

LIONS DISTRICT 4-C4





Evolve and Thrive

We Serve—San Francisco to Palo Alto 3rd Quarter 2022-23



DISTRICT GOVERNOR MESSAGE Lion John Hui

Dear Lions of District 4-C4!

We are certainly evolving and thriving—as LCI is moving data migration to Salesforce, we need your help ensuring

vour information is accurate. Each member must have their email address so your record and access to MyLion will be smooth when we launch. Please login to www. lionsclubs.org, your profile using your membership #, easily found in the address area when you get the Lions Magazine, or ask your club admin for the information and verify your information. I am so excited for the upcoming District convention; the theme is "Stayin Alive" we are fortunate to have 3 candidates running for the 2nd Vice District Governor position. Let's keep the spirit of friendly competition, and may the best candidate wins.



I can not believe how fast time flies; I am honored to serve the Multiple District 4 and our District as your Governor. You are all "Awesome!"

Let's measure our success by how many people we serve because "Together We Can."

Yours in Lionism,

Lion John Hui

District Governor

DG Lion John in Service & Visits





San Bruno Lions In Service & **Student Speaker Contest**









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1st Vice District
Governor Message
Lion Kevin Guess

Greetings, Fellow Lions of District 4-C4!

Spring is here! And as we move forward to complete another productive fiscal year, we hope to finish strong in pursuing our missions to serve our communities, both locally and internationally. Following an excellent third Cabinet meeting, we

are reminded of the blessings we share as Lions and our continued commitment to service. To that end, the mission continues as we look to identify and promote new leaders in our Clubs and at the District level. Finding our replacements and providing these opportunities for personal and professional growth is not only paramount, but essential to our continued success. Our District continues to be at the forefront of leadership development in both MD4 and our Constitutional Area, as evidenced by our three candidates for 2nd Vice District Governor. Service continues to be the driving force of our District, which in turn promotes membership growth. Need help or want to help with projects? Many Clubs are doing wonderful service and welcome other Clubs or Individual Lions to partner, support and experience those "aha" moments participating in these events. Opportunities are endless and listed in the weekly Thread. Check with our District Service Chair, Lion Jimmy Ness, your Zone and Region Chairs, or myself so we can connect you and get involved.

Our District Global Action Team continues to lead the way, and our training programs offer great preparation for success. Our District again leads our Constitutional area by having seven Lions selected and graduate from Lions Faculty Development Institute. FDU Graduates Lion Jimmy Ness and IPDG Dr. Jun Valera provided wonderful presentations at this year's MD4 Convention. Leadership training modules and protocols are being updated to reflect organizational progress and to remain current in our ability to effectively prepare new officers for the next fiscal year. I encourage you to attend our officer training weekend scheduled for the first weekend of June.

Our District Leos collaborated and partnered to provide another fine year of service and are preparing for new officer elections. Our Leo, Leo Lion, young Lion Task Force continues to move forward in supporting Leos and our District by developing a District Youth - Mentor program to attract and promote profession and vocational leadership and learning opportunities

for our young people.

Thank you for the opportunity, honor and privilege to serve as your 1st Vice District Governor this year.

"We put in the work now in preparation to take advantage of the next opportunity when it presents itself."

Lion Kevin Guess

1st Vice District Governor

Leadership Through Service

VDG Kevin in Service and Visitations











2nd Vice District Governor Message Lion Clayton Jolley

Greetings District 4C4 Lions,

It is a pleasure to communicate with you in our District

Newsletter. As I write this today I am watching the sun come out after our latest bout of wind and rain! What a

winter we have had! In addition to the impacts of the stormy weather this morning we experienced a small earthquake centered in the San Bruno Area. I have discussed during some of our cabinet visits how Lions can prepare for the impacts living in our golden state may have on us. Power outages, flooding, earthquakes and fires are all a possibility and a reality for many of us, what can your club do to prepare for these events?

Be Prepared to Serve!

Our local clubs are intimately connected to our communities, they know the needs and capabilities of their club and their neighbors. By preparing for five to seven days without services such as power, water and grocery stores, we can focus on serving our family, friends and neighbors as a individual Lion and as a Lions Club.

Please go to our District 4C4 website and check out the > Resource Library > Service > Alert/Disaster Preparedness & Response and watch the 2021 presentation.

Check out your local CERT training opportunities (Community Emergency Response Teams) and put a ready bag in your car and your home or garage.

In addition, consider a generous donation to Lions Clubs International Foundation



(LCIF) to support the efforts of our foundation around the world and here in the United States responding to Floods, earthquakes and every manner of disaster.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming District Convention in May! Please don't hesitate to ask further about preparedness and how you can get free training to support your family and club.

Lion Clayton Jolley

Second Vice District Governor

VDG Clayton in Service and Visitations













My heroes are those who risk their lives every day to protect our world and make it a better place - police, firefighters and members of our armed forces.

Sidney Sheldon







LCI Foundation News

Greetings Lions of District 4-C4, Thank You

THANK YOU

THANK YOU

Lion Amy and myself, Lion Michael, would like to thank you, 4C4 for all of your fabulous support of LCIF. For those who attended the MD4 convention ,you witnessed Lion Amy receiving accolades for her work in 2021-22. Last year was a banner year for our district and we are on tract to match or surpass those numbers this year.

Hurricanes, earthquakes, epidemics, floods, tornadoes, humanitarian efforts In Ukraine are some of the challenges facing our world today and where there is a challenge you will find Lions to meet those challenges.

The LCIF is our rainy day bank account and we need to feed it to try to keep up with all the humanitarian needs that face us. How can you help? Giving is Good Personal donations are always welcome and recurring donations can lead to a Melvin Jones award. Many clubs honor their immediate past presidents or other deserving club members with a Melvin Jones at their incoming installations.

Our district is continuing the tradition of honoring their District Governor by encouraging 100 percent participation by all the district clubs. Many clubs simply "pass the hat" for donations or set up a raffle at one of their meetings.

There are many matching grant opportunities available to Lions districts. These grants support service projects for unmet humanitarian needs in local communities. Keep in mind that if a club donates \$5000 to LCIF in the unrestricted category they could earn a 15 percent stipend to help fund future service projects.

Lion Mike Coffaro

Lion Amy Fink



ID Ken Ibarra and Lion Amy Fink getting pin for their 8
Diamond Yellow Gold Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship



California Lions Foundation News

Feel free to contact me if you would like information or to present a short program at your club meeting: PDG Mario Benavente, mxbdds@aol.com, (Cell) 650-892-2202



Dear Lions of District 4-C4,

Congratulations to the Bay Area Global Outreach Lions Club, the latest club to receive California Lions Foundation matching grant. The BAGO Lions will use their \$3,807 grant to purchase a vision screening unit to serve the children in their community.

Matching grants are available from \$500-\$5,000 (2 open grants per district at any one time.). This is especially valuable for smaller clubs and smaller projects. Your club could be the next to receive a grant!

The application process is relatively quick, simple and, once funded, we only ask for receipts demonstrating proper use of the funds, a few photos of CLF dollars at work and a little bit of recognition for the foundation to help us in our fundraising efforts. Visit our CLF website for more information: www.calionsfoundation.org

Are you planning a hunger project on the near future? Do you have an affiliation with a Leos Club? CLF is currently offering a non-matching grant program to benefit hunger projects while working hand-in-hand with your Leos Club. This program does not require club funds for matching purposes. This grant program runs from March 1, 2023 and extends through May 31, 2023. Maximum grant per club/district is \$1,000 (\$2,000 total per district). Check the website for details.

Please consider making a club or individual donation to CLF! We can't do this without your support! Consider honoring a club member with a CLF Life Membership (\$500), a Kay K. Fukushima Award (\$1,000) or a Reginald Harris Award (\$2,500). All amounts, large or small, are appreciated. You can also donate old cars, trucks, RV, boats! And don't forget to see if your employer offers matching gifts.

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Lion Mario Benavente

Vice President, California Lions Foundation



District & Lions Leaders

Club Presidents...

Bay Area Global Outreach * Jaeson Cusang * Bay Area Special Olympics * Jane Simonini * Brisbane * Alijah Marquez * Burlingame * Bunny Macchia * Daly City Host * Ron Mussman * Foster City * Michel Ossene * Foster City Bair Island Cyber * Ofa Veimau * Half Moon Bay * Joe Habib * Menlo Park Live Oak * Tina Morris * Millbrae * Steve Henderson * OneVet OneVoice SF* Courtney Ellington * Pacifica * Alyssa Jenkins * Peninsula Special Interest * Elmer Madrid * Peninsula Veterans * Tamera Guess * Redwood City Downtown * Paul Sanfilipo * Redwood City Sunrise * William Jackson, Jr. * Redwood Shores * Gary Krippendorf * San Bruno * Eric Riberio * San Carlos * Tim King * SF Aeta * Marian Castillo * SF Bay Area New Century * Gina Tse * SF Bayview Hunters Point * Frances Luster * SF Buddha * Erika Lama * SF Chinatown * Ning Ho * SF Circle * Billy Morete * SF Cosmopolitan * Gary Mingle * SF Dynamic * Elvie Ortega * SF Fil -Am * Elizabeth Yulo * SF Financial Rescue Lions Club * John Guzman* SF Geneva Excelsior * Robert Lawhon * SF Global Art Cyber * Annie Dang * SF Global Business * May Zhang* SF Global Healthcare Cyber * Grace Yong Zhou * SF Healthcare Providers Cyber * Katrine Cayabyab * SF Highlands * Lucito Tomada* SF Hispanic * Ninette Morris De Mendoza * SF Host * Leonard Oakes * SF Keystone* Peter Kuo_* SF Korean American * Soonae Kang* SF Latinos Unidos * Ruffino Ramos * SF Marina North Beach * Leland Lee * SF Merced Heights * Lydia Taylor-Bellinger_PDG * SF Nikkei * Bill Stipinovich * SF Nueva Vizcaya * Florence Montemayor * SF Ocean-Ingleside * Connie Bridgewater * SF Park Presidio Sunset * Piotr Hutrya * SF Premier * Lanie Ramos * SF Special Choir * Seungku Kang * SF Unified * Tra Thach * SF Veterans * CJ Reeves * San Mateo * Eleanor Szeto_* San Mateo County First Responders * James Pappas * San Mateo Metropolitan * Alex Lie Chen * Silicon Valley * Vincent Ma * Silicon Valley Cyber * Benny Xiong * Silicon Valley Global Innovation * Zendgi Cui * SSF Golden Gate * Alicia Fortaleza* SSF Host * Luis Alvarenga



District Governor John, VDGs Kevin & Clayton, and International Director, Lion Ken Ibarra

List of Cabinet Officers with Regions and Zones

Lions Clubs International Leadership



Brian E Sheehan

International President



Dr. Patti Hill First Vice President



Fabricio Oliveira
Second Vice President



A.P. Singh

Third Vice President







Editor's Note: Photo of district cabinet not available at time of newsletter publication

Past District Governors...

Larry Wong * 1988-1989 * Kenneth Newman * 1997-1998 * Mel Phillips * 1998-1999 * Michelle Jester * 2002-2003 * Joycelyn Mina * 2003-2004 * Ray Rosenthal * 2004-2005 * Eugene Chan * 2005-2006 * Maxine Frazier * 2007-2008 * Emil Kantola* 2008-2009 / Council Chair 2009-2010 * ID Ken Ibarra * 2009-2010 * Mike Simonini * 2010-2011 * Esther Lee * 2011-2012 * Robert Wilson * 2012-2013 * Stephen Picchi * 2013-2014 * Jack Van Etten_* 2014-2015 * Macy Mak Chan * 2015-2016 * Rod Mercardo * 2016-2017 * Mario Benavente * 2017-2018 * Lydia Taylor-Bellinger * 2018-2019 * Helen Casaclang * 2019-2020 * Fanny Chu * 2020-2021 * Dr. Augusto Valera, Jr. * 2021-2022 * Bold—Pictured













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Fun / Games

When doing this column, it's mostly about Lions. As we approach convention time with fun and celebration to look forward to, this issue's trivia section will feature classic bar drinks. You may find some new drink recipes to try out when you attend the convention. Match the drinks with their ingredients.

Cosmopolitan	Mojito	
Negroni	French 75	
Moscow Mule	Gimlet	
Dark & Stormy	Sazerac	
Penicillin	Paloma	
Kir Royale	Tom Collins	
Bee Knees	Side Car	
Death in the	White Russian	
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Lions University Program







2022-2023 District Meeting Schedule

Club & District Photos provided by Facebook Club and Lions Photographers and District photographers. Thank You Lions Kevin Guess, John Hui, Soonae Kang, ID Ken, Erik Winkler, Faguni Patel, Yvonne Kantola, and CL Fung. Photo galleries for more pics available at www.lions4c4.org

- 1st District Meeting—9.10.2022— Terra Linda Middle School, San Carlos
 - * 2nd District Meeting—11.5.2022— San Bruno Senior Center, San Bruno
 - * 3rd District Meeting—2.11.23— Foster City Recreation Center, Foster City
- * District Convention—5.17-21.23—Redding

Absinthe, Champagne		
Gosling's Black Seal Rum, Ginger Beer		
VS/VSOP Cognac, Cointreu, Lemon Juice		
Vodka, Cointreau. Lime juice, Cranberry Juice		
Mint Leaves, White Rum, Lime Juice, Simple Syrup		
Gin, Simple Syrup, Lemon Juice, Champagne		
Rye Whiskey, Simple Syrup, Peychaud's Bitters, Absinthe	7	
Vodka, Ginger Beer, Lime Juice		
Gin, Lemon Juice, Honey Syrup		
Vodka, Kahlua, Heavy Cream		
Crème de cassis, Champagne		
Old Tom Gin, Lemon Juice, Simple Syrup, Club Soda		
Tequila, Lime Juice, Grapefruit Juice	13	
Gin, Compari, Sweet Vermouth		
Gin or Vodka, Simple Syrup, Lime Juice		
Scotch, Lemon Juice, Honey Ginger Syrup		

For a full list of 40 classic bar drinks and their recipes, visit https://www.townandcountrymag.com/leisure/drinks/g13092298/popular-bar-drinks-to-order/ Answers are in this article.

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The Race for 2nd Vice District Governor By Lion John Gill

If you have ever taken the seminar, So You Think You Want to be a District Governor, you know that this volunteer leadership position is very expensive and time consuming to the Lion who pursues it. The seminar tells aspiring candidates to expect to pay \$12-\$15,000 per year to serve as a governor and commit 8 years to the District, including the year of campaigning for the office. The list of Lions in our District who have completed the minimum requisites to run for 2VDG and have suitable Lions resumes to do a good service for our District as a DG is long and full of Lions who, for whatever reason, are not willing to run for 2VDG. When we see Lions step up to the challenge, we should first say, *Thank You!* No matter how great a District Governor is, he or she can only serve as our District Leader for one year. To remain a top caliber district, we need good talent to follow those who serve as a DG. Perhaps this year's race for 2nd VDG should be a question of who goes first?

This year, we have 3 good candidates for 2nd VDG. As is typical with a contested race, there is campaign drama and contention among the district as to who should be the next 2VDG. It's an exciting year to be a delegate because the district will be introducing Ranked Choice Voting, whereby the delegates vote for ALL three candidates.

Competition for 2VDG is good. It allows opportunities for Lions to be put to service. I got a chance this year to prepare a campaign brochure. It was a fun experience. Whether it be designing campaign flyers or putting together campaign goodies for the convention or calling and visiting clubs, teams of volunteers for each candidate provides opportunities for Lions to serve.

Competition also encourages excitement over the election. With VDG's Kevin and Clayton, it's nearly automatic that they advance but no one knows who will win the 2nd VDG race. Will it be Lion Cindy because *Cindy Cares* that we become *Stronger Together?* Will Lion Carol win because she desires to *Unify Compassion with Action*. Or will Lion Jimmy win with his *New Ideas with Effective Leadership and Support for All where Service is a Priority?*

Per the District rules, delegate forms must be received by 5:00 PM on Thursday, May 18, 2023, and both delegates and alternates must be certified by 10 PM on Friday, May 19, 2023. Per LCI rules, delegates may vote however they choose. Ideally, a delegate votes the way of their club, but it's their choice alone. For this year's election of 2nd VDG, no ballot will be counted that has less than all 3 candidates voted for. As a delegate, we're being asked to rank our choices as first, second, and third among the 3 candidates. Attend the convention, meet the candidates, participate in the campaign marches and have fun.

Meet the Candidates for 2nd Vice District Governor



Awards & Accomplishments

LCI & Multiple Districts

- MD-4 Academy A wards of Lionism—Highest 2008
- MD-4 Excellence Award 2019-2020
- International President's Award 2020-2021
- Multiple International President's Certificates of Appreciation

District

- Multiple District Governor Leadership Excellence Award 2007
- Don Stanaway Trophy Membership Contest 2006-2007
- First Place Winner Membership Contest -Most Retention 2006-2007
- Outstanding Club Membership+21 in 2019-2020
- Membership Excellence –Year Round Growth Retention 2009-2010
- PDG Macy Mak-PDG Rod Mercado New Club Development and Membership Growth—2022

Club

- President Appreciation Award Co-Secretary SF Chinatown Lions
- President Appreciation Award-Director Chinatown Lions Club 2003-
- Outstanding Service SF Chinatown 2002, 2004 & 2016
- Club President Outstanding Leadership Award 2010-2016, 2020-2022.







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2nd VDG Candidates continued...









Editor's Note:

We do not favor any one candidate for 2nd
Vice District Governor. The campaign fliers
and highlights included in this section have
been well publicized throughout the district
at district meetings and club websites or
social media. There are provided here for
your convenience to view info about all three
candidates for 2nd Vice District Governor.



Vote for Lion

CAROL FUNG

DISTRICT 4-C4 SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2023-2024

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Club Lion of the Year (2018-2019)
- LCIF Melvin Jones Fellow (2018-2019)
- Club Membership Growth (August 24, 2019)
 Certificate of Recognition for outstanding Lion
- Club Leader (Nov. 2019)
- Don Stanaway Fellow (202
- Membership Growth Award for the year 3rd place (2021-2022)
- Membership Growth Award 2nd place
 (July 21-Oct 31, 2021)
- Membership Growth Award 2nd place
- Membership Growth Award 3rd place (2)
- Club Excellence Award (2022)
- Student Speaker Contest Chairpe
 (2020 8 2022)
- MD4 Zone Chair Award (202)
- Director (2022-2024)
- Certificate of Honor from SF Supervisor Gordo Mar (March 2022)
- Certificate of recognition from California State Treasury, Fiona Ma as a member of the Chinese Hospital Auxiliary (Sept. 2022)



Centennial Lion – Silver, Gold, and Diamond Membership Key – Membership Advancement Ke















2nd VDG Candidates continued...

Let's Explore the **Opportunities!**

YES for NESS





- ✓ New ideas
- ✓ Effective leadership
- ✓ Support for all
- ✓ Service a priority

New & Effective Support & Service

VOTE FOR LION JIMMY NESS FOR 2ND VDG

Training & Achievements

- Douglas Alexander District International Relations Award



- Multiple District 4 Regional leadership training 2016 Certification of Appreciation from







Past Convention Photos...

Costumes, skits, singing, dancing, drinking, decorating hospitality suites, campaign marching, presidential hazing.. It's convention time! Here's a preview of what to expect at annual celebration in Redding...





























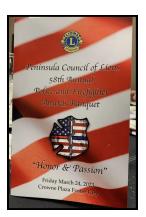




PCL Police and Fire Awards... By: Lion John Gill

On March 24, The Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs had their annual Police and Fire Awards Banquet Dinner at Crown Plaza Hotel in Foster City. County of san Mateo Supervisor Ray Meuller served as keynote speaker and offered to have his department sponsor future nominees to the Awards dinner to help offset increasing costs of the event. The normal duo of Police and Fire Presenters, Jon Froomin and Stan Maupin, were not available. PCL President Clayton, a retired fire chief, presented the fire awards. Lion Cameron Christiansen presented the Police awards. 1VDG Lion Kevin was master of ceremonies. 24 honorees were celebrated for acts of service, valor, and heroism. The program featured a bag pipes performer during the cocktail hour and a first ever combined awarding of both police and fire in one presentation to end the awards section. This year's program featured no club presentations, as PCL Board members Uni Buckley, Venetia Young, and Michael Coffaro did the presentations of the certificates to the honorees. Over 200 in attendance. A few photos of the event are below.











Editor's Minutes..



Thank You for all our contributors this issue. Thank You for the compliments of our last issue.

As this issue received our staple

articles much later than the content deadline published in the weekly Thread, production took into April. One article was received in hard copy that didn't make this issue. A soft copy was requested but not received in time, thus will be postponed to our next issue.

As a member of a Toastmasters club focused on the study of Robert's Rules of Order, I have included a brief feature of different Rules of Order as a space filler for our issues. I'll quote the section, so our readers may further their understanding the rule featured.

The content deadline is posted in the weekly District Thread, If you submit content later than the deadline, it may still be included in the upcoming issue but only if space and time to input the article is available. Please submit any desired content to Lion John at lionjohngill@gmail.com. Suggestions and feedback for content are welcome.

Lion John Gill

District Newsletter Editor * Peninsula Council of Lions PP 2016-2017 * San Mateo LC * SF Premier LC & Foster City Bair Island Cyber LC Associate

Robert's Rules of Order—Did You Know?

Quorum refers to number of members present, not to number actually voting on a particular question. In a mass meeting, the quorum is simply the number of persons present at the time, since they constitute the entire membership at that time. In a body of delegates, such as convention, the quorum is the majority of the number who have registered as attending, irrespective of whether some may have departed. This may vary greatly from the number elected or appointed. Chapter 12-Section 40: Quorum, Roberts Rules of Order.







Happenings around the District... By: Lion John Gill

Left to Right: Half Moon Bay Lions 8000 Pounds of Food delivery at Second Harvest Food Bank, SF Nikkei and District Recycling Event, Millbrae Lions Movers & Shakers, Burlingame Lions St Patty's Day Festival, Millbrae Lions Lobster Feed, District Meeting:





















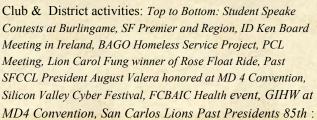






































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Lions Code of Ethics & Objectives

Ethics

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customer and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my positions or actions towards my fellow man, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not as a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID my fellow men by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak and my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise, to build up and not to destroy.

Objectives

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

community.

TO UNITE the choice in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

TO PROVIDE a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

TO ENCOURAGE service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial rewards, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.