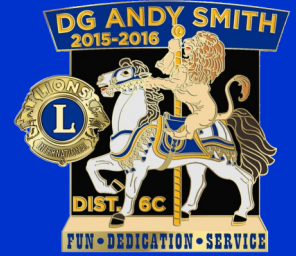




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Lions of 6C

The 1st quarter of my District Governor term is history. It started with the International Convention in Hawaii and ended with the USA Canada Forum in Grand Rapids, MI. This was my 3rd Forum and, by far, the best. PDG Mark Miller of Georgia put on an excellent forum. I did not count, but we had a good group from Colorado. Friday evening we all got together for dinner.

I went to 10 out of 12 seminar sessions. Where was I for the other two you ask? I went to the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum across from my hotel. I was in high school during Nixon/Ford era and I'm glad I visited the museum. It was a turbulent time in our history. We cannot afford the direction our country is heading. I don't understand much about politics, but I could not help myself; I ask for your forgiveness. The two seminars I liked the most were: "Orientation As a Strategy for Membership Retention." This seminar stated that member retention starts the 1st day of a new lion's membership. We must build a strong foundation for our new members. We also must educate new members on the founding of Lions and the history of the first 100 years. Continuing education of all Lions is a key to retention. New Lions need to know why we do things the way we do. This will also help shape future leaders. The other seminar I really liked was: "Chief Scout Wayne Brock--Dealing with Values and Change." The Boy Scouts have been around since 1910, a few years longer than Lions. He said the Boy Scouts are going through the same things that Lions and other organizations that have been around for a long time are. Ideas and projects that were fine years ago do not necessarily work well today. We must change with the times if we are going to be relevant in the future. This could be from how we do projects and fundraisers to when and how we conduct our meetings. If we want to attract younger members and have leaders to replace us this is very essential.

I have started my Club visitations. 1st VDG Jack Russalesi and 2nd VDG Steve Kinsky will be helping me out. We each have 10 clubs to visit. These all are official District Governor visits and they should be treated the same as such.

The Campus/Traditional Club workshop and recruiting will start Oct. 11 and run through Oct 15. Guiding Lions and host club representatives and interested Lions should attend the workshop and help during the other 4 days as appropriate. Times and places will be known soon. Sorry about the delay. The Campus Club is being changed to the Denver Metro area as there was no interest in Boulder at this time. I'm looking at Metro State or Regis University.

October is another official membership month. I know when Club secretaries submit their Membership and activity reports that our membership negative numbers will decrease. I would like to see our numbers in the positive after the second quarter. **I know we have the drive to do this, so let's do it!**

I'm looking forward to all the service projects and fundraisers planned for the next few months. We will know by next month how the Anthem/Lions joint service projects went. Englewood, Denver Five Points, and Golden make us proud and we will look forward to your reports in the October newsletter. Let's recruit some new members from the Anthem employees.

A 5 year plan for 6C is being worked now. Thank you 1st VDG Jack Russalesi for taking the initiative to get this going. We cannot expect to move forward without a plan. We are long overdue.

Thank you each and every Lion for your hard work and dedication to your communities. Remember, **"WE SERVE"** and have fun doing it. Please be sure to look at the 6C calendar page for all the latest happenings that I did not mention in this article.

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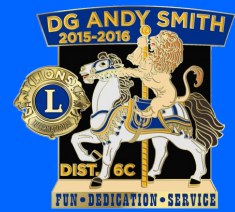
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1st Vice District Governor

All of a sudden, June 2016 is just a few months away. That is when the next class of District Governors for Lions worldwide will be installed.

There is a lot of preparation for the step and a trepidation accompanies the adventure. I have met my trainer; I have met the International President; I have had to really hit the books; I have started several projects, some of which are my vision, and some are assignments. All that said, I have come to some realizations that heretofore were points of denial for me, and I have been reminded that a fair number of things have been right and simply are reinforced.

First, thank you again, for all that you do for your community and the community at large. For a small district we do a lot of stuff.

I have developed a wonderful relationship with the other First Vice District Governors of Colorado. We are of like mind. We want Lions to grow, we want Lions to have fun and we want Lions to continue serving as you have. And we are all in it together. We are a team. It is not a competition.

To that end, please consider what you can do to grow Lions and add clubs and membership. Every Lions club and every district and every multiple should have a master plan or a five year plan or some variance of this. When I returned from the Leadership Forum last month I asked all clubs to update me on their master plan. Very few did and I am guessing it is because they really do not have one. Though, it is important to note, a few clubs do and they are very thorough and are reviewed annually. Roar.

Such plans come from a combination of several sources. Your club goals and vision are the starting point. Why are you a club? It might be vision screening and health fair. It may be building a park or providing school supplies or staffing and stocking a feed bank. That may be all your small community and small club can support. To achieve your vision you set goals and work toward them, you review them every year and evaluate how the plan is working. You set a budget to achieve the goals. You check the pulse of the community and of the club membership to be certain that community needs and, more importantly, member needs, are being met. You tire of hearing leadership talk about more members being needed, and it is a tired old was, but the facts are simple. Membership is dropping. People move. People pass. People do lose interest. And potential new, young, demographically different members may not share your traditional interests. That does not mean you cannot grow, my friends.

You can sponsor a second club. Remember, your club, your way. You can start a branch club, maybe of some young families who would like to eat deli sandwiches and rebuild the town park after work, instead of planning the health fair at breakfast. Common interests, common goals, common demographics. These are things that give a club, or any group, solidarity, And what a way to come up with 5 or 10 or 25 new members.

The important thing to remember is that Lions must grow to continue to serve effectively. So to that end, October 11 though October 17 PDG Paul Baker from District A3 will be in Denver with your Cabinet to conduct a workshop on new clubs, both campus and traditional, including boots on the ground recruiting. The possibilities are endless, so please look for DG Andy's final announcement this week so you can participate in some way. It will be educational and fun.

In closing, thanks again, for your service.
Respectfully,

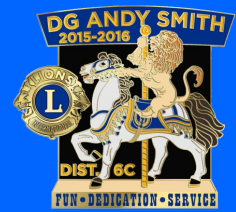
First Vice District Governor
Jack Russalesi





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Colorado KidSight District 6C



KidSight Screening Numbers from July – September 2015

Look at the stack of forms that I received last week alone for our KidSight Colorado program! In the state we have screened 5,522 children and referred 683. In 6C, 2,247 children have been screened with 303 referred (13.5% referral rate). As you can see from the rates of referral rates the children of Colorado need and deserve a great vision screening program like KidSight Colorado. Thanks to the many volunteers who make this program possible!



More Plusoptix Training!

Many of you have asked that I set up another Plusoptix training. I am in the process of working on a date for a training in 6C. In the meantime I am holding a training in Platteville (north of Denver) on October 17. Anyone who is interested in attending this training is welcome to attend. The training will begin at 11 am and lunch will be provided. I need for all who plan to attend to RSVP to me so we can provide enough food for all and determine a location that will accommodate everyone. Please call or email me if you are planning to attend.

Alex and Ani Fundraiser

KidSight will hold a fundraiser at Alex and Ani in Boulder on Wednesday, November 11 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. For those of you who are unfamiliar with this store, Alex and Ani sells eco-conscious jewelry and accessories at reasonable prices. All of their products are designed and made in the United States. Fifteen percent of all purchases will be donated to KidSight Colorado at this event. This event is timed so that you can get your holiday shopping done early for that special wife, daughter, granddaughter, friend, etc. in your life! Please see the flyer enclosed with this newsletter.



Tish Taylor screens Miles the Broncos' Mascot at the Broncos Health and Wellness Event September 5

Get Ready for Colorado Gives Day (December 8, 2015)!

Please mark your calendars! KidSight Colorado will again be participating in Colorado Gives Day which will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015. This day is designated as a day to support Colorado nonprofits who protect and nurture the quality of life in Colorado. 100% of the money donated through this online process goes directly to KidSight Colorado. Check online at our website www.kidsightcolorado.org for the Donate Now button. Donations can be made at any time to KidSight Colorado by clicking on this button not just on December 8, 2015! Stayed tuned for more information on ColoradoGives and Colorado Gives Day..

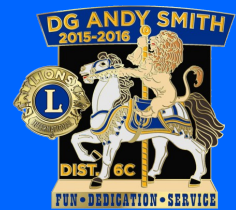
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Kidsight Fundraiser

you're invited

TO A CHARMED BY CHARITY** EVENT TO BENEFIT THE
COLORADO LIONS KIDSIGHT PROGRAM

*15% of all sales will go directly to the Colorado KidSight
Program*



WEDNESDAY | NOVEMBER 11 | 5:30 TO 7:00 PM

ALEX AND ANI BOULDER

1505 PEARL STREET | SUITE 104 | BOULDER} 720-550-8834

ENJOY LITE BITES

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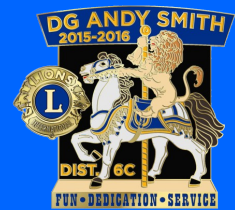
Hosted by Jeanne Barrett

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News from Bennett-Watkins

Bennett-Watkins Lions Club Cctivities



We have been a pretty busy club lately. In August we sold watermelon slices at the Strausburg festival and passed out flyers for the upcoming Kidsight testing. We also aided the Bennett pre-school by repairing and painting their storage shed.

One of our members refurbished and donated a trombone to the Bennett High school with a promise of more to come for the Deer Trails school.

In September we held our Kidsight testing at the Bennett Harvest festival, added a new member, and started our sales of football tickets at the Bennett home games.

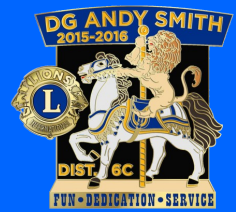


Watermelon Sale. Lots of fun.



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Peace Poster Contest plus Kidsight at Bronco Health Fair



SHARE PEACE

Peace poster contest is in full swing. A big thank you to the clubs that are working with their schools.

Another big thank you to the Englewood, Golden and Aurora clubs for inviting me to their meetings to talk about Peace Posters. Good to meet so many warm Lions who are considering getting the contest started in their schools.

LET'S GO LIONS. Get involved with your communities.

Remember your posters must be in my hands no later than Nov. 1st. If you need any help or have any question you can email me or call me. 303-908-0796

Let's be the big winners this year!

Barbara Jo
Peace Poster Chair

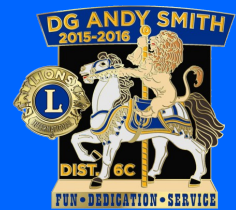


**District 6C Kidsight Screening at the Broncos Health Fair
Picture shows only a few of the Lions that did screenings.**



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Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness

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Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber LIONS HOSTING A "Local Community STRIDES" Walk FOR DIABETES AWARENESS

On October 24, 2015 members of the Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions Club-District 6C, along with their friends, neighbors and families, will walk in the Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness event. The walk will begin at 10:00 am from the Kasbah Suite, E 6th Avenue. Walking route: Cross E 6th Avenue to the Highline Canal to Community College of Aurora and back. Total distance covered will be 1-2 miles.

Health screenings and information from local companies and the American Diabetes Association will be available to the public free-of-charge.

Gather your family, friends and neighbors to walk in the Strides event. This is an enjoyable way for the community to join together in the fight against diabetes.

Contact Janice Davis, Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions Club President at 303 755-8952. Participants will be able to register/donate on site at the Kasbah between 9am and 10am or online at

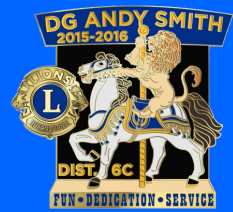
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Colorado Lions Speech Contest 2015-2016

2015-2016 Youth Speech Contest



TOPIC: "VOLUNTEERISM IN AMERICA IS DECLINING". HOW CAN "YOUR" GENERATION CONTRIBUTE TO SHARE THE BURDEN OF CHARITABLE SERVICE THROUGH SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS?

WHO: Any High School Student. Now is the time to contact your school or other High School Organizations and get the information to them. I suggest that you contact the High School Counselor. I will send a copy of the Brochure to each District Chairman. These Lions area: 6-C Lowell Sharp – 303-456-6852, 6-SE Dennis Blevins – 719-641-6762, 6-W John Ballagh – 970-434-9794, and 6-NE Irene Toliver – 970-493-6058. I will be glad to attach it to an e-mail if you cannot get in touch with your District Chairman.

CONTESTS: The Contests will be held at the Club Level, winner will participate in the Zone Competition (if there is one held) The Zone Winner will compete at the District Convention. The District Winner will compete at the Colorado State Convention.

AWARDS: The Awards are different at each District. I do however encourage each to remember the effort each student puts into participating and award them generously.

JUDGING: It is best Judges should not be Lions.

SPONSORSHIP: Lions Clubs agree to extend to the participating students their fullest cooperation. Clubs agree to provide for requirements and welfare of any student whom they may be sponsoring when the student appears in a Club, Zone, District and State Competition. This may include transportation and meals.

STATE CONTEST: The District or Club which the contestant is representing **MUST BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LUNCH COST AT THE STATE CONVENTION.** This cost is for the Contestant and 2 Guests.

At the State Convention in Aspen, our International Guest's spoke on how the different generations in our society respond in different ways. This topic will benefit each generation as we listen to what the students tell us in their speech. We need to listen to their ideas and let us give as many the opportunity give us their ideas.

CONTACT: PDG Irene Toliver, Speech Chairperson if you need any information

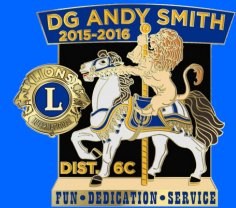
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USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

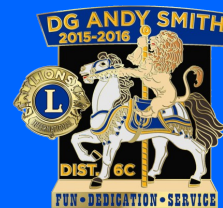


Top two pictures show our International President Yamada and his wife Toshiko enjoying the fun at the first dinner of the USA/Canada Forum. The other pictures show Lions from all four Districts here in Colorado having a great time together at dinner on our free night.



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6C Club News

Denver Five Points - Fish Fry & Hot Links Dinner

October 3, 2003 11:00 am till sold out

TREA

1599 Dayton St

Aurora, Co 80010

CATFISH FILETS \$11.00

WHOLE CATFISH \$11.00

HOT LINKS \$10.00

ALL COME WITH VEGGIES, POTATO SALAD, BREAD AND A DESSERT

CRM Cyber Lions News

Lions Combined Fundraiser with

National Federation of the Blind of Colorado CASH

PRIZES Totaling \$4,000:

1st Prize: \$2,500

2nd Prize \$1,000

3rd Prize: \$500

Ticket Price: \$10 for 1 ticket OR \$20 for 3 tickets

Drawing will be held during the NFB Convention

CRM Cyber Lions & Englewood Membership Drive Social

Celebrating Women in Lions & Lions Membership Growth

Saturday, October 17, 2015 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

@ The Summit Steakhouse 2700 S Havana Aurora, CO

Appetizers Door Prizes

5-Minute Speakers Include: DG Andy Smith - Thornton; PDG Cathy Pergola- Thornton, Global Leadership Chair

Lion Barbara Guest - Chatfield, President Colorado Lions Camp

Lion James A. Walker - CRM Cyber; Lion Wayne Marshall - CRM Cyber; NFB Partnership; NFB President – Aurora chapter

PDG Kenneth Moore ; Lion Michelle McGowan – Leo Advisor, Gill Lions;

General Manager - The Summit Steakhouse

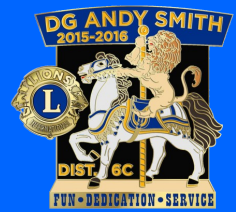
Lion Carol Louks – Colorado Lions State Office Manager & State Diabetes Chair

Lion Madelynn Marie-Marshall-CRM Cyber; NFB



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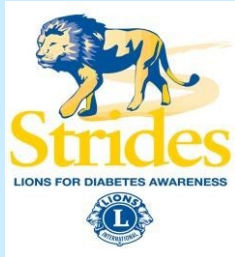
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CRM Cyber Kathy Thomas & Myra Bradley Colorado Lions Camp Fundraising Challenge.

Results will be announced at October 17th membership social.



CRM Cyber Lions October 24, 2015 Community Walk for Diabetes

Check in: 9:30am at Kasbah 15373 E 6th Avenue

Walk: 10am

Walking Route: from Kasbah parking lot, cross 6th Avenue to Highline Canal to Community College of Aurora bridge and return

Estimated distance 1.5 mile Join & Register:

<http://main.diabetes.org/goto/coloradormc>



A. American Diabetes Association.

ADA Step Out Walk for Diabetes

Nov 7, 2015 Downtown Aquarium team page

link:

<http://main.diabetes.org/goto/CRMCyberLionsClub> Join our Team Donate Register or Form a Team

Team Name: Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions Club

Nov 7, 2015 Commerce City 9Health Fair

7200 Quebec Parkway Commerce City, CO 7am

- Noon



6C Calendar **October 2015**



October 3	Denver Five Points Fish Fry & Hot Links Dinner
October 17	CRM Cyber Lions - Membership Social
October 24	CRM Cyber Lions - Strides Walk for Diabetes
November 1	Deadline to turn in Peace Posters to Lion Barbara Jo Heurick-Brandenburg
November 11	Charmed Charity Fundraiser for Kidsight
November 14	DG Andy's 2nd Cabinet Meeting-Hosted by Idaho Springs
December 8	Colorado Gives Day
February 13	DG Andy's 3rd Cabinet Meeting -Hosted by Pleasant View
April 1 & 2nd	DG Andy's District Convention & Last Cabinet Meeting
April 9 - 17	2016 - 9 days of the 9Health Fair
May 19 - 21	State Convention - Loveland

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