

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

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**May/June 2019**

**Area 2 Student Speakers Contest, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm on Saturday** There is a special opportunity to see the Area 2 Student Speakers Contest where the Student Speaker that wins this contest will be awarded \$6,500 scholarship. This is the next Contest above the District level Contests. The location is at Tierra Linda Middle School, 750 Dartmouth Avenue in San Carlos. It is open to Lions members and friends. You should plan to arrive by 1:45 pm, Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. The Student Speakers competing in the Contest are the District Contest Winners from District 4-C2, 4-C3, 4-C4 and 4-C6. It is rare that this is so close so consider attending. The last Student Speaker Contest above the Area Contests the MD-4 final Contest Winner will receive a \$10,000 scholarship.

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>, Wednesday, Joint Peninsula Council and San Francisco Council of Lions Dinner** These two Councils will hold a joint dinner meeting in South San Francisco at the Elks Lodge, 920 Stonegate Drive with a reception at 5:30 pm and dinner at 6:00 pm. The cost is \$30 paid in advance with your check sent to Lion George Poon, 1212 El Camino Real, San Bruno, CA 94066. Make your check payable to SF Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs (SFCCLC). RSVP on or before May 20<sup>th</sup>. Your RSVP to George Poon 650-438-4118 or georpn34@yahoo.com

**District 4-C4 Annual Convention in Redding May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>** The Convention in Redding was well attended and most of the 54 Clubs in the District were represented. In the Business sessions many reports and updates were provided. My report on Habitat for Humanity and Rebuilding Together as a District Committee Co-Chair for many, many years our Lions Clubs and District has supported this new low income housing and home renovation for low income residents reached a milestone of 30 years as of this years Convention. Our Club has been active on both since the beginning in 1989. Through these programs we have helped many handicapped individuals. The reports provided by other District Committee Chairs were also very informative.

Lions Club International Director Ardie Klemish from Iowa provided information from Lions Clubs International during our business meetings. On Saturday afternoon ID Ardie held an open question and answer session for anyone wishing to attend. It was an informative session. Our Convention was held in District 4-C1 and District Governor Susan Kerr was in attendance for the weekend. She spoke about

the Paradise Fire and Camp Fire that happened in her District. She updated the Convention attendees on the status of those disasters. Her District is still providing food and other needed items to the fire survivors. There is a significant number who are living out of their cars and have lost their homes and jobs as a result of these fires. She requested continued donations to help District 4-C1 to provide relief to many affected by these fire disasters. Our Club may consider making an additional donation to help with needed food support and other items.

There were lots of activities including the International Food Square open to all attendees on Saturday mid day hosted by a number of Clubs. On Saturday evening a Gala Banquet Honoring District Governor Lydia Taylor-Bellinger and the Cabinet Officers. DG Lydia also presented awards to Lions individuals. At the end of the evening banquet incoming District Governor Elect Helen Casacang introduced her Cabinet for Fiscal 2020 who begin their duties on July 1, 2019. On Sunday morning the District Contest Awards were presented and at the end of this session the Convention adjourned.

**Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Annual Club Dues** We will be billing the \$80.00 annual Club dues statements and you should receive them by mid July. Priscilla Robertson, Club Treasurer indicated our Club Administrative Account is in good shape and she recommended that the Annual Dues remain at \$80.00 at our last Club Board meeting. If you are considering any membership change please let us know. Our new Fiscal Year 2020 begins July 1, 2019 and ends June 30, 2020. We would hope you all renew!

**Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Club Fiscal 2020 Club Budgeting** Our new Lions Fiscal year begins on July 1, 2019 and goes through June 30, 2020. At our June 13<sup>th</sup> Board meeting our Club Treasurer Priscilla Robertson will be working on completing our Fiscal 2019 Community donations and we will have that list to discuss and think about any changes for our Fiscal 2020 new budget for next year. If you would like to input into this process you are welcome to attend the June Club Board meeting or send an email or call Jim Bigelow or Priscilla Robertson and we will see that the Board is aware of your input.

Our Club normally has its final consideration prior to approving the new Fiscal 2020 Club Community giving Budget at our August Club Board meeting on August 12, 2019 at Little House. Due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday we at present are not planning a Board meeting in July. We did receive a significant donation at the close of the Hennings Trust last December and our Board did approve \$8,100 of those funds to buy a second SPOT Vision Screening machine and equipment to help our Club ICARE Committee to expand our Club vision screening activities. The Club Board as part of the Fiscal 2020 will also discuss how the Hennings Trust funds will be allocated and over what period of time.

**New Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Club Officers for Fiscal 2020** At our April Board meeting the Club general membership discussed and then voted on a slate of Club

Officers that will begin to serve in their elected positions on July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. We have provided you the election results and Club President John Hickson will be our Club President for a second term and next year it is anticipated many on the Club Board will move to other Board responsibilities. Jim Bigelow, Club Secretary has reported our new Club Officers to Lions Clubs International, California Multiple District Four and our local Lions District 4-C4. We have a good team for our new Fiscal Year.

**Sunday Farmers Market Update** First off an update on Jitze Couperus who was injured in a fall several weeks ago. After being hospitalized and then moving on to rehab he is now home and using a walker to get around. He is very upbeat on his recovery progress and it will be a while but he hopes to eventually return to help with our Sunday Farmers Market. In the mean time we thank those who have stepped in to help our Market Manager Lori with the counting and depositing of each Sunday's collections from the vendors since Jitze's injury. There is an increase in donated produce collections and as we get to mid May we are seeing about 600 pounds on Sundays. We thank very much Paul Tarantino, Karl Jeager, John Hickson and the Club ICARE members for their help. For the opening Nancy Couperus has been helping Lori with the opening and providing water to our vendors and other Club members have stepped in to help as Nancy has been tending to Jitze during his recovery.

**ICARE Committee Update** Co-Chairs Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris advise that the Committee has been working through the current school year and the vision screening for children's centers and schools will be completed for this season by June. Karla Taylor, ICARE Committee member and Jim Bigelow have been working with the LensCrafters store at Menlo Station on El Camino to revise the LensCrafters/Lions assistance to needy children and adults. The majority of our sight assistance is through ICARE Committee referrals for young school children and a few requests for assistance to adults who are unable to pay for sight assistance for eye exams and glasses. Both Club SPOT machines are in use by the Committee. This new arrangement with LensCrafters will save our Club thousands of dollars with the new partnership. Many thanks to the Club ICARE Committee for your excellent work this school season.

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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**

<b>May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Thursday – Sunday)</b>		<b>District 4-C4 Convention at the Red Lions Hotel, 1830 Hilltop Drive in Redding. Business session opens at 10:30 am on Friday</b>
<b>May 5<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>May 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Monday – Friday)</b>		<b>Club ICARE Vision Screening this week at local schools and children centers</b>
<b>May 12<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>May 13<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</b>
<b>May 19<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>May 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>(Wednesday)</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Peninsula Council/San Francisco Council of Lions Joint dinner meeting, Elks Lodge, 920 Stonegate Drive, South San Francisco with a reception followed by dinner at 6:30 pm.</b>
<b>May 26<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>Jun. 2<sup>nd</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>Jun. 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Monday – Friday)</b>		<b>Club ICARE Vision Screening this week at local schools and children centers</b>
<b>Jun. 9<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>Jun. 10<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</b>
<b>Jun. 16<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Lions Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>

<b>Jun. 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Jun. 30<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Jul. 7<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Jul. 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Monday)</b>	<b>11:45 am</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House is CANCELLED, NEXT BOARD MEETING AUGUST 12<sup>th</sup> 11:45 am</b>
<b>Jul. 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Monday – Friday)</b>		<b>Club ICARE Vision Screening this week at local schools and children centers</b>
<b>Jul. 14<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>
<b>Jul. 21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>(Monday)</b>	<b>11:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park</b>
<b>Jul. 28<sup>th</sup></b> <b>(Sunday)</b>	<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy</b>

### **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.**