



# LIONS DISTRICT 4-C4



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THE CALL TO SERVICE

**We Serve—San Francisco to Palo Alto** September 2017



## DISTRICT GOVERNOR MESSAGE

Fellow Lions:

There are many reasons why people join the Lions Club. Some join for the social aspects, wanting to work alongside their friends and neighbors. Others join to network and create business contacts. I believe, though, that the majority of us join to improve our communities and make a better world for our children and grandchildren.

For many years, our youth have been a primary focus of Lions worldwide. As a family man, it just so happens that youth, in particular, my three daughters, have been a focus of mine. When I first joined the San Bruno Lions Club, my eldest daughter, Christine, was 8 years old, Rachel was 4 and my youngest, Michelle, had not yet been born. They have literally grown up in Lions.

My daughters have always enjoyed being a part of our Lion activities, especially going to conventions. They see the fun and camaraderie between our members. They also don't mind seeing their old man making a spectacle of himself on the stage during the amateur skit and barbershop quartet. For my part, though, and more importantly, they are aware of the purpose of the club, which is to serve. While they may not always acknowledge it verbally, they see what we do to help our neighbors. My mother, Isabel, was a Lion and both my grandmother and father were also involved in community service. I believed

that they served as a model for me growing up.

As the Crosby, Stills and Nash song goes: "You who are on the road must have a code that you can live by..." and it calls on us to "teach our children well". An important part of our lives is to instill in our children and grandchildren a sense of social responsibility and the desire to do good by helping others.

Lions Clubs offer many programs for youth and I think that it is important to involve our children and grandchildren whenever possible and to support the programs that bring the younger members of our society into the area of community service while introducing them to Lionism.

An easy way for our clubs to get involved with youth programs is the Peace



Poster contest. No matter where your club meets, no matter where you're located, there is an

elementary or grammar school near you. Peace poster kits are inexpensive, only \$11.95, and it only requires that you contact your local school or after-school program to get children to participate. Not only does it nurture the children's creative side, it gets them thinking about the virtues of peace while introducing them (and, possibly, their parents) to Lionism. It's not too late to order Peace Poster kits for this year. They are available from the LCI website store. It is important to read the contest rules care-

fully. Contact District Peace Poster contest chair Lion Adlai Jew of the SF Supreme Lions Club ([adlajew@gmail.com](mailto:adlajew@gmail.com)). The deadline to order is October 1, 2017, so order your club kit today!

Another program which has been a favorite of mine for many years is the MD4 Student Speaker Contest.

This program is for high school students and allows them to practice their public speaking skills while



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**1st Vice District  
Governor Message**

On Sept 12, our PDGs and Cabinet nominated Lion Lydia Taylor-Bellinger to 1st VDG. On Sept 19, LCI approved the appointment. Lion Lydia's column will debut next issue.

— Bulletin Editor

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giving them a chance to earn cash prizes and scholarships, as much as \$21,000. The total cash payout from the SS Foundation is over \$100,000 each year. Again, the kits can be ordered from the foundation and are available for free. It costs the club \$85, payable to District 4-C4, and small cash prizes to the students that take part. Not only do the students learn valuable public speaking skills and become familiar with Lions but their parents and teachers come to hear them speak as well, giving us an opportunity to introduce them to our organization. Yes, let's show them what we do for the community and ask them to join us! The District Student Speaker Chair is Lion Alan Hafter. He can be reached at alanh65@gmail.com. We also have as trustees to the Student

Speaker Foundation Lion Rich Picchi, PDG Jack Van Etten and IPDG Rod Mercado. Please contact them to find out how your club can participate in this program. Lion Alan is ready to help any club wishing to start taking part in this program. This year's contest topic is "Integrity and Civility Play



What Role in Today's Society?" This summer, my wife, Lion Rose, my daughter, Michelle and I had the pleasure of escorting some young exchange students from Europe and Japan. Our part in the Youth Exchange Program is very small but we found it extremely enjoyable to spend time with our young guests. We learned about their country and they learned about the United States and our customs. The youth exchange works in both directions so if you have a child or grandchild who might be interested in spending a part of the summer abroad or if you are interested in either hosting or escorting visiting teens, contact Lion Dr. Jun Valera (lifesaver58@hotmail.com). He runs a

fabulous program and is always looking for new blood (Forgive the pun, Doc!)



Of course, we have an active Leo Club program and, last year, under then-DG Rod Mercado, a Leo District was formed which is governed by Leos under the guidance of Leo Program Chairs Charles "Smitty" Smith (Montanasmitty102@netzero.com) and Frank Tang (ftang168@yahoo.com). If your club has an interest in helping your local high school students learn about community service, drop them a line or give them a call.

It has always been said that our children are our future. We must invest in our future! Please take the time to learn about the many programs for youth available through Lions Clubs International.

Yours in Lionism,  
Lion Mario Benavente  
District Governor

**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 Lored** \* 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 Mercado** \* 2016-2017 *Bold—Pictured*





**2nd Vice District  
Governor Message**

Greetings and Hello to all fellow Lions, Colleagues Friends and Everyone.

First of all, I would like to extend my congratulations and best wishes to all the Officers and Members of the San Francisco Coordinating Council of Lions (SFCCCL), Peninsula Council of Lions (PCL), and all the Lions Clubs of the District 4-C4. Great job for all the Lions Clubs in installing their new Officers and inducting new Lion Members. Welcome and congratulations to all the new Lions Clubs Officers and Members.

Great job and congratulations especially to all the Lions Clubs that collaborated and participated during the 2nd Multi-Clubs Installation of Officers for 2017-18 and Induction of new Members last August 19, 2017 at the San Mateo Elks Lodge. This event was graced by the Past International Director, Jerome Thompson as the Guest Speaker, IPDG Rod Mercado as the Installing Officer, and DG Mario Benavente as the Inducting Officer of

new Members. Our special thanks for all the Lions coordinators and committee members for their efforts and dedications led by the Team of PDG Esther Lee, Lion Dr. Jun Valera, and all Lions.

The Installation events of Lions Clubs Officers and Induction of new Lions Members during the months of July to September 2017 are part of the Lions Club culture and tradition. The events symbolize the Lions Club service journey, celebrations, camaraderie, friendships, collaborations, teamwork and unity. Another goal of this event is to acknowledge, support and inspire our new Lions Club Officers to lead and guide the Lions Club members towards our Lions goal, which is to serve the needy. Likewise this event is a time to thank and acknowledge our past Club Officers and Members for all their dedications, loyalty, and efforts to volunteer service to the community. For all the past Club Officers and Members thank you to everyone for a job well done.

I encourage all Lions Club Officers and Members to participate during the District 4-C4 Cabinet Meetings in order to improve our service collabora-

tions, teamwork, unity and camaraderie with other Lions Clubs. Some of the benefits in participating during the Cabinet meetings includes the following; able to report about your Lions Club projects, learn and exchange ideas about Lions Clubs services; develop connection and support with the other Lions Clubs; great guest speakers; and learn some Leadership knowledge and skills.. The 2nd Cabinet Meeting is on November 4, 2017 at Parkside School in San Bruno.

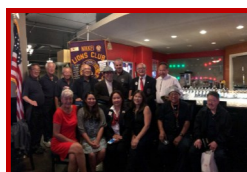
I would like to share some learning insights about Lion Leadership skills, which I learned during the MD4 Council of Governors Training last August 3-4 at Sacramento. Thanks to our PDG Ken Ibarra for being one of the Training Speakers and presented about Communication Skill. Communication is a two way process, the participants exchange ideas and information through verbal speech, signs, written or actions. The four skills for effective communication includes the following: active listening, which entails pay attention, do not rely on memory, defer judgment, paraphrase for clarity and summarize for under-

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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: https://www.jokesandhumor.com/jokes/326.html



*A man is in a room and the door is locked so he can't get out. He has with him a piano, a calendar, and a bed. How does he eat drink and get out?*

*Answer: He uses the dates from the calendar to eat, the springs from the bed to drink and the keys from the piano to get out.*



*What lives forever, and if you eat it, YOU DIE?*

*Answer: Nothing! Nothing lives forever and if you eat nothing, you Die!*

**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, Venetia Chester Ajero. Photo galleries for more pics available at [www.lions4c4.org](http://www.lions4c4.org)

**Hurricane Harvey Support**

The proceeds of the Lions Veterans Charities annual USO Night this year will be donated to the Veterans in need in Houston. The event, honoring Lion Dick Kishimoto, will be held on October 13, 2017 at the Foster City Recreation Center. Lion Dick was a Sergeant Major in the Army.

**Photos of Club Installations...**



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**Photos of Clubs & District in Action...**



1-2: SMC First Responders Installation 3-5: First Cabinet Meeting 4: Zone & Region Chair Training 5: DG Mario at FC Lions Installation 6: Burlingame Lions night time DG Visitation-7: SF Host Lions Club Installation



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**LCI Second Vice President Bio..**



**JUNG-YUL CHOI**

Jung-Yul Choi, of Pusan, Republic of Korea, was elected to serve as second vice president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 100th International Convention, held in Chicago, Illinois, USA, June 30 through

July 4, 2017.

Vice President Choi is the CEO of an international trading company.

A member of the Pusan (First) Lions Club since 1977, Vice President Choi has held many offices within the association, including club president, cabinet secretary, district governor and vice chairman of Multiple District 309. In addition, he was a panelist at the 33rd OSEAL Forum, held in 1994.

In recognition of his service to the association, Vice President Choi has received numerous awards, including the Senior Master Key Award, the 100% District Governor Award, an International President's Leadership Medal, six International President's Certificates of Appreciation, an International President's Award and an Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, Vice President Choi is CEO of Koala Company, Ltd. and vice chairman of the Dong-A University Alumni Association. He is also a past director of the Pusan Sports Association.

Vice President Choi and his wife, Seung-Bok, have four daughters.



PDG Lion Ken Ibarra honored by SF Host Lions Club with Don Stanaway Fellowship at club's DG Visitation



Editor's Minutes.... I read on a Facebook a post from Lion Calvin Chin suggesting we should cover more service related activities of our clubs than social activities in our newsletter. Good suggestion. Thanks. I do include service projects in our Club and District Photos sections, but I can't write about the events as I don't know the specifics. Please do send in content on your projects if you wish to have them included or post a write-up online at your club Facebook page or our District Group Page where I can pull it for our content. — Lion John

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standing; non-verbal communication, which entails facial expressions, body movement and posture, gesture, and eye contact; direct expression, which entails use of "I" statements to express ideas and feelings without blaming, criticism or accusation; and giving/receiving feedback, which entails giving feedback by being supportive, direct, specific, thoughtful, and timely. Receiving feedback entails listen actively, ask for examples, resist debate, and process feedback in your own time. To access Leaderships Resource Center go to the www.lionsclubs.org, click on Member Center, and click on Leadership Development.

Lions Club International is one of the largest humanitarian service organizations in the world. We have great memberships and great humanitarian services. We have to be happy and take the pride of being a Lion member. Together, we continue serve with compassion, advocacy, empowerment and excellence.

Lion Helen Casaclang  
2nd VDG

**Lions Veterans Charities USO Supplies @ SFO...**

By: PDG Roger Chinn, Executive Director



Lions Veterans Charities (LVC), again provided needed supplies to the USO at SFO this past Friday. Due to the large amount of coffee for service personnel, their families and visitors, over 5,000 single servings of cream and some of sugar was donated; this donation occurs every other month or as needed. The USO at SFO made it through the busy summer travel season

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**IPDG Appreciation Party...**

Unite \* Innovate \* Deliver. Each year, the IPDG has an appreciation party to say thanks to all that helped out during the year on the various committees, special projects, and Cabinet. This year's party featured the Centennial Coin, Medals, and Certificates for the variety of special awardees and general help. The venue was the San Mateo Recreation Center at Beresford. Beautiful dance room with DJ and buffet. Here are few photos of the event:



**PCL Installation—Lion of the Year & Most Valuable Club President of the Year**

The Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs President has the option to provide a custom menu of activities for its Council. On August 20, 2017, the outgoing PCL Board honored 3 Lions with Lion of the Year and Most Valuable Club President of the Year, respectively. The PCL *Lion of the Year* was given out to two deserving Lions who helped out clubs and participated in PCL events throughout the year. Both were given a Don Stanaway Fellowship, a \$250 donation to Lions Eye Foundation. The *Most Valuable Club President of the Year* was awarded a Harry J. Aslan Fellowship, a \$200 donation to Student Speaker Foundation. The PCL *Lions of the Year* were Lions Kevin Kiely and Sandee Ige. The PCL *Most Valuable Club President of the Year* was Tamera Guess. While it was the President's choice to make, it was discussed with the board and became a team consensus on the winners. Tamera will receive her fellowship at the September PCL meeting.



**SFCCL Installation Photos...**



Scholarship  
Winners



Multi Club Installation Photos...



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San Francisco Host Lions Club

The oldest club in District 4-C4, Chartered March 30, 1920  
A member of the Lions Clubs International



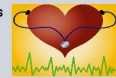
We Serve

2017 HEALTH FAIRS SCHEDULE

1. **United Methodist Church of Daly City**  
1474 Southgate Ave. Daly City CA 94015  
September 10, 2017 (Sunday) 10:00 am—3:30 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
2. **Fil-Am Seventh-Day Adventist Church**  
533 Hickey Blvd., Pacifica CA 94044  
September 16, 2017 (Saturday) 1:00 pm—4:30 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
3. **Life Stream**  
7208 Mission Blvd, Daly City CA 94014  
September 17, 2017 (Sunday) 12:00 noon—4 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
4. **Crocker Masonic Lodge 212**  
17 Hillcrest Drive, Daly City CA 94014  
September 23, 2017 (Saturday) 9 am—3:00 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
5. **Hope United Methodist Church**  
115 El Campo Dr. So San Francisco CA 94080  
September 24, 2017 (Sunday) 9:30 am-3:30 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
6. **Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church**  
#1 Elmwood Drive, Daly City CA 94015  
October 1, 2017 (Sunday) 9:00 am—2:00 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
7. **Mater Dolorosa Catholic Church**  
307 Willow Ave. So San Francisco CA 94080  
October 8, 2017 (Sunday) 8:00 am-2:00 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
8. **St. Augustine Catholic Church**  
3700 Callan Ave, South San Francisco CA 94080  
October 15, 2017 (Sunday) 8:00 am—2:00 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
9. **Holy Child & St. Martin Episcopal Church**  
777 Southgate Avenue, Daly City CA 94015  
October 21, 2017 (Saturday), 9:00 am—2:00 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
10. **St. Robert's Catholic Church**  
1380 Crystal Spring Rd, San Bruno CA 94066  
October 22, 2017 (Sunday) 1:00 pm—4:30 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
11. **Mission Masonic Lodge #169**  
2868 Mission St., San Francisco CA 94110  
October 28, 2017 (Saturday), 10:00 am—3:00 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC
12. **All Souls Catholic Church**  
315 Walnut Avenue, So San Francisco CA 94080  
October 29, 2017 (Sunday) 8:00 am-2:00 pm  
Joint venture with SF Fil-Am Lions Club and Gryphon Leos, SF Dynamic LC, SF Aeta LC, SF Buddha LC, Peninsula Special Interest LC, SSF Golden Gate LC and San Bruno LC

SERVICES TO BE RENDERED

1. Blood Pressure Check
2. BMI Check
3. Chiropractic Check
4. Cholesterol and Glucose Check
5. Dental Consult
6. DIABETES AWARENESS
7. EBT—Cal Fresh
8. FREE FLU SHOTS
9. FREE Children Books
10. Hep-B Free Education
11. Medical Consult
12. Oxymeret Check
13. VISION SCREENING for the Young and Adult



Project Partners



You Are Invited to  
LIONS VETERANS CHARITIES, INC.  
"USO NIGHT"

"USO NIGHT is not a sponsored USO event but a facsimile of the events our Servicemen and Women enjoyed while in service to our country. Proceeds to benefit programs of Lions Veterans Charities, Inc. a 501-c3 Organization



Honoring All of America's Heroes and our own  
Lion Dick Kishimoto



**For Tickets: Sergeant Major U.S. Army (Ret)**  
Roger Chinn  
650-345-2877  
Pat Hughes  
650-619-7501  
Steve Moore  
650-349-5676

**Friday, October 13, 2017**  
6:30 pm Cocktails – 7:30pm Dinner  
William Walker Rec Center  
650 Shell Boulevard, Foster City, CA  
\$49.00 per person

Entertainment once again from the Grant Avenue Follies

Please join us to help honor Veterans and Active Duty Troops and support the programs that enrich their lives  
[usonightdinner.eventbrite.com](http://usonightdinner.eventbrite.com)



Business Casual or Military Uniform

Please RSVP and send your check payable to: LIONS VETERANS CHARITIES, INC.  
No later than Friday, October 6, 2017 to

Lion Steve Moore, 1019 Monterey Street, Foster City, CA 94404

For questions or raffle item pick-up contact Event Chair Lion Pat Hughes @ 650-619-7501 or [patdahlbra@aol.com](mailto:patdahlbra@aol.com)

CLUB/ORGANIZATION NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
GUEST(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ \$49 PER PERSON X \_\_\_\_\_ = TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND BUT WOULD LIKE TO DONATE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
All Funds, Silent Auction and Raffle Items Donated are Tax-Deductible

MD4 Student Speakers Contest - 2017-2018 topic is:  
"Integrity and Civility Play What Role in today's Society?" Order your [packet](#) before October 1 to avoid \$25 charge.

Student Speaker Contest Completion Dates

On or before Monday, **February 26, 2018** Club Contest

On or before Monday, **March 19, 2018** Zone Contest

On or before Monday, **April 09, 2018** Region Contest

On or before Monday, **April 30, 2018** District Contest

On or before Monday, **May 21, 2018** Area Contest

**June 9, 2018** MD-4 Final Contest

The Lions Fourth District Student Speakers Foundation, Inc. is now registered as a Charitable Organization on:



**amazonsmile**

You shop. Amazon gives



Why is this big deal?

If you spend any money ordering from Amazon you can now direct .5% of your purchase to the Foundation.

How do I get signed up?

Simply login to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and pick the Lions Fourth District Student Speakers Foundation, Inc. as your organization and all your future purchases will be credited to the Foundation.



2017-2018 Lions Club Excellence Award Application

supports individual assistance. These requests are more appropriately directed to the local Lions who often have programs in place to support these types of requests within their communities. Use the club locator to find a club in your area to contact.

How effective is LCIF as a charitable organization?

LCIF prides itself on its longstanding record of quality projects. LCIF stands for quality (effective programs with excellent follow-up), efficiency and uniqueness (the only Lions Foundation that serves the world). In fact, the Foundation was named the #1 NGO to partner with for these reasons by Financial Times.

Fiscal responsibility and transparency are important to LCIF. LCIF continues to ensure that all donated funds are used efficiently to help even more people. Donations fund short-term and long-term program expenses, including grants. Based on targeted investment returns, investment income is anticipated to be sufficient to cover projected administrative and development expenses.

How are LCIF grant programs funded?

The vast majority of grant funding is made possible by donations from Lions clubs and individual members worldwide. LCIF does not receive any portion of Lions membership dues. Gifts from foundations, corporations, governments, non-Lions and interest earned on investments also provide funding.

Is it true that LCIF has no administrative expenses?

LCIF, like all organizations, does have administrative expenses. All expenses of LCIF are allocated into three functional allocations: administrative, fundraising and programs. In fiscal year 2014-2015, LCIF's administrative expenses were 7.4% of total expenses. Through prudent and responsible management of funds, LCIF is able to cover the cost of administrative and fundraising expenses through investment income.

Does that mean 100% of my donation supports LCIF service?

Yes. Each donation supports LCIF programs for the short-term and long-term. The largest program expenditure is grants. In fiscal year 2014-2015, LCIF

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Every club in our District should strive to achieve the Club Excellence Award. It is a guide for your club to best serve your community, developing your club leaders and your membership, and support the Lions Club International Foundation.

LCIF FAQ from LCI Web Site...

LCI has a list of frequently asked questions for a variety of topics. For this issue, we cover FAQ about LCIF.

Frequently Asked Questions

How does LCIF choose which causes and projects to support?

LCIF chooses projects that are in our four main areas of focus: providing disaster relief, supporting youth, saving sight, and meeting humanitarian needs. Grants are available to Lions for projects in these areas, according the specific criteria within each grant program. Additionally, LCIF partners with appropriate organizations to achieve larger goals in these areas, such as Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, Special Olympics and The Carter Center. These partnerships are entered into under the direction of the LCIF Board of Trustees.

How do I know if LCIF has funded projects in my area?

Reports outlining LCIF grants and donations are available by contacting LCIF.

Does LCIF offer grants for individual assistance (i.e. scholarships, personal medical expenses, etc.)?

LCIF supports large-scale projects that address unmet humanitarian needs for entire communities. These projects are led by local Lions who identify the need, develop the plan of action and carry out the project. LCIF does not have a grant program that





**District Leaders**



Not pictured: Maryah Tucker, Leila Marin

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

Lions	Title	Club
Mario Benavente	District Governor	San Bruno
Lydia Taylor-Bellinger	1st Vice District Governor	SF Merced-Heights
Helen Casaclang	2nd Vice District Governor	SSF Golden Gate
May Wong	Secretary	SF Geneva-Excelsior
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	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
<b>Council Presidents</b>		
Maryah Tucker	PCL President	BA Special Olympics
Virgilio Camota	SFCCCL 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 —marianlmann@aol.com

No report this issue.



**LCIF FAQ continued...**

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awarded over US\$44 million in grants. As noted above, the foundation's investment income is sufficient to cover administrative and fundraising expenses.

*How do I know that my donation to LCIF is being used to support grants and programs the way I intend it to?*

LCIF recently earned its sixth consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for its effective fiscal management and its commitment to accountability and transparency.

Founded in 2001, Charity Navigator is the largest and most-utilized charity evaluator in the United States. Charity Navigator examines the financial health, accountability and transparency of charities to determine its ratings. Financial information is based on each charity's 990 tax filing in the United States. Ratings show how well evaluated charities have sustained their programs and services over time.

LCIF's 4-star rating indicates that it consistently executes its mission in a fiscally responsible way. Only 8 percent of the charities evaluated earn a fourth consecutive 4-star rating. This exceptional distinction means that LCIF outperforms most other charitable organizations in the United States. LCIF donors can be confident their donations are being used in support of the programs for which they are intended.

*How can I learn more about LCIF's finances?*

We appreciate the opportunity to share more about our finances and programs with you. You may review our most recent Annual Report. For more details on the past year's finances, view our Audited Financial Statement, or LCIF's tax return (form 990).

**Lions Veterans USO Supplies continued...**

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and saw over 10,000 service members and their families through the USO Lounge. This is a new record for SFO and the foot traffic continues to increase year over year. As Fall approaches, the USO will slow down just a bit before the busy holiday travel time, giving the USO an opportunity to bring on

**Lions Veterans Charities Fishing Trip...**

By: Sowmya Vundamati



14 veterans from Ft. Miley VA and Menlo Park were taken on "The Lion Don Isaacs Veterans' Fishing Trip". The veterans thoroughly enjoyed the trip. For many of

them, it was their first trip. The veterans managed to catch 8 fish. For the first time, we invited all three VA Hospitals and all planned on sending veterans but, Palo Alto had to cancel due to last minute



conflicts. It was also the first Veterans Fishing Trip funded entirely by a Lion, Don Isaacs of



Foster City Lions Club. Even though we caught a few salmon, he and Kris received some fresh salmon steaks (and, through our other supporters, fresh Yellowtail Tuna steaks!). Due to the

tremendous support of our projects, we are now planning a Disabled Veterans Fishing Program this coming Spring, for the many veterans who have been unable to go our on our trips; more info as we develop details on this new adventure.

more volunteers to assist with the operation of the Center and greeting the military guests. LVC will continue to support the USO/SFO!

LVC also donated the entire proceeds of the upcoming October 13, 2017 USO Night Fundraiser to veterans impacted by the storms in the Gulf States. The VA is coordinating the distribution of funds to those veterans in need. For more information on support for veterans, please contact LVC at 833 Constitution Drive, Foster City CA 94404 or email to roger@chinnassociates.com; thanks for your interest.



Flyers are active links to online flyer...

**SFCCLC**  SAN FRANCISCO COORDINATING COUNCIL OF LIONS CLUBS

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017 at 7:00 PM



**Canton Restaurant**  
 250 90th St.  
 Daly City, CA 94015

**Make checks payable to:**  
 San Francisco Fil-Am Lions Club  
 4299 Callan Blvd, Daly City, CA 94015

**\$30**  
 per person

**For more information, please call:**  
 Lion Dr. Jun Valera [Lifesaver58@gmail.com](mailto:Lifesaver58@gmail.com)  
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 SCHEDULED

<b>SEPTEMBER 2017</b>	
26 7:30pm	<b>Foster City</b> William E. Walker Recreation Center, 650 Shell Blvd, Foster City 94004
28 12:00pm	<b>San Francisco Marketing</b> The Electron Shop, 100 Pine St, Ste 325, San Francisco 94111
<b>OCTOBER 2017</b>	
3 12:15pm	<b>Belmont</b> Vivace Restaurant, 1910 Ralston Ave, Belmont 94002
3 6:30pm	<b>Redwood Shores (Meal Cost \$15.00)</b> Sandpiper Community Center, 797 Redwood Shores Pkwy, Redwood City 94065
4 6:00pm	<b>San Francisco Park Presidio Sunset (Meal Cost \$30.00)</b> Mescolanza, 3750 Geary Blvd, San Francisco 94118
5 7:00pm	<b>San Francisco Supreme</b> Ledu Restaurant, 710 Hickey Blvd (Fairmont Shopping Center), Pacifica 94044
12 7:00pm	<b>San Francisco Korean American</b> Seoul Garden Restaurant, 1655 Post St, San Francisco 94115
16 7:00pm	<b>Silicon Valley</b> ACSA, 1575 Bayshore Highway, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Burlingame 94010
17 6:30pm	<b>Peninsula Veterans</b> VA Menlo Park Bldg 3478 Conference Room, 795 Willow Rd, Menlo Park 94025
18 6:30pm	<b>San Francisco Geneva-Excelzor</b> Italian American Social Club, 25 Russia St, San Francisco 94112
19 7:00pm	<b>San Francisco Chinatown</b> Far East Cafe Restaurant, 631 Grant Ave, San Francisco 94108
20 TBA	<b>San Francisco Hispanic</b> Location to be announced
<b>NOVEMBER 2017</b>	
1 6:30pm	<b>San Mateo County First Responders</b> Burlingame Lions Club Hall, 590 Burlingame Ave, Burlingame 94010
8 TBA	<b>San Francisco Marina-No Beach</b> Location to be announced
10 TBA	<b>San Francisco Premier</b> Location to be announced
16 4:00pm	<b>San Francisco Circle</b> Celia's Mexican Restaurant, 25010 Hesperian Blvd, Hayward 94545
15 7:00pm	<b>San Francisco Fil-Am</b> Denny's, 2 Serramonte Center, Daly City 94015
21 6:30pm	<b>San Francisco Bayview Hunters Point</b> Bayview Police Station, 201 Williams St, San Francisco 94124
29 6:00pm	<b>Silicon Valley Cyber</b> 66 Bovet Road, Ste 225, San Mateo 94402 (for this meeting only)
30 TBA	<b>San Francisco Dynamic</b> Location to be announced

continued

**A Free Informational Session for Club Secretaries**  
 Provided by your Global Leadership Team (GLT)



## Secretary & Club Contest Workshop

**Saturday, September 30, 2017**  
 9:00 am - Noon

**North Peninsula Food Pantry**  
 31 Bepler Street (at Mission St.)  
 Daly City 94014

Your Club Secretary should not miss this important informational event. This important session will provide information on the duties and responsibilities of the Secretary. You will also be introduced to the Club Contest - how your Club can be rewarded for service.

**IMPORTANT!**  
 All Club Secretaries should be computer-literate. You will learn how to access information and file reports ONLINE with MyLCI. All participants are welcome to bring their iPads or laptop computers. Free Wi-Fi access will be available.

Please RSVP by email or phone before or by September 25. Space is limited to one club participant please.

For more information or RSVP, Contact  
 Lion Denise Kelly at [deniseakelly@comcast.net](mailto:deniseakelly@comcast.net)  
 or FDG Ken Ibarra at [lionkenibarra@yahoo.com](mailto:lionkenibarra@yahoo.com)

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 SCHEDULED

<b>DECEMBER 2017</b>		
8 6:00pm	<b>San Francisco Financial Rescue</b> Financial Rescue, 416 S Hillview Dr, Milpitas 95035	
12 TBA	<b>San Francisco Merced Heights</b> Location to be announced	
<b>JANUARY 2018</b>		
9 7:00pm	<b>San Francisco Unified</b> Han Zen Restaurant, Pier 39, San Francisco 94133	
12 7:30pm	<b>San Francisco Latino Unidos</b> St. Finn Barr Church, 415 Edna St, San Francisco 94112	
<b>FEBRUARY 2018</b>		
4 7:00pm	<b>Peninsula Special Interest</b> 151 Flying Cloud Isle, Foster City 94406	
<b>PENDING</b>		
PHO/Alto	SF Bay Area Near Century	San Mateo Mississippi
SF Anta	SF Ocean Inglede	
SF Bay Area	SF State University	
<b>COMPLETED</b>		
8 SF Nueva Vizcaya	25 Brisbane	27 San Carlos
2 Daly City Host	2 Millbrae	10 San Mateo
14 Menlo Park Live Oak	14 San Francisco Host	16 San Francisco Veterans
25 Half Moon Bay	22 So San Francisco Golden Gate	21 Redwood City Downtown
25 San Francisco Bay Area Fashion Runway	31 Burlingame	
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
3 San Francisco Buddha		
5 So San Francisco Host		
6 Redwood City Sunrise		
6 San Francisco Niles		
12 San Francisco Highlands		
13 Bay Area Special Dynamics		
18 Pacifica		
19 San Bruno		

[September 24, 2017 District Thread](#) (active link)

Thread will be published once a week - usually Sunday evening.

Flyers will be listed/included on Thread if received by **Noon each Friday** at [Lions4Service@gmail.com](mailto:Lions4Service@gmail.com). Flyers will be acknowledged as received to the sender.

Flyers will be included on Thread if the event is sponsored/endorsed by District 4-C4 and/or sponsored by a District 4-C4 Lions Club.

The Thread is accessible on our District Web Site on the bottom of the Home Page white section.

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Lions District 4-C4 Newsletter

Lion John Gill

POB 4864

Foster City, CA 94404

### 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

