

NORTH DAKOTA LION



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N.D. Lions roar with pride

Lions from all over North Dakota will descend on the Fargo-Moorhead area October 26 & 27 for the 2012 ND State Lions Convention. And we're roaring with pride!

That's because our 103 Lions Clubs and more than 20 affiliated youth and college clubs always rise to meet the needs of their communities.

From providing ongoing support for the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota and Leader Dogs for the Blind to helping rebuild homes in Minot after the flood and cleaning up Northwood after the devastating tornado, Lions pitch in enthusiastically wherever and whenever needed with unmatched integrity and energy.

North Dakota Lions meet many needs

- Local Free Vision Screenings
- Disaster Relief
- Peace Poster Contest
- Speech Contest
- All Stars Basketball Tournament
- Diabetes Awareness & Action
- Sight Preservation Awareness and Action
- Great Plains Assistance Dogs (Service Dogs for America) at Jud
- Leader Dogs
- Mission Trips to Foreign Countries

The world's largest service club organization

With 46,000 Lions Clubs and 1.35 million members in 207 countries, Lions is the world's largest service club organization. We're also one of the most effective. Everywhere we work, we make friends. With children who need eyeglasses, with seniors who don't have enough to eat, and with people we may never meet.



Dubbed the Song Guru, Lions Club member Karen Taylor-Good combines music, humor and spunk in her unique presentations. She will appear at West Acres Mall Friday, October 26 and at Noon in the Doublewood on Saturday, Oct. 27. You won't want to miss her!

A Special Invitation

Join us on Saturday, Oct. 27 when Lions gather at Fargo's Doublewood Inn

OUR INTERNATIONAL MISSION STATEMENT

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.

for our State Convention. Hear renowned Nashville singer, songwriter, inspirational speaker, and Lion member Karen Taylor-Good, the "Speak Up For Service" Speech Contest, and dance with the Front Fenders. And much, much more.

The day before, you can witness Lions and other community organizations in action at the Non-Profit Fair at West Acres Mall.

If you know of someone who would like to join a Lions Club in your community, please contact:

- Mel Olson, District Governor of Eastern North Dakota at melolson@cableone.net
- Lewellyn Rustan, District Governor of Western North Dakota at irite@ndsupernet.com

Attention Lions Clubs of 5NE

We need your help, Lions Clubs of SNE. We have set up a very nice program of Contests & Awards for SNE. Each of the clubs have a copy of the program.

The last three parts of the program will be awarded at the State Convention in Fargo Oct. 27 for 2011-2012. They are the SNE Lion of the Year, Visitation Contest and Membership Improvement Contest. We need some more Lions Clubs to give us your entry. If you have any questions please contact Mary Ann

Zwinger at 701-652-1752 or dzwinger@daktel.com. One of the winners for the contests for 2012-2013 will be determined as well. The Peace Poster Contest winner for SNE will be chosen at the State Convention Saturday, Oct. 27. So Lions Clubs of SNE, get your local winner into myself at the convention.

I challenge each of the Lions Clubs of SNE to do one more activity regarding the contests and awards program this year than you did last year.

BY PID BRUCE SCHWARTZ



It has always been my feeling that Lions members and Lions organizations have never placed enough emphasis on the international president's programs. As everyone knows, each new president has a program of goals and objectives that he (or she, it's only a matter of time) introduces in hopes of improving on previous programs or for starting new ones. We usually hear about these presidential initiatives early in the Lions year only to let them fade from our consciousness as the year progresses.

President Wayne Madden has introduced a very worthy presidential program for 2012-2013 that I would like to address from time to time during the year for the purpose of encouraging active participation by all Lions entities.

Dedication+preparation +teamwork= excellence

President Madden's theme is "A World of Service." give direction to this theme, Madden has used his personal Lions operating formula, Dedication+Preparation+Teamwork=Excellence, to help with the implementation of the theme. But what do they mean?

Dedication refers to each individual Lion's dedication to service which is abundant but needs nurturing and growth. Madden feels that we need to expand our service by taking on new challenges, an example of which is his new Reading Action Program (RAP).

Preparation is basically planning along with self-evaluation. Self-evaluation should be done from time to time but on a regular and timely schedule. Madden calls these "pit stops" similar to those done in an automobile race.

Teamwork requires staying in contact with all levels of the association, that is, the international, club and interpersonal levels. Teamwork also requires working in harmony with the Global Membership Team and the Global Leadership Team.

President Madden assures us that working diligently in these three areas will equal Excellence. The President has been a Lion for 27 years and has lived under the dictates of this philosophy the entire time—and look where it got him.

More on this later.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

New digital Lion now available

A new and improved digital LION Magazine with videos and bonus stories is now online.

The July/Aug. digital edition of the LION includes a video profiling new International President Wayne A. Madden of Indiana and a video on his theme.

As before, the entire LION is online, and as in the past the digital LION includes e-mail links, Web site links and links to advertisers.

In Remembrance



Walhalla

Dixon Best

Wilton

Richard Hausauer

Kulm

Dennis Herrmann

Washburn

Sharon Sauer

Alexander

Walter Link

Velva

Arthur Linrud

Capital City

Russ Koetke

Carrington

Larry Nelson

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NEWS BRIEFS

MD5 Convention reminder: Passports required

The Multiple District 5 Annual Convention is in Yorkton, Saskatchewan on June 7-8, 2013.

If there is even the slightest chance that you will attend, if you don't have a current

passport, apply for one soon! It takes some time to process the application, so don't wait too long. Also, remember early registration for the convention, and early hotel reservations, will save you money.

Peace Poster Contest

The deadline to submit entries for the Peace Poster Contest has been extended. Just have your poster entry submitted, or hand deliver it to arrive by the opening of the State & Districts Convention in Fargo

on October 26.

For more information, contact District 5NW Peace Poster Chair Lois Reiersen at 770-1922, or email loisr@co.williams.nd.us.

Elections

Candidates are being sought for the position of Second Vice District Governor. Any qualified Lion should contact a member of the Nominating Committee in District 5NW (Dave Czywczynski, Herman Sahafer, Dan Vondrachek) or DG Mel Olson in District 5NE.

Candidates for District Governor, First Vice District Governor, and Second Vice District Governor must submit a letter of intent to serve, and a letter of endorsement

from the candidate's Lions club.

Candidates are being sought for positions on the Board of Directors for the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota, and also for the Lions Foundation of North Dakota. Directors serve three year terms, and are eligible to serve no more than two consecutive terms. Two Lions from each district are elected each year to each board.

All elected positions take effect on July 1 of the year following the election.

DISTRICT 5 NW WEBSITE

www.e-district.org/sites/5nw/

Lions Clubs in District 5NW that have their own websites are encouraged to create a link to the district site.

Contact District Website and IT Chair Butch Frank at bfrank@ndsupernet.com

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Michael Gackle
(Oct. 15, 2012)



**ELGIN DAKOTA LIONS
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TOURNAMENT**

Fri.-Sat., October 19-20
Seib's Sports Bar • Elgin, ND

Friday's satellite night starts at 6 p.m. MDT • Buy-in is \$25

Main event is Saturday
Registration at 12 noon • Tournament starts at 1 p.m. MDT
Buy-in \$80 • \$20 Re-buy

5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

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As I begin my travels around District 5NE, I am encouraged by the level of commitment that the Lions in the different clubs have for serving the needs of the people in their various communities, as well as, the needs of the people around the world.

The discussion around the tables as Lions conduct their meetings may range from planting trees, to cleaning ditches, to providing vision screening for children in the schools but is always focused on how we can improve our communities and better serve the people in the communities.

One of the really interesting things is listening to the clubs as they describe their various ways they raise the money to carry out the community service projects. I have only begun my visitation schedule for the year but, I have already found a wide-array of fund raising projects that exist in our district.

Some of the fund raising projects I have encountered to this point include: taking family holiday pictures, selling flowers on special days, serving a meal featuring buffalo during Buffalo Days, selling mini donuts, operating a steak fondue, conducting raffles and many, many more.

Fundraising survey

One of the helpful and interesting things I want to accomplish during my term as District Governor is to put together a list of the various fund raising projects and community service project conducted by the clubs in the district.

I believe the lists of fund raising projects and community service projects would not only be interesting but could serve as a great resource for all of the clubs in District 5NE and beyond. As I travel throughout the district the next few months, I will inquire about the various community serve projects and fund raising projects and begin to build a list to share with clubs leaders.

Perhaps a more effective and efficient means of gathering the information would be to send out a survey asking club officers to submit a list of what activities their club

sponsors and how they raise the funds necessary to carry out the project.

District 5NE Lions methods of communication

Communication is important in the successful operation of any organization and that communication in today's world can be accomplished efficiently and effectively through the use of email and many other forms of social media. A high percentage of the district's club presidents and club secretaries have an active email address and that is the form of communication that I have chosen to use when communicating with the clubs.

If there is a club in which the president does not have an email address chances are good that the secretary does and in those cases I will send the email to the secretary.

Just a short time ago, most information was sent by mail at a much greater cost in time and money. As International President, Wayne Madden points out: Lions Clubs must become agents of change if we are to survive in this world of instant communication. He further alleges that no club can be successful today without using instant communication. I recognize, however, that not everyone has access to online information and I would be happy to send that club's information via the mail. If you are one of those clubs, just let me know if that works best for you.

Secretaries are encouraged to submit reports in a timely manner

Although most clubs submit their reports in a timely manner, there are some that have not submitted a report in a number of months. The process for submitting the reports via the computer is not cumbersome and takes very little time. It is a major improvement over the days when secretaries needed to file paper reports to Lions International.

Reports are to be submitted by the last day of each month. If you are experiencing problems, feel free to contact me and I will send you a copy of the simplified directions

or refer you to a secretary in your area that will assist you. You can also access help by going to www.lionsclubs.org, and type web monthly membership reporting in the search box in the upper right hand corner which will then refer you to the complete reference guide.

Zone chair training successfully provided over live meeting

Region and Zone chairs from 5NE recently participated in a training session that was conducted using Microsoft Live Meeting. Participants were able to access the training session from the comfort of their own home and were presented with a Power Point presentation that was developed by Lions International then modified and presented by District Governor Mel Olson. The presentation was enhanced by lively conversation among the participants and tips provided by experienced Zone Chair, Donna Ruff from Zone 4-A.

Participants voiced their approval of accessing training via the LIVE MEETING format. Even though there were some participants whose computers did not have microphones and cameras they were still able to view the presentation and witness the lively discussion. They also had an opportunity to make comments and ask questions using the "question & answer" feature provided on the software.

Using technology to access training and to conduct meetings involves a learning process and there was time and effort involved in preparing participants to be able to "Join the Meeting" initially.

Foundation Video Magnifier Program report

Lion Tracy Wicken
Chairman, N.D. Lions Foundation
Video Magnifier Program

As of Oct. 1, 2012, there have been 25 Lions Clubs that have donated to the VMP.

The program has received 86 applications, and 54 machines have been placed in various homes and locations in the state. Some of the applicants withdrew their application and there are currently five applicants on the waiting list to receive a video magnifier.

Donations to the program totaled \$59,648 and the video magnifier income totaled \$32,839.36. The total project income is \$92,487.36. Project expenses totaled \$89,243.44.

Expenses include purchase of video magnifiers (\$88,069), tax, brochures, labels, PO box rental and bookkeeping supplies.

We are running steady with this program and it has benefited many citizens of North Dakota. We thank all who have worked to make this project the success that it has been so far.

All clubs are encouraged to help support this program in any way possible. It is with your support that persons living in North



The Fargo Lions recently donated their third Video Magnifier from the Video Magnifier Program. Recipient Evie Weninger, right, at the magnifier, is just ecstatic. And in her words, "it opens up a whole new life."

Dakota who have a visual impairment can use this equipment to read their mail and prescription bottles, view photographs and do correspondence, to name just a few

things.

Thanks for your support and thanks for your consideration in supporting this project.

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Instructors and participants both learned from the process and now feel well prepared to access the technology for future sessions. Participants involved ranged from Bowdon, Carrington on the northwest; to Grand Forks on the northeast; to Fargo on the southeast; to Napoleon/Lehr on the southwest.

The use of the technology verses traveling (even if the training had been centralized) saved in excess of 1,000 miles and more than 15 hours of driving time. At the low price of \$.41/mile \$410.00 were saved in mileage alone and participants did not need to leave work early or get home late. At that rate, it will not take long to pay for the technology. Perhaps, together, we can find other ways to use instant technology so more of our valuable time and assets can be focused on serving others.



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Transport list for September

All are one-time transporters

Bill Steckler, Grand Forks
Ron Harris, Valley City
Jason Schneider, Harvey
Bob Tupa, Grand Forks
Roger Hagen, Bismarck
Florian Roehrich, Bowman
Jan Merry, Garrison

Mike Ward, Minot
Dennis Risinger, Minot
Mitchell Koch, Minot.
Tim Faller, Bismarck
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'Amazing things can happen when you listen'

Good communication is 50 percent listening. Unfortunately, all too often, people are just taking turns talking, and instead of listening, they are just thinking about what they're going to say next. That's not good communication.

All too often, people hear what they want to hear, instead of what is actually being said. That's not good communication, either.

If you really care and want to know what the other person is thinking and feeling, ask questions, and then shut up and listen. Really listen.

The leadership teams in District 5NW are committed to make the Club Excellence Process available to all the clubs in the district over a three-year period. We are in the process of setting up schedules, and are urging clubs to participate.

The first segment of the CEP is a

survey of your community: What does the community need, want, and look to your Lions Club to do in your community.

This is the reason I've chosen the topic of listening for this month's column. The community survey will be effective only if your club really listens to the responses.

The CEP is the most effective tool I've seen, to increase membership, revitalize your Lions Club, and provide meaningful service to your community. But the process is easily sabotaged if we don't listen to what the community is telling us.

There is no room for "Oh, that won't work," or "We can't do that!" or "That's not important," or "That's a dumb idea," or ... you get the idea.

Listen carefully. There will be good suggestions among the responses, and ideas that can bring new life to your club and your community.

It's a lot like the way we can accept new members into our clubs. They are the

ingredients that can get us out of old ruts, and give us fresh ideas that we need to stay enthused and motivated. Listen to them.

Studies have revealed that the persons most admired and respected, are the persons that can be described as the best listeners. Why wouldn't we all want to be one of them? Yes, it might take a bit of a change in our thinking, and a bit of work, but it certainly is worth the effort.

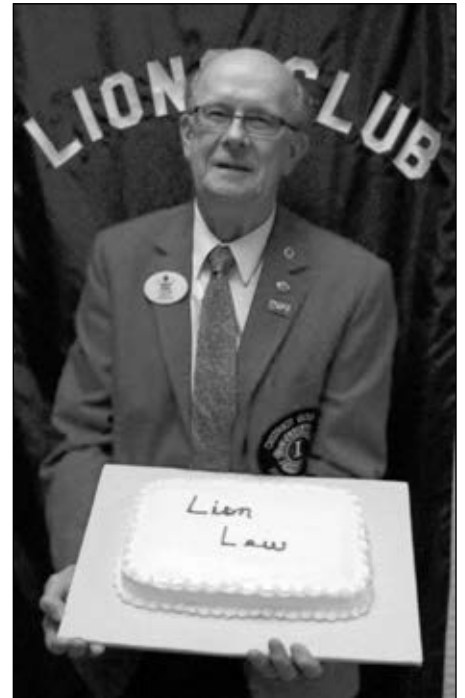
While you're taking time to smell the roses, how about taking a few moments to listen to the people. You might be surprised by what you hear.

"Amazing things can happen when it doesn't matter who gets the credit."



District Governor Lewellyn Rustan had the honor of inducting 29 students into the Williston Trinity Christian School Leo Club in Oct. The induction ceremony was held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the Williston Lions Club. Advisor of the Leo Club Ed Crawford is a member of the Williston Lions Club, and the administrator of the Trinity Christian School.

Photo at right, Arnegard Lions President Gary Bruins and Secretary David Swenson show off the club's winning entry in the Peace Poster Contest. The Arnegard Lions Club sponsors the contest in the Watford City School.



Ray Lion Walter Johnson's wife Karen, a typical "not a Lion but a strong supporter," 'knew the governor was coming so she baked a cake!

2012 Lions Convention for District 5NE and 5NW

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2012 DISTRICT CONVENTIONS TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION OCTOBER 26 & 27, 2012 IN FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA. THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS.

The Official 2012 Convention Rules • Your Club's Credentials Form

ND STATE LIONS/ND DISTRICTS CONVENTION RULES 2012

The official convention program shall be the order of business.

Roberts Rules of Order shall govern all parliamentary procedures. Host District Governor shall appoint a convention parliamentarian and a convention secretary.

Presiding Officer – The host District Governor (SNE, DG Mel Olson) shall be the designated officer to preside at the state meeting.

Quorum – A majority of the registered certified delegates in attendance at a convention session shall constitute a quorum.

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.

The use of profane language at any business session, social function, or

banquet is prohibited.

Credentials to vote at the District/ ND State Convention shall be mailed to the respective District Cabinet Secretary for SNE (Lion Brian Shawn, 3122 17th Street South, Fargo, ND 58203) and 5NW (Lion Bernie Gorek, 907 2nd Avenue East, New England, ND 58647) or delivered upon arrival at the convention by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 28, 2012 at the convention registration desk at the Doublewood Inn in Fargo, ND.

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.

Solicitation or sale of club project items, with the exception of the host district is prohibited.

The Doublewood Inn is a smoke free facility.

Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from Lion Karna Nelson, PO Box 21 Fargo, ND 58107 until November 30, 2012. After this date, requests should be made to PID Bruce Schwartz, 1237 South Highland Acres Road, Bismarck, ND 58501. No refunds can be requested 60 days after the conclusion of the convention.

VOTING AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTIONS HELD DURING 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 he/she 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 SNE (Lion Brian Shawn 3122 17th Street South, Fargo, ND 58203) or District Cabinet Secretary for 5NW (Lion Bernie Gorek, 907 2nd Avenue East, New England, ND 58647) or deliver upon arrival at the convention to the Lions Registration Desk, on 9:00 a.m. October 28 at the registration desk at the Doublewood Inn in Fargo, ND.

This form is to be filled out and
SIGNED BY OUR CLUB SECRETARY

PRIOR to coming to the Convention or by
your District Governor at the convention.

CREDENTIALS INFORMATION:

*Names of Voting Delegates attending the 2012
District Convention and their Years in Lions*

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

Signature _____
Club Secretary or District Governor

IMPORTANT: Mail this form to your district Cabinet Secretary listed above or hand it in at the Convention Registration Desk as directed above

Elgin

Elgin Lions donate funds

The Elgin Lions Club recently donated \$20,000 toward the remodeling project at the Elgin Community Center.

President Brandon Vaughan presented the check to Mayor Duane Schatz during the regular city council meeting on Thursday, Oct. 4.

The total remodeling project completed by Lion Jim Zimmerman and Associates included new sidewalks on the south side, new sinks in the kitchen, new doors, wall carpeting, new food counter tops, mud jacking on north floor, painting and new room for chairs and tables and much more.

The total cost of the project was \$68,000. Lion Past President Jeff Hillius, Lion Art Rath, Lion Theo Stoller were in charge of the project, along with many volunteers from the community.

The Elgin Sales Tax Committee also assisted in the funding. It was the first major remodeling project since the Community Center was built.



Lion President Brandon Vaughan and Mayor Duane Schatz.

New Rockford/Carrington



Pictured accepting the Volunteer Organization of the Year Award are, front, from left, Dennis and Mary Gehrtz, Ken Hansen, Ellen Nowatzki and State Forester Larry Kotchman. Back, NDSU President Dean Bresciani, Rick Swenson, Bruce Hirtchet, David Nowatzki and Brian Duchscherer.

Volunteer organizers are honored

The New Rockford Lions Club and Carrington Lions Club received "Volunteer Organization of the Year" award from the North Dakota Forest Service during the NDSU Trees Bowl

Game Sept 1. The two clubs, with the assistance of their local tree boards, helped plant and/or purchase a total of 100 trees for their two communities.

The representatives from each club

were treated to a dinner and seats to the NDSU football game. At half time, the club members were presented plaques by NDSU President Dean Bresciani and State Forester Larry Kotchman.

Jamestown



Jamestown officers

The 2012/2013 officers include, from left, President Shelley Nannenga, Secretary Tom Sanders, 2nd V.P. Kathy Boe, 1st V.P. Kristi Anderson, Treasurer Mizti Hager and 3rd V.P. Dwain Heinrich.



25 years of service

Dwain Enzminger, Gary Speidel and President Shelley Nannenga, presenter. Not pictured is Roger Iszler.



50 years of service

Dick Hall and President Shelley Nannenga, presenter. Not pictured is Sam Kaufman.



35 years of service

Fran Romsdal, Tony Karskey and President Shelley Nannenga, presenter. Not pictured is Ron Fuchs, John Lokemoen and Glen Nagel.



Jamestown Lion Club members and family gather for a photo.

Bismarck



Jenkinson visits

On Oct. 8, the Bismarck Lions Club had a special treat when noted historian, author and humanities scholar Clay Jenkinson presented the program. He spoke on several subjects centered around President Theodore Roosevelt's impact on North Dakota and the impact North Dakota, especially the Badlands, had on Roosevelt. Members were encouraged to bring guests which resulted in about 50 people present for the event. Club president Cary Backstrand and his wife Connie are at left. Program chair for the month of October is Frank Koch who was responsible for securing Jenkinson for the program.

NDSU-Fargo Campus



Current campus club members and their guests from the Fargo Lions Club pose for a group photo following the induction.

October is Membership Month for NDSU-Fargo Campus Lions Club

The NDSU-Fargo Lions Club recently inducted 15 new members at its first October meeting on the North Dakota State University campus and plans to induct an additional eight by the end of the month.

“We are really excited about these new members joining our club and helping us to serve. Our goal is to be one of the largest clubs in our district and the more members we recruit, the more we can do to help those in need,” reported campus Lion President Jade Monroe.

The following NDSU students were inducted at the meeting: Kristie Abel, David Breitbach, Matt Dahlke, Geyna Egawa, Jenna Galegher, Sarah Hayes, BreAnna Misialek, Elliott Olerud, Chad Olson, Cory Overland, Jacklyn Prolux, Nik Snyder, Taylor Swanson, Krister Weiss, and Nate Wilk. The induction that was conducted by Past Fargo Lions Club President Jane Pettinger.

Current Fargo Lions Club President Mark Western and eight other members of the Fargo Lions Club, the sponsoring club, attended the induction as part of a club visitation. The campus club was chartered in 2010. Campus club members will be co-hosting the ice breaker activity at the State Convention later this month.



Fargo Lions Club President Mark Western, left, congratulates NDSU-Fargo Campus Club President Jade Monroe on a great October membership recruitment project.

Visit **www.e-district.org.sites.5nw**
to see what's happening in your district 5NW

Carrington



Pictured are all of the student athletes and Carrington Lions Club members who took part in the club's sponsored PPK contest.

Carrington Club hosts PPK competition

The Carrington Lions Club sponsored a local Punt, Pass and Kick (PPK) contest Sunday, Sept. 16.

A total of 48 student athletes took part in the competition. The contest is for youth ages 6-15. The Carrington Lions Club has taken part in this project for the past nine years.

Each of the contestants gets one punt, pass and kick. The total net distances determine the winners. There are separate contests for the girls and boys, and there are five age groups (6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15). The local winners advance to a sectional contest,

and then have a chance to advance to Minneapolis for the team competition. From the team competition, a student athlete may advance to the national championship.

This is a great service project for the youth of your communities. If you need more information on how your Lions Club may be part of this activity, contact state coordinator Lion Duane Zwinger (701-652-1752).

PPK contests are over the United States and have been going on for more than 50 years.



New members

Pictured are the newest members of the Carrington Lions Club. Members include, from left, Mick Moberg who sponsored Randy Hooy and Duane Zwinger, right, who sponsored Greg Grenz.

ATTENTION LIONS Asks that vest be returned

A Lions vest was sold at the silent auction last year that not only had a lot of pins attached, but also contained a number of sewn on patches from Lions International Conventions that he attended.

For sentimental reasons, the previous owner of the vest would like to get the vest back. Anyone currently possessing the vest or having information about who has the vest is asked to contact Mel Olson (701-730-0152).

Garrison



Is it level?

Garrison Lions Club member Mike Maki, center, and Austin Schmidt, left, use a scrutinizing eye to check out whether one of the baskets for the Garrison Lions Disc Golf Course at Wilderness Park is level. All baskets are in place, and Tuesday night, club members and volunteers installed the tee box markers. The only thing left is to install the tee boxes. Club members said they hope to complete that task yet this fall. Though it's not fully functional, the course has already had a number of players use the facility, Lions Club members said.

North Dakota Lions History

In an effort to catalogue our ND. Lions history the following information is needed.

- Who sponsored your club?
- Which clubs did your club sponsor?

Please mention clubs that are still active as well as clubs that have folded.

Please email your response to:

PDG Lion Ron Munro at ronsue@sasktel.net

With an aging and dwindling number of clubs, if we do not acquire this information now it may well be lost to us. Many thanks for any help you can give me on this project. I have also done S.D. and Sask. as well. I hope to get it on the MD website some day when it is complete.

Lion Ron



Help rebuild the Burlington Sports Complex

Burlington, ND



Burlington Sports Complex before, during and after 2011 flood.

Used by more than 700 youth each week in the summer to play baseball and countless children and families enjoying the playground and park facilities. The complex was devastated by the 2011 flood.

The Lions of North Dakota want the residents of Burlington to concentrate on rebuilding their homes. The Lions will work on fundraising and rehabilitation of the sports complex.

Bricks for Burlington

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Karen Taylor-Good (Biography)

The Speaker: Karen has inspired, motivated, encouraged and entertained thousands. She is in demand with women's organizations (including **American Business Women's Association & Federally Employed Women**) because of her entrepreneurial spirit; with health care organizations (including **The National Hospice Foundation & Baptist Hospital**) because of her nurturing heart; and with business organizations (including **U.S. Bank & Spirit in Business**) because of her unique presentations, which blend music, humor, pathos and chutzpah!

The Entrepreneur: Karen has overcome many music industry obstacles by forming her own record label (with seven nationally released CDs), and her own music publishing and merchandising companies. Karen's CDs, book, and personally-designed 'Touchstone Bracelet' were featured on the **Home Shopping Network** on several occasions.

The Author: Karen has recently penned her first book entitled ***On Angel's Wings***, which includes a companion CD. A collection of vignettes and songs about real-life situations, it resonates deeply with mature audiences. The book (in its fourth printing) contains poignant, moving and uplifting stories dealing with aging parents, teenagers, child abuse, spirituality, and even a tongue-in-cheek look at a trip to the gynecologist!

The Songwriter: Karen is Grammy-nominated. She has had numerous international radio hits, with songs recorded by such artists as **Collin Raye, Melissa Manchester, Al Jarreau, Patty Loveless & Laura Branigan**. She has garnered several 'Songwriter of the Year' awards. Karen writes powerful songs about issues that most writers would not even attempt to address.

The Vocal Artist: Karen has been heard on national radio and television jingles for **United Airlines, Taco Bell, Peter Pan Peanut Butter, McDonalds** and many other products. She has recorded with such notable performers as **Dolly Parton, Al Green, Willie Nelson, Kenny Rogers & George Jones**. As a solo artist, she has had nine nationally-charted singles.

The Philanthropist: Karen donated her time and talent to 'The Planet Earth Project.' The song (which she recorded in seven different languages) was set to footage furnished by **NASA**, and won an **International Video Award**. Karen has donated her music to various Hospice video productions, one of which recently won a **Telly Award**, and an **International Film and Video Festival Award**. Her songs have been adopted by non-profit organizations, (including **The Compassionate Friends, ChildHelp USA, The National Hospice Foundation** and **Habitat for Humanity**). Karen's songs are used by ministers, therapists and counselors in their healing work. She regularly donates a percentage of her sales to non-profit and charitable organizations.

Karen's objective is clear: To make a difference in the world as the **Song Guru™** - - a woman of wisdom and compassion who uses the power of music to open hearts and minds and to remind us that we are all together in this strange and wondrous journey of life.

NOTICE

Let us hear from you!

Please send us your comments, letters to the editor, what's new, etc.

Send us your pictures!

Everyone likes to see friends and club members pictured doing important Lions work.

Send us your photos for publication. Send by e-mail or postal mail (if you would like the photo back, please put your name and address on the back of the photo and include a self-addressed stamped envelope). PLEASE if you send by e-mail send photos as jpgs. **and name them**, any copy as rtf. - with no formatting. Any questions call 463-2201!

Thank You!

NOTICE

2012 ND State Lions Convention Schedule of Events

Local Heroes Making A Global Impact. Join Us.

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Friday, October 26, 2012

8 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Registration open at Doublewood Woodland Commons
8 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Non-Profit Fair at West Acres featuring 50 non-profit organizations, judging of the Fargo Lions Peace Poster Contest, and performance by Karen Taylor Good
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.	ND Lions District 5NE and 5NW Cabinet Meetings at Doublewood Birch Room
12 to 1:30 p.m.	Transportation to West Acres to attend Non-Profit Fair and lunch on your own.
1:30 to 2:30 p.m.	ND Lions Eye Bank Board Meeting at Doublewood Birch Room
2:30 to 3:30 p.m.	ND Lions Foundation Board Meeting at Doublewood Birch Room
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.	ND Lions PDG Association Meeting at Doublewood Birch Room
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.	State Lions Choir practice
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.	Dinner on your own
6:30 to 7 p.m.	Lions Memorial Service at Doublewood Walnut Room
7 to 10 p.m.	Icebreaker Social at Doublewood Woodland Room featuring appetizers from Lions International Convention host countries, cash bar and games!

Saturday, October 27, 2012

7 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Registration open at Doublewood Woodland Commons
7 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Refreshments and College Football at the Doublewood Suite 176
7 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Vendor displays at Doublewood Corridor
7:30 to 9 a.m.	Opening Ceremony and Breakfast at Doublewood Woodland Room
9 to 10:30 a.m.	Lions Business: ND District 5NW Meeting at Doublewood Walnut Room
10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Lions Business: ND District 5NE Meeting at Doublewood Walnut Room
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Service Project: Recycling of used eyeglasses at Doublewood Chestnut Room
9 to 10 a.m.	Inspirational Program: Dr. Cathy King of World Vets, <i>"World Vets: International Aid for Animals,"</i> at Doublewood Birch Room
10 to 11 a.m.	Inspirational Program: Cher Hersrud of FM Area Foundation, <i>"Working with New Board Members,"</i> at Doublewood Birch Room
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Inspirational Program: Joyce Newton of HERO, Healthcare Equipment Organization Recycling Organization, <i>"Be a Hero: Save a Life. Save the Earth,"</i> at Doublewood Birch Room
12 to 1:30 p.m.	Noon Luncheon at Doublewood Woodland featuring ND Lions Hall of Fame presentation and performance by Karen Taylor Good
2 to 3 p.m.	Lions Business: ND Lions Eye Bank State Meeting at Doublewood Walnut Room
3 to 4 p.m.	Lions Business: ND Lions Foundation State Meeting at Doublewood Walnut Room
4 to 5:30 p.m.	Lions Business: ND Lions State Meeting at Doublewood Walnut & Birch Rooms featuring Melvin Jones Fellows, State Awards and Parade of Green
2 to 4 p.m.	Service Project: Recycling of used eyeglasses at Doublewood Chestnut Room
2 to 3 p.m.	Inspirational Program: ND Lions High School Student Speech Contest, <i>"Speak up for Service!"</i> at Doublewood Birch Room
3 to 4 p.m.	Inspirational Program: NDSU Leadership Program Students, <i>"Global Perspectives on Civic Engagement,"</i> at Doublewood Birch Room
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.	Happy Hour at Doublewood Woodland Room featuring cash bar
6:30 to 8 p.m.	Banquet Dinner at Doublewood Woodland Room featuring performance by the State Lions Choir and a presentation by International Director Carolyn A. Messier of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, USA
8 p.m. to Close	Dance at Doublewood Woodland Room featuring <i>"The Front Fenders!"</i>

Come early for pre-convention excitement

Come early and enjoy Non-profits Day at the West Acres Mall on Friday, Oct. 26. The day will feature exciting booths and displays including a display featuring LIONS of North Dakota and a Peace Poster display.

One of the premier features of the day at the mall will be a 12 noon presentation by author, speaker and Grammy-nominated

singer/songwriter Karen Taylor-Good.

District SNE and District 5NW cabinet meetings are scheduled from 10 a.m. until noon.

The Lion's Eye Bank Board of Directors meet at 1:30 p.m., the Lions Foundation Board of Directors meet at 2:30 p.m. and the Past District Governors Board of Directors meet at 3:30 p.m.

The first official event for the general membership begins with the Memorial Service at 5:30 p.m., Friday, where we honor the devoted Lions who have passed on during the last year.

That event will be followed by a reception with appetizers and a cash bar beginning at 6 p.m. with the Ice Breaker to follow at 6:30 p.m.

Lions Chorus to perform

"La-la-la-la ... " Warm up your singing voices! The Lions Chorus will be performing at the ND State Lions Convention later this month and Lions from across the state are invited to participate.

The format will be similar to previous years, with a rehearsal scheduled on Friday afternoon between 4:30-5:30 p.m., and a warm up rehearsal on Saturday prior to the banquet. Three songs will be performed with a focus on familiar patriotic and inspirational music.

For more information, call PCC Robert Littlefield (218-790-4346) or email R.Littlefield@ndsu.edu.

Memorial Service Scheduled

A memorial service to remember those Lions who died during the past year is scheduled for Friday evening, October 26, at 6:30 p.m. at the Best Western Doublewood Inn. District Governors and their teams will join the service being coordinated by PDG John Dobbs of the Fargo Lions Club.

Lions clothing or business casual suggested

ND Lions attending the convention this year are encouraged to wear Lions clothing (e.g., vests, shirts) or business casual to all events, including the Saturday night banquet event.

Lions Dates to Remember

November 14 - World Diabetes Day
December 2-8 - Lions Eye Bank Week
December 5 - International Leo Day
January 13-19 - LCIF Week

PDG S. Johnson 5NE PR/IR Chairperson

"Break The Ice" on Friday

Get your travel documents together and prepare for a trip around the world at the Friday night icebreaker at the 2012 ND State Lions Convention in Fargo. The Fargo Lions and NDSU-Fargo Campus Lions have planned a night of international fun that you won't want to miss! Doors open at 7 p.m. at the Best Western Doublewood Inn located on I-29 and 13th Avenue South in Fargo.

The icebreakers will feature ND Lions traveling to the four corners of the world—Korea, Germany, Canada, Hawaii, and Japan to experience a little of the local culture, participate in activities and games, and sample the cuisine. Passports will be issued and stamped by friendly customs agents as Lions pass between the countries. Prizes will be awarded to those who complete the journey.

Participants will be invited to try new skills in each country while they nibble on food and enjoy assorted beverages from the countries that will be featured at a cash bar. Dress is casual. So, pack your bags for Fargo and a trip around the world you won't forget!

The Front Fenders to perform

Put together one hot band ... get a couple of crazy guys in front ... and let the fun begin! That is "The Front Fenders."

Always ready for a good party "The Front Fenders" deliver a high energy rock n' roll night of fun. The Fenders play some

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2012 ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION—FARGO

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