



Area Club News

Harvey



The Harvey Lions Club celebrated their 40th Anniversary as a community service organization. The members and their guests reflected on the projects and donations made over the life of the club. Special recognition was given to the family of Monroe Raugust, who was instrumental in starting the club. Recent projects of Harvey Lions Club include the outdoor exercise equipment in the coulee, the softball field dugouts, fundraisers for the Senior Citizens Center and the Harvey Park Board swimming pool project.

Enderlin



Lions Charlie and Olivia Russell (the famous father and daughter Lions duo) gave up part of their Christmas Eve morning and delivered Meals on Wheels to Enderlin's stay-at-homes. 14 meals were prepared by the TraXside Cafe and were paid for by the Enderlin Lions. The Russell Lions supplied the wheels and the legs. They are also veterans of weekly meals on wheels delivery. With Christmas being special, the Lions Club provided their special and best deliverers.

Carrington



At the December meeting of the Carrington Lions, Lions Dan Wick and Joyce Wick were both presented with the Melvin Jones Fellowship. DGE Paula Swanson present the plaques.

Lake Metigoshe



The Lake Metigoshe Lions have been long time supporters of the Cheerbox drive and delivery of these Cheerboxes to Bottineau County recipients. Pictured are Lake Metigoshe Lions who attended their Christmas party who once again blessed the project with another generous donation. Thank you, members. Merry Christmas!

North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame

A new year means the North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame seeks North Dakota Lion clubs to nominate that special Lion for this award. The application is printed elsewhere in this paper.

Applications must be sent to

PDG Lion Tim Thueson by March 31, 2025.

For further information please contact PDG Tim at 701-391-2704 or tthueson@bis.midco.net.

Lions Foundation of North Dakota, Inc. Recent donations

Memorial honoring life and service of PDG Sletmoe from PDG and Lion Sorenson

Red River Lions Club \$300

Thank you to Lions Clubs and to individual Lions for your generous contributions.

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5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

A Firm Foundation

Have you seen the dog bowl?

No, I didn't know he knew how.

Sometimes we need to look at things in a different manner. What comes to mind when I mention the title of this article, "A Firm Foundation". Probably we think of the foundation or solid base of a building. Just as "bowl" can have two meanings, so can the word "foundation"? A foundation also means "an organization for the support of another organization or cause". There are two of this type of foundation that benefit our ND Lions Clubs, the Lions Foundation of North Dakota and LCIF. Both of these organizations offer financial support that is available to our Lions clubs. Unfortunately our clubs under utilize these Foundations and do not support them as we should.

LCIF or Lions Clubs International Foundation allows our clubs to reach those in need worldwide and within our district. It is important that we support this Foundation on a regular basis. In fact, in addition to our clubs, each individual Lion should be supporting LCIF with an individual gift each year. Now that the second half international dues are coming due it is a great time for each of you to make an individual gift in your own name to LCIF. You can do this easily by giving a check to your club treasurer and asking that the funds be sent to LCIF in your name. It can be for as small as \$5. I ask you to make it a goal for 100% of the members in your Lions club to make an individual donation to LCIF before June 30. Because we pay dues, 100% of each donation you make goes directly for a charitable purpose. If you are interested in

learning about Community Impact Grants that might be available to your club, you can contact me or our LCIF Coordinator, PDG Rick Swenson.

The other Foundation that I referred to is the Lions Foundation of North Dakota which will celebrate its 25th anniversary in 2025. That is a Foundation that benefits ND Lions Club projects through several types of grants.

Vision Grants reimburse Lions Clubs for funds expended for vision related projects. The reimbursement is limited to 50% of the funds expended up to \$1,500 in a 12 month period. I recently visited a club that has spent thousands of dollars on eye exams and eyeglasses for persons in need. They were not aware that the club could have been reimbursed for much of the money the club had spent for that project.

Traditional Grants can be used for "Lions Projects" that benefit North Dakota communities and are conducted by ND Lions Clubs. The Foundation Board considers various factors in awarding these grants. Among the factors considered are: a) Whether the project has a history involvement by Lions Club members. That is whether the Lions members directly contribute their time and effort beyond fund raising. This is not a fund for reimbursement of cash donations made by a club. b) Whether Lions members are involved in planning or operation of the project. c) Do the Lions members participate in the project on behalf of their club and not individually. d) If the project has a name, does it include the word "Lions". e) Does

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the community recognize it as a Lions project. f) Does the name of the Lions Club or the Lions logo appear on any related signage. g) is the project for a charitable purpose. This is just a portion of the considerations taken into account for this type of grant. The full listing is posted on the Lions Foundation of North Dakota Website or by contacting me or a member of the Lions Foundation of North Dakota Board of Directors. Not all factors need to be present.

Another available grant is the Pass-Through Grant. This type of grant allows you to apply for grants from third parties who require that the awarded funds be to a tax exempt 501c3 organization. The grant comes to the Lions Foundation of North Dakota and passes through to your club. One club in 5NE has collected over \$16,000 in grants through this program.

Those on the Lions Foun-

ation of North Dakota Board are very willing to help you with the requirements for applying for any of the above grants.

Please provide support our ND Foundation as well. The gifts, just like gifts to LCIF, are tax deductible. Also, please consider a gift to Lions Foundation of ND through your will. Even a small percentage of an estate can result in a substantial gift that will help others for years in the future. Ask your attorney about how easy making such a gift can be and what an impact it can have.

This is just a small taste of what these foundations do. Access their websites. Reach out to them. Get the full story. Find out how you can help them and how they can help your club.

SAVE THE DATE

Celebrating Service Women in Lions

MARCH

SATURDAY 8 11:30 - 2:30

2025

903 N. GRIFFIN STREET
BISMARCK, ND

5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

To all Lions of 5NW,
I hope all Lions, their families, and their friends had Happy Holidays!

I had the pleasure of attending several club celebrations and seeing the optimism and excitement that comes from them gathering for fun, fellowship, and service.

Now that 2025 has begun it's the perfect time for a New Year's resolution to ask family members and friends if they want to be members of the largest service organization on earth. Make Your Mark by inviting someone to join you in a service or fund raising project this year.

I hope many of you are planning to attend the 2025 convention in Bismarck October 24&25, 2025 at the Radisson Hotel. The registration form is now available on our 5NW website and more information will follow as it becomes available..

Your First Vice District Governor, Second Vice Dis-

trict Governor, and I have been working on job descriptions and guidance for the volunteer positions that will make our district successful for years to come. The guidance doesn't just provide a list of duties and responsibilities, it provides a monthly guide that lists the one or two tasks that need to be completed that month. This should help us recruit new leaders and work together as a team to Make Our Mark.

We also have been turning the information you provided at the District Strategic Planning Session into a District 5NW Strategic Plan with SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Timely) goals and action plans.

I am very pleased to report that the two new grant applications for Dining In The Dark and International

Women's Day have been approved by LCI.

Our efforts to start new clubs in Mohall and Garrison continue to make progress. Several meetings in Mohall have resulted in a great community needs assessment and several membership applications and the work in Garrison will restart now that their Dickens Festival, which should offer many opportunities for Lions to serve, is over. If you know anyone in or near those communities that would be a good Lion please text or email their contact information to me or another member of our Global Extension Team.

I hope you regularly log onto our District 5 NW website. New information gets posted several times each week. Please share information and ideas for information that would be useful to

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you and your club. Several clubs have provided information and now have a page on the website to communicate service, fundraiser, and leadership ideas. Every club page also contains links to their Facebook or Webpage if they have one. We hope every club will take advantage of this marketing and communication tool.

<https://www.lionsdistrict5nw.com>

Please continue to "Make Your Mark" this year by wearing your badge and handing out cards every "We Serve Wednesday" this Lions year.

WeServe!
5NW DG Lion Lynn Helms, PhD

Club News

Oakes



The Oakes Lions Club was busy Dec 6-7. They had their Lions Meat Raffle with great success. You can win meat on the first Friday of each month during the winter months. On December 7, they had the 4th Annual Geoff Rath Memorial Lions Pheasant Hunt. We had 17 teams with 89 total hunters. This year 72 pheasants were harvested. A banded pheasant rooster was released on each parcel of land that was hunted. Pictured are the 2024 champions Mason Kaulitz, Stetsen Stearns, Steele Hanson, Ashton Hokana, and Brandon Roney.

Minot



In December, our Minot Lions spent the day ringing bells for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign!

Club News

Dacotah Mandan



Dacotah Mandan Lions are Santa's Helpers in Solen, ND. PDG Sherry Fetch and Lion Steve Moore assist Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Christmas Celebration in Solen, ND. The Dacotah Mandan Lions Club provided over seventy presents for the children of the community. The Bismarck Baptist and Heritage Churches provided the meal and other gifts. Lions present but not shown: Lions Gary Heaton, Ewell Madry, LeAnn Eckroth, PDG Jan Froemming and PCC Arlen Fetch.

Korner



New Korner Lion Andrea Placher greets customers at TSC with some Christmas songs as she rings bells for the Salvation Army Kettle Campaign. Korner Lions rang bells for 10 hours.

Gateway



The Fargo Gateway Lions volunteer at the Emergency Food Pantry for a week each year. In addition to volunteering, we purchase gifts for parents who can't afford them. Shown here are Lions Byron and Darrell in front of over 100 wrapped gifts for kids.

You're Invited

Edgeley 100th Anniversary
North Dakota Lions, You are invited to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Edgeley Lions.

Join us on
Friday, April 25
at Bottoms Up in Edgeley

Social at 5 PM (cash bar)
Dinner at 6 PM (\$15 per person)
Program at 7 PM featuring District Governor Kirk Tingum and a demonstration by the Jud Service Dogs for America.



2025 MD5 Lions Convention

DAKOTA DUNES RESORT AND CASINO

May 30 and 31, 2025

203 Dakota Dunes Way, Whitecap, Saskatchewan S7K 2L2



REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRANT 1 (PLEASE PRINT)		REGISTRANT 2 (PLEASE PRINT)	
Name		Name	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Lion <input type="checkbox"/> Leo <input type="checkbox"/> Guest		<input type="checkbox"/> Lion <input type="checkbox"/> Leo <input type="checkbox"/> Guest
Club Name		Club Name	
District	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 NE <input type="checkbox"/> 5 NW <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SE <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SKN <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SKS <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SW List Other	District	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 NE <input type="checkbox"/> 5 NW <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SE <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SKN <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SKS <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SW List Other
Dietary Needs	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No List:	Dietary Needs	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No List:
Address		Address	
City / Prov Postal/ZIP Code		City / Prov Postal/ZIP Code	
Email		Email	
Phone No.		Phone No.	

FULL CONVENTION REGISTRATION			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All inclusive (meals and program - Friday, May 30, 2025 to Saturday, May 31, 2025) 			
No. of People		x \$200.00 per person	= Cdn \$
No. of People		x \$150.00 per person	= US \$

PARTIAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saturday May 31, 2025 only 			
No. of People		x \$125.00 per person	= Cdn \$
No. of People		x \$95.00 per person	= US \$

THREE WAYS TO REGISTER FOR 2025		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheques/checks are to be made payable to Sask Provincial Lions Convention Credit card payment per transaction will include an additional \$8.00 Cdn processing fee 		
1. Mail form and cheque to:	2. Email form and e-transfer to:	3. Credit Card Payment by phone, call:
Convention Treasurer Gail Haight RR3# Site 3 Box 4, STN NPP Prince Albert SK S6V 5R1	Attention: PDG Gail Haight sasklionsconvention@gmail.com	PCC Marianne Kramchynsky 306-232-3275

NOTE: Refund of registration is possible until May 1, 2025 by request in writing to gail@mvpinc.ca Refunds will be considered after this date with a written approval by the Convention Committee.

ACCOMMODATIONS - Reserve by April 28, 2025	
Dakota Dunes Resort 306-668-1888 or 833-987-1888 Website: www.dakotadunesresort.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Room Types: 2 Queen, King, King Golf View Convention Room rate: \$189 plus taxes Executive King Suite rate is \$259 plus taxes 100 rooms are available - book early 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited RV parking is available behind Casino Notify hotel if you have mobility issues <p style="text-align: center;"><u>REGISTRATION DEADLINE MAY 16, 2025</u></p>

North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame Application

Lions Club nominates _____

Two seconding statements are required: one must be from club president. (PLEASE ATTACH)

Section A- Minimum Requirements

Nominee has been a member of the Lions Club since _____.

Nominee has been a member of Lions for 20 or more years. Yes No

Nominee has been a member of a North Dakota Lions Club for 15 or more years. Yes No

Nominee has attended a minimum of 10 non-club rallies/conventions. Yes No

Section B- Basic Life as a Lion

Nominee has served as (Check all that apply): President Secretary Treasurer Director Fundraising chair Membership chair (pos. growth)

Nominee has been named by Club as: Lion of Year Times

Nominee's Convention Attendance (times): State Multiple District International USA/Canada Forum

District Leadership Rally attended: Rallies Other (list & city): _____

Nominee served in District as (indicate number): Secretary and/or treasurer Zone Chair Region Chair Committee Chair

Nominee served as Board of Directors (indicate number of years) ND Foundation ND Eye Bank

Nominee served as a MD 5 committee chair (list times) _____ MD 5 committee chmn.

Nominee served as District Governor (list year): _____ as District Governor

Section C- Preliminary Selection Criteria

	Point values		Point values
1 Each year active Lions member (15 consecutive years min)	1.0	24 ND state conventions attended (list year & city)	1.0
2 Each year club president, secretary and/or treasurer (20 years max)	2.0	25 Multiple District conventions attended (year & city)	1.0
3 Each year club committee chair (30 year max)	1.0	26 International conventions attended (year & city)	1.0
4 Each year club board member (not include 2&3 above- 10 max.)	1.0	27 USA/Canada Forums attended (year & city)	1.0
5 Each year program presenter at district, state, or MD 5 convention	1.0	28 100% District Governor award (list year)	1.0
6 Each year chair of ND state or MD 5 convention (list year)	2.0	29 Club president's excellence award (list year)	1.0
7 Each year committee member of ND state or MD 5 convention (list year)	1.0	30 100% club secretary (list year)	1.0
8 Each year Zone or Region Chair (list year)	1.0	31 Melvin Jones Fellowship (list year)	2.0
9 Each year as Vice District Governor (list years)	1.0	32 Progressive Melvin Jones (list year)	1.0
10 Each year District Governor (list)	3.0	33 New members sponsored (LCI printout required)	1.0
11 Each Year international committee (list year & committee)	2.0	34 Each year Guiding Lion (list years & clubs-6 max.)	2.0
12 Each year member of District Cabinet (list year & chair)	1.0	35 Each year Leo Club Advisor (year & club-6 max.)	2.0
13 Each year District cabinet secretary and/or treasurer (list year)	2.0	36 Each year Campus Club Advisor (year & club- 6 max.)	2.0
14 Each year Chair of major Lions Function (list years & events)	1.0	37 Each year Club Branch Advisor (year & club- 6 max.)	2.0
15 Each year President of ND Lions Foundation (list years)	2.0	38 Each year Extension Award (year & club- 6 max.)	2.0
16 Each year Secretary and/or Treasurer ND lions Foundation (list years)	1.0	39 Each year Rebuilding Club Award (year & club- 6 max.)	2.0
17 Each year board member ND Lions Foundation (year exclude 15 & 16)	0.5	40 Other Club Awards (list award & year)	1.0
18 Each year President of Lions Eye Bank (list year)	2.0	41 Other District Awards (list award & year)	1.5
19 Each year Secretary and/or Treasurer of Lions Eye Bank (list)	1.0	42 Other International Awards (list award & year)	2.0
20 Each year board member Lions Eye Bank (year exclude 18 & 19)	0.5	43 Club Perfect Attendance (list years- max 20)	1.0
21 Each year MD 5 Council Chair (list year)	3.0	44 Hosted Foreign exchange student (list name, country, year)	3.0
22 Each year MD 5 Committee Chair (exclude sitting governors)	1.0	45 Hosted MD 5 Youth camp student (list name, country and year)	1.0
23 District Rallies attended (list year & city)	1.0	46 Chair of MD 5 Youth Exchange Camp (list year and camp)	3.0

Nominee must have a minimum of 125 points (non- district governor) or 225 points (past district governor) in order to proceed with application. If nominee exceeds the threshold, complete and submit the rest of the application. Nominees with applications exceeding the threshold and not selected as the winner will be included for consideration the following 2 years for which addendum materials may be included to update their application.

Section D- Lions Activities not covered in Section C (150 words max, 10 pts max.) please attach

This section requires written statement, not to exceed 150 words, in either outline or paragraph form covering anything not covered in Section C. Please attach.

Section E-Non-Lions Activities (250 words max, 25 pts max.) please attach

This section requires a written statement, not to exceed 250 words, in either outline or paragraph form regarding your community involvement as a citizen outside of Lions. Include community service, leadership activities and other community involvement. Please attach.

Section F- Biography (500 words max) please attach

Prepare a personal resume including name, marital status, family, occupation, and when and where you joined Lions. Include all achievements, volunteer work, other organizations you belong to along with personal recognitions. Your Biography will be judged on content, clarity, structure, and presentation. Although there is not a set number of points for this section, the selection committee will give significant weight to the biography as they evaluate the application. Must be written in narrative form with the optional 3rd person construction (250 words min/500 words max.)

Section G- Nominee Certification

Nominee Certification: I certify that the information provided herein is a true and accurate rendering taken for personal, club and LCI records.

Name: _____ Date _____ Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Signature _____ Email _____

Club Certification: We certify that the information provided herein is true and accurate tendering taken from club records and verifiable sources.

Club President _____ Club Name _____ Signature and date _____

Club Secretary _____ Email _____ Signature and date _____

Applications must be postmarked on or before **March 31, 2025**. The application must be completed in its entirety, signed by the appropriate parties, and include a 4X5 or smaller photograph. Mail to: PDG TIM THUESON, 3211 N 19TH ST., BISMARCK, ND 58503

Club News

Horace



Horace Lions Celebrate The Season!

Nearly 60 Horace Lions and spouses had an enjoyable evening. A meal was catered and entertainment provided. Our special guest for the evening was Judy Rustad, wife of the late charter member Roger Rustad. Members were reminded that Santa would visit on Dec 20 and give out a bag of goodies. Tickets are available for our March Fun Night. \$50 gets you a meal and a chance to win \$500. We will also have a 50/50 raffle at \$20 per ticket for a chance to win up to \$10,000. Tickets are available from Horace Lions, at Big Erv's and Shy Bar.