



Area Club News

Dacotah Mandan



The Dacotah Mandan Lions Club 20th Anniversary Charter Night was on February 24th. Charter member and first club president, Lion Shirley Schafer shared some of the challenges and joys of becoming a new Lions club. She shared how successful the transition from a Lioness club to a Lions club was and that they welcomed both men and women, which led to growth in the club. She stated how proud she is that the focus of the Dacotah Mandan Lions Club was and continues to be service to the community.

Edgeley



District 5NE Global Extension Coordinator, Crystal Dueker (right) inducts Edgeley new member, Rebecca Hafner (center) as sponsor Rick Gutschmidt looks on.

Carrington



Carrington Lions President Jennifer Wede (right) inducts a new member at the March meeting. Pictured is Brenda Miller (left), who sponsored Jessica McCullough (center), the newest member of the club.

Gateway



Fargo Gateway Lions look at a new club record

The Fargo Gateway Lions love to do eye screenings. In fact we have to limit the number of members that sign up. Last year we conducted over 3,300 screenings and we are well on our way to breaking that record this year. This picture was taken at the Willow Park School in West Fargo. That day we screened 441 kiddos in a little over two hours. Left to right we have Lion Gwen, guest Jan, Lions Byron, Dave, John, Dick, Judy, Gelaine, Darrell, Molly and coordinator Bob.

Club News

Mapleton

The Mapleton Lions Club is hosting an Adult Prom on March 23rd from 7-11 pm. Limited tickets will be sold. They are \$60 and admit 2. This is an "All Eras" event, with prizes for the top 3 couples that best represent their era with their outfits, hair-dos etc. We'll dance the night away, have games, contests, door prizes and plenty of snacks. (Event is BYOB, like real prom.) So, grab some friends, get all dolled up and come party with us. Contact Carlita Dietz for tickets 701-367-5918.

LaMoure

The LaMoure Lions have agreed to send \$100 to Jameson's Journey Toy Drive. The monetary donations will be used to purchase toys to distribute among children's hospitals and Ronald McDonald Houses. The LaMoure Lions challenge every club in North Dakota to match the donation or send new toys to Jameson's Journey. Donations can be mailed to the address below! For information, please look at the Feb. issue of the North Dakota Lion publication.

Kerry Swanson-
Jameson's Journey
Braddock Lion's Sec/
Treas.
1817 53rd St. SE,
Braddock, ND. 58524



Minot Lions Club Annual

Dining in the Dark

Friday, May 17, 2024 ~ 5:00 pm ~ Minot State University
 Student Center ~ 3rd Floor Conference Center

A unique experience enjoying a five-course meal while blindfolded. Experience the essential task of eating without the use of your sight. Each table will host a visually-impaired guest to help guide you with tips and tricks for using your other senses to assist you in enjoying your meal.

Meal includes entree choice between Apple Cider Glazed Pork Loin, Calabrian Chile Roasted Chicken, or Almond Butter, Spelt, and Mushroom Risotta. Also includes appetizer, salad, and dessert.
 Cash bar will be available on site.

Sponsored tables are available for \$500. They include meals for 6 guests, as well as supporting the meal cost and hotel expenses for your NDAB table host. Proceeds from this event will benefit the North Dakota Association for the Blind. To learn more about their programs, visit: www.ndab.org

Sponsoring Company or Club Name _____
 Address: _____
 City/Prov: _____ Postal/Zip _____
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 Phone No. _____

Payment by: Check Enclosed Please Send Invoice Online

Sponsored tables, Individual tickets, and
 Additional donations can also be purchased online at:
<https://givebutter.com/2024DiningInTheDark> (add'l processing fee)



Guest Names and Meal Selections can be made on the back of this form,
 or by emailing to trampesbrown@gmail.com, or calling Trampes at 701-389-7982.
Please have attendee names and meal selections sent by Thursday, May 9, 2024.

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5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Hello Fellow Lions,
I hope everyone's year is going great. ARE YOU AT YOUR PLUS ONE YET? I am not referring to your belt size, I am talking about your club membership. At the beginning of my term my goal was to have every club in District 5NE grow by at least one member. Some clubs have gone over and above such as the Kulm Lions. I will be going there this month to induct 7 new members. As of this writing, other clubs that have really grown are Dakota National Forensic League Lions which grew by 7 and started a Leo Club. Harvey Lions and Fargo Roamers Lions both have grown by 6, Rugby Lions by 5, and Ashley Lions and University of North Dakota Lions both by 3. There are also some clubs that have grown by 1 or 2. Kudos to you all. Remember INVITE-SHOW-FUN, invite someone to your next meeting, show them what Lions do and get them involved, and make what you do fun so that they will want to be a part of your club.

Our district is growing, we are at a gain of 11 members so far this year not counting the new club in Steele which began with 22 new members and has gained 3 more since their charter night. We had 51 clubs on July 1st, 2023, so my goal was for 51 new members and 1 new club this year. We achieved the new club, but still need to gain at least 40 new members to reach our goal. WE CAN DO IT!

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

March is Saint Patrick's month. Do you know the fastest growing city in the world is in Ireland? They are always Dublin. The singer Bono is also from Ireland. I told someone he was my favorite singer, and they said, "You Too".

Saint Patrick's Day color is green, which represents growth, renewal, new beginnings, hope and environment. Lions stand for all these things also. The environment is one of the Lions 5 main causes along with vision, diabetes, hunger, and childhood cancer. I hope clubs are participating in our district project of "CANs to CANcel Childhood CANcer" Our Tuttle Lions Club is on our 3rd 16-foot trailer load of aluminum cans to be sold for this cause. If you want to know more, contact me or one of the 5NE cabinet members.

I had some great club visits again this month and met some very committed Lions.



RICK STARK

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I can't thank you enough for all you do for your communities. This coming month I will attend Chaffee Lions 50-year celebration on March 12th. I hope many of you will attend and help them celebrate. Lehr Lions will also celebrate 50 years on April 19th as well as Grand Forks South Forks will celebrate their 60th anniversary on June 17th. My own Tuttle Lions Club will celebrate their 50th anniversary sometime this next fall. Congratulations to all these clubs for their perseverance and dedication. On April 12th I will be going to Zealand Lions for their community celebration fundraiser with the talented comedian Milo Hatzenbuehler performing.

On April 13th, our district, 5NE, will have its Spring Rally at Jamestown College beginning at 10:00 AM. Vice District Governor Lion Kirk Tingum has put together a great agenda. Our District Convention in October is

titled "Fiesta in Fargo" and VDG Kirk is following that theme. I hear we are even having a taco bar for lunch. You can bring your sombreros, but I guarantee you won't get a siesta. There will be great training there for club presidents, treasurers, secretaries and zone chairs. Our guest speaker will be PID Lion Nick Xinopoulos and his wife Lion Gretchen.

I leave you on a sad note, a friend of mine who was recently vacationing in Ireland and was touring the Guinness Beer brewery, fell in and drowned in a vat of beer. When I was informed, I said I hope he went quickly. They said "Not really, he got out three times to pee". The funeral home didn't charge much as he was already well preserved and had a big smile on his face.

DG Rick Stark

MAKE A DIFFERENCE...
Service Dogs for America
Spring Volunteer Day
Saturday, May 4th, 2024
920 Short Street, Jud, ND 58454
10 am - 4 pm

Join us for a day of fun, food, and good work! We will spend the day getting SDA ready for the summer ahead. Fargo Roamers 4x4 Lions will be making their famous steak fondue for lunch! Come for a few hours, or the day...many paws make for light work!

Tasks Include:

- Cleaning
- Dog walking
- Kennel repairs
- General repairs
- Lawn and tree care
- And more!

Contact us at (701) 683-2242 or
info@servicedogsforamerica.org
to RSVP or with any questions.

Thank you to our sponsors!



Club News

Horace



On February 13, 2024, the Horace Lions conducted vision screening at Deer Creek Middle School in Horace. We were assisted by 8 members of the EMT class at Horace High School, the home of the Hawks. 473 students were screened with 30 referrals. The Horace Lions thank the students from Horace High School for their assistance. It is good to see the involvement by these students in community service. WE SERVE!

Sterling

The Sterling Lions Club is a small club with 10 members, in a unique situation as we own our own building. The building's improvements and maintenance are a real challenge, when we have unexpected repairs money is an issue. Thanks to a grant from the Lions Foundation of North Dakota for \$2000 and donations from other organizations and individuals we were able to put in a new sewer system, and open the doors again. Now we've had Lions meetings and many events and we sponsored hunter safety classes. Thanks to all that helped us with this project.

Carrington Lions Club

Dakota Central Telecommunications & Family Vision Center

"Al Larson Memorial" 4 Person Scramble Golf Tournament

Male • Female • Co-ed

Friday, June 7, 2024

CrossRoads Golf Course • Carrington, ND

Registration starting at 10:30 a.m.

Shotgun Start at 11:15 a.m.

Entry Fee:

\$60 a person/\$240 Team

Includes Green Fees, Mulligans, Lions String, Prizes, Lunch & Supper

FREE SNACKS ON THE COURSE

Golf Carts available for rent at 701-652-2601

Cash Team Prizes: \$1,200 Team Prize Money (prizes vary slightly based on entries)

Hole Prizes: (Contests on most holes)

REGISTER EARLY • Only 36 Teams - Deadline: June 4, 2024

Name _____ Phone _____

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Send registration to: Karla Michaelson, 268 2nd ST. N., Carrington, ND 58421
or call 701-652-5710 or email Karla.Michaelson@k12.nd.us

Visit CrossRoads Golf & Recreation Parkway at www.crossroadsgolf.com

5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Greetings Lions of Western North Dakota,

Spring Rally is coming, with a Fun Day Friday as well!

Are you ready for some March Madness?? If you watch a lot of TV, March is the month of the 64 game National College Basketball tournament. I enjoy it but watch randomly. My March madness is wondering if it is still winter or spring? Every day is a guess because it can be 50 degrees one day and the next is a winter storm watch, but that's North Dakota. I had an old rancher friend from Palermo, ND once tell me «The only reason I live here is to prove that I can!». He was about 80 years old and could have lived anywhere financially but loved the people, as I do! We have the best people here in this state, and even better are our Lions members! You are over the top, the BEST!

I have GREAT news, the Gateway to Science project, which started three years ago, is now fully funded, all \$50,000. Scott Ressler, who was District Governor at the time, brought forward this project. Gateway to Science is a great interactive learning center in Bismarck located right next to the interstate and overlooking the river which is a beautiful spot. It provides an in-house exhibit center that challenges young people's minds to learn about all aspects of science. I have personally taken my grandkids there and they just LOVE IT! It is so interesting and really makes our young people think and even make career choices. They also offer a rural opportunity for all schools in ND. They will come out with people in a van and visit your school. Our Wilton Lions club has assisted in this process three times. They set up 8 to 10

tables of science exhibits to challenge and help our young people learn and it is great. They ask if our Lions want to assist at the tables. I did, and it was so fun! Lions of ND sponsored an eye exhibit, with our Lions vision emphasis. It shows the inner workings of an eye and how it works, which is kinda cool! We have our Lions logo near the exhibit for advertising for our Lions and future Lions to see. A Big Thank You to Lions PDG Scott Ressler and CC Jeanette Bean. I helped but Lion DGE Karen DaSilva really helped complete this for us! We were two years ahead of schedule on this project so excellent job Lions! Thanks to the Magic City Lions for their first initial donation that got the ball rolling and the Bismarck Lions who matched their offer. Thank you to all the other clubs who contributed, including the 5NE New Rockford and Horace Lions and the Wilrose Lions who finished this project. THANK YOU ALL! A great project completed to help provide years of learning for our young people.

NEXT--SPRING RALLY! Can your club make it? Last year was a blast, but let's make it even better this year. DGE Lynn Helms has a Fun Day set up on Friday April 5th at Sendit in Mandan (right next to where the old Bonanza Steakhouse was) so please don't miss it. It is a cornhole business with axe throwing as a possibility if you like. I don't think I'll let my wife try to knock an apple off my head at this event like I did at one of my cabinet meetings! There will

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be beverages and lots of time to get to know your fellow Lions since we all need social contact now more than ever! Saturday April 6th will be the Spring Rally at Gateway to Science in Bismarck where you can see this great facility and attend the Spring Rally. Registration will start at 9am and the event will start at 10am. An opening session will include training for officers and all Lions who attend. Great speakers are ready to inspire and lead you and your club to even better things through Lions! There will be snacks and meals and mostly F.U.N. If you are not having fun as a Lion, you are doing something wrong! The registration form is included in this publication. As they used to say, «Be there or Be Square». I'm not sure what that meant, probably because I'm too young! Get registered so we can plan for all of you!

There is a group of Fargo people, including Lions, who regularly go to Haiti on an Eye Mission. In Haiti there is a huge vision and eye problem including cataracts. Officials locally are not sure why, but some think it is genetic, regional weather related, or due to contamination in the soil or water. Some Lions clubs in ND are getting involved. Would you like to make a difference? Haiti Eye Mission is a 501 (c) (3) so your contributions could be tax deductible? When the team goes to Haiti, some local people walk for days to attend the clinic. Huge benefits to vision have happened because of this activity. Please, talk it over in your

club or even consider individually to see if you can help make a difference in vision. CAN YOU CATCH THE VISION TO HELP IMPROVE SOMEONE'S VISION ELSEWHERE? I have forms and info and will include them in the next issue of the ND LION.

Again, we hope to see you at the Spring Rally. We thank you for your Lion service. Your communities have benefited in so many ways because you are a Lion, and your club has been involved. So now let's take it to the next level. Most clubs need new members so please ask someone to go with you to your next meeting. We need their new ideas but also their help as we go forward and continue to CHANGE THE WORLD THROUGH LIONS! Just think how much different your towns would be without Lions in the last 10 ,20, 50 or in some cases 100 years. Your club does make a difference and YOU do too! You were sponsored into this great organization so now please do the same. Bring a new Lion into membership so they can help you! Thank you!

DG Lion Lynn Grabow

Club News

Tuttle



Tuttle Lions give

Melvin Jones Fellowship

DG Lion Rick Stark presents Lion Randy Sand a Melvin Jones Fellowship at the club's February meeting. Lion Randy is the only charter member after 50 years and has served as club secretary for 49 years. He has also served the community in many different capacities.

Bismarck



The Bismarck Lions welcome new member Lion Kaite Johnson (left). Also pictured is Lion Ross Espeseth and sponsor Lion Johtona Rohel.

Medina



Pictured L to R: District 5NE Global Extension Coordinator, Crystal Dueker, after inducting Medina new member, Dominique Doust, as she poses with her sponsor, Val Flegal.



DISTRICT 5NE SPRING RALLY **SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024** **Orlady Hall, Jamestown ND • 9 AM to 3 PM**

The Fiesta begins. This will be a great time to learn, be inspired and have FUN. There will be training sessions for:
Club Secretaires - Learn about computer entry of reports
Club Treasures - Learn about club finances
Club President Training - Zone Chair Training
Get a preview of Fiesta in Fargo
(2024 ND State Lion's Convention)
Learn about what LCIF and the North Dakota Lions Foundation can do for your club.
Learn about the ND School for the Blind.
Meet John Emmett candidate for International Director.
Be **INSPIRED** to increase membership by our keynote speaker
Past International Director Nick Xinopoulos
Registration starts at 8:30 am. Meal is provided

District 5NW Spring Rally 2024 Agenda

April 5, 2024 FUN! at SendIt!,

700 Main St, Mandan, ND 58554

- 7:00 – 9:00**Pizza, Cornhole, Axe Throwing, Darts, Cash Bar
April 6, 2024 at Gateway to Science, 1600 Canary Ave, Bismarck, ND 58501
- 9:00 – 10:00**Registration & Breakfast – Innovation Room
- 10:00 – 10:15** ...Media Event at the Lions Sight Exhibit - Gallery
- 10:15-10:30**Protocols and Introductions – Innovation Room
- 10:30-11:15**.....Breakout Sessions 1
Club Officer Training – Innovation Room
Bringing Gateway to Science to Your Local Schools – Classroom A
Region & Zone Chair Training – Classroom B
- 11:15-12:00** Breakout Sessions 2
Club Officer Training – Innovation Room
Mentoring New Lions – You've Got a Friend In Me – Classroom A
Region & Zone Chair Training – Classroom B
- 12:00 – 1:00**Lunch – Innovation Room
- 1:00 – 1:30**Keynote Lion Bruce Beck, PID, from MN – Innovation Room
- 1:30 – 2:00**.....MISSION 1.5 PID Lion Pat Vannett – Innovation Room
- 2:00-2:45**Breakout Sessions 3
Lions Member Orientation – Classroom B
Bringing Gateway to Science to Your Local Schools – Classroom A
Meet John Emmett, candidate for International Director LCIF – Innovation Room
- 3:00 – 3:15**Closing Ceremonies – Innovation Room
*Any Question, please contact DGE Lynn Helms at:
Email 5nwdge@gmail.com or text (701)220-2901*

REGISTRATION FORM

Hosted by the Bismarck & Mandan Lions Clubs

District 5 NW 2024 Spring Rally

April 5 SendIt! Mandan, ND

April 6 Gateway to Science Bismarck ND



We Serve

Name of Club: _____ **Date:** _____

Name of Member Attending: _____ **Number of Spring Rallies Attended:** _____

Current office: _____ **Offices Held:** _____

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Please copy or print this registration form and return to DGE Lynn Helms via:

Email: 5nwidge@gmail.com

Mail: 2440 High Country Dr N, Mandan, ND 58554

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Lake Metigoshe

2024 METIGOSHE MELT
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Metigoshe Melt

2024 is the 25th year the Lake Metigoshe Lions have hosted a 'plunge contest' which is now called the Metigoshe Melt Contest. Contest participants predict when the 'can' will fall completely through the ice on Lake Metigoshe. The 'can' is a steel culvert weighing approximately 700 pounds. Last year's winner of the 50/50 jackpot received over \$9,200. The contest also has many other prizes. Entry forms can be requested at metigoshemelt.com and returned by April 1, 2024.

Williston



Superintendent Dr Faidley of the Williston Basin School District #7 presents the upcoming bond referendum to the members of the club. The Williston Lions Club sponsors 2 Leo Clubs in town and focuses much of the club's service on area youth.

Lions Foundation of North Dakota, Inc. Recent Donors

Medina Lions Club	\$250
Bismarck Lions Club	\$300
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Capital City Lions Club	\$1,000
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DGG & Lion Sorenson	Memorial for Lion Hildre
Stanley Lions Club	\$500
Lion Reiersen	Memorial for Lion Hildre

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