

Lions Club getting started now in our area

Mr. Kenneth Spawn, district governor 5M-10 of the Lions Club, visited the *News* office last week and said that anyone who is interested in becoming a Lion should contact one of the local representatives, or executives.

Lions are volunteer members of clubs grouped under an International organization, where they enjoy fellowship, and dedicate part of their free time to help those in need all over the world, while making their individual communities a better place to live in.

Beginnings

Lionism began in the United States in 1917 when a group of independent clubs responded to an ideal presented to them by a young Chicago insurance agent, Melvin Jones.

The ideal was one of service as a group to their fellow men without regard to politics, religion, race, or in any way the personal interests of the members.

This was heralded as a departure from the trend current at that time of forming clubs basically with a commercial motive. A conference was called of some 25 independent clubs on June 7, 1917, and from this meeting the organization was born.

Although the youngest, The In-

ternational Association of Lions Clubs has grown to be the largest service club organization in the world, represented by over 36,000 clubs with a membership exceeding 1,358,000 in over 157 countries and geographic areas.

Folk singer to perform

The entire country has finally recognized what Canada's Balladeer Wiz Bryant has known for years- the importance of fostering the growth of Canadian culture.

Wiz, a well-informed Canadian, has written themes for many great Canadian shows and has been performing in concert at schools, exhibitions and fairs for years.

He is a versatile and exciting entertainer with something to say and he will be appearing at the Schreiber Public Library on May 1 at 2 p.m.

Strumming his guitar and occasionally adding harmonica solos, Wiz encourages audience participation and keeps his audience humming along to his uniquely Canadian songs.

This performance is funded by the Outreach Ontario Programme of the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture, Hon. Lily Munro, minister.

clen Blodeau, 2nd vice-president, Terrace Bay, 825-3378; Gary Callaghan, president, 3 101 Hudson Dr., Terrace Bay, 825-9140; Mike Gould, 1st vice-president, 22 Timbergrove Rd., Terrace Bay, 825-3831, P.O. Box 653.

"The growth of Lionism reflects the personal growth of individuals who are able to see beyond their own needs to the needs of others."



Pre-schoolers above are enjoying a puppet show at the Terrace Bay library recently



Kenneth Spawn

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Any male person of legal majority, good moral character and good reputation in his community may be granted membership in a duly authorized Lions Club. Membership is by invitation only.

From the start, the emphasis has been on service in all forms to less fortunate members of the community. The club's constitution, as recommended by the Association, may be adapted by the local club to suit its own particular requirements while keeping within the principles of the Association and its International constitution.

Service activities
The numerous activities that Lions undertake have been classified in the following manner: *Major Service Commitments*- Drug Awareness and Diabetes Awareness; *Other Major Service Activities*- Sight Conservation and Work with the Blind, Hearing and Speech Action and Work with the Deaf, Environmental Services, Leo Club Program, Youth Exchange Program, Lioness Club Program, International Relations; *Other Activities of Lionism*- Citizenship Services, Educational Services, Health Services, Social Services, Recreational Services, Public Services and International Youth Camps.

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If you would like to join the Lions, or would like more information, contact: Tom Dickson,