



FROM THE DESK OF DIST. GOV. LION ROBERT LITTLEFIELD

5NE Lions News & Views

Tax Exempt Status: Immediate Attention!

Beginning three years ago, organizations were required to file an information return, an 990-N, if the gross receipts for the organization were under \$25,000; organizations with gross receipts more than that are required to file the 990-EZ or 990. To find out more information on this, go to the irs.gov website, select the topic "File 990s by Oct 15" and you will see a list of organizations by state that haven't filed in the past three years.

The following list of clubs in 5NE is on record as not filing the 990-N postcard with the IRS: Region 1-Bowdon; Region 3-Pettibone, Robinson; Region 4-Larimore; Region 5—Braddock, Fredonia, Lehr, Zeeland; Region 6-Davenport, LaMoure.

Region and Zone Chairs should contact the club leaders and have them file electronically by October 15 to get back into compliance.



Lions of Region 3 Rally

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Region Rallies Completed in September

District Governor Robert completed the visitation of all six regions with active clubs during September. On September 10, he and his wife Kathy were in Wishek (Region 5) with 25 Lions and guests from Wishek, Kulm, Napoleon, Lehr, and Medina; on September 13, he visited Robinson (Region 3) with 25 Lions and guests from Tuttle, Medina, Robinson, Pettibone, Jamestown, Wing, Washburn, and Carrington; on September 20 he was in Harvey (Region 1) with 15 Lions and guests from Harvey, Rugby, Bowdon, and Carrington; and on September 30 he traveled to Enderlin (Region 6) with 10 Lions and guests from Chaffee, Valley City, Sheldon, Kindred, Enderlin, and Fargo. In August, he visited Region 2 and Region 7. The purpose of these rallies was to introduce the international themes of President Sig Scruggs, III, and ask all Lions in the District to recommit themselves and their clubs to increased levels of service. Included with this newsletter are pictures from rallies.

Region 1 Rally



**Region 6
Rally**

Pease Poster & Essay Contest: Due Oct. 26th

Awards Team Chair Mary Ann Zwinger must have all entries for the Peace Poster Contest and Essay Contest by October 26 so they can be brought to the State Convention in Grand Forks for final judging. Region and Zone Chairs should contact club leaders to remind them that local entries should be chosen by October 20. Remind club leaders that the entry information must be complete and correctly placed in order to be eligible to win. This is the first year for the essay contest. If clubs have questions about essay entries, they should contact Katrina Wendel at the ND School for the Blind in Grand Forks kwendel@nd.gov.

The winning posters will be taken to the State Convention in Grand Forks on October 29 & 30. At the State Convention, convention attendees will then vote on which poster they believe is the best. This winning poster will then represent 5NE in the Multiple District contest.

Please note that the above timelines are different than the dates stated on the contest rules. We are having special dates so the posters may be voted on at the State Convention.

Thanks Lions Clubs of 5NE for taking part in this very fun and important project of Lionism.

NDSU-Fargo Campus Club Charters on Oct. 24th

The NDSU-Fargo Campus Club will be chartered on Sunday, October 24, 2010, at 3:00 p.m. in the Prairie Room of the Memorial Union on the NDSU Campus in Fargo. District Governor Robert Littlefield will initiate the new members and install the officers at the ceremony. At the present time, 30 members will be initiated into Lionism. All district officers, cabinet members, and clubs in District 5NE are encouraged to attend and/or send their congratulations to the new officers in care of president Kyle Sebasta at Kyle.E.Sebasta@ndsu.edu or 33 Prairiewood Drive, Fargo, ND 58103. The club has established its project fund so donations are welcomed as charter gifts.

Committee, Team, and Officer Reports: Due Oct 11th

As we prepare for the District Cabinet Meeting and District 5NE Business Meeting at the State Convention, all committee chairs, team leaders, zone and region chairs, and district officers are reminded that written reports are due by October 11 to Cabinet Secretary Lion Blake Strehlow. The reports may be submitted via electronic format to: forent@ideaone.net.

An agenda and all submitted reports will be sent to cabinet members before the meetings.

To create more uniformity, the following format is suggested:

Name of Person Submitting Report:

Office/Responsibility:

Summary of Activities July 1-September 30, 2010:

- >Progress being made toward reaching District Goals:
- >Identify what you are most proud of accomplishing during the first quarter of your term.
- >Identify what you will be working on during the second quarter of your term.

Roaring with Kulm Lions

An evening filled with a variety of events took place at the Kulm County Club during the Kulm Lions Annual Steak Fry. About 90 Lions and friends joined together for the annual event including the surrounding communities of Jamestown, Edgeley, Ashley, Wishek, Gackle, Fredonia and Lehr. The winners of the meat auction were Dennis Schock of Ashley, David Schwigert of Edgeley, Mary Zenker of Jamestown, Randy Klusmann, Sybil Anderson and Gordon Irion of Kulm. A Zone meeting was held, consisting of the surrounding communities, of which Lion leaders were in attendance including Lion District Governor, Robert Littlefield, Moorhead, Region Chairman James Ruff, Lehr, and Zone Chairman, Arlan Burkman, Edgeley.

The Lions have completed the summer ditch clean up while making sure all the rinds were picked up from the Lions watermelon feed during the Kulm WindFest days. The Vision USA-North Dakota project is currently underway which is a program designed to assist the working financially disadvantaged that they have access to eye care and if needed, eye wear. From its inception, the Lions Club has been focused on assisting those with impaired vision through support of Guide Dogs for the Blind and handicapped, the Lions Eye Bank, the recycling of glasses, supporting Sight First projects as well as assisting those on a more local level through Vision USA. This is a "Year Round" project and urges anyone that may be financially unable to acquire an application form through the school or any Lions member. The total donations from North Dakota Lions for 2010 (as of 8/31/10) are \$6,266.00 with 147 applications approved and 20 under review.

Cabinet, District Meetings: Oct 29 & 30

All 5NE Cabinet members are requested to attend the second cabinet meeting of the year and as much of the State Lions Convention as they are able on October 29-30, 2010 at the Alerus Center in Grand Forks. Please register for the convention and make your hotel reservations immediately, if you have not already done so.

If you are not planning to attend the full convention, your presence is still requested for the official cabinet and district business meetings.

The Cabinet Meeting is scheduled in Room 3 of the Alerus Center on Friday, October 29, 2010, with the tentative schedule, as follows:

10-11 a.m.	Team Meetings
11-1 p.m.	Cabinet Meeting (with lunch break)

The District Business Meeting is scheduled in Room 3 of the Alerus Center on Saturday, October 30, 2010, with the tentative schedule, as follows:

8:30-9 a.m.	Final certification of delegates completed
9-10 a.m.	Business Meeting

Several important matters will be voted on at the business meeting, including: Election of vice district governor and district governor candidates; election of Lions Foundation of North Dakota and Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota candidates; consideration of amendments to the District 5NE Constitution & By-Laws, including a proposed district dues increase from \$6 to \$7 per year; consideration of district standard operating procedures; acceptance of bids to host 2012 and 2014 state Lions convention. The presence of the district leaders is essential and it is hoped that all cabinet members will make every effort to be present if possible.