



# Fargo Lions News

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May 2011

Meetings held Monday Noons at the Fargo Radisson Hotel

FARGO LIONS PROGRAMS		
May 2	Mike Michlovic	Red River Valley Archeology
May 9	David Cummings	Sunshine affect
May 16	Greg Cant	Concordia Business Center
May 23	Club Awards meeting	
May 30	No meeting	Memorial Day



**SERVICE - Vision Screening:** On May 4th, we will be doing a basic vision screening at the Homeless Connection at the FargoDome. This event is sort of a health fair for the homeless folks in our community. It is held in May and October. In May of 2010, 204 people were seen. We anticipate offering two eye chart stations. To learn more about the event, go to [www.fmhomeless.org](http://www.fmhomeless.org)

**SORRY to report the social committee has no socials to report.**



The **Lions Mexico Vision Trip:** The committee met on Feb 12-18, 1012. We have around 18 people planning to travel in order to screen and fit glasses for people of Puerto Vallarta who are in need of eyeglasses. We are waiting for housing and transportation that may reduce the cost per participant. More news when available.

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We had our first eyeglass cleaning activity at the West Fargo High Rise on April 26<sup>th</sup>. We had a nice turnout of Lions and were able to clean, sort and box over 3,000 pair of glasses. You can get involved at many levels. You can help with collecting, cleaning, sorting and inventorying used eyeglasses;



fundraising and community awareness here in Fargo. To join us on the trip or to help head up our pre-trip efforts, contact Jane at [pettingercrow@cableone.net](mailto:pettingercrow@cableone.net).

**Community Grants Committee:** The Community Grants Committee will meet at 12:00 Noon on Thursday, May 5th, at the VIP Restaurant to discuss current grant requests and final spending allocations of our budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

**Fargo Lions Celebrate Anniversary:** June 2nd. It will be a community event held in association with the first "Cruisin' on Broadway" night of the season. More details to come.

The **2012 ND Lions State Convention Committee:** The 2012 ND State Lions Convention is continuing to meet. Anyone who is interested in helping to plan the State Convention is welcome to participate. Contact Lions Mike Gallagher or Bob Ames if you have questions or input to share.

**New songbook committee:** The songbook committee needs your help. So far we haven't found anything better than "Roll out the Barrel". If we don't get your input we will just have to sing that song every week until we get some cooperation. Please contact Neil Jordheim or Mark Western.

**Calling "experienced" and "new" Lions Again:** Lion Bob Ames is compiling a memoir of Fargo Lions history and recent events (In particular, the last five years) to be published celebrating our 90th Anniversary. Contact Lion Bob at Robert@fossarch.com if you would like to contribute an article, quote or comment. We are looking for stories and thoughts to share about memorable events and people from both long-time Lions as well as newer members. Why is Lions membership important to you? Why did you join Lions? What do you enjoy most about Lions? What is your most memorable or enjoyable event? How has Lions made a difference in your life? This program will be distributed at our 90th Anniversary celebration in June, but may also be used for promotion and orientation of new and prospective members.

**Lions Youth Exchange camp this summer.** Fargo Lions, anybody up for coordinating a Lions Night at the RedHawks and hosting the campers for an afternoon or evening activity? Perhaps we could coordinate with the other area clubs and host supper and a ball game – Americana for our guests from around the world and our own Multiple District. Please contact Katherine with any questions or suggestions: ktweed@cableone.net or 235.2115.

**Fargo Marathon:** All Fargo Lions are needed to work at our Fargo Lions watering hole on May 21st. The "Fargo Marathon" volunteer is being circulated at Monday meetings. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun. If you have a good idea for a theme for this year's watering hole, please contact Lion Kurt Jankowski 866-2817.



**Fargo Lions Board Meeting:** 11:00 am May 9th, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room Radisson Hotel. You are all invited to attend.

	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Invoker</b>
May 2	Blake Strehlow	John Dobbs
May 9	Bobbi Solien	Lucy Melby
May 16	Blake Strehlow	Brian Shawn
May 23	Mike Benson	Mark Western

Please note Lion Paula Klein has changed jobs. Here is her new contact information:

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