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New Officers. Incoming district officers include Lion Neil Vollmer-Secretary, 1st VDG Linda Vollmer, DG Bea Gifford and 2nd VDG/Treasurer Richard Waits. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



Magic Moment. During the MD5 convention, PCC Eunice Cameron, PDG Ken Gifford, DGE Bea Gifford and DG Tim Brown wrap up the red jacket ceremony. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



Passing the Gavel. At the conclusion of the MD5 convention, the incoming Council Chair Keith Zeuschel from 5NE takes over the Multiple District from Council Chair Terry Peterson. (Photo by Lion Sandie Peterson)



Memorial Service. Evening Star Lions gather at the Rushmore Lions Nature Park on May 31 to dedicate a park bench and memorial plaque to Lion Marilyn Fischer, long time Evening Star Lion who passed away last year. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)

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Greetings fellow Lions of District 5SW. "Viva Las Vegas" - What a great International Lions Convention. You know that old saying, "What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas." Not this time!! I want to share all the exciting news from LCI.

The most exciting was the installation of our first ever female International President, Lion Gudrun Yngvadottir from Iceland. Her theme for the year is WE SERVE. IP Gudrun comes from a country that is surrounded by water, so Lions of 5SW let's follow her example and chart our course by sailing to new horizons within each of our clubs as we work to welcome both males and females into Lionism.

It's an exciting time to be a Lion with our new Lions' programs that will be highlighted this year. For now I'll mention a few and spend more time on each as we go along.

"My Lion" is our new LCI website which is replacing MyLCI at the end of 2019. I will continue to share information about the GAT (Global Action Team), consisting of Leadership, Membership and Service. Global Service continues to work with LCIF and the new campaign "Campaign 100" intends to raise \$300 million worldwide over the next three years.

We will see a renewed emphasis on the importance of Leo Clubs and their role in strengthening Lionism throughout our world. These young members are the future of our organization. A Leo will sit on our cabinet this year to give input from the perspective of young Lions and will be active at our Fall Rally and State Convention. I encourage each of your clubs to consider sponsoring a Leo Club in its community. Are we up to the challenge? I believe we are!

"New Voices" is a new program designed to promote female membership, which is one of my goals for this year. We will strive to increase our female membership by 7% in 5SW by the end of the year.

I am proud and honored to serve as your District Governor this year. I want to thank so many Lions for their never ending support, including our 2 VDGs, Linda Vollmer and Richard Waits, cabinet members, committee and zone chairs. I look forward to beginning my club visitations and learn more about all of your communities. Please remember: **Oct. 5-6 Fall Rally** in Hills City; **Jan. 18-19 State Convention** in Spearfish.



***Piedmont Valley** Lions Club helped the Boy Scouts pick up trash along the highways, donated book marks to the local library and worked in the local church garden.

***Lead-Deadwood** Lions Club collected 150 pairs of glasses and delivered food to 7 families; cleaned up after the Wild Bill Days concert on Main street; delivered food to the Lord's Cup-board.

***Ipswich** Lions Club provided Infant SEE materials to St. Lukes Hospital, served popcorn for the Ipswich High School play, and sold concessions for a local track meet.

***Newell** Lions Club held a pancake supper for the senior citizen's center and gave a \$300 scholarship to a Newell High School senior.

***Belle Fourche** Lions Club sold food at the "All Car Rally"; collected aluminum cans; donated \$200 to the local food pantry; conducted vision screening at a local day care.

***Buffalo** Lions Club conducted Bingo games and cleaned highway ditches.

***Hills City** Lions Club sold food at an auction.

***Rushmore** Lions Club conducted vision screening at Canyon Lake daycare.

***Presho Medicine Creek** Lions club donated an eye exam and glasses to 1 person; raised \$1000 from their annual Hoop Shoot; cleaned ditches along I-90; celebrated their 50th anniversary; did vision screening for 70 Lyman preschool children.



A Check. Presho Medicine Creek Lions President Angela Ehlers and 1st VP Mike Sprenger present a \$100 donation to Lois Comp (middle) of the Food Pantry in Presho.

The Fall Rally is coming up Oct. 5-6 in Hills City. The Registration form is on the back of this newsletter. [Plan on attending!](#)

Convention: At the International Convention in Las Vegas Lions greeted the new International President, Gudrun Yngvadottir of Iceland. Her theme this year is New Horizons with the emphasis on going beyond our comfort zone, trying new things, new service projects and being different. The New Voices initiative was introduced celebrating the contributions made by women to Lions Clubs. Also, Brian Sheehan of Bird Island, Minnesota was elected as 3rd International Vice President. **Pat Vannett, International Director**



Juicer. President Nathan Chicoine and Lion Sheri Sutton prepare orange juice for the Downtown Lions Club's annual breakfast to support the Rapid City Children's Choir on April 29. (Photo by Lion Ron Bunnell)



Dark food. Newell Lions Club members Carol McCarthy, Elaine Hewson, Troy Hewson and Veron McCarthy enjoy Dining in the Dark. The club served 41 participants and raised \$950 for Leader Dog. (Photo by PDG Neil Vollmer)



We Serve. Custer Lions and 12 Custer Wild Leos hold a service project on May 3 at the Custer Elementary School by serving food and monitoring family projects at the school.



Supper Gathering. Ipswich Lions Club meets with the students and staff of the School for the Blind and Visually Handicapped in Aberdeen. The club donated \$1000 to the school and served them supper that evening in May.



Rapid City. Metro Lions Daryl Moll, Ashley Burkhead, Arlene Moll, Norm and Sherry Denke and Rushmore Lion Stan Hohn gather for the Walk for Wishes on May 19.



Shooting Stars. Faulkton Area Lions Club provides safety glasses for 22 students who participated in the local 4-H shooting events. Faulkton Lions who gathered with the students include Jim and Virgie Wagner (holding a container of glasses), Joyce & Jim Nilles, Teresa Bohn, Jim Moritz, and Linda Bartholomew. (Photo by Lion Judy Moritz)

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2018 Fall Rally... Hills City, SDOctober 5-6, 2018

Registration:

Name _____ () Lion () Lioness () Leo () Guest

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Address: _____ City: _____

State/Province: _____ Zip: _____ Club: _____ District: _____

H. Phone: _____ C. Phone: _____ Email: _____

Highest Office held in Lions: _____

Note: Full registration fees include Friday evening social and meal, Saturday morning breakfast, Saturday lunch, Saturday evening banquet. Additional individual meal tickets can be purchased below.

_____ Full Registration @ \$75. \$ _____

_____ Friday Evening meal @ \$25 \$ _____

Total Registration: \$ _____

_____ Saturday Breakfast @ 8. \$ _____

_____ Saturday Lunch @ \$16. \$ _____

_____ Saturday Banquet @ \$25. \$ _____

Make checks payable to "2018 Lions Fall Rally". Send this form and check to **PDG Ken Gifford, Treasurer**, 4726 Steamboat Circle, Rapid City, SD 57702. Full refunds may be requested up to 7 days prior to the event. Refunds limited to 50% may be requested from 7 days prior to the rally up to no later than 7 days after the rally. Contact PDG Ken Gifford for questions at 605-484-6609 or kbgifford@midco.net.

Hotel accommodations: Super 8— \$69.00 + tax, 109 Main Street, Hill City, SD 605-574-4141; Comfort Inn— \$144 + tax, 12454 Old Hill City Road, Hill City, SD 605-574-3939. (The room rates will be held until Sept 14 at the Super 8 & Aug. 15 at the Comfort Inn)

Event Locations: Friday night beginning at 5PM at Hoffman Antique Barn, 2.5 miles south of Hill City on Hwy 385 on the left side of the road as you drive south. Saturday events will be held at the High Country Guest Ranch, 4 miles west of Hill City on the Deerfield Road. Registration and Breakfast begin at 8 AM.