

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

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**November/December 2017 HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

**Club Board Approves SPOT Vision Screener for up to \$7,800** At our Club Board meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup> the Club Board discussed two options, participate in District 4-C4 LCIF Grant request or provide 100% of the SPOT machine purchase from Club funds. Jim Bigelow provided a summary of his efforts to get three Lions Clubs to each fund \$3,750 and proceed with a District Grant to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) but as of the Second District Cabinet meeting in early November only two Clubs had committed to the funding after about six months of trying. The other option was for our Club to move ahead and buy our own SPOT Vision Screener and we would have full control over its use and scheduling. The cost of our SPOT machine excluding the printer was \$7,383.04.

It was further reported that the District SPOT machine we have been using was not working properly for the last day of school screening by our Club and it will need to be rescheduled. After additional input from our Club ICARE Committee Co-Chairs Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris their recommendation was that our Club purchase our own SPOT machine. District 4-C4 officials PDG Esther Lee, District LCIF Liaison and District Treasurer Dr. Jun Valera coordinated with our Club Treasurer Priscilla Robertson on the purchase details. The SPOT machine and its attachments arrived Thanksgiving week and our ICARE Co-Chairs are getting a printer and will have the new machine ready for our Club December scheduled school vision screening. The ICARE Committee members and Club members as of Thanksgiving have donated over \$4,000 towards the purchase of the new SPOT machine and we very much appreciate their support so we could make this purchase.

Jim Bigelow will continue to assist the District in getting the local match for the District LCIF SPOT machine grant. The remaining donations needed from the District Club's are \$3,250.00. It is hoped that this final amount will be secured by the middle of December so the Grant can be submitted after DG Mario Benavente signs the request. If all goes well this will expand our District vision screening capability to meet the growing number of requests within our District.

**Multi-Club Holiday Gala is Ready to Go on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 pm** This years Holiday Gala is again being held at the Hilton Garden Inn in San Mateo, 2000 Bridgepointe Circle. Belmont, Menlo Park Live Oak, San Carlos and San Mateo Lions Clubs are the host for this holiday celebration. You have received information and flyers and if you have not yet sent in your check it should be made payable to

Belmont Lions Club and mailed to Lion Sylvia Chu, 428 Stephens Road, San Mateo, CA 94403. Her phone number is 415-699-0408. No host bar 4:30 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm. Live holiday music will be provided and complementary wine provided by Menlo Park Live Oak and San Mateo Lions Clubs with dinner. Area Lions, family and friends are welcome. Grilled Flank Steak or Baked Salmon is \$45.00 and Vegetable Risotto \$35. One raffle ticket per person is provided at no charge. A reminder to bring canned goods and toys for needy children as requested in the flyer. We hope to see you there.

**2017 San Mateo County Veterans Stand Down New Date and Location** The Lions sponsored Veterans Stand Down is now set for December 7<sup>th</sup> through December 9<sup>th</sup>. On Thursday from 10 am to 6 pm is setup and Friday and Saturday 7 am – 7 pm are the operating hours and 250 Veterans are expected to attend. The new location is 977-1001 Sneath Lane in San Bruno. This is the site of the San Bruno Vet Clinic and Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. For more information check the website [www.LionsClubsVetStandDown.org](http://www.LionsClubsVetStandDown.org) or contact Dr. Eleanor Britter at 415-378-6789 or email [estjohn7@gmail.com](mailto:estjohn7@gmail.com). Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris are coordinating our Club support for the Stand Down and we are planning to assist with vision screening.

**Fiscal 2017 Club Giving (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017) and Tax Filings** Club Treasurer Priscilla Robertson filed our Club State and Federal tax returns in early November. She also completed the filing of the State Attorney General Charitable Trust Annual filing. As you know our major Club fundraiser is our Sunday Farmers Market in downtown Menlo Park held year round regardless of weather. Our Club community giving was \$33,162 for this Fiscal Year. Our community giving categories were Youth Services, Senior Services, Sight Services, Health Services, Hunger Services and Hearing Services. Our ICARE Committee accomplished 881 vision screenings with 7.3% referrals for additional sight evaluation. The Club Sunday Farmers also received donated produce from the farmers of over 38,000 pounds that was picked up by needy non-profits. Thanks to all Club members and Lion friends on this accomplishment!

**Club Student Speakers Contest “What Role Does Stability and Integrity Play in Today’s Society”** Our Club Contest is scheduled for the Menlo Park Chamber Office at the Caltrain Station in Menlo Park at 7 pm on Monday February 12<sup>th</sup>. Our Club Co-Chairs Club President Margaret Carney and Dorothy Page are currently contacting local schools and providing the Contest materials so Student Speakers can get ready for the Club Contest.

**Club’s Sunday Farmers Market** On Christmas Eve December 24<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> New Years Eve the Farmers Market will be held and most of the farmers will attend. The pickup of donated produce on these two Sunday’s will be less, as some of those who donate will miss one or both Sundays.

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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**

Nov. 5 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 6 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> (Monday – Friday)		Club ICARE Vision Screening Committee at local schools this week
Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup> (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. 19 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 26 <sup>h</sup> (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 27 <sup>th</sup> (Monday)	6:00 pm	Peninsula Council of Lions dinner meeting at Mahany Hall, Community United Church of Christ 1336 Arroyo Avenue in San Carlos. No host Cocktails and dinner at 7:00 pm
Dec. 3 <sup>rd</sup> (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Dec. 3 <sup>rd</sup> (Sunday)	4:30 pm	Multi-Club Holiday Gala at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2000 Bridgepointe Circle, San Mateo, no-host Reception 4:30 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm
Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> (Monday – Friday)		Club ICARE Vision Screening Committee at local schools this week

<b>Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Thursday – Saturday)</b>		<b>Veterans Stand Down San Mateo 2017 at Point Park in San Mateo. Three day program to help homeless veterans and those at risk</b>
<b>Dec. 10<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Dec. 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Monday)</b>	<b>11:45 am</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park, Business meeting begins at 12:10 pm after lunch</b>
<b>Dec. 17<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Dec. 24<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Dec. 31<sup>st</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Jan. 7<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Jan. 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Monday)</b>	<b>11:45 am</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park, Business meeting begins at 12:10 pm</b>

### **Lions Objectives**

**To create and foster a spirit 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 sectarian 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.**