



THE BUILDER

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District Governor Ray Rosenthal Message

My Fellow Lions,

I am very happy with first Special Training Session, Thank you all for your support of this project. I was a little concerned as the deadline for reservations came and the response was low. However, everyone began calling in at the last minute and many showed up on the day of the Training. We had over 90 Lions, from 24 Clubs, at the first Special Training Ses-



sion. This is great but it makes it hard to reserve a large enough room and know that we have enough food. Please give us more notice on the next one.

Trainer Dave Johnson was all we could have hoped for. He had left the side of his brand new grandchild to come to us that morning. He was full of energy and excited about the birth of his grandchild and the chance to teach a lot of new Lions. There is nothing he likes to do better and he does a great job of it. Everyone there will

agree. He kept your attention the entire time, taught people things they never knew about their clubs and their own positions in the clubs, and then taught everyone about all the positions in the clubs. Each Lion is more effective if they know what everyone else is supposed to do and can step in and do the job when it is their turn. This also makes the best leaders. You must know what it takes to



**DISTRICT GOVERNOR
RAY ROSENTHAL**



make the whole team run and how to help them function at their best if you are going to lead them.

I was very proud to see so many clubs represented, not only by presidents and secretaries, but with other officers and general members. These are the leaders of tomorrow. We must give

them the tools to work with now. On top of Dave Johnson's training, Cabinet Secretary Tim Collins, took all the Club Secretary's and those who were interested in being one, into another

room with Lion Gail Wood, the Contest Commissioner. They went over the monthly reports and how to fill them out. The



information became very clear to many who were new at this, and may have even helped a few of the more experienced in the room. If you don't tell us

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VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS MESSAGE

By Lion Eugene Chan, VDG

This month, with the Cabinet Meeting coming up this weekend, I am going to save my report for that time.

I do want to tell you, in case you are not coming to the Cabinet Meeting, that the MERLO Team has been very busy. We have had several meetings down in East Palo Alto and a new potentially strong club is in the making in that location.

We also have a new Leo's Club that is being developed by one of our Lion's Club's and the San Francisco team is busy working on a new club that is more than half way there.

Even though it is the fall of the year, it seems like springtime the

way we have new clubs developing. There is a great deal of work involved in bringing a club to life. Once a club is at the chartering stage, you have the next two years in which the new club must be guided and worked with and helped to grow.

I was very encouraged to see so many Certified Guiding Lions from the January 2004 Class. We will be needing many of them in the coming months to work with new clubs. This is one of the main reasons a Lion becomes a Certified Guiding Lion. To help start and build new clubs.

I shall look forward to seeing many of you Saturday, August 28th, at the First Cabinet Meeting which is being held in Foster City at the Foster City Recreation Center, 650 Shell Boulevard. Breakfast and Registration is

from 8 until 9 AM and the meeting will start at 9 AM.

Dr. Bill Iannaccone will be speaking on Lions In Sight after lunch.

If you haven't notified Cabinet Treasurer Ken Ibarra that you are coming, you can do that now. Call him at 650-589-4613 or email him at :

kenibarra@aol.com

Yours in Lionism,

Eugene Chan,

Vice District Governor, 4-C4



VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR
EUGENE CHAN

Recording for the Blind & An MD-4 Approved Charity/Support

Confucius wrote: "If your plan is for a year, plant rice. If your plan is for a decade, plant trees. If your plan is for a lifetime, educate children."

Imagine that you are a student with goals and aspirations for your future, but all of your school work assignments come to you on blank pages or, written in a code you cannot decipher. Do you sacrifice your ambitions? Do you give up on learning? What happens when the printed page is an obstacle to your education?



For more than fifty-five years, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic (RFB&D®), a national nonprofit organization, has provided a solution for students who cannot effectively read standard print because of blindness, visual impairment, dyslexia, or other physical disability by producing and distributing recorded textbooks and educational materials. With its national headquarters in Princeton, NJ, RFB&D's unique collection of over

Dyslexic® In Northern California:

Project Seeking Your Club's

98,000 titles on CD and four-track cassette is an educational lifeline for more than 127,000 students in kindergarten through graduate school across the country, including over 4,000 here in Northern California.

The Northern California Unit of RFB&D was established in 1967 in Palo Alto. Our digital production studio and offices there have five recording booths where over 200 volunteers record over 140 textbooks each year. These dedicated volunteers annually donate over 16,000 hours of their time.

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ON THE PROWL

Atherton Lions: Attended Joint meeting with Menlo Park Live Oak and Menlo Park Host. A Joint Adventure!

Brisbane Lions: They are busy doing lots of BBQ's and their Wednesday night Bingo. Email skipperbob@ship134.com for details.

Burlingame Lions: No newsletter was furnished this month..

Castro Lions : Are scheduled for 2 streets fairs, Folsom Street in Sept. and Castro in October. Their speaker from SF AIDS Housing says they have 30 rooms available for AIDS/HIV patients. They are hosting the SF Council Mtg. on 9/22 at 131 Gough St., SF, 7 PM. .

Chinatown Lions: Held several events including Fly a Kite Day for the Association for Chinese Families of Disabled Children. And a participated in a Joint Adventure with SF Bay New Century. We may have a Long Tail growing as much as you see their President and friends around.

Daly City Host: Had a Garage Sale in August and is gearing up for their big Pasta and Bingo Night—see flyer page 8 . They were co-sponsors for the 9th year of the 11th Annual Fun Day for Developmentally Disabled Children held at Serra Bowl on 8/11.

Daly City Gateway: Lion Vivian Najarro, Student Speaker Chair, will be addressing the Clubs at the Council Meeting regarding the

contest. The Club distributed \$1200.00 in June in Charity monies.

Foster City Lions: Besides helping to put on the Training Session on August, and thank you for the wonderful steak, (as a Texan I got to instruct a Hollander in the finer art of steak eating), F.C. Lions also had a Blood Dive where they gave a Pint for a Pint. For every Pint of blood donated, you got a certificate for a FREE Pint of Baskins Robbins Ice Cream! They also hosted a Youth Exchange Student from Finland.

Geneva Mission Lions: The Club helped with My Fair Lady, an Annual Senior Beauty Pageant that occurred on August 17th. The Club has a new website.

Golden Gate Lions: No Newsletter received.

San Francisco Host Lions: Were going on a Medical Mission to the Philippines this month.

Half Moon Bay Lions: Our sympathies on the passing of Lion Gil Bustichi's wife, Jo Anne, on August 3rd.

The Club is gearing up for its Annual golf Tournament on Oct. 6th at Sharp Park. Contact the Pres. 650.728.3630

Highland Lions: No information.

Hispanic Lions: The President, William Gutierrez, and his mother, Olga Gutierrez, have resigned.

Korean-American Lions: No Information.

Marina North Beach Lions: Held their Installation on 7/24.

Menlo Park Host Lions: Continue to do their Bread for Life and St. Anthony's food pick up at the Palo Alto Farmer's Market each Saturday. Oct. 1-3 is their white Cane Days.

Menlo Park Live Oak Lions: Nothing new this month.

Millbrae Lions: See Story and Flyer Page 7 & 8.

SF Bay New Century: Is planning their 2nd Annual Halloween Fundraiser. They raised \$300 at their Joint Adventure Bowling Tournament.

Ocean Ingleside Lions: Nothing new at this time.

Pacifica Lions: Still some opening on the 7 day Caribbean Cruise, 10/3—10/10. Call 650.355.5110.

Palo Alto Host Lions: Did a Diabetic Blood sugar Screening and found 3 kids who tested pre-diabetic.

Park Gate Lions President .Carlos Balladares and new Secretary Maritza Balladares have a new address: 2635 Gill Dr., Concord, CA 94520, RES: 925-825-8044. Lion Carlos work number and email remain the same.

Park Presidio Lions: Their Sept. 15th Meeting is canceled. **The Club is holding their 60th Anniversary dinner on 9/17 at Lincoln Park.** They are getting ready for their Annual golf Tournament on 10/20.

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International First Vice President Ashok Mehta



Ashok Mehta, of Mumbai, India, was elected to serve as first vice president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 87th International Convention, held in Detroit, Michigan, USA/Windsor, Ontario, Canada, July 5-9, 2004.

Vice President Mehta is the managing director of a company.

A member of the Bombay Lion Lions Club since 1963, Vice President Mehta has held many offices within the association, including club president, district governor, council secretary, international director, Campaign SightFirst international coordinator and District Governor Orientation chair at the 1992 International Convention in Hong Kong.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received nu-



merous awards, including the club "Lion of the Year" Award, the 100% Club President Award, the 40 years of Consecutive Attendance Award, the 100% District Governor Award, 20 International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor bestowed upon association members. He is also a Pro-

gressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, Vice President Mehta is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including serving as a member of the Bombay University Senate. In 2001 he served as the sheriff of Bombay.

Vice President Mehta and his wife, Kokila, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have one daughter, Shital, also a Melvin Jones Fellow.



STUDENT SPEAKER CONTEST DATES & INFORMATION

THEME:

ATTITUDE: KEY TO SUCCESS?

DATES: DEADLINES FOR COMPLETION AT EACH LEVEL

CLUB: BY FEB. 21, 2005

ZONE: BY MARCH 14, 2005

REGION: BY APRIL 11, 2005

DISTRICT: BY MAY 2, 2005

AREA: BY MAY 22, 2005

MD 4: BY JUNE 4, 2005

Your District Chair for Student Speaker Contest, which, like the

Peace Poster, is a Lions International sponsored Contest and so it does not appear in your Contest Book, is Lion Vivian Najarro of Daly City Gateway Lions Club. Lion Vivian is quite familiar with the various rules of this very strictly guided Contest and is willing to answer your questions and assist your club with any questions you may have.

She may be reached at the following:

1235 McAllister, #112

San Francisco, CA 94115

RES: 415.647.4815

Email: najarrov@state.gov

Please order your kits as soon as possible and read the rules completely if you have not participated in this event before.

Keep in mind, we are still looking for a Student Speaker Trustee to help promote the Fellowships that support the scholarships won by the students.

Any Lion in good standing who is interested, please contact District Governor Ray Rosenthal at 650.574.1043.

Thank You. L. L-W

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR RAY ROSENTHAL'S MESSAGE

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what you are doing, then you may lose points in a contest. Please, remember, everything goes to Lion Linda Lopez-Wood by the 5th of month or your Club is delinquent.

While Lion Tim and Lion Gail had their group in one room, Trainer Johnson continued in another room to teach about the jobs of Region and Zone Chairs. This is also very important for many reasons. Many of you will be one in the future and you will now know what to do a little better. It helps a great



deal if the Clubs know why you asking them to do certain things as well. You are going to get them to help you do your job better. This is one of the important things of good training. People work together better when they understand what is expected of them in their job and what they need to do to help the whole crew pull together as a team. It also makes for a stronger Lions Club. At this point, Governor Ray and VDG Eugene also gave special pointers.

Additionally, Lion Richard Lee, of the District Finance Committee, was holding a class in the Lunch Room for the Treasurer's of the

clubs that were attending that day. Many were very pleased with the insights and information that they learned in dealing with the financial aspects of their clubs and the District and International. Of course, Lion



Eugene and I were all over the place adding in information at different points and having a great time.



I want to say a special word of thanks to the Foster City Lions, my Home Club, who made all of this possible. They offered me two special fundraisers during my year as Governor, and supported how I wanted to use them for these District Trainings. The fabulous Kitchen Crew who fed everyone, Foster City Lions Ron Cox (former Mayor and current City Councilman of

Foster City), Lucy Tan (District Flag Day Chair), a Foster City Lions husband and a Foster City Lions Dad. We had great Steak, or chicken for those who preferred it, with good things to go with it. For \$5.00 and all that great training, now that is a bargain!



Everyone was reading their new Directories and Contest Books over lunch and talking about what they had learned that morning. The place was buzzing. It was wonderful.

Now, there will be another opportunity for those who missed this one. It is September 18th. Please reserve in advance. Lion Dana Biggs is one of the Trainers. There is also a big event that eve-



ning celebrating our new International Director Bill Crawford at the

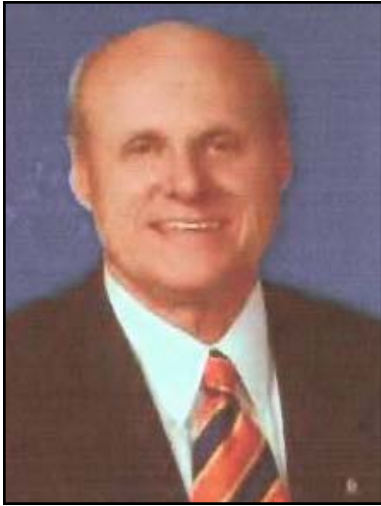
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DISTRICT GOVERNOR RAY ROSENTHAL MESSAGE

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Bill Crawford, ID



same location. So help out, hang out in Foster City, it will be the Lion place to be.

I also want to give you a brief update on MERLO, though I understand you are going to get a

ore detailed report from our Vice District Governor, Eugene Chan. They have formed several active teams and have several good club projects going. If you have a branch, or a potential one, if you would like to help start a Leo's club, or want to be part of helping to organize a new club, now is the time to get in the on action. This team has also received some basic training, has done some very important field work, and is highly motivated and charged up to complete their assigned tasks.

I want to say one more thing to you this month and that is about your Councils. It is very important that you attend your Council Meetings each month. These meetings are where you learn what all the clubs in your area doing. You can get more attendance at your club func-

tions by attendance at other club functions. You schedule things in your clubs so they are not all happening on the same day. And most of all, you get to know a lot of great Lions in your area. So please, support the Councils, attend them once a month, and see the many benefits that you personally and your club will get by doing this.

Don't forget the Cabinet Meeting on the 28th of August! I hope to see many of you at the USA/ CANADA Forum in Reno.

Your fellow Lion,

Ray Rosenthal,

District Governor

District 4-C4, 2004-2005

FUTURE EVENTS, THEY ARE CLOSER THAN YOU THINK!

SEPTEMBER 9- 11: USA/ CANADA FORUM IN RENO.

SEPTEMBER 10TH: SO SAN FRANCISCO HOST AND BRISBANE Charity Fundraiser—A Joint Adventure— Family Style BBQ at 500 East Jamie Court in So. SF (SSF Scavenger Bldg) to raise money for Scholarship fund. \$25 per person. RSVP by 8/22. No contact name given.

SEPTEMBER 17TH: DALY CITY HOST BINGO AND PASTA— See Flyer Page 8

SEPTEMBER 18TH: 2ND CHANCE SPECIAL TRAINING SESSION IN FOSTER CITY. RSVP PLEASE!

SEPTEMBER 21ST: PACIFICA HAS

A SURPRISE IN THE WORKS. A special program is planned for this Dinner meeting, but we don't know what it is. This might be the time for everyone to go visit them!

OCTOBER 1ST: LAST DATE TO ORDER PEACE POSTER KITS FROM CLUB SUPPLIES. 1-800-710-7822

OCTOBER 9TH: MILLBRAE LIONS HOEDOWN AND FUNDRAISER—See flyer page 13

PLEASE CHECK THE GOVERNOR'S VISITATION SCHEDULE ON PAGE 14. IF YOU CHANGE YOUR DATE, HE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO KEEP HIS DATE WITH YOUR CLUB. CALL LION ESTHER LEE REGARDING THE GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE.

PLEASE REMEMBER, ALL REPORTS ARE DUE ON THE **5TH OF EACH MONTH.** THIS YEAR GOVERNOR ROSENTHAL IS ASKING YOU TO SEND **EVERYTHING** TO LION LINDA LOPEZ-WOOD, WHO WILL THEN DISTRIBUTE IT. CLUB SECRETARIES NOW ONLY HAVE TO FILE WITH INTERNATIONAL AND WITH LION LINDA. SHE WILL MAKE ALL OTHER DISTRIBUTIONS TO THE GOVERNOR, VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR, REGION AND ZONE CHAIRS AND TO THE CONTEST COMMISSIONER. BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR RECEIPTS FOR BLOOD DONATIONS, GLASSES, SIGNED VISITATION SLIPS, ETC., FOR ALL CONTESTS. THANKS, LION LINDA L-W

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READING FOR THE BLIND AND DYSLEXIC (CONT. FROM PAGE 3)

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"RFB&D is unique in the world in the number and variety of titles that we provide to students with disabilities that make reading challenging or impossible," said Richard O. Scribner, RFB&D's President and CEO. "Our recorded textbooks ensure that access to the printed page does not stand in the way of



educational success for motivated and ambitious students."

Lauren Kelly of Orinda, one of our local members, said the following about the impact of RFB&D on her academic and personal success, "For me, RFB&D is nothing short of a Godsend and I am so grateful that RFB&D is out there to make print disabled people feel not so different from everyone else. Before discovering RFB&D, I was missing out on the full experience of reading novels and textbooks, just because I had visual limitations that prevented me from reading a book "normally." Now, I am at the same pace and reading level as my classmates."

It all started with a stream of letters to the Ladies' Auxiliary at the New York City Public Library in the late 1940s. Soldiers blinded in combat during the battles of World War II were home and trying to reclaim their lives. For many, moving forward meant continuing their education through the GI Bill of Rights. But how were they to learn if they could not read a book?

Anne Macdonald, a woman of significant principle and equally significant influence, was moved. Asserting that, "education is a right, not a privilege," Macdonald organized her friends within the Auxiliary, the business community, academia and the media. In an attic over the library, they began making recordings of the textbooks needed by the wounded veterans. It was 1948, and Recording for the Blind®, as it was then known, was born.

Over time, word of this unique resource spread. As Anne Macdonald began to establish recording facilities and recruit volunteer readers around the country, requests for accessible textbooks flowed in not just from college students, but also from younger students, their parents and their teachers.

Today, RFB&D relies on the service of more than 5,000 highly trained volunteers to read and record books in every subject area and grade level in 28 special recording facilities from coast to coast, including the Palo Alto studio of our Northern California Unit.

The Northern California Unit is responsible for serving nine counties including San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Monterey, Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, and Sonoma. In these nine counties, there are approximately 37,000 students who could benefit from RFB&D's services.

Today, over 4,000 of these students from kindergarten through graduate school are RFB&D members across all nine of these counties. Our Unit has recently expanded to 3 field educational outreach offices in San Francisco, the South Bay, and the East Bay to better serve individual students and 142 member schools in those local areas. Over the past 18 months, we have increased the number of students served in our nine county territory by nearly 50%. In the next 18 months, we hope to be able to raise the funds needed to further expand our student membership to reach a total of over 5,000 students.

"Finding (RFB&D) was the greatest discovery that I had ever made. It enhanced my academic performance immensely," says Josh Isaacson, another student member from California, who has a visual impairment. "The tapes made learning much more enjoyable and it made me strive for better grades. Not only did I become more comfortable with my studies, but I actually began looking forward to learning."

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Daly City Host Lions Club

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Invites you to

PASTA BINGO

An evening of BINGO with a PASTA DINNER
benefiting Lions Eye Care Programs

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, 2004

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Larcombe Clubhouse in Westlake Park

99 Lake Merced Blvd, Daly City

\$20.00 per person

Includes **Dinner** and **TEN Bingo Games** with **SIX Cards per Game**

Beverage (Soda, Wine, Bottled Water) Tickets: \$1.00 each or six (6) for \$5.00

Additional Bingo cards available for purchase at the door

6:00 – Social; 6:30 – Dinner followed by Bingo until 9:00

Dinner: Pasta, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert, and Coffee

RSVP by September 10th, 2004

650/755-9567 or dchostlions@comcast.net

Pay at the door **or** mail payment to:

Daly City Host Lions Club, P.O. Box H, Daly City CA 94017-0667

Number of people _____ Amount Enclosed _____ Phone _____

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I cannot attend but have enclosed \$ _____ to support Lions Eye Care Programs

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Sunshine Committee

Many of you are familiar with the Sunshine Committee. We have it in full operation for the District again with Lion Katie Dawson of Ocean Ingleside Lions handling the San Francisco Clubs and Lion Barbara Fields of Pacifica Lions handling the Peninsula and Palo Alto Clubs. These are two very wonderful women to be doing this work of love for the District. However they can only help us out if we tell them what is going on. So please read their contact information at the end of this short article and save it. If someone in your club is seriously ill, hospitalized or a member of their immediate family is in this situation, please notify either Lion Barbara or Lion Katie depending on where you Club

is located.

Should a member of you Club pass on, or a member of their immediate family, please do the same. Also let me know. I will try to save this column for that purpose. Thanks, L. L-W

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Pacifica, CA 94044,
RES: 650.359.1259,
honeysugar@access4less.net

Lion Katie Dawson:

Ocean-Ingleside Lions
1145 Plymouth Street
San Francisco, CA 94112
RES: 415.239.2702 (No Email)

Editor's Corrections

OOPS! From the last issue the following things were found to be errors:

In VDG Chan's article the Computer corrected Shenzai to Shanghai. On the International Convention you will NOT take a quick day trip to Shanghai as it is about **1000** miles from Hong Kong, but you can go to the other city.

Also: The South San Francisco Host Lions Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the Basque Cultural Center, 599 Railroad Ave. South San Francisco at Noon. (On page 15, in the calendar, it states that they meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday) On page 6, under Future Events, Our September 10th, Scholarship Fundraiser, has been changed to October 1st. RSVP by September 13 to Lion Ron Fornesi (650) 588-2512 or Lion Joe Fernekes (650) 583-0640 or email fernekes@ssf.net

PEACE POSTER DEADLINES

Now is the time to start organizing for your Peace Poster Contest. Sponsor a school or organized youth group and join clubs worldwide in sharing children's vision of peace with your community.

The Contest is open to Children 11-13 on November 14, 2004. Participating students are asked to draw, sketch or paint their interpretation of "Give Peace a Chance".

Lion Robert Goodwin, the District Chair for this Lions International sponsored Contest, (you will not find details of it in your Contest Book) will speak at the Cabinet Meeting on August 28th.

The kits are ordered from Lions International Club Supplies and you must have one for each school or organization sponsored. They are each \$7.95 plus tax, and shipping and handling.

The deadline for ordering a kit is

October 1, 2004.

Commit your Club to this project. It is a wonderful experience for all involved and the children never forget the experience.



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ON THE PROWL

"MAN OF THE YEAR" for
MILLBRAE 2004

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Redwood City Sunrise Lions: Nothing new to report at this time.

Redwood Shores Lions: No new information at this time.

San Bruno Lions: Football Calcutta on Sept. 21st. They will hold their Annual Golf Tournament on Wednesday, Oct. 6th at Crystal Springs Gold Course. Call Lion Frank Seidel at 650.589.0589 or Lion Dave Keller at 650.952.0338 for more information.

San Carlos Lions: Is working with the MERLO Team on a Leo's Club, I hear.

San Mateo Lions: This new club is SO busy. New kids on the block are burning up the street. My hat is off to Sec. Elaine Borland who took the Secretary Class and worked with Guiding Lion Jim Bigelow and now has their roster perfect and got it so good they are in top standing with International. They sent them a bill for dues, just like the rest of us.

South San Francisco Host: Held a Women's Self Defense Class, participated in Joint Adventure with DC Host Fun Day & Garage Sale,.

West O'Twin Peaks: no news at this time.

THE FOLLOWING CLUBS HAD NO INFORMATION TO REPORT:, FILAM, MERCED HEIGHTS, NIKKEI, SF BAY, SUNSET AND WEST O

TWIN PEAKS

THE PENINSULA COUNCIL OF LIONS: The San Mateo Lions Club will be holding the Annual Halloween Meeting. Location will be announced. The meetings are on the 4th Monday of each month.

San Bruno will be hosting the November Meeting. Call Lion Kris Bakshi for more information.

San Francisco Council of Lions: Is working on their Highway Sign Program and a Scholarship Committee and a Joint Meeting Date.

OTHER MD DISTRICTS NEWS:

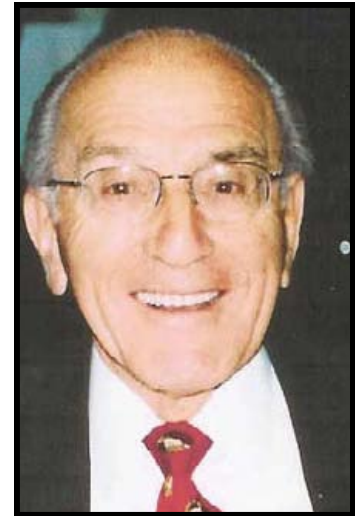
4-C2 Rio Vista/Eureka Area They are holding their Installation and 1st Cabinet Meeting August 27—29 in Eureka.

4-C6 San Jose Area Talked about Choice—not Chance—Determines human destiny. There are five stage of membership in Lionism. Selection, Information, Induction, Orientation, and Involvement.

4-L3 Los Angeles Area Is Focusing on Youth Programs this year.

THE MD4 LEADER HAS A NEW EDITOR! Welcome Lion Milt.

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Lion George Habeeb, PDG, Lions International Ambassador of Goodwill, District Chaplain, Chair of Lions Project for Canine Companions for Independence, and so much more will now add another star, and it is one he richly deserves. Lion George, for the many things he always does, not only with the Lions in Millbrae and worldwide, but also with many other organizations, and for people he does special things for all the time, in his quiet and unassuming manner, has been named "Man of The Year for 2004" in Millbrae, California.

The Ceremony Banquet will take place on October 13, 2004 in Millbrae, at the Green Hills Country Club. His family, and especially his wonderful wife Helen, are all very proud and thrilled for Lion George.

So are we all. Congratulations!

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READING FOR THE BLIND AND DYSLEXIC BY JOHN STEPHENSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Not only has RFB&D expanded to serve more students with an ever-growing collection of educational materials, it has continuously adapted with emerging technologies to make its recorded books more effective and efficient learning tools.

In its early days, books were recorded on open reels, and later, on vinylite discs. These discs were eventually replaced by four-track cassettes embedded with tones that identified new pages or chapters. A standard textbook required as many as a dozen such cassettes. In order to find a specific area within a book, a student would identify the appropriate cassette in its series, and fast-forward or rewind through the beep tones to find the necessary page or chapter.

In 2002, RFB&D introduced its inaugural collection of digitally recorded books on CD called RFB&D's AudioPlus® textbooks. The content of a standard textbook now fits on a single CD, eliminating the need for students to sort through a series of cassettes to find the page, chapter or section they might need at any given time.

In addition to convenience and portability, RFB&D's AudioPlus books provide unprecedented navigation features that allow students to jump from page to page or chapter to chapter with the touch of a button. Students also have the ability to place electronic bookmarks for quick reference to pages or paragraphs of interest. RFB&D's AudioPlus textbooks can be accessed on specialized CD players or with specialized software, on standard multimedia

PCs. Having outfitted all of its studios with state-of-the-art digital recording booths, RFB&D now offers a collection of over 17,000 of its most frequently requested books on CD.

To make RFB&D books even more accessible to students, RFB&D has partnered with over 6,000 schools nationwide to incorporate RFB&D's Learning Through Listening® programs into classroom curricula. Here in Northern California, RFB&D has partnered with 142 schools, including many special needs districts, to provide students with disabilities with its unique accommodation right in the classroom.

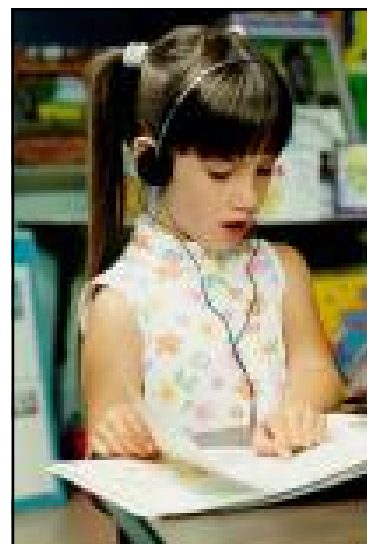
All of this work by RFB&D in Northern California requires local financial support. On average, it costs approximately \$100 to reach, equip, train, and support each new student member. The Northern California Unit is required to be financially self sustaining and receives less than 10% of its annual income from the national organization. It takes the support of local individuals, corporations, foundations, and community organizations such as the Lions Clubs to allow us to achieve our mission in Northern California. In the last year, 8 local Lions Clubs provided financial support to our Northern California Unit, and in prior years 5 other local Lions Clubs have done the same.

We seek the support of each and every local Lions Club in Northern California. At RFB&D, we are committed to the belief that access to opportunity and success begins with access to knowledge and edu-

cation, and with your help we can help print disabled students achieve academic and personal success. This is RFB&D's "plan for a lifetime, educate children". Thank you for your support.

For more information about ways to support RFB&D through financial contribution or volunteer service, please utilize the Northern California Unit web page at www.rfb.org or directly contact John Stephenson, Executive Director of the Northern California Unit in Palo Alto, at 650-493-3717 extension 18.

Editor's Note: Castro Lions Supports 2 elementary school projects through RFB & D and has seen the difference it has made for the students and their families in the last two years.



THE BUILDER

MILLBRAE LIONS—CLUB OF THE MONTH

ARTICLE BY LION LYNN AZZOPARDI

The Millbrae Lions Club will present a Western Barbecue October 9th at the Millbrae Community Center (477 Lincoln Circle), the proceeds from which will benefit the Police and Fire Departments of Millbrae. The \$40 ticket includes line dancing lessons, dinner of tri-tip steak (or chicken by advanced request), corn on the cob, western beans, salad, jalapeño cheese bread and dessert, as well as dancing until midnight to a live band (*Above the Law*). The no-host bar will open at 5 p.m. There will also be raffle prizes and a fantastic door prize—a

one-half carat diamond cluster ring—has been donated by Lion Matt Fitzgibbons (MLC) of Millbrae Jewelers.

City budget cuts have adversely affected all Millbrae city departments and each city department is important but the Safety Services division is crucial to the community. The Millbrae Lions Club hopes to cushion the financial blow. A successful event would ensure that the MLC could make this an annual project, with the proceeds benefiting the Millbrae community. The funds from this event could save the life

or home of a loved one or friend who resides in the Millbrae community.

The Millbrae Lions are depending on the involvement of Millbrae residents and others sympathetic to the City of Millbrae's financial dilemma (after all, so many other communities are facing similar financial burdens). This means that folks need to buy tickets and attend this event. For further information and tickets, please contact project chairman Lion Don Beyer, (650) 583-2139. <>

LIONS IN SIGHT ON PBS STATIONS, A HUELL HOWSER PRODUCTION

Fellow Lions:

Great News! I need your assistance in spreading the word through your District Newsletters, Club Newsletters, emails, Snail Mail, Word of Mouth (D.G. Visitations), and any other way you can get the word out.

Huell Howser Productions, Producer of the California Gold Series seen on PBS Stations, recently taped our Lions in Sight Program for Presentation on all of the PBS Stations in California. We need to follow up on showing the program in Nevada. He followed various Lions around Southern California and documented how they pick up glasses. He accompanied us on a clinic trip to Hermosillo, Mexico, and taped our Mission Team in the

operation of a clinic. He visited our warehouse in Vallejo and filmed our operation there.

The finished product will be shown on KCET in southern California (L.A. AREA) on Sunday, Oct. 3rd, and Tuesday, Oct. 10th, both times at 6:00 PM. The Program will be titled "California Green". It will also be shown on all other PBS Stations in California during the month of October, but Huell Howser could not tell me the dates and times. People will have to call their local PBS station and inquire as to when it will be shown.

Please inquire of your local PBS station as to when it will be shown and spread the word to your Clubs and any interested friends and supporters of

Lionism.

VCR and DVD copies of the half hour Presentation will be available through Lions in Sight for \$10.00 plus Shipping and Handling (\$2.00 each). We will purchase about 60 copies for this purpose so it will be first come first served.

This is a great Public Relations tool for one of our basic programs, so let's take advantage of it. Thank you in advance for helping to "Spread the Word" on this Program.

Regards to All,

Dr. Bill Iannaccone, PID

Chief Operation Officer, Lions in Sight

WANTED: PEOPLE LOOKING FOR A GOOD TIME!



To benefit the
**Millbrae Fire and Police
Departments**
MILLBRAE LIONS CLUB



Presents

Western BBQ and Hoedown 2004

October 9, 2004

Millbrae Community Center

(477 Lincoln Circle)

**5 p.m. no host cocktails and
Line Dancing Lessons**

7 p.m. Dinner

Dancing 9:00 p.m.—midnight

**Musical Entertainment by
Above the Law**

Menu

BBQ Tri-Tip Steak

(or Chicken by Advance Request)

Corn on the Cob

Western Beans

Salad, Jalapeño Cheese Bread, Desert

Tickets must be purchased in advance—**\$40/person**

For further information call (650) 583-2139

Number of Tickets: _____ @ \$40/person = \$ _____

Please indicate number of chicken entrees being requested

Your name: _____

Address: _____

Group seating info.: _____

Make check payable to Millbrae Lions Club

Mail form and check to:

Millbrae Lions Western BBQ 2004

1930 Parkview Drive

San Bruno, CA 94066



We Serve



TWO MONTH DISTRICT GOVERNOR CALENDAR

September 2004

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| 18TH HAS SPECIAL EVENT | AFTER LEADERSHIP TRAINING | AT 7 PM BILL CRAWFORD, ID, DINNER | 17 PM MERLO E. PALO ALTO | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 LABOR DAY | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 USA CAN-ADA FORUM | 13 DG Visits W. O' Twin PKS. | 14 | 15 DG Visits M. P. Host | 16 DG Visits FC Leos | 17 6 PM PARK PRESIDIO ANNIV.#60 | 18 8AM LEADERSHIP TRAINING |
| 19 FOSTER CITY PICNIC 11AM | 20 | 21 DG Visits Palo Alto ; FIL-AM @7PM | 22 DG Visits Atherton | 23 DG Visits San Carlos | 24 | 25 DG AT DAYTOP |
| 26 | 27 DG Visits Menlo P. L. Oak | 28 DG Visits Brisbane | 29 | 30 | | |

October 2004

GOLD INDICATES MORE THAN ONE ACTIVITY

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 9/10 1 pm DG ALSO AT FIL AM FUNDRAISER | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 DG @ RDWD SHORES 7:30 | 6 | 7 | 8 DG @ HIGHLANDS 8 PM | 9 |
| 10 DG @ CHINATOWN LEOS | 11 | 12 DG AT PACIFICA | 13 | 14 DG @ CHINATOWN | 15 DG @ HISPANIC | 16 |
| 17 | 18 DG @ HF. MOON BAY | 19 DG @ MERC. HGTS | 20 DG @ DC HOST/CASTRO | 21 DG @ NEW CENTURY | 22 | 23 DG @ PARK GATE |
| 24 | 25 | 26 DG @ GOLD. GATE | 27 DG @ RC SUNRISE AM | 28 DG @ BURLINGAME 12:15 | 29 6PM NIGHT @THE RACES | 30 |
| 31 SIGHT NIGHT | | | DCH LEOS 12PM; 7:30 PM MILLBRAE | DG @ San Mateo 7 pm | | |

MONTHLY CLUB CALENDAR

September 2004 — Times are 7 PM unless noted.

SUN. MON. TUE. WED. THU. FRI. SAT

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|---|--|--|---|--|-----------------------------|--|
| USA/CANADA IS SHOWN IN GOLD SEPT 9-11. IT IS A BIG CHANCE TO REALLY LEARN ABOUT LIONS | PLEASE RSVP FOR THE SPECIAL TRAINING. WE HAVE TO BUY | THE FOOD, AND YOU WANT TO BE SURE YOU GET YOUR STEAK! OR CHICKEN. \$5.00 (FIVE) | 1 Castro DC Host Noon Geneva M. 6:30 MP Host 7:15 Millbrae 7:30 RC Sunrise 7:15AM | 2 Burlingame 12:10 PM Korean Am. | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 Half Moon Bay 7:30 | 7 Redwood Shores 7:30 PM Pacifica 7:30 San Bruno So. SF Noon | 8 Atherton RC Sunrise 7:15AM Sunset New Century | 9 Chinatown 7:15 PM Burlingame 12:10 PM San Carlos 12:15 PM San Mateo 6:30 | 10 Highlands SF Bay 7:30 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 MP Live Oak 11:30 AM Ocean Ingleside 7:30 SF Host West O' Twin Peaks 6:30 | 14 Brisbane 7:30 Foster City Gold. Gate 7:30 Pacifica 7:30 | 15 Castro DC Host Noon Geneva M. 6:30 MP Host 7:15 Millbrae 7:30 RC Sunrise 7:15AM | 16 Fil Am Burlingame 12:10 PM Korean Am. | 17 Hispanic | 18 8:00 AM FC REC CTR RSVP CALL 415.885.7664 <i>Spec. Training Class</i> |
| 19 | 20 Half Moon Bay 7:30 | 21 San Bruno DC Gateway Merced Heights 5PM Pacifica 7:30 So. SF Noon | 22 Atherton RC Sunrise 7:15AM Sunset SF Council Mtg@ CASTRO | 23 Burlingame 12:10 PM San Carlos 12:15 PM San Mateo 6:30 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 MP Live Oak 11:30 AM PENINSULA COUNCIL MTG | 28 Foster City Brisbane 7:30 Gold. Gate 7:30 Pacifica 7:30 Marina N. B. 6:30 | 29 | 30 | COUNCIL DATES ARE IN PURPLE | SPECIAL DINNER FOR BILL CRAWDFORD, ID ON 9/18 AT 7 PM |

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