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McClusky Lions celebrate 80 years of service

By ALLAN TINKER

It was an occasion to remember eights and eighty; the McClusky Lions held their anniversary meeting on August 8 (8-8-2010) with entertainment, Bingo and eight-minute speeches.

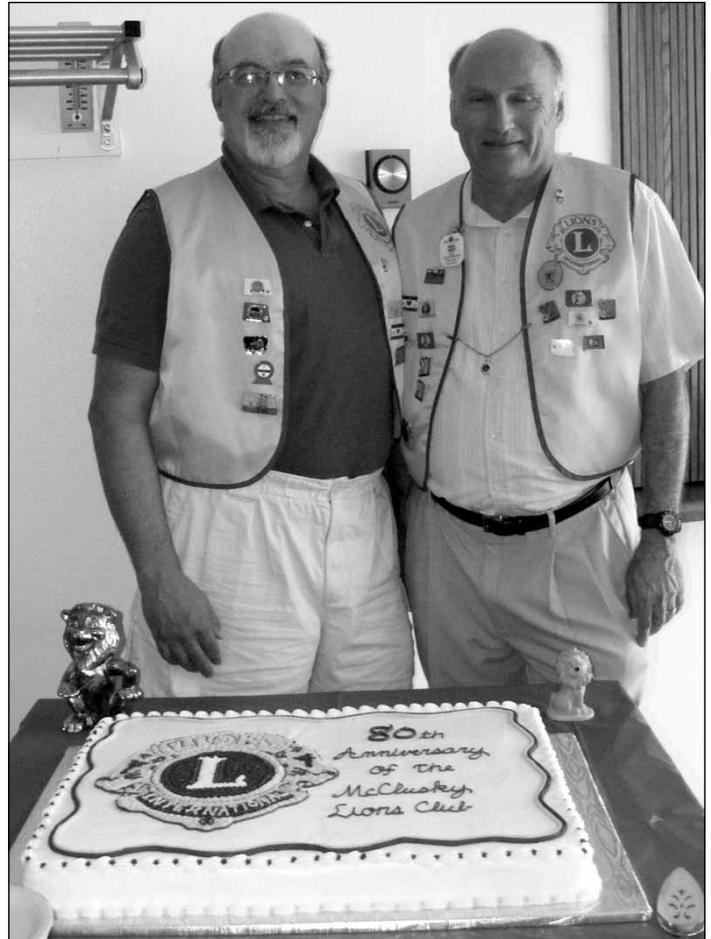
All throughout the late afternoon and early evening, eight came into play, some unintended. There were six of the 13 remaining McClusky Lions members on hand to celebrate the event, (eight if you count spouses).

Seven Lions arrived from Bismarck and Rugby to attend: 5NW District Governor Bev Charles 2010-2011; Dave Charles member of North Star Lions and husband of Bev; 5NW First Vice District Governor Pat Vannett 2010-2011; 5NC PDG Allen Dockter 1994-1995 and Lion Diane Dockter, Prairie Rose member; and 5NCPDG Craig Wollenburg.

Outgoing and incoming Lion Presidents Jeff Martwick and Brian Tinker hosted the event and conducted the meeting. Awards presented included a 25-year pin to David Martwick, presented by his son, Lion President Jeff.

Wollenburg also presented an award to PCC (Past Council Chair) Brian Tinker for 100 percent for his district for the past year. This award is given to the areas that complete all records and other required Lions material and submit it to Lions International on the required and timely basis.

Tinker was the last Council Chair for 5NC before the ND Lions and Canada Lions within 5NC downsized the number of



Outgoing McClusky Lions President Jeff Martwick and incoming President Brian Tinker by the anniversary cake shortly before the event started.

their districts. South Dakota remained the same. 5NC contains all of North and South Dakota and Saskatchewan within its district.

With other guests, some also former Lions, and entertainers playing, the group played Bingo for prizes that included eight dollars in McClusky Merchants Certificates; eight presidential silver dollars; eighty cents in pennies; Crazy Eights cards; various Lions mementoes and other consolation prizes. The "L" Bingo was a "Lions Pride" print out of a limited edition



5NC PDG Craig Wollenburg awards PCC Brian Tinker with his 100 percent award for 5NC.

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set.

The light summer supper of baked beans, fruit and chicken salads, was complimented by the anniversary cake made by Margie Rau, Kief.

With speeches and welcome events limited to eight minutes, the official meeting part went quickly and the crows enjoyed "more than eight" minutes of accordion numbers by Myron Morris, including a requested "You are my sunshine."

The Lions have continued their public service club, but have changed to two meetings a year, with special service dates counting as other meetings when they are scheduled. Special meetings may be scheduled for emergency business, as well. They continue to meet for their anniversary and office change date in June and for their Christmas Cheer Basket assembly in December. They also serve as parade coordinators for the Midsummer Fest and hold two or three United Blood Services blood drives each year for the McClusky area. The Lions also donate and serve for vision programs including Leader Dogs, Vision USA and various other programs in the local, state and international agenda.

Anyone who would like to join the Lions in their community service is invited to contact any Lions member or the ND Lions website at www.md5lions.net.



Local musician Myron Morris played several accordion selections for the Lions event.



5NW District Governor Bev Charles 2010-2011 was the featured speaker for the anniversary event on August 8.

The passing of a Lion

By Randel Sand
Secretary, Tuttle Lions

John Gronvold, who was a charter member of the Tuttle Lions Club, died Saturday, March 12, 2010, a day before his 68th birthday. John had been active in the Lions Club and other organizations until his illness made it impossible for him to participate.

John lived in Tuttle for over 40 years and had been a math teacher and the high school principal. He held many other jobs, including rural mail carrier, and worked part-time at the Tuttle Dairy where he picked up milk from local dairy farms.

John's biggest asset was his willingness to give to others whether it was donating money or his time. He was an active member and a strong supporter of the Tuttle Wildlife Club where he served as secretary for many years.

Perhaps his biggest contribution was his last with the donation of his corneas. Because of his unselfish donation which reflected his life, two people were given sight after his death. His corneas were donated through the North Dakota Lions Eye Bank.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, but will be remembered for who he was and his final gift to others.

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Lions Zone 2A Golf Tournament



Bill Trautman, Roger Nelson, Mac Beaudry, Ron Blotsky, Kelley Trautman.

Fourteen four-person teams teed-off at the Painted Woods Golf Course at 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 14, for the tenth Annual Zone 2A - Lions Golf Tournament.

The weather was windy and cool, but the spirits were high. Teams fought for the traveling trophy which will be engraved with this year's top team of Robinson Lions. The area golfers

included golfers from Bismarck, Washburn, Wilton, Turtle Lake, Robinson, Garrison, and Wilton.

Tami Engel of Garrison won awards for the longest drive and longest putt. Area merchants were recognized by signs at each hole thanking them for their support. Brats were supplied by food sponsors represented by signs at Hole No. 6. Proceeds from the



Long Drive/Long Putt winner Tami Engel of Garrison.

tournament go to support various projects in Zone 2A. Currently, the Sioux Ferry renovation in Washburn is the target of those funds.



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Memorials

- Thomas and Janice Mayer in memory of W. Alan Van Vleet
- West Fargo Lions Club in memory of PDG Pete Lazorenko
- Doris Eastburn in memory of PDG Pete Lazorenko
- Doris Eastburn in memory of PDG Ivan Jensen
- West River Lions Club in memory of Dorothy Stewart
- Chris and Carol Voegelé in memory of Dorothy Stewart

Designated funds (Video magnifier program)

Mandan Dakotah Lions Club – \$1,857 • West River Lions Club – \$1,857

Current list of Life Members (\$300 each)

Oscar Sorenson, LaDell Sorenson, Ron Harris, Hadley Seeklander, Verda Seeklander, Katherine Tweed, John Dobbs, Rita Harris, Tim Thueson. Your foundation board sincerely appreciates your continued support.
PDG Chris Voegelé, Treas.

Attention clubs:

Remember the Parade of Green at the state convention.

Garlic & Grape Festival set for Minot Sept. 18

Area Lions Clubs will be hosting their annual Garlic & Grape Festival Saturday. The event will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and be at the Minot Auditorium. The Souris Valley Garlic & Grape Festival is a one-day event featuring food laced with garlic, wine tasting, crafts and miscellaneous entertainment, carnival games for children and education. Funds raised will be used for Lions charitable activities.

The event is organized by the Minot Lions, Magic City Lions, Plum Valley Lions, Sawyer Lions and the Garrison Lions. General admission is \$5 with children 12 and under free. Wine tasting is \$3. The event is open to the public. For more information, contact Marita B. Hoffart at 701-838-8686, or marita@minot.com

Lions: Get ready to roar!

State convention nears

The 2010 "Roarin' On The River" Lions Convention will get a great kick-off at the Friday evening Ice Breaker with a "Roarin' Campfire on the Red." You'll love the guitar playing, the food, and the fun of a good old fashioned campout! Get ready to Roar, Lions Roar!

The Saturday sessions on Vision Services and Lions Leadership will surely inform you of the marvelous opportunities in Lionism and motivate you toward even greater service in Lionism. The noon luncheon will feature the finalists from the high school student speech contest as they present on the topic, "Speak Up for Service." International Director Gary D'Orazio,

Mail your check for meals along with your registration form to:

South Forks Lions Club
Attn: Roger Johnson
P.O. Box 6164
Grand Forks, ND 58201

Questions regarding the 2010 convention can be addressed to: Del Hager, Convention Committee co-chair by email to: del714@hotmail.com

a member of the Boise (Idaho) Beach Lions Club will be the keynote speaker at the banquet.

Just a reminder about meals and registration: A "Meals Only" plan will be available for guests of any Lion who has registered for the Convention. The breakfast buffet will be \$15; the luncheon will be \$20; and, the banquet will be \$25. The meals registration should be ordered and paid for as soon as possible in order to insure a reasonable estimate of attendance for the facility. Oct. 19 is the deadline. Rookie Lions are able to register for the entire convention for a mere \$55. Up until Sept. 30, all other Lions will pay the \$75 fee. After Oct. 1st, the rate will go up to \$95 per person.

Melvin Jones Fellow and awards reception set for convention

Submitted by District Governor Robert Littlefield (NE) and District Governor Bev Charles (NW)

This year, the state convention will feature a special awards ceremony and reception from 4:45-5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 30, to recognize Melvin Jones Fellows and other individuals deserving of special recognition. This event provides an opportunity for local Lions Clubs to recognize their members at the state level. District Governor Robert Littlefield and District Governor Bev Charles will officiate, with International Director Gary D'Orazio serving as the official presenter of the awards.

In order to prepare the written program for the event, club presidents are asked to submit to their respective district governors the names of any individual(s) who have received a Melvin Jones Fellow Award since Nov. 1, 2009. These individuals will be recognized at the ceremony.

In addition, any club wishing to present a new Melvin Jones Fellow Award to one or more of its members during this ceremony should contact their district governor to make arrangements to be on the program.

As timing is essential, club presidents should be making arrangements immediately with LCIF to obtain the MJF plaque and pin. These award materials should be brought to the convention and given to the respective district governor for presentation at the reception. In addition to the Melvin Jones Fellow Awards, clubs may present any other awards deserving state recognition at this ceremony. Club

presidents should make arrangements with their respective district governor if they would like to present any special awards.

If you have any questions about this reception, please contact your respective district governor. All information must be submitted by Friday, Oct. 22 to DG Robert at r.littlefield@ndsu.edu or DG Bev at dcharlesbev@bis.midco.net .

Memorial service added to convention schedule

North Dakota Lions who have died since Nov. 1, 2009 will be remembered at a special memorial service to be Saturday, Oct. 30, at the 2010 State Lions Convention. The service is scheduled from 6-6:30 p.m., prior to banquet. District Governor Robert Littlefield and District Governor Bev Charles will officiate, assisted by 1st Vice District Governors Steve Johnson (NE) and Pat Vannett (NW). In order to prepare a suitable recognition for our deceased Lions, club presidents are

asked to send to their district governor the name(s) of any deceased Lions from their club and a photograph (electronic photo or jpeg file preferred). Contact DG Robert at r.littlefield@ndsu.edu or DG Bev at dcharlesbev@bis.midco.net .

The memorial service will feature appropriate music and readings, along with a pictorial tribute to those Lions who have died since the last state Lions convention. All information must be submitted by Friday, Oct. 22 in order to be included in the written program.

2010 Lions Convention for Districts 5NE and 5NW

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2010 DISTRICT CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION OCTOBER 29 & 30, 2010 IN GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA. THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS

1. The Official 2010 Convention Rules
2. Your Club's Credentials Form
3. The Proposed Memorandum of Understanding for the Association of Lions Clubs of North Dakota will be voted on at the State Meeting. Said proposed Memorandum was included in the 2010 State Directory sent to each club secretary and president.

ND STATE LIONS/ND DISTRICTS CONVENTION RULES 2010

1. The official convention program shall be the order of business.
2. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern on parliamentary procedures. Host District Governor shall appoint a convention parliamentarian and a convention secretary.
3. Presiding Officer – The host District Governor (5NE, DG Robert Littlefield) shall be the designated officer to preside at the state meeting.
4. Quorum – A majority of the registered certified delegates in attendance at a convention session shall constitute a quorum.
5. Lions in good standing must be registered and certified in order to vote on all convention matters. Clubs with indebtedness of \$50 over 90 days old to Lions International or their District will be considered **not** in good standing.
6. The use of profane language at any business session, social function, or banquet is prohibited.
7. Credentials to vote at the District/ND State Convention shall be mailed to the respective District Cabinet Secretary for 5NE (Blake Strehlow, 3111 46th Avenue SW, Fargo, ND 58104) and 5NW (Lois Reiersen, 1321 25th Street W, Williston, ND 58801) or delivered upon arrival at the convention in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Alerus Center, Grand Forks, ND, by 7 p.m. on Friday, October 29, 2010 or by 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2010 at the district meetings.
8. CLUB DELEGATE FORMULA. Article IX.3. Each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and its district (single or sub- and multiple) shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members. Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote only for each office to be filled by, and one (1) vote only on each question submitted to, the respective convention.
9. Solicitation or sale of club project items, with the exception of the host district is prohibited.
10. Business sessions shall be smoke free. Smoking areas shall be established outside the business area and for all convention meals.
11. Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from Lion Roger Johnson, South Forks Lions Club, PO Box 6164, Grand Forks, ND 58201, until November 30, 2010. After this date, requests should be made to PID Bruce Schwartz, 1237 S Highland Acres Road, Bismarck, ND 58501. No refunds can be requested 60 days after the conclusion of the convention.

DISTRICT VOTING AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTIONS HELD DURING THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION

All voting at official meetings of the district and state shall be done by certified delegates present. A delegate must be present at the time of voting to have his/her vote counted in official results. If s/he cannot be present, his/her alternate shall take his/her place. 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. Clubs should identify their voting delegates and alternates and list them below. Mail this form to District Cabinet Secretary for 5NE (Blake Strehlow, 3111 46th Avenue SW, Fargo, ND 58104) or District Cabinet Secretary for 5NW (Lois Reiersen, 1321 25th Street W, Williston, ND 58801) or deliver upon arrival at the convention to the Lions Registration Desk, Alerus Center, Grand Forks, ND, by 7 p.m. on Friday, October 29, 2010 or to the district meeting, Alerus Center, by 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2010.

This form is to be filled out and SIGNED BY YOUR CLUB SECRETARY PRIOR to coming to the Convention or by your District Governor at the convention.

CREDENTIALS INFORMATION:

Names of Voting Delegates attending the 2010 District Convention and their Years in Lions

Names of Voting Delegates	Years in Lions
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Signature: _____
Club Secretary or District Governor

IMPORTANT: Mail this form to 5NE Cabinet Secretary Blake Strehlow, 3111 46th Avenue SW, Fargo, ND 58104 or 5NW Cabinet Secretary Lois Reiersen, 1321 25th Street W, Williston, ND 58801 or deliver upon arrival to the Lions Registration Desk, Alerus Center, Grand Forks, ND, by 7 p.m. on Friday, October 29, 2010 or to the district meeting, Alerus Center, by 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2010.

Lions to vote on memorandum of understanding at state meeting

Submitted by
District Governor Robert Littlefield (NE)
and District Governor Bev Charles (NW)

The following items are proposed as amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) document for the Association of Lions Clubs of North Dakota. This article serves as notice to all clubs in Districts 5NE and 5NW that these amendments will be considered at the State Meeting on Saturday, October 30, 2010, at the Alerus Center in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Only a club's certified delegates will be able to vote on these amendments to the proposed MOU which was distributed in the 2010 State Directory distributed in July. Amendments approved will be added to the MOU, with the entire document moving forward for consideration by the voting delegates. Upon approval, the MOU will take effect at the close of the state business meeting.

There are no amendments proposed to the MOU as published in the 2010 State Directory.

The following amendments are proposed to the Addenda to the MOU as published.

A.1. Hall of Fame

Currently reads: "Individuals named by the North Dakota Past District Governor's Association to the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame will be inducted and presented with their award at an approved designated time during the convention."

To be amended: "Individuals named by the North Dakota Past District Governor's Association to the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame will be inducted and presented with their award at a time during the convention that is mutually agreed upon by an individual designated by the PDGA and the local convention planning committee."

Rationale: This clarifies that the PDGA and local convention planning committee work together in designating a time in the convention program for the

induction of the Hall of Fame recipient.

B.1.C. Financial: State Convention Fees

Currently reads: "Upon request, local host committees will receive a sum based upon one dollar (\$1) per member for use in funding convention activities. Additional funds may be requested and provided by the North Dakota Past District Governor's Association with appropriate justification provided."

To be amended: "The local host committee will receive—between July 1st and the time of the state convention in the year preceding the convention year for which they are scheduled to host—a one-time sum of one dollar (\$1) per dues-paying club member for all North Dakota Lions (based upon club membership records with LCI on June 30 of the year preceding the convention year for which they are scheduled to host). Additional convention support funds may be requested and provided by the North Dakota Past District Governor's Association with appropriate justification."

Rationale: This clarification explains the basis and justification for the one dollar per member assessment. Each year, the PDGA receives \$1 per member (50 cents each on December 31 and June

30) for the convention fund. This money is assessed from every dues-paying Lion to help defray expenses for hosting the annual state Lions convention. This amendment provides clarification that local host committees should expect a sum equal to the number of dues-paying Lions in the state during the previous Lions' fiscal year to help defray convention expenses.

The following is an amendment to Renegotiation of Memorandum.

B.1. Changes

Currently reads: "Proposed changes must be submitted to the club's respective district governor no less than sixty (60) days prior to the North Dakota Lions State Convention."

To be amended: "Proposed changes must be submitted in writing to the club's respective district governor no less than sixty (60) days prior to the North Dakota Lions State Convention."

Rationale: The addition of in writing provides clarification of what constitutes notice.



Medina High School Gym
Friday, October 15 • 7 p.m.
Advance Tickets \$10.00
At-The-Door \$12.50
Kids 4 and Under Free

*This is a Medina Lions Club fundraiser for
Medina rescue truck and Lions activities*

The Medina Lions invites fellow Lions Clubs to help with this fundraiser by purchasing tickets for this event. Also, here is your chance to advertise your business or club by sponsoring a game quarter with a donation of \$50 and/or sponsoring a player with a \$100 donation.
**Contact Lion Chris Wingire at (701) 752-4482
or e-mail cwingire@daktel.com for details.**

Convention schedule takes shape

The 2010 State Lions Convention Planning Committee has set the following general schedule. A complete listing of programs and presenters will be included in the October issue of *ND Lion*.

Friday, October 29, 2010

9 a.m. – 7 p.m.	Registration, Alerus Center
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	ND Cabinet Meetings (5NE and 5NW)
12 noon- 5 p.m.	Service Project – Diabetes Screening/Awareness
1:30-2:30 p.m.	Lions Eye Bank of ND Board Meeting
2:45-3:45 p.m.	Lions Foundation of ND Board Meeting
4-5 p.m.	ND Past District Governors' Association Meeting
4-6:30 p.m.	Voting Delegate Certification Available at Registration
5:30-6 p.m.	Lions Chorus Practice
	Dinner on your own
6:30-10 p.m.	Icebreaker "Roarin' Campfire on the Red"

Saturday, October 30, 2010

7 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Registration
7:30-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast and Opening Session
8:30-10 a.m.	ND District Meetings (5NE and 5NW) (Voting delegate certification continues at each district meeting)
9-11:45 a.m.	Demonstration of New Youth Club Service Project "Speak Up for Service!"
10:15-11 a.m.	"Facts and the Three Rs in Lionism" – ID Gary D'Orazio
10:15-11:45 a.m.	Tour: UND Ocular Research
11:15-12 noon	Leadership and Vision Breakout Sessions
12 noon-1:30 p.m.	Noon Luncheon and Presentation of Hall of Fame Inductee
1:45-2:30 p.m.	Leadership and Vision Breakout Sessions
1:45-3:15 p.m.	Tour: ND Vision Services/School for the Blind
2:45-4:15 p.m.	ND Lions State Meeting (Eye Bank, Foundation, Parade of Green)
4:30-5:15 p.m.	Melvin Jones Fellow and State Awards Ceremony and Reception
5:30-6 p.m.	Memorial Service of Remembrance
5:30-6:30 p.m.	No Host Happy Hour
6:30-9 p.m.	Governor's Banquet

Club News

Casselton



New club 'Roars'

North Dakota's newest Lions Club is in Casselton. The Casselton Lions participated in their first Casselton Summer Fest. Seen in the photo are Lions Jered Arneson (the Lion!) and Kent Buss. It was a fine introduction to the community and all had a great time!

The international theme for this year is A Beacon of Hope. As I think about that theme, I am drawn to the notion that we are all beacons as people look to us and our actions in Lionism as symbols. What obligations does being a Lion put upon us—to be beacons of hope? These are my thoughts.

There are two obligations that come to mind: First, when we are in public and private gatherings, we should speak well of the work being done in the name of Lionism by our leaders and fellow Lions; and, second, we always should act in a way that promotes, rather than detracts from the purposes and Objects of Lionism.

These two ideas do not seem to be overwhelming obligations, but they are often hard to practice on a daily basis. Instead of speaking well of the work of Lionism being done, criticisms arise because “we have never done it that way.” Sometimes we use our words to put someone down rather than use them to build up. Instead of acting in a collaborative way or extending our hand in service to others, we turn away or disengage, becoming confrontational, because “that’s not how we did it.” Through our neglect, we dim the light that Lionism could shine into the lives of those in need.

Despite the negative words and actions, Lion leaders and members keep serving the needs of the less fortunate to the best of their abilities. In the process, the millions of people in the world who are not Lions keep listening and watching us. When non-Lions hear what we say or see what we do, what message are they picking up? Are they viewing us as Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service? Are they seeing the beacons of hope that Lions represent?

I am so grateful for the members of the 5NE cabinet who have pledged to be beacons of hope to the district this year through their leadership. I am so grateful for the local club leaders who are giving their time to be beacons of hope for their local clubs as they organize and keep the club running smoothly. I am so grateful to the Lions of my district who have agreed to help promote Lionism through their words and local acts of service. You all inspire me to want to work harder in



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service to you. Please remember that we are all tenders of the lighthouse. The beacon only shines when it is well-tended. Take care of yourselves and each other as you serve this year. Together, we can truly be beacons of hope.

STATE NEWS

Convention Planning Picks Up Steam as Event Nears

The 2010 State Lions Convention Local Planning Committee is hard at work getting ready for the big event coming on October 29-30 in Grand Forks.

The Canad Inn will be a great convention hotel conveniently located right off I-29 at 1000 South 42nd Street. The Alerus Center will be the site of all convention programs and meal events. Because the UND football team will be playing a game on Saturday afternoon, Lions should park on the North side of the facility.

New Lions who have become members since November 1, 2009 can attend the convention for a rock bottom price of \$55 (this includes three Saturday meals and the Friday night

icebreaker). Other Lions should take advantage of the early registration discount and send in your payment by September 30. See the registration form in this issue of the ND Lion for more information.

There are several special features of the convention that attendees will enjoy! On Friday afternoon, Lions can help with a service project promoting diabetes awareness. Lions who enjoy singing can participate in the Lions Chorus under the direction of PDG G. Paul Larson (South Forks). There will be a practice session before the icebreaker and the group will perform at the banquet on Saturday night. Lions seeking a new youth service project can observe the “Speak Up for Service!” demonstration on Saturday morning. Saturday morning and afternoon tours of the UND Ocular Research Center and the ND School for the Blind will give insight into how Lions are making a difference for those with vision impairments. A recognition ceremony for Melvin Jones Fellows and a memorial service for deceased Lions are scheduled. The banquet on Saturday night will feature ID Gary D’Orazio. All in all, this convention will not disappoint the participants!

Region Chairs Compete for Best Representation at Convention

Increasing club participation by 50% over last year at the state convention is one of the cabinet’s goals for 2010-2011. To raise the stakes, I have challenged the seven region chairs to see who can be most successful in getting out their club delegates to the district meeting on Saturday. The region chair (and zone chairs) with the greatest percentage of clubs represented will get a special prize. Let’s see who is most persuasive!

Remember the Parade of Green!

Clubs will have an opportunity to make their annual donations to the Lions Eye Bank of ND, the Lions Foundation of ND, Service Dogs of America, and other designated programs at the Parade of Green on Saturday afternoon.

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Representatives from these groups will be present to receive the donations. Plan ahead so your club can make its donation at the convention!

DISTRICT NEWS

Nominating committee seeks candidates for 2nd Vice District Governor

The Nominating Committee is looking for candidates to run for 2nd Vice District Governor-Elect (term begins July 1, 2011).

A candidate for 2nd VDG must: 1) be an active member in good standing of a Lions club in good standing in the district; 2) secure the endorsement of his/her club and a majority of the clubs in his/her single or sub-district; and 3) have served (or will have served at the time s/he takes office as 2nd VDG) a) as president of a Lions club, and a member of the board of directors of a Lions club for no less than two additional years, b) as zone chairperson or region chairperson or cabinet secretary and/or treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof, and c) with none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

Any Lion in the District who meets these requirements and is interested in serving should submit a letter of intent to run, a letter of endorsement from his/her club, and a resume of Lions activities highlighting the required offices held to 5NE Nominating Committee Chairperson PDG John Dobbs, 2450 Lilac Lane, Fargo, ND 58102 or johnita@q.com or 701-232-1290. All materials must be received by Friday, October 22, 2010. For more information contact Lion John or other members of the Nominating Committee (IPDG Wayne Westlund, IPDG James Ruff, or PCC Duane Zwinger).

Region Rallies underway

I am very pleased with the excellent showing by Lion leaders at the Region Rallies. It is great to report that by scheduling all rallies before the end of September, we have met our 2010-2011 goal of completing this phase of our outreach to get the regions fired up for the year.

Regions 7 and 4 held their rallies in

August. The Region 7 Rally was held in Casselton on the 17th at the Governor's Inn with 11 Lions from six of 10 clubs present (Argusville-Gardner-Grandin, Casselton, Fargo, Fargo Gateway, Horace, and West Fargo). The Region 4 Rally was held on August 30 in Grand Forks at the Ramada Inn with 14 Lions from six of eight clubs present (Emerado-Arvilla, Larimore Turtle River, Mayville-Portland, Northwood, GF Red River Lions, and South Forks).

On September 10 and 13, Regions 5 and 3 (respectively) held their rallies. Region 5 met at Beaver Lake State Park to kick-off the district's environmental project of improving the state part. Region 3 held its rally at Robinson. Later in the month, Region 1 will meet at Harvey on September 20 and Region 6 is scheduled to meet at Enderlin on September 30.

Region Rallies are being held in order for DG Robert to introduce himself to the club leaders and get the message out that an increased level of service is being called for this year by International President Sid Scruggs, III. At each rally, participating Lions identify their leadership strengths, talk about club projects, and consider possible areas for increased service in their communities. The video, A Beacon of Hope, is shown to introduce the international priorities for 2010-2011; followed by a question and answer period with the district governor.

Club presidents and secretaries urged to attend Zone meetings

Throughout the year, the District Governor's Advisory Committee convenes at meetings in every zone. Zone Chairs call these meetings and all club presidents and secretaries should attend these zone meetings. Zone meetings are held in September, November, and February. A final zone meeting is held in conjunction with each region's new officer training session held in late April.

All club presidents and secretaries should be at the zone meetings. If unable to attend personally, representatives should be sent to the meetings so that the club can get the information that is

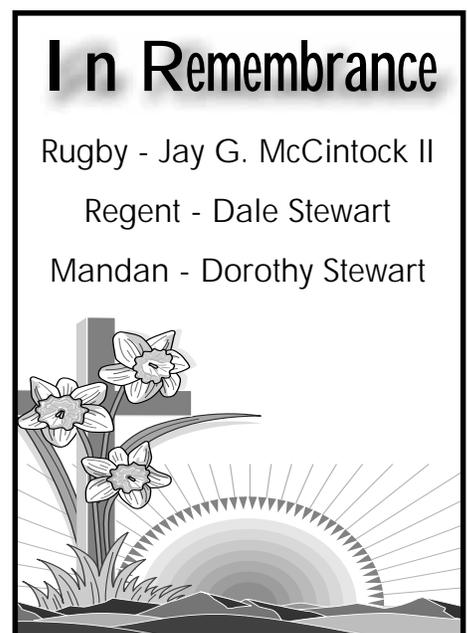
being distributed. If your club has not been sending representatives to the zone meeting in the past, please encourage them to do so and report back to your club. We are all in Lions together and when we communicate with each other our organization is strengthened. Help your district leadership to build a stronger foundation for our service to the less fortunate.

Treasurers encouraged to keep club finances up-to-date

Club treasurers are encouraged to send in the payments for international dues to LCI and district dues to treasurer Sue Anderson at 3406 1st Street North, Fargo, ND 58102. Keeping current with dues billings is in everyone's best interests! Thank you for your attention to these financial matters.

Correction

In my August columns, I noted that Lion Kevin Vannett and Lion Herman Schafer were members of the Mandan Lions Club. They are actually members of the Mandan Dacotah Club. I also misspelled Lion Herman's name. For these errors, I sincerely apologize.





Casselton, Fargo, Horace, Fargo Gateway, and West Fargo Lions mix it up as they consider how being a Lion motivates them to do more service.



Lions from Larimore Turtle River, Red River, and Mayville-Portland discuss club projects at the Region 4 Rally in Grand Forks.



Casselton Lions president Stu Romsdal and Zone Chair Paula Klien from Fargo Lions talk about ways to strengthen local clubs in Region 7.



Region 4 Rally participants from Northwood, Emerado-Arvilla, Red River, and South Forks compare notes about ways to increase service in their communities.

NDSU-Fargo Campus Lions Club formed

District 5NE is one step on the way toward achieving its goal of four new clubs during the current year with the addition of a new club at NDSU in Fargo. The NDSU-Fargo Campus Lions Club filed paperwork with Lions Clubs International on August 29, 2010, to become the District's newest club. Twenty-seven individuals paid their first year's dues (25 students, 2 faculty) and the officers completed the paperwork to form the new club.

New members elected the following officers: President – Kyle Sebesta; Vice President – Katie Van Dame; Secretary – Lori Overman; Treasurer – Devon Schmit; and Membership Chair – Courtney Schaff. The Fargo Lions Club is the sponsoring club, with Lion Mark Western and Lion Paula Klein serving as Guiding Lions. DG Robert Littlefield is serving as faculty advisor for the new campus organization.

The club is setting up its financial accounts and seeking official recognition as a campus organization. This will afford the club some office support as well as some additional funding to support club operations. An officer training session was held September 7th and the club will hold its first meeting on September 15th. The club plans to conduct a major service project each semester. This year, the members plan to focus on getting organized, assisting youth, and preserving the environment.

The charter night ceremony, induction of new members, and installation of new officers is scheduled for Sunday, October 24, from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union on the



New NDSU Fargo Campus Club officers are ready to serve, from left, Devon Schmit, Courtney Schaff, Kyle Sebesta, Katie VanDame, and Lori Overman.

NDSU campus. Lions Clubs are invited to send members to be present for the events and reception. All officers and members of the District 5NE Cabinet Members are strongly encouraged to show their support and attend. There is no charge for guests. For more information, please contact DG Robert at R.Littlefield@ndsu.edu or call 218-790-4346. You may also contact campus club president Lion Kyle at Kyle.E.Sebesta@ndsu.edu or Charter Night chairperson Lion Katie at katie.j.vandame.1@ndsu.edu.

Proposed Amendments to the District 5NE constitution, by-laws

The following items are proposed as amendments to the District 5NE Constitution and By-Laws. This article serves as notice to all clubs in District 5NE that these amendments will be considered at the District Meeting on Saturday, October 30, 2010, at the Alerus Center in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Only a club's certified delegates will be able to vote on these by-laws. Any changes in by-laws approved at the district meeting go into effect at the end of the meeting at which they were approved.

CONSTITUTION CHANGES

Article VII. Section 2: Notice

Currently reads: "No amendment shall be so reported or voted upon unless the same shall be furnished in writing to each club in the district no less than thirty (30) days prior to the convening date of the annual convention with a notice that the same will be voted upon at said convention."

To be amended: "No amendment shall be so reported or voted upon unless the same shall be furnished through regular post or electronic means to each club in the district no less than thirty (30) days prior to the convening date of the annual convention with a notice that the same will be voted upon at said convention."

Rationale: This change updates the constitution to agree with the Lions Clubs International Standard District Constitution as revised July 2, 2010.

Article 7. Section 4. All Other Provisions

To be added: "On all matters not specifically addressed in the District Constitution and By-Laws, the Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws of Lions Clubs International as revised July 2, 2010 will take precedence."

Rationale: This section creates a safety net so that if something is missing from the district constitution, the LCI Standard District Constitution will be used as a basis for action until necessary changes can be made.

BY-LAW CHANGES

Article I. Section 9: Fund Tax.

Currently reads: "...with billings of said tax to be based upon the roster of each club as of the last days of May and November, respectively."

To be amended: "...with billings of said tax to be based upon the roster of each club as of the last days of June and December, respectively."

Rationale: LCI's billing dates are now the last days of June and December. The change makes the district by-laws consistent with LCI.

Article IV. Section 2(h): First Vice District Governor Duties

Currently reads: "Work with the District Leadership Development Committee and assist the committee to develop

and implement a district-wide leadership development plan to enhance the enthusiasm and capability of the district officers and members to serve effectively through utilization of the District MERL Team and integration of the team's work with the district leadership development;"

To be deleted: "...to serve effectively through utilization of the District MERL Team and integration of the team's work with the district leadership development"

Rationale: LCI is replacing the MERL program with new Global Membership and Global Leadership teams. Deleting this phrase provides clarification and enables the district to adopt LCI programs without further amending the by-laws.

Article VI. Section 1(1): District Revenue

Currently reads: "District 5-NE Dues - \$6.00"

To be amended: "District 5-NE Dues - \$7.00"

Rationale: The programming of the district is greater than the resources available to support it. The current budget is balanced with the support of reserves made available when Districts 5NE and 5NC formed the new District 5NE. While still insufficient, the increase does provide funds to support the activities of the region and zone chairs throughout the year. Without the increase, the treasury will be unable to support current programming. DG recommendation: Pass

Currently reads: "...with billings of said assessment to be based upon the roster of each club as of the last days of May and November, respectively."

To be amended: "...with billings of said assessment to be based upon the roster of each club as of the last days of June and December, respectively."

Rationale: Same as earlier noted. DG recommendation: Pass

Article VI. Section 2: Remaining Funds

Currently reads: "In any fiscal year, any balance remaining in the convention fund after payment of all convention administrative expenses in that year shall remain in said convention fund and become available for future convention expenses and be treated as income in any fiscal year in which expended or otherwise budgeted for payment of such expenses."

To be amended: "...shall be returned to the Treasurer of the Past District Governor's Association and become available for future convention expenses..."

Rationale: This clarification makes the by-laws consistent with practices followed when funds are transferred to the convention committee and back to the Past District Governor's Association. DG recommendation: Discussion

Remember:

ND Lion DEADLINE is the 7th of the month!

No Exceptions!

Dear Fellow Lions,

I hope you will take the time to read all of the articles and notices in this issue of the North Dakota Lion concerning our upcoming North Dakota State Lions Convention Oct. 29-30 in Grand Forks. If you have any questions or concerns please e-mail me at dcharlesbev@bis.midco.net or call me at 202-6427.

The Grand Forks Convention Committee, along with 5NE DG Robert Littlefield, have put a lot of thought, time and effort into creating an outstanding convention, plus, the North Dakota State Lions Convention is always a great time to learn something new, get inspired, renew old friendships and make new Lion friends, which leads me to my first question: "Have you registered for the State Lions Convention?" If you haven't, I hope you will consider attending. You can find all of the information in this issue of the North Dakota Lion to register. If you have already registered, I want to thank you and congratulate you. You are sure to have a great time while strengthening and supporting your Lions Club and Lionism in North Dakota.

Peace Poster contest

How are your Lions Clubs' Peace Poster Contest(s) coming along? Some of the clubs have asked about having multiple contests and are coming up with some creative ideas. Remember, you need to make sure that your winning entrant is between the ages of 11-13 years old, the poster is regulation size with the official form attached to the back, and it is turned into either IPDG Kevin Vannett or me before or by Monday, Oct. 25, so we can display them at the State Convention in Grand Forks where three winners will be chosen from our District to advance to the MD5 Contest level. If you have any questions please e-mail IPDG Kevin kvannett@bis.midco.net or me dcharlesbev@bis.midco.net.

Attend zone meetings

Have you considered attending a Zone Meeting this year? Club presidents and secretaries attend them as part of their club officer's duties, but all Lions are invited and encouraged to attend zone meetings. Again, it is a good opportunity to have a fun time seeing



Lion Bev Charles District Governor 5NW

6301 Apple Creek Dr.
Bismarck, ND 58504
202-6427
dcharlesbev@bis.midco.net

old friends and meeting new ones, while learning new things. Listed below are the Zone Meetings that have been scheduled to date:

- Zone 1B: Hosted by the Arnegard Lions Club

Where: The Teton Inn at Williston State College

When: Tuesday, September 21, 2010, 7PM

For more information contact 1B Zone Chair Lion Jack Colby (572 – 3212) jackcolbynd@hotmail.com

- Zone 3A: Hosted by the Bowman Lions Club

Where: Hawks Landing 13 1st Avenue NE Bowman ND

When: Monday October 4, 2010, 6:30 PM Mountain Time

For more information contact 3A Zone Chair Lion Roger Walter (523 – 5693) rtwalter@ndsupernet.com

- Zone 3B: Hosted by the Mott Lions Club

Where: Pheasant Café, 206 Brown Avenue, Mott ND

When: Monday, October 18, 2010 6:30 PM Mountain Time

For more information contact 3B Zone Chair PDG Lion Jan Froemming (584 – 3606)

dalejan@westriv.com

- Zone 4B: Hosted by the New Salem Lions Club

Where: Cow Town Café, New Salem ND

When: Tuesday October 12, 2010, 6:30 PM Mountain Time

For more information contact 4B Zone Chair PDG Lion Herman Schafer (221 – 2320) hsgr25+1@riverjodan.com

- Zone 5A: Hosted by the Bismarck North Star Lions

Where: Amvets Club 2402 Railroad Avenue Bismarck ND

When: Thursday September 23, 2010, 6 PM

For more information contact 5A Zone Chair Lion Mike Blazek ((400 – 0526) mbrealty@westriv.com

Congratulations McClusky!

Congratulations to the McClusky Lions Club who celebrated its 80th Anniversary, Sunday Aug. 8th. We spent a very enjoyable afternoon and evening visiting, listening to accordion music, playing bingo, and of course, eating. Everything was creatively planned around the number 8. Also, congratulations to PCC Brian Tinker who was presented with his District Governor Excellence Award by PDG Craig Wollenburg.

Minot visit

Monday, Aug. 9th, 1st VDG Pat Vannett and I visited the Minot Lions Club at noon. Then in the evening we picnicked with the Hooterville Lions Club. I had the honor of presenting PDG Tony Alef with a check from the Lions Foundation of North Dakota for the Hooterville Lions Club grant application to paint their recycling trailers. The next morning we had breakfast with the Minot Magic City Lions. I thought they had to be crazy to meet every Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. until I saw how much fun they have. They have an excellent breakfast at the Sleep Inn at Dakota Square Mall, too. I want to thank Lions Terry Alexander and Josh Ressler for stepping up to co-chair the 2011 Lions State

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Convention which will in Minot Oct. 28-29, 2011.

Attend Leader Dog seminar

Aug. 13-15, my husband Dave and I attended the Leader Dogs for the Blind Summer Visit and Conference. I am a very reluctant air traveler, who was having a difficult time walking because of my broken toe/foot injury – and I am afraid of dogs. But it was a totally AWESOME and INSPIRING experience.

Every one of the staff is so passionate about their work and yet so professional – they are just awe inspiring. I hope our new district will continue the tradition of our two past districts of attaining 100 percent participation in supporting Leader Dogs for the Blind when PDG Jan Froemming, 5NW Leader Dog chair, contacts you. It is truly a very worthwhile cause. To get a better idea of what they are all about go to www.leaderdog.org and if you are ever nearby their facility in Michigan make sure and visit them.

Noonan visit

Lion Dave and I arrived home this morning at about 1 a.m. from our visit with the Noonan Lions Club. We started out about 1 p.m., on a very uncharacteristically rainy Labor Day Monday. The rain never did let up, but it did not dampen our spirits. We have now driven both the Highway 85 route and the Highway 83 route. This is a good example of some of the perks of being District Governor. Both routes are equally impressive in that there is a lot of beautiful country to see. We came away with warm memories of meeting and getting to know some more great Lions who keep up the good work of serving their community and the world, all the while having lots of fun. Of course we had a very delicious meal. I am beginning to think a membership in a weight reduction club is going to be necessary after I finish my club visits!

Lion Diane Johnson conducts a very well run meeting, as the Noonan Lions Clubs' first female president, but she is also an excellent cook. I want to thank all of the Noonan Lions for their warm and generous hospitality and their gift of \$100 to LCIF, which will go towards my Melvin Jones Fellowship Fund. Thank you.

Pin information

If any one is interested in buying Lions State or MD5 pins please contact Lion Dale Froemming; either by phone (584 – 3606) or e-mail dalejan@bis.midco.net Also, I will bring pins with me on my club visits and you can buy them from IPDG Kevin Vannett, as well.

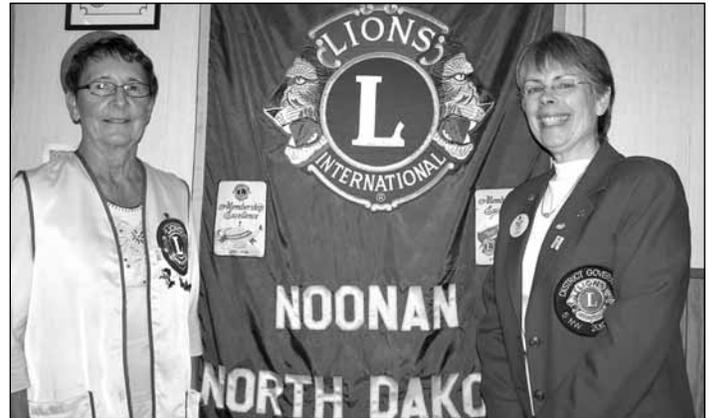
Garlic & Grape

Also, Saturday, Sept. 18, the Minot area Lions Clubs will host their annual Garlic & Grape Festival at the Minot Municipal Auditorium.

There is still time to register for the USA/Canada Forum in Milwaukee Sept. 23-25. If you are interested in attending go to www.usacanadalionsforum.org/ for more information. This is a great opportunity to grow personally and as a Lion. And if you have not already, get signed up for our State Lions Convention in Grand Forks, Oct. 29-30.

Club News

Noonan



Lion Diane Johnson, Noonan Lions Club president, and DG Lion Bev Charles in front of the Noonan Lions Club Banner.



Lion Dwaine Waller, Noonan Lions Club secretary, and DG Bev Charles.



DG Lion Bev Charles and PDG Lion Jay Espeseth, Noonan Lions Club treasurer.



Leader Dog visit

DG Bev Charles, along with her husband, Dave, visited the Leader Dogs for the Blind School in Rochester Mich., Aug. 19-21. While there, Bev, left, experienced what it is like for those who have leader dogs as their companion.

Club News

Northwood



Lions are 'sweet'

Northwood Lion Wally Gylten has a large acreage of sweet corn. He sold it and the profits went to the Northwood Lions Club. You can see Lion Duffy's trunk open to bring home lots of corn to freeze. YES, Lions are generous (Photo by Lion Doris Eastburn)

Come Enjoy the Garlic and Grape Festival



Saturday, September 18, 2010
Minot Municipal Auditorium

420 - 3rd Ave. SW • Minot ND 58701

11 am - 5 pm

General Admission: \$5

Children 12 and under Free

Wine Tasting: \$3

The Souris Valley Garlic & Grape Festival is a one-day event featuring food laced with garlic, wine tasting, crafts, and miscellaneous entertainment, carnival games for children 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.

Organized by Minot Lions, Magic City Lions, Plum Valley Lions, Sawyer Lions, and the Garrison Lions.

For more information, contact Marita B Hoffart,
611 9th Ave NE, Minot ND 58701,
701-838-8686, marita@minot.com

State Lions Convention

Grand Forks
Alerus Center

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.
\$115 per night
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

MD-5 Invitation

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!! HEAR YE!!!

This is your invitation to participate in a very rare opportunity: the chance to elect a Saskatchewan representative to the Board of Directors of Lions International.

A "Special Convention" has been called for all Lions of Multiple District 5 to be held at the conclusion of the Council of Governors Meetings on Saturday, November 13, 2010 in Minot, North Dakota. The purpose of this Convention is to endorse Past Council Chairperson Marvin Chambers from Fillmore, Saskatchewan as a candidate for the position of International Director. (And the really good news is that he is all but guaranteed to be sworn in at the next International Convention, scheduled for Seattle, Washington, July 4-8, 2011.)

Lion Marvin would be only Saskatchewan's second International Director since 1971 and first since PID Garnet Davis finished his term in 1993; it will be a long time – maybe, never – before the Lions of Saskatchewan and MD-5 get such an opportunity. Please consider being part of a momentous occasion: come early for lunch; sit in on a meeting of the Council of Governors from Saskatchewan, North Dakota and South Dakota; enjoy the convention followed by a "Meet & Greet" session with Candidate Marvin and his wife Lion Lynne; stay for supper and mingling; stay in a great hotel at a great price. (Shopping is also permitted!)

Location:

Holiday Inn Riverside
2200 Burdick Expressway, Minot, ND

Schedule:

3:00 - 4:00: Greetings, explanation, certification, nomination & voting (1 vote per 10 members/club as in other MD conventions)
4:00 – 6:00: Meet and greet with Lion Lynn & Marvin Chamber
6:30: Catered supper for Council, partners and all guests

Join us for any of: Lunch at 12:00 - \$7.00, Supper at 6:30 for \$15:00; 40 extra rooms reserved at \$63.00. MEALS & ROOMS MUST BE RESERVED/ CONFIRMED/ORDERED FOR NON- COUNCIL MEMBERS BY 6:00 PM Saturday, November 7, 2010 with MD-5 Secretary Treasurer Mike Brand at 701-205-4729 or at vlion@msn.net. For other details please call Chairperson of Committee to Elect Marvin Cambers as International Director, Lion Gordon Ziegler at 306-669-2023 or at bgziegler@gmail.com.

Club News

Mandan Dakotah



Club donates

The Mandan Dakotah Lions recently donated to Lions Foundation of ND Video Magnifier program. Pictured, from left, are President Arlen Fetch, ND Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Helen Braumgartner, and committee member Kevin Vannett.

Elgin



Pictured, from left, are Lion President Duane Schatz and Kathy Hoff.

Lions donate to youth activities

Elgin Lions Club President Duane Schatz presented a check for \$500 to Kathy Hoff a member of the Grant County Fair Board. The money was used for youth activities in conjunction with the Fair and 4-H Achievement Days Aug. 19-22. Several inflatable slides were rented for the youth and everyone enjoyed the water slide as temperatures soared to over 90 degrees following the exhibit judging and chili cook-off.