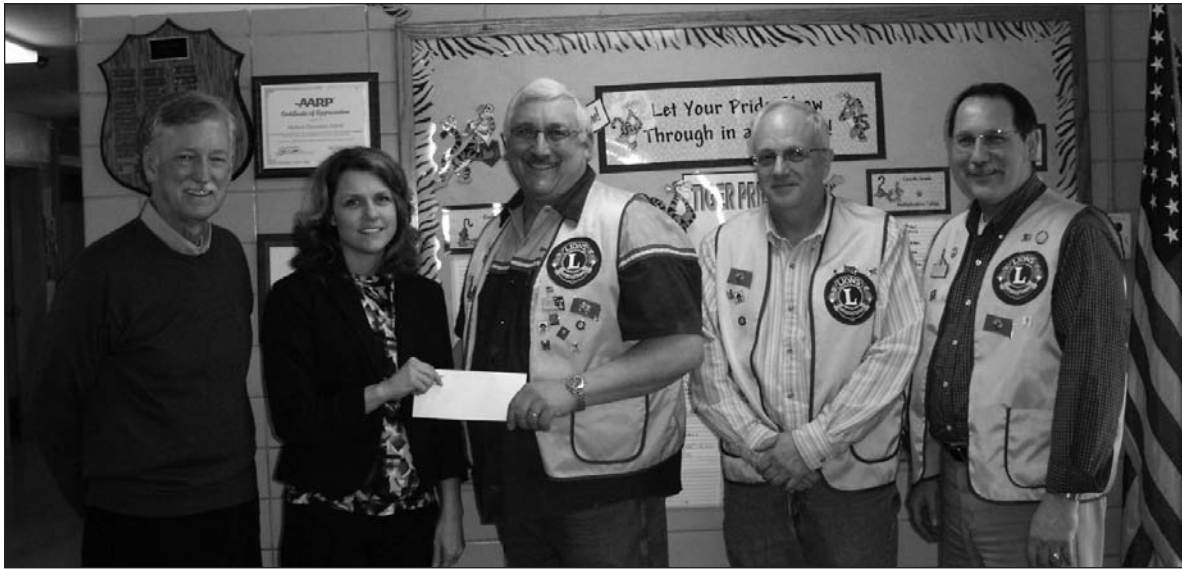


# C L U B N E W S

## Huron Eye Opener Lions club donates to local school



Huron Eye opener Lions club recently donated \$1300 to Huron Public schools for a sound-field amplification system to be used in a lower elementary classroom at Madison School. Sound-field amplification systems amplify a teachers voice evenly throughout the classroom so every student can hear every word all of the time. Benefits to the system include students hearing their teacher better, childrens attention and on-task times improve, class interaction and participation increases, classroom stress is lowered, behavior problems are reduced, academic test scores improve and children with learning disabilities can benefit.

## Selby Lions club extends project started in 1980

The Selby Lions Club has continued a project started in 1980 when they began sponsoring The Selby Area Sports Hall of Fame and built a board on which to place pictures of the honorees.

The honor involved displaying the picture and accomplishments of certain outstanding athletes and teams on a board in the lobby of the Selby High School auditorium.

Twenty-nine years later the first board is full and the Lions Club was asked to furnish another board. The new board will hold 77 5x7 pictures and should last another 15 to 17 years.

To be inducted into the Hall of Fame a student must meet one of the following requirements:

### Individuals:

1. Student must earn 10 sports letters including 3 their senior year.
2. In the sports of basketball, football or volleyball the student must earn All-State recognition.
3. In the sports of track, cross country or golf the student must place at the State meet.

### Teams:

An athletic team can be inducted into this Hall of Fame if the team wins the conference, conference tournament, district, region or places at a state meet.



Lions Lonny Nilson and Harley Brockel, stand in front of Sports Hall of Fame display board built and furnished by the Selby Lions Club



## Diabetes Awareness Tidbits

Lion Janice Wagner, Chair, District 5-SW  
Lion Dianne Gropper, Chair, District 5-SE

### Diabetes & Vision

Diabetes has the potential to become the number one public health concern of the 21st century: One of the severe complications of Diabetes is visual problems, as Diabetes is known to contribute to the development of eye disease. Diabetes causes numerous changes in the eye, which can increase the risk for developing several eye-related conditions and diseases. Some of the changes in the eye include those to lens thickness and curvature, with reductions in contrast sensitivity as well as an enhanced sensitivity to glare. Eye damage from chronic exposure to UV and sunlight may make eyes more prone to damage from diabetes-related diseases like diabetic retinopathy, and some medications taken by diabetics may make their eyes even more susceptible to UV-related damage and photosensitivity, further increasing the detrimental effects of the disease on vision.

### Specific diabetes-related eye disease:

**Diabetic retinopathy:** (the most primary complication of diabetes in the eye) Research suggests that nearly every person diagnosed with diabetes before age 30 will develop retinopathy within 20 years of diagnosis. Diabetic retinopathy may also increase the vulnerability to UV light.

**Cataracts:** In diabetic patients chronic hyperglycemia, in which low insulin levels cause the buildup of high sugar levels in the blood, which cause opacification of the lens. Symptoms of a diabetic cataract include sensitivity to glare and decreased visual acuity, especially during bright sunlight.

**Age-related macular degeneration (AMD)** An elevated glycemic index has long been recognized as a significant risk factor for diabetes, and recent studies identify it as a risk factor for AMD as well. People with diabetes also may be more likely to experience a rapid progression of AMD.

**Photosensitivity:** Diabetes has been associated with reductions in contrast sensitivity and increased susceptibility to glare. Certain drugs and drug classes – such as those for hypertension (high blood pressure) – routinely prescribed to diabetic patients may also cause photosensitivity, sensitivity to glare or contrast sensitivity decrements. For these reasons, it is especially important for people with diabetes to protect their eyes from sunlight and UV rays.

We know that for many for many, diabetes may be a potentially preventable disease by better eating habits, regular exercise, and maintenance of normal weight. Unfortunately studies are showing that there is an alarming lack of awareness of the diabetes' potential impact on eye health and vision. While diabetes is being recognized as a grave overall health condition and is getting more attention worldwide, public awareness of the disease's effect on the eye is still fairly low. For example, less than 40 percent of people globally identify vision problems as a side effect of diabetes, and, even among diabetics themselves. Low awareness of the impact of diabetes on eye health poses a real danger to diabetic patients. Regular eye exams are essential to detect early onset of diabetes and provide prompt and effective therapy, especially since more than 90 percent of severe vision loss and blindness caused by diabetic retinopathy can be prevented with proper eye care. It was recently noted that in a global survey only between 21 to 40 percent of diabetic worldwide have regular eye exams. About 35 % report they do not wear protective eyewear that will protect from the sunlight, UV rays and glare. Education of persons with diabetes of the potential of diabetic related eye disease is important and can be done when Diabetic education is done. This can be done in conjunction of screenings, health fairs, by handouts on eye disease and other methods.



## THANK YOU!

Dear fellow Lions,

I am deeply grateful for the many cards, letters and e-mails I have received from well-wishers following my resignation as editor of the South Dakota Lion last month. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve in that capacity for the last 15 years.

Through my work on the "South Dakota Lion", I learned so much about our organization and got to know Lions, Lionesses and Leos from every club in the state. Thank you to everyone who helped make my job a "labor of love", especially our District Governors whom I had the honor of working with through the years.

My sincere best wishes to those who take over the South Dakota Lion from here.

Serving with you,  
Lion Sue Hovey

### Just a reminder...

Specific Assistance Grants are increasing!  
Consider a line item in your budget to cover the needs of the less fortunate in your community and surrounding area!  
The Foundation covers 2/3rd and the Club 1/3rd of the cost for vision and hearing related assistance. The total grant amount is up to \$6,000.00.

Club match for: New Hearing Aids (2) - \$237  
New Reading machine - \$825  
Surgery (up to) - \$2,000

### 2009 MD5 CONVENTION

#### Holiday Inn, Minot, North Dakota, June 4-6, 2009

Convention headquarters is the Holiday Inn on East Burdick Expressway in Minot with a room rate is \$59 per night, rate valid thru May 13 only. Lions have to make their own room reservations. When reserving a room, ask for Lions Convention to get special rate, at 701-852-2504 or 1-800-468-9968. Convention registration is \$115 US dollars for early bird full registration prior to May 1, 2009. Regular Registration from May 1, 2009 to day of the convention is \$125 US dollars. Registration at the convention is \$135. The convention will have partial registration fees for the different events/meals and single days.

#### Programs and Breakout Sessions include:

*Alternative Energy Sources-* Biodiesel (with tractor on display) NDSU Extension Dr, John Perrier and Hydrogen Tractor, Future of Renewable Energy  
*Survival Kit for Lions-* Inspiration and motivation in our lives by Terry Eckmann  
*Lionism In Action-* Hearing Aids for Early Childhood Literacy  
*Military in Service and Impact on Community-* MAFB  
*Digital Photography-* What's New--Craig Nansen

**Experience Roosevelt Park Zoo.** Tour available Friday 3:30-5:30pm-- Enjoy the natural surroundings of the zoo, over 89 species of animals including many exotics, the beautiful botanical plants, and a behind-the-scenes look of North Dakota's oldest zoo provided by Lion Becky Dewitz. Cost is \$5 for 55 and over; \$6 general admission.

#### Other highlights:

**Golf Scramble:** The golf outing will be held at the Souris Valley Golf course in west Minot Thursday morning, 4-person scramble with a block of tee times available. The fee of \$50 includes golf, cart, and lunch.

**Friday Evening "Nifty Fifties":** A little nostalgia along with some fun will take place at the hotel with burgers, polish sausage, baked beans, chips and fruit. Social hour at 5:30 pm followed by meal. Nifty fifties music with a DJ and cars brought from the Classic Car club.

**Governor's Banquet:** Lions International Director Dana Biggs is the featured speaker for Saturday evening banquet.

### MD5 Convention Agenda

<b>Wednesday, June 3</b>	Breakout Sessions, 2 pm
Early Registration 5:30-7:30 pm	Roosevelt Zoo Tour, 3:30 pm
	Nifty Fifties Evening
	Social, 5:30 pm
	Meal & Entertainment, 6:30 pm
<b>Thursday, June 4</b>	
Golf Scramble & Lunch, 8 am	
Registration Opens, 9 am	
Council of Governors Mtg, 1:30 pm	
Necrology (Memorial Service), 5 pm	
Past District Governor's Banquet, Minot State Univ. 6:30 pm	
Ice Breaker Social, with entertainment by "Sister Act" musical group 8 pm	
<b>Friday, June 5</b>	
Breakfast, 7 am	
Opening Ceremony/Parade of Flags, 8 am	
Business Session, 9:15 am	
Breakout Sessions, 10:15 am	
Senior Counsellor Awards Luncheon, 11:45 am	
	<b>Saturday, June 6</b>
	State/Provincial Breakfast, 7 am
	Committee Meetings, 9:15 am
	Delegate Certification
	Breakout Sessions, 9:15 am
	Bear Pit, International Director, 10:30 am
	Red Jacket Ceremony, Luncheon, 11:30 am
	Council of Governors Meeting, 1:45 pm
	Final Business Session and Voting, 3 pm
	Silent Auction concludes
	Pre-Banquet Reception, 5:45 pm
	Governors Banquet, 6:30 pm

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## Attention, Club Officers OFFICIAL NOTICE



## MD-5 Convention: June 4-6 Minot, North Dakota

**THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2009 MD-5 CONVENTION TO BE HELD JUNE 4-5-6, 2009, IN MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA**  
**THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS:**

1. The Official 2009 Convention Rules
2. Your Club's Credentials Form
3. Your Club's Contest Entry Form:
  - a) Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest
4. Order Form for 2009 Convention Proceedings
5. Constitution and Bylaws Changes to be voted on at 2009 MD-5 Convention in Minot, ND

The Official Convention Rules should be reviewed by your club officers and explained to your delegates. Voting is by Lions Clubs International rules: one vote for each 10 members or major fraction thereof, 5 being considered a major fraction. For a club to be in good standing, all debts to Lions Clubs International of \$50 or more, 90 days past due, must be paid.

Your Club Credentials Form is very important. Delegates and alternates must be selected. The form should be mailed, in time to arrive by May 27, 2009, to DG Craig Wollenburg, 109 1/2 S. Main, Rugby, ND 58368. (Please allow for slow mail.) The form also may be presented to the Credentials Committee at the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn-Riverside upon arrival at the Convention, but no later than 1:00 p.m. on June 5, 2009.

The Lions Contest Form should be given to your delegation to present to the Convention Committee Chairman, PDG Jan Froemming, in care of the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn-Riverside. The basis for the Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest is for: (1) clubs with 25 or fewer members, and (2) clubs with 26 or more members. Points are awarded on the basis of 3 points for a Lion, 2 points for a Lion's spouse, and 1 point for each child in attendance. The points are totaled and multiplied by round-trip mileage to Minot, North Dakota. When completing this form, count ONLY those who are pre-registered for the convention.

Properly certified MD-5 Lions attending the annual MD-5 Convention may vote on proposed changes to the MD-5 Constitution and Bylaws, if the need arises.

If you have any questions, please contact the MD-5 Council of Governors Secretary-Treasurer, Mike Brand.

MD-5 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS  
PDG Jan Froemming, Chairperson, Convention Committee  
Council Chairman PDG Brian Tinker  
PCC Mike Brand, Secretary-Treasurer

### REQUEST FOR MD-5 CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

The Constitution of Lions Clubs International requires clubs desiring a copy of the proceedings of the Multiple District Convention to request a copy from the Multiple District Secretary. If your club wishes to receive the convention proceedings, please clip and mail this form by June 30, 2009, to: PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072-2832.

Please send a copy of the  
2009 Minot Multiple District Convention  
Proceedings to:

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Club: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov.: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/PC: \_\_\_\_\_

### MD-5 CONVENTION RULES 2009

1. The official convention program shall be the order of business.
2. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern on parliamentary procedures.
3. Lions in good standing must be registered in order to vote on all convention matters. Clubs with indebtedness of over \$50 to Lions International or their District will be considered **not** in good standing.
4. The use of profane language at any business session, social function, or banquet is prohibited.
5. Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from **Lion Jerry Jorgenson, Minot Lions Club, MD-5 2009 Convention Treasurer, PO Box 1671, Minot, ND 58702**, until June 30, 2009. After this date, requests should be made to MD-5 Sec./Treas. PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072. **No refunds can be requested sixty days after the conclusion of the convention.**
6. All resolutions shall be submitted to PDG Donelda Phillips, Chairperson, Rules & Resolutions Committee, by 1 p.m. Thursday, June 4, 2009, in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Holiday Inn-Riverside, Minot, ND.
7. **Credentials** to vote at the MD-5 Convention shall be mailed to DG Craig Wollenburg, 109 1/2 S. Main, Rugby, ND 58368, or delivered upon arrival at the convention in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Holiday Inn-Riverside, Minot, ND, no later than 1 p.m. Friday, June 5, 2009.
8. Entries for **Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest** and **Most Lioness-Miles-Traveled Contest** submitted by registrants; **Lions and Leos Clubs of the Year, Club Website Contest, District Club Scrapbook Contest, and District Club Newsletter Contest** winners are to be submitted, **from each District Governor**, to PDG Jan Froemming, Chairperson, Convention Committee, by 1 p.m. Friday, June 5, 2009, in care of the Lions Registration Desk., Holiday Inn-Riverside, Minot, ND.
9. Any details regarding changing the Constitution and Bylaws shall be submitted to PDG Donelda Phillips, Chairperson, Constitution & Bylaws Committee, by 10 a.m., Thursday, June 4, 2009, in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Holiday Inn-Riverside, PO Box 2228, Minot, ND 58701; phone 701-852-2504.

### MOST-LIONS-MILES-TRAVELED CONTEST ENTRY FORM

This form should be given to your club delegation to present to the Convention Committee Chairperson, PDG Jan Froemming, at the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn-Riverside, Minot, ND.

The basis for the Most-Lions-Miles-Traveled Contest is for: (1) clubs with 25 or fewer members, and (2) clubs with 26 or more members. Points are awarded on the basis of: 3 points for a Lion, 2 points for a Lion's spouse, and 1 point for each child in attendance. The points are totaled and multiplied by round-trip mileage to Minot, ND.

#### COUNT ONLY THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PRE-REGISTERED AND IN ATTENDANCE.

If you have any questions, please contact the Council Sec./Treas., PCC Mike Brand.

MD-5 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS  
PDG Jan Froemming, Convention Committee Chairperson  
PDG Brian Tinker, Council Chairman  
PCC Mike Brand, Secretary-Treasurer

#### CONTEST ENTRY INFORMATION:

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total number of club members as of March 30, 2009: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PRE-REGISTERED ATTENDANCE AT 2009 MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 CONVENTION, MINOT, ND:

Lions: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouses: \_\_\_\_\_ Children: \_\_\_\_\_  
Round-Trip Mileage to Minot, ND: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT:** This form must be delivered to the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn-Riverside, Minot, ND, no later than 1 p.m. Friday, June 5, 2009. **NOTE:** Only those who are PRE-REGISTERED may be counted in this contest.

\*\*\*\*\* TAKE TO THE MD5 CONVENTION \*\*\*\*\*

10. All reports of Committee meetings held at the convention shall be submitted to Sec.-Treas. PCC Mike Brand, in care of the Lions Registration Desk, by 8 a.m., Thursday, June 4, 2009. Reports shall be typewritten in a format approved by council for inclusion in the convention proceedings report.
11. All State and Provincial breakfasts, as scheduled in the Convention Program, shall be the location for business peculiar to these areas.
12. Privilege to speak regarding convention sites or any matter pertaining to MD-5 business must be requested of Council Chairman PDG Brian Tinker.
13. In Business Sessions, a delegate will be recognized by the Council Chairperson provided that said delegate stands, goes to the nearest microphone, and states his/her name and club for recording purposes. No Lion shall be allowed to speak for more than three (3) minutes each time on any one subject without the consent of the convention delegates.
14. All voting at Business Sessions shall be conducted by card vote by qualified delegates present. A roll call or secret ballot vote may be directed by the Chairperson if considered warranted, or may be requested by a motion passed by a majority of qualified delegates present. **The Credentials Committee shall conduct all written ballot voting.** After the votes have been counted, said ballots shall be turned over to the Secretary to destroy. Voting delegates shall be based on one (1) vote for each ten (10) members of a club or a major fraction thereof. Five (5) members shall constitute a major fraction.
15. Solicitation or sale of club project items, with the exception of the host club(s), is prohibited. The host club(s) shall secure permission from the Council of Governors.
16. Business sessions shall be smoke free. Smoking areas shall be established outside the business area and for all convention meals.
17. Invitations to host the 2015 MD-5 Convention shall be mailed to PDG Jan Froemming, Box 134, Elgin, ND 58533, or submitted to the Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn-Riverside, Minot, ND, no later than 1 p.m. Friday, June 5, 2009.

PDG Donelda Phillips, Chairperson  
Rules and Resolutions Committee  
PDG Brian Tinker, Council Chair  
PCC Michael Brand, Council Sec./Treas.

### VOTING AT THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 CONVENTION

Voting is by Lions Clubs International rules: one vote for each 10 members or major fraction thereof, 5 being considered a major fraction. For a club to be in good standing, all debts to Lions Clubs International of \$50 or more, 90 days past due, must be paid.

The Credentials Committee must certify voting delegates. Select your voting delegates and alternates and list them below. Mail this form to DG Craig Wollenburg, 109 1/2 S. Main, Rugby, ND 58368, to be received by May 30, 2009, or have your delegation leave this form at the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn-Riverside, Minot, ND, no later than 11 a.m., Friday, June 5, 2009.

**This form is to be filled out and SIGNED BY YOUR CLUB SECRETARY PRIOR to coming to the Convention.**

#### CREDENTIALS INFORMATION:

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total number of club members as of March 30, 2009: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Voting Delegates attending the 2009 MD5 Convention in Minot, ND: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office held in Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Secretary's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
**IMPORTANT:** Send this form with your club secretary or club representative who is attending the 2009 MD-5 Convention.

\*\*\*\*\* TAKE TO THE MD5 CONVENTION \*\*\*\*\*

THIS INFORMATION ALSO CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT: [www.MD5Lions.net](http://www.MD5Lions.net)

# South Dakota Lions Foundation

## MARCH 2009 CONTRIBUTIONS

### Used Eyeglass & Hearing Aid Donations

RECEIVED FROM:

- |                                 |                         |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Sioux Falls Downtown Lions Club | Elk Point Lions Club    |
| Willow Lake Lion Club           | Sioux Empire Lions Club |
| Sioux Land Lions Club           | Hartford Lions Club     |
| Brandon Lions Club              | Deuel County Lions Club |
| Dell Rapids Lions Club          | Redfield Lions Club     |
| Selby Lions Club                |                         |

### Memorials & Donations

- Memorial in Honor of William J. Srstka Sr.* RECEIVED FROM: Roger & Karen Braaten  
*Memorial in Honor of Jo Walrey* RECEIVED FROM: Joel & Delphi Klusmann  
*Memorial in Honor of Marion Musgrave* RECEIVED FROM: Cheryl Musgrave

- Glen & Irene Peterson  
 Tom & Donna Haber  
 Children of Marion Musgrave

- Memorial in Honor of Gesina Schley* RECEIVED FROM: Bev & Terry Timmer  
 (PDG Ray Schley's mother)

- Linda Girard  
 David Drajma  
 Mary Ellen Drajma  
 Roger & Karen Braaten  
 Keith Lewis  
 Ray & Louise Schley

- Donation in Honor of DG Ken Gifford* RECEIVED FROM: Rapid City Evening Star  
 Lions Club

### Life Contributors

Gifts over \$100.00 and accumulating

- PDG Ray Schley Paul E. Collins

### Sustaining Contributors

- Scott Anderson Joel Klusmann (\$50.00 and over)

### Gifts

- Thrivent Financial matching funds from Lion Donald Ludens

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 25** District 5SE Cabinet Meeting to be held in conjunction with new officer training at SDFL, Sioux Falls  
**June 4-6** MD-5 Lions Convention, Minot, ND  
**June 5-11** Paha Sapa Summer Youth Camp, Deadwood  
**July 6-10** Lions International Convention, Minneapolis, MN  
**July 17-19** Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute, Storm Lake, IA  
**July 26-31** Camp Gilbert, a camp for youth with diabetes, ages 8 to 18; for more information, log onto <www.campgilbert.com>



**Lionism is BOOMING in Minot!**  
 June 4, 5 and 6, 2009

Holiday Inn 2200 Burdick Expressway East, Minot, ND

#### MD5 2009 REGISTRATION FORM

1) Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Middle Last  
 \_\_\_ Lion \_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_ Guest

2) Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Middle Last  
 \_\_\_ Lion \_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_ Guest

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Prov \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP/PC \_\_\_\_\_

Res. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Business or Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Area Code Please)  
 E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Club 1) \_\_\_\_\_  
 2) \_\_\_\_\_

What is the highest office in Lion you will have held by the 2009 MD5?:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_  
 2) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special needs—physical or food?

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_  
 2) \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first MD5 Convention (Yes or No) 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

REFUND POLICY: Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from Lions MD5 2009 Convention, Lion Jerry Jorgenson, Treasurer, Minot Lions, PO Box 1671, Minot, ND 58701 until June 30, 2009. After that date, requests should be made to MD5 Sec/Treas. PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072. No refunds may be requested 60 days or more after the conclusion of the convention. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Deb Michels at 701-838-4481.

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

HOLIDAY INN—Convention Location, 2200 Burdick Expressway East, Minot, ND. Reservation phones 701-852-2504 or 1-800-468-9968, room block guaranteed until May 13, 2009 at \$59 per night, plus taxes. Ask for Lions Convention. Room. Check-in 4 pm, checkout at noon. Limited RV spots may also be available next door at the Riverside, call 852-2580.

#### REGISTRATION FEES:

Before May 1, 2009.....\$115.00 US/CDN \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 After May 1, 2009.....\$125.00 US/CDN \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 At Convention (Walk-in).....\$135.00 US/CDN \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL EVENT June 4 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_**  
**Thursday Morning Golf 4 person scramble.**  
 Includes golf, cart, and Lunch \$50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(please indicate who you would like to golf with or we can match you up.)

**PDG Banquet Thursday, June 4**  
 # attending @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT** ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to:  
**MD-5 2009 Convention**

Mail your registration form with a check to:  
**MD-5 2009 Convention,**  
**PO Box 1671, Minot, ND 58702**

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 http://sdlions.net

**Multiple District 5 Lions on the Web at**  
 www.MD5Lions.org

**ADDRESS CHANGES:** If you move, please notify Lions Clubs International, or ask your club secretary to note changes on the club Membership Report. LCI provides the mailing list for *The SD Lion*. The Post Office charges 50¢ for each copy returned for incorrect address.

**“S.D. LION” PUBLICATION DEADLINES**  
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**FUTURE FALL FORUMS & RALLIES**  
 October 3, 2009 . . . . . Fall Rally - Hill City  
 Nov. 14, 2009 . . . . . Fall Forum - Sioux Falls

**FUTURE STATE CONVENTIONS**  
 Jan. 30-Feb. 1, 2010 . . . . . Mitchell

**FUTURE MULT. DIST. 5 CONVENTIONS**  
 June 4-6, 2009 . . . . . Minot, ND  
 June 3-5, 2010 . . . . . Saskatoon, SK  
 June 2-4, 2011 . . . . . Rapid City  
 2012 . . . . . Bismarck, ND

**FUTURE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS**  
 July 6-10, 2009 . . . . . Minneapolis, MN  
 June 28 - July 2, 2010 . . . . . Sydney, Australia

**FUTURE USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUMS**  
 Sept. 17-19, 2009 . . . . . Memphis, TN

### OFFICIAL NOTICE

**THE QUESTION OF THE REDISTRICTING OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 WILL BE VOTED ON BY THE DELEGATES TO THE MD5 CONVENTION IN MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA, ON JUNE 4-6, 2009. A “YES” VOTE WOULD CHANGE THE NUMBER OF SUB-DISTRICTS FROM NINE TO SIX; TWO INSTEAD OF FOUR SUB-DISTRICTS IN SASKATCHEWAN, TWO INSTEAD OF THREE SUB-DISTRICTS IN NORTH DAKOTA, AND SOUTH DAKOTA WOULD REMAIN THE SAME WITH TWO SUB-DISTRICTS. APPROVAL REQUIRES A 2/3RD MAJORITY. IF APPROVED BY MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 AND THEN APPROVED BY THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE CHANGES WOULD BECOME EFFECTIVE ON JULY 1, 2010. A “NO” VOTE WOULD RESULT IN NO CHANGE FOR MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5.**

## RECOMMENDATION OF CHANGES TO THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS TO BE VOTED ON AT THE MD5 CONVENTION JUNE 4, 5, 6 2009 MINOT NORTH DAKOTA

### CONSTITUTION

#### ARTICLE 111 MEMBERSHIP AND (SUB) DISTRICTS

Section 3 Redistricting, Page 4

b. and an annual District Convention in each respective District that will be affected. (TO BE ELIMINATED)

#### ARTICLE V COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

Section 2 Officers, Page 5

a. The Vice-Chairman of the Council shall fill a vacancy in the office of Council Chairman. (TO BE ELIMINATED)

b. TO BE ELIMINATED AND REWRITTEN AS: In the event the sitting Council Chairperson cannot complete the duties of office, an appointee be assigned as approved by the sitting Council of Governors.

Section 5 Representatives for Negotiable Activity

TO BE REWRITTEN AS: A contract, check, bill of exchange or other document to which the Multiple District is a party may be signed on behalf of the Multiple District by either the Council Chairperson or the Multiple District Secretary-Treasurer.

### BYLAWS

#### ARTICLE 1X – BL AMENDMENTS

Section 1 Amending and/or Altering

a. Change (by March 1st) to – “the spring meeting of Council”

**THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS AND WILL BE POSTED ON THE MD5 WEBSITE**

### REDISTRICTING PROPOSAL FOR MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5

The process for restructuring our Districts in North and South Dakota and Saskatchewan is ready to enter the final two stages towards completion. Each District affected by the proposal has voted, to adopt the proposal and the MD5 Council of Governors have approved it at their March meeting. The final two stages involve your vote of approval or rejection at our MD5 Convention in June, and if approved, LCI Board of Directors approval in October. The proposal is as follows:

1. Saskatchewan will redistrict to two Districts by amalgamating Districts 5CN and 5CA into a north District 5SKN with a Lions population of 1658 Lions in 77 clubs, and by amalgamating Districts 5CW and 5CE into a south District 5SKS with a Lions population of 1969 members in 86 clubs. Both Districts will need to actively pursue membership initiatives to maintain viability.
2. North Dakota will redistrict to two Districts by dividing District 5NC along highways 3/281, 14, and 83, thus creating a west District 5NW with a Lions population of 1607 members in 56 clubs and an east District 5NE with a Lions population of 1584 members in 58 clubs. Both Districts will need to actively pursue membership initiatives to maintain viability.
3. South Dakota already consists of two Districts, a huge District 5SW that occupies more than three quarters of the state with a Lions population of 1027 members in 38 clubs, and District 5SE with a Lions population of 1728 members in 54 clubs. Both Districts are working together to help 5SW achieve full status.

Every club in MD5 is invited to vote at the MD5 Convention in Minot in June to either accept or reject the entire above proposal for redistricting. This vote is by registered delegates of clubs in good standing in MD5. That means all your International and District dues must be paid in full prior to the convention. To express your concerns and to have your questions answered, please call your District Governor or call me – Leo Grossman

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# Governor Ken's newsletter

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In last month's issue of The Lion, I had mentioned the fact that there may be some disruption in the publishing of the monthly newsletter due to the fact that our long time editor Sue Hovey was leaving her position. However, I am pleased to say that we expect no delays thanks to the folks at Smith Publishing who have assured us that we will have "business as usual".

Once again, I am putting out the plea for host families for the upcoming Lions Youth Camp. PDG Joe Harris who is serving as the host family coordinator really needs your help. He needs host families for the weeks of June 28-July 4 and July 12-18. A host family can host for either the two weeks, or select one of the two weeks. Families who have hosted foreign students in the past have all said that it is a wonderful experience. So please, search your hearts and contact Lion Joe at 574-4111 or 391-4645 or email at 38vons08@hughes.net

I am pleased to inform all of our clubs that next year's Peace Poster Contest kits are now available. They are \$10.00 each and all you need to do is contact me at 342-5799 or wragc@rushmore.com and I will send the kit to you. Now is the time to purchase your kits so that you will be ready to go when the new year begins.

How are you coming with my challenge to end the year with your club's net membership gain of 2? We have only three more months remaining until the end of this Lions year. It's easy to find new members. First of all you need to let the person know about all the good things that Lions are doing for the community and let them know that they too can be part of that rewarding experience. Then ASK them to become a member of your club. Come on you clubs out there who have not yet increased your membership. You can do it!!!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** – Our annual Leadership Training meetings will be held May 9 in Pierre and May 23 in Rapid City. This is an excellent opportunity for your next year's officers to receive valuable training from a team of Lions who have a wealth of information, suggestions, and advice for incoming officers. You will be receiving more details on this event via hard copy mail soon.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

May 9 . . . . . New Officer Leadership Training – Pierre  
May 23 . . . 4th Cabinet Mtg & New Officer Leadership Training – Rapid City  
June 4-6 . . . . . MD5 Convention – Minot, ND  
July 5-11 . . . . . Paha Sapa Lions Summer Youth Camp – Deadwood  
July 6-10 . . . . . Lions International Convention – Minneapolis, MN  
Sept. 24-26 . . . . . USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum – Memphis, TN  
October 3 . . . . . 5SW Fall Rally – Hill City

*Have a great month and Think Spring!!!  
Together in Lionism, DG Ken Gifford*

## DANA BIGGS, INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR



Dana Biggs of Fresno, California, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 90th International Convention, held in Chicago, Illinois, USA, July 2-6, 2007.

Director Biggs is the CEO of grape and wine marketing companies.

A member of the Reedley Kings River Ambassador Lions Club and a Lion since 1989, Director Biggs has held many offices within the association, including club

president, zone chairperson and district governor. Additionally she has served as chairperson of Quest, Student Speakers, Budget & Finance Committee, Extension and Leadership. She has also served as a speaker and panelist at several local and international Lions events.

In recognition of her service to the association, Director Biggs has received numerous awards, including the 100% Club President Award, a Club Lion of the Year Award, a multiple district Excellence Award, a District Lion of the Year

Award, a District Governor's Leadership Award, three District Governor's Medals of Appreciation, an AbdulAward, the Paul Shamada Leadership Award, the City of Hope Life Sustaining Award, three International President's Awards, the International President's Leadership Award, the International President's Certificate of Appreciation, an International Extension Award, the International President's Certificate of Appreciation and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest award the association grants to its members. She

is also a Dwight Stanford Fellow and a Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to her Lions activities, Director Biggs is active in numerous professional and community organizations. In the past, she served as juvenile justice commissioner for Fresno County, California.

Biggs and her husband, William, a past international president and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have five children and ten grandchildren. **Dana will be the guest speaker at the 2009 MD5 Convention in Minot, North Dakota. See page 4 for a complete schedule.**

# Governor Cindy's newsletter

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**Is Spring ever going to get here???** Hope all is well in your respective clubs. I have made 50 visitations and will be visiting Armour April 16th, Bon Homme April 29th, Deuel on May 7th and Alcester on May 14th. If you have any special events you would like me to attend that don't fall on these dates please let me know and I will try to attend. It has been wonderful visiting the clubs and seeing all the great projects the Lions do.

I have an idea that happened by circumstance but think it would be a wonderful way for the Lions in our District to get to know each other and also lend a helping hand. Some clubs are small and if any members have to be absent on the day of the fundraiser it makes it very difficult. So if your club needs help with a fundraiser please let me or any VDG know and we will arrange for Lions from other clubs to help. I think it would be great fun.

**PUC 101:** It is that time of year for Officer elections and PU-101's. Please elect your officers ASAP so your secretary can get the PU-101 done for your club. Secretaries if you want to complete the online form for PU-101 and don't have a computer or don't know where to go please let Louise or I know and we will help. Also by electing your officers now it will give them an opportunity to attend officer training. Dates are April 18th in Huron at the Riverview United Methodist Church, 1640 Simmons Ave SE. April 25th in Sioux Falls at the SD Lions Foundation Building (Boy Scout Building now). Officer training will start with rolls & coffee at 8:30. If you are interested in seeing how the cabinet works you are welcome to attend the meeting after lunch.

**Cabinet Meeting:** Seems like only yesterday that I was getting ready for the first cabinet meeting. Like everyone told me the year would fly by. I have only just begun to do some of the projects I wanted to do, so I will be working on those projects as IPDG. It's already time for the last cabinet meeting. It will be held April 25th after officer training and lunch. If you are on the cabinet please join us for lunch and then the cabinet meeting around 1:00. This should be a short meeting. Please let VDG Tom know if you will be eating lunch.

**MD-5 Awards:** If your club is interested in the club of the year award, the requirements are posted on the sdlions.net website. Then go to MD 5SE under my picture there is a link for the applications and requirements. Also if your club is interested in Best Newsletter, Best website, Best Scrapbook and Environmental Photo contest the applications are also available. A BIG Thank-You to Bill Jockheck for getting this site up and running and also our MD5 site. If you have anything you want posted please e-mail to him and he will see to it that it gets on the site.

*Lions as Everyday Heroes  
DG Cindy*

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## And the winner is...

Lion Gerald Boe of the Wosley Lions Club is the winner of the SD Past District Governors Association's March **Puzzler**. Lion Gerald won \$10 when his name was drawn from among all correct entries. He had discovered the **Puzzler** question in the middle column of page 7 of the March *SD Lion* ("Who would you contact if your Lions club wanted to provide large print calanders to the visually impaired?") and the answer on page 8 (*In the Brookings Lions Club order form for 2010 Large-print Calanders*).

**YOU COULD BE THE NEXT WINNER!** Find this month's Puzzler and the answer to it and submit your entry to: *The South Dakota Lion*, 303 LaDelle Ave., Dell Rapids, SD 57022; fax 605-428-3470; e-mail <smithpub@siouxvalley.net>. Past District Governors are ineligible.

**This month's entry deadline is April 31st.**

**Looking for the question is as fun as finding the answer!**