

Lions Pride



DISTRICT 5SW

Multiple District 5 Convention, May 18-20, 2017



The Torch. Holding the torch at the MD5 convention in Deadwood, District Governor Terry Peterson and his wife Sandie stand with District Governor Elect Tim Brown and his wife Ellen.



Dignitaries. DG's Larry Buntrock of 5SE, Terry Peterson of 5SW, Mark Koller of 5NW, Karen Holmes of 5SKS and Paul Danis of 5SKN meet with International 1st VP Naresh Aggarwal and his wife Navita prior to the Saturday night banquet in Deadwood. (Photo by Lion Sandie Peterson)

Lion Parade Participants, 2017



Independence Day. Piedmont Valley Lions Club members ride in the 4th of July parade through Summerset. (Photo by Lion Matt Pukas)



Convention Parade. District Governor Elect Tim Brown drives his Ford Mustang during the MD5 parade with Lion Sandie Peterson and DG Terry Peterson. (Photo by Lion Kathi Pukas)

The District Governor

hat an honor to be serving as the 5SW District Governor for the coming year. I congratulate all the new club officers and look forward to working with all clubs. As we are celebrating, our 100 years of Lionism it is more important than ever to plan for the future and our next 100 years. This message was loud and clear as I attended the 100 International Convention and received my final training in Chicago at the end of June. Our new Lions International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal demonstrated his enthusiasm and motivation with his plans for Lions throughout the world.

All clubs and members are reminded of our continued work on the Centennial Challenge areas of community projects for vision, hunger, environment, and youth. Two additional areas are now being introduced as worldwide initiatives! These are diabetes and pediatric cancer. Look forward to additional information on how all Lions will serve our communities, states, and world in these important challenges. I hope every club is developing new service projects in their communities to show and celebrate being a Lion!

International President Aggarwal is using our Lions Motto "We Serve" as his theme for the year. I also believe using this theme is where our clubs need to focus. My goals for the year will focus on club service projects in communities and encouraging new members to be involved. 5SW also has many communities without Lions clubs and we need to be certain all towns have the opportunities Lions provide. Look forward to communication from zone chairs to assist clubs in helping with projects. I look forward to my visits and will plan to schedule a time to meet with as many Lions as possible. Please let me know if there is a specific visit time which works best. Make plans for the upcoming Fall Rally being hosted by the Newell Lions Club and let's make this a GREAT YEAR to be a Lion.

Multiple District 5 Awards: Rushmore Lions Club-Club of the Year; Rushmore Lions Club-Best Newsletter.



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- *Piedmont Valley Lions Club decorated a float for the 4th of July parade; bussed tables at the Pizza Ranch.
- *Custer Lions Club knit caps for cancer patients and babies; collected books for the school library; hosted Bunco Night; gave out 2 Melvin Jones Fellowships; donated \$380 for eye exams and glasses for 3 people.
- *Belle Fourche Lions Club completed 4 days of ushering at the 98th Black Hills Roundup Rodeos; participated in the Belle Fourche 4th of July parade; sold burgers, brats, beef sandwiches, chips and pop to people at a local car rally.
- *Eureka Lions Club donated \$750 for the 4th of July fireworks; held a fishing derby for kids; hosted its 27th annual Lion Triathlon at Lake Eureka for 38 people.
- *Buffalo Lions Club conducted a blood drive for 20 people and held its monthly community wide Bingo game.

- *Pierre/Ft. Pierre Lions Club paid for an eye exam; sold food at an Estate auction.
- *Lead/Deadwood Lions Club cleaned up several Wild Bill Days concerts; hosted the Lead & Deadwood Chamber mixer.
- *Newell Lions Club purchased paint, scrapped, primed and painted a home for a local family; agreed to take over the care of the Main Street flower garden; held a pancake supper benefit; sponsored a Father's Day brunch.
- *Ipswich Lions Club sponsored a blood drive on June 28 with 40 donors; served concessions during the Ipswich Trail Days; provided Infant See materials for Avera St. Lukes Hospital.
- *RC Downtown Lions Club assisted with checking ID's for Summer Nights; conducted a 50/50 raffle at a local car race track.
- *Hills City Lions Club served food at a Newcastle auction; served food at a Buffalo Gap auction; gave our 4 \$500 scholarships to local youth.
- *Hot Springs Lions Club assisted in local blood drive with 52 donors; donated \$500 to complete a picnic shelter at Brookside Park; monitored the Lions Mint program.
- *Lemmon Lions Club awarded 3 \$750 scholarships to graduating seniors.



Mobridge Lions Club President Courtney Davis presents Chase Marrowbone and Terri Baker with 2 \$500 scholarships with Lion Jessica Haefner assisting. (Photo by Lion Erica Frey)

- *Onida Wheatland Lions Club donated \$100 for one eye surgery.
- *Rushmore Lions Club watered trees in the Nature Park; hauled new ceiling tiles for the Lions Building; awarded a \$1500 scholarship.
- *Presho Medicine Creek Lions Club helped construct a picnic shelter near the park concession and ball field.



Illinois. Lions gather at LCI headquarters in Oak Brook for the Lion Dedication. PDG Veron Joy, Lion Keith Joy, PDG Al Adrian, 1st VDG Marie Anne Ben, and PID John Daum of Spearfish honor the Lion.



Clean Up. On June 3, eight members of Evening Star Lions Club pick up trash as part of their yearly environmental project near Prairie Market in Rapid City. (Photo by Jimmy Tomich)



Environment, Pierre/Ft. Pierre Lions including, back: Kevin Merscheim, Gary Watzel, Geraldine Ray, Mary Giddings and Colin Keeler; front: Mayor Gloria Hanson, Gayle Merscheim and Dave Kruger plant 2 trees at the Ft. Pierre Volunteer site in June. (Photo by Linda Brown)



Champion. At the Hills City Lion's Club Fishing Derby, May 20, Kelsey Wiese catches the biggest fish and wins a trophy. The Lions Club provided hot dogs, chips, lemonade and cookies to all participants. (Photo by Lion Barbara Tracy)



Money. Custer Lions Club members Lion Susan Parker, Fred Mills (left) and Dusty Dustman (right) donate in June to Custer Storehouse members Marge McColley, Karen, Schlening, Kim Canet, and Joyce Hanel.



District Officers. Front: Bea Gifford-1st VDG, Tim Brown-DG, Linda Volmer-2nd VDG. Back: Dick Waits-Treasurer, Neil Vollmer-Secretary. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)

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Round-em up for 100 years of Lionism

District 5SW Lions 2017 Fall Rally, Oct. 6 in Sturgis; Oct. 7 in Newell

Registration Form:

Name: Lion Lioness Leo Name: Lion Lioness Leo Address City, State, Zip Phone_____ Cell____ Email District____ Lions Club \$55/person Registration before Sept. 1, 2017 Registration after Sept. 1, 2017 \$70/person Registration total Due: Make Checks payable to District 5SW Send registration form to: Lion Linda Vollmer PO Box 33. Newell, SD 57760

Email questions to Lion Linda Vollmer at lvollmer@sdplains.com

Schedule:

<u>Thursday Oct. 5</u>: South Dakota Lions Foundation board meeting in Sturgis.

<u>Friday Oct. 6</u>: 5SW cabinet meeting; Welcome event 7PM at Holiday Inn Express in Sturgis.

Saturday Oct. 7: Fall Rally 9am, Newell City Hall—Motivational speaker Rodeo Clown Duane Reichert; 5SW District Business Meeting; Educational speakers; luncheon at NVN Center (next to City Hall); Governor's Banquet St. Mary's Catholic Church Fellowship Hall.

*Silent auction of items during the rally.

*Live auction of Themed baskets by clubs at the Governor's Banquet

"Ewe" all come to Newell for a Fun and Motivational Time