



# Hats Off to Service

Colorado Lions  
District 6C News



May 2020

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Hello 6C Lions! Another month has passed and I know we are all becoming experts at social distancing, wearing masks and sheltering in place. It has been inspiring to see the service activities that Lions are undertaking during this time when so many people are in need. Keep up the great work!

### Introducing Digital DG (District Governor)!

In an effort to make myself available to the District during the coronavirus epidemic I am planning two virtual information sessions. We will also have our 4th Cabinet meeting virtually. Lion Pat Carlson will be sending links to all Lions prior to these meetings. Click on the link to be connected to the meeting.

### Wednesday May 6 at 7 pm - Safe and Virtual Service

Please join me for a brainstorming session on Safe and Virtual Service Projects. All Lions are invited to connect with me to brainstorm about projects that can be done to meet the needs of our communities. I am thinking there are some great Lion minds out there who have some ideas and we should be sharing our thoughts and ideas. This will be a session open to all Lions on May 6 at 7 pm. Please feel free to invite anyone you think would be interested or who has great ideas.

### Saturday May 16 at 9:30 am - District 6C Cabinet Meeting

This is our final cabinet meeting of the year. Elections will be complete and we will be installing our new officers for the 2020-2021 Lion year. I have awards to give out and want to say thank you to those who have worked so hard during this Lion year. I hope that all Lions can attend this virtual event.

### Tuesday May 19 at 5:30 pm - Happy Hour with DG Holly

By mid May it should be warm enough to have a nice social event outside so please join me on my back patio. This meeting is purely social and an opportunity to see and talk with other Lions in the district. I am looking forward to having you join me with the beverage of your choice. As you all probably know, my beverage of choice is a glass of wine! In the event of rain we will hold the event indoors!



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### **Congratulations to all 2020-2021 Club Officers!**

Please log in to My LCI and record your new club officers for next year. This information is also needed in order to complete the Lions 2020-2021 directory. Our state manager uses the My LCI officer report to prepare next year's director. Anyone with questions regarding this should feel free to contact me.

### **LCIF Donations by Clubs**

We are in the middle of Campaign 100, an effort by LCIF to raise money to increase the service that Lions Club International provides throughout the world by raising 100 million dollars a year for a three year period.

In the last month LCIF has awarded more than 3 million dollars in grants to help with the pandemic through their COVID-19 Frontline Relief Grant Fund. Many clubs in 6C have already made an LCIF donation but it would be fantastic if we had 100 percent of 6C clubs make a donation.

As District Governor, I will contribute an extra \$10 to any club who has not made a donation to LCIF this year. Donations can be made directly to LCIF or you can contact PDG Gwen "Cookie" Balk to arrange to make a donation. PDG Cookie will let me know if I am making an extra contribution for your club.

During this time we know that many people are hurting and LCIF is a great example of our saying "Where there is a need, there is a Lion. I am looking forward to seeing 6C being a 100 percent district for LCIF!

Please contact me if you have any questions, suggestions or you just need to talk. It can definitely be lonely sheltering at home. Hope to see you online at our three virtual events in May.

Yours in Lionism,

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## 1st Vice District Governor Stokes

THE ROAR OF THE LION WILL NOT BE DIMINISHED

SINCE 1917, LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL BEGAN ITS JOURNEY EXPANDING ITS HORIZONS FROM THAT OF PURELY PROFESSIONAL CONCERNS TO SERVING THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THOSE OF THE WORLD. LIONS OF THE WORLD HAVE WITHSTOOD EPIDEMICS, WORLD WARS AND OTHER MAJOR CATASTROPHES. THE LATEST IS, CORONAVIRUS 19, TESTING OUR DESIRE AND TENACITY TO CONTINUE VOLUNTEERING TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES.

IT IS WITH A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE AND PRIDE THAT I AM A MEMBER OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 6 AND SPECIFICALLY DISTRICT 6C. WITH THE LIMITATIONS/RESTRICTIONS PLACED UPON US (STAY AT HOME) ETC., WE IN 6C ARE STILL ABOUT DOING LIONS BUSINESS.

AS OF APRIL 25, THE COLORADO ROCKY MOUNTAIN CYBER LIONS RECOGNIZED WORLD WIDE LIONS DAY WITH DG HOLLY INSTALLING THE NEW OFFICERS FOR 2020-2021 AND PDG ROY INDUCTION 2 NEW MEMBERS. WE ARE UP TO THE TASK OF USING NEW COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES, ALTHOUGH, FOR SOME OF US IT IS STILL SOME WHAT OF A MINOR CHALLENGE. HOWEVER, WITH THE TALENT THAT WE HAVE IT WILL BECOME SECOND NATURE TO OVERCOME ADVERSITY.

THIS PAST WEEK THE DISTRICT DID CONDUCT VOTING WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN DONE AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTION. THANKS TO DG HOLLY. LION BARB, PDG CORKY AND OTHERS WHO MAY HAVE ASSISTED IN ACCOMPLISHING THIS TASK.

AS LIONS STAY STRONG AND STAY AT HOME.

STOKES ANDERSON

1<sup>ST</sup> VDG







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My fellow Colorado Lions, as we continue in the stay at home order, thank you for your service to your communities. I would like to ask if your club has members you are going to drop for nonpayment of dues. Have you contacted them to see if it was just a mistake? Or that they genuinely want to quit Lions. Please touch base with them before just dropping them. If you do not wish to contact them, I would be happy to give them a call on your behalf. I have seen too many Lions dropped from clubs over my years in Lions that by just giving them a call would have reminded them it was time to renew their membership. We need to do a better job with Retention. That is done by staying in contact with our members on a regular basis. You can have interesting service projects that meet the needs of our members and communities. If your projects do not interest your members, you will not have members to affect your communities in a positive way.

To date, our district has gained 35 new members and we have dropped 65 members, for a total loss of 30 members. Member satisfaction, what do you do in your club to meet these needs of your members? If someone misses a meeting, do you have someone to check on those members? A quick call or text to that person lets them know you are still interested in them. At your club meetings do you have interesting topics and relevant information? Do you do something in your meeting to meet the needs of socializing such as having fun, interesting or motivating meetings, etc.

I have been using virtual technology to have club meetings. Now I will admit that I have had some troubles, yet I am going to continue to embrace technology to meet today's needs. MD6 Lions have access to use the Go To Meetings virtual platform. Zoom is another good platform to use for your club meetings. It is amazingly easy to use and free for a 40-minute meeting. There are other virtual platforms that Lion John Spice has put one on MD6 website. Please embrace our new technology to use with your club meetings and/or committee meetings.

So, take a good look at your club to see how you can move forward. Keep your members engaged.

I have been taking part in virtual club meetings with clubs in our district. Recently I was part of the Chatfield Lions and I also tried to get on Highlands Ranch Lions Club meeting. Please let me know when your club is doing a virtual meeting and send me the link to join your meeting. My email address is listed at the end of this newsletter.

Serving with you to meet the needs of our communities,

Lion Ted Peterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor





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Steve Shimmers, Jack LaPort & Lion Bill Christian (of the Golden Lions), representing "The Forgotten Heroes Campaign," were the speakers at the Golden Lions Club March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. They made an interesting and informative presentation, also showing a beautiful, emotional video.

Founded in 1998, The Forgotten Heroes Campaign helps men and women who served in the armed forces receive the medals they earned but never received. To date, the Campaign has helped over 500 men and women and their families get the recognition so long overdue them. We especially seek out men and women who served in combat zones and were authorized medals, ribbons or other special honors. These are presented in a special ceremony.

### Mission Statement

Forgotten Heroes Campaign directs searches for veterans who have honorably served their country, and present them, or their family member(s) service medals, awards, ribbons and badges earned but never formally received. A public ceremony will be held to present the awards to the deserving veteran. The Forgotten Heroes Campaign also supports other Veteran's Organizations.

### How Can You Help?

They are seeking out those men and women who served our country but did not receive the medals and recognition they have earned. If you know of a Veteran or family of a Veteran, please contact:

(720) 234-3594 (Forgotten Heroes Campaign)

Forgotten Heroes Campaign

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E-mail: [info@forgottenheroescampaign.org](mailto:info@forgottenheroescampaign.org)

[www.forgottenheroescampaign.org](http://www.forgottenheroescampaign.org)

The Forgotten Heroes Campaign is a non-profit 501(c)3 under the IRS tax code.

The Forgotten Heroes Campaign are looking for volunteers to work with them men or women, military, veterans or those who have never served but have a passion for our veterans.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Ted Peterson visited the Golden club on March 5<sup>th</sup>. He stated he was really impressed with the informative program.

If anyone would like to have them do a presentation to their club or group or want more information, contact Lion Bill Christian at e-mail [CBDDPrintingLLC@aol.com](mailto:CBDDPrintingLLC@aol.com). Please put **Forgotten Heroes Campaign** in the subject area, or call Bill at (720) 328-5333.

Golden Lion President Sondra Welsh presented the speakers with a personalized club mug, in appreciation for their presentation. Pictured left to right:

Golden Lions President Lion Sondra Welch, Steve Shimmers, Jack LaPorte & Lion Bill Christian.



This is an article of a great presentation made at the Golden Lions Club. It is a program that could interest other clubs.. 2nd VD Gov Ted Peterson attended the presentation and was impressed with it.

Yours in Lionism  
Lion Dianne Christian  
Golden Lions





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April 22, 2020

Centennial Airport Lions,

News from the homefront.....

Just a quick note to let you know that even though the Club approved to waive the Club dues for the second quarter of 2020, many of you have done the following with that money:

- 3 members have used their dues money to buy supplies to make masks – nearly 150 so far.
- 1 member provided a donation to Nourish Meals (fka TLC Meals) to feed Seniors.
- 1 member provided a donation to Food Bank of the Rockies.
- 2 members provided a donation to LCIF to help them with their global needs.
- 7 members will pay their dues anyway so that we as a club can find a good cause to fund.

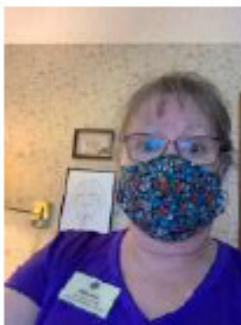
I am so proud of all of you for finding ways to help during this time.

Here is what I am doing along with my measled Lion friend.

Let me know what you are doing!

Take care all! Miss you!

Lion Gwen





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April 22, 2020

### Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) – Empowering Lions' to Serve!

*Submitted by PDG Lion Gwen "Cookie" Balk, 6C LCIF Chair*

**STATUS of 6C GIVING to LCIF:** In the first year of Campaign 100, the Lions of 6C Lions donated \$15,701.10, which equates to an average of \$25 per member.

Our giving in the first nine months of this second year of Campaign 100 totals \$13,247.10 which is approximately \$1,721 or 15% more than what we collected in the first nine months of the first year of the Campaign. These donations came from 13 of our 28 clubs or a participation rate of 46.5%.

**THANK YOU! ROAR!**

Zone giving breaks down as follows:

Zone A = \$ 550.00

Zone B = \$ 1,254.55

Zone C = \$ 5,055.00

Zone D = \$ 6,387.55

There are three months left in this Lions year for you and your Club to make a difference. Your donation can be made by your club, your individual members, corporate sponsors, or from fundraising events through your Club, your Zone or your District.

Donating as little as \$8.33 per month (\$100 per year), can empower LCIF to provide the following:

- Fund 2 cataract surgeries.
- Provide immediate relief to 4 individuals in the wake of a natural disaster.
- Provide measles vaccinations to 100 children.
- Provide diabetes screening for 18 at-risk individuals.
- Help purchase equipment to diagnose and treat cancer for 8 children.
- Give access to food for 14 disabled, elderly, low-income or homeless adults.
- Provide 14 people with access to clean water.

**STATUS OF HELPING!** Your donations help our communities locally and globally. Together, our donations have helped LCIF respond to the requests for help from eleven different US club districts, each one has received \$10,000 Emergency Grants related to COVID-19! Thank you! **ROAR!**

During our current coronavirus **stay at home** or **safer at home** orders -- I am available to visit a club meeting through electronic methods. Please let me know if you want me to participate in your club's electronic meeting. Call me at 303.916.2775 (cell) or e-mail me at [gbalk@centennialairport.com](mailto:gbalk@centennialairport.com).





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## Ready To Serve As Your 2nd VDG

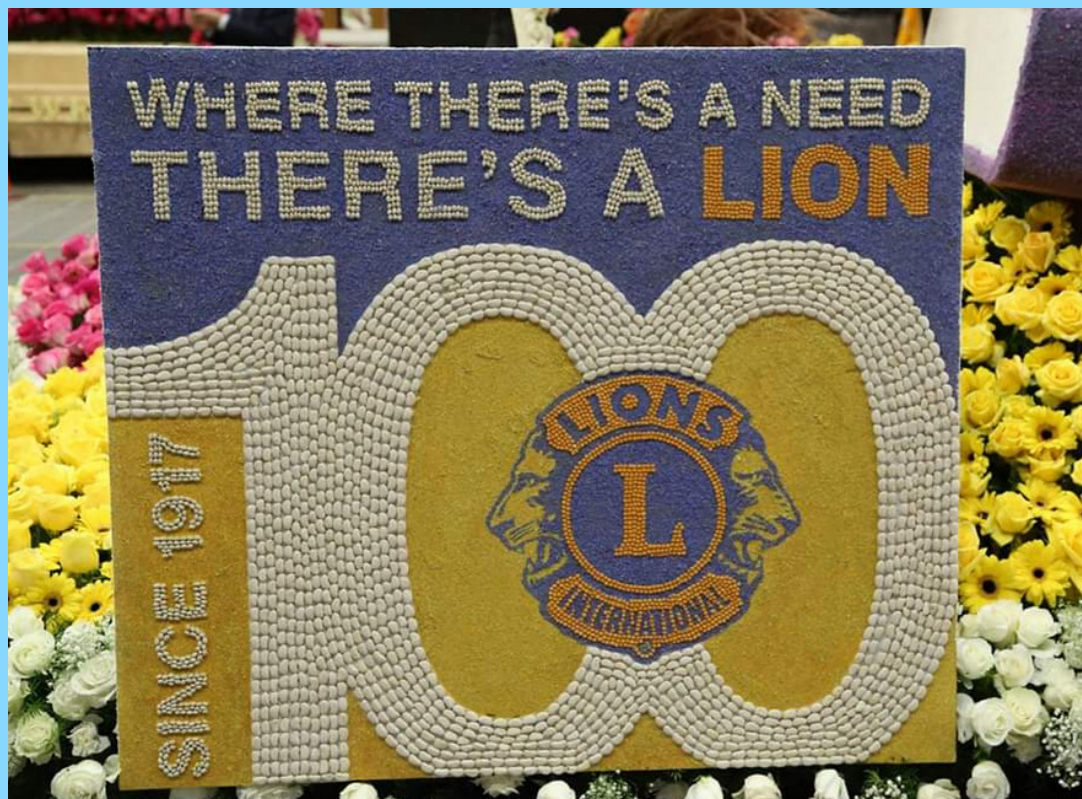
**Lion Robert "Bob" Storrs**

◆ **Dedicated Lion Since September 2005.**

- ◆ Chaired the Steering Committee that Successfully Re-started the Arvada Lions Club This Year.
- ◆ Served as Zone C Chair for past 2 years
- ◆ Chair For Five Years of the GLC KidSight
- ◆ Member of the KidSight Board of Trustees
- ◆ President of Golden Lions 2017-2018
- ◆ Treasurer Golden Lions 2018-2020
- ◆ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of Golden Lions
- ◆ Director Golden Lions
- ◆ Sponsor of Several New Lions



Seeking Your Vote  
For 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice  
District  
Governor  
On May 2<sup>nd</sup>







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**September 17-19, 2020**

**Louisville, Kentucky**

[www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org)

**April 2020 Newsletter**

### **From our General Chairperson, PID Harvey Whitley**

The world around us has truly changed since our last newsletter. As I wrote to you just a few weeks ago, the COVID19 virus had just started to make an impact on North America. Our LCI International Convention in Singapore has now been canceled as well as numerous District and Multiple District functions. Training sessions, club meetings and cabinet meetings have been canceled or held electronically. Listening to the latest reports, it seems that we may now be able to see the other side of this pandemic as conditions are now trending in a more positive direction.

I have been asked more times than I can count—is the Forum still on? **Yes!** Your Planning and Host Committees are continuing to work hard to have the September Forum in Louisville. By the time September rolls around, we are optimistic that we will all be able to get together once again to renew friendships, meet new friends and hone our leadership skills.

To the 2020-2021 District Governors, I know you are very disappointed that you were not able to be together in Singapore as a Council to celebrate your induction. The Forum is planning something special for you to recognize you as new District Governors. It won't be the same as being in Singapore, but you don't want to miss it.

Registration continues to go well and early bird registration rates are still good through May 31.

See y'all in Louisville!!

**And We're Off...To Winning Leadership!**

PID Harvey Whitley, General Chairperson



PID Harvey Whitley

General Chairperson, Louisville 2020

### **Exhibits...Exhibits...Exhibits**

One opportunity that comes to Lions attending a USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum is the chance to visit the exhibits. The exhibit booths are open the same time as the Forum Store. Exhibits can be local vendors, clubs with a story to tell, Lions' services, various Foundations and support services and much more. Currently, LCIF, KidSight USA and the NC Lions Visually Impaired Persons Fishing Tournament have already committed to an exhibit booth. The latest information on the 2021 Forum in Des Moines will also be available. Those interested in details on how to arrange an exhibit booth can contact the Exhibits Chair: PID Ed Lecius at [lioncommish@hotmail.com](mailto:lioncommish@hotmail.com)



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## COME ONE COME ALL

Come join all your friends at the 6<sup>th</sup> annual "Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness" being held Thursday morning in Louisville. There is no better way to kick off the USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum than a morning walk with friends you haven't seen in a long time.



Last year in Spokane was amazing when we had over 650 Lions walking through the park showing everyone in Spokane who the Lions are and how we care about those who suffer with Diabetes. Register now and let's make this another record-breaking year in Louisville.

This year the Kentucky Lions have something special in store for all who attend in hopes of bringing a little more fun to our event. Also, this year each walker will be able to choose how far he/she would like to walk, either 0.5-mile or 1.0-mile or 1.5-miles for those who want a real workout.



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So, come out and walk for a great cause. Join our International Officers leading our walk. Visit with Leaders and Lions as we kick off the 44th annual USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Louisville, Kentucky on September 17th.

## LEOs Roaring in Louisville

LEOs from around North America will be roaring at the USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum. We will gather to promote the principles and objectives of the Leo Club Program.

### Your \$50\* one-day (Saturday) Leo Day registration includes:

- Lunch with a presentation by 2020-21 International President, Jung-Yul Choi and the Saturday evening banquet. Two lucky pre-registered Leos will have lunch with the International President.
- A hands-on service project that you can take back to your own club.
- Seminars that will help you and your club become stronger.
- A panel discussion presented by several LEOs for fellow LEOs and Lions.
- Shopping at the Forum Store. Bring your \$\$\$\$ to purchase your souvenirs.
- For an additional \$10 each enjoy a tour of the Louisville Slugger Museum and receive a Forum Leo t-shirt

### Your \$150 discounted registration rate includes everything above and:

- A three day Forum experience including four meals.
- 70 seminars that will give you the opportunity to develop your Leadership skills.

Contact [registrar@lionsforum.org](mailto:registrar@lionsforum.org) to take advantage of the special Leo rate.

Whether you come for the full Forum or just for Leo Day (Saturday) it will be FUN. Arrive early for the Friday night Get-to-Know-You party with games, music and food. You will love Louisville and the Forum!



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| <b>May 2</b>           | <b>District 6C Convention Voting— CANCELLED</b>                 |
| <b>May 6</b>           | <b>Safe and Virtual Service</b>                                 |
| <b>May 16</b>          | <b>District 6C Virtual Cabinet Meeting</b>                      |
| <b>May 15-16</b>       | <b>State Lions Convention in Greeley - Cancelled</b>            |
| <b>May 19</b>          | <b>Happy Hour with Holly</b>                                    |
| <b>July 22 - 26</b>    | <b>4th USA / Canada Leo Leadership Forum in California— TBD</b> |
| <b>June 26—30</b>      | <b>Lions International Convention in Singapore— Cancelled</b>   |
| <b>September 17—19</b> | <b>USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum—Louisville, Kentucky</b>   |

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Deadline next Newsletter— May 26 , 2020

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**District and club events are now on the  
calendar on the District 6C website:**  
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