



Lions Pride

D I S T R I C T 5 S W



Top Dog. International Director Alan Lundgren from Arizona speaks to assembled Lions at the Saturday evening banquet during the SD State Lions Convention in Huron. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



Afternoon Speaker. Lion Robyn Tyler talks to assembled Lions at the SD State Lions Convention in Huron on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 20 about Diabetes awareness. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



Exec. Speaking after the noon luncheon on January 20 at the South Dakota State Lions Convention in Huron, Lion Jennifer Sigette talks about what the SD Lions Foundation has accomplished so far this year and what lies ahead for the Foundation. She hoped for more club participation in vision screening and also contributions to support the Foundation. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



Years of Service. Faulkton Area Lions receive membership awards. Those receiving awards include Lion Jim Nilles-35 years, Lion Virgene Wagner-20 years, and Judy Dixon-20 years. Not pictured, Mickie Hansen-20 years and Jim Moritz-40 years of service. (Photo by Lion Linda Bartholomew)

The District Governor

Hello Lions of 5SW and our first newsletter of 2018! That also means that our Lions' year is half over and I hope everyone has made good progress on their club goals. Please continue to focus on Centennial Projects to leave a lasting legacy in your community. We ask that each club share the legacy project with newsletter editor Lion Terry so all clubs can see the work begin done around the district.

Our 2018 Lions State Convention just concluded in Huron. A good group of Lions from across the state enjoyed the education, fellowship and friendship. Our international director, Lion Alan Lundgren from Arizona, certainly provided motivation to continue our service work as Lions.

We learned that 5SW has added 30 new members so far this year! However the district has also lost 34 members, so we are down 4 for the Lion year. Please work hard to add members during the remaining year. Remember that new service projects which show potential members the valuable work Lions do in our communities really can encourage new Lions to join.

At the 5SW business meeting, we elected two new members to the SD Lions Foundation. Congratulations to Lion Geraldine Ray of Pierre/Ft. Pierre Lions and Lion Les Forkel of Ipswich Lions. Rushmore Lion Steve Horner was also elected to the Dakota Sight & Health.

Our next opportunity to join fellow Lions will be the Multiple District Convention in Bismarck, ND, May 17-19. Be looking for details and a registration form is on the back of this newsletter.

It's a new year. Is your Lions club meeting the current needs of your community? Lions Clubs International has a tool called **Club Quality Initiative** to help your club determine current needs. The Initiative asks every Lion, What Should We be Doing? It provides us with a tool to look at what we are doing in an objective way. Let us consider new ideas and new ways to doing old things.

International Director Pat Vannett



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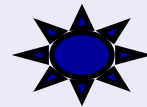
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Lions Club Activities

***Presho-Medicine Creek** Lions Club sold 100 football books to raise money for the club, provided an eye exam and glasses for a local resident and co-sponsored a drug awareness seminar for local school students.

***20 Downtown** Lions Club members participated in the Veteran's Day parade; the club celebrated its 96th anniversary.

***Custer** Lions Club prepped for the Christmas Light parade; donated to the holiday gift baskets for the Ministerial Club; sponsored Bunco night; knit caps for cancer patients and preemies.

***Eureka** Lions Club donated \$75 to the Leonardo fund, \$100 to Dakota Sight & Health, \$100 to the SD Lions Foundation, \$250 to Leader Dog.

***Evening Star** Lions Club placed a memorial bench in the Lions Nature Park in memory of Lion Marilyn Fischer; participated in the Parade of Homes; assisted with the Veteran's Day program at Minneluzahan Center.

***Buffalo** Lions Club held community wide Bingo on November 18.

***Belle Fourche** Lions Club collected cans from its recycle box.

***Rushmore** Lions Club setup diabetes screening for its upcoming pancake breakfast; repaired the Lions Storage shed; rang bells for the Salvation Army; helped with vision screening at various schools in the Rapid City area.

***Onida-Wheatland** Lions Club prepared popcorn for its annual Parade of Lights program in Onida in December.

MD5 Convention: The convention is rapidly approaching. The convention will be held in Bismarck, ND May 17-19. Registration information is included on the back page of this newsletter.

***Murdo** Lions Club donated \$500 to the Jones County Food Bank, \$200 to Leader Dog, \$100 to the SD Lions Foundation; held its annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the school, and presented two \$500 scholarships.

***Ipswich** Lions Club sold concessions at volleyball and football games; provided Infant See materials to Avera St. Lukes Hospital in Aberdeen.

***Hills City** Lions Club served breakfast and lunch at the annual Buffalo auction; screened 93 students.

***Gregory** Lions Club collected 560 glasses and a hearing aid to send to the SD Lions Foundation office in Rapid City.



Ipswich Lions President Les Forkel presents a check for \$1250 to Lion Jennifer Sigette of the SD Lions Foundation. (Photo by Lion Sylvia Davis)

***Miller** Lions Club promoted diabetes awareness in local communities and presented a program at Miller High School on "Living with diabetes."



The Van. The Kidsight van is available for use by any Lions Club in 5SW and club members are encouraged to consider driving the van in local parades throughout the year. Contact Pinky Horner at 605-390-1906 if any club would like to use the van in a parade or special community event. We need to promote the SD Lions Foundation vision screening efforts. (Photo by Lion PDG Terry Peterson)



Breakfast. Piedmont Valley Lions hosts its semi-annual breakfast on October 1 in Piedmont. Lions and Boy Scouts met during the breakfast including Lion Ted Pukas of Piedmont Valley, scout Aiden Stietz, Lion Pat Licktieg of Custer Lions, Lion Edie Dustman of Custer, Lion Kathi Pukas of Piedmont, scout Slade Keirleber, Lion Dusty Dustmann of Custer, and scout Weston Neuenschwander.



The Shelter. Presho-Medicine Creek Lions gather at the shelter they helped build as part of the club's legacy project near the baseball diamond in Presho.



Parade. The Veteran's Day parade in Rapid City features members of the Downtown and Metro Lions Club marching. The group also handed out candy from donations by the Downtown and Rushmore Lions Club. (Photo by Lion Ron Bunnell)



Sanding and Painting. Lion Edie Dustman, Luke Bryans, and LEO Edi Bryans III, do finish work on the Custer Wild Leo Club Legacy Project. The Buddy Bench, designed by LEO Autumn Swedin, brought the Custer Leos together to finish the project. (Photo by Lion Dusty Dustman)



Christmas. Murdo Lions Club members Rob Kaiser, Doc Kinsley, Brian O'Reilly, Jimm Butt, Kit Tolich, and Kevin Moore sack candy for the Murdo Elementary School Christmas program on December 14. (Photo by Lion Tim Hochhalter)

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Lions of MD 5 Convention

May 17-19, 2018 Radisson Hotel, 605 East Broadway Ave., Bismarck, North Dakota

Registration Form:

Name: _____ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___
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Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____ Cell _____
Email _____
Lions Club _____ District _____
Registration by March 1, 2018 \$135/person _____
Registration by May 1, 2018 \$145/person _____
Registration on day of convention \$160/person _____
Golf Tournament-Thursdays \$55/person _____
Total _____

Mail registration form to **2018 MD5 Convention, c/o Mandan Lions Club, PO Box 422, Mandan, ND 58554**

All checks payable to **2018 MD5 Convention**. Pay with Credit Card:
Credit Card # _____ Expiration Date _____
CVS Code _____ Billing Zip Code _____

Lodging Accommodations:

Radisson Hotel, 605 East Broadway Ave, Bismarck, ND . 701-255-6000. The room rate is guaranteed until May 1, 2018 at **\$109 per night plus taxes**. Ask for Lions' Convention rate. **Refund Policy:** Refunds of convention fees shall be requested through Lion Brandie Lang, PO Box 422, Mandan, ND until June 30, 2018. After that date, contact MD5 Treasurer Kevin Vannett, 1101 Sunset Dr., Mandan, ND 58554. No refunds will be granted 60 days or more after the convention.

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Service Project Day Thursday

Cook and Serve "The Banquet" for the homeless and lonely. We will prepare and serve an evening meal for 500 at Trinity Lutheran Church.

30 Volunteers needed. If interested in helping indicate below:

Name _____

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