



2022 Lions Hall of Fame Recipient

Lion Duane Zwinger from the Fargo Gateway Lions Club will be inducted into the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame at the 2022 State Lions Convention on Saturday, October 22th. Lion Duane became a Lion in January, 1984 and was a member of the Gackle, Carrington and Gateway Lions Clubs during those years.

Duane was born and raised in the small town of Sykeston, ND where he spent his early years on a farm and graduated from Sykeston High School. He went on to Valley City State College, graduating with majors in mathematics and physical education and a minor in science. He spent his first 19 years as a teacher and coach at various schools in North Dakota. In 1980 he became a high school principal at Bisbee, ND. Duane completed his Master's Degree in Educational Administration at Northern State College in Aberdeen, SD and became a Superintendent in 1983. He became Superintendent at Gackle in the fall of 1984 and during his tenure there, Gackle and Streeter became a single school district. He retired from education in 1997.

During his years as a member of the three Lions Clubs, he has held many offices. He has been president of each club, tail twister, secretary, board member and treasurer. Lion Duane has



PCC Duane Zwinger

been very active in each of the Lions Clubs that he was a member. He has chaired and worked on many activities and projects including Peace Poster Contest, Feed My Starving Children, Sight 4 Kidz Screening, Lions All-Star Basketball games, Scholarships for Seniors and Al Larson Golf Tournament.

Lion Duane has been very active on the district level having served as zone chair for six years as well as District 5NE Awards and Contests Chair. He has also been the Leader Dogs for the Blind Chair for the past five years. He was also active as the

MD5 Lions Opportunity for Youth Chair.

Lion Duane's greatest accomplishment was being elected as the 5NE District Governor during the 2008-2009 Lions' year. Highlights of that year were to travel to Bangkok, Thailand for the International Convention and the charter of three new Lions clubs in the district. His election as the MD5 Council Chair for the 2009-2010 Lions' year was a continuation of his work in Lionism. During his time as Council Chair, MD5 redistricted from nine districts to six districts.

During his years as a Lion,

he has earned many awards. He is a Melvin Jones Fellow and Melvin Jones Progressive member. He has been awarded two International President Certificates of Appreciation and awarded three extension awards from LCI. He was also awarded the 100% President's award two times. Lion Duane has sponsored 15 new Lions.

Lion Duane has been and continues to be very active in the communities that he has lived. He has served on the Park Board, Hospital Foundation Board, Cemetery Board and helped Furniture Mission of the Red River Valley. He also is very active in the churches that he has attended having served on various parish councils as well as serving as a lector, usher and Eucharistic Minister for masses. The Knights of Columbus has been a big part of his life where he has been a member for 56 years. He is currently on the Knights of Columbus Foundation Board and has chaired the Foundation's Golf Tournament for the past 14 years.

Lion Duane has been married to Lion Mary Ann for 56 years. They are the proud parents of three daughters; Deanna (Kevin) Linstad, Debbie Bezanson and Kim (Kelly) Linster. They are also very proud of their four grandchildren; Elena Linster, Alex Linster, Ellen Bezanson and Olivia Bezanson.

Dakota Lions Sight & Health (DLSH)

Dakota Lions Sight & Health is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving our community through excellence in eye and tissue donation. We are a team of professionals who are dedicated to meeting our Mission, reaching for our Vision, and exemplifying our Values through our work. We are headquartered in Sioux Falls, SD and have remote offices in Rapid City, SD, Bismarck, ND, and Fargo, ND.

Foundational to the success of a nonprofit organization is a well-functioning Board of Directors. The fun-

damental duties of the Board are establishing the strategic initiatives and policies in support of the Mission and providing oversight to ensure the organization's resources are used appropriately. The Board serves a public interest in its oversight of the Organization's delivery of services and management of finances.

To learn more about the responsibilities, qualifications, and benefits of serving on our Board, please visit www.dakotasight.org/board

The bylaws of the organization dictate that at least 50% of the Board be made

up of Lions Club members in Good Standing in the Lions Districts of 5NW, 5NE, 5SW, and 5SE.

If you are interested in serving on the Board:

- You must be a member in good standing in a local Lions club in the districts of South Dakota or North Dakota (5NW, 5NE, 5SW, or 5SE)

- You must obtain the support of the Lions Club of which you are a member (typically a signed letter of support from the club president)

- Submit a letter of intent

to run to your respective District Governor and to the President of the DLSH Board of Directors at least 30 days prior to your respective state Lions convention.

At the state convention, an election will be held where candidates must receive a majority of votes to be elected to the Board. Be prepared to discuss your candidacy and your reasons for seeking election.

If you are elected at the state convention, your term will begin the following July to coincide with our fiscal year.

Celebrating the SPIRIT of Lionism

October 21-22 is fast approaching. We are busy planning and continuing to organize the convention. Our hope is that we gather to see lots of friends and meet new ones. Cabinet, LFND, and PDG meetings are on Friday with the ice breaker to begin at 6:30 pm.

The registration table will be by the motel desk on Friday from 3 to 6 pm. and Saturday from 7 am to noon. This is also where you will validate voting delegates. These forms have been sent to the club secretaries.

Convention registrations appear to be surpassing our goal of 200. The casino ho-

tel is full. There is a block of 10 rooms at the Fireside Inn and Suites in Devils Lake (701-662-6760) for 85.99 +taxes. This block will be available until October 10th.

If your club registered at the Watford City convention, please send those forms in with name and meal preference.

We look forward to seeing everyone in October.

For the Memorial service please email pictures with names to DG Jeanette Bean and send the names to your respective 1st VDG's.

WE SERVE
2022 State Lions Convention Committee

It's Peace Poster time

BY CARLA LEIN,
District 5NE Peace Poster Contest chair

One of the great things Lions International has for young people is the Lions Peace Poster Contest.

The contest is open to young people ages 11 through 13 (by Nov. 15). It's where these young people can create posters to express what the theme means to them. This year's theme is "Lead With Compassion," so youngsters would be able to express their visions of the theme through their artwork.

The young artists are encouraged to use bright colors, animals, faces, symbols, flags and other items for their

posters. No numbers, names or letters are allowed on the posters. Each poster size is to be no larger than 20x24 inches.

Lions clubs provide the kit for the school or youth group. They can be purchased through October 1. Clubs can order the kit at lionsclubs.org, then search for Peace Posters. Under Peace Posters, there is a link to order the kit.

Posters are judged at the club level first. The winners move on to district competition. The winners from the district move on to multiple-district competition, and the winners from the multiple-district move on to interna-

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On July 20, MD5 New Voices coordinator Crystal Dueker was invited to speak about the New Voices Initiative at the Grand Forks noon club. From L to R: Lion Crystal with Membership chair Barb Nordstog and Immediate Past President Connie Osowski.

Crystal Dueker visited the Wahpeton Headwaters Lions Club and talked about the New Voices Initiative and service opportunities. New Voices is an initiative that was launched in 2018 – 2019 by Lions International President Gudrun Yngvadottir of Iceland. It promotes female membership in Lions clubs worldwide and promotes membership of adults under the age of 35 and underrepresented populations. It promotes Service, Membership, Leadership, and Marketing. For more information contact Crystal at 701-388-9676. Joy Eichhorn, Club President (left) is pictured with Lion Crystal Dueker. We Serve!

Calling for New Voices

Hello North Dakota Lions!!

This is Lion Crystal Dueker, the MD5 New Voices coordinator from Fargo and I plan to visit with many of you at our convention at Spirit Lake. The fun and business of Lionism will be from October 21 and 22. In addition, the 2022-2023 New Voices

nominees will be announced by DG Scott Hildre and DG Jeanette Bean in recognition of their nominees' accomplishments in Service, Membership, Leadership or Marketing.

There is another reason I will be attending our state convention in October. This is the start of my 4th year

in this leadership position, which has been an honor in itself. The Council of Governors (with leadership from all 6 District Governors within South Dakota, North Dakota and Saskatchewan of MD5) have asked me to find a Lion who would be willing to dedicate some of their time to be my assistant for the rest of the

2022-2023 year. They should also be willing to take over the reins on July 1, 2023.

If you want to discuss this topic before our convention, please call me at 701-388-9676, email dbu2709399@aol.com or look for me at the convention so we can review the details of this rewarding position.

5NE Lions say goodbye to 2 Lion Leaders

The Braddock Lions lost their last charter member, Lion Andrew Schmidt who joined the club in March 1970 and passed away August 6, 2022. Lion Andy was a dedicated man who helped with service projects throughout his 52 years. He has been so admired by the townspeople that the Braddock Communi-

ty Center has been dedicated to him. It is a place where the Lions meet and create their projects and events. The Thrasher Day on September 10th will include a time to remember Lion Andy.

The Edgeley Lions lost one of their club leaders on August 17th. Past President Darlene Jackson-Hanson

has also served as club treasurer for 10 years. She was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. At the Summer Fest, on August 17th, a silent auction was underway as a benefit for her. The bidding stopped at 6:45pm, and according to witnesses, Darlene's heart stopped at 6:47pm.

Attention:

Spirit Lake Casino has no rooms available.

10 rooms have been reserved at the Fireside Inn and Suites for \$85.00 and will hold these rooms until October 10th. Please make your reservations as soon as you can.

All PDGs' who are attending the North Dakota State Convention please pack your white jackets for the banquet on Saturday evening.

Club News

North Star



PCC Brach Johnson presented the Melvin Jones plaque to Lion Beck Hruby during the August North Star Club meeting.

Hebron



Joe Wanner, left, president of the Hebron Lions Club, presented a check in the amount of \$2,870 to assist with the renovation of the park on Hebron's Main Street project to Joy Kitzan, treasurer of the Hebron Business Club. The funds will be used to install permanent light fixtures in the park. As additional funding becomes available, further landscaping will be completed and grass planted. The \$2,870 grant was provided through the Lions Foundation North Dakota Grant Program.

Rugby



Rugby Lions Club members pose with nearly 200 pairs of used eyeglasses collected in the Rugby community. The glasses were sorted and assembled by residents of the Haaland Home in Rugby.

With these donated glasses, someone, somewhere, will see better because of the gift of these glasses. Countless people around the world have vision problems and have not been able to lead a productive life, but with the glasses they will have a new lease on life. The Rugby Lions Club thanks all those who have donated glasses.

DINING IN THE DARK



 Eat your dinner blindfolded to experience a daily life event as if you have vision loss.
GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

Thursday, October 20th
The Sleep Inn, Minot
5:30 pm



Benefitting ND Association of the Blind and Minot Lions Club

Korner



Korner Lions cooked and served food for the Tri M Band picnic for students and parents. Pictured L to R: Dennis Grubb, Lion Jackie Grubb, future new member Sherri Kinsella, and Lions Sandy Hampton, Stevie Broe, Kathy Molland and Michael Kiriakon



The Korner Lions joined forces with the Williston Lions to grill and serve burgers and hotdogs for freshman students and their parents on orientation night. Pictured L to R: Lions Michael Kiriakon, Stuart Langager, Bill Thomas and Joseph Irvine



Korner Lions cooked and served brats and hotdogs for Trinity Health's community BBQ to celebrate their 100th anniversary. Pictured L to R: Lions Jackie Grubb (seated), Phyllis Stokke, Michael Kiriakon, Sandy Hampton, Suzanne Eiken, Stevie Broe, Jim Stokke and Lois Reiersen

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Bicyclists ZIP to Zeeland

BY CRYSTAL DUEKER
SNE Service chair

On the sunny morning of August 10th, there was excitement in Zeeland! Lions Vivian Schaffner, Millie Wald, and Paulette Foss were joined by volunteer Laura Lee. At the request of Vivian's nephew, these Lions greeted 47 bicyclists along a road near Zeeland; provid-

ing a table as a pit stop with sandwiches, cookies, and beverages for these hungry riders. These men and women ranged from ages 14 to 78 years-old.

Most cyclists used their sleeping bags for overnighting on the ground. Thanks to the Zeeland Lions for providing a place to rest, eat and some hospitality from your town.

tional competition.

Posters are judged on originality, artistic merit and the theme.

Clubs often provide monetary awards for first, second and third place. Small token awards, such as candy bars or Rice Krispies Treats, are usually given to everyone who participates.

The grand prize winner at the international level gets \$5,000 and a trip to the

United Nations. There are 23 merit awards where recipients get \$500 each.

You can either bring the club-winning poster to the state convention, where it will be voted on at the district meetings or you can mail them to Carla Lein, 5050 40th Avenue South, Apt. 237, Fargo, ND 58104 by Oct. 15.

Please contact Carla Lein at 701-781-0743 or Carla.lein@yahoo.com with questions.

5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Greetings, it's a great time to be a Lion! Our membership in 5NE is growing and we keep working on it every day. Don't forget that the only way someone can join Lions is by being asked by a Lion. Have you asked anyone to visit your club or to join this month? Don't forget you need to replace your self with at least one new lion this year. You are already in month number two.

August was a busy month. I am on the finance committee for our multiple district so we have been working on the budget and handling the expenses.

We had the Council of Governors meetings in Minnot on August 19th and 20th. This included all the 4 Past International Directors, immediate Past District Governors, District Governors from all six Districts, first and second Vice District governors from all six Districts and each give a report. We did a SWOT Analysis and talked about budgets, programs, policies,

training, youth camps, and conventions.

I attend a Lions zoom meeting once a week with IPDG Joe Sowokinos, District Sec. Grant Kahlbaugh, 1VDG Rick Stark and 2VDG Kirk Tingum. We cover all kinds of topics from club visitations, problems that may arise, club needs, conventions, travel, policies and procedures and anything else anyone has for the good of the order.



We attended Enderlin's Lions picnic and presented seven Melvin Jones Fellows. We had a good time.

My wife and I hosted The Fargo Gateway's summer picnic at our house and it was a lot of fun.

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We are still in need of a Zone Chairperson for Zone 6 which includes the Lions clubs of Edgeley, Ellendale, Jud, LaMoure and Oakes. We could really use a volunteer from one of these clubs. Please contact me if you can help out

September is starting to fill up. I have been invited to the Horace Lions meeting on the 8th, my own club starts meeting again on the 9th, Valley City Lions have a ham and beef dinner on the 20th, Ellendale has a steak fry on the 21st and I speak on the Montreal International Convention at my own club on the 23rd. I will be at one of



the Grand Forks Lions projects on the 26th and speak to the South Forks Lions on the 27th. I already have one invite for November 1st to the Streeter Lions Ladies night. Please keep inviting me to your meetings and or your projects, I would like to make it to each of the clubs in 5NE at least once this Lions' year.

I will be attending the USA/Canadian Forum in Calgary September 16-18 and I am registered for the South Dakota State Convention In Rapid City October 7-9 and the North Dakota State Convention October 21-22.

Remember Together WE Can because our communities need us and our motto is We Serve.

Club News

Ellendale



DG Scott Hildre inducted Keith Helget and Dawn Helget as new members of the Ellendale Lions Club. Also, at that same meeting, he swore in the new 2022-2023 officers. They are President Janet Reuter, Vice President Karen Hoffman, Secretary Dawn Helget, and Treasurer Don Flaherty.

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

2022 Lions Convention for Districts 5NW and 5NE



THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2022 DISTRICT LIONS MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION ON October 21st & 22nd, 2022. THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS.

ND STATE LIONS/ND DISTRICTS CONVENTION RULES 2022

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 Scott Hildre) 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 Tammie Richardson - 5489 133rd Ave NW - Williston, ND 58801 or liontammierichardson@gmail.com) and 5NE (Lion Grant Kahlbaugh - 3393 Primrose Ct. #108 - Grand Forks, ND 58201 or hatcollector@gmail.com) by October 9th.
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 Tammie Richardson - 5489 133rd Ave NW Williston, ND 58801 or liontammiericharson@gmail.com) andf 5NE (Lion Grant Kahlbaugh - 3393 Primrose Ct. #108 Grand Forks, ND 58201 or hatcollector@gmail.com) by October 9th.

This form is to be filled out and SIGNED BY YOUR SECRETARY or YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR and mailed or emailed to the District Cabinet Secretary by October 9th or dropped off at the registration desk at the State Convention on Friday, October 21st.

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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_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Emerado



Emerado held it's Corn Feed for the 8th year. The Emerado Arvilla Lions provided the sweet corn and husked, cooked and served it. Local farmers donate 120 ears of corn each year.

The day is filled with vendors, games for children, music, food booths and a car show. These events are sponsored by Emerado Community Endowment Fund and community businesses as well as the Lions Club.

Lions members and some community members assisted with the corn feed. The total hours worked for the week of preparation were 140 hours.



Lion Marian Kays presented a \$1500 check to Cordilayne Meyer, Emerado Food Bank.



Lion Larry Hagen presented a \$5000 check to Jake Lanes, Asst Chief Emerado Volunteer Fire Dept.

Club News

Horace



The Horace Lions and Horace Scouts served the annual Bean Day Pancake Breakfast in 2022. As a salute to the support from the Horace community, a free breakfast is provided each year. It is estimated that over 700 hungry souls were served on August 20. The Senior Center was full up to noon as patrons filled their stomachs and their soul by meeting up with friends.



Later that day, the Horace Lions participated in the parade. Lions Tom Kenville gave hundreds of children rides in the Lion Barrel Train before and after the parade. We wonder how many hundreds of miles that train has travelled.



Mayor Kory Peterson, a fellow Lion, along with Senator John Hoeven driving in the annual Bean Day parade.

Ellendale Lions Club



Wednesday, September 21st
5:00 to 7:00 pm at Ellendale Legion Hall

100z New York Strip Steak,
Baked Potato, Coleslaw and Dessert

\$20.00 per Person

Funds raised will help fund
Lions Club projects in Ellendale



5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Happy September!

The season of change is upon us, I personally love fall with the colors, cooler evenings, and a chance to get out to visit clubs! I have scheduled a few visits and am really excited to see as many clubs as my schedule will hold in a month. With our focus on the Global Membership Approach, we have asked Lion DG Crystal Dueker (MD5 New Voices Chair) to come over to District 5NW and to go out to a few communities to see if there is interest in developing clubs in the north part of the state. A HUGE thank you to Lion Crystal, Lion Scott R, Lion Lynn G, and Lion Terry

O, for going and visiting with the communities. So now our teams (DG, GAT, Zone Chairs) have some hard work to do to follow up with the contacts from the communities. Remember the motto of President Sheehan's (TOGETHER WE CAN)!. With this motto we can accomplish great things this Lion's year! Moving on to our North Dakota Lions Convention, which will be held on October 21-22 at the Spirit Lake Casino. If you have not already registered, please do

so as soon as possible to help the committee finalize their plans for a successful convention. Lion Butch Frank has emailed all the clubs with the Delegate Form that is needed for the convention. If you are attending and interested in acting as a delegate for your club please talk to the secretary of your club and have this form filled out and submitted. Remember there will be a Parade of Green, so if your club has donations to make please "show us the money". When your clubs are

meeting please take a step back and look at the needs of your community to see if they have changed. So many families are struggling because of the economy so talk to the leaders of your community, (city commissioners, mayors, business owners) to get an idea if there is a different direction your club needs to take for the sake of your community. As always my DG Team is here for your club and members so please do not hesitate to contact us! Remember to be heard, be seen, and make a difference!

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Our Lions Mission is still focused on Vision

BY SERVICE CHAIR CRYSTAL DUEKER

Fargo Gateway Lions Club

In April 2022, a young mother from Medina asked a local Lions member if her organization had any type of assistance available to help her young son with a severe eye problem. Lion Kristi Swenson of New Rockford and I were invited guests of the Medina Lions at the May meeting when it was discussed. The club agreed to designate funds for the purpose.

In June, under the guidance of PDG Rick Swenson of New Rockford, the Waylon Roder Fund was created for preserving the sight of this 18-month boy. On July 7th, it was a gratifying feeling to have funds approved and then hand a \$500 check from The Fargo Gateway Lions at the same meeting



Front row L to R: guest Jayden Hauff, Tres. Bruce Rau, Lion Brenda Guthmiller, Sec. Kari Knecht, Lion Tony Knecht. Back row L to R: Lion Gerald Horner, 5NE Service Chair Crystal Dueker, Waylon Roder, VP Arlyn Schmitt, Kaitlyn Roder, President Clyde Reister

where Kaitlyn, the mother, had been asked to be the guest. She expressed gratitude in knowing help for her son was on the way.

We all can understand that with MRI scans and other required medical needs; those trips to Jamestown and Fargo would require the mother driving for long

hours plus a few overnight stays for early morning tests might have been a financial burden as she sought out answers to care for her child's sight. In addition to those extra medical costs, Waylon will also need expensive special glasses for his incurable dilemma.

WHERE THERE IS A

NEED, THERE IS A LION: On September 10th, The Medina Lions are hosting their Fall Festival with a silent auction; all funds will go toward Waylon's eye care.

Please make donations to: The Waylon Roder Fund c/o Treas. Bruce Rau 5772 40th St. SE Medina, ND 58467

2021 District 5NW Meeting Minutes

Rough Rider Center, Watford City, ND
Saturday, October 23, 2021 – 8:45 –
10:00 AM

Call to Order and Welcome – DG Scott Ressler called the meeting to order at 8:45 AM.

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

Approval of October 24, 2020 5NW District Meeting Minutes – Lion Lois Reiersen printed the October 24, 2020 minutes in the ND Lion. The motion was made by PDG Judy Beaudry and seconded by PDG Jan Froeming to approve the October 24, 2020 minutes as printed in the October edition of the ND Lion. Motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report – Lion Lynn Helms' report was submitted to the Cabinet Team. The balance of the CD is \$6,594.02 as of 10/15/21. The balance in the checking account is \$23,254.31 as of 10/11/21. 2nd VDG Lynn Grabow moved and 1st VDG Jeanette Bean seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion was made by 1st VDG Jeanette Bean and seconded by PDG Mark Koller to make ID Justin Faber part of District 5NW for 1 day. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Proposed Dues Increase – DG Scott Ressler discussed the proposed dues increase. Currently dues are at \$7 per year for 5NW. The Cabinet team's recommendation is to increase dues to \$10 which would be \$5 for every 6-month billing. CC Kevin Bean moved and Lion Bryan Gordon seconded to increase District 5NW dues to \$10 per year. Discussion followed with the question if the dues increase is needed. DG Scott explained that the district has \$6200 in CDs in case of shortfall. The dues increase will match up with MD5 dues. If the dues increase isn't approved, the district will need some other funds to balance the budget. The cabinet team thought it would be easier to do a one-time increase rather than increase \$1 per year for a few years. The shortfall in the absence of a dues increase would be about \$2000. The budget includes funding for new club development with a line item of \$1500 to get some new clubs started. The district should have at least one-half of the annual budget in reserves. The annual budget is approximately \$13,000 so we don't quite have one-half of our annual budget. A comment was made about the difficulty of increasing dues when clubs are having trouble getting new members. DG Scott stated that the \$10 district dues are charged to your club and clubs don't have to pass it along to their members. The increase is for district expenses.

Cabinet members do not receive stipend to attend cabinet meetings. Currently dues are \$7 for district and \$10 for MD5 dues. Budgets are based on membership so we need to increase our membership to help with funding. Just Ask One is important. Motion carried.

Spring Rally Announcement – 1st DG Jeanette Bean reported the Spring Rally will be held in Wilton on April 2, 2022. She encouraged Lions to bring a friend to be inducted at the Spring Rally. Lion Lynn Helms will be the speaker. The fee for the Spring Rally is included in club dues.

2023 State Convention Site – Lion Josh Ressler asked for the nomination for the 2023 State Lions Convention to be held in Minot on Oct 20 – 21. The convention would be held at the Grand Intl Hotel with a game show theme. They are planning Family Feud and five members are needed from the same club to play so start planning now to attend. He commended Watford City for a great convention. PDG Judy Beaudry moved and PDG Gary Frier seconded to approve Minot's request to host the 2023 State Lions Convention. Motion carried.

District 5NW LCIF Report – PDG Mark Koller is excited to kick off the LCIF raffle. Scheels raffle ticket sales start November 1st. They will be sending two tickets per member to each club. An email will be sent out next week with the details. The drawing will be held on Jan 15, 2022. There are \$8000 worth of prizes and prizes will be converted to a gift card. They are requesting winners spend their gift card in the Bismarck Scheels store. 100% of the proceeds go to LCIF and clubs will receive the LCIF credit for the net proceeds of the ticket sales.

Model clubs – LCIF is adding three more years to meet the commitment to be a model club. If clubs want to find out more information about a model club, they should contact Mark Koller.

\$89,000 was raised last year. District 5NW contributes more to LCIF than 5NE and more than all of SD and Saskatchewan so that is a compliment to the clubs in District 5NW. LCIF has no administrative costs. Mark is one of the three presenters at a LCIF Campaign 100 breakout session today.

District Impact Grant – DG Scott explained that 15% of the dollars the district sends in to LCI is available to come back to the district in the form of grants. 1st VDG Jeanette Bean, 2nd VDG Lynn Grabow and Lion Karen DaSilva are the committee that has been formed to review and approve grant requests for the district. \$2000 was approved to help the Halliday Lions purchase a freezer for their Lions food bank. \$15,000 is available and they

are looking to find ways to use it across the whole district.

District GLT Report – 1st VDG Jeanette Bean reported that she conducted zone chair training so they could help their clubs do a SWOT analysis to help them energize and revitalize. The next training will be Guiding Lion training. Call 1st DGE Jeanette if you want to want to renew or become a new Guiding Lion.

District GMT Report – CC Kevin Bean reported he is traveling to the SD State Lions Convention and encouraged Lions to attend other conventions if possible. Membership in the district is down to 1113 with a goal to be at 1250 members. He encouraged each member to bring in one new member. He thanked PDG Judy Beaudry for traveling to Powers Lake to get the club chartered there. A Lions club can make a big impact in our communities. They will be working on chartering a Library Community Club and Tioga and Garrison are also possible communities being considered for new clubs. We need the membership numbers to support an International Director from our district.

District GST Report – Lion Karen DaSilva reported Lions know how to do service but don't advertise what we do. Clubs should strive for five service projects. Advertising in the local paper and telling people what you do can help Lions grow. Clubs do many hours of service but it is important to make sure the service is reported on LCI. Clubs should all go back and ask their club secretary if their service is being reported on LCI. For questions with reporting, clubs can contact Karen.

Gateway to Science project – DG Scott reported on a project that has been discussed by the District 5NW Cabinet Team. Gateway to Science is located on the north side of the BSC campus and they have approximately 60,000 visitors annually. They do a great job with interactive exhibits which are all hands on exhibits. 5NW is planning to add an exhibit on site that would be vision related which would have the Lions logo on the exhibit. This would be a great marketing opportunity for Lions. Gateway to Science also has a mobile display that takes a mobile unit out to communities. They have visited 49 communities. The idea is to have local Lions assist when the mobile unit comes out to the communities. It requires \$50,000 to be raised over a 5-year period. With changes in technology, the exhibits are updated after fifteen years so the 5NW exhibit would remain for fifteen years. Clubs will be asked to give \$100 per year for five years and an LCI grant will be explored. In January, the Gateway to Science has a

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Watford City



Watford City Lion Liz Langerud assisted with the vision screening conducted at the elementary schools for kindergarten and second grade students. 253 students were screened. Also assisting with the screening but not pictured: Pam Suelzle and Stef Russell.

Napoleon



The Napoleon Lions Club participated in the back to school supply drive. Napoleon Lions Secretary Lorraine Piatz holds some of the items the club donated to the drive.

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Family Day and the plan is to have about 10 lions available to help that day. PDG Sherry Fetch moved and PDG Judy Beaudry seconded the motion to move forward with the Gateway to Science Project and request \$100 per year per club for five years to help fund the project and get clubs involved. Motion carried.

1st and 2nd place Peace Poster Winners – PDG Sherry Fetch reported the first-place winner is Malaya Charger, sponsored by the Dakota Mandan Lions Club. The second-place winner is Haley Eggeberg sponsored by the Hazen Lions Club. The third-place winner is Layla Armstead, sponsored by the Williston Lions Club.

District Nominating Committee Report –Lion Josh Ressler reported for the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee received one letter of intent and letter of support for the DG Elect position and one letter of intent and letter of support for the 1st VDG Elect position. One letter of intent and one letter of support was received for 2nd VDG Elect position. All criteria was met for each of the candidates that submitted their intent. Based on the District Constitution and Bylaws no nominations will be accepted from the floor since there is at least one qualified candidate for each position. Chosen for nomination by the succession committee are:

DG Elect – Jeanette Bean
1st VDG Elect – Lynn Grabow
2nd VDG Elect – Lynn Helms
LFND – nominations will be accepted

from the floor

DLSH – nominations will be accepted from the floor

DG Scott Ressler to call for nominations for 5NW District Governor Elect –

DG Scott called for nominating and seconding speeches for District Governor Elect. Lion Karen DaSilva moved to nominate 1st VDG Jeanette Bean. The motion was seconded by PDG Judy Beaudry. Motion carried.

DG Scott Ressler to call for nominations for 5NW 1st Vice District Governor Elect –

DG Scott called for nominating and seconding speeches for 1st Vice District Governor Elect. PDG Mark Koller moved to nominate 2nd VDG Lynn Grabow with his nomination speech. The motion was seconded by Lion Roger Gjellsted. Motion carried.

DG Scott Ressler to call for nominations for 5NW 2nd Vice District Governor Elect –

DG Scott called for nominating and seconding speeches for 2nd Vice District Governor Elect candidate. CC Kevin Bean moved to nominate Lion Lynn Helms with his nomination speech. The motion was seconded by Lion Shirley Schafer. Motion carried.

DG Scott Ressler to call for nominations for the Dakota Lions Sight and Health Board – DG Scott called for nominations for the DLSH Board. Lion Jed Geer moved to nominate PDG Mike Blazek to continue another 3-year term on the DLSH board. Motion seconded

by 1st VDG Jeanette Bean. By a show of hands PDG Mike Blazek was elected to the DLSH Board.

DG Scott Ressler to call for nominations for the Lions Foundation of ND Board –

DG Scott Ressler called for nominations for the LFND Board. 2nd VDG Lynn Grabow nominated PDG Gary Morel to serve another 3-year term on the LFND Board. PDG Lewellyn Rustan seconded the motion. DG Scott Ressler called three times for nominations from the floor. By a show of hands PDG Gary Morel was elected to the LFND Board. Lion Tammie Richardson nominated CC Kevin Bean for the second open position on the LFND Board. The motion was seconded by Lion Lois Reiersen. Motion carried. DG Scott Ressler called 3 times for other nominations from the floor. By a show of hands CC Kevin Bean was elected to the LFND Board.

1st VDG Jeanette Bean moved and PDG Sherry Fetch seconded the motion to donate the tail twister funds

to the Watford City Lions Club. Motion carried.

DG Scott presented a plaque to CC Kevin Bean in appreciation for all the work he has done during COVID, being a champion for new clubs and his outstanding leadership in 5NW.

Meeting declared adjourned at 10:00 AM

Respectfully Submitted
Lion Lois Reiersen
5NW Cabinet Secretary



LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST FOR 2022- 2023



Hello Lions Clubs of District 5NW,

This year's Peace Poster Contest Theme is **"Lead with Compassion"**. Children know how powerful compassion can be. They are often able to express this feeling more openly than adults. It will be awesome to see how young people explore and visually express the peaceful future that compassionate leadership brings!!

Please, if at all possible, provide the poster board for the students. **If the poster board is not the appropriate size, the entry will be disqualified.**

The size of the poster board must be:

Smallest size: 13" X 20"

Largest Size: 20"X 24"

The Peace Poster can be any size between these two measurements.

Your Club's winning poster must have the sticker that is in the kit filled out and placed on the back of the lower right hand corner of the poster.

Each winning Lions Club poster will be judged at the State Convention. It is extremely important for the ***Club winning posters to be delivered to me by October 15th*** so that I can make sure that they are the correct size and meet the other requirements.

The first and second place winner for the District will be placed in the MD5 PEACE POSTER CALENDER again this year. District 5NW would recommend that each club purchase at least one MD5 PEACE POSTER CALENDER for \$10.00 each.

The first place winner will go on to the MD5 Council of Governors and if selected there will go to the International Peace Poster Competition. The grand prize includes \$5,000 plus travel to the awards ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations.

Please Contact PDG Sherry Fetch with any questions at 701-426-3432 or Joyfullion2@gmail.com

Mail Posters to:

PDG Sherry Fetch
406 4th Ave NW
Mandan, ND 58554

2021 ND State Lions Meeting Minutes

Rough Rider Center – Watford City ND
Saturday, October 23, 2021
2:45 – 4:30 PM

Call to Order: DG Scott Ressler called the meeting to order at 2:45 PM.

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

Welcome Guests and Greetings from District Governors – DG Scott Ressler and DG Joe Sowokinos greeted all in attendance.

Approval of October 24, 2020 ND State Lions Meeting Minutes – Motion by CC Kevin Bean and seconded by Lion Deb Patterson to approve the minutes from the October 24, 2020 ND State Lions Meeting. Motion carried.

Approval of the Agenda – Motion by Lion Ken Hanson and seconded by PDG Gary Frier to approve the agenda as presented.

Reports –

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. A registration special is available for \$65 if completed today.

2023 State Convention – DG Scott Ressler reported the 2023 State Convention will be held in Minot with the Magic City Lions taking the lead. TV games, as the ice breaker, are planned and he encouraged clubs to attend.

2024 State Convention – DG Joe Sowokinos reported the 2024 State Convention will be held in Fargo. Lion Paula Western is taking the lead.

Report on Election results

5NW Election results – DG Scott Ressler reported Jeanette Bean was elected to the DG Elect position, Lynn Grabow was elected to the 1st VDG Elect position and Lynn Helms was elected to the 2nd VDG Elect position.

5NE Election results – DG Joe Sowokinos reported Scott Hildre was elected to the DG Elect position and Rick Stark was elected to the 1st VDG Elect position. Kirk Tingum from the South Forks Lions Club was elected to the 2nd VDG Elect position.

Dakota Lions Sight and Health election results

5NW Election results – DG Scott Ressler reported PDG Mike Blazek was re-elected to the Dakota Lions Sight and Health Board.

5NE Election results – DG Joe Sowokinos reported PDG Mel Olson was re-elected to the Dakota Lions Sight and Health Board.

Lions Foundation of ND election results

5NW Election results – DG Scott Ressler reported PDG Gary Morel was re-elected and CC Kevin Bean was elected to the LFND Board.

5NE Election results – DG Joe Sowokinos reported Kristi Swenson, Janice Sowokinos and Steve Johnson were elected to the LFND Board.

Dakota Lions Sight and Health Report – PDG Mel Olson reported DLSH is doing well as they have had their best year ever. They paid off the building in Sioux Falls, SD eleven years early. They recently started harvesting birthing tissue. They are working with twenty-six hospitals in ND with Sanford now being their largest contributor. The merger helped create the best ocular and body tissue facility in the nation. Marcy Dimond continues to be the DLSH CEO.

Lions Foundation of North Dakota (LFND) – Lion Kirk Tingum, LFND President, explained that the Parade of Green donations will be received during and following the state meeting. The LFND Treasurer will receive the checks and a total will be in the ND Lion.

A LFND brochure was developed that explains what the LFND is and the grant process. There are thousands of dollars not being utilized. The LFND encourages every club to apply for the vision and general grants.

The LFND also has a pass-through grant program available. This is available for tax exemption purposes. If it is a qualifying club project, the individual can write the check to the LFND and it will be passed back to the club. It is a quick review process for pass through grants. Many clubs have utilized the vision grants for the ND Vision Services/School for the Blind Little Rooms fundraiser. Clubs can apply for up to \$500 yearly reimbursement for vision related expenditures.

The LFND grant program requires that it must be a Lions project to qualify for funding. The LFND has over \$500,000 in assets and several thousand dollars were left on the table due to the lack of applications.

LFND has several funds with balances as follows:

\$41,152.82 - Permanent Funds

\$64,027.79 - Vision grant funds

\$10,072.41 - Newspaper

\$3024.28 – Administrative

\$14,697.42 - Grant checking (25% of the grant account is available for grants this quarter)

\$150,366.04 – Permanent Investment

\$232,170.80 - Eye Bank Investment Acct.

The LFND has three programs under their umbrella that have an impact on our Lions' mission. Those programs are as follows:

Sight 4 Kidz - 107,064 kids screened since the program started resulting in 14,116 referrals - \$9159.37 account bal-

ance

Eye Glass Recycling Program has 2 Lensometers and 2 mobile lensometers – \$2356.60 account balance

Video Magnifier Program – 138 video magnifiers with 14, on hand, available for placement. The program has purchased Sera See machines that weigh 6 lbs. When a paper is placed in it, it reads to the user. There are 5 of these machines available for placement. There is a monthly fee of \$20 for the Sera See. \$54,559.50 account balance

LFND can be contacted by emailing the Executive Director. The LFND Board wants clubs to utilize the grant programs. It is important to replenish the funds as they are expended. Recognizing a Lions member with a \$300 life time membership is an option for clubs to consider. Some clubs make their contribution on Giving Hearts Day to double their donation.

Peace Poster Winners – We are all connected is the Peace Poster Contest theme this year.

5NW – PDG Sherry Fetch reported the first-place winner was Malaya Charger, sponsored by the Dakotah Mandan Lions Club. The second-place winner was Haley Egeberg, sponsored by the Hazen Lions Club. The third-place winner was Layla Armstead, sponsored by the Williston Lions Club.

5NE- Lion Carla Lein reported the first-place winner was Hailey Miranda, sponsored by the Gateway Lions Club. The second-place winner was Sophie Derenne, sponsored by the South Forks Lions Club. The third-place winner was Taylor McGaubran, sponsored by the Red River Lions Club.

Old Business – None

New Business

Gateway to Science – DG Scott reported about a project that has been discussed by District 5NW Lions. Gateway to Science is located on the north side of BSC campus and they have approximately 60,000 visitors annually. They do a great job with interactive exhibits which are all hands on exhibits. 5NW is planning to add an exhibit on site that would be vision related. A partnership with 5NE has been proposed. Gateway to Science also has a mobile display that takes a mobile unit out to communities. The idea is to have local Lions assist when the mobile unit comes out to the communities. It requires \$50,000 to be raised over a 5-year period. The exhibit would remain as an exhibit for 15 years. With changes in technology, the exhibits are updated after 15 years. Clubs will be asked to give \$100 per year for 5 years and an LCI grant will be explored.

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The Heritage Center and vision programs were joint projects between 5NW and 5NE. In January, the Gateway to Science has a Family Day and the plan is to have about 10 lions available to help that day. They will also collect used glasses at this event. If 5NE agrees to joint in the project, it is possible the Lions could have a 2nd exhibit.

Eye Glasses – It was noted in response to a question from the membership that used eye glasses can be dropped off at Bergstrom's on University Drive in Fargo. It was also noted that Mandan is still taking hearing aids.

DG Scott suggested a way to recruit new members is to talk to them about why you became a Lion and keep it simple and focused on the club level. Lions are local people getting together to help others, isn't that something you would like to do?

Recognition and Awards –

Crystal Deuker – MD5 New Voices Coordinator recognized Lions in the areas of service, membership, leadership, and marketing.

5NW Membership - Bethany Letch from Powers Lake Lions Club – Bethany was instrumental in recruiting members in Powers Lake for the Powers Lake Club charter and held informational meetings. A pin will be presented to her at a later date.

5NW Leadership – Lion Kelly Peterson from the Watford City Lions Club – Kelly has been a leader in the Watford City Club. He brought in several new members by going to business owners. He displayed leadership as the chairman of the 2021 State Convention.

5NE Membership - Sharon Paintner with the Carrington Lions Club – Sharon brought in 4 new members to their club.

5NE Leadership – Lynette Vollmer – Lynette had been a member for just 6 months but took on the secretary role and chaired many committees.

5NE Service – Mark Arndt with the Emerado/Arvilla Lions Club – Mark was involved in screening, ditch cleaning and Service Dog Day.

5NE Marketing – Mike Little – Mike joined Lions in 2019 and was instrumental in creating a website.

PDG Lewellyn presented LFND club patches. The following were presented:

14 bronze club patches - \$100 – \$299 donation

2 silver club patches – \$300 - \$499 donation

5 gold club patches – \$500 – \$999 donation

0 Diamond – \$1000 or more donation

100% club – donation of \$10 per member – 1 club

9 clubs sponsored life members - \$300
DG Scott will send out the report to

clubs about LCI funds available to members and clubs.

PCC Kevin Bean was unable to present International Certificates of Appreciation last year so presented DG Scott Ressler and Lion Lois Reiersen with International Certificates of Appreciation for their involvement and leadership.

Resolutions – 5NW VDGE Jeanette Bean and 5NE VDGE Scott Hildre presented the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION #1: THAT THE WATFORD CITY LIONS CLUB BE RECOGNIZED AS OUTSTANDING HOSTS OF THE 2021 NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIONS' CONVENTION.

Whereas: The Watford City Lions Club along with the entire Zone 1 clubs of District 5NW, Alexander, Arnegard, Noonan, Wildrose, Williston, and Williston Korner generously volunteered to host the 2021 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 to create a worthwhile and memorable event; and,

Whereas: Lion Kelly Peterson served admirably as chairperson of the local host committee; and,

Whereas: Members of the local host Watford City Lions Club deserve recognition for their

efforts, Kelly Peterson, Stef Russel, Dennis Keller Sue Keller, Jan Dodge, Elizabeth Langerud, Hannah Langerud, Stacey Arndt, Pam Suelzle, Mary Gumke, Jim Larsen, Doug Voll, Robert Johnson, and Lois Reiersen. The 2021 ND State Lions Convention was destined to be an outstanding event that would long be remembered even under the continued threat of the COVID-19 pandemic these Lions made it possible for the Lions of North Dakota to gather safely in Watford City for the convention; and,

Whereas: In the spirit of true Lionism, the local host committee met these challenges of COVID-19 and enabled 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 Watford City Lions Club and local host committee chair Lion Kelly Peterson 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 Watford City community for their invitation to host the 2021 Convention.

RESOLUTION #2: THAT THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA STRIVE TO REPRESENT THE HIGHEST IDEALS OF LIONISM AND EMBRACE THE GLOBAL

MEMBERSHIP APPROACH.

Whereas: Lions are called upon to Build a Team of visionaries in each of our Lions clubs; and,

Whereas: Lions are called upon to Build a Vision of the future of Service and Membership in their local communities; and

Whereas: Lions are called upon to create realistic plans to act upon and realize the Vision for continue service for generations to come; and

Whereas: The Lions are called upon to provide Fun and Fellowship and a welcoming environment for ideas brought forth from their community, their partners and their members; and therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA strive to build upon our long history of service by engaging a diverse community of Lions for our future.

RESOLUTION #3: THAT APPRECIATION BE EXTENDED TO INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR JUSTIN FABER FOR BEING AT THE 2021 NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIONS CONVENTION

Whereas: International Director Justin Faber, from Deckerville, Michigan, was invited to be our guest speaker at the 2021 North Dakota State Lions Convention; and,

Whereas: Mr. Faber has a distinguished record of service since becoming a Lion in 2001.

and,

Whereas: Director Faber serves our association with distinction of our Board of Directors including the Leadership Development Committee; and

Whereas: Director Faber joined the Michigan Army National Guard and served as a Military Policeman for eight years. After the attacks on the United States on 9/11 he was deployed to the Pentagon. He has been honored with several awards and commendations that include the 210th MP Battalion Soldier of the Year.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA that International Director Justin Faber be commended for his service to Lions Clubs International and for sharing his message with us in North Dakota.

District Governor Scott Ressler and District Governor Joe Sowokinos, - These resolutions are presented for consideration and approval by the Lions of ND.

DGE Jeanette Bean moved and DGE Scott Hildre seconded to approve the resolutions as presented. Motion carried.

DG Scott Ressler reported that a total of \$37,065 was collected in the Parade of Green

Closing Ceremony was held and meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Lois Reiersen, 5NW Cabinet Secretary



Everyone that was present at the first annual summer/membership picnic of the Gateway Lions Club.

Gateway Lions Club Picnic

The Fargo Gateway Lions Club held their first annual summer membership picnic on August 25th. The event was held in the backyard of DG Scott and Lion Miriam Hildre.

It was a fun time with 29 members and guests present. We had a very special guest at the picnic. The guest was Reyna Burgstrom, last year's Miss North Dakota.

Thank you to DG Scott and Miriam Hildre for providing the great venue for our first annual summer picnic. The picnic was a great way to kick-off the 2022-2023 Gateway Lions year.



A few participants of the Gateway Lions Club picnic in good conversation before they got to eat some of the delicious food.