

6C Newsletter Article November 2017 Steve Kinsky, District Governor

October 21 was the date for our second MD6 Council meeting. It was in Breckenridge at Beaver Run, the site of next May's State Convention. Among other topics discussed was that of the current Recycle for Sight (RfS) program, under which used eyeglasses are collected, measured for their eyesight correction(s) and sorted in Sterling. The process is overseen by the Sterling Lions Club in 6NE. The Club's members put in about 20-25 hours per week, and inmates at the prison in Sterling work between 36-48 hours per week. We've been informed that the workload is slowly getting to be too much for the Club. MD6's Global Service Team (GST), headed by PDG Ted Peterson of 6C's Cyber Club, will head a committee to examine the prospects of moving the collection site. The Denver Den has expressed some interest and would be willing to coordinate a 6C endeavor to take it over. It would come with some costs over and above that of the volunteer labor, such as for storage and shipping, but the program also generates income from sales of titanium and gold in some of the eyeglass frames and from sales of prescription sunglasses.

On October 28, 6C had its second Cabinet meeting. Among other items discussed was the prospect of creating a public relations committee to create a plan for the District, possibly using contingency funds accumulated over the years if needed for expenses. Several ideas were bandied about at the meeting, and the use of the District's digital and social media wherewithal through Club web sites and Facebook pages will surely be used. LCI's new MyLion app may also have a place in this new endeavor.

Another topic was that of aid to the needy for the purchase of eyeglasses. Each Club seemed to have its own resource for this, and no two Clubs used the same one. I've begun to wonder whether we should have a Committee Chair for this, just as we do for Ensight, Kidsight and other sight-related pursuits.

I've completed 17 Club visitations so far, with another 8 scheduled for November. It's been energizing to attend Club meetings and service projects. I'm amazed at the creativity and fervor that so many of the 6C Lions display. The Lafayette Club even commandeered my services to be a judge for its pumpkin-decorating contest. It was great fun and really promoted Lions to the community - here's a picture of the winning pumpkin.



Please don't forget the November 18 Strides Diabetes Awareness Walk that will benefit young campers with Type 1 diabetes. Click on this link to participate and/or donate: http://main.diabetes.org/goto/coloradolions6Cwalk.





October 25, 2017

November 2017



The 1st quarter is in the rearview mirror and fading fast! I missed last month's Newsletter...it seems my travels to the Forum and a little R&R with my better half captured my attention. Which brings me to a subject of great importance – balance. If we are not balanced in all facets of our lives, things can quickly get out of hand.

The process of becoming a District Governor (DG) is challenging. However, it is no less challenging that that of being a good Lions Club member. Both require time, financial resources and commitment, and both require passion for serving. The DG primarily serves the district, and the member serves the community. This is not to say they don't overlap because they most definitely do. A lot! When one is invited to become a member and then chooses to accept, it shows a desire to make a difference. What is does not do, is cause you to sever all other activities in your life. You still may be a member of a church, mosque or synagogue, and you still might have a career, family, friends and any other number of organizations. The challenge is how to allocate your time and resources to continue your activities.

There are 168 hours in a week, no more, no less. We all have the same number of hours, no matter how much it may seem that some have more time than others. What you do with those hours determines what happens in your life. As you look at your week and month, add in the activities that are most important, job, family, Lions, church, etc., that happen on a regular basis, then the activities that come up from time to time such as Lions activities in which you want to participate. No one can do everything, however, as a Lions Club member, a commitment had been made to participate. Try to fit in activities on a regular basis, and choose different activities. Attend other club meetings and/or activities. Get to know other Lions Club members. This organization is quite diverse and there are an incredible number of experiences that Lions members have and love to share! And other members want to get to know you as well! Get out of your comfort zone...this is just a start.

Finally, get involved and stay involved! So far, District 6C has 15 out of 31 clubs reporting nearly 6,000 hours of service, over 150,000 people served, 9,800 pairs of eyeglasses collected, \$56,000 raised and over \$85,000 donated. Imagine what the numbers really are. Secretaries, REPORT YOUR NUMBERS! These are things to shout from the mountain top!!!! Keep up the great work!

"WE SERVE!" Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nations Safety. LIONS. I am proud to be a Lion, dedicated to the service of others! RRRROOOOOAAAARRRRR

1st VDG Lion Rick Argotsinger







6C 2nd Vice District Governor's Report

Since the last Council meeting I have been attending a number of club events in the District. I decided to focus on attending service projects, events and fundraisers as I know our District Governor is hard at work attending club meetings. I have enjoyed my visits with Chatfield, Denver, Douglas County, Englewood, Kiowa, Lafayette, Five Points and also attended the Zone EA meeting. I hope to attend a service project, event or fundraiser for all clubs in the district by the end of the year. Please be sure to let me know about upcoming events for your club so that I can put them on my calendar.

Please don't forget our district wide service project which will benefit the focus area of pediatric cancer. We have a competition going on in the district to see which club can collect the most "pop tops". These will be recycled and the proceeds will go to the Ronald McDonald House. Pop tops can be turned in to me at any time and I will keep track of the weight collected for each club. Results will be announced at the final cabinet meeting.

I also attended the USA/Canada Forum in Portland and learned a lot of new information, especially about the new Diabetes focus. Of course I transacted some KidSight business there as well.

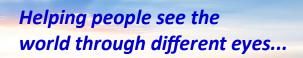
Believe it or not the registration materials are already out for the District/State convention to be held in Breckenridge on May 18 - 19. I was in Breckenridge last weekend for the Council meeting at the Beaver Run Resort where the convention will be held and the accommodations are very nice. The schedule of events is available under the events tab on the Colorado Lions website (<u>www.colings.org</u>) and the registration forms and materials will be there shortly. Let's have a huge turnout from 6C!

I continue to learn new things as I go along and I am grateful to District Governor Steve and 1st Vice District Governor Rick for helping me learn even more.

Holly Rutherford-Allen 2nd Vice District Governor District 6C









Colorado Lions KidSight Program District 6C

Statistics - July 1 - October 26

November 2017

Total Screened: 15,486 Total Referred: 1,394 Referral for the state: 9%

New KidSight Database - Seymour

Our new KidSight Colorado database is now operational for data entry. All Lions who do data entry are now trained and are using the new database. All of the setup and programming to establish this new database was donated (this project has been a huge amount of work). The rollout had a few glitches but I think we have worked through them. We will now begin to work on the part of the database that will capture follow-up information. I am optimistic that this part of the database will be up and running in about two weeks. It will allow us to obtain much more information and produce reports that will provide more information about our program. This will be great for writing grants and of course to share more information about our program with Colorado Lions.



KidSight Colorado and Colorado Gives Dav

24 Hours to Give Where You Live!

Support the Colorado Lions KidSight Program on Colorado Gives Day! On Tuesday, December 5, 2017, Coloradans will come together again to raise millions of

dollars for nonprofits in Colorado. Last year, KidSight Colorado raised a little more than \$3,000 and I would love to double the donations this year. Colorado Gives Day provides an opportunity for a personal donation to your favorite charities through the website ColoradoGives.org. This website features a profile on every organization participating this year including the Colorado Lions KidSight Program. In addition, when you give online for Colorado Gives Day the value of your donation will be increased by the FirstBank Incentive Fund.

I know as Lions you all lead busy lives so now you can schedule your Colorado Gives Day donation online anytime from November 1 through December 6 by going to our website <u>www.kidsightcolorado.org</u> and clicking at the bottom of the home page. Your



donations help us to identify children in Colorado with vision problems and follow-up to make sure children receive the vision care they need.

New Grants

We continue seek out a variety of funding opportunities for the KidSight Program. We recently received a new grant from the Community First Foundation for screening in Jefferson County. I am always looking for new ideas and opportunities for funding. If you know of a funding source or have a suggestion regarding additional funding please let me know.

Attention Holiday Shoppers!

Are you a hard core Amazon shopper? Join the Amazon Smile program and designate KidSight Colorado as your organization for donations. Go to AmazonSmile.com for information on how to sign up. Do you buy just about everything online? Even if you don't here is a great way to get your holiday shopping done and give to KidSight Colorado without spending any money for a donation! As you make your online purchases you can log in to a website called iGive.com and shop at a number of participating online retailers. Companies donate a portion of your purchase simply because you purchased online with them through iGive. Because the merchants make the contribution it doesn't cost you anything to participate in the program and KidSight benefits from your purchases. If you need more information about this program you can go to the iGive.com website or call me for additional information.

Want to "double dip" with your Amazon purchases? Sign up for Amazon Smile and then shop at Amazon via the iGive website. We receive a donation from Amazon Smile AND iGive!

Best wishes to our Lions Family for a very Happy Thanksgiving from the KidSight Colorado staff, Holly, Michele and Kristine!



Holly Rutherford-Allen Executive Director Colorado Lions KidSight Program 720-325-7078 holly@kidsightcolorado.org

Let's Talk About Diabetes



Trinity United Methodist Church 1820 Broadway Denver, Colorado 80202, on the northeast corner of 18th and Broadway in Downtown Denver

Sunday, November 12, 12:30-1:30 p.m. | Room 109 (Level 1)

November 2017

Trinity's Health Ministry and District 6C Lions Clubs are co-sponsoring a discussion on the growing problem of diabetes during Diabetes Awareness Month. The vision is to provide an opportunity for open dialogue about diabetes with medical professionals and those living with the diabetes regarding pre-diabetes, risk factors, myths, complications and fears. More than 100 million people throughout the world are living with diabetes, and many don't even know they have it.

Presenters: Lions Becki Sharp; Janice Davis; Jason Woodward, Dr, Eric Steen & Dr, Parichart Vaikayee.

Everyone is encouraged to participate and learn about diabetes prevention and detection during this time of fellowship. A light lunch will be served during the program in the Level 1 Atrium following the 11 a.m. worship service.

For planning purposes, RSVP to the church office at info@trinityumc.org or 303-839-1493.



Did you know?

You can find information about District 6C activities on the District Website?

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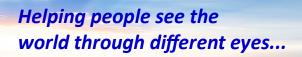
Click on the Calendar tab



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Distirct 6C - LCIF Report

November 2017

To: 6C District Governor and Cabinet

From: PDG Cookie Balk, 6C LCIF Coordinator

Date: 10/27/2017

RE: 6C LCIF by the Numbers & LCIF Emergency / Disaster Relief Grants

This is my quick report regarding LCIF for the first three months of this new Lions year.

6C Donations:

- \$13,643 in donations for the period from 7/1/16 through 6/30/17.
- \$2,387 in donations from 7/1/17 through 9/30/17.

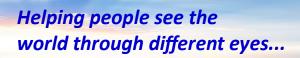
6C Participation:

- 33.3% of our clubs which is 10 have donated.
- 43% is the amount of our increased giving in the first 3 months.
- 9 is the number of Clubs who have identified an LCIF Club Coordinator.

LCIF Emergency / Disaster Relief Grants:

- 1 is the number of earthquakes, the strongest in 100 years, to hit Mexico.
- 3 is the number of Hurricanes (Harvey, Irma & Maria) causing devastation in Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico.
- 20 is the number of emergency grants awarded to South Asia, parts of India, Nepal and Bangladesh due to monsoon rains.
- 1,000 is the number of people who died in Mumbai as a result of the monsoon rains.
- More than 1,000 is the number of people who lost homes as a result of Hurricane Irma in Texas.
- \$100,000 is the total Major Catastrophe Grant award to help community recovery in South Asia.
- \$125,000 is the total for the 20 emergency grants.
- \$300,000 is total of Major Catastrophe Grants awarded to assist in reconstruction as a result of earthquake and hurricanes in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and Mexico.











Diabetes Awareness & Education Community Walk – Aurora, CO

REGISTER ONLINE: http://main.diabetes.org/goto/coloradolions6Cwalk

Date: November 18, 2017 from 9am - Noon

Check-in Location/Time: The Kasbah Suite, 15373 E 6th Avenue Unit D (6th Ave & Chambers) 9am-10am

The Colorado Lions of District 6C in partnership with the American Diabetes Association are organizing a Community Walk because we are passionate and proud to do our part to bring Diabetes to light. Join us in the Fight Against Diabetes by bringing awareness of diabetes and its complications to our communities.

Walking Route: We'll cross 6th Avenue to the Highline Canal and continue to the bridge behind Community College of Aurora. Walking Distance: 1.5 miles (or alternate 3 miles/5K). Water, fruit, snacks and juice will be provided to all participants at site. Lions are uniting with local communities, businesses & organizations to bring awareness to Diabetes & its complications. When we all work together, the power we have as a group far outweighs what any of us could do alone

Benefit: American Diabetes Association- Colorado Diabetes Camperships for eligible children ages 5-17 living with diabetes.

Strides Committee Contacts: Steve Kinsky, Lions 6C District Governor <u>stevekinsky@gmail.com</u> Janice Davis, CRM Cyber Lions/MD6 Diabetes Awareness Co-Chair <u>wispysail@aol.com</u> Susy Osorio Kinsky, First VP Denver Lions Club <u>osorio.susy@gmail.com</u> Carol Louks, Lions District 6C Diabetes Chair <u>md6lions@gmail.com</u> Hannah Hoogenboom, ADA Associate Director, Development <u>hhoogenboom@diabetes.org</u> Emily Fay, ADA Region Director, Camp <u>emfay@diabetes.org</u>



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Here are some pictures from the Lions Anthem Days ...we put together 1200 hygiene kits for the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless on Saturday we had a great time.

IPDG Jack receiving International President Certificate of Appreciation from DG Steve at the District 6C Cabinet Meeting.



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Above are a couple of photos of Nederland Lions from a recent evening when we partnered with other Nederland community groups on the annual Rise Against Hunger project. Together we organized and packed meals to be sent to those in need in a developing country. Each of the 10,000 meals we packaged that evening contained rice, soy protein, dehydrated vegetables, and a nutrition/vitamin packet. Submitted by Lion Ann Marie Morgan

Hello, Lions Club Members in District 6C! By now, you may have heard about the Strides Walk for Diabetes event on November 18. Money raised at the Strides event will go toward camperships during the summer of 2018 at one of the American Diabetes Association's camps for kids with Type 1 diabetes. Our goal is to raise enough money to help 10 kids (\$10,000, at \$1,000 per child). Along with District Governor Steve Kinsky, we would like to encourage your participation in this et by offering the following:

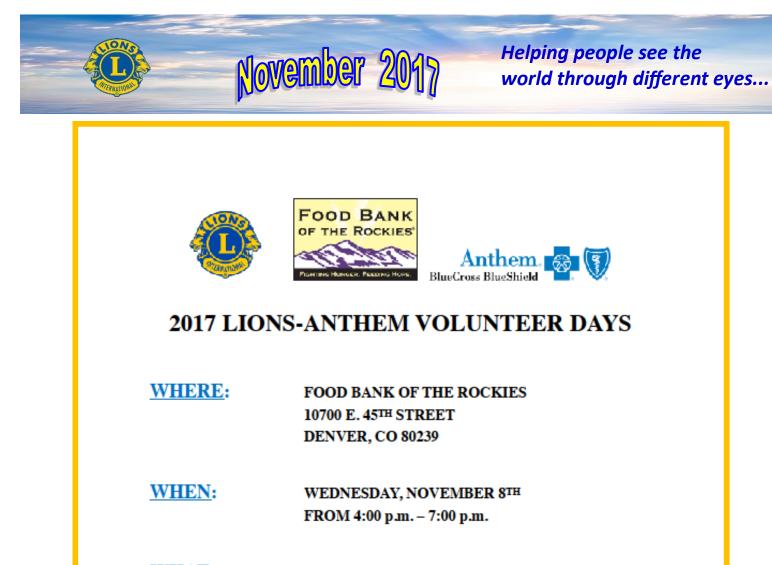
- for Clubs: A Strides logo (see attached) banner patch for each of the first 6 Clubs to form a team;
- for Members: A Lions shirt complete with a Strides logo on the front and a Colorado columbine logo (see attached) on the back.

Please sign up and/or donate today at this site:

http://main.diabetes.org/goto/coloradolions6Cwalk

Yours in Lionism,

Carol Louks & Janice Davis District 6Central Diabetes Chair MD6 Diabetes co-chair <u>md6lions@gmail.com</u> <u>wispysail@aol.com</u>



WHAT: SHARE THE JOY OF SERVICE WITH LOCAL ANTHEM EMPLOYEES AS YOU WORK TO PACK MEALS FOR FOOD INSECURE INDIVIDUALS.

RSVP: PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL NICOLE AT (630) 468-7077 or <u>NICOLE MATIA@LIONSCLUBS.ORG</u>. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE MORE DETAILS. LIONS CAN BE PRESENT FOR A LITTLE BIT OR FOR THE ENTIRE SHIFT!

THIS EVENT WAS CREATED SPECIALLY FOR LIONS, BECAUSE OF THE KINDNESS SHOWN BY LIONS!

CRM Cyber News:

CRM Cyber Lions are partnering with Arapahoe County for the holidays. We'll deliver gifts to Arapahoe County Department of Human Services 14980 E Alameda Dr. Aurora, CO on Monday December 4th.

November 2017



CRM Cyber Lions and friends (UPS) participated in the Englewood Community Cup golf tournament. Lot of fun and great prizes. Many thanks to Zack Spratt and Yvonne Harris (UPS) for their participation.

Sponsorships received for "Dress for Career Success" Nov 4th event:

CRM Cyber Lion Tamara Thorn, Georgia donated the following items to Heather House in October for a family

who lost everything due to Hurricane Irma. Lion Tamara is out of state; however she participates by supporting Lion goals and projects: 1 sofa; 1 loveseat;1 chair;1 ottoman;1 table;2 coffee tables;1 queen sleigh bed; 2 queen size mattresses1 mirror;1 chest of drawers; 10 bags of clothes (including dress suits, casual slacks, shirts)

Lions Ernie & Janice Davis visited Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club Council Chair/President Tom Simmons

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Twitter:Lions Ernie & Janice Davis visited Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions ClubCouncil Chair/President Tom Simmons

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The Denver Park Hill Lions Club

Invites you and your guests to attend our

Memorial Christmas Breakfast Honoring ~ PDG Charles "Chuck" Elliston ~

With Special Guest Speaker

Saturday, December 16, 2017 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. @ TREA 1599 Dayton St Aurora, Colorado (Prize drawings and a 50/50 Raffle)

Reamine yourself. Reamine your demands on others. Think first of someone else.

Donation \$16.00 - Se kind Begende Lengthe little Length e little Length e little By December 6th: Make Checks Payable to: Park Hill Lions Club (303) 808-7690 Condition the Source of a child. Take pleasance in the Source Tony Wilbon Speak your love Speak it symp. (720) 810-1736



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November 4	Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber—Dress for Success
November 8	Anthem / Lions Volunteer Food Bank of the Rockies
November 18	Community Strides Walk
November 23	Thanksgiving
December 5	Colorado Gives Day
December 7	Centennial Airport Holiday Party
December 16	Denver Park Hill Memorial Christmas Breakfast
May 8—9	MD6 State Convention / District Conventions Combined
June 29-July 3	Lions Clubs International Convention—Las Vegas
September 20—22	USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum—Columbus

November 2017



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Please note:

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

The deadline for submitting articles for this newsletter is the 25th of the month.

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