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## **Featured Speaker At State Convention PIP William L. Biggs**

We are honored to have Past International President William Biggs of Omaha as our featured speaker at the North Dakota state Lions convention which will be held on November 3-4 at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck. He will be hosting a question and answer session after lunch on Saturday, and he will also be addressing us at the evening banquet.

William L. "Bill" Biggs of Omaha, Nebraska, USA, was elected president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 73rd International Convention, held in St. Louis, Missouri, USA, July 11 through 14, 1990.

Past President Biggs is an attorney in private practice with the firm of Gross & Welch in Omaha, Nebraska.

A member of the Omaha Westside and North Fresno Lions Clubs, and a Lion since 1962, Past President Biggs was a member of the South Forks Lions Club in Grand Forks in the mid 60's, served as an international director in 1983 to 1985, and as an appointee to the International Board from 1985 to 1989. He has also been a district governor, council chairperson, vice chairperson and chairperson of the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. He served twice as chairperson of the District Governors-elect Seminar. He has served as

multiple district membership chairperson and regional coordinator for membership. He is currently serving as chairman of the board of directors of World Services for the Blind for a two-year term.

Past President Biggs has received numerous awards in recognition of his service to the association, including an Extension Award, 20 International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is a 10 diamond **Progressive Melvin Jones** Fellow, a Life Member and a Kev Member.

Past President Biggs is active in professional organizations including numerous community groups. He currently serves as general counsel for the Nebraska Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Past President of Hope Medical Outreach Coalition, which provides free medical services to over 15,000 people annually, serving the underinsured and uninsured in the Omaha metropolitan area; and a former member of the board of directors of Together, Inc., which provides food and clothing to those in need in the Omaha community. Past President Biggs was also chair of the board of directors of Wright &

Wilhelmy, a hardware wholesale distributor, headquartered in Omaha, Nebraska. He has served his community as a member of the board of directors of the Omaha Symphony and the Omaha Community Playhouse.

Past President Biggs and his wife, Past International Director Dana Biggs, a Melvin Jones Fellow, have five children, eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren.



PIP William L. Biggs

### Other Speakers to address the Convention:



Monsignor James P. Shea

It is our honor to have Monsignor James P. Shea, president of the University of Mary since 2009, give our keynote address at the breakfast on Saturday morning. He is an outstanding educator and leader in the Bismarck-Mandan area, and a much sought-after speaker. University of Mary emphasizes "servant leadership", a concept with which Lions are very familiar.



Doug Scheller

The oldest of eight children, Monsignor Shea grew up on a dairy and grain farm near Hazelton, North Dakota, just 38 miles from the University campus. He began his higher education at Jamestown College, majoring in English and history. He then attended seminary, earning a bachelor's degree, and then a master's degree in philosophy at the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. He has also

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### WOW – Lions Leadership Training Opportunities – WOW

This past weekend, several Lions from our Multiple District took advantage of the 41st Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum held in Portland, Oregon. The best descriptive word for the experience – WOW!!

This was the 6th Forum that I have attended and I always return with so many great ideas and with a renewed energy for our commitment of service to humanity.

The Thursday Evening **Opening Banquet featured** professional international speaker LeRoy Chiao, Ph.D and Astronaut. He set the stage for a terrific three days sharing his experiences as an astronaut and working with Russian astronauts on the Space Station. His message spoke of courage. Courage to take risks for the future. He reminded me that without courage to make innovation and change as part of our Lions clubs, we keep ourselves from growing to our full potential.

On Friday, we were inspired with many great workshops. Volunteers from all over the globe, shared their passion and their knowledge and skill with all who attended. From basic Lions tools to advanced, these selfless Lions showed a professionalism that was truly astounding.

Friday Lunch speaker Jen Bricker gave her motivational message of "Everything Is Possible". Born without legs, one would think Jen Bricker would be destined for a life of hardship. However, the hand of destiny brought her an amazing adoptive family, who gave her one simple rule, "Never say can't" and helped her forge a life of triumph, not tragedy. As a Lion, we can also choose to forge a life of triumph in service.

Our international president, Naresh Aggarwal 2017-2018, shared his message of The Power of We – 2017-18 LCI President Aggarwal inspired all with his story and International Program. Those of you who attended the 2017 MD5 Convention will remember his message and his commitment to make a positive impact on the world.

Saturday's final night was nothing but spectacular. Dr. Willie Jolley presented his talk "Goals: Dreams With A Deadline". Jolley is the number one motivational speaker in America today, according to the Zig Zigler 'Get Motivated Organization'. Dr. Willie Jolley has been described as a world-class, awardwinning speaker and singer, best-selling author and media personality.

Dr. Jolley's presentation proved to be high energy and enthusiastic, while delivering nuggets on how every person can live a better life, one day at a time!

He was so impressed with our association and our values that at the end of the evening, he and his wife agreed to become members of our association. Our association president, Dr. Aggarwal inducted them on the spot.

I want to personally thank those Lions who had an instrumental role in the success of the 2017 Forum; Lion Geri Drabek, Forum Registrant and Office Manager, PID Marvin Chambers Forum board member, PID Robert Littlefield who presented his topic "HELP! Public Speaking Scares the Heck out of Me!", PDG Kevin Vannett, 5SE VDG Marie Anne Ben and MD5 PCC Eunice Cameron who served as workshop moderators while I was fortunate to present on a topic important to Lions clubs, Diversity. Other MD5 Lions attending the conference from 5NW; VDG Ginney Jones, Lions Donna Peterson and Jeffrey Nuss; 5SKS; PCC Gordon Ziegler, Lion Bev Ziegler, VDG Dennis Feduk, Lion Lynn Chambers and PDG Rob Hill; 5NE Lion Kathy Littlefield; 5SW VDG Bea

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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 Backpack 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.

Question 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 as 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 vour 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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Gifford, PDG Ken Gifford, PID Bob Drabek, PCC Ken Wetz and Lion Donna Wetz. Several of these Lions are already registered for the next forum to be held in Columbus, Ohio! Great job Lions!

A special congratulations goes to our MD5 Lions who graduated from Lions University: Bachelors Degree – Lion Donna Peterson; Doctorate Degree – PCC Eunice Cameron. This online training is FREE and available to any Lion. Go to http://www. lionsuniversity.org/

By the time we caught

our early flight out on Sunday morning, we had been able to connect with the many friends we have met throughout our Lions journey. If not in the convention center, then riding the IMAX to and from our Hotel.

Lions Clubs, please consider budgeting some financial support in your administrative account to give your members an opportunity to learn great leadership tools to help your club in your service efforts.

Kindness Matters Lion Pat



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

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Centennial celebration of Lions International, Horace Lions recently celebrated forty years as a club with ceremonies at their September meeting. Eight of the original members are still currently active. That is 320 years of dedicated service to their community and Lions. Such dedication should not go unrecognized, so each member was presented with a Forty year chevron and a Lions Centennial coin. How about your club and its members? Have you reached a milestone in service to Lions and your community? During this final year of celebrating the 100 years of Lions, be sure to recognize those that have contributed to the success of your club. Have a party, serve them cake, take a picture and then send it and an article to the ND Lion newspaper. Share your stories with fellow Lions so that they might be inspired to do something similar in their community. Remember, the panels that were printed for the 5NE float in Deadwood are available to any club that wishes to use them. You do not have to make cubes with them as they look just as great any way you use them.

To go along with the

Speaking of 100 years of service, were you able to hear the presentation by PDG Doug Sheller at the recent gathering in Fargo hosted by the Fargo Gateway Lions? His presentation of "100 Years of Lionism" is a very moving yet humorous story. If you were not able to attend, you will have another chance to hear him speak at the North Dakota State Lions convention in Bismarck. It will be held at the Ramkota Hotel on November 3rd and 4th. Be sure to get your reservation completed so that you can enjoy his presentation along with a great weekend with fellow Lions. Review the August, September and October newsletters for more information about the convention. Lions Brach Johnson and Scott Ressler promise that it will be a memorable event.

GLASSES, GLASSES, GLASSES - Wow do we have glasses. Most Lions clubs collect glasses and ship them somewhere. Well, great quantities of them come to the Fargo Lions facility in the Professional building on South Fourth Street in Fargo. PDG Mel Olson and his crew do their best to keep up with those donated; however, donations are beginning to exceed their ability to keep ahead. So Mel and Zone Chair Paula are issuing a

challenge to all clubs in 5NE. They would like for you to gather together a few members from your club and any surrounding clubs, set up a date and time with Mel, travel to Fargo, and help process a few dozen boxes of glasses. There are many dozens of boxes to be processed so they will need several groups to commit to this. The glasses need to be cleaned. sorted, scanned with a Lensometer, packaged with the prescription slip, packed into boxes and stacked for the next shipment. You can contact Mel at melolson60@ gmail.com , Paula at pswanson@bellbanks.com , or you can contact me at zeutsch@msn.com or 701-799-4997. Make this a fun way to connect with fellow Lions and learn just where all those glasses are sent to eventually.

How is your club functioning?

Do you have a full slate of officers? Do you have replacements for these officers? Succession planning helps clubs provide a smoother transition in the future.

How about projects? Is the same member always tasked with doing the planning? Why not select a co-organizer to help with the planning so the work can be spread out among more members.

Is your club reporting your activities and membership status? Either listing them in MyLCI or by sending the reports to Lion Jan Coca? She is our District Administrator and is able to help you with the reports. She can also help you with membership reporting. During the state convention in Bismarck there will be a memorial service to honor all current or former deceased members from the past year. If you have not reported their passing to LCI their names do not appear on the roster. I recently contacted clubs and asked them to send me a list of any deceased members. I did receive a few that are not listed properly. Two were still listed as active members, a few were listed as 'other', and one simply slipped through the cracks. Just one example of the need for proper reporting.

If you ever need help with any question about Lions, please contact me and I will do what I can to get you an answer. Either email me at zeutsch@msn.com or call my cell phone 701-799-4997. Looking forward to helping you in whatever way I can.

A LIONS SERVICE IS NEVER ENDING

# Reminder: ND Lion DEADLINE is the 7th of the month!

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At Convention (walk in)	* <u>30 Volunteers Needed*</u>	
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At Mandan, Municipal Golf course includes golf, cart & lunch.	Name	
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2018 MD5 Convention c/o Mandan Lions Club PO Box 422	Expiration Date:MO/YEAR CVS Code Billing Zip Code	
Mandan, ND 58554 otel Accommodations: Convention Location—Radisson Hotel, 605 Ea 100. The room block is <u>guaranteed until May 1, 2018 at \$109.00 per</u> In. Refund Policy: Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from 12. Mandan, ND 58554 until June 30, 2018. After that date, requests 12. 58554. No refunds will be granted 60 or more days after the conclu	ast Broadway Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58501.Reservation Phone: 701 night, plus taxes. Ask for Lions' Convention room rate. Check in tin n the Lions MD5 2018 Convention., Lion Brandie Lang, Treasurer, P should be made to MD5 Treasurer Kevin Vannett, 1101 Sunset Dr.,	ne is i O Boi Man

### 2017 Lions Convention for Districts 5NE and 5NW

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2017 DISTRICT CONVENTIONS TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION November 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 IN BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA. THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS.

#### ND STATE LIONS/ND DISTRICTS CONVENTION RULES 2017

- 1. The official convention program shall be the order of business.
- 2. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern all parliamentary procedures. Host District Governor shall appoint a convention parliamentarian and a convention secretary.
- 3. **PRESIDING OFFICER** The host District Governor (5NW, DG Gary Morel) shall be the designated officer to preside at the state meeting.
- 4. QUORUM A majority of the registered certified delegates in attendance at the convention session shall constitute a quorum.
- 5. Lions in good standing must be registered and certified in order to vote on all convention matters. Clubs with a past due balances over 90 days exceeding \$20/member or \$1,000, whichever is less to Lions International or their District will be considered not in good standing.
- 6. The use of profane language at any business session, social function, or banquet is prohibited.
- 7. Credentials to vote at the District/ND State Convention shall be mailed to the respective District Cabinet Secretary for 5NE (Lion Kristi L Swenson 414 1<sup>st</sup> Ave N New Rockford, ND 58356) and 5NW (Lion Lois Reierson 1321 25<sup>th</sup> St W Williston, ND 58801) or delivered upon arrival at the convention by 9:00 am CST on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the convention registration desk at the Ramkota Hotel 800 S 3<sup>rd</sup> St Bismarck, ND 58504.
- 8. CLUB DELEGATE FORMULA Article IX.3. Each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and its district (single or sub and multiple) shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) ormore members. Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitle to cast one (1) vote only for each office to be filled by, and one (1) vote only on each question submitted to the respective convention.
- 9. Solicitation or sale of club project items, with the exception of the host district is prohibited.
- 10. Ramkota Hotel is a smoke free facility.

#### VOTING AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTIONS HELD DURING THE ND STATELIONS CONVENTION

11. All voting at official meetings of the district and state shall be done by certified delegates present. A delegate must be present at the time of voting to have his/her vote counted in official results. If he/she cannot be present, his/her alternate shall take his/her place. For a club to be in good standing, all debts over 90 days past due exceeding \$20/member or over \$1000, whichever is less, to Lions Clubs International or their District, must be paid. The Credentials Committee must certify voting delegates. Clubs should identify their voting delegates and alternates and list them below. Mail this form to yourDistrict Cabinet Secretary for 5NE (Lion Kristi L Swenson - 414 1<sup>st</sup> Ave N - New Rockford, ND 58356) or for 5NW (Lion Lois Reierson - 1321 25<sup>th</sup> St W - Williston, ND 58801) or deliver it upon arrival at the convention by 9:00 am CST on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the convention registration desk at the Ramkota Hotel - 800 S 3rd St - Bismarck, ND 58504.

### This form is to be filled out and SIGNED BY YOUR CLUB SECRETARY PRIOR to coming to the Convention or BY YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR at the convention.

CREDENTIALS INFORMATION: - Names of Voting Delegates and Alternates attending the 2016 District Convention and their Years in Lions

Names of Voting Delegates (Please Print)	Years in Lions	Primary Alternate	
			IMPORTANT - Mail this form to your District Cabinet Secretary as listed above or hand it in at the Convention Registration Desk as directed above
Name of Club NOTE: If needed, please list a		tary/DG	

### MUTIPLE DISTRICT 5

### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE CAMP

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

#### I APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

NAME			
ADDRESS			

AGE	SCHOOL		YEAR IN SCHOOL
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#### **III. PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

FATHER			LIONS CLUB MEMBER Y/N
MOTHER	OCCUPATION		LIONS CLUB MEMBER Y/N
PHONE NUMBER(HOME)	(M	OBILE)	
EMAILS			

IV. Local Lions Club endorsement – Letter of endorsement from your local club must be attached.

V. Questions (Please use a separate sheet of paper to answer the following questions.

- 1. Why do you want to attend a Lions International Youth Exchange Camp?
- 2. What are your accomplishments and participation in school and community service?

VI. Scholarship and award amount is \$1500.

VII. Send or email completed application and responses to:

PDG Judy Beaudry

Youth Exchange Chairman

1002 Cannon Lane

Washburn, ND USA 58577

jbeaudry@westriv.com

VIII. Agreement to Terms

In order to participate in this program, the applicant must hold a valid Passport and provide proof of Health and Medical Insurance and International Travel Insurance. Applicant must be between the ages of 16-20 by December.

DUE DATE:

Applications must be postmarked or emailed by November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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

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The 2017 State Convention is fast approaching. When you read this it will only be a little over 2 weeks away. The Lions clubs of Bismarck are putting on a great convention. The ice breaker at the Heritage Center will be a good time. The quest speaker for the banquet will be PIP Bill Biggs. There is still plenty of time left to register for the convention.

Here are some reminders. Make sure the Peace Posters get to Lion Karen Koller by October 24th. Please bring your voting delegation forms to the convention. We have 2 Lions that made their intentions known to the nominating committee and did the proper steps to run for 2nd VDG.

I visited the Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions. This group of Lions represent what Lions Clubs International means and wants when they refer to women in Lions. They are 36 members strong and all are active.

I know that I asked for your help before with donations to Lions Clubs International Foundation. Just this year natural disasters struck around the world. In South Asia, parts of India, Nepal and Bangladesh are experiencing devastating monsoon rains. In the past 3 months LCIF has approved 20 emergency grants to South Asia, totaling \$125,000. In July, flooding in Japan took lives and destroyed homes. LCIF awarded a \$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant to help the community recover. In August, the USA had hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Then Mexico was hit by its strongest earthquake in 100 years and followed by another earthquake. LLCIF awarded two more grants of \$100,000 to help with Irma and the earthquakes. More recently, LCIF granted \$100,000 to support Puerto **Rico following Hurricane** Maria. Lions do help people around the world. We might not see the results but we are doing what our motto says, "WE SERVE". I would like to personally thank all the Lions and Lions Clubs that have donated to LCIF. October 12th is

World Sight Day which focuses global attention on blindness and vision impairment. Lions have been leaders in supporting this cause since 1925. Lions launched World Sight Day in 1988 and Sight First in 1990. Currently 253 million individuals are blind or visually impaired.

The Sight 4 Kidz program in North Dakota is going strong. In the SW part of the state we screened 2694 children between September 18th and October 3rd which includes 14 schools and 2 daycares and we have 5 more schools to screen. I know the rest of the screeners in North Dakota are this busy also. This great program is possible due to the Lions Foundation of North Dakota.

Lions clubs, please submit your service activities with a written story to the North Dakota Lion so we can see what each club is doing to serve their community. The September ND Lion was filled with activities: annual triathlon, blood drives, donating school supplies,

celebrating Lions centennial birthday, hosting feeds, breakfast, scavenger hunts, donating money to help build a home for families, patients and health care providers, and members receiving a Lifetime membership to LFND. Let's fill the ND Lion with all the good we Lions do. I know for myself, the last thing I think of is to grab a camera or cellphone to take pictures of the activities we are doing. We need to brag about ourselves as Lions and show what we do.

With fall coming and farming slowing down, Lion Bonnie and I will start making more club visits. The VDG's are also out making clubs visits.

The next Zone meeting scheduled is for Zone 4B. Zone Chair Kevin Bean will have a zone meeting on October 23rd at the Baymont Inn & Suites in Mandan @ 7 pm central time. Come and have supper @ 6 pm for \$13.00. Let Lion Kevin know if you are planning to attend. Let Lions Roar!

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## What Should I Bring to the Convention?

By the end of October, all of you will be packing your bags to attend the state Lions convention in Bismarck at the Ramkota, November 3 and 4. But what do you need to bring? Let's make a list!

If you are a club secretary, please bring your delegate form if you have not already sent it in. Lion Butch Frank sent the form out to the secretaries across the state recently.

Don't forget your silent auction items. We have already received some neat contributions: framed pin sets, a large wall clock, a pressed flower picture, an afghan, a wine package and relaxation basket-and that's just the beginning of the fun. If you have questions, please call Joel and Lori Newgard at 663-2672.

If your club is giving a surprise Melvin Jones, don't forget the plaque, along with a couple of sentences about the recipient. Please let Scott or Brach know in advance at

either sressler@abrasivesinc. com or brachmarian@bis. midco.net. Thanks.

Are the PDGs and DGs, etc., wearing white jackets for Saturday night? Yes, whoever of the PDGs who would like to can wear their whites. The rest of the Lions at the banquet usually wear dressy-casual clothes. Church clothes would work.

Are the sessions during the day dressy? No. Casual wear is pretty much the norm, and we love to see those club shirts and vests! It's fun to see where all of the Lions come from around the state.

Just a minute!!! Do you have your room booked yet at the Ramkota Hotel? Their phone number is 258-7700. Please mention that you are with the Lions.

Now you are almost set. Just remember to pack a big smile you can use to greet all of your fellow Lions! We're looking forward to seeing vou in November.

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studied at the University of Texas in Austin, and at the Vatican's North American College in Rome, and then studied management at the University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business. Deeply committed to the education and formation of young people, he has been an inspirational teacher and mentor for many students.

Our luncheon speaker on Saturday will inform and delight you with stories and pictures of the Lions organization over the years. A South Dakota Past District Governor, Doug Scheller was born in Arlington, SD, and graduated from high school there. He attended South

Dakota State University in Brookings, SD from 1966 to 1971 and graduated with a B.S. in pharmacy. He and his wife Donna moved to Rapid City where they established the Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy which they owned and operated until 2006. His program, "100 Years of Lionism" was a huge hit at the MD5 convention in Deadwood in May. Doug is proud to be a Lion, and is grateful for the opportunities to serve others through Lionism. He is currently on the board of directors of the SD Lions Foundation, is the 5SW LCIF coordinator, and is one of the Dakota's MD5 GLT coordinators.

### State Lion Convention 2017

### Friday November 3rd, 2017

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

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7 am - 2 pm	Registration Open at Ramkota
Displays in Cou	urtyard and Silent Auction items
7:15 - 8:40 am	Breakfast & Opening Ceremonies:
	Dakota Ballroom
	Presentation of Colors
	Welcome by Mayor
	Keynote Address by Monsignor Shea
8:45 - 10 am	District Meetings:
	District 5 NE—Lambourne Room
	District 5 NW—Grand Pacific
10 - 10:10 am	Transportation Break—
	go to lower meeting level
10:10 -11 am	Breakout Sessions I:
1) 50th Anniver	sary of LCIF—Cannonball Room
	s Sight and Health—Sheyenne Room
	pments in Hearing Technology—Heart Room
11 - 11:15 am	Coffee Break
11:15 am - 12	Breakout Session II:
1) United Way I	Backpacks for Kids—Cannonball Room
	t to Start a Lions Club? Sheyenne Room
	es Emphasis in Lions—Heart Room
12:10 - 1:50 pm	Lunch—Dakota Ballroom
	PDG Doug Scheller "100 Years of Lionism"
Melvin Jones A	
2 pm - 2:45 pm	Q and A session with PIP Bill Biggs—
	Grand Pacific Room
2:45 pm - 3 pm	Coffee and Snacks in the Courtyard
3 - 5 pm	In the Grand Pacific:
	General Meeting & Parade of Green
ND State Lions	-
(These meeting	s will run one after another without breaks)
5 - 6 pm	Change for Banquet; time for displays and
silent auction	
6 - 7 pm	Social Hour—Courtyard
	Silent Auction ends at 6:30
7 - 9 pm	Parade of Governors and Banquet—
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### Lions Foundation of North Dakota Board of Directors meetings

The Board of Directors of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota meets quarterly in January, April, July and in conjunction with the annual State Convention. Any Lions club member in good standing is welcome to attend any of the Board meetings as a guest. Board members will be seated at the business table while guests will be seated around the perimeter of the room. Guests who wish to address the Board are to be recognized by the Chair.

Routine business of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota is conducted at the quarterly meetings by the Board of Directors, who are elected by the District they represent. Only the elected Board members and the two 1st Vice District Governors on the Board are allowed to vote at the meetings. Membership in the Lions Foundation of North Dakota includes all Lion members in good standing in the Lions clubs of North Dakota. Major decisions such as constitutional or by-laws changes are voted upon by the state-wide membership during a session at the State Convention.

There are two directors elected each year by each District at the annual Convention. Directors may serve no more than two consecutive three-year terms. Although elected in the fall, the term of office does not begin until the following July 1st and ends June 30th three years later. Candidates seeking election are encouraged to convey their interest to their District Governor or the District Nominating Committee.

### Lions Foundation of North Dakota Donor Recognition Programs

#### **CLUB RECOGNITION**

Annual Contribution	Recognition	
\$100 - \$299	Bronze Club	Club Banner Patch
\$300 - \$499	Silver Club	Club Banner Patch
<b>\$500 - \$999</b>	Gold Club	Club Banner Patch
\$1,000 or more	Diamond Club	Club Banner Patch
\$10 / Member	100% Club	Club Banner Patch
(All member	rs are also sustaining r	members)
\$300 Sponsor	Lifetime Member	Club Banner Patch

INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION

Annual Contribution	Recognition	
\$10	Sustaining Membership	Pin & Annual Bars
\$300	Lifetime Membership	Pin & Bar

Memorial gifts are recognized by an acknowledgement sent to the family. All donors are recognized in The North Dakota Lion newsletter.

Donations are appreciated and recognized as they are received. Banner Patches are distributed annually. Donations received during the Parade Of Green at the State Convention are also acknowledged and announced as they are brought forward.

Individual members are encouraged to update their annual Sustaining Memberships during the Parade of Green. Bring those contributions directly to the LF of ND Secretary to be recorded. Those Recognition Awards will be mailed.

### North Dakota State Lions Convention Parade of Green

The annual Parade of Green will take place at the close of the business meeting on Saturday at the State Convention in Bismarck. Clubs and individuals are encouraged to bring their donations for the following:

### Lions Foundation of North Dakota Club Donations:

- Bronze / Silver / Gold / Diamond
- 100% (all members Sustaining Members)
- Lifetime Membership

### **Individual Donations:**

- Sustaining Member / Lifetime Member
- Video Magnifier Program
- Sight 4 Kidz Program
- Dakota Lions Sight & Health
- Leader Dogs For The Blind
- Operations/Canine Development
- Great Plains Assistance Dogs Service Dogs For America
- Vison USA / North Dakota Optometric Association
- North Dakota Association Of The Blind
- North Dakota School For The Blind
- Lions Clubs International Foundation

Take your donations to the appropriate table. If you do not see the name of your recipient on any of the placards in front of the persons taking the donations, take it to the "Other Organizations" collection point.

This is the perfect opportunity for clubs to honor a member with a Lions Foundation of North Dakota lifetime membership. The \$300 donation must be a separate donation, not part of the club level donation.

### LFND proposed SOP and By-laws changes

The Board of Directors of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota is proposing changes to the Standard Operating Procedure and the By Laws of the Foundation. The Board is asking the state membership to support the changes through a vote to be taken at the State Convention general meeting, Saturday afternoon, November 4, 2017, at the Bismarck Ramkota Hotel.

As per the Constitutional requirement of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota, the official notice was published in The ND Lion, page 14, August 2017. Please refer to that publication for the complete notification. In short, the proposals are meant to streamline the check signing responsibilities of the Executive Board. In the SOP, the Treasurer will sign most checks for routine payment except that two officers will sign checks made out to any Board officer. As a By Laws change, the LFND Board is asking for signature requirements for the various entities under their umbrella to include but not limited to the Video Magnifier, Sight 4 Kidz, and Eyeglasses Recycling accounts/projects.

The proposals will be read aloud at the Convention meeting; motions will be made; discussions may follow; and, a final vote will determine the outcome. We ask for your support.

## Capital City



### **New Member**

New member Lion Beverly Johnston, center, was installed by International Director Pat Vannett, right, at recent Capital City Lions Club meeting. They are joined by sponsor Lion Jan Rogneby, left.

### Beulah



Lion serves 35 years Beulah Lion, David Czywczynski, is presented with a 35-year member chevron by 5NW 1st VDG Ginney Jones.

## Club News

### Hazen



### **Club presents check**

The Hazen Lions presented a check to Hazen resident Sylvia Lorenzano following a pancake and sausage breakfast benefit organized to help raise funds for Lorenzano's medical costs associated with her battle against leukemia. The check was presented during a Hazen Lions annual meeting on Sept. 21. Pictured here, from left to right: Kathy Mettler, Darlene Grimm, Lorenzano, and Kathy Nordgren. Photo – Daniel Arens.

### Mandan Dacotah \_\_\_



### Serve walkers

Mandan Dacotah Lions served lunch to 900 walkers Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Designer Genes Buddy Walk at the North Dakota State Capital in Bismarck. This is the Mandan Dacotah Lions' 9th year in service for those who walk in the Designer Genes Buddy Walk. Lions shown are: Back, from left, Lion Ewell Madry, Lion Brian Marquardt, Lion Lynn Helms. Middle, Lion Mary Verlande, Lion Helen Baumgartner, Lion Angie Marquardt, 2nd VDG Lion Sherry Fetch, Lion Jeanette Bean. Front, PCC Lion Arlen Fetch, Lion Darwin Smith, Julia Marquardt and Hunter Marquardt. Workers not shown: Lion Sally Helms, Lion Thereasa Newman with Chad Newman.

## Magic City



#### **Top Rookie** Lion Ann Olson with 2017 "Rookie of the Year " Lion LeAnn Tennyson.



Lion of the Year Lion Tricia Nechodom-2017 Lion of the Year.





New member Lion Jeana Rynestad with her sponsor, Lion LeAnn Tennyson.

New Melvin Jones Lion Ann Olson-2017 Melvin Jones Fellow.



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

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

## **Club News**

### MD5 officers



Multiple 5 district officers include PDG Ken Peters from Regina Beach, Saskatchewan who is the MD5 secretary; PDG Terry Peterson from Rapid City, South Dakota who is the MD5 Council Chairperson; and PDG Kevin Vannett from Mandan, North Dakota who is the MD 5 Treasurer.

### MD5 PCC



### **PCC** receives doctorate

MD5 Past Council Chair Eunice Cameron receives her doctorate at Lions' University ceremonies at the USA/Canada Forum in Portland, Oregon this past weekend and is congratulated by LCI President Agaarwal.

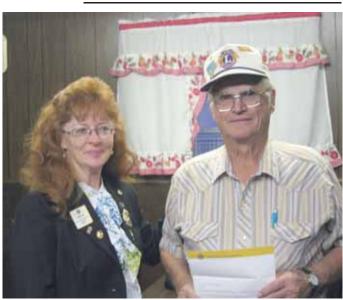
### Horace



### Charter member honored

Eight charter members of the Horace Lions were honored September 21 for their forty years as members of Lions. Each was presented with a 40 year chevron and a Lions Centennial Silver dollar by DG Keith. Harvey Brakken, Maynard Schossow, Irvin Houkom, Roger Rustad, Robert Brodshaug, Neil Nelson and Ivan Berg along with John Roux(not pictured) are 8 of the 113 Lions members that made up the original Horace Lions club. We thank them for their Dedication to Service in our club.

### Hebron



## Lion serves 40 years Hebron Lion, Florian Woroniecki, is presented with a 40-year member

chevron by 5NW 1st VDG Ginney Jones.



# 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.

2. All contest winners are announced at the Lions International Convention and published in LION Magazine. 3. Entries become property of Lions Clubs International Headquarters and cannot be 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 Headauarters 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

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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 US \$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.





#### November 15, 2017 Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest

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.



# Celebrate 100 Years of Lions!

## 2017 ND State Lions Convention • Nov. 3 - 4th, Bismarck

**Convention Headquarters:** 

**Registration Fees:** 

Room Rate: \$94.00-til Oct. 6th

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

Before Convention \$65.00 At Convention \$85.00

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

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

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

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