



District 5NE – Visitation Challenge

With this letter you have received the 5NE Visitation Lion. This Lion is to raise funds for the Lions Foundation of North Dakota. The funds raised will be presented to the Foundation at the 2024 ND State Lions Convention in Fargo. This gives approximately 20 months for the Visitation Lion to make its rounds to the clubs of the district.

The rules are as follows:

- 1) Once you receive the Lion you should write your club's name on the body of the Lion or its base or under the base with a fine tip marker. To save space please do not include the words "Lions" or "Lions Club" after the name. If space runs out then attach a tag with your club's name.
- 2) Cross your club's name off of the master list.
- 3) Your club or the club members should make or collect a donation for the Lions Foundation of North Dakota. A minimum donation of \$50 per club is suggested, but clubs are encouraged to do more. The donation does not have to be sent right away as your club may want time to raise or collect funds. Please submit the funds within 2 months of receiving the Visitation Lion, but pass the Visitation Lion on to another club before that time.
- 4) Make a visitation to another club to pass on the "Visitation Lion". Give them the master list and a copy of this letter so that another club can participate in the challenge.
- 5) Phone or e-mail or text 2nd Vice District Governor Kirk Tingum with the name of the club you have passed the Visitation Lion to. (701) 330-0959 or tingum@gra.midco.net

To allow enough time for the Visitation Lion to get to all clubs in the district by the convention (which is still almost 2 years out), a club should keep the Visitation Lion for no more than 2 weeks. If the Lion breaks or is damaged, don't worry, just glue it together and pass it on.

Your gifts should be sent to South Forks Lions along with a note about where the Visitation Lion is going next. The checks can be payable to "South Forks Lions". Please put "LFND visitation challenge" in the memo portion of the check. The mailing address to use is:

Kirk Tingum
South Forks Lions
1317 Chestnut Street
Grand Forks, ND 58201
Phone (701) 330-9059 if questions.

If we were to raise as little as \$10 from each Lion in the District our gift to the Foundation could be more than \$10,000. This is a way to give back to our State Foundation which assists our clubs with grants for local Lions projects, and the Video Magnifier Program and Sight for Kidz vision screening.

The gifts will be accumulated by the South Forks Treasurer and will be presented at the 2024 Fargo Convention. Those clubs giving \$100 or more will receive special recognition at the Convention. Those giving \$300 or more will be allowed to designate a member of their club as a Lifetime Member of the Foundation and that member will receive a recognition pin at the Convention. If you send more than \$300 please indicate who your Lifetime Member Award will go to when you send your check. For each \$300 your club give, your club may designate one lifetime award winner.

Let's have fun with this and make it a successful event for our state foundation.

Kirk Tingum, 5NE
Second Vice District Governor