



# Fargo Lions News



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December 2006

Meetings held Monday Noons at the Fargo Radisson Hotel

FARGO LIONS PROGRAMS		
12/4	<b>Mike Hannaher</b>	FM Area Foundation has an impact on you
12/11	<b>Brian Walters</b>	Greater FM Econ. Dev. Corp.
12/18	<b>Heritage Homes</b>	Extreme Makeover
12/25	<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	TO ALL GOOD LIONS

**HOLIDAY LIGHTS PARADE:** The Fargo Lions did crowd supervision at the annual downtown Holiday Lights Parade on Tuesday November 21<sup>st</sup>. The evening was beautiful and the crowd was huge. It put all of those who volunteered in the holiday spirit!

**SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING:** The dates have been set. We will be ringing the bell on December 12 and 14 at West Acres and Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> at Hornbacher's Village West.

**Fargo Lions Christmas Party:** Join the Fargo Lions for their Annual Christmas Party on December 7, 2006 at 6:30pm. We will be attending the comedy production of "Wintertime" at Theatre B which is located at 716 Main Avenue. This event is open to all Lions, spouses, significant other, and guests. Cocktails and appetizers will be served starting at 6:30 with the curtain time at 7:30. The cost is \$20 per person (this includes the cost of your ticket). Christmas attire would be appropriate to wear. If you haven't done so, please email your reservation to Lion Mark Jensen at, [mark@allegiancesoftware.com](mailto:mark@allegiancesoftware.com).

From Lion President Mel Olson: FARGO LIONS CLUB RECIEVES GOLD GIVING LEVEL DESIGNATION. The Fargo Lions Club recently received a "Gold Giving Level" designation for making a \$1,505 contribution to the North Dakota Lions Eye Bank. The Fargo Lions Club was the only club in the State of North Dakota to attain the Gold Level of Giving for contributing \$1,500--\$3,000 to the ND Lions Eye Bank for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. The Fargo Lions Club also contributed more than \$1,500 to the North Dakota Eye Bank at the recent State Lions Convention in Dickinson and will qualify for the "Gold Giving Level" certificate for the next fiscal year.

During the past fiscal year the Lions Eye Bank of North Dakota recovered 274 corneas. The corneas were distributed to many states in this country and to numerous foreign countries. Fargo doctors involved in the transplants included: Dr. Steven Bagan, Dr. Oboh-Weilke and Dr. Harold Rodenbiker.

Since the Eye Bank of North Dakota became a commercial operation in 1996, 2,537 people have received the "Gift of Sight" as a direct result of the Eye Bank of North Dakota. Fargo Lions need to be very proud of the role our club is playing in making the "Gift of Sight" a reality for so many individuals.

The Fargo Lions Board of Directors meeting is Monday Dec 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:00. The meeting is open to all Fargo Lions members.

Date	Greeter	Invocator
12/4	<b>Tim Sellnow</b>	<b>Robert Littlefield</b>
12/11	<b>Tod Dahle</b>	<b>Rob Lian</b>

12/18	Dawn Johnson	Luci Melby
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Note from Lion Katherine Tweed:

HELP! Eye Bank coordinator Jamie Quackenbush will be representing Lions and the Eye Bank at the Hometown event at Lens Crafters next week. She needs a shirt and other gear that says Lions so she can be a walking billboard for Lions. **Please contact Katherine, 235.2115 or ktweed@cableone.net, immediately if you have something in a small size she can borrow.**

Note: Lion Robert Littlefield found a Melvin Jones pin following a Lions meeting. If you lost one, please contact Robert. He and the Tail Twister may be able to return it to you.

From: Lion SARAH NATHAN

Subject: Lions Environmental Photo Contest

Lions Environmental Photo Contest

If you have a great photo in the categories of animal, plant, landscape, weather phenomena, or special theme, "Serving Our Environment." Submit your winning club photo (by January 1, 2007) to the district competition. Winning multiple district photos will appear at the 90th Lions International Convention in Chicago, Illinois, USA, in July 2007.

Read further for contest details and view winning photos from last year at [http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/environment\\_photo\\_contest.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/environment_photo_contest.shtml)