



Sight 4 KIDZ changes lives

Editor's note: Six month old Ella, daughter of John and Kristi Voeller of Bismarck is now able to see and explore her little world, thanks to the Lions who operate the PlusOptix vision screener for Sight 4 Kidz. Here is their story.

Our daughter, Ella was 6 months old when her vision was screened by the Lions Club who did a screening at my MOPS Group in Bismarck. I almost did not have her screened because she was only 6 months old. I figured all was well as she had regular visits to the pediatrician who always looked at her eyes. She seemed to be fine and we had no concerns.

Even the day of the vision screening at my MOPS meeting, I was not really planning to take her to the screening area. But, there was nobody else in line at the time I was near the screening area, so I went ahead and had her screened. I was surprised when we were given a referral for a follow-up with our optometrist.

Even then, I still didn't think there was much to it, figured it was a fluke of some kind! I had an appointment scheduled for her several months later through the InfantSEE program, and figured we would probably be ok to wait until then. About the same time Ella had her vision screening by the LIONS Club, my husband was going in to see our optometrist.

I sent the LIONS Club information with him, telling him to ask if they thought she should come in now, or if would be OK to wait another 3-4 months for our InfantSEE appointment.

After reviewing the information provided from the LIONS Club screening, our optometrist felt it be best that Ella come in right away. She ran through a series of tests in the office with Ella ... and a short time later our optometrist informed me that Ella needed glasses! She gave me a prescription and we were on our way (our optometrist did not carry infant sized glasses, so we had to go to another clinic). About a week later, Ella had her glasses!

The differences between her with and without glasses are remarkable! Prior to glasses, we just felt Ella was just a laid back baby. She wasn't unhappy, but didn't seem too excited by things either. Once those glasses went on, she was a different baby!

The 1st day she wore her glasses, she would not leave my nose alone!! I said this to my cousin, an optometrist in another state, and she said, "Kristi, she didn't



Six-month old Ella and her new glasses.

realize you HAD a nose!"

Since having her glasses, Ella is so much more engaged in her toys, watching our dog and watching her big sister, Emma (age 4). She's also much more vocal, squealing with delight at just about everything! It's been amazing to see the changes in her ... even her showing more interest in crawling – because she can see what is around her!

When we are out in public with her, we almost

always get stopped and asked, "Are those real?"; How in the world did you know a baby needed glasses?!" and, "Does she leave them alone?"

To answer the last question, yes ... she leaves her glasses on! She obviously recognizes that she needs them & leaves them on! We are so thankful for an early diagnosis for her, thanks to the LIONS Club Screening! Thank you for the work you do to help kids of all ages!

ATTENTION: SECRETARIES, TREASURERS

At the state convention in Rugby last fall, clubs pre-registered the number of Lions they were planning to have in attendance in Bismarck in 2017. You will soon be contacted by the convention committee to list the NAMES OF THE LIONS FROM EACH CLUB who are coming. Please watch for this message and reply as soon as possible. Thank you!

New Lions in District 5NW Clubs that added members in May

Mandan Dacotah 1

Clubs with Positive Growth for the Year

Beulah 7
Bismarck 4
Bismarck Prairie Rose 3
Dickinson Noon 6
Glenburn 2
Hazen 3
Lake Metigoshe 3
Mandan 21
Mandan Dacotah 4
New England 2
Richardton 2
Scranton 3
South Heart 8
Stanley 4
Surrey 22

New Club

Taylor 1
Washburn 13

Total Members Added 1
District 5NW clubs dropped 21
Net loss 20
Total membership in the District: 1,271

Lewellyn Rustan 5NW Global
Membership Team Coordinator

It's June, that means if you haven't already registered for the 2017 Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute you are getting very close to being...
Late, Late, Late for a VERY IMPORTANT DATE!



Plan now, before it really IS to late, to join us at the 15th annual Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute.

Register Now!

Check with your district or multiple district. Many have scholarship money available for GPLLI participants.

Need more information? Contact:

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e-mail: pidedmc@aol.com
or
Lion Craig Donecker
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Application form available for registration, dorm and special needs info. Form's on our website, too. www.gplli.com

Make your reservation NOW!!

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Clubs bring elements of service

By PDG CHUCK WHITNEY

As Lions Clubs International prepares to begin its centennial celebration with its annual International Convention in Chicago, Ill. next month, the Bowman Lions brought the key elements of service home to our community with two very important service projects in keeping with the key elements of our Centennial Year's goals: to serve the youth of our communities as well as to make a positive impact on the places we live.

On Monday, May 22, four local Lions, and the incoming District Governor and his wife screened 45 young people as part of the pre-kindergarden screening held at the Bowman Roosevelt School.

The Lions used a special screening camera made in Germany and purchased through funds from Lions Clubs International Foundation as well as local and District 5 NW Lions Funds. Past District Governor Pat Vannett of Mandan gets the credit

for being the motivation to get this "Sight For Kidz" program off the ground here in Western North Dakota.

Incoming District Governor Gary Morel and his wife Bonnie were present at the outset as well and have successfully trained many other Lions to run the screening camera and process those few referrals that come up as a result of the program.

For the camera to "work" the patient must focus on its screen for a couple of seconds while the Lion operator holds it steady and at the correct distance. The instrument will automatically check for visual acuity as well as optical defects in the eyes of the patient.

While there are several parameters measured by the screening machine, our only concern is "pass" or "refer." From there the results are transferred either to PDG Pat or, in our case, the County Health Nurse for further follow up. This passed Monday, some 6 young patients were

"referred." They will be further checked by a local optometrist.

Locally, we have had the great good fortune to find several more serious problems, including a partially blind young girl at a daycare screening a year ago. The child had NO idea she had a problem, as what she had was indeed "normal" for her! Some problems are indeed noted by parents or others, but usually the visual defect is a relative problem only discovered during screenings like the one on May 22 or when the young person is brought in for a formal eye exam. Not every child gets this level of attention, but thanks to the "Sight 4 Kidz" program an increasing number of children are checked.

The very next day, Tuesday May 23, The Bowman Lions partnered up with the Bowman Cub Scouts to clean up a mile of US Highway 85. This program began last year as a result of the efforts of Bowman Resident, Cal Klewin, Executive Director of the Teddy Roosevelt Expressway Consortium,

who spearheaded a regional effort to clean up Highway 85 from South Dakota to Canada. Several Lions Clubs along that route worked in conjunction with that effort last year's Lion 5NW District Governor Judy Beaudry.

As this was a legislative year, and ED Klewin was justifiably occupied with legislative issues, the word got to the Lions later than last year, and this years effort was more limited further north. The Bowman Lions have sponsored the Bowman Cub Scouts for the past several years, and with the help of Cub Master Doug Langhoff, both groups have worked together to clean up the Lions Park and the US Highway 12 through Bowman as well as the mile and a half going north from the junction of US 12 and US 85 north.

As with last year's effort, the ND DOT provided essential materiel for the clean up as well as hauling the sacks of garbage away after the clean up. We look forward to continuing our co-operative efforts in years to come.

Thank you 100 percent for Leader Dogs Leader Dog for the Blind

PDG. Jan Froemming 5 NW

District 5NW is once again 100 percent behind the Leader Dogs program. This is 16 years in a row so far.

I would like to thank all my clubs in 5NW for their donations for Leader Dog for the Blind. Total raised is \$10,997 for Mark Koller, District Governor.

THANKS AGAIN all my clubs. Good job. Well done.

In Remembrance

Ervin Wahl
Goodrich

Doug Letzring
Center

Minnie Kranzler
Lehr



Florence Wiege
Hebron

PDG David Bowen
Grand Forks

District 5NW Cabinet Openings

I'm 1st VDG Gary Morel and I'm working on filling the positions for my cabinet. I don't know all of the Lions in District 5NW and I'm looking for Lions that are interested in stepping up in leadership.

Here are the cabinet positions that are open:

Zone Chair for 2-A
Centennial Projects
Leo Clubs
Public Relations & Lions Information
Sight Preservation, Awareness & Action

If any of these Cabinet positions interest you please call me at:

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5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

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Last month, a mistake was made in announcing that Fargo Lion's club was the club of the year for 5NE. I want to make a correction in that Fargo Gateway Lions Club was our 5NE Lions Club of the Year.

They are very deserving and made a great showing at the District level. PDG Mike Brand did a great job in bringing recognition to Fargo Gateway and ensure that reports were forwarded monthly. GREAT WORK!!

It has finally come to an end. This will be my last article to my fellow Lions in District 5 NE. It has been a good year with a lot of exciting adventures.

The best part of being District Governor was being able to visit all the clubs in our district and I had a great time of fellowship. You Lions are the very best; hands down.

Many former leaders have been an encouragement and I'm thankful for their guidance. Without them; DGE Keith, 1st Vice District Governor Lein, 2nd Vice District Governor Kathy and the rest of the team, this would have been a hard year. I want to give personal thanks as I depart my position and hand the reins over to the next cabinet.

On day six of the ill-fated

mission of Apollo 13, the astronauts needed to make a critical course correction. If they failed, they might never return to Earth. To conserve power, they shut down the onboard computer that steered the craft. Yet the astronauts needed to conduct a thirty-nine-second burn of the main engines.

With no computer to guide them, they needed to come up with a way to stay on course during the burn. Astronaut Jim Lovell determined that if they could keep a fixed point in space in view through their tiny window, they could steer the craft manually. That focal point turned out to be their destination – Earth.

As shown in 1995's hit movie, Apollo 13, for thirty-nine agonizing seconds, Lovell focused on keeping the earth in view. By not losing sight of that reference point, the three astronauts avoided disaster.

My advice to the incoming Cabinet and to all Lion Clubs in the district is to not lose sight as to why we exist. We come together with the common core to help others in our communities, state and across the world.

We come together to help comfort those in need and

provide a service. Being a Lion is so much more than just a "club". It's a group of men and women who give of their selves.

I'm proud to be a Lion. I am also proud that you

elected me to serve as your district governor last year. Once again, keep your eye on the goals of your clubs and do your best to achieve those things that bring recognition to the Lions.



SAVE the DATE
Mandan Dacotah Lions
Stride's Walk 2017



Saturday, October 7th, 2017
Mandan Eagles Park
Registration 1:00 p.m., Walk 2:00 p.m.

Mandan Dacotah Lions Stride's Walk 2017 is a walk to bring Diabetes Awareness to the community and to help send Diabetic Children to Camp Sioux Diabetic Camp for Children in Park River, ND.

We would like to sincerely thank you for your efforts in supporting the Mandan Dacotah Lion's Stride's Walk for Diabetes Awareness in the past. The donations you have contributed to our cause helped us to sponsor 11 children to Camp Sioux and to do other service for Vision last year. We hope to sponsor 15 children this year.

Although diabetes affects as many as 3 million people in the United States alone and accounts for \$174 billion in annual health care costs in the United States, the good news is that, thanks to Lions like you, there is real hope for growing awareness in our community by helping children with diabetes and those that are visually impaired.

NOTICE Due to the large amount of contributions of news and photos from Lions Clubs from across the state, and the many forms for various Lions conventions, rallies and events, some club news and photos were held. If you don't see your club's news in this issue, watch for it in coming issues. And, thank you for sending your Lions news to the N.D. Lion.

Kulm Lions Club 75th Anniversary

April 8 the Kulm Lions Club celebrated 75 years of service to the Kulm community. Many Lions members from around the state came to celebrate the club and its important milestone.

The Kulm Lions Club began on March 17, 1942 when a group of Lions from Ashley, ND convinced the Kulm businessmen's club to convert into a Lions Club. The Kulm Lions Club was chartered with 36 members, involving practically every business in the community, and was instrumental in the city water and sewer projects and the fire department. City paving became a later project and in 1970 under the leadership of Lion President Maynard Johannes the Lions undertook organizing the Kulm Community Development Corporation by obtaining the 25 Chartered members to meet the qualifications as a corporate organization. The Lions were leaders in building the new community center being the largest contributor in raising funds for the 100th Centennial. Most recently they have hosted several fundraisers for community members and local projects, such as the hearing loop in the new Kulm school gymnasium.

While the policy of the Association of Lions Clubs International is community first, the Kulm Lions contribute to the International and North Dakota Lions Foundation as well. The list goes on as continued support goes to the Dakota Lions Sight and Health, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Service Dogs for America, Vision USA, Lions Diabetic Ocular Research Center, International Youth Exchange program, the

Anne Carlsen School and others. Today, with less than half the membership of 25 years ago, the Kulm Lions continue to serve the community and those in need.

Program speaker, Jason Utton, Executive Director of NextEra Energy Resources, Juno Beach, FL gave first-hand testimony to the service of the Lions Club in his own life. He spoke with great appreciation for the care packages sent by the Lions during his tours of duty in the Middle East, even bringing out a deck of cards he has kept from those packages that, according to Utton, helped him "feel just a little closer to home, when I was very far away."

At Saturday's banquet, three new members were inducted into the Kulm Lions Club: Chimezie Ukaonu, Don Brandenburger, and Steve Anderson (returning). Awards for years of service were given to Bart Schott, Tony Buerkley, Fred Gackle, Florian Schnabel, and Vangie Kinzler, with special awards of appreciation to Ken Carlson and Vangie Kinzler. Both Lions International and the Kulm Lions Club honored Bill Gackle for his

5th years of service. He is the longest serving member of the Kulm Lions Club, having been inducted in 1964. In 1981-83 Bill was the first Lion from ND elected to the Board of Lions Clubs International.

Melvin Jones founded the Lions Club in June 1917, In 1947 it had grown to become the world's largest service club group with 324,690 members in 19 nations. Today there are over 1.5 million members in over 46,000 clubs serving in over 200 countries.



PDG Lion Vangie Kinzler displaying President Certificate Appreciation Award received from 1st Vice District Governor Keith Zeutschel during the Kulm Lions 75th Anniversary.



1st Vice District Governor 5NE Keith Zeutschel presenting Club Certificate Appreciation Award and International President Certificate of Appreciation Award to Lion Ken Carlson. Treasurer Kulm Lions Club during the Kulm Lions 75th Anniversary.



1st Vice Governor District 5NE Keith Zeutschel presenting Chevron Awards to Kulm Lions during the Kulm Lions 75th Anniversary. Pictured are, Lions Anthony Buerkley 35-year Chevron Award; 1st Vice Governor Keith Zeutschel, Lion Barton Schott 35-Year Chevron Award; Lion Vangie Kinzler 10-Year Chevron Award; Lion Florian Schnabel 20-Year Chevron Award; Lion Fred Gackle 35-Year Chevron Award.



Guest speaker Jason Utton and Kulm Lion President Randy Klusmann, Kulm Lions Club 75th Anniversary. Jason Utton is the executive director of business development for the NextEra Energy Resources headquartered in Juno Beach, Fla. With nine years of service in the U.S. Army as a commissioned officer he served four tours in the Middle East. His message related to how much the Lions are involved in serving the military service men and women overseas.



District Governor 5NE, Luis Coca, inducts three new members in the Kulm Lions club during the Kulm Lions 75th Anniversary, April 8. From left, New member Don Brandenburger, sponsor Lion Anthony Buerkley; new member Steve Anderson, sponsor Lion Harold Hagen; sponsor Florian Schnabel; new member Pastor Chimezie Ukaonu; District Governor Luis Coca.

15th Annual Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute

Sponsored by the Lions of Multiple Districts 5, 9, 17, 26 and 38

Northwest Missouri State • Maryville, Missouri

July 21-23, 2017

REGISTRATION FORM (Please type or print legibly)

NAME _____ Badge Name _____ Gender _____
Last First Initial M/F

ADDRESS _____
Street/PO Box City State/Province Zip/PC

PHONE () _____ () _____
Home Bus/Cell Email

Sub-District No. _____ Years in Lions _____ Highest Office Held _____

Registration Fee is US\$175 if received by the Registrar by May 1, 2017, and must accompany the registration form. Beginning May 2, 2017, the base fee increases to US\$200. Make checks payable in US funds to GPLLI and, along with the registration form, mail to Registrar PID Gary Fry, PO Box 606, Mitchellville, IA 50169. Sorry, no refunds can be made for cancellations.

Applications will not be accepted without full payment in US dollars.

Your registration fee includes seven meals, all Institute costs and dormitory rooms (double occupancy) at Northwest Missouri State. Please note that the dormitories are smoke free. A limited number of single occupancy rooms are available at an additional cost of US\$40. You are permitted to request a specific roommate. Check in at the dormitory is permitted from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, July 21st and check out must be completed by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 23rd. We offer a souvenir shirt for an additional US\$25. Shirt size _____ (they run a little large).

The following information must be completed before registration will be accepted.

- _____ Single occupancy room requested (Add US\$40. to registration fee)
- _____ Diabetic Diet requested
- _____ Vegetarian Diet requested
- _____ Wheelchair Access required
- _____ Vision Impaired (List what accommodation(s) are needed)
- _____ Hearing Impaired (List what accommodation(s) are needed)

Please list any other special requests _____

Questions about the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute may be directed to: PID Gary Fry, Registrar, PO Box 606 Mitchellville, IA 50169 or 515-967-4645 or frygj35@msn.com.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

We are asking for the following information in case of an emergency arising during the 2016 Institute. This information will be maintained until the close of the Institute and then shredded.

Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship _____

Contact telephone: HOME _____ WORK _____ CELL _____

Medical information that needs to be shared with emergency responders: _____

Lions District 5NW Zone 5A Golf Tournament
18TH ANNUAL
PAINTED WOODS GOLF COURSE, WASHBURN
18 HOLES

Lions District 5NW, Zone 5-A is hosting a golf tournament to raise money for a Zone Project. The proceeds go to pay for a Lions Zone Project to help build the McLean Family Resource Center at Washburn.



Place: Painted Woods Golf Course at Washburn
Date: August 11th, 2017
Time: Tee Time 2:00 pm Registration: 1:00 pm

Format: Four persons make a team with each golfer having a handicap. Each teams max handicap will be 97. Ten percent of the team’s handicap will be used for this tournament. This is a scramble tournament with games at designated holes. Mulligans will be sold for \$5 each, 2 allowed per person.

Games of Skill:

Hole #16 - \$3.00 per tee shot to reach the green in 1 receives a great golf gift.

Hole #14- Longest Drive (**must be in Fairway**) receive a special gift.

Hole #11- 50/50 split. A charge of \$5.00 per tee shot for shoot-out. Each golfer to reach the green in 1 qualifies for shoot-out. The Shoot-out will be held immediately after the tournament. All qualifiers will attempt a shot, for each qualification, from the same distance at Hole #18. The closest to the pin will receive 1/2 of the money paid and the other 1/2 will go to the Zone Project. Up to 2 attempts allowed.

Food:

Brats will be provided as part of the entry fee. The golf course clubhouse will offer their menu to the golfers during and after the tournament. The food from the menu will be at the golfers’ expense.

Entry Fee:

This year the cart fee and the golf fee are together. \$280.00 per four-person team, each team must have at least 1 Lion Member, or hole sponsor. Send check to Washburn Lions Club, PO Box 545, Washburn ND 58577-0429. Questions call **Mac 462-3433 or Brach 223-3715**. **Non-Lions** Teams will be accepted after June 20. Entry Deadline is August 6th.

Tear and Return to Washburn Lions Club

Team Name _____

Name of Golfer A _____ Handicap _____

Name of Golfer B _____ Handicap _____

Name of Golfer C _____ Handicap _____

Name of Golfer D _____ Handicap _____

Total _____

Cart(s) reserved _____

10% _____

Team Handicap _____

5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

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5NW District Governor Mark Koller's June Report

As I am writing my final District Governor report for the year, I can say my year as District Governor has gone by really fast. It reminds me of the country music singer Luke Bryan's new song "Fast."

Some of the lyrics are "keep trying to make the good times last as long as you can, but you can't, man, it just goes to fast."

My year is coming to an end, and I am proud to say there were a lot of good times serving you as district governor. For our future there will be many, many more good times as well.

New Mountains to Climb. This is our International President Bob Corlew's theme for this year. He also talks about reminiscing what we have accomplished when getting to the top of that new mountain.

Reminiscing is important to all Lions, as we should be proud of all of that great service we are doing, and especially when we reach the top of that new mountain of service. I am doing a lot of reminiscing regarding how this past year of service has gone in district 5NW.

We started out the

year with a membership challenge at the State Lions Convention, and we really grew our membership, and thanks to all of you, I did not have to shave my head. Both of the Rugby Lions Clubs did a great job hosting this year's State Lions Convention. Our International Director guest, Jerome Thompson was an excellent speaker and a great influence for all of us at the convention.

For the first time in the history of district 5NW we endorsed PDG Pat Vannett as our candidate for International Director of Lions Clubs International for our Multiple District MD5. We all wish Pat and Kevin the very best, at the Lions International Convention in Chicago.

As this is our Centennial year, our district "float" has been traveling around to city celebrations and even our MD5 Convention in Deadwood SD this past month. We have many more places for this awesome float to travel to this summer and fall. This float will be in the Mandan Rodeo Days parade on Independence Day.

Our Spring Rally was another great success again this year. The South Heart Lions Club did a great job

hosting this year's rally. Our speaker for the rally, PID Jack Epperson had a great inspiring message for us. We had many leadership and membership sessions, and PID Jack Epperson inducted three new members.

We chartered a new Lions club in our district. The Surrey Lions Club held their Centennial Charter Celebration on Friday, May 12. PID Bruce Schwartz did the official induction of 27 new Lion members. The Magic City Lions Club of Minot are the proud sponsors of this young, new vibrant club. Hats off to the Magic City club for a job well done!

The MD5 Convention was held in the beautiful Black Hills of S.D. in Deadwood. Our International guest at this year's convention was the 1st International Vice President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal. His home is India. He is a great speaker and a great leader for our future.

Another highlight at the convention for me was a presentation "100 years of Lionism" presented by PDG Doug Scheller. This was a great convention that everyone will remember, and of course a Lions Centennial Parade that

was held in downtown Deadwood featuring floats from all six of our districts from Saskatchewan, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

I have a very deep appreciation for what we have accomplished this year working together. We have increased our membership in 5NW, and our future looks bright. We are very fortunate to have a great new leadership team coming in July, with Gary Morel as our new District Governor, along with 1st Vice Governor Ginney Jones and 2nd Vice Governor Sherry Fetch. These leaders are very capable and enthused to be the leaders starting our next century of service.

In closing, I want to thank all of you for all the wonderful memories you have given Karen and I, and for being able to serve all of you as District Governor of 5NW. Let's keep on 'Roarin into the Future' as there are a lot of people in our communities that need to be asked to join Lions, just like the song says "I just haven't asked you yet."

**GET THE
WORD OUT!**



Send in the detail of your Club's upcoming events and they will be featured in the monthly Lion's newspaper!

Let us know what your Club has been up to – submit photos and write-ups and share the great ideas and successes with Lions readers!



Charter night at new Surrey Lions Club. DG Mark Koller presents charter to Surrey President, Amanda Duchsherer.

Lions DGE Gary Morel, real Lion Tim Pendergrass, and DG Mark Koller at Deadwood getting ready for the Centennial Parade.



MD5 Convention in Deadwood with attendees from 5NW.

1st VDG Ginney Jones and PDG Lewellyn Rustan ready to "Serve" candy at the parade in Deadwood.

1st Annual Herman Schafer/Mandan Dacotah Lions Memorial Golf Scramble



August 26, 2017
 Prairie West Golf Course
 2709 Longspur Trail
 Mandan, ND 58554



Registration - 12:00 pm
 Shotgun Start - 1 pm
 Team of 4
 \$100 per person

Included in registration:
 Golf Cart
 Burgers and Sliders
 (Provided after the scramble)

(Drinks not included but available for purchase)

Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
 Mulligans \$5.00 per ball
 (up to 2 per player)
 Longest Putt
 Longest Drive
 Longest Hole in One

Money raised will go toward the
 Herman Schafer Community
 Scholarship Fund

Contact:
 Information - Kevin Boon - 701-527-7470 kjboon@mandalions.com
 Registration - Joannette Boon - 701-400-7275 jboon@mandalions.com

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 THERE'S A LION**



SINCE 1917

Three New England Lions honored for Centennial club organization

BY LION JEANNE SELBY, DISTRICT 5 NW PR CHAIR

Three District 5NW Cabinet members were recognized by Lions International, as determined by the district governor, at the April 22 Cabinet meeting, for their contributions to the organization of a new Lions club, the Beach Lions, during the current Centennial year. Those recognized by PDG Judy Beaudry, Washburn Lions, were District 5NW Peace Poster Chair Karen Koller, District 5NW DG Mark Koller, and PDG Lewellyn Rustan, all of the New England Lions.



District 5NW Peace Poster Chair Karen Koller, New England, (left) accepts a certificate of recognition for her contributions to the organization of the new Beach Lions Club from PDG Judy Beaudry, Washburn Lions Club, during the April 22 District 5NW Cabinet meeting.



District 5NW DG Mark Koller, New England, receives a certificate of recognition for his contributions to the organization of the new Beach Lions Club from PDG Judy Beaudry, Washburn Lions Club, during the April 22 District Cabinet meeting.



At the conclusion of the April 22 District 5NW Cabinet meeting, District 5NW DG Elect Gary Morel (left) of the New England Lions accepts the gavel in a ceremonial transfer of power from current 5NW DG Mark Koller, also of the New England Lions. District 5NW DG Elect Morel will officially assume the position and duties of District Governor July 1.



During the April 22 district Lions Cabinet meeting at Dickinson, District 5NW leadership received certificates of completion for the Certified Guiding Lion Training completed in January. Recipients, from left to right, are DG Elect Gary Morel, Dickinson, DG Mark Koller, New England, and 1st VDG Ginney Jones, Glenburn.

Fargo Gateway



Help for homeless

The Fargo Gateway Lions recently presented a check for \$650 to Churches United for the Homeless in Moorhead, MN. Churches United is building a new facility and the amount covers the cost of 25 laundry baskets and additional cash to help future residents at the new site. Pictured are Lions Tom Larson, left, and Jan Malakowsky, right, presenting the check to three Churches United representatives. For more information on Churches United you can find them on Facebook or on their website.

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Magic City



Funds for Service Dogs

Lion Tricia Nechodom from the Magic City Lions holds a check for \$21,318 for Service Dogs for America raised from the Purses for a Purpose event held in Minot Feb. 25. The Lions wanted to secure funds for ND veterans in need of a service dog for their invisible wounds. The event was a huge success.

Club News

Carrington



Club presents money

Carrington Lions Treasurer Tom Paintner presented Carrington Youth Center president Jory Hansen with a check for \$500.

Capital City



Keep it clean

Capital City Lions members participated in Keep Bismarck Clean Day by volunteering at the Lions Park. Pictured, from left, are Gary Hansen, Les Colen, Tom Mayer, David Blackstead, C.J. Schorsch, Marlene Larson (not in photo) Future Lions are, from left, Alayna and Brynlee Hansen, Charlie Schorsch, Katelyn Luther.

Elgin Dakota



Years of Service

On April 28, the Elgin Dakota Lady Lions, pictured, from left, were presented with years of service chevrons: Mildred Rath (40 yrs), Verna Giese (40 yrs), Winefred Kramer (40 yrs), Agnes Meidinger (40 yrs), and Gail Schatz (30 yrs) by 5 NW 2nd VDG Ginney Jones.

Elgin



Pictured are, front, L to R: Lion Clarence Werner, Lion Rueben Zacher and Lion Elroy Herbel; back, Lion Art Rath and Lion Duane Schatz.

2017 Parade Marshals

Five members of the Elgin Lions Club with 50 years of service or more have been selected to be the grand parade marshals for 2017 grand parade during the Elgin Days Annual Celebration on Saturday, June 3.

They are Lion Clarence Werner, Lion Reuben Zacher, Lion Elroy Herbel, Lion Art Rath and Lion Duane Schatz.

The grand parade will wind through the streets of Elgin starting at 11:00 a.m. MDT. The theme this year in honoring Lions Clubs will be "Honoring Lions Clubs International 100 years of service"

The 100th year International Convention will be held in Chicago, Ill. Friday, June 30 to Tuesday, July 4.

The Elgin Lions Club was organized May 22, 1957 with Lion Harry Zacher as the first president. The Glen Ullin Lions Club was the sponsor of the new club here. That's 60 years of continued service to the community.

Today the Elgin Lions Club has a membership of around 60 members.

The Elgin Lions Club has invited area Lions Clubs members to attend the celebration and anyone wearing a home town Lions vests will get a free dinner served at the community center. Photo by Michaila.

Hazen



New member

New Member Linda Myhra was installed into the Hazen Lions Club in April. Shown here are Lion Pres., Doug Rothe, Lion Sponsor Kathy Nordgren and New Lion Linda Myhra.

Lehr



A large number of volunteers made quick work of the highway cleanup project in the Lehr area.

Highway ditch cleanup

You never know what you will find when you are cleaning Highway ditches.

On Wednesday evening after school, May 10th, the Lehr Lions held their annual "DOT" service project of garbage pickup on Highway 30 two miles north of the City and 2 miles east and 2 miles west on Highway 13.

What a great turnout of youth. Thank you to the United Methodist Youth Group of 10 members that attend meetings. Also the eleven adults that helped in various duties.

The common littering items found are soda cans, beer bottles, fast food containers, machinery parts boxes, rubber tire pieces, wood pieces & branches, etc.

Lion Kurt shared his story of finding a crocodile on the edge of a lake!! What?

Now I had envisioned a long 20-ft. crock. In reality it was a mounted crocodile about 12-15 inches long. Suggested answers to "where did it come from?" were: 1.) maybe it was found in a box of goodies from an auction sale? or 2.) maybe someone was moving from FL and it fell off the trailer? The conclusion 3.) maybe someone was just littering!

Stanley



New members installed

On April 10, during a traditional Candlelight Induction Ceremony, 5 NW 2nd VDG Ginney Jones installed 4 new Stanley Lions. New Lions and their sponsors are pictured left to right: Lions Bill Whitmore, Roger Evans, Grace McConnell, Lynn Grabow, Gary Nordloef, John Anderson, Jim Hamaan, & 5 NW 2nd VDG Ginney Jones. Lion Grace McConnell is the first Lady Lion to join the Stanley Lions Club.

North Star



Tree – mendous job

Say "Trees!" The North Star Lions planted seven trees at Lions Hillside Park in Bismarck on May 11 along with Cub Scout Pack 152 from Lincoln Elementary School. From the left are Jamie Ressler, Scott Ressler, Pack Leader and North Star member Ryan Townsend, Tim Fallner, and Brach Johnson. Partnering with this Cub Scout troop has been a new and rewarding project this year, and President Scott Ressler would encourage other Lions Clubs in the state to establish a similar Scout affiliation.

Prairie Rose



Help for homeless

On Thursday, May 4, 24 Prairie Rose Lions members gathered to fill bags for homeless and abused children. This Centennial project was the brainchild of Ellie Meeks (right). She sewed 25 bags and the Prairie Rose Lions donated over 250 items to fill the bags. Also several of the bags (with books) will be left at day care homes that have been visited for vision screening by PRLC members. Pictured with Ellie is fellow Prairie Rose Lion Julie Schwartz.

New Rockford



Honored for new members

Lions members Gene Masse, Rick and Kristi Swenson receive pins for bringing in new members last year.

Williston



Davidson Park Pavillion project

Lion James Bervig holds the ladder for another volunteer on the Davidson Park Pavillion Project. Much progress has been made since the disappearance of snow. The Williston Rotary Club, Korner Lions and Noon Lions are building the picnic shelter at Davidson Park.

Napoleon



Lion President John Johs and Lion Jerome Schwanzenberger do their part.

Napoleon Lions ‘Pitch in’

CARMEN RATH-WALD
Logan County Extension Agent

Keep North Dakota Clean is a DOT effort to ensure a continuous statewide program of education for beautification of the state and the proper disposal of litter. KNDC is also a “clearinghouse” for ideas, techniques, and materials to help other groups and communities.

KNDC believes education is the key to any successful program. When people are informed, they are more apt to think before they throw.

Let’s face the facts—we can’t keep North Dakota clean on



Centennial pins presented

President Burton Young, second from left, presented centennial membership awards pins at a recent Lions meeting. Lion Ruth Wagner, left, was awarded the silver centennial Lions pin for bringing in one new member. Lion Stuart Langager, far right, received the gold centennial pin for bringing in two new members. Lion Terry Oxendahl, third from left, received the key award for bringing in five new members.

promises. It requires the hard work of people who care about the economy and beauty of their community—people like YOU!

The North Dakota Department of Transportation and North Dakota Highway Patrol are reminding walkers and motorists to do their part in keeping roadways clear of litter. Ditches along the roadway can be inundated with trash and debris from vehicles. In North Dakota it’s against the law to litter. By following a few tips, everyone can help keep North Dakota clean:

Set an example for others by not littering.

Keep a litter bag in your car and hang on to litter until you find a garbage receptacle

Work with a local 4-H or school group, a church group, or as was recently done in Napoleon, the local Lions Club, to walk the ditches and parks picking up debris.

Other Lions members who assisted with the West Lake ditch cleaning and park cleaning were: Willie Piatz, Christine Schwanzenberger and Lion Greeter Carmen Rath-Wald.

Agencies across the state are taking part in clean-up efforts and motorists may see volunteers conducting litter control activities along the highway throughout the spring and summer months.

For more information on keeping North Dakota clean go to <http://www.dot.nd.gov/public/kndc.htm>. Questions about this column or something else may be directed to me at the NDSU Extension Service in Logan County located on the second floor of the courthouse, or call 754-2504, or email: carmen.rath.wald@ndsu.edu. I would be glad to help!

The Future of Peace

2017-18 Peace Poster Contest

"The Future of Peace" is the theme of the 2017-18 Peace Poster Contest. This is the 30th anniversary of the Peace Poster Contest. Lions clubs can sponsor the program in their community for children in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups. Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 on November 15, are eligible to participate. Through the contest, students are encouraged to visually depict their interpretation of the contest's theme.

Lions clubs (except 5NW; District Clubs have been ordered) may purchase a contest kit through the Club Supplies Sales Department. A kit must be purchased for each contest sponsored. The contest must be sponsored by a Lions club.

Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches (33 centimeters by 50 centimeters) and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches (50 centimeters by 60 centimeters). Do not mat or frame artwork. Only one entry per student, and each entry must be the work of only one student. All artwork must be the individual student's original creation. Duplications are not accepted.

All media are accepted. Note: Chalk, charcoal and pastel entries should be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries.

Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted. Nothing may be glued, stapled or attached to the artwork in any way. The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster, in any language, is not allowed. All artist signatures or initials should be written on the back of the poster. Artwork should be done on a flexible material, so it can be rolled for shipping in a mailing tube. Do not fold poster.

Participants accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process. Entries cannot be acknowledged or returned; they become property of Lions Clubs International upon receipt. Peace Poster Contest images cannot be used without written permission from Lions Clubs International.

In consideration for the opportunity to enter the Peace Poster Contest, participants agree to allow Lions Clubs International to use their names and photographs for promotional and publicity purposes. In addition, the international grand prize winner, two family members (one being a parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring club president or a club member (as designated by the sponsoring club president) are required to attend the special award ceremony. An international grand-prize winner is not eligible to receive subsequent prizes in future Peace Poster contests sponsored by Lions Clubs International. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Lions Clubs International.

Judging

Each poster is judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme.

Posters advance through several judging levels: local, district, multiple district and international. At the international level, judges from the art, peace, youth, education and media communities select one grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners.

Awards

One international grand prize winner will receive a trip to a special award ceremony. There the winning artist will be presented with an engraved plaque and a cash prize of US \$5,000.

Each of the 23 merit award winners will receive a cash award of US \$500 and a certificate of achievement.

Deadlines

Please note that the following dates are from those in the Peace Poster information from Lions Clubs International. MD 5 Council may set a different date other than Dec 1- depending on when Council of Governors meeting is scheduled. Entries not meeting deadlines will be disqualified.

January 15, 2017

Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.



October 1, 2017

Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

November 15, 2017

Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

December 1, 2017

Deadline for a governor to bring one winning district poster to the multiple district council of governors meeting and give to the MD 5 LOFY Chairperson.

December 15, 2017

Postmark deadline for the MD 5 LOFY Chairperson to send one winning entry to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

February 1, 2018

International winners will be notified on or before this date.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact MD 5 LOFY Chairperson, PDG Tim Thueson.



Celebrate 100 Years of Lions!

2017 ND State Lions Convention

November 3rd and 4th 2017

Bismarck, ND

Convention Headquarters:

Ramkota Hotel

800 S 3rd St
Bismarck, ND 58504
701-258-7700

Registration Fees:

Before Convention

\$65.00

Room Rate:

\$94.00-til Oct. 6th

At Convention

\$85.00

Call early for reservations!!

For questions: Contact PCC Brach Johnson

Phone: 701-391-2023

Email: brachmarian@yahoo.com

Mail registration form & check to: ND State Lions Convention PO Box 7125 Bismarck, ND 58507

Special Accommodations: I will need materials in _____ Braille _____ Large Print
I will need alternate meals: _____ vegetarian or _____ other (please specify): _____

Complete Registration Below. Use one form for EACH Participant. RSVP by Oct. 15th, 2017

Name: _____ Lion Guest (Circle One)

Badge: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Fees: _____ Total Enclosed: _____ Check Number _____

Make Checks payable to *ND State Lions Convention*



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Mandan Dacotah Lions Stride's Walk 2017



Saturday, October 7th, 2017

Mandan Eagles Park

Registration 1:00 p.m., Walk 2:00 p.m.

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6:00 PM GIRLS – 8:00 PM BOYS



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