

# Mane Lioner

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**Lions serve.** It's what we do. And while the coronavirus (COVID-19) **pandemic** has changed the way we live and work, it has not changed who we are. Every day, **Lions** and **Leos** around the world are finding ways to continue their fellowship with one another and serve safely in their Communities.



Volunteers do not necessarily have the time, they have the **HEART!!!**





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## 2020-2021 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

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## DISTRICT CONVENTIONS/STATE CONVENTION

April 10, 2021	6C District Convention, Aurora, CO
April 16-17	6SE District Convention, Canon City, CO
April 23-24	6NE District Convention, Berthoud/Virtual
April 30-May 1	6W District Convention, Grand Junction
May 14-15	MD6 State Convention (virtual)



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**One mission. One vision. One another.**

My Fellow MD6 Lions,

As the pandemic is coming towards an end, it is great to see how Lions Clubs coped during the pandemic. When the news is all doom and gloom—as it has been since the outbreak of the coronavirus— it's hard for even the most optimistic among us to stay positive. Instead, we have found ways to meet the needs of our communities.

Facing adversity and meeting the needs of our communities in an ever-changing environment is not new for Lions. Many Club leaders kept positive through the pandemic and kept the mindset of the Lions mission and committed to continuing to serve during this period. They did so without letting panic enter into their decisions and ensuring that they were making decisions based on fact, not rumor, which will allow them to continue serving in an uninterrupted manner.

In this unprecedented situation, Clubs have rapidly and creatively responded with alternative ways to continue to serve their communities and carry out their missions. Some changes might be short-term while others may be successful strategies that become permanent.

When visiting Clubs, I talk about the cost of negativity, and the benefits of positivity. I find it's helpful when dealing with Club members to make a logical case for positivity. But most importantly I shared how Positive Leaders stay positive to create positive change... and today I want to share a few of these principles/practices with you.

- 1) **Control What You Can Control** - It's simple but it's true. You can't control what people are saying and thinking about you. You can't control most things in life but you can control your attitude, your effort and your actions.
- 2) **Focus on Solutions instead of Complaints** - When things are not going well and you are being bombarded with negativity it's easy to complain. But great leaders don't complain. They focus on solutions. If you are complaining, you are not leading. If you are leading you aren't complaining. Instead of focusing on where you are, think about where you want to go and what you want to create. Instead of complaining about what's holding you back, think about solutions that will propel you forward.
- 3) **Embrace Change** - There's a myth that members don't like change. We actually like what change produces. We just don't like the messy transition required to create the change. Individuals and organizations that thrive embrace the entire process of transition and change knowing it leads to improvement and growth. Leadership is a transfer of belief so it's essential that a leadership team shares their positive belief about change with everyone in the Club.

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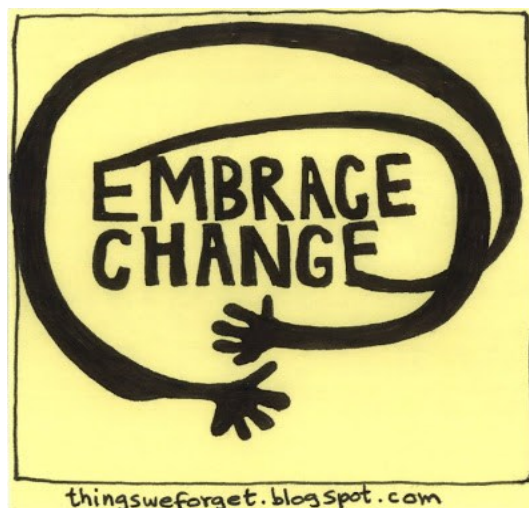
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**4) Stay Positive and Do the Work** - It may sound cliché but it's a huge key to success. Through challenges, adversity and negativity you must simply stay positive and continue to do the work. You control what you control. Tune out the noise. Focus on solutions. Work hard every day. Embrace change, work together as a team, and create positive change from the inside out. Over time performance improves, the numbers rise, confidence grows, members feel and see the change and then everyone starts talking about why you are succeeding instead of failing.

One of the biggest decisions I had to make during my year is how to do the State Convention. With the State and County Regulations it would have been easy just to cancel but like all Lions Clubs this year I thought outside the box and recruited a Lion that was not afraid of a challenge and BIG LION ROAR to Lion John Spice to make it happen.

Please stay healthy and safe,

PROUD MD6 CC Lion Michelle McGowan







# **6C DG STOKES ANDERSON**



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## **SHOOTING FOR THE STARS WITH LIONS COMPASSION WILLINGNESS OF EFFORT PERSISTENCE**

The Goals for District 6C remain the same in spite of the Corona Virus and the effect it had on providing "NORMAL" service to our communities. We remain confident in our ability to recruit new members and increase our donations to LCIF.

I am glad to report that our goals were reviewed to determine where if any place they required tweaking or changed due to our limited ability to travel

within our communities. Although no changes were recommended, it was decided that we would increase our communications to each other to ensure that all were well. It was also decided that we would ensure that members would get the training required to accomplish their jobs in spite of the travel and occupancy rules of the locality they live in via ZOOM. Many of our members are finding ways to provide service to our communities, assisting food banks, blood drives, donations, and virus testing. For example, members of the Cyber Lions are volunteering to assist in testing for the virus. Lion Mark Hamouz has led in the construction and delivery of Desks for Kids and the construction of book cases for a new senior citizen housing facility.

We have 28 clubs, all participating, and performing to the best of their capabilities to serve physically, financially, or in other ways safely. A loud ROAR to PDG Gwen Balk (LCIF Coordinator) (Centennial Airport Lions), who has made over 1000 masks with all of the proceeds (\$1200.00) being donated to LCIF.

I will remind all clubs that if needed, there are funds available in the budget to assist in the payment of dues. Also a reminder that Lion Ann Marie Morgan as District Administrator (Nederland Lions) will gladly assist you in reporting using MyLCI the service projects as well as reporting service projects and changes to or new club officers.

I am happy to announce that 72 members received Charter Monarch and Monarch Chevron Award recognition from LCI. The awards were sent to each club to be presented at an appropriate time.

The 2021 Lions Clubs International Convention will be virtual due to continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Information is available on line on how to register.

District 6C Convention will be held on April 10, 2021. Our Committee Chair will provide additional information.

**UNITY CREATES ENERGY-----LIONS ARE UNITED IN ACCOMPLISHING SERVICE**

Stokes Anderson  
District Governor 6C



## Shooting for the Stars with Lions

### District 6C Convention

April 10, 2021

### DoubleTree Hotel

13696 E Iliff Pl., Aurora, Co 80014

(303) 337-2800

Time: 9am to 3pm (Registration Pickup begins at 8am)



Lion/Lioness/Leo/Guest \_\_\_\_\_ Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One)

Lion/Lioness/Leo/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One)

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Is this your first 6C Convention? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

<u>EVENT</u>	<u># of Lions/Guests</u>	<u>Cost Per Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
Convention Registration & Lunch	____/____	\$30	\$_____

### Saturday Lunch: (Boxed)

Includes fruit

Chips

Pasta Salad; potato salad

Cookies

Pickles

### Please Choose One:

\_\_\_\_\_ Balsamic Vegetable Wrap with seasoned vegetables, pesto

\_\_\_\_\_ Italian, pepperoni, ham, salami, mixed greens, tomato, red onion on hoagie

\_\_\_\_\_ Crispy chicken Caesar wrap, crispy chicken, Caesar dressing, parmesan

Indicate special needs \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **District 6C Convention**

Mail to: Lion Pat Carlson

71 Prairie Ridge Road

Highlands Ranch, Co 80126-2075

Information / Questions Call: Lion Janice Davis 303-755-8952

Lion Pat Carlson: 303- 888-0423



### DISTRICT 6C CONVENTION CALL

In accordance with the International, Multiple District, and District Constitution and By Laws, this notice will serve as the official call for the 2020 District 6C Convention. The convention will be held on April 10, 2021 at the Doubletree Hotel, 13696 East Iliff Avenue, Aurora, CO 80014. The convention will elect our new District Governor, First Vice District Governor, Second Vice District Governor, and other District 6C Representatives for the years 2021-2022 as well as other business that may come before the cabinet board.

The convention will be a lot of fun and camaraderie of renewing old friendships and making new ones. It also provides us with the golden opportunity to revitalize our spirits in continuing our service to our communities.

This year we have been plagued with the Coronavirus inserting itself into our daily lives to the extent that alternate means of communication was a must and 6C met the challenge. I am looking forward to seeing the district Lions members.

*DG Stokes Anderson*

### OPEN POSITIONS AT THE 2021 6C CONVENTION

To appear on the ballot for the April 10h 6C District Convention, qualified Lions (including incumbents) must submit their "letter of intent" plus an endorsement letter from their club. Both letters should be sent to DG Stokes Anderson, Cabinet Secretary Barb Guest and myself. PDG Jack These two letters must be post marked no later than March 9th, 2021.

#### Subject positions are:

- DG
- 1st VDG
- 2nd VDG
- CLC Board Trustee (3 yr term)
- RMLEB Board Director (3 yr term)
- Colo Lions KidSight Board Trustee (3 yr term)
- RMLEIF Board Trustee (3 yr term)
- Schuyler Educational Scholarship Committee Trustee (2 yr term)
- Update changes to the 6C Constitution & By-Laws (if applicable)

PDG Jack Beckfield



**1st VDG MD6C**  
**PDG Ted Peterson**  
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## **First Vice District Governor District 6-C**

On January 30<sup>th</sup>, I hosted a Zoom social gathering for my First Vice District Governor (VDG) /District Governor (DG) Elect Training Group 15. There were 15 1<sup>st</sup> VDGs and our group leader Past DG Dennis Kelly III from MD5M, Minnesota. We had several from Australia, Philippines, Canada, and others from across the USA (Hawaii, Arkansas, Texas, and Colorado). Our training starts in April through May 2021, so we are gathering on Zoom to get to know each other better.

I have been attending club Zoom meetings as I find out about them. In January, I attended Monday webinars about the North American Membership Initiative. I have been working on district goals for 2021-2022 and now I must put together the action plans for them. Afterwards, I will get the district Global Action Team together to tweak them before I send them into Lions Clubs International (LCI) headquarters.

This year, the LCI Convention will be virtual so it would be a great opportunity to register for it and attend an international convention.

Registration fees – The registration fee will be US \$50 until March 31, then US \$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US \$30 regardless of date. The convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29. Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.

So, register today you will not have another opportunity like this for some time.

I hope everyone is staying healthy and safe.

Lion Ted Peterson 1<sup>st</sup> VDG







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## Training Our Leaders to Lead with Success

Over the past two years I have noticed a lack of high-quality training for our future leaders. Our multiple districts have done a great job with the Paul Barbour Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI). Yet when it comes to our vice district governors, we fall short. Because what I have witnessed is the same repeat of RLLI training they had in Paul Barbour RLLI. There is a separate training for 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG that should be used to prepare our future District Governors. I propose that we move away from the regional Vice District Governor training held in the spring. If it is going to

to continue to use the RLLI materials, then we do our own training of our VDGs in the fall of the year (October or November). Maybe it can be done in conjunction with the Fall Council of Governors. I just feel we need to give our new leaders every advantage as possible to succeed. It is worth our efforts to do this. We need to grow our membership by making sure our District Governors are ready to lead and not just hold a slot. With Lions Clubs International (LCI) putting more pressure on the multiple districts to train leaders, we need to step up to the challenge. We have several Lions that are Faulty Development Institute (FDI) trained so we need to use them. At least there needs to be an open discussion about this. I would love to host a Zoom meeting to explore what is happening with Regional VDG Training.

### **Some of the training sessions for 1<sup>st</sup> VDG could be:**

Understanding the District Budget

Conflict Resolution

Building Your Cabinet

Lions Trading and Award Pins

LCI Information

Council of Governors

Motivate-Delegate-Inspire

Working as a Team

Role of a Vice District Governor (What happens during your year)

**Lion Ted Peterson, 6-C 1<sup>st</sup> VDG**  
**FDI trained**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor  
District 6C  
Robert Storrs  
NAMI Champion**

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## **Have You Considered Starting a New Lions Club Recently?**

I would guess most clubs in the district have not. It is a real opportunity to extend the fellowship and service of Lionism and to grow Lion membership in our district.

### **It's too hard**

We have heard that excuse before, but it doesn't have to be. You get plenty of support from Lions Clubs International (LCI), the district, and those Lions who have done it before.

### **We don't need another club in our area**

That's the beauty of specialty clubs. You can form a club around a particular common interest that the new Lions might have. We are currently working to form a Lions Club in District 6C for motorcycle riders. In District 6W, they are forming a club around Diabetes. What a great idea! Other special interest clubs might include a Low-vision club or a marathon walkers club. Use your imagination.

### **Too hard to get 20 new members to form a club**

Form a branch club. This only takes five members and then it may grow to a full-fledged club over time. Reach out to all the clubs in the District to help recruit. Use newspapers and Facebook groups to get the word out.

### **I don't know how to get started**

Download the ***New Club Development Guide*** from LCI for lots of helpful suggestions and guidance.

Contact District 6C GMT Rick Argotsinger at [rla1977@comcast.net](mailto:rla1977@comcast.net) / 303 204-5289 or myself at [LionRStorrs@outlook.com](mailto:LionRStorrs@outlook.com) / 720 334-0114 for more information.

## **Have You Considered Starting Your Own Club Again?**

### **What? What do you mean starting our own club again?**

Most of our membership initiatives are aimed at bringing new members into our club one at a time. Why not a project to grow the club as if starting anew?

Download the ***New Club Development Guide*** from LCI and use it to design your own project.

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- Put together a team
- Setup Goals and Action Plans - be aggressive but realistic
- Contact Community Leaders
  - \* Chamber of Commerce
  - \* Mayor and other community leaders
  - \* Law enforcement
  - \* Other civic and religious organization
- Promote you club to the community
  - \* Newspapers
  - \* Community Facebook groups
  - \* Use Chamber of Commerce email list to contact business in your area
- Hold Information meetings that prospects can come to learn about Lions and what it means to join your club.

**How Can We Help?** As District Leaders, we are committed to help each club with membership, service, and leadership training. Please take advantage of our help. Reach out to Zone Chairs, Global Team Coordinators, your DG team and let us know **How Can We Help?**

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## 2021 Speech Contest at the District and State Conventions

### 6C District Convention is April 10

Our District Speech Contest is coming up quickly! This year's speech topic is **How a Pandemic Affects Our Service to Others**.

This year it may be more difficult to reach out to schools and other organizations to engage students for your Club Speech Contest. However, the good news is that most schools are back in session so the opportunity to publicize the information on the speech contest is a little easier than it was in the fall. We hope to see a number of club sponsored speech contestants at the district convention.

This newsletter contains the brochure for the MD6 Speech Contest which includes rules and the criteria for judging the speeches. The rules and criteria are applicable at the club, district and multiple district levels. Please share this information with your club speech contestants. If you would like a customized poster regarding your club's contest to send out to schools and other organizations please contact me and I can provide you with a template or I can customize one for your club.

Please send me the name of your club speech contest winner by April 3 so that I can make the final arrangements for the speeches at the District Convention. Please let all speech contestants know that district contestants will be asked to introduce themselves and give us a brief summary of themselves as well as their interests and passions!

If you have any questions about the speech contest or need any assistance please contact me!

IPDG Holly Rutherford-Allen  
6C Speech Contest Chair  
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### COLORADO ROCKY MOUNTAIN CYBER LIONS

The Cyber Lions have been meeting via Zoom; I am sure just as most of you have; however, we have continued to support the community through the following means:

- During the month of January the Club has volunteered to support Covid-19 Testing Site at the Ethiopian Evangelical Church
- We assisted in the Christmas bicycle Give-Away with the Sertoma Club,
- As well as the collection of toys benefiting deserving children.
- We participated in the Donor Dash at Lowry Park
- We continue to collect pill bottles
- Clothing for our annual Clothing-Give-Away is still being collected
- Individual and club donations are being made monthly to LCIF

Also our Club has received the membership award patch

Unfortunately, we also lost our club member Lion Mark Jones, husband of Lion Henrietta Jones.

*Lion Stokes Anderson*  
 Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions





# 6NE DG PENN STREET



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Colorado Lions,

Over the past eight months I have spent a lot of time in the valleys in our district. Lions have closed their club doors and it breaks my heart to see the 71 names of members we have lost. There are many reasons for these 71 names and I know this number will increase in the next four months.

I have also spent the past eight months in awe of our district. We have brought in 34 new Lions, fed our communities, and continue to serve where there is need. It has been a team effort and we must all continue to be strong and push on.

I want to address the biggest barrier in our district. It is not membership or retention or submitting our service projects. Our biggest barrier is asking for help. We have individual Lions and clubs that are struggling in silence. I understand. I find it difficult to ask for help when I need it. However, our district can not and will not be able to maintain or retain unless we ask for help. Every member that I have spoken to that has dropped or clubs that have closed their doors all had one thing in common. They did not ask for help. As 6NE District Governor I take that to heart and I take responsibility. I did not reach out enough. I did not see their struggle in time. That is on me.

Moving forward from this moment I want each of us to think of a Lion in our club or our Zone or our district that we feel is struggling. I want each of us to pledge that today we are going to reach out to that Lion. I want each of us to find a way to lift that Lion up. As Lions we are great about taking care of our communities, but we are failing in taking care of our fellow Lions. If our Lion Pride is not strong and is not supported we can not take care of our communities.

My theme for this year is that we are all one Rope Team. We are all working together for the same goal. We are all roped in together so if one of us falls or grows tired we are there tied together to support each other to reach the summit. Fellow Lions, there are many in our team that are falling and are growing tired. Together we must find ways to let those members and those clubs know we are here to support them before they fall. I don't know what the answer is, but together I have hope we can find it.

**"One Rope Team"**

***"A group of people working on the same goal that are roped together in case of a fall"***





## **2021 6NE District Convention**

**April 23rd - 24th**

**Friday April 23rd**

**4:30 pm - 6:30 pm on Zoom**

**Saturday April 24th**

**9:30 am - 1:00 pm on Zoom/limited in-person in Berthoud**

**We welcome PIP Bob Corlew and his lovely wife, Dianne from Tennessee.**

**This is a CELEBRATION of Working Together!**

**The agenda is packed full of traditions and ceremonies.**

**To Register - click [HERE](#)**



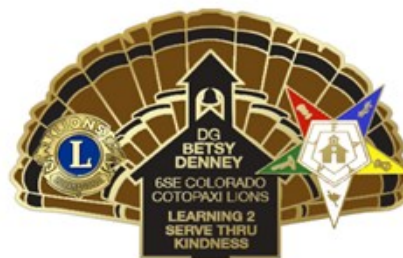


# 6SE DG ELIZABETH "BETSY" DENNEY



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## LEARNING TO SERVE THROUGH KINDNESS

Greetings from 6SE!

As I contemplate writing this letter, I am looking out my window at the beautiful day we are having and thank the Lord for this day. I started my day debating on what to do first and everything I felt I needed to get done but as the list grew my priorities changed. Yes, I got some thing done but other things will be put off for another day. I did, however, find time to enjoy being outside and taking a short drive (27 miles) to look at what is going on in the neighborhood. I saw plenty of wildlife, livestock, green

grass starting, some snow, and even witnessed a calf being born. Now it is back to work.

6SE held their 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet meeting February 13, 2021 in Avondale. We had a great turnout and I want to thank Avondale/Vineland Lions Club and Pueblo Charter Lions Club for hosting. In addition to the ones that drove to the meeting we also had some join us virtually. This was our first meeting that was held in person this year and it was just great seeing everyone. There is something about meeting in person that makes things go smoothly.

We have several positions available for next year. The most important position is that of District Governor. It was tossed around that I would do this for another year. After hearing from LCI and doing some sole searching I have decided to not do DG another year. I am humbled that our leaders considered me. We will continue to explore our options. 6SE does have a candidate for 1<sup>st</sup> VDG, Geoff Clothier, from Canon City Noon Lions. Lion Geoff is a positive force for us and has some wonderful ideas that will help the district move forward during this changing time. Other positions that are available include 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG, representatives on the following boards: Colorado Lions Camp (2 vacancies), Colorado Lions Foundation, Schuyler Scholarship Committee, and Colorado Lions Kidsight. Several Lions mentioned they were interested in serving on these boards. Any Lion can serve on the boards but must have a letter of intent to Cabinet Secretary Ron Smith soon to get your name on the ballet. I also recently filled the vacancy on the Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation with Lion Danielle Van Esselstine from the Cotopaxi Lions Club.

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We continue to finalize our 6SE Convention which will be held in Canon City, April 16-17, 2021. We will have a great time with great food and wonderful Lions!!! Please plan on coming for some of that fun!!!! More information will be sent out shortly.

I look forward to seeing all the great things that will be going on this spring as I am hoping things will be getting back to normal. I am hoping to make some more visits as things settle down and seeing what great things Lions are doing.

Learning 2 serve thru Kindness,  
DG Betsy Denney





## LEARNING 2 SERVE THRU KINDNESS



### 6SE Lions District Convention

Canon City, CO

APRIL 16 & 17, 2021

**Friday Evening:** Get Together

Pizza Madness 6:00 p.m.

**Saturday:** Business Meeting, Speech Contest, Elections, Awards

Brookside Community Center 10:00 a.m.

**Saturday Evening:** Banquet

Abbey Events Center TBA

Please See Registration Form for More Information

A Zoom will be going out for those wishing to attend virtually

For more information Contact: DG Betsy Denney

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**Official Registration Form**  
**District 6-SE Lions Convention 2021**  
**Brookside Community Center and**  
**Banquet at The Abbey Event Center-Canon City. CO**  
**April 16 – 17, 2021**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 1<sup>st</sup> Timer \_\_\_\_\_ Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Designation \_\_\_\_\_ Special Dietary Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 1<sup>st</sup> Timer \_\_\_\_\_ Lion/Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Designation \_\_\_\_\_ Special Dietary Needs \_\_\_\_\_

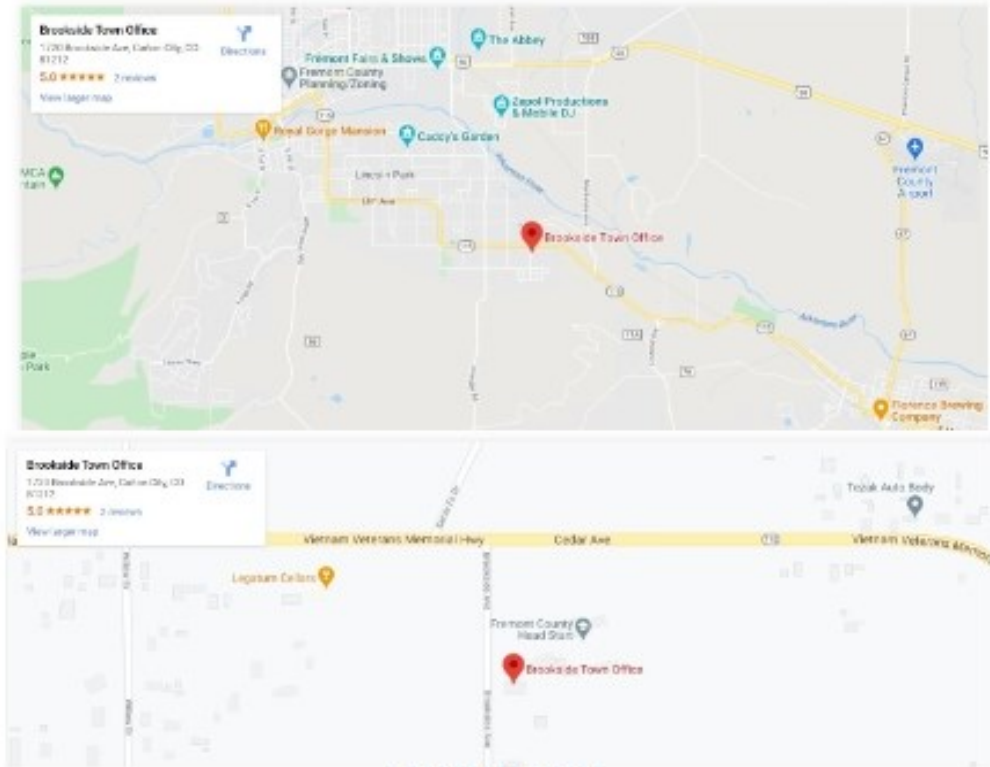
All Attendees MUST Register for the Convention  
 Convention Attire: Fri.- Casual – Pizza Madness 509 Main St., Cañon City  
 Sat.- Casual - Brookside Community Center, 1720 Brookside Ave. Brookside  
 Banquet Attire: Business casual – Abbey Events Center

<b><u>Registration</u></b>	<b><u>Cost per Person</u></b>	<b><u>Number</u></b>	<b><u>Total Cost</u></b>
Full Registration Package(By March 30, 2021)	\$70.00	_____	\$ _____
( By Apr 7, 2021)	\$80.00	_____	\$ _____
(After April 7, 2021)	\$90.00	_____	\$ _____
Includes registration, Fri. Dinner, Sat. Lunch, Sat. Banquet			
Friday Package (inc. registration, Fri.Supper	\$30.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Lunch (inc. registration, Sat. Lunch	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Banquet (inc. registration, Sat. Dinner	\$35.00	_____	\$ _____
Registration Only (no meals)	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
Grand Total			\$ _____

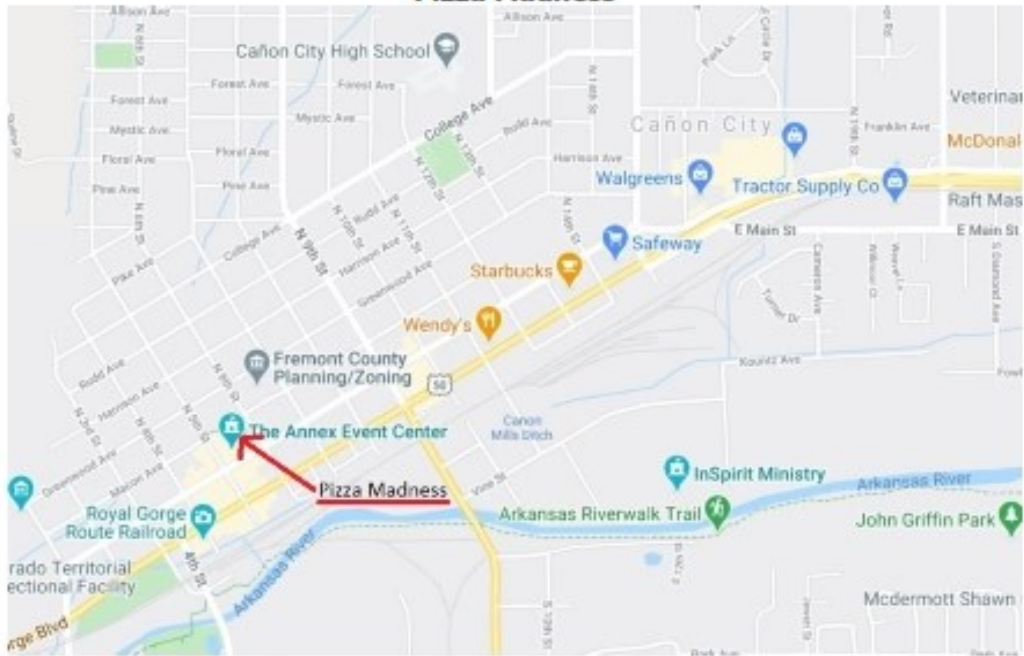
**Convention Hosts: The Canon City Noon Lions, Cotopaxi Lions Club**  
**See Maps to Venues on reverse side.**  
**Make checks payable to District 6SE and mail registration and check to**  
**PCC Sandy Smith**  
**505 Greydene Ave.**  
**Cañon City, Colorado 81212**



Venue  
**Brookside Community Center**



**Pizza Madness**





# 6W DG PAUL STEINFORT, PDG



## DISTRICT 6W STAYS ACTIVE

District 6W has continued to stay active through the winter months, even though travel has been curtailed. Personally, I have not been able to visit my last 7 clubs, but I have contacted a number of club officers to touch base and see how they're doing, if they need any help. We were able to provide some relief funds for members and service activities to some of the clubs.

**DG Paul Steinfort, PDG**  
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Thanks to our GLT, PCC Lance Balding, **5 of our district leaders became Certified Guiding Lions in January.** With some homework and a good Zoom session, followed by the CGL test, Lions PCC Lance Balding,

DG Paul Steinfort, 1VDG JoAnn Steinfort, 2VDG Dave McInay, and Region Chair/Cabinet Treasurer Ed Smith all received their certificates. As we continue to work on new clubs and build existing clubs, we'll be able to use these Lions to help guide the efforts.

**Our LCIF goal for 6W has been 100% club participation,** and at least matching last year's district totals. We may still reach both goals, although many clubs are re-arranging their budgets due to lost fund-raisers. 6W will show at least 5-6 new MJF's by the end of the year. And congratulations to my own club, the Eagle Lions Club, for committing to become an **LCIF Campaign 100 Model Club** (commitment of \$500 per member through the Campaign).



District 6W – along with District 15 Wyoming – applied for and **received \$75,000 matching grants from LCIF.** That \$150,000 was thus doubled, and the monies have been earmarked for Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation to fund an additional exam room at the Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute in anticipation of increasing demand for its vision saving and preserving services. We're happy and proud to be able to help.

While a number of clubs are now meeting again in person, Zoom has been a big help to our clubs and district. We held two **virtual zone meetings** in February, and asked that Lions join either one; we have an in-person zone meeting in the works. March will include a **virtual cabinet meeting and two seminars on membership growth**, recruitment, member satisfaction, etc.

Even while not meeting, most of our clubs continue to serve. We've increased the number of secretaries and service chairs who report, and our district service chair (GST) and district administrator have provided help in many instances. 100% of our Lions and Leo clubs have now been able to report, and even with fewer activities from some clubs, our numbers exceed last year's already in most categories. District Leaders in Reporting Metrics are as follows, top 3 each category:  
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**Service Activities:** Eagle (124), Fraser River Valley (57), Orchard Mesa (41).

**People Served:** Fraser River Valley (20,238), Leadville (19,710), New Castle (17,738).

**Volunteer Hours:** Fraser River Valley (3,457), New Castle (2,242), Eagle (1,799)

**Funds Donated:** Fraser River Valley (\$181,409), Gr. Junction (\$61,258), Redlands (\$12,100).

For hints on increasing your reporting totals, feel free to contact me at [pasteinfo@gmail.com](mailto:pasteinfo@gmail.com) (I'm District Administrator who helps with reporting), or 1VDG JoAnn Steinfort at [jostein46@gmail.com](mailto:jostein46@gmail.com) (our district and MD Service Coordinator).

In closing, let me say thanks to all the support, well-wishes, and prayers sent our way through my tough time with Covid in late January into mid-February, and through my issues and treatment with bladder cancer the past 10 months. It has helped and is much appreciated.





## District 6W Environmental Photo Contest

District 6W held what we believe is our first Environmental Photo Contest this year. We asked district Lions to share a photo of scenery or wildlife or other environmental subjects. We received 6 entries. We sent them anonymously to 10 judges in 7 districts (4 of them outside Colorado), and we received these results.

1<sup>st</sup> Place was Elk Mountain Lupine by JoAnn Steinfort (Eagle Lions)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place was A Rusted View by Janine High (New Castle Lions)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place was Red Mountain Sentinel by Paul Steinfort (Eagle Lions)

We are taking orders for 16x20 canvas prints of these photos. Cost will be \$40. Half of that will go to a charity or cause of the photographer's cost.

JoAnn Steinfort and Paul Steinfort will use LCIF as their charity. Janine High will use Rifle Animal Shelter. We hope to find ways to get the canvas to you without shipping, but if we do have to ship, it will cost roughly \$16.

ORDER your canvas (by name) by emailing [pasteinfort@gmail.com](mailto:pasteinfort@gmail.com). Let's try to get our orders in by March 28, so we can order the canvasses before conventions.



"Elk Mountain Lupine"



"A Rusted View"



"Red Mountain Sentinel"



## NEW CLUB BRANCH IN 6W

By DG Paul Steinfort

Inspired by District NE DG Penn Street about our clubs needing to better serve the blind and low-vision in our communities, I started contacting key people around Western Colorado to build at least a club branch of blind and low-vision individuals.

In December, we were actually able to pull it all together as a club branch of the Eagle Lions Club, whose President is FVDG JoAnn Steinfort. I will serve as the branch liaison. We started with 6 branch members (and even added a new member to our regular member roles), and are committed to adding more to this family.

The branch name is “Ability Advocates of the Rockies Lions Club Branch.” 4 of the members are blind or low-vision. The branch’s mission is to educate the Lions Clubs and the communities in our district about the issues, challenges, and needs of blind/low-vision people in their communities. It is a virtual, specialty club branch with members living so far in Grand Junction, New Castle, Edwards, and Buena Vista.



It’s a dynamic group and we hope to see great things. Because of the nature of our geography and population scarcity here in 6W, the club branch is a logical way to grow our clubs and thus our district. We hope to have more such growth moving forward.





## PRESTIGIOUS INTERNATIONAL AWARD TO 6W CLUB

*By 6W/MD6 GST JoAnn Steinfort (FVDG)  
6W District Governor Paul Steinfort*

Congratulations to the Fraser River Valley Lions Club named in January as the recipient of the prestigious Lions International Kindness Matters Service Award. 2019-20 was the first year of this award, and only 18 were available to Lions internationally.

This prestigious award is given annually to a handful of Lions and Leo clubs for performing an outstanding service project in one of our global cause areas. Nominated at the club level and then the district and multiple district levels, the Kindness Matters Service Award is a “challenge for Lions and Leos to develop exceptionally innovative and creative service projects with the aim of leaving a positive impact in their communities”.

The Fraser River Valley Lions Club partnered with Mountain Family Center, the central human services organization in Grand County, to give the community a valuable resource to teach how to cook healthier meals, especially for people with diabetes. They applied for and received an LCIF grant, along with the Jackson County Lions, and ultimately paid for the construction of a teaching kitchen at the MFC and training for a teacher of these diabetic centric classes that now serve two large counties.

The Mountain Family Center helped over 9,000 food-challenged people in need in 2019 with food distribution and other services. It was critical for the growing number of diabetics in the area to understand how to get the healthiest results from the food being donated. This project and the club's continued support of MFC has provided one of the strongest branding efforts in our district in recent years. NOTE: Fraser River Valley Lions continues to help the MFC in a variety of ways, especially with several thousands of dollars of donations during the pandemic challenges to reach more people.

6W/MD6 Service Chair FVDG JoAnn Steinfort and DG Paul Steinfort were aware of these efforts and encouraged President Greg Orzech and the club to apply, knowing that it met the following criteria (and was reported on MyLion as required): Did the project

- Benefit one of our five global causes (diabetes, the environment, vision, childhood cancer or hunger)?
- Demonstrate innovation?
- Achieve impact of scale and long-term sustainability?
- Develop local partnerships?
- Use local Lions/Leo or Lions Clubs International resources?

The club's application was approved by the 6W cabinet and then by the MD6 Council this past fall. Clubs are encouraged to look at the Guide and requirements on the following link, and see if they have a service activity that qualifies. If so, make the effort to apply. It will be great publicity for your club in your community, and will go far to recognize the efforts your club makes. Here's the link: [Kindness Matters Service Award | Lions Clubs International](#)



# **Celebrating New Heights**

## **At your 2021 6W District Convention**

### **CELEBRATE OUR 2020-21**

**Success Stories  
Accomplishments**

**Growth  
Service**

### **SHARE THESE OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Connecting with  
Friends, old and new**

**Silent Auction for LCIF  
and a Melvin Jones**

**Great Food and  
Motivational Speakers**

**District Speech and  
Brochure Contests**

**Awards, Elections  
and Recognition**



**Friday, April 30  
Saturday, May 1  
Courtyard by Marriott  
Grand Junction**

#### **Convention Contacts**

PDG Walter Lemon (Conv. Chair)	[970-434-7247; wblemon@gmail.com]
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PCC Lance Balding (Registration)	[970-216-7695; llonlance@gvis.net]
DG/PG Paul Steinfert (Program)	[808-346-7980; pasteinfert@gmail.com]



## “CELEBRATING NEW HEIGHTS”

## 6W DISTRICT CONVENTION

**APRIL 30 - MAY 1, 2021****Courtyard by Marriott**

**765 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506**

**Room Rate \$100.00 plus tax Call 970-263-4414**



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lion? \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> District Convention? \_\_\_\_\_

Office/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest	Lion?	1 <sup>st</sup> District Convention? _____
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Office/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Evening Aloha Gathering** will be hosted by the Redlands Lions Club at the Redlands Community Center, 2463 Broadway, Grand Junction, Colorado. Attire is Aloha Wear (or Lions attire if you wish) The cost for the evening does not include the open cash bar.

**Saturday** price includes all meals and activities for Saturday events. The price is the same for Lions and all guests. Saturday attire is Lions attire or Business Casual.

Number:

**Cost:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday Aloha Gathering cost @ \$15.00 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
6:00 PM Social 6:30 PM Buffet Dinner

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Early Registration by 4-10-2021 @ \$40.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ After April 10, 2021 @\$50.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 9:00 AM for Opening Session

Total Payment \$

Mail your payment made payable to 6-W PDG Assn to:

Lance L Balding, PCC

3195 F Road #9

Grand Junction, CO 81504

lionlance@gvis.net 970-216-7695

Please note any special needs you may need. Meals have options for most needs.



## MD6 Global Leadership Report

March, 2021

**PDG Holly Rutherford-Allen**  
MD-6 GLT  
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### Changes to LCI Institute Trainings

Due to the impact of COVID-19, Lions Certified Instructor Program training for 2020-21 has been canceled. Faculty Development Institute and Advanced Lions Leadership Institute schedules have also changed. Please check the website for updated dates and locations.

### Worldwide Induction Day - April 24, 2021

Join Lions worldwide as we honor and recognize new members during this international celebration. Visit the Worldwide Induction Day page on the LCI website to learn more and obtain a planning guide, downloadable certificates and public relations tips. You can share your event on social media at #WeServe and #worldwideinductionday.

### Great Training Is Available Online Through LCI

LCI has great training available online for club officers and members, district and even multiple district training. Log on to your LCI account and then click on Learn and Online Training. Then click on Content Library to see the available courses. If you need help logging in or just have questions please feel free to contact me (720-325-7078, hollyrutherfordallen@gmail.com)..

### Want Some Training LCI Doesn't Offer?

LCI allows me the capability of developing training of specific interest to our local Lions. If you would like training on a specific topic and can't find it through LCI please contact me. I can develop a custom training for you, your club, district and multiple district. These trainings can be done online and I can also add a local training to the LCI Learning Center for quick access anytime. I am also happy to do in person training once we have the coronavirus under control.

Holly Rutherford-Allen  
MD6 GLT





## GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM

### Membership Retention During the Coronavirus Crisis

First things first – don't rush into anything out of panic. Take a deep breath and assess the situation and what you can do at this time. This can be a great time to innovate! So, what problem can you solve for your Member needs during the COVID-19 crisis right now.

Cancelled events, remote meetings, government guidelines, mandates, and legislation—every day a new COVID-19 challenge comes along. Meanwhile, you're thinking about your members... how are they and your Club dealing with the impact of COVID-19?

Ask, listen, and prioritize needs

You won't know how members are doing and what they need unless you ask. Don't just rely on the input of board members and other State leaders. Their experiences may not represent all the segments of your diverse membership. Ask your members these questions:

- What resources can we provide to help you?
- How has COVID-19 affected your day-to-day?
- Has your Club implemented any special policies related to COVID-19?
- How do you foresee COVID-19 affecting Lionism?

Your Club has a critical role to play in serving an emerging and different set of member needs during the COVID-19 crisis. It's also a time of opportunity—a time to experiment with new ways of member engagement.

Club leaders, you've got an important role to play in keeping people sane during this time, so encourage members to make use of your membership and serve them how best you can and help members adjust.

Many of your members are not prepared for this inevitable situation and don't even know where to start. If you can provide leadership and advice, they will be forever grateful. Work with Lion leaders to develop and post resources on:

- Best practices for remote meeting policies, procedures, and technology.
- Cultural changes related to communication, meetings, and management
- Pitfalls to anticipate and avoid.

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As social distancing and remote working become part of our everyday lives, the craving for social connection will intensify. The COVID-19 crisis eliminates many of the usual opportunities' members have for planned meetups.

You may see more on-line participation, but there's nothing like seeing people's faces to prevent feelings of loneliness and isolation. Schedule virtual round table discussions, lunch breaks, and happy hours—any opportunity for members to see each other's faces on a web-conferencing platform.

Encourage your board, committees, and other groups to take advantage of online platforms to continue their work and socialize. Get Lion leaders involved too. Everyone will appreciate the chance to check in with each other, commiserate, vent, and share advice.

Do the best you can to help your members remain safely social during this crisis. Until then, I wish you, your Club members, and your loved ones a healthy week.

MD6 GMT

PROUD PDG2 Lion Kenneth Moore





# GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM



## DEFINING YOUR SERVICE WITH DONATIONS

**1st VDG JoAnn Steinfert, 6W**

**Global Service Team Coordinator MD6**

**808-346-7981; jostein46@gmail.com**

Did you know that donations can count as a service activity? A donation is a service to the organization or individual to whom you just gave a check. You are contributing funds needed for them to continue in their endeavors. By including your donations to Leader Dogs Intl., Boy Scouts, scholarships or whatever your club donated along with your club's other service reporting to Lions Clubs International you are increasing the amount of service activities. So, for every check you write, your club performed a service.

For instance, a \$1000 donation to Colorado Lions Camp includes your club's Lion volunteers and their hours. So, if your club has a meeting to set up the club's budget, count the number of Lions (8) at that meeting and multiply one-half hour for that portion of the meeting which comes to 4 volunteer hours. Also, the time includes the bookkeeping work of the Treasurer to write and send out the check. Hours or funds are always rounded up to the next whole number. The number of people served is based on your best guess or what the organization will help you determine. Some entities have a formula for number of people served for every \$100. A Colorado Lions Camp \$1000 donation may only pay for one campership and some craft supplies. Then your report would be as follows: Activity Level – Club, Activity Type-- Service Activity, Signature Activity --Yes, Cause-- Other, Project type—Other, People Served—6, Total Volunteers—8, Total Vol. Hours--5, Funds Donated--\$1000, Organization—Colorado Lions Camp.

Remember a signature activity is one that your club is well known for and done on a regular basis. Review some of your regular projects and make sure to designate them as such in your reporting.

Reporting has gotten so much easier. It is sometimes best to get all the information needed and report the activity as a "Past Service Activity". Some Lions will go in and set up an activity but then forget to update the report with volunteer numbers and hours, how many people were served, etc. All this information goes into the metrics at LCI. If the report is incomplete and sits there as a draft, it does not get counted in the metrics. LCI and District leaders review those metrics to get a profile of what is going on out there in the world of Lionism. Make sure your project gets counted!!  
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As you can see in the next portion of my report, clubs have been busy despite Co-Vid. The metrics here are what was reported as of February 28, 2021.

METRICS							
<b>February 28, 2021</b>							
				<b>Childhood</b>	<b>Hunger</b>		
<b>District 6 C</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>Diabetes</b>	<b>Environment</b>	<b>Cancer</b>	<b>Relief</b>	<b>Vision</b>	<b>All other</b>
People Served	53,665	0	8905	0	16,653	12,835	15,272
Service Activities	297	0	11	0	38	60	188
Volunteer Hours	3,374	0	93	0	503	536	2242
Funds Donated	\$ 8,020	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 102	\$ 2,905	\$ 5,013
Funds Raised	\$ 4,732	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,090	\$ -	\$ 642
<b>District 6 NE</b>							
People Served	85,117	6,226	17,186	1,261	19,089	14,306	27,049
Service Activities	210	11	16	6	32	34	111
Volunteer Hours	12,440	585	1287	234	1706	2074	655
Funds Donated	\$ 14,525	\$ 1,450	\$ -	\$ 1,450	\$ 1,035	\$ 3,100	\$ 7,440
Funds Raised	\$ 4,552	\$ 6,200	\$ -	\$ 250	\$ 2,635	\$ 1,150	\$ 31,317
<b>District 6 SE</b>							
People Served	17,461	0	2,700	0	11,148	1,850	1,763
Service Activities	94	1	5	0	12	24	52
Volunteer Hours	2,420	0	56	0	965	447	952
Funds Donated	\$ 5,125	\$ 275	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 4,350
Funds Raised	\$ 9,429	\$ 275	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450	\$ -	\$ 8,704
<b>District 6 W</b>							
People Served	104,172	3,945	15,949	805	9,218	8,165	66,090
Service Activities	429	9	34	16	39	108	223
Volunteer Hours	13,075	763	1124	121	678	1201	9188
Funds Donated	\$ 298,503	\$11,380	\$ 14,570	\$ 2,692	\$32,302	\$20,763	\$216,796
Funds Raised	\$ 119,968	\$ -	\$ 4,750	\$ -	\$12,632	\$ 4,557	\$ 98,029

#### Club Officers --- ASAP

Be sure to correct and update all member information on the LCI website, especially contact information. That information will end up in directories and on committee lists outside your club.





# Lions Clubs International

## Dear Lion Leader,

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is continuing to impact the work of Lions around the world. As you know, it has also created financial hardships for our Lions and the people for whom we care.

To support the incredible men and women serving with us, the International Board of Directors unanimously passed another resolution to help our clubs.

### Here is an overview of the new resolution approved by the Board of Directors:

- **Charter and entrance fees waiver** – We have waived all charter and entrance fees from January 1 through June 30, 2021.
- **Flexible payments** – No clubs in good standing on December 31, 2020 will be suspended or canceled through June 30, 2021 for late payment of dues. Full payment is required to be received before June 30, 2021 to avoid suspension or cancellation.
- ***Please note that clubs placed on financial suspension on December 31, 2020 will remain on suspension until the full balance is paid.*** Those clubs will still need to address their outstanding dues or make arrangements for repayment with the Accounts Receivable Department at Lions Clubs International to avoid cancellation scheduled for March 1, 2021.

These additional measures will help Lions facing financial hardships and give our clubs the support and encouragement they need during these challenging times. For more than a century, Lions have taken on the greatest challenges facing humanity, and together, we will overcome this.

The world needs Lions now more than ever, so thank you for your outstanding service and commitment to our communities and the world.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President

(Taken from Lions Club International)



## LCIF INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

At the time of this article Campaign 100 has about 15 months left as we work to reach our goal of \$300 Million in donations for this wonderful Empowering Service campaign. We are just under \$200 Million in donations as of this time, and will be working to reach our final goal in June of 2022.

We would like to thank the Lions of Colorado, both for Club and Individual donations. Our totals this year so far are not as good as we had projected. We know that the world wide Pandemic has caused financial difficulties for many, and many clubs have lost their fundraising programs this past year. At the same time we are seeing more individual donations, and have clubs that are 100% Clubs meaning that each member has made a donation to LCIF.

LCIF recently mailed to all club secretaries a Club Toolkit for Campaign 100 success. This program should be used by your club to better understand how Lions are changing the world through the work of your foundation.

Our goal for Colorado is to have all Clubs or individuals within the Club make a donation toward making our Multiple a 100% participating Multiple. Please consider a donation by going on line on the myLCI site and make a donation or contact your Club or District coordinator who can help you with your donation.

Please remember that Changing the world is why you became a Lion. It is also why Lions Clubs International Foundation-Your Foundation- is empowering your service through its most ambitious fundraising campaign in history.

Yours in Lionism

Lance Balding, PCC  
LCIF MD-6 Coordinator

## LCIF - Lions Club International Foundation

By PDG Gwen “Cookie” Balk, District Coordinator

**There is a world in need, and caring Lions are ready to change it.** But comfort and compassion alone cannot heal those suffering. It takes funding.....and that is where Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service comes into the picture.

Funds from LCIF ensure Lions have the power to create positive changes:

- Increasing our service impact in vision, youth development, disaster relief, and humanitarian efforts.
- Fighting the global epidemic of diabetes and improving the quality of life for those diagnosed.
- Expanding its focus on childhood cancer, hunger and the environment.

Campaign 100 is trying to raise a total of \$300 million dollars worldwide during its now 4-year campaign which ends on 6/30/2022. So far, they have raised nearly \$193.3 million.

### HERE IS YOUR CHALLENGE AND OPPORTUNITY TO HELP!



The goal is to raise \$700 during the convention. At our District 6C Convention on Saturday, April 10, 2021, you will have an opportunity to donate funds to LCIF at a suggested donation of \$5, \$10, or the amount you name; and in return, you may select a Lions-themed face mask for yourself.

The masks are reversible and have a Lions Logo on one side and material representing one of the LCIF themes or DG themes on the other side. They come in several different sizes and a few one-size fits many selections. Care instructions and a specific LCIF cause included with the mask.

How many causes or themes will be included? The answer is 9 or more which is 8 for LCIF, the DG Theme and a few surprises.

Please remember that DG Stokes' theme is “Reaching for the Stars”; and LCIF's causes include: Diabetes, Hunger, Vision, Youth, Disaster Relief, Environment, Childhood Cancer, and Humanitarian Efforts.

**I hope to see you all at the District 6C Convention on April 10th!**



### Colorado Lions Camp Report

- ❖ 20 Campers will be welcomed back for our 2 weekends in March
- ❖ Four respites in April (April 8-11, April 15-18, April 22-25 and April 29-May 2)
- ❖ 10 Individuals from Habitat for Humanity will be staying with us from February 17-April 3 (helping in Woodland Park on a project and then on Tuesdays at camp during their time)
- ❖ Mailing and Physical Address-28541 Hwy 67N, Woodland Park, CO 80863
- ❖ Needs list for the upcoming summer supplies for camp 2021
- ❖ 2021 Grilling Schedule-arrive at 4pm, bring 6-8 members to help grill, serve and enjoy dinner with campers and staff, call the camp office to schedule a Sunday at (719) 687-2087

SESSION	DATE	THEME	CLUB/GROUP
1	June 6th	"Wild, Wild, West" Ages 30+ Includes Deaf & Blind - Ages 18+	
2	June 13th	"Alien Invasion" Ages 30+	
3	June 20th	"CLC Takes the Stage" Ages 18+	
4	June 27th	"Pirate Invasion" Ages 8-17	
5	July 4th	"Christmas in July" Ages 18+	
6	July 11th	"Go for the Gold Camp Style" Ages 30+	
7	July 18th	"Survivor Week" Ages 18-35	Hudson-Keenesburg Lions Club
8	July 25th	"CLC Shipwrecked Island" Ages 18+	Colorado Springs Nob Hill Lions Club
9	August 1st	"Game Show Week" Ages 18+	







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**COLORADO LIONS CAMP**

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**Due to COVID-19 restrictions and to be able to open camp safely, we are requesting the following items. Thank you so much in advance!**

- ★ Clorox wipes
- ★ Hand sanitizer
- ★ Paper products
  - Plates, napkins, utensils, cups
- ★ Bottled water
- ★ Boxed or pouch juice
- ★ Individual snack items
- ★ Non-latex gloves



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Woodland Park, CO 80863  
687-7435 Fax [www.coloradolionscamp.org](http://www.coloradolionscamp.org)  
[clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org](mailto:clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org)

(719) 687-2087  
(719)

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN LIONS EYE INSTITUTE FOUNDATION**

For the advancement of Eye Research, Education and Care at  
the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center at Fitzsimons



February 21, 2021

Fellow Lions, Families and Friends,

As of this writing, while much of the world remains in various stages of 'shut-down', your Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation continues to move forward.

Utilizing technology, as many other organizations, RMLEIF continues closing out Mission 20/20! and again give our thanks to Colorado District 6 West and Wyoming SD15 for their help, allowing not only to achieving but exceeding our goal.

Currently, the Institute is closed to all 'non-essential' personnel and activities but patient services and much of the RMLEI Research continues, so to our board is looking toward the future and our next objective.

We have formed a Planning Committee, with input from the medical leaders of the Institute, to explore areas that RMLEIF can best contribute to the advancement of our mission to the support in all areas including patient care, education and research.

As with many Lions Clubs, we are looking forward to meeting in-person once again, checking out all the new hairstyles that may have cropped up and exchanging thoughts and ideas that have come out of our on-line meetings.

As a reminder, RMLEIF will partner with individuals and Clubs and provide funding for either initial eye examinations in the Low Vision Clinic at the Institute or travel expenses to any eye clinic for patients that may require financial help.

For further information and a look at your RMLEIF ongoing mission and leadership team, we invite you to visit our website, [RMLEIF.Org](http://RMLEIF.Org).

Thank you to all Lions Clubs for everything you do and we wish you good health. Watch for our next report outlining our next contribution to the Rocky Mountains finest Eye Institute!

Sincerely,

Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Board of Directors.

RMLEIF PO Box 473007, Aurora, Colorado 80047



## **Proposed Amendments to RMLEB's Constitution**

The Board of Directors of the Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank (RMLEB) asks for your support to amend the eye bank's constitution. All Lions who are members of a Lions Club in MD-6 or District-15 and who are in good standing with their Multiple District, their respective District, and their individual Lions Club, shall be voting members of this corporation.

As a good standing Lion, you will have the opportunity to vote on the amendments at the upcoming MD-6 Virtual Convention on May 15, 2021. The proposed changes will be mailed to each Lions Club in MD-6 at least 30 days before the convention, as required by the constitution. Please contact your club president to review these changes, printed in red, in preparation for the vote.

The RMLEB constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the membership of the corporation by a two-thirds vote of the members in attendance. The Lions of District 15 (Wyoming) voted on and passed the proposed amendments at their 2020 virtual convention. Due to the pandemic, the 2020 MD-6 Convention was canceled.



## PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION

### Positively Contagious

We are reminded every day that we are contagious in a negative way. Well, I want to remind you, as Past District Governors, that your passion for Lions is contagious. Your hope is contagious. Your kindness is contagious. Your attitude is contagious. Your smile is contagious. Your energy is contagious. Your optimism and belief in Lionism are positively contagious.

While fear, discouragement and pessimism can sabotage the morale, performance and future of Lions... Leaders who share hope, love, encouragement, and positive energy can impact membership in a positive way.

Emotional contagions are the reason why, when I speak to Clubs members, I say that everyone in the organization contributes to the culture of it. You are not just a creation of your culture but rather you are creating it every day through your thoughts, beliefs and actions. What you think matters. How you feel matters. And the energy you share with others, whether it's positive or negative, really matters.

What kind of energy are you sharing with those around you in your Club, District or State? Each day you have a choice of the kind of energy you are going to share.

I know we are going through a challenging time. I know it's easy to buy the doom and gloom. But I want to encourage you to keep investing in our Lion mission and sharing it with others.

You are greater than your circumstances and more courageous than your fears. The struggle is real but you are strong. Life is tough but you are tougher. The positive leadership in you is greater than the forces against you.

Just as stars shine the brightest in the darkness, Past District Governors, your positive energy will shine the most through adversity. Keep shining so you can be a light for Lions!



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## **Web Accessibility Project**

Last October, DG Penn Street, Lion Gail Hamilton and I have initiated a **“Web Accessibility Project”** to provide better access to Colorado Lions Websites by those with disabilities.

Web accessibility means that websites, tools, and technologies are designed and developed so that people with disabilities can use them to perceive, understand, navigate, and interact with the Web and contribute to the Web. Web accessibility encompasses all disabilities that affect access to the Web, including: auditory, cognitive, neurological, physical, speech and visual. As **“Vision”** is one of the main tenets of Lions International, all Colorado Lions websites and online documents should be accessible by those with disabilities.

A **“[Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \(WCAG\)](#)”** webpage [WCAG](#) has been setup to provide an overview, guidelines and tips and tricks for Colorado Lions Web Administrators. We are happy to report that the **Colorado Lions Foundation** website and the **MD6 Lions State** website are now 100% web accessible for the vision impaired and blind users. This includes all documents, published on the websites, are web accessibility.

We need to continue to update all statewide, district and club websites until we are 100% web accessible. As **“Knights of the Blind”**, this should be the least we can do to help those that are blind and with vision impairment.

Contact me at 303-216-1688 or email me at [lionsmd6@gmail.com](mailto:lionsmd6@gmail.com) if I may be of help.

**John Spice**  
**MD6 Information Technology Chair**  
**MD6 Lions Staff - Administrator**  
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# Vision



## Colorado Lions KidSight Program

March, 2021



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As we work through the second half of the 2020 - 2021 fiscal year we are grateful for all the support of the MD6 Council and Lions throughout the state. We are also thankful to all Lions for your work in 2020 on behalf of the Colorado Lions KidSight Program.

2020 was an extraordinary year with many challenges for our program. I want to reflect on a quote from Albert Sweitzer "At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us."

At KidSight Colorado we are grateful for the many "sparks" provided by our Lions family, both volunteer and financial! We thank all of you for your generosity during Colorado Gives Day and during this past holiday season. We were able to raise more than \$14,000 which includes the full match from our wonderful Fraser River Valley Lions.

We are certain that the second half of this year will bring more opportunities to serve our Colorado communities through vision screening and referral.

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## **Celebrating 20 years in 2021!**

2021 marks our 20th year of providing vision screening throughout Colorado. During this time we have:

Screened more than 500,000 children

Identified more than 50,000 children with vision problems

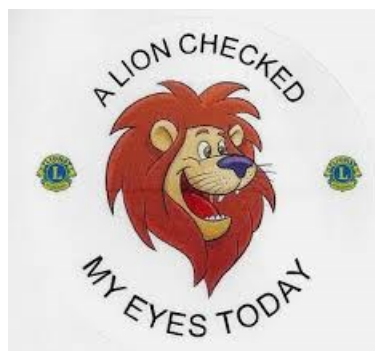
Trained and certified more than 250 volunteers to conduct vision screenings

Upgraded to better technology three times allowing us to screen for more vision problems

Added a follow-up program

Stay tuned for more information on our celebration of 20 great years of the Colorado Lions KidSight Program.

Holly Rutherford-Allen, Executive Director





## Powerful Corporate Relationship Originating from Lions



Lions Club member, PDG Tom Polk was working in Information Technology in Wabash, Indiana when he answered a call from his employer who was seeking to make an impact with a charitable organization.

Through his club Lion Tom had raised money for and been involved with Leader Dog for years. He took this personal relationship to work with him and introduced Midwest Eye Consultants and Dr. Lindsay Culver (pictured above) to Leader Dog.

In only a few years time, Midwest Eye Consultants has donated more than \$126,000 to Leader Dog, has raised a puppy for the organization and dramatically increased awareness of Leader Dog within the state of Indiana.

Dr. Culver explained the impact blindness can have on people and the importance of making the community aware of Leader Dog. "I've already told patients about Leader Dog," she says. "A diagnosis like that can lead to depression and feelings of isolation. A Leader Dog can help a person regain their independence and confidence."

More clients served. Another puppy raised. All made possible by an introduction from a local Lions club member.

If you know of a business (big or small) you would like to introduce to Leader Dog, please contact our director of corporate relations, Dave Bann, at (248) 218 – 6318 or [dave.bann@leaderdog.org](mailto:dave.bann@leaderdog.org).



IN EVERY LEADER DOG  
LIES THE HEART OF A LION.

A Leader Dog partner since 1939.

## SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

### Serving through COVID

The need for our programs has not diminished since the pandemic. While we were able to hold a few classes in person, most of our services have been home deliveries for both guide dogs and white cane training. Summer Experience Camp was held (very successfully) virtually this past summer.

Leader Dogs Issued YTD\*: 53  
Orientation & Mobility (White Cane) Clients  
Served YTD: 41  
Summer Experience Camp YTD: 38

States/Countries Served (guide dogs and orientation & mobility) YTD: Colorado, Virginia, Tennessee, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York, Minnesota, Michigan, Maine, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Florida, North Carolina, South Dakota, Washington, New York

States/Countries Served (Summer Experience Camp – virtually) YTD: Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Canada

\* Year to Date runs with our fiscal year of July 1 – June 30. Current YTD is from July 1- December 31, 2020.

## Training Tips & More

Visit and share our blog (a fancy word for an article on the web) to learn training tips and experience client stories:  
[www.leaderdog.org/blog/category/blog/](http://www.leaderdog.org/blog/category/blog/)



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## Used Eyeglass Program

Vision



### Some facts:

Due to the Covid 19 shutdowns, no sorting has been done since March 10, 2020. It is unknown when we can begin again. We did have one shipment of 550 prescription glasses to Ethiopia and received a trailer load of donated glasses from 6 SE this quarter. We are also anticipating a load of donated glasses from Denver/Golden soon.

The Sterling Correctional Facility shut down all volunteer programs on March 12, 2020 due to the Covid 19 outbreak. We have received no processed eye glasses since March 10, so our program is essentially shut down for the time being. We have been sending donated glasses to Logan Industries to be separated.

The company in Missouri that buys a limited amount of prescription sunglasses from us is still generating income for our program. We receive \$400 for each shipment of 5 boxes. He will also purchase Ray Ban, Oakley and Maui Jim prescription, sunglasses and cases as well as "paddle" bowed glasses. Received an additional \$552.00 for the new products in this quarter. That is worth the effort of looking for them.

### Used Hearing Aids:

We do take used hearing aids in our collection boxes and either send them on to the Texas Lions Recycling Center or use them in the Sterling Lions Hearing Aid program. LCI carries a Hearing Aid Recycling decal (IAD-19) that can be added to the eyeglass recycling box.

### Mission Groups:

If **anyone** knows of a mission group that wants to take glasses to developing countries, they can contact David Conley at 970-522-1319-home, 970-520-3840-cell, or [djconley4313@gmail.com](mailto:djconley4313@gmail.com) for more

information or an order form. Glasses are FREE and the only expense to the ordering party is shipping the glasses to them. We almost always have enough stock on hand to fulfill any order.

### Shipping glasses to the Sterling Lions Club:

Clubs can ship glasses directly to David Conley, 358 Bannock St, Sterling CO 80751. They can also bring them to the Golden Lions garage or a drop off location in Aurora – Michelle Ramsey at 26612 E. Calhoun Pl., 325-340-2856. Jon Berquist can be contacted at 303-431-0469 for the Golden location. Call the day before so they can arrange access. If someone is coming to Denver for an Eye Bank, Eye Foundation, etc meeting, call Jon and he'll be glad to get any glasses you can bring. John Spice IT Chair and State Webmaster has set-up a website that will have all the locations in the State that eyeglasses can be dropped off. I do not know all those locations, so each individual club should contact John to get him the information. John is making progress on the drop off location website, but still needs more clubs to respond.



# INTERNATIONAL HEARING DOGS, INC.

Hello to All our Lions Friends!

A lot has happened at International Hearing Dog, Inc (IHDI) over the past year. As in much of our world, 2020 was an interesting, challenging and enormously busy time at IHDI. In March, we created and implemented a Volunteer Foster Home Pilot Project in one short week to ensure the safety and care of our dogs during Colorado's shelter-at-home directive. That was certainly a 2020 highlight 😊! On May 4<sup>th</sup>, as restrictions began loosening, IHDI brought our dogs back to our facility from their foster homes. We were thrilled by all that we have learned from this fostering pilot project. Our dogs experienced profound benefits from a fostering situation. Consequently, we have now launched a Weekend Volunteer Foster Home Program within our dog training program.

In January, just prior to the onset of the Pandemic, the IHDI staff created an exciting Strategic Plan for IHDI. We used the time in the Spring of working at home to tackle that Strategic Plan; researching Best Practices, evaluating current practices, and developing new policies and program design. Another highly significant endeavor was our application to Assistance Dog International (ADI). After an intense application process and multi-level reviews, we were notified in August that we had been granted Candidate Member status! The goal of ADI is to establish and promote standards of excellence in all areas of assistance dog acquisition, training, and partnerships. ADI is THE leading global authority in the assistance dog industry. As a Candidate, IHDI upholds and adheres to all ADI standards and strives to pursue and achieve Accredited Member status within ADI after two years as a successful Candidate program. As a candidate member, IHDI has committed to raising our bar and meeting, or exceeding, the standards set by ADI. As we strive for this level of excellence, we will be adopting several operating procedures recognized by ADI as Best Practices for the assistance dog industry. We are thrilled with the opportunities and potential this provides IHDI.

Due to Covid restriction and risks, in March 2020 we stopped our travel to place dogs. Traveling, and then being in clients' homes and in public spaces for a week at a time became too risky for our trainers and our clients. Further, as the dog/client teams often require additional visits from our trainers during their first six-month transition, we were not able to safely provide that support during the pandemic. Therefore, after careful consideration, we determined that IHDI would not place dogs, at least through the end of 2020, outside of Colorado and that we would not place dogs within Colorado until the end of summer. Consequently, in late August we placed our first dog since the pandemic shut down – Linda and hearing dog Curly. They are thriving together!

Just before the holidays we completed another exciting match – Sue and hearing dog Artie. They are a terrific match. They bonded so quickly and powerfully. The timing was especially significant because Sue had recently lost her husband of 60 years and for the first time was living on her own with no hearing person to help alert. In Sue's words "Artie is my lifeline!" Because of Covid we had to back off matches and it feels so wonderful to be able to really be moving forward again!

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Our new Weekend Foster Families have been busy. Over the holidays they fostered dogs for the long Christmas and New Year's weekends as well as over the Long President Day's weekend. We are thrilled with our new Volunteer Foster program. The dogs get a great break from their everyday training routine and are able to have some fun and enriching experiences with their fosters. Equally as important, our trainers are able to receive critical information about how each dog behaved in a real home setting as well as out in the world with a "regular" person rather than a trainer. The feedback is a powerful tool as the trainers identify behavioral patterns and highlight areas that need training focus. If you, or family or friends, would be interested, we are recruiting for Volunteer Foster Homes to take our dogs for a minimum of one weekend per month. Please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Ashley Joy at [ashleyjoy@hearingdog.org](mailto:ashleyjoy@hearingdog.org) if you would like more information.

In early January we were able to add four new dogs to our training string. They are all labs. It is always a particularly fun time when we introduce new dogs into our training program. They are just beginning the initial evaluation period now, so far too early to know who may or may not succeed; but we have, naturally, fallen in love with each one already 😊! Next week another new dog, a Labradoodle named Pi will be joining IHDI.

We have also been continuously reaching out to our clients and their dogs through tumultuous 2020. Many have been sharing wonderful stories of how their Hearing Dog has been the stabilizing force in their world during the enforced isolation the Pandemic has required. Like most of the country, the new normal has had a great deal of impact on IHDI. We have put many protocols in place to maintain the health and safety of our staff and our recipients while still ensuring the care for, and training of, our dogs.

These are certainly unprecedented times, and we cannot know what the future holds. However, when we look to that future, although we are attuned to our realities, we remain excited for all our possibilities. We have had to create new ways of effectively operating, but we are doing all we can to help keep our communities safe and connected, and we are moving ahead with great gusto, creativity, and gratitude.

Thank You so, so much for believing in, and so generously supporting IHDI's work. May 2021 treat you all well and gently.

Warmly,

Carol

**Today I will choose Joy**

**Carol Heiden, M.Ed.**

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## INTERNATIONAL HEARING DOGS (IHDI) PCC ANDY SMITH

IHDI is doing well. Many exciting changes are happening. The Volunteer Weekend Foster Project is doing well. The dogs get a break from their everyday training routine. They have fun and enriching experiences with their Foster Volunteers. There are currently six trained and active Volunteer Foster Families. IHDI asks for a one weekend per month commitment. 20 is their goal of Volunteer Foster families. If you have friends or family who may be interested, let me know and I will forward your name to IHDI.

Hearing dogs and their handlers are required to be tested for Public Access. Hearing Dogs are now required to pass Public Access as part of their Service Dog Certification.

IHDI has been dealing with COVID-19. With one or two staff having people test positive, they were quarantined this past year. With such a small staff, this has had an impact, but it has not stopped IHDI. Staff morale still is high and they are continuing to be productive and effective as a team.

IHDI continues to apply for Grants from various Foundations and other organizations. Colorado Gives Day donations totaled \$23,214.

Total Service club donations were \$30,955.00 for the fiscal year Oct. 2019 to Sept. 2020. Thanks to Lions and Club who may have donated! ROAR!!!

The Walk Run, Wag will not be held again in 2021. Their decision was based on three factors.

1. The unknowns around the pandemic.
2. Benefit vs. Output. In 2019, it's best year, Walk, Run, Wag raised \$13K with expenses around \$7K. 930 hours of staff time and well over \$24K in payroll expense.
3. Messaging. IHDI has become committed to being a people-centered service agency rather than a dog rescue focused agency. IHDI feels a Signature Event should reflect a more people-centered focus. I have asked to be included in discussions on the future of Walk, Run and Wag and other efforts. Maybe Walk, Run, Wag can be done virtually? Any ideas, please contact me at 720-364-8487.

Virtual giving is becoming the norm such as Colorado Gives Day and the King Soopers Sooper Card reward program. You can also donate through the IHDI website.

IHDI has begun work on a new dog play yard at the north end of the building. The dogs can be moved from inside the kennels through the outdoor kennel area into the new play yard. This will eliminate the need to be leashed up and crossing out of fenced area or crossing a parking lot. The dogs will have 4 times the space.

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I look forward to the day when we can visit the IHDI facility again. Thanks for your continued support of IHDI. The hearing impaired depend on us through our donations, grants and other sources of income and service.

PCC Andy Smith  
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## LIONS HAPPENINGS!!!



## HOLYOKE LIONS CLUB

The Holyoke Lions coordinated the **Peace Poster Contest** with the Elementary Art Teacher. Candy Liu was the 1st Place Winner. At our meeting she explained how she applied the theme "Peace through Service" to her poster. Her thought was to feature the essential workers who have continued to work throughout the pandemic. Chairperson Gayla Mayden then presented Candy with \$25.00 and a certificate while the members gave her a big Lions ROAR!



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November 14th was **World Diabetes Day** and members of the Holyoke Lions Club had much to celebrate after a two-year exercise challenge. In November 2018, the Lions heard a diabetes awareness presentation by Dr. Rebecca Moore for World Diabetes Day. Hearing that exercise is very beneficial, 14 members took it upon themselves to see how many miles they could walk by World Diabetes Day in November 2019. The participants, called Pride Walkers, logged 8,296 miles in that first year. The accomplishment was measured in red yarn and pinned to a United States map so the participants could see how far their miles walked could take them around the perimeter of the United States - the lower 48. Dr. Moore once again asked the Lions to keep track of their miles for the next 12 months — this time with a challenge to top their number from the first year. At their November 12th meeting, the Pride Walkers were pleased to report they made their goal, with 8,493 miles walked in the past year - measured in blue yarn. The article also mentioned that Diabetes is a focus of Lions Clubs worldwide, the prevalence of Diabetes along with facts from the LCI website, the health affects if not treated timely, the differences in the various types of diabetes along with interviews of Lions telling of their journey for each type and an explanation of, along with our Club's participation in, the 10th Annual Morgan County Sneaker Stroll, which is a district Lions Club event that raises funds for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Since the blue circle is a symbol used for World Diabetes Day, the Holyoke Lions Club is considering a campaign in 2021 in which blue lightbulbs will be sold to community members to light up porches around town and bring awareness to diabetes.



### **EL PASO COUNTY TRI-LAKES LIONS LEO YOUTH COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB**

El Paso County Tri-Lakes Lions LEO Youth Community Service club gathered today to sort, count, and categorize eyeglasses donations from our area residents.

196 eyeglasses, miscellaneous vision products, and 298 hard and soft eyeglass cases were contributed by our great community folks filling 10 boxes into our local Lions Club President's Jim Naylor's giant SUV for shipping to Lions International.

We are so proud of their Lions LEO spirit of service to literally help in world-wide assistance to those in need to see into a better future.

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Leaders such as our LEO Club members will be our guides to future service.

Thanks to Walmart, Monument Vision, Premier Vision, and America's Best for their eyeglass support, and also to Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce for letting us use their building today for this event.

WE SERVE.



## **A 2020 WRAP-UP OF ENGLEWOOD LIONS CLUB PROJECTS IN 2020**



2020 has been a very strange year. No one can dispute that. Our Englewood Lions Club has carried on carrying on with projects we find bring a positive impact to our community and state-wide. We have been partnering with charities that give much-needed services to local folks and, being a small group, we are able to be flexible in our giving to meet emerging needs. Here are some of the efforts we made this year:

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On Valentine's Day, we sang for seniors at the Johnson Adult Daycare Center. We provided refreshments and gave them handmade valentines made by local children and helped fill the air with song and good vibes for all.



We donated to the unique nonprofit restaurant, Café 180. Those unable to pay exchange their time and energy for a nutritious meal. They also offer paid work experiences through JOBS 180 and at the Cafe apprentices gain experience cooking and in customer service. Their methods have morphed during the pandemic, but they continue to provide help to those with housing and food challenges.

We participated with Giving Heart and their Extreme Weather program, acquiring shelter for homeless people on cold winter nights. We provided a spaghetti dinner for a Giving Heart event.

By giving Integrated Family and Community Services a donation of \$2,000 we provided 3,750 meals early in the year. We painted a room in their facility for food storage for the food bank. They subsequently obtained a conveyor belt for non-contact delivery after Covid. We facilitated a Liberty Mutual and Safeco \$5,000 donation to IFCS. In October we held a virtual online fundraiser Murder Mystery Party and donated another \$2500. We helped to hand out school supplies to children in the fall and adopted kids for holiday gift giving at Christmas. In December we helped IFCS distribute food boxes to the community.  
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The Villager May 7, 2020, highlighted efforts by Charlie Cockreil, President of the Englewood Lions club, and founder of Cockreil Insurance, obtaining a grant from Liberty Mutual and Safeco Insurance for \$5,000 for Integrated Family Community Services. Since the COVID19 pandemic has left so many in Colorado jobless, the nonprofit has gone from serving 800 families a month, to 800 families a week.

Come for the Philanthropy, stay for the Phun! The Virtual Murder Mystery Party fundraiser was lots of fun for the participants and people really got into their characters as the "suspects." We not only solved the case of whodunit, we raised \$2500 for IFCS. The Next Virtual Murder Mystery Party will be on February 6, 2021, with the theme of Valentine's Day Red Rose Masquerade Ball. We are in the process of determining the beneficiaries of the fundraiser in 2021. Details and signup forms will be on our website and our Facebook page soon!



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# Orchard Mesa Lions Club

March, 2021 Newsletter

Website: [orchardmesalionsclub.com](http://orchardmesalionsclub.com)

## MARCH MEETINGS

March 1 – Meeting 7:00 PM Eagles' Building

March 8 – Board Meeting 6:30 PM Virtual

March 15 – Meeting 7:00 PM Eagles' Building

## YOUR LION PREZ SEZ.....

We began our creep back to the good old days thanks to the work of Lions Charles and Matt. True in our first mixed media (virtual **and** face-to-face), I did feel a little more on the outside. But that's the price I have to pay. I know in less than a month, I will join the face-to-face meeting. In the interim, I'm glad our system works.

And thanks to Lion Mike for the updated list of sponsors. That should be motivation for more of us to visit potential sponsors.

I'll be seeing you soon. One way or the other. Stay safe and get your shots as soon as possible.

Lion President Jim



## WESTERN IMPLEMENT FARM AUCTION MARCH 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>

Lion Conrad is chairman of this huge event. We are so excited to have an event! Here are his plans:

The jobs (5 jobs): Cashier, pass out doughnuts, pass out burritos, pass out water/soda, pour and pass out coffee with creamer/sugar packets.

Latex gloves will be issued. Please wear your mask. If we have additional volunteers, they will help with coffee.

Volunteers so far:

Lion Conrad	Friday, Saturday
Lion Glenn	Friday, Saturday
Lion Ed	Friday, Saturday
Lion Kathy C.	Friday, Saturday
Lion Walter	Friday, Saturday
Lion Sandy	Friday, Saturday

On Friday we also have: Lion Mike and Bev.

On Saturday: Kim, Lion Shirley K, Lion Bob K will join us.

We will begin at 7:00 AM Friday and Saturday. We can do shifts on Friday. Please advise at the meeting on Monday evening which shift you prefer.



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### **THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN LIONS EYE BANK PRESENTATION**

Lions Mike Bussey and John Ballagh (Clifton Lions) presented a program about The Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank to the Redlands Lions Club on Thur., February 25<sup>th</sup>. With the assistance of our Club's able-bodied Secretary, Lion Charles, a wonderful power point was used as an illustration of the Eye Bank's impact on the state, country, and world. Hopefully our Club will experience this program in the near future.



### **WELCOME TO A NEW MEMBER**

We are happy to welcome Lion Rochelle Larson to our Club. Participating in Lionism for 21 years, she has a Lion's heart. Rochelle is not afraid to roll up her sleeves and help do great things for this valley. She comes to us from the Redlands Lions Club & is a welcome addition. Contact Rochelle at Rsl2919@bresnan.net Home 970-243-5697, or Cell 970-260-1804.

### **LION TREASURER SAYS, "CHA-CHING"**

Our Club has collected \$4,750 in sponsorship funds, which has exceeded our budgeted amount of \$3,000. Since we have no fundraising events, the donations from our sponsors help us greatly to keep doing our community work.

### **OUR CLUB'S NEW WEBSITE**

Long awaited and finally here: our brand-new beautiful website. Please check it out and send your comments to the webmaster, Lion Kathy Stanko. Kathy is learning all about how to add new photos and information to this site....and when she 'messes up,' Naomi Lemon, website designer, is there to bail her out! Fun everywhere. The website address is orchardmesalionsclub.com Enjoy!

### **LION STARS**



Lion Wilma celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, but not without fanfare the previous Saturday. There was a drive-by of multiple cars led by a police officer (yes, he did use the lights and siren). You are loved Lion Wilma!



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Lion Shirley K. was awarded the Diamond Centennial Award for the recruitment of and the sustaining of the Lions' mission. Also she received a 'thank you' from the Forest Service for the decorations we created for the national Christmas tree.



Peachtree True Value was voted the "Best Hardware Store" by Beacon readers in a contest that was held valleywide. Cathy Fredericks, second from left, was extremely photogenic in the magazine's picture.



### WHAT IS JUCO?

The Orchard Mesa Lions Club has been a part of the Junior College World Series (JUCO) since 1967. Our Club has been the host of the Appalachian District, which is Region 7, Tennessee and Kentucky, and Region 17 Georgia. The winners of each regional tournament compete in a three-game District tournament to determine who will be the representative in the final JUCO Tournament here in Grand Junction.

Teams usually arrive in Grand Junction a couple of days before the Memorial Day weekend at which time they are met by the host representatives from our Club who will be with them their entire stay in Grand Junction. We try to show our team the brighter side of Grand Junction with visits to the Monument, Grand Mesa, and a wonderful picnic for the team and their family members.

We all have memories of Major League Baseball Hall of Famer Kirby Puckett and the teams from Triton College in Illinois. Or the "Dancing Dogs" from South Suburban, Illinois, that showed us there was more than just baseball than the game itself. Each year we, as a Lions Club, would get an opportunity to meet these young men and their families on a very personal basis. It was always tough to say good-bye.

JUCO 2020 was cancelled due to Covid. But now it is 2021, and we hope that the games will go on!

### RECIPE OF THE MONTH: Too Good Chicken"

4 chicken breasts (boned and skinned)

¼ cup butter

1 T. Dijon mustard

Melt and mix butter and mustard.

1/8 t. garlic

1 1/3 cups bread crumbs

2/3 cup Parmesan cheese

2 T. parsley

Mix together last 4 ingredients.

Dip chicken in butter mixture, then bread crumbs. Bake in greased pan at 375 degrees for 45 minutes.





# From the State Office...

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:  
Mon-Thurs. 8 am-2pm  
Closed Fridays



**Lion Donna Walker-Hulben**  
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Your State Office continues to evolve and is running smoothly. The last seven months have given me the opportunity to change and work out of my comfort zone with new learning experiences, meeting new Lions and expanding and improving my skills. I look forward to the time when I may meet all of you face to face and put a face to your telephone voice.

I now have the first edition of the Mane Lioner under my belt with the assistance of DG Paul Steinfort who consented to review and critique my first attempt as editor of the Mane Lioner. Another learning experience regarding formatting, consistency and working with Microsoft Publisher. I would like to encourage all Clubs to report their service and activities in the Mane Lioner so that we may learn and be an inspiration to each other. It's amazing to read what you have accomplished in the midst of a pandemic!

I completed billing for the second half of the District's dues and I have made all appropriate deposits into our accounts and have paid bills which were submitted to me for payment.

The biggest challenge for me has been in the accounting portion of my duties. I now have a spreadsheet and formula to reconcile the payroll liability account on a quarterly basis. If there is an error or a posting mistake, it will be caught and corrected each quarter. I have prepared the W-2s and transmitted same to appropriate entities. I have prepared all quarterly tax returns and the Form 940-2020 Annual Federal Unemployment Tax Return. My goal is to be able to file all tax returns and make the appropriate payments online. I am working on that.

This year, the pain of the pandemic, the political warfare on all platforms and the division have been heavy on us all. Reading what our clubs in MD6 have accomplished and are continuing to accomplish is proof that you have offered hope, light and love to so many in this difficult time. I am proud to be a Lion and part of this organization.

Lion Donna Walker-Hulben  
State Office Manager

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

<b>April 10, 2021</b>	<b>6C District Convention, Aurora, CO</b>
<b>April 16-17</b>	<b>6SE District Convention, Canon City, CO</b>
<b>April 23-24</b>	<b>6NE District Convention, Berthoud/Virtual</b>
<b>April 30-May 1</b>	<b>6W District Convention, Grand Junction</b>
<b>May 14-15</b>	<b>MD6 State Convention (virtual)</b>
<b>June 25-29</b>	<b>LCI International Convention (virtual)</b>
<b>September 9-11</b>	<b>USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Des Moines, IA</b>