

## Area Club News

### Horace



February 16th saw the Horace Lions pancake crew busy serving pancakes, sausage, OJ, and coffee to our local community. We were assisted by the local Boy Scout troop. We served over 225 patrons. Our next pancake breakfast will be in April when the local Girl Scouts will be the servers.

### Headwaters



5NE District Governor Kirk Tingum visited the Headwaters Lions Club on 1/8/2025. He conducted a new member induction ceremony and presented new members Brenda Wateland, sponsored by Karen Eichhorn, and Rhonda Thiel, sponsored by Becky Lankow, with membership pins. Pictured left to right are Karen Eichhorn, Brenda Wateland, Kirk Tingum, Rhonda Thiel, and Becky Lankow.

## In Remembrance



Our fellow Korner Lion, Jim Stokke, passed away in February. As a 50 year member of Lions, he served as a board member for several years. He and his wife, Lion Phyllis, took care of several mint stations and eye glass boxes around town and lined up our club visits. He was at club meetings early to ensure everything was set up for meetings. He was fairly quiet, but he would let us know if it was a subject he was passionate about. He will be greatly missed by many in our Lions and the Williston community.

### North Dakota Lions Hall of Fame

This is your clubs last chance to nominate that one special Lion to the ND Lions Hall of Fame. Applications must be sent to PDG Tim Thueson by **March 31, 2025**. For further information please contact PDG Tim at 701-391-2704 or [tthueson@bis.midco.net](mailto:tthueson@bis.midco.net). Application on page 7.

## Dacotah Mandan



DG Lynn Helms inducted new Lions for the Dacotah Mandan Lions Club. Lion LeAnn Eckroth sponsored Rachelle Massemo and Lion Kathi Runge sponsored Mary Courchene. We Serve!

## Gateway



Three new members recently joined the Gateway Lions Club. James Palmer and Doug Stip were inducted in January. Pictured (L-R) are District Governor Kirk Tingum, Sponsor Paul Flemming, James Palmer, Doug Stip, and Sponsor Crystal Dueker at the induction ceremony. Glenn Hoffmann was announced as a new member in early March (not pictured).

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## 5NE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

### Spring Renewal

Springtime is a time of renewal. As Lions, it is a good time to renew our commitment to our communities and the causes that Lions support. At my club we recite the Lion's Creed at every meeting. In looking to our renewal we should reexamine who we are as Lions. The Lion's Creed states as follows:

#### WHO IS A LION?

One who achieves success, lives well, laughs often, loves all humankind, gains the respect of intelligent people and the love of little children.

Who fills a niche, does work well, and makes God's world a better place than it was, by just a brighter flower, a perfect poem, a human soul awake to its own loveliness.

Who feels the glow of beauty in all life, and never fails to voice praise of it.

Who sees the best there is in others, and gives to them the best there is within.

Whose life is one vast inspiration.

#### THAT PERSON IS A LION

While there are different versions of the creed, they all basically have the same meaning. I would like to highlight a few areas of the creed as we seek to reenergize and recommit to what it is about being a Lion.

One line begins with the statement that Lions fill a niche. Within our clubs we are not called to fill all positions or to be that person that must do everything. Each of us should find that area that we can best help our club with. One of the things that I hear in making my visitations is that the club members are getting older and are dropping out because they cannot do what they used to. For most of you, your role in your club will change as you age. Even though you might not be able to physically do what you did in the past, you

are still an important Lion. Your advice and ideas are still valuable to your club. You can still mentor new Lions. There are little jobs that you can still do in your club's service projects. You can support the other members of your club with a supportive phone call or a good word. You can be a voice of praise. Look for ways to stay involved even though it might not be on a level that is as active as you once were.

Another line of the creed says that a Lion laughs often. Look for ways to have fun. You are serving side by side with members of your club who are your friends. Take the time to smile, laugh and enjoy those friendships. Laughter and smiling are infectious and others will want to be a part of a club that has fun. That will help your club to grow.

If I were to sum up the overall theme of the creed

I would say that it is "Lions are positive people". Every single club has its struggles, some more than others. Don't give up. Be positive. We can make our clubs better by remembering who we are as Lions. We also have many resources available to our clubs when questions or struggles arise. Those include your zone chairs and your district leaders. Get them involved if there are problems. In addition, Lions International publishes many resources that may be of assistance. Gatherings, such as the Spring Rally, which is scheduled this year for April 14 in Fargo is a great place to share with other Lions from around the district what is happening in your club and to seek and share solutions. Celebrate new clubs coming on board. Lisbon will be celebrating their new club on March 14, 2025 at the Opera House in Lisbon starting

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at 5:30 PM with a social. If you plan on attending RSVP Kristina Dick at 701-793-2279 and leave a message.

A number of years ago I had the pleasure of meeting Past International President Bill Biggs, who was from North Dakota. He asked me to step forward into a position of leadership. When I hesitated, he said "Kirk, you are a Lion. The answer is yes". Let's renew and recharge ourselves this spring. I like to think that our club members are not getting older, they are getting better. So in this time of renewal, start with yourself. Reread the Lion's Creed and recommit to being that person. When others see you, do they say "THAT PERSON IS A LION"? You are a Lion. The answer should be "YES!".

## Club News

### New Rockford



New Rockford Lions (left to right) Amy Kippen Julie Shrock and Rick Swenson present Amanda Hegland (center right ) with a \$20,000.00 check towards rebuilding the local movie theater.

## 5NW DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT

G'Day Lions of 5NW, February was a very busy month for District 5NW Lions. We all got back into action with club extension, fund-raising, leadership training, marketing, membership, service, club visits, and zone meetings.

Please check our District 5NW website for lots of new information about the 2025 state convention, your 2025 Spring Rally, and three new features. We have started monthly talk radio segments about Lions on AM 1100 and AM 1270 (hope to be on AM 550 soon), we have begun publishing a series of diabetes awareness articles by Lion Mitch Vance or the Bismarck Lions Club, and posted a club event for the Dacotah Mandan Lions.

Ten clubs now have landing pages on the website with links to their Facebook page and or their club website. Three more clubs have provided photos and information that your 5NW website team can use to develop landing pages for them.

We still have a lot of work to do on net membership

gain, new club extension, and zone chair + club officer training (this usually happens at Spring Rally so please plan to be there).

Member retention continues to be a significant issue for us. Our January Club Health Assessment shows 65 new members, but 75 members that dropped their membership. Once again I urge every club to find a Member Retention Chairperson that likes to call, text, or send a note to members that stop attending service projects and/or meetings.

We have had two talk radio sessions on AM 1100 and AM 1270, and continue working to schedule one on AM 550. Our next spot will be Thursday 3/13/25 when we will tell radio listeners all across North Dakota about the Bismarck Lions Club's work with The Dream Center and Ministry on the Margins plus the North Star Lions Club's new Bikes for Kids project.

### LYNN HELMS

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Our efforts to start new clubs in Mohall and Garrison are once again underway, so please let me know if you have a friend or family member in or near those communities that we can invite to become a Lion.

Peace Poster kits are now available. If you want an early start contact Lion Sherry Fetch to have your kit mailed, otherwise you can pick it up at Spring Rally.

Your cabinet has become aware that LCI has more than \$9,000 available to our 5NW clubs for Community Impact Grants. We plan to help our new clubs get started in service with a portion of that and will also assist all clubs

that are interested in submitting a grant application.

Your cabinet has also approved a plan for moving forward with both print and electronic ND Lion newsletters in cooperation with District 5NE. If you want details on the plan please contact DGE Karen daSilva.

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

WeServe!

5NW DG Lion Lynn Helms, PhD

## Club News

### Minot



Lion Leslie (right) had the honor of inducting the newest Minot Lions member, Lion Pat (center). He is pictured with his sponsor Lion Jake (left).

### Dacotah Mandan Lions Strides Walk

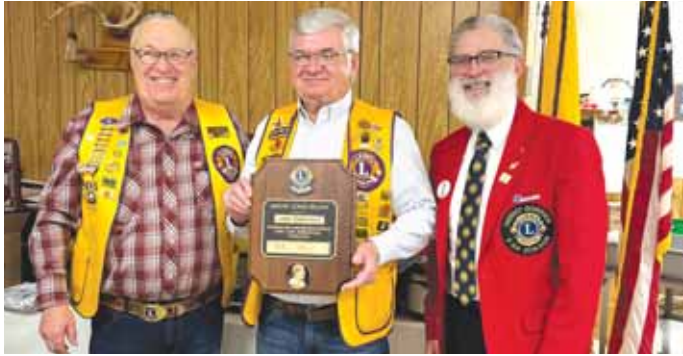
Help Send Diabetic Children to Camp Maverick, ND Diabetic Camp.  
We help Parents pay the \$700.00 cost for each child.

<b>Mandan Middle School</b> 2901 12th Ave NW, Mandan, ND  Sunday, April 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 1:30 PM: Registration 2:00 PM: 3-mile or 5-mile Walk  Walk will be on the track at the school But if inclement weather: Mandan Middle School Gym  \$20.00 per participant	<b>Send Your Donation to:</b> <b>Dacotah Mandan Lions Club</b> 3801 Memorial Hwy, Suite A, PMB 136 Mandan, ND 58554  Call or Email: Sherry Fetch 701-426-3432 joyfullion2@gmail.com  LeAnn Eckroth 701-770-6341 leeckroth@gmail.com  
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# Club News

## Elgin



The Elgin Lions Club held their award ceremony at the February 13th meeting. Lion president Kenny Friedt and District 5NW Governor Lynn Helms presented Lion Brandon Ulrich with the Lion of the Year award (right photo). Lion Jim Zimmerman was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship (left photo).

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

Chaffee Lions Club \$300

Enderlin Lions Club

*Lifetime Donors*

- Maynard Tobenson \$300

- Carol "Christy" Christiansen \$300

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

#### Lifetime Donors

*One hundred forty North Dakota Lions have been designated "Lifetime Donors" through contributions to the Lions Foundation of North Dakota. A \$300 donation allows a club to make the Lifetime Donor designation. Clubs leading in designations are:*

**Grand Forks Lions Club (20)**

**Dacotah Mandan Lions Club (18)**

**Fargo Lions Club (17)**

**New England Lions Club (15)**

**Enderlin Lions Club (12)**

*Thank you to Lions Clubs and to individual Lions for your generous support.*



**Lions Clubs International  
FOUNDATION**

**Lions of North Dakota,**

***When you joined Lions Clubs International, you became part of the Lions Clubs International Foundation. It is YOUR foundation. 100% of the donations that come into OUR foundation go towards eight global causes. Vision, Hunger, Environment, Youth, Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Humanity and Disaster Relief & Preparedness.***

Several Lions Clubs in District 5NW have received District & Club Community Impact Grants to bring the mobile Gateway to Science to their local schools. The vision screeners used for the "Sight for Kidz" program was possible because of an LCIF Grant. Several areas of disaster have received Disaster Grants in ND.

**The United States has had several disasters that have impacted many people in our nation. Donations to the general disaster fund help LCIF award grants immediately to Lions who are impacted by natural disasters. LCIF anticipates additional funding requests will be received and awarded to help support Lions in the relief needs following these hurricane and fire disasters, including the fires in District 5NW.**

We are excited to bring to you a **fun way** that your Lions Club can donate to LCIF by participating in an **LCIF Money Raffle!** Districts 5NW and 5NE are having separate money raffles. It is \$20.00 a ticket. The Prizes are:

1<sup>st</sup> ..... \$1,199.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> ..... \$700.00

6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> ..... \$500.00

10<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> ... \$300.00

14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> ..... \$200.00

***We can all help LCIF make a difference!***

*Please follow the information that arrived with your raffle tickets.*

***You can sell the tickets to anyone; they do not have to be sold to Lions only.***

**Both Districts 5NW and 5NE have drawings for the raffle on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**If you have any questions please contact:**

PDG Sherry Fetch, D5NW LCIF Chair

[joyfullion2@gmail.com](mailto:joyfullion2@gmail.com) or 701-426-3432

Mail to: 406 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW,  
Mandan, ND 58554

PDG Rick Swenson, D5NE LCIF Chair

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Mail to: 414 1<sup>st</sup> Ave North  
New Rockford, ND 58356



**LIONS LCIF RAFFLE 2025**



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



# Sign up for 5NW Spring Rally

**Saturday April 5th**

**Trinity High School in Dickinson**

**8:30—2:30 Breakfast & Lunch Provided**

**Free for all 5NW Lions**

It is very important that every current and incoming club President, Secretary, and Treasurer make an effort to attend.

**There will be lots of interesting sessions for ALL Lions.**

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Lions Attending: Name/Club Officer Position if Applicable

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form by **April 2, 2025** so we can plan for breakfast & lunch.

Return form to: 1VG Karen daSilva:

Email: **kdasilva@bis.midco.net** or Mail: **200 Oakfield Drive Bismarck ND 58503**

Questions? **Call/Text Lion Karen at (701) 471-2204**



## 2025 Spring Rally

This Spring Rally is a fantastic opportunity for all Lions to connect, learn, and grow! Lions International continues to evolve, embracing new **Global Causes**, innovative **Service opportunities**, expanded **Membership options**, and **fresh ways for Lions to meet and make an impact**.

Whether you're a **new member eager to learn** or a **seasoned Lion looking for fresh insights**, the **Member Orientation Session** promises valuable takeaways for everyone. Plus, with our **roundtable discussions scheduled twice**, you won't have to miss out on any key topics.

# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

**Carrington Lions Club  
Dakota Central Telecommunications  
Family Vision Center**

*"AL LARSON MEMORIAL"*  
**4 Person Scramble Golf Tournament  
MALE...FEMALE...CO-ED**

**Friday, June 6, 2025**

CrossRoads Golf Course  
Carrington, ND



\*Registration starting at 10:30AM Shotgun Start at 11:15AM

**ENTRY FEE: \$60 a person/\$240 a team**

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

\*Free snacks on the course

\*Golf Carts available for rent @ 701-652-2601

**CASH TEAM PRIZES:**

\$1200-Team Prize Money [prizes may vary slightly based on entries]

**HOLE PRIZES: [Contests on most holes]**

**Register Early- Only 36 Teams Deadline: Wed, June 4, 2025**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

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

The EDGELEY  
LIONS CLUB is  
having a 100TH YEAR  
CELEBRATION

**April 25, 2025  
and you are invited.**

It will be held at the Bottoms Up  
Bar/Grill at the intersection of Hwy  
13 and Hwy 281 in Edgeley, ND.

There will be a social hour with a  
cash bar starting at 5:00 PM.

A Swiss Steak meal for \$15  
served at 6:00 PM.

Following the meal will be a pro-  
gram featuring our District Gover-  
nor Kirk Tingum from Grand Forks  
and a demonstration by the Jud  
Service Dogs for America.

**Please RSVP by April 1  
if you plan to attend.**

Diane Greiman, PO Box 215, Edge-  
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