

NORTH DAKOTA LION



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The Lions of Elgin have donated a total of \$10,000 toward the Leader Dog Kennel Redesign Project. Pictured is District 5NW Leader Dog chair Jan Froemming accepting a \$2,500 check from President Doris Friedt of the Elgin Dakota Lions Club. Also shown is Leader Dog Sector Coordinator Bruce Schwartz accepting a \$7,500 check from President Virgin Stern (r) of the Elgin Lions Club. The Elgin Lions Club is now a Leader Club. Congratulations to the lions of Elgin!

Becoming a Leader Club in your area

By BRUCE SCHWARTZ

The Leader Dogs for the Blind Kennel Redesign Project has several incentive programs to encourage Lions clubs to contribute to the campaign. The most common and widely recognized one is the Leader Club. Attaining Leader Club status requires a minimum gift of \$7,500. Gifts of \$5000 and above may be paid over a five-year period while gifts under \$5000 may be satisfied over three years.

To learn more about this one-year drive contact either your sector coordinator for North and South Dakota, Bruce Schwartz (701-258-1189) or your district coordinators who are shown below. Coordinators are



Bismarck Lions Club President Jerry Schaack presents a pledge check for a \$10,000 gift to the Leader Dog Kennel Redesign Project. Congratulations to the Bismarck Lions Club!

available for club visitations.

Our goal in North and South Dakota is to develop 15 Leader Clubs. There are 26 sectors around North America for this initiative



The Minot Magic City Lions Club became a Kennel Redesign Project Leader Club at their regular meeting on October 28, 2014. The photo shows Nicole Swartwout presenting a pledge check to Sector Coordinator, Bruce Schwartz. Nicole is also chair of the 2015 North Dakota State Lions Convention. Congratulations Magic City Lions!

with ND and SD making up Sector 20. As of January 1, Sector 20 has 6 Leader Clubs, the most in North America. We can do this.

Gifts are currently on

track to meet our second goal of raising \$150,000 in Sector 20. Here's the

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BY ID LION ROBERT S. LITTLEFIELD

"It's not too early to start planning for next year"

For years, January has remained the best time of the year to start planning for the future. While New Year's resolutions abound as hopes of finishing up a project, losing weight, or turning over a new leaf, our good intentions and plans are often quickly set aside as more pressing projects place demands on our time. I would like to suggest that there is one resolution that we must keep in the forefront: Every club should start the process of identifying its 2015-2016 slate of officers and having the new slate in place by March. Why? There are several reasons, including necessary planning and training, leadership experiences, and expanding leadership opportunities within the club.

Necessary Training and Planning

Even though next year's officers officially do not begin their duties until July 1, being a new officer involves planning and training. By electing next year's officers by March, the new officers will have the last quarter of the year to form their leadership team and establish personal and club goals. Our fast-paced

world often gets away from us, so giving new officers some extra time to plan can only help make them feel more secure when they assume office in July.

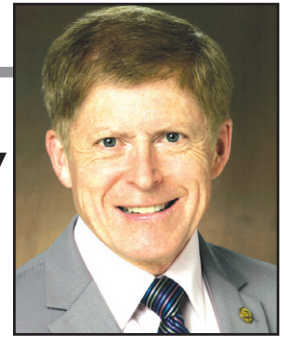
In addition, District training sessions for club officers occur during the months of March and April. By electing your club officers in March, new officers will be in place to receive information from the District Governor and District Leadership Team about when and where the training will occur. Training sessions focus on the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chairs. Other general training is also available for interested members.

Leadership Experiences

In addition to providing new officers the time to plan and be trained, there are several excellent leadership experiences available. One of these will be happening in Jamestown, North Dakota, as the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute is scheduled to occur on July 24-26 at the University of Jamestown. As a participant in a previous GPLLI, I found that experience to be very useful to me both as a Lion, and as a member of my community. In addition to

helping me be a better Lion, I was able to apply what I learned to my activities on the job and in other civic and professional groups. Our Multiple District is very involved in GPLLI, with Past International Directors Bruce Schwartz (ND) and Marvin Chambers (SASK) on the governing board. Every club should consider sending at least one of its new officers to benefit from the GPLLI. You can get more information from: http://www.lionswowinks.org/lions17-L/GPLLI_files/GPLLI%20Promo%201,%202014-2015.pdf

A second experience involves the 2015 USA/Canada Forum to be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on September 17-19. The Forum brings together thousands of Lions from across North America, providing leadership training that builds confidence in new officers and club leaders. Seminars are offered over the three-day event, as well as motivational speakers and other programs of interest. In addition, participants have the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with other Lions through social and meal functions. Registration is underway for 2015 Forum and signing up



early saves money. To find out more about this great opportunity, go to: <http://lionsforum.org/>

These leadership experiences—GPLLI and USA/Canada Forum—need planning time for officers and clubs. Getting your club's slate of officers in place by March gives its leaders the time to make plans to attend these experiences. In addition, clubs are able to budget funds to support sending one or more of its officers to experience what Lionism beyond the club is all about.

Expanding Leadership

Opportunities

Finally, electing your 2015-2016 slate of officers by March will help your club to consider ways to expand leadership opportunities to those members who have not yet had the opportunity to serve. We know it is easier to let people continue doing what they have done, but mixing up the officers and mentoring new members in leadership positions is one way to revitalize a club. At the International level, LCI is beginning to track how many club presidents

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have previously served in that office. According to their records, over half of club presidents in the United States and Canada have previously served as president. Take a look at your club and see if there are Lions who have been serving on the board but have not been asked (or given the opportunity) to move into a higher leadership position. There may be some club members who are unsure of themselves, but could

be mentored. Your club could decide to elect an assistant to work with a veteran officer, and then let that assistant take the officer position the following year. You can also have 2nd and 1st vice presidents so Lions learn more about the position before they serve as president. It is not too early to groom future leaders.

In Closing

As we continue celebrating the start of 2015

and all that the New Year has to offer, I encourage every Lions Club throughout the Multiple District to think about how to strengthen its members and prepare them for future service as a club officer. One way to make our clubs stronger and more attractive is to create opportunities for members to move up in the ranks. Let's make strengthening our leadership a New Year's resolution that we do not set

aside in the days ahead.

Kathy and I are continuing the next month of our service on behalf of Lions Clubs International with visits to Rochester, MN; Rapid City, SD; LaCrosse, WI; and Corvallis, OR. You can keep track of our visits at <http://www.littlefield4lionsid.com>. We extend our best wishes for continued good health and service on behalf of Lions Clubs International.

'Lions Building Community' is theme for the MD5 Convention

Lions attending the MD5 Convention this spring will focus on the theme: "Lions Building Community: Teamwork, Technology, and Transformation" when they gather in Fargo, ND on May 29-30, 2015.

The program will feature local motivational and educational leaders speaking on a range of topics related to the developing and strengthening Lionism. Local community developer

and activist, Greg Tehven, will keynote the convention with his presentation, "Ideas Worth Spreading to Change the World."

Three breakout sessions will be repeated during the convention, including: Using Teamwork to Serve; Using Technology to Engage; and Transforming Lionism to Create New Opportunities for Growth. Participants attending all three will be included in a drawing for one

free night's lodging credit at Hilton Garden Inn.

For attendees arriving on Thursday, social activities are available, including: Golfing at Osgood, the Maple River Winery tour, a local brewery tour, the Red River Zoo, and shopping at West Acres Mall. Costs associated with activities (including transportation) are above the basic convention registration cost. On Thursday evening, the "Hawaiian Holiday"

early bird social is planned with entertainment, food, and beverages. Lions and guests are invited to wear Hawaiian clothes. The convention attendees will be going off site Friday evening for the friendship dinner at Bonanzaville, the memorial service, and entertainment.

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State Convention Parade of Green Donations

Life Members* \$300

Lew Schaper by Grand Forks Lions Club
Arnold Rotering by New England Lions Club

Bronze Clubs* \$100 - \$299

Carrington Lions Club
New Rockford Lions Club
North Star Lions Club
Rugby Lions Club
South Heart Lions Club
Valley City Lions Club
Williston Korner Lions Club

Silver Clubs* \$300 - \$499

Dickinson Lions Club
Mandan Lions Club
Minot Magic City Lions Club

Gold Clubs* \$500 - \$999

Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions Club
Grand Forks Red River Lions Club
Williston Lions Club

NDSU Lions Campus Club	\$25
Elgin Lions Club	\$35
Del Hager	\$50

Sight 4 Kidz Vision Screener Program

Mandan Lions Club	\$350
New England Lions Club	\$100
Reeder Lions Club	\$200
Zone 2A	\$1,487.55
Williston Business	\$1,000
Miscellaneous	\$20



5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

If this year is no different, many of you started out the New Year with a list of "New Year's Resolutions." For the Officers and Secretaries of our District's 55 active Lions Clubs, hopefully many of you have resolved that beginning this month you will file the necessary and proper monthly reports and make an extra effort to promote your Club within your community.

These goals are very important both to your Club and your District.

Going forward we would like for our District to have a District Administrator who would be able to help those Clubs who struggle with reporting. The District Administrator would be able to assist until the Club Secretary becomes familiar with what is actually a very easy system once one does become familiar.

We had someone to fill this voluntary position, but unfortunately shortly after being appointed had to give up the position for reasons beyond our control.

Therefore, if there is anyone out there who recognizes the need within many of our Clubs for assistance in this regard and has a bit of time and some

computer experience please let me hear from you.

We are very pleased to report that your two Vice District Governors and District Governor have made and are continuing to make Club visitations. It is truly heartwarming to see all of the genuine concern and caring for their communities and others as we continue our visitations throughout the year. We are confident that as we move forward with this process it will give your future District Governors a much better grassroots feel for our District and its members as they assume the responsibility of being District Governor.

2015 is going to be another busy year for our District. We are working to get the Sight 4 Kidz program fully operational. The Fargo Lions host the 2015 MD5 Convention in May. The Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute will be held at the University of Jamestown in July.

All of these events are a credit to our District and our Members' willingness

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to serve. With that having been said, we must however, remember that the main function of our Clubs is to serve our communities in every possible manner. When we live up to this principle we are better able to band together not only for our community, but for the greater good promoted by Lions Clubs International as well.

We urge all of our Lions and Clubs to participate in the Centennial Service

Challenge, to support the Leader Dogs Initiative and Sight 4 Kidz, and let's flood the campus of the University of Jamestown with Lions ready to learn new leadership skills.

Thank you so much for all you do for your community and beyond.

WANTED

Lions for Vision Screening Training

The Lions Foundation of North Dakota is actively seeking fellow Lions from around North Dakota to serve as operators of the mobile Plusoptix S12C Vision Screener to be used in conjunction with a fantastic new program called



The goal of the program is to provide vision screening to pre-school children.

FREE OF CHARGE!

Lions, we need your limited time and commitment to learn how to operate the Plusoptix device and to assist with screening children wherever Lions serve all across the state of North Dakota. For more information, please contact: Del Hager, del714@hotmail.com; 218-779-4971

MD-5 Committee Chairperson Position Opening: Vice District Governors Trainer

The MD5 Council of Governors would like to inform all Lions Of Multiple District 5 that there is a committee chairperson. Position becoming available as of June 30th, 2015. The term of this position will be from July 1st, 2015 to June 30th, 2018.

If you have an interest in the above position and would like a job description and application, please contact the Council of Governors Secretary-Treasurer:

Mike Brand
1904 Burlington Dr. #1
West Fargo, ND 58078
Phone/fax: 701-205-4729
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Email: vc lion@msn.com

Deadline for all applications will be March 1, 2015

Lions pins available

People can send the order form to their district chairperson:

for NW

Tim Thueson,
3211 N 19th St.
Bismarck, ND 58503,
701-250-9705

and NE

Arlo Anderson,
4680 153rd Ave SE,
Leonard, ND 58052
701-645-2519



Beulah



The club recently built a gazebo and completed the memorial garden at the Knife River Care Center.



Volunteers for various events for town centennials and country fairs.

Beulah Lions revitalized

By CHRIS ERICKSON
and CRYSTAL DACAR

Although the numbers had dipped low in the past few years, the next generation of the Beulah Lions has taken the club's reins and is ready to help out. Newly elected President Derek Czywczynski said the organization was revitalized lately after a little bit of work, rebounding fast, to the current membership status of 28 official members, after it had declined to only four.

The group has already found ways to help the community. Five times per year, the Beulah Lions Club displays American flags throughout the town. They recently repainted a park, volunteered for various events for the town centennial and county fair, as well as got involved with annual city events.

The most recent accomplishments include building

a gazebo and the completion of the memorial garden project at the Knife River Care Center, thanks to a generous donation.

In the works are numerous fundraisers throughout the seasons, in effort to move forward with re-opening scholarships and donations to

those in need, commit to sponsorships, and even build a new playground for the community.

The next event the Beulah Lions Club is introducing to the community is an annual soup cook-off. The "Souper Bowl: Soup Cook-off" is scheduled for January 31st, at the Beulah Community Center, from 6-8 p.m. The group has

teamed up with dozens of community businesses in effort for the event to a "go-to" annual event.

The overall goal of the club, Czywczynski said, will remain the same. "One of the Lions Club's major focuses is eyesight," Czywczynski said. "There's the LeaderDog

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Five times a year American flags are displayed throughout the community.

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO COMPETE IN THE **SOUPER BOWL**?

1ST ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL

WHAT: SOUP COOK OFF

DATE: January 31st, 2015

TIME: 6 PM - 8 PM

LOCATION: BEULAH CIVIC CENTER

TEAMS

TO REGISTER: ENTRY FEE - **\$40** - DEADLINE TO ENTER: **1/16/15**

Complete form or submit information to: beulahlionsclub@gmail.com, www.facebook.com/beulahlionsclub, or Brant (701) 873-4365

ENTRIES ARE LIMITED

FANS

COME HELP US DECIDE THE WINNERS!!

ADULTS: \$5 : CHILDREN: \$3

5 CASH PRIZES

Booth Theme: People's Choice 3 Judge's Picks - 1st place is \$500*

*PRIZE AMOUNTS ARE BASED ON ENTRY TURNOUT

Event is sponsored by your Beulah Lions Club with proceeds going towards LeaderDogs For The Blind

Magic City



Thanksgiving 'magic'

The Tuesday prior to Thanksgiving the Magic City Lions, with the help of the Young Professionals Network of Minot, were able to purchase 16 complete meals for families in need in Minot. Meals included a turkey, stuffing, cranberries, potatoes, milk and juice, buns, all the condiments and even pumpkin and apple pie. It is a very humbling experience to deliver these meals and to see how grateful the families are to receive them. The lions and YP work with Community Action in Minot to select the families. Among those who helped with the project are, from left, Lions Sid Gousheh, Gary Thuner, Connie Lord, Ann Olson, Gene Neal, Darlene Johnson, Josh Ressler, Bill Johnson and Marita Hoffart.



Tuttle



Tuttle's Santa Day

The Tuttle Lions continue the tradition of Santa Claus Day. Pictured above are members of the Tuttle Lions Club gathered to bag candy which they present to area youth and elderly on the last day of school prior to Christmas break as they have done for years. Thanks for this tradition which puts smiles on the faces of young and old alike. The Tuttle Lions live up to our motto "We Serve."

Wishek



Wishek inducts four

While in Wishek, I was honored to induct four new Lions into the Wishek Lions Club. From left to right in photo is Cody Cooper, DG Dwaine Heinrich, Mary Ann Fiechtner, Les Otto Rene Otto and Club President Roger Rieger. Congratulations to the new Lions and to the Wishek Lions Club.

Carrington



Carrington Lions Club President Brian Duchscherer, left, with Lions of the Year winners Jane Fredrickson, Duane Zwinger and Ken Hansen.



Pictured are the lates recipients of a Melvin Jones Fellowship award for the Carrington Lions Club. From left, are Lions Illa Zink, Ken Hansen, Jane Fredrickson and Mary Topp.

Annual Christmas party

The Carrington Lions Club held their annual Christmas party on Wednesday, December 4 at the Prairie Inn. The evening started out with a delicious 2-meat buffet. Followed by some fun activities. The highlight of the evening was the awarding of some awards. Lions Duane Zwinger (2010-11), Jane Fredrickson (2011-12) and Ken Hansen (2012-13) were awarded the Lion of the Year plaques. These Lions won the local contest as well as the 5NE contest for the Lions year following their name. Lions Ills Zink, Ken Hansen, Jane Fredrickson and Mary Topp

were awarded the Melvin Jones Fellowship award for their great service for the Carrington Lions Club. This award is given to individuals who the club believes has contributed above and beyond in the service projects and activities of the club. The Melvin Jones Fellowship award is given in honor of Melvin Jones who is the founder of Lions Club International. This award is the highest award that is given to an individual in the Lions organization. Another highlight of the evening was the induction of three new members into the Carrington Lions Club. The new members were Almyra



PCC Duane Zwinger, far left, as he inducts new members into the Carrington Lions Club. Pictured, from left, are Royce Topp (sponsor), Almyra Topp, Sharin Paintner and Tom Paintner.

Topp (sponsor Royce Topp), Tom Paintner (sponsor Duane Zwinger) and Sharon Paintner (sponsor Duane Zwinger). These new members were inducted into

the Carrington Lions Club by PCC Duane Zwinger. DG Katherine Tweed was to be the guest of honor, but was unable to attend because of the weather.

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organization that's funded by the Lions International, and we plan to pledge to this ASAP." Another sight-related organization was the Eye Bank of North Dakota, which deals with donated corneal tissue and is funded by the fundraising of organizations like Lions. "It's about serving

for whatever purpose is needed," he noted. "I know in the past the club's members got together to do fundraisers for people who are ill. The sky is the limit. In our club, we're in the same age group and have children so we're looking at ways to help improve the community. Maybe that's a

park that needs fixing up. Maybe it's a bike path. We just want to do something to help our community."

The ambitious Beulah Lions Club's current members, and their "Little Leos" are becoming a familiar face, and encourage their community to join in on their monthly meetings,

call upon us for help, and become a branch of service that is, proudly, here to serve.



5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

With the advent of the new year, I would like to bring up something new to the State of North Dakota. That is the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute or GPLLI as I shall refer to it. GPLLI is a leadership training seminar that is open to all Lions who have not been a District Governor. Over the next two years, for the first time, the Institute will be held in North Dakota. The University of Jamestown in Jamestown, ND has agreed to be the host for this Institute.

What does that mean for us? Well, this great leadership learning opportunity will never be any closer for the Lions in North Dakota to attend. The past two years it has been held in Missouri and the two years before that it was in Iowa. The cost for this 3 day training seminar is only \$150.00 plus the cost of transportation to get there. Meals and lodging in the dorms is included in the cost.

Not only do you receive some great training, you also get the opportunity to meet many other Lions from the Great Plains area. They will come from Missouri, Iowa, South Dakota, Nebraska, and Saskatchewan. Let's work to have strong representation from Western North Dakota and make this the best GPLLI ever!

I also want to remind everyone about the Lions International Centennial Service Challenge that goes through the year 2017. The challenge is for Lions worldwide to perform 100 million acts of service focusing on four areas: Hunger, Youth, Sight and Environmental. I have no doubt that each club in our district can accomplish this challenge, but it is up to all secretaries out there to

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record those activities as being in those categories when you fill out the monthly activity report.

It is hard for me to imagine that this Lion's year is half over. I must say that the first six months of this District Governorship have been a lot of fun for Lion Sherry and I. Lion Sherry has been able to accompany me on most of the thirty-seven club visitations that have been made. Every one of those 37 visits will hold special memories for me. I have met so many good people that I would consider friends during those visits. Along with the new friends Sherry and I have made, we have also reconnected with old friends. We cannot say thank you enough to all thirty-seven clubs. You are all the best Lions ever!

I am looking forward to the second half of this year and visiting the clubs we have yet to see. Of course I will be trying to see some clubs for a second time. Not that I think those clubs are in necessarily trouble, but just because we choose to and want to. Lion Sherry and I want to see every club succeed.

A little reminder of my personal District Club Visitation Challenge! It is exciting to see the clubs that are visiting each other! I know that several Lions Clubs will earn a patch from me for their Club Banners and that is exciting! There is time for several other clubs to get out there and visit your club neighbors and meet my challenge.

We started this year with seven zones and three zone chairs. Thank you to Lion Harry Wallner, Lion Gary Morel and Lion Lori Newgard for stepping up and continuing to be leaders in our District as Zone Chairs. I also need to thank Lion Jim Johnson for stepping in as the Zone Chair of 2-A. He held zone meetings and



a fabulous Zone Project to increase membership in their zone.

I rezoned down to six zones as Zone 1 A had only four clubs spread out over a great distance. This has decreased the Zones to six. The Second Vice District Governor, Mark Koller held the first Zone Meeting in three years for Zone 4-B. It was a great success with over thirty Lions attending.

And as a final note I want to especially thank Lion Linda Czywczynski of Beulah for stepping up to be Zone Chair for Zone 4-A. Kudos Linda!! WE ARE ALL LIONS!!



Bismarck Capital City Lion's 55 years of service Lion Victor Spaedy.

5NW LION'S CLUB CHALLENGE 2014-2015

1. At least three members from your club must make the visit.
2. The date and which club you visited must be recorded.
3. District Officers (DG, VDG, 2VDG, Cabinet Members, Zone Chairs) do not count as one of the three visiting members.
4. Visitation must be to another Lion's Club outside of your own town.
5. Minimum of three visitations to qualify



Date of Visitation: _____ Club Visited: _____

Visiting Club: _____

Members Visiting: _____

Signature of Presiding Lion of Club Visited: _____

Send completed form to: DG Arlen Fetch • 406 4th Ave NW • Mandan, ND 58554

5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT



Alexander Lion's Club Inducted two new Lions member's left to right: Lion Larry Novak sponsored Tana Turcotte, Pastor Larry Duffy sponsored by Lion Doug Nenow.



PDG Brock Johnson 35 years of service.



Wilton Lion's Club Inducted two new Lions Members. Left to right: Lion Dale Boelz sponsored Todd Newton and David Falkenstein sponsored by lion Larry Falkenstein.



Alexander Lion's Club 30 year's of service Lion Joe Mrachek.



Bismarck Lions Club Years of Service Awards. Back row left to right: Lion Howard Loftesnes 30 years, Lion Ken Breene 35 years, Lion Terry W. Ness 20 years. Front row left to right: DG Arlen, Lion James Meisner 60 years, Lion Ray Jesser 25 years, Lion Roger Hagen 45 years.



North Star Lion's Lion Jed Geer 10 years of service.

MD5 Convention to include Leo Rally

The Multiple District 5 Convention to be held May 29-30, 2015 in Fargo, ND will feature a Leo Rally thanks to special funding from Lions Clubs International. All Leos in MD5 are invited to attend the rally. In addition, Leos from Multiple District 5M (Minnesota, Manitoba, and Northwestern Ontario) will be invited.

The Leo Rally will begin on Friday evening, May 29,

with most of the training and activity sessions scheduled on Saturday. The Leo group will join the MD5 Convention attendees at the Red Jacket Luncheon on Saturday, prior to concluding their activities. The Convention Committee is formalizing the Leo Rally Planning Group. Expect registration materials, housing, and activity information about the Rally in upcoming publications

and on the MD5 website: <http://www.md5lions.org>.

Each constitutional area of LCI is eligible for up to two grants annually to support leadership development and training for Leos; and MD5 was selected as one of the two recipients this year, receiving \$2,000 to support a rally to be held concurrently with the MD5 Convention in Fargo in May.

If Lions Clubs do not

currently sponsor a Leo Club but would like to start one in the future, they should bring a group of young people to the Leo Rally to become more familiar with Leos and how they work with Lions Clubs in their local communities.

For More Information contact ID Robert Littlefield, 218-790-4346 or R.Littlefield@ndsu.edu

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Convention—May 27-30—in Fargo. The registration form and hotel information is included in this newsletter and is posted on the MD5 website at: <http://md5lions.org>.

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Wednesday, May 27, 2015

5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Early Registration

Thursday, May 28, 2015

8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Day trips, golf event, loosely structured activities*
3:00 - 7:30 p.m. Early registration
4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Council of Governors Meeting
6:30 - 10 p.m. "Hawaiian Holiday" Early Bird Social

Friday, May 29, 2015

8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Registration
9:45 - 10:15 a.m. First Timer Reception and Orientation Session - Room TBD
10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Keynote: "Ideas Worth Spreading to Change the World"
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Opening "Senior Counselor Awards" Luncheon
2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Meet the International Director Q&A
3:00 - 3:15 p.m. Coffee break
3:15 - 4:30 p.m. MD5 Business Meeting #1
6:00 p.m. Memorial Service - Bonanzaville
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Friendship Dinner and Entertainment — Bonanzaville
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Leo Welcome Reception — Expressway Inn
8:45 - midnight Hospitality Zone Party

Saturday, May 30, 2015

7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Registration
7:30 - 9 a.m. State/Province Breakfasts
8:30 - 12 noon LEO Rally off-site
9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Breakout Session #1
9:30 - 10:15 a.m. MD5 Committee Meetings
10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Breakout Session #2
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Red Jacket Luncheon with Leos joining
1:45 - 2:30 p.m. Breakout Session #3
3:00 - 4:30 p.m. MD5 Business Meeting #2
5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Pre-banquet Reception
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Governors' Banquet

Directory is online

Lions who do not receive a 'hard copy' directory now have access to all of that information. It is available online.

It includes contact information for:

North Dakota Lions clubs
District officers and chairpersons
Lions Foundation of North Dakota
board of directors
Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota board of directors
MD5 Council of Governors officers and chairpersons
Past District Governors Association
Leader Dogs for the Blind
Great Plains Assistance Dogs
The North Dakota Lion
And lots and lots of other information!
Convention schedules, etc.

Here are the websites:

e-district.org/sites/5ne and e-district.org/sites/5nw

Due to privacy issues, the North Dakota Lions directory is kept in the members section. For login and password go to the link at the bottom of the home page.

NORTH DAKOTA LIONS HALL OF FAME APPLICATION FORM

THE _____ LIONS CLUB NOMINATES _____ FOR THE NORTH DAKOTA LIONS HALL OF FAME

Two seconding statements are required, one of which must be from the club president.

SECTION A - Minimum Requirements

This nominee has been a member of the _____ Lions Club since _____.
This nominee has been a member of Lions for 20 or more years: Yes _____ No _____
This nominee has been a member of a North Dakota Lions Club for 15 or more years: Yes _____ No _____
Nominee must have attended a minimum of 10 non-club rallies and conventions: Yes _____ No _____

SECTION B - Basic Life as a Lion

The nominee has served in a Lions Club as (Check all that apply): President _____ Secretary _____ Treasurer _____ Sec/Treas _____ Director _____
Fundraiser Chair _____ Membership Chair (Pos. Growth) _____
Nominee has been named by club as: Lion of the Year _____ Times Melvin Jones Fellow _____ Times
Nominee's Convention Attendance (times): State _____ Multiple District _____ International _____ USA/Canada Forum _____
District Leadership Rally _____ Other _____ (list them) _____
Nominee has served in district cabinet as (indicate number of times): Secretary _____ Treasurer _____ Zone Chair _____ Region Chair _____ Committee Chair _____
Nominee served on board of directors of (list number of years): ND Foundation _____ ND Eye Bank _____
Nominee has served as a MD5 committee chair (list number of times): _____ Nominee was elected as District Governor (list year): _____

SECTION C - Preliminary Selection Criteria

	Points Per Category	Total Points		Points Per Category	Total Points
1. Each year an active Lions member (15 consecutive years min)	1.0	_____	25. Multiple district conventions attended* (list year and city)	1.0	_____
2. Each year club president, secretary and/or treasurer (20 year max)	2.0	_____	26. International conventions attended* (list year and city)	1.0	_____
3. Each year club committee chair (30 year max)	1.0	_____	27. USA/Canada Forums attended* (list year and city)	1.0	_____
4. Each year club board member (other than 2 & 3 above) (10 max)	1.0	_____	28. 100% District Governor award* (list year(s))	1.0	_____
5. Each year program presenter at district, state or MD5 convention	1.0	_____	29. Club President's excellence award* (list years)	1.0	_____
6. Each year chairman of ND state or MD5 convention	2.0	_____	30. 100% club secretary award* (list years)	1.0	_____
7. Each year committee member of ND state or MD5 convention	1.0	_____	31. Initial Melvin Jones Fellowship Year _____	2.0	_____
8. Each year region chair or zone chair	1.0	_____	32. Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships How many _____	1.0 ea	_____
9. Each year vicedistrict governor	1.0	_____	33. Each sponsored new member (requires printout from LCI to verify)	1.0	_____
10. Each year district governor	3.0	_____	34. Each year Guiding Lion* (list years and clubs) (6 max)	2.0	_____
11. Each year international committee* (list year and committee)	2.0	_____	35. Each year Leo club advisor* (list years and clubs) (6 max)	2.0	_____
12. Each year as member of district cabinet	1.0	_____	36. Each year Campus club advisor* (list years and clubs) (6 max)	2.0	_____
13. Each year district cabinet secretary and/or treasurer	2.0	_____	37. Each year Club Branch advisor* (list years and clubs) (6 max)	2.0	_____
14. Each year as chair of a major Lions function* (list years and events)	1.0	_____	38. Each year Extension Award* (list years and clubs) (6 max)	2.0	_____
15. Each year president of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota, Inc.	2.0	_____	39. Each year Rebuilding Club Award* (list years and clubs) (6 max)	2.0	_____
16. Each year secretary and/or treas. of Lions Foundation of North Dakota	1.0	_____	40. Other Awards# (list award and year received). Include one point for each year perfect attendance.	Club 1.0	_____
17. Each year board member of Lions Foundation of North Dakota	0.5	_____		District 1.5	_____
18. Each year Lions eye bank president	2.0	_____		International 2.0	_____
19. Each year Lions eye bank secretary and/or treasurer	1.0	_____	41. Each hosted foreign exchange student* (list years, name and country)	3.0	_____
20. Each year lions eye bank board member	0.5	_____	42. Each hosted youth camp student* (list years, name and country)	1.0	_____
21. Each year MD5 council chair	3.0	_____	43. Chair of youth exchange camp* (list years and camp locations)	3.0	_____
22. Each year MD5 committee chair (excluding sitting governors)	1.0	_____	*List information on separate sheet. **Suchas PDG Association, SightFirst fund drives, etc.		
23. District rallies attended* (list year and city)	1.0	_____			
24. North Dakota state conventions attended* (list year and city)	1.0	_____			

TOTAL POINTS FROM SECTION C _____

AT THIS POINT, NOMINEES MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 125 POINTS FOR NON-DISTRICT GOVERNORS AND 250 POINTS FOR PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS IN ORDER TO PROCEED WITH THE APPLICATION. IF YOU HAVE EXCEEDED THE THRESHOLDS, PLEASE COMPLETE THE REST OF THE APPLICATION AND SUBMIT IT APPLICATIONS OF NOMINEES WITH POINT TOTALS ABOVE THOSE THRESHOLDS BUT WERE NOT SELECTED AS THE WINNER WILL BE INCLUDED FOR CONSIDERATION THE FOLLOWING TWO YEARS FOR WHICH ADDENDA MAY BE ADDED.

SECTION D - Lions Activities that are not covered in Section C

This section requests a written statement covering anything that was not covered in Section C. It may be in outline or paragraph form and no more than 150 words. Use a separate sheet. Maximum 10 Points

SECTION E - Non-Lion Activities

This section requests a written statement regarding your activities as a citizen outside of Lions. Please include community service, leadership activities and other community involvement. It may be in outline or paragraph form and no more than 200 words. Use a separate sheet. Maximum 25 Points

SECTION F - Biography

Prepare a personal resume including name, marital status, family, occupation and when and where you joined Lions. Include all achievements, volunteer work, other organizations and personal recognitions. Section F is limited to 500 words but must be more than 250 words. It will be judged on content, clarity, structure and presentation. Although a set number of points will not be used for this section, the Selection Committee will give significant weight to the biography as they evaluate the application. This section is to be in narrative form only with optional third person construction.

SECTION G | Nominee Certification

I certify that the information I have provided herein is a true and accurate rendering taken from personal, club and LCI records.

NAME _____ DATE _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE (home) _____ (cell) _____ NOMINEE SIGNATURE _____ E-MAIL _____

Club Certification: We certify that the information provided herein is a true and accurate rendering taken from club records and other verifiable sources.

CLUB PRESIDENT _____ CLUB NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

CLUB SECRETARY _____ E-MAIL _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Applications must be postmarked on or before APRIL 15, 2015. This application must be fully completed and signed by the appropriate parties and returned along with a 4X5 or smaller photograph. Mail to: Dave Czywczynski • P.O. Box 192 • Beulah • ND 58523

Club News

Capital City



Food drive

Capital City Lions recently held a club member food drive to collect food for Ministry on the Margins. Lions Dick Okerlund, left, and Rudy Steidl collected and delivered the food.



Bell ringers

Capital City Lions Club members rang the bell for the Salvation Army. Pictured is President Tom Mayer with a couple of young women who stopped by the bell station.



New Lion installed

Earl Larson, right, was recently installed as a member of Capital City Lions, with PDG Allen Dockter, left, conducting the installation.

LaMoure



Club hosts students

Dec. 15, the LaMoure Lions Club hosted 16 kindergarten students from LaMoure Public School. The students presented a short program for 22 Lion members, had pizza and pop, and a visit from Santa. The Toy Farmer donated presents for the kids and our club handed out a bag of goodies. A good time was had by all!

Edgeley City



Sponsor Santa visit

Annually, the Edgeley Lions Club sponsors Santa and Mrs. Claus's visit to Manor St. Joseph, Edgeley. Santa presented each resident with a sack of treats. All manor residents had their picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus. A fun time was had by all! The Edgeley Lions has sponsored this program for the past 12 years. Pictured: Mrs. Claus (Lion Darlene Jackson Hanson) Manor Resident, Lion Adrian Jacobson, Santa (Lion Gene Hanson).

New England



Lions play Santa

The New England Lions again brought Santa to youngsters in New England. Using funds donated by New England area businesses, the Lions purchase, bag and distribute sacks of candy and peanuts to children at the New England School Christmas concert, the Little Saints Day Care, and the Amidon elementary school. This year the club's newest Lion, Tim Hecker, put on the red and white suit and trilled the children who stood in line to visit with Santa and receive their goodies. This young lad shared a cookie with Santa, after being reminded that good little boys and girls provide milk and cookies for Santa's visit.

New Rockford

New Rockford celebrates the season

New Rockford Lions had a very busy holiday season. They kicked the month off with the annual Santa Day carnival.

This year, Lions members made 250 bags of goodies to be handed out during Santa Day. Many of the members volunteered their time to help set up and run the carnival games. The whole carnival was a big success.

The Lions Club was asked during our board meeting to help the food pantry with their Christmas food boxes. We were able to give \$500 to help out families in need.

Lion Mary and Lion Dennis Gehrtz went shopping for the "Share the



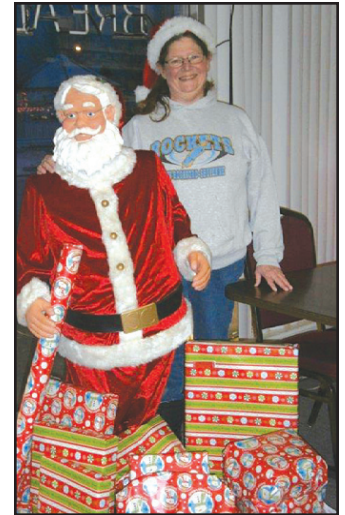
Lion Rick Swenson and Lion Dennis Gehrtz helping with Santa Day games.

Joy of Christmas" project, where they fulfilled the "wish list" of a family with five kids. They shopped until the dropped!

Next on the list for the holiday season was the "Shop with a Cop." Lions

members served pizza and pop to hungry little shoppers. Afterward, they helped the little shoppers wrap up all their gifts to take home.

Topping off our holiday season was our Lion



Christmas party. We had a great holiday season, but boy are we glad Christmas is only once a year!

Elgin



Lions donate funds

The Elgin Lions Club donated the funds from hamburgers in the park this summer to several organizations. Each organization received \$500, including the Grant County High School Senior Class, New Leipzig Senior Meals Program, Elgin Saddle Club, Highway 21 Bus, Elgin/New Leipzig Girl Scouts, Elgin Golf Club, New Leipzig/Elgin Ambulance, Elgin Senior Meals Program, Grant County High School, Kids Day Care and the Elgin Museum. The funds came from the annual project of hamburgers in the park. All members are involved in the project during the summer months. Pictured, from left, are Lion President Virgil Stern, Sydney Bentz and Chris Fischer representatives of the Grant County High School Senior Class. Photo by Lion Duane Schatz.

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breakdown by district:

5SE – June Van Asch

605-949-2723

Leader Clubs:

MITCHELL P. CITY (\$7,500)

Non-Leader Clubs (4):

\$1,550

5SE TOTAL \$9,050

5NW – Jan Froemming

701-584-3606

Leader Clubs:

MINOT M. CITY (\$7,500)

BIS CAP. CITY (\$10,000)

BISMARCK (\$10,000)

ELGIN(\$7,500)

Non-Leader Clubs (6):

\$10,500

5NW TOTAL \$45,500

5SW – Donna Wetz

605-490-0567

Leader Clubs: None

Non-Leader Clubs (16):

\$5,750

5SW TOTAL \$5,750

5NE – Sandy Wurgler

701-208-0963

Leader Clubs:

G.F. SOUTH FORKS (\$8,460)

Non-Leader Clubs (7):

\$1,975

5NE TOTAL \$10,435

**SECTOR 20
GRAND TOTAL:
\$70, 735**

Our primary goal is to develop Leader Clubs. However, there are many clubs who may find this goal unattainable. If Leader Club status is out of reach, just do as much as you can. The range of giving in Sector 20 stretches from \$50 to \$10,000. Whatever your club can do will be most acceptable.

What better way is there to meet the Helen Keller challenge than to support the Leader Dogs For The Blind Kennel Redesign Project.

NORTH DAKOTA LIONS ANSWER THE CALL FOR PRE-SCHOOL VISION SCREENING WITH



Recently, our International President, Joe Preston asked all of us to be a part of a national focus for the purpose of providing pre school vision screening. They say “timing is everything” and the Lions of North Dakota are set up and ready to screen the children of our state.

Because of the generous donations of the ND Lions Clubs, businesses and individuals, and with the cooperation of Lions Clubs International Foundation, the Lions of North Dakota Sight 4 KIDZ vision screening program is up and running and ready to meet the needs in your community.



Our children need us. According to educational experts, 80% of learning is visual. So if children can't see well, they can't learn well. And vision problems that go undetected by the age of 7 can become permanent.

The Lions of ND Sight for KIDZ is our State program that offers a vision screening to the children of North Dakota. **Our mission is to ensure that children receive proper vision screenings and follow-up care when needed.** No one works harder than Lions to save sight, but we can help even more children when we work together focusing on children ages 6 months to 6 years of age .

The ND Sight 4 KIDZ program has purchased 13 screening devices and equipment to bring FREE vision screening to your community. We currently have trained screeners in New Rockford, Grand Forks, Fargo, Jamestown, Bismarck, Washburn, Dickinson, Williston and Mandan. Those volunteers are ready to help you get a screening going in your community too.

You can change a life by becoming a vision screener. With just minutes of training, any Lion can screen the vision of a child. Just push a few buttons and the screening devices used in Sight 4 KIDZ do all the work for you. Every child deserves to see the world clearly. And they can with your support.

Hands On Training at your Clubs' Screening activity will be the best training. We have found that when we couple an experienced screener with a new screener volunteer, the results are a great experience for all. But most of all, our children's needs are being met. Lions should screen at any age from 6 months on; the biggest benefit: 6 months to 6 years of age. Where should Lions Screen? Day care centers/nursery schools; School screenings; Mall screenings; Santa Days, Wherever the children gather, that's where Lions will screen.

Follow this link to view an inspiring vide about how a Lions Vision Screening can make a difference in a child's life:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NU6yjUOnzro>

For information on how to get a vision screening scheduled in your community, contact:
Lion PDG Pat Vannett; patvannett@gmail.com or 701-426-8132.



2015 MD5 Lions Convention Registration

"Lions Building Community: Teamwork, Technology, Transformation"

May 29-30, 2015 – Hilton Garden Inn – 4371 17th Avenue South, Fargo, ND 58103

REGISTRATION FEES (per person)

Complete Package

By December 31, 2014.....US\$130/125 if cash/check

By March 30, 2015.....US\$145/140 if cash/check

Saturday Only Package

By December 31, 2014.....US\$105/100 if cash/check

By March 30, 2015.....US\$120/115 if cash/check

Single Event

Registration + one meal on Saturday...US\$40-60/35-55*

*fee dependent upon breakfast/lunch/dinner

REFUND POLICY: Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from the Lions MD5 2015 Convention Committee Treasurer, Lion Gary Hanson, 836 Lakeridge Place, West Fargo, ND 58078 until May 28, 2015. After that date, requests should be made to MD5 Secretary/Treasurer PCC Mike Brand, 1904 Burlington Drive, Unit 1, West Fargo, ND 58078. No refunds will be granted 60 or more days after the conclusion of the convention. Questions should be directed to the MD5 Convention Chair, PCC Robert Littlefield 218-790-4346 or lionsmd52015@gmail.com

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Convention location – Hilton Garden Inn 701-499-6000. The room block is guaranteed until Monday, April 27, 2015 at US\$114 per night plus tax. Ask for Lions MD5 Convention room rate. Check-in after 3 pm – Check out time 11 am.

Type of Payment: Check____Cash____Draft____Credit Card____ Total Amount:____ Initial:____

Special Events on Thursday, May 28, 2015

Golf at Osgood 9 holes plus lunch US\$40

Red River Zoo (includes ride) US\$20

Bonanzaville (includes ride) US\$20

Maple River Winery (includes ride) US\$20

Special Events on Thursday, May 28, 2015

(all fees include local transportation from hotel to venue)

9 holes of Golf at Osgood plus lunch US\$40

Red River Zoo US\$20

Bonanzaville US\$20

Maple River Winery Tour US\$20

E-Mail Questions to: lionsmd52015@gmail.com

Contact information: Lions 2015 MD5 Convention

PO Box 3144

Fargo, ND 58108

Credit Card Information

Name on Card _____

Card Type: ____Visa____Mastercard____Discover

____American Express

Card Number _____

Expiration Date:____Security Code_____

Signature:_____

One Form Per Person

Name_____

District____Club_____

____Lion____Lioness____Leo____Guest

E-Mail (for confirmation of registration):

What is your 2015 Lion position (for name tag):

Payment Information:

Registration Package Fee..... \$ _____

Special Event Fees Total..... \$ _____

List: 1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Total Fees Due..... \$ _____

Form of Payment:

____Check____Cash____Draft____Credit Card

Date:_____By:_____

Do you have any special dietary or physical needs?

Yes No Specify:_____

Is this your first MD5 Convention? Yes No

Address_____

City_____

State/Prov_____Zip/PC_____

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“DIE”

The Spring Rally is set for:

March 28th, 2015

Washburn High School

Washburn, ND

9AM (cst) – 3PM

We have a great plan for the Rally including fun and food. The DIE Social is planned to be amazing. Training for Officers will be held. This is very crucial to our Clubs. Every year there is new information sent to make our positions easier and better. There is no cost to the clubs and you will leave with your head full of Lion's Pride. There is a registration form below. Get your registration in for the Early Bird Prize.

DISTRICT 5NW

13TH ANNUAL SPRING RALLY

SATURDAY MARCH 28TH, 2015

WASHBURN HIGH SCHOOL

Send this form to:

DGE Judy Beaudry – 1002 Cannon Lane – Washburn, ND 58577

or e-mail to: jbeaudry@westriv.com

Name _____ Lion _____ Guest _____

Club _____ # of yrs in Lions _____

2015 Club or District Office _____