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The Scratching Post

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A message from your District Governor

Fellow Lions and Leo's

JOIN US – HAVE FUN Now is the time I would like to request that you plan to attend our District Convention, May 15 – 18, 2008, the Radisson Hotel, 500 Leisure Lane, Sacramento, California.

Friday night attire is Mardi Gras. You should be aware that if your club is delinquent and remains so at the time of the convention, your delegates would not be entitled to vote.

District Calendar:

 March 29 – Eyeglasses Collection – 9 A.M. – 2 P.M. – Serra Bowl, Daly City

- ◆ April 6 Worldwide Induction Day 1:30
 P.M. 4:00 P.M. San Mateo Library, 55 W.
 Third Ave.
- April 12 Certified Guiding Lion Seminar, 8:30 A.M. – 12 Noon Burlingame Lions Hall, 990 Burlingame Ave.

"STOP THE DROPS"

Let's all help to recruit members, not just "Let George do it". Let's deliver a healthy district to our incoming District Governor.

Together We Serve,

Maxine Frazier District Governor 4-C4



A message from your Vice District Governor

When I was a president of our Lions Club the first time I noted that as an officer in a Lions Club we sometimes we have problems that are difficult to handle. A project that is not going well, a member that starts an argument or even a meeting that gets totally out of control.

A lecturer once raised a glass of water and asked how heavy is this glass of water? The lecturer replied that the absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long you try to hold it. If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my right arm. If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call an ambulance. In each case, it's the same weight, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes. (Continued on page 2)



This Newsletter is published monthly by Millbrae Lions Club 1st V.P. & 4-C4 Newsletter Editor Lion Paul Larson. Please feel free to contact me at any time by sending an email to **lionpaul@chapelofthehighlands.com**. Immediate Past Newsletter Editor is Millbrae Lions Club President John Muniz who is also Associate Newsletter Editor. He can be contacted at **jfmflash@flash.net**. Thank you for your support and may good luck find all who read this Newsletter.



VDG Emil's Message (continued from page 1)

The same is true for problems that we carry. As time goes on, the problem becomes increasingly heavy and we won't be able to carry it. As with the glass of water, you have to put it down for a while and rest before holding it again. The great thing about being a Lion is that others are willing to help us hold that glass of water.

Here are some great ways of dealing with the problems of life:

- Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.
- Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
- Drive carefully. It's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.
- It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply to be to kind to others.

- Nobody cares if you can't dance well, just get up and dance.
- ♦ The second mouse gets the cheese.
- Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live.
- You may be only one person in the world, but you are also the world to one person.
- We could learn a lot from crayons... Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names, and all are different colors, but they all live in the same box.
- A good Lion is always willing to help another with the problem. We are NEVER alone.

Lion VDG Emil

Lion Lydia Taylor needs your HELP: DG's Scrapbook & convention



Greetings Fellow Lions, Leo's & Friends,

I am working on the District Governor's scrapbook to commemorate District Governor Maxine Frazier's term in office.

If you have any pictures that you would like to have included in this special book of memories, please send them to me with captions. Please identify the event and the name of the members in the pictures. Please send the hard copies, if you would like to send email pictures, please down load them and send the copy, this way you can see how well the colors are and not rely on my computer print out.

You may mail your pictures to:

Lion Lydia Taylor 11305 Elvessa Street Oakland, Ca 94605

We need your HELP. We need helping hands for our convention. We need transporting convention materials to Sacramento, Escorts, Help with the District Hospitality Suites and other service opportunities. Please contact me at (510) 878-7988 to add your name to the Helping Hands list.

Thanking you in advance for your time and assistance.

Have a very blessed Easter.

Lion Lydia Taylor





From the Editor's Desk

Greetings Lions!

I hope everyone in District 4-C4 is doing their absolute best.

Last week I attended boot-camp graduation at the San Diego Marine Corps Recruitment Depot. The graduates had called their camp home since before Christmas and I was very impressed at how civilian kids can be groomed into well behaved men in such a sort time. It reminds me of how our Leos are groomed as our future Lions.

I have a blurb to share with you about my Millbrae Lions Club: The following is a report from Lion President John Muniz—At March meeting of the Millbrae School Board, the Millbrae Lions Club was honored with a commendation celebrating the clubs 70th anniversary of community service in Millbrae. Also, in appreciation of the support the Millbrae Lions Club has given to our Millbrae schools both financially and through



our annual Flag Day in Millbrae Schools, our annual Fingerprint and Photo Id in Millbrae schools, Red Ribbon Week for drug awareness in Millbrae schools and by supporting the Millbrae Schools fund raising efforts with our pancake wagon, barbeque equipment and labor.

Pictured L to R: Lion Frank Barbaro - Millbrae School Board Trustee; Lion Randy Sahae - Millbrae Lions Club Secretary; Lion John Muniz -President of the Millbrae Lions Club; and President of the

Millbrae Schools Board of Trustees - Marjory Luxenberg.

If you ever want to publicize a club event, please email your event flyer to me at

lionpaul@chapelofthehighlands.com and I will spread the word.

Take care. Lion Paul Larson ~ 4-C4 Newsletter Editor.

Articles & photos may be submitted to **Lion Editor Paul Larson** for publication in *The Scratching Post* 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 club officers via their email. Thank you for your cooperation.

Spotlight: SF Highlands Lions Billy & Flor Camota

The unprecedented surge of school enrollment of the very poor youngsters age 4 to 6 who are very eager to learn has touched the hearts of the Highlanders. Led by Lions Flor and Billy Camota (pictured to the right), the Highlanders have seriously taken the importance of completing their Phase I Building project as they seek to move the temporary housed school children from a small rented room to a better equipped facility.

Following the February 2, 2008 groundbreaking celebration, the construction activities for the Phase I Plan



for the Highlands First Step Learning School has begun. It include the filling in and leveling of the soil, fencing the property, building three classrooms, two toilets, an administrative office and a faculty house.

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Spotlight: SF Highlands Lions Billy & Flor Camota (continued from page 3)

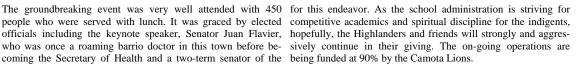
people who were served with lunch. It was graced by elected officials including the keynote speaker, Senator Juan Flavier, who was once a roaming barrio doctor in this town before becoming the Secretary of Health and a two-term senator of the Philippines. The town Mayor Eugenio Placido and his Chief of Police & staff showed their full support of the Lions Club by their presence. With a plea from the Camotas, Mayor Placido has doubled his donation of gravel and sand from 20 to 40 truckloads for the school ground. A number of local Lions officers and members of the Cabanatuan City Host Lions Club also attended with the Rev. Bishop Solito Toquero, President of the World Council of Bishops of the United Methodist Church who offered the invocation. Senator Flavier, when challenged by Lion Flor, agreed to authorize the marketing of his autobiography, a best

seller book, in the United States with the net proceeds to be donated to the building fund.

The current devaluation of the dollar currency is causing a big concern to the Highlanders. Local support and fundraising activities must increase in order to continue implementing Phases I and II. The latter is planned for the purchase of a second property, construction of a library, an auditorium and a pump well.

How did the school come about? Lions Flor and Billy unselfishly planted the seed money. The school was opened with an enrollment of 22 Kindergarten and preparatory students in June 2006 with a 100% free education program. Currently, there are 53 students with five salaried staff for the school. A school van was purchased to transport the students who live about two kilometers away and walk to/from school under the scorching heat of the sun. School uniforms are provided to clothe them together with a pair of shoes. Books, tuition fees and school supplies are all free and most of all, food and milk feeding programs are being administered. For what brains can absorb information and training with empty stomachs?

With the effective leadership of Lions Billy & Flor, the other Lion leaders of SF Highlands thereafter jumped into the band wagon of "hope, love and charity". Lions Lourdes Pescador, Josie Andrade, Aurora Santiago, Kristy and Bernie Elayda, Flor Camota and Lourdes Directo purchased a property, which is now the site of the Phase I program. Lion members, friends and sympathizers of the club also joyfully poured in their love offering Both Lions Billy and Flor love **To Serve!!!**



Lions Billy and Flor Camota were first admitted into Lionism at the Fil-Am Lions Club of San Francisco and became Melvin Jones Fellows. They both served as officers in the club and at district level committees. They later took a sabbatical leave from Lionism. After a year as Lions-at-large, a number of Past District Governors encouraged them to return. Lions Billy and Flor then decided to recruit their colleagues and close friends and founded the "San Francisco Highlands Lions Club" with new faces. The club was chartered in 1992; was awarded the "Most

> Outstanding Club" by PDG Rocky Lombardi in 1993; and recently Guiding Lions.

> was awarded the "First Model Club" in 2006 by the Lions Clubs International. Both served as Highlands' past presidents. Lion Billy is a Past Zone Chair and Region Chair while Lion Flor is a Past Zone Chair and is a Helen Keller Fellow. They are both Certified

Lions Billy and Flor are members of the Church of the Highlands in San Bruno, California. Lion Billy

serves at church as an appointed Elder and an usher. He is also an active member of the Gideons International, an association of Christian Businessmen, and Lion Flor, an active Auxiliary. They are both members of AACC {American Association of Christian Counselors). Lion Billy is a life-time member of FILPABA {Filipino Professionals & Businessmen Association}. He retired from Matson Agencies as VP of Customer Service. Flor retired from Pacific Bell as Budget Manager.

Lion Flor has served in San Mateo County as a former Human Relations Commissioner for two 2-year terms. In San Francisco, she was appointed as a Member of the St. Luke Hospital Foundation Community Advisory Board; a Mentor of the Asian-American Students at San Francisco City College; and Executive Secretary of United Way - Gintong Samahan as a volunteer. In Daly City, she was appointed as a Co-Director for the Senior Citizens Outreach Program - Serramonte at Seton Medical Center as a volunteer.



Condolences for Lion DG Maxine's mentor: Lion Georgia Robinson

Lion Georgia Robinson (pictured below) served as a Lion nieces, nephews, relative and friends. for 23 years from May 1, 1985 until her passing on March 10, 2008.



She was married to Lion Charles Robinson for 63 years until his death on August 7, 2003. Lion Georgia leaves to cherish her memory her loving daughter Linda Hughes and two sons -Charles Robinson, Jr. & Ronald Robinson. She also leaves her grandchildren, greatgrandchildren and many loving

Retired from the San Francisco Unified School District in 1983 after 31 years. She was a member of the Third Baptist Church where she served on the Deacon Board.

Lion Georgia was active in the Ocean-Ingleside Lions serving as Club President; District 4-C4 Zone Chairperson; a Melvin Jones Fellow and received numerous commendations for dedication and service. Lion Georgia loved family, friends and touched many people with her kindness and compassion. She will be missed by all.

Lion District Governor Maxine.

Park Gate Lion Delia Styles fantastic journey to Nicaragua

November 27th, 2007, I journeyed back to Nicaragua, my native country, representing our Park Gate Lions Club, delivering good tidings and a succulent meal to the residents of La Providencia Home for the elderly in the city of Granada. My name is Delia Styles a member of the Park Gate Lions Club since 2005. I made the trek to visit family and return to my Nicaraguan culture.

In the early November meeting, I mentioned my upcoming holiday to the club president Armando Bolanos. He suggested the club make a donation of \$100.00 to any charity in the region. Within days of my arrival, I contacted Sor Conception Mendoza of La Providencia, and began planning a special luncheon and dessert for 80 residents.

I was accompanied by my cousin Tony Morales to the special event. The nuns happily awaited our arrival, ready to give

us a tour of the grounds. The amazing Spanish architecture was once home to "Colegio Races", an elite women's college that catered to the aristocracy of Granada in the 19th and 20th century. It is now the home of "La Providencia", a non profit whose budget is made up of donations.

Lunch was served at 12 noon. My cousin Tony and I had the privilege of taking part in the serving process. There was so much happiness in the room. They were so gracious. They thanked us repeatedly, kissing our hands and offering us prayers. I had tears in my eyes seeing how much love these people could give. After lunch we sat in the corridor and visited with some of the residents where

we were treated to a beautiful acapella performance by one of them, who sang songs from her youth, another one sat in his wheelchair, and using wire cutters and copper wire, fashioned pretty wire names, that he sold for 5 Cordobas each, (Nicaraguan money). I bought few of them, and the man said he had to put the money in his bank, upon which he pulled two individual tube socks from under his shirt and place his earnings, the dollars in one sock, and the Cordobas in the other. "Aren't you afraid of losing your money?" I asked. "No" he said. "I wrap the socks around my waist at night when I go to sleep."



The nuns offered a receipt for the \$100.00 donation by the Park Gate Lions Club, and my cousin Tony and I said goodbye to the residents. "I will always remember that day. I learned that happiness doesn't require that you live in a palace."



Menlo Park Host Lions Mark 70 Years of Service

Today, March 4, 2008 is the 70th Anniversary of the Menlo Park Host Lions Charter issued by LCI

Today is a special day for the Menlo Park Host Lions Club as this marks the completion 70 years of community service in our area from the original date our Club which was Chartered by Lions Clubs International on March 4, 1938. We are also the oldest service Club in Menlo Park and have provided many services over the years. In addition to our Club being active we have sponsored the Atherton Lions Club and the Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Club during this period.

We are currently the sponsor of the new East Palo Alto Lions Club which is also supported by other Lions within our District 4-C4

Our Club has continued to provide needed services and donated funds to many activities in our community as follows:

- 1. Eye exams and glasses for the needy and sponsorship of persons who require special surgery through the Lions Eye Foundation;
- 2.Hearing aids for the needy and sponsorship for persons who require special surgery through the Lions Hearing Foundation;
- 3.Donations to local youth groups including the Boys and Girls Club;
- ♦ 4.Camperships for the blind and hearing impaired;
- 5.Support for local farmers markets in providing excess fruits and vegetables to the needy such as St. Anthony's and Bread of Life;
- 6. Home renovations in Belle Haven and East Palo Alto through "Christmas in April" now know as Rebuilding Together;
- 7. Supported Peninsula Habitat for Humanity over the years with cash donations and volunteer labor providing affordable housing to local residents including Menlo Park;
- 8. Annual Toys for Tots collections for needy children in our area;
- 9. Funding support for various natural disasters and



Menlo Park Lions "Rebuilding Together" project renovates homes of the needy. Pictured is a celebration after \$16,500 of renovation to the home of Rosie Butler (center) who is grateful for the MPHL.

other programs of the Lions Clubs International Foundation;

- ◆ 10. Support of the Canine Companions Programs for the needy here locally;
- ♦ 11. Just "Say No to Drugs" with street banners, and items for local school children in past years;
- 12. Used eye glasses collections for needy in third world countries including supplying local missions with these items from our area;
- 13. Provide support to the Menlo Park Library system depending on their needs;
- 14. Combine with other area Lions Clubs to accomplish projects for the local community in our areas;
- 15. The Club also provides food booths at a number of public events and other services to the community to numerous to list:
- 16. Our Club members have also served in higher positions in Lions as Cabinet Officers and Committee Chairs for Lions District 4-C4 which extends from San Francisco south to Palo Alto.

So today is a special day for us and we can truly be proud of the Lions Motto "We Serve". Many thanks to all the Lions who have made this possible since 1938!!!!!!!!!

Jim Bigelow, Menlo Park Host Lions Club Secretary/Treasurer



Lion Sandee Ige praises former Chinatown Lions Nicky & Kam Wu



Fellow Lions:

I would like to share the following information about two great fellow Lions, who unfortunately has left the Lions Club and of course District 4-C4. They are former Lions Nicky & Kam Wu (pictured to the right) of SF Chi-

natown Lions Club. I first met them 2 years ago as the Hearing Conservation Contest Chairs. They both did a great job and when asked last year to help again, they said yes. I can't thank them enough for all the work and effort they both put in for their Club, as well as, the District. The cause of their demise as Lions was their commute. They live in Los Gatos and it made a long day for them to attend meetings, fundraising etc. Although, they are no longer Lions, they are still active. Nicky is with the Chamber of Commerce in Los Gatos and Kam is helping with smaller projects. We wish them luck with their new endeavors and from all of us in District 4-C4 the best in life.

Not to worry fellow Lions, I will cover the Hearing Conservation Contest. Just keep sending your reports in as normal.

Thank you! Lion Sandee Ige



Memorial Service for Lion Gail Wood

On Friday, February 29, 2008 at 11:00 AM a memorial celebration for the life for former SF Castro President and

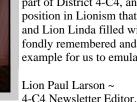
SF Sunset Secretary Lion Gail Wood took place at Colonial Chapel in Oakland. This is the same Chapel that assisted Lion Gail when Lion Linda Lopez-Wood passed away. In attendance were Lions; family including Lion Gail's brother Stephen from Texas and Linda's niece; along with members of Lion Gail's Court association were there to show support. Pastor Earl Grote (member of the Lions Mother Club in Oakland) opened the services and gave time for

sharing. Our DG Maxine Frazier was the first to offer her words of comfort; Lion Gail's co-worker at "Block"

Janice Craig continued; and San Mateo Lion Elaine Borland along with several others came forward to con-

> Lion Gail was an integral part of District 4-C4, and her position in Lionism that she and Lion Linda filled will be fondly remembered and an example for us to emulate.

> clude with many kind words.







SF Council Celebrates Black History Month



Southern 4-C4 Lions welcome racing legend Boyd Schauer

Members of the Atherton, Menlo Park Live Oak, Menlo Hunter and Bob Bass of the Menlo Park Host Lions. The Park Host and Redwood City Sunrise Lions met in

Menlo Park for their Quarterly Multi-Club meeting. The

guest speaker for the evening was Lion Boyd Schauer, Club President Redwood City Sunrise Lions talking about his car racing experiences over the past 45 years. After the meeting several Lions gathered for a picture. Pictured left to right are Boyd Schauer, Redwood City Sunrise Lions President, Dr. Chuck Cortesi, Menlo Park Host Lions, Don Johnson, Menlo Park Live Oak Lions, Jim Clarke, David

pictures being held are of races that Lion Boyd participated in and the one of him standing by the yellow 1947

> Oldsmobile he won the race. His racing career began on oval race tracks and for more than 20 years more recently he has been drag racing on straight quarter mile tracks. Everyone was impressed with his presentation and he indicated he has experienced some serious injuries during his racing career but for the love of racing he continues with the blessing of his family..



Jim Bigelow jimbigelow@earthlink.net



Lion Sandee Ige visits New York for Lions Day at the United Nations

Fellow Lions of District 4-C4:

I would like to share with you some information I got by attending the "30th Annual Lions Day with the U.N." in New York City. There were a lot of dignitaries from Lions International including President Mahendra Amarasuriya. I was hoping to meet the Secretary-General to the UN Ban Ki-Moon and our Ambassador to the UN, Zalmay Khalilzad but they were not available. A message from Ban Ki-Moon was read by Kiyotaka Akasaka, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information. Than a speech from Ambassador of Sri Lanka to the UN Mr. Prasad Kariyawasam. He was put on the spot by PIP Joseph Wroblewski to become a Lion and be inducted by President Mahendra. The poor guy just

kept smiling but he never answered the question. (I think the Peace Poster Contest, 20th year celebration. The he would be a great Lion. Around 40 yrs old, energetic, a sense of humor and caring. He has a wonderful smile.)

The highlight of the event was the grand prize winner of



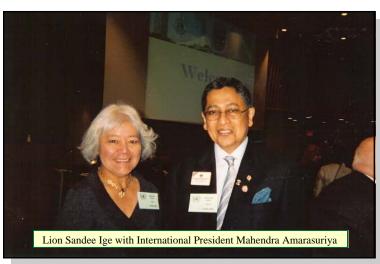
winner is Ming Yang Soong, 13yrs now 14yrs old, of Bidor, Malaysia. What a beautiful poster !!! Not only is he a talented artist but a very accomplished young man. He spoke to us with a passion and was composed in his

presentation.

LCIF was presented with a New York State Proclamation signed by Governor Spitzer and that got lots of chuckles and a New York City Proclamation by Mayor Michael Bloomberg who may be running for Governor.

We broke for lunch at 1:00pm and I had to leave at 2:15pm for the airport. I mentioned to the driver if I had enough time for a 5pm flight and he got me to JFK at 315pm and I was able to catch a flight at 330pm. What an exciting City, New York is.

In Lionism Lion Sandee Ige





SF Council Honors San Francisco's Peace Officers & Firefighters

"Honoring our heroes in our community!"

2008 Annual Peace Officer and Firefighter Awards Dinner ~ San Francisco Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs

Outstanding peace officers and firefighters were honored at the Annual Peace Officer and Firefighter Awards Dinner at the United Irish Cultural Center, San

Francisco, on Saturday March 8, 2008. The award recipients were presented with plaques by San Francisco Police Chief Heather Fong, San Francisco Fire Department Deputy Chief of Operations Richard Kochevar, Lion District Governor Maxine Frazier, and San Francisco Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs President



Margaret K. Lee. Lion Immediate Past SF Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs Chairperson Willie Stipinovich and Lion Region 1 Chair Robert Ramos were acknowledged with the International President's Certificate for



their outstanding service by Lion MD-4 Council Chairperson George Skezas.

The event was successful due to the generosity and continued support

provided from individuals, businesses and organizations including SF Fire Department, SF Fire Department, Lion District Governor Maxine Frazier, Lion Vice District Governor Emil Kantola, District 4C-4 Cabinet, Past District Governor Lawrence Wong, Immediate Past President Rosie Jones, Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs, Clearlight Trophies (South San Francisco), Cathay Post, Asian Firefighters Association, Legacy Through Giving, World Stars Entertainment, and San Francisco Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs—Partial List.

2008 OUTSTANDING SAN FRANCISCO PEACE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS AWARDEES:

- San Francisco Hispanic Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Michael Cavanaugh;
- San Francisco Bay View Hunters Point Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Julian A. Hill; Firefighter Zach Pumphrey;
- ♦ San Francisco Fil-Am Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Dana Terry;
- New Century Lions Club ~ Firefighter Jeffrey Chin;
- San Francisco Chinatown Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Sammy Yuen; Firefighter Mary Tse;
- ♦ San Francisco Marina North Beach Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Dominic Gamboa:
- San Francisco Nikkei Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Kiyo Kanemori; Firefighter Todd Kawaguchi;
- ◆ San Francisco Sunset Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Stanley K. Lee; Firefighter Stephen Kloster;
- ◆ San Francisco Premier Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Kevin O'Leary; Firefighter Sola Chuop
- ♦ San Francisco The Castro Lions Club ~ Peace Officer Lenny Broberg.

For more information about Lions Clubs, Lions Clubs International, and/or Campaign SightFirst, please refer to www.lionsclubsinternational and/or contact: sfclcmkl@yahoo.com. SF Council Lions Clubs dinner meetings are held monthly on fourth Wednesdays, 6 PM. Welcome! We Serve!!! (continued on page 11)



Peace Officers & Firefighters Awards (continued from page 10)



Celebrate with the SSF Host Lions





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Lion DG Maxine welcomes our new Lions to District 4-C4

Each month Lion DG Maxine will be welcoming each new Lion to the family of Lions Clubs in District 4-C4. Congratulations new Lions...you are now part of something special!

February 2008
Club

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Paula Martinez	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Carman Chong	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Maria Ortiz	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
John Crevelt	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Maria Sanchez	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Evelyn Garcia	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Leonard Selto	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Yoli Hunchanik	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Ana Alvarez	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Isabel Jimenez	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Magdalina Arteaga	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Delia Arenas	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Guadalupe Beruman	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Blanca Bravo	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Frank Bizzaro	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Domingo Benitez	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Thelma Chavel	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Elsie Torres	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Ricardo Torres	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Augstin Gonzalez	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Laura Castillo	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Nelly Nampula	NEW ~ Redwood City Fair Oaks	N/A ~ New Charter Member
Ramon Bu <mark>nag</mark>	SF West O'Twin Peaks	Dolores Baclig
Julio Mend <mark>oza</mark>	SF West O'Twin Peaks	Dolores Baclig
Bill Arthur	San Mateo	N/A



District 4-C4 Sunshine Report by Lion Barbara Fields



Dear Lions:

Please include the following Lions & family in your prayers: Raul Almaguer, brother of Redwood Shores Lion Irma Almaguer who died in February 2008; SF Ocean Ingleside Lion Georgia Robinson has passed away on March 10th.

Lion Georgia, along with her late husband Charles, was a mentor and great inspiration to our District Governor Maxine. Another Lion who was special to DG Maxine was Millbrae Lions Club PP Michael Sanfilippo who suffered a sudden massive stroke and passed away on

Friday, March 7th. Lion Mike will be sorely missed by his club and family. Remember any Lions & family who are ailing and our thought and prayers go out to them.



Please let me know

of any illness or deaths in your club, my e-mail barbara.k.fields@sbcglobal.net or phone 650-359-1259 if I am not there please leave a message.

Student Speakers Foundation Update by Lion Rich Picchi

Each District in MD4 has been asked to contribute \$4,500 to the Student Speaker Foundation. To those who have already donated, THANK YOU. To everyone else, please consider a donation to the Foundation today. A \$100 or \$200 donation from your Club earns your club a colorful supporter banner patch. Individual Lions may also contribute by becoming a Fellow of the Student Speaker Foundation. There are four Fellowships available, starting

at \$200. For those of you who have misplaced the Foundation flyers that have been circulated via email or at the Zone and Region contests, please give me a call at 650-728-7639.

Why contribute to the Student Speakers Foundation? Well, each of the 15 students who win at the District level will receive a \$4,500 scholarship. The 4 Area winners receive an additional \$6,500 schol-

arship and the MD4 winner gets an additional \$10,000. If you're good at math, that's \$103,500 in scholarships that will be given away this year.

local speakers will receive the \$4,500 scholarship at the

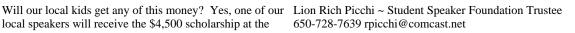
District Student Speaker Contest, and that student will then compete for the Area scholarship. Over the past 5 years, our students have done very well and have reached the MD4 finals twice while accumulating \$35,500 in scholarships during that time.

For those clubs who like to compete, our District Governor has authorized a little competition for our 4C4 clubs.

> The 2 clubs with the most donations will be presented with a Harry J. Aslan or a Dwight E. Stanford Fellowship. Donations from the Club and individual Lions will be counted towards these awards. The challenge ends on June 1st, so there is plenty of time to discuss this at your Board of Directors or with your spouse.

Our goal is to raise the amount of our scholarships because we've

found that college is an expensive proposition. It isn't only the private colleges that are expensive, just ask anyone attending a local state college or university.







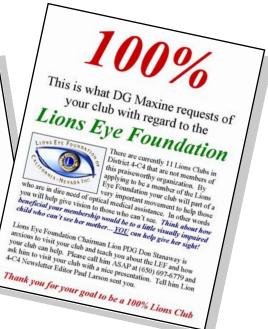
DG Maxine wants you to remember



Governor Maxine Frazier is challenging all dubs to help raise \$4,500. This money is needed to help the Student Speaker Foundation continue to offer over \$100,000 in scholarships annually.

Governor Maxine will present a Dwight Stanford Fellowship to the club with the highest amount of donations and a to the club with the highest amount of donations and a Harry Asian Fellowship to the second place club. Use the forms included in this packet and be sure to include your forms included in this packet and be sure to include your club name and "District 4C4" on the form when you send it in. The contest period is now through June 1st. Call Lion Rich Picchi @ 650-728-7639 for questions or if

you need more forms



District 4-C4 Lions featured in the LCI magazine "The Lion"

Editor's Note: Below is an email I received from Lion Jim Bigelow at the beginning of March. For more on this while it is still posted go to: http://www.lionsclubs.org/ EN/content/news_mag_hqedition.shtml

From: Jim Bigelow [mailto:iimbigelow@vahoo.com] Sent: Sunday, March 02, 2008 9:16 PM To: Lion Paul =o)

You are setting records for the amount of information you continue to provide on District happenings. It is very much appreciated.

The Lions Club International magazine just arrived and there is a feature story on hunger in the United States and the picture of Bob Bass of Menlo Park Host Lions and Esther Caraway, of San Francisco Host is part of the article on page 23.



So that gets our District in the International news.

Jim

District 4-C4 ~ Article IV - Territory

Section 1. All territory embraced by the Association of Lions Clubs, District 4-C4, Lions International, shall be as follows: all Lions Clubs now existing and to hereafter exist in the counties of San Francisco and San Mateo, and the city of Palo Also in Santa Clara County.



Important Dates and Upcoming Events



4-C4 Cabinet Meetings

May 14 - 18, 2008—District Convention—Sacramento Radisson Hotel

Special Activities

March 28, 2008—Peninsula Police & Fire Awards,
Crown Plaza Hotel in Foster City
March 29, 2008—Eyeglass Collection Day
April 5, 2008—Y & C A Raffle Award Dinner
Oyster Point Yacht Club in SSF
April 6, 2008—Worldwide Induction Day
Main Library in San Mateo

Club Secretaries take note:

Your monthly MMR & MAR are both are due into LCI and 4-C4 Cabinet Secretary Marian Mann no later than the 5th day of each month!

Student Speaker Completion Dates

Theme: "Immigration: My Solution"

Club Contest—February 18, 2008 Zone Contest—March 20, 2008 Region Contest—April 7, 2008 District Contest—April 28, 2008 Area Contest—May 19, 2008

Make sure all contestants are informed of these dates, and that the final dates will be decided soon. In no event will the final dates for each portion of the contest be any later than the dates listed above. It is the contestant's responsibility to be available for all presently listed and future Student Speaker Contest Dates should they progress toward the Finals.



The Scratching Post

Millbrae Lion Paul Larson ~
District 4-C4 Newsletter Editor



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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.

ÂLWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my unswerving loyalty in word, act as deed; to give them freely of my time. Jabor 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.





2006-2007 District Governor's Award Lion Elaine Borland

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.