



It was a time to plant

Coleharbor receives new trees

By STU MERRY

Never let it be said that when Lions Club members set their mind to a project that it never gets done. That was the case this past Saturday. And the beneficiary of the generosity was the central McLean County community of Coleharbor.

Living up to the Lions motto "We Serve" more than 100 Lions and Leos club members from 13 clubs, including Bismarck, Minot, Bottineau, Ashley and one of the state's newest clubs, University of Mary, converged on the small community and planted more than 360 bare root trees. After receiving their instructions it took the workers a little more than two hours to complete the project. What aided in speeding up the project was that a number of the holes for the trees had already been dug. So many small groups had finished planting early that the (Bismarck) North Star Lions started cooking the hamburgers earlier than anticipated.

The weather was cold and damp but the spirit of helping others created an atmosphere of warmth and happiness in Coleharbor.

Washburn's Judy Beaudry, Zone 2A chair and member of the organizing committee, said the event was a huge success.

"The people of Coleharbor were so grateful for our attention and, of course, the trees," Beaudry said.

She went on to say that the project just fell into place, noting that Lion Gene Bender was very instrumental in finding the tree donation.

Beaudry also praised Coleharbor Mayor Willie Wilson for having the townspeople organized. She noted that each homeowner was on hand to direct the trees in their yard.

"They were so grateful and happy," she said. "You just had to be there to see the smiles on their faces and on the Lions members who were planting."

In visiting with some Coleharbor residents, Beaudry said they told her the trees would let them heal.

"They would be a constant reminder of the good that could



Property owner Lynn Auck of Coleharbor (far right) looks on as District 5NC Lions Joan Bentz (kneeling far left) of the (Bismarck-Mandan) Ridin' Lions, Gloria Vetsch (standing back left) of the Rugby Lions, Joyce Kuntz of the (Minot) Hooterville Flion Lions, and Craig Wollenburg of the Rugby Lions plant trees on his property on May 19, as part of the District 5NC tree planting project in the community of Coleharbor.

Photos by JeAnne Selby

come from the devastation they felt last summer," she said.

Beaudry said now, when the opportunity arises to drive by Coleharbor, the trees would serve as a constant reminder to her.

"I think I will be able to drive by Coleharbor for years to come and watch this project grow and grow," she said. "It was a great day for the planting crews and a awesome day for the residents of Coleharbor."

Coleharbor Mayor Willie Wilson agreed with Beaudry, saying the outpouring of generosity, not only from the Lions but also from all the volunteers who helped the community put the pieces back together has lifted the community's spirit.

"It renews everyone's outlook on life," he said. "Everyone had a good day."

Gene Bender, Zone 3B chair from Bottineau, secured donated trees from Bailey's Tree Distributors, St. Paul, Minn. The Lions Tree Project Committee arranged to have the holes marked and dug in advance of Saturday.

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Inside International

By PD BRUCE SCHWARTZ
International President



It happened just now in campaign SightFirst II!

One of the worldwide mini-goals for CSFII was to reach \$90,000,000 in committed contributions by the time of our 90th International Convention. It's already happened, JUST NOW! Our CSFII sector, Sector D (North and South Dakota), has contributed \$427,721 to that effort.

Another global mini-goal was to have 2007 Model Clubs by the end of the 2006-07 Lions year. It's already happened, JUST NOW! Sector D has put in place 17 of those Model Clubs. The latest three Model Clubs to commit, all of which are in District 5-NW, are the Stanley Lions Club, the Bowman Lions Club and the Beulah Lions Club. Congratulations! Sector D now stands at 51 percent of its goal which is to raise \$838,383. The fundraising portion of CSFII ends on June 30, 2008, which leaves 13 months to achieve our goal. The key to reaching goal will be to have the huge number of clubs in North and South Dakota who have not committed to the campaign to get on board and do their part.

District 5NW exceeds goal

Each Lions district has its own CSFII goal which is based on, among other things, district membership numbers as well as fundraising success during the first campaign 16 years ago. District 5-NW has already exceeded its goal of \$147,747 with

a total of \$148,600 committed with 13 months remaining in the campaign. This was due in part to having seven Model Clubs. Congratulations to 5-NW District Coordinator Dale Ekstrom and group coordinators Austin Engel, Vern Frederick, Kim Steffan, Mark Koller, Dave and Linda Czywczynski and Dennis Bratlien for a tremendous job!

As your CSFII Sector coordinator, I am asking for a renewed effort and commitment on the part of all 119 clubs in the sector to gear up for the final push to reach our goal. The large number of uncommitted clubs is the biggest concern. In order to meet our goal of \$838,383 in North and South Dakota, we will need a full commitment from all Lions clubs.

The Funnies:

- Sign Outside a Secondhand Shop: We exchange anything - bicycles, washing machines, etc. Why not bring your spouse along and get a wonderful bargain!
- Doesn't "expecting the unexpected" make the unexpected expected?
- How come abbreviated is such a long word?



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KAREN THOMAS
Director, Lions Eye Bank of ND

I'm asking for your support

Dear Lion Clubs and members:

On Saturday the 13th of October, I will be running in the Baltimore Marathon for the second year as a member of Tissue Banks International Run for Vision.

I am participating not only for the fun of the race, but because I want to support the important work the Lion Clubs do in our State for advancing Corneal Transplantation for people in need.

My personal goal is to raise \$6,000. I hope you consider sponsoring me at your discretion for your club or individual donations.

Your donations are tax deductible. Please make checks payable to Frederick Griffith Foundation.

Thank you so much!

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No report this month.

5NC Tree Planters



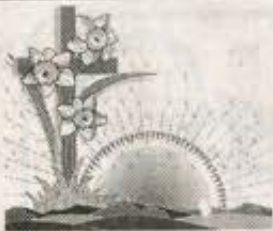
UMary Lions

Six University of Mary Campus Club Lions pause after planting several trees in a Coleharbor resident's back yard. Lions include (from left to right) Derek Weigand, Sarah Hatzenbuhler, Barbie Weigand, Shannon Hagan, Danielle Kelly and Adrienne Nelson.



Photos by JeAnne Selby

Nearly 100 Lions from 13 5NC Lions clubs pose for a group photo after planting 365 trees in the Coleharbor City Park and around town on Saturday, May 19.



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.

Hebron – Myron Spitzer
Fargo Edgewood – Lowell Mueller
Williston – Lyle Brockmier
Fargo – Joseph Parmer

5NE



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District 5NE has great Lions, great clubs and great leadership. This year began a multi-year plan to encourage continuity, communication and clarity for our District. Clubs and club officers have called and e-mailed with questions and suggestions. The Cabinet and I listened carefully. Clubs, new officers and new members especially, can have great confidence that DGE John Dobbs and his Cabinet are open to your ideas – we all know when we work together the best things happen.

DGE John and his wife, Anita, are gracious partners. You can depend on them to lead with style after John's induction at the July Chicago convention. Chicago is one of Anita's favorite cities and they'll begin their year for District 5NE with good memories and careful plans for the future.

Contact DGE John for visitation requests, information or assistance, at Johnita13@netzero.net or write to 2450 Lilac Lane, Fargo, ND 58102 or call either 701.232.1290 or cell 701.388.1993. Get him on your calendar now so you can work together most effectively.

Thank you all for the year you shared with me as District Governor. I appreciate the many kindnesses, hopes, issues,

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suggestions and plans you shared with me. Our District has terrific people, growing in Lionism and serving locally and internationally.

Argusville-Gardner-Grandin Valley is a club melding communities and generations.

Arthur's club hosts great programs and gives to its area.

Carrington, home of VDGE Duane Zwinger, is a club on course and teeing the ball for Lions.

Chaffee members keep caring track of neighbors, making sure needs are fulfilled.

Davenport is the resurrection club this year, growing and embracing new ideas and members.

Devils Lake has the warmest ice contest in the state – and I even won a prize.

Edgeley has community activists, again blending more than one community with vigor.

Emerado-Arvilla supports wide-ranging programs including Youth Exchange as a regular budget item.

Enderlin opens its big tent, and is willing to share that tent and chairs, to provide for its community.

Fargo Lions sweeten things with Take the Cake and as a Model Club for Campaign SightFirst II. They are the only Model Club in our District. Others can step up, too.

Fargo Edgewood has more members in the military than any other club. We salute you.

Fargo Gateway enters its 31st annual cooperative effort for the Lions All-Star Basketball game. Be at the Fargo Civic Center July 18 to cheer on both boys and girls from across the state.

Grand Forks, Grand Forks Red River and Grand Forks South Forks host the inspiring Christmas in the Park from Thanksgiving to New Year's Eve. Make plans now to visit!

Horace Lions flip more pancakes in a year than any other club, supporting the community.

Heart of Horace Lions bring special charm to Halloween and many other events.

Jamestown Lions leaders are planning our next state convention, along with great cooperation from all of Zone A3, and wants to see you in Jamestown for the state convention Oct. 26-27. They are also working on a Campus Club at Jamestown College.

Jamestown Buffalo City Lions are the poppiest club around. (Although Valley

City might dispute that.)

Jud Lions devote time to the community but also the Great Plains Assistance Dogs – especially at Spring Clean-Up when they feed the multitudes.

Kindred Lions auction supports the community and reaches to the world through Campaign SightFirst II.

Kulm Lions are surrounded by wind energy but also answer the question, "Where's the beef?" each year.

Lakota helps so many in its community. Their heart is indeed with people in need.

LaMoure is the community chest, helping hundreds.

Larimore-Turtle River children have a playground thanks to these Lions.

Leonard Lions have been taking care of their community for 50 years. Join them as they celebrate this fall.

New Rockford Lions punt, pass and kick for the children in their community.

Northwood Lions are innovative, bringing eye examinations to the community during Old Fashioned Days this summer.

Oakes stands strong, helping its citizens with healthcare, growth and development.

Sheldon Lions are the builders of the area, providing services and care, as well as a spiffy biffy.

Valley City bridges gaps, making sure people's needs are met.

Wahpeton and its mini-doughnut wagon serve with an extra dash of fun.

Wahpeton Headwaters celebrated its fifth anniversary – a club with a special dedication to young people.

Great Lions, great clubs, great people. Thank you for allowing me to serve with you this year.

**"We can do anything
we want to if we stick
to it long enough."**

- Helen Keller



Carrington



Lions 'appreciated'

Golden Acres Manor Nursing Home of Carrington hosted a Lions/Kiwanis appreciation dinner on Wednesday, May 16 to thank the city's two service clubs for their many hours of volunteer work and the money they provide to projects in our area.

Carrington Lions Club attends Leadership Rally



Back row, left to right, International Lions Director, Robert Moore and his wife Elspeth from New Jersey; Vice District Governor, John Dobbs from Fargo; Carrington Lions Membership Chairman, Gerald Paulson; Carrington Lions President Elect Mary Carter; Carrington Lions Secretary, Pat Roundy; Carrington Lions Treasurer, Doug Roundy; Front Row, Carrington Lion Mary Ann Zwinger; Vice District Governor Elect, Carrington Lion Duane Zwinger and District 5NE District Governor from the Fargo Lions, Katherine Tweed.

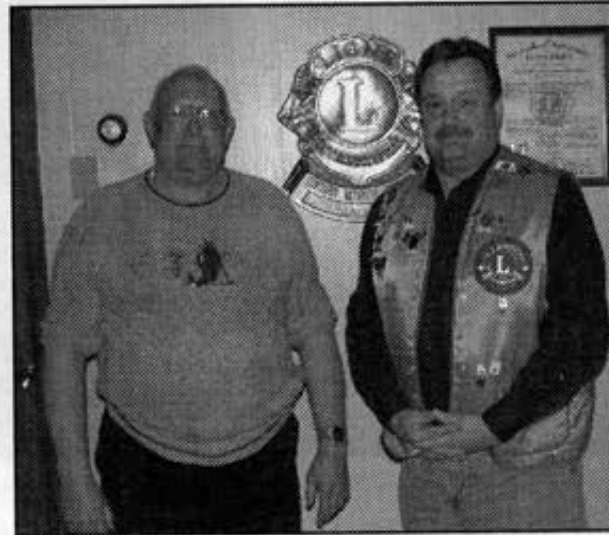
Six members of the Carrington Lions attended a District 5NE Lions Leadership Rally in Valley City on April 19, 2007.

International Lions Director, Robert Moore, and his wife Elspeth from New Jersey were the featured speakers.

Sessions were offered on

"Running an effective meeting, How to generate club enthusiasm, Club renewal and member retention, Learning the ropes of leadership and Empowering new members for service" as well as training sessions for club presidents and secretaries.

Carrington Lions learn about Homeland Security



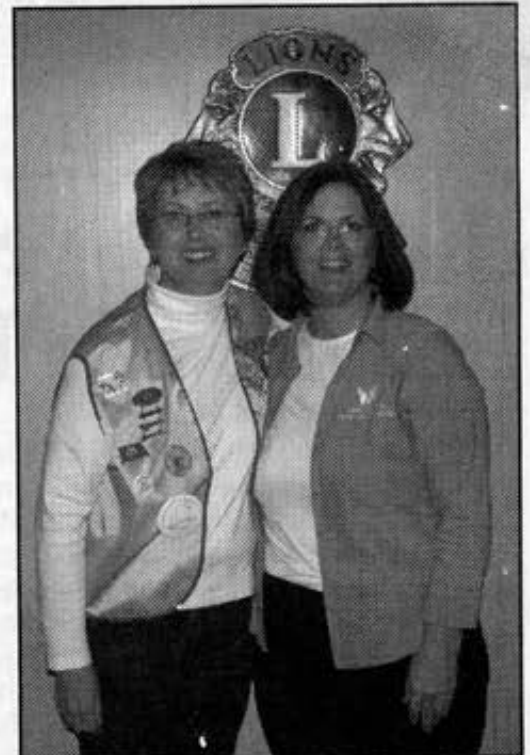
Carrington's Emergency Manager, Dale Townsend, left and Carrington Lions President, Larry Nelson.

Carrington's Emergency Manager gave a DVD presentation outlining the City's emergency procedures that are in place at their regular Carrington Lions meeting in March. He also gave a presentation about the precautions and emergency kits every family needs to have ready in case of a natural disaster or disease outbreak. Handouts and website information was provided to each Lion member.

Carrington Lions learn about the Anne Carlsen Center for Children

The Anne Carlsen Center for Children offers a rich tradition of residential, therapeutic and educational services on one campus. Their individualized services include care for children and young adults with cerebral palsy; orthopedic, vision and hearing impairments; autism, pervasive and other behavior disorders; and many other medical challenges.

The featured speaker at the Carrington Lions Club general meeting in March was Shelley Nannenga representing the "Anne Carlsen Center for Children."



Lion Mary Ann Zwinger, left and Shelley Nannenga.

Fargo



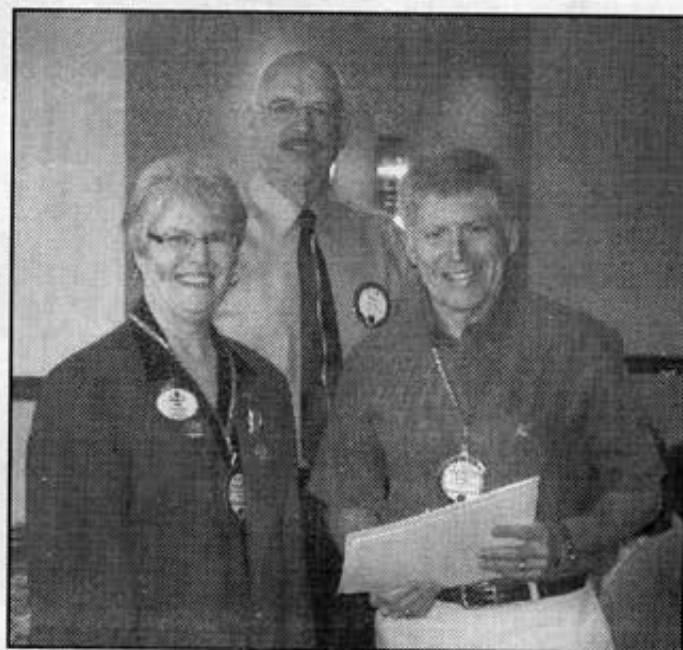
Many colors

Lion Tod Dahle, not pictured, received the Big Coloring Book about Lions, colored by the kindergarten children taught by his wife, Colleen, from DG Katherine Tweed.



New president

Incoming Fargo Lion President Tod Dahle accepts the gavel from this year's President Mel Olson.



Littlefield honored

Lion Robert Littlefield, right, receives his One in Five President's certificate for his exemplary work for Campaign SightFirst II from CSFII District Coordinator DG Katherine Tweed. Lion Mel Olson oversees the honors.

Schmidt receives Lions top honor

Lion Linda Schmidt of the Emerado-Arvilla Lions Club has been named a Melvin Jones Fellow by Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF), in recognition of her commitment to service in the world community. The fellowship is the highest honor and is given in recognition of a commitment to humanitarian service.

Lion Linda is the second vice president of the Emerado-Arvilla Lions Club and has nearly six years of service as a Lion. As a Melvin Jones Fellow, Linda becomes a part of a growing network of individuals who are committed to improve the quality of life for people locally and around the world. She is the 23rd member of the club to be presented with the award. DG Katherine Tweed presented her her Melvin Jones plaque.



1st Annual Carrington Lions/Gate City Bank Charity Co-ed Golf Scramble Tournament

Monday, June 18th, 2007
CrossRoads Golf & Recreation Parkway
18 hole Golf Course
1 mile North on Hwy 281
Carrington, North Dakota
11:15 Am - Shotgun Start



Approximately
\$1300
In Cash Prizes
TO BE GIVEN AWAY

ENTRY FEE:
\$40.00 a person
Includes Green Fees, Prizes
and a Meal
following the tournament.
Golf Carts available for rent

Door Prizes for every
Entry...
Tournament limited to
the first 36 teams...

CASH & PRIZES

1 ST - \$240.00 PER TEAM	HOLE PRIZES ALSO GIVEN	11 TH - \$160.00 PER TEAM
2 ND - \$160.00 PER TEAM		16 TH - \$120.00 PER TEAM
3 RD - \$120.00 PER TEAM		22 ND - \$120.00 PER TEAM
4 TH - \$80.00 PER TEAM		29 TH - \$80.00 PER TEAM
7 TH - \$120.00 PER TEAM		36 TH - \$100.00 PER TEAM

CASH & HOLE PRIZES MAY VARY SLIGHTLY BASED ON
NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Fee - \$40.00 per person

Register by sending your name (if team, send all the names) and entry fee to: Duane Zwinger, 590 Main Street, Carrington, ND 58421 or call 701-652-1752
Make checks payable to: Carrington Lions Club

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 14, 2007
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Publicity Person

Clubs who donated time or money or both include: St. Mary's Leos Club, University of Mary Campus Club, Wishek Lions Club, Wing Lions Club, Wilton Lions Club, Washburn Lions Club, Rugby Lions Club, Robinson Lions Club, Plum Valley Lions Club, Napoleon Lions Club, Minot Lions Club, Magic City Lions Club, McClusky Lions Club, Lehr Lions Club, Leeds Lions Club, Lake Metigoshe Lions Club, Knightriders Lions Club, Hooterville Flion Lions, Harvey Lions Club, Glenburn Lions Club.

Garrison Lions Club, Elgin Lions Club, Bismarck Ridin' Lions Club, Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions Club, North Star Lions Club, Bismarck Lions Club, and the Capital City Lions Club. Thank you all! A special Thank You to Bailey Nurseries in St. Paul, Great River Energy, and West River Telephone who partnered with us for this Project. Naturally, this all came together with the work of Coleharbor mayor Willie Wilson and city Auditor Tanya Stebbins. Look for great shade in a few years!

Lions Schedule of Events:

June 7-9, 2007: MD5 Convention in Regina, SK

June 14, 2007: Fredonia Club Visit by Carla

June 30, 2007: Harvey Lions Club Golf Tournament

July 1, 2007: Brian Tinker becomes District Governor & I will hold the title of Power Done Gone (PDG).

August 11, 2007: Zone 2A Golf Tourney in Washburn call 462-3433

There are a couple of people on my Cabinet that deal with everyday issues and really are treated like wallflowers. For me, they are great big Sunflowers because they keep things going and are happy to do it! Please join me in thanking our Cabinet Secretary Lion Sandy Knudson and our Cabinet Treasurer Lion Paul Knudson! They will make great District Governors!

It is time to say goodbye, don't be surprised if one day you look up and there is a candy apple red Goldwing Motorcycle in your town. It might be Cal and I coming to visit you again! Have a wonderful New Year with DGE soon to be DG Brian Tinker!



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Till we meet again....

By the time you receive this I will have about two weeks till the end of my term. It has been a pleasure to meet Lions across our 43 Club District. It has been most gratifying to work with Cabinet members who work for the betterment of Lions and their communities in North Dakota. We have a lot of talent in our District and there is more untapped talent out there.

I had to write this before I left for Regina so I think there are more new members out there. The only one that has come through at this time is Gil Steedman of Harvey. Please welcome him to our Lion's family.

Coleharbor Tree Planting Unsung Heroes

Lion Gene Bender -- Lake Metigoshe Lions Club -- Tree and Planting coordinator

Lion Judy Beaudry - Washburn Lions Club

Area Coordinator & Funding chair - Lion Julie Schwartz of the Prairie Rose Lions Club, Food chair - Lion JeAnne Selby of the Prairie Rose Lions Club,

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McClusky/Goodrich

Local Lions Clubs hold March fundraisers

The Goodrich Lions hosted a family bingo night on March 10 as their spring fundraiser. It was first for the event that drew a large crowd, all ready to yell BINGO!

There were select items for which to cast dollar raffle tickets and a "slough" of door prizes, one for everyone, and then some more! The bingo prizes were for cold, hard cash.

Lunch was as good and the prizes and everyone went away, happy, with prizes and a full stomach! The event was held in the Goodrich School gym.

Kim Erdmann is the Goodrich Lions president for this year.

It was sugar and sweets and frosting and ice cream and just plain fun for the approximately 80 people on hand for the McClusky Lion's Cake and Ice Cream Social on Saturday evening, March 31. The event, held at the McClusky Elementary Lunchroom, is the spring annual fundraiser for the McClusky Lions.

The Waddington family from Bowdon entertained with music and singing. Caleb Waddington, father of the family group played guitar, (mother Tamera wasn't there) and their children: Amanda, age 21, keyboard, guitar and sings; Seth, age 18, is a lead singer and plays guitar and harmonica; Hannah, age 17, sings, twins Jacob and Ethan, age 15, play drum, banjo, mandolin and sing, and Job, age 2 was also absent.

The crowd ate and listened to music and then competed for cakes on the cakewalk. Some lucky couples won as many as four cakes between them.

Don Wenning is the president of the McClusky Lions Club for this year.



Jacob and Ethan, the "Waddington Twins, are equally talented as well.

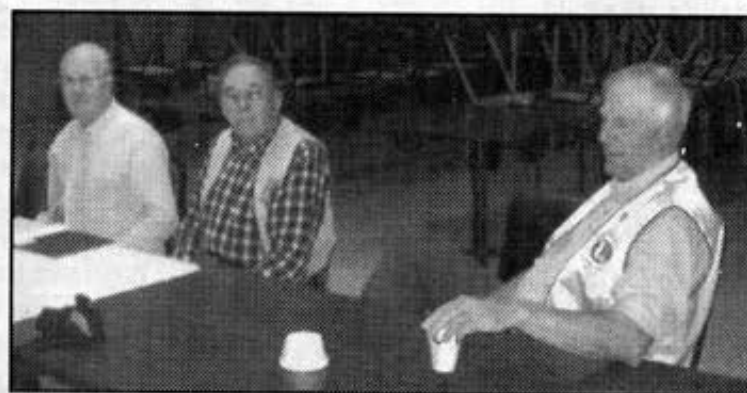
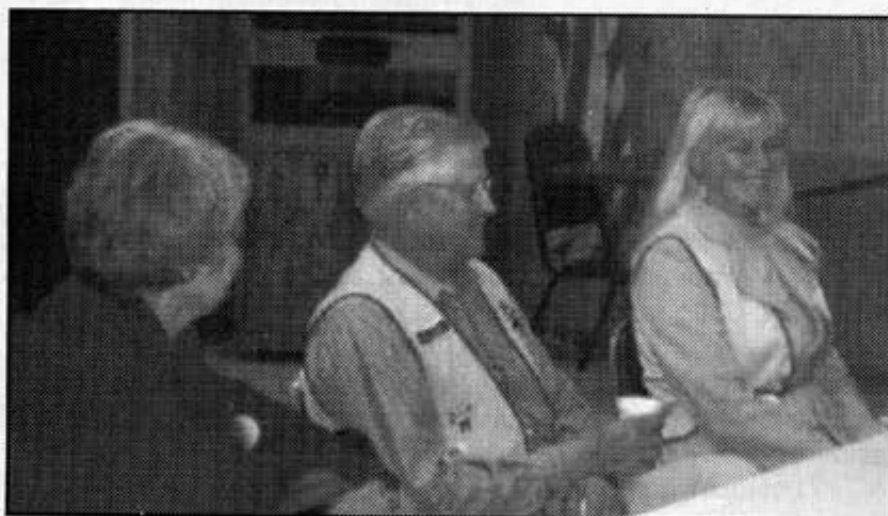


Robin Erdmann showed the door prizes for the Goodrich Family Bingo night.



Lion Jeff Martwick helped guests Shirley Barreth, Frances Essig and Hugo Essig find just the right flavor cake.

Leeds



DG Carla visits

5NC District Governor Carla Bender paid a visit to the Leeds Lions recently. She is pictured, left, with some members of the club.

Metigoshe



Lions donate

Pictured, from left, are Heather Peterson, Grant Williamson, and Lion Larry Haugen, a member of the Lake Metigoshe Lions Club. The club donated \$500 to the Bottineau Junior High Science Olympiad team on behalf of the Lions for their trip to the National Science Olympiad Competition. Peterson & Williamson, members of the Science Olympiad team, accepted the check from Lion Larry.



Attention Lions Golfers

Mark Saturday, June 30, 2007 on your calendars

For the 13th Annual

5NC Golfarama Fundraiser

For the Lions Eyebank of North Dakota

The Place: Beautiful Harvey Country Club, Harvey, ND

The Format: 4 Person team with at least 1 Lion member per team.
Open to 1st 18 teams.

The Play: Blend of Scramble and Alternate Shot. **11 a.m. start time.**

Entry Fee: \$120 per team which includes entry fee and brats/hamburgers served during/following the tournament. **Registration closes June 23.**

If your club wants to be included, get your registration fee in now. You can line up your players later. We don't anticipate any open slots and the first 18 paid teams will be all we can allow. Please send your check and your list of players (if you have them, male or female) along with their 18 hole score to the Harvey Lions Club, c/o Steve Kourajian, 613 Riverview Drive, Harvey, ND 58341. The checks can be made out to the Harvey Lions Club. Questions? Call Steve Kourajian at 324-4456 evenings. If you cannot field a complete team, you can send one, two or three individuals at \$30 each and we will pair them with other teams. Remember that contributing to this event is considered as part of your club's donation to the Eye Bank. Why not have a little fun and get credit for your Lions club for donating to this worthy cause.



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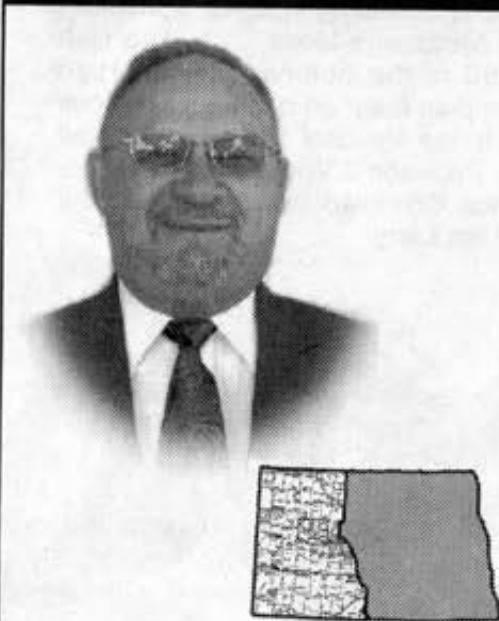
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Golf Carts Needed _____

Can rent at course or bring your own.

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Greetings District 5NW Lions, Leos and Lions throughout MD5,

When the 2006-2007 journey for Lions of the District 5NW Cabinet began, I challenged the cabinet and all Lions in our district to set a goal reaching to 2000 Lions members by the end of June, 2007. This was an ambitious goal, but very attainable. If each of our members brought in just one new member, we'd greatly exceed this goal!

Allow me to share the ideas generated by our MERLOW Team and organized into a workable plan by our Membership Chair, Lion Lewellyn Rustan. This is the plan drawn up in District 5NW.

Membership:

For someone to become a Lion, he/she must be sponsored by an existing Lion member. In the membership application we use to bring new members into our clubs, the sponsoring Lion signs a statement which includes these words:

"I realize that membership in my Lions Club is attained by invitation only ... I will extend an invitation to join our Club

Invitation:

That word is used not once, but twice in that short statement. Yet, we usually think

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of sponsoring new members as recruiting. That somehow is a lot less appealing to most of us. We really don't want to be a recruiter. So don't recruit. Invite.

If you wanted someone to attend a dinner at your home, you would invite them. You would be inviting someone you care about, to share something you care about. Obviously, you'd invite someone you wanted to spend some time with. And you'd certainly want your house to be inviting, and your dinner delicious. You'd care about that, too.

That's what recruiting, or inviting people to join your Lions Club is all about. Invite people you care about, to be part of an organization you care about, doing things that make you feel good. O.K., so it is recruiting. And recruiting is selling. You bet. But, we're selling all the time. We're selling our product, our service, our belief, our opinion...ourselves. And one of the dynamics of sales is always a factor. You have to be sold yourself, before you can sell someone else.

Why did you join Lions? Why do you continue to be part of a Lions Club? What do you do in Lions that makes you feel good, proud, and happy? Why not do that with the people you care about?

How to do it:

You invite someone to Lions the same way you'd ask them to dinner at your house. Just ask. You might have to tell them a bit about it, but mostly, just invite them to come and see for themselves. Invite them to visit your next meeting. And, just like inviting them to dinner, you'd need a commitment.

You'll probably get more "no" answers than "yes" answers. No problems. Just invite them again some time. How many times were you invited to join the Lions before you actually came to a meeting and joined? Probably, if you're like many people, quite a few times.

They're out there:

One of the most disappointing facts, is that the majority of the people out there have never been invited to join Lions. Many do not have any idea of what it's all about. That's not their fault. It's ours!

Why the big secret?

People like to be part of a winning team. They rush to "get on the band wagon." One of the best ways to make winning new members easier, is to be a very visible, active and respected part of your community.

First, make sure your club is doing something significant, and then, make sure

everybody knows about it. Be a beacon in your community.

You can make the difference:

Let your enthusiasm show! Be proud to be a Lion! Tell People! Invite them to share that with you.

Getting started:

Make a prospect list. Use the phone book, your church directory, your school reunion booklet, your family circle, a list of your friends. Call them. Invite them. Carry a Membership Application with you! Set goals. Remember, a goal without a definite plan and a deadline, is just a dream. Example: "I will invite four prospects to attend our Lions meeting this month."

Follow up. Many very good Lions had to be invited more than 10 times before they said "yes." You don't need to be high-pressure or a nuisance. Just keep inviting, asking.

"Are you ready to be a Lion?"

"Can you make it to our Lions meeting this month?"

"Would you like to come to our Lions meeting and see what we're doing now?"

Working together in our Lions club:

What can you do as a club to help your members bring in new members?

Encourage and recognize: look for new ways to reward your members for their efforts.

Hold special events: information night dinners/community appreciation banquets

Man booths at shows, fairs/ use displays

Contests & challenges: hold brain storming sessions with your members. Develop a plan

That the members can commit to. What will work in your city?

Consider forming teams, mixing active "recruiters" with members

Who have never brought in a new member. Build confidence.

Invite groups: if your club has no members under the age of 50, inviting a single 30 year-old

Might not work. Invite several of that age to come in together. If your

Club has no female members, invite several of them at the same time.

Keep your membership informed: members who know what the lions organization is and

What it does, are proud lions! A proud

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lion is more likely to share the experience with

others. Hold orientation sessions and informative programs at your meetings.

Keep members involved in local projects. Encourage your members to participate in lions

Activities beyond and outside your own club's activities.

If each club in district 5NW seriously committed to following these guidelines for just three months, our membership goal of 2,000 would be a reality. What could your club do if your membership doubled? Can we count on you?

Leader dogs for the blind:

Leader dog chair in district 5nw, lion debbie lervik, has reported that nearly all the clubs of our district have participated in donating to leader dog this year. We are really urging 100% involvement. If you have not sent your check yet, please send it in the name of leader dog to:

Lion debbie lervik
5Nw leader dog chair
827 11th. St. East
Dickinson, nd 58504

She will be closing her books for this year on june 30, 2007. Thank you for taking

part in this worthwhile lions activity .

2007 Lions campabout:

The Noonan Lions Club is planning their first annual campabout in beautiful northwest North Dakota.

This will be a wonderful social gathering for the families of all Lions members. This will be held August 3, 4, and 5, 2007 in Noonan, North Dakota. There will be many activities and social events for all family members. They are planning activities such as fishing, golfing, local photo show, digital photography classes, live entertainment, bbqs, campfires and many more activities to be announced soon. The final weekend agenda has not been set and if anyone would like to be added to the agenda, please let them know soon. You can visit www.Noonannd.com/lions for more information and registration forms. They would like to have everyone pre-registered by July 27, 2007.

The cost for this event is \$40.00 Per family which includes camping fees and two supper meals. They have a local café named Donna's Café where guests can have 'on your own' breakfasts. There seems to be adequate camping space in and around Noonan and there are motels

available at Columbus, ND ten miles to the east of Noonan and at Crosby, nd fourteen miles to the west of Noonan. This could be a great fun weekend and I'm informed that all profits from the campabout and weekend raffles will be donated to diabetes foundation and Campaign Sight First II. If you wish to have more information, please call 701-925-5665 or 701-925-3000.

Moving onward:

Like everything, this year is moving forward very rapidly. It is raining in our often very dry western North Dakota, crops are being planted and are starting to grow, and my year as district governor of 5NW will soon be history. I hope we have helped write some good chapters in the Lions' book. Perhaps we have made some difference in helping others. That was our major goal.

Let me introduce you again to district governor elect Jan Froemming from Elgin.. I ask that you give her the super support you have given to my wife, Shirley and me. I know Lion Jan will work hard to help make the lions clubs of 5NW successful. With your help she will accomplish much.

In lionism,
Herman a. Schafer, dg 5NW

You're Invited!

Dickinson Lions Club 4th Annual Golf Tournament

Who?	You!! Golfers (Not Just for Lions – Everyone and Anyone)
What?	A day of golfing with lunch following at the club house.
When?	Saturday, June 16th, 2007–Sign in at 7:30 a.m. A shotgun start at 8 a.m.
Where?	Pheasant Country Golf Course in South Heart. 194 Ext.51 (West of Dickinson)
How?	Complete and mail in the form below

Here's how it works...we will be playing a four person team scramble. For a fee of \$50 per golfer, \$200 per team, you will play 18 holes at the Pheasant Country Golf Course in South Heart. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. (Mountain Time) on June 16th, 2007. Total average team score not less than 360. (\$120 for a Hole Sponsorship, Donations, and/or Door Prizes greatly appreciated) 36 team limit. Entry fee includes your green fees and a lunch at the conclusion of the tournament as well as an opportunity to win several prizes. Carts are available for an additional \$10 per seat (two riders – \$20). First come basis (no reserving).

Several contests will be held throughout the tournament to add even more fun to the scramble. Each team has the opportunity to purchase a string for \$5 at registration.

Proceeds of the event will fund the club's sight and vision projects along with other various charitable community development projects.

Questions?? Contact: Steve Lervik at 483-4814 or Neal Steiner at 264-1056

Yes, I Want to Participate in the
4th Annual Dickinson Lions Club Golf Tournament!

Name _____
(Player 1)

Name _____
(Player 2)

Name _____
(Player 3)

Name _____
(Player 4)

Please send \$50 per golfer and this registration form to:

Lion Don Kostecky – Treasurer
Dickinson Lions Club
PO Box 781
Dickinson, ND 58602

*Please register by June 13th

Please make all checks payable to Dickinson Lions Club

Hettinger

Hettinger Lions Club chartered



Pictured, from left, are Terry Spratta-secretary, Kevin Morast, Kyle Kennedy, Adam Hill-treasurer, Jon Kohler, Russ Ziegler-president, Dave Erickson-membership director Sarah Morast, Linda Doe, Nolan Dix, Russell Doe-guiding Lion.

The Hettinger Lions Club celebrated charter night March 23, 2007 at the Hettinger Country Club. 5NW District Governor Herman Schafer inducted thirty-three new Hettinger Lions into Lionism. They are: Russell Ziegler-President, Terry Spratta-Secretary, Adam Hill-Treasurer and Dave Erickson-Membership Chairman.

Other Lions members include Elton Anson, Lisa Anson, Tom Arndorfer, Cindy Arndorfer, Randy Burwick, Brian Christopherson, Nolan Dix, Linda Doe, Joey Erickson, Ryan Havelka, Kyle Kennedy, Jon Kohler, Matthew Kramlick, LaNae Kristy, Anthony Larson, Dusty Laufer, Bob McConnell, Allen McIntyre, Kevin Morast, Sarah Morast, Ryan Nelson, Jacki Price, Chris Schauer, Ronda Schauer, Alex Thompson, Kathleen Thompson, Rob Warbis, Linda Weaver-Braaten and Carrie Ziegler.

There was a good representation of area Lions clubs present

to welcome our new Hettinger Lions. Sponsoring club, Bowman was in attendance along with Lions from Dickinson, Elgin, Elgin Dakota, Mandan, Mandan Dakota, Mott, New England, New Salem, Reeder, Scranton and Lemmon, SD.

District Governor of 5NW Herman Schafer conducted new member induction, installation of officers and charter presentation. Past Council Chairman Dale Ekstrom gave a very inspirational keynote address on Lionism. Guiding Lions for the Hettinger Lions are PDG's Russell Doe and Chuck Whitney.

Area clubs gave gifts and a successful silent auction was held along with a delicious meal.

The Hettinger Lions are sincerely grateful to all Lions and area residents who helped make our charter night a great success and memorable evening. May we all serve the less fortunate together!

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*



Elgin

Schatz honored

Lion Duane Schatz was pleasantly surprised during the regular Elgin Lions meeting on Thursday, April 12 with the usual dessert for the meal with their 44th anniversary outlined on the cake by the main chef, Willie Bartz. Lion Duane and Lion Gail celebrated their 44th anniversary on April 12.

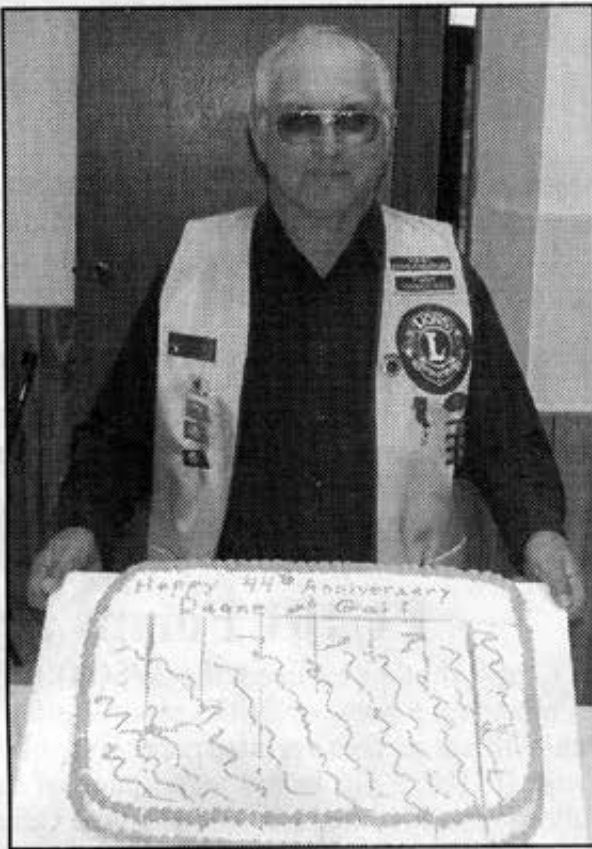


Photo by Past District Governor Harry Zacher

Stanley



Cleanup help

On Saturday, April 28, several members of the Lions Club volunteered their services at Flickertail Village to assist with the Spring Cleanup. Pictured, front, from left, Thora Nelson, Flickertail Village board member, Joyce Vachal, Lion members Bill Whitmore, Chancey Henin and Stan Vachal. Back, Lion members John Enander, Ed Mattson, Gary Evans, Gordon Aas, Alan Colbenson, Ron Aadnes and Dale Ellis. The clean-up process consisted of vacuuming, dusting, and washing the windows in each of the village's buildings. Lunch was provided and served to all of the workers. Flickertail's board of directors very much appreciated the efforts put forth by the Lion's Club.

Glen Ullin

Halpern receives Melvin Jones Award

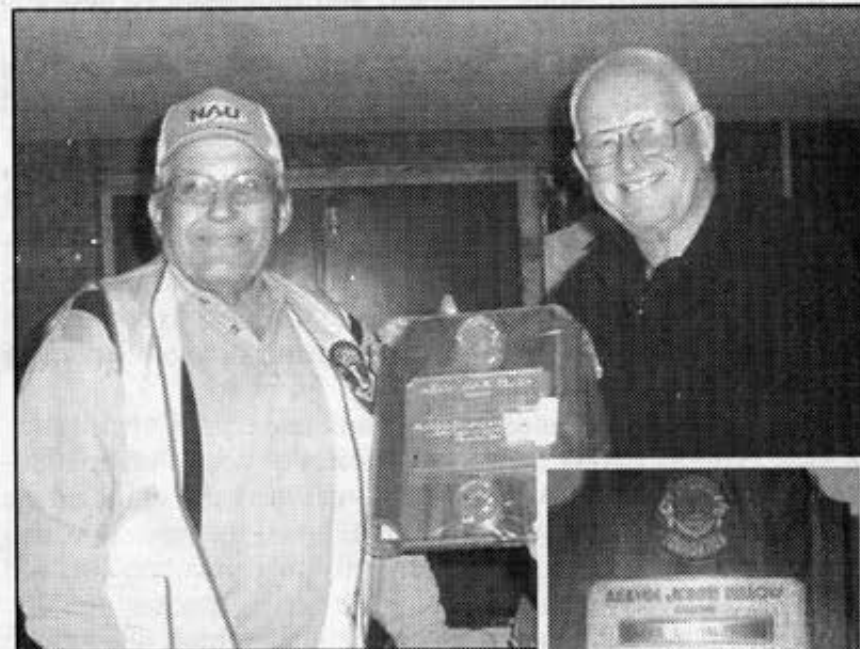
Recently, the regular meeting of the Glen Ullin Lions Club was held at the Log Cabin at the park. When the meeting was called to order by Lions President Ernie Fitterer, he announced that long-time dedicated Lion Member Mike Halpern has received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

Mr. Halpern came forward and was given the plaque, congratulated and recognized for his many years of service to the community, community organizations, Glen Ullin Lions Club and Glen Ullin Fire District.

The Melvin Jones Award is the highest honor a Lion member can achieve.

The Melvin Jones Fellowship, was created in 1973, is named in honor of the founder of Lions Clubs International, Melvin Jones. The fellowship was established as LCIF's highest form of recognition to acknowledge an individual's dedication to humanitarian service. The G.U. Fire District and Lions Club contributed to the LCIF for a Melvin Jones Fellowship in Mike Halpern's name, as inscribed in the plaque and he also received a lapel pin.

Halpern is one of only two members to ever receive this award in Glen Ullin.



Pictured is President of the Glen Ullin Lions Club, Ernie Fitterer, left, who presented the Melvin Jones Award to Lion Mike Halpern, right. Pictured left, is the plaque Halpern received.

President's Letter

JIMMY V. ROSS
*International President
Lions Clubs International*



Dear club officer,

I am proud of what we have accomplished thus far in our year of leadership and I congratulate you for the important role you have played in our achievements. Together, we have begun to change the way that the world thinks about Lions Clubs International and the way that Lions think about themselves.

We have not changed our fundamental nature. We are and will always be among the most active and involved members of our communities, dedicated to serving our hometowns and the world. But in keeping with changing lifestyles, we have become more flexible and responsive in the way we go about our business. We have opened our clubs to family members and helped invigorate them with fresh ideas and the energy of youth. Today a Lions Club meeting may take place at any time, on any day in a restaurant, a meeting hall or a member's home with children and teenagers present and participating.

I am happy to report that since January, more than 74,466 members – more than 5.7 percent of all Lions – have been certified as a member of a family unit. Most significantly, nearly 10,000 of these are new members – Lions who might never have considered club membership without our new family-oriented focus. I am especially pleased about the influx of women into our clubs. Through March, more than 32,300 women have been added worldwide and they bring with them an enormous potential for new service.

Perhaps just as important as this new flexibility, Lions Clubs are raising their profiles in their home communities and among their fellow Lions. Clubs have taken advantage of networking opportunities presented by active and well-connected new members to reach out to even more people who might serve as Lions. Many have become reliable and trustworthy news sources for local media outlets. Some have invited influential citizens to be a part of their meeting programs and sponsored forums and events of interest to the entire community.

When I called for a "new paradigm" for Lions Clubs International at the beginning of this year, I included the need for better communications and public relations at the local level. I did this because I know the power that a story can have in any organization. The stories of Melvin Jones' leadership and Helen Keller's challenge to Lions have become a treasured part of our heritage. Stories are also the best way to teach and learn. The success story of one club can provide an example to other clubs in its district or even inspire the achievements of another club on the other side of the world.

Please contribute to this heritage and leave your own legacy of leadership by telling the success stories of your club in 2006-2007. They can be long or short and may be used in magazine articles, newsletters and on-line. Tell us about the ways in which you have added diversity and energy to your membership. Tell us about new ways you have found to serve your community. Tell us about the ways in which you are raising funds to continue SightFirst, the most successful blindness prevention and sight restoration program the world has ever seen.

It is easy and there are several ways in which you can do it. Simply reply to this e-mail; e-mail me at jimmy.ross@lionsclubs.org, or forward your stories to Susan Haney, manager,

Membership Programs, at susan.haney@lionsclubs.org or 300 West 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL, USA 60523-8842.

I look forward to reading about your successes and I thank you for all you do.

CSFII by the numbers

More than US\$87 million raised, more than half of CSFII's minimum goal of US\$150 million to save the sight

1,956 Model Clubs and growing

Less than two months remain in 2006-2007 for CSFII fund raising!

PU101 Forms are due

Clubs that have used the WMMR site to file monthly membership reports, activities reports, etc. during the past fiscal year will **not** receive a printed paper copy of the Officer Reporting Form (PU101). Go to the logon page of the WMMR site and follow Page 8 of the instructions on the Quick Reference Guide, which can be downloaded from that logon page.

Clubs that have not used the WMMR site during the past year will receive a printed paper copy.

Anyone wishing to file a paper copy (fill out by hand and fax or mail to headquarters) may obtain one from the web site by doing the following:

- Go to www.lionsclubs.org
- Click "Resources"
- Click "Forms"
- Click "Other" from the menu on the right
- Click "Download" under the first entry – Officer Reporting Form

The deadline for filing all officers was May 15, 2007

Club Treasurer - Protect your club's active status by paying all bills in a timely manner. Effective July 1, 2007, clubs with past due balances beyond 150 days, equal to as little as one per-capita, could cause the club to be placed on automatic suspension and automatic cancellation within 90 days.

Currently, some clubs could be in jeopardy of becoming inactive if past-due balances are left unpaid as follows:

- Balances unpaid beyond US \$1,000 and over 90 days, could be placed on status quo, unless payments are received between now and June 30, 2007
- Second semester 2006 per-capita must be paid prior to May 31, 2007.

If you have any questions about your clubs payment status please contact Lions Clubs International at districtadministration@lionsclubs.org or treasurer@lionsclubs.org.



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:

Standard Room	\$60
Poolside Room	\$70
Suite	\$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

Trees

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Along with volunteer help, a number of clubs in the district donated \$50 to the project to defray the cost of the meal, rental of equipment and other expenses.

The trees that Bailey's donated included primarily ash, maple and poplar, with a few flowering crab. Many of the trees were planted in the City Park, while others were planted in other parts of the community -- including in a number of resident's yards.

JeAnne Selby, 5NC publicity chair for the event, noted the things that sped up the service project included a landscape design developed earlier by Lowe's (a retail affiliate of Bailey's) for the Coleharbor City Park. Also, a brief training session for all Lions teams that planted the trees took place.

"It was so nice to see the number of local Coleharbor residents that joined us for lunch," Selby said. "I just visited with a few of the local residents, but they all seemed so appreciative of the efforts and



The Lions District 5NC Tree Planting Committee, composed of (from left to right) Lions Gene Bender of the Lake Metigoshe Lions (Zone 3B Chair), Julie Schwartz of the (Bismarck) Prairie Rose Lions (5NC Special Projects Chair), Judy Beaudry of the Washburn Lions (Zone 2A Chair), and 5NC District Governor Carla Bender of Bismarck, pause briefly next to the water truck.



Keith Landsiedel of K & S Bobcat & Hauling, Underwood, digs the last of the holes needed to plant 365 donated trees that approximately 100 Lions Club members from District 5NC planted in Coleharbor on May 19.

Lions Eyeglass Recycling Report

Eyeglasses received and
In process since 1998:

450,800

Eyeglasses in system:

65,000

Eyeglasses received:

North Star

Gackle

Minot Lions

Jud Lions

Glenburn

Hooterville

Ready to ship 2,500

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

For more information, call

Terry Narum,

5101 14th St SW, Suite 14

Minot ND 58701

701-838-7387(h)

1809 S Broadway, Minot ND

58701701-857-6018 (w)

arrangements of the committee and Lions members.

As one might suspect, the participating Lions members all voiced positive comments about spending the day replanting trees in Coleharbor. Several teams were composed of Lions from different clubs throughout the district; so the project provided an opportunity for Lions to get make new friends while they worked.

"It was a smooth operation ... Lions scattered throughout the city with trees in their hands looking for places to plant them. As soon as the tree got planted, we were searching for another place that needed a tree," Thueson said. "It goes to show that the Lions can show their strength in a project, work together towards a common goal, and have fun doing it."

Coleharbor was hit by a damaging windstorm last July 12, which created extensive damage to buildings, homes and

trees. Residents have been trying to pick up the pieces ever since.

Hearing of the devastation, Lions Club members of District 5-NC decided to step forward and do what they do best. Serve.

District 5NC Governor Carla Bender, Bismarck, said, "Although Coleharbor received much immediate support from North Dakota and federal emergency services agencies, in a conversation with Coleharbor Mayor Willie Wilson, we realized that replacing trees was a lingering community need."

North Dakota Lions District 5NC, encompassing the central third of the state, is composed of 47 Lions and Leos (youth) clubs and 1,250 men and women who identify needs within a community and work together to fulfill those needs.

Lions Clubs International is the largest service organization in the world, with nearly 1.29 million members in approximately 45,000 clubs in 200 countries.

Other area commercial sponsors include Great River Energy, Underwood, and West River Cooperative Telephone, Hazen.