

January 2015



Riding High with the Lions

DG Carl Gentzel

How time flies! My term is more than half way finished and I am so proud of each of you for all of the accomplishments that you and your clubs have achieved. From a club that has gained 7 new members without a loss – Colorado Rocky Mtn Cyber; a club that has handed out over 600 much needed backpacks with school supplies to children – Denver Five Points; to the members involved with our amazing Kidsight program; to the clubs helping the senior citizens and making food deliveries to the needy; to the Littleton club for serving more than 5,500 people in December; and to the awareness of how the nasty disease called diabetes effects our lives, thanks to Chairperson Lisa Kelly. I could go on and on here.

Our membership is at a negative 6, and my goal is a positive 10. Plenty of time to reach that goal, but each of us must concentrate on achieving the goal. It will take a team effort! Let's ask the people we know who would like to serve their communities. Let's get out there, with our beautiful yellow vests, as we serve our communities. I like this quote from Benjamin Franklin – 'Well done is better than well said'.

I had a discussion a few days ago with 6W District Governor and good friend, Lindel Silvertooth. Both of our Districts, along with the other two, have a bunch of work left to accomplish, especially in new membership. We would like to make Council Chairman, PDG Lance Balding, proud of our membership gains in the last half of our term!

As I mentioned above, the Littleton club has served a very large amount of people, and they are the December Club of the Month. Congratulations! They had 14 service activities and donated \$2,800 to a variety of organizations.

That's all for now. Let's keep our focus on new members. It would be a shame not to let others be a part of all of the amazing stuff that we do each and every day!

Your very appreciative, thankful, and grateful District Governor
Carl Gentzel.





January 2015

1st Vice District Governor



Lions of 6C,

I hope all of you had an enjoyable Holiday Season!

We are entering the 2nd half of the Lions year. We have accomplished a lot, but have more to do. After this article was written, we had a scheduled Convention Planning meeting. Look for news about the District 6C 2015 Convention.

I attended Area Training in Phoenix AZ January 10th and 11th . I learned more than I thought I could learn. There were 1st VDG's from Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico and Wyoming. We all discussed our goals for our DG year. We turned them in for review. I'm a little nervous, but feel I did well. I feel like I graduated High School and now have college courses to do before the International Convention in Hawaii. Thanks to all I contacted for help.

IP Joe Preston has asked District Governors to work on accomplishing his goals on membership.

- 1.) Start One- Start a new club.**
- 2.) Ask One- each of us should ask at least one new person to join Lions.**
- 3.) Keep One- Retain existing members by keeping them interested in lions and making sure they keep involved and having fun.**

If we can do these things, our district will grow and prosper.

Thanks go out to this years Advisors, District 6C Cabinet, Club Presidents and Secretaries, Committee Chairs and all Lions of 6C. Keep up the good work. Let's make the 2nd half of this Lions year one to remember. Thank You for your Service to Lions and the community.

**Andy Smith
1st VDG**





January 2015

2nd Vice District Governor



Wow. What a bunch of wonderful people Lions are. Thank you so much for everything you do. Your volunteer time and contributions for KidSight and food banks and hearing dogs and eye glasses collected and eye glasses purchased and the eye bank and the camp and school kids you support though purchasing supplies and hosting speech contests and poster contests and every kind of outreach imaginable. And then there is the 9 Health Fair. Amazing service. I know there are two elements at work here friends. You are Lions and you are Coloradoans. Be proud. Thank you from me as your second Vice Governor and from all the people you serve. Keep up the good work. It is a work of love, and love is a two-way street.

That said, I would like to ask a favor, if you would not mind. Keep doing what you are doing. Don't change a thing, because it works. And if you can, just take someone with you when you do service things. They do not have to be Lions. They will just be Coloradoans helping Coloradoans. The service hours and numbers of people served will continue to mount.

And take a minute to visit the Centennial Service Challenge page at Lions Clubs International (LCI) website (<http://lions100.org/EN/centennial-service-challenge.php>) . LCI has a goal of 100 million people served by June 2018. The service challenge is a four year program designed to coincide with LIONS 100th anniversary year which begins in July, 2017. Help us reach that goal by good record keeping of your service and by bringing a friend to your service function. The fun you have in serving is a bit contagious and an Ask 1 effort might be in order. But most importantly is the idea of Service. After all, it is our motto and our mission.

Finally, we had a convention planning meeting this week and it looks like we are going to have a good time at the Holiday Inn in Lakewood, down on 7390 W. Hampden. Governor Carl is planning a fun time, including a formal dinner and some exciting activities. Plan on May 2 for the convention and the cabinet meeting the day before on May 1. DG Carl promises something for everyone and all things in the good spirit of LIONS. International Director Steve Tremaroli will be the featured keynote guest speaker and DG Carl has promised some exciting entertainment

On a serious note, convention time is important to the health of Lions. It is a time of fellowship, renewal, recognition, and acquaintance, where LIONS come together and justifiably brag about their service, where new friends are made, old friendships are renewed, lost Lions are remembered. I surely hope you put this on your calendar.

So friends, thank you again for all that you do. See you electronically at the Council meeting Jan 31 and physically at the Cabinet meeting, February 14 and at the Zone meetings as they are posted.

Respectfully yours in service,
Lion Jack Russalesi, 2nd VDG 6C





January 2015

Colorado Lions KidSight Program 6C



I hope everyone had a very Happy New Year! So far I haven't broken any of my 2015 resolutions! Here is what is happening with KidSight in 6C.

KidSight Screening – Screening is well underway for the 2014-2015 school year. 17,807 children have been screened in 6C and 2,037 children have been referred. That rate of referral is 11.4%. 29,729 children have been screened throughout the state and 3,151 children referred, a 10.6% rate of referral.

You Are Invited – Please come to a Charmed by Charity Event to benefit the Colorado KidSight Program. 15% of all sales will go the Colorado KidSight.

Wednesday January 28 5 to 7 pm
Alex and Ani Boulder
1605 Pearl Street, Suite 104 Boulder 720-550-8834

Enjoy Lite Bites and (+) Energy Punch. Alex and Ani sells jewelry that is inexpensive and very attractive. This is a great time to shop for Valentine's Day!

Hosted by Jeanne Barrett, KidSight Board Chair and member of the Lafayette Lions Club. **RSVP:** jeannebarrett4@msn.com

If you have questions about this event please call Holly. Contact info is below.

Protect Yourself When Screening - Flu began appearing in December! Please check with your doctor to see if a flu shot is advised. Also pertussis is on the rise in the schools so please make sure your DPT vaccination is up to date. Exposure to little ones is wonderful but not when you end up sick and in bed! I try to carry hand sanitizer with me this time of year!

Donations in Memory of PDG Rose Sarno – The KidSight Colorado Board of Trustees has voted to purchase a new Plusoptix screener with the funds received from the donations received in memory of PDG Rosie. We will also honor her with a plaque on the Plusoptix screener. This screener will be available to all clubs on a reservation basis for use in KidSight screenings in 6C. We will apply for matching funds from Lions Club International to reach the \$7,000 needed for the purchase. Thanks again to all who donated in memory of PDG Rosie.

Grants and Funds Received – Thank you to the Centennial Airport and Thornton Lions Clubs for their recent donations to KidSight. We have also received grants and funding from the Cooper Clark Foundation, LaPlata Electric Association, Kit Carson Memorial Hospital, Colorado East Bank and Trust and Stratton Equity Cooperative totaling \$13,885. The funds were donated to purchase new Plusoptix screeners in Durango and eastern Colorado.

Report on Colorado Gives Day - KidSight Colorado participated for the third time in Colorado Gives Day which was December 9, 2014. Our goal was \$6,500. We raised \$4,350. Thanks to all from district 6C who made donations to our program.

Update on KidSight USA – I will be traveling to the Chicago area the third weekend in January for another KidSight USA meeting (Chicago in January – brrrr!). We have a long agenda and much to discuss. I will be updating you on our progress at the district and state conventions in the spring.

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Cabinet Meeting

**February 14, 2015 10:30 am
at International Hearing Dogs
in Henderson, Colorado
Yes this is Valentine's Day
The prize for the club with the
most members in attendance
and the door prize may get your
significant other in the mood**

Coming Soon!

9Health Fair

District 6C Convention



January 2015

Fundraiser / Paw Prints



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Hosted by: Jeanne Barrett
RSVP: jeannebarrett4@msn.com

**You should be ashamed, 'the father told his son , Andy, '
When Abraham Lincoln was your age, he used to walk ten miles
every day to get to school.'**

**Really?' Andy responded.
'Well, when he was your age, he was President!'**



January 2015

Fundraiser



Announcing The
Golden Lions Club
46th Annual
Chili Supper
And Bake Sale

Friday, January 30, 2015
5:00 PM to 7:30 PM
First United Methodist Church
15th & Jackson, Golden

Adult \$5.00
Children (under twelve) \$3.50

*Bring Your Old Unused Eyeglasses and
Hearing Aids to Recycle*

Our Motto is
"We Serve"



Colorado MD 6 State Convention



LIONS CLUBS OF COLORADO

97th ANNUAL MD6-STATE CONVENTION

ASPEN - MAY 29-30, 2015

The Inn At Aspen by Wyndham Vacation Rental, Aspen
38750 Highway 82, Aspen 970.925.1500

Presented by the PDG Association of District 6 West

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Lion/Lioness/Leo/Guest: _____

Club Name: _____ District: _____ First Lions Convention _____

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Club Name: _____ District: _____ First Lions Convention _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Full Convention package includes registration and all meals. Registration for the golf tournament is separate.

Lions members must be registered to vote, be a vendor, or attend any function of the convention.

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 28, 2015

Make your room reservations directly with the hotel early (Geoff Lubin at 970 925 1500) and say you are with the Colorado

Lions State Convention, May 28-29, 2015 to get the \$84+tax/fees room rate. You may also make reservations online:

<http://www.wyndhamvacationrentals.com/vacation-rentals/colorado/aspen/deals/lions-club-international-2015>

SAME PRICE AS LAST YEAR!

Event	# of Guests	Per Person Cost	Total
Early Registration Fee		\$20	\$
Late Registration Fee		\$30	\$
Friday Luncheon		\$20	\$
Friday Night Dinner		\$25	\$
Saturday Morning Breakfast with the Eye Bank		No Charge	
Saturday Luncheon		\$20	\$
Saturday Dinner		\$35	\$
Total			\$
EARLY FULL CONVENTION PACKAGE		\$115	\$
LATE FULL CONVENTION PACKAGE		\$125	\$

For More Information, call Lion Carol Louks, 720-542-8700, md6lions@gmail.com

or PCC David Parker, 970-355-9164, davidgparker@hotmail.com

Make checks payable to, **CLF State Convention Fund**

Return form to: Lion Carol Louks – 4266 W. Pondview Drive, Littleton, CO 80123



6C January Calendar



January 28

Charmed by Charity Event - Benefit KidSight

January 30

Golden Chili Supper & Bake Sale

February 14

Cabinet Meeting - International Hearing Dogs

April 18th - 26th

9Health Fair - Denver Metro Sites

May 1 & 2

District 6C Convention - Holiday Inn-Lakewood

May 29 & 30

State Convention - Aspen

"The secret of happiness is to count your blessings while others are adding up their troubles."
William Penn

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**Please submit articles by the 15th
of the month.**

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State website: www.colions.org



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