

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

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March/April 2019

Club Student Speakers Contest Completed and Contest Winner Moves to Zone Contest On February 11th at the Menlo Park Chamber Office we held our Annual Club Student Speaker Contest on Monday evening. We had four Student Speakers competing and the Club Contest Winner was Elise Kratzer from Menlo-Atherton High School. Elise moves to the next level of competition being held by Region 4 Zone 3 Chair John Hui. The Zone level Contest will be held on Monday, March 11th, 6:15 pm at Skylawn Memorial Park, Highway 92 at State Highway 35 in San Mateo. Area Lions members and family/friends of Elise are welcome to attend. Suggest you plan on arriving by 6:00 pm and allow extra time, as it is weekday commute. We will advise you about the Zone Contest results. Many thanks to all who supported our Club Contest especially our Club Student Speaker Co-Chairs Margaret Carney and Dorothy Page.

The next Contest Level is the Region 4 Student Speaker Contest led by Region 4 Chair Michael Coffaro and is being held Monday, 7:00 pm, March 25th at Mahaney Hall, 1336 Arroyo in San Carlos. If you are attending please arrive by 6:45 pm. The Contest Winners of the Region Student Speaker Contests will face off at the District 4-C4 Contest scheduled for Saturday, 1:00 pm, April 13th at the Burlingame Lions Club Hall, 990 Burlingame Avenue in Burlingame. All of the Student Speaker Contest are open to Lions member and family/friends of those competing. The Contest Winner of the District Contest receives \$4,500 in Scholarship funds and moves to compete at the Area Contest.

Election of Club Officers for Fiscal 2020 (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020) At the February Board meeting Club President John Hickson appointed Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris to serve with him on this years Officer Nominating Committee to recommend a slate of Club Officers to be voted upon at our April 8th Club meeting at Little House. Due to our expanded Club membership now at 48 they will be recommending two additional Club Board Officer positions. John will present the Nominating Committee recommendations at our Club Board meeting on March 11th. When elected the new Club Officers will take up their duties on July 1, 2019.

Sunday Farmers Market Update Jitze Couperus who has been with our Sunday Farmers Market from the beginning took a recent fall and broke his ankle and after being hospitalized his back was also injured in his fall. He has had two surgeries,

one the ankle and the other on his back. He is at Sequoia Hospital in Redwood City and is recovering. Jitze and wife Nancy help out to get the Sunday Farmers Market open and have done so for many, many years. We wish Jitze a quick recovery and he is missed at our Sunday Farmers Market. Jitze has been working with Lori Hennings, our Market Manager and each Sunday they collect the space rentals from our vendors and Jitze has been depositing the proceeds each Sunday in the Bank night drop. John Hickson has been working with Lori on alternatives so that the deposits are made. Spring is just around the corner and the farmers indicate new crops are being planted and more produce will be available by May. The Farmers Market is doing well and entertainment by the Big Oak Tree is a plus for the public while shopping on Sundays. Margaret Carney does a very good job lining up the various musical groups.

ICARE Committee Update Co-Chairs Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris continue to be very busy with the ICARE Vision Screening Committee. They have recently added six more schools to be serviced with the vision screening. Now that the Club has two SPOT Vision Screening machines one can back up the other and it allows more capability to provide vision-screening services. At the February Board meeting it was reported that LensCrafters is still honoring the special vouchers for glasses of which our Club has about eight and EyeExam of California is doing the eye exams at the LensCrafters Offices for \$75.00. As ICARE does referrals there are some needy children that need glasses and follow up eye exams. Our Club currently has about \$3,000 in our current sight budget that can be used to sponsor needy children or adults for glasses and eye exams.

Club Treasurer Priscilla Robertson, current Club Treasurer has indicated she will move on at the end of our Fiscal Year and will be replaced by an ICARE Vision Screening Committee member. Priscilla is and continues to do an outstanding job as our Club Treasurer. She will be completing our scheduled donations in accordance with our Board approved Community Giving Budget.

Peninsula Council of Lions 54th Annual Police and Fire Awards Banquet Our Club is making the final arrangements with the Atherton and Menlo Park Police Departments including the Menlo Park Fire Protection District. The Awards Banquet is coming up very soon on Friday, March 15th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Foster City. Club President John Hickson and First Vice President Bobbie McDonald will be attending and sitting with those Agencies we are hosting. We anticipate about 20 or so will be attending. There will be over 300 attending this recognition gala for our emergency responders.

District 4-C4 Convention in Redding at the Red Lion Hotel May 1st – 5th Our Club is in receipt of all the information and registration forms for the Annual Convention. Just as our Club elects new Officers so does our District. At the last Cabinet meeting in February the candidates were nominated and they gave speeches asking for votes when they are up for election in Redding. For District Governor was First Vice District Governor Helen Casaclang, for First Vice District Governor was Second

Vice District Governor Fanny Chu. There are two candidates for the Second Vice District Governor position, District Cabinet Officer for GMT Membership Kevin Guess and Dr. Jun Valera Jr. Chair and Co-Chair of two District Committees. Sunday, May 5th is when the Delegates vote to elect our District Officers at the Convention in Redding. If you are interested in the Convention information contact Jim Bigelow, Club Secretary.

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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

Mar, 3 rd (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Mar. 4 th – 8 th (Monday – Friday)		Club ICARE Vision Screening this week at local schools and children centers
Mar. 10 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Mar. 11 th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park (CLUB OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR FISCAL 2020 CLUB OFFICERS TO BE VOTED UPON AT APRIL 8 th BOARD MEETING)
Mar. 11 th (Monday)	6:15 pm	Region 4, Zone 3 Student Speakers Contest at Skylawn Memorial Park, Highway 92 at State Highway 35 in San Mateo. Plan to arrive by 6:00 pm. Region 4 Zone 3 Chair Michael Coffaro will lead this Contest
Mar. 17 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Mar. 24 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy

Mar. 25th (Monday)	7:00 pm	Region Four Student Speakers Contest at Mahaney Hall, 1336 Arroyo, in San Carlos. Region Chair Michael Coffaro will lead this Contest. Suggest arriving by 6:45 pm.
Mar. 31st (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Apr. 1st – 5th (Monday – Friday)		Club ICARE Vision Screening this week at local schools and children centers
Apr. 6th (Saturday)	9:00 am	District 4-C4 Annual Eyeglass Collection, 31 Bepler Street in Daly City. Collections are from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and hearing aids are accepted
Apr. 7th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Apr. 8th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park VOTE FOR CLUB OFFICERS FOR FISCAL 2020 (7/1/19 – 6/30/2020)
Apr. 13th (Saturday)	1:00 pm	Lions District 4-C4 Student Speakers Contest at the Burlingame Lions Club Hall, 990 Burlingame Avenue, In Burlingame.
Apr. 14th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Lions Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Apr. 21st (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Apr. 28th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
May 2nd – 5th (Thursday – Sunday)		District 4-C4 Convention at the Red Lion Hotel, 1830 Hilltop Drive in Redding, business secession opens Friday 9:30 am
May 5th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
May 6th - 10th (Monday – Friday)		Club ICARE Vision Screening this week at local schools and children centers

May 12th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
May 13th (Monday)	11:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park
May 19th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
May 26th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy

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.