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Lions convention nears

Hello Lions of North Dakota! Have you registered for the 2013 North Dakota State Lions Convention, *Meeting Of The Minds... Bringing Ideas To Light*? Thomas Edison may have invented the light bulb, but your North Dakota State Lions Convention team has developed a convention schedule that contains "bright ideas that will illuminate your mind." We have planned the business meetings to be short and concise, and scheduled the meetings at a time so they do not conflict with the breakout sessions.

Highlights include some glowing entertainment: Mystical Minds Mentalists, Bill Lowman - Cowboy Poet Extraordinaire, Rhythms of the Hart, plus some keynote speakers to really stimulate your mind! The Saturday Opening Ceremony and Breakfast will light up with the North Dakota MAKE-A-WISH folks.

Bill Lowman will ignite your imagination at the Hall of Fame Luncheon, and International Director, Stacey Jones, will truly inspire you at the Convention Banquet Dinner. There is fun for everyone



- from four enlightening breakout sessions presenting endless possibilities, to a State Lions Sing-A-Long Choir that will resonate you.

Lion Robert Littlefield has, once again, gone above and beyond in organizing the Lion/Leo speech contest that will let our youth shine in the spotlight.

You will have a voice in choosing your leadership teams - from District Governors to Board Members - for both the Eye Bank and the Foundation. This is your chance to learn how Lions work

outside the realm of your club, and at the same time shed light on how good the people who are leading you really are. Share in the breakthrough ideas that emerge during the Lion's business meetings enhancing your experience as a Lion!

Join us to learn what the oil industry has done to brighten life in Western North Dakota. We encourage you to register early if you plan to participate in the Bakken Oil Field tour scheduled for Friday afternoon before the convention commences.

Click on that proverbial light bulb and come experience moments with us that will enrich your life. "Engage In A Light Bulb Moment!" Register now for the 2013 State Lions Convention, *Meeting Of The Minds... Bringing Ideas To Light*! We look forward to seeing you in Dickinson. Your 2013 North Dakota State Lions Convention team is ready to shine for you!

The registration forms and schedule of events are located elsewhere in this issue.

Note: Lower priced lodging is now available. Check out hotels.com for current information.

'Speak Up' contest is part of State Convention in Dickinson

PCC ROBERT LITTLEFIELD, 5NE

The Lions of North Dakota are sponsoring the 4th Annual "Speak Up for Service Through Lionism!" Contest. This speaking contest run by the Dakota

NFL Lions Club will be part of the 2013 state convention, to be held October 26, 2013, at the Dickinson Ramada Inn Grand Dakotah Lodge. All local clubs are invited to sponsor a student from their communities to participate in the

competition.

This contest is part of an effort to empower youth by giving them a chance to voice their opinions about community service.

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Let's talk about women

Women in Lions, that is.

Approximately 24.5 percent of our membership around the world is women. That's not really so bad when you consider that women were not able to join the organization until 1987. It's also not so good when you factor in the fact that there are more women in the world (51 percent) than men (49 percent).

LCI President Barry Palmer of Australia wants to increase women members in Lions this year by 5.5 percent which would put us at the 30 percent level. He is also starting the machinery in motion so that women reach parity with men (50-50) by our centennial year of 2017.

Impossible, you say? Well, I say you're wrong and here's why.

Women are assuming leadership roles in all levels of our organization at a faster rate than their overall membership growth. Last year the 33 member International Board of Directors included five women. Our Lions club (Bismarck Lions Club) has had four women presidents in the last 10 years and I suspect your club may be able to boast the same. The district where I reside, District SNW, has had four women as district governor in the last 10 years.

Women join Lions for basically the same reasons as men. They want to volunteer in an organized manner. They want to develop leadership skills. Women want to experience the exhilarating feeling that they are doing something to improve the lives of others and their communities. Same as men.

So, how do we increase women's membership? We ask. Men ask men and women. Women ask men and women. How do we ask? How do we penetrate the comfort zone that everyone lives in and "pop the question?" Four out of five people have to be confronted to find an interested one, so how do we handle those four "no's." The worst thing that can happen when you ask someone is that they will say no. What's so bad about that. Rejection is a big part of life. When you were growing up, you heard the word "no" far more than the word yes – and you survived!

Especially in North America Lions members have gradually forgotten the art of "the ask." And I am one of those guilty Lions. I had not been asking people to join my club until a year or so ago when two of our newer members, by their examples, woke me from some sort of doldrum. Since then I have been asking which resulted in sponsoring three new members this past year.

The first step, and the most basic ingredient in getting anything, including women members into Lions, is "the ask." President Palmer has initiated a new tool for membership development, not only for women but also for men, called "Just Ask! – New Member Recruiting Guide For Clubs." Check it out on the LCI web site lionsclubs.org.

And Ask!



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Memorials

Oscar and Ladell Sorenson in memory of PDG Sam Kaufman Minot Lions Club in memory of Geraldeen Reede

Bronze Club – \$100-\$300

Grand Forks Lions Club

Life Members – \$300

Anna Anderson; Jan Helgeson; James Ruff

Video Magnifier Program

Fargo Lions Club - \$3800.00

Napoleon Lions Club - \$1857.00

Sustaining Membership – \$10.00

Gerald Paulson

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Editor's note: The following is a list of Lions who were called upon to transport eye tissue to the Lions Eye Bank of ND, Inc. (Number of times transporting is in parenthesis.)

Month of August

NE

Jason Schnieder – Harvey (1)
Cedric Jacobson – Bottineau (1)
Bob Tupa – Grand Forks (1)
Dennis Nathan – Valley City (4)
Larry Sayler – Valley City (1)

Wayne Westland – Grand Forks (1)
Ross Berg – Valley City (1)
Claude Sheldon – Park River (1)
Dr. Jeff Rath – Oakes (1)
Dennis Horner – Grand Forks (1)
John Ramsey – Grand Forks (1)

Melvin Karch – Valley City (1)
Mike Moe – Grafton (1)
Mike Lemna – Enderlin (1)

NW

Dennis Risinger – Minot (1)
Roger Hagen – Bismarck (1)



The North Dakota Lions eyeglass recycling center moved to 320 West Main Street in downtown Mandan in June.



PDG Kevin Vannett sits at the eyeglass reader (which evaluates the prescriptions of recycled eyeglasses), with a backdrop of boxes of sorted and cleaned eyeglasses ready to be read, labeled and packaged.

N.D. Lions eyeglass recycling center has moved

By LION JEANNE SELBY
District 5NW PR chair

The North Dakota Lions eyeglass recycling center recently moved to a new location on Main Street in Mandan.

The Lions eyeglass recycling center moved to a storefront at 320 West Main, Mandan, in June 2013. The new rent-free space is courtesy of Mandan businesses Low Vision Products and Alliance Mandan Real Estate. Parking space is available for volunteers at the rear of the store.

A separate well-lit room at the back of the store is dedicated to sorting, cleaning and reading recycled eyeglasses, along with some available storage space for eyeglass donations.

When additional work space is needed for larger groups

to sort and clean eyeglasses, the work space will expand into the Low Vision Products Store.

Individual Lions and Lions clubs may volunteer Mondays and Fridays between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., and Saturdays and evenings by appointment.

According to PDG Kevin Vannett, the new location offers an easily accessible location at which Lions and the general public may drop off used eyeglasses for recycling. In addition, PDG Vannett says the new site offers increased flexibility for Lions volunteers, either individual members or clubs, to sort, clean and/or read donated eyeglasses.

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5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

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Bragging is a good thing – when you brag about what Lions do for our communities and world. Lions are our own public relations agency and we need to tell our stories. The biggest reason to tell our stories is that then people know what we are doing. If we do not tell, who will know?

So Lions, tell people about what you do and invite them to do it with you. One of the pathways to becoming a Lion is to ask someone to help with a service project. When people know what we do, they want to be with us and help all of us do more. We serve when we invite others to serve with us. It is a privilege to be a Lion. Invite others into the best organization in the world.

Tree Bowl to honor Jamestown Lions

The Jamestown Lions Club has bragging rights from the North Dakota Forest Service. What they hope will be named Lions Park is a tree planning project near the Dam. The City of Jamestown and Stutsman County cooperated for the project.

Jamestown Lions has been selected to receive the 2013 "Volunteer Organization of the Year" Trees Award on Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Trees Bowl football game in the Fargodome. North Dakota State University will play Northern Iowa and Jamestown Lions will be special guests.

Congratulations on your hard work and dedication. The international Lions program to plant trees continues.

New Rockford and Carrington Lions Seek Aid

All clubs in our District and beyond are invited to help Tucker Zink, 15, of Carrington. He suffered devastating eye injuries from a fireworks accident. Tucker's mother, who lives in New Rockford,

contacted Lion Rick Swenson, 2nd vice district governor, to see if he knew anyone who could help.

Lion Rick knew exactly who could help. The letter from the clubs gives details about Tucker's needs.

The New Rockford Lions Club set up a donation site at Bank Forward, contributing the first \$500. Please send donations to New Rockford Lions Club, PO Box 101, New Rockford, ND 58356.

September is National Service Dog Month

Leader Dogs for the Blind shared information about National Service Dog Month that also includes Service Dogs for America in Jud. "Help us celebrate the amazing animals who provide companionship, inspire confidence, and live to serve, protect, and assist their handlers," headlined the Leader Dog appeal.

It is so important to recognize the service dogs who dedicate their lives — and sometimes even risk their lives — to help human beings. National Service Dog Month, an annual fundraising and awareness campaign held each September, is the perfect time to reflect on the roles service animals play in our lives.

National Service Dog Month was first established in 2008 by actor and animal advocate Dick Van Patten. What started as one fundraiser has transformed into an annual celebration honoring the extraordinary work service animals do each day to help the people in their care. The program expanded to include service and assistance animals of all kinds, everything from service pot-bellied pigs to therapy bunnies and autism assistance felines.

Important Vote Coming at District 5NE Meeting at State

Convention

For the first time in decades, Lions of District 5NE will have the privilege to hold a special vote at our District 5NE meeting. In addition to all the other great events planned for the state convention, this is an honor that has not come to our District for decades.

Please attend the state convention and be there for the vote. Want to know more? Come to the convention – you will be glad you did.

Bismarck Lions Club offers Fundraiser to All Clubs

Be sure to read the article about the Wild Boar Hunt Raffle. All clubs can participate. My husband encouraged me to purchase tickets!

International President Barry Palmer asks a Question

You can have me but cannot hold me; Gain me and quickly lose me. If treated with care I can be great, if betrayed I will break. What am I?

Do you know the answer? Please contact me at ktweed@cableone.net if you know.

Be sure to become a Facebook friend with the president – and with each other. Many of our clubs have Facebook pages. All of our clubs can have websites hosted at LCI.

We can quickly communicate with each other and, perhaps, brag a little.

District 5NE clubs: Peace Poster time

Lions Clubs of 5NE are reminded that you should be conducting your Peace Poster contests for the 2013 Lions year now. The local winners should be received by Mary Ann Zwinger, 5NE District Contests and Awards chairperson by Oct. 22.

The local winning posters may be brought to the State Convention in Dickinson Oct. 25-26 as well.

Each local Lions Club should have ordered their "Peace Poster" kit from LCI and be conducting the contest. The theme for this years contest is "Our World, Our Future." Lion Mary Ann's address is 590 Main Street, Carrington,

ND 58421. The district's winner will advance to the multi-district contest.

Lions Clubs of 5NE are reminded that there is a "LION OF THE YEAR" contest for the district as well. Each Lions Club from 5NE should chose a Lion from their club who deserves this award. (This award is for activities for the 2012-2013 Lions year.)

The Lions Clubs should present their winners to Chairperson Mary Ann at the state convention in Dickinson as well. The district winner will be announced at the state convention.

If you have any questions regarding any of this information or any of the contest or



awards for 5NE get in contact with Lion Mary Ann Zwinger at 701-652-1752 or dzwinger@daktel.com



We love a parade

The Lions Trailer in the Mandan 4th of July Parade. Lions Bill and Alice Schott are in the pick up.



Time to march

The Lions Marching Band from Saskatchewan. The Mandan Lions hosted them on July 3rd and helped them get around on the 4th.

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Well I made it through the first Cabinet Meeting and it was "Great." Thanks to all of you who attended. A special "Thank you" to 2nd VDG Judy for the food and the Senior Center for the use of their facility. We had a good starting point with the reports from all of the Chairs and good discussions about implementing the goals and plans of each one. Because of the weather and the crops being ready for harvest, we were missing a few key people. That's life in rural ND. I thank them for the work they do to keep food on the table for hundreds of others.

We had deep discussions about helping struggling Clubs and growing new ones. The GMT and GLT Chairs had some very good insight and handouts to help make everyone aware of what they have to offer. One of the strong points discussed was the need for Zone Chairs to get together as a group with their Mentor and get a grip on their roles within the District. The Zone Chairs are the hub for information flowing to and from the Clubs and to the DG. When a Club has an event, it was suggested to invite the Zone Chair so he can make a report.

Reporting to LCI on your MMR's (Membership), new officers and monthly activities is a must. It lets LCI know you are still alive and functioning as a club. If you are having trouble filing an electronic report or don't have a computer, check with one of the other members or have your children/grandchildren fill it out on line for you. I know it is a pain but grandkids are way more computer savvy. I had a problem with hooking up my Wii (game machine) to the tv and my son was over with the kids so he told

them to hook it up. It took them about 5 minutes to get it up and running. I had been messing with it for a couple of days.

The activity report really gives a good overview of who we are as Lions world wide. It shows how many Lions worked on your project, how many donated hours, what was the project and how will it affect the community. At the LCI Convention one of the stats they mentioned was that Lions donated over 600 million hours to their communities that directly benefitted over 200 million people. To bring that into perspective, that is equivalent to helping 2 out of 3 people in the US. Stop and look around, see who all we touch through our association with Lions. It is an awesome thing you do. Don't ever forget the power of one, for the world has been changed many times by just one person.

Each year the new DG and his Team look over the crop they've inherited and try to plan his growth. How can we get more yield out of the existing crop? Can we break new ground and start a new crop with the resources we have?

Welcome to my "Garden," we have a lot of work to do.

"If you can conceive it in your mind, believe it in your heart and speak it with your lips, then you can achieve it."

FYI Important Dates

Fri. - Sat.	October 25-26.....North Dakota Lions State Convention.....Dickinson, ND
Sun. - Sat.	July 20-26, 2014MD5 Lions Youth Camp, Badlands Ministries.....Medora, ND

**Happy
Anniversary!
80 Years**

New England Lions Club
Chartered 09-14-1933
Ninth oldest club
in District 5NW

Attention club secretaries, treasurers

Please keep the Secretary Training packet and Treasurer Training packet from the 2013 Spring Rally in Garrison.

Make sure they are passed on to the current officers.

Bring them to the 2013 Spring Rally. You will not receive new packets at the Spring Rally. You will receive UPDATES ONLY.

This will save the District hundreds of dollars next year, enabling us to stay within our budget.

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Pictured are five of the six new DG's for MD5. From left: Tom Armstrong 5SKN, Harry Engberg 5SE, Ron Metcalf 5SKS, Katherine Tweed 5NE, Ken Wenz 5SW.




PID Bruce and Julie Schwartz



Valerie Blazek, wife of DG Mike, who is on the right, are pictured with Maurin Pockett, wife of new MD5 Council Chair Rick Pockett.

LIONS DISTRICT 5NW ROARIN' LION AWARD


 The District 5NW Roarin' Lion Award shall be presented to each Lion member who during any consecutive 12 month period achieves the following (check accumulated award to your District Governor):

Name of Lion _____

_____ DATE _____ Attended one hour of Lions Orientation program.	_____ PRESIDENT'S CHAIR SIGNATURE _____
_____ DATE _____ Attended my club Board of Director meeting.	_____ CLUB PRESIDENT SIGNATURE _____
_____ DATE _____ Participated in club Service or Fundraising project.	_____ PROJECT CHAIR/CLUB SERVICE _____
_____ DATE _____ Fulfilled Club Committee assignment.	_____ CLUB PRESIDENT SIGNATURE _____
_____ DATE _____ Visited another Lions club.	_____ NAME OF CLUB VISITED _____
_____ DATE _____ Attended Zone meeting or other District meeting.	_____ EVENT CHAIR SIGNATURE _____
_____ DATE _____ Brought a new Guest to a Club meeting.	_____ NAME OF GUEST _____

Club President Signature _____ Date _____



Become a 5NW Roarin' Lion

The District 5NW Roarin' Lion Award shall be presented to each Lion member who during any consecutive 12 month period achieves the following:

- **Attends one hour of Lions orientation program.**
- **Attends a meeting of your Lions club board of directors.**
- **Participates in a services or fundraiser project of your Lions club.**
- **Fulfill club committee assignment.**
- **Visits another Lions club meeting.**
- **Attends a zone meeting or other district activity.**
- **Brings a new guest to a club meeting.**

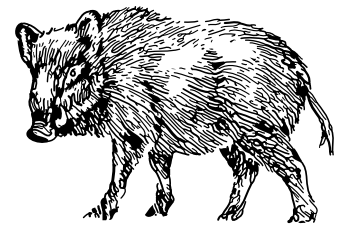
This award can be won every year. Forms are available from PDG Lewellyn Rustan. Submit completed and signed forms to PDG Lewellyn Rustan.

District 5NW Roarin' Lion Award Winners

1st Year Winners	Club	Date Won	1st Year Winners	Club	Date Won
Freier, Loris	Bismarck Prairie Rose	1/12	Vannett, Pat	Mandan Dacotah	4/12
Brabazon, Michell	Elgin Dakota	3/12	Wagner, Ruth	Williston	4/12
Froemming, Jan	Elgin Dakota	3/12	Winkler, Carol	Elgin Dakota	4/12
Hampton, Sandy	Williston Korner	3/12	Newgard, Joel	North Star	6/12
Reierson, Lois	Williston Korner	3/12	Thueson, Tim	North Star	6/12
Schafer, Herman	Mandan Dacotah	3/12	Lacher, John	Mandan Dacotah	9/12
Schafer, Shirley	Mandan Dacotah	3/12	Molland, Kathleen	Williston Korner	9/12
Aken, Rose	Mandan Dacotah	4/12	Johnson, Marian	Bismarck Prairie Rose	5/13
Kuntz, David	Halliday	4/12			
Newgard, Lori	Bismarck Prairie Rose	4/12	<u>2nd Year Winners</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Date Won</u>
Rhodes, Becky	Williston Korner	4/12	Freier, Loris	Bismarck Prairie Rose	4/13
Rustan, Lewellyn	New England	4/12	Hampton, Sandy	Williston Korner	4/13
Vannett, Kevin	Mandan Dacotah	4/12	Rustan, Lewellyn	New England	6/13

Bismarck

The call of the wild



Clubs offer wild boar hunt

Renee Loh, president of the Bismarck Lions Club, announced an exciting opportunity for North Dakota Hunters and North Dakota Lions Club members.

The opportunity is this: The Bismarck Lions Club and eight other clubs are sponsoring a “Black Russian Wild Boar Hunt Raffle.” The winner of the raffle will win a hunt for two people, for two wild boars, expense paid trip to Cook Station, Mo. The hunt is valued at \$2,200, with an allowance of \$1,800 for travel, bringing the raffle value to \$4,000.

Another plus, Cook Station is only about 120 miles from Branson, Mo., as well as the original and largest Bass Pro Shop in the country.

Renee said, “Lions focus on service, with most of our activities directed towards the sight impaired. This includes; Lions Eye Bank of N.D., Leader Dogs, and Great Plains Assistance Dogs.

In addition, we support drug awareness, diabetes research, and hearing and speech opportunities. She added, “All of the funds we raise are used for charitable purposes.”

Raffle tickets are available from Lions Club members in Bismarck (Bismarck and Capital City), New England, Arnegard, Alexander, Kulm, Watford City and Minot.

Renee noted, “with thousands of N.D. hunters not getting deer hunting licenses this year, this is an opportunity to diversify your hunting experience, plus support many charitable causes.”

The price of the raffle tickets is \$10 each.

In addition to purchasing an “opportunity” raffle ticket for the Wild Boar Hunt, from Lions members, they are available, by sending a check, along with a stamped addressed envelope to: The Bismarck Lions Club, P.O. Box 561 Bismarck, ND 58502.

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The speaking contest is for students in grades 9-12. Awards will be presented to all participants and scholarships will be awarded to the top three speakers. A complete set of guidelines and suggested topics are available upon request.

The contest is scheduled on Saturday, Oct. 26. Local clubs should consider covering the expenses for the student and a chaperone/coach to get the student and his/her coach/chaperone to Dickinson (either transportation or paying for gas) and covering the cost of their noon lunches (\$15/person). If students are coming from a distance, clubs may cover lodging expenses, as well. The teacher/coach is not required to attend if the local club provides an approved chaperone for the student.

The local high school speech, debate, or student congress coaches have been contacted to inform them that Lions Clubs may be approaching them for help in finding an interested student. This is a great way to support the youth of your community, make a connection with a local educator, and also bring state recognition to your club as a student sponsor.

Feel free to contact contest manager Lion Gayle Hyde (hydeg@fargo.k12.nd.us) or PCC Robert Littlefield (r.littlefield@ndsu.edu) if you have further questions about the contest.

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Two readers are currently available for volunteer use. PDG Vannett said there is a need for additional Lions volunteers willing to be trained to operate the readers.

The storefront housing the North Dakota Lions eyeglass recycling center is shared by Low Vision Products Co-owners Dennis Baumgartner and PDG Kevin Vannett, both Mandan Lions, and PDG/Mandan Lion Pat Vannett and Khristi Oleson, realtors with Alliance Mandan Real Estate.

FYI

For more information or to schedule a volunteer work day, Lions club officers or members may contact PDG Kevin Vannett at (cell) 701-426-8050 or via e-mail, kvannett@bis.midco.net.

Rugby



Chuck and Jan Repnow co-chairs of Tables Envisioned are pictured by their table which showcased a set of hand painted china they received as a wedding gift 25 years ago.



Rugby Lions Club President Luis Coca presented a table showing his service to the country while in the United State Air Force and also his service in police work.

Tables Envisioned; Rugby Lions Club

The Rugby Lions Club presented "Tables Envisioned" for the sixth time in Rugby, ND. Tables Envisioned is a fundraising project for the club. Presenters who are interested in displaying a table are charged a fee and the public is charged admission to view the show. For three days, Rugby folks and people from around the area have the delight of viewing 25 different table displays. In the six years, the show has raised thousands of dollars for Lions projects.

Funds raised this year will be once again donated to the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota; large print books, as well as the elevator fund at the Rugby library. It will also create a fund which will help to restore the fountain in Rugby's Ellery Park.

This year marked the presentation of the 150th table. Each year the show continues to gain interest and is an excellent place to showcase the work of the Lions. This year a display was set up by Craig Wollenburg showing viewers the work of the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota. Information was also available on how to become a donor.

Tables Envisioned was the "vision" of Chuck Repnow when he served as the club's president. The purpose was to raise money so that a magnified reader could be purchased for the Heart of America Library. In addition to this, funds raised were also donated to Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota and used for the purchase of large print books at the Rugby Library.

Repnaw and his wife, Jan, have co-chaired this fundraiser from the start. They both have an avid interest in dishes which they have passed on to their 8-year-old daughter, Lydia, who has sponsored a table several times. The show not only showcases dishes of every type, but collections or interests of displayers. For example, Luis Coca, who is serving as the current president of the Rugby Lions Club, presented a table which reflected his service to his country in the United States Air Force and his duties as a police officer.

Several folks have expressed an interest in having a table for next year. With that in mind, the Rugby Lions Club will continue to "dish" up the fundraiser for the community and beyond.



A variety of tables were presented which makes "Tables Envisioned" interesting.



Lions Eye Bank of N.D. display which was presented at the fundraiser

South Forks



Pictured are members of the South Forks Lions. Pictured are, front, from left, Rex Huss, Art Grove and Del Hager. Back, Charlie Zick, Mike Coleman, Tracy Wicken, Brad Westrum and Lowell Schweigert.



Art Grove with his video magnifier.

Lions member receives magnifier

Art Grove is a long-time member of South Forks Lions Club of Grand Forks, and a recipient of a video magnifier from the ND Lions Foundation.

South Forks Lions members have contributed to the Video Magnifier Program since it began and was very happy that their donations to the Foundation went towards the purchase of a video magnifier for Art's use.

South Forks Lions Club donates to this project on a regular

basis and encourages all other clubs to consider donating to this cause as well.

Art is now able to independently read his mail, do business correspondence and many other daily tasks that would otherwise require the assistance of another person.

Art is really happy to have this equipment available to him and he is also really happy to be a Lion!

Video magnifier program reaching people in need

By LION ROBERT LITTLEFIELD
and LION KEVIN VANNETT

The Video Magnifier Program sponsored by the Lions Foundation of North Dakota can rightfully be described as a success based upon statistics recently made available by the program's manager, PDG Lion Kevin Vannett of Mandan.

As of July 2013, there were 114 applications submitted from people wishing to participate in the program. Of these applications, 74 individuals were approved to receive video magnifiers with 72 machines currently placed, and two machines on order.

The total project income as of July 7, 2013 is \$130,615.26. This income breaks down in the following ways: Club donations submitted to the LFND total \$79,307, with \$77,450 coming from Lions clubs and \$1,857 coming from personal donations; and video magnifier account income totals at \$51,308.26, with \$24,383.26 given by personal donations, \$22,410 received from lease payments, \$4,000 received through client deposits, and \$25

from miscellaneous.

Total project expenses as of July 7, 2013 total \$123,537.88. These expenses break down in the following areas: Cost of purchasing video magnifiers was \$121,168; sales tax totaled \$953.56; property labels were \$253.06; account supplies (check blanks, deposit slips) were \$39.96; annual PO Box rental was \$175; office supplies were \$403.54; promotional brochures were \$169.60; and audit was \$375.

Current balances on the various accounts total \$7,077.38. These balances are reflected in the following accounts: Video Magnifier Account is at \$1,158.38; the Lions Foundation Account is at \$5,429; and the Magnifier Scholarship Account is at \$490.

The bottom line for the project thus far is this: Project income totals \$130,615.26; project expenses total \$123,537.88; leaving the difference at \$7,077.38. The Video Magnifier Program is reaching people and creating awareness in Lions Club members across the state of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota as a vehicle through which their donations can reach people in need.

Napoleon



Pictured, from left, are Theresa Cowan, activity coordinator, Lion Athena Dunn, President of the Napoleon Lions and Rick Regner, administrator of Napoleon Care Center. All from Napoleon.

Ambassadors aid magnifier purchase

Future Leaders also help

Fund Raisers promoted by service organizations come and go with always a hope that enough money will be raised for a project. The Napoleon Lions decided to invite the Harlem Ambassadors Basketball team to entertain the community last October in 2012 at the school gym.

The goal was to raise enough money to purchase a video magnifier for the Napoleon Care Center. The project has finally been completed when past president of the N.D. Lion Foundation, Lion James Ruff, brought the video magnifier to the Napoleon Care Center. The local Lions did request the help of the Napoleon Future Leaders organization. They gladly helped fund the project. Thank you, NFL for your generosity.

Life can be frustration when you can't see to read. Lions

clubs are noted to support their community's needs and also support sight projects. Helen Keller made that request to them back in 1925 at the Lions International Convention.

Since that time, Lions are called the "Knights of the Blind." Due to the current construction of the Napoleon Care Center, Rick Regner, CEO wants to note that the machine has not yet been set up, but should be soon. The public is welcome to come and visit the center and use the machine when construction is completed.

If you would like an application or more information concerning a video magnifier please write to Video Magnifier, Mandan, ND 58554. Or email: videomagnifier@gmail.com or phone: 1-800-373-3751 or contact a Lion member in your community. Remember our Lions club's motto is WE SERVE.

MEETING OF THE MINDS "Bringing Ideas To Light"



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Schedule Of Events

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Friday, October 25, 2013

9:00 am - 9:00 pm	Convention Registration by Dickinson Lions	North Lobby
10:00 am - 4:30 pm	North Dakota Lions Meetings	
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	ND Lions District 5NW Cabinet Meetings	Liberty
	ND Lions District 5NE Cabinet Meetings	Union
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Cabinet Lunch - Taco and Salad Bar (\$12 Per Person)	Freedom Hall
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	ND Lions Eye Bank Board Meeting	Legends BR
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	North Dakota Foundation Board Meeting	Legends BR
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	North Dakota PDG Association Meeting	Legends BR
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	ND Lions Meeting Attendees - Dinner On Your Own	
1:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Bakken Oil Field Tour	
	<i>Featuring: Dan Koller and Raymond Schaible, Presenters</i>	
1:30 pm	Bus Departs Ramada Inn for Bakken Oil Field Tour	North Lobby
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm	Tour Bakken Oil Express Depot and Oil Drilling Rig Site	Dickinson Area
3:15 pm	Bus Departs Rig Site for Target Logistics Man Camp Tour	
3:45 pm - 4:30 pm	Tour Target Logistics Crew Camp	Manning, ND
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Dinner @ Target Logistics Crew Camp (Complimentary)	Manning, ND
5:30 pm	Bus Departs Target Logistics for Ramada Inn	
6:15 pm - 6:45 pm	Lions Memorial Service	Freedom Hall
	<i>Featuring: Past District Governors</i>	
7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	State Lions Choir Practice	Grand Dakota BR
7:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Ice Breaker Social (Cash Bar and Hors d'oeuvres)	Grand Dakota BR
7:30 pm - 8:45 pm	"Mystical Minds" Entertainment	Grand Dakota BR
	<i>Featuring: Greg Wilkinson & Ron Rhoades, Mentalists</i>	

Saturday, October 26, 2013

7:00 am - 5:30 pm	Convention Registration by South Heart Lions	North Lobby
7:00 am - 9:00 am	Opening Ceremony and Breakfast	Grand Dakota BR
	<i>Keynote Speaker: Dana Altendorf, Lions-Make-A-Wish® ND</i>	
8:00 am - 5:30 pm	Peace Poster Contest Judging	Grand Dakota BR
9:15 am - 10:00 am	ND Lions District Meetings	
	ND District 5NW Meeting	Medora/Elkhorn
	ND District 5NE Meeting	Roosevelt/Mandan
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Blood Glucose Screening	Mezzanine
10:00 am - 11:30 am	Leo Lion/Youth Speech Contest Preparation	Little Missouri



NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIONS CONVENTION

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Schedule Of Events

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Saturday, October 26, 2013

11:00 - 3:45 pm	Leo Lion/Youth Speech Contest Presentations/Judging	Badlands
10:15 am - 12:00 pm	Morning Breakout Sessions	
10:15 am - 11:00 am	Leader Dogs For The Blind, Carrol Jackson and Hunter	De' Mores
10:15 am - 11:00 am	Video Magnifier, Tracy Wicken and Kevin Vannett	Dakota
10:15 am - 11:00 am	Lions Make-A-Wish® ND, Kelly Braun and Amy Kreidt	Liberty
10:15 am - 11:00 am	Bakken Formation Projections, Lynn Helms	Union
11:00 am - 11:15 am	Coffee and Snack Break	Gateway Hall
11:15 am - 12:00 pm	Service Dogs of Judd, Shelley Nanenga	De' Mores
11:15 am - 12:00 pm	Food Supply Chain, Mike Blazek	Dakota
11:15 am - 12:00 pm	The Challenges Of Energy, Ken Callahan	Liberty
11:15 am - 12:00 pm	Bridging The Generation Gap, Dr. Debora Dragseth	Union
12:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon	Grand Dakota BR
	<i>Keynote Speaker: Bill Lowman, Cowboy Poet</i>	
2:00 pm - 3:45 pm	Afternoon Breakout Sessions	
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	Leader Dogs For The Blind, Carrol Jackson and Hunter	De' Mores
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	Lions Make-A-Wish® ND, Kelly Braun and Amy Kreidt	Dakota
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	The Challenges Of Energy, Ken Callahan	Liberty
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	Bridging The Generation Gap, Dr. Debora Dragseth	Union
3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	Service Dogs of Judd, Shelley Nanenga	De' Mores
3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	Video Magnifier, Tracy Wicken and Kevin Vannett	Dakota
3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	Bakken Formation Projections, Lynn Helms	Liberty
3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	International Director Q & A, Stacey Jones	Union
3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	State Lions Choir Sing-A-Long, Jana Schweigert	Grand Dakota BR
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Blood Glucose Screening	Mezzanine
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	ND State Meetings	Grand Dakota BR
	<i>Featuring: Mike Blazek and Katherine Tweed, District Governors</i>	
5:15 pm - 6:15 pm	Parade Of Green	Grand Dakota BR
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Social (Cash Bar)	Grand Dakota BR
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Lions Convention Banquet Dinner & Closing Ceremony	Grand Dakota BR
	Featuring: State Lions Choir, Jana Schweigert, Director	
	Keynote Speaker: Stacey Jones, Lions International Director	
8:30 pm - 11:30 pm	Music and Dance Entertainment	Grand Dakota BR
	"Rhythms Of The Hart"	

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Meeting of the Minds



CONVENTION SITE:

Ramada Inn Grand Dakota Lodge
1532 15th Street West
Dickinson, ND 58601
(701) 483-5600

A list of Dickinson hotels is available at:
<http://www.visitdickinson.com/visitors/lodging/>
Hotel rates in Dickinson are decreasing due to more availability. Call the hotel or access the hotel website to check on current room rates.

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(701) 690-1530

NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIONS CONVENTION 2013 REGISTRATION - DICKINSON

Fully Refundable To September 30, 2013
(Please Print Clearly)

MAIL TO:

Dickinson Lions Club
Attn: Ken Davis
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: _____

Plan To Join Us.....We'll Light Up Your Life!

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EXPERIENCE THE BAKKEN FIRSTHAND

Friday, October 25, 2013
1:30 pm - 6:00 pm

The **Bakken Oil Field Tour** is a great opportunity for those interested in the Bakken to explore Western North Dakota in an organized and information-filled fashion including lodging options provided by Target Logistics. The Bakken Oil Field Tour will benefit all attendees and cover a great deal of pertinent information about Western North Dakota, energy development and current activities.

The 4½ hour tour by bus (air conditioned) shows you the activity, impacts and opportunities in Western North Dakota. You will visit oil and gas operating areas and see many energy and construction related happenings. A **complimentary dinner** will be provided following the tour at Target Logistics crew camp.



Tour Schedule: 1:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Depart Ramada Inn Grand Dakota Lodge
Bakken Oil Express Near Dickinson
Active Oil Drilling Rig Site
Fracking Site
Producing Oil Well Site
Target Logistics Crew Camp near Manning
Dinner at Target Logistics Crew Camp
Return to Ramada Inn Grand Dakota Lodge

The eye-opening bus tour presented by Dan Koller is an opportunity for all who would like to gain knowledge about specific areas of the Bakken. We strongly encourage everyone to take full advantage of this *enriching* and *enlightening* experience!

If you have already registered for the convention and did not select the Bakken Oil Field tour, you may still register for the tour by calling Ken Davis at (701) 690-1530 or emailing Ken at hawkback33@yahoo.com.

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Convention Package includes a tour, Ideabreaker social, all meals, speakers, meetings, sessions, and entertainment.

Limited Package includes all of the Convention Package excluding the meals on Saturday which can be selected separately.

		Convention Pkg.	Limited Pkg.
Gold Light Special	October 26 - March 31, 2013	\$ 85.00 pp	\$ 35.00 pp
Silver Light Special	April 1 - August 31, 2013	\$110.00 pp	\$ 60.00 pp
Blue Light Special	September 1 - October 26, 2013	\$125.00 pp	\$ 85.00 pp

☐ Convention Package \$ _____ ☐ Limited Package \$ _____ ☐ Friday Tour/Dinner - NC _____
☐ Saturday Breakfast \$10.00 ☐ Saturday Luncheon \$15.00 ☐ Saturday Banquet \$25.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____ **Make Checks Payable To:** ND State Lions Convention