

Service & TEAMWORK

The News of Lions Club District 4-C4



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A message from your District Governor Mike Simonini

All Lions and your families

Happy Holidays

I hope everyone had a great thanksgiving, I know that I've had enough turkey for this year. The PDGs just had their annual dinner and it has been the custom to include the current Governor as well as the VDGs (they want to show us what it's like to be a PDG). It was great to see them and the spouse's. A great time was had by all, Thank You.

Lady Jane and I were invited to a multi club



Holiday Party. It was put on by clubs from region

4. It was the BEST holiday party that we have attended. It started on time, food was great, entertainment was

At the Multi-Club (Menlo Park Host; San Carlos; San Mateo; Belmont) "Winter Wonderland Holiday Gala" on Dec. 5th are DG "Santa" Simonini and San Carlos Lion Ginger Silverman "Claus".

great and the best part no Speeches and it ended on time. I almost forgot we had a visit from SANTA. Santa gave out candy to those that were nice all year and coal to those who were naughty (note to Santa: BRING MORE COAL next year). To the Lions that planned that party, GREAT JOB!!!

On December the 8th I went to San Francisco to help out at Operation Homeless Connect at Bill Graham Auditorium. Castro Lion Karen Flynn is the District Chair .The lions are



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Articles & photos may be submitted to **Lion 4-C4 Newsletter Editor Paul Larson** for publication in this *Service & Teamwork* Newsletter via email to lionpaul@chapelofthehighlands.com and must be sent no later than the 20th day of each month for inclusion in the next issue. Flyers for upcoming club projects and other "time sensitive materials" may also be emailed to the Editor and will be distributed ASAP to the appropriate 4-C4 Lions via their email.

Thank you for your support and may good luck find all who read this Newsletter.



A message from 1st VDG Esther

I just recently returned from my vacation in New York, a great place to be this time of the year. I saw a few shows like Mama Mia, Rockettes Christmas Special and Madame Tussaud's Wax museum, rode the tram used in the movie Spiderman, ate at Serendipity where the movie with the same name was filmed. I thought being there for the third time would be boring but it was not to be, the other times I was there was fall and summer. Did you know that more than 55% of the residents in New York do not own a car. Their subway trains, buses, trams, airport connections uses 1 and the same Metro ticket, I was impressed because the last time I was there I took the train at the Grand Central Station only once and rode the car throughout the 3 weeks I was there. This time I took the subway throughout my whole visit what an experience, timing is the essence.

I missed a few of the holiday parties but I was recently at the Castro Toy Drive Party and met quite a few attendees who are beneficiaries of the Castro Lions cash donations, some are future applicants and we worked on some

guests to join their club. Good job, Lion

President Dennis Hale and members. They also participated in the Project Homeless Connect on Dec 8th and they were able to give out 627 reading glasses.

We are at the half-point of lion year 2010-11 and you still have time to work on your projects and I

A message from 2nd VDG Bob

As the year comes to a close and the new year is about to begin, I wish you all a magical and joyful holiday season filled with the light and joy of giving.

THANK-YOU to the members of 4-C4 for working hard to serve your individual



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hope preparations for our District Convention and International Convention in Seattle. DG Mike has been impressing upon everyone to try to attend the International Convention (7/4-7/8/11) for the experience and more importantly to vote No on dues increase in 2012.

Thank you, DG Mike, I think our District will be well represented at this Convention. Our Third Cabinet Meeting is on February 19th in Foster City we hope to see you there.



Pictured during the District 4-C4 Governor's visit to the SF Marina North Beach Lions Club on Oct. 12th: Lions (L to R) Cab. Sec. Lydia Taylor-Bellinger; 2nd VDG Bob Wilson; MNB President Zoila Kelly; DG Mike Simonini; 1st VDG Esther Lee; Cab. Treasurer Steve Picchi; R2Z2 Chair Helen Marte.

My fellow Lions, Lion Leland and I sends you wishes of *"joy and happiness this Christmas, a prosperous New Year, may you be blessed with good health, good fortune and not to forget.... a great Lion year ahead full of great projects and many new members...ho..ho..ho."*

In Lionism, Lion Esther Lee
1st VDG District 4-C4



From the Editor's Desk

Season's Greetings Lions! Thank you for all you have done as Lions during 2010. Your actions and commitment to volunteerism has brought brighter holidays to those who otherwise would have little at this time of year.

Here are wishes to you, your family and loved ones for a Happy Holiday Season, a Merry Christmas and Spectacular 2011!



At the Millbrae Lions Club Christmas Holiday Party on Dec. 17th at the Terrace Café Palm Room are Millbrae Lions (L to R) Ron Pape; PDG Art Pignati and PP Paul Larson.

If you wish to submit an article please do so by the 20th of the

month. Putting together a Newsletter is like a

"time sensitive" puzzle, and it would help me out a lot

by emailing your brief article or pictures to me in a timely manner...the sooner the better.

Thanks for your support and I look forward to seeing you around 4-C4 in 2011!

Lion Paul Larson ~ District 4-C4 Newsletter Editor

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responsible for the reading glasses that are given out to those that are in need. This was my first year going to this project but I will not miss another one. When I first got there and found where they were set up and I only saw 6

At the Millbrae Lions Club Christmas Holiday Party on Dec. 17th at the Terrace Café Palm Room are Millbrae Lions (L to R) Ron Frediani; Lady Carol Meyer; DG Mike Simonini & Lori Kalos-Gunn.

CASTRO Lions there I thought (can't tell you what I thought). Anyway I asked Lion Bob Barnwell if he was hiding the Lions that should have been there to help, and he told me not to worry that they had some High School students coming in to help. Turns out that two high schools from SANTA ROSA, Cardinal Newman and Ursuline sent down a total of 123 students to help with the whole project, about 10 worked with



the Lions and the rest worked with the other groups and organizations that were there. Our hats should be off to those two schools.

TO THE CASTRO LIONS, YOU ARE DOING A FANTASTIC JOB WITH THIS PROJECT. I SALUTE YOU.

The district will be starting the New Year with 2 to 3 fewer clubs and less membership than we started the year with, two clubs look like a merger is a go, and a club name change will be coming with that merger. It is not a happy time when clubs disband, but we have to pick up the pieces and start new clubs as well as

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Know your 2010-2011 District 4-C4 Cabinet Officers



Mike Simonini ~
District Governor



Albert Tam ~
Region 1 Zone 1 Chair



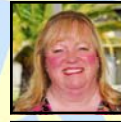
Jon Froomin ~
Region 4 Zone 1 Chair



Esther Lee ~
1st Vice District
Governor



Bill Stipinovich ~
Region 1 Zone 2 Chair



Cindy Smith ~
Region 4 Zone 2 Chair



Robert Wilson ~
2nd Vice District
Governor



Rufino Ramos~
Region 2 Chair



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Region 4 Zone 3 Chair



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Immediate Past
District Governor



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Region 2 Zone 1 Chair



PDG Mel Phillips ~
Membership
Development Team



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Bellinger** ~
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Region 2 Zone 2 Chair



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Membership
Development Team



Steve Picchi ~
Cabinet Treasurer



Mario Benavente ~
Region 3 Chair



IPDG Ken Ibarra ~
Membership
Development Team



Rudy Pedagat ~
District
Executive Director



Ora Seyler ~
Region 3 Zone 1 Chair



Paul Larson ~
District
Newsletter Editor



Dan Andersen ~
Region 3 Zone 2 Chair



Carl Tebell ~
Region 1 Chair



Al Hernandez ~
Region 4 Chair





Know your 2010-2011 District 4-C4 Lions Club Presidents

PCL Lions Club

Atherton
BA Special Olympics
Belmont
Brisbane
Burlingame
Daly City Gateway
Daly City Host
East Palo Alto
Foster City
Half Moon Bay
Menlo Park Host
Menlo Park Live Oak
Millbrae
Pacifica
Palo Alto Host
Redwood City Fair Oaks
Redwood City Sunrise
Redwood Shores
San Bruno
San Carlos
San Mateo
San Mateo Metropolitan
SSF Golden Gate
SSF Host

PCL President

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Ernie Filippo
Brad Floyd
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Laura Warner
Randy Sahae
Steven Hansel
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Jennifer Chen
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SF Bay
SF Bayview Hunters Point
SF Chinatown
SF Circle
SF Fil-Am
SF Geneva/Mission
SF Highlands
SF Hispanic
SF Host
SF Korean American
SF Latino Pro. TCCWA
SF Marina North Beach
SF Merced Heights
SF Nikkei
SF Ocean/Ingleside
SF Park Gate
SF Park Presidio
SF Premier
SF State University Campus
SF Sunset
SF The Castro

SF President

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Gwendolyn Strain
Robert Lam
Nenita Mothershed
Shirley B. Dimapilis
Bre Jones
Lourdes V. Pescador
Wilma Lopez
Emmanuel Paje
Joseph Jung
Maria Gonzalez
Zoila Kelly
Lydia Taylor-Bellinger
Kristina Boyd
Constance Bridgewater
Luis Martinez
Russell "Woody" Howard
Wilma Norona
Judy Thao
Sandra Collins
Dennis Hale

Message from 2nd VDG Bob Wilson (continued from page 2)

community and the greater community. We ARE living our motto, "WE SERVE." Keep up the good work! We, each of us, truly are "A BEACON of hope."

Honored to serve you as second vice district governor, Lion Skipper Bob Wilson



Ho Ho Ho...Lion Alison and 2nd VDG Bob clap their hands and wish everyone a great Holiday Season & New Year.



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help the other clubs with membership. The Membership Group is ready to go out and visit each and every club in the district. They are trained and ready to help every member learn more about ways to improve not only your club but you as a LION.

Thanks To Lion Jack Van Etten, the District Disaster Preparedness Plan is taking shape. You will be hearing all about it at the 3rd cabinet meeting. So mark February 19th down, and please come to the Cabinet meeting.

The 3rd Cabinet meeting is also when Lions that want to run for District office announce it officially.

Jane and I wish you and your families the very best for the New Year.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Do you like Fruitcake?



Sunshine Report by Lion Yvonne Kantola

December Sunshine

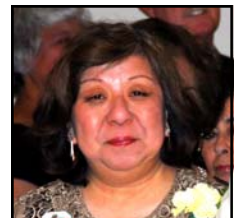
- This month, cards were sent out to Lion Jose Ingojo from the SF Premier for the loss of his mother.
- Lions Amy Fink from BASO and Randy Sahae from Millbrae also suffered the loss of their mother, charter member Lion Martha Fink, also from the BASO club.
- Burlingame lost long time member Lion John Parish.
- Thinking of you cards were sent to Lion Patty Mayer as she goes through medical treatment and to Frances Cademartori, spouse of Lion

Paul who is hospitalized.

- Our prayers to the grieving families and friends and we wish a speedy recovery to our ill friends.

Please let me know if you wish a card sent to someone who needs sunshine.

Lion Yvonne Kantola
Past President
Pacifica Lions



Certified Guiding Lion
Family & Women Membership Development
Chairperson District 4 C4



Lions Yule Tidings for the season

The Lions Toast

Not above you, not beneath you, but with you!

The Lion's Prayer

Where Lions meet, be present Lord
To weld our hearts in one accord
To do thy will
Lord, make us strong:
To aid the weak
and right the wrong.

The Lion's Prayer With Food

Lord, as we Lions gather here
We pause to offer up this prayer-
Bless now this food that we partake-
And every effort that we make-
To build the towns in which we live-
and put it in our hearts to give-
To worthy causes bless the blind-
And all we do to serve mankind-
Be with us till we meet again-
And bless our lands and homes,

AMEN

Lions - Our Emblem

By Lion W.E. Johnson
Camillus Lions Club
District 20-Y1

I'm glad that I'm a member
of the Lions Club that's known so well
By the gold & purple emblem
with the central letter "L".

You will note the lion's faces
to the left and to the right
There's a good substantial reason
for this double-featured sight.

One face looks forever backward
at our great and glorious past
Filled with records of achievement
and with memories that last.

The other's looking forward
to the days that lie before
And keeps us ever mindful
that the best is yet in store.

Yes, I'm glad that I'm a lion
and I wear my pin with pride
Because it marks me as a doer
not just a drifter with the tide.

Lions cook Thanksgiving Dinner for 95 needy Seniors

Reported by Lion Gwen Strain: The BVHP Lions Club voted to give Project FIN Two Hundred dollars to cook Thanksgiving Dinner for the needy. We not only fed the homeless we fed 95 Senior's at their hotel. We asked around and found out every year they sit around waiting for food or visit from someone. It touched our hearts (PP Lion Fenton, Anita, Monte, Reggie, and Valerie) to see them smile. We made a promise one way or another we'll be back.





Lions Smitty Smith & Verdie Thompson visit the Kona Lions Club

San Bruno Lion 1st Vice President Smitty and South San Francisco Golden Gate Lion Verdie, spent a wonderful week on the Kona side of the Big Island.

We arrived on Monday, November 15, and attended the Kona Lions Club meeting that night. Although we got lost going to the meeting we called Lion Lani Kahawaii, who's husband Lion Past International Director Maurice Kahawaii, who was our host and also tail twister.



At the Kona Lions Club meeting are Lions Verdie Thompson, Smitty Smith and Kona Lions Club President Donald Sasaki.

Upon arriving at the meeting we where fined for being late and Lion Lani was fined for being on the phone to Lion Smitty. We got to meet Lion Chris Tamura the District Governor of Hawaii, who installed a new Lion Member plus gave his Governor speech. Bad boy Lion Smitty did his San Bruno Club proud and stole the Bell, which I sold back to the President for \$25.00.

We also visited the Kailua Lions Club, who happen to be a breakfast club! Remember where on vaca-

tion hard to get up so early in the morning! We met some really neat Lions and got to listen to District Governor Lion Chris rha rha speech again! These

Lions heard there was a bell thief on the prowl, and keep it well guarded! Darn!!

The day before we left to come home we visited our third Lions Club, the Kaloko Branch

Lions! This Lions Club is a splinter Club of the Kailua Lions.

Just a few months old no bell, no banners, just barley a place to meet! Lion Smitty gave Lion President Lani Kahawaii, a check to buy them a Banner. With a promise that they would send a picture of the Club with there new banner.

I also found out that there are 33 LEOS Clubs on the Island, although we did not get to visit any LEOS Smitty was able to talk to some advisors.

Aloha from Lion Smitty & Lion Verdie Mele Kalikimaka and Hauoli Makahiki Hou to all the Lions.

Lions donate supplies to the USO at SFO & Travis Air Force Base

Reported by PDG Roger Chinn: The Lions Veterans Charities, Inc. (LVC) has made another delivery of 100 pounds of coffee to the Travis Air Force Base USO center. They also delivered over \$700 in other supplies and snacks to both USO facilities at the San Francisco International Airport and Travis Air Force base. The charity makes this type of delivery every two to three months, as needed.



With supplies for the USO at SFO are PDG Roger Chinn, USO-SFO Director Susan Shapira; Lion Verdie Thompson and Lion Steve Moore.



Lion Gwen Strain & IPDG Ken report on Lions feeding those in need

Fellow Lions:

Each Wednesday evening the Rose Home and Bayview Hunters Point Lions feed the homeless at 5th & Bryant Streets as they wait to enter the shelter. Hot soup is served from the back of a pickup truck to about 100 souls. They are all hungry and grateful.



Lion Gwen Strain and IPDG Ken Ibarra at "Rose Home" and surrounding pictures serving hot soup.

It is one small gesture we can do to make them a little more comfortable.

We are collecting new knit gloves and socks to distribute each Wednesday evening. Please consider as an individual donation or a club project - please act now.



The temperature is in the 30's & 40's.

The WARM HANDS & FEET PROJECT will provide gloves and socks to the homeless.

Contact Lion Ken on the peninsula and Lion Gwen Strain in San Francisco.

Thank you and God bless, Lions Gwen & Ken



Foster City Lions host successful Vets fishing trip on Lovely Martha

Thanks to the Foster City Lions, the veterans fishing program started by Foster City, is continuing into its 11th year. We started out with once a year trips and now the District Lions Clubs sponsor a total of 4 to 6 trips each year; our last two trips were co-sponsored by the Nikkei Lions and the San Francisco Police Department. On Friday October 22, 2010, the Lions Clubs of Atherton, Menlo



Park Host, Menlo Park Live Oak and Palo Alto Host co-sponsored the latest trip with Lions Veterans Charities, taking 16 vets from the Menlo Park VA Hospital on an all-day all-expenses paid trip to the Farallon Islands. It was a relatively calm day with a slight bit of drizzle but the fishing was good and 135 fish were caught, with the top fish a 15 pound halibut caught by none other than trip co-host Foster City Lion Wendal Quan! As you can see, there were smiles all around from the trip and they look forward to another trip by District Lions.

Pictured at end of trip are the veterans and San Bruno Lion Frank Rescino (front left), skipper of the Lovely Martha, Menlo Park Live Oak Lion Don Johnson (left red jacket), Lion Wendal Quan and Redwood City Sunrise Lion Al Hernandez (front right side), Redwood City Sunrise Lion Chris Cheshire (middle red jacket) and Lion Roger Chinn (back center).



Multiple Lions Clubs help BVHP give Christmas joy to needy families



Reported by Lion Gwen Strain: We had a wonderful time sharing an early Christmas with these children and parents, and every child and parent opened one gift. 2nd VDG Lion Bob from the Brisbane Lion's Club handed the Rose Home a \$500.00 dollar check for Christmas and last week the Golden Gate Lion's club sent the Rose Home \$500.00 for Christmas. The BVHP Lion's Club gave \$400.00 to adopt the 19 member Patterson family. The Castro Lions adopted

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Pictured at the Bayview Hunters Point Lions Club early Christmas for needy seniors and families (L to R) 1. BVHP President Gwen & 2nd VDG Bob Wilson help surrounding Lions give presents and cheer; 2. 19 member Patterson family children; 3. IPDG Ken, 2nd VDG Bob, Lions & Guests.

Lions Club New Years Eve Party





Multiple Lions Clubs help BVHP & needy families (continued from page 10)



a father and son just in time, the father had just lost his job. PDG Maxine dropped off gifts and food for the Rose Home clients. Thank you Lion Maxine for helping start this event every year.



1. Lion Gwen (right) and many other BVHP Lions attend this special Christmas giving event; 2. Happy children and grateful parents receive donated gifts that boost their spirits .

Mark Your Calendar



Important 4-C4 Dates

- *Third District Cabinet Meeting
February 19, 2011 at Foster City
Recreation Center; **RSVP Now***
- *District 4-C4 Convention
May 12 thru 15, 2011 at the Red Lion
Hotel in Sacramento.*

Please send in your MMR and Activity forms in before the end of the month. Cabinet Secretary Lydia Taylor-Bellinger must receive the MMR and dues must be current to be eligible for 100% President and Secretary awards.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and have a warm and safe New Years Eve!

MD-4 Student Speakers Contest 2010-2011

*Topic: "Enforcing our Borders:
State versus Federal Rights"*

Dates for 2010-2011

- Club Contestby February 22, 2011
- Zone Contestby March 14, 2011
- Region Contestby April 11, 2011
- District Contestby May 2, 2011
- Area Contestby May 23, 2011
- MD-4 Final Contest.....on June 4, 2011
(Council of Governors—San Jose, CA)

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LIONS ETHICS

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of 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 of profit for my just due, but 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 others. To be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

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

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

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

TO AID my fellow man 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 destroy.



Moyer-Nuccitelli
Award: Sandee Ige

Lion of the Year:
PDG Ray Rosenthal

LIONS OBJECTIVES

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of "GENEROUS CONSIDERATION" among the peoples of the world through a study of the problems of international relationship. **TO PROMOTE** the theory and practice of the principles of good government and good citizenship.

TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, social, and moral welfare of the community.

TO UNITE the members in the bonds of friendship and mutual understanding.

TO PROVIDE a forum for the full and free discussion of all matters of public interest,

partisan politics and sectarian religion alone excepted.

TO ENCOURAGE efficacy and promote high ethical standards and professions: provided that no club shall hold out as one of its objects financial benefits to its members.