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# Littlefield gets 'Hall' nod

Past International Director, Lions Clubs International Trustee, Lions Clubs International Foundation Board of Directors

Past International Director, Lions Clubs International Trustee, and Lions Clubs International Foundation Board of Directors' Robert Littlefield will be the newest member of the North Dakota Lions' Hall of Fame.

He will be honored at a ceremony at the State Lions Convention in November.

Robert S. Littlefield was born in Moorhead, MN in 1952. He graduated from Fargo North High School in 1970; received his teaching degree in English, Speech, and Theatre from Minnesota State University Moorhead in 1974.

That fall began his teaching career at Barnesville (MN) Public Schools. He joined the North Dakota State University faculty in 1979; and in 1983, completed his doctorate at the University of MN. Over his 38 years at NDSU, he served in several administrative and leadership roles, including department chair and interim dean of Humanities and Social Sciences.

He currently is a professor and director of the Nicholson School of Communication at the University of Central Florida.

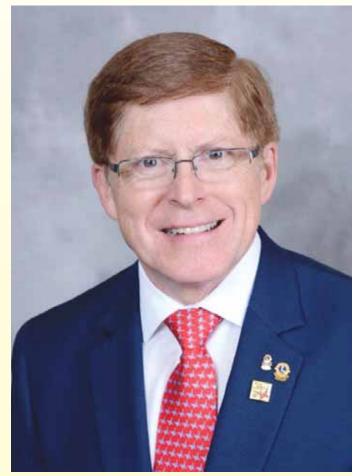
In 1984, PDG Frederick G. Walsh introduced Littlefield to Lionism. He served two terms as president of the Fargo Lions (1990-91; 2005-06). Robert's feelings for his club and for those with whom he has served run deep. His enthusiasm and positive outlook have helped to motivate his fellow Lions to exceed their club goals, whether through fundraising or service projects.

He has held many offices within the association, including district campus club chairperson, district governor, region chairperson, council chairperson, LCIF district coordinator, multiple district convention chairperson, and is a certified guiding Lion.

In addition, he is a Past President of the North Dakota Past District Governors' Association. He was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 97th International Convention held in Toronto, Canada, in July 2014.

Presently, he is serving a three-year term as a Trustee on the Lions Clubs International Foundation Board of Directors.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the District Governor Excellence Award, International Leadership Award, the



Robert S. Littlefield

Membership Advancement Key Award, and four International President's Awards, to name a few. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Lion Robert and his wife, Lion Kathy have been married for 43 years and have two grown children: a married daughter, Lindsay (Thomas Allen), who is an independent consultant currently working for the Stephen Group; and a son, Brady, who is a vice president with Rubenstein Communication, Inc. in New York City. They have two grandsons, Emmett and Owen Allen.

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# **LCI Forward:** A Framework to start the Next Century of Service

Whenever a Lions club gets together, problems get smaller, and communities get better. That's because we help where help is needed – in our own communities and around the world – with unmatched integrity and energy.

Since 1917 our mission has been "to empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs". And our vision has been "to be the global leader in community and humanitarian service".

Our 46,000 clubs and 1.4+ million members make us the world's largest service club organization. We're also one of the most effective. Our members do whatever is needed to help their local communities. Everywhere we work, we make friends. With children who need eyeglasses, with seniors who don't have enough to eat and with people we may never meet.

The goal of LCI Forward

is to triple our impact worldwide by improving the lives of at least 200 million per year by 2020-21 through expanded humanitarian service.

The number of people in need of service by a Lions Club - the visually impaired, people with disabilities, people needing urgent assistance and often lifechanging medical assistance - has increased sharply (by four-fold) since 2010-11, and is increasing every year.

The need for voluntary humanitarian service is higher than ever as a result, and we need to remind society of our impact, and what communities could be like without a Lions Club, and what people united in service can do to meet rising needs and build communities of hope and resiliency.

#### Pursue Club, District & Organizational Excellence

We are today the largest voluntary service organization in the world. Continuing to innovate in services to Lions clubs and districts, including further harnessing technology advances, is essential to our second century of success and expanding our humanitarian service.

People have more choices today to serve and give back to their community/ people in need. We need to continue promoting new ways for caring people to be involved in our service and provide options for service engagement which are flexible and mesh with today's busy lifestyles. We will continue to welcome people of all ages, genders, races and faiths into our movement.

Is your Lions Club being as effective in addressing the current needs of your community? The Club Quality Initiative is a strategic planning tool to help clubs identify opportunities for improvement. The program features LCI Forward and involves the whole club in this exciting process to make the club even better. Upon completing the Club Quality Initiative, submit the Final Report and Feedback Form and earn your club's banner patch. To request copies of the Club Quality Initiative please contact LCI by email <u>clubqualityinitiatives@</u> <u>lionsclubs.org</u> or phone (630) 468-6810.

#### Getting Ready for the Road

PDG Kevin and I have been preparing for our many visits. Between now and December, we will be traveling to ten different events representing our international family of Lions. You might wonder how we are going about getting prepared.

Clean closets and purchase any travel items that will make things more efficient.

Set up a staging area in our home with luggage open, suits and outfits hung together, COMFORTABLE shoes near the suitcases. Sometimes we only get 2 or 3 days in between to

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regroup, organization is key.

Get all the travel plans arranged with LCI and hosting districts. Be in contact with our hosts. Read their newsletters and study their districts so that we can relate to them personally.

Write and re-write my speaking points. You can count on me to be prepared!

Purchase and pack gifts for our hosts. We hope to make a lasting good impression.

Yes, we are pretty much ready for the road. And, we are so fortunate to have this opportunity to make a difference in a unique way motivating Lions from all over North America.

Kindness Matters – At Home and Around the World

Watching the news, we cannot help but be moved by so many needs. As your Lions clubs gear up for the year, plan to make an impact by giving generously to our Lions Clubs International Foundation. You might want to consider a special fund-raising event that will go specifically to disaster relief or another cause. Make sure that you educate your community about the facts. 100% of your donation will go to support the area that it is earmarked for. 100% of yours and their personal donations when checks are issued directly to LCIF are tax deductible in the United States. https:// weserve.org/

Kindness starts with each one of us. Will you join Kevin and me, each individually, in making a personal commitment to LCIF? Just \$2.00 a week can help so many.

We can do so much more when we join together in service.

## **Peace Poster Contest**

Lions clubs throughout District 5NE invite young artists to share their ideas about peace through the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest.

This year's theme is The Future of Peace.

The contest is open to young people ages 11 to 13 as of Nov. 15, 2017. Kits can be purchased from now until Oct. 1.

Lions clubs will provide kits for schools, scouts, youth groups and individuals who may be home schooled.

Club members working with the project need to be clear with teachers or other guides that this is an international contest. Lions and the Peace Poster Contest do not promote religion or politics. We do not want to see someone's work disqualified.

Young artists are encouraged to use bright faces, colors, animals and symbols in the posters. Please do not use letters or numbers. The size of each poster should be 20 inches by 24 inches.

Participants use a variety of mediums, including charcoal, crayon, pencil and paint. The work created could express the young artists' life experience and culture. Each poster is judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme. Bright colors are strongly encouraged.

Posters are judged at the club level, district level and beyond. Club-winning posters will be judged at the district level during the state convention, Nov. 3 and 4 in Bismarck.

The international winner will receive \$5,000 and is invited to go to the United Nations on Lions Day at the U.N. There are also 23 international merit awards.

The clubs sponsoring need to purchase a Peace Poster kit for each group they sponsor. Complete information can be found in the January editions of both The Lion and The North Dakota Lion. Information can also be found on the Lions Clubs International website at www.lionsclubs. org.

Please order kits by calling Lions International Club Supplies at 1-630-571-5466, or you can fax your order to 1-630-571-0964. You can also email clubsupplies@ lionsclubs.org. LCI prefers a credit card to be used for the purchase. Please allow three weeks for delivery.

If you can't find a way to get the club-winning posters to the state convention, then please mail them to Lion Carla Lein, 5050 40th Avenue South, Apt. 237, Fargo, ND 58104. Please get them to Lion Carla by Monday, Oct. 30.

Any questions, please call Lion Carla at 701-781-0743, or email her at Carla.lein@ yahoo.com. Also, please feel free to email Lion Rob Lein at Rob.Lein@yahoo.com or Lion Mary Ann Zwinger at dmazwinger@midco.net.







ND Lion DEADLINE is the **7th** of the month! KEITH ZEUTSCHEL 5703 100th Ave S., Horace, ND 58047 (701)282-2076 (h) or (701)799-4997 (c) zeutsch@msn.com

The days are shorter, the nights are cooler, harvest has begun, the eclipse has passed and the hurricane has devastated large areas of Texas. Recovery will take many years! So, what can we as Lions here in North Dakota do to help those affected; not only in Texas but also worldwide?

Well, I am sure you have heard of the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). This is the fiftieth year of LCIF and it has provided over \$1 Billion in needed grants to various needs worldwide. LCIF just announced a \$100,000 grant for Texas area Lions clubs to use where needed.

Did you know that the very first disaster grant was made right here in MD5 after the flood in the Rapid City area back in 1972. MD5 has actually received more in grants through the years than we have donated. So during this fiftieth year of celebrating LCIF, why not consider a donation to the fund.

Your donation will be used along with those from across the world to provide aid where it is needed. I am sure your club makes a donation each year but how about yourself?

Have you made a donation directly to LCIF recently? When you make your donation you can ask that it be used for disaster relief in Texas.

For those of you looking for a fun day of service to others why not consider the 1st annual Fall Volunteer day in Jud, at Service Dogs for America. It will be Oct 7 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

As a bonus feature, **4** THE ND LION | September 2017

the Davenport Lions will be serving their famous Steak Fondue and Chips for lunch. Look in your August North Dakota Lion for more information. Hope to see you there.

The North Dakota State Lions convention will be in Bismarck Nov. 3 and 4 at the Ramkota Hotel. Send in your reservation quickly to reserve your space. Convention Chairmen Brach Johnson and Scott Ressler are working on some exciting features for this year's gathering. Look for more information elsewhere in this month's newsletter.

At the District Cabinet meeting in Jamestown Aug. 12, a dues increase of \$1 was approved. We also voted to pass along the newsletter increase of \$1.00 that has been billed to the district for the last three years but was never passed along to members.

To go along with the dues increase, the cabinet also took a detailed look at every expenditure in the budget and decreased or eliminated any that we felt we could. The 2017-18 budget is in line with the 2016-17 numbers.

For those Lions in the Greater Fargo area, remember the invitation from the Fargo Gateway Lions to enjoy the presentation by PDG Doug Sheller of the Rapid City Lions. His theme is 100 Years of Lionism. Plan to attend this moving yet humorous presentation. The evening of Sept. 27 will start at 6:30 p.m. with a free appetizer buffet and a cash bar, followed at 7:30 by Doug's presentation.

The event will be at the

Baymont Inn, 3333 13th Ave. S. Fargo ND. Please RSVP to Darrell Costain at d-a-costain@msn.com with the number of attendees from your club.

The district is still in need of a zone chairperson for Zone 2 (Wing, Tuttle, Robinson, Pettibone, Sterling, Medina, Jamestown and Valley City) and Zone 4-A (Braddock, Napoleon, Wishek, Lehr, Ashley, Zeeland, Zeeland Dakota, Strasburg, Linton, and Hazelton). If you or someone you know would be interested in filling this position, please contact me.

Have you checked if your club is still listed as a tax exempt non-profit organization with the IRS? I spoke of this in the July issue and have heard no response from clubs. Currently there are 22 clubs in 5NE that are named on the Automatically Revoked list from the

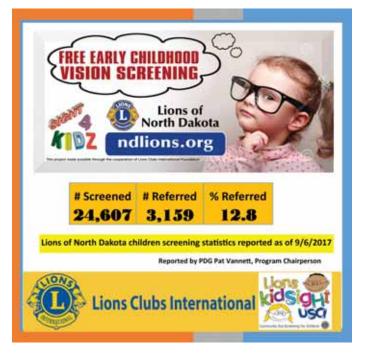


IRS. It is possible that your club is on the list but has been reinstated since organizations stay on the list for a few years after reinstatement.

Those clubs currently listed by the IRS should have received a letter from me or soon will receive it. The LCI web site has instructions on applying for reinstatement as a nonprofit organization.

There are also complete instructions on the IRS site. It takes a little time but is not that hard to complete. The phone number to contact the IRS is 1-877-829-5500. You will need the clubs name and EIN number when calling. Clubs in 5NW should check into this also as there are many listed.

A lions service is never ending





# Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

# A MESSAGE FROM 5NW LCIF DISTRICT COORDINATOR

I am PDG Mark Koller, your new LCIF District Coordinator, as PDG Dave Czyczynski has taken a different position with LCIF. I want to thank Lion Dave for the awesome job he has done as LCIF District Coordinator these past years. I am looking forward to working with our Lions Clubs in the future. I would be happy to do a short presentation about LCIF at a club or zone meeting. I will have a booth at the ND State Lions Convention in Bismarck on November 3rd and 4th. Stop by and chat with me when you have a few free minutes! Feel free to call or email me if you have questions or need information.

From PDG Mark Koller

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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.

# State Lion Convention 2017

#### Friday November 3rd, 2017

9:00 am - 5:00 pm 10:00 - all day	Registration Opens at Ramkota Hotel Displays in Courtyard;
10:00 am - 1:00 pm	Silent Auction set-up in Courtyard Cabinet Meetings with Lunch 5NW & 5NE Cabinets
1:00 - 2:30 pm	ND Lions Foundation Board Meeting
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	PDG Meeting
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Ice Breaker at ND Heritage Center touring and eating until 7:00
7:00 p.m.	ND Lions Hall of Fame Induction Heritage Center
7:30 p.m.	Lions Memorial Service
until 9:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m ?	Heritage Center Lions may continue touring the H.C. Hospitality room(s) open at Ramkota

#### Saturday November 4th, 2017

7:00 am - 2:00 pm	Registration Open at Ramkota
	Displays in Courtyard and
	Silent Auction items
7:15 - 8:40 am	Breakfast & Opening Ceremonies:
	Presentation of Colors
	Welcome by Mayor
	Keynote Address by Monsignor Shea
8:45 - 10:00 am	District Meetings:
	District 5 NE – District 5 NW
10:00 - 10:10 am	Break—go to lower meeting level
10:10 - 11:00 am	Breakout Sessions I:
	1) 50th Anniversary of LCIF
	2) Dakota Lions Sight and Health
	3) Hearing Aid Recycling
11:00 - 11:10 am	Coffee Break
11:10 - 12:00 am	Breakout Session II:
	1) Backpacks for Kids
	2) So You Want to Start a Lions Club?
	3) New Diabetes Emphasis in Lions
12:10 am - 1:50 pm	Lunch
Noon Speaker	PDG Doug Scheller
	Melvin Jones Awards
2:00 - 2:45 pm	Q and A session with PIP Bill Biggs
3:00 - 5:00 pm	ND Foundation General Meeting &
	Parade of Green
ND State Lions Meeting	
(These meetings will run on	e after another without breaks)
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Change for Banquet
	time for displays and silent auction
6:00 - 7:00 pm	Social Hour—Courtyard
Silent Auction ends at 6:	30
7:00 - 9:00 pm	Parade of Governors and Banquet
	Banquet Speaker PIP Biggs
9:00 pm - ?	Hospitality Rooms open

#### Horace



The Horace Lions celebrated 40 years of service to the community by hosting a Free Pancake Breakfast in Horace Aug. 19.

As a thank you to the citizens of Horace for 40 years of support to our club, we served pancakes and sausage breakfast in conjunction with Horace Bean Days.

With help from the local scout groups and dedicated Lions members we served over 400 hungry patrons.

Later that morning, past president Marty drove our float in the parade with the current president and three charter members of the club riding along. Currently, the club has eight remaining charter members still on the roster.

In 1977, the club chartered with 113 members, the largest club at that time. As a part of the celebration we also had a display of memories collected by members, including an original program from that night and a picture of the activities from the West Fargo newspaper published that week.

A big thank you to charter member Neil Nelson for his collection.

#### **5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT**

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Our thoughts and prayers go out to the people of Montana, Idaho, and the rest of states that are battling the massive wildfires and the people of Texas recovering from hurricane Harvey. When you read this the people of Florida will have been impacted by hurricane Irma.

LCIF have has already gave given a grant to the victims of Hurricane Harvey in the amount of \$100,000. Therefore, it is so important to donate to LCIF. Any amount will help with the upcoming needs that are in the future. You can make an individual donation or make a club donation.

I just what to say a big thank you to all of the clubs that reported their PU-101's.

Three of our District Zone Chairs have 3 zone meetings schedules scheduled. Zone 1-B Chair Stuart Langager's from zone 1-B meeting is on September 19, 2017 in Williston @ 7pm/ct. Zone 5-A Chair Scott Ressler's from zone 5-A meeting is on September 28, 2017 at North Star Lions location @ 6:00pm/ct. Then Zone 4-A Chair Doug Rothe's from zone 4-A meeting will be at Hazen, location is at the Hot Stuff Pizza @ 5:30pm/ ct. The other zone chairs are planning meetings and I will let you know the places and times.

The State Conventionis coming up fast andsthere are a few events thatdwill be happening at thedconvention. There will be anhelection of for a new VDGE,tso any past or currents8 THE ND LION | September 2017

Zone Chair that feels the roar of the Lion inside of themselves please contact the Succession Committee (PCC Arlen Fetch, PDG Judy Beaudry, or PDG Mark Koller) to see what you need to do.

Next is from the Dakota Lions Sight & Health election. Each year 1 director is elected from each of the 4 Lions districts in the Dakotas to serve a 3-year term on the board of directors. Any Lion that is interested needs to be in good standing and received the endorsement from their club. A letter of intent to run for the position of Director must be received by the applicable district governor and the President of the Board of Directors at least thirty days prior to the state convention at which the election will take place. PS: Note to Lions of 5NW, the director whose term was going to be up this year resigned to focus on other Lions related projects, so it is the board's intent to invite/appoint the directorelect from 5NW to begin their official term early, so you would be invited to 2 extra meetings as a full board member.

Are you Rready to launch your own diabetes projects.? Here are 5 ways your club can join the fight against diabetes:

Organize a community support group for those with diabetes and their caregivers

Partner with a local healthcare provider to organize a diabetes screening. Sponsor a child in need to attend a diabetes camp or organize your own camp.

Organize a school or community vegetable garden to encourage healthy eating.

Start a fitness club to keep adults in your community active.

Go to lionsclubs.org/ diabetes to learn more.

The membership numbers have declined since the start of the new year. As of this writing our Lions membership is down to 1219 from 1254 with we added 26 new Lions and 61 dropped 61 Lions. There are no easy answers to this dropped in numbers. People pass away, move and not don't rejoin new clubs, and some just stop being Lions.



We need to ask the question to why people quit being Lions. We may not want to hear this again, but we have to find more people to join Lions. We Lions will find the ways to strengthen District 5NW by starting doing membership drives, by starting new clubs, by and as individual Lions going out and finding those new members.

I Just just received an email this morning (September 7, 2017) from PID Brian Sheehan that he is the endorsed candidate for International Third Vice President at the Lions Club International Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, 2018. PID Brian Sheehan is from MD5M. Let Lions Roar!

# Peace Poster Contest 2017 To Lions Clubs of 5NW

This year's Peace Poster Contest theme is 'The Future of Peace'. What a great theme to start our next 100 years!

I would like to encourage the clubs to provide the poster board for the students, because if the poster is not the appropriate size it will be disqualified. Also, your club needs to get your winning peace poster to me before the State Lions Convention. The State Lions Convention is November 3rd and 4th being held in Bismarck. I would like to receive the Peace Poster winner from your club by October 24th so I can make sure they qualify and be sure everything on the back stamp is filled out correctly and completed.

> Please contact me if you have any questions. 5647 110 Ave SW, New England, ND 58647 Phone: 701-290-7279 email: karenkay59@icould.com

I thank you for your participation, Karen Koller

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# SEMINARS ANNOUNCED FOR THE STATE CONVENTION

At the State Lions Convention in Bismarck on November 3-4, we will have a lot of good sessions for you to attend. For many Lions the educational meetings are one of the most enjoyable parts of a convention. Capital City Lion Marlene Larson of the planning committee is organizing the seminars and has announced the following list of choices:

New Diabetes Emphasis in Lions-It has been publicized that Lions International is planning to join the attack on diabetes in a big way, but what form will this campaign take? International Director Pat Vannett, along with the diabetes chairpersons from 5NE (Donna Ruff) and 5NW (Chuck Whitney) will speak to us about this new effort and how our clubs can get on board.

United Way's Backback program—Jenna Gullo from United Way will tell us about the hunger problems in our communities across North Dakota, and the food backpacks that they provide every other week for disadvantaged school children. They have been providing 928 backpacks

every other week to the school children in Bismarck and surrounding communities. And Lions can help!

So You Want to Start a Lions Club?- But where do you start? Lion Josh Ressler recently worked to charter a new Lions Club in Surrey, and Llewellyn Rustan led the charge to begin a new club the year before in Beach. These experienced Lions are willing to share their expertise if you or your club would like to embark on this exciting mission. This is a great opportunity to ask questions.

50th Anniversary of Lions Clubs International Foundation! This organization has raised and distributed millions of dollars to help build clinics, fight blindness, and contribute to major disaster relief around the world to alleviate the suffering caused by hurricanes, floods and earthquakes. PID Robert Littlefield, PDG Dave Czywczynski and IPDG Mark Koller will tell us about the amazing accomplishments of this international organization.

Don't Throw Those Old Hearing Aids!- Although we

as Lions have been recycling eyeglasses for years, it is about time we learn how some parts of used hearing aids can also be recycled and become a renewable resource for those with hearing problems. Tricia Nechodom of Minot will tell us more about how to get involved in this project. Another way for clubs to serve!

Dakota Lions Sight and Health–What ever happened to the North Dakota Eye Bank? It's still working, collecting and distributing corneas under a new name. Alan Berdahl and Mike Blazek, of this new partnership between North and South Dakota, will tell us about how the association is operating now that they have joined forces.

Ouestion and Answer Session—Past International President Bill Biggs, our main speaker, will be available to us in this session to answer questions we may have about operations and organization at Lions Clubs International. If you've ever wondered why we have certain traditions, or how Lions are functioning on the other side of the globe, he will be able to tell us. Council Chairman Terry Peterson will also be available for MD5 questions.

Now those of you reading this will probably think, "How can I actually attend all those sessions?" You can't, really, since they are packed into three 50-minute time slots. The solution? Bring lots of Lions members with you so you can split up and cover many topics as possible! Then at mealtime you can exchange ideas and information with each other as you enjoy your meal, and then take those ideas back to your Lions Club.

Plan to join us now for the State Lions Convention on November 3-4 at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck. If you pre-registered at the early \$40 rate, make sure your club secretary or treasurer has sent in the names of the club members who will be attending.

When you call for hotel reservations (258-7700), mention that you are with the Lions. The planning committee is excited to see as many Lions as possible!

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#### Bowman



## Club hosts annual

The Bowman Lions held their third annual Mini Tri-athalon "Splash and Dash" event on Saturday Aug. 5.

Under partly cloudy skies, it began with a 5Km run on the Bowman Sweetwater Golf Course, continuing with a 3.8mile bike ride to the finish at the Bowman Rouzie Rec Center Pool where contestants swam 250 meters.

To many of us, these are just numbers, but when you consider that MOST athletes do only ONE of these in a competitive fashion on any given day, the significance of their effort becomes clearer! Our champions this year included Jonathan Burkhalter of Reva, S.D. who lead everyone in, followed by Danielle Hiatt of Bowman and Washington who lead the women in and finished second overall with Dan Peterson finishing a close third and handily beating the football kids he challenged.

As in past years, we also made this available for those who wanted to compete as a team with each leg being completed by a team member. Our first place team was Alex Bartholomay, Blaine Jeffers, and Tanner Fischer, followed by Tristan Peterson and Andrew Miller in second with the team of Heather, Naressa and Ray Ann Hiatt finishing third.

This event is somewhat of a hybrid, as the famed Ironman events in Olympic Competition consist of an open water swim of 24 miles, a Marathon of 26.2 miles, and a final bike race of 112 miles. Given the constraints of a municipal pool and the need to get running early if we wanted to use the golf course, we began with a run, then a bike to the Rec Center and finished with a swim.

For those who are not strong swimmers, this event becomes a real challenge, but we are also gifted with life guards from the Rec as well as plenty of Lion help to make the final pool swim both practical and relatively safe.

We ARE looking at beginning next year's event in heats for the individual competitors to more closely mirror the Olympic events, but will most likely then have to abandon the run on the golf course due to a later running of that leg of the event. Obviously some compromise will be necessary, as the run then will most likely be done at least partially on hard surface.

This year we timed our individual competitors through



## triathlon

the end of the bike leg, and then added the swim leg which was done separately, time wise. This was not a perfect world solution, but did allow all contestants to take a dip in the pool prior to their swim, with the idea of minimizing the "shock" to their bodies!

The Mini Tri-athalon is an outgrowth of a Lions International program to raise awareness of Diabetes, which is the leading cause of blindness in the Western Hemisphere. It began as a 5 Km walk which we quickly expanded into a "fun run" in addition to a walk.

In 2015 we further expanded it to add the other two events. In the early years of the program, we also had the Bowman County Health Nurses out at the Golf Course to monitor the blood sugar of the participants before and after.

Most participants were intrigued to find that their blood sugar levels dropped after the event. Given the time constraints as well as the finale being in a separate location, this has not been attempted for the past three years; however, we are certainly open to attempt it again should we change the format of the



event.

A great big Lion Thank you needs to be extended to the Dakota Community Bank, Dakota West Credit Union, Dakota Western Bank, Southwest Healthcare, and Wells Fargo Bank, whose donations greatly helped offset the expenses of this event.

We certainly could not have done without the help of Josh and Melissa Lindstrom who made the Sweetwater Golf Course available to us for our run and Chanelle Walby who helped us with the Rouzie Rec pool and her life guard staff.

Bronson's Market Place supplied a good portion of our after event light breakfast, and finally, a big Thanks to the Bowman Sheriff's and Police Department who facilitated our use of the public way for our bike leg. A good time was had by all, and we look forward to seeing you next year!

# **Blood drive held**

The Bowman Lions hosted the UBS summer Blood Drive Tuesday, Aug. 29, at the Bowman City Hall.

The goal set for us by UBS was 29 donors with 42 units collected, and largely thanks to the generosity of our community, we were able to beat the target levels. We ended up with a total of more than 40 people registered.

From our final group of donors, we had 33 single units of blood drawn and 11 double units drawn leaving us with a total of over 45 units as a final tally. We were most likely helped by the very hot day and short harvest season.

The Bowman Lions put in a total of over 15 hours volunteer time to make this happen. A huge Lion Thanks goes out to those who came in to the City Hall, as well as the City Staff who accommodated us so well. We look forward to another successful drive in October.



The UBS truck unloading by City Hall.

## Club News

#### Magic City



#### **Donate school supplies**

The Magic City Lions donated school supplies and a \$1,000 check to the Rotary's Fill the Bus project. This drive is to provide school supplies to needy students.

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#### Glenburn



#### **Celebrate Lions centennial birthday**

On the beautiful evening of Aug. 16, the Glenburn Lions Club celebrated the Lions Centennial Birthday during their August Burgersin-the-Park event. Approximately 75 community members were served burgers, hot dogs, chips, side dishes, and a piece of Lions 100th birthday cake. Everyone joined in singing "Happy Birthday" to the Lions organization.



#### **Presents check**

Grand Forks Red River Lions Club presents a \$10,000 dollar check to Theresa Garbe, CEO of Sunshine Hospitality Home. These funds will go towards the construction of this home which will open next spring/ summer. The Sunshine House will be open to families and patients of all ages and all health care providers. It will be within walking distance of Altru Main Campus. Ground breaking occurred in June this year and the ceremony can be viewed at www. SunshineMemorial.org.

#### Valley City



#### Lions host feed, crazy daze

The Valley City Lions held their annual Buffalo Burger Feed at the Crazy Daze in Valley City. More than 600 burgers were sold as well as hot dogs, chips and beverages. Valley City Lion President and PDG Larry E. Sayler stands near the grill used for burgers and hot dogs. **12** THE ND LION | September 2017



## Mike helps at the grill

Lion Mike Brand, PDG and former Valley City Lion, cooked for the feed. Could he be returning to membership in the Valley City Lions Club?

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The cook staff at work

The clue station for the Scavenger Hunt (Our club photographer, Lion Terri Whitney was a hunt participant!)

## Lions host breakfast, scavenger hunt

Sunday, Aug. 27 was not a day for the fainthearted. The Bowman Lions began the day with a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast to benefit the C.O.R.E. event happening Sept. 13 for our area High School Freshman.

CORE is an acronym for Community Organized Resources for Educating Youth. This program comes to us from South Dakota and co-ordinates the skill sets of our Fire Department, Law Enforcement, as well as our local Health Care Providers.

Here in Bowman this

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effort is being headed up by Christine Peterson FNP. It will be a day-long event with various different presentations to raise awareness of the problems of impaired driving, seat belt use, and how serious injuries can be life changing events among other things. The Bowman Lions held this fund raiser for the event and will be among other volunteers to help put it on.

After the successful conclusion of the Pancake Breakfast which fed over 200 people, a Scavenger Hunt was organized and held. We had a total of nearly 40 clues this year, but cut the time line down from four hours to two.

There were some 14 people who competed for a \$250 prize. Mark and Martha Wanner and two of their boys were the overall winners, and most kindly donated \$200 back to the Lions. We certainly thank all of you who came to make this such a special event. See you next year.



This shows how we mix up large batches of pancake batter



#### **New Foundation Lifetime Member** Tim Dittus, left, is the newest Lion to receive a Lions Foundation of North Dakota Lifetime Membership. He received the award from Grand Forks Lions President Willie Huot. The club was also recognized, receiving a banner patch, recognizing Dittus' sponsorship.

# **Lions Foundation of North Dakota**, Inc. Correction

In the August issue of the North Dakota Lion, it was reported that the Enderlin Lions Club honored Lion Harold Narum of the Bowman Lions Club with a Life Membership.

It should have been Lion Harold Narum of the Enderlin Lions Club. Harold Narum and Leo Schall were given these awards posthumously.

# **Lions Club International Contest Rules**

#### **All Contests**

1. All contests are judged by members of the Marketing Communications Committee of the International Board of Directors at the Lions International Convention.

All contest winners are announced at the Lions International Convention and published in LION Magazine.
 Entries become property of Lions Clubs International Headquarters and cannot be asternational biese Clubs Lister and Lister Clubs and the set of the Lister and Lister Clubs and the set of the Lister and the set of the s

returned. Lions Clubs International may use entries in any way deemed suitable.

4. The Public Relations and Communications Division at International Headquarters mails awards to all winners by September 1 following the Lions International Convention.
5. The decisions of the judges are final

I. International Newsletter (Bulletin) Contest Awards: First place certificate Four honorable mention certificates

1. The contest is open to all Lions clubs and districts. (Not multiple districts.) The above listed awards will be presented in each category.

**2**. Lions clubs must submit two copies of the same issue of its best club bulletin.

**3.** Districts must submit two copies of the same issue of its single best bulletin. Districts producing newsletters for more than one purpose or project must select only one for submission. (Only the first eligible district bulletin contest entry received by the Public Relations and Communications Division at International Headquarters will be considered by the judges.)

4. Newsletters must be mailed to the Public Relations and Communications Division at International Headquarters to arrive by May 1 of the year in which they'll be judged at the Lions International Convention. Official entry form must accompany entry. For clubs and districts wishing to submit a digital newsletter or bulletin for consideration, submission shall be made via email to PR@lionsclubs.org. All other deadlines and criteria apply. Effective June 29, 2017

**5.** Newsletters will be judged for the quality of content, page layout, publication design and production.

II. International Web Site Contest Awards: First place certificate Two honorable mention certificates

1. The contest is open to all Lions clubs, districts and multiple districts. The above listed awards will be presented in each category. All clubs, districts and multiple districts must include the URL address of their web site on the Official Contest Registration Form.

2. Entries must be submitted via email to PR@lionsclubs. org to the Public Relations and Communications Division at International Headquarters to arrive by May 1 of the year in which they'll be judged at the Lions International Convention. Official entry form must accompany entry.

**3.** Web sites will be judged on line for quality of content and design.

III. Service Activity Photo Contest Beginning in fiscal year 2017-18, Lions Clubs International will conduct an annual Service Activity Photo Contest according to the following criteria:

#### **General**:

• One theme -A Celebration of Service: Lions and Leos at work in their communities

• Open to all Leos and Lions Criteria:

• Photos must be candid (no posing) portraying Lions and/or Leos in action and/or beneficiaries of Lions and/or Leos service projects

• Identification of the project as a Lions and/or Leos activity is required.

• No nudity, political or religious depictions allowed

• Signed waiver for photos depicting minors and/or recipients required Chapter XIX Page?

#### Submission:

Submission made electronically via "Submit a Photo," email, Reviewer or similar cloud based software by March 1st of each contest year. Only photos meeting the criteria detailed below will be posted to a specially created Facebook page, or cloud based software Photos must be of 300 DPI quality or higher Photo must be accompanied by a caption describing the project, where it occurred, the name of the club and the impact it had on the community Signed affidavit that the photo is the original property of the contestant and that they sign over all copyright to LCI Contact information for photographer, including name, email address and phone number **Judging:** 

• Top 25 photographs determined by number of "Likes" on social media

• All photos should be judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme "A Celebration of Service."

• The marketing and communications committee reserves the right to review all final entries and confer awards. All decisions made are final. Terms and Conditions:

• All submissions are made voluntarily and will become the property of LCI. No compensation or recognition for use of the photos is required by LCI.

• Participants agree to indemnify LCI against any claims whatsoever from any party about use of the photographs or narrative content. This implies that the requisite permissions have been received from all parties involved.

• LCI staff will only post for judging those entries that comply with the above defined criteria. Awards:

• Top 25 photographs printed, matted and displayed at international convention

• Photo calendar created utilizing Top 25 photos. Available for sale at convention and through Club Supplies. Top 25 will receive a complimentary copy of the calendar

• Third place - complimentary

calendar, plaque, and US \$500

• Second place - complimentary calendar, plaque, and u\$\$750

• First place - complimentary calendar, plaque, and US \$1,000

#### ENTRIES IN THE NEWSLETTER (BULLETIN) AND WEB SITE CONTESTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW:

#### OFFICIAL CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

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# 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. MD5 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 MD5 LOFY Chairperson.

#### December 15, 2017

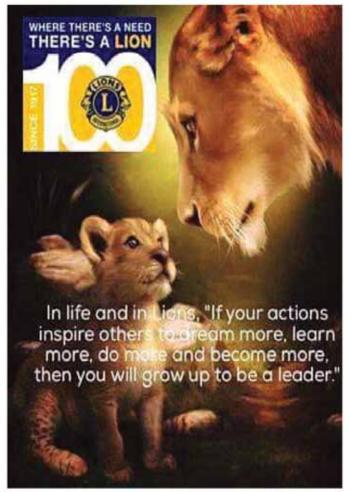
Postmark deadline for the MD5 LOFY Chairperson to send one winning entry to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

#### February 1, 2018

International winners will be notified on or before this date.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact MD5 LOFY Chairperson, PDG Tim Thueson.

# **Attention all 5NE Lions Club**



You are cordially invited to a presentation by PDG Doug Scheller of Rapid City, titled "100 Years of Lionism". This outstanding presentation was previewed at the spring multi district convention in Deadwood, SD in May. Doug has agreed to travel to Fargo to present this to clubs in the greater Fargo area. It is worth the drive!

Please encourage members of your club to attend this moving, yet humorous presentation. Other details will be past along by DG Keith Zeutschel in the weeks to come.

What: "100 years of Lionism" When: Wednesday, Sept. 27 Where: The Baymont Inn (soon to be the Ramada Inn) Woodland North Ball Room 3333 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. Fargo, ND

Evening Agenda 6:30-7:30 Appetizer buffet with cash bar 7:30-8:30 "100 Years of Lionism" PDG Doug Scheller

Club presidents, our goal is to have over 100 Lions and guests attend this great anniversary event. So that we can work with the Baymont staff on set up and appetizers can you forward an estimated attendance by your club no later than September 15. We guarantee you will come away a better and more proud Lion. Responses can be sent to attn. Darrell at: e-mail <u>d-a-costain@msn.com</u> or call or text him at 701-730-4575