

**THE NIKKEI LIONS CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO - DISTRICT 4-C4**

District Governor - Mario Benavente

District First Vice Governor - (TBA)

District Second Vice Governor - Helen Casaclang

Region One Chair - John Hui

Region One Zone Two Chair - Pat Ancheta

September 1, 2017

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

September 6, 2017 Board Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Mifune Bistro, San Francisco. General Meeting, 7:00 pm @ Mifune Bistro, 1583 Webster Street, San Francisco. DG Lion Mario Benavente and Cabinet members will be making their Governor's Visitation at the General Meeting. All members, please plan to attend to welcome DG Lion Mario. Bring a raffle prize!

September 17, 2017 White Cane Day @ Peace Plaza, San Francisco Japantown, 10:00 to 2:00 pm. Members please come out and "shake the can" to raise funds for the Lions Eye Foundation. A sumo tournament will highlight the day.

October 4, 2017 Board/General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Mifune Bistro, San Francisco

October 13, 2017 Lions Veterans Charities, Inc., "USO Night" @ William Walker Rec Center 650 Shell Blvd, Foster City, 6:30 cocktails and 7:30 dinner/program. Our Lion Richard "Dick" Kishimoto will be the honored veteran. Cost is \$49 per person payable to Lions Veterans Charities, Inc. RSVP date is October 6th, and send check to Lion Steve Moore, 1019 Monterey St, Foster City, 94404. All Nikkei Lions members please try to attend this event honoring our Lion Dick.

October 21, 2017 San Francisco JAACL Health Fair, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. More information will be in the next newsletter. Please save the date.

MESSAGE FROM LION PRESIDENT BILL: District 4-C4 Governor Mario Benavente's Official Club to our Club with cabinet officers will be held at 7:00 p.m. On Wednesday, September 6. I encourage all club members to attend District Governor Mario's visitation to learn about his goals for the district, how the district can help clubs grow and expand to serve the community, and his involvement with Lions Club beginning with his parents as Lion Club members. District 4-C4 club members have responded with great enthusiasm to receiving the call to serve those in need during this Lion year 2017-2018, the 100th Anniversary of the Lions Club International, at the District 4-C4 Installation of Cabinet Officers on July 28, the First District 4-C4 Cabinet Meeting on August 12, the San Francisco Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs Installation on August 13, and the Second Annual Multi-Club Installation on August 19.

It was great to hear Lion Dick Kishimoto sing at the District 4-C4 Installation of Cabinet Officers at the request of District Governor Mario, and to receive a Melvin Jones Fellowship for Janet at the District 4-C4 Cabinet Meeting. Many Lions from throughout the district were happy to see Lion Dick. He will be honored for service in the United States Army as a Sargent Major (Ret.) at the Lions Veterans Charities "USO Night" on October 13 in Foster City.

The White Cane Day Collection will be held during the SUMO Champions Exhibition at the Peace Plaza in Japantown on September 17. There are demonstrations of Sumo matches for the public with a tent area for local community groups. Our club will be included in that tent area where volunteers from the Eagle Service Society will collect donations from the public. Our club was one of three clubs to receive a Capital Campaign Dream Builder patch at the First District 4-C4 Cabinet Meeting. Donations from club members are greatly appreciated. My recent tour on July 22 of the new Lions Eye Foundation clinic was an opportunity for me to see how our club and other clubs participation in the foundation has provided an opportunity to provide training for ophthalmology interns in providing those in need of diagnosing and treating eye conditions requiring medical care with the use of the latest technology.

I hope that you enjoy the Labor Day Weekend with your family friends, and look forward to seeing you during the District Governor Mario's visitation.

**THE SAN FRANCISCO COORDINATING COUNCIL OF LIONS CLUBS:** The new officers of the SFCCLC were installed on August 13th. The officers are President: Billy Camota; IPP: Augusto "Jun" Valera; 1st VP: George Poon; 2nd VP: Rodger Cayabyab; Secretary: Fernando Briosos; Treasurer: Vem Macaraeg. Congratulations to the 2017-2018 SFCCLC Cabinet.

**MILITARY STAND DOWN:** District 4-C4 will host a Military Stand Down event for homeless veterans in San Mateo County September 9/10/11 at the San Mateo County Events Center. Volunteers are needed to help with the 3 days. Please contact Lion Eleanor Britter at 415-378-6789 or [estjohn7@gmail.com](mailto:estjohn7@gmail.com) as soon as possible. Thanks so much if you can volunteer.

President - Bill Stipinovich  
1st Vice President - Bruce Iwafuchi  
2nd Vice President - Dan Yee

Secretary - Frank Torikai  
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Membership Recruitment/Retention - David Fujita