

5^{SW} LIONS' PRIDE

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Club Activities

Evening Star Lions Club



Soup Anyone? Lion Julaine Arient-Rollman waits for a hungry customer to decide which soup she would like to eat at the Evening Star Lions Club annual soup supper at Canyon Lake United Methodist Church in Rapid City. (photo by Lion Ken Gifford)



Line Up. On Oct. 24 Evening Star Lions Club members gather prior to their soup supper at the Canyon Lake United Methodist Church Christian Life Center. (Photo by Lion Ken Gifford)



Donation. Rushmore Lions gather at the Lions Nature Park in Rapid City on Oct. 1 to accept a \$500 donation to its park fund from the Black Hills Community Bank. (Photo by Joyce Johnson)

Position Open:

SD LIONS FOUNDATION BOARD 2016 (3 YEAR TERM)

Qualifications: Candidate must submit a letter to the Board President and also have a letter of support from his/her club.

If interested in this position, contact Board President Marie Anne Ben at 16 E. Bloomingdale St., Vermillion, SD 57069 by Dec. 18, 2015. For info about this position or the SD Lions Foundation, contact her at Marie.ben@usd.edu.

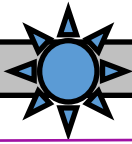
Aloha Lions!

Aberdeen will host the State Lions Convention, Jan. 29-30 at the AmericInn, 301 Centennial St. Many events including the Foundation and cabinet meetings, the Friday evening mixer, the Saturday morning meetings, the Saturday luncheon and Saturday evening supper will be held at the AmericInn.

Saturday afternoon presentations, Necrology, and ID Bear Pit will be held at the SD School for the Blind and Visually Impaired at 423 17th Ave. SE. A bus will be available to transport Lions to that location.



Annual Visit. Custer Lions Club President Bruce Doughty greets 1st VDG Terry Peterson and his wife Sandra at the Custer Lions Club meeting on Oct. 8. (Photo by Lion Dusty Dustman)



Benefit. Hosting a pancake supper benefit for a Newell woman suffering from cancer, the Newell Lions Club served over 150 people and raised \$3300 to help the woman's family. The club also conducted a silent auction and held a bake sale to help raise additional funds.. (Photo by Lion Neil Vollmer)



New Zone Chair. Zone 5 Chair Bea Gifford conducts her first zone meeting in Rapid City with PDG Galen Jones attending and representing Rushmore Lions Club. (Photo by Lion Terry Peterson)



Visitation. 2nd Vice District Governor Tim Brown of the Sturgis Lions club visits the Rushmore Lions Club on October 28. Lion Tim traveled to five Lions clubs this fall as he represented the district with official District Governor visits. (Photo by Lion Terry Peterson)



Parade Banner. Gathering at the VFW in Rapid City, Lions from the Downtown Lions Club and the Evening Star Lions prepare to march in the annual Veteran's Day Parade through downtown Rapid City on Nov. 11. A large turnout on the cool, windy day marched 14 blocks through the heart of the city. (Photo by Lion Terry Peterson)

Catch Centennial Fever

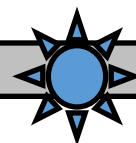
by ID Robert Littlefield

Centennial Celebration should be a celebration we Lions won't forget. There are events and projects on every level-international to local. A Club Centennial Guide is ready from lions100.org to get you started. To assist you in 5SW contact Lion Ken Wetz at kenw@sdplains.com.

There are several areas clubs can focus on: 1) Participate in the Centennial Service Challenge, completing four projects yearly in areas of youth, vision, hunger and environment. 2) Invite and keep at least 3 new members each year. 3) Plan and complete a Centennial Community Legacy Project that has a lasting impact on your community. 4) Plan a Centennial celebration for your club during the next year. 5) Make plans to send at least 1 delegate to the C. Convention in Chicago in 2017. 6) Report your club's Centennial Activities to MyLCI each year to be sure your club gets credit for its efforts.



Screening Day. Lions gather at Corral Drive Elementary School on November 3 for the screening of 180 kids. Screeners included front, Lion Gary Johnson-Rushmore Lions, and Lion Sheri Denke-Metro Lions. Back: Lion Terry Peterson-Rushmore, Lion Roger Neal-Rushmore and Lion Dick Fisher-Piedmont Valley Lions Club. (Photo by Dianne Wishard)



The District Governor

Merry Christmas to all the Lions and their spouses as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May your holidays be filled with many blessings.

Club visitations are going well. I have visited with the Faulkton Area Lions, Ipswich Lions, Lead/Deadwood Lions, Chamberlain Lions, and the Pierre/Ft. Pierre Lions. I will be visiting the Onida Lions on December 1st, the Hills City Lions on December 7th, the Newell Lions on December 9th, the Selby Lions on December 10th, and the Piedmont Valley Lions on January 5th. That is all I have scheduled at this time. I am waiting to hear from other clubs on possible visitation dates.

Please review your 2015-16 directory for any mistakes and corrections that need to be done. Some of the email addresses keep coming back as undeliverable. Either let District Secretary Neil

or me know of any corrections and updates.

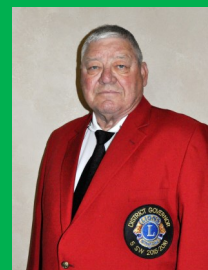
The State Lions Convention will be held in Aberdeen at the AmericInn on January 29th and 30th. On the back page of this issue is the registration form for all who plan on attending. It will be, once again, a great time to renew old acquaintances and meet new Lions. I encourage you all to come.

The November MD5 gathering in Minot, ND was very enjoyable. The MD5 trainers for the 1st VDG and 2nd VDG have made a number of changes that are giving the VDG's much better training.

I am hoping that all Lions Clubs in 5SW will be doing a Centennial Celebrated project and will also encourage their members to join in the Centennial Celebration Membership Awards. This is a key program that will help LCI define the success of the event. Encourage members to sign up a new member.

Remember to support SDLF, the Eye and Tissue Bank, LCIF, and the Leonardo Fund. Also, remember to support the Leader Dog fund raiser for improving their kennels.

So, until next month, enjoy the holidays with your families and friends. Be happy and stay healthy.



Chuck Edwards

Special Announcements

1 MD5 Environmental

Photo Contest. Lions may submit an 8 X 10 photo featuring a) pictures of animal life, or b) a landscape, or c) plant life, or d) weather on the official form to the DG by Jan. 1. Find the forms at EPC.form.en

2 Convention Reminders

- A. The EyeVan will be on the auction block.
- B. Bring Parade of Green checks.
- C. Gather photos of club events to be displayed.
- D. Bring Hawaiian attire for the Friday evening event. Karaoke will also be on the agenda.

3 Website

The 5SW website now has a tab for the State Lions Convention with the registration form and program agenda attached to the site. Look at: e-district.org/sites/5SW

BITS & PIECES

***Sturgis Lions club** collected 210 pairs of glasses, 44 pairs of sunglasses and 105 lenses.

***Downtown Lions Club** collected 200 pairs of glasses and marched in the Veteran's Day Parade. Club members held a mentoring meeting for new club members on Nov. 17.

***Buffalo Lions Club** sold tickets at volleyball games and held a community Bingo game.

***Ipswich Lions Club** served concessions at volleyball and football games, attended the Mobridge charter night and donated Halloween candy to the Golden Living Center.

***Presho/Medicine Creek Lions Club** picked up trash along I-90.

***Rushmore Lions Club** donated \$1200 to purchase a special chair for a child born with cerebral palsy and vision impairment; worked the Parade of Homes for Home Builders; screened kids at Canyon Lake, Horace Mann, Corral Drive, Zion Lutheran, Pinedale and Meadowbrook Elementary schools.

***Evening Star Lions Club** sold raffle tickets and hosted its annual soup supper raising about \$1100. Two club members marched in the Veteran's Day Parade in Rapid City.

***Custer Lions Club** held its Fall Bunco Night for 33 people and donated \$800 back to the community.

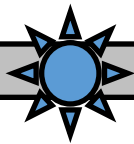
***Hot Springs Lions Club** sold tickets at football games, donated money to the Lions International Youth Exchange and to the Fall River Historical Society.

***Pierre/Ft. Pierre Lions Club** provided an exam and glasses to 1 person, read magazines and newspapers to tape, sold BBQ for Ladies Night at Runnings, and greeted and seated people at Perkins.

***Lead-Deadwood Lions Club** participated in the annual KidWeird event in Deadwood with 400 people attending.

***Belle Fourche Lions Club** conducted vision screening for 150 1st-3rd graders on Nov. 12.

***Piedmont Valley Lions Club** provided a woman with glasses and an eye exam, bussed tables at the Pizza Ranch, and helped with vision screening at several schools in the Rapid City area.



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The Lions' Pride

The Lions' Pride will be published in eleven issues for all members of the 5SW district. Every effort will be maintained for accuracy, however mistakes may occur. Our apologies go for any errors that may happen in publication. Submissions by any club or club members are welcomed and encouraged, but please limit them to 100 words. The deadline for publication in the "Lions' Pride" will be the 28th of each month. Submissions should be sent to the editor, Lion Terry Peterson. Send all photos and information to: TLP51649@aol.com

DISTRICT WEBSITE: E-DISTRICT.ORG/SITES/5SW

Aloha Lions!

2016 South Dakota State Lions Convention.....AmericInn Aberdeen January 29-30, 2016

Convention Registration:

First and Last Name _____ () Lion () Campus Lion () Leo () Spouse
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Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____ Club Name _____ District _____

Fees: (Please fill in # of registrations/tickets) **Note:** Registration includes hors d'oeuvre on Friday evening, lunch and banquet on Saturday. Breakfast is provided by the hotel for guests registered at the .

	Before Jan. 1	On/After Jan. 1	
_____ Regular Member Registration	\$90.00	\$95.00	\$ _____
_____ Campus club Members/Leos	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$ _____
_____ Additional Saturday Night Banquet	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$ _____
_____ Additional Saturday Luncheon	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$ _____
Total Registration fees:			\$ _____

Make checks payable to: **SD State Lions Convention 2016**

Send registration to: **Lion Sharon Paranto, 2414 13th Ave. Aberdeen, SD 57401**

Hotel Reservations: A block of rooms is being held at the AmericInn for the convention at a rate of \$99.90 plus tax per night. You must register by Dec. 28 in order to get the discounted rate. Be sure to mention that you are part of the convention when making the reservation. This rate includes a breakfast and free Wi-Fi, airport transportation, parking and an on site restaurant & bar.

Convention Co-Chairs: Lion Marje Kaiser, Marje.Kaiser@sdsbvi.northern.edu, 605-380-0112; Lion Sharon Paranto, Sharon.Paranto@northern.edu, 605-216-7814
(requests for refunds must be submitted in writing no later than 7 days after the conclusion of the convention)