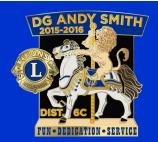


April 2016 Fun Dedication Service





Lions of 6C!

Convention time is here! All of us are looking forward to a great convention. I'm not sure if the newsletter will be out before or after our convention. My comments are geared to before. We start off Friday, April 1 at 5 p.m. with registration, dinner and Cabinet meeting 6 p.m. Once the meeting is over we will have carnival games/fundraiser. We are trying to soften the tail twisting activities. 50/50 raffle tickets will be sold to play the games. 50% will go to the camp and 50% will go to the club who purchases the most raffle tickets. On Saturday, a few of the games will be in the hospitality suite. You can purchase raffle tickets through the day Saturday and play the games during breaks and down time. We will cut off games sometime during Saturday afternoon so the money can be counted for the Tail Twister report. We are all looking forward

to meeting ID Melvyn Bray and to hear his words of wisdom. You will also be privileged to listen to Jake Jabs, CEO and President of American Furniture Warehouse. We will start off the evening with Hawaiian Dancers and awards.

As of March 27, 2016 District 6C has added 10 new members this month, while 3 have dropped, for a plus 7. Yeah! Yippie! Holy Cow! Let's keep it up Lions. April is another membership month. Is your club having a membership drive in April? We are still at -35 for the year. In April, I will be pressing hard to have the Stapleton and Campus Clubs be chartered or at least branch clubs. You all who have worked on these two projects have put in too many hours and worked too hard to let this slip away. Help this poor tired but always happy District Governor archive his goal for strengthening our district.

Way to go 2VDG Steve Kinsky Denver Lions, Littleton Lions and all lions who helped form the Littleton Leos Club.

Major Announcement! The Cabinet is going to vote on the FINAL Report for the RMLEIF Grant. A short meeting during registration time will be held on Friday, April 1 to give the Cabinet a chance to look over the report. A vote will take place during the Cabinet meeting. All the I's and T's have been crossed. I met with PID John Harper for an hour March 24 to make sure everything was in order. PID John Harper-Wyoming has worked tirelessly to make sure we comply with LCIF. My thanks also goes out to 6C Trustees Rick Argotsinger and Jim Burton for their hours of research and grant writing to get this to the final stage. Others who I have asked for advice and help are 1st VDG Jack Russalesi, PID 6NE Ken Schwols, PDG Jack Beckfield, PDG Linda Stephens, PDG Corky Carlson, PDG Roger Epp-Wyoming, SOM Carol Louks MD6. My hat is off to Acting DG Dennis Pulley 6W, DG Carol Lambert 6NE, DG Joe Rall 6SE and CC Sandy Smith for all their efforts in their Districts and the State.

A BIG congratulations goes out to the 9 attendees who completed the ELLI (Emerging Lions Leadership Institute) training March 18-20, 2016. District 6C had 12% of the attending Lions there. These are going to be our leaders now and in the future. Congratulations to Phillip Barbour-Chatfield Lions, Myra Bradley-Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions, Fletcher Brown-Denver Lions, Shauna Carte- Denver Park Hill Lions, Randall Lipsett-Centennial Airport Lions, Gary Lussenhop-Centennial Airport Lions, Susy Ossorio- Kinsky-Denver Lions, Lenora Rogers-Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions, and Robert Storrs-Golden Lions.

Please remember, there are still 3 months of the 2015-2016 Lions year remaining. Let's make District 6C the strongest that we can and leave our district in good hands for 1VDG Jack Russalesi's year as DG 2016-2017.

DG Andy Smith







1st Vice District Governor

Lions of District 6C. ROAR. I hope you are reading this newsletter at the convention. The Holiday Inn is a great venue and the staff has been as accommodating as a big corporation can be. It is going to be a wonderful weekend. I want to thank you all for what you do for Lions, for your communities and for each other. I know that many have been very helpful to me as I have prepared to become Governor but more importantly you have done some wonderful things for District Governor Andrew Smith.

Wow, have you. As we are coming down the home stretch of Andy's term some great things are happening. It looks like Andy is going to finish the year with not ONE, not TWO, not THREE but very likely four new clubs. That includes a LEO, a campus club, a traditional club and a specialty club. That happens as a result of Andy's leadership and your hard work. Roar. I mean, ROAR. It has been a long time since that kind of growth has happened and it gives me a great start and a real challenge.

I have not seen as many clubs as I would like to have seen, but I will be making the rounds in the next year and three months. I will be seeing a lot of you at zone and district meetings, at trainings and workshops and at special events. I am still looking for a few committee chairs and workers, so call me with your passion.

I have been working with Andy pretty closely this year. He was one of those governors who when through the regional trainings and actually set goals and actually met or exceeded many of them and actually was able to hand them to me as I set my goals. Andy's goals are the foundation for my goals for the coming year and they should be part of the foundation for governors for years to come. That puts us ahead of the curve. We have been working with other Governors and other Governors Elect, as well as district and multi-district membership and leadership chairs and teams to build a statewide plan to carry Colorado right up to the anniversary of LIONS and beyond.

That is all because of the leadership and spirit of our leader, Andrew Smith. Spring is here. You can tell by the snow. There are three good months left for Andy's term. There are new clubs and new members growing out of the winter frost and winds. The burst of these four new developments is exciting and there is more potential. Help Andy finish his year with the greatest upsurge in our 99-year history. Every time you go to a meeting or a service activity for your club, take someone with you. When you go volunteer at the 9Health Fair, take someone with you. It is all about the service that we do – that YOU do - that makes Lions great and makes us look good as leaders.



I want to let you in on a secret that Andy knows and, in fact, all past district Governors know. Lions leadership is really great fun. Part of the legacy that Andy is leaving me is an increase in members. Part of the promise I am making him is the development of a core of new leaders. For Andy and for me, consider the commitment be a club officer, or a zone chair of a district committee co-chair.

Enough serious stuff. Put on your striped shirt and your polka dot pants and tan shoes with pink shoe laces and partee down at the 6C District Convention. Enjoy yourself. Renew friendships, make new friends, come talk with me. Enjoy the good times.







2nd Vice District Governor

Hello, 6C Lions. Can you believe that our Convention is just around the corner? I'm of course excited about renewing friendships and acquaintances among Lions from around the District, but it'll also be a good way to catch up. What I've discovered this year is that it's difficult to keep tabs on all the activities. It's hard for me to be sure that I'm keeping up-to-date on the important activities merely by reading emails, bulletins, newsletters and magazines. Club visitations surely help, but there are 30+ Clubs in the District, so many that Andy, Jack and I split up the task. I truly have appreciated the opportunity to meet new Lions this way and try to understand what motivates them. The good news about this is that I can personally attest that there are a whole bunch of motivated Lions in the District, and each Club finds creative ways to raise funds and search for new service projects to do.

I'm also hoping to both talk about two extension projects that I've worked on and another that I just found out about. My two are the Littleton HS Leos Club, and you'll have the opportunity to meet some of the officers and committee chairs from this Club on Friday evening. I'm also hoping to find time to finalize things for the Stapleton Lions Club with Lions Shauna Carter of Park Hill. Shauna appears to be a master at finding prospective new members, having pieced together from among her family and friends and also a group of veterans the majority of the charter members for the Club. Finally, we just found out yesterday that a Nepali Club is forming in Thornton and is ready to begin operating. I'm especially pleased because Susy and I conducted an eyesight mission in Kathmandu in 2014, with the help of the Gliese Lions Club there.

I'll be running for First Vice District Governor and looking forward to my work in this role for 2016-17. Jack Russalesi will make a fine DG; he's very knowledgeable about Lions and about the workings of our District and Multi-District, and I hope to learn a lot from him. I know that part of his plans for extension have to do with forming a specialty club, and I look forward to working with him on that.

And of course I've got this Centennial year itself to look forward to. I'll be working throughout the year on a Centennial Committee that the Denver Lions Club is using to help commemorate its role in the Centennial as a founding Club.

Finally, hats off to Andy Smith, whom I've found to be a warm, engaging and dedicated DG throughout the year. Good luck to him as he rides of "into the sunset."



Steve Kinsky
2nd VDG
Member of Denver Lions







Colorado KidSight District 6C



We Hope to See You at the 6C Convention!

I am really looking forward to the 6C District convention. have lots of news to share with you including screening statistics, the impact we make in the Denver area and much more. We will also honor the Kid-Sight volunteer of the yearfrom 6C at the convention. And Seymour might even make anappearance! I hope to see all of you there.



Alex and Ani KidSight Fundraiser is Wednesday, April 27

Please see the flyer in this newsletter for information and times for our Alex and Ani fundraiser. The event will be at the store in Cherry Creek North. Alex and Ani sells veryreasonably priced jewelry (bracelets, necklaces, rings, etc) and all of their jewelry is made in the USA. These items would make perfect gifts for that special person in your life. Don't forget that Mother's Day, graduations and weddings are coming up soon. They even sell specific bangle bracelets for brides, Mother's Day, Birthdays, Sororities, College and Pro Sports teams, with more than 350 to choose from. For more information on Alex and Ani jewelry check out their website www.alexandani.com . 15 percent of allpurchases will benefit KidSight Colorado. I hope to see you there!

KidSight Screenings Top 43,000!

We have already exceeded the number of children screened for all of last year and it is only April! 43,441 screenings have been processed since July 1 with 5,317 childrenreferred. The rate of referral is 12.2%. My goal this year has been to screen 44,000 children and I am sure we are well on the way to that goal. We still have more time to screen so keep up the great work and THANK YOU for all that you do for KidSight Colorado!



District 6C 27,310 children screened 3,585 referred 13.1% referral rate

KidSight Annual Meeting

The Colorado Lions KidSight Program will hold its annual meeting at the State Convention May 20, 2016. All Lions are welcome to attend. We will review the highlights of this year and recognize the KidSight Club of the Year. Don't miss it!

Don't Forget Mother's Day and iGive or Smile.Amazon

May 8 is Mother's Day! As you are thinking about gifts for that special woman in yourlife KidSight can benefit if you purchase them through iGive.com or Smile.Amazon. Participating merchants contribute a percentage of your purchase to KidSight and it doesn't cost you any extra! Just go to iGive.com/ColoradoKidSight or Smile.Amazon.



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Come sip refreshments, snack on small bites and shop with others who share your passion for giving back.

15% of all proceeds* will be donated to support COLORADO LIONS KIDSIGHT PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY | APRIL 27 | 5 - 7PM

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Eyeglass & Hearing Aid Collections

The **Louisville Lions Club** is partnering with Elevations Credit Union in May to collect eyeglasses, dark glasses, useable cases and hearing aids. This is part of their community outreach. They are putting our Lion's boxes in all their 11 branches to collect glasses. In addition, they will be giving us a monetary donation! If your club doesn't collect glasses, please get the word out to take glasses to Elevations Credit Unions in May! We currently give our glasses, dark glasses and useable cases to "Hearts in Motion" mission trips to Guatemala. We have local people that go with this mission trip two times a year. Thank you!







Denver Five Points BBQ Ribs & Hot Links Dinner

THE DENVER FIVE POINTS LIONS CLUB IS SPONSORING A

BAR-B-Q & FISH FRY FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY APRIL 9TH, 2016



FROM 11 – until all gone



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\$ 12.00 RIB DINNER
\$10.00 FOR HOT LINKS &
COMES WITH BAKED BEANS & POTATO SALAD
11.00 FILET CATFISH
11.00 WHOLE CATFISH
TURKEY LEGS (PRICE DEPENDS ON SIZE)
COMES WITH GREEN BEANS & POTATO SALAD

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT









Bus to the Casino



BUS TRIP TO BLACKHAWK MARDI GRAS CASINO







SATURDAY, MAY 7TH – 1:00PM – 7:00 PM

WE WILL LEAVE THE SAM'S CLUB PARKING LOT - 38TH AND QUEBEC DONATION IS \$10.00 10.00 FOOD COUPON, MATCH PLAY, AND 5.00 ON YOUR PLAYERS CARD & MORE

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!









District Lions Picnic



JUNE 11th AT 11AM CITY PARK IN DENVER

THE DENVER FIVE POINTS LIONS WILL HOST A DISTRICT PICNIC ON JUNE 11th WE HAD SUCH FUN LAST OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEAR'S

WE ARE GONNA DO IT AGAIN THIS YEAR

WE WILL START AT 11AM

THE DENVER FIVE POINTS LIONS WILL PROVIDE HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS & THE FIXING'S, AND THE PLATES, SPOONS, FORKS AND NAPKINS.

WE ARE ASKING EACH CLUB THAT PARTICIPATES TO BRING SOMETHING. WATER, SODA, A SALAD, A DESSERT......already cooked[©]

PLEASE HAVE ALL THE FOOD THERE BY 1130

WE WILL HAVE TALBLES AND SOME CHAIRS SO WE ARE ASKING YOU TO BRING ALONG YOUR LAWN CHAIRS OR BLANKETS.

PLEASE BRING SOME GAMES AND FUN THINGS TO DO.

THE LOCATION IN CITY PARK WILL BE THE ENTRANCE OFF 23RD AT YORK IT IS A ONE WAY ENTRANCE INTO THE PARK YOU WILL DRIVE AROUND THE ROUND ABOUT AND YOU WILL SEE US... OUR LOCATION WILL BE RIGHT ACROSS FROM THE TENNIS COURTS...WE WILL HAVE LIONS BANNERS UP IT IS A NICE SHADED AREA MY CELL PHONE IS 720-231-3818 CALL IF YOU GET LOST...

THE MORE THE MERRIER BUT PLEASE RSVP TO ME SO WE MAKE SURE WE HAVE ENOUGH FOOD AND KNOW WHOS A COMING <u>SLYHUDSON@MSN.COM</u> 720-231-3818 PDG LION DONNA. AS I GET THE CLUBS NAMES AND WHAT THEY ARE BRINGING I WILL SEND IT OUR TO EVERYONE ELSE. SO PLEASE EMAIL ME!

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April 1 & 2nd DG Andy's District Convention & Last Cabinet Meeting

April 9 Denver Five Points BBQ Ribs & Hot Links Fundraiser

April 9 - 17 9 days of the 9Health Fair

April 27 Alex and Ani Fundraiser for KidSight

May 7 Denver Five Points Casino Bus to Blackhawk

May Elevations Credit Union (Louisville Lions Eyeglass &

Hearing Aid Collections)

May 14 Lions Camp Work Day

May 19 - 21 State Convention - Loveland

June 11 District 6C Annual Picnic - sponsored by Denver Five Points Lions

June 24 - 28 International Convention - Fukuoka, Japan

Sept 15 - 17 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum - Omaha, Ne

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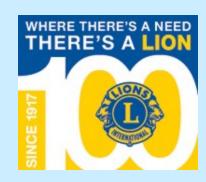
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