

District 6SE Convention

The Abbey Events Center

Cañon City, Colorado

April 22-23, 2016

Statistics:

Ninety-seven Lions of a district of 644 Lions attended the convention.

Dinner Meeting – April 22nd

DG Joe Rall hosted a very fun evening on Friday with the “Tonight Show” as a format. He presented gifts to his international guest ID Linda Tincher and her partner in service PDG Vernon

Saturday Morning Opening Session – April 23rd

The morning session was called to order at 9:05 am. PDG Rick Calhoun gave the invocation. Boy Scout Troop 128 presented the colors. The pledge was led by 1st VDG Cathy Valenzuela. Lion Bob Flynn led the singing by playing “American the Beautiful” on the piano. The international flag power point was presented by Lions Corky and Pat Carlson. The group was then welcomed by DG Joe. Lion Brenda Rall explained how the first timers contest would work. Lion Bryan Cooper then explained where to find the Rules and Procedures in the program.

Nominations for elected offices and convention host was then presented by the nominations chairman, Lion PCC Ron Smith. They were as follows:

1. District Governor for 6SE: 1st VDG Cathy Valenzuela
2. 1st Vice District Governor: none – there were no nominations from the floor.
3. 2nd Vice District Governor: none – there were no nominations from the floor.
4. Colorado Kidsight Board Trustee: Lions PCC Don Rose and Lion Donna Selle
5. Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank Board of Directors – Lion Joanne Cooke
6. Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation Board of Directors: none – no nominations from the floor.

Seconding speeches were given for each of the nominations.

Question and Answer Session with ID Linda Tincher:

ID Linda gave the Lions the highlights of the last board meeting. She answered questions from the Lions and was extremely informative and enlightening.

Celebration of Life

PDG Rick Calhoun with help from Lion Bob Flinn on the organ presented a moving and lovely ceremony honoring our Lions which passed away this last year. It was a fine way to honor these Lions.

Credential certification and voting was then done from 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm. Sixteen clubs of the twenty-nine had members certify. Thirty-seven out of sixty-six delegate cast ballots. Thirty-seven credentials were signed certified by Cabinet Secretary PCC Ron Smith. (see attachment 3). Thirty-seven ballots were given out and thirty-seven ballots were counted by the election committee which were Lion Suzanne Cooper and Lion Luci Reimer.

Luncheon: Lunch was served and during the meal the district speech contest was given. Chairperson Lion Denny Blevins introduced all six contestants. This is the most contestants we have had for the speech contest. The speeches were very inspiring to see what these students had to say. The subject this year was, "What can be done to inspire young people to be more willing to serve their communities."

Afternoon Session:

Lion DG Joe called the session back to order at 2:30 pm

Updates from the various Colorado state project were given including:

Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank – Executive Director – Lion Ed Jacobs

Colorado Lions Camp - Director Sharon Nickerson

Colorado Kidsight – Director Holly Rutherford Allan

Ensign –

Colorado Lions Foundation – Trustee, Lion Bryan Cooper

Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation – Lion Fred Trimmer

As part of his presentation, Lion Fred made a motion to approve the LCIF grant for the institute. It is LCIF Grant # GA140084. The motion was seconded and it was approved. This grant will go toward our commitment to furnish 10 examination rooms at the RMLEI.

The convention was suspended until dinner

The convention was reconvened at 6:00 pm

Evening Banquet

Dinner was served and after dinner, DG Joe handed out awards to people in his district who felt were instrumental to his year. Presidential Certificates were given to Lion Suzanne Cooper, Brenda Rall, Dennis Blevins and PCC Dr. Ron Smith.

First timer awards were given out by Lion Brenda Rall

Election results were read by Lion Suzanne Cooper – see attachment 1

A very nice presentation to the Lions was given by ID Linda Tincher.

Resolutions were read by PCC Dr. Ron Smith – see attachment 2

Lion District Governor Joe adjourned the convention at 9:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

PCC Dr. Ron Smith

Cabinet Secretary, District 6SE

ATTACHEMENT 1 - ELECTION

For District Governor of 6SE – Lions year 2016-2017

1stVDG Cathy Valenzuela: Yes - 37, No - 0

For 1st Vice District Governor

Vacant

For 2nd Vice District Governor

Vacant

For Colorado Kidsight Board Trustee

Lion PCC Don Rose: Yes – 11, No - 25

Lion Donna Selle: Yes – 25, No - 11

One ballot invalid (voted for both candidates)

For Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank Director

Lion Joanne Cook: Yes – 33, No - 4

For Rocky Mountain Lion Eye Institute Foundation Trustee

Vacant

ATTACHMENT 2:

Resolutions: District 6SE Convention, April 22-23, 2016. Cañon City, Colorado

Be it resolved that the Lions and Leos of District 6SE met at the Abbey Events Center for their 24th annual convention April 22nd and 23rd, 2016.

And whereas the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park provided excellent facilities and food for the Friday night dinner and Tonight Show the Lions and Leos say job well done.

Be it further resolved that the Lions and Leos of District 6SE wish to thank PDG Corky Carlson and Lion Pat Carlson for their hard work during the convention for providing audio and visual services. Thanks for all you do Corky and Pat.

Be it also resolved that the Lions and Leos wish to thank Lion Bob Flinn, the Stray Dogs and the SCAMPS dance group for the entertainment and whereas DG Joe Rall did a fine job or being Johnny Carson for the tonight show and keeping the group entertained with his both good and bad jokes during the evening, the Lions and Leos of District 6 SE say thank you.

Be is also resolved that the Boy Scouts of Troop 128 presented the colors for our opening of the convention and whereas PDG Corky and Pat Carlson from the Highlands Ranch Lions club provided the impressive international flag presentation, the Lions and Leos of District 6SE say thank you.

Be it also resolved that the Lions and Leos of District 6SE wish to thank PDG Rick Calhoun from the Pueblo Charter Lions club and Lion Bob Flinn from the Colorado City/Rye Lions Club for the moving memorial service. We will miss these Lions and your efforts allowed us to pay tribute to them.

Be it further resolved that the speech contest included an all-time high of six contestants and whereas Lion Denny Blevins did an outstanding job in chairing this contest the Lions and Leos of 6SE wish to express our sincere appreciation in your efforts in continually improving this project and a job well done and also thank the participants for their inspiring speeches.

Be further resolved that all the MD6 entities made informative presentations on the Colorado Lions Camp, the Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank, The Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation, Ensignt and the Colorado Lions Foundation and whereas the Colorado Kidsight Program has screened over 46,000 children this year and all of these entities are changing the lives of so many individuals, the Lions and Leos not only say thank you, but please give yourselves a hand. Great job Lions.

Be it further resolved that Lion Sharon Nickerson and Lion Terry Sullivan served as tail twisters and kept the convention light hearted and fun while raising funds for the LCIF earthquake fund and a local family that was burned out of their home, the Lions and Leos of District 6SE say thank you.

And whereas District Governor Joe Rall and 1st VDG Kathy Valenzuela and our district committee chairs lead us through a very successful year be it further resolved that the Lions and Leos of District 6SE say, thank you and job well done.

Be it further resolved that the Lion and Leos of District 6SE wish to thank our convention committee and the Canon City Noon Lions and Florence Lions Club for hosting this convention. And whereas Lion Brenda Rall spent endless hours providing the lovely and inspirational decorations and organizing the silent auction with the help of her committee, the Lions and Leos of District 6SE wish give you a special thank you.

And be it further resolved that International Director Linda Tincher and her partner in service PDG Vernon from Riley, Indiana honored our convention with their presence. And whereas ID Tincher inspired and uplifted us with her wit and wisdom and for her moving presentation at the final banquet, the Lions of District 6SE say thank you. It was truly a pleasure to have both of you with us this weekend and you are welcome to return at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

PCC Ron Smith

Chairperson of the Resolutions Committee

ATTACHEMENT 3

Delegate Check in Sheet 2016

Clubs	Have Credential sheet	Club	Membership	Delegates	#signed	Clubs voting
1		Arriba	13	1		
2		Avondale/Vineland	24	2		
3	yes	Calhan	46	5	5	1
4	yes	Canon City Noon	45	5	5	1
5		Canon City Royal Gorge	16	2		
6	yes	Colorado City/Rye	20	2	2	1
7	yes	COS Downtown	40	4	2	1
8	yes	COS Nob Hill	24	2	2	1
9		COS Security	33	3		
10		COS T-Gap	19	2		
11		Cotopaxi	34	3		
12	yes	El Paso County Tri-Lakes	23	2	2	1
13	yes	Flagler	13	1	1	1
14	yes	Florence	8	1	1	1
15	yes	Fremont County Lions	6	1	1	1
16		Hugo	16	2		
17		Karval	11	1		
18		LaJunta	10	1		
19	yes	Lamar	33	3	3	1
20		Las Animas	17	2		
21	yes	Limon	10	1	1	1
22	yes	Olney Springs	19	2	2	1
23	yes	Pueblo Charter	46	5	5	1
24		Rocky Ford	31	3		
25		Springfield	25	3		
26		Swink	22	2		
27	yes	Trinidad	5	1	1	1
28	yes	Wiley	18	2	2	1
29	yes	Woodland Park	17	2	2	1
	Total		644	66	37	16