing Leo Clubs and be a powerful motivation for the formation of new ones.

I hope that your club will also place great importance on Leos in the coming year. The month of April has been designated as Leo Awareness Month. I strongly urge you to show your members and your communities what young people can accomplish by joining with a Leo Club in your area for a special service project in April.

You have my best wishes during this holiday season and for a joyful, service-filled New Year.

### Notes:

#### *New family members*

Instructions for providing former members joining existing Lions Clubs is available at

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/former\\_member\\_entrance\\_fee\\_rebate\\_form.pdf](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/former_member_entrance_fee_rebate_form.pdf)

The instructions also provide a direct link for filing the required form online.

#### *Campaign SightFirst II*

Lions are golfing, pledging and selling to save sight as they increase their CSFII fund raising. What is your Lions club doing to help save sight through CSFII? Send photos and event details by e-mail to [csfii@lionsclubs.org](mailto:csfii@lionsclubs.org)

Click here to read about the amazing clubs saving sight through CSFII:

[http://www.lions-csfii.org/live/content/pdfs/club\\_news\\_v2\\_i4\\_en.pdf](http://www.lions-csfii.org/live/content/pdfs/club_news_v2_i4_en.pdf)

#### *CSFII by the numbers:*

US\$56 million raised toward CSFII's minimum goal of US\$150 million . 1,355+ clubs are Model Clubs . In the 10 minutes since you started reading this newsletter, 120 people have gone blind

#### *Family unit certification form*

The Family Unit Certification form needed for Family Membership is available online at

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/programs\\_mem\\_family.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/programs_mem_family.shtml)

#### *Public Relations Web site materials*

The December edition of the e-newsletter is now available for distribution.

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/news\\_news\\_online.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/news_news_online.shtml)

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# Hearing access information available

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In 1925, Lions accepted the challenge posed by Helen Keller (who became blind and deaf in childhood) to help persons who are deaf as well as those who are blind. Services provided by Lions clubs for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing include:



Helen Keller

- hearing awareness
- hearing screenings
- communications aids for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing
- recreational camps for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing
- support for the Deaf or hard of hearing community

In 2002-03, Lions donated more than US\$4.3 million and volunteered more than 292,000 hours to hearing-related service projects. Lions are invited to share news of their successful service projects for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing.

For general information about hearing, access "Understanding

Hearing Impairments (IAD-8), or Technological Devices for People who are Hearing Impaired (IAD-9) in the resources section.

For additional hearing information, log onto: [www.nidcd.nih.gov](http://www.nidcd.nih.gov) or contact the Program Development Department at Lions Clubs International Headquarters: [programs@lionsclubs.org](mailto:programs@lionsclubs.org).

I am the 5NE District chairperson for speech and hearing. The preceding was copied from the Lions International web page. If you have any questions about the Lions hearing program please contact me and I will be happy to assist you.



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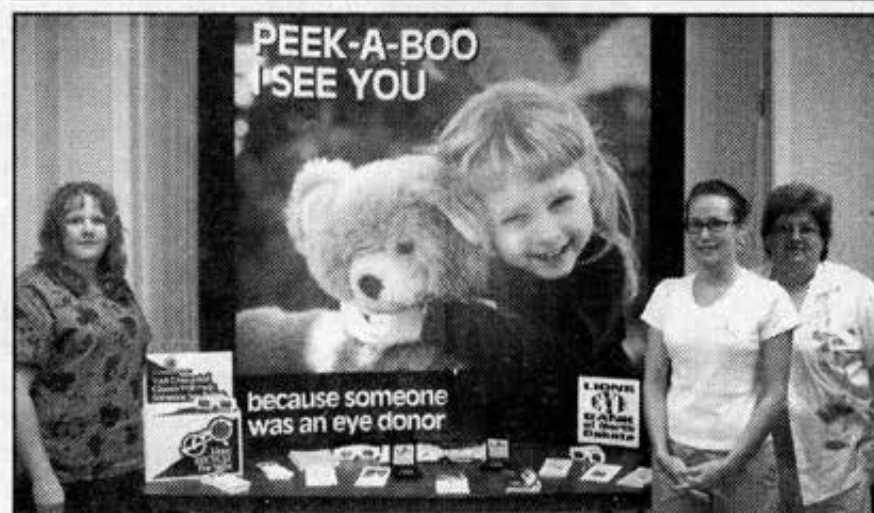
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Stacie Fisher, Jill Yoder and Kathleen Hertz celebrate Lions Eye Bank Week.

## North Dakota reaches out to holiday shoppers

By ART O'NEAL

*Vice president, donor development*

If you were doing your holiday shopping at the Kirkwood Mall in North Dakota earlier this month you would have run into some familiar faces. The staff of the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota was at the mall the week of Dec. 3 in concert with the annual Lions Eye Bank Week.

Lions Eye Bank Week commemorates the anniversary of the first corneal transplant performed by Dr. Eduard Zim Dec. 7, 1905 in what is now the Czech Republic.

"We had a display and shared information on eye donation as well as other Lions vision programs. It's a great time of year to reach out to people because of the giving nature of the holiday season," said Karen Thomas, Director of the LEBND. "This is the second year we have participated in Eye Bank Week outreach, and we look forward to doing more in the future."

## Gifts to the Lions Eye Bank

A donation was made in honor of District Governor Carla Bender from the Tuttle Lions Club!



# 5NE



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Life for Lions and Leos in District 5NE is exciting. We have 1,033 Lions who are serving and helping and making the world a better place. Thank you for being service-minded people, not looking for financial reward, encouraging efficiency and promoting high ethical standards.

You probably recognize some of those words from Lions Clubs International goals. Our first goal is to create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world. Our district has all kinds of opportunities to share our energies and talents.

Each Lion can join in the each one, bring one membership development campaign. We could be 2,066 Lions if we each dedicated ourselves to inviting people into the greatest service club in the world. Let's make it a district goal to be invitational.

## ***Campaign SightFirst II***

Right now we have six clubs actively participating in the Campaign SightFirst II. Other clubs are also talking about what they're going to do. Please let your zone/group coordinator know what your plans are. As district coordinator, I'd be pleased to hear about your plans, too. Zone B-3 - Edgeley, Kulm, Jud, LaMoure, Oakes and

# Governor's Report

Valley City, still needs a group coordinator. Let's get this position filled so you all have quick access to information and ideas. You can find out more at CSFII@lionsclubs.org about what's happening around the world.

## ***Lions Foundation***

Lion Hal Kemmer, a charter member of the Enderlin Lions Club who walked door-to-door drumming up charter members, was memorialized by his club with a gift the Lions Foundation of North Dakota. The Foundation is a worthy recipient of gifts to honor members, past and present, and special events in people's lives.

## ***Welcome***

The district cabinet met our new secretary-treasurer Jan. 6 with applause and thanks. Lion Blake Strehlow, who has been a member of the Fargo Lions Club since 1989, will fill the post vacated by Lion Edi Falk. While we will miss Lion Edi as she moves to a new life in Austin, Texas, we're glad to have Lion Blake's experience and devotion to Lionism. When I first considered candidates for this position, Lion Blake and Lion Edi were my only choices. I truly flipped a coin in my decision process because I knew the district would be well served by either one. Now our district has the advantage of service from both of them. Thank you Lion Blake, for being our knight in shining armor.

To contact Lion Blake, call him at work: 282.3443; home: 235.7639; e-mail: forent@ideaone.net or write to him at 3111 46th Ave. SW, Fargo, ND 58104.

## ***Leader Dogs for the Blind***

Two residents of our district have been accepted into the Leader Dogs for the Blind program. They will each travel to Rochester, Mich., this spring to be trained to work with their dogs. Thank you to Lions clubs in Zones A-1 and B-1 who are offering financial support to Leader Dog to help cover expenses. This means a total of five people are being helped with Leader Dogs in our district.

## ***Year of celebrations***

This year is the 90th anniversary of Lions Clubs International, the 50th anniversary of Leo Clubs and the 20th year for the Peace Poster program. We'll be celebrating all of these milestones.

Today there are 1.3 million men and women Lions in 200 countries and 140,000 Leos around the world. The number of Peace Poster participants must be in the hundreds of thousands.

As part of the celebration, let's add more Lions and Leos and promote the Peace Poster program in all our communities.

## ***Travel plans***

There are three events to include in your travel plans for this year.

- June 6-9, Lions will travel to Regina, Sask., for the Multiple District 5 convention. If you want to ride the bus, you can get on in Fargo, Valley City, Jamestown, Bismarck-Mandan and Minot. Take a relaxing ride with other Lions. Contact Lion Robert Littlefield for more information at r.littlefield@ndsu.edu or write to him at 2212 South 17th St., Moorhead, MN 56560.

- July 2-6, the 90th Annual Lions International Convention will be in the "City Where It All Began," Chicago, Ill. Lions headquarters is in Oak Brook, Ill., just 30 minutes west of the city, where we'll be able to take self-guided tours.

- Sept. 6-8, is the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Grand Rapids, Mich. Everyone who has attended one of these recommends it.

- And, while you're at it, remember our own spring training school in Valley City, Saturday, April 14. More information will come soon.

## ***Twinning***

Interested in having a twin club in India? Please contact me for information about a request we have.

## ***Kudos***

Arthur Lions Club cooked and served more than 300 people at Samaritan Center Nursing Home Days.

Kulm Lions Club provided Christmas bags to school children and made several donations.

Many clubs rang bells for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign.

Valley City Lions keep popping popcorn to help at athletic events as well as delivering food baskets.

The Larimore Turtle River Lions Club is aiding the park board.

And, thank you to our Zone chairs for doing a great job!

Please be sure to send your activity reports in a timely manner - it's great to know what you're all doing. AND, please send information in advance about your plans so we can all have a chance to participate in your events and projects.

*"No one can go back and make a brand new start, my friend, but anyone can start from here and make a brand new end."*

Anonymous



# Grand Forks



## Gifts for food pantry

Pictured are, from left, Grand Forks Lions Club members Liz Simpson and Steve Johnson dropping off donations at the Salvation Army food pantry. The food items were furnished by Lions in conjunction with the club's annual holiday gift exchange Dec. 20th.

# Carrington

## Carrington Lions planning four-person golf scramble

The Carrington Lions Club and Gate City Banks of North Dakota will be sponsoring a four-person co-ed scramble golf tournament. This tournament will be Monday, June 18, at the CrossRoads Golf Course.

CrossRoads is a beautiful 18-hole grass greens golf course located one mile north of Carrington on Highway 281. According to organizers, cost and many of the other details are to be worked out.

A few of the details are as follows: cash prizes will be awarded for place finishes, with many merchandise prizes awarded on certain holes and lots of door prizes for individual entries. A supper meal will be included with the registration fee.

So mark the date on your calendar and come out and have some golfing fun at the Central City of Carrington, N.D. All proceeds from the tournament will go to Campaign SightFirst II.

## Opening for MD5 Youth Exchange

The MD5 Council of Governors would like to officially inform all Lions of Multiple District 5 that at the end of this year, June 30th, 2007, our Youth Exchange Chairperson's term will expire.

If you are a Lion of Multiple District 5 and would like to know more about this three-year position, or would like an application. Call MD5 Sec./Treas. Mike Brand.

701-845-3204 (phone/fax) or E-mail [vc1ion@msn.com](mailto:vc1ion@msn.com)

Deadline for applying for this position is March 1, 2007.

## You Can Still be a Donor!

Even if you:

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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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# Bismarck



## Eye Bank gift

Bismarck Lions Club member Bob Ebbesen, right, and club president Bruce Hagen, left, are shown presenting a \$500 check to Karen Thomas, director of the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota, Inc. The donation to the eye bank was secured by Ebbesen from the British Petroleum Retirees Group.

## WHEN SENDING LIONS PHOTOS

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## 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 life-renewing opportunity. Your decision to be an eye donor will improve lives, and be a source of lasting consolation to your family.



*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*



# 5NC

## Governor's Report

Richard Holzer, Kenneth Werlinger, Randall Knoepfle, Leon Zeigler, and John Engelhardt. Gackle Lions Club added Joan Trapp and Ritchie Jacobson. Prairie Rose Lions Club added Denise Kirsch in Jan. Goodrich Lions Club added Steve Sauter. North Star Lions Club added Todd Braun. I am positive there are more in the mail!

Our District Treasurer Lion Paul Knudson tells me that 4 clubs have not paid their 5NC dues for the first half. Please make sure this is done. The second half of the year Dues Statements will be in the mail this month – if you have not paid yours it will show up on the new statement.

### Upcoming Events include:

Zone Meetings & Hosts  
1A – 2-13 in Ashley  
1B – ?  
2A – 1-25 North Star LC  
2B – 1-17 Tuttle LC  
2-28 Bowdon LC  
3A – 2-5 Sawyer LC  
3B – Feb. ? Hooterville  
Spring into Action Leadership Workshop on 4-14-07 in Bismarck.  
Tree Planting in May for Coleharbor.  
More Info later.  
Multiple District 5 Convention in

Regina on June 7-10.

District Governor-Elect Brian Tinker is forming his Cabinet for the next year (7-1-07 to 6-30-08). If you are interested in serving above the club level please contact him. His phone number is 701-363-2276 or email bmtinker@westriv.com My visitation schedule:

1-8 Washburn LC  
1-9 Bowdon LC  
1-13 5NC Cabinet Meeting in Bismarck  
1-14 Turtle Lake LC  
1-22 Hazelton LC  
2-5 Wing LC  
2-8 McClusky LC  
2-12 Bismarck LC-noon  
2-12 Wishek LC  
2-17 Wilton LC  
2-18 U of Mary LC  
2-22 North Star LC  
3-12 Goodrich LC  
3-30-3-31—MD5 Meeting  
4-9 Leeds LC  
\*Fredonia is rescheduling.

Well, you have your assignments! We want more Lions to serve mankind! Make sure you take time to have fun in the process!

5NC DG Carla



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January is here ...

It is time to make your resolutions! This would be a great time to plan your club retreat! Lots of people have time at this time of year to do some of those extras things! It would be a good time to review your club's accomplishments and plan to do more or do them better! The Nomination Committee should start. A quick reminder, the Officers for next year start July 1, 2007 and we need to have the list of officers elected and the list ASAP. You can download a PU101 form and fill it out or do it online. The Family Dues Initiative has started. It is a good time to recruit and have some help with the Projects you have coming up. Worldwide Induction Day is April 21, 2007. You can get a free planning guide for this event. See Pg. 55 in the January Lion Issue.

Thank you Lion Tracy Magstadt for stepping up to the plate and taking the Zone Chair job in 2B!

There have been new members added in abundance by some clubs. Join me in welcoming these new Lions and congratulate the Zeeland Lions Club who added 6 Lions! They are Carl Aberle,

## Prairie Rose



### New member

Prairie Rose Lions inducted a new member recently. Pictured, from left, are DG Carla, new member Denise Kirsch, sponsor Pam Wheeler, and President Barb Wright.

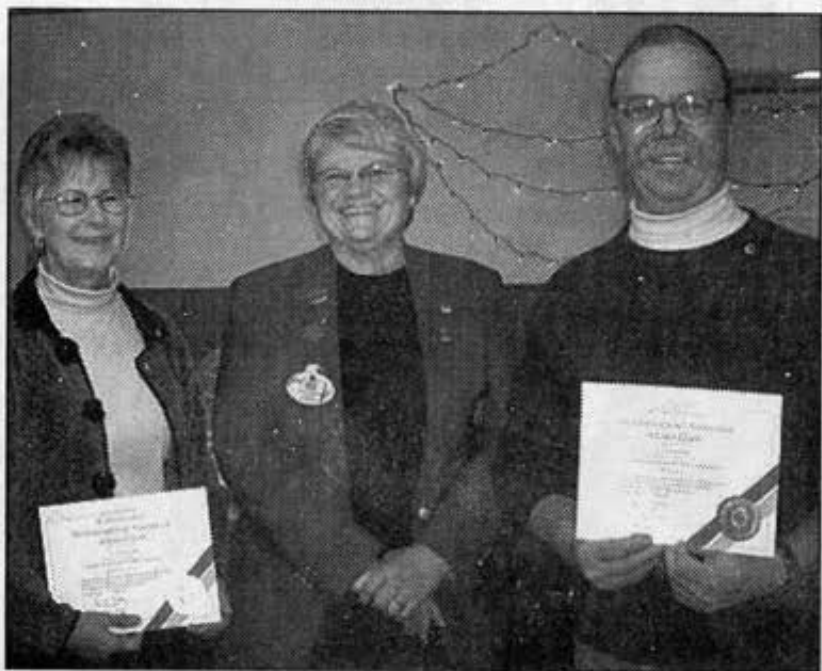
## Prairie Rose



### Melvin Jones honored

Prairie Rose Lion Ronnie Stoltz (center) was honored by her fellow Lions with a Melvin Jones Fellowship on December 3, 2006, during the University of Mary Campus Club charter night celebration. She is flanked by her husband, PDG Don, and District Governor Carla Bender (right), who made the presentation.

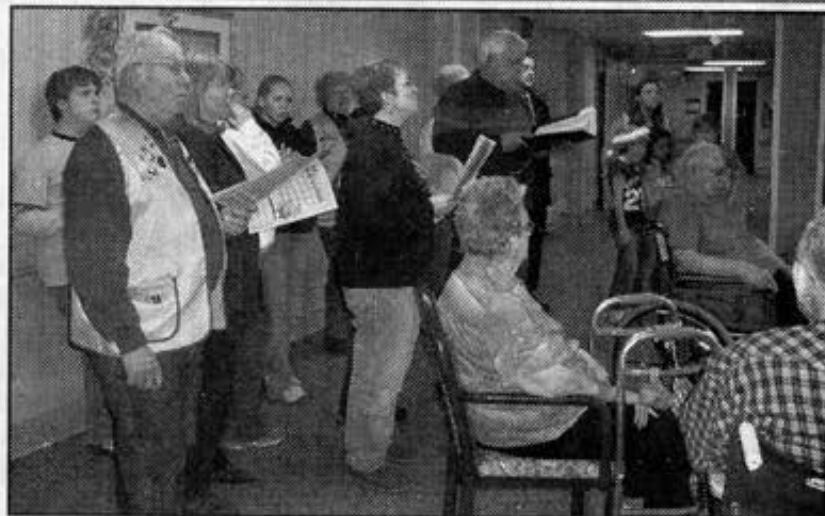
## Gackle



### New members

5NC DG Carla with new members Joan Trapp, left and Ritchie Jacobson, right, from the Gackle Lions Club.

## Rugby



### Let's go a caroling

On Monday, Dec. 18, a number of Rugby Lions spent the evening Christmas Caroling at the Heart of America Long Term Care Unit.



### New Rugby Lions

On Monday, Dec. 18, VDG Elect Lion Craig Wollenburg inducted five new members to the Rugby Lions Club. Pictured, from left, are Lion Daryl Jelsing and Lion Gloria Vetsch and their sponsor Lion Jeff Miller; Lion Phillip Hannemann and his sponsor Lion Hartley Hageness; Lion Janet Miller and Lion Don Srock and their sponsor Lion Lance Johnson.

**Reminder:**

**ND Lion DEADLINE is the  
7th of the month!**

**NO Exceptions!**



# Letters

## Lions MD5 Convention nears

LION AL COOK, chairman  
Regina 2007 MD5 Convention

I am pleased to advise our MD5 Convention Committee has been working hard preparing for our Regina Convention June 7, 8, and 9th. I believe we have some very good seminars lined up which I'm sure you will find interesting.

For those interested in golfing, we have two tee - off times to make it easier for those coming from a distance. Golfing will be Thursday June 7th at 7 or 11 a.m. The District Governor's will be meeting in the afternoon, so those who wish to golf would likely want the earlier flight. Please advise on your registration form if you wish to golf and please indicate your preferred time. The Past District Governor's Banquet will be late Thursday afternoon; the Necrology service at 7:30 that evening followed by the icebreaker. I will have our full program in the Lions papers in February or March.

This is the last year our American friends can cross the border without a Passport so take advantage of it and come and

visit our beautiful city. Plan a holiday in Saskatchewan after the convention. If you like to gamble, Casino Regina is one of the nicest in Western Canada. Take a tour of our city and see the many parks and you will have the opportunity to visit the new 40 million Royal Canadian Mounted Police Heritage Centre and Museum, which will open two weeks before our convention.

Our Convention will be at Regina Travelodge Hotel located at 4177 Albert Street South. For the past several conventions the average attendance has been around 300. When we booked our MD5 Convention, it was perfect as it could easily handle that number. However we later found out there would be a vote for an International Director at the Regina Convention. We therefore anticipate a much larger crowd. If you wish to stay at the Convention Hotel, I suggest you book it soon as I'm sure it will be completely filled.

For reservations phone the Travelodge at 1 (306) 586-3443. The group code is MD5 so when phoning advise them "Lions MD5 Convention."

## 5NC 3rd Annual 'Spring into Action' Leadership Conference set for April 14

By LION JEANNE SELBY  
5NC Publicity Co-chair

"Lions club members and leaders can expect more seminars and dynamic speakers at the 3rd annual 'Spring into Action' leadership conference in April," said PDG Don Stoltz, 5NC Leadership Conference Chair.

PDG Don and his seven-person leadership conference planning committee have tentatively planned 14 20- or 40-minute seminars, with more to be finalized in upcoming weeks.

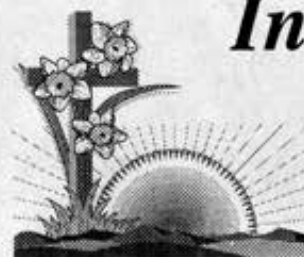
In addition, during the opening general session Wisconsin Lion Leonard Quinn will tell his personal story of losing his sight in 1994 and receiving a leader dog in 2001. Sandra Sherlock, an assistant dog recipient from Drake, ND, will explain "What it means to have an assistant dog," Ann Reich of the North Dakota Bankers Association will provide an interactive presentation on leadership, and Lion Wayne Maruska (of the Bismarck Ridin' Lions) from the University of Mary will share "Reflections on leadership."

While the leadership conference planning committee continues making seminar arrangements, conference participants may choose to attend seminars from among the following already confirmed: membership, member retention and orientation,

extension and campus clubs, computers in club management, Vision USA, SightFirst II, an overview of leadership positions, enhancing public speaking skills, improving public relations, leadership, Roberts Rules of Order, Leos clubs, economic development and golfing tips.

The 2007 District 5NC "Spring into Action" Leadership Conference will be held on Saturday, April 14, with registration from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. and the opening general session to start at 9:15 a.m., at the Ramkota Hotel in south Bismarck.

Leadership Conference Chair PDG Don emphasizes that the conference is a real bargain this year and urges all Lions (and spouses or guests) to attend. The price per person is \$10 (which includes the noon luncheon) in advance as well as at the door.



## In Remembrance

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.

Grand Forks -

Lt. Col. Thomas Kuchera  
Sterling - Elmer Agnew  
Leonard - Lawrence Barfuss  
Tuttle - Dennis Wahl  
Killdeer - Anton Zabloutney  
Beach - Clifford Stecker  
Enderlin - Harold Kemmer  
Valley City - Donald Wiest  
Ashley - LeRoy Fey  
Gackle - Ervin Eissinger  
Kulm - Oswald George

Larimore - Donald Shide  
Carrington - Russell Clapper  
Goodrich - David Tessman  
Strasburg - Andrew Senger  
Goodrich - Art Moldenhauer  
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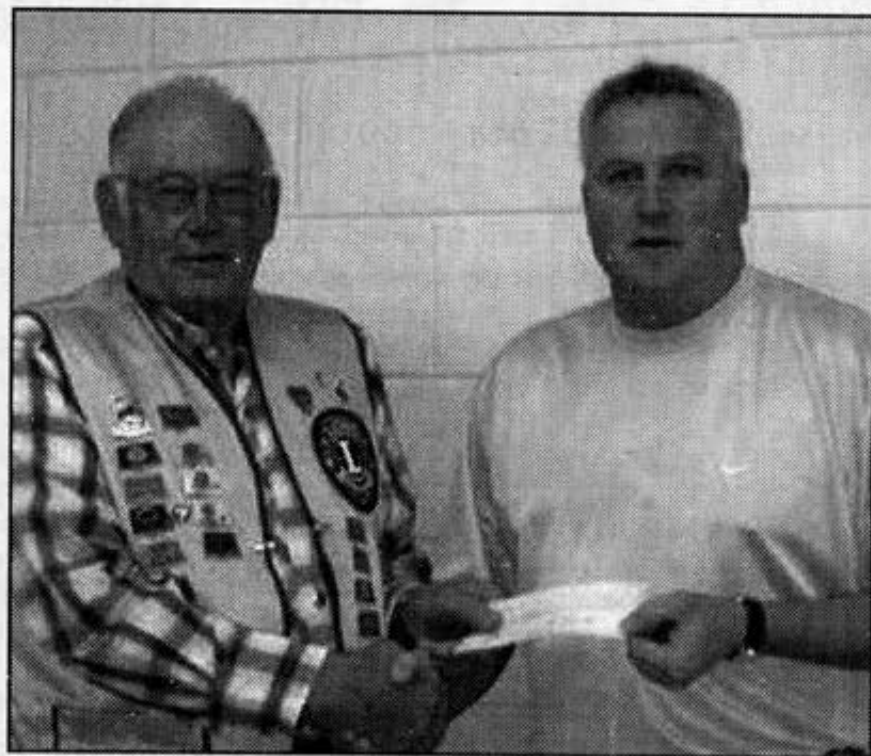
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## Mott



### Funds for fire, ambulance

The Mott Lions Club held a benefit pancake and sausage breakfast Oct. 22 to honor and thank the local volunteer Fire Brigade and Ambulance Squad. The breakfast was a huge success and the Mott Lions Club was able to donate \$1,164.25 to each of those organizations. On the left is President Lion Walter Kallis presenting the check to Fire Chief, Kelly Messmer and on the right is President Lion Walter Kallis presenting the check to the Squad Leader of the Mott Ambulance Squad, Don Schaible.

## Elgin



### Lions decorate

Elgin Lion Club members gathered at the Elgin Park recently and decorated for the holiday season with Christmas lights. They were, from left, Lion Duane Schatz, Lion Clarence Werner, Lion Kenny Friedt, Lion Jim Zimmerman, Lion Rueben Zacher and Lion Harry Zacher. The Lions Club each year decorates the city park and Petrified Wood Band Stand with Christmas lights.

Photo by Lion Duane Schatz

### *Lions Creed*

*They achieve success who live well, laugh often and love much;*

*Who gain respect of intelligent people and the love of little children;*

*Who fills their niche, who accomplishes their task, who leaves the world better than they found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul;*

*Who never lack appreciation of earth's beauty, or fail to express it;*

*Who always see the best in others, and give the best they have;*

*Whose life is an inspiration,  
whose memory is a benediction  
THAT PERSON IS A LION*



# 5NW



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My wife and I have a large family, which includes our grown children, grandchildren and now a great grandchild. Our encouragement to them always is to treat each other as we treat our best friends. We ask them to remember when you need help and support; you can always turn to your family.

Our Lions Code of Ethics asks us and I quote, "To be careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise, to build up and not destroy." The Lions Creed asks us and I quote, "To always see the best in others and give the best that I have."

These messages are similar to what we have tried to teach our family. They're just common, decent thoughts.

Where am I going with this? On Oct. 27-29, 2006, the Dickinson Lions Club with the help of some others hosted the North Dakota State Lions Convention. From what I have heard from many including our Leader Dog presenter Lion Leonard Quinn and International Director Dr. Beverly Roberts, this was a very fine convention with a superior friendly atmosphere.

However, when all was said and done, this convention was short on money to pay for the expenses. The income was too low

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to meet all the expenses. Why? This was not the fault of the planners. The people (Lions) worked very hard to have a solid convention, one that would encourage all to want to go to another one.

I believe we need to do a paradigm shift and look at what has been happening. We have nearly 3,400 Lions in North Dakota and yet only 221 Lions registered for this convention. What is the purpose of the State Convention? Is it leadership development, a convenient venue for State meetings (Eye Bank, ND Foundation, and PDGs), district meetings, social, educational, inspirational, motivational? Should we change the focus since all North Dakota districts are now holding Spring Rallies?

Many of us who registered early did so at the cost of \$25 per person. This amount was charged at the direction of some of you folks at the PDG level. How can anyone possibly come up with a great convention with 61 percent of those in attendance paying \$25? Remember, you were provided with an icebreaker on Friday; breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday; and breakfast on Sunday.

I have heard from some of you who are PDGs through e-mails from the sec./treas. of the NDPDG Association. It is really unfair for some of you to work so hard at finding fault with the planners. No, there is nothing fishy going on, no one is cheating anyone, and no one is mismanaging funds. I can't believe I am seeing these things printed and sent in an email by some of us who think we are Lions. If there is a fault, it is mine. I believe we should never have a convention of any kind unless we can count on at least 15 percent of our Lions members participating. Fifteen percent of 3,400 is about 500 Lions.

What has happened to Lions in North Dakota that only about 6.5 percent attend our state convention? Our hosts, the Dickinson Lions, were concerned about low registration, but my optimism helped them believe we would have not less than 350 Lions at the convention. This number would have solved the income problems, but it did not happen.

Once a convention is planned and organized it cannot be unplanned to meet the shortfall of dollars created by too small an early registration fee and too few people registering. If my family was as helpful and supportive to each other in time of need as we have been as a Lions organization, I wonder where we'd be. No family grows up without some growing pains and no organization ever works just the way each of you think it should. Let's see what we

can do to keep the focus on "We Serve" and the next time someone needs you, please, just be there. By the way, the North Dakota Directory has in it a section entitled the "Memorandum of Understanding". The answer to our problem is on page 102.

Thank you to all Lions Clubs in 5NW for your attitude about Lionism. Shirley and I have enjoyed the thirty-three club visitations we have made through December 2006 and look forward to more in 2007. It is really great to observe how each club has set its focus on helping their community, our state and International Lions activities.

I'm asking each club to begin the process of electing new officers for the 2007-2008 year at this time. All PU-101 forms, which include all newly elected officers needs to be in my hands by the end of March, 2007. I will need copies for both District and International use. Also, thank you to all the club secretaries for the timely manner in which your Monthly Activity Reports and the Monthly Membership Reports have been sent in.

**District 5NW Spring Rally:**

The Sixth Annual Spring Rally, to be in Watford City at their new facility named "Outlaws," will take place Saturday, April 14, 2007. The schedule below will show you the agenda without the names of the presenters. The presenters will be added for the ND Lion publication next month.

9:00—9:30 a.m. Registration

9:45—10:15 a.m. Greeting and a Special Presentation

10:30-11:45 a.m. (Four Sessions)

1—Training for Lions' Presidents Western Dakota Style

2—Club Secretary "hands on" training session

3—Sponsoring a Leo Club in your community

4—Orientation for any Lions Club member

12:00-1:15 p.m. Keynote Luncheon

1:30—2:15 p.m. (Five Sessions)

1—Technology

2—Fundraising Ideas Shared

3—DVD/Video Session

4—Diabetes/Strides and Low Vision Machines

5—Methamphetamines in rural N.D. How can Lions help?

2:30—3:00 p.m. Awards, recognition, etc.

3:00 p.m. Homeward bound or whatever!



## Williston Korner



Lions Lois Reiersen, Chet Hill, Chris Brostuen and Kent Reiersen enjoying a bit of Korner Lions fun.



Lions LeAnn Eckroth, Loren Haugen, Bill Christensen, Marvin Baarstad, Don Wahus and guest Jason Haselhorst during the Korner Lions gift exchange.



Lion President Roy Clark is shown with some of the toys the Korner Lions sent to the Salvation Army.



Willy the Clown (Lion 1st Vice Bill Christensen) and Lion Val Trotter are shown ready to take part in the Williston Korner Lions Christmas Party.

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Thank you Watford City Lions for all the planning and work you are putting into hosting this Spring Rally. You are appreciated.

Thank you to the District 5NW Cabinet. Many good things are happening because of our Zone Meetings, MERLOW Team planning and planning in other cabinet areas. It looks like we will soon charter a new Lions Club because of the work of our Extension Chairperson. Wow! This is exciting!

I received a bit of good news from Toni West, manager of the Budget and Auditing Dept. at LCI, stating that effective Jan. 1, 2007, the new mileage allowance will be US \$.28 per mile or US \$.173 per kilometer. The International Board of Directors Finance Committee approved of this at a recent meeting in Beijing, China.

I wish every Lion, Leo and Campus Club member and all of those whose lives you touch a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

In Lionism,  
DG Herman A. Schafer

### Williston Korner celebrates Christmas

December saw the Williston Korner Lions hold their annual Christmas Party.

In addition to exchanging gifts among themselves, the Lions also brought toys to be given to the Salvation Army. There was entertainment by "Willy the Clown," and Lion Don Wahus lead the group in singing several seasonal tunes.

There were no complaints by the staff on the singing, so either our Lions' voices were in good form, or the staff was not yet awake enough to notice.

The Korner Lions would like to wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2007



# MD5 "Club of the Year" Contest Form – 2006-2007

Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_

## Contest period May 1 through April 30.

Points must be reported in the month they were earned. Complete only those items which apply during above month. A report must be filed with the District Governor each month.

### 1. Actual attendance at regular club meetings:

90 - 100% 25 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 80 - 89% 20 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 70 - 79% 15 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 60 - 69% 10 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 50 - 59% 5 points \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Membership Reports:

If postmarked by the 5th of the month 50 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 If postmarked by the 10th of the month 10 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 If postmarked one month late -50 points \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. Payments of District Dues:

First half if paid by September 30th 50 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 Second half if paid by January 31st 50 points \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Payments of dues to Lions International

First half if paid by September 30th 50 points \_\_\_\_\_  
 Second half if paid by January 31st 50 points \_\_\_\_\_

### 5. Zone Meeting Attendance

Date of the meeting \_\_\_\_\_  
 Host Club \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Host club shall be limited to maximum of any visiting club)  
 Officers attended \_\_\_\_\_ x 50 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other members \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 \_\_\_\_\_

### 6. Attendance at Officer Training Sessions:

Officers elected \_\_\_\_\_ x 50 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other members \_\_\_\_\_ x 50 \_\_\_\_\_

### 7. Club Visitations:

Club visited \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 # of members \_\_\_\_\_ x20 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club visited \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 # of members \_\_\_\_\_ x20 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club visited \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 # of members \_\_\_\_\_ x20 \_\_\_\_\_

### 8. Extension:

Each Lions Club sponsored and chartered 100 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_ Charter Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Each Branch club sponsored 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_

### 9. PU101 Report:

(Please hold your election in March)  
 If postmarked by April 30th 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_

### 10. Participation in District, Multiple, State, Provincial and International Programs:

These Points are the maximum for the year.

a. Diabetes awareness 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. LCIF Donations 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. White Cane Day Participation or CNIB 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 d. Lions Eye Bank 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 e. Lions Foundation (State or Provincial) 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 f. Leader Dog or LFC 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 g. Eye glass &/or hearing aide collections 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 h. Other charitable donations—please identify 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_

### 11. Youth Programs:

a. Sponsor a Leos club 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. Sponsor a Peace Poster Contest 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. Youth Activity Projects (Per Project)  
 List each project. 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 d. Sponsor a youth for youth exchange 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 e. Host a youth 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 f. Lions Quest 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_  
 g. Each Youth sponsored to Lions youth camp  
 50 Points \_\_\_\_\_

### 12. Service Projects:

1 point per Lion hour worked on any service project  
 Per project \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Hours \_\_\_\_\_  
 x1 \_\_\_\_\_

### 13. Fund Raising Projects (Per project)

5 Points for each per cent of members involved  
 Percent of members x 5 \_\_\_\_\_

### 14. Convention Attendance:

Any MD5, State or District Convention.  
 (Maximum 250 Points) Members attended x 25 \_\_\_\_\_

### 15. Membership:

25 Points for each new, reinstated or transferred member:  
 # Of members \_\_\_\_\_ x 25 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Showing a net gain for the year 25 Points \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL POINTS** \_\_\_\_\_





**REGISTRATION FORM FOR 2007 MD5  
CONVENTION**

**THEME: Rekindle the Spirit in Regina 2007**

**June 7th, 8th, 9th, 2007**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

(Last name) (First name) (Middle)

Check applicable: Lion \_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

(Last name) (First name) (Middle)

Check applicable: Lion \_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Club: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street/PO City State/Prov.

Zip/Postal code---- \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

What is the highest office in Lions you will have held by the time of the convention

in June of 2007? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special needs?

**Registration Fees:**

Before May 1, 2007

\$100.00US / \$110.00 CDN

After May 1, 2007

\$110.00 US / \$120.00 CDN

At Convention (Walk Ins)

\$120.00 US / \$130.00 CDN

Mail Registration Forms and Cheques to:

MD5 2007 CONVENTION

118 Dempsey Ave.

Regina, Saskatchewan

S4T 7M1

AMOUNT OF CHEQUE ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**ACCOMODATIONS**

**Regina Travelodge Hotel**

Convention Location

4177 Albert Street South

Reservations Ph.

1-800-578-7878

Rates - \$95.95 plus taxes

**West Harvest Inn**

4025 Albert Street South

Reservations Ph.

1-800-853-1181

Rates - \$95.00 plus taxes

**Budget Inn Express**

4255 Albert Street South

Reservations Ph.

(306)584-8800

Rates - \$69.99 plus taxes

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Golf Tournament**

June 7<sup>th</sup> Please check form if you plan to  
Golf (\_\_\_\_)

**Fish Fry Meal**

June 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30 to 8:00p.m. Cost \$15.00

Please indicate if you plan to attend and  
include your payment

Yes # (\_\_\_\_)

**Refund Policy:**

Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from  
Lions MD5 2007 Convention Committee, at 118  
Dempsey Ave. Regina Saskatchewan S4T 7M1. Until  
June 30<sup>th</sup> 2007. After this date requests should be  
made to MD5 Sec/Tres PCC Mike Brand, 340 7<sup>th</sup>  
Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072. **No refunds can  
be requested sixty days after the conclusion of the  
convention.**





# BUFFALO HEAVEN IN 2007

## STATE LIONS CONVENTION

OCTOBER 26-27, 2007 • JAMESTOWN, ND

### Convention Headquarters:

**Gladstone Inn & Suites**  
111 Second Street NE  
Jamestown, ND 58401  
Phone: 701.252.0700

### Registration Fees:

Early Bird (through May 1)	\$55
After May 1	\$70

### Room Rates:

<i>Standard Room</i>	\$60
<i>Poolside Room</i>	\$70
<i>Suite</i>	\$80

### REGISTER NOW!

☞ All registrants will be entered to win a 24k Gold Buffalo Coin worth \$795!!!

☞ Early Bird = 2 Chances

☞ After May 1 = Only 1 Chance!

Secondary hotel: Quality Inn & Suites

**Call early for reservations!**

Mail registration form & check to: ND State Lions Convention, Registration Committee,  
P.O. Box 1213, Jamestown, ND 58402-1213

Complete registration below. Use one form for EACH participant. RSVP before May 1, 2007.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Guest  
(Please Circle One)

Badge Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State ZIP

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Fees: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Make checks payable to ND State Lions Convention*



# Washburn

## Washburn Lions have a busy calendar

By JEAN BINSFELD

The Washburn Lions club members enjoyed a little vacation from meetings during the summer, as they do not meet in July and August. The September meeting date always falls on Labor Day, so that meeting is held the last Monday in August.

The Club sponsored the annual golf tournament on August 12, with teams attending from Bismarck, Turtle Lake, Harvey and Washburn with 15 teams competing. The Lions 5NC hosted at the Painted Woods Golf Course at Washburn. The tournament funds go for the \$10,000.00 commitment to the Lewis and Clark Foundation. Winning the traveling trophy this year were the Bismarck Lions team of Howard Loftesness, Terry Ness, Roger Koski and Dave Anderson.

The October monthly meeting welcomed prospective new members Michael Kidd, Miles Gradin and Don and Susan Winter. The lost of the oldest member, Ernest Dierks who recently moved along with his wife, Maythel to



District 5NC Zone 2A golf winners are tournament Chairman Mac Beaudry with winning team members Terry Ness, Dave Anderson, Roger Koski and, not pictured, Howard Loftesnes. Dave Anderson was also the long drive winner.

the Minneapolis area to an apartment and to be nearer their children was awarded a life time membership as a gift from his home Lions Club. Washburn Lions president Judy Beaudry was presented the awards for both membership retention and membership growth receiving patches and the diamond pin award.

The Washburn Lions Club lost two members with the death of Bill Beeks in a pilot accident while spraying a field on Aug. 3 and Thordyce Nelson to a short hard fought battle with cancer on Aug. 20th. Morris Nelson, Thordyce's husband reported later that Thordyce requested that she be an eye donor and he had received word that both eyes were harvested and a person in Florida and in Massachusetts had each received sight because of the donor policy. The Lion organization worldwide promotes eye care and does a lot of work in this area of health. The local club will miss these two happy, friendly workers from their club.

Upcoming Lions functions and fundraisers will be an Eye Awareness Breakfast with proceeds designated to the Eye Bank on Oct. 15th, a piano concert by Crazy Fingers Gordie Lindquist on Oct. 29th and the annual Lions Carnival will be on March 24, 2007. The committees for these events were appointed and members received copies of their assignments. The donation of items for the McLean County Resource Center were brought to the November meeting and delivered there. The Christmas party will be held at the Dec. 4th meeting with Lion Arden Wagner in charge and there will be a gift exchange and spouses are invited as guests that night.

The Lions Club is the charter member sponsoring the Scouting organizations with these clubs growing in size and popularity, there is a need for anyone who would have time and could help out as a leader and can notify Dick Bickert and/or Kristie Jaeger.

The Crazy Fingers Gordie Lindquist concert was well attended and with advance ticket sales by band members and the Lions members over \$1,000.00 was taken in. Ice cream sundaes were served at half time with a free will donation of \$195.00 which went to the Music Booster Club and the Lions will donate half of the profits from the concert to the Music Booster Club for upcoming band functions.

The history of the local Lions Club was written up by Lion Jean Binsfeld, club historian and appeared in the weekly Leader News paper in the 125th anniversary of Washburn designated corner of the paper.



Gordy "Crazy Fingers" Lindquist at the keyboard.

### Minot Lions Eyeglass Recycling Report

Eyeglasses received and  
in process since 1998:  
**438,000**

Eyeglasses in system:  
**83,000**

Eyeglasses received in  
December:  
**4 boxes/Williston Lions Club**  
**5 boxes/Carrington Lions**  
**9 bags/Minot Lions Club**

*Sorry if I missed anyone,  
glasses show up at my door without  
Club names on them!*

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