



PCC Mike Brand to be inducted into Lions Hall Of Fame

Lion Mike Brand will be inducted into the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame at the State Lions Convention in Watford City, during the Saturday luncheon on October 23.

Past Council Chairman Mike Brand is a familiar friend to anyone who held the position of District Governor from 1991 to 2016. During those years he was the Secretary/Treasurer of Multiple District MD5 (comprised of North Dakota, South Dakota, and Saskatchewan), and as such he and his wife Barb were mentors to the nervous new District Governors from all of those places each year, guiding them from their early training as Vice District Governors throughout their terms as Governors. As PDG Duane Zwinger puts it, "Lion Mike was the glue that held MD5 together. He was the Lion that knew the ins and outs of everything in MD5."

Going back to the beginning, Michael was born in 1948 in Charleston, West Virginia. His father was a military man and the family spent several years

stationed throughout the United States. They finally settled in Wanda, Minnesota, where Michael attended Wabasso Public High School. He graduated in 1966 and enrolled at Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM). In 1971, Michael graduated from MSUM and accepted a position teaching Industrial Technologies in Bird Island, Minnesota, where he first became a Lions Club member. It was a club that had lots of energy and fun, which impressed him. That experience drove him to continue serving as a Lion for over four decades. Due to a change of employment and moving, Michael dropped his membership in 1978. After getting settled in Valley City, North Dakota, he rejoined the Lions Club in 1982. He has served two terms as president, once in Valley City (1992) and once in Fargo Gateway (2017).

While serving as club president, he led his clubs in Valley City and Fargo Gateway to obtain the "Club of the Year" Award, in the 5NE District, and

Multiple District 5. On the local level as a leader in the Gateway Lions Club, Lion Gelaine Orvik says that Michael has had a dynamic effect on the Fargo Gateway Lions Club. "His leadership, knowledge, and constant infusion of energy has been the impetus needed to make a good club into an outstanding club."

Lion Michael has held many offices within the association. He has been a Zone and Region Chairperson, District Governor (1988-89), Council Chairperson the following year, LCIF District Coordinator, and as was stated earlier, Multiple District 5's Secretary/Treasurer for 24 years. Michael has served a total of 44 years in the Lion's Association.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has been awarded many honors: President's Excellence Award, 100% District Governor, Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, International President's Certificate of Appreciation (3), International President's Award, International Leadership Award, and



Membership Advancement Key Award for 10 members recruited.

In 2013 after 43 years of marriage, Lion Michael lost his wife Barb. She was a huge part of the Lions Association and the driving force behind several technological improvements while he served as MD5 Secretary/Treasurer. Lion Michael has two grown children, Matt (Casey), a Captain with the Fargo Fire Department for 18 years and Andrea (Wade), an ELL teacher for Grafton Public Schools for nineteen years. Lion Michael has five grandchildren—Zoey, Bode, Grady, and twins Maddox and Owen.

Project Little Room is Going to Finish BIG!

By **Lion Tracy Wicken**,
Grand Forks South Forks Lions Club

Greetings ND Lions! I want to give all of you an update as to the progress of Project Little Room! Thank you all so much for the support that you have given this vision related project. Project Little Room launched in March 2020 and just a couple weeks into the month, things in the world seemed to come to a screeching halt! The way in which many of us do things changed and we were distancing ourselves from each other. That is a hard way for a service organization such as the Lions to function! Even with the Covid pandemic, Project Little Room efforts continued and ND Lions along with other interested parties supported and forged ahead to see this effort through! It took a bit more time to get the word out and raise the funds to purchase 10 little rooms, but there is now a light that grows brighter each day at the end of the tunnel! We are so, so close to that \$35,000 goal that I know we will reach it by the end of 2021. Club donations as well as personal donations have come in and they will continue to be received to go towards this project until the end of December of this year, 2021.

To this date, two little

rooms have been ordered and purchased. There was a delay in receiving them as demand was greater than their supply and backorder was experienced. These two little rooms were purchased unassembled which saved some expense. In the process of being assembled, these two little rooms required a lot of time and the right equipment to drill holes with very little room for error. It was decided that future little rooms ordered will be ordered already assembled for accuracy and timeliness for placement with families that need them for their children.

The following is a list of all donations received as of the writing of this article (Sept 1, 2021). There will be a booth/table at the upcoming ND Lions Convention in Watford City and a little room will be there for all to see. Please keep in mind that if your club donates to this project, they can submit a Vision Grant Application for reimbursement up to \$500 to the ND Lions Foundation. Thank you all again for your terrific support and helping to make this project a success! Vision professionals and parents of children with visual impairments are very grateful.

Summary of donations to Project Little Room since it started March of 2020

Donations in 2020:

Horace Lions Club	\$3500
Minot Lions Club	\$1000
Williston Korner Lions Club	\$1000
Grand Forks South Forks Lions Club	\$1000
Bowman Lions Club	\$100
Stanley Lions Club	\$500
Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions Club	\$200
Carrington Lions Club	\$100
Grand Forks South Forks Lions Club	\$500
Fargo Gateway Lions Club	\$1000
Grand Forks Lions Club	\$1000
New Rockford Lions Club	\$1000
Lehr Lions Club	\$50
New Salem Lions Club	\$500
Grand Forks Lions Club	\$1000
South Forks Lions Club	\$500
Headwaters Lions Club(Breckenridge, MN)	\$75
North Star Lions Club (Bismarck)	\$1000
Magic City Lions Club	\$500
Bowman Lions Club	\$100
Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions Club	\$500
New England Lions Club	\$100
Carrington Lions Club	\$50
Mandan Lions Club	\$200
Personal donation	\$200
Fargo Gateway Lions Club	\$1000
Alexander Lions Club	\$100
West Fargo Lions Club	\$1000
LFND, Inc. Video Magnifier Program	\$3500
Grand Forks Lions Club	\$1000

Donations in 2021:

Delta Gamma Sorority	\$500
Stanley Lions Club	\$500
Magic City Lions Club	\$500
Dacotah Mandan Lions Club	\$1,000
Horace Lions Club	\$500
South Forks Lions Club	\$400
Grand Forks Lions Club	\$1000
North Dakota Association of the Blind	\$5194
South Forks Lions Club	\$500
Total	\$32,369

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Scooby Project produces a Princess

By Crystal Dueker
5NE Service chair

Lions members from various clubs have asked me, "Did Scooby ever get replaced?" or "What is the latest news on Scooby?"

Well, everyone, the time finally arrived, as reported by James Johnson of The Trail County Tribune, dated July 22, 2021: "A beautiful princess roams the halls of Luther Memorial Home. Princess is a four-legged golden-labrador mix

from Service Dogs for America, part of the Great Plains Assistance Dog Foundation in Jud, North Dakota."

Johnson continues, "Princess spent time with Scooby during training visits. Scooby, who is in her teen years, now lives with a LMH employee and makes off-and-on visits. (Princess takes naps)... after daily room-to-room visits and outdoor play (with the residents). Princess is trained to press the button that opens the accessible door that leads to the court-

yard."

Lysa Wright, activities director at LMH, is quoted in the article, "Different staff and residents take her (Princess) outside and play fetch with her."

On a sad note: Scooby passed to doggie heaven on August 16, according to the Silver Lining blog of LMH. Let's think positive about this: Scooby was a dedicated dog, from SDA of Jud; who spent 12 years, focused every day to help soothe and bring

comfort to the residents of LMH. When she was introduced to Princess, also from SDA of Jud; and realized the "new kid" could do the job well and was ready to take over the duty, perhaps Scooby might have just been ready to finally be retired. Perhaps, as PDG Katherine Tweed-Fargo and 5NE Service Dogs of America chair, Salli Lou Anderson said, during our recent phone conversations, "it was the passing of the paw."

LCIF: A Foundation of Lions, a Foundation of Service

By PDG Mark Koller
District 5NW LCIF Coordinator

We have entered the final year of Campaign 100. With a goal to raise 300 million dollars worldwide when the campaign has ended, we need to finish strong to meet that goal. The total dollars raised as of now is \$218.8 million. In District 5NW we have had another record year in giving to Campaign 100 during fiscal year 2020/2021.

With that being said, Campaign 100 has come up with the District and Club Community Impact Grant (DCG) Program. The DCG program is an opportunity for clubs and districts to utilize and bring back to their clubs and districts, in the form of grants, some of the funding they do-

nate to LCIF. For clubs that qualify, they are eligible to apply for a grant equal to 15% of their total contributions for any one year during the campaign.

DCG funds can be used to support specific humanitarian activities and highlight Lions in the communities they serve. The DCG program is becoming a very successful resource on getting grants awarded at a fast pace to help our communities.

How can my club or district qualify? A club will qualify with a minimum of \$5000 donated to LCIF within one fiscal year. Those eligible clubs will receive 15% of that \$5000 to be used as a grant from LCIF for qualifying project/projects. We have a

few clubs that have already received their grant funds awarded to start projects in their communities.

When the district or club is notified from LCIF that it qualifies for DCG funds, it can apply any time. Club applications shall be signed by the current club president and certified via the current club board. Applications submitted by the district must be signed by the current district governor and also certified via resolution by the current district cabinet.

Summing it up, our Lions Clubs will apply by filling out their own DCG application form and submitting it to LCIFdistrictandclub@lionsclubs.org. The district has a DCG committee that is

working on some grant application ideas. The district can apply for the DCG funds by sending a complete grant application to LCIFdistrictandclub@lionsclubs.org. For more information of how this DCG works, please contact one of your District Governor Team members or your LCIF District Coordinator.

I thank all of you for your support and generosity to Campaign 100 these past years. And yes we can finish strong again, as we have done in past fundraising campaigns.

"100% of every gift of every size given in support of Campaign 100 returns to a community need."

Past International President, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada

5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Greetings Fellow Lions:

Our first 5NE Cabinet Meeting was held on August 14th at the ND Vision Services/School for the Blind in Grand Forks. Superintendent Paul Olson, also a Lion, and his staff were great hosts. Fifteen Lions were there in person with eight more using the Zoom platform. We discussed our district goals for membership, service, leadership training, and LCIF support. We established a 'club extension team' (CET) that would be responsible for doing the groundwork leading to the establishment of some form of new Lions club, once a potential community was identified.

Our district received great news in August when Rick Stark from the Tuttle Lions Club agreed to be our 2nd VDG. Rick is a dedicated Lion who has served as a club officer, president, and zone chair. Congratulations Rick. We welcome you to our district governor team and look forward to helping you in any way we can. This is a victory for Lions from small-

er communities. Tuttle has a population of approximately 77. I encourage Lions from our district to register for the state convention in Watford City to support Rick as he starts his journey to become our district governor.

I made five visitations in August, during which I had the pleasure of presenting three Melvin Jones Fellowships and three membership keys to Lions who recruited more than one new member. In September, I am attending the USA/Canada Forum in Des Moines, IA. Highlights of this event will appear in my October, ND Lion article.

Each month I will highlight one of our 5NE goals that was briefly mentioned in the July issue of the ND Lion. This month it is (2) assisting clubs in reporting service hours. Our district's goal is to increase the percentage of clubs reporting service from 50% to >80% during the 2021-2022 Lion's year.

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How do clubs and districts collectively benefit from reporting service?

Reporting service creates a database of the great projects that can be repeated in other communities.

Clubs that report service become eligible for service awards and other forms of recognition.

If service activities are not reported, Lions Clubs International (LCI) has no documentation that it ever happened. LCI uses these reports to verify how many people have been served annually on a global basis.

A high percentage of clubs reporting service is a sign of a healthy district.

To assist your secretary in making monthly reports of your clubs' service hours and the number of people served, I encourage them to go to the (lionsclubs.org/service-reporting) site. Additionally, contact your District Administrator Kristi Swenson



(kristi.swenson0155@gmail.com 701-302-0155). By following a few simple steps, you can report a service project in less than 10 minutes. Reporting is the final step in completing a service project. Your club's members deserve to have their humanitarian efforts documented as part of LCI's service journey.

"We serve with love and compassion in communities around the world"

International President,
Douglas Alexander



*"Lions do Magical things"
"Teamwork makes the Dream work"*



The first Cabinet Meeting for District 5NE.



IPDG Grant Kahlbaugh passes the district gavel to incoming DG Joe Sowokinos.

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

Club News

Bismarck



We had a great turn out for the Legend of Lofty Golf Tournament this July. We deeply appreciate all the Lions and Lions Clubs who support our club by golfing or sponsoring a hole.

A special shout out to our sponsors listed below.

Tournament Sponsors:

Bruce & Julie Schwartz, Karen & Larry DaSilva.

Hole Sponsors: Ameriprise Financial, Bismarck Lions Club: Alice Heer & Kim Christianson Ed Klecker & Ken Slag, Cal Kolling, Bismarck-Mandan Elks Lodge 1199, Borman, Mycerchin, Espeseth & Edison LLP,

Brenda Foster Homes, Dakota Eye Optometry ~ Dr. Joel Springan, Edward Jones ~ Gary Hansen, Edward Jones ~ Troy Nelsen, Harlows Bus Service, Heartland Investors, Klein Farms, Loftesnes Family, Ministry on the Margins: Bruce Hagen & Jerry Schaack, Connie Bye & Jerry Schaack, Western Steel &

Plumbing

Additional Donations: Cedric Theel Toyota

Awards: 1st Place: Bismarck Mandan Elks Lodge, 2nd Place: Team Wolf, 3rd Place: Team Steidle

Closest to Pin: Jim Wagner Longest Drive: David Roggenkamd Longest Putt: Brian Duchsherer



Welcome to the newest member of the Bismarck Lions Club, Corina Carroll. Picture left to right: Lion Ross Espeseth, Lion Corina Carroll, Corina's sponsor, Lion Alyce Heer.



Model Club & Melvin Jones

The Bismarck Lions Club celebrated reaching the status of Model Club in Campaign 100. Pictured is Lion Cal Kolling (right) being awarded a Melvin Jones by PID Bruce Schwartz (left). Thank you to all our members who helped our club reach this important milestone.

New Rockford



During back to school night at our local elementary school, our Lions club handed out crayons and markers to all returning elementary school children. Extra markers and crayons were left in the teachers closet for use throughout the year.



Vicki McMahon and Murphy visited the New Rockford Lions club during Lifesavers in the park. An annual event held by the Community Ambulance Service to showcase a wide variety of health service in the community. Our Lions club goal was to show the need and usefulness of service dogs in our communities.



2021 ND Lions State Convention

October 22nd and 23rd

Watford City, North Dakota

Convention Site: Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway

Convention Registration Fees

February 7 – July 31 - \$100

August 1 – October 22 - \$115

Day of Convention - \$130

Meals Only (for guests, circle options)

Saturday Breakfast - \$15

Saturday Lunch - \$20

Saturday Dinner - \$30

Questions Contact

Lion Lois Reiersen

701-770-1922

gramma_lois@hotmail.com

Mail Registration to: WC Lions Club, PO Box 1659, Watford City, ND 58854

(Please use a separate form for each registrant)

___ I need special vision accommodations

___ I need special meal accommodations

Name: _____ LION or GUEST (Circle One)

Preferred Badge Name: _____ Lions Club: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Teddy T-Shirt (Additional \$20) Circle your T-Shirt size if you'd to like order one. S M L XL XXL XXXL

Refund policy: E-mail your refund request to Lion Lois Reiersen (gramma_lois@hotmail.com) no later than September 20, 2021. Registration fees are not refundable after September 20, 2021.

Lodging Information

Watford, ND

<https://www.visitwatfordcity.com/>

Roosevelt Inn and Suites • 600 2nd Ave SW • 842-3686 • Room Rate: \$89/Night. Room Block: Lions State Convention

Teddy's Residential Suites • 113 9th Ave SE • 842-6480 • Room Rate: \$89/Night. Room Block: Lions State Convention

Little Missouri Inn • 109 9th Ave SE • 842-6262 • Room Rate: \$89/Night. Room Block: Lions State Convention

Comfort Inn & Suites • 600 3rd Ave SW • 842-6565 • Room Rate: \$89/Night. Room Block: Lions State Convention

The Watford • 810 3rd Ave SW • 842-6800 • Room Rate: \$89/Night. Room Block: Lions State Convention

"Food, Fun, and Community: All is Good"

By Lion Secretary Mike Martin

A celebration of community and Lionism was held Tuesday, August 24 in Enderlin's Baxter Park. 76 Lions, spouses, District Lion Officers, members of the Grant Hutterite Colony, and friends enjoyed a wonderful August evening, complimented by harvest fest which was catered by TraXside Cafe. Part of the memorable evening were games and fun enjoyed by the Hutterite Colony children. Lion Anna Fuka, along with Kimmy Morrison, organized activities. These games, along with the Park's play-ground equipment, provided wonderful entertainment for many. Enderlin Lion Club President Bobby Geske welcomed all at 6:00pm and the Enderlin Area Public School Music Department's public address system was put to good use. Lion Grant Patterson delivered the meal prayer and attendees were served hamburgers,



L-R: Lions Zone Chair Scott Hildre, Enderlin Lion James Ekeren, Lion Dean Torbenson, Lions Governor Joe Sowokinos, Enderlin Lions Matt Lund, Susan Dopp, Bobby Geske, and Lions Zone Chair Crystal Dueker.

hot dogs, sweet corn, baked beans, potato salad and a fruit medley. All was topped off with a genuine root beer float.

Following the meal, President Geske introduced special guests including Enderlin Mayor Deon Maasjo and wife Nancy, 1st DG Scott Hildre, District Governor Joe Sowokinos, and Global Team Member and Zone Chair Crystal Dueker. DG Joe assumed the podium. He presented Lions Susan Dopp and Karlton Stordalen with "key awards."

These vest pins were issued by Lions International to these members for recruiting two new Lions into the local club. Lion Tom Nord also was awarded a key but was unable to attend. DG Joe inducted the Club's newest member, Matt Lund, so he and sponsor Lion Dean Torbenson took center stage.

DG Joe continued his official duties by giving the back story of the Melvin Jones endowments. A Melvin Jones is the "highest recognition"

given to a Lion and part of the award is an endowment going to the Lions International Foundation. Lions James Ekeren and Susan Marie Dopp were recognized with a Melvin Jones Fellowship with DG Joe Sowokinos presenting the fellowships. Melvin Jones is named after the Lions Club Founder and is a testimony to an individual Lion's commitment of continual good work.

It was an enjoyable evening for everyone.

Agenda for 2021 State Lions Convention

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 22

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM – Registration
10:00 – 12:00 – 5NE and 5NW Cabinet Meetings
12:00 – 12:45 – 5NW/5NE Cabinet member and LFND Lunch
1:00 – 3:00 – Lions Foundation of ND Board Meeting
3:00 – 3:15 – Break
3:15 – 4:45 – PDG Meeting
4:45 – 5:45 – Choir Rehearsal
6:30 – 8:00 – Ice Breaker (Stonehome Brewing-cash bar) and Hors d'oeuvres – Greetings from Teddy Roosevelt and photo booth.
8:00 – 10:00 – Dueling Pianos

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 23

6:30 AM – 9:00 AM – Registration
7:00 – 8:45 – Breakfast & Opening Ceremonies
• Presentation of the Colors
• Welcome by Watford City Mayor
• Breakfast Buffet
• Welcome and Introductions
• Fred Fridley – Keynote Speaker
8:45 – 10:00 – 5 NW and 5NE District Meetings
10:00 – 10:15 – Coffee Break
10:15 – 11:00 – Breakout sessions
• What's Happening in Oil Country – Kathy Neset, Neset Consulting
• Health and Wellness/Living with Diabetes – Lisa Iverson
• Service Dogs for America -
11:15 – 12:00 – Breakout session
• Dining in the Dark – Lion Perry Olson
• The Global Membership Approach – It Might Just be for You – PID Pat Vannett and 1st VDG Jeanette Bean

• Maah Daah Hey Trail – Nick Ybarra
12:15 – 1:30 – Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon
• Welcome and Introductions
• Lunch Buffet
• Hall of Fame Induction
• Lt. Gov Brent Sanford – Keynote Speaker
1:45 – 2:30 – Breakout Sessions
• North Dakota Association of the Blind/Camp Grassick/Assistive Devices – Lion Janelle Olson and Loris Vanberkom
• Technology and Lions – CC Kevin Bean and Lion Evan Romuld
• Sight 4 Kidz – Lion Julie Schwartz and PDG Gary Morel
• LCIF's Campaign 100 – The numerous grant opportunities that LCIF offers – 5NW LCIF Coordinator Mark Koller, 5NE LCIF Coordinator Rick Swenson and MD5 LCIF Coordinator Dave Czywczynski
2:30 – 2:45 – Break
2:45 – 4:30 – ND State Lions Meeting
• State Lions Business
• Lions Foundation ND Reports
• Parade of Green
4:30 – 5:00 – Q & A with ID Justin Faber
5:15 – 5:45 – Memorial Service
6:00 – 7:00 – Social – Cash Bar
7:00 – 9:00 – Banquet
• Welcome and Introductions
• Dinner
• Awards and Recognition
• ID Just Faber – Keynote Speaker
• Closing
9:15 – 12:00 – Scofield Band

By the time this article hits the ND Lions magazine I will have had the opportunity to do a few club visits. And what an opportunity it is to visit our Lion Clubs. It is exciting to see what Lions are doing and how they are serving.

One way for you all to see what other Lions are doing is to attend another club's meeting, attend your zone meeting, attend the Spring Rally and of course, attend the State Convention in Watford City, Oct 22 & 23.

Speaking of the State Convention in Watford City, I'm encouraging you to attend. This year's convention committee has done an excellent job of planning a wonderful convention in the northern part of the North Dakota Badlands and truly the heart of the Bakken oil patch. You will be impressed at this year's convention site, the Rough Rider Center, a very beautiful multi use building. We have plenty of events scheduled which will give you

all the opportunity to learn, discuss and share ideas with other Lions. In fact, I encourage you to talk with other Lions and gather many great ideas to use with your club. We are also so fortunate to have as our guest speaker, International Director Justin Farber.

If you have never been, or it has been many years since you've traveled to western North Dakota, you will be amazed at what you see on your way to Watford City. If you are traveling across the state on I 94, I encourage you to go a few miles past the Hwy 85 exit and stop at the Painted Canyon rest area. Have your camera ready! It is a view I never tire of no matter how many times I've seen it. It is well worth the small side trip, and it is easy to get to on I 94 as well as returning

to the Hwy 85 exit to drive north to Watford City. As you approach Watford City you will get to pass through the Little Missouri River Valley, and you want to stop at one of the overview spots to take a few photos. This is a beautiful view, from both sides of the valley.

For those of you attending the convention and traveling across the state on Hwy 2, you also have some great viewing. If you are traveling later in the day, you will get the view of the North Dakota northern lights, or what is commonly known as the oil well flaring. North Dakota has done an excellent job in containing the burning of the natural gas but those sites that do burn offer a beautiful site at night. If you have traveled the Hwy 2 route at night, I encourage you to head back



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east by a different route. Consider heading east out of Watford City on State Hwy 23 and head north on State Hwy 22 towards New Town. Before getting to New Town, you will also pass through another beautiful viewing area. Remember to keep your cameras ready. If you have time and some extra money, a side trip to the Four Bears Casino might be of interest to you. You will also be impressed at the sight as you travel over the Missouri River.

There is so much to offer you at the Lions State Convention this year, please join us, you will not be disappointed! You might even run into Teddy Roosevelt! Oh yea, have your camera ready for that also. See you in Watford City.

Charter Celebration for the new Powers Lake Lions Club

On August 15th a celebration was held for fifty-one new Charter Members of the Powers Lake Lions Club. The magic is in the numbers. They are a young club with great ambitions for their community. They are Lions.

Sunday started out with a fundraiser put on by the new club. They served a meal at 11am – 2:30pm. Brats and Burgers with all the trimmings. They had the best desserts and a lot of food.

At 3pm the Charter event began. It was very well attended not to mention the temperature was 99 degrees. Council Chairman Kevin Bean gave the Opening re-

marks and then our Guest of Honor, Past International Director Pat Vannett welcomed the new Lions to the world of Lions and spoke to them about their mission and what it could be for them. She spoke of their new beginning and thanked them. Past International Director Pat inducted the entire Powers Lake Lions Club. Visiting Lions from the whole District 5NW pinned the new Lions and everyone celebrated. District Governor Scott Ressler presented gifts to the Club.

The next speaker was the new club President, Mark Enget. He is an amazing

leader who is proud of his club and is ready to lead. He did comment that he attended every start-up meeting until the meeting they had the election of officers, he was voted in by a unanimous decision and then called to see if he would accept. He claims he will never miss a meeting again.

Council Chair Kevin closed with the signing of the Charter. The Stanley Club has agreed to mentor the new Club with two members taking the lead. Lion John Gaebe and Lion Gary Evans will guide them through their first year and more if they need it.

For those of us who encouraged the club, held informational meetings and then collected the new member applications, it has been a heart-warming experience. This club wants opportunities for their community to have the Service of a Lions Club. Lions Clubs International empowers volunteers to service. After the event a new Lion came up to me and said "now I get it. Our club is now part of a bigger picture. That's what Charter means, were apart of something BIG." I think that is something we all need to think about.

Emerado Arvilla Lions participated in the 7th annual corn feed in conjunction with an event sponsored by the Emerado Community Endowment Fund



The Lions participated in a corn feed in conjunction with an event sponsored by Emerado Community Endowment Fund. Emerado Arvilla Lions picked 125 dozen cobs of sweet corn. The corn was planted and donated by Curt Hagert.. The Emerado Fire Department joined in picking and husking as well as community members and a Grand Forks Air Force Airman. The corn was cooked and buttered!!!

The day had many vendors, live music, a car show, kids activities, a food court, and a caricature artist. The Emerado Museum had its grand opening as well. It was a great day!

It's Peace Poster time

By Carla Lein
*District 5NE Peace
Poster Contest chair*

"We Are All Connected" is the theme for the 2021-2022 Lions Peace Poster Contest. Young people ages 11, 12 and 13 by Nov. 15, 2021 are encouraged to participate.

Clubs will pick winning posters, and those winning posters will be brought to the District 5NE and 5NW meetings at the state convention in Watford City.

Posters are to be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches, and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches. No names, numbers or letters may appear on the front of the posters. Reli-

gion and politics are also not allowed on the posters. Bright colors, faces, symbols, flags, animals, people and landscapes are encouraged to be shown. Posters are judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme "We Are All Connected."

Clubs can sponsor one or more schools or youth groups. Clubs with multiple posters may choose one winner per grade level before the poster goes to the state convention.

Each district will choose one winner to go on to the Multiple District 5 competition. The MD5 winner goes on to international competition. The first and second-place finishers per district will be

displayed on MD5 calendars, which will go on sale later.

Clubs are allowed to give out prizes, money or otherwise, to the club's top placers. Feel free to make everyone a winner by giving every participant some appreciation prize.

Call up lionsclubs.org-peaceposterkit, then click on to Peace Poster Contest, to order Peace Poster kits. The deadline for purchasing kits is Oct. 1. If you're in District 5NE and want to make things easier, please call me at 701-781-0743 or reach me at Carla.lein@yahoo.com and I can help you get the kits.

If you are in 5NE and sending posters to me, I must have them by Oct. 19. Or, if you

wish, you can bring them to the state convention, which begins Oct. 22. Posters can be sent to me, Carla Lein, at 5050 40th Avenue South, Apt. 237, Fargo, ND 58104.

Essay Contest

The Lions Essay Contest is available for young people who are visually impaired. "We Are All Connected" is also the theme of the Essay Contest. The rules to the Essay Contest are similar to the Peace Poster Contest. Each essay must be 500 words or less about how we are all connected. For more information, call up <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/peace-essay>. Thank you.

Greetings Lions! Dakota Lions Sight and Health is seeking motivated and engaged individuals to join the nonprofit organization's Board of Directors. Seats from Districts 5SE, 5SW, 5NE, and 5NW are open. Ideal candidates will have experience in finance, philan-

thropy, strategic planning, or simply a willingness to serve for an organization that helps to restores sight and health to thousands every year. Director terms are 3 years in length and run from July 1 to June 30. Elections are held in October at the state Lions Conventions in both South

Dakota and North Dakota.

If you are interested in running for an open seat, please submit a letter of interest along with a letter of support from your Club president to the Board President Lion Mel Olson - melolson60@gmail.com or

the Chief Executive Officer Marcy Dimond - mdimond@dakotasight.org, no later than 30 days prior to the scheduled date of the district convention. More information about the organization can be found at www.dakotasight.org



Dakota Lions Sight & Health
Eye and Tissue Donation

Board Officer Expectations

Board Office Position: **Non-officer Board Member**

All non-profit board members have certain responsibilities

Title	Description
1. Support	Each board member has a responsibility to participate actively in making decisions on behalf of the organization and to exercise his or her best judgment while doing so.
2. Loyalty	Each board member must put the interests of the organization before their personal and professional interests when acting on behalf of the organization in a decision-making capacity. Each board member must strive to disclose any conflicts of interest and refrain from participating where there are conflicts.
3. Governance	Board members bear the legal responsibility of ensuring that the organization complies with the applicable federal, state, and local laws and adheres to its mission.

Responsibilities, or expectations, unique to this position

Title	Description	Timeframe
Board member (non-officer)	Attend in person or virtually quarterly scheduled board of director meetings	Quarterly
CEO Oversight	Participates in CEO performance evaluation	Annually
Fiduciary	Reviews board finance reports prior to BOD meetings, Reviews 990 IRS form completed by the auditor and is part of approval, Reviews audit report generated by auditor, Reviews and is part of the approval of the annual budget drafted by the CEO& CFO	Quarterly/Annually
Banking Relationship	Participates and votes on banking resolutions or changes to lines of credit.	As needed
Strategic Oversight	Participates in board discussions related to strategic initiatives. Supports the CEO in executing the strategic plan	As needed

PHEASANT HUNTERS WANTED

Oakes Lions Club 1st Geoff Rath Memorial Lions Pheasant Hunt

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021

The hunter may have four, five or six members on a team.

One dog per hunter will be allowed.

Entry fee: \$50 per hunter (*paid by the team captain **no later than Nov. 15th***)

Rules Meeting: at Angry Beaver Lodge in Oakes, ND • 11 a.m. • Dec. 4th

We will draw for the land parcels for each team to hunt on. The hunt time will be from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. All hunters will return to the Angry Beaver Lodge for the awards, drawings and dinner with a cash bar.

One tagged rooster will be placed on each parcel of land. The hunters harvesting the tagged birds will have their names entered into the drawing.

For more information and where to send the fees please contact:

Dean Atkinson • 821 Juniper Ave, Oakes, ND 58474 • 701.678.3416 • deanatkinson@gmail.com

Get a team together and come to Oakes!

2021 Lions Convention for Districts 5NW and 5NE

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2021 DISTRICT LIONS MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION ON October 22nd & 23rd, 2021. THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS.



ND STATE LIONS/ND DISTRICTS CONVENTION RULES 2021

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 (5NE, DG Grant Kahlbaugh) 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. All eligible delegates must be members in good standing of a club in good standing in this district. Delinquent dues may be paid and good standing acquired up to fifteen (15) days prior to the close of credential certification, as such closing time shall be established by the rules of the respective convention.
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 or emailed to the respective District Cabinet Secretary for 5NW (Lion Lois Reiersen - 1321 25th St W - Williston, ND 58801 or gramma_lois@hotmail.com) and 5NE (Lion Tracy Wicken - 733 Dawn Circle - Grand Forks, ND 58203 or trwicken@nd.gov) by October 10th.
8. **CLUB DELEGATE FORMULA** – ARTICLE VII. Section 2. 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 (single or sub- and multiple) 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) or more members.

VOTING AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTIONS HELD DURING THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION

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. All eligible delegates must be members in good standing of a club in good standing in this district. Delinquent dues may be paid and good standing acquired up to fifteen (15) days prior to the close of credential certification, as such closing time shall be established by the rules of the respective convention. The Credentials Committee must certify voting delegates. Clubs should identify their voting delegates and alternates and list them below.

Mail or email this form to your District Cabinet Secretary for 5NW (Lion Lois Reiersen - 1321 25th St W - Williston, ND 58801 or gramma_lois@hotmail.com) and 5NE (Lion Tracy Wicken - 733 Dawn Circle - Grand Forks, ND 58203 or trwicken@nd.gov) by October 10th.

This form is to be filled out and SIGNED BY YOUR CLUB SECRETARY or YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR and mailed or emailed to the District Cabinet Secretary by October 10th or dropped off at the registration desk at the State Convention on Friday, October 22nd.

CREDENTIALS INFORMATION:

Names of Voting Delegates and Alternates **attending** the 2021 District Convention and their years in Lions:

Names of Voting Delegates and email address (Please Print)	Years in Lions	Primary	Alternate
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Name of Club: _____

Signature of Secretary or DG: _____

NOTE: If needed, please list additional delegates and their information at the bottom of this form.
IMPORTANT – Mail or email this form to your District Cabinet Secretary as listed above.

Club News

Carrington



Jenni Wede, President of Carrington Lions, presents a check for tuition for the Caring-ton Preschool to Amy Seaburg and Robin Simonson director and teachers at the preschool. The check will cover tuition for one student for one year.



The Carrington Lions Club helped sponsor and serve the Carrington Community Picnic on August 18 at the city park. Lions workers pictured are Karla Michaelson, Brittney Moravec, and Kim Edland. Not pictured was Shelly Skyland.



The Carrington Lions purchased and installed solar lights to the gazebo in the Carrington City Park. On Saturday, Aug. 28 Lions Marilyn Nicholson, Tom Paintner , and Sharon Paintner decorated the park gazebo with solar lights. Pictured: Marilyn Nicholson and Tom Paintner.



Wishek



Members of the Wishek Lions Club, Don Babitski, and James Raile recently received the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellowship. They are pictures above with their plaques. Harold Krueger, recently deceased, also received the award which was presented to his family. Each of these individuals has been long term active members holding various offices in the Wishek Lions.

Minot



The Minot Lions Club held their annual TrySlothalon on August 21st! A fun time was had by all!

Club News

Horace

The Horace Lions were proud to again be a sponsor of the annual Horace Bean Days celebration. Saturday August 28 started with a Fun Run followed by the Horace Lions Pancake Breakfast. With help from 20 members and dozens of local Scouts, we served around 450 hungry people. Several activities kept the crowds busy during the afternoon and at 5:00 PM the Scouts from Troop 274 opened the parade with the presentation of the colors. This was followed by many wonderful floats and other entries. Of course, one of the hits of the day is the Barrel Train. Lion Tom Kenville provided rides to the youngsters from 2:00 - 4:00, drove in the parade and then provided more rides after. He is shown with the train fully loaded and many more waiting for their turn. We have replaced many sets of wheels and tires through the years.



Although Sight Challenged himself, Lion Allan Peterson of the Horace Lions club has never let it stop him from being an advocate for the blind. He has worked tirelessly through the years in service to his fellow man. At the recent National Convention of the American Council of the Blind in July, he was presented with the Derwood McDaniel Award. The Derwood K. McDaniel Ambassador Award is given in memory of Derwood McDaniel who is recognized as the founding father of the American Council of the Blind. It is given in recognition of a person who exemplifies the spirit of Derwood McDaniel in their work in the community which helps advance the quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired. He is shown with the plaque and President Lion Con Vetter of the Horace Lions. The Horace Lions extend a note of congratulations Allan and thank him for his continued SERVICE to our club.



Horace Lions and about 30 members of the community helped to clean the ditches just before Bean Days in Horace. Six miles of ditches were cleaned in two hours. Lion Lonnie Wangen provided his pickup and trailer to haul many loads to the dumpsters. Thank you to all that came to help. It takes dedication from the community to make our town a wonderful place to live.



ND State Lions Meeting Minutes • Virtual • Saturday, October 24, 2020 – 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Call to Order: DG Kevin Bean called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Welcome Guests – DG Kevin Bean welcomed all Past International Directors, Past District Governors, Council Chairs, and International Directors in attendance.

Greetings from District Governors – DG Kevin Bean and DG Grant Kahlbaugh welcomed Lions in attendance. 122 Lions were registered for the virtual convention.

Approval of October 26, 2019 ND State Lions Meeting Minutes – Motion by 2nd VDG Jeanette Bean and second by PDG Kathy Boe to approve the minutes from the October 26, 2019 ND State Lions Meeting. Motion carried.

Approval of the Agenda – Motion by Lion Ken Hansen and second by PDG Keith Zeuschel to approve the agenda as presented.

Reports –

1. 2021 State Convention Site (Watford City) – Lion Lois Reiersen from Zone 1 reported planning has started and a theme and registration information will be sent out in the near future.

2. 2022 State Convention Site – PDG Rick Swenson reported the 2022 convention will be held at the Spirit Lake Nation Complex at St. Michael, ND on October 22 and 23, 2022. The onsite hotel t Spirit Lake has been secured and set aside for the Lions Convention.

3. 2023 State Convention – DG Kevin Bean reported no site has been identified at this time.

4. 2024 State Convention – DG Grant Kahlbaugh reported they are considering Fargo as the location for the 2024 state convention site with the six local Fargo clubs joining forces to host. Motion by PDG Steve Johnson and seconded by 2nd VDG Scott Hildre to approve Fargo as the 2024 state convention site. Motion carried.

5. Report on Election results

- **5NW Election results** – DG Kevin Bean reported Scott Ressler was elected to the DG Elect position, Jeanette Bean was elected to the 1st VDG Elect position and Lynn Grabow was elected to the 2nd VDG Elect position. He stated there were two excellent candidates running for the 2nd VDG Elect position and Terry Oxendahl for running. There were 36 voting delegates registered and present for the district meeting and 31 cast their votes.

- **5NE Election results** – DG Grant Kahlbaugh reported Joe Sowokinos was elected to the DG Elect position and Scott Hildre was elected to the 1st VDG Elect position. They are seeking candidates for the 2nd VDG Elect position.

6. Dakota Lions Sight and Health election results

- **5NW Election results** – DG Kevin Bean reported Carolyn Lean was re-elected to the Dakota Lions Sight and Health Board.

- **5NE Election results** – DG Grant Kahlbaugh reported Tracy Wicken was re-elected to the Dakota Lion Sight and Health Board.

7. Lions Foundation of ND election results

- **5NW Election results** – DG Kevin Bean reported Doug Rothe and Evan Romult were elected to the LFND Board.

- **5NE Election results** – DG Grant Kahlbaugh reported PDG Kathy Boe and Ken Hansen were elected to the LFND Board.

8. Dakota Lions Sight and Health Report – Marcy Dimond reported they had a clean audit and she is proud of their team. They had 1182 corneas for transplant this past year, 252 cornea donors in the quarter and 50 tissue donations in the quarter. They are feeling the impact of COVID-19. She is excited about their expanding eye and tissue donation agreements. They are working on education and resources as suggested by their hospital and surgeon partners. Corneas are being used overseas when they can't be used in the US. Having an engaged Board of Directors has helped drive the organization forward. The Bismarck facility has moved to a new office space due to a couple of vandalism incidents. There are five staff in the Bismarck office and five or six in the Fargo office. The Sioux Falls facility has been expanded to include a second clean room. An educational video is being shared with driver's education students. The ND Board members are Tracy Wicken, Rick Swenson, Mel Olson, Carolyn Lean, Mike Blazek and Arlen Fetch. As the Board Chair, PDG Mel Olson, thanked Marcy and her team for their dedication.

9. Lions Foundation of North Dakota (LFND) – PDG Steve Johnson reported for the LFND. He thanked Paula Swanson Western and Vivian Pendergrass for their six years of service on the board and welcomed new board members. He thanked clubs and Lions for their donations over the past year. The list of donors will be printed in the ND Lion and patches and pins will be mailed. He briefly explained the regular and vision grant programs and encouraged clubs to find out more about the grants on the website. Grant applications are considered quarterly at the LFND board meetings. The LFND assets have grown to \$487,000. Clubs are encouraged to keep Lion Lois Reiersen, LFND Executive Director, informed of member wishes to receive the ND Lion by email or traditional mail. The Video Magnifier, Sight 4 Kidz, and Eyeglass Recycling Programs are three Foundation programs which are operated under the 501(c)(3) umbrella. The Video Magnifier and Sight 4 Kidz programs are widely supported by clubs but he encouraged clubs to also consider supporting the Eyeglass Recycling program in their Parade of Green donation. The interim results of the Parade of Green donations are \$18,631. The final Parade of Green results will be published in the November ND Lion.

10. Membership and Retention by CC John Emmett

Council Chair John Emmett provided topics to remember:

- a. We need to retain and strengthen membership;
- b. Membership is by invitation only;
- c. Review the Code of Ethics;
- d. Review the seven membership categories;
- e. Moral character and good reputation is determined by the club;
- f. Look for men and women members; Age is important

Look for members at work, local business, church, and neighbors and look for other organizations to partner with your club. Prospective members should be introduced to make them feel special. Consider a prize for members that bring in new members. Make sure there is follow-up with prospective new members. Make induction of new members a special event and have the new member kit on hand. Ensure new members are included in projects and activities. A strong club has active members that participate. It doesn't matter if they attend meetings as long as they participate in service projects. Evaluate club service projects to ensure quality and that outcomes are consistent. Make sure there is fun. Have someone follow-up with members that leave the club and involve their sponsor. Have a process for members to express their concerns and opinions. Do club surveys. We have an obligation to make the club as meaningful and successful as possible.

11. Peace Poster Winners – CC Emmett indicated the top two posters from each district will go into the MD5 calendar. The next calendar will be a July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 year.

- **5NW** – PDG Sherry Fetch reported the first place winner was Ashlynn Becker, sponsored by the Minot Magic City Lions. The second place winner was Savannah Schweitzer, sponsored by the Capital City Lions. The third place winner was Malaya Charger, sponsored by the Dacotah

Mandan Lions.

- 5NE- Lion Carla Lein reported. The first place winner was Kali Simley, sponsored by the Fargo Lions. The second place winner was Isabel Hoffarth, sponsored by the Grand Forks South Forks Lions. The third place winner was Sawyer Anderson, sponsored by the Fargo Gateway Lions.

Old Business - None

New Business

1. Recognition of New Clubs and New Members – DG Grant Kahlbaugh reported the Fargo Roamers is a new club in 5NE with 31 charter members. 5NE currently has 1222 members. DG Kevin Bean reported 5NW has no new clubs but will possibly have one in the future. 5NW has 1094 members.

2. Resolutions PID Robert Littlefield and Lion Ken Hansen presented the following resolutions for consideration: District Governor Bean, District Governor Grant Kahlbaugh, North Dakota Lions. The following resolutions are presented for your consideration and approval.

Resolution #1: That The Carrington Lions Club Be Recognized As Outstanding Hosts Of The 2020 North Dakota State Lions Convention.

Whereas: The Carrington Lions Club generously volunteered to host the 2020 North Dakota State Lions Convention; and, Whereas: Planning for the North Dakota State Lions Convention involves hours of time working with local merchants, hotels, and officials in order to create a worthwhile and memorable event; and, Whereas: Lion Ken Hansen served admirably as chairperson of the local host committee; and, Whereas: Members of the local host Carrington Lions Club deserve recognition for their efforts, including Tom Paintner, Sharon Paintner, Marilyn Nicholson, Club President Karla Michaelson, Jennifer Wede, Jane Fredrickson, Charlotte Nelson, Heather Carr, David Nowatzki, Howard Nelson, Illa Zink, Kim Edland, Bryen Neville, Brittney Morvavec, Josey Skyland, Shelly Skyland, Mary Topp, and New Rockford Lions Club member Rick Swenson. Whereas: The 2020 ND State Lions Convention was destined to be an outstanding event that would long be remembered until the COVID-19 pandemic made it impossible for the Lions of North Dakota to gather safely in Carrington for the convention; and, Whereas: In the spirit of true Lionism, the local host committee met the challenges of COVID-19 and converted the convention to a virtual format, enabling the business and service of North Dakota Lions to go on despite the pandemic; therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA that the Carrington Lions Club and local host committee chair Lion Ken Hansen should be commended for their efforts to make sure the Lions of North Dakota would experience a memorable convention, and a sincere thank you be extended to the Carrington community for their invitation to host the 2020 Convention.

Resolution #2: That District Governor Grant Kahlbaugh Be Extended Good Wishes For A Speedy Recovery.

Whereas: District 5NE Governor Grant Kahlbaugh has provided leadership and commitment to the Carrington Lions Club by attending the planning meetings and helping to guide the local host club in preparation for the 2020 North Dakota State Lions Convention; and, Whereas: District Governor Kahlbaugh is experiencing medical complications due to COVID-19, restricting his ability to participate in the 2020 Convention where he was planning to serve as emcee and district host; and, Whereas: District Governor Kahlbaugh's spirits would be lifted knowing that the Lions of North Dakota were wishing him good health and a steady recovery; therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA that good wishes for a speedy recovery be extended to District Governor Grant Kahlbaugh.

Resolution #3: That Appreciation Be Extended To The North Dakota Lion Leaders Who Provided Assistance In The Final Planning And Execution Of The 2020 State Convention.

Whereas: In the absence of District Governor Grant Kahlbaugh's presence on the planning Committee in the closing days before the 2020 North Dakota State Lions Convention, Lion leaders from across the state came together to fine tune the convention; and, Whereas: District 5NW Governor Kevin Bean, along with members of his leadership team, and 1st Vice District Governor Joe Sowokinos, along with District Governor Grant Kahlbaugh's leadership team, came together to carry on with the planning; and Whereas: The convention planning resulted in well-attended district cabinet meetings, district meetings, and the ND state meeting; therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA that appreciation be extended to the Lions who came together under pressure and helped to make sure the 2020 State Lions Convention went on without a hitch.

Resolution #4: That Appreciation Be Extended To International Director Dr. Jose Marrero For Being At The 2020 North Dakota State Lions Convention.

Whereas: International Director Dr. Jose A. Marrero, from Arecibo, Puerto Rico, was invited to be our guest speaker at the 2020 North Dakota State Lions Convention; and, Whereas: Dr. Marrero has a distinguished record of service since becoming a Lion in 1996; and, Whereas: Through his work as an emergency physician and medical director, Dr. Marrero has served the needs of the poor and homeless; and, Whereas: Dr. Marrero presented an inspirational message to the Lions of North Dakota, encouraging ongoing service despite the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic; therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA that International Director Dr. Jose A. Marrero be commended for his service to Lions Clubs International and for sharing his message with us in North Dakota.

Resolution #5: That The Lions Of North Dakota Strive To Represent The Highest Ideals Of Lionism.

Whereas: Lions are called upon to create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world; and, Whereas: Lions are called upon to promote the principles of good government and good citizenship; and, Whereas: Lions are called upon to unite the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship, and mutual understanding; and, Whereas: Lions are called upon to provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members; and, Whereas: Lions are called upon to encourage service minded men and women to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works, and private endeavors; therefore, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA strive in the coming days to represent the highest ideals of Lions Clubs International and to be role models of civility.

PID Robert Littlefield presented the resolutions in the form of a motion for consideration by the Lions of North Dakota. Lion Ken Hansen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Closing Remarks - DG Kevin Bean thanked all Lions in attendance, Past International Directors Robert Littlefield and Pat Vannett, and members of the Carrington Lions Club. He encouraged Lions to view the breakout sessions @ ndstatelionsconvention.com.

Closing Ceremony was held and meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Lois Reiersen, Tracy Wicken, 5NW Cabinet Secretary

District Governor & Vice District Governor Elections and other Lions Board Positions

If you are a candidate for the position of District Governor, First Vice District Governor or Second Vice District Governor these are things you must do prior to the State Convention:

You must be an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in the district.

You must have served as Club President, and as a member of the board of directors of a Lions club for no less than two additional years.

You must have served as Zone Chair, or as Cabinet Secretary or Treasurer.

You need to submit a Letter of Intent for the desired position and a Letter of Endorsement from your Lions Club, to the District Nominating Committee, at least 30 days before the convention.

At your District Meeting, during the State Convention, following the report by the District Nominating Committee: You are allowed a nomination speech by a fellow Lion, no more than five minutes in length. You are allowed a seconding speech by a fellow Lion, no more than three minutes in length. Nominations from the floor are not accepted, unless there is no other candidate who has fulfilled those re-

quirements.

Regarding Candidates for the Board of Directors for the LIONS FOUNDATION OF NORTH DAKOTA and LIONS SIGHT AND HEALTH BOARD. Although there are no requirements listed in the District Standard Operating Procedures, you must be a Lion in Good Standing to hold one of those positions. It is recommended that Lions considering one of those positions contact the District Nominating Committee prior to the State Convention, stating their intent, so the Nominating Committee can verify qualifications and recommend the candidate for election.

For these Lions organizations to operate effectively and efficiently, it is important that candidates be dedicated and committed to fulfill the requirements of their respective positions. It's not about the title, it's about the job. Please consider carefully what you are agreeing to.

Nominations for 5 NW should be submitted to the Nomination Committee Chairperson, Brach Johnson, brachmarian@bis.midco.net.

Nomination for 5 NE should be submitted to Keith Zeutschel, zeutsch@msn.com.

Club News

Dacotah Mandan



Lion Barb Braun, Charter Member and Lion Helen Baumgartner, Past Treasurer, received their Melvin Jones Fellowship Plaque and Pins on Monday, August 23, 2021. PCC Arlen Fetch presented this great honor to his fellow Lions. They are both active in service projects and leadership positions in the Dacotah Mandan Lions Club."



Bench presented to the ND Railroad Museum from the Dacotah Mandan Lions Club. The bench was created from plastic bags sent to the Trex Company. The Dacotah Mandan Lions are working with the Mandan Lions Club on this service project.