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## Yankton Lions Club Awards Scholarship

Yankton Lions Club President Katherine French presented a \$1,000 scholarship to Valerie Hummel a 2010 graduate of Yankton High School, from the Yankton Lions Club. Valerie will be attending DWU in Mitchell this fall.



## Hot Springs Lions & Relay For Life

Lion Treasurer Gene Nachtigall of the Hot Springs Lions presents a donation to Colleen Bowker, local chairperson, in support of the local Relay For Life. Relay For Life is the main volunteer-driven cancer fundraising event of the American Cancer Society. Originating in the United States, the Relay For Life event has spread to 21 countries worldwide. Relay events are held in local communities, campus universities, military bases, and in cyberspace. Although the main objective of Relay is to raise money for cancer research and cancer patients, the event is held to spread cancer awareness, celebrate the lives of survivors, remember those who lost their lives to cancer, and unite a community in the fight against cancer. It is estimated that Relay For Life events have raised over 3 billion dollars to date.

## Diabetes Awareness 4/8 Mile Fun Run/Walk

June 13, 2010, 1:00 pm  
On Site Registration, Noon  
Ft. Meade Recreation Area  
\$15 per person  
\$30 per family

T-Shirts guaranteed to pre-registrants  
Forms at Runner's Shop & YMCA  
Phone: 787-4709

Sponsored by:

Piedmont & Sturgis Lions Clubs  
Lots of door prizes after event



## Selby Lion's Deli

The Selby Lions Deli opened another season at the Norman Thorstenson Trucking Auction at Selby on May 21st, 2010. The slot machine sold for \$575 and Norm donated \$550 to the Selby Lions Club. The deli was put into action in 1984, with both the Lions and Lioness Clubs working together for a service that fills a niche for our community. The deli has traveled many miles over the years. As far west as McLaughlin, east to Ipswich and north to Strasburg, ND averaging about 5 sales per year with a total of 135 over the years.

Workers at the Lion's Club Deli (LtoR): Mary Lou Bucklin, Pam Seyer, Oscar Jr Prasek, Larry Jensen, Vance Masteller, Norm Thorstenson,



## Lion Carl Johnson Receives DG's Appreciation Award

Lion Carl Johnson, member of Yankton Lions Club recently received the District Governor's Appreciation Award from DG Tom Grimmond. Lion Carl joined the Yankton Lions Club in 1977. He has served as President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the club. He has served on the Flag Project for 25 years as well as the Hearing and Vision Committee for 20 years. Lion Carl was chosen Lion of the Year 2009 as well as having a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. He has attended International, State, Multi-District and Local Conventions. Carl has been a loyal Lions member and has contributed many years to the Armed Services of our country. He served in our community as a very effective Emergency Manager until he retired. Congratulations Lion Carl and thank you for all you do.

See Page 3 for the DG's Newsletters!

## Volga's Proud Lion

On June 1st the Volga Lions Club President, Lou Prohaska, presented Lion Jan Woolworth with the Proud Lion Award. Jan has been a member since August of 2009.



## Volga Lions Potato Feed

The Volga Lions Club 1st Annual Potato Feed was held May 13th at the Volga Community Center. A loaded baked



potato, hot ham and cheese sandwich, an assortment of bars, coffee and juice were served. The new fundraiser went over well in the community. The club members assembled wood crosses and decorated them with flowers for Memorial Day and sold them at the Potato Feed. Fifty crosses were made and forty three were sold at \$5.00 each. This was a great project for the club. There have been two requests for eye care assistance in our area and these requests were met from this fundraiser.

## Wall Lions Have Been Busy



Installation of new officers of the Wall Lions Club by DG Doug Scheller. L to R: Doug Hauck, VP, Carol Anne Hodge, Liaison, Barbara Reckling, President; Gerald Grayot, Treasurer, Cindy Weaver, Secretary and DG Doug



Wall Lions Volunteers Al and Carol Anne Hodge work in the area Food Pantry the 29<sup>th</sup> of May. The Lions of Wall have volunteered to help with this every other month or when needed.

Induction of a new member in April and official visit of DG Doug Scheller to the Wall Lions. L to R: DG Doug Scheller; Carol Anne Hodge, Mike Larson, New Member; Al Hodge.



L to R: Guest Patron Larry Osborne, Wall Lions President Barb Reckling, Lioness Kay Leonard, Lioness Rita Whitwer selling pies to raise money for Haiti. This sale was held in Wall Drug.

# South Dakota Lions Foundation

Assuring a Legacy

## Eyeglass and hearing aid donations:

Viborg Lions Club	Siouxland Lions Club	Hartford Friends
Madison Lions Club	Aberdeen Lions Club	Hope Lutheran
Volga Lions Club	Ipswich Lions Club	General Public
Flandreau Friends	Huron Noon Lions Club	SD Lions Eye Bank
Huron Eye Openers Lions Club	Huron Noon Lions Club	

### Memorials:

#### Memorial for Edna Haight

From: Don & Gloria Selberg  
From: Ray & Louise Schley

#### Memorial for Rob Clemenson

From: Larry & Sharon Wheating

#### Memorial for Harris Johnson

From: Beresford Lions Club

#### Memorial for Merle Christensen

From: Beresford Lions Club

### Donations in May:

Shiloh Oorlong of Sioux Falls Sioux Empire Lions Club

### Henry Baker Memorial Fellowship:

Sara Carothers, Sioux Falls Downtown Lions Club  
Ken Jaques, Piedmont Lions Club

### Sustaining Membership Paid in May:

Charles Landon, Jr.

**Thank you all so very much!**



## Mitchell Lions Club Cleans Up

As part of the annual spring cleanup day sponsored by the Mitchell Main Street and Beyond organization, members of the Mitchell Lions club repainted a number of the cornstalk lampposts on Main Street to brighten them up as the summer tourism season kicks off. Pictured are Lions Randy Reider, Karen Jorgenson and Angie Putnam.

## Custer Lions Achievement

Custer Lions Club member Russ Arnold proudly displays his Gold Medal for winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place at the Winter Special Olympics at Terry Peak. Lion Walt admires the award his friend achieved.



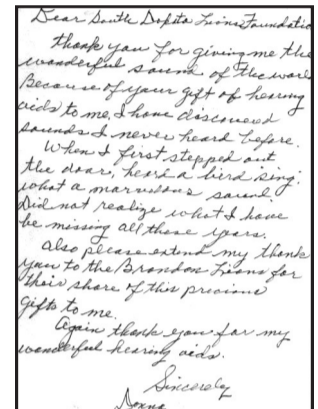
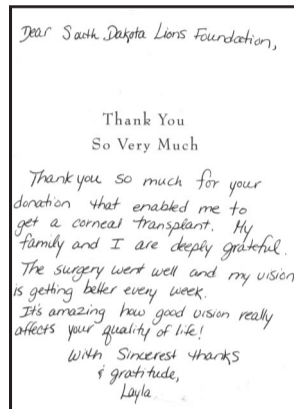
## FOUNDATION FEATURES

Here are a few tidbits from your Foundation

The Web site is up and running you can find the Specific Assistance Grant Application under the "We Serve" tab, along with the Henry Baker Award application.

Remember there's more than one way to raise money for your Foundation; a good source is the SD Magazine. You can download the application via the Web site under "Other ways to give" tab. The Foundation will receive 50% of the subscription price if you're new or if you're renewing we receive 10%. It is a wonderful magazine filled with inspirational stories and facts all about South Dakota. What a great gift to give someone you love.

So far this year we have helped **31** applicants with hearing and vision assistance and there are **4** in process. We have worked with all 4 Sioux Falls clubs, all 4 Rapid City clubs, Brandon, Brookings, Alcester, Selby, Mitchell and Lennox just to name a few. We have helped with a corneal transplant, Camp Gilbert, and numerous hearing aids. Read the note from 'Donna' and 'Layla' whom we helped receive the miracle of hearing. What a wonderful organization we volunteer for.



We also have a great network with Lions Clubs called the 'Liaison'. It is our goal to have a Liaison in every Lions Club by June 30, 2010. The Lions Club Liaison is the voice of the South Dakota Lions Foundation. The Liaison receives a manual that covers all of the partnerships available to the club. It is very important for Liaisons to check emails often as the Foundation sends correspondence via email. If your club does not have a designated Liaison and you would like to serve your club and community, please contact the SD Lions Foundation office at 1-888-735-4667 to SIGN UP!!! It is a great way to interact with the Foundation and to learn and share with your clubs all that the Foundation can do to help your club and community.

**JUST A REMINDER:** send your club news to [sdionsnews@sdlions.org](mailto:sdionsnews@sdlions.org) by the third of the month to be sure it's included in the SD Lion. Club news is featured every month and your response has been overwhelming!!! Lions and their clubs have a great network here and we hope you take advantage! Don't forget to submit your Puzzler Answers. Winner will receive a \$10 Gift Certificate from the PDG Association.

## 990 Reminder

Lions Clubs... have you filed your e-Postcard (Form 990-N), Form 990 or 990EZ with the IRS? Failure to do so for the last three consecutive years may jeopardize your club's nonprofit status. Go to [www.irs.gov/eo](http://www.irs.gov/eo) for more information.

## Newsletter Request

We are experiencing problems when we receive pictures that are submitted as PDF documents for the newsletter. Please send pictures as JPEG's or TIFFs. Also, please submit your copy or articles in a Word document. This will help us as we layout the newsletter each month and will ensure that the printer receives the best quality photos for our newsletter. Thank you for all the great stories that we receive each month.

## Mission

The South Dakota Lions Foundation Mission Statement consists of those things we concentrate on daily to survive. The mission statement identifies our customers, processes and level of performance we are dedicated to delivering.

### Our Mission:

"Partnering with Lion, Lioness and Leo clubs to assure a legacy of vision and hearing related services for South Dakota citizens."

## Vision

The South Dakota Lions Foundation Vision Statement is what drives the behaviors, creativity, innovation, commitment, engagement and determination of the people within our organization. Its purpose is to inspire our work toward achieving our Endowment goal.

### Our Vision:

"To create a permanent vehicle (Endowment) for the development and delivery of programs and services to the visually and hearing impaired."

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## Governor Doug's newsletter

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I was told when I became District Governor that the year would pass by quickly—I assure you that was a credible, spot on statement. It seems like only yesterday I was composing my first newsletter immediately prior to the International Convention in Minneapolis. To be sure, I was somewhat naive regarding some of the challenges and issues that would present themselves during my term, but it was an exciting, exhilarating experience and I am so grateful I was given the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

Looking back, I believe we experienced more ups than downs during the 2009-2010 Lions year. The loss of the Kadoka Badlands Lions Club was a sad day for District 5-SW however this club had a proud history with many years of service to their community and beyond. Thank You Kadoka Badlands Lions—you truly have been good and faithful servants.

On a positive note, the 3 new clubs we added have enabled us to experience positive growth in 5-SW with an overall increase of 74 members above last year's total. One of the brightest spots of our membership numbers is an increase of 65+ women into our ranks and a campus club whose youth represents our future. We as a district did "Move to Grow" and I know our International President is proud of our collective accomplishments this year—I know I am proud of you all!

After the re-districting of MD-5, there are now 6 districts down from the original 9. Five of the 6 districts are in good standing with at least 1250 members however 5-SW remains a "transitional" district with 1050 members. My goal and that of my successors is to increase our membership up to and beyond 1250 members. This will not be easy, and it will not happen overnight, however it is our belief that extension is the most expedient way to achieve this objective—additionally, new clubs tend to have younger members which is critical for our long term viability. Also, we must establish clubs where the people are—if Newell pop. 700 has a club with 43 members, how many clubs are possible for Rapid City and other communities with larger populations? If we are to succeed we must in the words of Sir Winston Churchill **NEVER, NEVER, NEVER, NEVER-QUIT!**

Very soon, DGE Larry Burkhead will become your new District Governor. He along with 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE Dave Gibson, and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDGE Jan Wagner will capably lead 5-SW into the future. We are fortunate indeed to have leaders of their caliber—based on their collective experience and contributions to Lionism—we are in for an outstanding year. I pledge to support and help them in all of their endeavors and I urge every Lion in 5-SW to do the same. Lions Larry, Dave & Jan best wishes to you for 2010-2011!

A few final thoughts—have you ever said, "some day I'm going to....." or "one of these days I'm going to....." or "when I get around to it.....". Guess what? NOW is some day, one of these days, and around to it! It occurred to me one sleepless night that I have been given 22,646 days of life some 14975 of which since I reached majority. I then began to wonder—how many of these days have been used for good? How many of these days have been lived with purpose? How many of these days benefitted no one—including myself? Then the obvious question—how many days do I have left? Mercifully none of us know this answer. I do know this however, I have already been given a good measure of days and I want to use the remainder of them well. I also know the time I spend as a Lion serving others makes me a better more complete human being. Who knows with a little luck and a few more years I may become the kind of person my dog thinks I am.

Thank you for a wonderful year and God Bless you all,  
 Lion Doug



## Governor Tom's newsletter

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**Goal achieved!** I have visited every Lions Club in District 5SE. There are 52 Lions Clubs and 3 Lioness Clubs for a total of 55 visitations. Visiting each club is the best part of being District Governor. I saved my last official visit for my home club, the Sioux Falls Downtown Lions Club. They are the oldest and largest club in the District and Multiple District 5. I am proud to be a member of the club, now that I have been District Governor I feel like an honorary member of all the clubs in 5SE and that size is relative. When I visited Eden it was great to see so many Lions. They have 16 members in a town of 97. That means 17% of the town is a Lions. If Sioux Falls had 17% of the City in Lions we would have 25,000 Lion members. I have definitely learned this year that size and strength of a club is relative.

**District 5SE Cabinet.** I want to thank my cabinet for a great year as District Governor especially the members that attended all my cabinet meetings and for my Zone Chairs and the successful completion of all their meetings. My Secretary, 1VDG(e) Louise Schley did an awesome job at keeping me on task and getting all the reports I needed to get done and sent into LCI. My Treasurer, PDG Ray Schley, has been a huge help with keeping the books and making sure that we didn't go over budget. Louise and Ray were always willing to come to my office to get paperwork completed. I truly appreciate their sacrifice of time and talent in the name of Lions.

**Good Luck Lion DGE Al Adrian.** It will go by fast so enjoy every minute of it.

**Branch Clubs:** Branch clubs are a great way to bring other members of your community or nearby communities into Lionism. The Lennox Lions Club is currently working on a branch club in Worthing. They have some great Lions in that community but not enough to charter a new club; they have established a branch club there in anticipation of chartering a new club once membership increases to 20 Lions.

The Branch Club would also work in communities where we have male only clubs. It would give spouses of Lions and other women in the community an opportunity to join Lions and serve their community. In many cases, spouses are already de facto members because they attend the fundraisers and community service projects so why not give them full credit by inviting them into Lionism as a member of your club or as a member of a branch club. If you think a Branch Club would work in your community give me a call or our Membership Chair Keith Lewis at 605-498-0305.

District Governor's Visitation Schedule	
3, 4 & 5 June	MD5 Convention, Saskatoon SK
28 June – 2 July	International Convention in Sydney, AU

**MD5 CONVENTION "Lions Tracking Towards the Future"** is in Saskatoon 3-5 June 2010. I encourage everyone to attend. Nothing makes an organization stronger then getting together in a fun environment. **GET ON THE BUS IN FARGO** and save the driving.

**FALL FORUM** for 2010 is being hosted by the Britton & Eden Lions Clubs at Ft Sisseton on September 18th. (<http://www.sdgap.info/Parks/Regions/GlacialLakes/FortSisseton.htm>). There will be some major changes to the Constitution and By-laws, so plan on attending so you can shape the future of the District at 5SE's First Annual Business Meeting at the Fall Forum 2010.

## Wanted: 2nd VDG!

District 5 SE is looking for individuals to run for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor to serve starting in July 2011.

The qualifications to become 2nd Vice District Governor are:

- Be an active member of a club in good standing,
- Served as a President and a club board member for a minimum of 2 additional years and
- Served as a Zone or Region Chairperson.

Those who are interested please contact one of the following: DG Tom Grimmond 605 332 5706; email [grimmond\\_t@yahoo.com](mailto:grimmond_t@yahoo.com) or DGE Al Adrian 605 360 8192; email [ajadrian2002@yahoo.com](mailto:ajadrian2002@yahoo.com) or 1st VDGE Louise Schley 605 332 1762; email [lou2@sio.midco.net](mailto:lou2@sio.midco.net).

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### Upcoming Events:

State Convention in Deadwood  
 January 21, 2011

### South Dakota Lions on the Web at:

[www.sdlions.net](http://www.sdlions.net)

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**Future Multi-District Conventions:**  
 June 2-4, 2011 in Rapid City  
 Bismarck will host in 2012

**Future International Conventions:**  
 June 28-July 2, 2010  
 Sydney, Australia

