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'Hall' nominees are announced

All Lions clubs are encouraged each spring to select a club member to complete an application for the honor of being named to the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame. Although only one exceptional Lion can receive this award, the process is an excellent way to identify those Lions of North Dakota who have performed outstanding service to their club, community, and Lions International. This year there are two nominees: Dave Czywczynski of the Beulah Lions Club, and Tim Thueson of the North Star Lions of Bismarck.



Dave Czywczynski

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Lion Dave Czywczynski grew up on a farm in the Scranton area. After graduating from high school, Dave attended the National College of Business in Rapid City, South Dakota. Lion Dave was employed with Knife River Coal Mining Company for 25 years, and has been employed with Dakota Westmoreland Corporation for the past nine years, where he is currently a supervisor of the draglines.

Lion Czywczynski has had the pleasure of being a member of two Lions Clubs in District 5NW. He was inducted into the Bowman Lions Club on April 25, 1983, and he served many positions in that club, including the position of President. The District Governor that year (1989) named him President of the Year in his district. He served as District Governor in 1991-1992, and was honored with a Melvin Jones Fellowship at the end of his term.

Because of job relocation, he became a member of the Beulah Lions Club in 1996. He has continued to serve Lions with 19 years of Cabinet service, two terms as the president of the Past District Governor's Association, a term as President of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota, and is currently the LCIF District Coordinator for 5NW.

During his time in Lions, Dave has attended 20 state conventions, seven multiple district conventions, and two international conventions. He has received five International President's Certificates of Appreciation, an International President's Certificate of Appointment, and a Guiding Lion Award.

In his community, Lion Dave enjoys his civic role as



Timothy Thueson

President of the Beulah Parks and Recreation District. He has served on the Park Board for twelve years. He and his wife, Lion Linda, have been married for 36 years. Their children are Amy, Derek, and Dustin.

Timothy A. Thueson

Lion Tim Thueson became a Lion in the fall of 1979 by accepting an invitation from his elementary principal and sponsor Roger Olson of the McClusky Lions Club. Tim taught fourth grade for 20 years for the McClusky Public School

District, and was also the High School Speech coach and play director part of that time. He became active right away as a Lion, serving on the Board of Directors and holding nearly every office and activity chairmanship during his time in the club. He was voted Lion of the Year at McClusky.

He and his wife Lion Lynell and their son Mark moved to Bismarck in 1997 where he transferred his membership to the North Star Lions club. He has continued to be active in leadership roles in North Star and has also chaired some more unusual projects, such as "Operation Blanket Run" and "Operation Furniture Run", which provided blankets to a women's shelter and furniture to people in need in the Cannon Ball area.

Lion Tim served as District Governor in 2000-2001, and served the following year as the North Dakota Representative. He also served as the MD5 Lions Opportunity for Youth Chairperson from 2002-2008.

Tim was elected to the North Dakota Lions Eye Bank Board of Directors where he served as board president, and is currently the president of the board of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota. At the district level, he has served as LCIF Chairperson, Region Chairperson, and Pin Chairman.

Lion Tim has been a Lion for 31 years and has attended sixteen North Dakota State Conventions, twelve MD5 Conventions, and five International Conventions. He has received four International President's Certificates of Appreciation and has sponsored 15 Lions members.

He and his wife Lynell have been married for 31 years. His hobbies include auction sales, antique cars, old phonographs and records, judging speech contests, and singing.

Lions can be energy savers

By Leon Comeau
South Forks Lions
Environmentalist on Cabinet 5NE

To All Lions Members, their families, friends, and all that are interested:

Just little things that we do can save energy, and money. For example, if every household in the little city of Grand Forks exchanged a 60 watt incandescent light bulb with a fluorescent of similar lighting, over one year there would be savings of over \$300,000.00. A 60 or 100 watt light bulb is used in many of our home lamps and light fixtures. Let's use a 60 watt bulb as the example. If we would replace 6 60 watt incandescent light bulbs with a 13 watt Edison based fluorescent, we would save 47 watts. Changing 6 light bulbs with a savings of 47 watts would mean a savings of 282 watts in one household ($6 \times 47 = 282$).

There are approximately 24,400 dwelling units in the City of Grand Forks, ND, my home town. If all dwelling units in Grand Forks would do the change listed above, there would be a saving of 6,880,800 watts ($282 \times 24,400$). As a kilowatt (kw) is equal to 1,000 watts, there is a 6,880.8kw savings in energy.

For an example of what 6,880.8kw in energy would benefit in a way we all can understand, let's see what that energy could do for us. It is realistic for a home of 1000 to 1200 square feet to be heated with a 15kw electric furnace. Therefore, the saving of 6,880.8kw could heat a little over 458 homes!! ($6,880.8\text{kw} / 15\text{kw} = 458.72$)

If the power suppliers would charge an average of 6 cents per kw for 1 hour – or cost = 6 cents per kwh, the overall money saved would be \$412.85 per hour ($6,880.8\text{kw} \times \$0.06 = \$412.85/\text{hour}$) if all 24,400 units in Grand Forks would change 6 lamps in their home. Assuming that over the course of a year we use the lighting 2 hours a day, the savings are \$301,380.50 ($2 \text{ hours/day} \times \$412.85/\text{hour} \times 365 \text{ days} = \$301,380.50$)

After a closer look at my own home, I could change out more of my 60 watt bulbs for 13 watt fluorescents, my 75 watt bulbs for 20 watt fluorescents and my 100 watt incandescent for 23 watt fluorescents and have lighting just as good as before and save much more than what we talked about. Even the floor and table lamps with 50-100-150 three-way bulbs with a 12-21-32 watt fluorescent, great savings!

We owe it to ourselves, our families and our communities



to challenge our fellow citizens of this great country to educate ourselves about the efficient materials available to save our environment. If we do the little things in our homes, and nation does the big things for our environment by developing cleaner energy sources and reducing CO2 emissions, we could all live in a world with more assets to apply to addressing other problems in our communities, both local and global.

Caution: A minute amount of mercury is used in the starting process of all fluorescent lamps. Please check with your local authorities for proper mercury disposal.

Note: All fluorescents come in different color or Kelvin(K) ratings starting at 2700K up to 4500K or possibly higher. 2700K is approximately the same as a frosted incandescent. The higher the "K" rating, the more towards "daylight" in appearance.

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Ramping a way home for 'Tip'

By Amanda Gades
Cass County Reporter

Editor's note: The following story is provided by Cass County Reporter's Amanda Gades. The article appeared in the Reporter April 14 and is being run with permission from the Cass County Reporter.

A request has been granted for Clifford "Tip" Vining and his wife Darlene. A ramp is now available for Tip to use to get into his Lynchburg home at no cost to the Vinings. Now, the task of getting into the farm home has been made much simpler thanks to the hard work of the Leonard Lions and Chaffee Lions' members who are helping one of their own.

"We take care of each other and everyone else who needs help," said Leonard Lions member Merle Schatzke, who helped build the ramp on Saturday, April 10.

"That's what Lions do."

Tip Vining has been a member of the Leonard Lions for over 40 years and was coincidentally at a state cabinet meeting for the Lions in Valley City during the morning the ramp was built. Kevin Vining, Tip and Darlene's son, expressed appreciation on behalf of his parents.

"This is just amazing," stated Vining who traveled to his parents' home that morning from his place in Bismarck. "The family is very thankful. It's hard to express our gratitude."

The project first came about when Darlene called Chuck Albright, a retired construction builder, on April 5 to see if he could construct a ramp for easier access to the farm home that Tip and Darlene have.

"I told her, consider it done," said Albright.

Instead of going forth with building the project by himself, Albright thought this would be a great opportunity to create a service project for the Vining's. He spoke to both the Leonard and Chaffee Lions Clubs about this.

The Leonard Lions and Chaffee Lions have split the cost and also both had members who volunteered time to make the ramp.

Thus, a date was set of April 10 so that the work would be done as soon as possible and before the spring harvest, according to Albright.

"This is kind of fun," said Albright as he and a dozen other guys constructed a 40-foot ramp with handrail in about a four-hour time span.

Darlene and Tip plan on moving back to the farm home from Casselwood as soon as possible, explained Kevin Vining.

"They have lived at Casselwood since October, but they would like to stay out here in the spring and summer times," stated Vining.

Darlene Vining made a comment about the project on Monday, April 12. "We feel really good about this," said Darlene Vining. "It's going to be a great help."

Indeed, a financial contribution and a dozen men using their time on a Saturday morning to help someone with a special request has made a world of difference.



Chaffee Lions members Kyle Marschke (top left) and Loren Jendro work with Leonard Lions member Merle Schatzke (bottom) in putting up the handrail on the ramp. Photos by Amanda Gades



Chuck Albright, a member of the Chaffee Lions, uses a radial arm saw to cut a piece of lumber that was used for the rail of the ramp.

5NE Governor's Report

Again, greetings to all the great Lions of 5NE from your District Governor. It just seems impossible that this is my next to last report I will be writing for the lions newspaper as your District Governor.

Visitations

I had the good fortune of visiting four more clubs this past month. They were Devils Lake Lions Club, the West Fargo Lions Club, the Emerado-Arvilla Lions Club and the Kulm Lions Club. During those visits I had the privilege of inducting four new members into the Devils Lake Club and presenting a Melvin Jones Award to Lion Shannon Dye of the West Fargo Lions and another Melvin Jones Award to Lion Marian Kays of the Emerado-Arvilla Lions. My visit to the Larimore Turtle River Lions was rescheduled for May 26.

I also have visits scheduled Mayville-Portland Lions, Fargo Gateway Lions and the New Rockford Lions this month. I have yet to reschedule visits to the Kindred and Wahpeton Lions. My last visit as District Governor will be on my last day in office (June 30) to the Grand Forks Lions Club.

Membership

This is the one major disappointment of my term as District Governor. As most of you will recall I had set a goal of increasing the membership of 5NE this year by 50 members to go along with the increase of 44 last year. I had convinced myself that an increase of 50 was far from as impossible goal to attain. After receiving the end of April report from LCI I believe by goal is now impossible to attain as the report shows that 106 members have been dropped from the rolls this year and only 43 new members have been added for a minus 63 in our membership totals for the year.

Now as depressing as those figures are, there is some good news to report regarding membership. My own club, the South Forks Lions just added two more new members last week which brings the total new members for the year to 10. And our club may not be done yet. I have been informed by the Northwood Lions that in addition to the four new members I inducted into their club during my



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visitation in early March, they recently inducted two more members and believe they will have another two before the end of June.

That would give that club eight new members for the year. Fargo Gateway Lions have informed me that I will have five new members to induct when I visit their club latter this month. And the last but certainly not the least membership standpoint comes from University of North Dakota Campus Club which signed 19 new members near the end of April. When all those members get put into the system it would give 5NE a total of 73 new members for the current year.

That is still a long ways from a plus 50 but certainly better that we currently are. I would also like to take this opportunity to let Lions located throughout North Dakota who may have dependents attending the University of the fact that there is a Lions Club on campus that is exclusively for students and encourage them to join when they arrive on campus.

North Dakota Eye Bank

Last week-end I was in Bismarck to attend the Eye Bank Board of Directors quarterly meeting. At that I became aware of the great number of lions clubs of 5NE that had not contributed to that organization. As I reviewed the list of clubs who had contributed along with those clubs who had not contributed, I realized that I had been remiss during my visits to clubs around the district in not including the North Dakota Eye Bank as an organization that is sponsored in part by contributions from the lions clubs in North Dakota. I realize it is late in the year and your budgets are pretty well spent, but I would strongly urge any club who may have some money left to spend to give great consideration to contributing to the Eye Bank.

MD5 Convention

In closing I would like to remind all lions in 5NE of the MD5 Convention which will take place in Saskatoon, SK on June 3-4-5. If you are free that week-end I would suggest you attend that convention. Saskatoon is a great city and this is an opportunity to meet lions from the Dakotas and Saskatchewan. Canadians are second to none when it comes to hosting a convention. See you there.

Join Mike & Barbara Brand for a bus tour to
Door County and Mackinac Island
Leaving Valley City & Fargo on Sept. 28th to Oct. 3rd, 2010.

For more info or an itinerary
email them at vc1ion@msn.com
or call
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PID John Rabideau keynotes District 5NC Spring leadership conference

By Lion JeAnne Selby
5NC Public Relations Chair

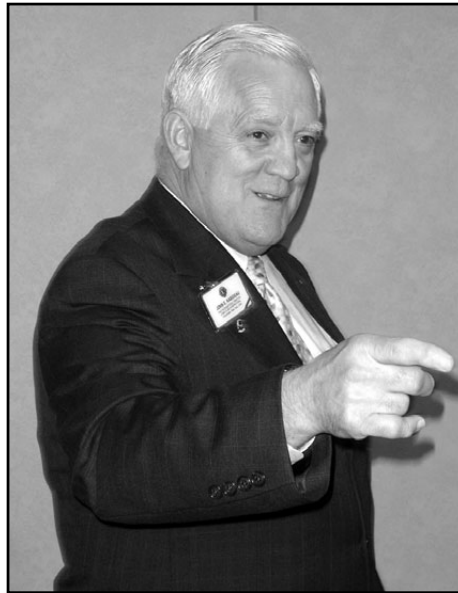
PID John E. Rabideau of the Churchville (New York) Lions Club, keynoted the sixth annual (and final) District 5NC Spring leadership conference, held Saturday, April 10, at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, Washburn.

An independent insurance agent and veteran of the U.S. Navy, PID Rabideau served as an International Director from 2002 to 2004. He has held many offices at the local club level, as Zone and Region Chairs, District Governor, and Council Chairperson. In addition, he has chaired state and Lions International committees and led several training seminars and leadership forums. A Melvin Jones Fellow, Rabideau has received numerous awards, ranging from 100 percent President to the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows on its members.

Two other general sessions offered to conference participants were a morning session on Women in Lions, presented by Lion Bernie Rabideau, a 15-year member of the Churchville (NY) Lions Club and wife of PID John Rabideau; and an afternoon session on the upcoming Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI), led by PID Bruce Schwartz of the Bismarck Lions Club. The GPLLI, a training seminar for emerging Lions leaders, is slated for July 16 - 18, at Storm Lake, IA.

Conference participants selected one of three morning breakout sessions as well as one of three afternoon breakout sessions. The three morning breakout sessions offered were Member Orientation, led by PCC Brian Tinker of the McClusky Lions; Secretary's Training, presented by District 5NC Cabinet Secretary Carolyn Lean of the (Bismarck) Prairie Rose Lions; and Tips for Club Treasurers, given by PDG Craig Wollenburg of the Rugby Lions Club.

Following an informal soup and



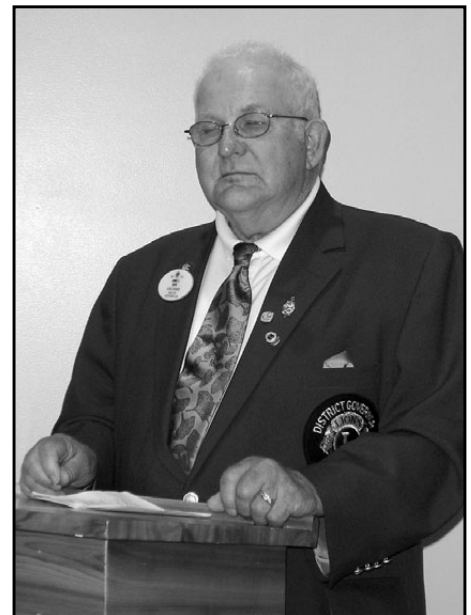
PID John Rabideau of New York gestures during his noon luncheon keynote speech at the District 5NC Spring Leadership Conference April 10.

sandwich luncheon, included in the \$10.00 per person registration fee, and PID Rabideau's keynote speech, conference participants again chose to attend one of three breakout sessions. The afternoon choices included Pointers for Presidents, given by DGE Bev Charles of the (Bismarck) Prairie Rose Lions; New Member Recruitment, presented by PID Rabideau of the Churchville (NY) Lions; and Improving Public Relations, led by District 5NC Public Relations Chair JeAnne Selby of the Prairie Rose Lions. District 5NC Cabinet Secretary Carolyn Lean was recognized at lunch with the International President's Certificate of Appreciation, in recognition of her distinguished achievements in fulfilling the mission of Lions Clubs International.

The day-long conference concluded with remarks by DGE Bev Charles, as she looked ahead to the 2010-2011 term and newly-reorganized districts; and by District 5NC Governor and Conference Chair James Ruff of the Lehr Lions, as he reflected on the 2009 - 2010 term coming to a close on June 30.



DGE Bev Charles of the Prairie Rose Lions smiles during delivery of her remarks on her upcoming 2010 - 2011 term as District Governor of one of two newly-reorganized North Dakota Lions districts.



District 5NC Governor and 2010 Spring Leadership Conference Chair James Ruff, of the Lehr Lions, reflects on his 2009 - 2010 term, which will conclude on June 30.

Emerado/Arvilla



New Melvin Jones

Emerado/Arvilla's latest Melvin Jones awardee is Lion Marian Kays, left, presented by District Governor Wayne Westlund at our recent Charter night. We're proud of you, Lion Marian!

New Rockford



Flipping good time

Pancakes were flipping and sausages were cooking during the New Rockford Lions club's Annual Pancake Brunch held at the Eagles Club Sunday April 25. Approximately 150 people enjoyed the breakfast.

The Mandan Dacotah Lions Announce the 1st Annual "Strides" Lions Walk For Diabetes Awareness

On Saturday, May 22nd at Fort Abraham Lincoln Park.

\$5.00 Park Entrance fee per car.

Teams or individual walkers can sign up at \$25.00 per person.

Prizes will be awarded

Fasting Blood sugar screenings and other health related booths will be available.



Please send your registration to:

Mandan Dacotah Lions Club
C/O Strides Walk Chair Team
Steve and Marcy Moore
Box 74
Mandan, ND 58554

The monies earned from this event will help to support The North Dakota Diabetic Camp Sioux for Kids And will also go towards the purchase of Low Vision Machines for our local community.

5NC Governor's Report

5NC Lions

Leadership Rally

April 10th was a busy day with a full schedule of sessions held at Lewis & Clark Interpretation Center at Washburn. The \$10.00 fee is the best bargain any Lion member could ask for to get educated on their new office duties or learn about great leadership skills offered by our great organization. Forty two individuals Lions had committed to attending. There were 36 in attendance. Unfortunately illness and no shows made up the difference. It was considered a successful learning experience by all present. Thank you to the dedicated 5NC volunteers who taught the six sessions. It was nice to meet our speaker PID John Rabideau and his wife Bernie from NY who both spoke to the group. Thanks to the PID Bruce and Lion Julie Schwartz's for being their hosts. It was greatly appreciated. Look for the supporting pictures and article submitted by PR Chair JeAnne Selby in this issue.

Garrison visitation

April 12th was a fun night. The snowbirds had returned. Lion Don Gackle and his wife were seated beside Lion Donna and myself. We thought we were seeing double as he resembled his brother, PID Bill Gackle from Kulm. Both have been dedicated Lions for years and as we would say in German both 'have it behind the ears' (teasing, fun loving individuals.) It's funnier in the German Language. New member, Lion Cora Wolken, was inducted that evening with camera man Lion Stu Merry taking pictures.

5NC bur oak Lions InSight project

The 42 trees and plaques have been delivered. This delivery process started on April 30 at Lowe's at Minot. The trees were delivered by May 6th. ND's Arbor Day, May 7th, turned out to be a gwintry h day with a new word added to our vocabulary: snizzle (snow/drizzle). Hopefully, all trees have been planted, pictures taken and press releases written for their weekly paper. Please



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send me your articles for the scrap book from your weekly and two daily papers to the address above. Thank you Lion leaders of 5NC for your support in this project of LIONS IN SIGHT.

PU101's

Checking the Lions website, only half of the 42 clubs have reported the new elected officers to LCI. I will be calling your club secretaries to complete this form. The deadline is May 15. This is very important for two reasons. LCI needs your club officer information and also the latest officers for the ND Lions Directory. I was able to attend the Zone 2A final meeting on April 5th with Washburn Lions Club hosting the event. A project the club will be continuing to work on this spring is the renovation of the Sioux Ferry. A slide show was presented. Music was also provided. Six of the nine clubs were represented. Thank you Zone chair Lion Terry Ness for coordinating the zone meetings this year.

I attended the Eye Bank and Lions Foundation meeting at the Doublewood Inn at Bismarck on Saturday, May 1st. We

as board members are asking all clubs to put the Lions Foundation on their agenda for donations. The Foundation has the provision for ND clubs to make a request for a grant for a worthy club project. You can request an application from PDG Chris Voegelé, PO Box 273, Bowman, ND 58623.

May 6th was a Region One meeting hosted by the Strasburg Lions club. The Haitian Fundraiser report was given by Region chair, Lion Donna Ruff. Guest speaker Cindy Gall, Wishek, presented a slide presentation on February trip to Haiti, three weeks after the earthquake. Twenty eight attended. Eight of the 15 clubs were represented with visitor from Kulm, PID Bill Gackle also attending.

Haiti relief

As DG of 5NC, I mailed the checks that I had received from various clubs for the Haitian fundraising efforts to LCIF in the amount of \$6,472.69. I am confident that other clubs send their donations directly to LCIF.

Membership drive

I had a goal of membership increase of 65 new Lions members by the end of my year. I am sorry to say that has not happened. I am requesting all 42 clubs to make a last minute effort to recruit. I need 15 more members to put our district in the plus column by June 30th. Get your monthly membership report in timely. We can do it.

McClusky/Goodrich visitation

At my request the McClusky Lions invited the neighboring Goodrich Lions as visitors to their May monthly meeting as I was running out of Monday openings. We met May 3rd. A good business meeting was conducted with positive changes for the future. Election of officers was held for McClusky. Thank you for your hospitality. Combining the two neighboring clubs efforts, be it in fundraising or service projects for the future was discussed with positive feedback.

Until next month.

Garrison



The Garrison Lions club welcomed one new member at its April meeting, then took part in an Arbor Day Lions InSight spring tree planting in the park. Among the Lions members who congregated at Wilderness Park to assist in planting the burr oak, May 7, were, front, Lions Cora Wolken, Lisa Maki and Tami Engel. Back, Lions Jan Merry, Wayne Stroup and Mike Maki. Helping out (front row) is Mike and Lisa Maki's daughter Raelynn. Photo at right, District Governor James Ruff congratulates new member Cora Wolken as sponsor Don Gackle looks on.

Roarin' on the River State Convention Oct. 29-30

By Lion Del Hager
Convention co-chair

The Convention Executive Committee has been very pleased with the early registration numbers and the progress being made on the 2010 Convention Program. Clubs and individual Lions are reminded to get their registrations sent in as early as possible in order to help us plan for meals, meeting set-up and many other arrangements that need to be made. The Registration rate is \$75 per Lion through September 30th. Rookie Lions, that is anyone who becomes a Lion between November 1, 2009 and October 30, 2010, are subject to the Early Bird rate of \$55 per person. Please consider registering before the busy summer season begins.

The Convention Committee has approved a "meals only" plan for the guests of registered Lions. The amount has not been officially set as we are still working with the Alerus Center on menu details. We anticipate the total package will be approximately \$60 which would include the Friday night Ice Breaker, Saturday breakfast, luncheon and banquet. A price per meal will be published at a later date.

The program planning is moving along nicely. It will include a Leadership track and a New Member track in addition to sessions on ocular research and adaptive equipment for the visually impaired. Diabetes awareness and testing will be part of a Lions Service Project for Friday. A speech competition on Lionism featuring select high school students will be one of the breakout sessions and a highlight of the noon luncheon presentation on Saturday. All in all, Lions will be participating in many "eye opening" learning experiences at "Roarin' on the River". Make your plans now to be there.

Lake Metigoshe

Club inducts member

The Lake Metigoshe Lions inducted a new lion member, Wally Walizer, at their April meeting. They also learned that their fund-raising can plunge through the ice was a great success. The Bottineau Ambulance was asked to help sell tickets for the plunge, and we would give them a donation for their help. We were able to give them more than \$1,000. A good project. They serve and "We Serve".



District 5NC Cabinet Secretary Carolyn Lean receives the International President's Certificate of Appreciation, in recognition of her distinguished achievements in fulfilling the mission of Lions Clubs International, from PID John E. Rabideau of New York on April 10 during the District 5NC Spring Leadership Conference.



Approximately 40 Bismarck Lions members, representing five local Lions clubs, take a break after planting their clubs' bur oak saplings at Lions Hillside Park in northeast Bismarck Friday, May 7, at 12 noon. The district-wide event, designated by 5NC DG James Ruff as a "Lions in Sight" activity, also honors Arbor Day.

District 5NC tree planting project

Five Bismarck Lions clubs plant trees at Lions Hillside Park on May 7

by Lion JeAnne Selby
District 5NC PR Chair

Approximately 40 Bismarck Lion members, representing five local Lions clubs, braved the snow, mud and 35-degree temperatures at noon on Friday, May 7, to plant their clubs' bur oak saplings at Lions Hillside Park in northeast Bismarck.

The Bismarck Lions attending their local "Lions in Sight" event were from the Bismarck Lions Club, Capital City Lions, North Star Lions, Prairie Rose Lions and the University of Mary Campus Club. The five Bismarck Lions clubs were among 42 clubs in District 5NC participating in the district-wide event on or about May 7, Arbor Day.

The tree-planting project, spearheaded by District 5NC Governor James Ruff, Lehr, is a tribute to the 29-year existence of District 5NC. District 5NC resulted from divisions in Districts 5NW and 5NE, due to increasing membership, during the 1981 - 82 year. On July 1, District 5NC will dissolve, determined by an earlier vote of designated club voting delegates, and North Dakota Lions will once again become two new districts.



Clockwise from top left, University of Mary Campus Lions, (Bismarck) North Star Lions, (Bismarck) Prairie Rose Lions pose for the camera while planting their club's bur oak trees May 7.

5NW Governor's Report

Clubs with new members

I'm very excited to thank the following clubs for sponsoring new members into Lionism. Bowman, Columbus, Dickinson, Elgin, Elgin Dakota, Glen Ullin, Hazen, Mandan, Mandan Dacotah, Mott, New England, Noonan, Richardton, Scranton, Stanley, Taylor, Watford City, Williston, Williston Korner.

Clubs with membership growth

Mandan Dacotah 27.27%, Mott 10.53%, New England 11.76%, Noonan 3.03%, Richardton 21.42%, Stanley 9.68%, Taylor 5.88%, Watford City 3.85%, Williston 2.94%.

100% Secretary and Presidents

Please remember to submit your 100% Presidents and Secretary Award applications to me as soon as possible.

Membership

Has your membership been declining in recent years? Your recruiting of new members may not be the fault. You could be doing a great job of recruiting but a terrible job of retention!

There are three reasons that a club can lose members and they are death, transfer and drops. You can't do anything about deaths and you should encourage transfers when applicable. So let's take a long hard look at drops.

Why are they dropping? Are they being mentored? Is your club strong as in the six basic characteristics on the opposite page? Are there cliques? Are one or two members running the club with no feedback by other members allowed?

Members need to be involved and they need to be part of the decision-making process in your club. They don't want to be bored with the same projects or because your club meetings are dull and meaningless.

They want to feel they are contributing and are a part of the club. They want to be proud they are a Lion as each of you should be.

If You Don't Ask The Answer Is Always No!



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Six Basic Characteristics In Selling Your Club

Does Your Club Have These?!

There are six basic characteristics that every club should have. If you don't have them then that could be the reason members don't stick.

Let's take a look at these characteristics that should be firmly embedded into your club's operating structure. They can be your most effective selling tools.

A major service activity that involves every member of the club and has a significant, positive impact on your community. Notice: Involves every member!

A major fundraising project. It should be organized so the community can participate and contribute. Contribute to giving with dollars or some other method.

A strong public relations program. One that provides a continuous and consistent line of communication among all the members of your club and between the club and your community.

Well-organized, interesting, informative and productive club meetings. Look at each of these. Are they organized so that everyone can

see what is happening and where each meeting is going? Is it interesting? Is it informative? (Guest speakers) Does the meeting provide information, stimulus, fun that it should?

A feeling of teamwork, cooperation and cohesiveness between club members. So important so that cliques and individuals don't take over the club and run it. It should be a team (club) effort only!

A strong membership growth, development and retention program that provides immediate orientation and involvement of club members, and continues to nurture their development throughout their years of service.

If your club has any weaknesses in any of these six tools, it is essential that your club take appropriate actions to turn it around. Keep these at your elbows so you can work not only of correcting them but also if your club is now using them to continue using them.

Just remember that a club that is visible in the community and is meeting its service goals will practically sell itself. Are you selling yourself?

Clubs with weak areas may be able to attract some new members, but their rates of retention are low. Make your club strong with these six selling tools.

Have you asked someone today to become a Lion? If not – why not

Published frequently for those interested in membership, retention and extension. Cc Jim Mc Cown

Spring Rally

I want to thank everyone for attending the 9th Annual Spring Rally. There were 104 people representing 28 clubs attending. The District extends special thank you to all of the presenters at the Spring Rally. The rally evaluations come in with great reviews thanks to VDG Pat on putting this rally together and finding our wonderful speaker Fern Sherlock.

Public Relations Grant

We will be using the rest of our multiple district public relations grant for membership posters. These posters will be made for each club to post throughout

2010 5NW Spring Rally



The District 5NW Spring Rally was April 17 at the Dickinson Elks. More than 100 Lions and guests were in attendance. Photo at left, is PCC Dale who presented a club brochure workshop. Photo at right, Fern Sherlock, Alexander, who is a double cornea transplant, was the main speaker. Top photo, VDGE Pat Vannett & Lois Reiersen, Williston, led a session on Orientation and LCI website resources. The Spring Rally features officer training for presidents, treasurers, board of directors, secretaries, and zone chairs.



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your community giving your meeting time along with a contact number. We will also be making matching membership post cards. You will be able to use these to invite prospective members to your club meeting. This will be mailed out to every Lions club.

South Heart Set's Charter Night & Golf Scramble

The South Heart Lions have set their Charter Night for Saturday, June 26, 2010, at the Golf Club House. They are hosting their first event with a Golf Scramble the next day. Come and support our Newest 5 NW Lions Club! Thanks to the New England Lions for being the sponsoring club. The South Heart Lions brought four members to the spring rally. What a great way to start your club on the right foot. Congratulations!

Strides Walk

I would encourage all clubs to look at a strides walk. This is a wonderful project. Your local clinics and medical service providers are great resources in providing blood sugar screenings and medical information regarding Diabetes and the long term effects.

MD5 Convention in Saskatoon

VDG Pat and I will be leaving on June 2 for the MD5 Convention at Saskatoon. At the convention PDG Chris Voegelé will receive his senior councilor's award for 10 years of active service to Lions. Congratulations PDG Chris and thank you for your continued service. Hope to see everyone in Saskatoon.

LIONS FOUNDATION OF NORTH DAKOTA INC CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Name _____

Address _____

Club _____

SEND TO:

PDG Chris Voegelé
PO Box 273
Bowman, ND 58623-0273



- ☐ \$1,000 - Diamond Club
- ☐ \$500 - Gold Club
- ☐ \$300 - Silver Club
- ☐ \$100 - Bronze Club
- ☐ Other \$ _____
- ☐ 100 % Club

Williston Korner



Miss N. D. helps Lions

Miss North Dakota helped the Korner Lions serve hamburgers to participants in the Band Day Parade in Williston May 8. The Korner Lions were asked to grill and serve 600 hamburgers. The club's new grill worked perfectly according to Korner Lion members.



Club raises \$12,000

The Korner Lions raised over \$12,000 to replace their worn out grill. Here the new one worked perfectly according to Lion Chefs, Charter member Lester Olson and Lion Merle Halvorson. The Korner Lions serve over 30 events during the year in Williston as they serve.

4th Annual Carrington Lions Club & Gate City Bank 4 Person Golf Scramble

Male • Female • Co-ed

Friday, June 11th, 2010

CrossRoads Golf Course • Carrington

Registration starting at 10:30 Shotgun Start at 11:15

Tournament limited to the first 36 teams

Entry Fee:

\$40 a person/\$160 Team

Includes Green Fees, Prizes, Lunch & Supper

Golf Carts available for rent at 701-652-2601

Approximately \$1,300 in Cash Prizes to be Given Away
REGISTER EARLY • Door Prizes! Hole Prizes! Cash Prizes!

Name _____	Phone _____
Name _____	Phone _____
Name _____	Phone _____
Name _____	Phone _____

Registration Deadline is June 7, 2010

Send your registration to: Duane Zwinger, 509 Main Street, Carrington, ND 58421

or call 701-652-1752 or email dzwinger@daktel.com

Make Checks payable to Carrington Lions Club

Visit CrossRoads Golf & Recreation Parkway at www.crossroadsgolf.com

“Lions tracking towards the future in Saskatoon...”

2010 MD 5 Lions Convention Agenda June 3, 4 & 5, 2010 ~ Travelodge Saskatoon



Thursday, June 3, 2010

- 07:00K (7:00 AM) - 13:00K (1:00 pm) -
Golf at Moon Lake Golf Course
- 12:00K (noon)—21:00K (9:00 pm) -
Registration Opens - Galaxy Lobby
- 14:00K—17:00K (2:00 pm—5:00 pm) -
Council of Governors Meeting
- 17:30K (5:30pm) – PDG Supper at Smiley’s
- 1955k (7:55pm) Welcome/House rules:
PDG Lion John Boersma
- 8:00pm-11:00 pm – ICE BREAKER
{Railroaders and Hobos Welcome}
Costumes strongly suggested but not required...

Friday, June 4, 2010

- 0700k (7:00am) to 0800k (8:00am) - Breakfast
- 0755k (7:55am) - House Rules -
PDG Lion John Boersma
- 07:00k - 11:30k (7:00am - 11:30am) -
Registration Desk open
- 08:00k (8:00 am) – Opening,
Parade of Flags PID Lion Garnet Davis
- 0915k (9:15am) to 1015k (10:15am) - Business
Session, Council Chairperson Lion Dwayne Zwinger
- 10:15k - 10:30k (10:15 am - 10:30 am) - Coffee Break
- 10:30k - 11:35k (10:30am - 11:35am)
Speaker Lion Tom Armstrong
- 11:40k - 12:00k (11:40 am- 12:00 pm) -
“We Remember”
- 12:00k (noon) - Lunch Buffet,
MC Past Council Chair Lion Mike Brand
Special Guests
Senior Counselor Awards
Deadwood 2011 MD5 Convention Presentation
- “FREE TIME” following Deadwood Presentation
until 1700k

- 13:45k (1:45pm) - Council of Governors Meeting
- 17:00k - 22:00k (5:00pm - 10:00 pm)
Hobos/railroaders Costume Party at the Saskatoon
Zoo - Supper complete with a Zoo Train Ride Tour &
Slideshow of our Lions zoo project - Music by the
“Lions Sound Machine”. Buses will be departing the Hotel
at 5:00 pm and will return starting at 9:30pm.

Saturday, June 5, 2010

- 0700k-0930k (7:00am-9:30am) - Registration open
- 0700k-0900k (7:00am-9:00am) - Delegate Certification
- 0700k-0830k (7:00am-8:30am) – Districts Breakfast
- 0830k-0915k (8:30am-9:15am) Committee Meetings
1. Constitution & bylaws 2. Youth Exchange
3. Convention Contest 4. Credentials
- 0910k (9:15am) - House Rules -
Lion PDG John Boersma
- 0915-1015k (9:15am-10:15am) -
Ross Welford, Toastmasters
- 1015k (10:15am) - Coffee Break
- 1030k-1130k (10:30am-11:30am)
ID Lion Debra Wasserman
- 1200k (noon) - “Red Jacket Ceremony Luncheon”
~ PCC Lion Leo Grossman
~DGE Doug Reid 5SKN
~DGE Robert Hill 5SKS
~DGE Robert Littlefield 5NE
~DGE Bev Charles 5NW
~DGE Al Adrian 5SE
~DGE Larry Burkhead 5SW
- 1400k (2pm) to 1515k (3:15pm)
Educational Presentations
- 1515k(3:15pm) - Final Business Session
- Pre Banquet Reception 1745k
- Governors Banquet: 1830k



LIONS TRACKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE IN SASKATOON

June 3, 4 and 5, 2010

Travelodge Hotel, 106 Circle Drive West, Saskatoon, SK

MD5 2010 REGISTRATION FORM

1) Name _____
(First Middle Last)

___ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___ Guest

2) Name _____
(First Middle Last)

___ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___ Guest

Address _____

City _____

Prov/State _____ PC/Zip _____

Res. Phone _____

Business or Cell _____

(Area Code Please)

E-Mail _____

District _____ Club 1) _____
2) _____

What is the highest office in Lions you will have held by the 2010 MD5?

1) _____
2) _____

Do you have any special needs—physical or food?

1) _____
2) _____

Is this your first MD5 Convention (Yes or No)

1) _____ 2) _____

REGISTRATION FEES:

Before May 1, 2010.....\$ 135.00 CDN
\$ _____

After May 1, 2010..... \$ 155.00 CDN
\$ _____

At Convention (Walk-in).....\$ 165.00 CDN
\$ _____

SPECIAL EVENT June 3 Yes ___ No ___

Thursday Morning Golf 4 person scramble

Includes golf, cart. Cost \$65.00, lunch extra

(Please indicate whom you would like to golf with or we can match you up)

PDG Banquet Thursday, June 3

Attending _____ @ \$20.00

Contact PDG George Pretli,

Box 558, Spiritwood, SK S0J 2M0

306 883 2772 or email gpretli@sasktel.net

TOTAL AMOUNT..... \$ _____

Please make your cheque payable to:

MD-5 2010 Convention

Mail your registration form with a cheque to:

MD-5 Convention

1817 Wilson Crescent

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Canada, S7J 2N8

REFUND POLICY: Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from Lions MD5 2010 Convention. Lion Wayne Chophonis, Treasurer. 1817 Wilson Crescent, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, S7J 2N8 until June 30, 2010. After that date, requests should be made to MD5 Sec/Treas. PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND. 58072. No refunds may be requested 60 or more days after the conclusion of the convention. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Wayne Chophonis at 306-373-5867.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: TRAVELODGE HOTEL – Convention Location, 106 Circle Drive West, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Reservation phones 306-242-8881 or 1-888-278-4209, room block guaranteed until May 3rd, 2010 at \$130.00 per night, plus taxes. Ask for Lion's Convention. Room check-in 3:00pm, check out at 11:00am.

Limited RV spots may also be available 5 minutes away at Saskatoon 16 West RV Park 306-931-8905. 30 amp electrical \$34.00 to \$50.00 or 12 minutes away at Travel Inn Resort & Campground 306-6806, power only \$37.00. (2009 rates quoted, **subject to change**)

State Lions Convention

Grand Forks

October
29 & 30, 2010



Lodging:

Canad Inn

Attached to the Alerus Center
1000 S. 42nd St.
\$119 per night
701-772-8404

Ramada Inn

Exit 141, Alerus Center 1 mile S.
1205 N. 43rd St.
\$79 per night
701-775-3951

Hilton Garden

Exit 140 N. of Demers Ave.
4301 James Ray Drive
\$99 per night
701-775-6000

Spring Hill Suites

Exit 141, Alerus Center less than 1 mile N.
2837 S. 42nd St.
rate has not been determined
701-757-4150

Registration (Meals included):

Feb. 1, 2010 – Sep. 30, 2010 \$75/person

Oct. 1, 2010 – On Site \$95/person

**Rookie Lions, anyone who becomes a Lion after Nov. 1, 2009,
are subject to early bird rate at \$55/person all year (offer ends Oct. 31, 2010)

Complete registration below. Use one form for EACH participant

Name: _____ Lion or Guest (circle one)

Badge: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____
Street City State ZIP

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

Make check payable to:
ND State Lions Convention

Mail Registration form and check to:
South Forks Lions Club
Attn: Roger Johnson
P.O. Box 6164
Grand Forks, ND 58201

Questions regarding 2010 convention
or Registration please e-mail Del Hager,
committee co-chair: del714@hotmail.com

Zone 1



Front row: L to R Mike Schneider, Strasburg Lions; Albert Kraft, Strasburg Lions; Donna Ruff, Region One Chairperson, Lehr Pres; Cindy Schumacher, Zeeland Dakota; Mabel Cowell, Medina Tail Twister; Virgil Horner, Strasburg; Jim Cowell, Medina, Sec. First Middle Row: L to R: Ernie Roehrich, Strasburg Lions; Warney Becker, Wishek Lions; Maureen Hehr, Fredonia Lion Tamer; Larry Hehr, Fredonia Pres; Bob Schumacher, Zeeland Lions. Second middle row zig zag to back row: Jerome Meidinger, Strasburg; Jim Essman, Strasburg; Matt Lipp, Strasburg Sec; Millie Wald, Zeeland Secretary; Gary Silbernagel, Strasburg; Ernie Geffre, Strasburg Pres; James Ruff, 5NC DG, Lehr; Dennis Morris, Linton VP; Perry Kimble, Linton Pres; Clarence Wickenhausen, Strasburg; Cliff Hollar, Strasburg Tail Twister; Louie Weber, Strasburg; Roger Maier, Gackle Lions; PID Bill Gackle, Kulm Lions; Al Dosh, Strasburg Lions.

Region One holds final meeting

Submitted by Lion Donna Ruff

Region One of SNC held its 3rd and final meeting for the Lion fiscal year of 2009-2010. This was a historical meeting held on May 6 with the Strasburg Lions club hosting the event. Thirty nine were in attendance. Eight of the 15 clubs were represented with 5NE- PID Bill Gackle from Kulm Lions also attending.

Guest speaker, Cindy Gall, Wishek had a slide presentation and spoke with such passion about her two week trip to Haiti in February. She received a round of applause when she thanked all Lions members for their humanitarian service by helping the less fortunate in the world. Region One had held a soup and sandwich fund raiser at Wishek on January 30. Collection boxes were also set out in our clubs community banks. Clubs in the region that were unable to attend the Lions In Sight project donated generously. When the project was completed District SNC Governor James Ruff had received \$3345.16 from Region One and a total of \$6472.69 was mailed to LCIF from District SNC. DG James said "I am confident that other clubs in the district might have sent their donations directly to LCIF". LCIF has donated \$4.7million to the Haitian relief effort since January 12, 2010. It will take years to rebuild.



Cindy Gall, Wishek. If you need an idea for a good program speaker give her a call at 701-452-2646.

South Heart

South Heart to have Lions Club

By Lion Lewellyn Rustan
Extension Chair

A new Lions Club will be chartered in South Heart on Saturday, June 26th. The New England Lions Club is the sponsoring club.

Three informational and organizational meetings have been held, and the results exceeded expectations! There is tremendous interest among local residents, with focus on community needs.

Although the club is not yet official, six projects were adopted at the last meeting. The 1st Annual South Heart Lions Club Golf Tournament will be held at Pheasant Country Golf Course on Sunday, June 27th. That's just one day after their Charter Banquet!

A president, secretary and treasurer have been elected. Two of them attended the Spring Rally and officer training. The remaining officers were elected at the May 17th meeting.

Membership applications continue to come in. "There will be no problem having the 20 members necessary to charter," said President Riley Mattson. Their list of commitments numbers closer to 30.

Those numbers do not reflect people who have just been talked into being a Lion. They are truly excited and enthused about being part of a Lions Club in South Heart.



1st Annual South Heart Lions Club Tournament

Sunday, June 27, 2010
Pheasant Country Golf Course
South Heart, ND • (701) 677-4653

4 Person Scramble • \$35 / Player

Net proceeds will go to City Park Improvements