

DISTRICT 5SE OFFICER TRAINING

April 10th: 9AM – Noon
 (Lunch is included)
 at Riverview United Methodist Church,
 1640 Simmons Ave., Huron, SD



April 24th: 9AM – Noon
 (Lunch is included)
 at Eastside Lutheran Church (Basement)
 1300 E 10th St., (1/2 block east of 10th &
 Cliff intersection) Sioux Falls, SD
 (Use the east parking lot)

Highly encourage all incoming club presidents, secretaries, zone chairs and treasurers to attend. This officer training is open to all Lions.

The District 5SE Cabinet Meeting will be held at the Eastside Lutheran Church (Basement). Lunch will be served to hungry Lions at noon with the cabinet meeting starting after lunch.



Attention Club Officers: OFFICIAL NOTICE

MD-5 Convention – June 3, 4 & 5, 2010



THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2010 MD-5 CONVENTION TO BE HELD JUNE 3-4-5, 2010, IN SASKATOON, SASK.

THIS PAGE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF CLUB OFFICERS:

1. The Official Convention Rules for 2010
2. Your Club's Credentials Form
3. Your Club's Contest Entry Form
 - a) Most Lions Miles Traveled
4. Order Form for Convention Proceedings
5. Constitution and Bylaws Changes to be voted on in Saskatoon

MD5 Convention Rules 2010

1. The official convention program shall be the order of business.
2. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern on parliamentary procedures.
3. Lions in good standing must be registered in order to vote on all convention matters. Clubs with indebtedness of over \$50 to Lions International or their District will be considered not in good standing.
4. The use of profane language at any business session, social function, or banquet is prohibited.
5. Refunds of convention fees shall be requested from Lion Wayne Choponis, MD5 2010 Convention Treasurer, 1817 Wilson Crescent, Saskatoon, Sask. S7J 2N8, until June 30, 2010. After this date requests should be made to MD5 Sec/Treas PCC Mike Brand, 340 7th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND 58072. No refunds can be requested sixty days after the conclusion of the convention.
6. All resolutions shall be submitted to PDG Ken Gifford, Chairperson of Rules & Resolutions Committee by 1 p.m. Thursday, June 3, 2010 in care of the Lions Registration Desk, at the Travelodge.
7. Credentials to vote at the MD5 Saskatoon Convention can be mailed to DG Ron Ewles, 98 Bence Crescent, Saskatoon, Sask. S7L 4J1 or delivered upon arrival at the convention, in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Travelodge, Saskatoon, Sask. no later than 1 p.m. Friday, June 4, 2010.
8. Entries for: Most Lions Miles and Most Lioness Miles submitted by registrants, The Lions, and Leos, Clubs of the Year, Club Website Contest, District Club Scrapbook, and District Club Newsletter winners are to be submitted, from each District Governor, to PDG Gladi Andrew, Chairperson-Convention Committee, by 1 p.m. Friday, June 4, 2010 in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Travelodge, Saskatoon, Sask.
9. Any details regarding changing the Constitution and By Laws shall be submitted to PDG Ken Gifford, Chairman Constitution & By Laws Committee by 10 a.m., June 3, 2010 in care of the Lions Registration Desk, Travelodge, Saskatoon, Sask. Phone: 306-242-8881.
10. All reports of Committee meetings held at the convention shall be submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer, PCC Mike Brand, in care of the Lions Registration Desk by 8 a.m., June 3, 2010. Reports shall be typewritten in a format approved by council for inclusion in the convention proceedings report.

11. All State and Provincial Breakfasts, as scheduled in the Convention Program, shall be the location for business peculiar to these areas.
12. Privilege to speak regarding convention sites or any matter pertaining to MD5 business must be requested of Council Chairman, PDG Duane Zwinger.
13. In our Business Sessions a delegate will be recognized by the Council Chairperson provided that said delegate stands, goes to the nearest microphone, and states his/her name and club for recording purposes. No Lion shall be allowed to speak for more than three (3) minutes each time on any one subject without the consent of the convention delegates.
14. All voting at business sessions shall be conducted by card vote by qualified delegates present. A roll call or secret ballot vote may be directed by the Chairperson if considered warranted, or may be requested by a motion passed by a majority of qualified delegates present. The Credentials Committee shall conduct all written ballot voting. After the votes have been counted, said ballots shall be turned over to the Secretary to destroy. Voting shall be based on one (1) vote for each ten (10) members of a club or a major fraction. Five (5) members shall constitute a major fraction.
15. Solicitation or sale of club project items with the exception of the host club(s) is prohibited. The host club(s) shall secure permission from the Council of Governors.
16. Business Sessions shall be smoke free. Smoking areas shall be established outside of the business area and for all convention meals.
17. Invitations to host the 2016 MD5 Convention shall be mailed to PDG Gladi Andrew, Box 231, Bredenbury, SK or submitted to the Registration Desk at the Travelodge, Saskatoon, SK, no later than Friday, June 4, 2010 at 1 p.m.

PDG Ken Gifford, Chair
 PDG Duane Zwinger, Council Chair
 Rules and Resolutions Committee
 PCC Mike Brand, Council Sec/Treas

The official convention rules should be reviewed by your club officers and explained to your delegates. Voting is by Lions Clubs International rules. There will be one vote for each 10 members or major fraction thereof, 5 being considered a major fraction. For a club to be in good standing, all debts to Lions Clubs International of \$50 or more, 90 days past due must be paid.

Your Club Credentials Form is very important. Delegates and alternates must be selected. The form should be mailed, in time to arrive by May 27, 2010, to DG Ron Ewles, 98 Bence Crescent, Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7L4J1 (Please account for slow mail.) The form also can be presented to: Credentials Committee at the Lions Registration Desk at the Travelodge Hotel, upon arrival at the Convention but no later than 1 PM, June 4, 2010.

The Lion Contest Forms should be given to your delegation to be presented to the Convention Committee Chairman, PDG Gladi Andrew, c/o The Lions Registration Desk at the Travelodge Hotel. The basis for Most Miles Contest is for clubs 25 and under in members and 26 and over in members. For the Most Lions Miles Contest points are awarded on the basis of 3 for a Lion, 2 for a Lions wife, and 1 for each child in attendance. The points are totaled and multiplied by your round-trip mileage to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. In completing these forms only count those who have pre-registered.

The properly Certified MD5 Lions attending the annual MD5 Convention may vote on proposed changes to the MD5 Constitution and Bylaws if the need arises.

If you have any questions, please contact the Secretary-Treasurer.

MD5 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
 Convention Committee
 Council Chair PDG Duane Zwinger
 PDG Gladi Andrew, Chairperson
 PCC Mike Brand, Secretary-Treasurer

MOST-LIONS-MILES-TRAVELED CONTEST ENTRY FORM

This form should be given to your delegation to present to the Convention Committee Chairperson PDG Gladi Andrew, at the Lions Registration Desk at the Travelodge.

The basis for the Most Lions Miles Contest is for clubs 25 and under in members and clubs that have 26 and over in members. Points are awarded as follows: 3 points for a Lion, 2 points for a spouse and 1 for a child. The points are totaled and multiplied by your round-trip mileage to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Count only those individuals that are pre-registered.

If you have any questions, please contact the Secretary.

MD5 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
 Convention Committee
 Council Chair PDG Duane Zwinger
 Chair, PDG Gladi Andrew
 PCC Mike Brand, Secretary-Treasurer

Name of Club _____ District _____

Lions Club Membership on March 30, 2010: _____

PRE-REGISTERED ATTENDANCE AT SASKATOON, SASK. 2010 MULTIPLE DISTRICT 5 CONVENTION:

Lion: _____ Spouse: _____ Children: _____

Round-Trip mileage to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan _____

IMPORTANT:

Bring this form with you and leave it at the Lions Registration Desk at the Travelodge, no later than 1 p.m. on Friday, June 4, 2010. Please note that only those who are pre-registered count in this contest.

***** TAKE TO THE MD5 CONVENTION *****

VOTING AT THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT CONVENTION

Voting is by Lions Clubs International rules. The Rule for voting is one vote for each 10 members or major fraction thereof, 5 being considered a major fraction. For a club to be in good standing, all debts to Lions Clubs International of \$50 or more, 90 days past due must be paid.

The Credentials Committee must certify voting delegates. Please select your voting delegates and alternates and list them below. Please mail this information to DG Ron Ewles, 98 Bence Crescent, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7L 4J1 to be received by May 30, 2010, or have your delegation leave this form at the Lions Registration Desk, in the Travelodge, no later than 11 am, June 4, 2010.

This form is to be filled out and SIGNED BY YOUR CLUB SECRETARY, PRIOR to coming to the Convention.

CREDENTIALS INFORMATION:

Name of Club _____ District _____

Total number of members in Club as of March 30, 2010: _____

Name of Voting Delegates attending the MD5 Convention in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan _____ Office held in Club: _____

South Dakota Lion

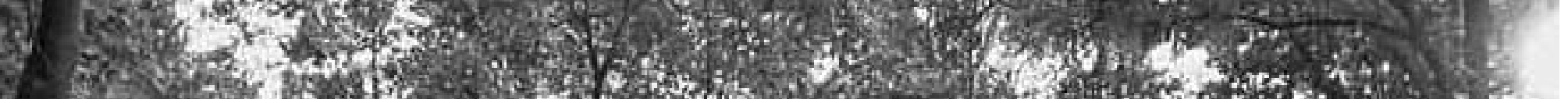


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Lions of South Dakota...

The publisher of the SD Lion, Smith Publishing, will be closing their doors February 19. Although we knew the publisher would be closing soon, this came much earlier than expected. However, plans have been in the works to transition the SD Lion from a print publication to an electronic version that would be edited and published by the Lions Foundation.

The SDLF is building a new and interactive web site at www.sdlions.org. It will be available for your viewing after March 1st. The "NEW" SD Lion will be on line the week of March 15th. District Governor Grimmond & Scheller as well as VDG Adrian, Schley, Burkhead and Gibson and the SD Lions Foundation are in support of this much needed transition. So we are looking for your support and welcome any ideas that you

may have to make this new version of the SD Lion a success. A couple of points: You will receive the February Lion as usual & From now on, all "NEWS" for the Lion should go to SDLionsNews@sdlions.org or mailed to SD Lions News, 800 N. West Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.

SD Lions and SDLF Liaisons: Please list those people in your membership who do not have computers or access to online services. Send this number to the SD Lions Foundation office and we will send a paper copy to your club for distribution for the first few months. This is only for people who do not have a computer. Those who have online access will be expected to read the Lion on line or print a copy. Your DG's are counting on you to be in service to one another! Remember, WE SERVE!

Honoring Donor Families Raises Community Awareness



In the winter of 2006 the Eye Bank began partnering with local hospitals to honor local donor families and transplant recipients during half time of high school basketball games. Since then, dozens of communities have been reached with 186 donors, donor families, and transplant recipients honored. These programs have proved to be worthwhile events in honoring donor families while educating and raising community awareness on the needs and benefits of donation.

The Eye Bank would like to express its gratitude to the University of Sioux Falls, Northern State University, SD School of Mines, and Mount Marty University for scheduling a program during your 2009/2010 basketball season. All of your campuses were extremely accommodating and your hospitality was most appreciated. Thank you to the local Lions clubs of Sioux Falls, Aberdeen, Rapid City, and Yankton; your eagerness "To Serve" and constant support is never ending. And to our hospital partners Sanford Health, Avera St. Lukes, Rapid City Regional, and Avera Sacred Heart; the gift of donation begins with you and we thank you.

To bring a community program to your area for the 2010/2011 basketball season please contact Brandy Thompson at brandy@sharingthegift.org.

The South Dakota Lions Clubs are
Going GREEN!!!
SDLionsNews@sdlions.org

South Dakota Lions Foundation

DECEMBER 2009 CONTRIBUTIONS

Used Eyeglass & Hearing Aid Donations

| | | |
|------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| SF Downtown Lions Club | RECEIVED FROM: Willow Lake Lions Club | Yankton Lions Club |
| Freeman Lions Club | Miller Lions Club | SF Sioux Empire Lions Club |
| SF Siouland Lions Club | Buffalo Lions Club | Plains Lions Club |
| Pierre Ft. Pierre Lions Club | Lead Deadwood Lions Club | SF Sioux Rise Lions Club |
| Lennox Lions Club | Tulare Lions Club | Piedmont Valley Lions Club |
| Gregory Lions Club | Watertown Lions Club | Rapid City Downtown Lions Club |
| Sturgis Lions Club | Canistota Lions Club | Clark Lions Club |
| Buffalo Lions Club | Rapid City Metro Lions Club | Public Donations |

Memorials & Donations

- Memorial in Honor of PDG Glenn Odland* **RECEIVED FROM:** PDG Don Bradley
- Memorial in Honor of Merle Christensen* **RECEIVED FROM:** Mr. & Mrs. Duane Clay
- Memorial in Honor of Harris Johnson* **RECEIVED FROM:** Mr. & Mrs. Duane Clay
Charles J. Wray
- Memorial in Honor of Sadie Versteeg* **RECEIVED FROM:** Madison Lions Club
PID Lloyd & Roberta Hansen
- Memorial in Honor of PID Al Schock* **RECEIVED FROM:** J.L. Isakson
VDG Al & Cindy Adrian
Vernon & JoDean Joy
Ballard & Joyce Blount
Yankton Lions Club
- Memorial in Honor of Jason Dahl* **RECEIVED FROM:** Duel County Lions Club

Parade of Green

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| <i>Totals:</i> | |
| SDLion Foundation | \$17,943 |
| SD Eye Bank | \$4,995 |
| Eye Bank Capital Campaign | \$15,620 |
| School for the Blind | \$625 |
| Leader Dog | \$3,625 |
| LCIF | \$1,660 |

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Participating Clubs:</i> | Dell Rapids Lions | Lead/Deadwood | SF Sioux Empire Lions |
| Aberdeen Lioness | Eden Lions | Lennox Lions | SF Siouland Lions |
| Aberdeen Lions | Elk Point Lions | Madison Lions | SF Siouprise Lions |
| Alcester Lions | Eureka Lions | Mitchell Lioness | Spearfish Lions |
| Armour Lions | Freeman Lions | Mitchell Palace City Lions | Sturgis Lions |
| Avon Lions | Gregory Lions | Piedmont Valley Lions | Tea Lions |
| Badlands Lions | Harrisburg Lions | Pierre Lions | Tulare Lions |
| Beresford Lions | Hartford Lions | RC Downtown Lions | Vermillion Lions |
| Britton Lions | Hill City Lions | RC Evening Stars | Volga Lions |
| Brookings Lions | Hot Springs Lions | RC Metro Lions | Watertown Lions |
| Canistota Lions | Huron Eye Opener Lions | RC Rushmore Lions | Willow Lake Lions |
| Clark Lions | Huron Lioness | Redfield Lions | Wolsey Lions |
| Custer Lions | Huron Noon Lions | SF Downtown Lions | |

Life Contributors

| | | | | |
|------------------|----------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| DG Doug Scheller | Paul Smith Jr. | Duane Clay | Perry Pollard | Don Selberg |
|------------------|----------------|------------|---------------|-------------|

Sustaining Membership

(Paid in January)

| | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| K. Fred Rist | Clayton Buhler | Patrick Corbin | Steve Christ | Merlin Fauth |
| Terry Hall | Denis Dormann | Lee Kinney | Robert Fischer | Bret Kramer |
| Gerald Fossum | Greg Lorenz | Robert Franson | Dave McGruder | Dr. Lyle Freimark |
| Dawn Nagel-Sheehan | PDG Ken Gifford | Robert Ramler | Lyle Heinrich | Dale Schuett |
| Dean Hennies | Richard Stolp | Donald Hensley | DeJuan Strickland | Ronald Hill |
| Darell Tilberg | David Jackson | Marileen Tilberg | Gary N. Johnson, PDG | Gary Wickersham |
| Galen Jones, PDG | Kirk Yackley | Harry Kickery | Tom Young | Daniel Krikak |
| Brian Ring | Roger Krittenbrink | Ronald Cornella | James A Kunz | Gary Johnson |
| James E Kurtz | Durley Boyer | Harold Loffelmacher | Timothy A. Rue | Dennis Luce |
| Michael Sprenger | Dale Lynch | Vicki L. Crowley | Kevin Martin | Michale L. Henn |
| James Mattern | Robert W. Sandman | Bill MC Collum | Gary Seiverding | Deborah Sieverding |
| Roger Neal | Steven Eggen | Richard Oppedahl | Judy Miller | Merle Palmer |
| Delbert Blume | Jim Quintus | Curtis Rising | Arlyn Rudel | Donald Sachs |
| DG Douglas Scheller | Richard Sheets | Paul Smith, Jr. | Paul Steele | Richard Tupper |
| Richard Waits | Quentin Weyer | Norman Wilson | Zack R Word | Clyde F Zook, Jr. |
| | Joe Ratigan | | Elizabeth Tellekson | |

Annual Raffle Winners

Winners of the SD Lions Foundation Drawing/Cash Prizes

Congratulations to all of you and good luck next year to everyone who participated!!

\$2000.00 – Peg Halda of Sioux Falls - Ticket # 5828

\$1000.00 – Palace City Lions Club, Mitchell - Ticket# 5438

\$500.00 – George Larson of Wagner - Ticket# 6783

\$100.00 winners are: Lion Dave Gibson, Rapid City Lions Club – Ticket #1973 • Lion Irma Beukelman, Madison Lions Club – Ticket #7406 • Kim Nelson, - Ticket #7406 • Phillip Konechue, Kimball – Ticket# 3328
Lion Randy Ahrendt, – Ticket# 0527

THE LIONS CORNER



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http://www.lionsclubs.org

South Dakota Lions on the Web at
http://sdlions.net

Multiple District 5 Lions on the Web at
www.MD5Lions.org

S.D. Lions Foundation & Screening Program
800 N. West Ave., Sioux Falls 57104
Ph. 605-338-0551 • 1-888-735-4667
Web Site: www.sdlions.org
E-mail: sdlionsfdn@sdlions.org
Executive Director: execdir@sdlions.org
Office Manager: office@sdlions.org

ADDRESS CHANGES: *If you move, please notify Lions Clubs International, or ask your club secretary to note changes on the club Membership Report.* LCI provides the mailing list for *The SD Lion*. The Post Office charges 50¢ for each copy returned for incorrect address.

“S.D. LION” PUBLICATION DEADLINES
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Publication Date 10th of each month

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1321 W. 22nd St., Sioux Falls 57105
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With offices in Rapid City & Aberdeen

FUTURE MULT. DIST. 5 CONVENTIONS
June 3-5, 2010 Saskatoon, SK
June 2-4, 2011 Rapid City
2012 Bismarck, ND

FUTURE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS
June 28 - July 2, 2010 Sydney, Australia

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 3-5.....MD-5 Convention, Saskatoon, Canada

NOTICE

BY-LAW CHANGES

The power to alter, amend, or repeal the code of by-laws, or adopting a new code of by-laws to the South Dakota Lions Eye Bank, is vested in the general membership of the Lions Clubs of South Dakota. The below bylaw changes were presented to, voted upon, and a motion was passed by majority of the general membership of Lions Clubs of South Dakota at the 2010 Lions State Convention on January 30, 2010.

Article V Directors

Section 1

The business and property of the corporation shall be managed and controlled by the Board of Directors. At all times, fifty-one percent (51%) of the Board of Directors shall be active members of a South Dakota Lions Club. The number of voting members of the board of this corporation shall not be fewer than eleven (11), with no upper limit. The number of directors may be increased or decreased by amendments to the By-laws, provided, however, no decrease shall have the effect of shortening the term of any incumbent director.

Section 2

The term of each elected director shall be three (3) years. Terms shall be staggered so that at least two directors are elected annually (at least one from each Lions district in South Dakota). Initial terms of the directors are as follows:

There shall be four (4) elected members who are members of Lions and Lioness clubs in good standing in District 5SE.

There shall be four (4) elected members who are members of Lions and Lioness clubs in good standing in District 5SW. There shall be three (3) additional members selected to the South Dakota Lions Eye Bank, Inc. Medical Advisory Committee. These members may be non-Lions. An effort will be made to fill these positions with members from the following organizations:

- South Dakota Academy of Ophthalmology
- South Dakota Nurses Association
- South Dakota State Legislature
- State Medical Association
- South Dakota State Hospital Association
- South Dakota Physicians Association
- South Dakota Morticians Association

The selected members will normally serve for a maximum of three (3) years and must have Board of Directors approval. Should any of the three selected members choose to serve another three (3) years or any part of, they must have unanimous approval of the Board of Directors. The two selected members will have voting privileges.

There shall be six (6) non-voting ex-officio members, approved by Board action, who shall serve one-year terms and whose positions shall be entitled: 1. Medical Director; 2. Executive Director; 3. Research Director, 4. Past Board Chair of the South Dakota Lions Foundation, 5. Second Vice District Governor of District 5SE, and 6. Second Vice District Governor of District 5SW.

Section 7

Regular or special meetings may be held within or without the State of South Dakota as the Board of Directors may determine. Members of the Board may participate in meetings in person or by conference telephone or similar communications equipment so that all participants can be heard. Not fewer than six (6) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum to conduct business at any regular or special meeting. In addition, for business to be conducted a majority of the members present must be Lion or Lioness members before any meeting can be called to order. In order for a meeting to be held, each member of the Board of Directors, including the ex-officio members, must be notified in writing or by email or facsimile transmission at least five (5) days prior to the meeting date unless such notice is waived by the director. Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of the South Dakota Nonprofit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation or the By-laws of the Corporation, a waiver of such notice in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated in the same, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

BUILDING BRIDGES OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING/COOPERATION

Lions have big hearts, broad vision, and boundless energy and when these characteristics are utilized to their fullest potential great things happen. These are some of the programs and activities that will promote international understanding and cooperation.

I would like to encourage clubs to:

- * Provide assistance to Haiti's relief efforts by conducting a fundraising event soon
- * Continue to collect eye glasses, in 2009 38,000 eye glasses from SD were distributed to people in other countries – can we even increase that number this year?
- *Support Lions International Youth Exchange and Youth Camps. Our youth are our future Lions and leaders
- *Attend Lions International Conventions which offer a wonderful opportunity to obtain an understanding of people from other countries
- *Participate in the Lions Peace Poster Contest

Let's make it a high priority this year to build bridges of understanding and cooperation among our brothers and sisters around the world.

Shirley Hofer, Chr. 5-SE, INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING/COOPERATION





LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
Inside Internatic
 by Past International Director Bruce Schwartz

LCIF DEVELOPMENT PLAN IS ON THE MOVE

In October I announced the new LCIF fundraising initiative called the LCIF DEVELOPMENT PLAN. It is a new system for raising funds for our international foundation with a goal of increasing world-wide foundation giving from the current \$20 million to \$30 million by 2012. The new system is patterned after the hugely successful Campaign SightFirst II program which ended in 2008 and raised over \$200 million in just three years.

The goal for our LCIF sector (North and South Dakota) is to be 100%. In other words, we want to have every club in the sector be a contributor to LCIF. Right now well below 50% of North and South Dakota clubs contribute to LCIF.

Last fall, the LCIF DEVELOPMENT PLAN District Coordinators for the five Dakota districts sent letters with brochures to all clubs in the sector. The intent of the letter was to explain the new system and to ask clubs to make plans to participate. Several clubs have responded but we have a long way to go to achieve 100%.

Another letter from the District Coordinators will be sent to all clubs in January. This mailing will include additional information about the new LCIF DEVELOPMENT PLAN along with another brochure designed to answer questions about the program. Club presidents are asked to be on the lookout for this mailing and to have their club take action by sending their contribution to their respective District Coordinators.

LCIF DEVELOPMENT PLAN District Coordinators for our sector are Cindy Iversen (5SE), Ken Gifford (5SW), Robert Littlefield (5NE), Dan Vondrachek (5NC) and Dave Czywczynski (5NW). Please contact your District Coordinators or me if you have questions.

Lions Clubs International always has at least one major initiative in the works. At this time, that major initiative is the LCI DEVELOPMENT PLAN. I encourage all clubs in North and South Dakota to hop on board and help make our sector 100%.

Here's a great quote:

"I realize that your gift to LCIF may be a sacrifice. To the men, women and children who benefit from your support, however, your gift is a miracle. I am not asking you to give until it hurts, but I do hope that you will give to LCIF this year until it feels good."

PIP Al Brandel
 LCIF Chairperson



Diabetes Awareness Tidbits

Lion Janice Wagner, Chair, District 5-SW
Lion Dianne Gropper, Chair, District 5-SE

Diabetes Awareness Goal Setting for 2010

What are your club's goals?

It is important for your club to have goals... something your club can work on promoting diabetes awareness in your community.

Here are some ideas: Don't do too much. Try one or two and when your club has achieved them, set another.

*STRIDES...Lions Walk for Diabetes Awareness" program is an excellent project for clubs to promote diabetes awareness in the community. Lions International will award a STRIDES Walk banner patch and chevron to a club, district, or multiple district for conducting this event. For information, logon to www.lionsclubs.org.

*Donate to the South Dakota Lions Foundation and specify that donations be used for diabetes awareness projects. For information, contact MJ Knobe, executive director, toll free 1-888-735-4667.

*Sponsor youth with diabetes to attend Camp Gilbert, Camp Cosmos, and Kamp for Kids. Clubs may apply for specific assistance grants from the South Dakota Lions Foundation. For information, contact the Foundation at toll free 1-888-735-4667.

*Donate books about diabetes - including cookbooks - to your local library.

*Invite guest speakers to club meetings to talk about diabetes awareness. Some suggestions: diabetes educators at your local hospital, representatives from diabetes camps for youth (i.e., Camp Gilbert, Camp Cosmos, and Kamp for Kids) and local youth with diabetes who have attended these camps.



South Dakota Lions Eye Bank

And Its Division - Spirit of the North Tissue Services

South Dakota Ophthalmologist John Berdahl, MD
Elected Eye Bank Medical Advisory Committee

Sioux Falls, SD – Former Hills, MN resident, John Berdahl, MD has been named Associate Medical Director of the South Dakota Lions Eye Bank. Dr. Berdahl will work with Medical Director, Byron Hohm, MD, and the Medical Advisory Committee to ensure the safety and effectiveness of corneal tissue for transplants provided by the South Dakota Lions Eye Bank, in South Dakota and across the nation. Ophthalmologist, Vance Thompson, MD, will be stepping down as Associate Medical Director after many years of strong support for the Lions Eye Bank. The South Dakota Lions Eye Bank Board and Staff are very appreciative of Dr. Thompson's efforts, and of Dr. Berdahl's willingness to serve.

Dr. John Berdahl earned his medical doctorate, graduating with honors from Mayo Medical School in Rochester, MN and finished his internship at the Mayo Clinic in Scottsdale, AZ. He completed ophthalmology residency at Duke University where his published work, research, teaching and care of patients brought him many honors including best resident and national recognition as first place winner of the Resident Writers Award. Dr. Berdahl pursued additional advanced surgical training at the most coveted cornea and glaucoma fellowship in the country at Minnesota Eye Consultants. As a fellow he received the Claes Dohlman Award from Harvard University, which is given to the top cornea fellow in the country. He is currently an ophthalmologist at Vance Thompson Vision in Sioux Falls, SD.

Please contact Brandy Thompson, Marketing Director, of the South Dakota Lions Eye Bank for more information.

District 5 SE changed their annual meeting to be at the Fall Forum. This passed at the State Convention. District 5 SE will also be rotating the Fall Forum from Zone 1 thru Zone 8. That would mean you only have a Fall Forum once every nine years. Questions call.

LIONS TRACKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE IN SASKATOON
 June 3, 4 and 5, 2010

Travelodge Hotel, 106 Circle Drive West, Saskatoon, SK

MD5 2010 REGISTRATION FORM

1) Name _____
 (First Middle Last)

___ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___ Guest

2) Name _____
 (First Middle Last)

___ Lion ___ Lioness ___ Leo ___ Guest

Address _____

City _____

Prov/State _____ PC/Zip _____

Res. Phone _____

Business or Cell _____

(Area Code Please)

E-Mail _____

District _____ Club 1) _____

2) _____

What is the highest office in Lions you will have held by the 2010 MD5?

1) _____

2) _____

Do you have any special needs—physical or food?

1) _____

2) _____

Is this your first MD5 Convention (Yes or No)

1) _____ 2) _____

REGISTRATION FEES:

Before May 1, 2010.....\$ 135.00 CDN \$ _____

After May 1, 2010..... \$ 155.00 CDN \$ _____

At Convention (Walk-in).....\$ 165.00 CDN \$ _____

SPECIAL EVENT June 3 Yes ___ No ___
Thursday Morning Golf 4 person scramble
 Includes golf, cart. Cost \$65.00, lunch extra

(Please indicate whom you would like to golf with or we can match you up)

PDG Banquet Thursday, June 3
 # Attending _____ @ \$20.00
 Contact PDG George Pretli,
 Box 558, Spiritwood, SK S0J 2M0
 306 883 2772 or email gpretli@sasktel.net

TOTAL AMOUNT..... \$ _____

Please make your cheque payable to:
MD-5 2010 Convention

Mail your registration form with a cheque to:
MD-5 Convention
1817 Wilson Crescent
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
Canada, S7J 2N8

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South Dakota State Lions Convention in Mitchell, SD. January 29 and 30, 2010



Elected for District 5 SW, Vice District Governor- Dave Gibson, 2nd Vice District Governor Janice Wagner, District Governor-Elect -Larry Burkhead



Lion Kevin Martin (5 SW), SD Eye Bank Board



PDG Joe Harris(5 SW), PDG Delmer Hofer(5 SE) and Lion Keith Lewis (5 SE), SD Lions Foundation Board.



Elected to serve District 5 SE, 2nd Vice District Governor - Lion Janell Beck, District Governor Elect - Al Adrian, Vice-District Governor - Louise Schley



Lion Ryan Jensen and Lion Bobbie Clark, Co-Chairs for the Convention.



ID Doug Lozier presenting DG Tom Grimmond and DG Doug Scheller his banner.



Stack of glasses for the SD Lions Foundation

Some where between 150 and 175 loyal Lions attended a very well run State Convention. Lions Bobbie Clark and Ryan Jensen of the Mitchell Noon Club served as chair for this convention. They treated us to wonderful facilities, food, and fellowship. Several booths were set up in the corridor for SD Lions Eye Bank, SD Lions Foundation, Diabetes Awareness, Hearing, Leader Dog, and many more.

We started the convention with the SD Lions Foundation and SD Eye Bank meetings on Friday. On Friday afternoon, both 5 SW and 5 SE had their cabinet meetings. In the evening, we were entertained by the Area Community Theater presenting "Invisomercial".

Saturday Morning opening of the convention was started by the Flag presentation by the American Legion, welcome by Mayor Lou Sebert. Speaker was Anne Anderson. She gave a "What if..." talk. After this great opening the Lions headed to their respective District Meetings. Elections were completed in both Districts.

New officers will be the following:

- District 5 SW:
- District Governor-Elect-Larry Burkhead
 - Vice District Governor-David Gibson
 - Second Vice District Governor-Janice Wagner
 - SD Lions Foundation- PDG Joe Harris & PDG Gary Johnson
- District 5 SE:
- SD Eye Bank- Lion Kevin Martin
 - District Governor-Elect- Al Adrian
 - Vice District Governor-Louise Schley
 - Second Vice District Governor-Janell Beck
 - SD Lions Foundation- PDG Delmer Hofer & Lion Keith Lewis
 - SD Eye Bank-Lion Mike Nieman

The noon luncheon is the SD Lions Eye Bank and SD Lions Foundation Annual meeting. The Parade of Green was completed. A motion to have the Second Vice District Governor and Past President of the SD Lions Foundation sit on the SD Lions Eye Bank Board but would not have any voting rights. This drew much discussion.

The SD Lions Foundation has started liaisons from each club and will help give information to each club.

In the afternoon, we had many good educational seminars. Leader Dog, Diabetes, Lions Protocol, Lions Foundation, Lions Eye Bank, Nancy Erck presented "Running on the Hamster Wheel" and Laura Klock presented "Klock Werks".

The International Director Doug Lozier and Lion Kathy Lozier were our guest from LCI. International Director Doug was our keynote speaker at the Hall of Fame Banquet held on Saturday evening. Some high points of the Hall of Fame Banquet were the presentation of Hall of Fame recipients PDG Don Selberg, Sioux Falls Siouprise Lions, and Lion Perry Pollard. Sioux Falls Downtown Lions. This award is on a point system. One PDG and one Lion receive this every year. Other awards that evening were as follows. President Appreciation from 5 SE went to Lion Jeff Saylor and Lion Ryan Jensen. 5 SW winners were PDG Neil Vollmer and PDG Wanda Mitchell. PID Bruce Schwartz presented PDG Delmer Hofer the second highest award from LCI, the Presidential Award. Other guest were-PID Bruce and Lion Julie Schwartz, Bismarck ND,CC Duane and Lion Mary Ann Zwinger from Carrington, ND, and VDG Robert and Kathy Littlefield from Moorehead, MN.

The Mitchell High School Show Choir entertained us at the banquet on Saturday evening. The music and dancing were lively and energetic. The Show Choir has won several awards and will be traveling to Florida for national competitions.

Winners of the Raffle were the following: \$100.00 went to Irma Beukelman, Madison, Kim Nelsen, Miller, Phillip Konechue, Kimball, Randy Ahrendt, Sioux Falls and Dave Gibson, Rapid City: \$500 went to George Larson, Wagner: \$1,000 went to Palace City Lions: \$2,000 went to Peg Halda, Sioux Falls.



PDG Association President Gary Watzel presenting the Hall of Fame to PDG Don Selberg



PDG Gary Watzel presenting Hall of Fame to Lion Perry Pollard.



2nd VDG Janell Beck, Mikey Grimmond and Lion Marie McKittrick.



PID Bruce Schwartz presenting PDG Delmer Hofer his Presidential award.



This picture is of Tom's wife Shannon and son Mikey. The women to the left is Lion Angie Putnam.



Members at the convention



Governor Doug's newsletter

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Governor Tom's newsletter

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Punxsutawny Phil decrees there are still 6 more weeks of winter and although winter was quite evident during the state convention, the Mitchell Lions and the Lions of 5SE are to be congratulated for conducting an outstanding event.

I would also like to congratulate the newly elected officers and board members from 5-SW & 5-SE. We are fortunate to have a tremendous slate of talented leaders, they are all highly qualified and will serve us well.

And special congratulations to PDG Don Selberg and Lion Perry Pollard on their selection to the SD Lions Hall of Fame. These two fine Lions have set a high standard and are an inspiration to us all—it is truly an honor to be associated with them.

As much as I would like to dedicate more of my newsletter to the convention, I'm confident there will be ample coverage in the rest of this edition, therefore I would like to expend the rest of my column talking about a very important subject—Honeybees.

If I were to ask you, how much honey does a bee produce during its lifetime—what would your answer be? I was amazed when I learned the answer was teaspoonful!—that's correct, only teaspoonful. Does that surprise you? Actually, this information is more than trivia, it helps to demonstrate the fundamental truth that when many unite in a common cause—they can produce uncommon, often spectacular results.

As Lions, we have all heard that working together with our clubs, we can accomplish far more than we can working alone—to take that one step further, several Lions Clubs working together can accomplish considerably more than an individual club. What's the point? There is a need, unlike any we have witnessed in our lifetime in the western hemisphere, and one word says it all, HAITI.

The electronic media has brought this disaster into our living rooms and into our consciousness and in spite of the oversaturation of news coverage—the needs of the Haitian people exceed any amount of aid we can provide them now and into the distant future. Here are a few facts about Haiti and her people that can lend some perspective to the current situation.

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| Gross national income per capita: | Haiti \$660.00 | US \$47,580 |
| Life expectancy: | Haiti 59.6 years | US 78 years |
| Infant mortality: | Haiti 59.6/1000 | US 6.7/1000 |
| Literacy: | Haiti 61% | US 99% |
| Population | Haiti 9,000,000 | US 300,000,000 |
| Projected earthquake fatalities: | Haiti 200,000 | US equivalent 6,000,000 |

I am asking every Lions club in 5-SW to conduct a fundraising activity during March 13-21. It will be up to your club to decide what type of activity will best suit your community. Please make use of any public relations tools available to your club in the local newspapers, TV, radio etc. Further, our district Public Relations and Lions information officer will utilize every available media outlet to inform the public of this district wide endeavor. It is also my intent to invite the Lions of 5-SE to join us in this effort as their participation would have a major impact on our success. I would encourage every club to donate the proceeds to LCIF and designate these funds for the Haiti Relief Effort. If your club is unable to mobilize for this event, please consider a generous donation to this worthy cause.

I believe that as your District Governor it is my duty and my calling to guide and lead the Lions of 5-SW into action to assist the beleaguered people of Haiti. We, the citizens of the wealthiest nation on earth and the members of the world's largest, most efficient service organization are uniquely qualified to assist the poorest nation on this side of the globe. Great challenges provide great opportunities—and this opportunity, albeit a tragic one is TO SERVE—that's who we are, and that's what we do.

I know I am asking a great deal from all of you and it will take a lot of effort and some inconvenience to see this project through, however any inconvenience we experience is miniscule compared to the suffering and harsh conditions that exist for our neighbors in the Caribbean.

Letters and e-mails will soon be sent every club president and secretary providing more detailed information regarding this endeavor. Please do not hesitate to contact District 5-SW Public Relations & Lions Information Director, Lion Nancy Engler at nancymengler@msn.com for questions or assistance with your project.

We are all volunteers and you are free to chart your own course but I urge you please follow your heart, do your part, shake the trees, rake the leaves & become Honeybees for Haiti."

Lets "Shake the Trees & Rake the Leaves in 2010"
Lion Doug

I hope everyone had a great time at the State Convention in Mitchell but before I start talking about the State Convention. I want everyone in the state to know that I have a new best friend and he is Lion Howard Lee from the Volga Lions Club. I went to Volga for a visitation on the 18th of January and was greeted by Lion Howard at the door. Lion Howard proceeded to tell me that I looked much younger in person than my photo in the SD Lion newspaper. Thank you Lion Howard. You're my new favorite Lion!

I hope everyone who wanted to go to the State Convention made it out for it and returned safely. This year the State Convention was in Mitchell which means we were the hosting District. Lions Ryan Jensen and Bobbie Clark did a fantastic job putting the convention together. I am sure they are breathing a sigh of relief now that the convention is over, but all their efforts were well worth it. Thank you again.

The State Convention was the place where changes to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) were voted on by all the members of District 5SE. It was our official annual business meeting. There was a change to that this year at the Convention. The members voted 52-17 to move the annual business meeting from the State Convention to the Fall Forum effective July 1, 2010. So the Fall Forum in 2010 will be the first forum as the official annual business meeting. If you have changes to the Constitution and By-laws, you will have to have those changes to the first cabinet meeting of the year, approved at that meeting and published at least 30 days prior to District 5SE's Annual Business Meeting which will be the Fall Forum at Ft Sisseton.

We also voted to rotate the Fall Forum from zone to zone. That vote also passed. So I am very happy to announce that the Britton and Eden Lions Clubs have stepped up to the plate to host the 2010 Fall Forum at Ft Sisseton. Lucky enough, Britton and Eden are in Zone 1. The Britton Lions showed up to promote their site in traditional dress from the late 1800's and also won the furthest traveled award.

The Hall of Fame dinner is the highlight of the convention and this year we had two Lions from District 5SE go into the Hall of Fame and they were PDG Don Selberg from the Sioux Falls Siouxrise Club and Perry Pollard from the Sioux Falls Downtown Club. I am glad I am District Governor and was able to take part in the inducting of these two great Lions for their years of volunteerism in Lions.

MD5 Convention "Lions Tracking Towards the Future" in Saskatoon 3-5 June 2010. I encourage everyone to attend. Besides educational meetings, it will be a great opportunity for you to connect with your extended Lions family. Nothing makes an organization or family stronger then getting together in a fun environment.

The Fall Forum for 2010 is being hosted by the Britton & Eden Lions Clubs at Ft Sisseton (<http://www.sdgifp.info/Parks/Regions/GlacialLakes/FortSisseton.htm>)

Serving Together in Lionism
DG Tom Grimmond

| District Governor Tom's Visitation Schedule | |
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| February 5th | Britton Lions |
| February 15th | Freeman Lions |
| February 18th | Brandon Lions |
| February 24th | Sioux Empire Lions |
| February 25th | North Sioux City Lions |
| March 4th | Wagner Lions |
| March 16th | Aberdeen Lioness |
| March 17th | Aberdeen Noon Lions |
| March 23rd | Parkston Lions |
| March 25th | Wedding Anniversary |
| March 26 - 28th | Council of Governors (Minot) |

The Puzzler ...and the Winner is

Lion Ruth O'Connor, of Beresford Lions Club is the winner of the past District Governors Association's Puzzler. Lion Ruth won \$10.00 when her name was drawn from the correct entries. She found the question on page 4, "Listed in this paper are three factors that possitively affect diabetes, what are they?" and the answer on page 2, "1) eating healthier, 2) getting 30 minutes of physical exercise 5-7 days a week, and 3) weight control".

Find this month's Puzzler and the answer to it and submit your entry to: *SDLF Puzzler*, 800 N. West Av., Sioux Falls, SD. 57104 or email your answer to office@sdlions.org. *Past District Governors are ineligible*. Check the December issue to see if you are the winner! *Good Luck!*

This month's entry deadline is February 28th.

"Looking for the question is as fun as finding the answer!"

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Rushmore Lions Lend a Helping Hand to Local Mission

Thursday, January 28th, 6 Rushmore Lions (left to right Dennis Luce, Denis Dormann, Pat Corbin, Jim Kurtz, Ron Hill and Bob Audette) gathered at the Cornerstone rescue missions Thrift Store located on 11th street in Rapid City at 8:30 am to assist with the expansion of the showroom and work area. Our job was to build a counter top in the sorting room and a screen to hide all the overhead pipes etc. in the entrance area.

By 3:00 pm that afternoon the service project was completed and we could once again proclaim that as Lions, "WE SERVE "



Canistota Lions Club, Supporting the Cause

The Canistota Lions Club met for their regular meeting Monday, January 18, where they presented Brandy Thompson, SDLEB, with a check for \$1500.00!

Pictured to the right is Dr. Ivan Ortman (left) and Don Kom (right) presenting a \$1500.00 check to Brandy Thompson (center) for the new S.D. Lions Eye Bank building project. Brandy is the marketing director for The Lions Eye Bank. She gave a progress presentation on the project, "Give the Ultimate Gift." *Way to go Canirtota Lions!*



Huron Lion Receives Awards at State Convention in Mitchell



During the Lions State Convention held this past weekend in Mitchell, Past District Governor Jay Hendrickson, president of the South Dakota Lions Eye Bank, presented the club of the year award to Lion Andrew Gutormson who received the award on behalf of the Huron Eye Opener Lions Club. The award recognizes the club's commitment and support of the new building project.

District 5-SE Governor Tom Grimmond of the Sioux Falls Downtown Lions Club presented the Henry Baker Fellowship to Lion Andrew Gutormson of the Huron Eye Opener Lions Club. This award recognizes an individual's commitment to humanitarianism. These humanitarian qualities are demonstrated through compassion, concern, and generosity for those less fortunate and a commitment to finding ways of improving the quality of life for others.



N E W S

South Dakota Eye Bank WALK FOR SITE

On a misty and overcast day, October 12, 2009, the challenge was on between Lion Garry Lord of the Edgemont Lions Club and PDG Joe Harris of the Hill City Lions Club. Lion Moneic Wing, president of the Edgemont Lions Club was the official "Rules" chairperson to insure the route on the Mickelson Trail was followed with no shortcuts or deviations to the rules. It was officially called a win-win for both of these contestants as well as our Eye Bank which netted over \$3,000.00 at the completion of the event.

In Picture: Garry Lord on left, Joe Harris and Moneic Wing on right



Rapid City Lions Handmade Quilt Raffle

Lion Mary Lou Paulsen of the Evening Star Lions presents the prize of a handmade quilt to John Burkhart, the winner of a year long raffle to raise funds for sight related projects conducted by the Lions Clubs. The quilt raffle is one of many projects conducted by the Rapid City Evening Star Lions Club. Other projects include the children's back pack program, Meals on Wheels, the Daisy House, Ski for Light as well as international donations including the recent Haiti disaster.



Yankton Lions Visit Local Schools

Yankton Lions Club has given to all 5th grade classes in the Yankton Public Schools and the 5th grade class at Sacred Heart School the Liberty Day Booklet. It contains the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States as well as other important dates to remember.

It is provided free to the schools by the South Dakota Lions Foundation. Pictured below is Yankton Lions Club President Katherine French with the 5th grade class at Sacred Heart.



Ipswich Lions - 4th Annual Strides Walk



Ipswich Lions Club will be sponsoring their 4th annual Strides Walk For Diabetes, on March 22, 2010, from 5pm to 7pm at the Ipswich High School Gym. Trivent financial for Lutherans Group will help match funds that are raised for the event. In the past we have been able to sponsor 2 area youths going to camp Gilbert in Waubay South Dakota. Free Blood Pressures and Sugars are given by the local Sanford Clinic of Ipswich. We usually average about 50 walkers and hope to have a lot more this year. We encourage all of the clubs to hold at least one of these walks, not only is it a lot of fun, but it is a good feeling to be able to help a young one help deal & cope with the life changing disease.



In November, PDG Stan Pfeifle from Eureka visited the Ipswich Lions Club meeting and presented the club with the "Club Merit Award". It is an award given yearly to a club that is involved with their community on a regular basis, and meet all of the yearly criteria from Lions International.. Stan also presented President Sue Morlock with a plaque for being a state chair in the Womens Development. Anyone wanting to be part of a community service club that prides itself of community development, please give any Lion member a call or join our meeting, the 3rd Thursday of every month at Swanee's Restaurant in Ipswich.

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Sturgis Lions Club "Thank you" to the Community



The Sturgis Lion's Club wants to thank everyone for their support of collecting used cell phones, eyeglasses and hearing aid and batteries. Lion Neil Hodges, Lion Eileen Hodges, Lion Ed Mullinex, Lion Roberta Mullinex, Lion Marv Nible, Lion Jill Baird, Lion Doug Voorhees and Lion Bill Baird [Lion Betty Voorhees not pictured] had the task of gathering the donated items. The phones, eyeglasses are counted and packaged to be sent to the State Lion's meeting. If you can not find a collection box for these items please check at the Sturgis Library, Lynn's Dakotamart and Sturgis Senior Center.