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### 2023 Hall of Fame Recipient

Lion James Bumann was born on August 6,1942 in Hazen, North Dakota, He graduated from Hazen High School and was active in their sports programs. After graduation, he attended Minot State University where he played football for the Minot State University Beavers. Jim furthered his education by later attending and graduating from the University of Mary with a Business Administration degree.

In the years between colleges, Jim lived in Omaha, Nebraska where he worked with the railroad for seven years. He moved back to North Dakota where he worked for Super Valu, North American Coal, The Bismarck Tribune, and Burleigh County Housing.

In 1986, Jim joined the North Star Lions Club in Bismarck. He served as club president, secretary, director, cabinet secretary, Zone Chairman and Region Chairman. He was chairman for several North Star Club projects.

Jim was a Lion's member for 37 years with 30 years of perfect attendance. He was the North Star Club secretary for 24 years. He served on the District 5NC cabinet for 16 years in various positions. He presented many Diabetes Awareness programs from 2000-2005. He also trained District 5NC secretaries from 2005-2007.

Jim was a Melvin Jones Fellow. He attended three District Rallies, twenty-two North Dakota State Lions Conventions, nine Multiple District 5 Conventions and two Lions International Conventions.

In 1992, Jim assisted in a

Habitat for Humanity project. Jim was involved in many fund-raising projects from the North Star Lions annual turkey legs fund raiser at the Bismarck Downtowner's Street Fair to several Texas Hold-em tournaments. He collected eyeglasses and organized the Terrace Project.

Jim served on the Board of Directors for the Jud Assisted Dogs (Service Dogs of America) from June 2008 to 2013. He helped organize many benefit golf tournaments for the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota and the Zones 2A and 5A Lewis and Clark golf tournaments in Washburn.

Besides his involvement in Lions, Jim was a member of the St. Mary's Booster Board, Bismarck Midget Football League Board, Bismarck Hockey Board, Bismarck Downtowner's Street Fair



Board, and the Riverwood Men's Golf Association Board.

Jim passed away July 27, 2023, leaving four children, nine grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren to mourn his death.

# We're on a mission to grow.

MISSION 1.5 is the drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide, so we can better meet the growing needs of our communities and serve more people than ever before.

#### Korner\_



The Korner Lions grill has been busy. Burgers were served for National Night Out until a storm rolled in. In 97-degree heat we cooked for Opportunity Foundation staff and residents. Pancakes and sausage were served for the Chokecherry Festival & Fly-In breakfasts. Rain canceled the 1st grilling event for the Ukraine immigrants that moved to the community under the Bakken Grow program but the grill was fired up for the Youth for Christ golf tourney. WE SERVE!!

#### Dacotah Mandan



Dacotah Mandan Lions Michael Meuer, Melanie Willoughby, Claire Henke, Helen Baumgartner, and Ewell Madry serving the Mandan Community.

#### Williston



The Williston Lions inducted two new members! Pictured L to R: Club President Joseph Irvine, new member sponsor Stuart Langager and new members Aimee Easton, and Dawn Anderson.

#### Bismarck.



Every year Youthworks holds "We've got you covered" which is a free clothing give away for youth to help them get ready for back to school. Since underwear and socks are usually not donated, the Bismarck Lions Club purchased \$750 worth of these items. Youthworks was extremely grateful. Emily Yanish, Youthworks Development director, spoke to the club after the event. Youthworks is doing a great job helping young adults get the support and guidance they need during a critical time in their life.

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#### Prairie Rose\_



DG Lynn Grabow installed the Bismarck Prairie Rose Lions officers at their recent meeting. Pictured L to R: Joanne Monson, Service Director; Karen Hopfinger, Treasurer; Dianne Offerdahl and Deb Ahmann, Recording Secretaries; Loris Freier, Vice President; Sandy Ressler, President; DG Lynn; Marlene Grabow and Kathy Brandt, Fundraising Directors; Amy Ressler, Social Director; and Julie Schwartz, Membership. Not pictured: Belinda Van Dyke, Reporting Secretary and Diane Clinton, Tail Twister.

#### Napoleon .



The Napoleon Lions donated school supplies for the Stock Growers Bank school supply drive. L-R: Lions members Tony & Barb Braun and Lorraine Piatz showcase some of the supplies.

#### Devils Lake \_



DG Rick Stark was in Devils Lake to induct new member Vivial Jeffery with her sponsor Mark Moen. He also presented Lions Dennis Lassig with a 40 year membership award and Elinda Johanson with a 35 year membership award.

#### Valley City\_



Melvin Jones Fellowships were presented to two Valley City Lions. Pictured L to R: MJF recipients Tom Goven and 2VDG Paul McDonald and PDG Larry E. Sayler who presented the fellowships.

## ND Lion deadline is the 7th of the month

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# 2023 ND Lions State Convention October 20th and 21st Minot North Dakota



Scan to register online

**STATE LIONS CONVENTION 2023** 

Convention Site: The Grand Hotel 1505 North Broadway Minot ND 58703

#### Registration Fees

October 21-December 31 - \$100 January 1 - July 31 - \$115 August 1 - Day of - \$135

#### **Lodging**

The Grand Hotel 1-800-735-4493

\*mention the convention when booking rooms

#### **Questions Contact**

Lion Josh Ressler jressler@srt.com 701-721-0092

Lion Christy Miller christy@svunitedway.com 701-720-6869

Mail Registration to: Magic City Lions, PO Box 782, Minot ND 58702

To be eligible to play Lions Family Feud your club must have 5 members present at the state convention				
(Please use a seperate form for each registrant)				
I need special vision accommodations (explain on this registration form)				
Please make a choice for Saturday night dinner				
	I would like Beef Tips for dinner			
Name:	LION OR GUEST (CIRCLE ONE)			
Preferre	d Badge Name: Lions Club:			
Address				
Phone:	Email:			

Happy September Lions of 5NW!

Here's hoping you had a wonderful Labor Day weekend with friends and family! We sure did! You know I was just reading the summer edition of the Lion magazine, what a GREAT publication for information about Lions! Last year's articles all included lots of hype and encouragement about "Together We Can"! Our Past International President Brian Sheehan was a bundle of energy last year giving us encouragement and sharing his passion on Lionism.

This year's International President is Dr. Patti Hill and her theme for the next year is "Changing the World". Her challenge for us is Boldness and Action which includes boldness in our success, excellence in service and action in our ability to do quality service for our community and fellowman! She talked about "Mission 1.5" which is our drive to reach 1.5 million Lion members by 2027. I don't remember in the history of Lions having two International Presidents backto-back so close to North Dakota. Last year's International President Brian Sheehan was from Bird Island. Minnesota and this year's President Dr. Patti Hill is from Edmonton, Alberta, We are so fortunate to have these International Presidents so close! It just goes to show you the quality of the leadership we have in Central North America.

So, you may be wondering what does a new District Governor like Lynn Grabow really do day to day? It seems every day is a rush, which way do I go and where am I needed most. I LOVE western North Dakota and its people, especially Lions! A while ago, I met with the great Lions of the Bowman

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Club. Lion Chuck asked me to attend and install new officers. What a great club! Two nights later I was in Bottineau for a Metigoshe Lions meeting and found this to be another awesome club! Later that week. I did a club visit with the Wildrose Lions that was so much fun! Recently, I visited the Elgin Lions where Lions Sherry and Arlen Fetch did a club orientation. This something every club should do for new and existing club members because it really makes you aware of the worldwide scope of Lions. Thank you to Lions Sherry and Arlen.

I have an awesome Global Membership Chair in Scott Ressler. He has been an encouraging support for me as we are on a mission to save our smallest Lions Club in North Dakota (probably the smallest in the USA, or even the world?). With one member, some people wanted to let it go and let it close, but not us. The last member there is a Past District Governor so, out of respect, we wanted to rebuild it, and we are. We now are at five new Lions members and tomorrow I will sign up two more members. The challenge is for them to each bring in a minimum of one new member in the next month and we're going to have a celebration for their new rebuilt club! We hope to post pictures in two local papers asking for anyone who wants main street in Flasher North Dakota to really thrive again! The next mission for us is chartering one new club in SW North Dakota. My dream is to get it done by Sept. 30. We spent two days canvassing main street and have had a good response so far. I went down a couple of days just visiting with folk to feel main street out for the possibility. So, cross your fingers Lions, we may get a new club soon!

Mark Koller is an example of a GREAT Global Leadership Chair. At our first 5NW Cabinet Meeting in Halliday, Lion Mark stepped forward and gave our zone chairs his mileage reimbursement so that they could better serve their zones which was an awesome gesture. My other chairs then followed his lead and did the same. I feel so fortunate to have this kind of Lions around me that are so willing to help others!

Our Global Service Chair is Karen DaSilva and what a God send she is to me. She cares about Lions service and reporting the service you do. She has been so helpful to me with technology issues and training secretaries on service reporting.

Are you going to attend the North Dakota State Lions Convention? The date is October 20 and 21 at the Grand Hotel in Minot with a block of rooms reserved at a special rate for Lions members. "Its All Fun and Games" is the theme of the convention. The Magic City Lions Club is in charge of the convention and it will be fun. Registration and delegate forms are included in this newsletter. Don't miss this one. We will be playing the game show, Family Feud. If your club has at least five members registered, you have the opportunity to play! Don't forget, Rick Stark and I are scheduled for a duel at high noon for the district with the



most new members. Please western ND, don't let me get gunned down! Let's go and grow and show them the BEST is in the WEST.

Please note, I have been canvassing clubs as I meet with them to find out how vour members receive the ND Lion. I will be sending out a survey soon to all clubs asking if you receive the newsletter electronically or the mailed hard copy version. We are trying to be efficient with our dollars but also trying to meet the needs of our Lions. So far, most members receive it by mailed hard copy and want to continue that way.

When was the last time your club members visited another club? A challenge is to have all clubs start doing visits again.

One last challenge is to bring one new Lion into your club before the State Convention. We all have friends we haven't asked to be a Lion and why not have them beside you serving and having fun and changing the world in the process.

See You at the State Convention!

5NW DG Lynn Grabow

#### Lions Foundation of North Dakota, Inc. Recent Donors

Minot Lions Club

\$50

Thank you to Lions Clubs and to individual Lions for your generous contributions. Hello 5NE Lions,

Happy September and happy fall. Where did the summer go? Life truly is like a roll of toilet paper, the farther you get into it the faster it goes, and sometimes there is a lot of "you know what" that goes with it. But Lions are always up to the task. They take the bad with the good and are always there to help someone in need. I told my wife that she needed "The Heart of a Lion" and now, we are banned from the zoo. I guess I should have explained myself better. I just want to say Thank You to All Lions for all you do.

The North Dakota State Lions Convention is coming up fast, so mark your calendars for October 20th and 21st. This year the convention is in Minot at the Grand Hotel. We're going to have a Grand ole time. We are going to play Family Feud, with each club being a team. So be sure to get at least 5 members of your club there to compete. Reg**RICK STARK** 

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istration forms for the convention are on the website, and I have emailed them out to your presidents so you can make copies. These conventions are informative and entertaining, so please plan to attend.

As you may remember in my first article, I challenged 5NW DG Lynn Grabow to a membership dual, as he is the fastest draw in the west. Well DG Grabow has accepted my challenge and plans to out-dual me at High Noon at the convention. So, let's get going 5NE Clubs, we need new members to beat the west. Isn't GRABOW the coolest cowboy's name ever. If I was going to write a western novel, part of it might go like this. "The angry mob dispersed when GRABOW rode into town on his 3-legged horse named Hop-A-Long, packing his 6 shooters [cap guns] and wearing his 10-gallon

hat he found on eBay." All kidding aside, DG Lynn and I have become the best of friends, but I still want to beat him on membership.

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness month and as I told you last month, our district has started a project called "CANs to CANcel childhood CANcer". We are collecting aluminum cans and selling them to help defeat Childhood cancer. I hope all 5NE clubs will participate with us.

I attended the MD5 meetings in Minot on August 18th and 19th. All went very well. I also did some club visitations that were very interesting. It's always nice to see and hear clubs in action.

In closing, I need to tell vou about my new employment. Our local zoo didn't have a gorilla and couldn't find any, so they wanted



someone to put on a gorilla suit and act like one. I applied for the job and got hired. My first day was going well and the crowd gathered. I have a tendency to show off when people are watching. I climbed to the top of the cage and was pounding my chest when I fell over backwards and right into the lion's cage. The fierce lion came over roaring at me viciously so I panicked and started screaming "HELP! HELP! Suddenly I heard IPDG Scott Hildre's voice come out of the lion "Would you be quiet, you're going to get us both fired." I better stay on the farm.

5NE DG Lion Rick Stark

## It's Turkey Leg Season

The North Star Lions annual BBQ Turkey Leg Fundraiser will be held at the Bismarck Downtowners Street Fair September 15 -16. The North Star Lions have cooked up tons of turkey legs since 1980 that are dipped in the club's secret BBQ sauce. A woman waited for two hours once just to make sure she got one. The club puts in an average of 80 to 90 hours and the money raised is distributed in the community. If you are in Bismarck during the street fair, stop for a turkey leg and say hello.





SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023

The Carrington Lions cordially invites all 5NE Lions Clubs and their members to join in the celebration of our 40 years of service.

**5:30 PM MEAL** 

4:30PM SOCIAL Chieftain Conference Center, 60 4th Ave S, Carrington ND 58421

Who: Lions members and spouses

Cost: \$25.00 per person

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN, CELEBRATION, AND A DELICIOUS BUFFET MEAL.

Speaker: PDG Scott Hildre RSVP to Mary Hoff at mbhoff@daktel.com ASAP if you plan to attend



#### 2023 Lions Convention for Districts 5NW and 5NE

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2023 DISTRICT LIONS MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ND STATE LIONS CONVENTION ON October 20th & 21st, 2023. THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS.

ND STATE LIONS/ND DISTRICTS CONVENTION RULES 2023

- 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 (5NW, DG Lynn Grabow) 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 hatcollector2000@gmail.com) by October 9th or dropped off at the registration desk at the State Convention on Friday, October 20th.
- 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 email at liontammiericharson@gmail.com) and for 5NE (Lion Grant Kahlbaugh - 3393 Primrose Ct. #108 Grand Forks, ND 58201 or hatcollector2000@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 20th. CREDENTIALS INFORMATION

Names of Voting Delegates and email address (Please Print)	Years in Lions	Primary	Alternate
Name of Club:			
Signature of Secretary or DG:			
NOTE: If needed, please list additional delegates and their informat	ion at the bottom of	this form, IMPO	RTANT: Mail or email this for

#### **5NE Environmental Honor Roll**

to your District Cabinet Secretary as listed above.

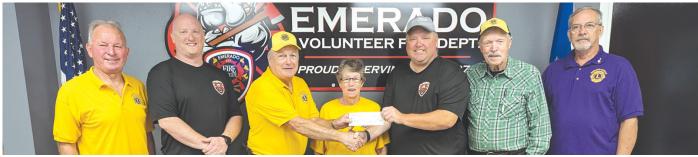
A review of MyLion reporting shows the following additional environmental service projects by 5NE clubs: **Red River Lions Club** – I-29 ditch cleaning

Horace Lions Club – Highway ditch cleanup
Note: To be acknowledged here, clubs must identify projects as
"Environmental" when posting in MyLion

ND Lion deadline is the 7th of the month

### Club News

### Emerado Arvilla



The Emerado Arvilla Lions presented the Emerado Fire Dept. with a check for \$15,000 to assist in updating the sidewalk in front of the fire department. Pictured L to R: Lion Mike Nolan, Assistant Fire Chief Jake Lanes, and Lions Reed Wilson, Linda Schmidt, James Johnson, and Cliff Ludwig.

#### Magic City\_



In June, the Minot Magic City Lions Club presented five Lions with a Progressive Melvin Jones. Pictured L to R: Lions Don Larson, Jim Blomberg, Marita Hoffart, Gary Thuner, and Larry Galv.