

**Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Growler and other
Lions Activities**

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Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Requests Donations to help with Hurricane Harvey Relief Our Club received an alert from LCIF requesting us to consider donating funds to the Hurricane Harvey relief effort. Early in the last week of August, LCIF made an initial hurricane relief donation of \$100,000 and is providing additional support. Our Club Board approved a \$1,000 donation and a member provided an additional \$100. Club Treasurer Priscilla Robertson has sent off a Club check for \$1,100.00 to LCIF.. We have been informed that a couple of additional Club members made donations to other relief efforts for Hurricane Harvey If any Club members are interested in making a donation for Hurricane Harvey relief you can do so by mailing a donation check to the address above payable to Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Club and we will see that LCIF receives your donation to help with this relief from the Lions. Please not on your check “for Hurricane Harvey Relief”.

District Governor Mario Benavente Visited our Club August 14th DG Mario was accompanied by Region Four Zone Three Chair Rich Loewen, Region Four Chair Sandra Ige and District Executive Director Kevin Guess and we had a productive discussions on District activities, membership and our quest to help get three more “SPOT” machines added into our District to meet the growing demand. The lunch meeting was well attended and many of the Club ICARE Vision Screening Committee were present. DG Mario indicated that our District 4-C4 was the top District nationally for increasing our Lions membership last Fiscal Year.

DG Mario indicated he was ready to sign the Lions Clubs International Foundation Grant application as soon as we had the financial sponsors for the local match required for the Grant application. We let him know we had two of the three local Lions sponsors required. Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris indicated our Club is ready to fund \$3,750.00 towards a “SPOT” machine. They also provided DG Mario some examples of how important this vision screening program is and results of our Club’s screening efforts to refer individuals who may need help. It will take three Lion sponsors at \$3,750.00 each for this LCIF Grant, as the minimum application is \$10,000 or more.

The Club ICARE Vision Screening Update Co-Chairs Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris will be scheduling a Club ICARE Vision screening dinner meeting in September and some training will be accomplished ahead of there seasonal “SPOT” vision screening at local schools. On Saturday, September 9th at the San Mateo

County Event Center, 1346 Saratoga Drive in San Mateo our Club will provide vision screening services from 10 am to 4 pm at the San Mateo Veterans Stand Down. It is anticipated that up to 500 veterans will take advantage of the many services provided on this three-day event. This event also goes on for Sunday and Monday but our participation will be for Saturday.

Club's Sunday Farmers Market Update We are ending the summer season and approaching our fall season. The farmers have had more produce to sell in recent months and they are reaching the peak selling months with the abundance of produce for sale. The Sunday donation pickups seem around 600 pounds per Sunday on average. Our Club is still getting positive comments on our 25th Anniversary Celebration. The Almanac has had feature stories on some of our farmers in The Almanac since our July 9th celebration. Many thanks to Nancy Couperus and the Clubs Farmers Market Committee for continuing this fundraiser to provide for our community giving and support. Lori Hennings our Market Manager has and continues to ensure that there is a variety of vendors to keep our Farmers Market as one of the best in the area. Also thanks are due to everyone who helps from our Club to ensure the success of this Lions activity!

Club Student Speakers Contest "What Role Does Stability and Integrity Play in Today's Society" Again this year our Club Co-Chairs are Club President Margaret Carney and Club member Dorothy Page. As soon as the Student Speaker packet is received from Multiple District Four they will begin contacting local schools to alert and encourage them to have students in their high school participate. This years contest will b held at the Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce on Monday, February 12, 2018 beginning at 7:00 pm. Updates will be available in future Growlers.

Club working on Fiscal 2018 Community Giving Budget In the last couple of months there has been increased attention to our Fiscal 2018 (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018) planning process. Priscilla Robertson, Club Treasurer has been leading this effort and a final action to approve the new draft Community giving budget is scheduled for our September Board meeting at Little House. Our Club is in a good financial condition and it appears we will have the financial ability to meet anticipated giving similar to last Fiscal year. We are looking for a special allocation for the "SPOT" vision screening machine for the District LCIF Grant. Also the LensCrafters sight assistance program we have been using for many years appears that the costs will triple in this new year to just over \$10,000 and we have been funding \$3,500 annually. We are looking at a plan to involve other local Lions Clubs to assist with the shortfall. The Community giving budget is projected to exceed \$30,000.00.

Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Annual Member Dues Reminder Most Club members have paid their annual dues billing of \$80.00 that covers Lions membership from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. If you have not paid yet please send a check for \$80.00 payable to Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Club and send it to the Club P.O. on the top of this Growler edition. Please not on the check "Annual Club Dues"

Multi-Club Holiday Gala Planning for Sunday, December 3rd Please mark your calendars for Sunday, December 3rd for our annual Multi-Club Holiday dinner at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2000 Bridgepointe Circle in San Mateo. No host cocktails at 4:30 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm. Ron Borelli and his sister Carol will again provide the holiday music. More details to follow, as the date gets closer.

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Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Important Dates to Remember

NOTE: Sunday Farmers Market Hours are 9 am – 1 pm
Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris will schedule Vision Screening
At the Local Schools and Committee Meetings as needed

Sept. 3rd (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Sept. 9th (Sat. – Mon.)	7:00 am	Lions Veterans Stand Down San Mateo 2017, at the San Mateo County Expo Center, 1346 Saratoga Drive in San Mateo (Club ICARE will do three Two hour vision screenings on Saturday.
Sept. 10th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Sept. 11th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park, Business meeting begins at 12:10 pm after lunch Approval of Club Fiscal 2018 Budget
Sept. 17th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Sept. 24th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Oct. 1th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Oct. 2nd – 6th (Monday – Friday)		Club ICARE Vision Screening Committee at local schools this week

Oct. 8th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Oct. 9th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park Business meeting begins at 12:10 pm after lunch
Oct. 15th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Oct. 22nd (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Oct. 29th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 5th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 6th – 10th (Monday – Friday)		Club ICARE Vision Screening Committee at local schools this week
Nov. 12th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 13th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park Business meeting begins at 12:10 pm after lunch
Nov. 19th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 26th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Dec. 3rd (Sunday)	5:00 pm	Annual Multi-Club Holiday Gala at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2000 Bridgepointe Circle, San Mateo, no host cocktails 4:30 pm and dinner 5:30 pm

Lions Objectives

To create and foster a sprit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

To promote the principle of good government and good citizenship.

To promote an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

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

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

Lions Code of 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 customers and true to myself.

Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubts against myself.

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

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

To aid others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak and my substance to the needy.

To be careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.