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State convention is here

All the hard work and planning for this year's North Dakota Lions State Convention will come to fruition in just a few days. The 2007 convention is here. The annual gathering will convene this year in Jamestown, beginning Friday, Oct. 26 and concluding Oct. 27.

This year's convention is aptly named "Buffalo Heaven in 2007."

Organizers promise a good time will be had by all that attend this year's convention.

And it's still not too late to register. A form is in this month's North Dakota Lion. Also inside is a schedule of activities.

Fun will begin Friday with cabinet meetings, the Foundation meeting, Eye Bank meeting and PDG meeting. At 5 p.m. The 26th, Hall of Fame officials will meet with new Lions at a reception. The icebreaker will get things started in earnest at 6:30. The Dixie Cups will provide entertainment, beginning at 7:30.

The opening session will kick off an active day on the 27th, beginning at 7:30 a.m. Events are scheduled throughout the day.

Polson to enter hall

Long-time Williston Lion Dorothy Polson will be the newest member of the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame. She will be honored at this year's state Lions convention during the luncheon on the 27th.

According to Hall of Fame Committee officials, the announcement prior to the convention 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.

Lion Polson has been very involved with Lions International having attended 28 State Lions Conventions, 29 MD5 Conventions and five International Conventions. She served as Co-Chairman for 2 State Lions Conventions and 1 MD5 Convention.



Dorothy Polson

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 two 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 President's Certificates of Appreciation and her Key Award for sponsoring 20 new members. She organized the Williston High School Leo Club and served as its 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

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.

State convention requests

VDG DUANE ZWINGER

There are two requests from Lions Convention Committee members that are in charge of this year's convention:

1) We would like to know the names of the official voting delegates for convention business. The Registration Committee needs this information so they may signify delegates on the name badges. Please send this information to Nina Sneider at: nina@csicable.net.

2) We are going to have a SILENT AUCTION as part of the Tail Twisting



activities for the convention. If your club or some business in your town could donate an item(s) for the auction it would be appreciated. Just bring the item(s) to the registration table. The item(s) can be Lions Club related or just any merchandise.

All money generated from Tail Twisting during the State Convention will go to: 1) Northwood relief, 2) ND Eyebank, 3) Lions Foundation of ND, 4) Campaign SightFirst II

President's Letter

Mahendra Amarasuriya International President Lions Clubs International



CSFII Update

During "The Year of CSFII," Lions can achieve President Amarasuriya's 2007-2008 Challenge of 350,000 MJFs worldwide while saving sight. Like an MJF, a Progressive MJF has the power to save 166 individuals from blindness and costs only US\$.91 per day over three years.

There are nearly 2,350 Model Clubs to date—does your club have what it takes to be a Model Club or Progressive Model Club? Your club can save sight and help Lions reach 3,000 CSFII Model Clubs worldwide by June 2008!

CSFII by the Numbers

- Less than 265 days remain to surpass our US\$150 million minimum goal
 - More than US\$114 million officially recorded
 - 2,346 Model Clubs ensuring our success

Dear club officers,

Did you know that the future of Lions Clubs International is in your hands?

In my presidential program for this year I laid out what I think are vital changes to be made in our association:

- •Re-brand Lions Clubs International
- •Extend membership with greater attention to diversity in age and gender.
- •Use leadership techniques appropriate for the 21st century. But change doesn't happen when executive officers make plans or when the international board of directors passes a resolution. Change's in a club's dynamic, attitude and service projects doesn't happen at International Headquarters.

Change only happens when Lions Clubs – led by dedicated, forward-thinking club officers – take a close look at what works and what doesn't work and plan their futures accordingly.

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

I urge all of you during your year as a Lion leader to examine closely and with brutal honesty, the practices and policies of your club.

As you do, please give special consideration to these areas where tradition is often followed solely for tradition's sake:

Club Meetings

Are your club's meetings short enough to respect your members' time while also being efficient enough to conduct all necessary business? Are they interesting and engaging for your members?

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/prc3.pdf

Is your schedule flexible? The day is long past when a Lions

Club should derive its main identity from the time of day at which it meets.

Feedback from your members is important. Are they bored? Do they wish to bring family members to meetings? Find out and then embrace the change necessary to truly serve your members.

Networking

It is and always shall be an important tenet of Lions ethics that membership in a Lions Club must not be used for personal gain or professional profit. Meetings and club events should never be used for personal aggrandizement or to promote a business. However, this basic principle should not be interpreted so strictly as to prevent social and professional networking.

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

As Lions, we strive to bring the most effective and involved individuals into our clubs to serve our communities. It is a simple fact that in the 21st century, the most effective and influential individuals in our communities got that way through networking. When these vital and successful people join our clubs they bring their contacts and resources with them. When members network among themselves and with those outside the club, Lions Clubs will be able to leverage these networks to do more and to do things more effectively in the "We Serve" spirit. The result will be better service to the communities about which we care so deeply.

Fun

Are your members having fun? Service, of course, is the highest ideal of Lions Clubs International, but service should be a joyful experience for all involved. Those who give of themselves with a glad heart will be better received – and will give more – than those who give out of a grim sense of duty.

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/prc4.pdf

Many clubs are taking bold steps to enhance the cohesiveness of the club and build camaraderie among members. This may mean conducting meetings informally as part of a back-yard picnic or taking "field trips" to local cultural and civic events. I know of one club that has even increased attendance at meetings by introducing "karaoke night" after business has been concluded! However your club chooses to do it, please remember that fun and service are not incompatible. Each enhances the other.

When you ask yourselves these important questions and make the appropriate changes, I truly believe that your club will be fulfilling its highest potential for service. And isn't that why you became a Lion?

As always, I thank you for your service and look forward to hearing about your successes.

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KAREN THOMAS Director, Lions Eye Bank of ND





New Eye Bank car arrives

Officials with the Eye Bank of North Dakota can now ride in style since the arrival of the "New Lions Eye Bank Car." Director Karen Thomas thanks all Lions and clubs for making the dream possible.



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Memorials:

Ray Lions Club in memory of Lion Joanne Aardahl

Oscar and LaDell Sorenson in memory of Lion Bob Freeberg

Silver Club - \$300

Capital City Lions

Please remember the parade of green at the Jamestown State Convention Oct. 27th.



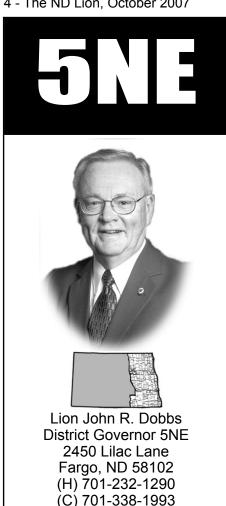
Jamie Quackenbush is the new North Dakota Eye Bank representative in Fargo. The office is located at 100 4th St. S., Fargo, on the sixth floor. The phone number is 701.297.8104 and the new e-mail is eyebanknd@qwestoffice.net.



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.

Napoleon – George Rohrich Goodrich – Theodore Dockter South Forks – Robert Freeborg Magic City – Richard Luehe Ashley – Milton Schauer Center – Elmer Gullickson Jamestown – Keith Ingstad



Coming Events and Important Dates

e-mail: johnita@g.com

October 1 – Visitation to Edgeley Lions

October 3 - Visitation to Devils Lake Lions

October 5 – Visitation to Fargo **Gateway Lions**

October 8 – Visitation to West Fargo Lions

October 15- Visitation to Fargo Lions

October 16 - Visitation tp Valley City Lions

Óctober 17 - Buffalo Feed -Jamestown KC Hall

October 26 - 10 a.m. - 5NE Cabinet Meeting - State Conv. 1 p.m. - ND Lions Foundation - State Conv. 2:30 p.m. -ND Lions Eye Bank - State Conv. 6:30 p.m. - Icebreaker!

October 27 - 8:45 a.m. 5NE District Meeting

October 28 - November 13 - DG John out of the District.

Governor's Report

Everyone's busy! There's plenty of evidence that our motto, "We Serve" is coming alive!

Fundraisers are being planned, Lions are making plans to visit other clubs, and your Governor is starting to accumulate "windshield time"! Our Clubs are all different but, yet, they're all alike! Everyone has been most gracious and it's fun to see all the different ways they serve their communities.

Communication is vital in all organizations and in ours, as well. We try to keep everyone up to date with what is going on through our 5NE News & Views put together by Lion Sarah Nathan. I'd ask that all President's and Secretaries check each issue closely. I know that there is a lot to read but this publication is the one we try to use to keep you informed. Thanks.

Northwood Up

Our Northwood Lions have been busy disbursing the Emergency Grant funds from LCIF! At last report, they've provided help to some 45 families. They're nearing the end now and their work has been much appreciated by the community. Just a thought . . . If you or your club included LCIF in your giving, YOU were part of this charitable act! The next step will be to settle on a major project for the Standard Grant. We'll be working on this and keep everyone informed. In the interim, your gifts and pledges to the District matching fund account will be a big help!

State Convention

The State convention in Jamestown

continues to shape up as a stellar event! What a great opportunity to learn more about successful Lionism. You and your fellow-Lions can go home with good ideas on projects, recruiting, retaining, fund-raising and enjoyable social outings! We'll see you in Jamestown on October 26 and 27!

North Dakota Lions Foundation

Our North Dakota Lions Foundation continues to grow and soon will be able to provide funds to assist with disasters right here in North Dakota! Please make plans for your Club (and you, too!) to make an annual contribution to the trust. Size of the gift is not the critical issue ... just that we make the gift! You never know, your community could be the next "Northwood" and could well be a direct beneficiary of your own giving!

Zone Meetings

Zone meetings have begun to be scheduled and held around the District. Make sure that Presidents and Secretaries. if possible, are in attendance. This is an important line of communication between the Clubs and the District. Your Zone Chairs work hard to plan a meaningful agenda. Please take advantage of the resource for your Club.

Yours in Lions Service, DG John

Food for Thought: "Always try the house dressing!"

Former President Carter speaks about CSF II

Lion/Nobel Peace Prize winner/former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, speaking of Lions and Campaign Sight First II during the 2007 Lions International Convention: "As a fellow Lion, I want to tell you how

proud I am of your success. This has been one of the most gratifying partnerships of my life." Past District Governor Jimmy Carter continues to set the example and serves Lionism at the highest level.

CSFII – by the numbers

US \$72 million raised by Lions to save sight. An additional US \$10.5 million raised by clubs, but not yet submitted to LCIF 1,650 Model Clubs

Carrington



Ditch Clean Up Project

Six Carrington Lions, with the assistance of 12 Cub Scouts and two Scout leaders, cleaned four miles of ditches Sept. 22. The Cub Scouts help the Lions with this project twice a year.



Punt Pass & Kick

The Carrington Lions 2nd annual Pepsi Punt Pass & Kick was Sept. 15th. Thirty-four participants, eight Carrington Lions and eight volunteers, along with a beautiful day, helped to make the day a great success. Seven young athletes will now move on to sectional competition Sept. 29 in Drake.

Symptoms of Diabetes Market Frequent Urination Market Fatique Munexplained Weight Loss

☑ Frequent Urination ☑ Fatique ☑ Unexplained Weight Loss
 ☑ Irratability ☒ Blurred Vision
 ☒ Changes in Appetite ☒ Unusual Thirst

Risk Factors

☑ Being Overweight ☑ Inactive☑ Over the age of 45 ☒ Family History of Diabetes☒ Giving Birth to a Large Baby

Lions Clubs International's October Growth Award Program

If you've been a Lion for a while, you probably remember the October Growth Award Program and its emphasis on membership recruiting in the month of October. Did you know that many clubs worldwide still recognize the program and continue to recruit a majority of their members during October?

Guess what?

Lions Clubs International is re-embracing the October Growth Award Program. Join your fellow Lions clubs and make October 2007 a banner month for new member recruiting.

How can my club obtain the October Growth Award?

Banner patches will be awarded to the top 3 clubs in each district with a **positive net growth** in **membership during the month of October**. A net membership growth of 3 is the minimal requirement to attain this award. These awards will be solely based on the WMMRs and MMRs received during the month of November.

In addition to receiving a distinctive banner patch, your club's name will appear on a page of the LCI Web site specifically designed to recognize achievement during the October Membership Growth Award Program.



5NC





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It is hard to believe that one quarter of the Lion year is already history! Where has the time gone? Only nine months left to accomplish this year's goals!

Membership

Ok, stop the groaning! Membership should be an exciting Lions activity. It answers the question of "Who will replace us?". Furthermore, it exemplifies the motto "We Serve". By inviting others to join Lions you are offering them an opportunity for a brighter future, more friends, leadership development, and to satisfy a desire to provide service to others. Most importantly, everyone has a dream and you are offering to assist prospective members in achieving theirs'.

You should have received communication from 5NC Membership Chairperson PDG Marian Johnson recently outlining the membership program and objectives for 2007-08.

LCI has re-embraced the October Growth Award Program. Banner patches will be awarded to the top 3 clubs in the district with a positive net growth in membership during the month of October. A net membership growth of 3 is the

Governor's Report

minimal requirement to attain the award. These awards will be solely based on the WMMRs and MMRs received during the month of November (for October). So it is more important than ever to get these reports in on time. Lets' make sure that we have three clubs qualify in District 5NC. Additionally, each of the 3 club's name will appear on a page of the LCI Web site specifically designed to recognize achievement during the October Membership Award Program.

Event Schedule & Deadlines

October 8, 2007 - Zone 2A - McClusky

October 8, 2007 – Zone 3A - Minot October 9, 2007 – Zone 1A – Ashley

October 15, 2007 - Zone 1B - Medina

October 26-27, 2007 – State Convention – Jamestown

November 13, 2007 – Zone 2B - Bowdon

April 12, 2008 – 5NC Leadership Conference - Minot

Garlic & Grape Festival

The Zone 3A Lions had their first Garlic and Grape Festival September 15, 2007 at the Municipal Auditorium in Minot. Allan and I attended and had a great time. We congratulate Zone 3A Lions on a very successful event and are already looking forward to next year. We heard nothing but complimentary comments from both vendors and attendees. Virtually all the booths had displays and merchandise that incorporated the theme. The entertainment was first rate without detracting from the booths.

Paperwork

August was another great reporting month with 100 percent of the Clubs in 5NC meeting the reporting deadlines! Thank you to all the Secretaries for continuing to do such a great job. Club members and officers should also remember to thank their secretaries for all the hard work.

State convention and credentials

By now clubs should have received communications from the 5NC Credentials Committee for the District Meeting and State Convention in Jamestown. Please pay careful attention to these communications and get your certifications in as quickly as possible. Delegates will need to be certified by clubs to vote at the 5NC District meeting and ND Lions Meeting. There are many important issues on the agenda including a proposed increase in the ND Lion newsletter subscription cost, which will affect the dues charged clubs. I have appointed Lions Jim Bumann (Chairman), PDG Marian Johnson, and Betty Triplett to the Credentials Committee. Please contact them with any questions, issues or concerns with this important process.

This will be an important and fun State Convention. I encourage all clubs to be represented by delegates for the decision making process. Remember, you can not legitimately complain if you aren't represented. It is not too late to register for the convention.

Zone Meetings

As you can see from the listing of events above, Zone meetings are being scheduled. Please make an effort to have your club represented at these Zone meetings. If possible the Club President and Secretary, as designated representatives, should attend. Bring other club members as well for the fun, information, visitation, and input to the District Leadership. The Zones represent critical advisory input to the District officers and chairpersons.

Zone 3B held its meeting Sept. 17 at Lake Metigoshe. Zone Chair Lion Gene Bender conducted an excellent meeting. The clubs in attendance had fun and participated fully in the meeting activities. After the meeting we were able to tour the Christian Center facilities including 'theme rooms' for staying overnight available for individuals and groups to rent. It is a beautiful facility. By the way, no television or phones in the rooms!

Tree Planting

Lion Gene Bender has been working on further opportunities for tree planting in communities. As a district we need to set up some account details and make some procedural decisions. This will be on the agenda at the Cabinet and District Meetings at the convention in Jamestown. These trees are to be purchased by Lions Clubs only for use in improving community parks and schools, etc. and not for personal use. Lion Gene is recommending that we make one order in the spring and have clubs pick up trees on a set date. We will keep the clubs informed as more details become available. For now, think about how best to utilize this great opportunity.

See you at the District Meeting and State Convention!

Rugby



Ditch cleaning

The Rugby Lions Club recently cleaned ditches on Highway 3 North of Rugby. This project has been in existence for the Rugby Lions since 1992. Pictured are, from left, Betty Triplett, Lydia Repnow, Galen Mack, Larry Fueller, Craig Wollenburg, John Ford, Janet Miller and Donald Srock. Kneeling in front are: Tootie Fueller and Chuck Repnow. Members present but not photographed are Jeff Miller and Daryl Jelsing.

Lake Metigoshe Who's # 1?? We are!

Summer activities abound

Lion MONA JOHNSON Sec. Lake Metigoshe Lions

In August, some of the Lake Metigoshe Lions Club members volunteered to help with the American Legion Baseball

We also were asked to serve lunch (fundraiser) for an Auction here at the Lake, due to the owner from Arizona, who is a Lion asking that we serve it.

We held our annual August Picnic at the Shelter and had a good turn out.

Did you know?

There are 1.4 million blind children in the world. a number that grows by one child each minute.

Submitted by PCC GORDÓN ZIEGLER

Here's a story from page 4 of the September 2007 issue of our International Magazine, "The Lion", in which we can all take pride. We need to hear news like this and so do others. Why not share it with other Lions, prospective Lions and our various publics and supporters?

"Lions Clubs International Foundation ranked best among non-governmental organizations (NGOs) worldwide according to the London-based Financial Times. 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.

LCIF beat out Rotary International, Habitat for Humanity, UNESCO, and UNICEF (plus Doctors without Borders) to name a few on the list. The ratings were compiled by the Financial Times in association with the Dahlberg Global Development Advisers and the United Nations Global Compact.

The list was released in July at a meeting of NGO executives and the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland."

ALLLRRRIIIIGHT!!! Please help spread the word.

McClusky

Lions induct new member at Zone meeting



Lion Don Wenning, right, pins the Lions membership pin on new member Joseph Mashburn.

By ALLAN TINKER

The McClusky Lions added a new member to their roster on Monday night, October 8. Rev. Joseph Mashburn, sponsored by Lion Don Wenning, was officially welcomed into the Lions International Organization and the McClusky club in particular. District Governor Brian Tinker and Past International Director Bruce Schwartz officiated at the candle-lighting rituals and oath affirmation.

The McClusky Lions opened the night with their regular monthly meetings and after their business was attended to, yielded the floor to the Zone 2A meeting, with more than 30 Lions from all the 2A clubs present.

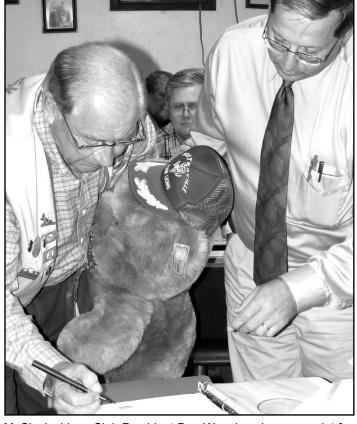
Steve Windish, president of the Bismarck Lions Club, presented the McClusky Club with a bear and a challenge. The bear (stuffed) will reside with the host club until that club also visits another club and passes the bear on to them. The impact is two-pronged. The bear encourages clubs to visit each other and, not just accidentally, each day the bear spends out of his originating club, the club that currently holds him, pays \$5 per day for that privilege. The money collected goes to the Campaign Sight First II fund drive.

McClusky Lions President Don Wenning signed for the bear in the official tally book that accompanies the bear on all his rounds. The Bismarck Club had been slow to visit and trade him off; they paid \$140 for the "honor" of hosting the bear for 28 days.

Last reported news from the McClusky Lions was that the bear was headed for an out of town Lions visitation and meeting within the week.

A former McClusky resident, Lion Lynelle Thueson and her co-zone chairman Barbara Wright (both Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions club members) chaired the zone meeting for the evening, hearing the various committee reports and plans for upcoming projects. Thueson's husband, North Star Lion and PDG Tim Thueson was also present, along with Wayne Unruh, past president of the Bismarck Capital City Lions, along with many other Lions from Bismarck clubs and the Zone 2A area.

The meeting was held at the Union Grill's meeting room west of McClusky.



McClusky Lions Club President Don Wenning signs a receipt for care of the bear until the bear passes to a new club during a club visitation.

Lion Zone 2A co-chairs Lynelle Thueson, left, and Barbara Wright, both members of the Prairie Rose Lions Club in Bismarck, chaired the Zone meeting Oct. 8 in McClusky.

Lion Steve Windish explains to club members how to care for the "traveling bear" a fundraising effort for the Lions Foundation of North Dakota.











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Club visitation schedule

Mandan Lions October 29 November 5 Columbus Lions November 7 Richardton Lions November 12 **Scranton Lions** November 11 **Hettinger Lions** November 19 Beulah Lions November 26 **Taylor Lions Bowman Lions** December 3 December 18 Mandan WR Lions

Greetings fellow Lions.

The North Dakota State Lions Convention will be happening Oct. 26-27 at Gladstone Inn & Suites in Jamestown. Their theme is: Welcome to "Buffalo Heaven in 2007".

There is a registration form in our newspaper, which you can use. This is a good time to meet new Lions and renew what Lions can do for everyone.

When you receive your North Dakota Lion paper and when we meet at the state convention my husband and I will have visited 22 clubs and our three Leo's clubs.

Governor's Report

My visits are very interesting to see what each club is doing and every one is different as to what they do.

We do have some very good Lions in our District 5NW and a lot of idea's which everyone is using. Things are happening. Keep up the good work.

My six zone chairmen have scheduled their zone meetings. Four have had theirs and the other two have scheduled theirs. A lot is happening in their zones. Dale and I attended one at the Dickinson Elks Club on Sept. 27. Meeting was Zone 1-B and Zone 2-B. The two had theirs together. They had some interesting topics and speakers. And everyone shared what was going on in their clubs.

LCI's October Growth Award Program

Banner patches will be awarded to the top three clubs in each district with a positive net growth of three or more members during October 2007, based on the results turned in on the monthly Membership Report. (MMR or WMMR). Now is the time to bring new members in.

The Peace Poster winners from each club in 5NW needs to be send to District Governor Jan Froemming by Nov. 1st so my committee can pick the winner from District 5NW and to take to the MD5 Council meeting in Minot Nov. 16-17 where another winner will be picked.

I was able to install a new member during my Watford City Lions visitation. It was exciting. Congratulations.

The monthly reports are starting to come in now. Keep up the good work you do. Also, PLEASE send in you District Dues to Secretary/Treasurer Kevin Vannett and PLEASE send in your International Dues

Events

MD-5 Council meeting in Minot, Holiday Inn Nov. 16-17

See you at the State Convention in Jamestown Oct. 26-27. Please contact me at 701-584-3606 or e-mail dalejan @ westriv.com.

We serve together

Jan Froemming District Governor

Peace Poster



Lions spaghetti challenge

Saskatchewan vs. North Dakota vs. South Dakota

Eligibility: any Lions events from Sept. 5, 2007 – Nov. 5, 2008, which support Campaign Sight First II.

Raise the most total CSFII money or the most money per member in your Zone, your District or your Province/State. Donations are to be reported through normal channels – Group Coordinators/District Coordinators/Sector Coordinators/CSFII Headquarters.

Are you looking for a reason or an event to support Campaign Sight First II? This is it (and it doesn't have to even involve food.)

Call Lion Gordon Ziegler 306-669-2023 or gordonziegler@hotmail.com for details.

2007 USA and Canada Lions Leadership Forum highlights

Submitted by PCC GORDON ZIEGLER

A total of 29 Saskatchewan Lions and partners boarded a Prince Albert Northern Chartered Bus on Sunday, September 2 and headed off for the 2007 Lions Forum in Grand Rapids, Michigan about 1700 miles away. (That's over 2700 kilometers if you're counting. One way.) The Lions of Weyburn provided our delegation with a very nice lunch in an attractive park, a thoughtful and appreciated gesture.

Thanks to some very careful advance planning and communications about passports and promotional materials on board by trip organizers like Lions Ron Belke, John Boersma and Wayne Choponis, the border crossing into the United States was achieved quickly and without incident or complications. (It took only 9 minutes to cross back into Canada on our return trip.)

The first real highlight was a visit to Lions International Headquarters in Oak Brook, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. Our guided tour there was highlighted by the opportunity to sit in the President's Chair occupied at other times this year by Mahendra Amarasuriya from Sri Lanka, a visit with Campaign Sight First II workers and the opportunity to serenade Headquarters staff with our version of the Lion Sleeps Tonight.

The City of Grand Rapids, home of Amway, proved to be a delight with warm summer evenings with the Grand River bisecting downtown, the Gerald Ford Presidential Library, City Museum spectacular DeVos Conference Centre and a huge fireworks display.

Life at the Forum was hectic with meetings galore (some starting at 6:00AM, another not ending until 11:00PM), seminars and Keynote presenters to appreciate and, always, the pre-registration desk. Each in our group put in long hours describing, cajoling, promoting, selling – all in an attempt to sign up attendees for next year in Saskatoon. We looked good in our "uniforms" of straw cowboy hats, green vests and sweaters. We split up at mealtimes to talk to more potential signees.

We also took part in a play, helped present a seminar on next year's Forum, put in a shift in the Campaign Sight First II Display, worked in the Forum Store, took and printed pictures, posed in Mounties' red serge and as "belles of the ball". We thrilled to presenter Manual Scott who thanked Lions "for reaching the least, the last, the lost, the left-out".

At the Closing Ceremonies, we proudly marched past the stage with our lapel badges blinking; we assembled on the Choir risers and, with the lights and cameras in our faces and in front of 2400 delegates, we sang an invitation to the 2008 Forum in Saskatoon. International President Amarasuriya had spoken on

his theme of "Challenge to Change" and charging us to "Invite them; excite them." Well, we did just that. And in referring to a resurgence of Lionism, the President also declared, "It can be done; it must be done; it will be done."

To which the Saskatchewan Host Committee for the 2008 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum can boastfully reply, "We should have done it; we needed to have done it; WE HAVE DONE IT!" You would have been proud of us!

− Monthly\Yearly Activity Reports—

Dear club secretary,

Through the online Monthly\Yearly Activity Report, you can report the number of community service hours and the amount of funds donated by your club. To submit this information:

- 1.log onto the Lions Web site (www. lionsclubs.org).
- 2. on the home page, locate: Submit Membership, Officers and Reports, Click Here
 - 3. enter your member number.
 - 4. enter your password.
- 5. click on the Club link in the Gold Menu Bar.
 - 6. click on Reports.
- 7. click on the Go button next to Monthly/Yearly Activity report.

Lions clubs in MD 101 (Sweden), 102 (Switzerland and Liechtenstein), 104 (Norway),110 (the Netherlands), 111 (Germany), 112 (Belgium), and 114 (Austria) can submit their activity reports through their multiple district membership system.

Current Lions club officers and district officers can receive passwords by e-mail. On the Lions Web site (www.lionsclubs.org), enter into the banner, Submit Membership, Officers and Reports, Click Here. Click into "Need your password?" Enter your member ID number. Click "Submit." Your password will be automatically e-mailed to you within minutes. If you need additional assistance, e-mail wmmr@lionsclubs.org

Information received from the world's 46,000 Lions club secretaries creates a global overview of Lions club activities. Thank you for helping to compile this important data.

If you have already submitted your report, please disregard this e-mail. If you have questions about the Monthly\Yearly Activity Report, please contact: programs@lionsclubs.org

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



Killdeer



Club's Annual Fish Fry

The Killdeer Lions Club held its 11th Annual Fish Fry Sept. 7th, prior to the #1 Harvey Hornets and #2 Killdeer Cowboys football game.

The fish fry was held at the Buckskin Bar and Grill in Killdeer where a crowd of just under 300 enjoyed an "all you can eat" walleye feed. The club's members and spouses brought salads and bars and also worked at the feed.

Members of the Killdeer Saddle Club also supplied salads for the feed. The walleye was obtained through two fishing tournaments held this past summer. One tournament was sponsored by the Killdeer club and the other sponsored by the Southwest Anglers of Dickinson. Tournament participants donated the fish to the club. The club would like to say thank you all those who donated fish and all those who helped make this another successful fundraiser.

The annual walleye feed is the major fundraiser for the local club. The club uses the money for many local charities, organizations and individuals who need extra monetary help.

A second walleye feed is being planned for late winter or early spring with extra walleye left from the tournaments.

WANTED

5NC District Governor Candidate for 2009-2010

Any club who would like to run a candidate at the Jamestown State Convention for this position (or anyone who has questions about it) should call one of the following Nominating Committee members:

PID Bruce Schwartz, 258-1189 or mnbruce@bis.midco.net PDG Dolly Alef, 362-7599 or tonya@srt.com PDGs Brach or Marian Johnson, 258-7361 or brachmarian@bis.midco.net We ENJOY sharing your information with others who share your dedication to the cause of Lionism!

Send us your stuff!

Mail

PO Box 309 • Garrison, ND 58540 or e-mail: editors@nd-bhginc.com

Williston Korner



Lion Eileen Luebke and VDG Pat Trotter help serve at the benefit held by Williston Korner Lions to aid the Northwood Tornado victims.



President Bill Christensen is shown accepting a plaque of appreciation, on behalf of the Williston Korner Lions, from Fran Martin of the Safe Communities Committee.

Reminder:
ND Lion DEADLINE is the
7th of the month!
NO Exceptions!



Becoming a Donor The Power to Change Lives

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

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



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STATE LIONS CONVENTION • JAMESTOWN, ND

October 26-27, 2007

Welcome to "Buffalo Heaven in 2007!"

Friday, October 26

9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Registration-Gladstone Hotel 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Cabinet Meetings-Civic Center

5NE-Exchequer I 5NC-Exchequer II 5NW-Exchequer III

1:00 p.m. ND Lions Foundation Board-Club Room

2:30 p.m. ND Eyebank Board-Club Room 3:45 p.m. ND PDG Meeting-Club Room

5:00 p.m. Hall of Fame Candidates and New Lions Reception-Gladstone Hotel 6:30 p.m. Ice Breaker-Gladstone Hotel-"Home on the Range-Western Wear"

7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Entertainment-Dixie Cups

Saturday-October 27

7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Registration-Jamestown Civic Center (West Lobby) 7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Breakfast and Opening Session-Civic Center Arena

Jan Froemming, DG of 5NW, Presiding Presentation of Colors and National Anthem Welcome-Clarice Leichty, Mayor of Jamestown

8:45 a.m.-10:00 a.m. ND District Meetings

5NE-Exchequer I 5 NC-Exchequer II 5 NW-Exchequer III

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Coffee Break

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Non-Lion Programs-Quilting, Hanson I and II

Buffalo Museum, Club Room

10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. ND State Lions Meeting-Exchequer Room-John Dobbs, DG of

11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m. ND Lions Foundation General Meeting-Exchequer Room *with parade of green* 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. ND Eye bank General Assembly-Exchequer Room *with parade of green*

12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturday Luncheon-Civic Center Arena

Brian M. Tinker, DG of 5NC, Presiding

Keynote Speaker-Dr. Ellen Chaffee, President, VCSU

Hall of Fame Presentation

2:45 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions-

1. National Buffalo Museum-Club Room

Anne Carlson Center for Children-Exchequer I
 Scenic Byways and Rustic Trails-Exchequer ii

4. Tanzania-Exchequer III5. Fort Seward-Nerling Room6. Identity Fraud-Hanson I and II

3:45 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Coffee Break 4:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Breakout Sessions

1. Lions Idea Exchange-Club Room

Anne Carlson Center for Children-Exchequer I
 Scenic Byways and Rustic Trails-Exchequer II
 Great Plains Assistance Dogs-Exchequer III

5. Fort Seward-Nerling Room
6. Identity Fraud-Hanson I and II

6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Parade of Governors, Banquet-Civic Center Arena

John Dobbs, DG of 5NE Presiding

Keynote Speaker-Leland Kolkmeyer, Director, Lions International

Convention Closing



Reeder



Picnic-goers

The Reeder Lions began their 2007-08 year with a picnic in July. Among the 37 members who were part of the event are, from left, President James Brown, Secretary Bonnie Bugner, Owen Olson, PDG Russell Doe, Derald Bugner, Pam Howe, Phyllis Enerson and Treasurer Larry Jackson.

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(October 2007)

Lions Eyeglass Recycling Report

Thank you to the Williston Lions Club for almost a half a pickup load of used eyeglasses.

Also, thank you to the Rugby Lions for letting me speak on the importance of recycling eyeglasses in their festival in the park. And thank you for the eyeglasses they donated. I also received glasses from Larimore and Emerado clubs.

5NC District Governor Brian Tinker from McClusky brought some glasses up from McClusky. Thanks DG Brain.

Glasses received and in process since 1998 457,500

Eyeglasses received:

Metigosh Lions Hooterville Lions Minot Lions LaMoure Lions

in the system 73,000 pair. Ready to ship is about 4,000 pair.

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

If any Lions Club wishes to come to Minot to sort glasses for a day or part of day, you would be most welcome. I can take up to 20 volunteers at a time, and I am sure you will find your time very worthwhile. I have a heated garage so temps are not a problem. I ageed to process glasses until I hit the population of the state and we are getting close so perhaps your club wants to take over for another 10 years? Next year will be my 10th anniversary.

Terry

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