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Williston Lions share the Spirit of giving

By Jerry Burnes
Williston Herald

Here was a late December morning, the cold biting through layers of outerwear as the temperature struggled to crack a double digit reading. The sun was showing through the clouds for the first time in days but the frigid air wasn't about to let it melt a morsel of snow. Three days before Christmas, and like the weather the Williston Lions were in a seasonable mood that morning.

Nearing the 11 a.m. hour, Ruthie Wagner pulled up in her white Buick, offered a timetable of when things were to kick off. Minutes later about a half dozen more cars pulled into the parking lot at OK Distributing Co., and Wagner jiggled open a lock on a trailer in the lot.

Despite the cold, the Lions had a lot of Christmas spirit flowing through their consciousness. As Wagner pushed boxes out of the trailer, the volunteers hoisted them up and into their own cars.

The boxes weren't presents, per se, but rather wreaths, which the Lions prepared to place on the headstones of veterans in Riverview and Hillside cemeteries.



Lions member Mark McGinleu places wreaths on the headstones of veterans at Riverview Cemetery in Williston.

"This was the 52nd annual wreath sale," Wagner said. "We've been doing this since 1961. We changed some things this year and had quite a few left over, more so than other years."

From the meeting point, a few curves and turns down in the still-snow-packed

roads is Riverview Cemetery.

Located at the front of the cemetery are war memorials and two square lots of graves for soldiers buried there, most marked by a white cross. A few Jewish soldiers, marked by the Star of David, are scattered among the headstones.



Evan Kaiser lays a wreath on a cross in the second lot, near Riverside's war memorials.

BY PID BRUCE SCHWARTZ



You will all remember that last month I talked about hearing impairment, hearing aids, remedies for hearing loss and the importance of hearing capabilities in world society. In this column I would like to address our primary subject as Lions volunteers and talk about a vision program that we don't hear much about. It's called "Sharing our Vision."

In October, Lions worldwide took part in 983 Sharing our Vision projects providing more than 700,000 people with vision services and, in the process, collected 22,000 used eyeglasses for recycling. In all, there were 79,801 volunteer hours racked up in the process.

In addition, there were 50 people who were referred to eye doctors for additional services, 15 of which had never had an eye exam before.

Speaking of recycling, here's some great news. The Canadian Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centre (CLERC) together with the Calgary Correctional Centre (CCC) recently celebrated the processing of their SEVEN MILLIONTH pair of used eyeglasses!

And in Australia (on Australia Day) Australian Lions were awarded a certificate by the national government in recognition of their delivery of supportive and worthwhile community service, a project that provided skill based work and other resources to developing countries in their part of the world.

And what about this. The Lions of Manitoba and Northwest Ontario organized their human green ribbon

(symbol of organ and tissue donation) on the steps of the Manitoba provincial capitol in Winnipeg. Canada's minister of health was there as was Elly Prendergast, executive director of the eye bank, to recognize the importance of donor awareness and the participation of recipients.

Sharing our Vision, along with several similar initiatives such as "Journey for Sight", are enthusiastically dedicating their efforts to the sight-saving programs at the Lions Eye Bank of Manitoba and Northwest Ontario. And, all of the works were done by corneal recipients.

Lions is alive and well.

5NE environmental photo contest

Lions members of 5NE are reminded to get you entry into chairperson, Ken Hansen, for the Environmental Photo Contest. The deadline for the entry is Jan. 15.

The categories for the contest are as follows: 1) Animal Life, 2) Landscape (urban or natural), 3) Plant Life, 4) Weather Phenomenon and 5) Beauty of the rural environment.

Each Lions Club should submit one winning photo from their club from all of the categories. All of the local Lions Club winners will then go to the 5NE District contest.

District Chair, Lion Ken, will have a committee to select the district winner. (ONE WINNER FROM THE DISTRICT.) This winning entry will advance to the MDS contest. The winner from the MDS contest advances to the International Convention competition.

If you have questions regarding the contest get in contact with Lion Ken using his email address: hansenk@daktel.com.

His address is as follows: Lion Ken Hansen, 281 10th Avenue North, Carrington, ND 58421.



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NDAB seeks nominations

The North Dakota Association of the Blind, Inc., once again is seeking nominations for the Robert John LePage Service Award. Last year's recipient of the award, Helen Baumgartner of the Mandan Dacotah Lions Club, received her award at the luncheon during NDAB's state convention, which was held in Bismarck in June of last year.

The Robert John LePage Service Award was established in 2008 in honor of the more than 24 years of service that Bob had contributed to people with sight loss. In memory of Bob's service, NDAB is asking that the various Lions Clubs of North Dakota consider submitting the name of one of their members who exemplifies Bob's spirit of selfless, but generally unrecognized, assistance to people who are blind or who have low vision.

The person who will be chosen for this award is not necessarily the one who has held the most offices or who has been recognized in other ways, but the one who has been working quietly behind the scenes in providing humble, yet very important, service to people who are blind or who have low vision.

Please feel free to resubmit the name of someone who has not been selected in the past, as it has always been difficult to make a selection from so many worthy nominees.

All applications will be reviewed by a committee of NDAB members, and one individual will be chosen to receive the Award. Please submit your nominee's application by March 15, 2012, and include the following information: the individual's name, club name, contact information for both yourself and the nominee, a letter outlining the types of service provided to individuals with sight loss within the community, the number of years as a Lions member, any offices held, committees chaired, and a brief letter from the club president.

Please send the requested information to the committee chairperson, Candy Lien at cmlie@hotmail.com. The recipient will be announced at a later date and honored at the NDAB's annual convention which will be held in Grand Forks in May 2013.

To learn more about the North Dakota Association of the Blind, visit the web site at www.ndab.org.

Hannah Heinze wins MD5 competition in Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Hannah Heinze, a 8th grade student at Mandan Middle School, Mandan, North Dakota, took a big step towards becoming an internationally recognized artist when she won a local competition sponsored by the Mandan Dacotah Lions Club, Mandan, North Dakota.

Hannah's poster has advanced through the Mandan Dacotah Club, District 5 NW and MD5 levels of competition and is now advancing to the international level, which is the final level in the contest.

Hannah's poster is one of more than 350,000 entries submitted worldwide in the annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Lions Clubs International is sponsoring the program to emphasize the importance of world peace to young people everywhere.

"It takes teamwork to make peace happen," the thirteen year-old from Mandan said. The poster was selected for its originality, the choice of colors, the attention to detail and the story the poster tells of the theme "Imagine Peace" by a panel of judges made up of local artists.

Congratulations and good luck to Hannah.



REMEMBER:

ND Lion DEADLINE
is the 7th of the month!

No Exceptions!

5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

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A new year - a time to rededicate ourselves to serve

As we begin the new year it is a time to, once again, think about making New Year's Resolutions and rededicating ourselves to the things Lions of District 5NE want to accomplish during the coming year. As Lions, it is natural that we think about what Lions stand for and how we can rededicate ourselves to the mission and vision of Lions Clubs throughout the world.

Now is a good time to rededicate ourselves to the Lions Mission: To empower more volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs. It is important to remember: "Whenever a Lions Club gets together, problems get smaller and communities get better. That's because we help where help is needed – in our own communities – and around the world."

Our 46,000 clubs and 1.35 million members make us the world's largest service club organization and one of the most effective. Our members have a reputation of doing whatever is needed to help local communities. I am calling on all fellow Lions throughout the District to rededicate ourselves to the Lions mission by providing service where service is needed and by encouraging more individuals to join our local Lions clubs.

A new year - a time to rededicate ourselves to the districts goals for the year

The Governor's Cabinet's goals for the clubs of the District for this year are generally centered around the need to provide an opportunity for more individuals to become Lions and to provide them with an opportunity to experience the feeling of pride and gratification that goes with being a Lion. As the Mission indicates: One of Lions most important goals is "to empower more volunteers to serve."

District 5NE Goals Restated:

- Add three new clubs in District 5NE.
- Increase the Net Membership by 110 members.
- Reduce by 50% the number of members who drop out during the year.
- Increase the number club and district leaders receiving leadership training to 75%.
- Increase to 60% the number of clubs represented at the state convention.

Three New Clubs

Areas that have been identified as possible new sites for clubs include northeastern North Dakota, metropolitan areas and college campuses. Spreading "Lionism" is the responsibility of all of us and anyone willing to serve on an extension team or serving as a "guiding lion" is encouraged to get in touch with Global Membership Team Leader, Duane Zwinger, Campus Club Chair, Robert Littlefield or District Governor, Mel Olson.

110 new members -net

All clubs in the district are challenged to add 2-3 more new members than the number who drop membership. "For most clubs, that should not be a significant challenge."

50% reduction in the number of members who drop out

Membership retention in Lions Clubs can be greatly enhanced through increased member involvement and recognition. Clubs that "focus on service" and provide opportunities for all members to be involved in the service projects traditionally do not experience membership retention issues.

Leadership training increased to 75% of leaders

Access to Leadership training for new club officers will be greatly enhanced through training in each zone and by providing access training via the use of technology. All newly elected officers should make plans to attend.

Secretaries and treasurers in District 5NE

This is a reminder to all the club secretaries and treasurers of District 5NE that it is important to complete your club's membership report, activities reports and submit dues on a monthly basis. I am sure that most of you simply submit the forms on the computer program which would only take minutes. If you do not have access to a computer or for some reason you are submitting the paper form, it is no longer necessary that you send me a copy. I have access to all your information on line and receive a monthly Club Health Assessment Form that indicates which clubs are submitting their information regularly.

I am happy to report that most club officers do a good job of submitting the information; however, there are some who have not submitted an activity form in a very long time. Submitting the activity forms is very important because they indicate which clubs are serving the needs of their communities.

If you are experiencing problems and need help, please contact me and I will be happy to walk you through the process. It will only take minutes and will save you a lot of time in the future.

CHECK OUT THE DISTRICT 5NE WEBSITE: e-district.org/sites/5ne

Would you like to have your own club web site? Contact Lion Kim Olson at kimrolson@gmail.com for instructions on how to use the template provided by Lions International.

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“Amazing things can happen, when you Accept Responsibility”

By now, many of you have made “New Year’s Resolutions.” It’s a signal of our recognition that we have room for improvement, and a decision to make a conscious effort to do something about it.

Sometimes those resolutions come with a complete dedication for accomplishing them. Sometimes, they’re little more than good intentions.

What makes the difference? Certainly, all were good, positive directions. All were the result of evaluation and thoughtful consideration. Things we really should do.

But often, knowing what to do and following through, are two different things. When it gets tough, it’s easier to just forget about them.

I believe the difference is accepting responsibility for doing what we’ve said (even if only to ourselves) that we would do. Sometimes we’re held accountable, when those intentions, resolutions, and goals affect others. At the very least, that can be embarrassing.

But what about those things we’ve promised ourselves, that no one else knows about? It’s really no different. Until we personally accept responsibility for making

sure it happens, it won’t.

Recently, my five year old granddaughter reminded her grandma that she had promised to play with her after dinner. She said, “A broken promise cannot be repaired.” Grandma played with her.

How many wrecks of broken promises litter our history of New Year’s Resolutions?

This year, let’s build showcases of shining accomplishments, by keeping our promises; not only those made to others, but especially those made to ourselves.

It’s really not that difficult, once we accept the fact that we alone are responsible for making it happen.

Happy New Year!

It’s time for new beginnings in Lions, too!

While we’re beginning a new calendar year, we’re just half-way through our Lions year. I’m guessing that, like me, you’ve not accomplished half of your goals for your Lions year either.

Before you start beating yourself up about it, consider these points:

- Most Lions clubs take a bit of a “Summer Vacation” when they’re less active.
- Many of our Lions clubs have a large

share of their members involved in careers such as farming and contracting, that are very demanding during the summer and fall seasons.

• All of us are very busy during the holidays of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year, and our communities’ activities schedules are crowded.

It was a good pit stop, now, let’s get back in the race!

Okay, enough of the reasons and excuses! The fact is, we’re entering the time of the year when it’s probably most possible to get a lot of our Lions work done! In fact, many people welcome some worthwhile activity to take them out of the “winter doldrums.” And as Lions, we have a lot of worthwhile activities!

This could be the most productive time of the year for us as Lions. Use it wisely and energetically!

“Amazing things can happen when it doesn’t matter who gets the credit.”

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BENEFIT FOR BUCYRUS & HURRICANE SANDY VICTIMS

Sunday, January 27

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Elgin Community Center • Elgin, ND

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Lion Arnold Rotering and 'Lion Santa' take a break at the Dakota Women's correctional rehab center in New England.

Santa is back!

Submitted by Lewellyn Rustan

Inmates at the Dakota Women's correctional Rehab Center in New England begin asking weeks earlier, "Is Santa coming again this year?"

Santa, with the assistance of the New England Lions, has been visiting the facility every year since it began operations. It's a day the inmates look forward to.

The Lions collect donations from New England area businesses to buy candy and peanuts for the Christmas goodies sacks. The entire membership shows up to carefully fill them.

Hundreds of those sacks are given to children at the New England School Christmas program, and the inmates at the state women's prison in New England.

It's hard to say which group appreciates it more.

The inmates (127 of them this year) know full well they won't get what they'd most like this Christmas. Santa won't be able to give them the gift of being free and going home. But there's no mistaking the smiles and appreciation expressed for caring enough to try to make their Christmas a little bit better.

It makes Christmas a little bit better for the Lions, as well. One of them said, "This is one of the most meaningful things we do."

Each inmate is offered the chance to pose with Santa for a picture. They get two prints; one to keep, and one to send home to family. It must be good also for their families, to see the smiles on their faces.

It's one more example of how such seemingly little things can mean so much.



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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Mail to: Bricks for Burlington • Sawyer Lions Club
 PO Box 223 • Sawyer, ND 58781

Prairie Rose

Lion Loris Freier honored for recruiting five new Lions

by Lion JeAnne Selby

Prairie Rose Lions President Loris Freier was recognized Thursday, January 3, during the club's monthly membership meeting, with the five-member Membership Advancement Key, presented by Prairie Rose Secretary PDG Marian Johnson. The Membership Key Award is a lapel pin.

Membership Key Awards recognize individual Lions who invite new members. A Lion can earn his/her first membership key by inviting two new members, and may earn up to 17 keys. Each key is designed to reflect the number of new members a Lion has sponsored. The 17th and final award recognizes the recruitment of 500 new members. Charter, transfer and reinstated members cannot be used as credit for a key award. Lion Loris' immediate reaction, upon receiving the award, was "I haven't kept track of the number of members I've recruited over the years."

There is no need for a Lion member to keep track. The Membership Keys are automatically issued by Lions International, based on the monthly membership report statistics submitted by club secretaries. The sponsoring Lion is appropriately credited after a new member has remained a Lion for a year and a day.

Lions International acknowledges the importance of effective new member recruitment at all levels, beginning with the recruitment of two new members.



Prairie Rose President Loris Freier, right, displays the five-member Membership Advancement Key Award she received from Prairie Rose Secretary, PDG Marian Johnson, during the January 3 monthly membership meeting. Lion Loris was recognized for the five new members she has recruited since joining the Prairie Rose Lions Club.

Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions request recipes for cookbook

By Loris Freier, President
Prairie Rose Lions

Do you have a favorite recipe to share with other North Dakota Lions? The Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions are preparing a club cookbook to use as a fundraiser. The club would like to include recipes from other Lions throughout North Dakota. Your name and your Lions club name will be printed with each recipe you submit.

More information on the cookbook and a form to complete and submit a recipe is on the 5NW Lions website at www.e-district.org/sites/5nw/. You can also submit a recipe by typing or printing it on any 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of paper and mailing it to Lion Evelyn Silbernagel, 2720 Mercury Lane, Bismarck, ND 58503.

For questions or to request we e-mail you a copy of the recipe form contact Evelyn by e-mail at ksilbernagel@bis.midco.net, or call her at 701-255-4713. The deadline for submitting recipes is April 30, 2013.

The cookbooks will be completed by early fall, 2013 and sell for around \$10 to \$12 each. You can now reserve cookbooks to purchase. Just use the contact information in this article (the projects section of the 5NW website, by e-mail, or phone) and let us know how many to reserve.

Williston Korner



New member

The Williston Korner Lions inducted their newest member at their annual Christmas Party in December. Korner President Chris Brostuen (left) sponsored new member Eric Bozeman (center). Santa Claus (right) surprised the Korner Lions and helped welcome Lion Bozeman to the Club. Lion Stevie Broe in the Blue Lion's cap looks on. Door prizes, treats and good fellowship were shared by all.

Gackle



Gackle Lions Club spread holiday cheer

Elderly, shut-ins, widows and widowers of the Gackle community were recently visited by members of the Lions club and given bags of nuts, fruit, and candy. Thirty-four bags were distributed in town as well as to the residents of the Gackle Care Center. The holiday bags were decorated by Gackle-Streeter Elementary students. Pictured here are members of the club. Left to Right: Archie Koenig, Ritchie Jacobson, Dwight Schmidt, Jeff Dahl, Derek Hust, Rory Metz, JD Dahl, George Koenig.

Photo by Melody Owen, Tri-County News

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- Highest Resolution Possible, at least 200 pixels. **And in focus, please!**
- **Name Photos, Please:** name photos accordingly with the story or cutlines you send. Example: GarrisonLionsAwards.jpg photo is sent with GarrisonLionsAwards.doc as the copy.
- ID people in the photo.
- In the caption include name of club that is pictured.

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Bowman



Years of service acknowledged

Bowman Lions members that were recently acknowledged for their years of continuous service to our community are shown as follows: Photo above, Lion President Ken Silha with Lion Mark Kunze representing 10 years of service and photo below, Lion President Ken Silha with Lion Terry Walter (15 years) and Lion Roger Walter, 25 years of service.

Submitted by Sandra Phelps-Oberfoell



Donations recieved

The Bowman Lions recently were the recipients of some generous donations from West Plains Implement Inc. and also from Southwest Bikers. Shown pictured are Lion President Ken Silha and West Plains employee Tim Pendergrass. The Bowman Lions Club is very active in the community helping with local events, area blood drives, glucose screenings, medical benefits and much more. Lions motto is "We Serve" and thanks to the generous donations and support of our local community, we will continue to serve.

Submitted by Sandra Phelps-Oberfoell

Valley City



Salvation Army donation

The Valley City National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) Chapter 1839 and Valley City Lion's Club gave a donation to the Valley City Salvation Army recently at the Leever's Foods bucket. Pictured left to right are Dave Carlsrud of the Salvation Army, Joe Lunde of the Salvation Army, Marge Bessette with NARFE, Larry Leier, member of the NARFE and the Lion's Club, Mary Ann Leier of the Salvation Army, and Lee Isensee, of the Salvation Army.

Lions sponsor blood drive

A total of 140 units were collected at Jamestown Lions Club's recent blood drive on Dec. 11-12 at the North Dakota Farmers Union State Headquarters.

The club exceeded its goal for the drive. Some blood donors had to be turned away at the end, because United Blood Services ran out of supplies, the Lion Club reported.

Businesses also helped make the event a success: North Dakota Farmers Union, for providing the site and Perkins Family Restaurant, McDonald's and Coburn's for providing refreshments.

Lake Metigoshe



Top honor award received

Lake Metigoshe Lions members were on hand in December when 2A Zone Chair Jim Johnson visited the club and presented the "Club of the Year Award" to Past President Terry Espe and President Les Halvorson. He also inducted a new member, Mary Rothman, pictured with stand-in sponsor, Terry Espe. Lion Jim also presented the Club with Club Excellence Award patch for 2011-2012, and Lion Terry Espe with "Club President Excellence Award" for 2011-2012.

Elgin



Schatz receives appreciation plaque

Gail Schatz received an appreciation plaque from Thrivent Financial Services for her many years of serving as vice president of the Board of Directors from the secretary Lori Will on Dec. 2, 2012. Thrivent has many Lutheran members in southwestern North Dakota from New England, Regent, Mott, New Leipzig, Elgin and Carson and provides matching funds for many benefits.



Lions Christmas party held

The Elgin Lions Club hosted their annual Christmas party on Thursday, Dec. 13, with the Elgin Dakota Lions Club as their hosts at Our Place Cafe banquet room. There were approximately 30 in attendance. Many perfect attendance pins were given by Lion Secretary Dale Froemming. Lion President Theo Stoller presented one of the many door prizes, a large fruit basket, to Lion Duane Schatz.

Photo by Lion Clarence Werner

North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame announces new format

The North Dakota Past District Governors Association has approved a new format and application for the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame. In the past, selection of the Hall of Fame recipient was based solely on a point system. It also made it nearly impossible for a Lion to be selected if they had not been a past district governor.

The new application process will not only be based on a revised point system but will also “level the playing field” so any Lion, past district governor or not, will have an equal chance for selection. The new application will also include sections for written responses that will allow the applicant to provide a more complete picture of him/herself.

The “new look” application includes the following topics:

- **SECTION A** – Minimum Requirements. The application will require minimum standards that a candidate must meet such as years of service among others.
- **SECTION B** – Basic Life as a Lion. This includes offices held, conventions attended, awards received and other items.
- **SECTION C** – Preliminary Selection Criteria. This is an updated point category section similar to the previous application form. The number of points has been revamped to reflect a more proper and fair weighting of categories.

(At this point, the applicant must have, from Section C, a minimum of 125 points for non-PDGs and 250 points for PDGs in order to proceed with the application. If that qualification is not met, the applicant may choose to re-apply the following two years using the same application).

If point qualifications are met the applicant proceeds to:

- **SECTION D** – Lions Activities that are not covered in Section C. This is a written statement covering anything not covered in Section C. Applicant may earn up to 10 points.
- **SECTION E** – Non-Lion Activities. This is a written statement that covers activities as a citizen outside of Lions. Applicant may earn up to 25 points.
- **SECTION F** – Biography. A personal statement which may include any achievements and activities the applicant wishes to include. No actual points earned but will impact application.
- **SECTION G** – Nominee Certification. Requires signatures from the applicant and the applicant’s club president and secretary.

The “new look” application form will appear in the February and March issues of the North Dakota Lion.

Now is the time to consider Lions in your club for the 2013 NORTH DAKOTA LIONS HALL OF FAME.

Dear LCIF Coordinators,
 “... I looked out my front steps and the house next to me just caught [fire]. The embers were flying. Lucy [my dog] and I had to swim to go across street to play it safe. Water was cold.” These are the words of Past District Governor Norm Alpren from New York. On behalf of PDG Norm, the thousands of Lions within the affected area, and all those who are being served – Thank you. Through your hard work, funds have already been provided to multiple relief projects in the area:

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) awarded a US\$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant with money from the disaster relief fund, allowing Lions in affected areas to immediately begin providing assistance. Many Lions are already working with local food banks, police and fire departments and other local organizations. In addition to the Major Catastrophe Grant, LCIF has awarded US\$100,000 in emergency grants to Lions districts in North Carolina, Maryland, New Jersey, Connecticut and New York (see right).

State/District	Amount Approved	Notes
North Carolina/31-J	\$10,000	DG will focus on getting food, water, dry clothes to residents stranded on Hatterus Island by boat with local Lions.
Maryland/22-B	\$10,000	District will focus on 400 families being housed in a local community center to provide personal hygiene kits that include toothbrushes, toothpaste, hand towels, soap, etc.
New Jersey/16-E	\$10,000	District will work with local food bank to provide food, water, and blankets
Connecticut/23-C	\$10,000	Lions will provide community meals at shelters and other sites. Lions ALERT Team implementing the service.
New York/MD 20	\$60,000	6 emergency grants for individual districts to provide immediate needs goods to the community.

Lions from the hardest hit states have always been among the most generous supporters of disaster relief in other parts of the world. Together they have contributed over US\$3 million since 2004 for communities hit by disasters such as Hurricane Katrina or the earthquake and tsunami in Japan. (Please see the table at right for more detail.) Please encourage Lions in your district to support their fellow Lions and neighbors in New York, New Jersey and other affected areas just as earnestly as they have Lions half way around the world.

Thank you for your continued support,
 LCIF Development

State/MD	Total Disaster Relief Raised since 2004
New York/MD 20	\$1,000,602
New Jersey /MD 16	\$293,425
Massachusetts/MD 33	\$221,430
Connecticut/MD 23	\$199,286
Rhode Island/D 42	\$22,776
Pennsylvania/MD 14	\$525,351
Maryland/Delaware/ MD 22	\$410,408
Virginia/MD 24	\$318,972
North Carolina/MD 31	\$154,061
Total	\$3,146,315

Lions District 5NW Club Supermap

By Bruce Frank,
New England

To encourage visitation to the various clubs, I was asked to make a list of the clubs to put on the District Web Site. I got to thinking of how the idea could be expanded to make it more interesting for the members to browse. What I came up with was a document, linked to interactive maps on the internet. After I started developing the map and document, other information that could be linked to started popping up.

The document has a list of all the District 5NW clubs, their zone, and their club website, if they have one. The addition to the idea was making the document interactive.

The document starts off with about a page of hints and instructions of how the list accesses information, but if you just want to experiment and be surprised, you can go to the list and just start clicking links.

Clicking the Complete Club Map will bring up a map of all the Club meeting places in District 5NW. The clubs are listed on the left with colored pins on the map. The club meeting places are color coded by zone. The Zone Chair List shows the names of the zone chairs with their e-mail address and the clubs included in their

zone.

Clicking on the Club name will take you to more information about the club. Presently, this information includes the club number, zone, charter date, meeting place, and top officers. However as clubs wish to, they can send me any information they wish (i.e. annual projects and dates, annual events, etc.) and I will include that with their club information.

Clicking on the zone will go to a map on the internet with a pin showing all the club meeting places in that zone. You can zoom in or out to the locations, or even display the street level with the little drag and drop guy above the zoom bar. The clubs are listed on the left. Clicking on the club name or the corresponding pin will give you the meeting location information. The map is from Google Maps and works with almost any browser. Clicking on the satellite Icon (upper right of the map) will display the map as actual pictures taken from satellite. You can click the 'Directions' link and put in your location on the left of your screen to get both visual and text directions to the meeting place. An interesting thing to do is to install the Google Earth plugin and click the '3D' icon on the left of your screen. What happens is a simulated moving picture of your trip from point A to point B.

In the club information the meeting

place is linked to the associated zone map. Another fun item was linking the charter dates. On any of the information panels, you can click on the day and month to see a list of what happened on that day throughout history. Clicking on the year will take you to a list of events that happened during that year.

I didn't want to invade anyone's privacy, so I didn't include any personal information, but there is a need to be able to contact the club. Telephone numbers would allow someone to be woken up at 2 in the morning if someone else decided to abuse it, so I only listed e-mails since any abuse can be easily blocked through the person's e-mail program.

After getting into this project, I discovered that a lot of the tools I needed to accomplish the project already existed for free. It's just spending the time to complete the task. I did extensive research to locate the exact address of almost all the meeting places and I was able to move the pins to the correct location, which are sometimes incorrect in Google maps.

I am willing to help anyone who wishes to develop similar maps get started and share the knowledge I have of how to do it. I hope this Club list will make it easier to get to know others in the district and help spread Lionism further.

Honor a fellow Lion!

Lions of North Dakota,

Have you thought of recognizing a Lions Member from your Lions Club as a Lifetime Member of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota? What a great way for your Lions Club to be involved in the Lions Foundation of North Dakota!

We encourage each Lions Club to name at least one member as a Lifetime Member of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota.

A lifetime membership costs \$300, or if you prefer, the club can make three consecutive annual payments of \$100. Please fill out the attached form and mail to the Lions Foundation of North Dakota Inc. Lions Foundation of North Dakota Inc.

Lifetime Membership \$300 _____

or 3 annual payments of \$100 _____

Name of Lions being honored

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Lions Foundation of North Dakota Inc.

PO Box 273

Bowman, ND 58623



MD-5 ROOKIE LION AWARD



THIS AWARD IS AVAILABLE TO ALL NEW LIONS AND IS TO BE COMPLETED IN THEIR FIRST FULL YEAR.

YOU WILL FIND THE CRITERIA FOR THE MD-5 LION AWARD BELOW:

1. The new Lion must visit another Lions Club Meeting.
2. The new Lion must attend at least one Zone Meeting.
3. The new Lion must attend one Lions Club Board Meeting.
4. The new Lion must bring a guest to one Lions Club Meeting.
5. The new Lion is to attend at least one hour of orientation on Lions.
6. The new Lion must be active in one or more fund raisers for the member's Lions Club.
7. The new Lion must serve as an active member on one club fund raising/club project **Planning** Committee.
8. The new Lion must be active in one or more Lions project(s). (I.E. Purchase of eye glasses, hearing aids, helping people in need or a community project)
9. The new Lion must attend one of the following: A Lions officer training meeting, a cabinet meeting, a district/state/provincial/multiple district convention, or other similar meeting.



MD-5 ROOKIE LION AWARD Completion Form

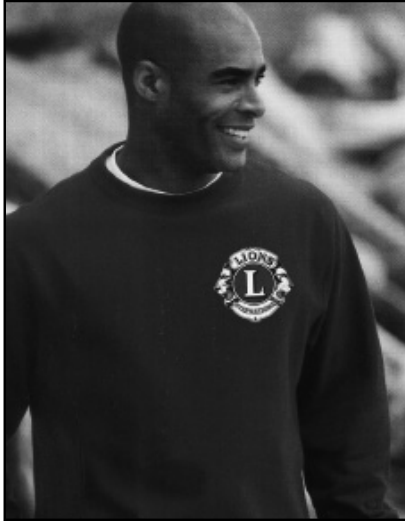


Name Of New Lion _____

Name Of Sponsor _____

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|---|-------------------------------|---|
| 1. Name of the Lions Club the New Lion Visited: | _____ | _____ |
| | Date | Name of Lions Club Visited |
| 2. New Lion attended a Zone Meeting: | _____ | _____ |
| | Date | Signature of Club Pres. / Sec. / Zone Chairperson |
| 3. New Lion attended a Club Board Meeting: | _____ | _____ |
| | Date | Signature of Club President |
| 4. New Lion brought a new guest to a Club Meeting: | _____ | _____ |
| | Date | Name of Guest Attending |
| 5. New Lion attended a One-Hour orientation on Lions: | _____ | _____ |
| | Date | Orientation Chairperson |
| 6. Fundraiser the New Lion was active in: | _____ | _____ |
| | Date | Name of Fundraiser |
| 7. The new Lion must serve as an active member on one club fund raising/club project Planning Committee.
(The new Lion is to <i>write a paragraph</i> about he/she learned.) | | |
| 8. The new Lion must be active in one or more Lions project(s). (i.e. - Purchase of eye glasses, hearing aids, helping people in need or a community project)
(The new Lion is to <i>write a paragraph</i> about what he/she did to help.) | | |
| 9. The new Lion must attend one of the following: A Lions officer training meeting, a cabinet meeting, a district/state/provincial/multiple district convention, or other similar meeting. | _____ | _____ |
| | Date | Event Attended |
| | _____ | |
| | District Governor's Signature | |

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\$30⁵⁵

S-XL

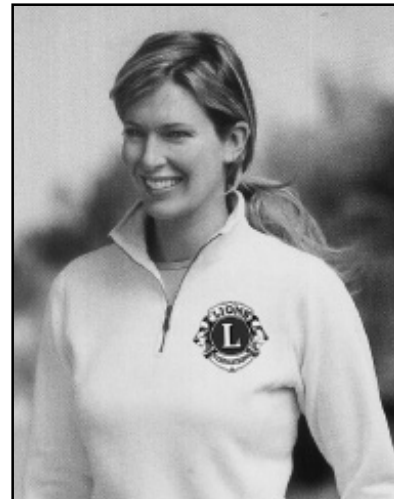
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S-XL

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MD5 Lions – “ENJOY A LION’S EXPERIENCE”

MD5 Lions 2013 Convention Registration Form

June 7th & 8th 2013 • Ramada Yorkton • 110 Broadway St. E. • Yorkton, SK S3N 0K9

Name _____
(Last, First)

_____ Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Guest

What is the highest office in Lions you will have held by June 1st, 2013?

Do you have any special dietary or physical needs?

Is this your first MD5 Convention? Circle Yes or No.

(2) Name _____
(Last, First)

_____ Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Guest

What is the highest office in Lions you will have held by June 1st, 2013?

Do you have any special dietary or physical needs?

Is this your first MD5 Convention? Circle Yes or No.

Address _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Zip/PC _____

Home Phone (____) _____

Cell Phone (____) _____

E-mail _____

District _____ Club (1) _____

Club (2) _____

CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Friday, June 7, 2013

Registration: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Opening Ceremony/
Senior Counselor Awards/Luncheon

1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. 3 Educational Sessions

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Break & Refreshments

2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. 3 Educational Sessions

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. MD5 Business Meeting #1

4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Free Time

5:15 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Welcome Party
(Painted Hand)

Saturday, June 8, 2013

Registration: 7 a.m. – 2 p.m.

8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Breakfast

9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. 3 Educational Sessions

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Break & Refreshments

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Q&A with (to be named)

11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Red Jacket/Awards Ceremony

1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. 3 Educational Sessions

3 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Parkland Social

3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. MD5 Business Meeting #2

5:15 p.m. – 6 p.m. Welcome

6 p.m. – 10 p.m. ID/Council of Governors
Banquet

REGISTRATION FEES

Before April 15, 2013 \$125.00

Before June 1, 2013 \$150.00

Convention Walk-In \$165.00

Total Remitted: \$ _____

Please Make Checks Payable to:

Lions MD5 2013 Convention

Mail Your Registration Form and Check to:

Lions MD5 2013 Convention

C/o Lion Michael Liknaitzky (Secretary)

P.O. Box 777

Yorkton, SK S3N 2W8

E-mail: yorktonlions@sasktel.net (306) 782-7788

REFUND POLICY: Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from the Lions MD5 2013 Convention Committee Treasurer, Lion Ken Grazier, P.O. Box 777, Yorkton, SK S3N 2W8, until June 30, 2013. After that date, requests should be made to MD5 Secretary/Treasurer PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Avenue NW, Valley City, ND 58072. No refunds will be granted 60 or more days after the conclusion of the convention. Questions should be directed to the MD5 Convention Chair, Lion Don Reed at (email) dreed@sasktel.net or (306) 782-4766 or email: yorktonlions@sasktel.net

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Convention Headquarters – Ramada Yorkton, 110 Broadway St. E., Yorkton, SK S3N 0K9

For Reservation Phone: (800) 667-1585 or (306) 783-9781. The room block is guaranteed until April 30' 2013 (CGL103). Ask for Lion's Convention Room Rate. Check-In Time: 3:00 p.m. - Check-Out Time 11:00 a.m.

RV ACCOMMODATIONS: If you plan to bring an RV, York Lake Regional Park (306) 782-7080; Cherrydale Golf Inc., Hwy 10 E. (306) 786-6877; Sun Shadows Camp Ground, Good Spirit Lake (306) 621-7644 (40 km north of Yorkton). Yorkton Exhibition Grounds (306) 783-4800 - NO SERVICES - (Sam's Club Members are using these facilities this weekend – for parking register through them)

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Fully Refundable To September 30, 2013
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767 1st Avenue Southeast
Dickinson, ND 58601

Full Name: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Club: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Select One: _____ Lion _____ Leo _____ Guest

Lions Title: _____

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