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# We Serve Wyoming

## **Come to Rawlins!**

Join other Wyoming Lions in Rawlins for the 2024 State Lions Convention, May 3-5. Rawlins is said to be where western hospitality and history come together to create a true Wyoming experience. As one of the major passenger and freight stops along the Transcontinental Railroad, Rawlins saw its share of traffic during the prime days of westward expansion. Take a walking tour of the historic downtown, visit the museum at the Old Union Pacific Train Depot, or tour the Wyoming Frontier Prison Museum in the state's first penitentiary. It is affordable and easy to get around.



The Rawlins Lions Club hosts the convention, and the Econo Lodge Hotel is the venue for all Lions activities. Enjoy the Lions Challenge for Visually Impaired Youth Auction, connect with ID Ron Keller, participate in speed learning activities that are fun and informative, and connect with Lions and friends.



**DG Lee McDonald** 

It's time again for Lions from across Wyoming to gather the pride. I am honored to invite all Lions to Rawlins, Wyoming, for our Annual State Convention. The host committee has been working hard to prepare a great venue, fantastic meals, and an interesting program.

Look forward to the Auction on Friday night in support of the Camp. There will be interesting and creative items available for bid. Our auction has proved to be a roaring good time, a successful event, and a great kick-off to our meetings.

Lions Foundations: Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank, Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation, and the Lions of Wyoming Foundation will all update us on their work over the last year. Our Wyoming Lions Cabinet will conduct its business to grow Lions activities.

A special treat will be presentations from International Director Ron Keller, who will discuss the programs and successes of Lions from around the world.

Something new this year will be our Speed Learning session with interactive activities on both Lions subjects and other topics of interest.

We will be having a roaring good time!!

# Wyoming Lions Welcome International Director Ron Keller to the State Convention





Ron Keller from Millersport, Ohio, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 24 through June 28, 2022.

Director Keller has more than 35 experience as a government administrator and event coordinator. He is currently retired. He last served as Cultural Arts and Events Manager for the City of Columbus where he managed city staff, drafted city legislation, oversaw purchasing of equipment and supplies for events, and served as a liaison to civic and community leaders in Columbus' urban neighborhoods. One of his most

notable projects was redesigning a public subsidy mechanism to make it easier for minority nonprofits to apply and receive city services within their neighborhoods.

He joined the Millersport Lions Club in 1979 with a desire to help better this small, rural community. Since then he has held a number of offices within the association including GST coordinator, multiple district council chairperson, US/Canada Lions Leadership Forum host chairperson and Lions centennial celebration coordinator. He was a member of the Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank Operating Board and since 1990, he has served as general chairman for the Millersport Lions' Sweet Corn Festival.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including multiple International President's Awards, International President's Certificates of Appreciation and an International President's Leadership Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Keller is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is a past president of the Walnut Township Board of Education and Millersport Board of Public Affairs. Additionally, He has been a board member of the Ohio Festivals & Events Association and the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Amusement Ride Safety Board.

Director Keller and his spouse, Kitty Lea Keller, who is also a Lion and a Melvin Jones Fellow, have three children and seven grandchildren.

# District 15 Wyoming State Convention Econo Lodge Rawlins, Wyoming May 3-5, 2024 "Thanks For All You Do!"

#### Friday, May 3

Lunch-on your own

11:00 am to 4:00 pm Board Meeting (Rooms to be assigned)

11:00 am Lions of Wyoming Foundation and Lions Camp Committee

1:00 pm Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute Foundation Board Meeting

2:30 PM Rocky Mountain Eye Bank Board Meeting

4:00 PM Service Project - Eyeglass Sorting

**Lions Fun Activities:** 

Territorial Prison Tours 2:30 pm or 3:30 pm

Golf: Rochelle Ranch Golf Course

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Lions Camp Auction & Buffet-Support your Allan H. Stewart Lions Camp

**Live and Silent Auction Main Dining Room** 

Hospitality: (Room to be announced.)

#### Saturday, May 4,

7:00 am to 8:30 am Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank Breakfast Main Dining Room

9:00 am to 11:00 am District Cabinet Meeting Main Dining Room

11:00 am to 11:15 am Celebration of Life Main Dining Room

11:15 am to 12:00 - Break

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm Lions of Wyoming Foundation Lunch Main Dining Room

1:30 to 3:30 pm Speed Learning Activities

Join in eight unique and fun presentations and activities. Some are Lion's experiences; some are from subject matter experts, and some will challenge you!

3:30 pm to 4:00 pm Elections and Break TBA

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Questions and Discussion with our International Guest, ID Ron Keller Main Dining Room

**Convention Banquet** 

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm-Social hour Main Dining Room

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm- Dinner, awards, presentation from International Guest ID Ron Keller

9:00 pm - Hospitality (Room to be announced.)

#### Sunday, May 5

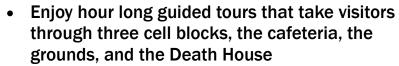
Breakfast-on your own

9:00 am to 10:30 am Summit Committee TBA

# **Lions Fun Activities** Friday, May 3 Afternoon

### **Wyoming Frontier Prison 500 West Walnut in historic Rawlins**

Take a Tour 2:30 pm 0r 3:30 pm



- Learn about The Old Wyoming State Penitentiary, used from 1901-1981 and listed on the National **Register of Historic Places**
- Hear about The Old Pen's great tales
- Browse through the prison museum



#### **Rochelle Ranch Golf Course**

#### Play a round of golf

- A public, city-owned golf course
- An 18-hole championship layout designed in a links style
- The design offers enjoyment and challenges for players of all abilities.







# Make Your Reservations Now at the Econo Lodge in Rawlins, Wyoming

#### 1801 E Cedar St

# \$65.00 per night (just mention this is for the Rawlins Lions convention) Call 307-324-2783

- Reserve one of the 131 air-conditioned rooms featuring refrigerators and flat-screen televisions.
- ♦ Satisfy your appetite with American cuisine at Whiskey Gap, a restaurant with a bar/lounge, and at the coffee shop/cafe. A complimentary buffet breakfast is served daily from 6 AM to 9 AM.
- Enjoy recreational opportunities, including a fitness center and a seasonal outdoor pool.
- Contains complimentary wireless internet access, a hair salon, and a fireplace in the lobby.
- Find amenities that include a business center, express check-out, and complimentary newspapers in the lobby.
- Discover event facilities, including conference space and a meeting room. Free self parking is available onsite.

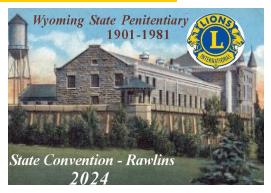


# Wyoming State Lions Convention Econo Lodge, Rawlins, Wyoming May 3-5, 2024 FOR ALL YOU DO!

Lion	Phone			
Address	Phone CityState		State Zip	
Email	Club			
Family Members (if attending)	Lion ?	YesNo		
	Cost	<u>Number</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>	
Registration by April 22, 2024	\$60			
Lions Family Registration by April 22, 2024	\$90			
OR		•	-	
	Cost	<u>Number</u>	Total Cost	
Registration after April 22, 2024	\$70			
Lions Family Registration after April 22, 2024	\$100			
Friday May 3, 2024				
	Cost	Number	Total Cost	
Dinner Buffet And Auction **	\$15.00			
Saturday May 4, 2024				
	Cost	Number	Total Cost	
Breakfast – Buffet (7:30 - 9 am) Sponsored By Rocky Mtn Lions Eye Bank	NA		N/A	
Lunch - Deluxe Taco Bar 12:00 to 1:30 pm **	\$18.00			
District Governor's Banquet (7 - 9 pm) ** Prime Rib Dinner Salmon Dinner	\$40.00 \$30.00			
Sunday May 5 2024				
	Cost	Number	Total Cost	
Breakfast - ON YOUR OWN				
**Ticket required for admittance		Grand Total =		

- Payment Method (Choose One): Check\_\_\_\_ Credit Card\_\_\_\_

   If paying by check, mail completed registration form and check to Rawlins Lions Club, PO Box 284
- If paying by check, mail completed registration form and check to Rawlins Lions Club, PO Box 284 Rawlins, WY 82301.
- If paying by credit card, please mail the completed registration form to Rawlins Lions Club PO Box 284, Rawlins, WY 82301.
  - Credit card payments will be handled at the registration desk upon arrival.



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To: Wyoming Lions, Club Officers, Board Members, and Pin Traders Subject: District 15 – Wyoming - 2024 State Trading Pin

The 2024 District 15 Wyoming Trading Pin is now available for Lions Clubs and Lions to order. The 2024 pin (shown above) measures 1½ inch wide and 1 inch high.

The price reflected below includes the cost to manufacture, package, and ship.

We also have pins from other States, Wyoming Club Pins and Wyoming District Pins dating back to the mid-1970s. Please submit orders to Lion James Reynolds at the above address; you can order using this form or by e-mail or phone. Checks should be made out to the Lions of Wyoming, Inc. You may pay upfront, or I will invoice when the pins are shipped.

If the purchaser orders 10 or more of the 2011 - 2024 pins, the postage is included in the listed price.

2024 District 15 State Trading Pin (Wyoming Lions Serving Cowboy Style)
Orders of 9 or less pins@\$3.00 ea
Orders of 10 or more pins
2023 District 15 State Trading Pin (Wyoming Lions Serving Cowboy Style) (Very limited number!)
2022 District 15 State Trading Pin (Cattle Trail Heritage)
2021 District 15 State Trading Pin (Rendezvous in Riverton)
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2019 District 15 State Trading Pin (Triceratops – Wyoming's State Dinosaur) 2018 District 15 State Trading Pin (Allen H. Stewart Lions Camp-A Wyoming Lions Signature Project)
<b>2018</b> District 15 State Trading Pin (Allen H. Stewart Lions Camp-A Wyoming Lions Signature Project)
2017 District 15 State Trading Pin (Wyoming Lions – There When Needed) Limited Number
2016 District 15 State Trading Pin (Wyoming Early Childhood Vision Project) Limited Number
2015 District 15 State Trading Pin (Energy for the Future)
2014 District 15 State Trading Pin (Coal Producers)
2013 District 15 Trading Pin (Oil Energy) 2012 District 15 Trading Pin (Wind Energy) 2011 District 15 Trading Pin (Mockingbird)
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2011 District 15 Trading Pin (Mockingbird)
2011 - 2023 Pins - 9 or fewer pins are \$2.00 each: 10 or more pins \$1.75 each
Total Value of Order:
Please send pins to:
Total amount enclosed:or, Please Invoice:

Other deals: Early District 15/15A/15B pins (1977 – 1995) - D15 Pins (1996-2010) if available, \$0.50 each for orders of 25 randomly selected pins plus postage; the price is the same for Wyoming Club Pins.

Various state pins (not Wyoming) \$0.25 each for orders of 25 randomly selected pins plus postage