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Campaign SightFirst II surpasses goal

Provided by JIMMY M. ROSS, chairperson, LCIF

Campaign SightFirst II has surpassed the \$150 million minimum goal. On Worldwide Report Day Feb. 20, National and Multi-National Coordinators' telephone calls and reports revealed that Lions have raised more than US\$157.9 million for CSFII. With just a couple months remaining, Lions are now looking ahead to the additional challenge goal and helping ensure the future of SightFirst through continued and expanded efforts to eliminate preventable blindness worldwide. Lions' support of CSFII is crucial in the remaining months. Visit the CSFII Web site for more information on the campaign and fundraising ideas.

LCIF #1 NGO Ads Available: In a special report released in July, LCIF was ranked the number one non-governmental organization worldwide. From 34 global organizations, LCIF came in first. As a result of the ranking, LCIF has received a great deal of media coverage and has also placed special ads in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal and several other nationwide daily newspapers around the world. These ads are available to download online for Lions to use in their local newspapers as well. To localize the information, simply add a local telephone number and club Web site. The press release of this announcement is also online.

Milestone in trachoma treatments:

LCIF reached a major milestone in trachoma treatments in late January when LCIF Chairperson Jimmy Ross distributed the 10 millionth dose of azithromycin (Zithromax®) to 16-year-old Messeleche Tilahun. The antibiotic, donated by Pfizer Inc, is a main strategy in the fight against the blinding disease in poor, rural areas. Messeleche lives in the Awi Zone in Ethiopia, the most trachoma-endemic part of the country, where an estimated 18 million are at risk. Representatives from The Carter Center, Lions clubs of Ethiopia, Pfizer, the national trachoma program, government of Ethiopia, and other partner

organizations joined the celebration and are a part of the coalition working toward elimination of trachoma in the region by 2012. Lions in Ethiopia have been integral to achieving remarkable results in the country. The 10 millionth dose comes after just 18 months of full scale intervention and points toward meeting the elimination target date. Through SightFirst, LCIF has awarded numerous grants for trachoma control, outreach and training projects in Ethiopia and elsewhere in Africa.

SightFirst Grants Awarded: The SightFirst Advisory Committee Meeting awarded nine grants at its January meeting. This included grant funding to continue the childhood blindness project with the World Health Organization, which has established 30 need-based centers around the world. Other grants included cataract surgery campaigns, upgrading a Lions eye hospital and establishing and equipping a teaching hospital. A total of US\$9,554,378 was awarded, US\$3,580,708 of which represents grants from undesignated SightFirst funds. The full list is available online.

Grants approved for Lions Quest: Seven grants totaling US\$364,872 were approved at the January Lions Quest Advisory Meeting. The grants enable Lions Quest programs to expand in countries currently participating in the program or to begin the program in new countries. Japan, Kenya, Canada and Turkey received grants to implement and expand the program. Pakistan and Sri Lanka became the newest countries to launch the program. The full list of approved grants is online.

Lions join coalition: Lions Clubs International has joined the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) as a sustaining member and partner to enhance the work of local communities and help youth resist alcohol and other drugs. Lions will support their mission to build stronger capacity for anti-drug efforts through the 5,000 community coalitions nationwide. Through Lions Quest, Lions can teach youth how to avoid drugs and make responsible decisions.

A letter announcing the partnership was sent to the 500 other organizations in the coalition encouraging these organizations and communities to work with their local Lions club on drug-free programs. LCIF also had a booth at CADCA's annual convention this month, the largest training conference in the U.S. for community coalition activists and substance abuse professionals.

New giving publication: A new publication, ForSight in Gift Planning, is available to those Lions wishing to increase their support to LCIF. It provides an overview of various donation programs, news updates and stories of those helped through Lions' contributions. The publication is available online or by contacting LCIF Development Staff.

Increase your support through **a MJF:** Have you considered becoming a Melvin Jones Fellow or extending your generosity through a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow? Fellows are a group of dedicated philanthropists who have changed the lives of hundreds of millions of people worldwide. To increase support for CSFII in the final months, President Mahendra Amarasuriya has issued a challenge to raise the number of Melvin Jones Fellows to 300,000 total. One Fellowship can save the sight at 167 individuals, each with a story, a family and a face. The application form is available online or credit card donations can be made securely online.

Lions' support and promotion of LCIF is crucial. I thank you for your continued dedication to LCIF.

MD5 special reminder

MD5 2008 Convention attendees: Book your hotel room early!!

May 4th is the latest you can book your room to be assured of close accommodations. Rooms may be hard to find after then due to some sports tournaments in Sioux Falls area at the same time as the convention.

MD5 2008 Convention drawing near

Submitted by LION RAY SCHLEY

The first two articles on the MD5 2008 Convention in Sioux Falls were on the events for Thursday and Friday. This time I'm writing about the events taking place on Saturday.

Two important events take place on Saturday: the Red Jacket dinner and the Governors banquet. The Red Jacket dinner at noon is to install the new District Governors for the 2008 – 2009 Lions year. This is an excellent occasion that should be attended by all Lions. The Governors' Banquet is the evening meal. The visiting International Director (Bill Hanson) is the Keynote speaker. The Governors Banquet is a formal affair. Preferred attire is dress whites (if you have them) or business dress or business casual.

Saturday begins with the provincial and state breakfasts.

Sask., N.D., and S.D. conduct their separate business at these breakfasts. This is followed by Multi-district committee meetings and seminars. The Final business session is in the afternoon. A redistricting presentation will take place at the session.

Don't forget to sign up for the Golfing outing on Thursday Morning. The cost is \$40 for 18 holes with ½ a cart. PDGs please register for the PDG dinner. Dress is business dress or business casual. Spouses are invited. The cost is \$20 each. Please send in your registration for the golf outing and the PDG dinner. You can send in the fee with your registration form or if you already registered mail your registration fees to Ray Schley, 909 S Colleen Lane, Sioux Falls, SD 57106. Register prior to May 1, 2008, to have your name entered into a drawing for a free three-night stay at the Ramkota Hotel the convention headquarters.



Zone 3A Lion's Garlic and Grape Festival

Saturday, September 20, 2008

Minot Municipal Auditorium

420 - 3rd Ave. SW • Minot ND 58701 • 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

General Admission: \$5 \$30 for a book of 10 tickets (in advance) Wine Tasting: \$3 (only at the door)

The Zone 3A Clubs consist of Minot Lions, Magic City Lions, Plum Valley Lions, Sawyer Lions, and the Garrison Lions. The Souris Valley Garlic & Grape Festival is a one-day event featuring food laced with garlic, wine tasting, crafts, and miscellaneous entertainment and education. **Funds raised will be used for Lion's charitable activities.**

Lion's Clubs in North Dakota are invited to participate in the Festival as a Food Vendor, Craft Vendor, Education Vendor, or Entertainment Vendor. Vendors are selected on a first come, first served basis.

For additional information or to request a vendor packet, contact one of the following: **Garlic Food and Wine Vendor Chair:** Denise Norsby • 701-728-6688 or dnorsby@srt.com

Craft Vendor Chair: Audrey Lunday • 701-838-2311

Entertainment Vendor Chair: Nadine Holmly 701-852-4755 or njholmly@hotmail.com

Demonstration/Education Vendor Chair: Mike Rose • 701-857-6444 or mrose@ndsuext.nodak.edu

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Bronze Clubs

Stanley Lions \$250 Hazelton Lions \$125

Other donations

Minot Lions \$50

Vision USA

South Fork Lions \$200 Dickinson Lions \$100 Hebron Lions \$100 Valley Lions (Gardner) \$25

Memorials

Peter Lazorenko in memory of Lion Don Miller John T. and Dorothy Stewart in memory of Leah Schott Oscar and LaDell Sorenson in memory of Lion Donald Miller

Did You Know?

- Nearly 21 million children and adults in the US have diabetes.
- One third of those, or more than 6 million, do not know they have diabetes.

What can you do? Take the Diabetes Risk Test. Encourage those at risk for developing type 2 diabetes to take the Diabetes Risk Test and, if they score high, to schedule an appointment to see their doctor.

The test is available in English or Spanish at the American Diabetes Association website: www.diabetes.org

Spread the word. Send an American Diabetes Alert® e-card to family, friends and co-workers. It's quick and easy and it shows you care. Go to www.diabetes.org

Promote diabetes awareness to clubs in your district:

"STRIDES: Lions Walk for Diabetes Awareness" program (www.lionsclubs.org; click on "Other Programs" and then "Diabetes")

• National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) www.ndep. nih.gov

Carla Bender IPDG and diabetes chairperson

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

Lions make miracles

Delegates to the 2008 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Saskatoon are in for several Special Treats on the afternoon of Thursday, September 18.

First, at noon, a Forum "extra" event will feature Saskatchewan's Pride & Joy, the defending Grey Cup Champions of the Canadian Football League, the Saskatchewan Roughriders. Representatives of the team will take part in a Kick-off Tailgate Party to which the Public is also invited. Admission is not included with Forum Registration and prices and other details will be announced shortly. It'll be a great chance to get up close to the Green and White and a great way to start the Forum!

Then at 2, the 2008 Forum's first Official Event will take place in at Prairieland Park in the form of an inspirational afternoon called, Lions Make Miracles. Three special guest presenters will tell their audience what Lionism has done for and means to each of them. Presenters will include Saskatoon Nutana Lion Herb Essenburg, a member of the Forum Host Committee who will also perform on the piano and accordion on Friday night at the good Old Days Celebration at the Western Development Museum. The next guest comes from a bit farther away – across the ocean. Lion David McKirdy is a member of the Leominster, England Lions Club and played a key role in the Lions Project of Multiple District 105 (United Kingdom) which provided post-natal Health Care in war-torn Bosnia.

And then we'll hear from Bev Berger, a blind non-Lion who is the top spokesperson for the Lions Foundation of Canada which is headquartered in Oakville, Ontario. She will likely be accompanied by her 4th Dog Guide and her perspective will be both entertaining and inspirational.

All three presenters will make their audience feel proud of being Lions and will help set the tone for the rest of the Forum. You'll be glad you had the chance to hear their stories.

'Meet at the Falls'

The 2008 MD5 Convention is being held at the Ramkota Hotel in Sioux Falls, S.D. June 5-7, 2008. We are planning a fun filled, busy convention. Early bird registration is \$115 each. The names of those who register prior to May 1 will be entered in a drawing for a free three-night stay at the Ramkota Hotel. Get your registration in early. Please reserve you hotel rooms at the Ramkota Hotel immediately. There are several other events taking place in Sioux Falls that week and hotel rooms may be scarce. See our website at "MD5Convention.homestead.com".

The convention starts on Thursday with a golf tournament at the Brandon Municipal Golf Course. The cost of golfing is \$40 U.S. The day ends with an icebreaker featuring an ice cream social with entertainment by the SD Expressions. The PDG Association Banquet will be at 6:30 p.m. The cost of the PDG banquet is \$18 each. Contact PDG Ray Schley to register for the PDG banquet or for any questions at 605 332 1762 or email at schley@sio. midco.net.

Did you know?

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





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Coming events; important dates:

Apr. 19 Valley Lions Fund-raiser
Apr. 21 Heart of Horace Lions
Apr. 26 ND Lions Foundation Board
May 3 5NE Cabinet Meeting
Jun. 5-7 MD5 - Sioux Falls
Jun. 13 Carrington Gold Open
Jun. 25 Grand Forks Lions Awards

Well, my term as your governor is beginning to come to an end. With two months remaining, my emphasis will be on getting to a few of your fund raisers, making one last visitation, continuing to work on the Northwood Standard grant and working with DGE Duane Zwinger on a smooth transition. Let me know if there is anything I can do to help your club during the next two months. Here are a few items that we'll want to consider:

Elections: The process of electing new officers should now be fairly complete. Club secretary's have by now begun the process of making sure that records are upto-date and new officers are brought into

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the picture. Handling this properly helps us to strengthen our clubs, year by year. AND, remember to complete the PU 101's and forward to the proper offices. Thanks!

District directories: PDG Marion Johnson is beginning the process of preparing the District Directories for the 2008-09 year. Make sure that each club reviews the information in this year's directory and make any necessary changes. Not only does the personal information including names, spouses, addresses, phone and cell numbers have to be brought up to date, don't forget to see that meeting days, meeting times and places and club mailing address are correct, as well. Thanks!

Leadership Ralleye: Robert Littlefield and his fine group of presenters did a great job again this year. We were fortunate to have PID's Lloyd Hansen and Bruce Schwartz with us, as well. Unfortunately, attendance was not what we had hoped.

Those in attendance, however, agreed that it was enjoyable and informative and that it would help to make their respective clubs stronger. Thanks to all that took the time to spend the day with us!

MD5 Convention: The coming MD5 Convention in Sioux Falls promises to be a fun gathering. It will be held on June 5-7 at the Best Western/Ramkota inn. You can find the registration form elsewhere in this issue. Come join your friends and help DGE Duane Zwinger begin to usher in his year.

Food for thought: Read more books, watch less TV!

Emerado-Arvilla

Members honored

Awards Night was recently held at the Emerado-Arvilla Lions Club. Pictured is Club President Salli Lou Anderson being presented with the Melvin Jones Fellowship by District Governor John Dobbs. Club Secretary Sandy Granger was named Lion of the Year. The presentation was April 3 at the Arvilla Community Center.



Valley City

The Valley City Lions held their 26th annual ham and beef supper March 18 at the VFW in Valley City. About 425 dinners were served. The supper is one of three major fundraisers for the club with a portion of this year's profits going to the tornado relief project at Northwood. Taking care of tickets and cash are, from left, Lion spouse Mary Ann (Larry) Leier, VC Lion President Natalie Sayler and Lion Doreen Sayler.





Honorary VC Lion and Jamestown Lion PDG Sam Kaufman, still Preparing carry-outs is Lion Judy Karch. sporting his winter cover, was among those who came to enjoy the meal.



Dakota AER/Vision Conference Celebrating Excellence May 7, 8, 9

Holiday Inn • Jct. I-29 and Highway 2, Grand Forks

For a full schedule and registration form visit http://www.ndvisionservices.com/events/dakaer.pdf







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Event Schedule & Deadlines

April 10, 2008 – DG Fredonia Lions Visit April 12, 2008 – 5NC Leadership Conference - Minot

April 14, 2008 – DG Wilton Lions Visit April 20, 2008 – Deadline LCI Receipt of Paper April WMMRs

April 21, 2008 – DG Harvey Lions Visit April 24, 2008 – DG Sterling Lions Visit

April 26, 2008 – ND Lions Eye Bank and Foundation Meetings - Bismarck

April 30, 2008 – Deadline for online filing April WMMRs

May 1, 2008 - Deadline for PU 101s

May 5, 2008 - DG Robinson Lions Visit

May 8, 2008 – DG Plum Valley Lions Visit

May 10, 2008 - Cabinet Meeting - McClusky

May 12, 2008 - DG Linton Lions Visit

May 19, 2008 – DG Turtle Lake Lions Visit June 5-7, 2008 – MD5 Convention – Sioux Falls. ND

September 20, 2008 – 2nd Annual Minot Lions Garlic and Grape Festival

Governor's Report

Allan and I have just returned from the Minot Lions Annual German Fest. It was a rousing success with a sell-out crowd! Where else can you get a full evening's entertainment of great food, open bar, and exceptional dance music all for one price of only \$50 per person? In addition to providing community entertainment the Minot Lions also raise substantial funds for community service. By wearing their vests and utilizing community help in producing the event they also create a successful public relations event.

Trees for parks, schools

Lions District 5NC has established a wholesale account with Bailey Nursery that allows Lions Clubs to purchase trees, shrubs, and perennials at lower cost than retail. These plants are not free. All plants are to be used to improve community parks and schools only. Orders for plants must be placed by April 25th to insure delivery by May 17th. Plants will be shipped to a central location to be determined and must be picked up by the clubs on May 17th. Place orders by phone or e-mail or obtain additional information as follows:

Lion Gene Bender

Gene.Bender@misu.nodak.edu

Home ph. 701-228-3761 (after 6p.m.)

Work ph.: 701-228-5471 (may need to leave message)

Cell Phone: 701-201-0406

Clubs will pay District 5NC for their trees and District 5NC will handle the Bailey invoice.

Most types of shrubs, trees, vines, and roses are available, but you need to be aware of the planting zones in which you live. You may access Bailey's website to see photos of the plants and to view a zone map. Unfortunately, I have not located a pricelist on the website. I will attempt to put together a price list for the most commonly planted trees in North Dakota. For most commonly planted trees, the price for a reasonably sized tree ranges from \$4 to \$10 per tree. The larger the tree or more unique the species, the more you should expect to pay.

www.baileynursery.com

Go to images/library (for pictures)

Go to images/product listing (for sizes)

Go to images/zone map (for your planting zone)

This project is an exceptional way to involve Lions, youth, and other community members in your local club activities and could be a good recruiting and retention tool for your club. Even the planting of one tree can make a large difference.

PU 101s

By now you will have received many notices about the PU 101s that are due no later than May 1, 2008. This is the form for indicating to LCI, District 5NC, and North Dakota Lions who your club officers are for the 2008-09 Lionistic year. Please send this information to both PDG Marian Johnson and myself. Please be sure to include all information including email addresses and spouse names. If there is no email address, spouse, or other information, do not leave the fields blank. Rather indicate "none." Otherwise, we will have to contact you to verify this information, which is very time consuming and inefficient. Additionally, please verify that meeting dates, times, and locations are correct and clear. If you have any questions what-so-ever, please contact me.

New membership reports

Remember that the new deadlines for submitting membership reports take effect in April. Many clubs will have just completed the March reports by April 28, 2008. But the April reports must be completed online by April 30, 2008, as well. Any reports submitted online after that date will by considered May reports. Furthermore, if you submit paper reports to LCI they must be received by April 20, 2008, at LCI to be considered an April report. Once again, if you have any questions about this process please contact me. I recommend in the strongest terms that you either file directly online or send the paper forms to me and I can file online for you. I know some clubs do not even meet by the 20th of the month.

ND Lion E-Edition

Those requesting a switch to the E-Edition of this newsletter will be receiving your first issue this month. Remember that you will not be getting a paper edition. I will email the E-Editions to you as soon as I receive them from the publisher. If you have a problem receiving the emails because of slow connections, etc. please let me know. The E-Edition will also be posted to the MD 5 Lions website, www. md5lions.org, now and the 5 NC Lions new website, www.5nclions.org, when it is completed.

MD5 news

The Spring MD5 Council meeting took place the last weekend in March. At this meeting elections for the 2008-09 fiscal year occurred. The following individuals

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Prairie Rose



Charter members honored

Five of the six charter (Bismarck) Prairie Rose Lions members received their 25-year chevrons at their March 6 regular membership meeting. New 25-year members include, from left, Lions Audrey Spencer, PDG Marian Johnson, Ronnie Stoltz, Diane Offerdahl and Loris Freier. Not pictured is Lion Diane Dockter. The chevrons represent nearly 10 years of Lioness membership in addition to slightly over 15 years of Prairie Rose Lions membership. The Prairie Rose Lions Club now has seven 25-year members. These Lions join 25-year Prairie Rose Lion JeAnne Selby, who received her 25-year chevron in 2005; she brought with her prior years of Beulah Lioness membership from District 5NW.

Lake Metigoshe



Lions visit

Members of the Lake Metigoshe Lions visited the Boissevain Lions Club, Manitoba, on their 51st Anniversary Feb. 14. Club members who attended the event include, front, from left, Lions Kay and Arline Bonebrake. Back, Lion Mona Johnson, Secretary spouse Peggy Bender, Lion Gene Bender, Zone Chair.

Ashley



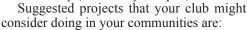
New inductees

The Ashlev Lions Club President Lion Bob Gilbert inducted two new members into the club on Tuesday evening April 8: They were Lion Miles Miller and Lion Darwin Golz both sponsored by Lion Dennis Haupt. Pictured, from left, are Lion President Gilbert. Lion Golz, Lion Haupt and Lion Miller.

Think 'environmentally'

By LION LYNELL THUESON 5NC Environmental chairman

Spring is fast approaching and now is the time for all Lions Clubs to be thinking about environmental projects that you could do for your community. I encourage your club to center a project around Earth Day (April 22) or Arbor Day (last Friday in April).



- 1)Organizing a community clean-up day in the spring
- 2) Organize a tree-planting project, or plant a tree in the park as a living memorial for a deceased Lion
- 3) Start recycling paper, aluminum, plastic, glass and other
- 4) Adopt a highway or park and maintain a litter free appearance, or
 - 5) When driving, share rides with others

Lions as well as Leo Clubs are encouraged to adopt an environmental project for their spring community service project. Send pictures or news clippings to the North Dakota Lion newspaper so other clubs in the state can read about the environmental projects clubs in District 5NC have been doing.

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were elected to serve beginning July 1, 2008:

PDG Jan Froemming – ND Representative PDG Joan Marlette – SD Representative

PDG Donelda Phillips – SK Representative PDG Brian M. Tinker – Council Chairman

Additionally, a major initiative was passed to hold a MERL(OW) Leadership Conference in conjunction with the August MD5 Council meeting in Minot. This will be a comprehensive and integrated attempt to address the issues of membership, retention, relevance to community and members, etc. facing Lions Clubs within all MD 5 Districts.



Carrington

Carrington club donates



Carrington Lions Pat Roundy and Mick Moberg present Karla Michaelson, Close-Up coordinator, with a check for \$300 for Carrington High School "Close-Up."



Carrington Lions Mick Moberg and Pat Roundy present Tom Erdmann with a check for \$150 for "Dollars for Scholars."

5NE poster winner

Working with the theme "Peace around the World," Carrington Grade School student, Joseph Bakke's poster was the first place winner at the district 5NE



competition level. Bakke's poster was then entered into competition at the multiple district level in Saskatchewan, Canada along with two posters from South Dakota, two other posters from North Dakota and four from Saskatchewan. Joseph's poster was not a winner at the multiple district level. District 5NE awarded Joseph a check for \$50 for his winning poster. 5NE District board member, Lion Pat Roundy, left, presents Joseph with a check for his district winning peace poster.



Pete Peterson and Luverne Malinski.

Carrington Lions learn about Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

The Carrington Lions were treated to a special program on April 2nd at their monthly meeting presented by Luverne Malinski and Pete Peterson. Their skit was entitled "Tomb of the Unknown Soldier" Pete served in WWII in the Navy and Luverne serves on the board of the American Legion.

Below are just a few of the facts learned by the club:

"Here Rests In Honored Glory An American Soldier Known But To God"

The Tomb of the Unknowns, near the center of the cemetery, is one of Arlington's most popular tourist sites.

The Tomb contains the remains of unknown American soldiers from World Wars I and II, the Korean Conflict and (until 1998) the Vietnam War. Each was presented with the Medal of Honor at the time of interment and the medals, as well as the flags which covered their caskets, are on display inside the Memorial Amphitheater, directly to the rear of the Tomb.

The Tomb is guarded 24-hours-per-day and 365-days-per year by specially trained members of the 3rd United States Infantry (The Old Guard).

Requirements of the Guard: For a person to apply for guard duty at the tomb he must be between 5' 10" and 6' 2" tall and his waist size cannot exceed 30."

They must commit 2 years of life to guard the tomb, live in a barracks under the tomb, and cannot drink any alcohol on or off duty FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. They cannot swear in public FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES and cannot disgrace the uniform {fighting} or the tomb in any way.

After two years, the guard is given a wreath pin that is worn on their lapel signifying they served as guard of the tomb. There are only 400 presently worn. The guard must obey these rules for the rest of their lives or give up the wreath pin.

CARRINGTON LIONS CLUB

2nd Annual Carrington Lions/Gate City Bank Charity Co-ed

GATE CITY BANK



Golf Scramble Tournament Friday, June 13th - 2008

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,
lunch before & supper
following the tournament.
To rent a Golf Cart call 652-2601

Door Prize for every Entry...

Tournament limited to the first 36 teams...

CASH & PRIZES

1 ST - \$240.00 PER TEAM	HOLE	11 TH - \$160.00 PER TEAM
2 ND - \$160.00 PER TEAM 3 RD - \$120.00 PER TEAM	PRIZES	16 TH - \$120.00 PER TEAM 22 ND - \$120.00 PER TEAM
4 TH - \$80.00 PER TEAM	ALSO	29 TH - \$80.00 PER TEAM
7 TH - \$120.00 PER TEAM	GIVEN	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 a names) and entry fee to: Duane Zwinger, 590 Mair Carrington, ND 58421 or call 701-652-1752 Make checks payable to: Carrington Lions Clu		
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Coming events

Spring Rally at Beulah on April 19th. 2008 Flasher Lions Visitation on April 24th, 2008 Eye Bank Meeting at Bismarck on April 26th. 2008

North Dakota Foundation Meeting at Bismarck on April 26th. 2008 Extension Workshop Training at New Town N.D. on April 29th, 30th. and May 1st. 2008

MD5 Convention At Sioux Falls, S.D. on June 5, 6, and 7th. 2008

Greetings to all Lions and Leos of District 5 NW and MD5.0

We are entering a busy time of the year of Lions and our Lions Club.

Lions speak

For the first time in decades, our districts have dropped in members. What is the problem? Club members offer suggestions about Lions growth and they have good ideas. A few of those ideas include:

- 1. If club attendance drops, start a call committee. Reminders and offer transportation can make a difference.
- 2. Be sure everyone is involved. Don't wait for people to volunteer for a

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committee. Ask them specifically.

- 3. Invite people to join. Be happy about what you're doing in Lions and be a magnet for your club. When you're sold in Lions, your enthusiasm brings new Lions.
- 4. Encourage input. People support ideas they feel good about.
- 5. Have fun at meetings and encourage social activities with families.
- 6. Read the North Dakota Lion and Lions International magazine. It helps us to stay in touch with the world.
- 7. Use the Lions Club International website, www.lionsclub.org. for ideas and inspiration.
- 8. Ask for help. The District Governor and Cabinet exist to serve the clubs. Thanks Lions for sharing ideas about growth and development.

IRS reporting

The Pension Reporting Act of 2006 requires that small tax-exempt organizations, including individual Lions Clubs, are now required to file an annual electronic notice - Form 990-N - also known as a E-Postcard. More information is available on the LCI website: www. lionsclubs.org. Presidents and secretaries must check it out and comply.

Spring Rally

Registration starts April 19 at 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. (MST) and the program will start at 9:30 a.m.

PID Randy Heitmann will be features

speaker. Activities include Leadership Sessions, Lions Orientations, motivational speaker; tribute to Lion Esther and Harry Zacher, awards and recognition.

We do have a good day planned of leadership in Lions for everyone, come and enjoy the day, visiting, learning and fellowship and taking ideas back to your clubs.

Election time

Electing new officers and the PU101's should be sent to Lions International and myself no later than April 2008.

Great Plains Dogs

Invites all Lions and friends to come to Jud and help clean up the grounds and spring cleaning they have and do repairs on May 3, 4th, 2008 Also you may call 701-685-2242 to let them know who will be coming, Be a good time to meet Great Plains Staff.

Extension workshop

We have arranged a three-day workshop from LCI to have presenters that will come and work with us. We will be doing this in New Town April 29th, 30th, and May 1st. I will need about 10-15 Lions members to help for this. We do have training everyday and go out and visit with people of New Town. Please contact me to schedule a day you can help. DG Jan Froemming at 701-585-3606 or e-mail dalejan@westriv.com.

We Serve Together D.G. 5 NW Jan Froemming



Funds for Kaleb

Pictured are Keith (holding Kaleb) and Gretchen Boehm, Mandan, Mandan Dakotah Lions President Shirley Schafer and Sherry Fetch. They are presenting a check to the Boehms for medical expenses for Kaleb in the amount of \$5,230. At four months of age, Kaleb was diagnosed with a brain tumor behind the optic nerve. He spent six months in Minneapolis for chemotherapy. Kaleb is now one year old. The money was raised through a benefit at Pizza Ranch in Mandan, which raised \$4,230 and Thrivent added \$1,000.

Elgin



Give to bleacher fund

The Elgin Lions Club recently donated \$5,000 toward the new school bleacher fund to be used at R. G. Beede Auditorium. Lion Treasurer Randy Grosz presented the \$5,000 check to Principal Terry Bentz at the Grant County High School on Tuesday, March 18. A fund has been started to replace the old bleachers in R. G. Beede Auditorium as a safety measure. Along with the new handicap accessible bleachers a new sound system is also being planned with hopes to be installed before graduation this spring. Anyone that would like to contribute to or learn more about this worthy fund can do so by contacting Mr. Bentz at the Grant County High School in Elgin, 701-584-2374. Pictured are, from left, Lion Randy Grosz and Principal Terry Bentz.

Photo by Lion Duane Schatz.



Assist school students

The Elgin Lions Club recently donated \$600 to assist elementary students to attend the Shrine Circus on Friday, April 4 in Bismarck. Here Lion Treasurer Randy Grosz presented the \$600 check to Nicole Bentz on Tuesday, March 18, 2008. Pictured are, from left, Lion Randy Grosz and Nicole Bentz.

Photo by Lion Duane Schatz.



Bartz receives Melvin Jones

Lion Ron Bartz received the highest award in Lionism on Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008 during the annual Elgin Dakota Lions Valentine Party and District Governors night at the Elgin Community Center hosted by Lion President Elsie Stelter. There were 32 in attendance from both clubs. Lion President Jim Heim and District Governor Jan Froemming presented the award. Pictured are, from left, Lion Ron Bartz, Lion President Jim Heim and District Governor Jan Froemming.

Photo by Lion Duane Schatz



Hoffman Lion of the Year

Lion Randall Hoffman received the Lion of the Year award on Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008, during the annual Elgin Dakota Lions Valentine Party and District Governors night at the Elgin Community Center hosted by Lion President Elsie Stelter. There were 32 in attendance from both clubs. Elgin Lion Club President Jim Heim and District Governor Jan Froemming presented the award. Door prize winners of Valentine candy were Carol Winkler, Kenny Friedt, Pastor Jerome Lee and Jim Heim. Pictured are, from left, Lion President Jim Heim, Lion Randall Hoffman and District Governor Jan Froemming. The Elgin Dakota Lions Club members hosted the potluck evening meal consisting of homemade fried chicken, potato salads and many desserts.

Mott



Host benefit

On Sunday, March 2, the Mott Lions Club sponsored a pancake/sausage benefit for fellow Lion member Maggie Banyai. This benefit was to help Lion Maggie with some unexpected medical expenses. As you see in the photo, our Lions Banner is hanging in the background and we are all wearing our new Lions aprons! Lion Maggie is pictured center front. Submitted by Margaret Gjerstad, secretary.

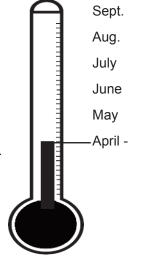
Hooterville

On March 15th, the Hooterville Flion Lions conducted their Spring Food Drive project, "Operation Helping Hand" at the Miracle Mart Super Market at Dakota Square in Minot. The success of this project is displayed in the photo. Lion Joyce Kuntz, project chairman, and Lion Mary Ellen Haskins are shown with the food collected. The food was distributed to various food pantries through Community Action, Inc in Minot.



Leadership Forum attendees growing

Register NOW on-line at: www.usacanadalionsforum.org.



Dist. 5NW Spring Leadership Rally and Raffle Fund Raiser

By: PDG HERMAN SCHAFER

On April 19, 2008, District 5NW, under the leadership of DG Jan Froemming, will host their Spring Leadership Rally in Beulah, which starts with registration at 8:30 a.m. The Lions Clubs from Beulah, Hazen, and Halliday are assisting with the organization of this exciting event.

We're looking forward to an interesting day, which includes a visit from and a presentation by Past International Director Randy L. Heitmann from Cambridge, Neb. He will provide a presentation on being a club president, a presentation on being a club secretary and treasurer, learning more about the human eye, learning more about lions through an orientation, etc. We will conclude the day at about 3:30 p.m. with a tribute to deceased Lions Harry and Esther Zacher from Elgin. It is really important that everyone from District 5NW takes part in this special event. We all have much to offer and much to learn about how we can carry out the motto "We Serve." This spring rally has built into it various coffee breaks, a Lions item store, and a wonderful noon meal. Your cost is only what it takes to get you there and home again and carpooling can help keep this expense down, too.

During this last few months District 5NW has been selling raffle tickets. The Mexican package includes air travel from Bismarck for two and seven nights at Crown Paradise Club at Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. The drawing for this raffle will be held on Saturday, April 19. The price of one ticket, which will allow you to possibly be the lucky winner is only \$5. Even though you do not need to be present to win, it will be nice to know immediately who the lucky person(s) are.

If you are selling tickets, please be sure these tickets and the dollars are turned in no later then April 19, 2008. We ask all sellers to really promote this event. We will be selling tickets on the day of the rally up until the drawing, which will be held shortly before we head for home.

We appreciate all you do for lionism everywhere and especially in your community.

Attention, Club Officers OFFICIAL NOTICE





MD-5 Convention: June 5-7 Sioux Falls, South Dakota

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2008 MD-5 CONVENTION TO BE HELD JUNE 5-6-7, 2008, IN SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA

This page contains important information that requires the immediate attention of club officers:

- 1. The Official 2008 Convention Rules
- 2. Your Club's Credentials Form
- 3. Your Club's Contest Entry Form: a) Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest
- 4. Order Form for 2008 Convention Proceedings
- 5. Constitution and Bylaws Changes to be voted on at 2008 MD-5 Convention in Sioux Falls

The Official Convention Rules should be reviewed by your club officers and explained to your delegates. Voting is by Lions Clubs International rules: one vote for each 10 members or major fraction thereof, 5 being considered a major fraction. For a club to be in good standing, all debts to Lions Clubs International of \$50 or more, 90 days past due, must be paid.

Your Club Credentials Form is very important. Delegates and alternates must be selected. The form should be mailed, in time to arrive by May 27, 2008, to DG Joan Marlette, 38486 17th St., Redfield, SD 57469. (*Please allow for slow mail.*) The form also may be presented to the Credentials Committee at the Lions Registration Desk at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel upon your arrival at the Convention, but no later than 1:00 p.m. on June 6, 2008.

The Lions Contest Forms should be given to your delegation to present to the Convention Committee Chairman, PDG Dennis Kaus, c/o the Lions Registration Desk at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel. The basis for the Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest is for: (1) clubs with 25 or fewer members, and (2) clubs with 26 or more members. Points are awarded on the basis of 3 points for a Lion, 2 points for a Lion's spouse, and 1 point for each child in attendance. The points are totaled and multiplied by round-trip mileage to Sioux Falls, South Dakota. When completing this form, count ONLY those who are pre-registered for the convention.

Properly certified MD-5 Lions attending the annual MD-5 Convention may vote on proposed changes to the MD-5 Constitution and Bylaws, if the need arises.

If you have any questions, please contact the MD-5 Council of Governors Secretary-Treasurer, Mike Brand.

MD-5 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS Convention Committee Council Chairman PDG Leo Grossman PDG Dennis Kaus, Chairman PCC Mike Brand, Secretary-Treasurer

REQUEST FOR MD-5 CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

The Constitution of Lions Clubs International requires clubs desiring a copy of the proceedings of the Multiple District Convention to request a copy from the Multiple District Secretary. If your club wishes to receive the convention proceedings, please clip and mail this form by June 30, 2008, to: PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072-2832 or fax it to 1-701-845-3204.

Please send a copy of the	2008 Sioux Falls Multiple District Con-
vention Proceedings to:	PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Club:	
Secretary:	
Address:	

State/Prov.: Zip/F

MD-5 CONVENTION RULES 2008

- 1. The official convention program shall be the order of business.
- Roberts Rules of Order shall govern on parliamentary procedures.
- Lions in good standing must be registered in order to vote on all convention matters. Clubs with indebtedness of over \$50 to Lions International or their District will be considered not in good standing.
- 4. The use of profane language at any business session, social function, or banquet is prohibited.
- 5. Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from Lions MD-5 2008 Convention, Lion Al Adrian, Treasurer, Siouxrise Lions, 5000 W. 38th St., Sioux Falls, SD 57106 until June 30, 2008. After this date, requests should be made to MD-5 Sec./Treas. PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072. No refunds can be requested sixty days after the conclusion of the convention.
- All resolutions shall be submitted to PDG Herman Schafer, Chairman, Rules & Resolutions Committee. by 1 p.m. Thursday, June 5, 2008, in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Best Western Ramkota Hotel, Sioux Falls, SD.
- Credentials to vote at the MD-5 Convention in Sioux Falls shall be mailed to DG Joan Marlette, 38486 174th St., Redfield, SD 57469, or delivered upon arrival at the convention c/o the Lions Registration Desk, Best Western Ramkota Hotel, Sioux Falls, SD, no later than 1 p.m. Friday, June 6, 2008
- 8. Entries for Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest and Most Lioness-Miles-Traveled Contest submitted by registrants; Lions, Leos and Lioness Clubs of the Year, Club Website Contest, District Club Scrapbook Contest, and District Club Newsletter Contest winners are to be submitted, from each District Governor, to PDG Dennis Kaus, Chairman, Convention Committee, by 1 p.m. Friday, June 6, 2008, in care of the Lions Registration Desk., Best Western Ramkota, Sioux Falls, SD
- Any details regarding changing the Constitution and Bylaws shall be submitted to PDG Herman Schafer, Chairman, Constitution & Bylaws Committee, by 10 a.m., June 6, 2008, c/o the Lions Registration Desk, Best Western Ramkota Hotel, 3200 W. Maple St., Sioux Falls, SD; phone 605-336-0650.

MOST-LIONS-MILES-TRAVELED CONTEST ENTRY FORM

This form should be given to your club delegation to present to the Convention Committee Chairman, PDG Dennis Kaus, at the Lions Registration Desk at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel, Sioux Falls, SD. The basis for the Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest is for: (1) clubs with 25 or fewer members, and (2) clubs with 26 or more members. Points are awarded on the basis of: 3 points for a Lion, 2 points for a Lion's spouse, and 1 point for each child in attendance. The points are totaled and multiplied by round-trip mileage to Sioux Falls, SD. COUNT ONLY THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PRE-REGISTERED. If you have any questions, please contact the Council Sec./Ireas., PCC Mike Brand.

MD-5 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
Council Chairman PDG Leo Grossman
PDG Dennis Kaus, Convention Committee Chairman
PCC Mike Brand, Secretary-Treasurer
CONTEST ENTRY INFORMATION:

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Club membership as of March 30, 2008:

PRE-REGISTERED ATTENDANCE AT 2008 MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 CONVENTION, SIOUX FALLS, SD:

Lions:	Spouses:	Children:
Round-Trip Mil	eage to Sioux Fall	s, SD:

IMPORTANT: This form must be delivered to the Lions Registration Desk at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel, Sioux Falls, SD, no later than 1 p.m. Friday, June 6, 2008. <u>NOTE</u>: Only those who are pre-registered may be counted in this contest.

- 10. All reports of Committee meetings held at the convention shall be submitted to Sec.-Treas. PCC Mike Brand, c/o the Lions Registration Desk, by 8 a.m., June 5, 2008. Reports shall be typewritten in a format approved by council for inclusion in the convention proceedings report.
- All State and Provincial breakfasts, as scheduled in the Convention Program, shall be the location for business peculiar to these areas.
- Privilege to speak regarding convention sites or any matter pertaining to MD-5 business must be requested of Council Chairman PDG Leo Grossman.
- 13. In Business Sessions, a delegate will be recognized by the Council Chair provided that said delegate stands, goes to the nearest microphone, and states his/her name and club for recording purposes. No Lion shall be allowed to speak for more than three (3) minutes each time on any one subject without the consent of the convention delegates.
- 14. All voting at business sessions shall be conducted by card vote by qualified delegates present. A roll call or secret ballot vote may be directed by the Chairman if considered warranted, or may be requested by a motion passed by a majority of qualified delegates present. The Credentials Committee shall conduct all written ballot voting. After the votes have been counted, said ballots shall be turned over to the Secretary to destroy. Voting delegates shall be based on one (1) vote for each ten (10) members of a club or a major fraction thereof. Five (5) members shall constitute a major fraction.
- 15. Solicitation or sale of club project items, with the exception of the host club(s), is prohibited. The host club(s) shall secure permission from the Council of Governors.
- Business sessions shall be smoke free. Smoking areas shall be established outside the business area and for all convention meals.
- Invitations to host the 2014 MD-5 Convention shall be mailed to PDG Dennis Kaus, 408 W. 12th Ave., Mitchell, SD 57301, or submitted to the Registration Desk at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel, Sioux Falls, SD, no later than 1 p.m. Friday, June 6, 2008.

PDG Herman Schafer, Chairman PDG Leo Grossman, Council Chairman Rules and Resolutions Committee PCC Michael Brand, Council Sec./Treas.

VOTING AT THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 CONVENTION

Voting is by Lions Clubs International rules: one vote for each 10 members or major fraction thereof, 5 being considered a major fraction. For a club to be in good standing, all debts to Lions Clubs International of \$50 or more, 90 days past due, must be paid. The Credentials Committee must certify voting delegates. Mail this form to DG Joan Marlette, 38486 174th St., Redfield, SD 57469, to be received by May 30, 2008, or have your delegation leave this form at the Lions Registration Desk, Best Western Ramkota Hotel, Sioux Falls, SD, no later than 11 a.m., June 7, 2008. *This sheet is to be filled out and signed by your club secretary PRIOR to coming to the Convention.*

CREDENTIALS INFORMATION:			
Club Name:	District:		
Club membership as of March 30, 2008: _ Name of Delegate:	08:Office held in Club:		
Club Secretary's Signature:			

club representative who will be attending the 2008 MD-5 Convention.



"MEET AT THE FALLS" MD5 2008 REGISTRATION FORM BEST WESTERN/RAMKOTA INN, 3200 W. MAPLE STREET SIOUX FALLS, SD/USA

JUNE 5, 6 & 7, 2008

Web site-http://md5convention.homestead.com

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Please make your check payable to MD-5 2008 Convention Mail your registration form with a check to: MD-5 2008 Convention 5000 W 38th St., Sioux Falls, SD 57106

REFUND POLICY: Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from Lions MD 5-2008 Convention, Lion Al Adrian, Treasurer, Siouxrise Lions, 5000 W 38th St., Sioux Falls, SD 57106 until June 30, 2008. After that date requests should be made to MD 5 Sec/Treas. PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072. No refunds maybe requested 60 days or more after the conclusion of the convention. If you have any questions, please feel free to call PDG Ray Schley at (605) 332-1762.

HOTEL ACCOMMONDATIONS: BEST WESTERN/RAMKOTA INN- CONVENTION LOCATION-3200 W. Maple St., Reservations phone 1-605-336-0650 (toll call), convention rates: \$88.00 plus 8.92% taxes. SAY for Lions Convention. TRAVELLODGE HOTEL-one block from the convention headquarters-3300 W. Russell St., Reservation phone 1-800-658-4656 (toll free), rates: \$84.00 plus 8.92% taxes/BRIMARK INN-one and half blocks from the convention headquarters-3200 W. Russell St., Reservation phone 1-800-658-4508 (toll free), rates: \$78.00 plus 8.92% taxes.



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> Room Rates \$69.95/night

Call early for reservations!!

For questions: Contact PCC Brach Johnson

Phone: 701-258-7361

Email: email@brachjohnsonagency.com

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Choose the meals you want: BREAKFAST THE AMERICAN BUFFET

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LUNCHEON

CHICKEN PASTA PRIMAVERA
60z Marinated and Grilled Chicken Breast
Julienned Tossed with Vegetables, Rainbow
Rotini and Sun Dried Tomatoes in a Chardonnay Cream Sauce, Mixed salad, Rolls,
Coffee and Tea

DINNER ENTRÉE

SPINACH STUFFED PORK LOIN Center cut pork loin, stuffed with Spinach, Carrots, Parmesan Cheese, Shitake Mushrooms, Roasted Baby red Potatoes, Vegetables with a Dijon Demi Sauce. Popovers, Salad Dessert Coffee and Tea

overs,

TOTAL \$

\$20.95

\$8.95

Mail registration form & check to: ND State Lions Convention PO Box 7125 Bismarck, ND 58507

Complete Registration Below. Use one form for EACH Participant. RSVP by Oct. 15th, 2008.

Name: Lion Guest (Circle One)

Badge: Club:

Address: Street City State Zip

Telephone: Email:

Fees: Total Enclosed: Check Number

Make Checks payable to ND State Lions Convention



Eyeglass Recycling Report March 2008

Eyeglasses received since 1998 560,000

Eyeglasses in system 58,000 Eyeglasses ready for shipment 5,000

Eyeglasses shipped in Feb. Mexico, Honduras

Preparing for shipments
Vietnam

We look forward to the Prairie Rose Lions of Bismarck coming up to work eyeglasses on April 19th.

We did not receive as many eyeglasses as normal this month but that was good as it allowed us to catch up a little on the backlog.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

For more information, call Terry Narum, 5101 14th St SW, Suite 14 Minot ND 58701 • 701-838-7387(h) 1809 S Broadway • Minot ND 58701 701-857-6018 (w)

MD 5 – Youth Exchange

BY PDG LION GEORGE PRETLI MD5 Youth Exchange chairman.

We are coming to an end with our winter youth exchange program and will be looking at our Multiple District 5 Youth Camp and our summer youth exchange program.

This past winter we hosted two youth from Japan, one in district 5NE (Valley City, North Dakota) and one in District 5CN (Spiritwood). Two very personable young men and true ambassadors for their country. Also hosted, were 9 youth from Australia, one in District 5SW (Rapid City, South Dakota), two in District 5NE (Fargo North Dakota), 6 in District 5CN (Battleford and Spiritwood). All youth were very mature young Australians and our host families appreciated hosting them and lasting relationships developed between them. On behalf of the Multiple District 5 Youth Exchange I would like to thank each and every Host Family for opening up their homes for these youth.

We are presently in the process of hosting five5 youth from Peru and they will be here until March 3, 2008. They are being hosted in District 5SW – Rapid City, South Dakota and in District 5CN – Spiritwood and Battleford.

We have a number of requests from other countries wishing to send youth this coming summer and we are again looking for host families that would be willing to open their homes and host these youth. Some of the countries making requests are Japan, Italy, Austria and Norway. As our Multiple District Youth Camp is coming closer there will be additional countries sending youth and a number of host families (20) will be required to host these youth.

In addition in receiving youth we are sending youth overseas to other countries. To date I have been informed that we will have youth going to Austria, Japan and Australia. If you have any youth wishing to take part in the 2008 Exchange program please have them submit their names to me as soon as possible as many of the European countries require the submission to be in by the end of January. Application forms can be downloaded from the Lions website www.lionsclubs.org by clicking "Youth Exchange Programs" and going to the "participant's application (PFD)".

Lions, please get involved, the youth are our future and we need them to get involved.

Leadership Forum

What: 32nd Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

When: Sept. 18-20, 2008

Where: Saskatoon, Sask., Canada

All the information on the Forum can be found at:

http://usacanadalionsforum.org