



Lions Pride



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A Parade. Ipswich Lions Rich Lacher and Larry Stafford drive during the Ipswich High School Homecoming Parade in September. (Photo by Lion Deanne Davis)



Environment. Custer Lions and Custer Leos clean 2 miles near Highway 16 in September. The crew included Reece Smith, Patrick Lickteig, Susan Parker, Sara Thompson, Edi Bryans III and Bruce Doughty. (Photo by Lion Dusty Dustman)



Clean Up. Newell Lions Club members Donna and PCC Ken Wetz work on the Centennial Project flower garden on Main Street in Newell during October. The club took over care of the flowers during this past summer. (Photo by PDG Neil Volmer)



Take a Chance. Lion Ralph Galyen sells a 50/50 ticket to a lucky citizen prior to the evening races at the Black Hills Speedway in Rapid City. The Downtown Lions Club sold tickets at the races during the summer as a significant fund raiser for the club. (Photo by Lion Ron Bunnell)

The District Governor

Happy Holidays to all Lions of 5SW!!! That also means we are approaching the half-way mark to our 100 Centennial Year celebration. It has been rewarding to hear how the Lions of 5SW are celebrating as I have made club visits. Many clubs have accepted the Centennial Challenge for community projects and are working on Legacy projects to remind their communities of Lions' 100 years of service.

Newsletter editor PDG Terry Peterson and I have discussed the idea of our next newsletter being used to showcase that District Centennial Legacy Projects. We ask each club to get a Legacy picture and short story to PDG Lion Terry. Let's brag a little about our Lion's work!!

This can also be a reminder of our District Club Centennial incentive for \$100 to help celebrate. Please work with your Zone Chair to promote a new service project and be sure to invite new potential Lions members. Adding new members for the district will be a priority during the second half of our Lions year.

Please be making your club's plans for attending our 2018 State Convention. The convention is January 19-20 at the Crossroads convention center in Huron. The 5SE hosts are working hard at this time. Be looking for agenda's and we are reminded that the early registration fee is good through December 22. Registration forms are on the back page of this newsletter. Bring club banners and other club memorabilia to help celebrate our 100 years and be motivated for the future. I look forward to seeing you in Huron!

As Lions members, we embrace our Lions Club International purposes, one of which states: "to create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world." As Lions of MD5, we are proud of our international relationship. The history of our MD5 and all we have shared over the past to foster international awareness is something we can all be proud of. It is my hope that the spirit of cooperation and understanding will be the focus of MD5 as we build our relationships and work toward our future and common goals.

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ITS & PIECES

Lions Club Activities

***Gregory** Lions Club sponsored its annual lawn mower races during the summer of '17.

***Clubs** in 5SW will be receiving raffle tickets for the MD5 Treasure Chest for the MD5 Convention in Bismarck in May 2018.

***Eureka** Lions Club participated in the Ipswich High School Homecoming parade and tossed candy.

***Piedmont Valley** Lions Club collected 103 eyeglasses, donated eyeglasses to an individual; screened elementary students in the Black Hills area; served their semi-annual breakfast raising \$900; donated \$460 to the food pantry; bussed tables of the Pizza Ranch, and worked on the trail to Bear Butte summit.

***Lead/Deadwood** Lions Club collected 153 glasses and 3 hearing aids; assisted with Kidweird, donated money to the local food bank.

***Rushmore** Lions Club rang Salvation Army bells in November in Rapid City.

***Hill City** Lions Club served breakfast and lunch for the annual buffalo sale; conducted vision screening for 93 elementary students.

***Ipswich** Lions Club served concessions at volleyball games; provided Infant See materials to Avera/St. Lukes Hospital in Aberdeen; hosted a blood drive in November.

***One** Lions member will be elected from 5SW for the Dakota Lions Sight & Health Board. Notify your club president if interested.

***Newell** Lions Club sold tickets at 3 school events; held a pancake supper benefit for the Delta Dental Bus.

State Lions Convention: The convention is rapidly approaching. The annual event is slated for Huron, Jan 19 and 20. Registration information is included on the back page of this newsletter.

***Onida Wheatland** Lions Club donated funds toward purchase of an electronic message sign for the community; conducted vision screening in Onida.

***Murdo** Lions Club sacked peanuts and candy for kids at the Jones County annual Christmas program.

***Hot Springs** Lions Club donated to the Ski for Life; monitored the Lions Mint program.



***Lion Sheri Denke** of Metro Lions Club wraps a gift as other club members purchased clothes and gifts for a needy family in Rapid City. (Photo by Lion Darryl Moll)

***Downtown** Lions Club participated in the annual Veteran's Day parade in November. 20 Lions from the club attended the parade with some Lions walking and others riding in four convertibles as they gave out \$187 worth of candy to the crowd of people on hand for the event.



A Big One. During the annual Pumpkin Patch sales in October, Lion Greg Ketel of the Rushmore Lions Club looks to sell a pumpkin to a eager customer. (Photo by Lion PDG Terry Peterson)



Ah, Soup! Evening Star Lions Paula Hohn, Joyce Speck, Ariel Rudland and Sheryl Logan ladle soup for hungry customers at their annual soup supper on Oct. 28 at Canyon Lake Methodist Church in Rapid City.. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



A Gathering. McLaughlin Lions Lori and Dave Wutske, Diane Anderson, Tate Rau, Kaci Lewis, Linda Martel, and Mickey Huber attend the "Blind Dinner" at the Lemmon Lions Club on Nov. 7. The McLaughlin Lions donated \$200 to Leader Dog after the event.



Dinner. Murdo Lions Club hosts it annual Thanksgiving dinner in the Jones County cafeteria as they prepare 11 turkeys for 50 people. Lion Larry Ball and his sons Spencer and Tyler Ball, Lions Seth Geigle and John Iverson and kitchen assistant Beth Feddersen worked the event. (Photo by Lion Tim Hochhalter)



Donation. Lead/Deadwood Lions Dori Hanson and James Griffith, club president give a \$250 check to Sharon Narem-director of the Lord's Cupboard, a local food pantry. (Photo by Lion Sharon Martinisko)



Poster contest. District Peace Poster winners include 2nd place Lily Sneesby of Spearfish held by PDG Ken Gifford, 1st place Rheanna Page of Piedmont Valley held by DG Tim Brown, and 3rd place Cassia Andren of Eureka held by Lion Jim Treloar. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)

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South Dakota State Lions Convention

Jan. 19-20, 2018 Crossroads Convention Center, 100 4th St SW, Huron, SD

Registration Form:

Name: _____ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___

Name: _____ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Lions Club _____ District _____

Registration by Dec. 22, 2017 \$85/person _____

Registration by Jan. 15, 2018 \$90/person _____

Registration on day of convention \$95/person _____

Will you be here for social Friday Eve. Yes ___ No ___

Non registered guests/Sat. Lunch \$20, Sat. banquet 6PM \$30/person

Total _____

Mail registration form to **SD State Lions Convention 2018, Huron Noon Lions, PO Box 799, Huron, SD 57350**

All checks payable to **SD State Lions Convention 2018**

Lodging Accomodations:

A. Crossroads Hotel 100 4th St. 605-352-3204 (50 rooms available until Jan. 4) \$85.99

B. Best Western 2000 Dakota Ave. S 605-352-2000 \$85.00

C. Quality Inn 100 21st St. 605-352-6655 \$84.00

D. Super 8 2189 Dakota Ave. S 605-352-0740 \$75.00

E. Dakota Inn 924 4th St NE 605-352-1400 \$99.01

(When you register, please indicate you are part of the Lions Convention to ensure discounted rates.)

Is this your first convention? Yes ___ No ___

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Do you have any special needs _____

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