



5-SW LIONS' PRIDE

***There's Nothing Better
Than Money in The Bank!***



Just ask Sturgis Lion Club member Marv Nable! Lion Marv is pictured here with one of the "Non-Covid" fundraising piggy banks which are placed throughout the Sturgis community. A variety of piggy banks placed in local businesses serve as a fund-raising tool to help support the Black Hills Camp Quality Cancer Camp. This year's camp will be held as a virtual activity week as the in-person camp has been canceled. To date over \$300 has been raised to help support the camp. Remember to send your donations to PDG Tim Brown of the Sturgis Lions to help support this year's camp!



Thoughts from the District Governor's Desk...



Fellow Lions,

It has been over a year now that we have been in this Covid-19 environment. Many of you have continued to serve your community, in the best way you felt comfortable with, during this time. Thank you for your service to your fellow Lion Club members and your community. Keep up the good work, doing it in a safe manner.

This month is the time for you to elect the new leadership in your club to guide the club in the next fiscal year (2021-2022). The District is offering a “FREE” Officer training seminar on April 24th. It's by Zoom and open to any member in the District. You just need to sign up, so they can get you email for the link.

I hope you and your family are well and safe.

We Look Toward the Future! 



HELP WANTED:

** District 5 SW 2ND Vice District Governor*

** District 5 SW Cabinet Secretary*

Interested? Please contact District Governor Richard Waits or DGE
Geraldine Ray



Congratulations Lion Ken! During the February Newell Lions Club meeting Club President Carol McCarthy presented Lion Kenneth Wetz, PCC with a Senior Master award from Lions International for the 25 members he has sponsored during his 36 years of Lionism.

Photo courtesy of Neil Vollmer



Planning a Vision Screening Soon?

Lions in the NE area of District 5 SW can now contact Ipswich Lions Club members Lester or Colleen Forkel to use a club Screening Kit in order to do vision screenings in their area. The Screening Kit is complete with camera, printer, cards and forms all needed to sponsor a vision screening in your community. The suitcase/Vision Screening Kit is provided by the S.D. Lions Foundation and is available by contacting Forkel's at: 605-426-6987 or forkel@valleytel.net

There's no longer a need to go to Pierre or Sioux Falls to pick up a Vision Screening Kit!



Nisland Lions Club Names Peace Poster Contest Winners

Pictured above, Carol McCarthy, Newell Lions Club President presents awards and checks to winners of the Nisland Lions Club Peace Poster Contest. From left winners include: 3rd place - Will Richards, 2nd place - Jorey Clements and 1st place - Ashley Beane. Since Nisland and Newell children attend the same school system in Newell, the Nisland Lions Club sponsors the 12 year old Peace Poster contestants and the Newell Lions Club sponsor the 13 year old contestants.

Photo courtesy of Neil Vollmer

It feels good to be needed... and you certainly are!

Your help is needed to share news of your club projects, service and events during this Covid ordeal. Please share club news and photos along with important information.

Contact Colleen at: forkel@valleytel.net or call 605-426-6987

Upcoming Newsletter Deadline:

May 1st – June Newsletter



Newell Lions Club Sponsors Vision Screening

The Newell Lions Club sponsored a pre-kindergarten vision screening February 23rd in the Newell School. Twenty children were screened and none were referred to an Optometrist for follow-up. Pictured above are mother Abigail Epple with daughter Savanna. PDG Ken Wetz is screening Abigail's daughter Lilyanne.

Photo Courtesy of Donna Wetz



Bits & Pieces



- Sturgis Lions sold pies at Uncle Louie's in Sturgis as a fund raiser to earn money to help fund those in need within their community
- Pierre/Ft. Pierre Lions participated in eye screening for children eligible to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2021
- Ipswich Lions donated \$1500 to the After School Reading Program in Ipswich Public School. These funds help furnish prizes and awards for students as they participate in the school's reading program
- Lead/Deadwood Lions assisted Feeding Deadwood (a local group created during Covid - 19) with food box distribution
- Belle Fourche Lions donated \$100 to Beds in Need; a local non-profit in Belle Fourche that supplies people in need of beds
- A member of the Rushmore Lions Club helped with meal preparation and food distribution sponsored by Feeding South Dakota and Open Heart UMC
- Mobridge Lions hosted bingo in their community to raise funds for scholarships and events
- Presho/Medicine Creek had one Lion member assist the Lyman School District by conducting health checks and selling tickets to a LHS basketball double header
- Newell Lions recently sponsored a Community Blood Drive
- Pierre/Ft. Pierre Lions celebrated St. Patrick's Day with an Irish Stew and potato soup feed where they raised \$550 to help support vision programs
- Lead/Deadwood Lions collected over 300 pairs of glasses for recycling
- Ipswich Lions donated \$250 to the local Post Prom event

(AGENDA , REGISTRATION FORM ATTACHED)

BALLOT

<input type="checkbox"/>	President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 st Vice President
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**ELECT
2021 – 2022
OFFICERS
UPDATE CLUB RECORD
ON LCI**

APRIL 24, 2021

5 SW

DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS

VIRTUAL

9:00 – 11:00 MST 10:00 – 12:00 CST



**YOUR CLUB IS ELIGIBLE FOR
DRAWING OF \$100, \$75, OR
\$50 WHEN PRESIDENT,
SECRETARY, AND TREASURER
ATTEND TRAINING**

5 SW Leadership Training
April 24, 2021
Agenda
(All times shown Mountain Standard Time)

- 9:00 – 9:25:
Welcome --- PDG Lion Tim Brown
- 9:30 – 10:10:
Break Out Rooms
President --- DGE Lion Geraldine Ray
Secretary – DG Lion Richard Waits
Treasurer – PCC Lion Ken Wetz
- 10:15 – 10:20
General Session
PDG Tim Brown
- 10:20 – 10:55
Guest Speaker
Past International Director Pat Vannett
- 10:55
Closing Remarks
PDG Tim Brown

REGISTRATION

Please send the following information to:

Ken Miller – ?????? phone????

Tim Brown – etbrown@rushmore.com phone: 701-830-2162

Name:

Club Name:

Officer Title or Officer Session Attending:
