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# ID PAT VANNETT ELECTED TO BOARD

By PID ROBERT LITTLEFIELD

Past District 5NW Governor Lion Pat Vannett of the Mandan Lions Club made history on the Fourth of July when she was elected to the International Board of Directors at the Lions Clubs International 100th Convention held in Chicago, Illinois. ID Pat is the first woman to be elected as an International Director from Multiple District 5. She and her husband, PDG Lion Kevin Vannett, will represent the United States for a two-year term of office.

From the moment that her campaign committee arrived in Chicago, the events of the convention kept everyone in action: PDG Rob Hill (5-SKS) served has the head of her logistical operations making travel and scheduling arrangements; PDG Judy and Lion Mac Beaudry (5-NW) were her representatives on the LCI election committee; PDG Dave and Lion Linda Czywczynski (5-NW) served as the advance team; PID Robert and Lion Kathy Littlefield introduced PDGs Pat and Kevin at the area breakfasts and other meetings; and other Lions in attendance assisted as their schedules allowed. Four members from the NDSU Campus Lions Club spent three days distributing campaign materials to thousands of delegates at

the convention headquarters in the McCormick Center.

Candidate Pat started her activities with a candidate's breakfast on Friday, June 30, where she was introduced to the other candidates and approved to move forward for election. Later, she attended the candidate's nomination committee meeting to draw for her place on the ballot. She was listed as the second candidate out of six running to represent the United States.

On Saturday morning, the International Parade took the delegates down State Street with thousands of citizens from Chicago and many of the 30,000+ Lions in attendance watching from along the street. MD5 had a marching band from Minnesota leading the delegation, followed by the **District Governor-Elects** carrying the flags, and Lions from MD5, our candidate and spouse, and the Past International Directors from MD5 (IPID Robert and Kathy Littlefield. PID Marvin and Lynne Chambers, and PID Garnet and Mary Ellen Davis).

Later that day, IPID Robert Littlefield introduced and seconded the nomination from the committee to elect PDG Pat Vannett to the board. PDG Pat accepted the nomination and promised that she and PDG Kevin would be dedicated representatives on



ID Pat Vannett takes her seat following her election to the International Board of Directors.

the board of directors.

Over the next three days, the plenary sessions, seminars, training sessions, international shows, and other events were fast-paced and exciting. The timing of the convention with the Fourth of July weekend resulted in many evenings where fireworks filled the skies.

On the Fourth of July,

International Director Pat Vannett was sworn into office with new LCI President Naresh Aggarwal presiding. ID Pat will serve on the Finance and Operations Committee, overseeing all funding for the association. Lions from MD5 can count on ID Pat to work hard for our association as the second century of Lionism begins. July 2017 | THE ND LION **1** 

# - YOU'RE INVITED TO THE PARTY!

What party? Why, it's the 2017 State Lions Convention in Bismarck, celebrating the 100th birthday of Lions International! It will be held at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck Nov. 3-4.

#### Who is coming?

Currently, we have a total of 250 registered Lions, coming from nearly 40 Lions clubs around the state. It was not necessary for those clubs to list the names of their members who were attending when the early registration deal was offered, but now the convention committee is in the process of contacting the secretaries and treasurers of those clubs to get the names of those who will attend. If you receive a message from them, please reply as soon as

possible with your club's list of names.

So what's planned at this party? We have lots of fun in store. Co-chairmen Brach Johnson and Scott Ressler have secured the newly expanded Heritage Center in Bismarck just for the Lions exclusively on Friday evening from 5 to 9 p.m. where you will be able to tour the exhibits, visit our new site on the informational kiosk in the Hall of Honors, and enjoy pizza, soft drinks, beer, and of course birthday cake!

In addition, we will use their auditorium that evening for the induction ceremony of our newest Hall of Fame honoree ... but we'll save those details for next

month.

On Saturday we have Monsignor Shea leading off the day with the kevnote address, followed by PDG Doug Scheller of South Dakota with a great centennial presentation at noon, and another great treat, Lion Bill Biggs of Omaha — a Past International President, no less -- to preside over the special evening banquet.

Aren't there any meetings? Of course! Everyone enjoys meetings! The cabinets of 5NW and 5NE will meet on Friday morning, and the Past District Governors and Lions Foundation of North Dakota will meet on Friday afternoon. The state meeting will take place on Saturday afternoon.

Don't you have any seminars to attend? Yes, we do! There may be as many as NINE choices, but we'll save those details for the next issue.

So, if you missed the early registration deal, are you still invited? Of course! We always have room for more Lions! If your club has not already registered you, please use the registration form which is printed in the ND LION and plan to join the rest of us for a great birthday party! For reservations at the Ramkota, please call 701-258-7700, and mention that you are with the Lions. We'll be waiting for you!

# **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:

(H) 701-225-8407 • (C) 701-290-8407 Email: brokenarrow57.gm@gmail.com

#### ATTENTION: SECRETARIES, TREASURERS

At the state convention in Rugby last fall, clubs preregistered 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!



Leonard Gordon Solhjem

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Lion Paul Nelson, right, is the latest to receive the Robert John LePage Service Award. He is pictured with Shereen Faber.

# Nelson newest LePage honoree

#### About the award

The Robert John LePage Service Award is presented annually to a North Dakota Lion who exemplifies the type of quiet, unheralded service that Bob LePage gave to people with vision loss in the state. LePage, a longtime member of the Gateway Lions in Fargo, was known in the Fargo area for providing help and service to all who needed it, in particular those with sight loss. In his honor this award was established in 2009.

On June 10, Lion Paul Nelson of the Gateway Lions Club of Fargo was presented with the Robert John LePage Service Award. Lion Paul received the award during the banquet of the Annual State Convention of the North Dakota Association of the Blind at the Great American Inn, in Devils Lake.

In his nomination letter, Club President Byron Klebe stated that Lion Nelson has provided assistance to people with sight loss for many years and in many ways. He has provided rides to Camp Grassick, rides to Blind bowling league in Fargo, and rides for local appointments.

He has organized fundraising for eye surgery, prepared individual tax returns, helped with home repairs and seasonal maintenance.

President Klebe further states that "in one case, Paul took it upon himself to buy a water heater and pay to have it installed for a sightimpaired person in need."

Coincidentally, Lion Paul Nelson was a good friend of Bob LePage, and they collaborated together on many projects. The plaque that was presented to Lion Nelson reads, "With thanks and appreciation for your 'vision' and dedication to people with sight loss in North Dakota," followed by the motto of the ND Association of the Blind: "Not they who lacks sight, but they who lack vision, are blind."

Congratulations to Lion Paul Nelson for this very well-deserved award!

#### Lake Metigoshe



#### Charter night banquet

On June 12, the Lake Metigoshe Lions Club held a Centennial Charter Night Banquet, as part of the Lions Centennial Celebration. The banquet was at the beautiful Lake Metigoshe Christian Center located near Bottineau in the Turtle Mountains. 5NW District Governor Mark Koller and the 2nd Vice District Governor, Ginney Jones, were present as part of the celebration and installed next year's officers for the club. Front, from left, Tail Twister – Gale Wondrasek-Lane, President – Lea Rae Espe, 2nd Vice President – Sue Jaobson, DG – Mark Koller. Back, Lion Tamer - Larry Haugen, 3rd Vice – Mary Grosgebauer, 1st Vice - Les Halvorson, Co-Treasurer – Cedric Jacobson, Secretary – Susan Tratebas, 2nd Vice DG – Ginney Jones.

# -Clarification-Stanley membership

#### SUBMITTED

I noticed in the June 2017 edition of the ND Lion on page 12 under the Stanley heading New Members Installed that it indicates that Grace McConnel is the first Lady Lion to join the Stanley Lions Club. This is not correct.

In the past, Stanley Lions Club had two women members at different times. Mary Yonker was one of the members who I believe still lives in Stanley and the other was Dr. Svec, whose first name I cannot remember.

Note--I was Secretary of the Stanley Lions Club until January 2012 after having served in that capacity for over 36 years.

REMEMBER: ND Lion DEADLINE is the 7th of the month! No Exceptions

### 5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

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As I begin to write this month's article, I think back to the exciting MD5 Convention we attended in Deadwood, South Dakota. The Lions from Western South Dakota sure know how to conduct a convention. Hats off to all those clubs that helped and especially to PCC Ken Wetz and PDG Ken Gifford. They and their team worked very hard and it showed in the final result.

On to Chicago, where Lions International celebrated the 100th year of Lions. It was a very well attended event and there were great presentations by dedicated leaders. 100 years is a milestone that very few service clubs have celebrated. So now we move on to the second century of service to mankind. Let's work together to make it even more successful than the first one hundred years.

International President Bob Corlew from the USA passed the gavel to newly elected President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, who is from India. Lions is truly an international organization. PIP Corlew's theme of "New Mountains to Climb" will continue to be a reminder that there are many challenges in this world that need to be addressed by Lions in general as we go forward.

President Aggarwal announced that the theme for Lions International going forward will be "WE SERVE". The International Board has decided that this motto will be used for the next several years. It has always been a recurring theme through-out Lions and reflects our basic motivation in what we do as Lions.

On a more local note, 2016-2017 has been a challenging year as 5NE Lions clubs face a declining membership and new leaders are needed to fill the roles of our ageing club membership. I completed a survey of my club, Horace Lions, and determined that the average age of members is at 63.5 years. The club has had wonderful leadership through the years and continues to be very active in the local community, District 5NE, Multiple District 5, and Lions International. Our current leadership has some new ideas going forward but it takes membership to get the 'SERVICE' completed. All members are challenged to bring in a new member for the 2017-2018 year.

Horace Lions will celebrate 40 years as a club this fall along with the celebration of the Centennial year of Lions International. I have attended several celebrations by 5NE clubs that have already celebrated a milestone this year and there are many more with plans to do the same. Kulm Lions celebrated 75 years of service in April 2017 along with the centennial celebration. Several members were recognized for their dedication to the club and a few new members were inducted by PDG Luis Coca.

The Grand Forks club will celebrate 95 years of service. I recently attended their awards night and new officer installation banquet. It was a fun evening with great food, conversation, and new friends. They also have a few new member prospects. Way to go Grand Forks.

Valley City also invited me to speak at their awards night a few weeks ago. This is another active club that does so much for the community. Former Valley City member PDG Mike Brand also went with me to present awards. In turn, he was presented with the coveted Spatula award for his many years of flipping buffalo burgers for the club's annual event. He has volunteered to do it again this year on July 26 in Valley Citv.

Since the new Lion's year is just beginning I want to share a few ideas with you. My theme for the year is "A LIONS SERVICE IS NEVER ENDING'. PIP Corlew's theme of New Mountains to Climb addresses the new challenges that we as Lions will face in coming years but we can never forget the mountains we have already climbed through these years. So many of the programs started by Lions are an on-going process that need continued attention. An

example is the recent capital fund drive conducted by Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, MI. They were able to receive enough pledge donations from Lions clubs to rebuild the kennels and it is an impressive facility. Remember, those pledge funds were used only for the kennels but they continue to have day to day expenses that need funding. So be sure to donate to them in the years to come. This is the same for all the other projects Lions have funded.

Has your club filed an IRS Form 990 in recent years? PDG Luis Coca addressed this topic in the January edition of the North Dakota Lion magazine. All tax-exempt entities are required to file each year no matter how much money your club raises. If you fail to file for three consecutive years your tax exemption is automatically revoked by the IRS and you then need to fill out paperwork to be reinstated. The Lions web site has complete information on it, just search tax exempt status and it gives you the links to get it done. It does take time. I will report more on this topic in later months.

I am looking forward to a successful year as your District Governor. If you ever have any questions be sure to contact me at any time. Always remember the Lions theme

"WE SERVE!

#### Elgin



#### Held kids fishing day

The Elgin Lions Club held their annual kids free fishing day on Saturday, June 10, at Sheep Dam South of Elgin. The young people enjoyed the bus ride, the day of fishing, eating hot dogs and winning numerous prizes and gift certificates. Chairman of the event this year Lion Rick Hochhalter offered thanks to the ND Game and Fish Department and Dean Zimmerman of DZ Carpentry for the prizes, to Elgin True Value for registering the young people, Gunnys Bait Shop for the night crawlers, to District Game Warden Courtney Sprenger, parents and Lions Club members who assisted to make the day very successful. Pictured are Art Rath and Ken Friedt.



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.



Lion Mike Tischauser, Lion Myles Stoller, Lion Kenny Friedt, Lion Virgil Stern, Lion Steve Schadler, Lion Art Rath and Lion Harold Bless.

#### Serving hamburgers in park

The Elgin Lions Club serves hamburgers in the city park each Friday evening starting at 5 p.m. with the proceeds going to 11 different organizations in the community.

Here the Lions Club members are preparing for the Elgin Days celebration crowd.

Workers include Lion Mike Tischauser, Lion Myles Stoller, Lion Kenny Friedt, Lion Virgil Stern, Lion Art Rath and Lion Harold Bless.

The Elgin Dakota Lions Club serves homemade pie each Friday evening.



# Lions aid in Angel Flight dream

Editor's note: Lion Jane Pettinger wrote this about her and Dr. Hilmer's experience with Angel Flight on their June 5 flight to Rochester, MN.

"Our own Lion Dr. Jed Hillmer requested earlier this year that a Fargo Lions member consider driving one of his patients down to Rochester on June 5th for some testing to determine her need/viability for surgery near her eye.

Lion Jane Pettinger volunteered to drive Jed's patient, Marilyn, down to Rochester and back again. That would entail upwards of 6 hours of driving and up to four hours of various appointments and another 6+ hours driving back to Fargo.

Lion Pat Brown thought that seemed like an awful lot of driving in one day and figured there had to be a better way. After much hard thinking and networking, Lion Pat found an organization called Angel Flight. Their motto is "People flying people in need."

All pilots are completely volunteer – both in terms of their aircraft, their time and their fuel. After having Lion Dr. Jed complete information about Marilyn's need to be seen in Rochester, Angel Flight found a pilot to fly her to Rochester. Lion Jane accompanied Marilyn in order to handle transportation to/from the airfield and to accompany Marilyn to her many Mayo appointments scheduled for the day.

So rather than leaving Fargo at o-dark-thirty, Lion Jane and Marilyn met with their pilot, Ned Clapp at 8 a.m. at Fargo's airfield. Mr. Clapp has a Cessna Cardinal model prop aircraft that holds up to four passengers.

As it turns out, Marilyn's father was a WWII pilot and later owned a small aircraft and flew many rescue missions through the Civil Air Patrol. Marilyn had flown many times with her father and was quite eager to get up in a small craft again.

The weather was absolutely perfect, clear skies, a slight breeze and loads and loads of fresh planted farmland to see. Marilyn asked our very accommodating pilot about communities below, his various uses for his aircraft, and about the highways and byways we were flying over.

She was perhaps a bit disappointed that we would not be doing any aerial acrobatics. Lion Jane was interested in the updated GPS, radios, guidance systems and transponder! The flight was smooth, interesting and downright hospitable!

In just 2 hours we landed in Rochester where we were greeted by Signature Aviation Services, Rochester's Flight Based Operations Center.



Signature arranged for a taxi to pick up Marilyn and Lion Jane to get downtown while Ned got back in his aircraft to head up to Bloomington to see his new granddaughter.

After numerous appointments at Mayo, Marilyn and Lion Jane caught a taxi back to the Rochester airfield where once again Signature Aviation treated them like royalty. Our pilot Ned was waiting and the three of them loaded right up for another beautiful flight home. This flight included the pleasure of seeing pictures of Ned's granddaughter!

Upon landing, Lion Jane drove Marilyn home. From the morning pick-up to the evening drop-off, Marilyn was gone from home less than 12 hours. What a fantastic day!

It just goes to show what a great team we are a part of as Lions. Lion Jed had the idea that we could help, Lion Jane stepped up to escort Jed's patient, and Lion Pat was tenacious enough to find a more pleasant mode of travel.

And our volunteer pilot, Ned Clapp, got to see his new grand-baby! Most importantly, Marilyn has a team of highly respected physicians poring over her various test results to determine the best course of action to keep her eyes healthy. Winners all around!"



#### Lions District 5NW Zone 5A Golf Tournament 18<sup>TH</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup>, 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
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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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Well fellow Lions we just finished celebrating the first 100 years of Lionism at Chicago. What a great experience all Lions around the world had and shared.

One of our motivation speakers was Nick Vujicic from Australia. Nick was born with no arms or legs.

At the age of 6, Nick received help from the Lions. At an early age Nick wanted to be a motivation speaker. When he got older he started calling schools to see if he could come and speak to the students. After 52 schools had turned him down the next school said yes.

Nick spoke to just 10 students and received just fifty dollars. That started his career as a motivation speaker. Today he travels

5NW Centennial float

the world speaking to people about how to over come challenges. Nick has earned two Bachelor Degrees and two Master Degrees. Nick is married with 2 children and twins on the way.

Nick made two statements:

1 – Courage is doing something when you are afraid.

2 – If you can't get a miracle, then be one.

These two statements are to me something to remember.

As we head into Lion's next 100 years things are looking bright. The Lions Service Areas are Diabetes, Environment, Hunger Relief, Pediatric Cancer, and Vision.

Helen Keller's grandniece spoke before the convention and ask the Lions to be the Knights for Diabetes just like her grand aunt did back in 1925 before the Lions to be the Knights of the Blind.

To do so please donate more to the Lions Club International Foundation. Remember just because you can't see the results from your donation, just know someone is getting help someplace in the world.

The Globe Service Framework focuses the efforts on the Lion's and the Leo's by serving 200 million people per year by 2021.

On the local level we are proud to announce that Lion Pat Vannett from the Mandan Lions has become 5NW First International Director. We all wish ID Pat the best journey she can have.

On a personal note,

the 100th Convention is something that Lion Bonnie and myself will never forget. The Lions we met from around the world are great people. I have made new friends from South Africa and Tanzania.

Next year's convention is at Las Vegas so plan on going and having an experience you will cherish and meeting Lions from around the world to share ideas and make new friends for life.

My year as District Governor started becoming DG by installing new club officers for 2017-2018 at Bowman Lions and Minot Lions. I'm hoping to work with many Lions to keep our District strong and growing. Let Lions Roar!

# ICO TOUTH VISION HUNGER A ENVIRONMENT Celebrate Service

Our 5NW Centennial Float has been traveling throughout the district this spring and summer in parades to celebrate 100 years of service. I would like to give a very special Thank You to our Lions Foundation of North Dakota as they contributed \$1000.00 to this project to help pay for this float. I would also like to thank our Lions Clubs International Foundation who also contributed \$1000.00 towards the construction cost of this great float. Lions Gary Morel and Karen and Mark Koller did the construction of this float. We also had Lions come in and decorate and put the finishing touches on this float. Lions Gary and Bonnie Morel, Mark and Karen Koller, Arlen and Dickey Jo Kubas, Pat and Kevin Vannett, Steve Schadler, and Judy Beaudry. Thank you to all! PDG, Mark Koller.

#### Valley City





#### New Melvin Jones Fellows

Two Valley City Lions are the club's newest Melvin Jones Fellows. From left are Doreen Sayler and Keith Olson. Presenter is new 5NE DG Keith Zeutschel.

#### Glenburn



#### Assist with dance

"On 1 July 2017, during the Glenburn All-School Reunion Street Dance, Glenburn Lions helped out with this event by working gate admissions. The club is donating \$200 of the funds raised for working this event toward the cost of their new community sign expenses. Lions pictured include: Lions Clair Simonson, Tom Barnes, Stacey Barnes, Lance Johnson and Ginney Jones."



#### Lions clean ditches

Ten Rugby Lions, along with three family members and three members of the Modern Woodsmen, cleaned ditches along Highway 3 North of Rugby on Tuesday, May 23rd. No treasures were found - but everybody received a nice, cool Dairy Queen treat at the end.

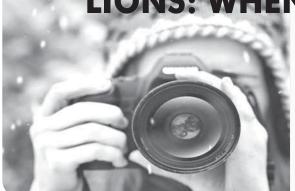
#### Magic City\_



#### **MD5 Club Website Award**

Magic City Lions Club won the MD5 "Club Website Award" for 2016-2017. Pictured: 5 NW 1st VDG elect Lion Ginney Jones and Lions Gary Clock and Darlene Johnson. To see their awesome club website visit: Magic City Lions Club on the web.

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#### Williston



#### Leo's receive letters

Members of the Williston High School Leo's Club received their letters and bars at a recent Lions meeting. Letters went to Leo's Mary Baldwin, Jazz Wagner, and Miranda Barraza. Members that earned bars were Leo's Colton Gutknecht, Madi Gutknecht, Abby Fagerland, Sophia Rose, Jami Kay, and Grisha Pradham. Also pictured with recipients are Jason Germundson, Williston High School principal and Ange Gutknecht, Leo Advisor.



#### Scholarships presented

The Williston Lions presented \$500 scholarships to Williston graduates at a recent meeting. Scholarships were awarded to (back row, left to right) Leif Everson, Joseph Gergen, Emma Abelmann, Colton Gutknecht, and Ethan Beck (front row). Also pictured with recipients are Jason Germundson, Williston High School principal and Angie Gutknecht, Leo advisor.



#### Lions inducted

Two new Leos were inducted into the Williston High School Leo Club at a recent Lions meeting. From left Williston High School Principal Jason Germundson, Mary Baldwin, Jazzlene Wagner, Leo Advisor Ange Gutknecht, and Leo President Colton Gutknecht.

#### Napoleon



#### **New officers**

Incoming Lions Club officers, John Johs, President, Mary Beth Schumacher, Treasurer, Lorraine Piatz, Secretary, Phil Leitner, Vice President. Sally Johs is the Lion Tamer/Tail Twister and is not pictured.

#### Capital City



#### **Appleseed Award**

As part of Arbor Day activities, Capital City Lions Club was presented with the Appleseed Award for its contributions to beautify the city. Pictured, from left, Marlene Larson, Allen Dockter, Carl Hokenstad.

#### Spring Meeting



#### **New PDG officers**

The new officers of the North Dakota Past District Governors were elected and installed at their spring meeting on April 29. From left to right are Director (5NW) Judy Beaudry, Vice President Dwaine Heinrich, President Pat Vannett, Secretary Arlen Fetch, Treasurer Steve Johnson, and Director (5NE) Rick Swenson. Not pictured are the new first year directors from each district, Mark Koller and Luis Coca.

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#### Enderlin



Enderlin Lions went on their annual summer road trip June 20. The trip included a shelf horse facility and Clay County Historical Center. Horses, a long ship and ala cart good food

By MIKE MARTIN

The Enderlin Lions' annual summer road trip was a two stop excursion in the Fargo-Moorhead area. 23 Lions, relatives and friends boarded an Enderlin Area School Coach bus, driven by Tom Rettig, at 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 20.

After an hour drive the first stop was "Jubilee Equine," the region's top shelf horse facility 1.5 miles west of Horace, ND. Built in the fall of 2013 on a specifically zoned 80 acre site, Jubilee Equine is a series of similar styled metal buildings jointed together for the convenience of movement of the horses. It is a controlled environment at 47 degrees year 'round, achieved with 77 geotherm wells 110' deep.

The group was give a personal tour by owners Brian and Terrie Dahl and the Enderlin Lions had a specific "in" as Lions member Tom Nord is an employee of the Dahls at their sugar beet manufacturing facility in the F-M area. In addition to their obvious love of horses with this set-up, the Dahls design and develop their own horse products for retail sale.

The Lions group was ushered into the staging area, which has dining facilities and can seat 40. Western motif to the west and English to the east reflects both horse cultures and this area was the entry to the main arena, an 85' x 225' totally enclosed stadium at a wonderful cool temperature.

Mr. Dahl explained the arena's special floor which had been excavated, then re-filled with packed lime and sand and the top several inches being reground polyester, i.e. re-purposed running shoe soles. There are 7 buildings in the main cluster and there is another side arena of 75' x 72' with supporting care facilities, tack rooms, dozens of box stalls and some tie stalls.

The box stalls are constructed with varnished southern pine and the horse stands on an Irish-imported rubber mat covered with ground flax straw.

Currently, Equine Jubilee is cleared for 80 horses (the ordinance allows 1 per acre) but they are set up for 50. Full-time employees feed and exercise the animals and, despite advances in technology, the stalls are stilled mucked out the old hand way.

Equine Jubilee commands \$650/horses/month for boarding, which is actually a bargain compared to the Twin Cities and what this facility offers. Equine Jubilee is surrounded by start-up housing developments and the proposed Fargo Red River Diversion will go several miles west of their site.

Part of their 80 acres is metal-fenced paddocks, allowing some horses to totally live outside and other horses are given daily fresh air and exercise. The group posed for photos and said good-bye to their gracious hosts.

From there all went to the West Acres Food Court and were allowed their meal choice from the dozen or so vendors. The next stop was the Clay County Historical and Cultural Center, Moorhead, MN and the Center's key exhibit is the Hjemkomst, a Viking long ship facsimile which sailed to Norway in the early 1980's.

Built of local oak by Robert Asp in a converted Hawley, MN potato warehouse, the Hjemkomst is now under cover and has its own half hour constant documentary film describing the adventure.

The group was met and welcomed by Clay County Archivist Mark Peihl, and he gave a personal tour of the Center's Norwegian Stave Church, a reproduction of a still -standing Norwegian timber and post construction building from the late Middle Ages. Local artisans labored for several years "doing it right" and Mr. Peihl said this Church is a favorite for weddings and foreign tour groups.

After the tour, the group was ushered into the Hjemkomst film with the long ship scant feet away. There was also a "Liquor in Clay County" exhibit and a regional Water-color painting collection which the group could look over at their leisure. All boarded the bus for the trip home and the Coach bus pulled in at 9:30 p.m. with all safe and sound.

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#### Carrington



**Club presents check** Tom Paintner, Carrington Lions treasurer, presents a check for the 4th of July blowups for the park to Fire chief Ken Wangen and Captain James Linderman.

#### Donate to FBLA

Carrington Lions donate to the Carrington FBLA for their trip to their national convention. Pictured are Addison Hoornaert, Marah Schmitz, Sylvia Pate, Grace Wolsky, Abby Neumiller, and Tom Paintner, Carrington Lions treasurer.





#### **Purses for a Purpose**

The Magic City Lions club hosted the <sup>2nd</sup> Annual Purses for a Purpose fundraiser February 6, 2016 at the Sleep Inn & Suites event center in Minot. 100% of event proceeds were donated to Service Dogs for America's Wounded Warrior program on Giving Hearts Day, February 11<sup>th</sup>. The gala featured a large silent auction, a black-Friday-esque purse exchange, live auctions, raffles, wine & chocolate sampling, and most importantly, a presentation from Shelley Nannenga at Service Dogs for America on the purpose of the event. A veteran and his service dog were there to discuss the role of PTSD service dogs in decreasing the negative impact of PTSD and other mental health conditions for the attendees. DG of 5NW, Judy Beaudry, was present and sat with our major event sponsor, the Minot VFW and Auxiliary clubs. Special thanks go out to the Prairie Rose Lions club for their pre-event help and sponsorship. Also, many thanks go Karmel Wanzek of the Jamestown Lions club for the event inspiration, and to the Beulah, Rugby, and Ray Lions clubs for their sponsorships. A total of **\$20,418** was raised through pre-event fundraising, ticket sales, and the event itself. We are fired up and ready to host our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual event next year!

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# District Governors-Elect ready to begin second century of service

By PID ROBERT LITTLEFIELD

On the Fourth of July, six Lions from Multiple District 5 took their oath of office and became proud members of the historic 101st group of District Governor in Lions Clubs International: DG Keith Zeutschel (5NE), DG Gary Morel (5NW), DG Neil Bowes (5SE), DG Tim Brown (5SW), DG Dan Babyak (5SKN), and DG Terry McAleese (5SKS).

The District Governor-Elect School was held the week before the LCI Convention in Chicago, Illinois. After having a personal meeting with incoming LCI President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal and his wife, Lion Navita, they were treated to a welcome reception at Chicago's Navy Pier. There, they worked with their groups on a project and enjoyed food and entertainment. The group photo was taken at the water's edge. Can you find MD5's DGEs?

Each day, the DGEs and their spouses or family members attended general sessions with motivational speakers. Nick Vujicic, a man born without limbs, spoke of the challenges he overcame and how no matter what happens, "if you can't get a miracle, become one." Sister BK Shivani, a spiritual healer from India, shared that "when 'I' is replaced by 'we' even illness becomes wellness." President-Elect Naresh Aggarwal presented his international theme: "We Serve." He also challenged the DGEs to always remember the Power of We, the Power of Service, and the Power of Action.

The training sessions focused on leadership in action, people in action, service in action, and image in action. Each group was comprised of about 30 DGEs from around the world. MD5 DGEs were dispersed over several groups. However, DGE Keith Zeutschel was in PID Robert Littlefield's group, completing the circle started when PID Robert nominated then Lion Keith to run for 2nd Vice District Governor in 5NE.

At the end of the week, a celebration banquet signaled the start of the new year of service for the DGEs. Then, during the final session of the convention, President Naresh Aggarwal administered the oath of office and the DGE blue ribbons were removed. MD5 can be proud of its six District Governors. They were well-prepared and served as great representatives throughout their training and convention.



DGE Keith and DGE Group Leader Robert at McCormick Place.



DGEs at the opening ceremony to begin their training.



District Governors-Elect and Spouses on Navy Pier for group photo. Can you find your Governors?



### **MD5** Convention Highlights



Past International Director Robert Littlefield nominating Past District Governor Pat Vannett for International Director.



Candidate PDG Pat Vannett greets the crowd, joined by PIDs and spouses from MD5.



Candidate Lion Pat Vannett is ready to serve. **14** THE ND LION | July 2017



PDG Judy and Lion Mac Beaudry carry the banner for Candidate PDG Pat Vannett and Kevin in the 100th Anniversary Parade.



PDG Kevin and ID-Elect Pat Vannett enjoying the plenary session.



It's all "thumbs up" for DGEs and PID Robert at the Celebration Banquet!

# 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 1depending on when Council of Governors meeting is scheduled. Entries not meeting deadlines will be disqualified.



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.

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