

November 2013



*Colorado Lions  
District 6C Newsletter*



Fall is in the air. Tonight there will be little witches and goblins about haunting neighbors and neighborhoods.

I have had a great October. Twelve clubs were visited, sometimes two a day. It was a pleasure to visit and talk with clubs about their activities and fundraisers. Some of the smallest are among the busiest. I am proud of Lions of 6C as each of you work hard to bring in new Lions. Lion ZC Jack Russalesi made a commitment to bring in a Lion a month. Looking good so far.

After coming back from 'The Land of Oz' (formally known as the USA/Canada Forum), work began on spending the \$10,000 grant given by LCIF. It was hard to get our foot in the door at a number of places, but when the door opened Lions were ready to step in to purchase, sort and deliver supplies. It seemed like all we did was shop, load and unload. I am sending pictures for your viewing pleasure. Supplies were delivered to Community Food Share, Sister Carmen Food Bank, Emergency and Family Assistance Association, a homeless shelter in Boulder, food bank in Nederland, and a food bank in Aurora. Most of these had supplies given by the Red Cross, FEMA and Salvation Army; however, the Lions pulled up the rear with additional supplies. The Team estimated 4,000 - 4,500 pounds of food, clothing and water were distributed helping approximately 600 people. When I put a call out for help, Golden Lions Club, Nederland, Thornton, Louisville and Lafayette answered the call. Thank you to Cabinet Secretary Lion Barbara Walmsley for allowing us to fill her garage until the supplies were sorted and loaded yet again. We will be asking for additional funds from the Colorado Lions Foundation to purchase coats and blankets for homeless shelters before the serious cold nights set in. I almost forgot - during these deliveries there was interest in becoming Lions!! Wow, it can be done without offering a beer.

For those of you that have not heard the bad news, Zone Chair Lion Elwood Henry and wife Lion Linda will be moving to Owassa, Oklahoma. I feel, as do others I am sure, will greatly miss the Tail Twister with the deep voice and hearty laugh at our District and State Conventions. We wish you only the best as the two of you head for the Lions of Oklahoma.

Yours in Lionism  
DG Linda

Inspired organizations & people all think, act and communicate from the inside out. People don't buy what you do, they buy why you do it. Simon Sink (passed to me by my friend JR)

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KidSight Colorado



Colorado Lions KidSight Program  
November 2013 — District 6C



**KidSight Screening July – October 2013**

The screening is continuing and we have lots of forms coming in for review. In the state we have screened 8,335 and referred 1,283 (15% rate of referral). In 6C, 3,614 children have been screened with 592 referred (16% 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!

**Thank You So Much for Club Donations to KidSight Colorado!!!**

We received a very generous donation from the **Douglas County Lions Club** for \$10,000! The club has been such a great supporter of KidSight Colorado and we are so grateful for their support.

Thanks also to the **Denver Westwood Club** for their generous \$500 donation to the program.

**Grants in October**

KidSight Colorado received grants during the month of October from the Denver Lions Foundation (\$5,000), CoBiz Cares Foundation (\$2,500) and the Northern Colorado Community Foundation (\$1,000). It is great to see that funders value our program and are providing grant funds to sustain it.

**ColoradoGives.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 anytime 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 Decem-

ber 10, 2013! Stayed tuned for more information on ColoradoGives and Colorado Gives Day.

**The KidSight Challenge – It is \$5,400**

It is my goal to double the amount of money donated to KidSight Colorado during last year’s Colorado Gives Day. Last year we raised \$2,700 and I know we can raise double that amount. **I am personally kicking off the challenge by donating double the amount of money I donated last year to our program.** Can you join with me and make a donation as well? You don’t have to wait until December 10 to do so. You can schedule your donation in advance to occur on that day. Please look for more information in the December newsletter or check the home page of the KidSight Colorado website beginning December 1.

**Attention Online Holiday Shoppers**

It is hard to believe but the holidays will be here before you know it. As you make your online holiday gift purchases you can log in to a website called iGive.com and shop at a number of participating online retailers. These companies will make a donation to KidSight Colorado simply because you purchased online with them through iGive. All you need to do is designate the Colorado Lions KidSight Program as your cause. When you purchase through iGive merchants will contribute a percentage of your total shopping purchase to KidSight. Because the merchants make the contribution it doesn’t cost you anything to participate in the program and KidSight benefits from your purchases. If you need more information about this program you can go to the iGive.com website or call me for additional information.

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**A proud member of the Chatfield Lions Club**





Hi fellow lions! It's been a busy month. Money is being spent from the LCIF Grant for the Flood Victims in our District. Deliveries are now being made to Aurora, Boulder, Nederland among others. A special Thank You goes out to the Golden Lions Club

for assisting in the deliveries of food and supplies.

DG Linda is stepping up her visitations to clubs. I was honored to go along with her to visit the Highlands Ranch Lions Club. Starting in January ,I will be helping out in visiting clubs in District 6C as well as 1VDG Carl Gentzel.

Keep looking for new members to join your club. After we had shopped for flood relief supplies at Sams Club, DG Linda asked the Store Mgr of Sams Club in Thornton to join the Lions and Jack Rusalesi had a application with him, I invited the Store Mgr to the next Thornton Lions Club meeting. Team work, it works every time it is tried.

I'm finding out that not everyone agrees with what you do or say, but that's ok. We are all working for the common good of serving people in need. Lions are the best and I'm proud to be a Lion.

Yours in Lionism

Andy  
2VDG

**\*\*\*\* 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 [wispysail@aol.com](mailto:wispysail@aol.com)**

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

[http://stepout.diabetes.org/site/PageServer?pagename=OUT\\_tu\\_teamup](http://stepout.diabetes.org/site/PageServer?pagename=OUT_tu_teamup)

**American Diabetes Step Out Walk**

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**\*\*\*\*\* 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**



Club Fundraisers



The Pride of Highlands Ranch



Invites YOU to:

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





**CHALLENGE AIR**  
For kids & friends

**Challenge Air for Kids**

On a sunny Saturday in September, nine members of the Centennial Airport Lions Club participated in the Annual Denver Challenge Air for Kids event which occurred on Xjet’s ramp at Centennial Airport. This is a unique opportunity for special needs children to experience the joy of flying. Our club member, Lion Don Kuskie, was one of the eight pilots who volunteered his time and aircraft to provide the kids with an opportunity to earn their wings and be part of a flight team. The rest of our Lions prepared and served food to all the kids, their families and the many volunteers.

While the kids are flying, family members can check out resources and ask questions from a variety of organizations that provide services and support to the children and their families. Among those service providers in attendance were Lion Dan and Dian Smith from the Lions Camp and representatives from Canine Companions.

This year there were 8 pilots/aircraft and 75 children who participated.....the next event will be held on September 20, 2014. Challenge Air for Kids would love to grow this event to 20 pilots/aircraft and 200 children.

**PDG Gwen Balk**



**Lions Dan & Dian Smith of Colorado Lions Camp in the crowd**



**Canine Companions guide South Metro Fire Department.**



**Young co-pilot getting checked out.**



**Lion Don Kuskie and participant.**



*6C Anniversary Party*



**THE DENVER FIVE  
POINTS LIONS CLUB  
IS SPONSORING A  
ANNIVERSARY PARTY BUS  
BUS TRIP TO CENTRAL CITY  
RESERVE CASINO**



**SATURDAY, November 9th –  
2PM – 8PM**

**WE WILL LEAVE THE WALMART PARKING**



**LOT - 40<sup>TH</sup> AND QUEBEC  
DONATION IS \$10.00**



**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**





## 6C Club Party

The **Centennial Airport Lions Club**  
cordially invites all Lions and Friends of Lions to  
its **Annual Holiday Party** at its new location!



**Where:** South Suburban's Family Sports Center  
6901 S. Peoria St., Englewood, CO 80112

We will be in the Party Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor next to the Avalanche Grill. An elevator is located on the first floor near the Pro Shop!



**When:** Thursday, December 12, 2013

**Time:** Doors open at 7:00 AM  
Program begins at 7:30 AM – Ends at 9:15 a.m.

**Cost:** \$16.00 per person -- Breakfast Buffet  
Bring some extra money for raffle tickets!

**Inspiring Entertainment by:** Grandview High School Choir  
& the Salvation Army Band.

**Great Raffle Prizes:** 2 Frontier Airline's Gift Certificates for \$250 off  
& many more gifts

**RSVP:** Lion Gwen "Cookie" Balk  
303-218-2904 or [gbalk@centennialairport.com](mailto:gbalk@centennialairport.com)  
No later than December 6, 2013

*Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the  
Schlessman YWCA's Food Bank!*

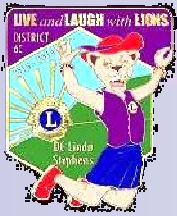




*6C Lions Flood Relief*







# *Live and Laugh with Lions*

## *District 6C Calendar*



### ***November 2013***


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|--------------------|---|
| <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 9</b>  | <b>Denver Five Points Anniversary Party Bus to Central City</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>                   |
| <b>December 12</b> | <b>Centennial Airport Annual Holiday Party</b>                  |

#### **Cabinet Meeting**

**Cabinet meeting will be held  
Saturday,  
November 16th, at 2:00 pm.  
It will be hosted by the  
Pleasant View Lions at  
Hatzi's Hall,  
952 Moss Street,**

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