



# Lions Pride

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**Food.** Evening Star Lions Bev Drabek, Brenda Fauth, Mary Jane Chiles, Joyce Speck, Sandie Peterson and Cheryl Logan offer their baked goods to the Rapid City Regional Hospital staff on Feb. 13. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



**Award.** Larry Ottenbacher of Modern Woodmen presents Ipswich Lions Helen Jacobs, Larry Stafford and Dianne Stafford with the Hometown Hero Award for the Lions Club. (Photo by Pam Ottenbacher)



**Donation.** Piedmont Valley Lions presents the Piedmont Valley Food Pantry with \$460. Club members, back: Kathi Pukas, Burt LeCates, and Ted Pukas; Les Rice-right, present the check. Last year Piedmont Valley Lions distributed 80 food packages to the needy during Christmas. (Photo by Leota Quam)



**Christmas Lion.** Custer Lions Club participated in the annual Custer Christmas Parade. Eight Lions and three Leos worked together to build the float for the parade. (Photo by Lion Dusty Dustman)

## The District Governor

**H**ello to all the Lions of 5SW! As I am finishing my club visits to the 33 clubs in our district, I can not say enough about the GREAT service work every club does in its community. As I have challenged each club during my visit, let's finish our Centennial Year by embracing our Lions International President's theme of "We Serve" by adding one new service project before the June 30 end of the Lions year. As your club is finishing its centennial legacy projects, please share the news locally and send a photo to our newsletter editor, PDG Terry Peterson.

The other area I ask each club to focus on these last 3 months of the Lions year is membership. Please take the opportunity of your service projects to invite potential members to help and see your Lions in action. Our district is "holding our own" with membership at 806 Lions. Last year at this time we had 807 members, so this is the year we can increase! Just think-if every club could add just one member what a difference it would make. Make April membership month and help 5SW finish the year with more members to help with more service projects in every community.

Please know your District Leadership is willing to help any club in any way. I, District Governor Elect Lion Bea Gifford or 1st Vice District Governor Elect Lion Linda Vollmer can assist with any club activities. Just contact us. Look forward to new officer training. Details and locations will be sent out soon. We ask each club to put their officer teams together ASAP and forward that officer information to the District Secretary Lion Neil Vollmer and to Lion Galen Jones for inclusion in the new directory. **Thanks again for being a Lion!**

**W**e're turning 50! Since 1968, LCIF has supported the service of Lions worldwide through grant funding. Our foundation enables some of the largest impact humanitarian efforts that Lions undertake. Do you have a reason for why you donate to LCIF? If you answered "yes", LCIF would love to hear from you. Share your story at [www.lcif.org/EN/news-media/share-story.php](http://www.lcif.org/EN/news-media/share-story.php). **International Director Pat Vannett**

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## ITS & PIECES

### Lions Club Activities

\***McLaughlin** Lions Club served food for citizens at the McLaughlin Theatre on Super Bowl Sunday; contributed \$500 to the McLaughlin theatre.

\***Nisland** Lions Club worked on its park shelter this past fall.

\***Hills City** Lions Club sponsored the Re-charter for the Hills City Boy Scout troop.

\***Ipswich** Lions Club donated gift cards for groceries to 2 families; served popcorn for the Ipswich School's Christmas party; ran concessions for basketball games; provided Infant See materials to Avera St. Lukes Hospital; donated \$2500 to the Tiger Post After School program; donated \$500 for after school student snacks; hosted a blood drive; donated \$500 to school for student rewards program.

\***Custer** Lions Club paid for a lens replacement for a cataract patient; counseled individuals on medicare; donated \$200 to WEAVE and \$300 to the Custer YMCA.

\***Newell** Lion Club donated \$819 to Dental Mobile.

\***Rushmore** Lions Club assisted at the Goodwill Christmas party; collected eyeglasses in Rapid City; assisted with vision screening at local schools; held its annual pancake breakfast for the Black Hills Works.

\***Eureka** Lions Club distributed grocery store gift cards to 10 families and gave Christmas gifts to needy children.

\***Presho Medicine Creek** Lions Club provided diabetes awareness brochures for the Stanley-Jones Clinic; donated to the LCIF Measles project.

\***Evening Star** Lions Club collected shampoo and other items for the Norton House elderly; assisted with the Salvation Army toy distribution; assisted the elderly with activities at Minneluzahan Senior Center; created gift bags for the SDSMT Sorority; created center pieces for the WOD Girl Scouts; cut cardboard pumpkins for Black Hills Works.

\***Piedmont Valley** Lions Club wrapped gifts at the Piedmont Valley food pantry; bussed tables at the Pizza Ranch; assisted with vision screening at Black Hawk Elementary.

\***Pierre/Ft. Pierre** Lions Club read print materials to tape for visually impaired; paid for eye exams and glasses; donated to the Pierre Area Referral Service for Holiday meals; read to elementary age youth.



**Lion Jim Wagner** and the Faulkton Area Lions Club donate \$300 worth of food to the Tri-County Good Sam Samaritan Center in Redfield. **(Photo by Lion Linda Bartholomew)**

\***Lead Deadwood** Lions Club helped with food bank deliveries; shopped for gifts for Christmas families.

\***Murdo** Lions Club sold tickets at the Jones County Invitational Basketball Tournament; held two Bingo Nights.





**In the Zone.** Club members from Zone 4 clubs get together for a breakfast meeting at Mt. Rushmore. Most of the meeting focused on the Fall Rally scheduled for Oct. 5-6 in Hills City. (Photo by Lion Ken Miller)



**Donate.** Downtown Lions Ken Miller, Dennis Schaar, and Nathan Chicoine ring bells for the Salvation Army at Family Fare East in Rapid City in late November. (Photo by Lion Ron Bunnell)

## Treasure Chest Raffle

The Multiple District 5 Convention will be in Bismarck, ND in May. All clubs are asked to donate some type of item—a gift card, a local item, a collection of items or anything else to the Treasure Chest. Please send the items with the D.G. or someone else coming to Bismarck.

Money earned from the raffle will be donated to each district and used for a youth related project. Please help us with the MD 5 raffle!



**B-I-N-G-O!** Murdo Lions Club hosts Bingo Night at the Jones County Senior Citizens Center on February 7 with a Blackout jackpot of \$400, which was won by Tammy Van Dam. (Photo by Lion Brian O'reilly)



**Decisions, Decisions.** Lion Rick Brady discusses the quality of the pancakes with Lion Kevin Albers at the Rushmore Lions 57th annual pancake breakfast on Feb. 25. The club served 549 people with the proceeds being matched by Modern Woodmen and donated to the Black Hills Works. (Photo by PDG Terry Peterson)



**Poster winners** Peace poster contest winners from the Piedmont Valley Lions Club include, front 6th graders Rheanna Page (District 5SW winner), and Brooklyn Brant. Back, 5th grade winners Azlyn Peterson, Connor Schmidt, and Aniyah Britton. (Photo by PDG Ted Pukas)

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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 \_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lion \_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
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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 \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_