

# NORTH DAKOTA LION



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## Polson to join Lions Hall

Long-time Williston Lion Dorothy Polson is the newest member of the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame. She will be honored at this year's state Lions convention in Jamestown October 26-27. The award will be presented to Dorothy Saturday evening at the banquet

The announcement is a departure from previous hall of fame inductions. In the past, the hall of fame inductee remained a secret until the announcement was made at the state convention.

Five Lions were nominated for the ND Lions Hall of Fame this year. They include Lion James Bumann, North Star Lions Club; PDG Jack Stewart, Mandan Lions Club; PDG David Czywczynski, Beulah Lions Club; PDG Dorothy Polson, Williston Lions Club and PDG Allen Dockter, Capital City Lions Club.

Lion PDG Dorothy was selected as the 2007 North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame recipient. Lion Polson has been very involved with Lions International having attended 28 State Lions Conventions, 29 MD5



Dorothy Polson

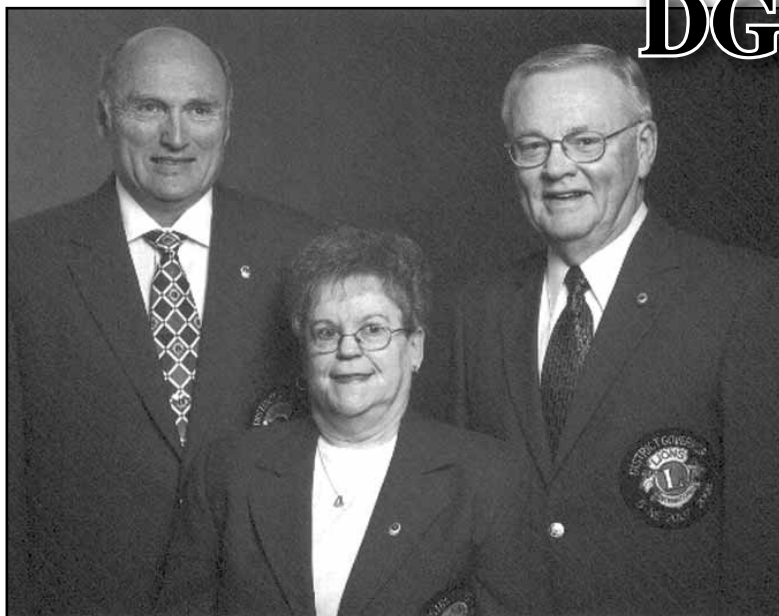
Conventions and five International Conventions. She served as Co-Chairman for 2 State Lions Conventions and 1 MD5 Convention.

She has served in various positions within her club; Director, Lion Tamer, third, second and first Vice President and President. As a member of the District 5NW Cabinet, she has served as Region and Zone Chairman, Sight First, LCIF and Convention Chairman. She also served 2 years on the Board of Directors of the ND Lions Eye Bank and ND Lions Foundation and served as 5NW District Governor in 1997/98.

A progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, Lion Dorothy has also received two International Presidents Certificates of Appreciation and her Key Award for sponsoring 20 new members. She organized the Williston High School Leo Club and has served as their Advisor from 1994 to 2007.

Lion PDG Dorothy and her husband PDG Don (also a Hall of Fame member) are the parents of three children and seven grandchildren.

## DG's for 2007-08



It's a new year for Lions around the world. And it's a new year for North Dakota Lions. The new district governors include, from left, 5NC DG Brian Tinker, 5NW DG Jan Froemming, and 5NE DG John Dobbs. The three took the reins July 1.



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## President's Letter



JIMMY V. ROSS  
*International President  
Lions Clubs International*

Dear Fellow Lions,  
I enjoyed visiting with many of you during the International Convention and I look forward to continuing our service together this year as LCIF Chairperson. We have much to accomplish this year in order achieve our Campaign SightFirst II goal as well as spread the word about LCIF. In this message, I would like to update you on a number of LCIF news items.

### LCIF Ranked Best NGO Worldwide

In a special report released Thursday, July 5, 2007, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) ranked best among non-governmental organizations (NGOs) worldwide. From 34 global organizations, LCIF came in first for its execution of programs, demonstrated accountability, communications internally and externally, program adaptability to the surrounding community, and understanding the goals of its corporate supporters. The assessment was published in the Financial Times' Corporate Citizenship and Philanthropy special report. The full story can be read online at [http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions\\_lcif\\_times.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions_lcif_times.shtml).

### Vote NOW to Help Eradicate Preventable Blindness

LCIF has been selected by American Express as one of the top 50 project ideas in The Members Project, an exciting initiative that brings American Express Cardmembers together to do something good for our world. Join Cardmembers across the country to vote for LCIF's incredible idea to eliminate preventable blindness, presented to American Express by the Diamondhead Lions Club in Mississippi, USA. For every vote LCIF receives, US\$1 will be

donated to LCIF by American Express up to US\$5 million. Cast your vote NOW for LCIF at [membersproject.com](http://membersproject.com) [http://www.membersproject.com/Health\\_Fitness/723](http://www.membersproject.com/Health_Fitness/723). LCIF is Project ID #723. You only have until July 15 to keep LCIF in the top 25! Please share this information with your friends, family and co-workers so they can vote for LCIF. To learn more visit the LCIF Web site at [http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions\\_lcif\\_amex.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions_lcif_amex.shtml).

### Grants awarded at June board meeting

More than US\$2.4 million in grants were approved at the June 2007 LCIF Board Meeting. Lions clubs from all over the world were granted funds to assist many humanitarian projects, such as partnering with Lions in Malaysia for a clean water project (Korea), equipping a rehabilitation center for the disabled (Italy), upgrading the kitchen and dining room at an Easter Seals camp (Canada) and constructing a clinic and vocational center for the disabled (Honduras). Read the complete story and view the entire list of approved grants at [http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions\\_lcif\\_newgrants.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions_lcif_newgrants.shtml).

There are number of new materials, including a new DVD and CD of LCIF publications available to you to help promote LCIF in your club and district. A list of these materials can found at [http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif\\_pr\\_tools.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_pr_tools.shtml). I look forward to this year and thank you for your continued support and dedication to LCIF. LCIF is able to fulfill its mission of helping Lions serve worldwide through your support.



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KAREN THOMAS  
*Director, Lions Eye Bank of ND*

## I am asking for your support

Dear Lions club members:

On Saturday, Oct. 13, I will be running in the Baltimore Marathon for the second year as a member of the 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 Lions 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. Make checks to the Frederick Griffith foundation.

Thank you very much.

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### May and June donations:

#### Gold Clubs \$500 each

Noonan Lions  
South Forks Lions

#### Memorials:

John T. and Dorothy Stewart in memory of Esther Zacher

#### Other Donations:

Bowman Lions Club in honor of Elgins  
Lions 50th anniversary \$50  
Magic City Lions (Visitation Bear) \$245  
Designated Funds Vision USA  
Washburn Lions \$300  
Garrison Lions \$100  
Oakes Lions \$104  
LaMoure Lions \$60

Grand Forks Lions \$100  
Glenburn Lions \$25  
Plum Valley Lions \$36  
Wilton Lions \$66  
Strasburg Lions \$100  
Pettibone Lions \$25  
Turtle Lake Lions \$45  
Rugby Lions \$147  
Napoleon Lions \$25  
Harvey Lions \$78  
Leeds Lions \$50  
North Star Lions \$150  
Magic City Lions \$75  
Tuttle Lions \$42



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.

Napoleon – Sebastian Reis  
Buffalo City – Tom Haroldson  
Elgin – Esther Zacher  
Ashley – Roger Haupt  
Chaffee – Don Watt  
Richardton – Francis Mayer

Buffalo City, Jamestown – Earl Beckman  
Leonard – Francis Saunders  
South Forks – Gene Durieux  
Richardton – Francis "Duke" Mayer  
Reeder – Charles Wood  
Hebron – Raymond Reich

# Thueson visits TBI in Maryland



PDG Tim and Jim Leimkuehler.



The front of the building for Thueson's visit.



PDG Tim and the executive director of Maryland's Lions eye bank, Mrs. Murphy.

Submitted by PDG Tim Thueson

On June 25, I had the opportunity to visit the Tissue Banks International Headquarters in Baltimore, MD.

Jim Leimkuehler gave a wonderful tour of the facility and I had an opportunity to meet the staff. All staff members send greetings

out to North Dakota.

I also had the opportunity to visit the Maryland Eye Bank, which has its offices in the same building. Jim informed me of new procedures that will be performed on cornea in the future. If any ever gets to Baltimore, please make sure you visit.

# 5NE



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We're off and running on yet another Lion's year! Before we move on, however, I want to extend a sincere "Thank You" to Governor Katherine and her Cabinet. Katherine made a point of keeping me "in the loop" as she handled the administration of the District. She went above and beyond the call in her work with Clubs and as usual, was most thoughtful in her dealings with fellow Lions. Thank You, Katherine!

Now, thank YOU for allowing me to serve as your District Governor ... and to attend the International Convention in Chicago!! Anita and I spent the first 5 days in conferences and workshops with 30 other District Governor Elects from our neck of the woods. We were exposed to, and were able to share, some great ideas! We had the opportunity to meet and spend time with many interesting people, including Mehendra Amarasuria, our new International President from Sri Lanka. It was inspiring to witness his determination and excitement over his "Challenge to Change" theme! I'd hope that you might have a chance to meet him.

The convention itself was interesting and informative. With Lions from each

## Governor's Report

of the 200 countries around the globe, one quickly comes to appreciate the international scope of our Association. The "Parade of Nations" on July 4 was a sight to behold! And our own MD5 marching band from Redfield, SD took 1st place! They did us proud!

My personal pin this year bears the phrase "Sing the Song of Lionism". My "Song of Lionism" has many verses, and just a few of them are:

- That each club develop or improve a "signature" service project.

- That each club develop or improve a "signature" fund raiser.

- That each Lion volunteer whenever possible to give meaning to our motto "We Serve"!

- That we accept our leadership role in the world by doing our share with CFSII and LCIF.

- That we identify, and respond to, the service needs in our Communities.

- That we sing songs, tailtwist and have fun at our meetings!

-That we cause our clubs to be viewed as good organizations with which to associate.

Kudos to the Carrington Lions for their successful CFSII golf tourney, to the Gateway Lions for their work on the Lions Basketball project and to the West Fargo Lions for again hosting the Zone B1 gathering (it's time for another Zone B1 club to step up and host this). Let us know what your Club is up to.

I'm starting to get requests for club visits and special outings. It should stack up to be a fun summer (and year!)! Let me know if I can be of help to your Club with a project or event.

In the interim, I'll be starting to work on my stated goal of adding 3 new clubs and promoting Club Renewal in our District. If you have contacts in Hillsboro, Casselton, Lisbon, Mayville-Portland, Adams or Cooperstown,...or if you have any ideas about other possibilities, I'll appreciate your input and help!

Yours in Lions Service, DG John

## Carrington Lions Gate City Bank Golf Tournament deemed success

The Carrington Lions/Gate City Bank 1st annual four-person scramble golf tournament was held at the CrossRoads Golf Course on Monday, June 18. The tournament was termed a success in spite of the very windy day. There were 17 teams in attendance for a total of 68 golfers. There were Lions Clubs having members form a team from Carrington, Harvey, Jamestown, Bismarck and Fargo. (Fargo had two teams.)

All teams had a chance to win cash

prizes for places, there were hole contests on every hole, every golfer got a door prize and every golfer got two meals. We had a lot of fun with the mulligans and also selling of the four feet of string. (Thanks, Fargo Lions)

The event went over very well and all in attendance had a good time.

Proceeds from the golf tournament will go to help support Campaign SightFirst II.

## Litterbugs?

*As published in the Forum April 23, and written by Lion Joe Dobbs following an excursion of highway cleanup in the Fargo area.*

The Fargo Lions Club gathered the other evening to clean up our adopted stretch of University Drive South. Upon completion of a shower and review of my last tetanus shot, I present to you the 2007 Top Three in Roadside Debris:

3) Fast-food containers. 2) Plastic soda bottles. 1) Cigarette packages, cartons and wrappers.

Hats off (and gloves on!) to the many people and organizations that pick up after the slobes in our community. The good news, scientifically based on what they ingest and inhale, is the less than average life expectancy of a litterbug

# Carrington



## Golfers all

Carrington's 1st Annual Golf Tournament, which was in June, was a success despite winds that caused birds and golf balls to fly backwards.

Lions teams from Carrington, Jamestown, Harvey, Bismarck and two teams from Fargo (including 5NE DG John Dobbs) came to golf on Carrington's beautiful golf course. Seventeen teams and 68 golfers participated. More than \$1,700 was raised and all was donated to Campaign SightFirst II.



## 'Fair' Lions

The Carrington Lions promoted "eye tissue donation" and "recycle your glasses" at the Foster County Fair the end of June. Lions Gerald Paulson and Johnny Lessner take their turn working at the booth.

# Wisemans host Italian Lions



Visiting Lions presenting a Lions Friendship Banner to the Sunbird Lions Club. Left to right: Margaret Wiseman, Lion Carla Losi, Past District Governor Fred Garmeson of the Sunbird Lions, Lion Mari Teresa Mambriani and Lion Wayne Wiseman.

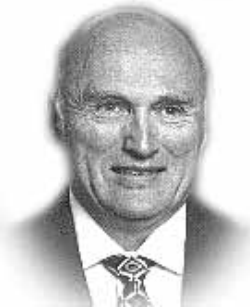
Lion Wayne and Margaret Wiseman hosted two visiting lady Lions from Italy April 12-26 at their winter home at Sunbird Golf Resort in Chandler, AZ. Lion Carla is from Ostiglia, Italy and Lion Maria Teresa Mambriani is from Mantova Italy.

The friendship started during an adult Lions Exchange program in Turkey and continued when Carla and Maria Teresa hosted Wayne and Margaret in Italy for 18 days in 2002.

Carla and Maria Teresa had a great time meeting many Sunbird people, attending parties and learning about our culture and our customs. They joined in on Sunbird water aerobics and cooked an Italian meal for 26 people. Wayne and Margaret took them on an eight-day, 2000-mile tour of points of interest in Arizona, Nevada and Utah.

Lion Carla & Lion Wayne are both active in Lions Youth Exchange and this adult Lions program ties in with the #1 objective of Lions International, "To create and foster a spirit of understanding and friendship among the peoples of our world". All plan to be together again soon in Italy, South Dakota or Brazil.

# 5NC



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So it begins...

I have just returned from the LCI convention in Chicago and the District Governor Elect Seminar. At the conclusion of the convention I officially assumed the office of District Governor for 2007-2008 and another year of Lionism begins.

PID Bill Moody was our mentor and group leader in Chicago and did a superb job in encouraging and training us. Additionally, the isolated time in Chicago provided ample opportunity for the North Dakota District Governors to bond; which was the greatest value to come out of the convention. While prior to the convention we had spent a year as VDGs working and planning together and bonding, the time in Chicago provided opportunities to 'cement' this relationship.

## Thanks

Allan and I will forever be indebted to PDG Carla and Cal for their mentoring and support during the past year. I came into the VDG position late and at DG Carla's first Cabinet meeting. Despite this she immediately took time and energy to

help me get into the swing of things. Cal provided humor, encouragement, and a "partner's perspective".

## 2007-2008 Goals

So what can you expect from your servants, the 5NC Cabinet, in the ensuing year? Shortly each club will be receiving a mailing introducing myself and detailing this information; but as there is insufficient space to detail it in this column I will summarize:

- Cabinet to provide service to the local clubs as the clubs emphasize service to their local area as their primary objective. This will include a major district wide reassessment of local needs.
- Major public relations initiative which will disseminate information about Lionism in our district and involve local communities directly in reassessing how we can serve.
- Emphasis on leadership development, training, and mentoring
- Increase the fun in Lionism including in and among clubs, zones, and regions.
- All of the above will be integrated as part of a comprehensive plan to support and encourage new membership, new clubs, and retention of members.

## Club Visitation Schedule

I plan to visit each club at least once during the year. I need your help to manage the scheduling. Please contact me ASAP, but no later than September 15, 2007, to let me know your preferred official visitation date. The sooner I hear from you the better chance you will get your first choice of date.

Aug. 2 - Prairie Rose Lions

## Event Schedule & Dealines

August 4, 2007

5NC Cabinet meeting, McClusky 10am - 2pm, Legion meeting room.

Any Lion is always welcome at any Cabinet Meeting.

August 10, 2007

Deadline for LCI to receive paper monthly

Membership reports for July 2007

August 11, 2007

Zone 2A Golf Tourney, Washburn, Call 462-3433

October 1, 2007

Deadline to purchase Peace Poster kits

October 26-27, 2007  
State Convention - Jamestown

## Peace Poster Contest

Summer is half over and it is not too early to be thinking about the peace poster contest. While in Chicago visiting LCI headquarters I had a chance to see previous winners on display there. This year's Peace Poster District Chairperson is Betty Triplett from the Rugby Lions Club. Please contact myself and/or her with any questions or other needs. LCI began selling the 2007-2008 kits in January. Betty can be reached at 776-5830 or btriplett@ramseybank.com.

## Paperwork

This may be the least exciting topic that comes up each year. The first Monthly Membership and Monthly Activity reports are due to LCI no later than August 10, 2007. Timely receipt of these is key to many club level awards for the year. As VDG reading these was a priority for me.

I gleaned much information about your club's activities and found them very interesting. As District Governor I will rely on them even more for information about your club and individual activities. So please get them in on time each month. If you have any questions or concerns about filing these reports please contact me directly. The district will be providing whatever assistance you may wish or require to file these reports up to and including filing them online for you.

Filing them online has some major advantages. So even if you do not have internet access or are not comfortable with the computer please contact me for ways that we can get them filed online for you. Filing online also saves money and time for your club.

These resources can then be better used in serving your communities. More information concerning this will be in the packets I will mail to each club secretary shortly. These packets will also include a toll-free phone and fax number for me so that it will not cost you anything to call.

I hope all members have been enjoying the summer including the various Lions events of golfing, picnics, etc. I look forward to my visits with each club and their Lions events throughout the year. If I can be of service in any way please contact me.

# 5NC Leadership Conference offers many excellent seminars



University of Mary Campus Lions Club members (from left to right) Rachel Stumpf, Justene Dahl and Thomas Hatzenbuhler listen as fellow Lion Sarah Hatzenbuhler (off camera) addresses audience members attending the afternoon break-out session on extension and campus clubs.



The 2007 Spring Leadership Conference concluded with a solemn candlelight ceremony at the conclusion of the final general session, "Being a Purple Cow." The session and candlelight ceremony were led by DGE Brian Tinker of the McClusky Lions. DGE Brian is flanked by Prairie Rose Lions PDG Marian Johnson (left) and Loris Freier.



(Bismarck) Prairie Rose Lion Loris Freier (left) and (Bismarck) North Star Lion Paul Knudson informally visit with Wisconsin Lion Leonard Quinn (right)

following his 9:15 a.m. presentation at the opening general session of the 5NC Spring Leadership Conference on April 14, as Lion Len's Leader Dog, Mikey, relaxes in the foreground.



Conference Guest Speaker Sandra Sherlock and her assistance dog, Eddie, of Drake, ND, pose for the camera following their presentation at the 3rd Annual 5NC Leadership Conference in Bismarck.

## Pins available to 5NC Lions

*Following is a list of pins that are available from PDG Lion Tim Thueson:*

2007 ND STATE PIN  
(Darin Erstad) \$2.00 249  
2001 ND STATE PIN  
(Tan-White tail deer) \$1.75 54  
1998 ND STATE PIN  
(blue-decorated buffalo skull)  
\$1.00 86  
1997 ND STATE PIN  
(white-Eagle/teepee) \$1.00 17  
1996 ND STATE PIN  
(red-Buffalo) \$1.00 129  
1995 ND STATE PIN  
(white-Peace pipe) \$1.00 60  
(no date) MD 5 Shield Pin \$1.50 65  
2008 MD 5 PIN-Regular size  
(Bangkok) \$2.25 68  
2007 MD 5 PIN-Regular size  
(Chicago) \$2.00 32  
2002 MD 5 Pin-Regular size  
(Denver) \$1.25 97  
2001 MD 5 Pin-Regular size  
(Indy) \$1.00 55

1998 MD 5 PIN-Regular size  
(San Diego) \$1.00 105  
1999 MD 5 PIN-Regular size  
(England) \$1.00 39  
1997 MD 5 PIN-Prestige size  
(England) \$2.00 5  
1996 MD 5 PIN-Regular size  
(Montreal) \$1.00 6  
1997 MD 5 PIN-Prestige size  
(Montreal) \$2.00 21  
1995 MD 5 PIN-Regular size  
(Seoul) \$1.00 3  
1995 MD 5 PIN-Prestige size  
(Seoul) \$1.25 8

If pins are shipped to you or your club, postage charges will be on your invoice. Listed is the number of pins in inventory on 06/10/07. Orders will be filled on first come first served-so order now! Buy now to make sure you get the new pins for 2007 and 2008.

Send your pin order to:  
PDG Tim Thueson  
District 5 NC Pin Chmn.  
3211 North 19th Street  
Bismarck, ND 58503

# Metigoshe



## New officers

New officers were recently installed at a meeting of the Lake Metigoshe Lions. They include, from left, Lions Les Halvorson, pres.; Ann Parrill, 3rd vice pres.; Jim Dahle, 2nd vice pres.; Mona Johnson, sec.; and Cedric Jacobson, treasurer.



## 100 percent

Pictured are members of the Lake Metigoshe Lions who received 100 percent attendance pins at a recent meeting. Lions include, from left, Ann Parrill, Gene Bender, Mona Johnson, Oliver Dunderland and Terry Espe.



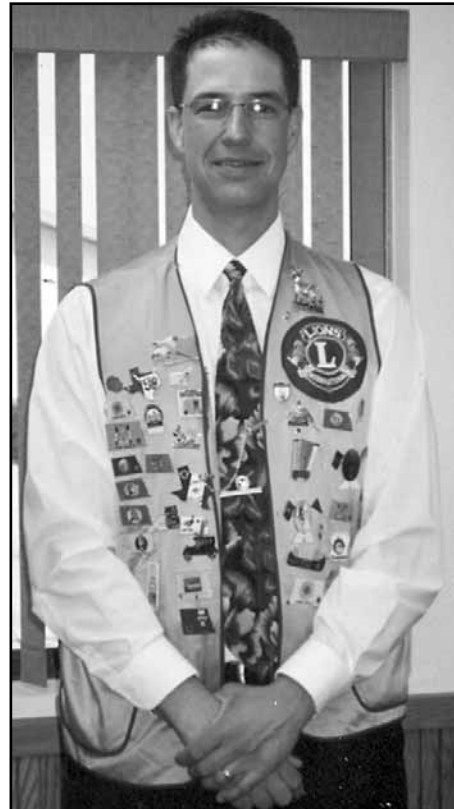
The Lake Metigoshe Lions \$500/grant/scholarship was presented to Brittany Fulsebakke, left, of Bottineau High School. She will be attending MSU-Bottineau. Making the presentation is Lion Gene Bender of the Lake Metigoshe Lions.



Lion Kay Bonebrake, left, celebrated 92 years in May and he has been a charter member for 26-plus years. Lion Kay made a wall hanging with his many pins collected and exchanged over the years. Pictured with Lion Kay and his wall hanging is this wife Arline, who has been a Lions member for more than 13 years.

# Wishek

## New member



Todd Schobel is the newest member of the Wishek Lions Club. PDG Lion Art Bender inducted him to the club.

## Garrison

# Garrison Lions install officers



New Garrison Lions Club officers for the coming year include, front, from left, Vice President Steve Brannan, Director Tami Engel, Director Jan Merry, Director Glenda Korgel and secretary Stu Merry. Back, Lion Tamer Dick Johnson, President Mike Gackle and Treasurer Les Korgel. Not pictured is Tail Twister Gail "Spanky" Larson. *Photo by CINDY GACKLE*

There will be a new slate of officers for the Garrison Lions Club come July 1st.

At the club's annual picnic Monday, outgoing President Stu Merry installed Mike Gackle as president.

Joining Gackle as officers of the club are Vice President Steve Brannan, Treasurer Les Korgel, secretary Stu Merry, Lion Tamer Dick Johnson and Tail Twister Gail "Spanky" Larson. Directors include Tami Engel, Jan Merry and Glenda Korgel.

### Donate to BLFG

Club members also agreed to become a charter member of Better Living For Garrison, Inc., donating \$100 to BLFG's capital campaign for The Meadows, the assisted living facility planned for Garrison.

Club members also said they are entertaining an idea to join forces with the Garrison Jaycees who have expressed an interest in becoming part of the Lions' monthly recycling program.

It was also shared that Lion Gordon Hill and Ted Livesay constructed an outdoor planter for residents on third floor at Garrison Memorial Hospital. It was suggested that a plaque be placed on the planter, recognizing the Lions for their contribution.

On another note, Lion Al Warkenthein

shared that he received a letter and medallion from the Eye Bank of North Dakota, thanking him for having a living will and for his late wife Kay, who had

indicated she would donate her corneas through the living will. Warkenthein said that a recipient from California could now see because of Kay's gift.

## Progressive Melvin Jones



Lions David Blackstead photo at left, on the right, and Alan Van Vleet photo at right on the right, received Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships. PID Bruce Schwartz made the presentation. Lion Alan joined the Lions in 1951 and has 56 years of service. Lion David joined the Lions in 1953 and has 54 years of service. Between the two they have 110 years of Lionism, dedicated to meeting the needs of their community. They represent what volunteering is all about. *Courtesy PDG Lion Don Stoltz*

# 5NW



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Another year of service of 2007-2008 has started. Greetings to 5NW Lions, Lioness, Leo's and Campus Clubs.

We will serve more then ever; my last report of Lions Club International had 1,304,620 members in 45,033 clubs and 757 districts in 200 countries and geographical locations.

I would like to thank my 5NW Cabinet for serving with me in 2007-2008. I will be working closely with my "MERL TEAM," which consists of MEMBERSHIP, EXTENSION, RETENTION, LEADERSHIP & ORIENTATION, and WOMEN IN LIONS. This is coached by our vice district governor. My zone chair MENTOR will be working with the six-zones we have in 5NW, which is very important for our clubs to see that they are doing projects and services to help communities that are in need. Also, our Motto: WE SERVE.

Also, Campaign SightFirst II is going strong for 2007-2008. Our District 5NW has set a goal of \$147,747 and they have surpassed that by pledging \$148,600 already. CONGRATULATIONS DISTRICT 5. NW. We now have seven

## Governor's Report

Model Clubs. Our 5 NW coordinator is Dale Ekstrom. Will be working with Leader Dog for the Blind donations from our 37 clubs and we have three Leo's clubs. Peace Poster Contest is also important for our students. We have who become Leo's at 14 years old.

### District Cabinet meetings set

Our District 5NW Cabinet Meetings and Spring Rally are scheduled as follows:

Aug. 11 -- Dickinson Elks at Dickinson at 10 a.m. (MST)

Oct. 26-27 -- Cabinet meeting at State Convention in Jamestown

Jan. 5, 2008 -- Cabinet meeting at Dickinson Elks at 10 a.m.

May 3, 2008 -- Cabinet meeting at

Dickinson Elks, at 10 a.m.

April 19, 2008 -- Spring Rally at Beulah.

By the time you receive this I will have been to the Lions International Convention in Chicago's 90th anniversary and have been to a lot of meetings and training for my District Governor year. I look forward to my club visits with each of the clubs and Leo's Club. Also, club presidents, let me know I can do a visitation.

We have very good people in our District that can help. Please come forward and help keep in mind our Motto "WE SERVE."

Until next month.

In Lionism

Jan Froemming, DG. 5NW

## Red Jacket luncheon



DG Herman Schafer, left, VGD Jan Froemming and PGD Mike Brand are seen at the MD5 Convention in Regina during the Red Jacket Luncheon.

Submitted by  
Lion Val Trotter

### 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**



## Zone 3A, 5NW

### Clubs hold diabetes screening



Zone 3A, District 5NW Area Lions held a free Diabetes Blood Sugar Screening at the Sports & Rec. Show March 16, 17 & 18.

There was also a Low Vision machine on site for people to view and pamphlets available on both Diabetes and the Lions Clubs. The final numbers are not in yet, but we had in excess of 200 people stop by to have their blood tested. *Pictures and info from Lion Val Trotter*



Williston Korner Lion, Stevie Broe watches as his blood is taken for testing.



Williston Korner Lions' President Roy Clark explains the low vision machine.



Williston Lion, Larry Gaudreau signs up and waits his turn to have his blood sugar tested.

## Williston Korner

### Allard new Melvin Jones Awardee



Lion Pat Allard and his wife Kathy as PDG Rich Christensen presents Lion Pat with his Melvin Jones Fellowship Plaque.



PDG Rich, Kathy, Lion Pat & Pres Roy - PDG Rich, Kathy Allard, Lions Pat and Williston Korner Lions' President, Roy Clark pose for a picture after the presentation. *Pictures & info from Lion Val Trotter.*

PDG Rich Christensen presented Williston Korner Lion Pat Allard with the Melvin Jones Award at the Club's March 26 meeting. Lion Pat joined the Cottage Grove, Wis. Lions in 1979. In 1983 he transferred to the Williston Lions Club and in 1984 became a charter

member of the Epping Lions Club. He joined the Williston Korner Lions in 1994. He has held several positions on the 5NW Cabinet and also has served at the MD5 level.

# Elgin



Lion President Ernest Fitterer of Glen Ullin.



DG Herman Schafer and charter member Albert Rivinius.



Guest speaker was PDG Chuck Whitney.



DG Herman Schaefer and PDG Harry Zacher, a charter member of the club.



Lion Shawn Lince, left, became a Melvin Jones Fellow. Presenting the honor was PID Bruce Schwartz.

## Elgin Lions Celebrate 50 Years

The Elgin Lions Club held a 50-year anniversary celebration on Saturday evening at the Community Center with over 100 Lions, guests and friends attending. Lions members came from Appleton, Wisconsin, Halliday, Bismarck Capital City, Mandan Lions, Dacatah Lions, Prairie Rose Lions, Bowman, Flasher, New Salem, Hazelton, North Star Lions, and the sponsor the Glen Ullin Lions Club. The two active charter members Albert L. Rivinius and Harry R. Zacher were special guests and recognized with pins during the gathering. Lion Harry was the first president of the Elgin Lions Club in 1957 and now serves the club as treasurer. He is also a past district governor.

The guest speaker was Past District Governor Chuck Whitney of Bowman who was introduced by Past District Governor Harry Zacher. In charge of the meeting was Lion First Vice President Jim Heim who introduced several other guest speakers including District Governor Herman Schafer, Past

International Director Bruce Schwartz and Lion President Ernest Fitterer from Glen Ullin. The Glen Ullin Lions Club members presented a special plaque to the Elgin Lions Club for 50 years of service to the community.

The Melvin Jones Award was given to Lion Shawn Lince by Past International Director Bruce Schwartz. The Melvin Jones Award is the highest award given by Lions Club.



# 5NW Spring Rally a success



Gene Veeder, luncheon speaker, McKenzie Co. Economic Development coordinator.

Nearly 100 Lions and Leos gathered at the beautiful conference center adjacent to 1st National Bank in Watford City.

The activities of the day began with an opening session of welcomes by DG Herman Schafer, emcee PDG Rich Christensen, and Watford City Mayor Kent Pelton. Information sessions were held before and after a noon luncheon.

The noon luncheon featured two speakers: Jason Forbes who is a recent cornea transplant recipient and Gene Veeder, McKenzie County Economic Development Coordinator.

The event wrapped up with a general session to present awards and recognition, and to draw for an array of prizes from raffles.

*Photos by Val Trotter, Williston.*



*Photo by Willyta Wamack*

The Elgin Lions Club recently donated \$10,000 to the Jacobson Memorial Hospital Foundation. Making the presentation was Lion President Sisco Maier to Doug Wamack, CEO/administrator of the hospital and Lion Treasurer Randy Grosz.

## Donate to hospital campaign

Community leaders in Elgin are working on behalf of Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center asking area residents, businesses and industries for a commitment to a Capital Campaign program with a base goal of \$500,000 and a challenge goal of \$750,000 which is needed by Jacobson Memorial Hospital and Care Center to prevent reducing or cutting programs and services.

This would enable the hospital and care center to continue providing high quality medical services at the most reasonable possible costs to area residents. All contributions to the campaign will be greatly accepted, including immediate, pledged, or deferred gifts of cash, securities, real estate, personal property, bequests, life insurance, annuities, life income agreements, charitable remainder trusts and charitable trusts.

Pledged contributions will be accepted over a five-year period. For further information about the Foundation contact: Jacobson Memorial Hospital, 601 East St. N., Elgin, ND 58533, Call 701-584-2792 Ext. 222 or email [develop@westriv.com](mailto:develop@westriv.com).



Head Table and portion of group at luncheon.



Cornea transplant recipient, Jason Forbes.



Leos from Williston

# CSFII Spaghetti Challenge

## *We've been challenged: Sask. vs. USA*

*The Great International Spaghetti Challenge is on – and we're in!!*

Here's the way it works: Lions Clubs throughout the State of South Dakota have scheduled a Campaign SightFirst II Fund Raiser for the night of Friday, Oct. 5. Following similar successful events in North Dakota following Hurricane Katrina and for Tsunami Relief, every club in South Dakota has been invited to host a Spaghetti Supper to raise funds for CSFII.

Well, the contest is on. Every Lions (and Lioness and Leos) Club in Saskatchewan is invited to try the same idea. But because South Dakota has a head start and because October isn't far away and because many of our clubs are in recess until then, here's how it will work, at least on this side of the 49th parallel:

Any club-sponsored event which produces revenue for Campaign SightFirst II is eligible if it takes place between Sept. 5 and Nov. 5. The event does not have to include spaghetti (or any other food); the event can already be planned, although a brand-new one is encouraged; not all the proceeds from the event must go to CSFII, but as much as possible would be the goal.

The competition to see who can raise the most funds will compare 1) Clubs; 2) Zones; 3) Districts; and 4) States/Province for total amounts of funds raised and also amount per member so that clubs (and zones, etc.) will also have the chance to be competitive. Reporting is to be done through Group/District/Sector Coordinators as before.

The challenge has been extended to other geographical areas as well; so far, it's a Multiple District 5 competition between North Dakota, South Dakota and Saskatchewan. Campaign SightFirst II is the most comprehensive project ever undertaken by Lions; here's a way to do good as part of something much bigger than ourselves and have fun at the same time. Let's get cooking!!

Forum calendar fundraisers now available

1) The first time Saskatchewan Lions/Lioness Calendar has hit the market and you'll want to see it and buy it. Every club in the province is on it somewhere; some pictures are inspiring, others verge on libel (not really, but some are pretty funny, especially if you know any of

the Lions involved). Thanks to all the contributors, the calendar features lists and records and mementos and souvenir memories plus piles of information ... and each one costs just \$20. The calendars make great gifts and prizes and they're worth looking at again and again and again. The first run of 400 is virtually sold out; orders will be filled within two weeks. Please contact your District Governor or call [gordonziegler@hotmail.com](mailto:gordonziegler@hotmail.com).

2) Forum Lapel Pins are also now available. They, too, are being sold as a fund-raiser for 2008 Forum hosting and promotional expenses. Each pin provides feature impressive details plus a dramatic view of Saskatoon. They sold very well at the recent Multiple District 5 Convention in Regina so call your Governor or [marvis.wilm@redcross.ca](mailto:marvis.wilm@redcross.ca).

3) The brand-new Saskatchewan Lions Lottery was unveiled at the MD-5 Convention. Spectacular prizes include Saskatchewan mini-vacations and first prize is a once-in-a-lifetime experience with the Saskatchewan Roughriders. Clubs will have the chance to share in the ticket selling and profits; call Lion Leroy Starkes at [sportlogo@sasktel.net](mailto:sportlogo@sasktel.net).

Be a Lions/Lioness Forum host club

When: for a week or so before and after the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Saskatoon, Sept. 18-20, 2008.

Why: to provide a friendly Lion face for Lion travelers to or from the Forum.

Who: Bismarck North Star Lions Club (5-NC), Rapid City Rushmore Lions Club (5-SW), and Richmond Lions club (5-CW) have signed up.

Why not? no cost; free club publicity; the chance for fellowship with new Lions.

How: call [gordonziegler@hotmail.com](mailto:gordonziegler@hotmail.com) with your name & contact details to be included with Forum information for North American Lions who pre-register.

## Great Western Forum promo

Now that summer is here, don't forget the promotional offer from Great Western Brewery. To claim a rebate towards the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum of \$2.00/dozen of any GW product, send receipts to Lion Cheryl Morgan, 2901A-

33<sup>rd</sup> St. West, Saskatoon, SK, S7L0X8. Please specify if you wish to have 1/2 of the rebate returned to you. Lions may wish to establish "donation boxes" for receipts in local establishments.

## CSFII donations surge

Campaign Sight first II Coordinators in Saskatchewan were delighted to report big increases in the number and amount of donations for the most recent worldwide reporting period. Total donations and pledges from this province have jumped to nearly \$150,000.00 and the number of participating clubs has doubled. More good news: 79 of our province's 172 Lions Clubs are now involved. That means that over one-half have yet to get on board. If your club or zone has not yet shown some commitment, now is the time, before next year's planning and budget are determined. If you've already decided on a significant amount, consider increasing it and becoming a Model Club. Over 2000 clubs have already taken that step; remember that all donations credited to your club – from club treasury, club events, Lions' personal donations and non-Lions' personal donations – count towards your club's totals and are eligible amounts for Melvin Jones Fellowships. Support Lionism's most ambitious initiative ever. Together, the Lions of the world are making a difference.

## Forum bus

If you're interested in attending this year's USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Grand Rapids, Michigan on September 6-8 and don't relish driving or flying, call Lion Ron Belke in Saskatoon at [rbelkebbq@sasktel.net](mailto:rbelkebbq@sasktel.net). There just might be room on the Lions 55-passenger Bus leaving from Prince Albert, SK on September 2 and passing through Manitoba and Fargo, ND and Lion International Headquarters in Oak Brook, Illinois. Call NOW for details and prices/availability.



# 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*

# Dickinson

## Pinochle winner recognized

By the Dickinson  
Lions Club

Dickinson Lions chairperson Lion Terry Scheer presented the first place check of \$1,000 to Bismarck's Gerald and Margie Hirning at the conclusion of the annual pinochle tournament.



Approximately 100 pinochle players gathered at the Dickinson Elks Lodge for two days of intensive pinochle playing at the second annual Dickinson Lions tourney.

Comments from those attending included compliments to the Elks staff, the accommodations, and meals that were provided conducive to this fun filled weekend.

The third annual Dickinson Lions Club Pinochle Tournament is already on the calendar for January 19 and 20, 2008. Come join the fun.

Terry Scheer, left, presents the \$1,000 first place check to Marge and Gerald Hirning of Bismarck.

## Reeder Lions contribute



The Reeder Lions Club contributed to DPEC (Dakota Prairie Enrichment Center or Community Center) \$1000 to repair and refinish the gymnasium, lunchroom and hallway floors. Turning the check over to DPEC President Ralph Verhulst, right, is Reeder Lions Club President Owen Oleson. At the same time the Reeder Lions disbursed \$5,956 to other worthy organizations. Ralph is also a Reed Lion in good standing.

### Lions Eyeglass Recycling Report

Eyeglasses received and  
In process since 1998:  
**451,500**

Eyeglasses in system:  
**66,200**

Eyeglasses received:

Minot Lions  
Hooterville Flyon Lions  
Velva Lions

**Ready to ship 3,200**

*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)

## Senior Lions Leadership Institute set for Nov. 15-19

The next Senior Lions Leadership Institute for USA and its affiliates, Bermuda, Bahamas, and Canada will be offered in Oak Brook, Ill., Nov. 15-19. We need your assistance to help recruit qualified Lion participants for the institute. It is a valuable opportunity to build on skills that enhance the leadership qualities at the zone, regional and district levels.

The institute in Oak Brook, Ill. is designated as a Senior Lions Leadership Institute and is targeted to Lions in good standing that have completed a successful term as club president, but have not yet attained the position of vice district governor. Lions who are regional and zone chairpersons are encouraged to apply to this institute. Candidates do not have to hold a position currently (for details, see the enclosed application materials).

Please help us to recruit for this institute in Oak Brook, Ill. by providing a copy of the attached application packet to your regional and zone chairpersons to

remind them of this event. The application packet is also available on the web site, [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org). Please ask them to promote the institute and actively encourage qualified candidates to apply. The success of this institute depends on the participation of Lions leaders from across your constitutional area.

Completed forms must be returned by Aug. 15, 2007.

Return Application to:  
Institutes and Seminars  
Lions Clubs International  
Fax: 630-571-1682  
E-mail: [instsemi@lionsclubs.org](mailto:instsemi@lionsclubs.org)

Participants are required to pay their own travel and related expenses to and from the Lions Leadership Institute. Lions Clubs International will pay for meals and lodging for the actual days of the institute only. Participants will be paired up to share a hotel room. Lions Clubs International will be assigning the pairs and making the hotel reservations.