



Together We Can!

LCI Convention 2022 in Montreal Canada was both exciting and fun. It was an experience I will never forget. The opportunity to meet LCI President Brian Sheehan and his wife Lori and to share his plans for the coming year was truly amazing. Brian's motto for the coming year is **TOGETHER We Can!** He is asking every Lion to commit to working together to reach new heights. I hope each of you will take on the same dedication to making our clubs, district, state and International the best we can be.

The convention also included a parade of nations in which Colorado was firmly represented.





One great piece of news was that Campaign 100 not only meet its goal but exceeded it as we raised over \$324,000,000 to support our ongoing fight for our causes. Thanks to each Lion and each club who made this possible and a particular thanks to PDG Gwen Balk who worked so hard during the four years

We also got the opportunity to participate in a service project. Lion Liz and I worked to make blankets which will be donated to the local Ronald McDonald House and then given to families with Children suffering from childhood cancer. This may be a project that some clubs may want to adopt.



We also were able to hear about programs LCI is supporting including Lions Quest, Peace Poster Contest, and several others. (By the way, we will have Peace Poster Packets for clubs to pick up at the District Cabinet meeting on July 30)

I also hope to bring to our clubs a virtual presentation on Club marketing. Watch for information in the near future.

I came home from the convention with so many fresh ideas that I hope to share with you over the next few months.

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A New Lions Day is Dawning

And Together We Can Make It Great!



Making Your New Lion An Effective Member Of Your Club

We All Want Our New Lions To Succeed. Here are some ways that can help them on the path to success.

- The importance of "New Member Orientation" cannot be emphasized enough. This should be a
 #1 priority and done within the first month of membership.
 - A. Does Your Club have A New Member Orientation? If not, why not!
 - The information presented during orientation provides a foundation for new members. It helps them understand how the club and LCI functions and why.
 - 2) When new members are properly informed, they are more likely to feel comfortable with the club and become actively involved in club activities and remain a productive Lion for years.
 - B. Make sure your new Lion is involved. Find out their strengths and weaknesses or their passion.
 - C. New members are always enthusiastic. That is great. BUT BEWARE! Make sure they don't burn out by being over extended. This is so easy to happen. Don't let it. A good way to lose them.
 - D. It is important that the new Lion knows the club structure and how you operate.
- Make sure the new member is introduced and welcomed by ALL members of the club.
- New members should never have any surprises? What do I mean by this?
 - A. They need to know what is expected of them as members of your club from the very beginning.
 - B. They need to know how much dues are, when and how they need to be paid.
 - C. They need to know about conflict resolution. (Who to turn to) And there will be conflicts, this is human nature.
- 4. COMMUNICATION is Key!
- 5. So, Who Is responsible for your new Lion?
 - A. That would be the sponsor as well as all the members of the club.
- 6. Responsibilities of a sponsor.
 - A. Once you sponsor someone your job is just starting. It does not end with the induction of the new member.
 - This process should go on for at least a year.
 - 2) Have your new Lion know to come to you for any questions.
 - If they miss a meeting. Be sure and follow-up and find out why.
 - 4) Make sure the new member is not experiencing any conflicts or misunderstandings; that is the quickest way to lose a new member.
- 7. What is the difference between sponsoring and mentoring?
 - A. A mentor may be the Lion who sponsored the member or another experienced Lion in the club.
 - B. A mentor is an experienced individual who helps and guides the development of another individual. This is not necessarily the sponsor. In the mentoring relationship, each partner has something to respect in the other. Mentors have knowledge and wisdom based on years of experience.
 - 1) Sometimes a sponsor does not feel comfortable as a mentor, this is the time to bring in a mentor.
 - a. Mentees possess enthusiasm, they are dedicated to learning, and have a sincere desire to serve as actively as possible. They need guidance from someone.
 - 2) Trust is essential in almost any successful human relationship. The ways to build trust is through open and honest communication, reliability, consistency and through each partner's loyalty to the other and to the organization.
 - B. Mentors strengthen the health of their clubs for years to come, thereby ensuring that their community will continue to have the help and service that only a Lions club can provide.

Seems like a lot of work right? Well, it is. Anything worth doing takes work and commitment! But if you put the effort into your new Lion, they WILL be an effective member of your club.

God bless, Yours in Lionism 6C 1" VDG Lion Dianne Christian

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Introducing our new District 6C Leadership Team

In the middle DG Robert Storrs (Golden Lions), on the left 1st VDG Dianne Christian (Centennial Airport Lions) and on the right 2nd VDG Willa Townsend (Denver Five Points Lions).

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ANNOUNCING A NEW DISTRICT 6-C WEBSITE

www.CoLions6C.org



The site is being developed to improve communications within the district and to provide useful information resources to individual Lions, clubs, and others. We encourage all clubs to use the site for promotion of your activities and service projects. Please visit the site.

The site has a map of the area with locations of clubs. We encourage each club to submit a write up about the club that can also be available to visitors.

Newsletters and other information about the district can be found on "Our District".

The calendar will have dates and times of activities in the district. Additionally, any flyers on these activities can be posted.

A Social Media page will show all Twitter and Instagram posts hat have included the hashtag #CoLions6C.

The site is a work in progress, and we can use your assistance.

Please <u>visit the site</u> and send us your comments, criticisms, suggests any feedback

Send these remarks to CoLions6C.Webmaster@gmail.com. We will be collecting all the input during the month of July and early August. At that time, we will randomly select one of the messages and present the submitter with a \$25 gift certificate.

So, get you entries in soon. Help us improve the website and possibly win \$25.

District 6-C Webmaster



COLORADO LIONS KIDSIGHT PROGRAM July 2022

KidSight Numbers for 2021-2022

Thank you and congratulations to all of 6C volunteers for your help in ensuring that children can see clearly. 22,138 children have been screened in Colorado this year and 3,009 children were referred to an eye doctor due to detection of a vision problem (13.5 percent). Screening in each of the districts is as follows:

District Number Screened Number Referred Percentage Referral

6C 10,630 1,968 18.5 6NE 2,552 171 6.7 6SE 4,298 445 10.4 6W 4,957 448 9.0

The rate of myopia (nearsightedness has increased substantially from 3 percent to 8 percent. This corresponds with studies that have shown the increase in the amount of screen time due to remote learning during Covid and the increase in video gaming among children. This increase began prior to Covid and has gotten worse with children being identified with myopia at a much younger age than in previous years. Thank you so much KidSight volunteers! Your efforts on behalf of our program are truly appreciated.

Congratulations to our New 6C Colorado Lions KidSight Trustee

District 6C - PDG Jack Russalesi (three year term)

Plusoptix Training and Camera Updates

Late spring and summer are a good time to make sure everyone in your club is trained and ready to screen in the fall. If you would like a refresher or need a camera update please let me know.

Colorado Lions KidSight Program Financial Report

Our fiscal year ends on June 30, 2022 and we will then issue our Annual Report. This report will be sent to all clubs for distribution and will be available on our website - www.kidsightcolorado.org.

Thank You to all Clubs who have Donated this Year

The following 6C clubs have donated to the Colorado Lions Kidsight Program this year:

Aurora, Broomfield, Centennial Airport, Denver, Denver Five Points, Denver Westwood, Highlands Ranch, Lafayette, Littleton and Thornton and 6C Convention Tail Twister funds.

COLORADO LIONS KIDSIGHT PROGRAM cont.

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Changes at KidSight Colorado

At the recent MD6 convention I announced that I plan to retire from KidSight Colorado effective September 30, 2022. It has been my honor to serve as the Executive Director of this amazing organization for the past twelve years.

The Lions of Colorado are the heart and soul of this program and KidSight Colorado would not exist without the volunteer hours that Lions put into this program as well as the financial support provided by individual Lions and Clubs across the state. One of the reasons I am comfortable leaving this position is because I know that your dedication and support will continue. Our Board of Trustees is working to make sure that the new Executive Director selected for this position is the right person for this job.

I will remain active in Lions and have accepted a couple of positions at the District and Multiple District level and I also think I would make a pretty good volunteer screener for KidSight! Thank you Lions of Colorado for your amazing support during my time as the Executive Director for the Colorado Lions Kidsight Program.

Yours in Lionism,

Holly Rutherford-Allen
Executive Director
Colorado Lions KidSight Program





SAVE THE DATE





PUT MONDAY AUGUST 29, 2022

ON YOUR CALENDAR for the Centennial Airport Lions Annual Golf Tournament.

WHERE: Meridian Golf Course at 9742 South Meridian Blvd., Englewood, Colorado 80112

- **♦ Å Jack Nicklaus Signature Course**
- ♦ Å Links Style Course
 - ♦ Å Host to many Colorado PGA Events

Schedule: 10:30 am - Registration & Deli Lunch 11:30 pm - SHOTGUN START 4 pm - BBQ Brisket Buffet & Awards

Needed:

Golfers - Sponsors - Volunteers

Non-Sponsor & Auction Donations Are Also Greatly Appreciated!

Please Contact PDG Gwen Balk for further info at GBalk@comcast.net or (303) 916-2775

This is a special invitation to all club to share the history of your club with all the Lions of 6-C. Please bring items that represent your clubs' accomplishments over the years. If you club is 2 years old or 105, you have an opportunity to share – pictures, trophies, your flag.

District 6 C First Cabinet Meeting 2022-2023

July 30, 2022, 9:00 to 11:00 am

St Paul Episcopal Church 9200 W. 10th Avenue (Garrison and 10th) Lakewood, CO 80215

Special Service Project: CRM Cyber Lions

Donation of Clothes for *Dress for Career Success*Special need - Large sizes for women, don't really need kids clothing

Special Celebration of Lions History in our district 11:00 to 12:00

Every club is invited to bring picture, plaques, banners, etc.

Share your club's history with the rest of the district.

Let us see how you have served your community.

This is for all clubs - those over 100 years old and those just getting started.

Each club will have about 3 ft space on a table and can display banners behind.

Come and see the tremendous work Lions have done over the years

Lions leaders of Zone D of District 6C:

I do not have the updated State Directory yet so am reaching out to you to either pass on this notice to your current leaders, or to save the date for our first Zone D meeting on Saturday, August 6, 2022, at the South Suburban Family Sports Center from 10 am to noon.

It is planned that Lion GMT Donna Sly-Redd will be the main presenter for this meeting on membership. I will send a full agenda prior to the date.

I will also plan to hold the meeting on Zoom.

ZC Mark Hamouz



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You are cordially invited to attend the USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Calgary, Alberta from September 15-17 by our Honorary Chair International President Brian Sheehan and his wife Lori! As you can see Calgary is an incredible place and we are extremely excited to share it with you! #lionsforum2022 You will not believe how much energy and excitement IP Brian radiates. I challenge District 6C to come to the US Canada Lions Leadership Forum and see for yourself. If you had the opportunity to watch any of the Plenary sessions IP Brian was in, you know what I mean. This is going to be a great year! At the planning session last October Corky and I were sworn in to be Honorary Calgarians to bring you all this message. Come to Calgary and Join the FUN!

Lions Corky & Pat Carlson





BRIAN E. SHEEHAN INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

Brian E. Sheehan, from Bird Island, Minnesota, USA, was elected to serve as international president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 22 through June 28, 2022.

President Sheehan is the founder and CEO of Rural Computer Consultants, a software development company.

A member of the Bird Island Lions Club since 1991, he has held many offices within the association, including council chairperson, long range planning chairperson, membership chairperson, retention chairperson, women's initiative chairperson, MD convention chairperson, GMT Liaison and GLT area leader. He has also served as the chairperson of the Headquarter Operation & Finance Committee, Lions University coordinator, DGE group leader, and board appointee to several committees including Constitutions and Bylaws, LCIF Executive, LCI Executive, USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum and the Centennial Action committees. He has been a presenter at numerous Lions events, including many of the Global Forums.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including Club Lion of the Year; the District 5M 4 Diabetes Awareness Award; the MD 5M Web Site Appreciation Award; the MD 5M Al Jensen Leadership Award; the Founders Membership Growth Award; numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation; International President's Leadership Award; multiple International President's Awards; and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and Second Century Ambassador.

In addition to his Lions activities, President Sheehan is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as president of Bird Island Civic and Commerce, director of the Learning Funhouse and as a member of various school committees. He also received the 2011 U.S. SBA Minnesota Small Business Person of the Year Award.

President Sheehan and his wife, Lori, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons and two daughters. And in their spare time, they have enjoyed raising many types of exotic animals.

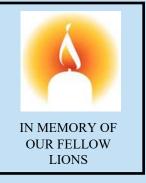
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| Statistics Update 6/23/2022 | | |
| | This Month | This Year |
| Opening Balance | 517 | 526 |
| Added Members | 0 | 34 |
| Dropped Members | 3 | 46 |
| Closing Balance | 514 | 514 |
| Net Gain/Loss | -3 | -12 |
| | | |
| Worldwide 1,413,424 | | |

6-C 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





Ruby Schilling Broomfield Lions 4 yrs in Lions
Kenneth Wood Denver Five Points Lions 11 yrs in Lions

Note from IPDG Ted Peterson:

I am hoping we can improve on these numbers before the end of the Lion year. I am excited about these numbers, yet I would be ecstatic if we were at a positive number by the end of the year.



Club Officer Installation Englewood Lions





Club Officer Installation Pleasant View Lions







Climpses of International Convention



















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July 2022

JULY 2022



July 4 Independence Day

July 30 Cabinet Meeting – St

Paul's Episcopal Church

Aug 6 Zone D Meeting

Aug 29 Centennial Airport Golf Tournament

Sep 15—17 USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum— Calgary

Oct 29 Cabinet Meeting— TBD

Feb 11 Cabinet Meeting- TBD

April 21-22 District Convention—TBD

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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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