



Kiir Mabor (Fargo South-left) and Hayden Overby.



Taryn Dieterle (Valley City-left) and Ellie Stafford.

43rd Annual Lions All-Star BB Games

The 43rd annual Lions All-Star Basketball games pitting the best senior athletes from Class "A" versus the best senior athletes from Class "B" was held in Bismarck on Monday, July 15 and in Fargo on Tuesday, July 16. There are two games each night as there are both girls and boys games. The games were held at Legacy High School (Bismarck) and at West Fargo High School (Fargo). The games are sponsored by the Capital City Lions Club (Bismarck) and the Gateway Lions Club (Fargo). This is both Lions Clubs main means of fund raising so that the clubs may donate to various causes and do their works of service. The games were very well attended by fans as both gyms were nearly packed. The games were very entertaining and full of excitement. In Bismarck the Class "A" girls won their game 91-45 over the Class "B" girls, while the Class "B" boys won their

game 84-72. The next night in Fargo the Class "A" girls again won over the Class "B" by the score of 95-66, the Class "A" boys got some revenge by beating the Class "B" boys 85-74.

The games would not have been such a financial success without the help of all of the great sponsors that purchased an advertisement for the game booklet. The Capital City Lions Club and the Gateway Lions Club thanks all sponsors very much. A special thanks to BEK for televising the games both nights. A very special thank you goes out to our premier sponsors: Nodak Insurance, BSN Sports and Sanford Orthopedics Sports Medicine.

The Capital City Lions Club and the Gateway Lions Club would lastly like to thank all of the 48 young student-athletes that played



During halftime, people can come out to shoot free throws or 3 pointers for a chance to win an autographed basketball signed by all of the players and coaches.



Attending the Lions All-Star Basketball game at Fargo were (left to right); PDG Rob Lein, PDG Mel Olson, DG Kathy Clemens and PDG Duane Zwinger.

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Enderlin



The Enderlin Lions show off their Lions tent that was purchased with the help of a Lions Foundation of North Dakota grant.

Roarin' Lions in 5NW

Two new, first time qualifiers for the Roarin' Lion Award in District 5NW: Margaret Haga of the Williston Korner Lions Club qualified in June,, and Marlene Brunelle of the Mandan Lions Club qualified in July, Congratulations first time winners! It's great to add you to the roster of Roarin' Lions!

Sandy Hampton of the Williston Korner Lions Club is the first Lion to qualify for the eighth consecutive year! Way to go, Lion Sandy!

Lots of pins and bars are waiting for more Lions to earn them. C'mon, Lions. Get those application cards completed and submitted.

Roarin' Lion application not acceptable

I recently received an application for the Roarin' Lion Award, but am not able to process it because:

1. The applicant's last name, although printed, was not readable.
2. The certifying signatures were unreadable.
3. There was no return address on the card. (And arrived "POSTAGE DUE")
4. There was no indication of what club the member belonged to.

I was left with absolutely no clue as to who the Lion is, or

what club she belongs to. Other times, I've had to make a call or two to find out which club to send the award to, and verify spelling of the Lion's name, but this was the first time I was stopped 'dead in the water.'

Please make sure the names (all of them) are clearly readable, and include the club's name when submitting the application! And send them directly to me.

Lewellyn Rustan, Roarin' Lion Chair

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More Convention news

Late breaking news! Lion Ken Davis from Dickinson has confirmed our Diabetes presenter! Colby Wortman runs a Gym and Wellness Center in Dickinson and specializes in not only conditioning as you might expect, but also Nutrition and Lifestyle. He is a dynamic speaker everyone can enjoy as he empowers us to make changes we KNOW we should but often don't have the power to do. He is a "can do" type of person who will inspire you to new heights of wellness.

Have YOU boned up on your Lion Trivia? Lion Mathilda Getz from the Mandan Leos will spearhead a program all of us can enjoy. Our Leo friends will be using a "Jeopardy" game style format to increase everyone's knowledge of Lionism. Just a Sample:

We all know the name Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions as we know it. What organizations did he bring together to form Lions? What was HIS profession? The Motto "WE SERVE" is well known. Why did Melvin Jones choose it? Remembering that Lions began before the United States entered World War 1, what did the word "LION" mean as an acronym? What was the first Lions Club to be formed OUTSIDE the USA? What was its date of charter? With the fall

of the Berlin Wall, Lions expanded into Central Europe with the fall of Communism. What was the first club in Central Europe in the Zone formerly dominated by the USSR? When was the first Chinese Lions Club chartered? When was the first International Convention held in China? In what City was it held? The Melvin Jones Fellowship Award is given by Lions to outstanding individuals who exemplify our Motto "WE SERVE". Must you be a Lion Member to receive one? I'm sure YOU can come up with more than this! Feel free to share it with us or with Lion Mathilda- you will find her contact information in the District Directory under Mandan Leos.

Have YOU registered yet? Why NOT?!!! We look forward to having YOU with us. It will be a convention to remember. See you in Dickinson on Friday October 25 and Saturday October 26.

If any Lions club would like a display table at the convention please let us know. Also, if your club would like to present a Melvin Jones Fellowship at the convention let us know. Please contact Chuck Whitney or Gary Morel.

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Gary Morel: brokenarrow57.gm@gmail.com

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

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ND Lions District Challenge!!

***District Governor Sherry Fetch from District 5NW
Challenges***

***District Governor Kathy Clemens from District 5NE
To a Membership Challenge!***

***The District Governor
That Gains the Most New Lions
From August 1st until Friday, October 25th at 9am.
Will Be Able to Place
The "Funny Lion Hat"
Upon the Losing District Governor!
The "Funny Lion Hat"
Will be worn by the Losing District Governor
Friday and Saturday at the State Convention
Until the Saturday Evening Banquet.***

***I'm "ON FIRE TO INSPIRE!"
And the Challenge Is On!***

5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Greetings Lions! I hope your summer has been filled with lots of "Sunshine." I can't believe that it is August already. This summer is really going by fast.

As promised, I want to update you all on the 102nd Lions International Convention that was held in Milan, Italy from July 5th through the 9th. On July 5th, all of the District Governor Elects attended our last day of training. The District Governors of MD5 were part of Group 35 or "The Mighty 35" as we titled ourselves and our group leader was Past International Director Jenny Ware. Many of you may remember Jenny as she was our International guest at the ND State Convention in Grand Forks last year. She was a great leader and we all learned a lot from her. Past International Director Robert Littlefield was the leader of all of our training. Our training was phenomenal and definitely prepared us for the upcoming year.

On July 6th, we were part of the International Parade. I've been in a lot of parades (my

cousins and I dressed as the Care Bears in a parade when we were young – bet you'll never guess which Care Bear I was, but I can honestly say this one was my absolute favorite. It was one of the major highlights of the convention for me.

Another highlight of the convention was the Lions of MD5 were volunteers for Dr. Patti Hill's campaign for 3rd International Vice President. We got the opportunity to meet many Lions and encourage them to vote for Patti. The campaign was a success and she was elected! "Yes Patti!"

At the final plenary session, on Tuesday, July 9th, we officially became District Governors and Dr. Jung-Yul Choi became our next International President. International President Choi's focus will be in the following areas: strengthening membership through diversity, expanding service impact globally, supporting our global foundation, LCIF, and empow-

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ering every Lion as a leader.

As I mentioned in my last article, this was my first international convention and my first trip to Italy. Both were AWESOME! Oh, and the pizza, pasta, and gelato in Italy were AMAZING!

I wanted to mention that District 5NE held their first cabinet meeting in Jamestown on August 3rd. I would like to thank all of the cabinet members who attended for making it a great meeting! Our next cabinet meeting will be at the State Convention in October in Dickinson.

I would like to end by saying a HUGE THANK YOU to



Lion Jan Coca. She is the district administrator for District 5NE. There were many clubs who were having difficulty getting their officers entered for the year and she made many phone calls and helped to make sure all of the clubs in District 5NE have our officers entered for the current year! Thank You Jan!!!!

I hope everyone has an amazing August!

"Service Creates Sunshine."

District 5 NW Peace Poster Contest

Lions, I am excited to tell you about something very exciting! The first and second place Peace Poster winners from each district (5NW and 5NE) will be placed into a calendar. This Peace Poster Calendar will include winners from all 6 districts in our Multiple District 5. What a great way to display our children's vision of Peace throughout the entire year!

This year's theme is 'Journey of Peace'. I encourage clubs to purchase the Peace Poster board and cut it to the appropriate size. This is because the poster will be disqualified if it is too big or small.

Be sure to follow the directions in the Peace Poster Kit. The Peace Posters will be judged at the North Dakota State Lions Convention in Dickinson ND on October 25th and 26th. I would like to receive the Peace Posters by October 18th, so I can make sure everything qualifies, and the stickers on the back are filled out correctly. You may also bring your Lions club's winning poster to the ND State Lions Convention on Friday, the 25th. Lion Karen Koller
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(Left to right) DG, Kathy Clemens (Jamestown), Lion Randy Salzwedel, Lion John Postovit and Coach Mike Hendrickson

Gateway Lions Club Presents Melvin Jones

During the 43rd annual Lions All-Star Basketball games at Fargo the Gateway Lions Club presented a Melvin Jones Fellow award and two Melvin Jones Fellow Progressive awards.

The Melvin Jones Fellow award was given to Mike Hendrickson, boys basketball coach at Fargo South High School. Coach Hendrickson has helped select players for the games for many years and been a very important part of the Lions

All-Star games. One of the Melvin Jones Fellow Progressive awards was given to Lion Randy Salzwedel, long time member of the Gateway Lions Club, who was one of the original creators of the Lions All-Star Basketball games. The other Melvin Jones Fellow Progressive award went to Lion John Postovit, former member of the Gateway Lions Club, who also was one of the original creators of the Lions All-Star Basketball games.



Members of the Gateway Lions Club as they prepare to do their duties for the evening.

in the games, without them the event would be nothing. We also want to compliment the athletes on how well they conducted themselves during their 5 days with the Lions Clubs. You represented yourselves very well as well as your school, communities, schools and parents. **GREAT JOB!!!!** We also want to thank the 8 coaches that took time away from their busy schedules to help make the games a success. **THANKS!!!!**

The Gateway Lions Club has 41 members and 36 of

them showed up to work that evening. Each member had a job to do (selling tickets, selling raffle tickets, selling game booklets, helping in the lockers rooms, helping with the shooting contests, etc.) and the members did a great job.

If you have not been at the games in the past make an effort to attend next year. The games will be played in Bismarck and in Fargo during the middle of July.

IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A LION!!!!!!!!!!



Rob Kueneman from Fargo who referees big time college basketball games. He spoke to the athletes and coaches at the orientation meeting on Friday, July 12.



Pictured above are some of the boys basketball players as they enjoyed a meal from Buffalo Wild Wings in Fargo.

REMEMBER:

**ND Lion
DEADLINE is the
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No Exceptions!

Zoo project update

Fellow Lions Clubs

Last year I invited you to help with a special Lions Fundraiser. The Roosevelt Zoo in Minot is in the process of finishing both the new Lion exhibit and Tiger exhibit. We are hoping to have both projects completed and animals moved to the new area in the next few months. Part of the Lions Building and outdoor area is going to include a "Little Lions Den" for small children to have their own area to view the exhibit. The cost for this sponsorship is \$50,000. With that we will get name recognition and show what lions do around the state along with Lions logos. But I still need your help! The following clubs have made contributions or

pledges to this project:

Harvey Lions Club - \$150
Kenmare Lions Club - \$200 of \$500 pledge
Mandan Lions Club - \$25
Minot Lions Club - \$2500 of \$12,500 pledge
Magic City Lions Club - \$12,500

Total amount pledged and or contributed - \$25,675

Your club can help finish this project with a one time donation or a pledge over the next 4 years.

Please help us reach our goal! Next month I will include pictures of the exhibits. For more info on the project or how you can help. Email josh at jressler@srt.com

Yours in Lionism
Lion Josh Ressler
Magic City Lions

Vision USA moving forward

By Chuck Whitney

The North Dakota Project, as Vision USA is known to the North Dakota Optometrists, has undergone many changes in the past several years. It was part of a national program that began many decades ago under the guise of helping those who did work but were unable to afford eye care. Specific exclusions were built into the program for anyone having eye care insurance or even partial eye care insurance (see Medicare which provides for ONE eye exam per year but by and large does not cover the cost of lenses and frames.) There were time constraints as well, with no one being eligible two years running. Admittedly, there are some people who fall outside these guidelines, but who definitely need help with the cost of their eye care. This is the role that we as Lions have fulfilled since shortly after Helen Keller challenged us to become "Knights for the Blind". The upside of Vision USA is that the participating optometrists donated their eye exams and their labs charged only a nominal fee for the lenses, and basic frames were also largely donated as well. This meant that the cost per eye care encounter was very low, again, for those who qualified. What began as a once a year program implemented during "Save Your Vision" week in March expanded to a year around program several years ago. It was a great deal for us as financial assistants in the cause as we got a LOT more care for our vision donation dollar.

The implementation of this program has gone through some changes as well. In its early days, the applications for potential eye care recipients were filtered by NDOA regional co-ordinators (Drs. Steve

Kourijan, Mark Helgeson, Dan Long and Jim Connelly) then ultimately divided up by the NDOA Vision USA Chair and myself as Lion Vision USA District 5NW Cabinet Member. In those early days, the 5NE cabinet person was not always available. Not having a pool of money to cover even these modest expenses, Dr. Jim Connelly and Lion Chuck Whitney arbitrarily assigned

the bills to the nearest Lions Clubs. This seemingly innocent action caused an uproar in many clubs as they had little or no knowledge of the program and they had not previously authorized the expenditure. As time went on, we did a better job of explaining the program, and also getting non binding resolutions from successive District Cabinets for our Lions Clubs to donate a

fixed \$2 then \$3 per member to fund it. In the early 1990s, Nancy Kopp came on board as the NDOA Executive Director and she took over the administration of the program. No longer did an applicant need to live in a city or town with a Lions Club. President Obama's Affordable Care Act greatly changed that.

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**Annual Dacotah Mandan Lions
Herman Schafer Memorial Golf Scramble**

Preregister by September 6th, 2019
\$90 per person, includes golf cart/hamburger meal

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The ACA mandated coverage for a lot of things not previously covered under the guise of Medicaid Expansion. One of the peripherals was optical coverage, and initially there was some misunderstanding as to what was covered and what was not. The potential pool of people affected by this was 19,000. Unfortunately, the amount of coverage was insignificant and the amount demanded of the providers was substantial. As the ACA unfolded, it became very clear that the provider was not obligated to give their services for free, and thus the number of providers participating in Medicaid dropped, further complicating the lives of those who otherwise really did need care. The NDOA and Nancy Kopp really deserve kudos for the job they did during this time, as they weeded through applications and chose those people who really needed help but otherwise "fell through the cracks". Unfortunately, there was not good communication with the Lions of ND and our participation in the program also fell. Many of our clubs continued to support Vision USA during the parade of green, but less care was being rendered.

The national Vision USA program ceased to exist because of similar problems nationwide. It has been the decision within the NDOA to

discontinue the North Dakota Project as of December 2019. The question arises as to what should replace it? The funds raised have already been transferred to the North Dakota Optometric Foundation in Fargo. Its Executive Director, Mike Little, has expressed interest in bringing forward a program for a Professional Exam for all kids coming into school with the goal of treating lazy eye problems. I have shared with him some details of our Sight 4 Kidz screening program. It's my opinion that we screen most of ND kids now, and it is not that big a reach to expand it to everyone. PID Pat Vannett shared the idea during this past Saturday's Cabinet Meeting that perhaps the most urgent need might be for a second pair of glasses for these kids to be kept at school. There will be several ideas discussed this next Tuesday in an NDOA Conference call with their BOD, Nancy Kopp and Mike Little. Whatever ideas they come up with will be discussed during their State Meeting in October. With any luck at all, we should have something to report by our own State Convention at the State Meeting on October 26. We will share information on what's next as we get it. Know that our NDOA partners in this vision quest are ready to help.

Blahnik shares his journey

BJ Blahnik is originally from Seymour, Wisconsin. He is the youngest of five children and was raised around farming. BJ was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP) about the age of 10.

After graduating from Seymour Community High School in 1998, BJ moved to Green Bay, Wisconsin. He worked for Schneider National Inc. until 2010. Due to his diminishing vision, BJ retired which ended his career in management. With attempting many different career opportunities, in different corporations, he discovered the challenge of his vision was not allowing him to reach his potential. BJ, along with his wife, Victoria, now own their own business, Reach Forward, which works with special needs individuals through day services and a residential program.

BJ married Victoria in May of 2010 and live in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. They have three sons Emmitt, Trevor and Harvey. BJ enjoys woodworking projects, is a member of the



USA Blind Sailing Team and a volunteer in his community. BJ has been a Lions member since 1998 and chartered his current Lions Club, the Sheboygan Community Lions Club, in 2017. He is also the Executive Director of a non-profit organization, VISION (Visually Impaired Sailing Institute & Organization of North America).

In 2006 BJ's life was changed forever when he received his first Leader Dog. In January of 2014 BJ returned for his current Leader Dog, Goober, a male Black Lab. Goober was raised at the Fort Dodge Correctional Facility in Iowa.

Come listen to BJ's life journey of walking into the dim with the power of vision. You will hear stories of how a mutated gene changed his life forever yet allowed BJ to recognize that the struggle of vision can truly change what we actually see in life.



The following District 5NW Cabinet Positions are Available:

- 1. District Global Service Team Chairperson:** Desire to inspire and motivate service in Lions Clubs in the District. • Promote the five LCI Global Causes: Diabetes, Hunger, Environment, Sight, Pediatric Cancer. • Help to encourage Lions of all ages to be involved in service in their communities. • Seek out and share successful service projects in the district.
- 2. Hunger Chairperson (new position):** Promote and encourage service projects in the District that pertain to Hunger.
- 3. Pediatric Cancer Chairperson (new position):** Promote and encourage service projects in the District that pertain to Pediatric Cancer.
- 4. Contests and Awards Chair:** Promote MD5 and 5NW Contests and Awards.
- 5. 5NW Pin Chair:** Keep track of and promote the ND State Lions Pins for our District.
- 6. MD5 Youth Camp Chair (Can be co-chaired):** Assist the MD5 Youth Exchange Chairs to promote and help organize the 2020 MD5 Youth Exchange Camp to be held in the Washburn 4H Camp.
- 7. District 5NW Public Relations Chair:** Help to promote and support the 5NW DG Team and District through communications and social media.

Please contact DG Sherry Fetch with any questions about these positions at Joyfullion2@gmail.com or call 701-426-3432. Join our Team....We are...."On Fire to Inspire!"

5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Greetings, Fellow Lions! What an amazing month July has been. I became your District Governor in Milan, Italy. We discovered that Italians love 4 course meals and if you didn't like pasta or wine, you learned to love them. There was gelato on every street corner. We also discovered that it was a wonderful adventure we will never forget, but it was sure nice to return home.

One of the highlights of the International Lions Convention was witnessing PID Patti Hill's election as the Third Vice President of Lions Clubs International. It was an honor to be a part of the very large group from around the world that declared our support for PID Patti during the demonstration process that helped to secure her election. The MD5 group was actively involved in the process. Our Third Vice President is from Alberta, Canada and I understand that Canada has not had an International President since about 1972. Congratulations Third International Vice President Patti Hill!

Upon returning to North Dakota, I turned my focus to getting my DG Team ready for the year. We have an excellent team. First Vice District Governor Kevin Bean and Second Vice District Governor Scott Ressler will

be assisting me with our club visits. Expect a call or text to your Club President or Club Secretary as we plan our year to come and visit you. We are eager and excited to see what the clubs in District 5NW are doing for your communities. Service has been the bedrock of our association since we began. It is the essence of who we are and what we do best. "We Serve".

Presidents and secretaries of all the Lions Clubs in District 5NW, it is important that you are on the new MyLCI/MyLion Site. You are responsible for documenting the service in your Lions club on MyLion. Why is it so important to do this? The service we do is very important not only for our community but also for our organization and you should get credit for what you do. For example, the Bill Gates Organization is working to eradicate measles and joined with Lions Clubs International to accomplish this task. What helped us to become a part of this wonderful project? The service that was recorded by Lions Clubs everywhere. It is as simple as that. If you are having difficulty on the MyLCI/MyLion site please contact

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our District Administrator, IPDG Ginney Jones at ginney.jones2@gmail.com. She is available to help you.

For Lions Clubs to survive, grow and prosper in today's world, we need to embrace technology and use it to our advantage. Does your club have a Facebook page? If there is a younger member or a member who knows Facebook, they could be promoting your club. This could be what they do for your Club. Have you been on the new LCI Website? Please go to the site and look around. You do not need a password to go on the LCI Website. I encourage and challenge every single one of you, young and old, to go on the site and see what you can discover and learn. There is so much information to help you become a better person at home, at your work and as a Lion!

There are so many deserving Lions who are living our motto, "We Serve". Thank you to those who have served and are serving as Club Presidents, Club Treasurers, Club Secretaries and as Lions! You are all greatly appreciated! Every one of you give to your Lions Clubs and communities through service.



Thank you also to those Lions that have given through service by filling district positions both past and present. I am especially proud of my District Cabinet Team. They will all make our District proud!

The ND State Lions Convention in Dickinson, ND on October 25-26, 2019 will be here soon. I am sending a special invitation to all Lions from District 5NW to attend! Even if you can only attend on Saturday, come and experience fellow Lions gathered together to learn and grow. Have your new Lions attend. It is a wonderful idea for Lions Clubs to pay part of the registration for newer Lions members and give them the opportunity to experience it.

In closing, the other awesome thing that has made the month of July so special...

WE ARE AHEAD IN MEMBERSHIP!

I am "ON FIRE TO INSPIRE!"

I CHALLENGE YOU TO KEEP ALL OUR AWESOME LIONS ON FIRE!

Club News

Williston Korner



Korner Lions award recipients pose for a photo at their annual picnic. Diamond, Silver, and Gold Centennial Awards were presented as well as Membership Advancement Key Award, 8th year Roarin Lion and 100% attendance awards. Congratulations Korner Lions for your dedication!

Club News

Williston Korner



Korner Lion President, Chris Brostuen, presents a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Janelle Olson.



Korner Lion President, Chris Brostuen, presents a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Phyllis Stokke.



Incoming Korner Lions President, Chris Brostuen (left) receives the gavel from outgoing President, David Tuan (right).



From right: Korner Lions President, Chris Brostuen, and outgoing President, David Tuan, induct new member, Eric Nelson and sponsor Lion Lee Gunlikson (left) looks on.



From left: Lions Stevie Broe and Michael Kiriakon serve pancakes and sausage at the Fly-In Breakfast.



Lion Eric Lundberg learning to cook pancakes at the Fly-In Breakfast.



Williston Korner Lions from left: Jeramy Hanson, Jim Stokke, David Tuan and Kent Reiersen cook pancakes for the \$.66 breakfast held on Main Street in conjunction with crazy days.



Lions Peggy Haga, Kathy Molland and Sandy Hampton mix up pancakes for the annual Fly-In Breakfast.

Bowman Lions summer fun

While many Lions Clubs do not meet during the summer months, the Bowman Lions really get going. We started the summer with our annual family picnic held at the Bowman Lion's Park. This outdoor event allows us to thank the non Lion spouses who do so much to make our lives better. Yes, District Governor, we DO ask them to join, but some are just not ready!

Two weeks later we sponsored a Highway 85 ditch pickup done in conjunction with the Cub Scouts. The original date, June 18 got rained out, but two intrepid Lions, Terri Whitney and Deb Schade along with a wonderful non-Lion volunteer, Yvonne Stegner, picked the first mile just as the deluge set in. In our hurry to get them dried off, no pictures were taken, but our "rain date" had three Cub Scouts and two moms along with 4 Lions. With dry weather the second mile was completed.

We have traditionally supported the CORE Freshman Impact event with a Pancake and Sausage breakfast done in August, but at the last moment it was rescheduled for the Saturday of Bowman's Summer Fest on July 27. Even though this came together in a short time, we managed to serve over a hundred people and raised over

\$1200. The CORE event is a Freshman Impact program done in conjunction with a parent organization coming to us from Rapid City, SD. There will be a lot more information on this event for the October ND Lion.

The next Saturday, August 3 saw our club running its 5th annual Splash and Dash Mini Triathlon. 22 determined souls showed up at the Bowman Sweetwater Golf Course to run 5km (3.1 miles) then bike 3.7 miles north to the Rouzie Rec Center Pool where the event concluded a 10 lap swim. Our overall winner this year, Heidi Fischer, is a wonderful lady who also organized two of the young people teams as well as competing solo herself. No less noteworthy was our second overall person, Chad Njos, who also organized another team, and then went on to complete the entire event solo to support his team mates. The first place team was composed of Mia Stafford, Abby Braaten, and Amy Burke. The second place team was part of Heidi Fischer's group: Kenley Bowman, Bishop Duffield, and Kirklan Meschke.

These events do not happen in a vacuum, and our success is often made greater by those who contribute

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Lion Terry Walter (white coat) organizing the pot luck.



The view from the podium as President Jason Dodge calls meeting to order.



Our Memorial to our departed Lions.



Tail Twister Lion Tom Nordberg (L) calls out President Jason (R).



Damien Titus, Mark West (red hat) Evan Schaff (blue hat); the Cub Scout moms were Nina Kinsey (left) and Jessica West (Center) standing next to Lion Terri Whitney, Lions Chuck Whitney and Duane Lutz who made it to the event.



Three Cub scouts in front, back row from left: Lion Terri Whitney, Jessica West (mom), Nina Kinsey (mom) and Lion Chuck Whitney; Front row: Mark West, Evan Schaff, and Damien Titus; Lion Duane Lutz in his side by side "chase" vehicle



Our cub scouts spread out to cover the ditch!

their time and resources. The CORE pancake event could not have happened without our chiefs extraordinaire, Lions Tom Nordberg, Ken Braun, and Roger Walter. Lion Terry Walter does a wonderful job of organizing the effort, having many decades of experience running the Bowman School lunch program. Thanks also to Dick Theurer and Jason Anderson for helping with transporting the grills. Thrivent gave us \$250 to offset the cost of supplies, and Chairperson, Lion Debbie Patterson covered the balance of the grocery bill and advertising costs. Everyone was so busy that NO pictures were taken. The Mini-Triathlon is supported by our financial institutions, Dakota Western Bank, Dakota Community Bank, Dakota West Credit Union, and Wells Fargo. Southwest HealthCare Service also con-

tributes and CEO Lion Jerry Weisner was one of our key people timing the run. Bronson's Marketplace furnished the light breakfast after the run. The generosity of these local businesses and individuals really make a difference as we move forward living up to the Lion's Motto "WE SERVE".

The final "event" of the summer will be a Community Blood Drive on August 27. This will be the third year that we have co-ordinated this event with the Bowman Ambulance Squad and it will be held at their new facility at the junction of US 12 and US 85. The Bowman Lions also sponsor similar events in December at the City Hall and in April done in conjunction with the Bowman County Honor Society in the Willard Solberg Gym.



Contestants get their light breakfast after the event.



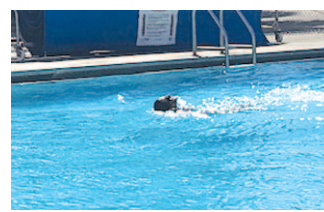
First VP Lion Deb Patterson(L) awards Chad Njos (center) his second place overall prize and Heidi Fischer (R) her first overall prize.



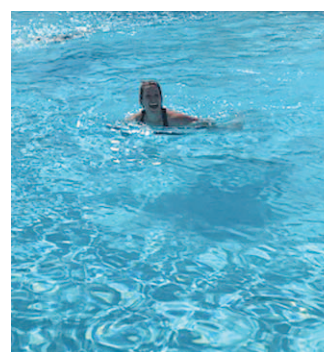
Help and encouragement from a team mate, even if it IS your sister!



And they're off!



One of our stronger swimmers shows how it's done!



Lead timer Nancy Schaefer looking for the next swimmer.



Two of our younger team swimmers prepare to swim.



On your mark, get set, GO!



First overall Chad Njos preps his son, Zack before the swim.



Lion Tom Nordberg leads Chad Njos, while Lion Susan Wanner cheers them on!



Mom Debbie Buchholz and daughter Malissa team up.



Debbie and Malissa



Chad Njos



Nita Loken



Jaci Fischer and Bishop Duffield



Heidi Fischer



Jaci Fischer and Bishop Duffield are some of our younger team runners.



Kolby Fraase and Beth ready to pedal!



Debbie sets off for town!

LCIF moves towards the 2nd year of an inspiring campaign

Lions Clubs International Foundation is now in its second year of Campaign 100. Contributions are the catalyst to the success of this three year campaign. All clubs need to put LCIF into their club budget to commit to Campaign 100. Campaign 100 will be the way we raise \$300 million over a three year period to empower our services to all of our programs.

Everyone has some story to tell about a tragedy in their lives. Whether it is diabetes or cancer that strikes our families or friends, it leaves a mark in our heart. We hear other stories of children not getting enough to eat. So, backpacks are filled with the essentials needed by local Lions clubs. What about our youth? Are we doing enough to keep them from going down the wrong path of life? What if a disaster strikes during the night? Where do we turn for help?

Our Lions foundation is only as strong as the mem-

bers that support it. To remain healthy, the individual Lions have to get involved in Campaign 100 and commit to giving a generous donation. Compare this commitment to supporting your church by putting money in the collection plate. We do that on a weekly basis, so why don't we commit to making a donation on a monthly basis. If we considered a donation of \$30 a month, we would make a huge impact on the campaign and also become a Melvin Jones Fellow at the end of the three year campaign!

Club goals are achievable if you have one in place. Drawing out a road map on how you will raise money for LCIF is an excellent way to get all the club members on board and work together collectively.

Do you want to make a difference in this world? Support campaign 100!

*Lion Dave Czywczynski
MD 5 LCIF Coordinator*

The Napoleon Lions Club will be celebrating their 90th anniversary on **Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019** at The Downtowner Bar & Restaurant. Please RSVP how many from your club would be interested in coming.

Jerome Schwartzberger
peewee@bektel.com

Just what is the Lions Foundation of North Dakota?

The foundation was established to provide funding for projects that benefit North Dakota communities, and are conducted by North Dakota Lions Clubs.

The Foundation operates under guidelines and regulations of the state of North Dakota, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Foundation's own Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and Standard Operating Procedures and Policies. It is a non-profit, volunteer service organization, with 501(c)(3) IRS tax status.

How can the foundation help our club?

The foundation considers grant applications from North Dakota Lions clubs during quarterly Board of Directors meetings.

Funding is limited to projects

that benefit North Dakota communities and are conducted by North Dakota Lions Clubs. Grants are limited to no more than 50% of the total cost of a project.

Grant applications are carefully reviewed prior to the board meeting to determine if they meet requirements. Several points are used to make certain the project is in fact a Lions Club project. Grants are not awarded to provide funds for club donations. Applications that do not meet requirements are not considered.

The amount of funding awarded is limited to funds available. Typically, the Foundation is not financially able to provide the amount of funding requested. Funds available are limited by donations to the

Foundation, and earnings of permanent investment funds of the Foundation.

How can clubs get larger grants?

Another way the Foundation can assist Clubs is with a "Pass Through" process. That enables other donors, typically other foundations, when they require the recipient entity to have 501(c)(3) Tax Status, to award grants for Lions clubs.

Most Lions Clubs in North Dakota have 501(c)(4) Tax Status, under the Lions Clubs International umbrella. A completely legal and logical process is for another foundation to make their grant payable to the Lions Foundation of North Dakota, Inc., which in turn passes that funding on to the specified Lions club

conducting that project.

The fund transfer does not require action and approval by the Foundation's board of directors, and may be immediately forwarded to the club. It is, however, subject to the same requirements as grants awarded by the Foundation itself, most significantly, the project must be a project that benefits a North Dakota community, and it must be a project of that Lions club. A letter from the club is required for "Pass Through" donations, stating: "This is a project of the _____ Lions Club."

There are several other entities that may have funds for your project. The Lions Foundation of North Dakota can help you with this process. Just ask us.

LIONS FOUNDATION OF NORTH DAKOTA, INC. DONATIONS DISTRIBUTION (Exhibit 1A)

UNDESIGNATED DONATIONS

50% Permanent Fund

25% Grant Fund

25% Operating Fund

DESIGNATED DONATIONS

A Donor may designate the donation for:

Any one or any combination of the three Foundation Funds;

Another entity, as a "Pass Through Donation";

Typically when the donor requires the recipient to have 501(c)(3) tax status

For: A specific Foundation project, or

A specific project of a North Dakota Lions Club

The recipient Lions Club must submit a letter to LF of ND

Stating "This is a project of the _____ Lions Club"

RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS TO THE FOUNDATION

MEMBER LIONS CLUBS OF NORTH DAKOTA

<u>Annual Contribution</u>	<u>Recognition</u>	
\$100 - \$299	Bronze Club	Banner Patch
\$300 - \$499	Silver Club	Banner Patch
\$500 - \$999	Gold Club	Banner Patch
\$1,000 or more	Diamond Club	Banner Patch
\$10 / Member	100% Club	Banner Patch
\$300 Sponsor	Lifetime Member	Banner Patch

INDIVIDUAL NORTH DAKOTA LIONS MEMBERS

<u>Contribution</u>	<u>Recognition</u>	
\$10 Annual	Sustaining Member	Pin & Annual Bars
	(Includes all members of 100% Club)	
\$300	Lifetime Membership	Pins & Bar

Donors recognized in a current issue of the North Dakota Lion magazine include:

Donations and Memorials to the Foundation, by clubs and individual Lions

Recognition will not be given for "Pass Through" donations to another entity.



NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIONS CONVENTION 2019

Ramada Inn Grand Dakota Lodge | Dickinson ND | October 25 & 26, 2019



REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Please complete one form per conference attendee or guest. (print clearly)

First Name _____	Last Name _____	Lions Club District _____
Mailing Address _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip Code _____
Phone _____	Email _____	Date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Lion <input type="checkbox"/> Lioness <input type="checkbox"/> Leo <input type="checkbox"/> Guest Lions Title: (if applicable) _____		

CONVENTION RATES: Please review the options offered below and make your selection(s). Registration packets, badges & guest meal tickets will be available for pick up at the conference registration table at the Grand Dakota Lodge on October 25 and 26, 2019.

Convention Package includes registration, Friday night pig roast, 3 meals on Saturday, speakers, meetings, sessions and entertainment.

Limited Package includes the Convention Package excluding the 3 meals on Saturday which can be selected individually.

Guests may attend the meals by completing a registration form and mailing the registration form with their payment.



- ◆ Roarin' Lion Rate
- ◆ Zippity Zebra Rate
- ◆ Tiger By The Tail Rate
- ◆ Forgetful Elephant Rate

October 19 - 20, 2018
 October 21, 2018 - March 31, 2019
 April 1 - August 31, 2019
 September 1 - October 26, 2019

CONVENTION PACKAGE

\$75.00 pp
 \$85.00 pp
 \$110.00 pp
 \$125.00 pp

LIMITED PACKAGE

\$25.00 pp
 \$35.00 pp
 \$60.00 pp
 \$75.00 pp

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Convention Package | | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friday Lunch at Fluffy Fields Winery w/Tour | \$20.00 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friday Icebreaker Pig Roast | N/C | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friday Icebreaker Pig Roast (Guest) | \$15.00 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Package | | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Breakfast at Grand Dakota Lodge | \$10.00 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Lunch at Grand Dakota Lodge | \$15.00 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Banquet Dinner at Grand Dakota Lodge | \$25.00 | \$ _____ |

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

~ Icebreaker ~



We're going "HOG WILD"!
 Get ready for a
 WILD ADVENTURE!

Payment: Full payment must accompany the registration form. Please make checks payable to: North Dakota State Lions Convention

Mail registration & payment to: Ken Davis | 767 1st Ave SE | Dickinson, ND 58601 | Email: hawkback33@yahoo.com | Phone: (701) 690-1530

Refund Policy: Mail or email your refund request to Ken Davis no later than September 30, 2019. Registration fees are non refundable after September 30, 2019.

CONVENTION HOTEL: Hotel reservations are the responsibility of the registrant. A block of rooms is being held at the Grand Dakota Lodge for Oct. 24 - 26. The block of rooms will be released on October 3, 2019. Please make reservations directly with the hotel. A list of Dickinson hotels is available at: <http://www.dickinsoncvb.com/lodging>

Ramada Inn Grand Dakota Lodge

1532 15th Street West
 Dickinson, ND 58601
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 State Lion's Convention Rate: \$79.00 + Tax

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It's a Jungle Out There....Look Beyond the Horizon

2019 Robert John LePage Service Award

Every year NDAB awards a Lion's Club member in the state of North Dakota the Robert John LePage Service Award. This Service Award was named after the late Robert John "Bob" LePage, a long-time member of the Gateway Lions of Fargo, who passed away suddenly on September 9, 2008. LePage devoted over two decades of his life to serving the unmet needs of the blind and visually impaired in eastern North Dakota. In gratitude to his years of service, the North Dakota Association of the Blind has instituted this award and named it after Bob, who received our first service award in June of 2008. Each year since then, the award has been presented to a service-minded ND Lions member.

This years recipient of the Robert John LePage award is William (Bill) Wieland of the Edgeley Lions Club and

was presented the award at the NDAB 2019 Convention. Bill has been a member of the Edgeley Lions for forty seven, yes I said, forty seven years. Wow! He was the "Voice of NDAB" through the reading and recording of the NDAB Promoter for five years. Bill spent many hours reading the NDAB newsletter and during this time got to know the NDAB organization well. In 2015, Bill was also one of the volunteers assisting NDAB convention goers in getting to their meeting rooms and welcomed them to the convention.

Bruce Fredenburg, president of Edgeley Lions Club states "Wieland has held every office in our club, except secretary and treasurer. He has served as chairman of many fundraising and service events in our community thus enabling us to be supportive of people in need." Since then Bill has been an



Bill Wieland Robert LePage Award Winner Shereen Faber NDAB Awards Committee

advocate for NDAB making sure the Edgeley Lions make an annual donation to provide financial support and has provided transportation to those in the community with vision loss. For over 10 years, Bill has promoted the Lions Eyeglass project in the Edgeley community.

He oversees the collection, cleans the glasses and packs them up so they will safely reach the state collection site."

Congratulations Bill & Thank You for all you do.

Mark Kueffler

Robert John LePage Service Award Chairman

REMINDER! All club treasurers need to make sure the Form 990-N is submitted with the IRS by the end of August.

Thank you, Lion Jeanette Bean, District 5 NW Treasurer

Thank you!

I would like to thank all the clubs in District 5NW for your donations to Leader Dog. We had 100% again for the 2018/2019 year. The total collected was \$11,087.91.

Thanks again to all the clubs in 5NW.

Jan Froemming, 5NW Leader Dog Chair