

5SW LIONS' PRIDE

5SW SOUTH DAKOTA LIONS

THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR



Julaine Arient-Rollman

Sable and I hope you are enjoying the spring season. April was Family and Friends Month. We hope you had the opportunity to increase your Pride by Asking One to join. It is never too late to Ask One! The club in each zone that has the highest percentage of increase for April will receive an award.

Our last cabinet meeting will be on Saturday, May 9, 10 AM at the Lions Building in Rapid City. Original plans were made in Hot Springs with a district tree planting, however, the fire near Wind Cave interfered with this plan.

Are you planning on attending

the MD5 Convention in Fargo, ND May 28-30? It is not too late. ND Lions are pulling out all stops to make this convention the best one ever. They will have events for young Leos or non-Leos.

5SW Lions will be recognized for their dedicated service and need our support. There are four contests: Club of the Year, Club Newsletter, Club Scrapbook and Club Website. Enter your club in these contests.

School of Mines Lions club had their charter night on April 30th. Community Pride will be scheduling their Charter night soon. PDG Bob Haskell and Zone Chair Ila Davis have been developing a new Lions Club in Mobridge. They need only 3 more members to Charter the new club.

Has your club had the chance to donate to the Youth Camp 5SW is hosting at Camp

Kinship on July 12-18? It is not too late. Lady Lions made a beautiful quilt at the Council of Governors in March which will be raffled off at the coming MD5 convention to help pay the costs of the camp. Contact Lion Donna Wetz for more info.

It is not too late to complete all four projects in the areas of Environment, Hunger, Vision and Youth to earn your Club's Centennial Four Diamond Banner Patch. The year ends 6/30. The Centennial Challenge will go for four years, through 2018. Read the newsletters and go onto the LCI website to learn more.

Watch for the Public Relations ads in your local newspaper regarding 5SW Lion's support of vision screenings, eyeglass collection and other vision related issues. These ads ask for donations to vision projects and ask the public to join our clubs.

Try to have a project during the World Wide Week of Service May 16-22. Two important events that benefit Lions include the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute July 24-26 in Jamestown, ND and the USA/Canada Forum in Grand Rapids, MI Sept 17-19.

The \$100,000 Sully Hat Project for Measles can showcase the Power of Lions around the world to eradicate measles. All money donated goes to LCIF for One Show One Life Lions Measles Initiative. If you donate, send an email to PDG Barbara Ellis at barbaellis@aol.com.

Sable and I witnessed the amazing things you do in your community and for people in need while meeting and visiting you this year. I ask you to send me a copy of all photos you took during our club visits with the names of the people in the photos. Thank you for being a Lion and continue to do what we do best: "We Serve!"



Piedmont Valley Hosts Semi-Annual Breakfast

Holding its spring version of the club breakfast, the Piedmont Valley Lions Club hosted hungry patrons on Sunday, March 22 in Piedmont.

The breakfast offerings included biscuits, gravy, French toast, coffee, and juice.

The club hosts a breakfast every fall and spring in Piedmont.

The Club's raffle also highlights the breakfast as those attending can buy chances on numerous donated prizes.

Mealttime. Piedmont Valley Lions members gather in the kitchen for their semi-annual breakfast. (Photo by Lion Dick Fischer)

Rushmore Lions Provide Security for Home Show

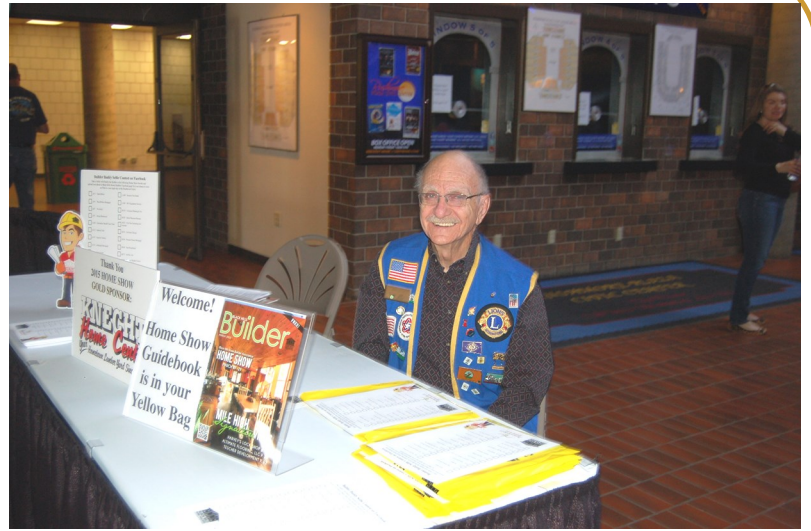
Rushmore Civic Center hosted its annual Home Show, March 27-29 in Rapid City.

Rushmore Lions provided security for Home Show vendors during the event.

Lions worked 70 three hour shifts at four locations during the show, providing packets for visitors and watching entrance doors to ensure that nothing turned up missing.

The School of Mines Lions Club assisted Rushmore by providing four new members to fill several shifts.

Table Greeter. Rushmore Lion Jim Kunz sits at the northwest entrance during the Sunday event. (Photo by Lion Terry Peterson)



Newell Lions Club and Leo Club Host Pancake Supper

Leaders Dog became the purpose for a pancake supper held in Newell on April 17.

The two clubs worked together to serve 120 people and raised \$1000 for the Leader Dog program. The money raised that night came from the supper, a silent auction and a bake sale.

Workers included Page Kvislen, Allannah Rolph and Ben Parrow. Other Leos who helped included Millie Hanson, Tera Williamson, Mande Williamson, and Tia Williamson. (Photo by PDG Lion Neil Vollmer)

Downtown Lions Serve Sunday Breakfast

Sunday April 19 marked the Rapid City Downtown Lions Club's annual pancake breakfast.

The club hosted the 13th annual breakfast with support and assistance from the Rapid City Children's Chorus. Lions members cooked breakfast, with the Children's Chorus members serving food and busing tables.

Tickets were sold in advance by chorus and Lions members. Customers walking into the door consumed eggs, pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee. The event, held in previous year's on Saturday and Sunday, moved this year to just Sunday.

"It has been a great day. I have enjoyed seeing our club members and Lions from other clubs. We should clear about \$2000 with half going to the Children's Chorus," Lion Corrie Stephens, event coordinator said.

Eggs Anyone? Downtown Lions Nathan Chicoine and Kyle Krause prepare breakfast foods for hungry customers at the event in the Lions Building, April 19. (Photo by Lion Terry Peterson)



PR Grant Advertising Blankets the District

Public Relations Advertising will appear in many local newspapers in April and May.

District 5SW has received a \$3600 grant to promote vision issues within District 5SW.

Newspaper ads have appeared or will appear in the *Aberdeen American News*, the *Pierre Capitol Journal*, the *Winner Advocate*, the *Rapid City Journal*, the *Black Hills Pioneer* and several other publications.

Vision issues addressed in the ads include vision screening, the sight & service committee, eye glass collection and the calendar raffle.



Vision Screening. Lions Dick Fischer and Ron Hill prepare the Spot machine to screen two youths. This photo appeared in the April 19 edition of the *Rapid City Journal* as part of the PR Advertising. (Photo by Lion Terry Peterson)

School of Mines Lions Club Prepares for New Year

With Charter Night coming at last on April 30, the new Lions Club on the campus of the School of Mines in Rapid City met for an end of the year gathering, elections for the next year and plans for another year.

Mines Lions Club got under way during the spring of 2015 with President Aman Anand leading the way as the club finished the year with a tree planting event on campus, April 23.

Looking to the new year for the new club, officer elections followed. The new officers include, front: President Marcus Sanchez, Secretary Cassidy Vollmer, and Treasurer Brady Vinson. Back: 1st VP Dominic Martinez and 2nd VP Kyle Hudson. (Photo by Lion Terry Peterson)



BITS & PIECES

- **Murdo** Lions Club held its annual NHS Banquet on Apr. 27 and gave out two \$500 scholarships.
- **Murdo** Lions Club sponsored the Freshman Impact on Apr. 29.
- **Hot Springs** Lions Club hosted a local blood drive in March.
- **Rushmore** Lions Club contributed \$225 for 1 Boy and 1 Girls Stater.
- **Evening Star** Lions bussed tables at Pizza Ranch.
- **Downtown** and **Rushmore** Lions Clubs assisted with the establishment of a new Lions Club at the School of Mines.
- **White River** Lions Club donated \$1000 to the Sandy Hook Elementary Counseling fund.
- **Chamberlain** Lions Club recycled aluminum cans.
- **Belle Fourche** Lions Club held a pancake feed in March.
- **Custer** Lions Club knit caps for cancer patients and premature babies and visited Custer Middle School about forming a Leo Club.
- **Metro** Lions Club donated \$200 to a Rapid City animal shelter.
- **Onida Wheatland** Lions Club will sponsor a 4th grade forestry project to plant trees in Onida and Blunt.
- **Proposed MD Constitution and Bylaws** changes for the MD5 convention in Fargo:
 1. If after 2 succeeding ballots for the International Director remain tied, the ID Director candidate will be chosen by Lot in a manner prescribed by the presiding officer.
 2. All persons who wish to be certified as a voting delegate or non voting alternate must pay the full or partial registration fee and complete the registration process as established for the convention before his/her credentials may be certified.
 3. The MD5 State and Provincial representative positions shall be dropped.

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The Lions' Pride

The Lions' Pride will be published in ten 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 25th of each month. Submissions should be sent to the editor, Lion Terry Peterson. Send all photos and information to: tlp51649@aol.com

* Check out the district's new website at www.e-district.org/sites/5sw

2015 MD5 Lions Convention Registration

May 29-30, 2015—Hilton Garden Inn—4371 17th Avenue South, Fargo, North Dakota 58103

Registration Fees (per person):

April/May Registration: \$150 cash, \$155 credit card

Saturday Only Package, by March 30: \$135 by credit card, \$130 by check

Single Event, Registration and 1 meal on Saturday: \$40-60/\$35-55 (fee dependent upon breakfast/lunch/dinner)

Hotel Accommodations: Convention Location-Hilton Garden Inn 701-499-6000 at \$114 per night guaranteed until 4-27-15. Ask for Lions MD5 Convention room rate.

Type of payment: Check ___ Cash ___ Draft ___ C.Card ___

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One Form Per Person

Name _____

___ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___ Guest

What is your 2015 Lion position (for name tag)

Address _____

City _____

State/Prov _____ **Zip/PC** _____

District _____ **Club** _____

Email _____

Registration Package Fee \$ _____

Send form and Fees to:

Lions 2015 MD5 Convention

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