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#### HELLO LIONS FROM THE DIGITAL WORLD

Well it's time once again to embrace change the best way we know how, and that head and heart first.

This will be the very first all digital edition of the Nebraska Lion and hopefully the continuation of the impressive work of retired Editor in Chief, Lion Donna Darrell. I think it is important that we recognize Lion Donna's efforts over the past 14 years as Editor in Chief. Without the dedication and devotion to excellence that Lion Donna displayed issue after issue within the Nebraska Lion, we the Lions of Nebraska would have been largely in the dark about the ongoings and successes of Lions at a Local Club level, District level, State level, and even at the International level. We often say "it goes without saying" but in this instance I want to make sure it is shouted from the mountain top, so please join me in saying, "THANK YOU LION DONNA".

As this is a new beginning, we hope to keep a few things consistent, such as the timing of the publications of the Digital Nebraska Lion. There will still be 6 issues annually, those being the month's of August, September, December, February, April, and June.

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### **Recap of the Council of Governors Meeting**

The Council of Governors meeting was called to order by Council Chairman Merlin Olson on July 22nd following the NE Foundation meeting.

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It was held at Project Harmony in Omaha. Those in attendance were CC Merlin Olson, VCC Dave Emery, Treasurer Randy Luthy, DG38-L Nicholas Dobesh, DG38-I Mike Geiger, DG 38-O Dave Melick, DG 38-N Evelyn Springer, and Secretary Ellen Olson.

Also attending were VDG 38-O, Leon Sweigard, 2ndVDG 38-O, Karen Jackson, and VDG 38-N, Jason Reineke.

Immediate Past Treasurer Jason Reineke explained the June 30 treasury report and budget. Current Treasurer Randy Luthy then explained the 2023-24 budget. It was decided to leave the expenses of E-News in the budget to cover the cost of possible new software. Dave Melick moved to accept the report and Evelyn seconded the motion. It was reported that international had raised travel reimbursements for lodging to \$100 a night.

Ellen read the DG and VDG reports from DG Evelyn and VDG Jason stating their Lions activities from State convention to the present time. The reports were sent via e-mail. DG Dave reported he has been planning the district O cabinet meeting on Aug 5 in Columbus. His theme for his year is AIM, meaning Actively Increasing Members. He reported attending the international convention and being particularly impressed with the international parade. DG Mike Geiger stated he has been planning 38-0 cabinet meeting on Aug 5 at the Firefighters Museum in Kearney and will be inviting the club presidents. He also attended the convention. DG Nick attended the convention also and while he was there he was invited to support Scottsbluff membership drive held at a ball game, which he did along with a rainstorm. His cabinet meeting is planned for Aug 12 at Valentino's on Ogallala.

Committee reports:

PDG Jeanne Gentry reported while she was hospitalized, she visited with someone that could be a resource for planning a juvenile diabetes camp. She volunteered nursing skills and suggested sites for camping experiences, including speakers, stay local, start small and serve s-mores as a special treat because "what's camp without s-mores".

2VG Karen reported she also had gone to Boston and while there investigated the history as her husband Mark is a decedent of founding fathers. She also increased her Lion's family and now has enrolled in Guiding Lions via ZOOM and will be attending GPLLI.

PCC Allen Darell reported he had been getting bids for DGE school for April 26-28. He offered prices for the Cobblestone Inn and Library in Broken Bow. rates were comparable to charges at Leadership Camp in Aurora, but we would save \$760 as we would not be charged for extras such as the swimming pool and basketball courts that we don't use. The room amenities are better, including T.V. and a hair dryer. Meals would be catered with cost coming from the budget. As the leadership camp had not responded to a request for a bid in a timely manner it was decided to schedule DG school for Broken bow. Dave Melick made the motion and Evelyn Springer seconded. We need everyone on the same level!

PCC David Wentworth reported GMT will meet via ZOOM the first Monday of each month unless it's a holiday. This meeting will include the all the GMs from all the districts. The district GMs will follow up with a zoom meeting for their district including the zone chairmen to talk about goals, accomplishments, and plans. Also encourage extending clubs.

Wentworth stated 575 Who's Who have been printed and are now being passed out. He will be sending suggestions to VDG to help them be prepared for their upcoming year to have things run smoothly, in particular have 990's filed.

PDG Dennis Hughes will be attending District O cabinet meeting as GST coordinator. David Wentworth reiterated that each district will be billed for 140 books with 3 to each club. A person will only be allowed two books, no matter how many positions they hold. The final bill has not been received, but each district will pay \$5.00 apiece.

Lion Donna Darell reported that even though the last NE Lions paper was sent in June, and it was announced on the front of the paper she received pictures and articles for the next paper. The postal permit was canceled, and a refund is coming. If NE Lions should want to print a paper again, a permit will be needed. Return papers will be accepted until Aug. 4 with a charge of 75cents.

PID Randy Heitmann requested the opportunity to explain in detail a new development Program. It was started by the Michigan Lions, as one of five in the world. PID Justin Faber brought it to his attention in 2022, asking if NE wanted to be involved. The 2022 COG approved the offer but was stalled. The NE Liaison committee includes himself, PCC Bob Arp, PCC Randy Ritterbush, PCC George Witte, and PCC Larry Seger. This committee will oversee the project. Each of the committee will work individually with a G team member and the CC. At this time international is developing a sixth team being GET (the E being for extension). This will be a long-term project. The teams will meet, discuss and offer assistance for leadership, direction, membership and service. Each team will set easy and smart goals to share with the teams and modify as needed. Goal is to bring development and leadership back to NE. At this time there are under 3000 lions in NE. This decline must stop. At the end of the year a survey will be sent out to each team leader questioning if you have met your goals, how the process worked and what's next. Interviews with the next governors will be held to make sure they are selecting the right people for the G teams for the next year, selecting people that will do their job. It is a necessity to have Lions in positions that want them and are willing to work. 38N is going to have a 1005 culture change. It must develop and grow or cease to exist. The name for the new project was decided to be the NE Leadership Accountability Model. After a Q&A session, the C of G, with Dave making the motion and Evelyn seconding it, voted to accept the project.

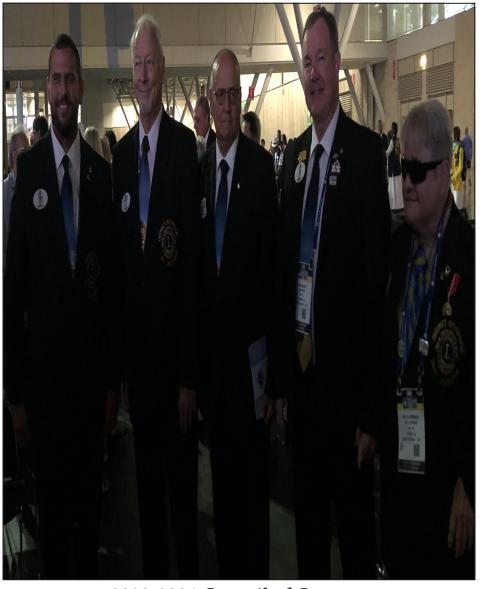
Randy then was asked to explain to those who may not have been to international convention, the bills that were passed. The first being the membership restrictions have been lifted from a multiple district to run officers for International Director or 3rd Vice President. The process was explained to be nomination first from the club, then the district and finally the multiple districts must be held at least 60 days before international. There are also restrictions as to who can vote. Discussion followed.

Plans for Fall Rally, as well as State Convention, are in the planning stages. PID Jay Monahan will be at Fall Rally the special guest and ID Ron Keller from Ohio for State Convention.

Discussion following including assisting fellow Lions pay with the costs of convention.

CC Olson reminded folks about USA/ Canada Forum in Reno in Sept. Dave moved meeting be adjourned and DG Nick seconded it.

Submitted by Sec Lion Ellen Olson



2023-2024 Council of Governors

Pictured, left-right: DG-L Nicholas Dobesh, DG-I Michael Geiger, CC Merlin Olson, DG-O David Melick, DG-N Evelyn Springer

# GLOBAL ACTION TEAM

MISSION 1.5 / Will you accept the challenge? / BY PID Patricia Vannett

# ett MEMBERSHIP A

#### **Special Agents of Change Needed!**

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. MISSION 1.5 starts with you.

Extension Agent:

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New Clubs – Two Chartered in July, with seven Charter Applications pending. (Goal: 200 new clubs by June 30, 2024)

New Members Added to Existing Clubs – 2,372, up 23% over July, 2022. (Goal: 35,000 members by June 30, 2024)

Membership Satisfaction – One-Year Retention of New Members 86% (1% improvement over July 2022)

Service –
2.1 million lives impacted with only 15% of clubs reporting. (Goal: 300,000,000 lives impacted with 90% of clubs reporting)

# Our motto is "WE SERVE"



Past International Director

GAT Constitutional Area 1 Leader



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### RISE FROM THE ASHES





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Greetings District 38-L, first I would like to thank you for the opportunity to help guide the district for this coming Lion year. I am proud to be part of the this great community organization, helping International President Dr. Patti Hill to build this organization for the future.

I was born in Columbus, NE, the youngest of seven children. We moved to just a few miles outside of Columbus when I was not yet three, and I grew up working outside in the garden and helping with the chickens we raised. I attended many 4-H events with my siblings, many of which were outdoor oriented. I attended the University of Nebraska – Lincoln and attained two degrees in Natural Resources, Fisheries & Wildlife and Environmental Studies.

I am a proud member of the Chadron Lions club, and have been attending club meetings since the fall of 2009 when our next door neighbor, Lion Tim Chancellor, asked Phil (my brother) to come to a meeting. I will fully admit I had no idea what Lions was when Phil told me to come along. Over the next year I worked with the club as a only volunteer since Phil had joined, and I had only just moved to Chadron on a seasonal job as a wildlife educator. In August of 2010 I got a permanent part-time job working with the wildlife division of Nebraska Game & Park, and I joined the Chadron Lions in October 2010.

Currently I work for the U.S. Forest Service in Chadron, and at times at Halsey, as part of the timber and silviculture crew.

As you can tell from my background the natural world has been a huge influencer in my life and Lions' Environmental Global Cause is near and dear to my heart. Working with the forestry side of the USFS and the lose of so many forested acres, has lead me to choice "Rise from the ashes" as my theme. As Lions we are Knights of the Blind, and should continue to be, but I encourage you and your fellow Lions to continue and to expand your environmental projects. Lastly I would like to to do a quick summary of the 105 th International Lions Convention. It was a deeply touching experience, where I was able to continue the journey of becoming a District Governor, that I started in February with my fellow incoming District Governors, in St. Charles, and attended many informative seminars and guest speakers. We were then confirmed as DG's during the Closing Plenary, which was so inspirational as Immediate Past International President Brian Sheehan's energy pumped up the crowd, and as International President Dr. Patti Hill took the Oath of Office. She also outlined her desire to shift even more focus on the Environmental Global Cause, and kick off Mission 1.5 to try and reach 1.5 million Lions around the world by 2027. If you get a chance in the future to attend an International Covention I would suggest it, as you truly see how we are a international organization. I look forward to meeting my fellow Lions at club visits and conventions, and if you have any questions feel free to contact via email at ndobesh1@gmail.com or call or text me 308-430-8110.

### 2023-2024 - Beginning the 37th Year of Mobile Screening Unit Services

August is nearly upon us. This means one thing for the Nebraska Lions Foundation Mobile Screening Units, IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL SCREENING.

So, if you thought last year was incredible with 262 schools served and screening over 40,000 students, hold on to your hats. This year, 2023-24, projects to be 272 schools and 42,000+ students of the schedule holds together.

I'd like to introduce some additions to the NLF MSU screening team. In addition to PDG Steve Steward and Lion Keith Burge, we're adding NLF MSU Program Manager Trainee 1st VDG Leon Sweigard of Norfolk and NLF Driver-Operator Trainee Lion Roxanne Chandler of Lincoln.

Many clubs will be seeing 1st VDG Leon as he travels with me (PCC Allen Darell) throughout the state in August and September. Our plan is to partially turn screenings over Lion Leon by October 1st and fully transfer operations to him by February 1st, 2024. He will be traveling with me to most of the August-September screenings on the MSU #1 schedule. After February 1st I will stay on in a "backup role" and continue doing the administrative work; scheduling-billing-collections and negotiations for the foreseeable future.

PDG Steve Steward will be working occasionally with Lion Roxanne Chandler, to become a backup resource to Steve on MSU #2 at first. Then as our screening program continues to grow, the NLF MSU Program will build a MSU #2 schedule for Lion Roxanne, picking up some of the weeks when MSU #2 is available.

This is exciting to have new resources joining the NLF MSU Team and wanting to SERVE our communities and schools. Having additional resources and backup resources will only help to make the overall NLF MSU Program better.

Since this is the 1st Edition of the digital Nebraska Lion, please see the chart of last year's complete activity accompanying this article.

The NLF MSU Committee has determined that screening rates will remain the same again this year. Even with inflation effecting every cost, it has been possible to keep the FIRST DAY SCHOOL SCREENING RATE at \$150.00 with each ADDITIONAL SCHOOL DATE at \$100.00 a day. The local Lions Clubs will continue to responsible for those fees, along with lodging and meals for the NLF MSU Driver-Operator-Manager on site for your screenings.

To those of you who serve as your Lions Club Point of Contact (LC-POC) all communications, required screening checklists, screening requests, and billing will continue to go through YOU. Your Lions club is ultimately responsible for screening staffing and the billing. Please keep that in mind. We have a few schools who reimburse their Lions club for the services, however, remember is you club's responsibility to pay your invoice within 60 days or sooner to the Nebraska Lions Foundation Treasurer.

Super, the 2023-2024 Lions screening year looks to be fantastic. If you have any questions or clarifications please contact me, PCC Allen Darell at 402-320-0718 or msusupport@centurylink.net.

#### NLF Mobile Screening Unit Year to Date Statistics Report Lion Year: July 1, 2022 thru June 30, 2023 As of June 20, 2023 Schools: 262 **Total Towns:** 170 Public: Screening Days: Total Volunteers: 1059 Corporate: 1 40,014 Children Tested: Adults Tested: 437 Normal % Abn. Normal Abnormal Abnormal % Abn. 10.4% 5.9% Vision 35,853 4,183 Vision 255 16 Hearing 27,079 2,785 9.3% Hearing 125 63 33.5% Glaucoma Glaucoma Blood Pressure **Blood Pressure Blood Sugar Blood Sugar** 20.8% 62,932 6,968 11.1% 380 79 Totals Totals Steve Steward, PDG Allen C. Darell, PCC NLF MSU Program Manager & MSU #1 Manager/Operator, MSU #2

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No One Can Help Everyone, But Everyone Can Help Someone DISTRICT 38-I DG - Michael Geiger



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Fellow Lions, I cannot believe summer is almost over. So much happened but the summer projects are still undone. Karen and I went to Boston for the Lions Convention and of course the Final part of DGE School. They let me graduate, it did not seem right because there were definitely people getting 'A's and I felt like a late comer that had not even read the book. It is amazing how things have changed in such a short period of time.

My heart is still in Lions. In the last two weeks, our Individual Assistance fund has helped three people get some needed Health care and relieve a little financial burden that they were feeling. Our Kearney club has helped six people get glasses in the last two months. If you were at the state convention in Grand Island, a thank you letter was read from a social worker whose client had come to Lion's for help because cataracts were causing her to go blind. In our district a club had put up \$500 to help this woman with cataract surgery. The Club then asked the district for \$500 in matching funds and applied to the NLF Individual Assistance committee for \$1000 in matching funds. She is now back to her life and very appreciative of Lions.

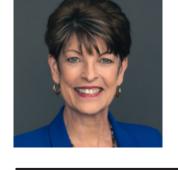
I did attend the Nebraska Lions High School Golf Tournament in June. We had over 30 golfers from high schools across the state. It is a great youth project that should make all Lions proud.

I am accepting Invitations to visit the clubs in our district as a speaker (part of the DG job) and to attend any fundraisers that may be happening.

Our new president of Lions is Patti Hill. The people that have met her over the years are asking "what took her so long." She is such a great person and already has quite a following. I am a fan. So here is a quote from her. "To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service. We are changing the world. Be the change you want to see in the world. Where there is a need, there is a Lion."

See you all soon.

38-I DG - Mike Geiger



President's Message: Changing the World with International President, Dr. Patti Hill

#### Dear Lion,

I believe that the power to make the world a better place is in our hands. Our impact is what makes being a Lion so special. Every small act of service creates a personal impact, and the collective impact of our kindness can change the world forever. That's why "Changing the World" is my message to Lions and to the world.

Changing the World begins with us. It begins when we change the lives of the people we serve and find ourselves changed as well. It grows when we change our communities by bringing them to the table and inviting them to become the change they wish to see. It multiplies when we show the world that real change is truly possible and that Lions are Changing the World—one life, one relationship and one community at a time.

Serving as your international president is an incredible honor. You and I, together, can make a difference. Let's be bold and lead the way forward to a better future and a world of change.

Yours in service, Dr. Patti Hill International President 

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#### Introduction:

Hi, fellow Lions. I'm Dave Melick, a member of Lions International and the Columbus Noon Lions Club since 2012. I have served my Club as 3rd, 2nd, and 1st Vice President, President, and am now the Membership Chair and on the Board of Directors. I am a Melvin Jones Fellow and will be a PMJF by the time my term as DG ends.

I grew up in Iowa, moved to Nebraska to attend UNL, and quickly became a dedicated Husker fan. I have been married to Sheri for 42 years, and we have 2 children and 5 grandchildren. In June 2020 I retired from a 40-year career in education. During my working years, I taught instrumental music at Arapahoe, was a graduate assistant at Kearney State College, K-12 principal in Weeping Water, high school principal in Schuyler, superintendent in Madison, and director of financial operations and human resources for Columbus Public Schools. During that time I taught Sunday School, coached AYSO soccer, little league baseball and softball, and Legion baseball, served as Asst. Scoutmaster for a number of years and played trumpet in the Columbus Jazz Orchestra. My current activities beyond Lions are following our grandchildren's activities, traveling, and involvement in church choir and community band when time and schedule permit. I am a member of our lake association board of directors and also do some part-time work for Gass Haney funeral home in Columbus.

I am looking forward to my year as 38-O District Governor, meeting Lions from each Club, and continuing to learn more about Lions! The educator in me believes there is always something more to learn and I hope to encourage each Lions Club member to consider growing in their knowledge of Lionism.

International Convention Highlights:

Wow! Where to begin? International convention was simply great, but these were my highlights:

• Day four of the DGE Seminar: our group of 20 DGE's was supplemented by 5 additional DGE's who were unable to attend the seminar at St. Charles in February. District 38-I DGE Mike Geiger was one of the new additions to the group! In addition to a couple informational sessions, we participated in a classroom exchange activity with a group of Lions from mainland China. I was selected to do a short presentation on Lions leadership.

• DGE Banquet: as part of our "graduation" as DGE's, a banquet was held for approximately 750 DGE's, their spouses, and our group leaders. Great food and nice conversation with other DGE's and their spouses.

• Parade of Nations: marching bands, costumed paraders, inflatables, crowds along the streets, and lots of Go Big Red cheers as our Lions delegation completed the parade.• Mission 1.5: this is Lions International's new membership campaign. Lions membership worldwide has been around 1.4 million for many years, and yet the world population has significantly increased. Lions International has a goal of getting to 1.5 million Lions by June 30, 2027. While that is the goal from our Lions leaders, the responsibility is upon each of us to get out and recruit new members. Getting to 1.5 million Lions will enable us to provided needed services to 1 billion people! My theme, as noted above, is AIM: Actively Increasing Membership, whether that is new members or new clubs.

• Oath of Office as DG: what a conclusion to the convention! I am honored to be serving with Council Chair Merlin Olson, 38-L DG Nicholas Dobesh, 38-I DG Mike Geiger, and 38-N DG Evelyn Springer!

#### Club News:

At this time, I am beginning to schedule Club visits and preparing for the August 5 Cabinet meeting. Recently, I was glad to sponsor new member Jon Keyes into the Columbus Noon Lions Club. Thanks to Keith Burge, president of the Tekamah Club, I have the opportunity to install their 2023-2024 officers in September.

Always remember:



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#### **Diabetes Fact:**

In Indonesia, more than 19 million people between the ages of 20 to 70 live with diabetes, according to the International Diabetes Federation. More than 70 percent of those people are undiagnosed.



# "LEADING CHANGE" DISTRICT 38-N DG - Evelyn Springer





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Greetings from your District Governor

After six days in Boston, learning more ideas and possible plans to help our clubs, zones and district improve and grow. I met many interesting people from other countries and the US. In talking with several club members with unique projects and a whole different perspective on things we might try.

Once again, I must stress that the International President's theme is Changing the World, this means One Club, One Community One District at a time. She is also very passionate about the environment and working to make the world a healthier place in which we live. It seems global warming and, the weather-related goings on right now shows how much we need to take care of our environment. Road cleanups, park cleanups, street cleanups start with us. Find that trash can, put your trash in it, not on the ground. If you see litter on the street use a baggie or a surgical glove to pick it up and place it in the next trash can or receptacle for that purpose. Please keep in mind to keep yourself safe and protected to help make our lives better.

My theme "Leading Change" is ever so special to me. In this case I want to encourage clubs to look at neighboring communities to find new members by forming a branch club there. This would increase membership which is desperately needed.

International wants new clubs but it is my feeling it is less challenging to have a branch starting with five members having it grow and eventually become its own charted club. For more information let me know or any of my cabinet "Team" know, we will be there to help you along.

I am visiting clubs. If you would like a visit from your District Governor, I am in the new Who's Who. I hope to hear from you soon. My First Vice District Governor Jason Reinke and Second Vice District Governor Ralph Parrish may also be visiting clubs. Please access the team GMA, GST, GAT, GMT, GLT for an informative program. (Global Membership Approach, Global Service Team, Global Action Team, Global Membership Team, and Global Leadership Team)

Stay tuned for more updates.

District Governor Evelyn Springer

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**All-Star Boys** 

Meadowlark Hills Golf Course, Kearney, NE 19-20 June 2023



Front Row: Landon Edeal, Kearney Catholic; Taytom Timbers, Alliance; Trey Johnson, Pender; Toby Kotinek, Lawrence-Nelson (Lawrence); Jacob Regier, Heartland-Henderson (Henderson); Jacob Holzfaster, Paxton; Jude Elgert, Yutan

Back Row: Quinten Hogeland, Kearney Catholic; Scout Simmons, Amherst; Anthony Heiser, Stuart; Kaden Lux, Overton; Connor Shively, Overton; Perry Swarm, Kearney (1st); Quinton Heineman, Pender

Not Pictured: Ben Lemke, Lincoln East (2nd)

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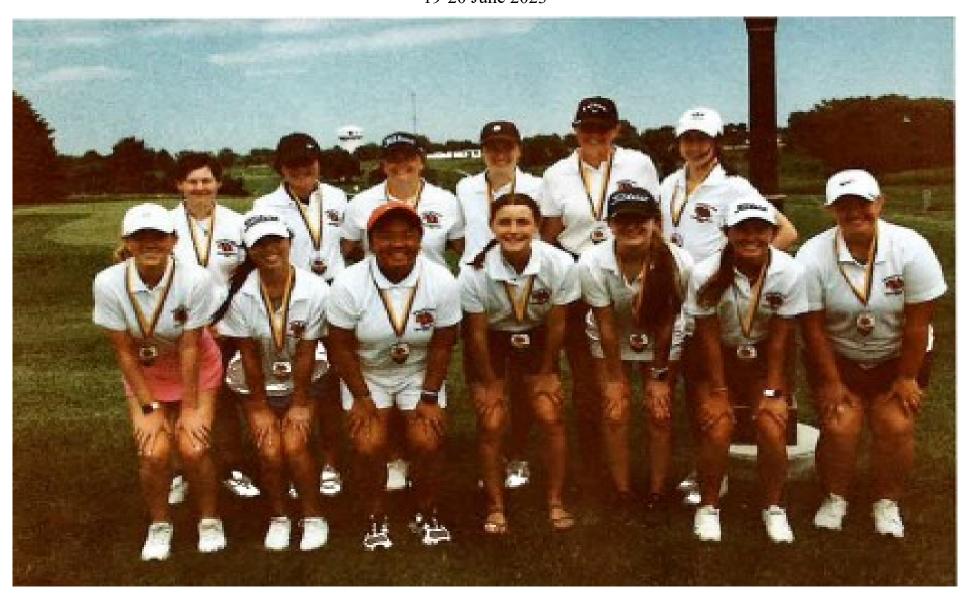
- **Multiple Districts 38L, 38I, 38O, & 38N**
- Lions Clubs: Ainsworth, Bennington, Clay Center, Columbus Noon, Edgar, Hastings Evening, Imperial, Lincoln 21st Century, Omaha Westside, Papillion Area, Plattsmouth, Wahoo, & Wallace
- Lions: DG Evelyn Springer, PDG Idajane Martinez, Vanessa Bolin

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Front Row: Isabella Pesicka, Millard North (1st); Erica Lee, Millard North (2nd); Maya Kuszak, Lincoln Christian; Tessa Hurlburt, Gordon-Rushville (Gordon); Neah McMeen, Superior (Webber, KS); Haley Blackstone, Superior; Payton Morgan, Bennington

Back Row: Madison Mumm, Gering; Mekallyn Bancroft, Valentine; Macy Jones, Cambridge (Wilsonville); Erika Headlee, Millard North; Riley Haschke, Wayne; Elizabeth Goebel, Omaha Brownell Talbot

Not pictured: Lainey Palmer, Broken Bow (Mason City)

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- The Meadowlark Hills Golf Course Staff ~ Especially Dave James, Manager/PGA Professional & Jay Cottam, Assistant PRO
- Tourney Staff: PCC George Witte, DG Mike Geiger, Lion Karen Geiger, Lion Hank Tonjes, PCC Bob Swan, PCC's Pat and Gordon Smith, Lion Todd Hale, and Lion Diana Timmons
- Kearney Lion Club for hosting a free All-Star Cookout for family and friends
- Local Friends: Kearney Visitors Bureau & Midway Auto Dealerships, Kearney

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The Genoa Lions club held its annual Genoa Fly-in Airport breakfast on July 30, 2023, with 12 Lions serving approximately 170 people.

Shown left to right are Lion members Don Pearson, Dave Tejral, Lew Anderson, Doug Nelson, Darlene Pearson, Phil Beyer Janice Drozd, Ed Drozd, Ike Anderson, Joe Swantek and Rick Noring. Not pictured because he was taking the picture was Lion Mark Miller.

We were also graced by the presence of the American Legion riders of Albion, post 162, along with cyclists who were hungry for pancakes. Though we only had four planes show up, we still had a great time, and the pilots appreciated their pancakes and warm welcome.

Lion Phil Beyer Lions: We Serve because We Care







