

5SW LIONS' PRIDE

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Club Activities



Belle Fourche Lions are doing their part to improve the environment. This unit is located next to one of the towns grocery stores in a very visible location. A handy looking unit.

(Photo by Neil)



Mobridge Lions Club recently sponsored the 2018 Mobridge Snow Queen contest. (Pictured L-R) Lion Shantel Stambach, Lion Haley Nickels, Lion Collete Ducheneaux, Sr Queen Haley Borah, Jr Queen Maya Nobles, Lion Erica Frey, Lion Jessie Haefner, Lion Courtney Davis.

(Photo by Courtney Davis)



Ipswich Lions Club makes donation. Club Pres. Larry Stafford presenting a check for \$1500 to the Ipswich School Reading Program. (photo by Lion Colleen Forkel)



Newell Lions Club hosted District Governor Bea Gifford for her visit. During the program, a Centennial Recruiting Pin was presented to Lion Betty Bruner. Club Pres. Ken Wetz looks on.

(Photo by Neil Vollmer)



Club Activities



Elaine Hendrickson, Hill City Lion, getting an award from District Governor Bea Gifford for 40 years of membership. This was at Hill City Lions Clubs Christmas party.



Guiding Lion Training: Recently, Lion Ken Wetz presented training for Rapid City Area Lions. From left, Donna Wetz, Newell, Jim Treloar, Doug Scheller, Richard Waits (all of Rapid City), Bob Lowrey, Hill City, Ron Bunnell, Rapid City and Stan Hohn of Rapid City.

(Photo by Linda Vollmer)



Lemmon Lions members Mike Lyon and Dave Anderson had a busy evening selling tickets and raising funds at the Lions Club's annual Turkey Jamboree on November 10th.

(Photo by LaQuita Shockley)



Miller Lions Club and Miller Girls Scouts recently conducted a food drive. Enough food was donated that they were able to make up 41 food boxes to help local residents have a better holiday season.

(Photo by Laine Warkenthien)



The SD Lions Foundation recently held a West River Summit in Rapid City. Pictured are Richard Drabek, Arlene Moll, Jim Treloar, Kyle Krause, Geraldine Ray and Jan Endes. Other attendees were Joyce Drabek, Bea Gifford, Ken Gifford, Linda Vollmer and Neil Vollmer. SDLF Executive Director Jennifer Sigette conducted the event.

(Photo by Neil)



Merry Christmas District 5SW Lions

Great news!!! Lion LaQuita (Keeta) Shockley of the Lemmon Lions Club has agreed to publish our Lions Pride newsletter. "Thank you Keeta". PCC Terry Peterson did a wonderful job as our newsletter publisher, but now we must sadly move on. The newsletter will be published every other month (6 copies per year). We are excited to work with Keeta knowing that her professional background as publisher of Lemmon's Dakota Herald gives her the expertise needed for this project. PDG Neil Vollmer is currently serving as out district Public Relations Chairperson and will be assisting Keeta with the newsletter. Clubs are encouraged to send photos (with description) and news articles to PDG Neil Vollmer, P.O. Box 33, Newell, SD 57760, or email at lvollmer@sdplains.com.

SAVE THE DATE for all Lions in district 5SW. Our annual Lions State Convention is coming up soon. The date is January 18-19, 2019, in Spearfish. The registration form with dates and hotel information is included in this issue. You can also find all details on our district website. I strongly encourage you to register now and show your support for our district Lions. PID John Daum and his convention committee are currently putting the final program details together for what will be an outstanding convention. The committee has assured us it will be a time for you to laugh, learn, and enjoy the Lions fellowship. Please come join us in Spearfish.

As your District Governor I have been very busy with club visits and I am finding that you are all actively involved in a wide variety of community and charitable service projects. You truly are meeting our mission of WE SERVE and are making a difference in so many good ways. Keep up the good work.

An ongoing challenge for all of us is to increase our club membership. We all know our member numbers are in decline so each of us needs to invite prospective members to our club. We know that there are prospective members in our community who would welcome the opportunity to be a Lion knowing that their efforts help their community in many ways. All we need to do is ASK.

The annual Lions Peace Poster contest was held last month. The 5 SW winner was a student from Newell sponsored by the Newell Lions Club. The MD5 winner was from the Regina Beach Lions Club, Sask. A special thank you goes out to all of our district entrees.

The District 5SW Governor's Team wishes you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Best wishes to everyone in 2019.

**5SW District Governor
Bea Gifford**



Lion LaQuita Shockley met with District Governor Bea Gifford to discuss the publication of our Lions' Pride newsletter

Rushmore Lions have put up a "Little Free Library" in their Rushmore Lions Nature Park. 3 Lions put in 6 hours on the project.

Custer Lions help their LEO Club with a Chili Supper and Bingo night. 100 people served.

Ipswich Lions sponsored the local Blood Drive. 8 Lions put in 44 hours and 53 units of blood were collected.

Eureka Lions provided treats for school kids, nursing home and assisted living residents. 112 people served.

Piedmont Valley Lions repaired Lions signs on the highway. 8 Lions put in 48 hours on the project.

Belle Fourche Lions screened 236 Elementary children at their school. 5 Lions put in 18 hours.

Rapid City Evening Lions sponsored the KidSight Van in the Veterans Day Parade.

Murdo Lions provided Thanksgiving Dinner. 47 folks attended. 3 Lions worked 8 hours.

Chamberlain Lions made a donation to Leader Dog.

Hill City Lions helped park cars at a 10K event. 4 Lions worked the event.

Newell Lions sponsored Flu Shots. 5 Lions put in 10 hours.

Corn Hole Tournament – January 17th. Thursday evening of the State Lions Convention.



Good Day, 5SW Lions:

As you may have read in other parts of this Newsletter, I recently was appointed to be the District Public Relations Chairperson. This includes the Newsletter Editor. Lion LaQuita Shockley, a Lemmon Lion, and I will be working together to publish the Newsletter.

BUT: YOUR help is needed. We need PICTURES. Pictures of your Club doing "Service to Others" or doing some other fun things. Any type of Lions related event. As Lion Terry Peterson had required, tell me what the event is, the names of the folks in the picture and who took the picture.

As for how to get pictures to me, email them to me at lvollmer@sdplains.com or text them to me at 1-605-490-0386.

PLEASE HELP US to make our Newsletter fun to receive and read.

Lion Neil



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____ Lion ____ Lioness ____ Leo ____ Guest
Club _____ District _____
Phone _____ Email _____
Address _____
City _____ Prov/State _____ Zip _____

2. Name _____
____ Lion ____ Lioness ____ Leo ____ Guest
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Registration Fees in American Dollars

Before Nov. 1st _____ @ \$90.00 = _____
Before Jan. 1st _____ @ \$95.00 = _____
At Convention _____ @ \$100.00 = _____
(Walk In)

TOTAL AMOUNT = _____

Make check payable to: Spearfish Lions Club

Mail Registration form and check to:

2019 5SW/5SE STATE CONVENTION
C/O SPEARFISH LIONS CLUB
P O BOX 503
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