One goal of Lions Club International is to further the treatment of eye care and research. Following suit, the Surface Creek Lions Club was very pleased to donate $500 to the new Delta County Hospital. The presentation was made by longtime Lions member Phyllip Beckley... “We at the Lions Club love to give money back to the community. We mostly earned our community fund money from the Little Britches Rodeo and Applefest,” added Beckley. “This model of surgery bed is used mainly for cataract surgery,” said Sramek. Last spring, Sramek traveled around the county asking all local area clubs for donations for items in the new hospital “When I let the Surface Creek Lions know about the need for eye stretchers at the hospital, they were very interested because it was in their price range,” said Sramek. Towards the end of the brief ceremony, Sramek added that the purpose of the Foundation Board was to support the mission of the hospital and the Lions Club is helping them in their endeavors. “We are responsible for purchasing a lot of items and also we have just begun our medical scholarship program, and thanks to organizations like the Surface Creek Lions Club, we are able to do this,” concluded Sramek.
I promised more information on IP Clem Kusiak’s program goals for this year. Please note my District goals and the clubs contest rules elsewhere in this newsletter as they are a distillation of Pres. Kusiak's goals. They present a formidable challenge to all clubs, and all Districts.

We have just returned from visiting International Leader Dogs for the Blind at Rochester, Mi. This is a wonderful facility which is helping blind, hearing impaired and other people by providing trained dogs. This allows them much greater independence, allowing these folks to lead near normal lives and to do things they could not do otherwise. These dogs are furnished free to people needing them along with training to help them utilize the dog’s abilities. It's amazing to see people without sight crossing busy streets, walking around strange towns, buildings; carrying out daily tasks with the aid of only their dog.

This is a Lions Int'l project, and well worth our support. To place a trained dog with a trained individual costs approximately $35,000. They are currently building additional facilities needed to better fulfill the needs. They have a "Buy a Brick" campaign to raise funds for this program. Your Club or an individual can have a brick inscribed with your own "special message" and displayed at their headquarters for only $100.00 each.

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE:
Colo. MD-6 is conducting a Regional (includes five states) Leadership institute at our Camp at Woodland Park, Co. on Oct. 1-3. This institute will provide great training for anyone interested in serving Lionism, but is helpful to everyone as things learned will help with family and work relationships. Our District has a great need for training up-coming and current leaders - club officers, Zone, Region, and District Chairmen; Vice District Governors and any who aspire to one of these positions will be better equipped to SERVE by this training.

The cost is very low; $30.00 for room and board and the training. Our District has four guaranteed slots, but we should identify at least six who are interested. The only downside I can see is that working people may need to miss some work time as the session starts on Friday at noon, Oct. 1, and ends Sunday shortly after lunch.

Lion Buck Donathan, Delta Lions, is our Leadership Chairman, and has application forms and information. He can be reached at 970-874-9632 or E-mail: buckdo@montrose.net. Please contact him for more information. We really need to ready some new leadership for the District and I guarantee participants will enjoy and profit from this training.

My schedule for September:
Sept. 8-12 USA-Canada Forum, Reno, Nevada
" 13 Naturita Basin Lions, 5:00 P
" 14 Cortez Lions, 7:00 P
" 20 Clifton Lions, 7:00 P
" 21 New Castle Lions, 7:00 A.
" 21 Eagle Lions, 7:00 P
" 22 Hotchkiss Lions, 7:00 P
" 23 Redlands Lions, 7:00 P

Understanding LCIF (Part One) “Administration”

1. **What is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)?** LCIF is a public, non-profit, tax-exempt corporation as described in Section 501 (c) (3) of the US Internal Revenue Code of 1954. The foundation was incorporated June 13, 1968, as the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International (LCI). The foundation’s mission is to support the efforts of Lions clubs around the world in serving their local communities and the world community through humanitarian service, major disaster relief and vocational assistance programs. The foundation was incorporated in the United States and is, therefore, governed by US tax laws.

2. **Who contributes to LCIF?** Lions clubs and individual members worldwide are primary contributors. Corporations, foundations, and individuals who are not associated with the organization contribute to foundation as well.

3. **How is LCIF governed?** The foundation is governed by a board of trustees comprised of the LCI board of directors plus two appointed members. The immediate past international president of LCI always serves as chairman of the foundation.

4. **How is the foundation’s mission achieved?** LCIF’s mission is achieved through its grants programs. (Refer to sections on SightFirst and Grants.)

SightFirst supports projects that will provide long-term solutions to the problems of preventable and reversible blindness. SightFirst—Lions conquering blindness—mobilizes Lions' resources, at all levels, in responding to worldwide needs for the prevention of blindness. Projects supported by LCIF SightFirst grants must, among other criteria, combat the leading

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Directory Changes

Following are some changes and additions to the D6-W section of the directory. The Manelioner will include changes for the entire directory.

Pg. 66:
1. Speech Contest: replace Bernita Dove with:
   Walter Lemon III (Nancy)
   25 34 Rd.
   Palisade, Co. 81526
   (H)970-434-7247
   (E) wblemon@aol.com

2. Add-Liberty Days
   Ona Griffiths
   722 W. Ottley
   Fruita, 81521
   (H) 970-858-4300

Blind Services
Patsy Osburn (Jose Montoya)
Box 654
Naturita, 81422
(H) 970-865-2537
(E) naturitapatsy@yahoo.com

3. Pg. 68 Hayden Lions
   Pres.: Don Johnson (Barbara)
   Box 1314
   Hayden, 81639
   (H) 970-276-1449, (F) 970-276-4617
   E. donbarbjohn@hotmail.com
   Sec'y.: Barbara Johnson (Don)
   Same address & phones as above
   Club meets on 4th Tues. Contact Pres. for location

4. Pg. 72 Fruitvale Lions are meeting @ Omar’s Cafeteria, 801 N. 1st St., Gr. Jct. starting in Sept.

5. Pg. 73 Clifton Lions have changed their meeting dates to 1st & 3rd Tues. starting in Sept.

Under Palisade the Bus. phone for Phyllis Hahn is not correct, just cross out.

6. Pg. 74: Olathe Valley Lions have changed their meetings to the 1st and 3rd Tues. starting in Sept.

7. Pg.75: officers for Ouray Lions are:
   Ouray Lions:
   No current Pres.
   Sec'y: Mike Macleod
   Box 905
   Ouray, 81427
   970-325-4009
   E-M ouraymacleods@yahoo.com

District Governors Goals 2004-2005

1. One new District Project, hopefully involving service for youth or children.
2. Reactivate International relations activities; possibly involving Student Exchange program.
3. District net growth in membership of at least 5%.
4. Two new Lions Clubs.
5. Two new Leos Clubs
6. Two Campus Clubs
7. Three new Branch Clubs.
8. To reward service with prompt, meaningful awards and recognition.
   It will take strong efforts by all Lions of the District to accomplish these gals. I am counting on all Lions to work hard to get the jobs done, and let me know if something needs changing, or they have a better idea.
   Thank you in advance for your support.

Palisade Peach Festival

WITH THE HELP OF THE ORCHARD MESA LIONS CLUB, THE PALISADE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL TEAMS, THE PALISADE LIONS SERVED APPROXIMATELY 1650 PANCAKE BREAKFASTS AT THE ANNUAL PALISADE PEACH FESTIVAL SATURDAY AUGUST 21ST. WE ALSO HAD A GREAT TIME WITH OUR PEACH DAIQUIRI BOOTH AND SPECIAL GUEST FORMER DENVER BRONCO VANCE JOHNSON WHO RODE ON OUR FLOAT AND SIGNED AUTOGRAPHS AT THE DAIQUIRI BOOTH FOR THE KIDS
Club Events

Dear Editor;

May was the Lions Clubs International Recycle for Sight Month. The Salida Lions Club wishes to thank the community for its generous contribution. During that time more than 550 pairs of glasses and sunglasses were collected, along with numerous glass cases.

Although the recycle program is over, you can still donate old glasses and sunglasses.

To donate your old glasses, simply drop them off at Salida Regional Library, Lund Eye Care, the offices of Dr. Mark Weber and Joseph Lyford or at Optical Express.

Thanks again.

Richard Blake,
Salida Lions Club
(Taken from local paper in Salida)

Surface Creek Lions assisted the Hotchkiss Lions Club in operating their food both at the Delta County Fair.

8 Lions cooked hamburgers and hot dogs for the dedication of the new Cedaredge Middle School on August 18. Served approximately 400 people.

The Collbran Lions Club held its annual Junior rodeo August 21 & 22. The Lions have hosted over 35 years. The rodeo for Highlight of the Chicken Roping children ages 4-5 are given a lasso and the roosters are turned loose, the first one to catch a chicken wins a hamburger and coke at the concession stand.

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causes of blindness as identified by experts for a particular region. Projects must have a national impact on blindness and eye care services and work within a country’s national blindness prevention program. In developing nations, the SightFirst program is training ophthalmic personnel to eliminate the backlog of patients awaiting sight-restoring cataract surgery.

- Major Catastrophe grants relieve suffering caused by catastrophes of national or international proportions. Examples are grants made to support projects to provide homes for orphans in Rwanda and reconstruct orphanages and a hospital in Zaire. Also, Major Catastrophe grants helped reconstruct schools and refurbish two pediatric centers in Bosnia.

- Standard grants are approved for large-scale Lions service projects that address pressing humanitarian needs. Typical projects include care centers for the elderly and camps for disabled children. Standard grants also address universal needs such as healthcare. Many grants are awarded annually to develop mobile health screening units, Lions eye clinics and eye banks.

- International Assistance Grants (IAG) provide funding for humanitarian aid projects featuring Lions in different regions of the world coming together to help the less fortunate. IAG projects must involve Lions in two countries, a sponsoring Lions district or club and a host Lions district or club in the country where the project takes place. Up to US$2 million is available annually for grants in amounts between US$5,000 and US$30,000. For projects requesting US$10,000 and under, applications can be received throughout the year and can be approved by a committee of the Chairman, Board of Trustees, Executive Administrator, and the LCIF Division and Grants Department Managers. For grant requests above US$10,000, applications require the consideration of the LCIF Board of Trustees at a regularly scheduled meeting.

- Major International Service Program (MISP) grants are available to support the major international service program(s) of Lions Clubs International. Such programs as Diabetes Research and Sight First have received MISP grants.

5. **How are operating costs paid?** By ruling of the board of trustees, all administrative expenses must be paid from interest on investments. Donated funds are never used to cover these costs.

6. **What is a Corpus?** A corpus is a reserve of assets that foundations maintain to meet needs, make grants, and assure the stability of the foundation.

7. **Why is it necessary to have a corpus?** A reserve fund assures governing bodies and other interested individuals or financial institutions of the foundation’s long-term viability when undertaking large projects. Simply stated, a corpus is a necessary investment in the future that ensures LCIF’s continuing ability to make grants. A reserve fund is an indication of fiduciary responsibility. It is good stewardship to allow donated funds to generate more funds. LCIF’s reserve fund earns unrestricted revenue that, in addition to paying all operational expenses, can be used for grants.

8. **How is the amount of funds available for LCIF grants determined each year?** Sixty percent of the prior year’s unrestricted revenue, less administrative and promotional costs of that same fiscal year, is available for grants, plus an additional US$1 million can be used for Major International Service Program grants. (Unrestricted contributions plus interest on investments make up total unrestricted revenue.)

9. **Is there a similar formula for determining funds available for LCIF Sight First grants?** All contributions restricted for Campaign SightFirst must be used for SightFirst projects.

10. **How may I contact LCIF?** The LCIF staff is ready to assist you. Day-to-day operations are supervised by the manager of LCIF, supported by six department managers. They may be reached as follows: LCIF 300 22nd Street Oak Brook, Illinois 60521-8842 Telephone: 630/571-5466 Administration: ext. 383 Development: Ext 395, 396 Donor Services ext 294, 293 Grants Ext. 292,580 Public Relations: Ext 386,508 SightFirst: Ext 392, 393 Fax: 630/571-5735
Calendar of Coming Events

Sept 8-11, 2004       USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum       Reno, NV
Sept 18, 2004       Clifton Lions Spaghetti Supper @ Clifton Hall       Clifton
Oct. 22-23, 2004    MD-6 Council Meeting       Greeley
Oct. 31, 2004       District 6W Cabinet Meeting       Clifton
Feb. 11-12, 2005    MD-6 Council Meeting       (Denver area)
Feb. 19, 2005       District 6W Cabinet Meeting       Clifton
Apr. 15, 2005       District 6W Cabinet Meeting       Durango
May 19, 2005       MD-6 Council Meeting       Canon City

Combined Region III/Zone I and II Meetings

September 22, 2004       January 12, 2005       March 30, 2005       June 22, 2005
All meetings are on a Wednesday evening and will be held at the Clifton Community Hall, 126 2nd Street, Clifton, CO. They will begin at 7 p.m. and, hopefully, over by 8:30 p.m. Desert and beverage will be served. All Presidents and Secretaries in Region III are urged to attend, however, anyone is welcome. We’ll have an attendance drawing for $’s - but, you must be present to win. If you’re not there the pot doubles and continues to the next meeting. I’m not sure what the pot will start out with but it'll be worth someone’s time to spend an hour or so going over Lion business.

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 30, 2004
( I CANNOT GUARANTEE THEIR INSERTION IF LATER THAN THAT.)