

# NORTH DAKOTA LION



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According to Karla Meikle, of the Morton County Extension Service and Mandan Lion Member, 9.6% of the youth population in Morton County are food insecure



Mandan Lions Donate Meat to the Food Bank.



Bismarck Lions with a pick-up of food.



Washburn Lions Daune Knell and Dick Brewster.

## Lions are "Relieving the Hunger"

The Lions across the state of North Dakota came together to relieve the hunger here in our state.

Many Lions clubs held food drives collecting hundreds of items for the local food banks. Other

Lions clubs collected food for their local school back pack program where they send home food with children on the weekends so they will have the proper nutrition they need. Another Lions clubs worked together

to feed over 400 people for an evening supper.

Hunger and poverty go hand and hand. Childhood hunger can cause irreversible damage. A lack of proper nutrition can harm a child's mental

and physical development. Hungry children have difficulty concentrating and focusing on schoolwork. Your involvement can help feed the hungry and make a difference in the life of a child.

BY ID LION ROBERT S. LITTLEFIELD

## "International Lion Leaders Converge in Budapest for Board Meeting"

October 1-6, 2015 seems like a blur of activity for us. From touchdown to takeoff, our days were focused on the business of Lions Clubs International and learning about the local culture and customs of the Hungarians we met in Budapest.

Some have asked the question, "why do you meet outside of the United States?" The selection of Budapest as our meeting site was purposeful. Because board members come from around the world, the board meeting moves to balance the travel costs. From a practical perspective, being in east central Europe, Budapest is a closer destination for the international directors from Europe and Asia who comprise the majority of the board; also, Budapest is a major city so air travel in and out is convenient; and finally, the cultural activities in Budapest provide educational experiences for the spouses and companions of the directors.

When we arrived, it took a little time to get adjusted. But, it wasn't long before we were in session. The first business meeting was a formal

event with Dr. Yamada presiding. In addition, the Lions Clubs International Foundation recognized Lions who have contributed to the Foundation. For this board meeting, Kathy and I made a donation to the LCIF One Shot One Life Measles Initiative to provide vaccinations to save the lives of 1,000 children. This donation, coupled with donations made in our name from Lions districts where we visited last year, resulted in Kathy receiving a Melvin Jones Fellowship and me getting my fifth diamond progressive MJF.

Once we moved into committee, board members spent the next two days working through our agendas. The Public Relations Committee, where I serve as chairperson, had quite a lot to accomplish in the short time we were together; and I'm pleased to say that we successfully navigated the approval of a revised protocol for LCI, received approval to begin the process of creating an historical archive for the Centennial and beyond, and sent forward several recommendations supporting the development

of a global marketing strategy.

We also reviewed the advertising budget and schedule for the year, awarded 10 centennial grants to multiple districts, and developed specific public relations action plans to move our strategic plan—LCI Forward—into our second century of service.

Some highlights from other committees includes the following action items:

Audit Committee—defined duties for the Internal Audit Committee to oversee LCI financial affairs; created separate Audit Committee for Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Constitution and By-Laws



Committee—provided for the integration of language to include the third vice president into all documents of the Association; clarified role of the advisory committee to review and evaluate vice president candidates seeking to run for the position of third vice president.

Convention Committee—evaluated the 2015 convention in Honolulu; forecasted features of 2016 convention in Fukuoka, Japan; set per diem for district governor elects and

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## In Remembrance



**Elton Peterson**  
Bowbells

**Carmelina Lee**  
Alexander

**Albert Maier**  
Ashley

**Richard Halvorson**  
Mott

**Larry Tebelius**  
Bowdon

**Elmer Wolf**  
Tuttle

**Arvid Olson**  
Wahpeton

**Herman Schafer**  
Mandan

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## MD5 Youth Exchange Opening

The MD5 Council of Governors would like to officially inform all Lions of Multiple District 5 that the Youth Exchange Chairperson's term will expire on June 30, 2016. The new term will run from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019.

If you would like an application

**Email MD5 Sec/Treas Mike Brand [vc lion@msn.com](mailto:vc lion@msn.com) Deadline for applying for this position is March 1, 2016.**

## MD5 Lions Opportunity for Youth Opening/Leo

The MD5 Council of Governors would like to officially inform all Lions of Multiple District 5 that there is an immediate opening of our LOFY/LEO position. The position would run July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2018 If you are a Lion of Multiple District 5 and would like to know more about this 3 year position or would like an application. Call MD5 Sec/Treas Mike Brand 701-205-4729 (phone/) or E-mail [vc lion@msn.com](mailto:vc lion@msn.com).

**Application Deadline for this position is November 1, 2015**

# November Diabetes Awareness Month

By LION DOUG REISER  
Washburn Lions Club

Every Nov. 1st Lions start a month-long series of activities aimed at raising diabetes awareness. It's a good time to encourage your club to plan a project or activity such as diabetes screening, vision screening, Strides Walk event, distribution of educational materials, raise funds for diabetes camps, foundations, etc.

World Diabetes Day is Nov. 14th. LCI joins this campaign led by the International Diabetes Foundation and its' member associations. Visit the World Diabetes Day website for activity ideas or the LCI website for resources to plan a community project on this special day.

The Diabetes Awareness Program became a major commitment of LCI in March 1984. The program

name has been expanded to: Diabetes Awareness and Action. The programs' main objective is to reduce the number of new cases of blindness caused by diabetic retinopathy through education, detection and research. Diabetic retinopathy is one of the leading causes of new cases of adult blindness.

Nearly 30 million Americans have diabetes and another 86 million have prediabetes or are at risk for developing Type 2 diabetes. The International Diabetes Federation expects 1 in 10 people around the world to have diabetes by the year 2035.

You can help those whose sight may be affected by planning your event today! Please contact Doug Reiser at [dougreiser@gmail.com](mailto:dougreiser@gmail.com) and let me know what projects or events your club is planning this year.

## LIONS FOUNDATION OF NORTH DAKOTA, INC.

### Donations

Hooterville Lions Club \$1,000 for the Video Magnifier program

### State Convention Parade of Green

The annual Parade of Green will take place at the close of the business meeting on Saturday at the State Convention in Minot.

### Clubs and individuals are encouraged to bring their donations for the following:

Lions Foundation of North Dakota  
Club Donations: (Bronze/Silver/Gold/Diamond/100%)  
Individual Donations (Sustaining Members/Lifetime Members)

Video Magnifier Program

Sight 4 Kidz Program

Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota

Leader Dogs For The Blind

Great Plains Assistance Dogs – Service Dogs For America  
Vision USA

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### New members

July – September  
District 5NW clubs

Beulah	3
Dickinson Noon	3
Glen Ullin	1
Halliday	1
Lake Metigoshe	1
Mandan	4

Minot	1
Minot Magic City	7
New England	3
New Salem	1
North Star	2
Richardton	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>

### Congratulations! Keep up the good work!

PDG Lewellyn Rustan • Global Membership Coordinator

### Lions Foundation of North Dakota Election Information

Board of Directors positions up for election by the Districts at the State Convention

District 5NE Del Hager

District 5NW Ken Davis

The Executive Committee has determined that both candidates are eligible for re-election.

Lions Foundation of



North Dakota, Inc.



# 5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

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I didn't know what to write about this month, until I looked up the service challenge results. I was very disappointed either 5NE does not want to help their own communities (which I doubt very much). They may not know what to do, or the biggest reason is they don't know how to report it. If you know anyone on the cabinet they are more than willing to help you. If you call me I can walk you through the processes, or my wife Kristi can, plus if you get in a bind she can input it for you. On the topic of the service challenges, DG Judy had clubs in the west ask when the next challenges are, so we decided on the youth project for Nov. 20th to Dec. 20th. Some examples would be giving trees and buying presents for youth, or Santa days or the like in your communities or shop with a cop and helping wrap presents. The Vision challenge is to be in the months of Jan and Feb. We gave this 2 months since it might be hard to get a vision screener to come to your community, since we have only 11 screening

machines in North Dakota. You also could collect glasses, and donate them one of the centers in North Dakota. One of the best ways is to give people in your community vision exams of buy their glasses for them. The last challenge is the environment one which we put in April and May. Here you could plant trees, plant a community garden, clean ditches or parks. Most of all we would just like you to help your communities and learn to report your activities to Lions International.

I only have a few visitations done but have quite a number of them scheduled in October and November. Luis and Keith also have some lined up. If you want us at a special time call us, we hope we can fill in at your date, but if we have one already on that date you might have to change yours or get one of the other team members instead. I went to Chaffee and Valley City both clubs

do very well for their communities.

The next big thing for North Dakota is the State Convention in Minot on Oct 23 and 24. They have a lot of great things planned starting off with the cabinet meetings and the eye bank and foundation meetings. One Friday night is the ice breaker and they are going to have a Halloween party so bring your costumes. On Saturday are the breakout sections and the talks with the international Director Karla Harris from Wisconsin. But as I told you before the best part is seeing old Lion friends and meeting new ones. Remember to bring your Peace Poster contest winner to be judged with the other winners from the 5NE. then the east and west winners go on to the MD5 contest. The winner of that goes to the international one where they can win \$5000 plus a trip to the UN in New York. If you are sending a poster please let Carla Lien know

so she can plan accordingly. Hope to see as many of you as possible in Minot. If you don't know me please come and introduce yourself because I really like meeting new people from all over. I am hoping we can get as many different clubs as possible to the convention since 5 NW always has many clubs there and we have more clubs so let's get there and show the SNE Lions Pride and also have a great time doing it.

Remember let's do the service challenges and most of all let's report them, all you need to do is call and we will help you. One the subject of service, Service dogs of America in Jud North Dakota is having a challenge of their own. If you don't see an article in this Lion newsletter, I will give you more information on it next month.

## MD5 SECRETARY/TREASURER POSITION OPENING

The MD5 Council of Governors would like to officially inform all Lions of Multiple District 5 that the Secretary/Treasurer's term will expire on June 30, 2016. After 21 years of serving as the **Secretary/Treasurer for MD5**, Mike Brand is ready to turn the reins over. The position will be open for individuals to apply as Secretary/Treasurer, or as Secretary, or as Treasurer.

This is a year-to year position that is voted on each year. Due to the complexity of the position(s), the Council would like for the successful applicant to attend the Council meetings beginning in November to start training with Mike Brand.

If you would like an application or wish to learn more about the position. Please contact **Council Chair Arlen Fetch at 701-426-3431 or via e-mail at afetch@bis.midco.net. Deadline** for applying for this position is **November 15, 2015**. Interviews will be conducted with the selection committee prior to the November Council meeting at 1:00.

# Heitkamp updates Bismarck Lions Club

## *Senator discusses variety of issues*

During a speech to local leaders at the Bismarck Lions Club, U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp today highlighted her recent work in the Senate to stand up for North Dakotans, including her support for the Iran nuclear deal as well as her bill to lift the outdated ban on exporting crude oil and reauthorize the U.S. Export-Import Bank.

“Every day I go to work in the U.S. Senate, I fight for rural America and North Dakota,” said Heitkamp. “And after weeks of meetings and asking tough questions, it was clear that the Iran nuclear deal, while not

perfect, is the best option to keep North Dakotans safe and America secure. Unfortunately, the politics around this agreement have been deeply frustrating. In addition, my legislation to lift the antiquated ban on exporting American crude oil and reauthorize the U.S. Export-Import Bank would both support North Dakota’s economy, businesses, and workers, and I’ll keep pushing to pass both bills. We need commonsense policies that support rural America, keep our nation secure, provide certainty to small businesses and workers, and bolster our energy independence and

security – that’s what I’ll keep fighting for.”

After doing her due diligence and attending numerous classified intelligence briefings, meetings with national security leaders and non-proliferation experts, and discussions with advocates and North Dakotans, Heitkamp voted last week in support of the Iran nuclear deal. The deal is supported by top military, national security, science, and religious leaders, including former Secretary of State Colin Powell. Click here to see Heitkamp’s statement on why she supports the Iran deal and how it is the best

option to stop Iran from developing a nuclear weapon and keep America safe.

Two of Heitkamp’s biggest priorities have been to pass her bills to lift the ban on exporting American crude oil and reauthorize the U.S. Export-Import Bank. Heitkamp and Republican Senator Lisa Murkowski from Alaska have been working together for over a year on their legislation to lift the ban, which is gaining momentum in the Senate as their bipartisan

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## *“Catch ‘Centennial Fever’: Start Planning Today!”*

BY ID LION ROBERT S. LITTLEFIELD

PID Marvin Chambers (Saskatchewan) and I just returned from the Centennial Action Committee meeting in Oak Brook, Illinois where global coordinators from every constitutional area came together to get an update from LCI staff and coordinators about what is being planned for the Centennial Celebration. Wow! This will be a celebration we Lions won’t forget.

There are events and projects on every level: international, district, and local. But to make the Centennial meaningful for every Lion, every club should get involved. A Club Centennial Planning Guide is ready and soon will be downloadable from [www.lions100.org](http://www.lions100.org) to get you started.

We have Lion leaders in place to help provide information, encouragement, and assistance across our Multiple District 5. Please contact them for assistance.

MD5 Coordinator for Saskatchewan is PID Garnet Davis - [g.davis@sasktel.net](mailto:g.davis@sasktel.net)

MD5 Coordinator for ND and SD is PID Bruce Schwartz - [nmbBruce@bis.midco.net](mailto:nmbBruce@bis.midco.net)

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Past International

Director Marvin Chambers at [lionchambers@hotmail.com](mailto:lionchambers@hotmail.com) and I also sit on the international Centennial Action Committee so feel free to contact us if you need additional information.

In a nutshell, there are three areas that clubs can focus on as we approach the centennial:

Participate in the Centennial Service Challenge, completing four projects yearly over the next three years focusing on youth, vision, hunger, and the environment.

Invite and keep at least three new members each year (2015-2018 or start a new club.

Plan and complete a Centennial Community Legacy Project that has a lasting impact on your community in 2016-2017.

Plan a Centennial celebration for your club during the year of

celebration in 2016-2017.

Make plans to send at least one delegate from your club to the Centennial convention in Chicago in 2017.

Report your club’s Centennial Activities on MyLCI each year to be sure your club gets credit and we add your information to the worldwide effort.

But, the first step in the process is for every club to identify a Centennial Club Coordinator to organize a committee and get the ball started. As we approach the district convention season, please send/bring your club coordinator’s name and let the district coordinator know whom to contact. As more information becomes available, having the names of club coordinators will make it easier to know who should receive it.

Let’s make our Lions Centennial year one we will never forget.

# Election Information

Provisions of Lions Clubs International, District By-Laws, and District Standard Operating Procedures.

## **Candidates for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, and District Governor:**

### ***Each candidate must provide:***

Evidence of compliance with the qualifications for said office:

Must be a member in good standing of a Lions Club in the District.

Must have served as Club President.

Must have served as Zone Chair.

A personal Letter of Intent to serve in the position the candidate is seeking.

A Letter of Endorsement from the candidate's Lions Club, indicating club support, and verification that the candidate is a member in good standing. This includes current dues paid in full.

The above documents and information are to be submitted to the District Nominating Committee prior to the state convention.

### ***The nominating process:***

At the convention, each candidate is allowed one nominating speech of no more than three (3) minutes, and one seconding speech of no more than one minute.

## **Candidates for Board of Directors members for the Lions Foundation of North Dakota and the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota:**

As stated in the corporation By-laws, the candidate must be a member in good standing of a North Dakota Lions Club. The candidate must present a letter of endorsement from his or her Lions Club, verifying club support and dues status.

A Letter of Intent to serve in the position the candidate is seeking, although not required, is requested.

These documents are to be submitted to the candidate's District Nominating Committee prior to the state convention.

### **Intent**

This year a Succession Planning Team made up of the three immediate Past District Governors, has been established. The team will actively encourage development of leaders to fill those positions, and fulfill the qualifications prior to the convention and election.

Lions are encouraged to contact those Team members to discuss the possibility of becoming a candidate for those positions.

### ***Succession Planning Team:***

PDG Lewellyn Rustan / PDG Arlen Fetch / PDG Mike Blazek

### ***District Nominating Committee:***

PDG Dave Czywczynski / PDG Pat Vannett



# Vision screening



## Hold still

St A's "Alex" being screened.



## Teamwork

Community Lions working together, including the Bismarck, Bismarck Prairie Rose and Mandan Lions

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legislation passed in a Senate committee – the final step before a vote on the Senate floor. Heitkamp has also worked across the aisle with Republican Senator Mark Kirk from Illinois to

pass their bill to reauthorize the U.S. Export-Import Bank, which supports North Dakota small businesses and workers. Her bill passed overwhelmingly in the Senate in July, but the

House refuses to bring it up for a vote, even though it would pass with strong bipartisan support. For the past 81 years, the Export-Import Bank has helped North Dakota small

businesses grow, expand, and hire more American workers, supporting \$102 million in exports from North Dakota since 2007.

## LIONS: WHEN SENDING PHOTOS

- 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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editors@bhgnews.com**

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# 5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

My Lions, thank you for your work this month with the Centennial Challenge for Hunger project. We are working on the data and will report the results next month. I believe we will have some very good numbers to report.

As for my Washburn Lions we had a food drive using a pick-up. We put Fill the Pick-up signs on the bumper and parked it at Krause's Super Valu. Thank you Krause's. Residents shopping at the store dropped groceries in the back of the pick-up and we did fill it up. On Sunday we took the pick-up to Riverside Park and sponsored a Burgers in the Park. More food donations and proceeds from the burgers went to the McLean County Resource Center. We sold out of burgers. The Historical Society showed their one room school house that they had recently appointed. Residents came to the Park for burgers and to see the school on display for the first time. A good day for the town. A great day for our Lions Club.

I hope all of you get your Hunger project results to Lion Gary Morel. His e-mail is:

Brokenarrow15@hotmail.com

Our next Centennial Challenge Project is for Youth. We are asking that between November 20th and December 20th we have a project promoting Youth. The dates were set so we could give to those children in need for the Christmas season.

I have been very busy this month with my club visits. I've been in Sawyer, and to the Sawyer Leos Club. I made two trips to Williston to club visits and to a Zone meeting. Lois Reiersen and her husband offered their home to stay and I want you all to know, Lois makes a

mean Apple Crisp. I went to Taylor and attended their Steak Fry. They cook on Saturday nights in the summer and I recommend a trip to Taylor for dinner. In Stanley we had a great time at their Senior Center. Good people doing good things. I see that at every visit.

Here is what I observed at each of the club visits. All the clubs are very active. Each club has true Lions and they all give of themselves. Each club has a history of caring for their community, and the community in return is a better place. They all enjoy each others company. They laugh and tell stories. They take care of business. They all push to do more. They all want to interest younger members into their club. They all say the same thing. Younger members say they are too busy. I say that their culture doesn't give them the time. They were all raised with TV. For the most part they were cared for and perhaps not pushed into service. Yes you PUSH young people to service. That's where they learn to give. I hope I have tweaked your interest in a

Leos Club. If I have please call me, 701-220-4410 or jbeaudry@westriv.com. I would love to promote Leo's in all the communities we can. I think I have a formula to make these clubs happen. But, as I get you all reeved up about the young, I must say we must support the members we have. Yes, they might have silver hair or less hair but they are our Bread and Butter. This year I will be awarding Chevrons to five Fifty Year Lion members, one Fifty-five year member and two Sixty year members. How sweet is that? I guess what I want to say is that with all the push for young members, let's not throw out the baby with the bath water. I honor those with their precious years of service. I belong to a club that is eighty-seven years old. We have a member that has over fifty-five years of service. He is also my sponsor to Lions. Our silver hairs are our strength. I read one time in the LION magazine that a Lion member at 107 had made the vegetable soup for her club fundraiser. Hearing that, I guess we all have a lot

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of years of years of service left in us.

As I close this letter to you I leave this quote from Winston Churchill.

EXCELLENCE is...Caring more than others think wise;

RISKING more than others think safe;

DREAMING more than others think practical.

EXPECTING more than others think is possible.

I will see you all at the State Convention in Minot, October 23rd and 24th. Start planning your Centennial Challenge for November and December and get your information on our Hunger Challenge to Gary Morel. Thank you.

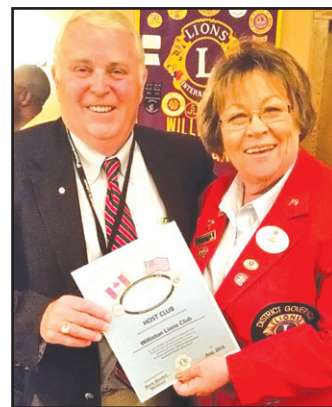
## Williston



### Mad hatters?

Meeting in Williston. They have beautiful hair nets they received in door prizes.

## Williston



### Oxendahl honored

Williston Lions Club president Terry Oxendahl receives MD5's Certificate of Appreciation for the club's support of the Lions Youth Exchange Camp. Presenting the award is District Governor Judy Beaudry.



# 5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

## Magic City



### Awards night

The Minot Magic City Lions Club held its annual awards night Sept. 15. The evening began with dinner at the Grand International Hotel. After the dinner they had an awards program followed by a video of their year in service. Lucky to be invited to share in the festivities were District Governor Judy Beaudry and husband Mac.

## Taylor



### Enjoying the day

The crowd in Taylor enjoyed dinner and chatting.



### Top cooks

The Taylor Lions Club cooks at the steak fry. Pictured are James Marcusen, Jim Enders and Harley Bloom. District Governor Judy Beaudry toured their kitchen and patio area that was built by the Taylor Lions.

## Washburn



### Break time

Washburn Lions taking a break at Burgers in the Park are, from left, Lion Duane Knell Lion Dick Brewster, Lion Gary Fuchs and Lion Gary Blackford.



### Servin' it up

Lion Mike Nelson serves Amanda Thyberg and Mike Thyberg during Washburn Lions Club's Centennial Challenge project for hunger. The project was a big success for the club and the McLean County Resource Center who received the profits of the day.



# 5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

## Williston



The Williston Korner Lions Club awarded four 100 percent Attendance pins at its September meeting. Those receiving the awards, from left, are Lion Lois Reiersen, Lion Sandy Hampton, District Governor Judy Beaudry, Lion Ron Graveyard and Lion Kathy Mollard. District Governor Judy Beaudry presented the awards.



### Wild and crazy guy

Williston's Zone Meeting had a very CRAZY Tail Twister.

## Club News

# Mrs. N.D. visits Jamestown Lions

BY DWAIN HEINRICH  
*Cub Reporter*

Recently, Mrs. North Dakota Christine Jorissen visited the regular meeting of the Jamestown Lions Club.

Mrs. Jorissen, who will serve as Mrs. North Dakota for 2015-2016, is a graduate of Concordia College. She is a certified Optician at Lifetime Vision Source in Jamestown.

As a child she developed a preventable condition known as refractive error which went undiagnosed for some time. Her condition led to frustration by teachers and others until her condition was identified and she was fitted with corrective lenses.

She explained to the



Mrs. North Dakota with members of the Jamestown Lions Club, from left, Lions Wolfgang. Kirchdorfer, Gwyn Loftberg, Dwaine Heinrich, Gary Speidel, and Duane Enzminger. Center is Lion Kristi Anderson.

group that prolonged undiagnosed eye disorders can be root cause of learning disabilities, not only reading but all vision-related learning. Christine's goals in her year as Mrs. North

Dakota fit nicely with those of the Lions. Our new Mrs. North Dakota plans on spending her year talking to teachers and students about preventable eye care and to encourage annual eye

examinations.

She was pleased to hear of the Lions vision effort known for Sight 4 Kidz. We are sure that we will see and hear more from Mrs. North Dakota in the coming year.



# Lions Clubs International

## LCI Leadership Development Webinars

**Register Today!  
Register with a Lion Friend!  
Thank you!**

**CALLING ALL  
LIONS!**

### **“Meeting Management: Steps to Success”**

Be prepared to promote member satisfaction by conducting effective and efficient Lions meetings.

Register to learn the five essential steps to meeting management success.

Presenters: Past International Director Scott Storms

Past District Governor Ruth Roberts

Wednesday, October 7 - 12:00 CDT

Friday, October 16 - 19:00 CDT

### **Coming in November**

#### **“Conflict Resolution”**

Learn how to disarm conflict for yourself and other Lions by understanding

It's benefits, the five typical ways conflict is managed, the pros and cons of various approaches and conflict management “best practices.”

Wednesday, November 4 - 12:00 CST

Friday, November 6 - 19:00 CST

**Don't say it costs too much.  
Don't say it takes too long.  
Don't say it's too far away.  
Don't say it's too much trouble.  
Say: SIGN ME UP!!**

**With your dues, Lions International tries to make us all better Lions,  
tries to help us help ourselves do things better  
and improve Lionism.**

*Tell your District Global Leadership Team Coordinator  
you're in and register today.*

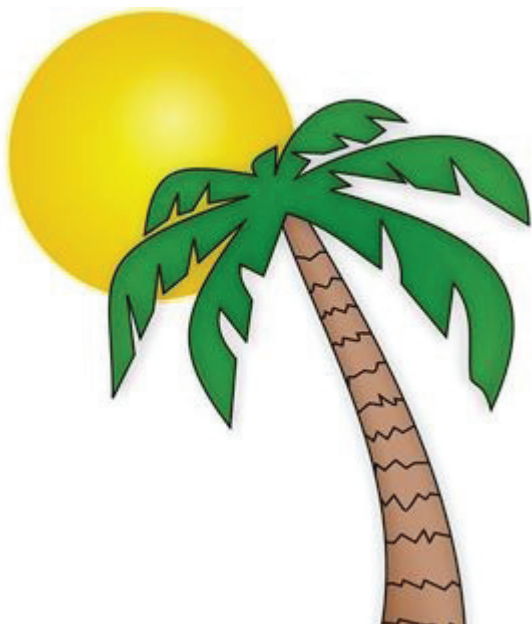
## **Missed it! - No Worries!**

**Webinars are recorded!**

**You can participate/view at any time about a week after the live broadcast.**



# Aloha Lions!



**January  
is always a good time  
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**2016 Lions State Convention**

**January 29-30**

**Ramada Inn**

**Aberdeen, SD**

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## 2016 S.D. State Lions Convention Registration

### January 29-30, 2016

**Ramada Inn**  
**2727 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE**  
**Aberdeen, SD**

First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Lion; ( ) Campus Lion; ( ) Leo; ( ) Spouse

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( ) Lion; ( ) Campus Lion; ( ) Leo; ( ) Spouse

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration Fees

(Please fill in # registrations/tickets)

**NOTE:** Registration includes heavy hors d'oeuvre on Friday evening and lunch and banquet on Saturday.  
(Breakfast is provided by the hotel for guests registered at the Ramada.)

	Before <u>Jan. 1</u>	On/After <u>Jan 1</u>	
____ Regular Member Registration	\$90	\$95	\$ _____
____ Campus Club Members/Leos	\$25	\$30	\$ _____
____ Additional Saturday Night Banquet Tickets	\$30	\$35	\$ _____
____ Additional Saturday Luncheon Tickets	\$20	\$25	\$ _____

**Total Registration:** ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Accommodations:** I will need materials in \_\_\_\_\_ Braille \_\_\_\_\_ Large Print

I will need alternate meals: \_\_\_\_\_ vegetarian or \_\_\_\_\_ other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

(Submit top portion with your check; keep bottom portion for your records)

**Make checks payable to:** SD State Lions Convention 2016

(Convention registration includes Friday evening hors d'oeuvre and Saturday lunch and banquet.)

(Requests for refunds must be submitted in writing no later than 7 days after the conclusion of the convention.)

**Send Registration to:** Lion Sharon Paranto, 2414 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE, Aberdeen, SD 57401

**Convention Info:** January 29-30, 2016, at the Ramada Inn, 2727 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE, Aberdeen, SD (605-225-3600)

**Convention Co-Chairs:** Lion Marje Kaiser, [Marje.Kaiser@sdsbvi.northern.edu](mailto:Marje.Kaiser@sdsbvi.northern.edu), cell 605-380-0112 &  
Lion Sharon Paranto, [Sharon.Paranto@northern.edu](mailto:Sharon.Paranto@northern.edu), cell 605-216-7814

**Hotel Reservations:** A block of rooms is being held at the Ramada Inn (phone: 605-225-3600) for the convention at a rate of \$88 plus tax per night. You must register by December 15 in order to get the discounted rate. Be sure to mention that you are part of the convention when making your reservation. The rate includes a breakfast and free Wi-Fi, airport transportation, and parking, as well as an on-site restaurant and bar. The hotel does not have an elevator, so be sure to request a room on 1<sup>st</sup> floor if you need special accommodations.

# 2015 Lions Convention for Districts 5NE and 5NW

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2014 DISTRICT CONVENTIONS TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION OCTOBER 23rd & 24th, 2015 IN MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA. THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS.

## ND STATE LIONS/ND DISTRICTS CONVENTION RULES 2015

1. The official convention program shall be the order of business.
2. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern all parliamentary procedures. Host District Governor shall appoint a convention parliamentarian and a convention secretary.
3. Presiding Officer – The host District Governor (5NW, DG Judy Beaudry) shall be the designated officer to preside at the state meeting.
4. Quorum—A majority of the registered certified delegates in attendance at a convention session shall constitute a quorum.
5. Lions in good standing must be registered and certified in order to vote on all convention matters. Clubs with a past due balances over 90 days exceeding \$20/member or \$1,000, whichever is less to Lions International or their District will be considered not in good standing.
6. The use of profane language at any business session, social function, or banquet is prohibited.
7. Credentials to vote at the District/ND State Convention shall be mailed to the respective District Cabinet Secretary for 5NE (Lion Kristi L Swenson - 414 1st Ave N - New Rockford, ND 58356) and 5NW (Lion PDG Kevin Vannett - 1101 Sunset Drive - Mandan, ND 58554) or delivered upon arrival at the convention by 9:00 am CST on Saturday, October 24th, 2015 at the convention registration desk at the Grand Hotel, 1505 North Broadway, Minot, ND.
8. CLUB DELEGATE FORMULA. Article IX.3. Each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and its district (single or sub- and multiple) shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members. Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote only for each office to be filled by, and one (1) vote only on each question submitted to the respective convention.
9. Solicitation or sale of club project items, with the exception of the host district is prohibited.
10. The Grand Hotel is a smoke free facility.

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

11. All voting at official meetings of the district and state shall be done by certified delegates present. A delegate must be present at the time of voting to have his/her vote counted in official results. If he/she cannot be present, his/her alternate shall take his/her place. For a club to be in good standing, all debts over 90 days past due exceeding \$20/member or over \$1000, whichever is less, to Lions Clubs International or their District, must be paid. The Credentials Committee must certify voting delegates. Clubs should identify their voting delegates and alternates and list them below. Mail this form to District Cabinet Secretary for 5NE (Lion Kristi L Swenson - 414 1st Ave N - New Rockford, ND 58356) and 5NW (Lion PDG Kevin Vannett - 1101 Sunset Drive - Mandan, ND 58554) or delivered upon arrival at the convention by 9:00 am CST on Saturday, October 24th, 2014 at the convention registration desk at the Grand Hotel, 1505 North Broadway, Minot, ND.

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

CREDENTIALS INFORMATION: - Names of Voting Delegates attending the 2015 District Convention and their Years in Lions

Names of Voting Delegates

Years in Lions

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

NAME OF CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Club Secretary or District Governor



other convention personnel; identified four cities vying for 2021 convention: Cincinnati, OH; Montreal, Quebec, Canada; Mexico City, Mexico; and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; reduced time for demonstrations during nomination process at convention; created policy to prevent the saving of seats by larger delegations.

District and Club Services Committee—approved special program that would facilitate redistricting among small district by allocating grant funds based upon membership for two years following consolidation to facilitate transition.

Finance and Headquarters Operation Committee—approved resolution to eliminate the complicated emergency reserve fund requirement and establish criteria for usage as part of general fund; approved rescinding policy placing clubs on suspension after 90 days and returning to the policy of 120 days.

Leadership Development Committee—approved moving toward Certification Program for Lion Trainers to ensure quality and consistency of training; approved DGE trainers for 2016 and schedule for Fukuoka, Japan.

Long Range Planning—continued oversight of strategic planning process named LCI Forward; goal of LCI serving 200 million people each year prompting need for more members to help serve the needs; continued oversight and role in Centennial planning reported; recommended creation of a Long Range Planning Team of international directors that will serve through 2017.

Membership Committee—introduction of GMT 2.0 by executive leadership to recharge efforts to increase membership growth and retention, with format similar to organization used during Campaign SightFirst II.

Service Activities Committee—reported ongoing efforts to determine new global cause for introduction at the Centennial convention in 2017; continued emphasis on increasing reporting from local clubs to help support claim that Lions are the global leader in humanitarian and community service.

When we left Budapest, our next stop was Augsburg, where some 32 LION magazine editors were meeting to review the transition plan from print to digital format, as well as other information pertaining to their operation. ID Linda and Vern Tincher joined Kathy and me as representatives from the board at the conference. Because of my background, I was invited to give the keynote address. I entitled my keynote: “To Catch A Whale: Taking the Bait in the Digital Age.” We all found these editor conference sessions to be very informative and will provide insight for ID Linda and me about LCI’s flagship publication, LION magazine.

Our experiences on the board of directors never cease to amaze us as we serve and learn. We remain grateful to our friends and supporters who made this opportunity possible for us. We look forward to visiting with everyone at upcoming conventions and meetings. Best wishes to all who serve.

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Full Name		Complete Mailing Address			
ND LION FOUNDATION		300 N 7TH ST - BISMARCK ND 58501-4439			
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(Oct. ??, 2015)



## Magic City Lions Introduces....



### Hotel Information:

Convention Hotel  
The Grand Hotel  
701-852-3161  
\$99.95 per Night

Alternate Hotel:  
Hampton Inn & Suites  
701-838-1400  
Super 8  
701-852-1817



### Friday Night Event:

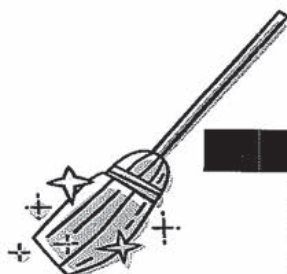
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Party & Contest

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Join us in the Magic City October 23rd-24th, 2015 for an  
enchanted time! Mirth, Merriment, and Magic will be had by all!

## Lions Convention 2015

Register by July 31, 2015 for a Chance to Win a Free Two-Night Stay in a Suite  
during the 2015 Convention!!!



Register at 2014 Convention	\$65
Early Bird Registration (until July 31, 2015)	\$70
Pre-Convention Registration	\$90
Register at Convention	\$100

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Convention Fees: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Club: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Guest

Make Checks Payable to:  
2015 State Lions Convention

### Mail Registration To:

Magic City Lions  
Attn: Gary  
PO Box 782  
Minot, ND 58702