

October 2013



## Colorado Lions District 6C Newsletter



What a wonderful way to start a day. I poured my coffee, opened the living room window and began to smile and smile. On our front lawn was the most wonderful display of pink birds. What a great way to start a day.

The work on helping those affected by the flood waters continues. We now have \$10,000 in hand and the work begins to spend for those in need. A lot of ground work was done before the monies arrived. However, there was not a lot of response. After a meeting this last Saturday, Lions Jack Russalesi, Andy Smith, Carl Gentzel, Barbara Walmsley and myself have each been given a specific assignment to make contacts with churches, Emergency and Family Assistance Administration in Boulder (EFAA) and homeless shelters. While no areas in our district will go without needed assistance, right now Boulder seems to be the hardest hit. PDG Vern Crowe has been with the Boulder County Sheriff's Office for a number of years and he will be called upon for critical information.



While I personally feel, as I am sure others do, we have missed the first round of needed assistance, but the second round is equally important. Some are still in need of help with food, supplies and prescriptions. Some have not been reached at all and as some agencies pull out our work starts. There will be a call to Lions of 6C to help with distribution of these supplies within the next week or so. I am sure we can still be helpful in cleaning up homes or shelters. The money that was received from LCIF has very strict criteria on how the money can be spent. It cannot be used to rebuild.

6C received a check from the Story, Wyoming Lions Club for \$500. I talked with DG Ronnie Martin from Texas while I was at the Forum and his district is eager to provide a monetary donation. Thank you to the clubs that responded to my e-mail asking what they had done to be of help to those in their communities. Thornton, Five Points, Louisville, Lafayette, Littleton and Bennett-Watkins have provided personal and club donations. THANK YOU!

I returned safely from the "Land of Oz". This was my first Forum and what a great experience. Again, I was able to meet other Lions from around the US much like the International, but on a smaller scale. I believe there is something to be said for the Lions of Colorado when all DGs, 1<sup>st</sup> VDGs, and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDGs were in attendance. I believe we are in good hands. All of our DGs received the first level of ID Palmer's Dream Achiever award.



As I visit clubs around the district, one in particular sticks in my mind. I visited Bennett-Watkins last week. As I drove, I felt as though I was returning to the "Land of Oz". But, I digress. I talked with the club about "Follow Your Dream" and asked about having a dream and seeing it to fruition. I received an e-mail from President Jo saying that when she became President it was her dream to have KidSight location in all corridor towns. They recently added Deertrail and have one more town to complete her dream Way to go Bennett-Watkins. What is your club's dream?

The location for our District Convention will be confirmed this week. Don't forget to put the date on your calendar – April 4 and 5, 2014. I hope to see you at the second Cabinet Meeting, hosted by the Pleasant View Lions, on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Be safe.  
DG Linda



## Colorado Lions KidSight Program October 2013 — District 6C



### KidSight Screening Numbers July – September 2013

The screening has begun and is fast and furious. In the state we have screened 3013 and referred 452 (15% rate of referral). In 6C, 1122 children have been screened with 215 referred (19% referral rate). As you can see from the rates of referral rates the children of Colorado need and deserve a great vision screening program like KidSight Colorado. Thanks to the many volunteers who make this program possible!

towed, and provide you with a tax-deductible receipt, all at no charge to you. Please feel free to call me at 720-325-7078 if you have any questions.

### GivingFirst.org and Colorado Gives Day (December 10, 2013)

The Colorado Lions KidSight Program is working with ColoradoGives.org to make it easy to donate to KidSight any-time online through a button located on our website. KidSight Colorado will also be participating in Colorado Gives Day which will be held on December 10, 2013. This day is designated as a day to support Colorado nonprofits who protect and nurture the quality of life in Colorado. Last year on this one designated day more than \$13 million dollars were donated to support Colorado nonprofits. 100% of the money donated through this online process goes directly to KidSight Colorado and we are not charged any fees. Check online at our website [www.kidsightcolorado.org](http://www.kidsightcolorado.org) for the Donate Now button. Donations can be made at any time to KidSight Colorado by clicking on this button not just on December 10, 2013! Stayed tuned for more information on ColoradoGives and Colorado Gives Day.



### Where was Seymour in September?

Seymour racked up lots of miles of travel in September. He was spotted at the USA Canada Forum in Overland Park, Kansas. He also visited Denver, Fort Collins, Woodland Park and Castle Rock. Send pictures to me or post on Facebook if you spot him in your neck of the woods.

### Another Great Way to Support KidSight Colorado!

Donating your old vehicle to the Colorado Lions KidSight Program, is convenient, easy, and may qualify you for a tax deduction. Colorado KidSight has teamed up with Vehicles for Charity (VFC) who will accept your vehicles – whether they are running or not. Vehicles for Charity will pick up your vehicle anywhere in Colorado. The proceeds from the sale of your vehicle go to KidSight Colorado.

You can get more information about the program by going to the KidSight Colorado website ([www.kidsightcolorado.org](http://www.kidsightcolorado.org)) clicking on the Donate page and then clicking on Cars for Cars for Charity. Complete the simple online donation form or call 1-866-628-2277 and VFC will take care of the rest. They will pick up your vehicle, arrange to have your donation

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A proud member of the Chatfield Lions Club





Lions of 6C,

Time is flying by. I hope your summer was productive and fun. I don't know about you, but I'm ready for fall and cooler temperatures. My club, the Thornton Lions Club is concluding a very successful summer volunteering at the Carousel at the Carpenter Park in Thornton. I would like to give a special thank you to the following clubs for volunteering along side of us this summer. They are

Adams Centennial, Lafayette and Chatfield. With out these clubs, we would not have been able to pull it off. We will add another sign at the Carousel to recognize all clubs who volunteer next summer. Each club received between \$20 and \$30 dollars per hour volunteered. This is only an educated guess. Final figures have not been made available yet. A special thank you goes out to Thornton's President Cindy Marlowe who was instrumental in working out the contract with the City of Thornton and was in charge in scheduling. A special thanks goes out to Thornton's Treasure, Phyllis Bailey on keeping excellent books and making sure the clubs received their checks. Many more people in our communities will benefit from our efforts. Thanks to all lions who gave their time to help operate the Carousel. Personally I had a blast, especially when a kid would run up and hug you and say thank you. Cindy Marlowe will be visiting clubs to ask for volunteers for next year. I will tag along when I can. If you are interested in making some money for your club contact Cindy or myself. Our numbers are in the directory.

I attended the USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Overland Park, KS, Sept 19<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>. All DG's, all 1st VDG's and all 2nd VDG'S attended. Well Done! CC Dave Parker was pleased. The Forum is for all Lions, not just Leadership. Do you want to meet other Lions and Leaders form the US and Canada? Do you need more training on how to do your job better and move up in Lions? WANT TO GET RE-ENERGIZED ABOUT LIONS?.....COME TO A USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM! This is some of the best training and fun you will have as a Lion. Learn from the best. There were over 40 seminars to choose from. I went to classes on the use of Social Media to communicate with Lions and the public, How to be a District Governor, and many more. At each meal we had a guest speaker. They ranged from a Professional

Baseball player, to a man who was born with no eyes and limbs that would not extend fully.(Today he is an excellent singer, piano player and recorded two CD's and has written a book). We also heard from IP Barry Palmer who spoke about his theme "Follow your Dream". I'm looking forward to next year's forum in Puerto Rico. Let's have a good showing next year like we had this year.

I just visited the Zone C meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> of Sept. There were about 20 people there It was hosted by the Denver High Tech Lions Club. Zone C Chair Pat Martins had a great meeting.

LCIF gave out two grants of \$10,000 to Colorado, one to District 6C and the other to District 6NE. Jack Russalesi, Alert Chair, and members of the Cabinet are meeting Sat the 28<sup>th</sup> of Sept to discuss the Grant and how to use it.

I'm looking to forward to the coming months ahead !

Andy Smith, 2nd VDG-6C



I just got back from the USA/Canada Leadership Forum. What an amazing event! 32 people from CO attended -DG's and 1st & 2nd Vice Districts from each of the Districts, PID Ken Schwols, CC David Parker and others. The other picture is 6C DG Linda Stephens with her cabinet,

myself, 2nd Vice Andy Smith and Secretary Jane Bright.

On Friday night, we enjoyed an amazing BBQ dinner at Oklahoma Joe's BBQ. I was great to hang out with other Lions from across Colorado and other Districts. The 1st Vice Districts scheduled their speakers for their District Conventions and designed their DG pins. The pieces are falling into place - but there is a whole bunch of work left to be done!

In Service  
1st VDG Carl



Club Fundraisers



Breakfast @ the Bee's  
Applebees



8792 South University Blvd.  
Centennial, Colorado  
November 2, 2013  
7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

All Proceeds support  
Highlands Ranch Lions Projects

- Eye Glasses & Eye Exams,
- Kidsight Colorado
- International Hearing Dogs
- Colorado Lions Camp
- Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank
- Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute
- Women's Crisis & Family Outreach
- Leader Dogs for the Blind

Tickets: \$10.00

All you can eat  
Pancakes, Sausage & Beverage

Tickets sold in advance see club  
members or call 303-888-0423  
&  
at Applebee's on November 2, 2013



## Join us for our Fourth Annual Dog-o-Ween!

Does your dog have what it takes to be crowned our costume contest winner? Prove it! Enjoy our dog costume contest, food as well as carnival games for kids *and* adults. This event is free and open to the public (small entry fees for contestants). As always, donations are greatly appreciated.



Saturday, October 12, 2013  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

IHDI's Training Facility  
5901 E. 89th Ave.  
Henderson, CO 80640  
(Near I-76 & 88th Ave.)

303-287-3277 | [info@hearingdog.org](mailto:info@hearingdog.org)  
[www.hearingdog.org](http://www.hearingdog.org)



**Yes, I would love to participate in IHDI's Fourth Annual Dog-o-Ween!**

My dog's going to look great in his/her costume and compete!

Name (Owner and Dog(s)): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Costume Contest Entry Fees:  
Entry: \$10  
Two Entries: \$15

Please return form with total payment to 5901 E. 89th Ave., Henderson, CO 80640



6C Paw Prints

The Return Of...  
**SHERLOCK HOLMES**  
*Murder Mystery Dinner*

Saturday, October 26th, 2013

Doors open 5:00 pm • Curtain rises 5:30 pm

Dinner served 6:30 pm

Cash Bar • Limited Seating

*\$45.00 per person / \$50.00 at the door*

*\$35.00 children 10 and under • Dined DGB*



*Spring Valley*  
GOLF CLUB

*42850 County Road 17-21, Englewood*

*For reservations or more information:*

**Rich: 720.840.8389**

**thlady1@q.com**

Proceeds to benefit programs supported by



ELIZABETH, COLORADO



*6C Paw Prints from USA/Canada Forum*



Do you know these people? When you see them ask about the Forum

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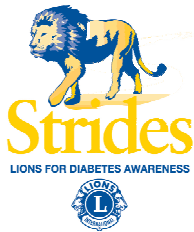


Paw Prints - Projects

Jason Woodward; Lisa Kelly and Wayne Marshall presented information on Living with Diabetes; Challenges; Complications; and Helping Someone you love with Diabetes at the Sept 7th Strides for Diabetes Walk and program. Lions braved the heat and walked around the lake supporting physical exercise for diabetes. CRMC Lions were joined by Jim Woodward, Englewood Lions; Lions Steve and Holly Allen participated virtually.

Jason Woodward and Lion Stokes Anderson presented Diabetes Awareness at the Community College of Aurora September 11th.

\*\*\*\* American Diabetes Step Out Walk \*\*\*\*



November 2, 2013
8am Registration
Downtown Denver Aquarium 500 Water St

Step Out With Us! Join our Team:

Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions; Form a Team; Sign up as Individual Walker/virtual walker; or Volunteer. Register:

Join Our Team: click on "Join an Existing Team: Colorado Rocky Mountain Cyber Lions Club

Register Team Captain: Janice Davis wispy-sail@aol.com

Start your own team by clicking "Start A Team" button

http://stepout.diabetes.org/site/PageServer?pagename=OUT tu teamup

American Diabetes Step Out Walk
http://main.diabetes.org/site/TR?pg=informational&fr id=9090&type=fr informational &sid=12071

\*\*\*\*\* Sit-In for Diabetes Awareness \*\*\*\*\*

November 16, 2013



(In recognition of Nov 14th World Diabetes Day
12:00 Noon @ The Kasbah
15373 E 6th Avenue Unit B Aurora

November: Diabetes Awareness Month

Think Blue \* Wear Blue

BRING DIABETES TO Light

Have a "Wear Blue" day at work or meeting

Designate a group "Blue Day"

Submit your "Blue Day" pictures to Lion Janice

\*\*\*\*\* REUSE/RECYCLE \*\*\*\*\*

As Environmental Chair for District 6C, I encourage each club to appoint a member of your club to report efforts and programs in your community. Identify local/community environmental programs; assign a member to monitor and report activities; establish recycling programs. Please report your quarterly activities prior to district cabinet meetings.

Lion Stokes Anderson, CRMC Lions
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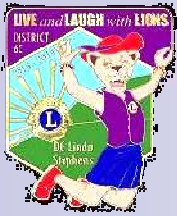
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On a personal note:

We are grateful for the support extended to our family. Your kind words are deeply appreciated.

Lions Ernie and Janice Davis





# *Live and Laugh with Lions*

## *District 6C Calendar*



### ***October 2013***


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|--------------------|--|
| <b>October 5</b>   | <b>Denver Five Points Fish Fry &amp; Hot Links</b>                                 |
| <b>October 12</b>  | <b>International Hearing Dogs Inc.— Dog-O-Ween</b>                                 |
| <b>October 12</b>  | <b>Denver Five Points Bus Trip to Blackhawk Mardigras Casino</b>                   |
| <b>October 26</b>  | <b>Elizabeth Branch Lions—Return of Sherlock Holmes Murder<br/>Mystery Theatre</b> |
| <b>November 2</b>  | <b>Highlands Ranch Lions Applebee's Pancake Breakfast</b>                          |
| <b>November 2</b>  | <b>American Diabetes Step Out Walk</b>   |
| <b>November 16</b> | <b>Sit-In for Diabetes Awareness</b>   |
| <b>November 16</b> | <b>DG Linda's 2nd Cabinet Meeting—Hatzi's</b>                                      |

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched, but must be felt with the heart."

Helen Keller

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