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July's Beacon of Service:

As July's golden warmth embraces our Nebraska plains, the spirit of Lions' service shines with renewed vigor across our communities. This month of summer celebration and patriotic pride offers us a perfect opportunity to reflect on the freedom that service brings while embracing the abundant energy of the season. July reminds us that our dedication mirrors the steadfast nature of our great state - like the prairie grass that flourishes under summer sun, our service initiatives thrive when we nurture them with consistent care and unwavering commitment.

Our sight conservation programs bring vision to those who need it most, much as July's brilliant sunshine illuminates the endless Nebraska skies. The clarity we provide through our eyeglass collections and vision screenings reflects the crystal-clear purpose that drives every Lion forward.

This month holds special meaning as we celebrate America's independence and reflect on the freedoms that allow us to serve others freely. The founding principles of liberty and justice resonate deeply with our Lions' mission, reminding us that true freedom comes through lifting others up. Just as our nation's founders envisioned a better future for all, we Lions work tirelessly to create brighter tomorrows for our neighbors.

The traditional symbols of July - sunshine, growth, and celebration - mirror the essential qualities of every Lion. We bring sunshine to cloudy days through our compassion, nurture growth in our communities through dedicated service, and celebrate the victories, both large and small, that our collective efforts achieve. Each project we undertake, whether supporting hearing programs, assisting families in crisis, or organizing community events, represents a star in the constellation of hope we create together.

Just as July stands as the heart of summer's promise, we Lions serve as the heart of our communities' strength. Our dedication burns bright like the summer sun, constant and reliable, warming all who come within our reach. The harvest season approaches, and we prepare to reap the rewards of seeds planted through months of faithful service.

Let this July energize us to embrace our mission with the same intensity as the Nebraska summer sun. Together, we will continue to be pillars of strength, radiating the light of compassion into every corner of our beloved state.

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District L Lions: Reflecting on Our Journey and Looking Forward

My Dear Lions Family,

As I pen this final article as your District Governor for Lions Year 2024-2025, my heart is filled with gratitude and pride for all we have accomplished together. What an incredible journey it has been!

A Year of Making Our Mark

When we embraced the International theme "Make a Mark" at the beginning of this Lions year, I could never have imagined the profound impact our District L family would create. Together, we have truly made lasting impressions in our communities, proving that even in challenging times, Lions rise to serve with unwavering dedication.

From the smallest acts of kindness to our largest service projects, each of you has contributed to a legacy that will resonate for years to come. You have embodied the true spirit of Lionism - putting service above self and making a difference where it matters most.

Celebrating Our Achievements

Throughout this year, I have had the privilege of visiting many of our clubs, witnessing firsthand the incredible work being done across District L. Your commitment to our communities has been nothing short of inspiring. Whether responding to local emergencies, supporting vision and hearing initiatives, or addressing food insecurity, you have consistently answered the call to serve.

Our L&I Midwinter Convention in March at the Quality Inn Convention Center in Ogallala was a particular highlight, where we came together under the theme "You Ought in Pictures." What beautiful pictures we painted that weekend - images of fellowship, learning, and renewed commitment to our mission.

The HUGS Philosophy: A Foundation for Service

Throughout my tenure, I have shared with you my personal theme of HUGS - Humility, Understanding, Generosity, and Service. These principles have guided not only my leadership but have become touchstones for how we approach our work as Lions.

We began with Humility, recognizing that true leadership comes from serving others rather than seeking recognition. We explored Understanding, learning to see through the eyes of those we serve and extending compassion beyond just meeting physical needs. These foundational elements have strengthened our ability to connect with and truly help our communities.

Gratitude and Recognition

I want to express my deepest appreciation to Lion Sheri Giesbrecht, our District Administrator, whose support and expertise have been invaluable throughout this year. To our club officers, committee chairs, zone chairs, and every Lion who stepped up to lead - thank you for your dedication and service.

Most importantly, to every Lion in District L: thank you for your trust, your patience, and your commitment to our shared mission. You have made my year as District Governor both meaningful and memorable.

Looking Ahead with Hope

As I prepare to pass the torch to our incoming District Governor Dunn, I do so with complete confidence in the future of District L. The foundation we have built together is strong, and the relationships we have forged will continue to serve our communities well.

The work continues, and I know that each of you will continue to make your mark in ways both large and small. Remember that being a Lion is not just about what we do - it's about who we are. We are servants, we are community builders, and we are family.

A Personal Thank You

Serving as your District Governor has been one of the greatest honors of my life. You have taught me, challenged me, and inspired me every day. The memories we have created together will forever hold a special place in my heart

As we move forward, please know that my commitment to District L and to each of you remains unchanged. While my role as District Governor may be ending, my service as a Lion continues, and I look forward to working alongside you in whatever capacity I can be of help.

Final Thoughts

In closing, let me remind you that every act of service, every moment of compassion, and every dollar raised makes a difference. You are the heart and soul of Lionism, and your communities are better because of your presence.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your District Governor. Thank you for your friendship, your support, and your unwavering commitment to our motto: "We Serve."

May God bless each of you, and may District L continue to thrive and make a mark that will inspire generations of Lions to come.

With profound gratitude and love,

DG Jeanne Gentry District L, Multiple District 38 Lions Year 2024-2025

For those who wish to stay connected, you can reach me at jeannegentry63@gmail.com or 308-458-8250. It has been my honor to serve you.



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Leading with Service, Growing Through Membership, and Inspiring With Leadership

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District 38-I Lions: Reflecting on a Year of Growth and Service

My Dear Lions Family of District 38-I,

As I sit down to write this final article as your District Governor for Lions Year 2024-2025, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for everything we have accomplished together. What an extraordinary year it has been!

Celebrating Our Achievements

When I look back at where we started and see where we are today, I am truly amazed by what we have achieved as a district. Our commitment to service and membership growth has been nothing short of remarkable.

Service Reporting Success: I am thrilled to report that through our collective efforts, we significantly improved our service reporting throughout the year. While we began with only 38% of our clubs reporting their service activities, your dedication and the outstanding support from District Administrator Lion Pat Smith and District Global Service Team Chair Lion Tammi Neville helped us reach new heights. Every project reported not only showcased the incredible impact we make in our communities but also strengthened our pride in service.

Membership Growth: One of our greatest victories this year has been our membership success, ending with a net gain of +17! This growth represents more than just numbers—it brings fresh energy, new ideas, and lasting impact to our communities. Thank you to Global Membership Chair Lion Jeff Loschen and all club members who embraced our membership initiatives and welcomed new Lions into our family.

Building Strong Foundations for the Future

Throughout this year, we have worked tirelessly to build a strong foundation for District 38-I's future. I am incredibly proud to have appointed PDG Delan Reed of the Bartlett Lions Club to serve as our next District Governor for 2025-2026. PDG Delan's experience and dedication will serve our district well, and I encourage every one of you to support him as he builds his cabinet team.

I am equally excited about our incoming leadership team. Lion Steve Johnson from the Burwell Area Lions will serve as our First Vice District Governor, and Lion Darla Juhl from the Amherst Lions as our Second Vice District Governor. For the first time in many years, District 38-I has a complete leadership pipeline, and this gives me tremendous confidence in our future.

Highlighting Our Innovation and Collaboration

One of the most inspiring initiatives this year was our Zone D2 Disaster Assistance meeting in Burwell, Nebraska, led by Lion Steve Johnson. This groundbreaking collaboration between Lions Club members, Emergency Managers, EMT's, and Firefighters demonstrated exactly what Lions can accomplish when we work together with our communities. The establishment of a Lions Club calling tree for Region 26 EMS creates a lasting legacy that will serve our communities for years to come.

This initiative exemplifies the innovative spirit that has defined District 38-I throughout this Lions year. We didn't just serve - we found new ways to serve more effectively and make a greater impact.

Personal Reflections and Gratitude

Serving as your District Governor has been one of the greatest honors of my life. I have been privileged to visit clubs across our district, witnessing firsthand the incredible work being done in communities throughout Nebraska. Your dedication to service, your willingness to step outside your comfort zones, and your commitment to growing our organization have inspired me every single day.

I want to express special gratitude to Lion Darla Juhl, our incoming 2nd Vice District Governor, who exemplifies the spirit of growth and service that defines our district. Her willingness to step outside her comfort zone, first as club president, then as my Zone Chair for Zone C, and now as 2nd VDGE, demonstrates the leadership development that makes District 38-I strong.

To every club officer, committee chair, and Lion who answered the call to serve this year - thank you. Your dedication made my job not just possible, but truly rewarding.

Looking Forward with Confidence

As I prepare to transition to serving as your Council Chair next year, I do so with complete confidence in the future of District 38-I. We have built something special together - a district that embraces growth, celebrates service, and develops leaders who will carry our mission forward.

The foundation we have established this year will continue to serve our communities well. Our improved service reporting, membership growth, disaster assistance partnerships, and strong leadership pipeline position District 38-I for continued success.

A Heartfelt Thank You

To every Lion in District 38-I: thank you for your trust, your support, and your commitment to our shared mission. You have made this year meaningful beyond words. The memories we have created, the lives we have touched, and the communities we have served will forever hold a special place in my heart.

While my role as District Governor is ending, my commitment to each of you and to our district remains unchanged. I look forward to continuing our work together as we grow, inspire, and lead in the years ahead.

Final Challenge

As we conclude this Lions year, let me leave you with this: we have proven that District 38-I can achieve remarkable things when we work together. Let's carry forward the spirit of service, growth, and leadership that has defined us this year. Every act of service matters, every new member strengthens us, and every leader we develop ensures our future.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your District Governor. Thank you for your friendship, your dedication, and your unwavering commitment to "We Serve."

May District 38-I continue to thrive, grow, and make a lasting impact in our communities for generations to come.

With profound gratitude and continued commitment,

DG Jeanne Grantzinger District 38-I Lions Year 2024-2025

"Leading with Service, Growing through Membership, and Inspiring with Leadership"
As I transition to serving as your Council Chair next year, I remain available to support our district's continued success.
Together, we will keep building on the strong foundation we have established this year.



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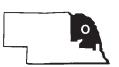
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District O Lions: Reflecting on a Year of Service and Growth

Greetings to all my fellow Lions in District O,

As I write this final article as your District Governor for Lions Year 2024-2025, my heart is filled with gratitude and pride for everything we have accomplished together. What an incredible journey it has been!

Memorable Service Experiences
This year has been filled with amazing opportunities to serve alongside our clubs. One experience that will forever remain in my heart was volunteering with the Norfolk Lion's Club at Mercy Meals. Together, we packaged 12,744 meals in just about one and heart was volunteering with the Norfolk Lion's Club at Mercy Meals. Together, we packaged 12,744 meals in just about one and heart was along the fight hungar and serve those in need. It was a half hours. This humbling experience reminded me why we do what we do - to fight hunger and serve those in need. It was truly a privilege to be part of an organization dedicated to making such a meaningful impact.

I had the pleasure of joining the Pierce Club for their annual fish fry - not only was the food outstanding, but the fellowship was even better. It's clubs like Pierce that make District O such a special place to serve.

Celebrating Our Clubs' Achievements
Throughout this year, I've witnessed incredible dedication from our clubs. The Battle Creek Club's successful Pancake Feed and Easter Egg Hunt demonstrated their commitment to community engagement, and their environmental stewardship through roadside trash pickup on April 26th showed their dedication to making our communities better in every way possible.

The Tekamah Club's Big Red Night Out in May was a perfect example of how a simple idea can grow into something extraordinary. What started 15 years ago as a simple kid's night evolved into a major service project and fundraiser for scholarships, helping student athletes who need assistance with sports-related costs. Watching University of Nebraska student athletes sign memorabilia and engage with our youth during the question-and-answer session was truly special. Thank you to Kelly Adamson and Mike Miller for their leadership on this event.

I'm particularly proud that Tekamah sponsored two youths to attend Camp Floyd Rogers from June 22nd-28th. This fully staffed camp in Cozad provides crucial diabetes education while giving these young people all the fun camping experiences they deserve. Hearing these kids share their experiences when they returned to the club was one of the highlights of my year.

Building for the Future

One of my greatest accomplishments this year was working with President Keith Burge of the Tekamah Lions, who served as the Guiding Lion for our newest club - the West Point Lions Club. Seeing West Point get registered on the Portal and welcomed into the Lions family exemplifies the growth we've achieved in District O. To all our clubs: please reach out and welcome West Point to Lionism - they are a wonderful addition to our district family.

Visiting clubs throughout District O has been one of my favorite responsibilities as District Governor. Each visit provided an opportunity to learn how different clubs serve their communities, and I was continuously inspired by the creativity, dedication, and heart that each club brings to their service projects. These visits weren't just about official business—they were about building relationships and learning from one another.

Celebrating Our Achievements Together
Our MD-38 State Convention in North Platte from June 6-8th was a tremendous success. The networking, learning, and fellowship we shared during that weekend perfectly captured the spirit of what makes our Lions family so strong. Thank you to everyone who participated and made it such a memorable event.

Embracing Technology and Growth

I'm proud of the progress many of our clubs made this year in embracing technology. The Norfolk Lions Club's new website is a perfect example of how clubs can enhance their visibility and impact in their communities. Having a strong online presence is crucial for attracting new members and showcasing our service to the community.

Speaking of membership growth, I'm grateful for the efforts many of you made to invite new people to club meetings and carry applications with you. Your dedication to being always prepared for membership opportunities has strengthened our district. Thank you also to District Administrator Bob Arp for his tireless assistance in helping clubs get registered on the portal and access the resources they need.

Serving as your District Governor has been one of the greatest honors of my life. I have learned so much from each of you about service, leadership, and what it truly means to be a Lion. Your dedication to your communities, your willingness to step up when needed, and your commitment to our motto "We Serve" has inspired me every single day.

The relationships I've built, the service projects I've witnessed, and the growth I've seen in our clubs will forever hold a special place in my heart. You have made my year as District Governor both meaningful and memorable.

Looking Forward with Gratitude

As I prepare to pass the leadership of District O to the next District Governor, I do so with complete confidence in our future. The foundation we have built together - through new club development, enhanced technology adoption, increased membership efforts, and strengthened inter-club relationships - positions District O for continued success.

A Heartfelt Thank You

To every Lion in District O: thank you for your trust, your support, and your commitment to service. Thank you for welcoming me into your clubs, sharing your stories, and allowing me to be part of your service projects. Thank you for the countless ways you've made your communities better and stronger.

While my role as District Governor is ending, my commitment to District O and to each of you remains unchanged. I will continue to serve our Lions family and support our mission in whatever way I can.

Final Thoughts

As we conclude this Lions year, remember that we truly do "Serve Better Together." The collective impact we've made - from packaging thousands of meals to supporting youth with diabetes, from welcoming a new club to cleaning our roadsides—shows what's possible when Lions unite with a common purpose.

Keep inviting new members, keep serving your communities with passion, and keep supporting one another. The future of District O is bright because of each and every one of you.

Thank you for the incredible honor of serving as your District Governor. Thank you for your friendship, your dedication, and your unwavering commitment to making a difference.

With profound gratitude and continued service,

DG Leon Sweigard District O Lions Year 2024-2025

"We Serve Better Together"

Please know that I remain available to support District O and our clubs in any way I can. It has been my privilege to serve you, and I look forward to our continued work together in the Lions family.

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Nebraska Lions Foundation Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2025 North Platte, Nebraska

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Bob Arp at 15:01. Lion Kal Lausterer led the Pledge of Allegiance, Lions Pledge, and gave the invocation.

The roll was taken by Secretary Nicholas Dobesh showing 21 voting trustees present, two absent, and one seat unfilled. Voting members reported on club visits which they attended. There were 67 Lions in attendance.

Minutes: The March 29, 2025, meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by George Witte, seconded by Allen Darrel to approve the minutes as published in the E edition of the Lions Newspaper and the MD 38 Lions Website. Motion carried by the usual sign of the Lion.

Treasurer Report: Lion Donna Darell provided treasurer reports 7-1-2024 to 5-31-2025, which showed \$54,600.74 in our checking account and \$1,559,731.36 in investments, for \$1,635,478.91 in assets when totaling checking, investments, and equipment (minus depreciation). A motion was made by Allen Darrel, seconded by Wayne Hinerman to approve the report, motioned passed. Report placed on file.

Committee Reports

Assistance: Seven members in attendance and three guests. There were 3 requests from 3 different clubs for a total of \$3,000 approved. (Alliance - \$1000 (Liver transplant), Holdrege -\$1000 (Genetic Mutation/Seizures), Brule - \$1000 (Brule). Discussion about lack of assistance applications followed in the committee.

Camp: Five members in attendance. Information was shared on the progress being made on the NE Lions Project New Hope, to be held at Camp Joy Hollings, Ashland, NE, Sept. 26-28 2025. See attached sheet. (Notes were shared from Deb Grimes) Project New Hope brochures: 250 - \$228.88. The following Lions Clubs have been reimbursed 50% of cost to send youth to Camp Floyd Rogers. Wallce - \$350, Farnam - \$350, Tekamah - \$750. 4 Total campers.

Financial Investments: Four members in attendance and an auditor. Endowments, no investment change at this time as the situation is so uncertain in the economy. Little change since last meeting. The Sustaining Membership – Life and Sustaining Membership – Annual categories were originally planned to building and endowment of \$750,000 to \$1,000,000, we now have over \$1,500,000. The committee made a motion cancel the Sustaining Membership category and put all donations to the Builders Program. Wayne Hinerman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Wayne suggested double checking by-laws to make sure we can do that.

Focus on Health: Seven members in attendance. Granting \$1,000 to North Platte Lutheran Family Services. Half to their transportation fund and half to their digital program that will train parents & children on safe use of the internet and social media. The committee will sponsor a sculpture walk during tomorrow's convention to encourage good health among Nebraska's Lions.

Hearing: Five members in attendance (two new members). They received 15 in the ear and 13 behind the ear hearing aids, and 20 miscellaneous parts. Going to set up time with someone to tell us about new hearing aids/equipment. Hearing camp was cancelled this year due to lack of registration. Vanessa will be contacting the Education Specialist to determine if a refund of our donation will be returned or if an alternative event is being held. Printing of new material (magnets/doorhangers), using the same wording but removing "Attention Health Care Professional" and changing patient to person. Look into ordering wristbands w/Hearing Impaired.

MSU: Nine members in attendance. 2024-2025 Total schools screened 301, total student 42,052. They are checking into setting on the Plus Optix. A total of \$41,400 billed to the clubs, all is collected. Report has been sent to Health and Human Services, and congratulations received. 331 schools are scheduled for the 2025-2026 year over 200 years. New brochure has been printed (see attachment), some given to NLF trustees to share on their club visits. Healthy Blue does not exist anymore. OSHA screenings \$300 this year to raise to \$500 for 26-27. Need to certify MSU drivers. Do not want to affect the school screenings. Drivers title to be Drivers Operator/Manager (DOM). Increase in DOM pay to \$200/day on corporate pay was motioned by Mike Geiger and seconded by Sheri Giesbrecht, motioned passed. Need to make sure there are enough volunteers for school screenings, 4 at minimum. George stepping down. Allen to take the position as committee chair. DOM's to do reports/billings. DOM Structure to change July 1. Motion to make admin change Mike Geiger motions, Steve Steward seconded, motion passed. Need to form a committee to look into pricing for new vehicle needed in 2-3 years.

Opening Eyes: One member in attendance. The Opening Eyes event took place at Creighton University on May 23rd in conjunction with the State Special Olympic games. There were 120 athletes who registered for the athletics screenings and 87 of these participated in the Opening Eyes screening. We had 26 Lions volunteers, including 2 Lion members from the Sioux City area. We appreciate everyone who volunteers. When the Special Olympics State Games occurs on the Friday before Memorial Day. It is always harder to find volunteers who are able to help out. Just a heads up. The Special Olympics coordinator informed us that next year's games will also take place on that Friday before Memorial Day which is May 22nd. Special thanks as always to Dr. Steve Alcorn of the John C. Fremont Club who recruits the optometrists and other eye clinic staff to help out.

Resource Development: Three members in attendance. Horses are available if needed for the State Convention Horse races (See Nick or Phil Dobesh). Peaches and pear sales 20lb lug peaches \$47 and 20lb lug of pears \$31. New clubs to the fundraisers (any club that did not order last year) will received \$1 per lug credit on their order. All clubs that exceed last year's order will receive \$1 per lug over last years' order as a credit on their invoice. If we reach 20,000 lugs total in sales, Chris Gentry will donate \$1,000 to the Foundation on behalf of the club to award a Hascall-Biggs or Dennis Hall to one of its members. Silent Auction baskets for the Fall Rally. Looking for fundraising ideas for 2026 State Convention. No additional information on NLF shirts and pins. Sight: Two members in attendance and two guests. Donations by United Commercial Travelers of America. Hastings Carril 109, \$500 Lions Eye Bank, \$500 KidSight Nebraska Received Thank Yous from Weigel Williamson Center for \$2,000 donation and Radio Talking Book \$2,000. Lions of Wisconsin will be picking up our glasses sometime this summer.

Youth Program: Five members and one guest were in attendance. Youth Leadership Camp – Plan to hold around the State Convention in 2026 at Timberlake Ranch. All-Star Golf Tournament is June 23-24, 2025 at Meadowlark Hills Golf Course in Kearney, NE. A total of 15 girls are signed up and about 40 boys are invited (waiting on replies).

Youth Disaster: Five members in attendance. Supplies reviewed that we have in storage. Need blankets, erasers, colored pencils, and wash clothes. We will stuff bags at NLF meeting in August 9 at Kearney. We have 8 full bags in Broken Bow. There are many around the state -25 packed and distributed 3/9/25 meeting. We would like any Lions patches you might like to donate.

Old Business

- 1. No news on NLF pins or shirts.
- 2. Lions Eye Banks of Nebraska (LEBN) we met our match with donations and have received the LCIF grant.

New Business

- 1. Trustee Vacancies No vacancies
- 2. Committee Chair Vacancies
- a. Youth committee Mike Hall taking over
- b. Public Relations

Next Meeting: August 9th Meeting adjourned 16:16.

Respectfully submitted, Nicholas Dobesh NLF Secretary

Nebraska Lions Foundation Meeting AGENDA

Nebraska Lions Foundation August 9, 2025 First Presbyterian Church 4511 6th Avenue Kearney, Nebraska

10:00 A.M. (CT)

Call to order - Chair Kal Lausterer

Pledge of Allegiance - All

Lions Pledge - All

Convocation - Chair Kal or Designee

Roll Call - Secretary Ed Dunn

Approval of Minutes - Chair Kal Lausterer

Treasurer Report - Treasurer Donna Darrell

Committee Reports:

- Assistance
- Camp
- Financial Investment
- Focus on Health
- Hearing
- MSU
- Opening Eyes Public Relations
- Resource Development
- Sight
- Youth Programs Youth Backpack

Old Business

New Business

Next NLF Meeting: November 9th at 10:00 A.M. in Grand Island at the Fall Rally

Adjourn



23rd Annual Nebraska Lions High School Senior All-Star Golf Tourney Meadowlark Hills Golf Course, Kearney, NE ~ 23-24 June 2025



ALL-STARS GIRLS:

Front (Left to Right): Claire Jordan, SIDNEY; Brynn Smith, MINDEN; Kara Suchsland, MINDEN (1st); Isabelle Johnson, NEBRASKA CITY; Mackenzie Storjohann, BLAIR; Sophie Johnson, WAVERLY.

Back (Left to Right): Keila Dubas, FULLERTON; Amelia Ptacnik, HOLDREGE (2nd); Joslyn Johnson, WAYNE; Charli Sievers, WAYNE; Clara Brummels, LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE (LAUREL); Bryn Christensen, SEWARD; Kendall Consbruck, ADAMS CENTRAL (HASTINGS).

Not Pictured: Chloe Bergen, SUTTON

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- Lions Clubs: Ainsworth, Atkinson, Broken Bow, Cambridge, Clay Center, Columbus Noon, Edgar, Hastings Evening, Imperial, Laurel, Lincoln Star City, Norfolk, Omaha Westside, Papillion Area, Plattsmouth, Sutherland, & Wallace.
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- Tourney Staff: Lions Janine & Jose Almazan w/son, Claude, PCC Allen Darell; Lion Karen & PDG Mike Geiger, Lion Todd Hale, PDG Wayne Hinerman, PCCs Pat & Gordon Smith, Lion Diana Timmons, Lion Hank Tonjes, PCC George Witte, & PCC Tom Vitamvas
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Front (Left to Right): Keaton Barnes, COLUMBUS; Jett Hollister, DONIPHAN-TRUMBULL (DONIPHAN); Grey Klucas, WAVERLY.

Back (Left to Right): Zak Swanson, NORTH CENTRAL (BASSETT); Drake Hull, FREMONT (2nd); Jadyn Friesen, SUTTON; Owen Bartee, KEARNEY (1st); Tyson Essex, LOOMIS; Mason Schroder, HOLDREGE; Jackson Dunham, KEARNEY CATHOLIC (KEARNEY)

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33 LIONS REMEMBERED DURING STATE CONVENTION

The Lions of Nebraska Multiple District 38 celebrated at the State Convention on June 7, the annual Memorial Service, 33 Lions who passed away this past year, 2024-2025, or were reported during the year.

Five District Governors of different eras passed on: Norman Johnson, DG 38-B, 1964-65, Uehling Lions Club Alice Brown, DG 38-L, 2006-07, Maywood Lions Club Norman G. Taylor, DG 38-I, 2002-03, Elm Creek Lions Club Philip Beyer, DG 38-O, 2021-22, Genoa Lions Cub Mike Martin, DG 38-O, 1999-00, Tekamah Lions Club

Other Lions remembered during the State Convention Memorial Service in North Platte were:

District 38-L: Brian McNeff, Brule Lions Club; Phyllis Green, Gordon Lions Club; Pamela A. Slack, Gothenburg Lions Club; Gale A. Wolfe, Holbrook Lions Club; and Kenneth W. Vermass, Lexington Lions Club.

District 38-I: John Glatter, Amherst Lions Club; Rich Flannery, Atkinson Lions Club; Wayne Pacha, Atkinson Lions Club; Ellis V. Schrunk, Bartlett Lions Club; Debbie Wagner, Kearney Lions Club; Terry Tomjack, O'Neill Lions Club; Virgil D. Rose, Red Cloud Lions Club and David Stroh, Shelton Lions Club.

District 38-O: Marsha Myers, John C. Fremont Lions Club; Anita Gade, Laurel Lions Club; Douglas Lesser, Pierce Lions Club; Elden Ahrens, Tekamah Lions Club; Robert Aronson, Tekamah Lions Club; Delmar Chamberlain, Tekamah Lions Club; Paul Kass, Wisner Lions Club; Carroll Kersten, Wisner Lions Club; and Tom Schweers, Wisner Lions Club.

District 38-N: Larry Nelson, Aurora Lions Club; Richard Timmerman, Beatrice Lions Club; Wayne Krenke, Byron Lions Club; Marty Schipporeit, Millard Lions Club; Floyd E. Van Briesen, Papillion Area Lions Club and Bernita A. Zimmer, Plattsmouth Lions Club.

Each year during the state convention, time is taken, usually late afternoon on Saturday, to remember our fellow Lions of Service who have passed away. Club secretaries please remember to report each Lions passing as soon as you can, so the deceased Lions member can be found on the deceased member report by the end of May each year.

Anyone still wishing to make a memorial donation, to remember any of these Lions, can do so to various Lions causes, The Lions Eye Bank of Nebraska, The Nebraska Lions Foundation, Lions Clubs International Foundation, or a charity of your choice.

Respectfully, PCC Allen Darell

PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS' ASSOCIATION UPDATE

The Nebraska Past District Governors Association met twice this past Lions year, during the Fall Rally in Grand Island on November 3, 2024, and at the State Convention in North Platte on June 8, 2025. 29 PDG's attended one or both meetings.

PDG MEMORIALS

Five Past District Governors died during the 2024-2025 Lions year. They were PDG Norm Taylor, Elm Creek Lions, 38-I / 2002-03; PDG Alice Brown, Maywood Lions, 38-L / 2006-07; PDG Philip Beyer, Genoa Lions, 38-O / 2021-22; PDG Mike Martin, Tekamah Lions, 38-O / 1999-2000 and PDG Norman Johnson, Uehling Lions, 38-B / 1964-65. Donations have been made to the Nebraska Lions Foundation for each.

PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR TASK FORCE

Past Council Chair, Larry Seger, Wallace Lions Club, reported at both meetings the progress that has been made with the Past District Governor's Task Force. Throughout Multiple District 38 Nebraska, PDG Task Force members have been identifying and developing future leadership. Districts can contact the PDG Task Force to help with developing our future leaders.

UPCOMING 2025 FALL RALLY

The 2025 Fall Rally will take place November 7th through 9th in Grand Island at the Midtown Ramada. PDG Wayne Hinerman reports that planning is underway. Please be watching your digital Nebraska Lion news and www.md38.com for registration information.

Financially the Past District Governor Association remains solid. PDG donations have kept up with PDG memorials and expenses. PDGs wanting to check their membership donation standing and wish to donate please contact PCC Allen Darell at adarell@centurylink.com or (402) 320-0718. Mail your voluntary PDG Association contribution to Past District Governors Association of Nebraska, 14517 R Street, Omaha, NE 68137-2652.

Candidate PCC David Wentworth

Lastly, Congratulations to Past Council Chair David Wentworth of District 38-N & the Millard Lions Club. PCC David has satisfied the requirements and received many endorsements for the office of International Director. He will appear as a candidate for the office of International Director on the ballot at the upcoming 107th International Association of Lions Club Convention in Orlando, Florida, July 13-17, 2025.

The Past District Governors Association of Nebraska and it's PDG Task Force is a resource that is available to assist your Lions clubs and districts.

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2024-2025 MOBILE SCREENING UNIT WRAP UP NLF MSU IS PREFERRED SCREENING CHOICE

The 2024-2025 Nebraska Lions Foundation Mobile Screening Units wrapped their school screenings on March 24, 2025 serving the District OR1Public Schools at the elementary school in Bennet.

In all 317 schools were included in the NLF MSU screening program this year screening 42,052 students/children. Vision referrals were up 4% this year up to 14.9%, with 6,069 vision referrals. Hearing referrals were a bit better than in previous school year at 9.6%, about a 1.5% improvement.

At the beginning of the 2024-2025 year we estimated that we'd screen between 42,000 and 43,000 students. We were very close. It takes a solid team of Lions and other community volunteers to orchestrate such a busy schedule. This year 1,067 volunteers were involved assisting the NLF MSU staff. That is a record number of volunteers, and that's absolutely what it takes. So, THANK YOU to all our Lions Club and other community volunteers. This cannot be done by NLF MSU staff alone, it takes a village of volunteers, and that's what we have in Nebraska.

The NLF MSU has tremendous Lions staffing. Our primary Driver-Operators are District Governor Leon Sweigard and 1st Vice District Governor-Elect Roxanne Chandler. These two excel in all screenings performed. At times when necessary, the NLF MSU calls upon our RESERVES. This year those reserves served 18 days backing up the primary crews. Those reserves are Lion Keith Burge, Lion Richard "Dick" Sheets and PCC–NLF MSU Program Administrator Allen Darell. Financially the costs of running the Mobile Screening Unit program and routes totals just over \$100,000.00 as of mid-April. By the end of this June expense totals should settle in between \$110,000 and \$115,000. Very thankfully the Nebraska Lions Foundation has the support of Blue Cross Blue Shield Nebraska for \$30,000.00. The Lions clubs using the NLF MSUs were billed nearly \$40,000.00 by the NLF. This means that the remaining expenses of operating such a high-level and successful program comes from your Lions / Lions clubs contributions to the Nebraska Lions Foundation. That means your donations and your Peach / Pear sales are critical not only for the NLF but also for the Mobile Screening Unit.

So, about this "Preferred Screening Choice." One reason the NLF MSU programs had grown from 125 schools in 2016-17 to over 300 now is the State of Nebraska Department Health and Human Services School Health Division. The School Health Division is one of our biggest and strongest advocates. Whenever a school nurse or administrator reaches out for help and guidance from DHHS SHD the Nebraska Lions Foundation's Mobile Screening Unit is usually mentioned. Each year we are contacted by new school nurses and administrators wanting to add the NLF MSU to handle their school health vision and hearing screenings.

In fact, in the upcoming year, 2025-2026 the NLF MSU is adding entire school districts, the South Sioux City Community Schools and the Hastings Public Schools. That's a big add this next year, plus the Logan View Public Schools near Hooper and the schools in the new West Point Lions Club vicinity. We're adding about 30 schools. These additions will add about 5,000 students to our screenings next year. Next year expect the NLF MSU Program to screen 48,000 students. You're part of the TEAM, you can be PROUD LIONS here in Nebraska. Without your volunteer and financial support this program cannot provide this level and magnitude of service.

I know we focus on schools so much that we fail to recognize our public and corporate/OSHA screenings. This year we had three Corporate/OSHA screenings and one public screening. In these screenings we screened 308 adults, finding 9.4% vision referrals and 35% hearing referrals.

I am grateful to our Mobile Screening Unit Staff and all our volunteers.

Very Sincerely, Allen

Allen C. Darell, PCC, NLF MSU Program Administrator George Witte, PCC, NLF MSU Committee Chair

NLF Mobile Screening Unit Year to Date Statistics Report

Lion Year: July 1, 2024 thru June 30, 2025

As of April 15, 2025

Schools: 301
Public: 1
Corporate/OSHA: 2

Total Towns: 166
Screening Days: 185
Total Volunteers: 1067

Totals

Adults Tested:

Children Tested: 42,052

Vision

Hearing

Glaucoma

Blood Pressure

Blood Sugar

Normal Abnormal % Abn.

35,713 6,126 14.6%

27,258 2,887 9.6%

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Totals 62,971 9,013 12.5%

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Blood Sugar

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George Witte, Chairperson Nebraska Lions Foundation Mobile Screening Unit

NLF MSU Driver-Operator-Managers

Leon Swegard, Norfolk Roxanne Chandler, Lincoln Steve Steward, Unadilla Keith Burge, Tekamah

Dick Sheets, Norfolk

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Allen C. Darell, Omaha MSU Program Administrator



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MSU SCREANING SCHEDULE 2025-2026

DATE	MSU UNIT	CLUB	DATE	MSU UNIT	CLUB
20-Aug	MSU#1	Arlington Lions Club	3-Oct	MSU#1	Wakefield Lions Club
20-Aug	MSU#2	District 38-I	6-Oct	MSU#1	Hyannis Lions Club
21-Aug	MSU#1	Arlington Lions Club	6-Oct	MSU#2	Bridgeport Lions Club
21-Aug	MSU#2	Hastings Evening Lions Club	7-Oct	MSU#1	Mullen Lions Club
22-Aug	MSU#1	District 38-O	7-Oct	MSU#2	Bridgeport Lions Club
22-Aug	MSU#2	Lincoln 21st Century Lions Club	8-Oct	MSU#1	Mullen Lions Club
25-Aug	MSU#1	Wakefield Lions Club	8-Oct	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment
25-Aug	MSU#2	Taylor Lions Club	9-Oct	MSU#1	Bartlett Lions Club
26-Aug	MSU#1	Wayne Lions Club	9-Oct	MSU#2	Alliance Lions Club
26-Aug	MSU#2	North Loup Lions Club	10-Oct	MSU#1	Bartlett Lions Club
27-Aug	MSU#1	York Lions Club	10-Oct	MSU#2	Paxton Lions Club
27-Aug	MSU#2	North Loup Lions Club	13-Oct	MSU#1	Tekamah Lions Club
28-Aug	MSU#1	York Lions Club	14-Oct	MSU#1	Tekamah Lions Club
28-Aug	MSU#2	North Loup Lions Club	14-Oct	MSU#2	Murdock Lions Club
2-Sep	MSU#1	Newman Grove Lions Club	15-Oct	MSU#1	Tekamah Lions Club
2-Sep	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	15-Oct	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment
3-Sep	MSU#1	Newman Grove Lions Club	16-Oct	MSU#1	West Point Lions Club
3-Sep	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	16-Oct	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment
4-Sep	MSU#1	Pierce lions Club	17-Oct	MSU#1	West Point Lions Club
4-Sep	MSU#2	Wilber Lions Club	17-Oct	MSU#2	Giltner Lions Club
5-Sep	MSU#1	Pierce lions Club	20-Oct	MSU#1	Gretna Lions Club
5-Sep	MSU#2	Deshler Lions Club	20-Oct	MSU#2	Chadron Lions Club
8-Sep	MSU#1	District 38-O	21-Oct	MSU#1	Gretna Lions Club
8-Sep	MSU#2	Scottsbluff Lions Club	21-Oct	MSU#2	Chadron Lions Club
9-Sep	MSU#2	Scottsbluff Lions Club	22-Oct	MSU#1	Gretna Lions Club
10-Sep	MSU#1	Gordon Lions Club	22-Oct	MSU#2	Chadron Lions Club
10-Sep	MSU#2	Scottsbluff Lions Club	23-Oct	MSU#1	Gretna Lions Club
11-Sep	MSU#1	Gordon Lions Club	23-Oct	MSU#2	Chadron Lions Club
11-Sep	MSU#2	Scottsbluff Lions Club	24-Oct	MSU#1	Gretna Lions Club
12-Sep	MSU#1	Gordon Lions Club	24-Oct	MSU#2	Chadron Lions Club
12-Sep	MSU#2	Scottsbluff Lions Club	OCT 27 - 30		Hastings Evening Lions Club
15-Sep	MSU#1	Sutherland Lions Club	27-Oct	MSU#2	Ogallala Lions Club
15-Sep	MSU#2	Scottsbluff Lions Club	28-Oct	MSU#2	Ogallala Lions Club
16-Sep	MSU#1	Cambridge Lions Club	29-Oct	MSU#2	Minden Lions Club
16-Sep	MSU#2	Kimball Lions Club	30-Oct	MSU#2	Minden Lions Club
17-Sep	MSU#1	Holbrook Lions Club	31-Oct	MSU#1	Hastings Evening Lions Club
17-Sep	MSU#2	Potter Lions Club	31-Oct	MSU#2	Minden Lions Club
18-Sep	MSU#1	Hershey Lions Club	3-Nov	MSU#1	Amherst Lions Club
18-Sep	MSU#2	Gurley Lions Club	3-Nov	MSU#2	Hebron Lions Club
19-Sep	MSU#2	Wallace Lions Club	4-Nov	MSU#1	Shelton Lions Club
22-Sep	MSU#1	Oakland Lions Club	4-Nov	MSU#2	Hebron Lions Club
22-Sep	MSU#2	Kearney Lions Club	5-Nov	MSU#1	Clay Center Lions Club
23-Sep	MSU#1	Wahoo Lions Club	5-Nov	MSU#2	Hordville Lions Club
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25-Sep	MSU#2	Lincoln Star City Lions Club	10-Nov	MSU#1	Atkinson Lions Club
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29-Sep	MSU#1	Wakefield Lions Club	11-Nov	MSU#1	Atkinson Lions Club
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30-Sep	MSU#2	Plattsmouth Lions Club	12-Nov	MSU#3	Omaha Westside Lions Club
1-Oct	MSU#1	Wakefield Lions Club	12-Nov 13-Nov	MSU#1	O'Neill Lions Club
1-Oct	MSU#1	Plattsmouth Lions Club	13-Nov	MSU#2	Beatrice Lions Club
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17-Nov	MSU#1	Grant Lions Club	DATE	MSU UNIT	CLUB
17-Nov	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	15-Jan	MSU#1	Broken Bow Lions Club
18-Nov	MSU#1	Grant Lions Club	15-Jan	MSU#2	Holdrege Lions Club
18-Nov	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	16-Jan	MSU#1	Vacated by school - no assignment
19-Nov	MSU#1	Imperial Lions Club	16-Jan	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment
19-Nov	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	19-Jan	MSU#1	Genoa Lions Club
20-Nov	MSU#1	Imperial Lions Club	19-Jan	MSU#2	Benkelman Lions Club
20-Nov	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	20-Jan	MSU#1	Genoa Lions Club
21-Nov	MSU#1	Eustis Lions Club	20-Jan	MSU#2	Hitchcock County Lions Club
21-Nov	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	21-Jan	MSU#1	Leave This Date Open
24-Nov	MSU#1	Blair Lions Club	21-Jan	MSU#2	Brule Lions Club
NOV 24 - 25	MSU#2	Hastings Evening Lions Club	22-Jan	MSU#1	Hastings Evening Lions Club
25-Nov	MSU#1	Blair Lions Club	22-Jan	MSU#2	Wallace Lions Club
26-Nov	MSU#1	THANKSGIVING BREAK	23-Jan	MSU#1	Hastings Evening Lions Club
26-Nov	MSU#2	THANKSGIVING BREAK	23-Jan	MSU#2	Wallace Lions Club
1-Dec	MSU#1	Red Cloud Lions Club		Company of the control of the contro	District 38-I
1-Dec	MSU#2	Utica Lions Club	26-Jan	MSU#2	Lincoln 21st Century Lions Club
2-Dec	MSU#1	Macon Lions Club	27-Jan	MSU#2	John C Fremont Lions Club
2-Dec	MSU#2	Utica Lions Club	28-Jan	MSU#1	Elwood Lions Club
3-Dec	MSU#1	Pleasanton Lions Club	28-Jan	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment
3-Dec	MSU#2	Utica Lions Club	29-Jan 20. Jan	MSU#1	Ravenna Lions Club
4-Dec	MSU#1	Kearney Lions Club Utica Lions Club	29-Jan 20. Jan	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment OPEN DO NOT BOOK
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8-Dec	MSU#2	Hastings Evening Lions Club Gothenburg Lions Club	3-Feb	MSU#1	Orleans Lions Club
9-Dec	MSU#1	Hastings Evening Lions Club	3-Feb	MSU#2	Millard Lions Club
9-Dec	MSU#2	Gothenburg Lions Club	4-Feb	MSU#1	Vacated by school - no assignment
10-Dec	MSU#1	Hastings Evening Lions Club	4-Feb	MSU#2	Plattsmouth Lions Club
10-Dec	MSU#2	Lexington Lions Club	5-Feb	MSU#1	Vacated by school - no assignment
11-Dec	MSU#1	Hastings Evening Lions Club	5-Feb	MSU#2	Geneva Lions Club
11-Dec	MSU#2	Lexington Lions Club	6-Feb	MSU#1	Imperial Lions Club
12-Dec	MSU#1	Elm Creek Lions Club	6-Feb	MSU#2	Geneva Lions Club
12-Dec	MSU#2	Lexington Lions Club	9-Feb	MSU#1	Travel Day
15-Dec	MSU#1	Travel Day	9-Feb	MSU#2	Burwell Lions Club
15-Dec	MSU#2	Crete Lions Club	10-Feb	MSU#1	Kearney Lions Club
16-Dec	MSU#1	District 38-I	10-Feb	MSU#2	Ravenna Lions Club
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17-Dec	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment	12-Feb	MSU#1	Kearney Lions Club
18-Dec	MSU#1	District 38-I	12-Feb	MSU#2	Sutton Lions Club
18-Dec	MSU#2	Vacated by school - no assignment	13-Feb	MSU#1	
DEC 19-JAN 5	MSU#1	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BREAK	13-Feb	MSU#2	Brady Lions Club
DEC 19-JAN 5	MSU#2	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BREAK	16-Feb		PRESIDENTS DAY - NO SCREENINGS
6-Jan	MSU#1	Orleans Lions Club	17-Feb	MSU#1	
6-Jan	MSU#2	Gretna Lions Club	17-Feb	MSU#2	Omaha Westside Lions Club
7-Jan	MSU#1	Hildreth Lions / Wilcox Lions Clubs		MSU#1	Oskosh Lions Club
7-Jan	MSU#2	Gretna Lions Club	18-Feb	MSU#2	
8-Jan	MSU#1	Grand Island Lions Club	19-Feb	MSU#1	
8-Jan	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club		MSU#2	
9-Jan	MSU#1	Grand Island Lions Club	20-Feb	MSU#1	
9-Jan	MSU#2	Papillion Area Lions Club	20-Feb	MSU#2	
12-Jan	MSU#1	Broken Bow Lions Club	23-Feb	MSU#1	
12-Jan	MSU#2	Harvard Lions Club	23-Feb	MSU#2	
13-Jan	MSU#1	Broken Bow Lions Club	24-Feb	MSU#1	
13-Jan	MSU#2	Holdrege Lions Club	24-Feb	MSU#2	Lincoln Star City Lions Club
14-Jan	MSU#1	Broken Bow Lions Club	25-Feb	MSU#1	Time In Other City Time Of the
14-Jan	MSU#2	Holdrege Lions Club	25-Feb	MSU#2	Lincoln Star City Lions Club

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Tiffany Pokorny's Final Zone Chair Report June 8, 2025

Meetings & Trainings Attended:

- Dec 1 All-District Zone Chair Zoom with PDGs on how they can support Zone Chairs and clubs.
- Jan 8 Growth Workshop with PID Brian Sheehan (Zoom)
- Jan 9 Zoom with DG Jeanne Grantzinger to develop a consistent club visit action plan for all Zone Chairs.
- Created a one-page visit guide for ZCs
- Brainstormed ideas for:
- 1. Club retention and recruiting
- 2. Increasing service project focus
- 3. PDG involvement to support clubs
- 4. DG Jeanne to present plan to PDGs
- Jan 16 Leadership Zoom hosted by ZC Patti
- Feb 11 Mission 1.5 Zoom with DG Leon Sweigard
- Feb 28 Attended Mid-Winter Convention in Blair; elected 2nd Vice District Governor
- Apr 4–6 Attended District Governor Training in Broken Bow
- June 4 Randy Ritterbush trained Meadow Grove-Tilden club secretary on the portal big thanks, Randy!
- June 6–8 Attended State Convention in North Platte

Goal for Second Half of the Year:

Support local clubs at service projects and fundraisers to better understand how they serve their communities.

Club Visits & Activities:

- Feb 9 Norfolk Lions (Service): Read Aloud Program with 3 kids' activities, book prizes, 7 Lions present packed house!
- Mar 20 Neligh Lions (Service): Food pantry 4 Lions, 4 non-members (all non-members help regularly but not interested in joining yet)
- Mar 21 Newman Grove Lions (Service/Fundraiser): Alumni Basketball & Cornhole\ Tournament 7 Lions present. Great community involvement! Discussed potential grant for mobile pickleball courts. Encouraged member recruiting.
- Mar 23 Battle Creek Lions (Fundraiser): Pancake Feed 14 Lions + Scouts, raised \$1,172. Fantastic effort from members who don't often get the spotlight—great to see them step up! Mar 23 Meadow Grove-Tilden Lions (Fundraiser): Pancake Feed & Raffle 10 Lions, served 200+ guests, raised ~\$1,500. Picked up eyeglasses and encouraged member recruiting.
- Apr 3 Pierce Lions (Service/Meeting): Area club invite fish fry (47 attendees from Battle Creek, Atkinson, Norfolk). Club approved \$10,000 to purchase 6 AEDs for local churches. Held] successful officer elections.

SHOUT OUT to my Zone A Clubs wrapping up the Lions year with fantastic projects!

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

June 6–8 – Newman Grove: Co-sponsored Shell Creek Days Fun Run and Pancake Breakfast (with community church service). Kicked off Peach & Pear sales.

June 7 – Norfolk: Hosted their ~46th Annual Fishing Derby at Skyview Lake for kids ages 3–13. About 200 kids attended. Prizes for biggest/smallest fish and even the biggest frog!

June 10 – Meadow Grove-Tilden: Held a Can Caravan outside the library to collect food for Neligh Lions' pantry. Peach & Pear sales coming in July.

JULY PREVIEW

July 4 – Norfolk: Will join the 4th of July Parade with their Lion mascot, handing out candy and club brochures. Promoting Big Wheel Races.

July 8–10 – Battle Creek: Taking tickets at the local rodeo (fundraiser). Also selling peaches\ & pears, and on Aug 16 will serve steak sandwiches at Summercity Fest and host the evening parade.

July 12 – Norfolk: Hosting Big Wheel Races at Pedal Park for kids ages 3–7 with prizes and medals.

July 19 – Pierce: Supporting Norfolk's Golf Tourney fundraiser (they alternate years). Also launching Peach & Pear sales.

July 19 – Norfolk: 10th Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser at El Dorado Golf Course. Cash prizes, food, and a chance to win a Polaris UTV with a hole-in-one! Proceeds benefit local charities.

July – Neligh: Peach & Pear sales kick off!

I want to thank all my clubs in Zone A for allowing me to take part in a meeting, service project or fundraiser. I met a lot of great people and excited for what the future holds for them in their communities. I look forward to not only seeing them again in the future but also to all the clubs in district 38-O.

Thank you to DG Leon for giving me this opportunity to be zone chair, it was a blast!! DG Leon gave me guidance and training for the position but also gave me the freedom to make it my own, which I really appreciated. He supported me through phone calls, in-person check-ins, texts, and was there for both concerns and wins. Always had a kind heart in listening & cheered me on for victory. Thanks for being a great person & a great leader!!!

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