



REACH *for the* STAR



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Farewell from your District Governor Esther Lee

Alas, the day has come, June 26th is the day I pulled DG Bob's DGE ribbon. Korea Bexco Convention Center is the place, a pretty large place which takes 20 minutes just to walk around it. Busan Korea is very modern and our Hotel, Sea Cloud is located by the Haeundae Beach. Busan is quite expensive and modern with efficient subway system, one thing of note, there is no tipping.

Our new LCI President is Wayne Madden, 1st VP is Barry Palmer of Australia

and the newly elected 2nd VP is Joe Preston and a new set of International Directors were elected

while the 2nd year International Directors finished their term. The theme for the year is "World of Service."

This is my last article as your District Governor, it is a title of prestige and with a lot of

hard work, sweat and some tears. You keep a façade to maintain a peaceful and calm atmosphere, you listen to everyone and you treat everyone with respect and importance, remember PDG Rocky's

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Pictured marching in the Lions Parade during the June 2012 LCI Convention in Busan, Korea are 4-C4 District Governor Esther Lee along with many MD-4 Lions and hundreds of others from around the world. This is one of the final events for her as DG.

As of July, 2012 articles & photos may be submitted to **Lion 4-C4 Newsletter Editor Tasha Ford** via email for publication in the new 2012-2013 **District 4-C4 Newsletter** to **Lions4Service@gmail.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 be also be emailed to **Lion Editor Tasha Ford** at **Lions4Service@gmail.com** and will be distributed ASAP to the appropriate 4-C4 Lions via their email. Thanks for your support and may good luck find all who read this Newsletter.



Farewell from 1st VDG Bob



What a year we have had with our 2011-12 District Governor Esther Lee. She has truly guided us expertly as we Served our local and world Community. We truly made a positive difference, Serving not only our local community, but the world at large, with the eye-care mission in the Philippines, the successful Women's Symposium with four keynote speakers including Dr. Mehmet C. Oz and hosting the Lions Clubs International Board of Directors meeting in San Francisco. Thank you DG Esther for your guidance, leadership and vision. You reached for the Stars and encouraged each one of us to reach for the Stars and do our best. And, we did. You have made our district what it is; the best district in the world and I personally thank you.

Busan Korea ... what a great place for the Lions Clubs International Convention. There were 55,272 Lions in attendance, the largest ever. The people were friendly and helpful; Leos were everywhere; shopping was plentiful ... well they do have the largest shopping mall in the world; and the seminars were packed with information! Oh, and the weather was similar to San Francisco ... hot, windy, and it rained three times. Yes, I did walk on the beach. The day began at 6 a.m., on the bus by 7 a.m., class started at 8 a.m. ending at 4:30 p.m. for four days straight. I was so glad to see familiar faces in Busan from 4-C4.

In closing I wanted to share the words of International President, Wayne Madden: "The theme of my presidential year is 'In A World of Service.' In a world of service, there is one name that stands out among others – Lions Clubs International. That's what we do. That's what we have always done. It is our motto, and the reason we exist. I am calling on all Lions to not

Farewell from 2nd VDG Steve

Fellow Lions:

June started with the Council of Governors meeting at the Woodlake Hotel in Sacramento. Four days of meetings, meetings and more meetings. Lion 2nd VDGE Jack Van Etten got his first taste of the Council of Governors meetings, and he survived. Two important things that came out of these meetings was the need for better time management and to keep working towards better communications.

As a Governor or vice you have to invite guests to our Cabinet meetings and Convention. You also get invited to other District's Cabinet meetings and Conventions. I need one more Guest for our 3rd Cabinet meeting. I will

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Upon arrival in Busan, DGE Bob and Lion Alison were greeted by a welcoming party, pictured with soon to be IPDG Esther (Center).



only embrace service this year, but to expand our service in rising up to meet new challenges.

One of the greatest challenges facing our communities – a challenge that fuels so many others – is the problem of illiteracy and obstacles to education. We live in a world that values knowledge, where education levels

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Farewell from the Editor's Desk



Greetings Lions of District 4-C4!

Parting is such sweet sorrow; Until we meet again; Being strong sometimes means being able to let go; Adu; Auf Wiedersehen; Au Revoir; Aloha; Adios; Ciao; Farewell; Bye Bye; Finished; Bon Voyage.

It was a great experience being your District 4-C4 Newsletter Editor during the 2011-2012 term...and the previous term...and during the 2007 term, etc., along with other duties that go along with it. Now it is time to give your new editor, Brisbane Lion Tasha Ford, a chance to learn and show off her creative abilities. That is what being a Lion is all about...to learn and grow and serve! I know there are a lot of Lions who, when given the chance, can

do amazing things they had no idea they could do...and shine while doing them!

My new position will be President of the **"Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs"**. I hope to see you visit during one of the enjoyable meetings we have on Mondays during the fourth week of most every month, and also at the Police & Fire-fighter Awards in March, 2013 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Foster City.

From this point forward if you wish to submit an article please do so by the 20th of the month, please email it to Lions4Service@gmail.com. This email is linked to both Alison Wilson and Tasha Ford. If you have questions please feel free to contact them and I know they will be glad to help you with all your publicity needs.

From Lion Paul Larson ~ 4-C4 Newsletter Editor

District Governor's Farewell (continued from page 1)

theme, Every Lion Counts. Every Lion, every Cabinet Officer, PDGs, Committee chairs and committee members all has contributed to our success, some have worked harder than the others and had put in

more time and effort to our projects and events, their unselfish dedication to the cause of lionism is commendable. Thanks to all of you. Special thanks to my designated chauffeurs, my partner in service-

Lion Leland, thank for your patience; Lion Ora-Cabinet Secretary; DG Bob; RC Sandee; Executive Director, Rudy ; and many more like, PCC Emil, PDG Larry, ZC Kevin, 2nd VDG Jack, Lion Mario-Cabinet Treasurer.

Our year was a very successful one, starting with the Installation by President Tam, an LCI Board Directors Meeting in San Francisco (this made history for us), a Family Fun Day, and another historic one Symposium at Oracle (thanks for Lion Alison for the location) and
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Pictured by a unique sculpture on a break from the 2012 LCI Convention in Busan, Korea are Lion Helen Marte (L) and DG Esther Lee enjoying peaceful Haeundae Beach across their hotel.



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having Dr. Oz (thanks to Lion Eleanor) and other speakers and most important is Dr. Oz joining us, (thanks to the Chairperson, ZC Yvonne); SF Council of Lions and Peninsula Council of Lions, Police and Firefighters Award (both of them well attended), new clubs formed, new LEO clubs formed and at the last Council of Governors (COG) meeting I proposed an endorsement of San Francisco as a site for the International Convention for either 2018 or 2019 which we passed at our District Convention (at the request of PCC Emil, who is the proponent of the

Convention) and MD-4 endorsed our District. Let's not forget that our District made it to the LION's



Magazine, we were filmed by LCI at the Tree Planting in San Bruno (PDG Ken); Warm Hands Warm Feet (Lion Gwen); the Symposium at Oracle and also on Channel 2, lastly the filming in Pescadero Creek of many Lions in our district which was presented in segments at the International Convention in Busan, Korea for the year of President Tam, includ-

ing the Hospitality room at Fairmont Hotel with Lion Ora and members. All in all it was a memorable year, a historic one and one I will never forget, thanks to all of you, YOU made it happen. Lion Dan,



thank you and being our Bulletin Editor briefly. Special thanks to our Bulletin Editor Lion Paul Larson for taking over for Lion Dan Andersen, great job (other districts are copying our format) I always look forward to reading the articles and seeing the fun pictures in it.

To my family for being understanding, patient and supportive of my commitment to lionism, thank you very much!

Esther
Lion Esther Lee
District Governor 2011-12
District 4-C4 ~ Lions
Clubs International

"A true friend is someone who reaches for your hand and touches your heart."

At the celebration for new LCI President Wayne Madden during June 2012 LCI Convention in Busan, Korea are (L to R) 1. 4-C4 District Governor Esther and 1985-86 Past International President Joseph Wroblewski; 2. District 34-C PDG Sylvia Acosta, District Governor Esther and Lion International Director Yamandu Acosta (who were the special guests at our May, 2012 District 4-C4 Convention in Sacramento); 3. IP Tam's Personal Secretary, DG Esther and Lion Helen Marte. Everyone who attended had a fantastic time...and they all look forward to when the Lions Clubs International Convention takes place in San Francisco in 2018 or 2019.





Farewell from 2nd VDG Steve (continued from page 2)

attend A-3 & L-5 Cabinet meetings this year. In April, I will be at C-1 Convention and in May at A-2 Convention. Visiting other Districts is a great way to get new ideas and meet some great Lions.

Club installations start up in June and go through August. District training starts in July our Cabinet installation is July 22nd and our 1st Cabinet meeting is August 25. That's just the start....

As my year as 2nd Vice District Governor comes to an end, some thoughts for anybody interested in the position... You will be attending numerous meetings. Sometimes it could be as many as 3 meetings in a day, five days a week including weekends. Not only are there meetings at the District level but also there is MD4 and International meetings and training. You meet and become friends with a lot of great Lions around the state. Then there's the cost of it all, "oh boy". One of the most important things is having your Club's support. I can't thank the Half Moon Bay Lions enough, they have been great. Finally having your family's support tops the list....

By the time the District's newsletter goes out, it will be less than a year that I will be in Hamburg Germany where I will be installed as Governor. So Governor Bob, Lion Jack and I are ready to take on our new jobs and help make your year a great one.

Friday June 22nd we lost a great Lion, PDG John Benson. I became a Lion June 1970 and John was one of the first Lions I met from another Club, he has always been a great friend, Johnny you will be missed.

Communicating to our members is a key to the success of our clubs and district.

Lion Steve
Blended to Perfection
Service-Teamwork-
Tradition



Farewell Sunshine Report by Lion Eleanor Lindquist-Britter



Dear Fellow Lions,
During the last part of June so far our Lions have been in good health, but if there is a Lion who is not well as of this writing we all wish you a speedy recovery and all our prayers are with you.

To our fellow Lions who have passed we wish you peace and a safe journey as you live in our memories forever.

- Past District Governor John Benson of the Burlingame Lions Club passed away peacefully at home on June 22nd after a battle with cancer. Even though toward the end he took a turn for the worst he insisted to his family on attending a special dinner planned in his honor at Burlingame Lions Club Hall just 2 days before he left

this world. PDG John was in good spirits and was happy to be with all his Lion friends and family. Everyone who was touched by his lively nature will miss him.

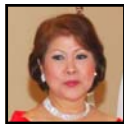


June ends my term as Sunshine chair this year. It has been a pleasure serving in this capacity and I feel closer to all as we joined together for our very own. Thank you for the opportunity.

Love and Light,
Sunshine, Lion Eleanor Britter.



Farewell to your 2011-2012 District 4-C4 Cabinet Officers



Esther Lee ~
District Governor



Rosa Ebalo ~
Region 1 Chair



Jack Van Etten ~
Region 4 Chair



Bob Wilson ~
1st Vice District Governor



Wilma Norona ~
Region 1 Zone 1 Chair



Chris Cheshire ~
Region 4 Zone 1 Chair



Steve Picchi ~
2nd Vice District Governor



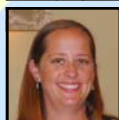
Michael Kay ~
Region 1 Zone 2 Chair



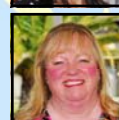
Sylvia Chu ~
Region 4 Zone 2 Chair



Mike Simonini ~
Immediate Past District Governor



Bre Jones ~
Region 2 Chair



Cindy Smith ~
Region 4 Zone 3 Chair



Ora Seyler ~
Cabinet Secretary



Yvonne Kantola ~
Region 2 Zone 1 Chair



PDG George Habeeb ~
District Chaplain



Mario Benavente ~
Cabinet Treasurer



Augusto Valera Jr. MD ~
Region 2 Zone 2 Chair



Rudy Pedagat ~
District Executive Director



Sandee Ige ~
Region 3 Chair



Dan Andersen ~
District Newsletter Editor 1



Paul Larson ~
Region 3 Zone 1 Chair



Paul Larson ~
District Newsletter Editor 2



Kevin Kielty ~
Region 3 Zone 2 Chair





Farewell to your 2011-2012 District 4-C4 Lions Club Presidents

PCL Lions Club

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

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Kathy Dedini
William Downey
Audrey Ng (Charter)
Kevin Guess (Charter)
Aide Garcia
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Jennifer Chen
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SF Bay Area New Century
SF Bayview Hunters Point
SF Chinatown
SF Circle
SF Fil-Am
SF Geneva/Mission
SF Highlands
SF Hispanic
SF Host
SF Korean American
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SF Nikkei
SF Ocean/Ingleside
SF Park Gate
SF Park Presidio - Sunset
SF Premier
SF State University Campus
SF The Castro

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Ward Donnelly
Evangeline Roberts
Hernan Alvarez
Pat Ancheta
Michael Kang
Rolly Mungues
Lydia Taylor-Bellinger
William "Bill" Stipinovich
Constance Bridgewater
Luis Martinez
Russell "Woody" Howard
Gemma Norona
Judy Thao
Troy Brunet

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impact a community's success more than anything else. Yet too many people struggle with illiteracy and too many schools and libraries lack books and basic teaching aids. Lions are simply too big hearted and too compassionate to let problems like illiteracy and empty book shelves exist.

Building on our history of helping schools, reading to the visually impaired, providing scholarships to deserving students, and changing lives through programs such as Lions Quest, I am convinced that we are ready to work even harder to turn the tide against illiteracy and to promote opportunity through education. I encourage all Lions to visit the LCI web site and find out more about what you can do to help.

To accomplish our many goals this year, I want Lions everywhere to work as a team. Teamwork encourages creativity, allowing everyone an equal opportunity to contribute. Each member of a team has his or her own strengths and when all of these are used together as one, it becomes an unbeatable entity."

We are going to have a great year as we have large shoes to fill. Again, a Loud thank you and Shout Out to DG Esther Lee and her Cabinet of 2011-12.

Live Well, Laugh Often, Love Much
Lion Skipper Bob
District Governor 2012-13 District 4-C4
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President Vangie & SF Highlands Lions raise funds for the Philippines



SF Highlands President Lion Vangie Roberts (left) takes second term!

With a passionate heart for children and inspired by her club's "**Education-focused Mission School**", Lion Vangie is jubilant serving as president of SF Highlands Lions for a second consecutive term.

She highlights the following major accomplishments for the past year. SF Highlands has raised \$25K mostly from members' donation and also a grant from a member's employer. Included are SF Highlands' donation of \$1000.00 to the United Methodist Church of Daly City and partnered with their March 2012 medical and dental mission to the Northern Philippines; \$1,300.00 to the Lions In-Sight {LIS} Philippine project as a sponsoring club; and a shipment of \$2000.00 worth of 15 Balikbayan Boxes of various food, clothing and household necessities to Pagans for the "Food for the Hungry" program.

Last March, Lion Vangie led a group of six fellow Highlanders that attended the school's 6th annual graduation celebration. The school has graduated another set of fifty-five well-trained preschoolers. The caring and dedication of the six school staff, helpful volunteers and faithful community advisers molded the potentials of the students, which is rare to today's standards.

Money isn't easy to come by in the impoverished community of Pag-asa, where the Mission School is located. Most fathers work as subsistence farmers, pedicab drivers, casual construction workers or carpenters.

Their wives supplement this meager income by washing other people's clothes, cleaning houses or employed as maids in the cities. These families are practically broke day in and day out. But they are grateful for being beneficiaries of the SF Highlands Lions community concerns and services.

Pictured in the Philippines: 1. Highlands School Campus; 2. SF Highlands Lions visiting during graduation in March 2012.



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SF Highlands Lions raise funds for the Philippines (continued from page 8)

SF Highlands Mission School has been operating since May 2006. They have graduated an annual average of fifty-five indigent preschoolers. On their own time, the school staff reaches out to the students and provides after-school tutoring, imparting spiritual values to both students and their parents, helping mothers to become self-reliant by teaching them marketable skills and organizing local community leaders as advisers to the school programs.

Graduates are monitored as they move up to the next level of classes and are provided scholarships as needed. The school has the tools and skills preparing...



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the students to pursue a better future. With this support, Highlands' graduates have a better chance of overcoming challenges ahead of them.

Lion Vangie feels great by sharing her blessings in love and compassion.



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Pictured in the Philippines: 3. Students participate in the Highlands School March 2012 graduation ceremony; 4. Highlands School graduates pose for a class picture; 5. SF Highlands Lions also sponsor "Food for the Hungry" with distribution of rice to indigent families who would otherwise find it difficult to provide a healthy diet for their families.



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Another successful Millbrae Lions Club Baseball Pancake Breakfast

Greetings Lions.

It was a wonderful beautiful sunny day this past Saturday, 6/9/12 where our club hosted the MOTHER OF ALL PANCAKE BREAKFASTS - Millbrae Lions Baseball Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser at St. Dunstan, arguably our best family-oriented annual gathering/event!!

Army Of Servers

We would like to thank our 23 Millbrae Lions and 31 Leos "Servers" who gave up their Saturday to demonstrate our famous "sweat-equity" skills to whip up the delicious pancake breakfast. "We Served" an estimated 1,000 plus hungry customers.

The festivities started at 6:15 AM, as our Lions and Leos working in concert; preparing to serve the eagerly awaiting customers at 8:00 AM; serving until about NOON.

LPR1- Randy Sahae, Anthony Caccia, Don Beyer, Michael and Jan Rao, LPR2 – Ron Frediani, Ken Fowler, Bob Jorge, George Habeeb, Ron Johnson, Art Pignati,

On June 9th: 1. Millbrae Lions Mike Gianni, Cindy Silva and Randy Sahae cook up delicious pancakes for the hundreds of hungry baseball families. 2. Millbrae Leos, pictured with MLC Baseball Commissioner Lion Randy Lask, did a great job serving.



Naomi Iwasaki, Paul Bourque, Rich Bortolin, Al Morando, John Muniz, Lady Carol Frediani, Tom Cullina, Oscar Loza, Wayne Lee, Lorrie Kalos-Gunn, Bob Vogt, Mike Gianni.

We would also like to thank Lion Doug Button for donating the 2 dumpsters from SSF Scavengers.

Special acknowledgement goes to Leos Baseball Pancake Breakfast Project Co-Chairs

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Millbrae Lions Club Baseball Breakfast (continued from page 10)



Janet Rao orchestrating the 31 Leos who volunteered.

Baseball Pancake Breakfast Fun Facts

In closing, we would like to leave you some fun facts about our breakfast:

- Over 2,600 fluffy pancakes were whipped up and served...
- Over 14 gallons of syrup christened the fluffy pancakes...
- Over 1,200 plus tantalizing Italian Sausages (from Lion Ron Pape's Meat



Market) were consumed...

Bonny Lee and Nathan Kwong plus their crew of 31 amazing Leos for their help!

We also had 3 Boy Scouts from Burlingame Troop 101 (working on their way to Eagle status) help out as well!

Millbrae Lions Youth Programs Together

It was great to see 2 of our most important youth programs were on hand, working together:

1. Baseball Program (roster-375 plus kids) – Lion Chair Randy Lask greeting our hungry patrons.
2. Leos (roster- 80 members) – Lion/Leo Advisors: Lion PP John Muniz and Lion

- Over 700 cups of hot java was brewed...
- Over 800 bottles healthy Orange Juice were served...
- 5th year in a row that Lions Calvin and Bill co-chaired this event!
- 24 years that Lion Randy Lask has been involved with our Baseball Program!!!

Yours In Lionism,
Lions Calvin Chin and Bill Meyer
2012 Baseball Pancake Breakfast Co-Chairs

3. By mid-morning the line for fluffy pancakes, Italian sausages, hot java, healthy Orange Juice and everything that goes with it went around Saint Dunstan's school yard and out the exit; 4. Millbrae Lions (L to R) Bill Meyer and Calvin Chin have chaired this event now for 5 years and are appreciated by the MLC and the Millbrae Lions Club Baseball League families.



International Spotlight on 4-C4 through Alcatraz Measles Swim

From an LCI Press Release via District 4-C4 provided by Lion Jack Van Etten:

Woman to Swim from Alcatraz to the San Francisco Shore to Save Children's Lives

With the heart and courage of a Lion, Clare Ruby has been in training for a special swim to raise funds and awareness for the Lions Club International Foundation's, "One Shot, One Life Lions Measles Initiative". Passionate to help this important life-saving cause, Clare recently flew from England to San Francisco and began her event by departing from Pier 39 on the morning of Friday, June 29, 2012. Clare and District 4-C4 Lions representatives (1st VDGE Steve Picchi, 2nd VDGE Jack Van Etten, Davina

Pictured on June 29th: 1. Clare Ruby, showing her "Alcatraz Challenge" Medal, traveled from England to showcase and raise funds for Measles Awareness by swimming from Alcatraz Island to Fisherman's Wharf; 2. At Pier 39 in San Francisco are Lions (L to R) DG Esther Lee, 1st VDGE Steve Picchi, 2nd VDGE Jack Van Etten, Davina Collins and Linda Moore pictured with Clare Ruby (right).

Collins and Linda Moore) were all brought out by boat to the cold SF Bay waters off Alcatraz Island where Clare began her swim. A little over an hour later, Clare successfully completed her 1 ¼ mile swimming mission to the SF shore, touching the SS Jeremiah

O'Brien, docked west of Pier 39. Providing support on land (as the boat was too small to accommodate more passengers) was Lion Bill Britter and DG Esther Lee. Following her swim, Clare was treated to lunch by our local Lions District representatives.

Studies have shown that 450 people die (worldwide) each day (mostly children under 5 years of age) from Measles. The Lions Measles Initiative can save a life for less than \$1.00. With the help from the Lions, the Bill and Melinda Gates

Foundation (who are matching every \$2.00 raised by Lions with \$1.00), and dedicated partners like Clare Ruby, the Lions Club International Foundation is hoping to raise funds to ultimately save 157 million lives throughout the world.

Clare is helping Lions Clubs International, the

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Alcatraz Measles Swim (continued from page 12)

largest service club organization in the world with over 1.3 million members in 46,000 clubs spanning 206 countries and geographic areas. Lions Clubs are composed of men and women who volunteer their time by dedicating themselves to helping and serving others in need, and ultimately helping to make our communities and the world better and safer places to work, live and raise families.

Clare's swim is being supported by the Harrow and Pinner Lions Club in the United Kingdom and locally by our Lions District 4-C4 Governor Esther Lee, as well as all of the 42 local Lions Clubs from San Francisco, through San Mateo County and south to the City of Palo Alto.

Guided by the "Alcatraz Swimming Society", Clare Ruby continues her swim through the cold waters of San Francisco Bay.



To donate to the LCIF "One Shot – One Life: Lions Measles Initiative" or to learn more about this LCIF Project, please visit these websites:

- www.justgiving.com/clare-ruby
- www.lcif.org
- donations@harrowandpinnerlions.org.uk

PDG Roger Chinn reports on a BIG CATCH for Veterans

Veterans Fishing Trip, Lions Veterans Charities

The Lions planned their last veterans' fishing trip on June 26, 2012. Patients from the Menlo Park VA Hospital were invited, and 18 signed up to go out that day. Unfortunately, two could not make the trip but 16 showed up at the "Lovely Martha" berth on the San Francisco North Beach wharf, at the planned time of 5AM! Greeting them were hosts, Lions Hans Beck and the younger Feneche from the trip sponsors' Half Moon Bay Lions Club, helper Lion John Ficarra from the Foster City Lions, Lions Frank Rescino and Roger Chinn of the trip's organizer, Lions Veterans Charities, and 3 crew members of the Lovely Martha.

Veterans on board the Lovely Martha pull Rockfish out of the water "like they were going out of style".



the large salmon school off the coast of Marin County has migrated north, most probably to their "home" river, the Klamath; the Lovely Martha, for the past week, had been

The bad news from skipper Mike Frescino was that

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BIG CATCH for Veterans (continued from page 13)



*Fisherman
Veteran shows
off his catch.*

catching King Salmon, most recently on Sunday caught 17 limits, 34 prime salmon up to 20+ pounds! With the next "run" of salmon still off the San Mateo coast, it was decided instead to fish for rockfish, the season for which just

opened. So, at 6 AM, the Lovely Martha gassed up, took on a load of live bait, and was off to the Marin County coast!

The decision to fish for rockfish was excellent! Action for the entire trip was continuous, from 9AM on; the veterans kept catching beautiful (and good eating) varieties of rockfish - blue, black, rosy, brown, lingcod, and greenling, and released protected canaries. The veterans had very little time to have hot coffee and sweet rolls, plate lunches of turkey and cheese sandwiches, potato salad, potato chips and energy bars,

but bottled water and low cal drinks were drank in huge quantities. By 2PM, over 200 fish were caught for limits of 10 per person and it was time to head back for the wharf!

On the way back, Willie the deckhand filleted 50 rockfish and the 100 fillets were served for dinner at the VA Hospital the next day. The veterans also took their other limits back to their families, friends or staff at the hospital. The tired, happy and energized veterans thanked the Lions profusely for this morale-building trip of many through the years, and hope to come back another day! Thanks also go to the other Lions and especially the public, whose generous support and donations make these trips possible for the patients, veterans and hospital staff.

For more information on the Lions, Lions Veterans Charities, and their projects and activities in support of our veterans, the USOs, and our troops, contact:

Lion Roger Chinn PDG
Lions Veterans Charities, Inc.
833 Constitution Drive
Foster City, CA 94404
email: roger@chinnassociates.com



Menlo Park Live Oak Lions mark 20 years at Farmers Market

On Sunday, June 10, 2012 the Menlo Park Live Oak Lions and Menlo Park Host Lions participated in the 20th Anniversary of the Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market which began in downtown Menlo Park in June 1992.

The celebration was well attended by the public and the weather was outstanding. This Farmers Market is rain or shine year round and runs from 9 am to 1 pm. The Menlo Park Host Lions Club has provided assistance in picking up the donated produce from the farmers, sorting it and providing it to a number on non-profits who come each Sunday. Pictured are Menlo Park Live Oak Lions (L to R) President Margaret Carney, balloon vendor for the kids, Nancy Couperus and Treasurer Wayne Richter. Most Sundays there is entertainment under the large Oak tree in the public parking plaza behind Wells Fargo Bank. Jim Bigelow, MP Host Secretary / Treasurer.





Lions from MP Host & MP Live Oak Promote Clubs at Block Party

On Wednesday, June 20th both the Menlo Park Host Lions and Menlo Park Live Oak Lions joined together to staff an information booth at the Menlo Park Chamber sponsored Block Party in Downtown Menlo Park from 5 pm to 9 pm. Several thousand residents attended and the main street Santa Cruz Avenue was closed so booth exhibits, restaurants could move into the street and a number of entertainment groups provided music for the evening. The weather was perfect. Our Lions booth had historical and current pictures of Lions activities serving the community. A special feature was the Menlo Park Live Oak Lions 20th Anniversary of the Sunday Farmers Market. We also provided the public information sheets on what the two Clubs activities were in support of the community and there was also information on becoming a Lions member. Pictured below are Lions (L to R) Earl Fulk, John Fenstermaker, Club President David Hunter and Tony Cuvi and Jim Bigelow at the front of the Lions booth. Lion Jim Bigelow.



Menlo Park Host Lions 4th of July BBQ Raising Funds for Community



Menlo Park Host Lions July 4th food booth activity at the City of Menlo Park Burgess Park holiday celebration which our Club has participated in annually for over 20 years. Pictured (L to R) are Tony Cuvi, John Fenstermaker Jr., his father John Fenstermaker and Johnny Quintanilla getting the barbecue operations underway. Crowds arrived from the city sponsored parade, from downtown Menlo Park to Burgess Park, forming a line to the MP Host Lions Club food booth for the large hot dogs and Polish Sausages. After expenses the Club cleared \$1,068.70 for our community giving, and Club members and friends volunteered 64 hours. Jim Bigelow, MP Host Secretary / Treasurer.



SM Lion Michael Chan reports on several successful June events

Dear Lions & Friends,

International Directors Meeting Committee Appreciation Awards

Sunday, June 10th - Almost all Lions who helped to make the International Directors Meeting a success received a certificate of appreciation from LCI. The food was great and thanks to Burlingame Lions Club for the use of their Lions Hall.

District 4-C4 Tree Planting Recognition Patch

San Mateo Lions Club accepted the challenge by the International President Tam Wing-Kun to plant 1 million trees by 1.35 million Lion members around the world to help the environment. San Mateo Lions Club contributed the planting of 1001 trees and got this Recognition Patch. Lions around the world supported this Tree Planting program and has planted close to 9 million trees during the last 10 months. This far exceeded the original goal of only 1 million trees. Because of this program, all 1.35 million Lion members are now considered to have carbon zero foot print. Lion President Michael bid and won the Japanese maple tree used in the kick-off publicity campaign of the Tree Planting Program. This tree is dedicated to IP Tam & will be planted at a prominent location within San Mateo.

Please consider to join us as a Lion to give back to the community and to the world. You can find out more about Lions at: www.lionsclubs.org. Lion Michael will be the Membership Direction of San Mateo Lions Club 2012-2013 and would love to be able to motivate you to become a Lion.

Flag Day

Flag Day at the Boys & Girls Club is a annual educational event for the children of the Club. The

event went well with the participation of Lions from San Mateo Lions Club and Daly City Lions Club. We had the honor of 3 very sharp looking Marine attending the event and doing the 13 folding of the flag which was given to the B&Gs Club. Surprisingly, there were a large number of questions raised by the youngsters showing their interest and desire to learn more about the significance of the Flag. This event will repeat again at the B&Gs Club at the DeLue facility.

San Mateo Lions Club Bingo / Pasta Fundraiser Night

This is one of the fundraiser event for the SMLC and about 55 Lions, friends and family members came and enjoyed the great pasta - my with a heavy dose of Tobasco sauce! - dessert and garlic bread. The evening festivities went well with almost everyone winning a prize or two - stretching a bit. Thank you for coming.

San Mateo Lions Club June Meeting

This is my last meeting as president and thank you for your support for the past year. With your devoted Lion Spirit and hard work, San Mateo Lions Club has done its Lion share to support the San Mateo Community and participate in many District events. I have to admit my ignorance on Human Trafficking and was very shock to learn about its statistics in the world and in California. Our speaker Marianna Warmee from Freedom House gave a very surprising talk on human trafficking and requested support of any sort from Lions. I want to thank Lion Margaret for her thoughtful apple given to me as a good leader. I have learned much from all of you Lions out there. I am looking forward to take on the challenge as Membership Director for

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2012-2013. San Mateo Lions Club wants you! Besides join us as a Regular Member, you can be an Affiliated Member if you are too far away to attend any meeting and you can be an Associated Member if you are already member of another Club.

"WE SERVE"

Michael Chan ~ Lion President 2011-2012
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Peninsula Special Interest Lions help at Palo Alto Host Lions Concours

Lion Eleanor Lindquist-Britter reporting to Lion Chris Cheshire on the Sunday, June 24th event:



Sunday after we cleaned up our dancing with the stars event from the night before Bill, myself, from the PSI Lions club arrived at the Concourse at 3:30 pm and left at 5:55 pm and brought 5 people in all to help clean up. I realize we promised four but after speaking with you and Cindy on the phone Sunday it was clear we needed an extra body.

We accomplished the following:

- filled eight barrels with trash we picked up from the field (Beryl told us that the memo said we only had to pick up some on the trash and that the trash barrels would be picked up by a trash company).
- folded 200 tables including the 30 tables behind the main tent.
- folded at least 150 chairs and stacked them
- removed fake grass from wherever we could find it.
- removed at least 20 yellow signs and the stakes that were holding them in the ground with crow bars (not easy)
- helped take down a 400lb 18 ft pole with lights
- Removed all signage and large and small banners from around the field including the wooden and steel frames that held them. We folded the banners and put them

and the wooden the steal frames in the trailer.

- removed 2 ramps
- carried 10 2X4's and 2 150 lb. plywood boards along with other equipment to the trailer.

We hope this helped your effort as I know you worked hard at this event. We would have stayed longer but we had another commitment. We could not find you although we drove around in our truck looking for you. So we did as you told us to do we checked in with Beryl when we were done and he acknowledge our departure thanking us for a job well done.

We would like to help again next year and suggest we help put together a more precise list of chores with the tools needs a more realistic time and designate more people to individual tasks. We think it will go faster and more efficiently, however, only if you agree. Bill and I can help do the list now that we have done it once. We can round up volunteers in advance bring them out there for a walk through in advance of the show and be ready with the proper tools to get the job done. Let us know if you need that kind of help.

Looking forward to working with you again it was hard work but fun.

Thanks again,
Eleanor
and Bill





Congratulations Incoming 2012-2013 District 4-C4 Officers

Cabinet Officers

- District Governor “Skipper” BOB WILSON—**Brisbane Lions**
- 1st Vice District Governor STEPHEN PICCHI—**Half Moon Bay Lions**
- 2nd Vice District Governor JACK VAN ETTE—**Burlingame Lions**
- Immediate Past District Governor ESTHER LEE—**SF Marina - North Beach Lions**
- Cabinet Secretary MARIAN MANN—**Daly City Host Lions**
- Cabinet Treasurer TONI NAVA—**Burlingame Lions**
- Executive Director LYDIA TAYLOR-BELLINGER—**SF Merced Heights Lions**
- Executive Director VILMA LOPEZ—**SF Hispanic Lions**
- District Bulletin Editor TASHAKI FORD—**Brisbane Lions**
- District Tail Twister STEPHEN ARM-BRUSTER—**Peninsula Special Interest Lions**
- GMT District Coordinator ERIK WINKLER—**Burlingame Lions** (Global Membership Team)
- GLT District Coordinator PDG KEN IBARRA—**San Bruno Lions** (Global Leadership Team)
- Public Relations / Communications ALISON WILSON—**Bay Area Special Olympics Lions**

Region & Zone Chairs

- Region ONE Chairman AUGUSTO VALERA JR—**San Francisco Fil-Am Lions**
- Region ONE Zone One Chairman CARL TE-BELL—**San Francisco The Castro Lions**: (SF Geneva-Excelsior Lions; SF Nikkei Lions; SF Host Lions; SF Chinatown Lions; SF Hispanic Lions)
- Region ONE Zone Two Chairman RUFINO RAMOS—**San Francisco Hispanic Lions**: (SF The Castro Lions; SF Bay Area New Century Lions; SF Park Presidio Lions; SF Marina North Beach Lions; SF Korean Lions)

- Region TWO Chairman ROGER GULEN—**San Francisco Host Lions**
- Region TWO Zone One Chairman CONNIE BRIDGEWATER—**San Francisco Ocean Ingle-side Lions**: (SF Bayview Hunters Point Lions; SF Highlands Lions; SF Circle Lions; SF Fil-Am Lions)
- Region TWO Zone Two Chairman GWENDOLYN STRAIN—**San Francisco Bayview Hunters Point Lions**: (SF Merced Heights; SF Premier Lions; SF Ocean Ingleside Lions; SF State U. Lions)
- Region THREE Chairman KEVIN KIELTY—**Burlingame Lions**
- Region THREE Zone One Chairman EMMANUEL PAJE—**San Francisco Host Lions**: (Burlingame Lions; Daly City Gateway Lions; South San Francisco Golden Gate Lions; Millbrae Lions; Brisbane Lions; Pacifica Lions)
- Region THREE Zone Two Chairman AMY FINK—**Bay Area Special Olympics Lions**: (Daly City Host Lions; SSF Host Lions; San Bruno Lions; Half Moon Bay Lions; Burlingame Lions)
- Region FOUR Chairman CINDY SMITH—**San Carlos Lions**
- Region FOUR Zone One Chairman ELAINE BORLAND—**San Mateo Lions**: (Foster City Lions; Belmont Lions; San Mateo Metropolitan Lions; Redwood City Sunrise Lions)
- Region FOUR Zone Two Chairman JENNIFER CHEN—**San Mateo Metro Lions**: (San Mateo Lions; San Carlos Lions; Peninsula Special Interest Lions; Palo Alto Host Lions; Menlo Park Live Oak)
- Region FOUR Zone Three Chairman KEN HARKER—**Palo Alto Host Lions**: (Menlo Park Host Lions; Peninsula Veterans Lions; Redwood Shores Lions; Bay Area Special Olympics Lions)



Farewell to the Redwood City Fair Oaks Lions Club

At the June Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs meeting in San Bruno it was announced that the Redwood City Fair Oaks Lions Club would be terminated on June 30, 2012. As the Fair Oaks Lions closes they have provided over \$4,000 in Club funds to community activities. Two or three Lions from Fair Oaks will be moving to other Clubs like Redwood City Sunrise Lions.

Jim Bigelow, Menlo Park Host Lions Club Secretary/Treasurer

Editor's Note: Thank you to Lion President Aide Garcia and all the members of the Redwood City Fair Oaks Lions Club who have been a much appreciated and important part of the community. Also, to the past clubs and members who also have moved on to become part of neighboring Lions Clubs, your efforts are valued and your membership is vital in keeping District 4-C4 healthy as a well functioning machine.

Take care, Lion Paul Larson, 4-C4 News Editor

Mark Your Calendar



Important 4-C4 Dates

Plan For The Following

- *Club Officer Leadership Training:
Saturday, July 7, 2012
Parkside Middle School, San Bruno...*
- *Peninsula Council Installation:
Saturday July 14, 2012, Green Hills
Country Club in Millbrae...*
- *District 4-C4 Installation:
Sunday July 22, 2012, South San
Francisco Conference Center...*
- *San Francisco Coordinating Council
of Lions Clubs Installation:
Friday July 27 at the Elks Lodge in
South San Francisco*

PCL Meeting Dates 2012-2013 (SFCCL meetings will be announced soon)

PCL President Paul Larson

- July 14, 2012 PCL Installation, Green Hills Country Club
- August, 2012 NO MEETING
- September 24, 2012 Pacifica Lions Club
- October 24, 2012 SFCCL to host Halloween meeting
- November 26, 2012 Redwood City Sunrise Lions Club
- December, 2012 NO MEETING
- January 28, 2013 Burlingame Lions Club
- February 25, 2013 SSF Golden Gate Lions Club
- March 22, 2013 * PCL Police and Firefighters Awards Banquet
- April 22, 2013 Half Moon Bay Lions Club
- May 20, 2013 Peninsula Special Interest Lions Club
- June 24, 2013 ** Millbrae Lions Club

* (Crowne Plaza Hotel, Foster City)

** (Customarily the PCL President's home club hosts the final meeting of the term)

NOTE: District Governor Esther wants you to know her email address to use from now on is:

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REACH for the STAR

Lion Paul Larson ~ 4-C4 Newsletter Editor

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Farewell and Congratulations to District Governor Esther Lee and her Cabinet on a successful 2011-2012 term

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.



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.