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December 2017



DISTRICT GOVERNOR MESSAGE

Fellow Lions:

I hope that you are all enjoying a delightful holiday season. It is a season of giving and that is something that Lions do all year around....

This past Monday, December 4th, I had the opportunity to serve once again at St. Anthony's Dining Room located in the Tenderloin District in the City of San Francisco. On this occasion, I accompanied my youngest daughter's freshman high school class. As I have said at almost every club visitation I have made this year: there is no more rewarding feeling than to help to feed the hungry. I am planning to establish a committee at the district level which will provide opportunities for the Lions of our district to volunteer at St. Anthony's, Second Harvest, Meals on Wheels, North Peninsula Food Pantry. Sometimes, it can be hard to go out and volunteer at a place where you are not familiar and so I am hoping to start planning excursions, perhaps on a quarterly basis, where we can go out and experience serving the hungry in our communities. Please look for information on this coming soon.

In other news, it is time for clubs in our district and statewide to begin recruiting high school students to take part in the 81st Annual Student Speakers Contest. This event is one of my favorite events each year. This year, the topic is "Integrity and Civility Play What Role in

Today's Society?".

Each year, hundreds of high school students throughout California compete for prize and scholarship money with the ultimate winner claiming a prize of over \$21,000. This prize money could certainly help a deserving student pay for college!

I love watching the student speakers as they advance through the 6 rounds (Club, zone, region, district, area, MD4 Final) from fumbling to read their 5-10 minute speeches, struggling to remember their words as the rounds progress to becoming smooth, deliberate, demonstrative orators by the time they reach the latter rounds, all in the space of a few weeks.

For the benefit of the new clubs especially but also for those established clubs that have never or haven't recently taken part, the Student Speakers Contest is an excellent opportunity to establish visibility in your community especially among parent and teacher groups that love nothing better than seeing their beloved students taking part in a prestigious, well-organized contest.

Many clubs have already ordered their speaker contest packets but if you haven't, it is not too late to do it. If you want more information, contact our District Student Speaker Chairman Lion Alan Hafter (e:alanh65@gmail.com, Cell: (650) 678-6712) or visit the website: md4lions.org/student-speakers-contest

The deadline for holding a club contest

is February 26, 2018. There are many, many high schools both public and private in the boundaries of our district with thousands of students. Many of them want the opportunity to take part in a contest like this and it would certainly look good on a college application. Give a high school student a break and sponsor a speech contest!

In Lionism and Happy Holidays!

Lion Mario Benavente

District Governor

District 4-C4

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1st Vice District Governor Message

Greetings Lions, Leos

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First, I want to express my sincere appreciation to District 4-C4 Lions for your caring support during the loss of my dear beloved Uncle and Aunt (Lee and Katie Diamond). Your cards, and phone calls were a blessing during these difficult times. Please continue to hold me and my family up in prayer. The Hurricane Harvey toy drive was a big success, I have attached a picture of the staff from Houston and all the items that were delivered.

The last couple of weeks I have had an opportunity to travel with District Governor Mario on club visitations. We have some amazing clubs during great things in the district. Some of the best kept secrets. Clubs, please report your service activities, this is a great tool for recruiting new members.

Prepare for the coming holidays. Be good to yourself, neighbors and those less fortunate than you. This is a great time of the year to give back, visit senior centers and youth programs. You can be their Santa.

I will be on vacation from December 19, 2017 until January 9, 2018. My

wish for all of you is to have a wonderful Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Looking forward to the coming year and working with all of you.

The Vision
Harmony - Teamwork - Unify

1st Vice District Governor
Lion Lydia Taylor-Bellinger



Photos of Clubs & District Spreading Holiday Cheer...



1. Gift donations from clubs of Leos District 4C4 to veterans at VA Hospital 2. San Bruno Lions operation Santa Claus giving 100 gifts to special needs children 3. Millbrae Lions Tree Lighting and Caroling for Senior Care Facility 4. Peninsula Veterans Lions handing out gifts and special dinner for VA Hospital Psychiatric Ward.

Past District Governors...



- George Habeeb** * 1978-1979 * **Don Stanaway*** 1979-1980 * **Roger Chinn*** 1983-1984 * **Larry Wong** * 1988-1989 * **Don Lustenberger** * 1989-1990 * **Pat Battaglia** * 1990-1991 * **Lou Ercoli** * 1991-1992 * **Kenneth Newman** * 1997-1998 * **Mel Phillips** * 1998-1999 * **Elma Loreda** * 2000-2001 * **Art Pignatti** * 2001-2002 * **Michelle Jester** * 2002-2003 * **Joycelyn Mina** * 2003-2004 * **Ray Rosenthal** * 2004-2005 * **Eugene Chan** * 2005-2006 * **Al Russell** * 2006-2007 * **Maxine Frazier** * 2007-2008 * **Emil Kantola*** 2008-2009 / Council Chair 2009-2010 * **Ken Ibarra** * 2009-2010 * **Mike Simonini** * 2010-2011 * **Esther Lee** * 2011-2012 * **Robert Wilson** * 2012-2013 * **Stephen Picchi** * 2013-2014 * **Jack Van Etten** * 2014-2015 * **Macy Mak Chan** * 2015-2016 * **Rod Mercardo** * 2016-2017 *Bold—Pictured*





**2nd Vice District
Governor Message**

Warm greetings to all fellow Lions, families, friends, colleagues and everyone!

First of all, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! May you all find the spirit of joy, happiness and peace with your love ones, families, and friends during this Christmas season. Well, as a tradition, Christmas season is a time for joyous celebrations, merriments, family reunions, giving gifts and sharing your blessings, most especially to the needy and less fortunate children, individuals and families.

Likewise, I would like to extend my sincerest thanks and appreciations to all Lions Clubs and Lions Members for your unending support, dedication and loyalty to Lionism, especially in providing the much needed volunteer services to other people. The District 4-C4 consist of 56 Lions Clubs, which are all actively involved in providing humanitarian volunteer services to the diverse multicultural individuals and

communities, both locally and in abroad. Some of the special Lions projects are the following: eye sight/vision project; food for the hungry; youth project; diabetes awareness; cancer project; environmental projects; disaster and emergency assistance; assistance for needy veterans; and other humanitarian projects. To participate in Lions humanitarian volunteer service and to serve other people is a humble experience that brings us a lot of joy and a deep sense of purpose.

For the past couple of years, the District 4-C4 has earned the recognition as the number 1 District in Membership growth in LCI Area 1, which consists of USA, Canada, and Bahamas. Being the number 1 District in Area 1 for couple of years is a great accomplishment for our District. It is indeed an honor and pride of every Lion to be a part of the District 4-C4, with great humanitarian projects and great memberships. Well, thanks to our District Leaderships, most specially to PDG Macy Mack Chan, IPDG Rod Mercado, DG Mario Benavente, and all Past District Governors, and District Cabinet Members, Zone

Chairs, Region Chairs, and Guiding Lions for their enormous efforts. I would like also to acknowledge all Lions Clubs Officers and Members for all your volunteer efforts, supports and teamwork. Every Lion is important and contributed to the overall success of our District. As our famous Lion Leader, Helen Keller believes that alone we can do so little but together we can do so much.

A strong Lion leadership is significant to the success of the Lions Club International. The LCI promotes and provides leadership training to Lions leaders and members, in order to develop a quality and strong Lions Leaders. Recently, the LCI provides the Emerging Leadership Lions Institutes (ELLI) and Advanced Leadership Lions Institute (ALLI) training in Denver, Colorado last 11/11 - 13/2017. There were 175 Lions from the Area 1; USA, Canada and Bahamas that participated the Leadership training. I was one of the lucky Lions that were given the chance to participate at the recent advance leadership training. The advance leadership training (ALLI) was a great

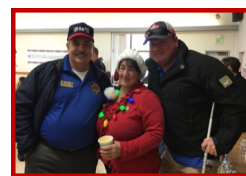
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Club Presidents...



- Bay Area Special Olympics * Victoria Sciacqua * Belmont * Christine Beard * Brisbane * Sharon Boggs * Burlingame * Kwang Park * Daly City Host * Don Fleming * Foster City * Patrick Sullivan * Half Moon Bay * Suzanne Mau * Menlo Park Live Oak * Margaret Carney * Millbrae * David VanWart * Pacifica * Susan Beckmeyer * Palo Alto Host * Bernard Director * Peninsula Special Interest * Ramesh "Kali" Azariah * Peninsula Veterans * Tamera Guess * Redwood City Sunrise * William Jackson, Jr. * Redwood City Downtown * Chris Cheshire * Redwood Shores * Norma Villa * San Bruno * Peter Carey * San Carlos * Kent Yunk * SF Aeta * Fernando Briosos * SF Athletic * Roderick Rodriguez * SF Bay Area * Melanie Hsu * SF Bay Area New Century * Gina Tse * SF Bay Area Fashion Runway * Monique Zhang * SF Bayview Hunters Point * **Jessie Peoples** * SF Buddha * Surenda Malla * SF Circle * **Billardo Morete** * SF Chinatown * Peter Lam * SF Dynamic * Fevelyn Evaristo * SF Fil-Am * Ronnie Dori * SF Financial Rescue Lions Club * **Glen Alavardo** * SF Geneva Excelsior * Sharon Eberhardt * SF Highlands * Marcela Johnson * SF Hispanic * Ninette Mendoza * SF Host * Conn Buckley * SF Korean American * Paul Lee * SF Latinos Unidos * Ruffino Ramos * SF Marina North Beach * Agnes Lau * SF Marketing * David Burke * SF Merced Heights * Linda St Julian * SF Nikkei * William Stipinovich * SF Nueva Vizcaya * Clinton Zuraek * SF Ocean-Ingleside * Connie Bridgewater * SF Park Presidio Sunset * Paul Kozakiewicz * SF Premier * **Fernando Gularte** * SF State University * Marianne Vue * SF The Castro * Meghan Rohrer * SF Unified * Alvin Louie * SF Veterans * John Caldera * SF Supreme * Gary Poon * San Mateo * Ray Mahaffay * San Mateo County First Responders * **James Pappas** * San Mateo Metropolitan * Cindy Zheng * Silicon Valley * Asia Kan * Silicon Valley Cyber * **Mary Koo** * SSF Golden Gate * Faye Pobre * SSF Host * Luis Alvarenga *Bold—*

Pictured





Humor

If you have humorous stories to share, please send your content to lions4service@gmail.com for our next issue. Source: <http://www.jokes4us.com/holidayjokes/newyearsjokes.html>



A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other.

Every year I make a resolution to change myself..... this year making a resolution to be myself!

This New Year's I resolve to be less awesome since that is really the only thing I do in excess.

My new year's resolution is to be more optimistic by keeping my cup half-full with either rum, vodka, or whiskey.

It's officially New Year Eve, you only have a couple of hours to do all the things you will resolve not to do in the new year.

Lions University Program



2017-2018 Cabinet Meeting Schedule

- * 1st Cabinet Meeting—8.12.17—Mission Blue Center, Brisbane Host: Regions 1 & 2
- * 2nd Cabinet Meeting—11.4.17— Region 3 SF Host: Parkside School, San Bruno
- * 3rd Cabinet Meeting—2.3.18—Foster City Recreation Center, Foster City Host: Region 4
- * District Convention—5.3-7.18—Red Lion Hotel, Redding Host: All Regions

Club & District Photos provided by Facebook Club Photographers, PDG Ken Ibarra, Erik Winkler, Mario Benavente, Marta Loewen, Chester Ajero, Yolanda Cayabyab. Photo galleries for more pics available at www.lions4c4.org

Photos of Clubs & District in Action...



Photos of Clubs & District...



- 1: SF Host LC & Lion Chester Ajero donating books with CDs to elementary schools in Philippines
- 2: BASO LC helping at Peninsula Veterans LC Concession Fundraiser
- 3: Community Chorus @ FC Lions Club
- 4: 2VDG Helen graduates from Advanced Leadership Institute
- 5: SC Lions Kick Off Holiday Season
- 6: Burlingame LC Holiday Luncheon

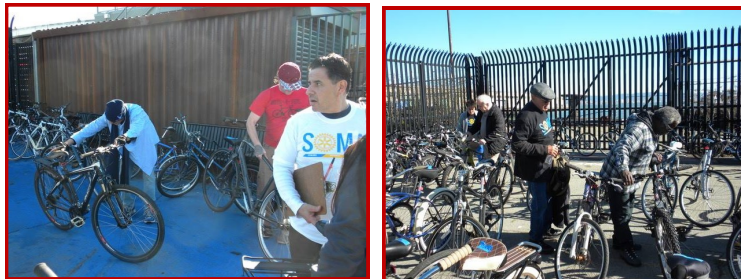
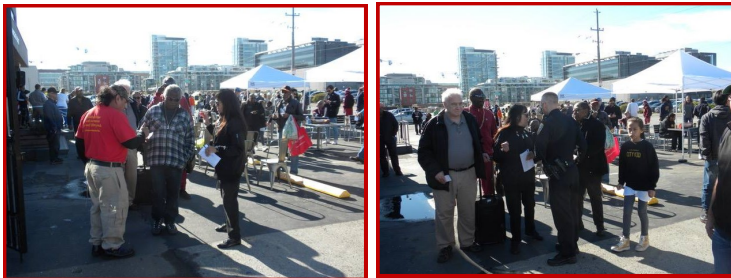




Bikes4Vets Program ...

By Sowmya Vundamati, Lions Veterans Charities, Inc.

On November 18, 2017, the Annual Bikes4Vets program gave out 88 reconditioned bikes to veterans in San Francisco, San Mateo County and, beginning with this year, a trailer-load of bikes were delivered to the veteran patients in Martinez. The bikes were provided by the SFPD, reconditioned by volunteers with new parts including brakes, bike locks, helmets and lights; each recipient was required to take a course in bike safety before provided their bike. Sponsors of the project were the San Francisco Veteran Lions, South of Market Rotarians, the San Francisco Police Department, Lions Veterans Charities Inc., and many others including donations from Lions, Rotarians, businesses, and the public. This annual project was directed by Lion Helen Wong, Rotarian Nine La Dow, and Officer Padmore of the SFPD.



Editor's Minutes.... It's been a good year for my alma mater's in football. USC got the job done against a strong Stanford team that loves the sound of a fog horn as fans are jumping in the stands to a tune of *All Right Now*, winning the Pac 12 Championship for the 1st time since the league had a championship game. It was cool to attend the game with a fellow USC alum in our DG, Lion Mario. A fine example of January's PCL meeting discussion about putting the "fun" back into fundraiser, the ticket purchase included a Lions District 4-C6 fundraiser for diabetes support. ... On December 16, Serra High School in San Mateo claimed its first ever state championship with a dominating win over Cajon of San Bernardino, CA. It was at Serra that I took a mantra to heart that follows me in every organization I get involved with. We were told at our Orientation, *"You will get out of Serra what you put into it."* When I graduated from Serra, I couldn't fit the list of activities I was involved in on one side of a binder paper. It's good mantra for any Lion to follow.

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experience because I learned valuable Lions leadership knowledge and skills. I would like to share some learning insights, which I learned during the ALLI training. The topic that I like to share today is about Strategies for Developing an Extraordinary Team. Extraordinary team gives opportunities for team members to have personal growth while collectively delivering exceptional results as a team. The characteristics of an extraordinary team consist of the following: a) compelling purpose - explore the team purpose, write the team purpose in a clear statement, use the team purpose to guide decisions, the purpose to serve as a source of inspiration for members, remind others of the shared purpose to keep them motivated, encourage others progress toward goals and congratulate them on achievements; b) acceptance of differences - challenge each other respectfully, encourage others to express opinions without fear of negative or dismissive reaction, identify common grounds as foundation for achieving compromise, consider other perspective, acknowledge value of diversity; c) full engagement - share responsibility through delegation, discuss and identify priorities for members to know about important task, do your homework, focus and prioritize on the most critical task, and take initiative; d) strengthened relationships - get to know each other, use subgroups or pairings to manage smaller tasks, team members feel supported and accountable to one another; take a genuine interest in the other members of your team; share things about yourself to create an environment of trust; and e) profound learning - discuss achievements and identify important

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"You'll get out of Lions what you put into it." ... While I was on my Short Tail Ambassador journey recently, I discovered how a cool partner-in-service I met years ago was becoming a Lion. It's good how our District now has a variety of clubs to appeal to a diversity of interests... Happy New Year!— Lion John

**Region 2 Zone 2 Chair * Peninsula Council of Lions IPP
 * San Mateo LC Webmaster * SF Premier LC Associate**



Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs Meeting Photos...

At our November meeting, 2nd VP Lion Bill Fowler announced he was leaving District 4-C4 and thus the PCL for Seattle in a job relocation. The tables at the meeting were set up to form a heart in honor of the PCL theme. meeting collection raised donations for Canine Companions and program speaker PDG Ken Ibarra shared tips and strategies for preparing good club newsletters.

It was announced at our December PCL Board meeting that Lion Martha Sandy of Foster City Lions Club is likely replacement. The PCL Board is considering a bylaws change to allow the club of the IPP post to have two Lions on the board starting next year, to help the nominating committee find capable Lions to serve on the board. Discussion for the bylaw change will likely be held at January meeting at Burlingame Hall on January 22, 2018.



Immediate Past President Lion John Gill presents IPDG Rod Mercado with an appreciation award for his guidance and leadership by example during his PCL presidency. John had his challenges between what he wanted to do and could do as our PCL leader; he appreciated a strong leader in his DG to help guide and mentor him to discover the right decisions.

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contributions so that success can be repeated, change responsibilities, encourage team members to try different roles to develop new skills and offer additional benefits to the team, appreciate others' contributions, ask others for help, and reflect on personal learning "How have I grown from this experience".

Some of the upcoming training opportunities for Lion leaders and members are the following: MD-4 Lions Leadership Institute, Leadership Training on January 20-22, 2018 in Fairfield, CA. and March 10-12, 2018 in Ontario, CA; MD-4 Leo Leadership Institute on April 13-15, 2018 in Lions Camp Teresita Pines; 99th Annual MD-4 Convention on February 9-11, 2018; USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Leadership Training on September 20-22, 2018 in Columbus, Ohio; Faculty Development Institute, Leadership Training on January 26-29, 2018 in Atlanta, Georgia; and Emerging Lions Leadership Institute On May 5-7, 2018 in Fredericton, NB, Canada; and On-Line Leadership Courses are available at the www.lionsclubs.org. click on Member Center, and click on Leadership Development. For more Leaderships Training information you may contact institutes@lionsclubs.org I encourage all Lions Clubs Officers and Members to participate with the Lions Leaderships Training whenever you can.

Lions Club International is one of the largest humanitarian organizations in the world, with almost 1.4 million memberships from 214 countries. LCI has strong Leaderships, wonderful memberships and great humanitarian volunteer services. Together, we continue to serve with compassion, advocacy, empowerment and excellence.

Thank you and God bless everyone.

Lion Helen Casalang
 2nd VDG



District Membership Chevrons...

<u>December 2017</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u># Year s</u>	<u>Charter</u>
Christine Beard	Belmont	10	
Alpha Buie	SF Bayview Hunters Point	10	Charter
David Hunter	Menlo Park Live Oak	20	
Max Mendoza	SF Hispanic	20	
Ninette Morris de Mendoza	SF Hispanic	20	
Gadelia Eballo-Reyes	SF Premier	25	Charter
Gilberto Crespo	SF Hispanic	30	Charter
Genaro Mendoza	SF Hispanic	30	Charter

- San Carlos (50)—Donation
- SF Ocean-Ingleside (6)—LYCA tickets drawing
- SF Aeta (11) - District 4C4 Cabinet Meeting & canned food drive
- SF Athletic (31)—none
- SF Bay Area Fashion Runway— CLOUD Runway Walk
- SF Bay Area New Century (5)—Dragon Boat Festival
- SF Bayview Hunters Point (11)—Installation of SF Council of Lions
- SF Buddha (35)—Bay Area Nepalese Lions Jan Sampark Cup Soccer League
- SF Chinatown (72)—Peace Poster Award Ceremony
- SF Circle (16)—Share this Story
- SF Dynamic (43)—Uganda projects
- SF Fil-Am (36)—European Youth Exchange
- SF Financial Rescue (39)—Lions Veterans Charities, Inc. 6th USO Night
- SF Geneva Excelsior (25)—Mission Education Center—Student Christmas/Santa Claus Gift Giving
- SF Highlands (27)—Mission of Mercy/Widows Promise/ Pumpboats Project For Haiyan Fishermen Victims
- SF Hispanic (10)—"Where there's a Need, there's a Lion..."
- SF Host (59)—SFCCL & PCL Joint Halloween Meeting
- SF Korean-American (26)—Free medical clinic
- SF Latinos-Unidos (31)—Donation
- SF Marina North Beach (17)—Spot Vision Scanning Training
- SF Marketing (25)—November Donation Drive
- SF Merced-Heights (13)—Toy Drive for Hurricane Harvey Children
- SF Nikkei (20)—Health and Wellness Fair
- SF Nueva-Vizcaya (54)— Heal The World
- SF Park Presidio Sunset (17)—none
- SF Premier (41)—District 4-C4 Incoming Officer's Training Seminar
- SF State U (5)—Donation to Guide Dogs for the Blind
- SF Supreme (18)—Church
- SF The Castro—Homeless Vision Event
- SF Unified (118)—District 4-C4 3rd Cabinet Meeting
- SF Veterans (15)—SF Veterans Day Parade
- San Mateo (17)—USO Night
- San Mateo County First Responders (21)—Adopt a Drain
- San Mateo Metropolitan (30)—Vision Screening Unit
- Silicon Valley (21)—None
- Silicon Valley Cyber (55)—None
- South SF Golden Gate (36)—Infant Formula donated
- South SF Host (22)—Annual Food Drive

LCI Reporting—Clubs Sharing Activities....

The District leadership has been asking us to make sure we report our service activities. When you report your activities, you have the choice to share them with the district. These are reported activities that clubs are sharing for district to see on MyLCI...

- BASO (33)—Dinner for Homeless Shelter
- Belmont (15)—Disaster Relief Melvin Jones
- Brisbane (64)—First Vision Screening at Local Middle School
- Burlingame (40)—Electronic Recycling
- Daly City Host (24) —Vision Screening
- Foster City (72)—Annual Garage Sale
- Half Moon Bay (31)—Pumpkin Festival
- Menlo Park Live Oak (45)—Vision Screening for children in schools ages 2-6 years old
- Millbrae (74)—Support Meadows School Turkey Trot & Fall Festival
- Pacifica (30)—Eyeglass Collection
- Palo Alto (21)—Assistance to a school
- Peninsula Special Interest (23)—6th Annual Juvenile Diabetes Fundraiser
- Peninsula Veterans (26)—Stanford Athletics Concession
- Redwood City Downtown (29)—American Legion Volunteer
- Redwood City Sunrise (12)—ISCCC
- Redwood Shores (25)—Lumps Fundraising Event
- San Bruno (40)—San Bruno Lions Club Golf Tournament



California Lions Foundation Brochure...

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2017-2018 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION
Club must be chartered prior to January 1, 2017 (Final year to be eligible)

Club Number: _____ Club Name: _____
Member Number: _____ 2017-2018 Club President's Name: _____
2017-2018 Club President's E-mail Address: _____

I. MEMBERSHIP

Maintained Club Membership Strength or had a Net Growth of _____

Club has published its service activities through local media or social media as noted below.

II. SERVICE

Completed three Service Activities as noted below:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Club has published its service activities through local media or social media as noted below.

III. ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Club is Good Standing, has a Status Club of Financial Integrity, and is in good standing with the District.

Officers participate in one or more of the following leadership training events:

District National Council International District District District

Club has published its service activities through local media or social media as noted below.

IV. MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION

Club has published its service activities through local media or social media as noted below.

Club has published its service activities through local media or social media as noted below.

Date: 2017/2018 District Governor's Signature: _____ District: _____ Member Number: _____

Send to: August 15, 2018
Send to: September 15, 2018
Send to: October 15, 2018
Send to: November 15, 2018

2017-2018 Lions Club Excellence Award Application

District Leos In Action
By: InMenlo.com Article



Throughout the month of December, the Leo District 4-C4 created and executed the first Virtual Giving Tree for veterans.

The Leos provided gifts to approximately 50 veterans, all part of the Homeless Veterans Rehabilitation Program (HVRP) at the Veterans Affairs Center in Menlo Park. Elise Kratzer and Dina Zheng, Leo District 4-C4 Board First VP and President, worked with Jason Hamilton of the Work Therapy Program, which helps homeless veterans get back into the workforce, to make this new project a success.

Read more... <http://inmenlo.com/2017/12/29/m-a-leo-club-initiates-virtual-giving-tree-for-homeless-veterans-in-menlo-park/>

CALIFORNIA LIONS FOUNDATION

MISSION STATEMENT
California Lions Foundation (CLF) is a California, non-profit, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) corporation with the sole purpose to provide matching financial grants to California Lions Clubs. CLF matching grants are provided to enable California Lions clubs to provide even greater service to their local communities.

BENEFIT STATEMENT
Matching financial grants will be available to clubs and districts to meet various needs and projects in their respective communities through a Grant Application process. Grant criteria are specified to assure that CLF does not duplicate services or grants already available from another foundation or source. The dollar range of CLF grants will be focused on projects from \$500 to \$10,000. A CLF grant can be combined with a LCLF grant for larger projects.

FUNDING STATEMENT
Funding for the Foundation will be provided from donations from corporate sponsors, individuals, Lions Clubs and local Lions.

MEMBERS, CLUB AND DISTRICT OPPORTUNITIES
Club Banner Patches with Anniversary Chevrons \$100 initial and \$100 annually thereafter.

FELLOWSHIPS
\$100 Contributing Member (CLF Contributing Pin)
\$500 Life Member (CLF Life Member Pin & Recognition Plaque)
\$1,000 President Kay K. Fukushima Fellowship (CLF Fellowship Pin & Recognition Plaque)
\$2,500 Reginald Harris Fellowship (CLF Fellowship Pin & Recognition Plaque)
Progressive President Kay K. Fukushima Fellowship levels for additional \$1,000 donations
*Fellowship Contribution are cumulative towards President K Fellowships

FOUNDING MEMBER, DISTRICT AND CLUB OPPORTUNITIES FOR A LIMITED TIME:
Founding Member and Kay K. Fukushima Fellowship for donation of \$1,000.
Reginald Harris Fellowship for donation of \$2,500.
Founding Club or District Recognition for \$5,000.
Accumulation of Founding Members is eligible for Founding Club Recognition.

MAJOR DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS
A partnership spotlights major contributions that would have an immediate impact to the foundation in both assets and marketability. More and more California corporations are actively seeking partnerships with local foundations as part of their "Social Mission." In today's growing socially aware business world, it is not enough to generate a great product, but a company must also show how it is giving back. The Lions of California are a natural fit and they can be assured that 100% of their donations will serve Californians.

Partnership Levels
Silver: \$5,000 and over
Bronze: \$7,500 and over
Gold: \$10,000 and over
Knight of the Blind: \$20,000 and over

Also Available
Vehicle, boat, RV donation program
Net proceeds to CLF from the sale of vehicles, boats, RVs, etc. (Tax Deductible)
Planned Giving/Bequests/Memorial Program
Anyone may name CLF in their will or trust and may send a gift in memory of or to honor a relative or friend.

DONATIONS MAY BE ON-LINE OR SENT TO:
California Lions Foundation
c/o MD4 Lions Office
129 Los Agujales Avenue
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
www.CaliforniaLionsFoundation.org

Grants will be available as soon as funding of \$250,000 is achieved.



District Leaders



Not pictured: Maryah Tucker, Leila Marin, Lydia Taylor-Bellingier

Region 1 (14)	Region 2 (12)	Region 3 (12)	Region 4 (18)
John Hui	Manny Paje	Clayton Jolley	Sandee Ige
Zone 1	Zone 1	Zone 1	Zone 1
Margaret Lee	Maryah Tucker	Leila Marin	Mike Coffaro
SF Chinatown	SF Hispanic	Brisbane	San Mateo
SF Unified	SF Merced Heights	<i>Daly City Host</i>	Belmont
SF Park Presidio	SF Ocean-Ingleside	<i>SSF Golden Gate</i>	<i>San Carlos</i>
SFBA New Century	SF State University	<i>Pacifica</i>	Redwood Shores
SF Fashion Runway	<i>SF Geneva Excelsior</i>	SF Fil Am	Peninsula Special Interest
SF Latino Unidos	SF Bay View	SF Host	SSF Host
SF Athletic			
Zone 2	Zone 2	Zone 2	Zone 2
Pat Ancheta	John Gill	Nirmala Bandrapalli	Shikha Bakshi-Hamilton
<i>SF Korean American</i>	SF Highlands	<i>BASO</i>	<i>Half Moon Bay</i>
SF Buddha	SF Premier	<i>Burlingame</i>	San Mateo Metro
SF Nikkei	SF Circle	<i>SMC 1st Responders</i>	SF Bay Area
SF Aeta	SF Marina-North Beach	SF Supreme	<i>Redwood City Sunrise</i>
SF Veterans	SF Nueva Vizcaya	Millbrae	<i>Redwood City Downtown</i>
SF The Castro	SF Dynamics	San Bruno	Foster City
SF Marketing			
			Zone 3
DG Visit Finished	Student Speaker Contest	15 clubs ordered packets to date	Richard Loewen
Scheduled Nov.			Menlo Park Live Oak
Scheduled Dec.			Palo Alto Host
Scheduled Jan.			Peninsula Veterans
Scheduled Feb.			Silicon Valley Cyber
			Silicon Valley
			SF Financial Rescue

District Cabinet

Lions	Title	Club
Mario Benavente	District Governor	San Bruno
Lydia Taylor-Bellingier	1st Vice District Governor	SF Merced-Heights
Helen Casaclang	2nd Vice District Governor	SSF Golden Gate
Venetia Young	Secretary	San Carlos
Dr. Jun Valera	Treasurer	SF Fil-AM
PDG Ken Ibarra	GLT Coordinator	San Bruno
Kevin Guess	GMT Coordinator	Peninsula Veterans
PDG Esther Lee	GST Coordinator / LCIF Chair	SF Marina-North Beach
John Hui	Region 1 Chair	San Bruno
Margaret Lee	Zone 1 Chair	SF Chinatown
Pat Ancheta	Zone 2 Chair	SF Host
Manny Paje	Region 2 Chair	SF Host
Marah Tucker	Zone 1 Chair	BA Special Olympics
John Gill	Zone 2 Chair	San Mateo
Clayton Jolley	Region 3 Chair	Half Moon Bay
Leila Marin	Zone 1 Chair	SSF Golden Gate
Nirmala Bandrapalli	Zone 2 Chair	Burlingame
Sandee Ige	Region 4 Chair	SSF Host
Mike Coffaro	Zone 1 Chair	San Carlos
Shikha Bakshi Hamilton	Zone 2 Chair	Foster City
Richard Loewen	Zone 3 Chair	Peninsula Veterans
PDG Rod Mercado	Immediate Past District Governor	SF Host
Kevin Guess	Executive Director	Peninsula Veterans
Council Presidents		
Maryah Tucker	PCL President	BA Special Olympics
Virgilio Camota	SFCCL President	SF Highlands

Lions Clubs International Leadership



Naresh Aggerwal
International President



Gudrum Bjort Yngvadottir
First Vice President



Jung-Yui Choi
Second Vice President



Haynes Townsend
Third Vice President



District Sunshine News—Lion Marian Mann, Chair

Please send your Sunshine Information to Sunshine Chair, Lion Marian Mann —marianmann@aol.com

December 3...



Palo Alto Host Lions Club sadly announces the passing of Lion Bill Downey on December 1st. Arrangements are pending. Condolences may be sent to Downey Family, 14330 De Bell Dr, Los Altos CA 94022. Our thoughts and prayers are will Lion Bill's family, fellow Lions, and friends.

San Francisco Merced Heights Lions Club sadly announces the passing of Grace Wortham, wife of Lion T.J. Wortham. Viewing is scheduled for Tuesday, 12/5 from 4:00 to 9:00 at Duggan's Serra Mortuary, 500 Westlake Ave, Daly City 94014; Funeral Mass is scheduled for Wednesday, 12/06 at 10:00 at St. Emydius Church, 286 Ashton Ave, San Francisco 94112. Condolences may be sent to Lion T.J. Wortham, 244 Dell Prado Dr, Daly City 94015. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lion T.J. and family.

San Bruno Lions Club has advised that Lion Larry Verna is recovering after being seriously injured by an automobile. Lion Larry has a long recovery ahead. Our very best wishes for a successful recovery are with Lion Larry. Get Well wishes may be sent to Lion Larry Verna, 1019 Montgomery Ave, San Bruno 94066.

November 26...



San Francisco Chinatown Lions Club announces the passing of Christine Lee, mother of Lion Yvonne Kantola, on Thursday, 11/23. Arrangements are pending. The family is requesting in lieu of flowers a donation be made to your favorite charity. Condolences may be sent to Lion Yvonne Kantola, 660 Manor Drive Pacifica CA 94044. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lion Yvonne and family.

November 19...



San Francisco Merced Heights Lions club announces the passing of Katie Diamond, aunt of 1st Vice District Governor Lydia Taylor-Bellinger and sister-in-law of Lion Mary Massey. Funeral is scheduled for November 30, 2017 at 11:00am. Corner Stone Fellowship Church, 525 Walnut Ave., Walnut Creek. Condolences can be sent to Lion Lydia Taylor-Bellinger, 11305 Elvessa St, Oakland 94650 and Lion Mary Massey, 22 Haviland Court, San Pablo 94806. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lion Lydia, Lion Mary, and family.

Lion Marian Mann, Sunshine Chair


Proposed MD4 Environmental Photo Contest Rules

Proposed MD-4 Lions 2017-2018 Environmental Photo Contest Rules

- The 2017-2018 MD-4 Environmental Photo Contest is open to LIONS and LEOS in Multiple District Four (MD-4).
- All photos depicting a nature theme (such as plants, animals, landscape, weather phenomenon, etc.) are welcome.
- Photos should be original, unaltered and must be taken by the submitting Lion or Leo.
- Photos should depict the local environment of the community the Lions or Leo club serves.
- Photos that include people will be disqualified.
- Photos should be printed on high-quality photo paper and measure 8" x 10".
- All photographers accept responsibility for the cost of taking and processing all photos.
- Lions Clubs and Leo Clubs are invited to submit their photo(s) to the District contest or to the District Governor as applicable.
- Lions Districts select and submit one winning photo to the Multiple District by April 30, 2018.
- MD-4 shall select the winning photo by May 31, 2018. The winner shall be announced and the submitted district photos shall be displayed during the June 2018 Council of Governors meeting. An award will be presented to the winning photographer and the photo will be featured on the MD-4 website.
- Contest photos become the property of MD-4. MD-4 reserves the right to disqualify entries that do not meet contest criteria or that may be viewed as inappropriate or objectionable.
- At all levels of the competition, photos will be judged impartially based on originality, artistic merit, and technical quality.

Note: The above contest rules are limited to MD-4. LCI is currently evaluating the Lions Environmental Photo Contest to include images on cell phones and other social approaches in sharing images.

Revised 12/18/17



January Gathering

Dinner: Buffet
 \$30 Per-Person
 6:00 No- Host
 Cocktails
 7:00 Dinner

Peninsula Council of Lions
 January Gathering
 Hosted by Burlingame Lions
 Monday January 22, 2017
 Burlingame Lions Club Hall
 990 Burlingame Ave
 Burlingame, CA 94010



Dinner Discussion
 Putting the fun in
 Fundraiser
 Lion's Heart
 Collection: Lions
 Eye Foundation

Please RSVP to PCL
 or before January 17th
 with your name and club by
 sending an e-mail to
RSVP2PCL@aol.com

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Lions District 4-C4 Newsletter

Lion John Gill

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Lions Code of Ethics & Objectives

Ethics

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

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Objectives

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

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

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

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

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



Lion of the Year & Si Moyer Award Winners

