







Lions:

Thank you for the support and well wishes directed to me during my time of illness. Fortunately, it was not COVID related, but a real time of anxiety nevertheless.

As a service organization, COVID has and will continue to impact our ability to reach out and provide person to person contact. However, indirect assistance is still available and should be used as much as possible to augment what little individual contact is allowed. There is still a great deal that can be done for those in need during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. The pandemic only increased our awareness of the need to help feed, cloth, and shelter the homeless.

District 6C has served at least 25,583 people this year, but we can improve on that number. We can also do a great deal more in supporting the Diabetes program. November is National Diabetes month. Each club is asked to donate individually to Lions Clubs International Foundation and/or request donations from others in support of diabetes. I am asking each club to participate in a district-wide collection of coats program. Each club is being asked to collect coats from November 1 thru 30, 2020 and take them to the nearest Dependable Cleaners for further processing and distribution. Make sure your activities are identified in MyLCI. I am also asking that each Lion member to begin to wear LION apparel, pins, or other items that would identify you as a Lion on the second (2nd) Wednesday of each month. This is to improve our visibility in each of our communities. During the next several months there will be a great many requests for food assistance to feed the hungry. Please respond as best you can. There will be a need to bring joy to kids as well as seniors. Let us not forget them. The district will be supporting those clubs and or individual Lions in need with funds returned by the State. Continue to let your Leadership Team know about your projects, what, when, where, and how we can support you.

Our next Cabinet meeting will be held November 14, 2020, from 10 am until 12 pm at the Centennial Family Center on Peoria off Arapahoe Rd. The meeting will include recognition of Lion members, a neighborhood business, and a briefing on airline cabin safety for passengers during this pandemic. The Centennial Airport Club will be hosting. There will be social distancing and the wearing of masks for those who attend. Either Zoom or Go to Meeting will be available for those who cannot be there in person.

Stay Safe,

Lion Stokes Anderson District Governor, 6C









6C 1st Vice District Governor

As I enter my 19th year as a Lion, I continue to think why we as Lions are stuck in a never ending cycle of low membership, more drops then gains, or unsatisfied Lions leave our great service organization. Can someone help me out with this?

What have we lost that members decide to leave our great organization? Why are we not satisfying our members to stay and work toward a solution? Retention or membership satisfaction is especially important to me. What continues to cycle through my head is – Go Back to the Basics. What was it that got you to join Lions in the first place? What passion? What common good? Let us rediscover the passion that drives you to reach out to your community. What interests you to want to help? Be it with vision, helping the hungry, the environment, diabetes, childhood cancer, whatever that is, let us rediscover that passion.

It has been a hard week for me with my own club, Pleasant View Lions. I found out that we lost our president back in May, even though I have been trying to contact her since April. No obituary, no funeral, it has been hard to get any information. As club secretary I have been keeping things going in the club with virtual and in person meetings. I have been asking members if one of them would assume the presidency with no avail, so I assumed the position of president with another member taking over the secretary position. It will work for now, but Pleasant View needs to gain more members. The club marketing chair is spearheading a campaign to get our name out in the community and bring awareness to the club. We have done a Halloween drive thru handing our bags of candy. We worked with the Pleasant View Fire Department and Water Board by handing out fliers to businesses. It gave us an opportunity to introduce ourselves and make a second call for follow up. It was a great event.

I attended the Arvada Lions meeting as their Certified Guiding Lion on August 10th.

Attended 6C Zone "C" zone meeting August 12th, via Zoom.

Was part of 6C DG Team meeting August 3rd & 13th.

August 22nd attended District 6SE Cabinet meeting on Zoom.

August 29th I was in Loveland for their 100th Celebration.

August 31st District 6C Leadership Team meeting via Zoom.

August 3rd Golden Lions Club Zoom meeting.

August 5th Pleasant View Road Clean-up day.

September 12th 6C PDG picnic held at IPDG Holly Rutherford-Allen's back yard.

September 25-27 attended USA/Canada Lions Leadership Virtual Forum.

September 26th attended Zone "B" zone meeting.

October 2nd 6C DG Team meeting, via Zoom.

October 11th MD6 State Convention Planning meeting via JITSI.

I have completed the FVDG/DGE Lions Learning Center training. Got an email from 1st VP Douglas X. Alexander informing us that the February training would not be in person. It was to be virtual in April through the first part of June 2021.

Serving with you to meet the needs of our communities,

Lion Ted Peterson, 1st Vice District Governor









6C 2nd Vice District Governor



2nd Vice District Governor Robert Storrs NAMI Champion This Month:

A couple of ideas for growing membership

Invite prospects to a club meeting with a special business card.

Come enjoy a

FREE Dinner

Learn about the local Lions Club

Local Restaurant Name

Every second Thursday

6:30 pm

For Information and Reservations:

LocalLionsClub@gmail.com

Service to the Community

Building lasting Friendships

Enjoy a great time

Our Website

Our Facebook Page

Make up a business card that all members can carry that makes it quite simple to invite someone you meet to a club meeting. Of course, this is only a sample. Dinner could be lunch or breakfast. Make it your own. You can get 500 cards for \$20 maybe less if you shop around. Give each member five to ten cards and ask them to put their information on the back – name, phone, email. Then, maybe, a contest each month to see who has handed out the most cards.

If you use LocalLionsClub@gmail.com, the cards will not need to change each year. Once you have established LocalLionsClub@gmail.com, you can have any incoming mail automatically forwarded to one of your members – Membership director, President, etc.

Marketing your club

Assign one Lion to be your Social Media Specialist. This person has the responsibility to post news of the club on all relevant social media outlets – Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, whatever. Don't just post on Lions associated groups, seek out neighborhood groups and be sure to post on them each time. If everyone is responsible for posting to social media, then no one is and it doesn't get done.

Need help, contact Jack Russalesi, <u>jrussalesi@msn.com</u> or me at <u>LionRStorrs@outlook.com</u>







Members Update

My Members		
Statistics Update 9/24/2020		
		This
	This Month	Year
Opening Balance	568	576
Added Members	3	14
Dropped Members	3	22
Closing Balance	568	568
Net Gain/Loss	0	-8
Worldwide 1,390,212		

6C is very excited to welcome these new Lions to help us "SERVE" our communities and the world. We look forward to work with you, side by side and striving to make a difference while having fun doing so.

The list of new members is taken from the Lions International reports. If a new member is not listed yet, it is due to when Lions International received the new members information from the club

WELCOME NEW 6C LIONS MEMBERS

Dennis A. Oliver Denver Den Lions Club

Alexis V. Urquhart Denver Den Lions Club

Patricia Duncan Cyber Lions Club





OUR FELLOW LIONS LION TERI EASTMAN Pleasant View Lions Club
LION LEONARD MCCAIN Denver Den Lions Club







District 6C Service Project

Here is a great service project for any District 6C Lions Clubs members. You could easily get this done early and get it to a local food bank. Let ne know how many boxes any club does so we can let LCI know what a great job we can do!

Lion Barbara Guest



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX.
ON CHRISTMAS EVE DONATE THE CONTENTS TO A
FOOD BANK.

December 1 - box of cereal

December 2 - peanut butter

December 3 - stuffing mix

December 4 - boxed potatoes

December 5 - macaroni and cheese

December 6 - canned fruit

December 7 - canned tomatoes

December 8 - canned tuna

December 9 - dessert mix

December 10 - jar of applesauce

December 11 - canned sweet potatoes

December 12 - cranberry sauce

December 13 - canned beans

December 14 - box of crackers

December 15 - package of rice

December 16 - package of oatmeal

December 17 - package pasta

December 18 - spaghetti sauce

December 19 - chicken noodle soup

December 20 - tomato soup

December 21 - can corn

December 22 - can mixed vegetables

December 23 - can carrots

December 24 - can green beans

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From IHD a message and poem from one of our Hearing Dog recipients.

As you all are aware all my children are deaf and hearing impaired as well as myself. My eight year old son Frankie has a way with written words. He writes in rhyme which is very difficult if you are hearing impaired. He wrote a poem about hearing through Brownie and I thought you all would like to read it.

You will find then on the next two pages.







International Hearing Dogs

This poem was written by Frankie Bailey age 8. Quite a nice and very smart young lady. I'm glad she loves her dog and her dog loves her!

Andy Smith, Lions State Hearing Dogs Chair

BROWNIE AND MY FAMILY !!!!!

My family is quite different
We are not the same
We have a furry set of ears to allow us to hear in a very different way.

There are these very special people that came a long way They came from International Hearing Dog After Brownies Graduation Day!

They worked with the family and Brownie as a team
They made sure we all worked together and it happened so magically!

He works very hard all day long keeping us safe His job is never done He never gets a break

This dog is super fantastic He is second to none Brownie is the best worker dog The very best one

He came when I was a baby He kept me safe and sound Alerting my mother when I woke up Or if I was running around



Yes, Brownie wakes us up when he hears noises we cannot He tells us when there is a tornado and when we need to stop He alerts us to people coming up behind, which keeps us safe and sound He makes sure we hear our names when someone is calling out







He lets us know when cars and trucks are gonna go zipping by He tells us when there are danger sounds when we are just hanging around

He makes sure my baby brother stay near by my mom This is a huge job for such a little dog

Brownie never complains one bit He took it upon himself To keep the whole family together and keep us safe and sound

Brownie is the best ears anyone could ever have This is why my recent experience makes me so very very sad

When you see a family just like mine You should NOT talk to them directly and here is the reason why

Brownie has a vest
It is clearly marked you see
It says HEARING DOG
And it says it VERY CLEARLY
He always has it on
And it says where he is from
International Hearing Dog because
It is the very very best place for Hearing Dogs to come from

When a Hearing Dog is working you may not see....
All the signs and signals that the dog is giving me

Hearing dog means that the human cannot hear So asking them questions feels quite weird

Do you ask a blind person to read?
The answer would be NO...
So why do you ask me to hear you speak?
I am dying to know.

With covid 19 my family has a greater need than ever To have Brownie with them forever and ever

Masks are an important necessity
But then Brownie becomes even more important to my whole family
With masks now in place we cannot read your lips and see your expressions
This makes our life very difficult without any question

Brownie is a vital tool that we use everyday So please WAVE hello and let him help my family in HIS VERY SPECIALLY TRAINED way!

Frankie









Just a quick reminder from Lion Linda Cummiskey 6C Peace Poster Chairperson & PDG Holly Rutherford Allen

Peace Poster Contest

The deadline for submitting Peace Poster entries for 6C is fast approaching! The theme for this year's contest is Peace Through Service. Each club should send their Peace Poster winning entry to District Governor Stokes Anderson,16029 E. Milan Drive, Aurora, CO 80013. Entries must be postmarked by November 15, 2020. Each of the four districts will select a winner and those will go on to the multiple district. The multiple district winner will be selected and sent to LCI. International winners will be notified on or before February 1, 2021. See full page information in this Newsletter.



District and MD 6 Speech Contest



Are you ready for the 2021 Speech Contest? Now is the time to line up high school students to participate in this year's contest. Club winners will present their speech at the 6C District Convention on Saturday, April 10, 2021. The district winner will go on to compete at the MD6 convention in Lakewood on May 15, 2021.

This year's theme is: "How a Pandemic Affects our Service to Others"

If you have questions regarding the district or MD6 speech contest please contact PDG Holly Rutherford-Allen at hollyrutherfordallen@gmail.com or 303-726-0778.









2020 theme: "Peace Through Service"

Quick reminder: 2020 Peace Poster contest is in full swing. If you have any questions, please call or email me, your District 6C coordinator for this year's Peace Poster contest, I am glad to help with any questions you have.

Upcoming Deadlines:

November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a Governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.

December 15: Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

February 1: International winners notified on or before this date.

We look forward to seeing the totally awesome posters that your Club forwards to the District competition!!

Lion Linda Cummiskey

lcummiskey63@gmail.com

Thoughts for the Month

"Today is a brand-new day. A fresh start. Replace any negativity with positivity. Think happy thoughts. Exercise. Drink lots of water. Fill your body with fuel. Healthy is happy. Inspire yourself. Create. Laugh. Play. Love. Learn. Give someone a compliment. Make a new friend. Do a random act of kindness. It creates good karma. Take chances and finally start living life to its fullest. But no matter what's thrown at you today, smile and remember, tomorrow's always a fresh new start."

-- Author Unknown

"Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under the trees on a summer's day, listening to the murmur of water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time."

-- John Lubbock







District 6C 2nd Cabinet Meeting

November 14, 2020 - 10 am until 12 pm

Centennial Family Center

on South Peoria off Arapahoe Rd.

Host: Centennial Airport Lions Club

Recognition of Lion members, a neighborhood Business and a briefing on airline cabin safety for passengers during this pandemic.

Masks and Social Distancing Required

Either Zoom or Go to Meeting will be available for those who cannot be there in person.

More information later



November 3 Election Day

November 14 2nd Cabinet Meeting

November 15 Peace Poster Deadline for Clubs Peace Posters sent to DG

February 13 3rd Cabinet Meeting

April 10, 2021 District 6C Convention

May 14 & 15 State Convention, Holiday Inn Lakewood



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Deadline next Newsletter— October 26, 2020

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District and club events are now on the calendar on the District 6C website: http://e-district.org/sites/6c/

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