



# THE LION TALE

MILLBRAE LIONS CLUB BULLETIN  
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## President's Message



Hi Lions,

We had a wonderful meeting with Lion District Governor Lydia Taylor Bellinger and her BOD staff. Her message was about taking care of hungry with Rise Against Hunger. She also inducted our newest member Lion Juan Gamez our 19th Lion to join us since 2016. We also have 5 more candidates in our queue. These are exciting times to be a Millbrae Lion! I am proud to see the club growing.

The MEF Millbrae Education Foundation Gala on March 2, 2018 was a big success. The event raised almost \$200,000.00. This last Saturday, March 16 was Opening Day for the Millbrae Lions Baseball Program.

There were many Lions present. All shared the positive spirit of our club with the Families that comprise the Millbrae youth baseball community. It could not have been a more beautiful day at Taylor Baseball Fields. The 54th Annual PCL Award Dinner was a big success and a fun time for all. We have a lot of events coming in the future, so look in your Calendars for upcoming events and don't forget about St. Patrick's Dinner at the Burlingame Lions Hall March 20th. The meeting on the 20th is also a SPOUSE NIGHT, so bring your spouse to this evening of fun, food, and friends.

Yours in Service

Lion President Bart Speccia

## Millbrae Lions Meetings

**Next Meeting**

Wed, January 2, 2019  
7:00pm  
Greenhills Country  
Club  
500 Ludeman Lane

**Board Meetings**

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays,  
7:00 pm  
Chetcuti Room

**General Meetings**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday,  
6:30PM  
Greenhills Country Club



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## LION PRESIDENT Bart Speccia’s 2018/2019 GOALS/VISIONS

| Year    | President     | Key Vision and Goals  |
|---------|---------------|---|
| 2018-19 | Bart Speccia  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><i>Empower Millbrae Lions Club members to serve the community through our many projects. Encourage all to be active, reinforcing traditional Lions projects while finding new ways to broaden and deepen the impact that our club has in Millbrae, and beyond.</i></b></li> </ul>   |
| 2017-18 | Dave Van Wart | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure that our new members (active men and women in our community) get involved early in their membership and fit our expectations of sweat equity supporting our projects and programs...not just writing the check</li> </ul>   |
| 2016-17 | Bruce Sutter  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure the MLC Project Portfolio met the needs of the community (Schools, youth, seniors and other non-profits) and grow our membership.</li> </ul>  |
| 2015-16 | Lorrie Kalos  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Effectively in Numbers to support the community and have fun.</li> </ul>  |
| 2014-15 | Calvin Chin   | <p>Back To Basics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand and embrace – “Who Do We Serve”?</li> <li>5 year MLC Roadmap (refresh every year)</li> <li>Refresh MLC Project Portfolio, no sacred cows.</li> <li>Rekindle and develop effective working relationships with both Millbrae community and fellow community service organizations.</li> </ul> |

**2018-19 Bart Speccia**

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***“Good leaders must first become good servants”***

***-Robert Greenleaf***

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## 2018-19 MILLBRAE LIONS PROJECT UPDATES

“The Millbrae Lions Club Community Project Portfolio is arguably one of the deepest and most impactful project portfolio of all the Lions Club in District 4-C4”.

Thank you to our 2017-18 Millbrae Lions Project Chairs for your project articles; keeping our Millbrae Lions and community informed!

Millbrae Lions St. Patrick's Day Dinner March 20th @ the Burlingame Lions Hall 990 Burlingame Ave. Burlingame, CA. 94010

*All Lions projects take countless hours of preparation and planning. Once a project is drawing near the chairs of each of the projects listed above can all of the help that our members can provide. Executing the events is always a challenge, and always worth the effort that it takes to make things run smoothly.*

Please find the time to assist with our Millbrae Lions projects. You'll find the list of dates for projects in the yearly calendar, which is published on our website, and also in this bulletin Once you have decided which project(s) you wish to help with please reach out to the project chair and ask the following question **“How Can I Help?”**

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## *2019 – 20 Candidates for the Millbrae Lions Club Board of Directors*

| Position        | Name              |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| President       | Rob Ducote        |
| Immediate PP    | Bart Speccia      |
| 1st VP          | Wayne Lee         |
| 2nd VP          | Gary Pellegrini   |
| Secretary       | Steve Henderson   |
| Treasurer       | PP Calvin Chin    |
| Asst. Treasurer | Oscar Loza        |
| Bulletin Editor | Ellery (EJ) Penas |
| Tail Twister    | Adam O’Dea        |
| Lion Tamer      | Ed Musa           |
| Publicity       | PP Randy Sahae    |
| Parliamentarian | PP David Van Wart |
| Historian       | PP Bruce Sutter   |
| 1yr Director    | Bob Bourque       |
| 1yr Director    | Bill Armanasco    |
| 1r Director     | Rich Stein        |
| 2yr Director    | Mike Mullins      |
| 2 yr. Director  | John Celantano    |
| 2 yr. Director  | John Muniz        |

On Sunday February 24th - Immediate Past President Dave Van Wart hosted the 2019-20 Millbrae Lions Board of Directors nomination breakfast at his residence. In attendance were 3 PDG’s, 17 Past Presidents and our current President. There was good food to be had, lots of fellowship and an impressive list of nominees who accepted nominations for next years’ board. The process now is to bring this list to our entire membership over the next two general meetings to see if there are additional nominations and finally to vote on the new board list by all members.



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## MEF GALA UNITES MILLBRAE MOVERS AND SHAKERS RAISES \$\$ FOR SCHOOLS

The Millbrae Education Foundation Gala was a great success. The Great Gatsby themed event brought out the best among the Movers and Shakers of Millbrae. Folks enjoyed fine dining, and good cheer throughout the evening. There was a silent auction, and a live auction during the evening. The MEF was able to raise \$196,000.00 from the event for Millbrae schools. It was an epic night. The MEF started around the kitchen table of Lion PP Cal Chin many years ago. Since the inception of the group they have raised a great deal of money for Millbrae schools. The Lions were well represented on the night.



Pictured - Top Left Susan Caccia, Geno Caccia, Julane Speccia, Bart Speccia, Disen Cai, Tiffany Hsu, Wayne J Lee, Frank Barbaro, Rob DuCote and Howard Hudson Top Right Rob DuCote', Howard Hudson, Bart Speccia, Steve Henderson, Disen Cai. Bottom Lovely ladies including Christina DuCote' Cindy Henderson and Maggie Musa

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## Millbrae Lions 1st Annual Family Picnic



11:00am-  
4:00pm



Join us for:  
Lunch & Beverages  
Games  
Family  
Friends  
A Fun Time



Keep an eye on  
your inbox for  
more information  
to follow from  
[mlcfamilypicnic@yahoo.com](mailto:mlcfamilypicnic@yahoo.com)



*Bring your family!  
Bring your kids!  
Bring your  
grand kids!*

**\*\*Bring a camping chair and/or blanket for the lawn area.\*\***





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## Lions Clubs 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 doubt 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 to another, but that true friendship 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, and to give them my unwavering loyalty in word, 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.

## Lions Clubs Objectives

- **To CREATE** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.
- **To UNITE** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship, and mutual understanding.
- **To TAKE** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social, and moral welfare of the community.
- **To PROMOTE** the principles of good government and good citizenship.
- **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.



**MILLBRAE LIONS CLUB**  
**General Meeting Agenda**  
**Burlingame Lions Hall**

**990 Burlingame Avenue. Burlingame, CA, 94010**  
**March 20, 2019**

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**No host gathering – 6:30pm**

**Call to Order 7:00pm**

Pledge of Allegiance – Lion Mike Mullins

Song – Lion Whitney Broussard

Invocation – PP/Historian Bortolin

Introduction of visiting Lions and guests – Lion 1<sup>st</sup> VP Lee

**Business of the Club**

- MLC donation to the Leos Club – Lion PP John Muniz
- Final Nomination Call to 2019-2020 Board of Directors – IPP Dave Van Wart

**DINNER**

**Reports**

- No reports

**Upcoming Events and Announcements**

- 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Leos Friends and Family Dinner (April 13<sup>th</sup> at St, Dunstan)
- Millbrae Lions 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Week, (April 14<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup>)
- Millbrae Goes to the Movies, (April 19<sup>th</sup>)
- Millbrae Lions First Annual Casino Night (April 27<sup>th</sup> at St, Dunstan)
- District 4-C4 Convention (May 3-5 in Redding California)
- Millbrae Lions Picnic (May 18<sup>th</sup>)
- Millbrae Lions First Annual Golf Tournament (Fall 2019)

**Birthdays**

Alice Kuang, (March, 4<sup>th</sup>)

Paul Bourque, (March 7<sup>th</sup>)

Hilda Delgado, (March 10<sup>th</sup>)

Linda Mejia, (March 13<sup>th</sup>)

Randy Sahae, (March 16<sup>th</sup>)

Steve Luzaich, (March 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Silvia Pignati, (March 25<sup>th</sup>)

Tail Twister – E.J. Penas

Marble Game – PP Rich Bortolin

**Good of the Order**

**Close of Meeting**





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## 2018 – 2019 Millbrae Lions Calendar

|           |              |  |
|-----------|--------------|--|
| July      | 4            | Historical Society BBQ                               |
|           | 11           | General Meeting 16 Mile House                        |
|           | 18           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
| August    | 25           | General Meeting 16 Mile House                        |
|           | 8            | General Meeting 16 Mile House                        |
|           | 15           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
|           | 18           | Millbrae Machines with Leos                          |
| September | 22           | General Meeting 16 Mile House                        |
|           | 1            | add1st Meeting                                       |
|           | 5            | General Meeting Calcutta                             |
|           | 12           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
|           | 19           | General Meeting 16 Mile House                        |
| October   | 22           | Relay for Life – Breakfast Duty                      |
|           | 22           | Lobster/Lifestep Foundation with Leos                |
|           | 3            | General Meeting 16 Mile House                        |
|           | 10           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
|           | 17           | General Meeting 16 Mile House                        |
|           | 20           | Marinated Crab Feed                                  |
|           | 22           | Peninsula Council at Millbrae                        |
| November  | 2            | Monster March/White Cane Day                         |
|           | 7            | General Meeting: Movers & Shakers                    |
|           | 14           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
| December  | 18           | Turkey Trot  |
|           | 1            | Tree Decorating Millbrae                             |
|           | 5            | General Dinner Meeting Location TBA                  |
|           | 12           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
| January   | 14           | Christmas Party                                      |
|           | 2            | General Meeting Green Hills Country Club             |
|           | 9            | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
|           | 16           | General Meeting Green Hills Country Club             |
| February  | 26           | Crab Cioppino  |
|           | 6            | General Meeting Green Hills Country Club             |
|           | 13           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
| March     | 20           | General Meeting/Student speaker                      |
|           | 24           | Nomination Breakfast                                 |
|           | 6            | General Meeting                                      |
|           | 13           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
| April     | 20           | General Meeting: St. Patty's @ Burlingame Lions Hall |
|           | 3            | General Meeting: Leos night                          |
|           | 10           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
| May       | 17           | General Meeting: Youth Week                          |
|           | 28           | Reno Bus Trip  |
|           | 1            | General Meeting: Past President's Night              |
|           | 2nd - 5th    | District Convention                                  |
| June      | 8            | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
|           | 15           | General Meeting                                      |
|           | 5            | General Meeting: Awards Night                        |
|           | 8            | Mother of All Pancake Breakfasts                     |
|           | 12           | Board Meeting Chetcuti                               |
| TBA       | Installation |  |



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## Millbrae Lions Club "Bob Jorge" School Fingerprinting Program



450,000 Children run away each year  
300,000 Children are abducted each year by family members  
More than 58,000 children are abducted each year by non-family members  
That's more than 800,000 children in America missing each year which is about 2,200 per day  
or one child every 40 seconds.

Millbrae Lions Club has been a proud part of the Child Identification Program over the years which is a community service initiative dedicated to changing these statistics by providing parents and guardians with a tool they can use to help protect their children.

Parents are provided with a current set of their child's fingerprints and a color photo on an identification card for safe keeping. The card also provides parents space to add other important information, thereby giving them assurance they will be able to provide authorities with vital information to assist their efforts should the need occur.

This year's program includes fingerprinting and photos of kindergarteners and new students at all five (5) elementary schools in Millbrae as follows;

|                                 |                |                                 |
|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| <u>Monday, March 11, 2019</u>   | <u>8:15am</u>  | <u>Spring Valley Elementary</u> |
| <u>Tuesday, March 12, 2019</u>  | <u>8:30am</u>  | <u>Green Hills Elementary</u>   |
| <u>Monday, March 18, 2019</u>   | <u>10:00am</u> | <u>Lomita Park School</u>       |
| <u>Thursday, March 21, 2019</u> | <u>8:30am</u>  | <u>St. Dunstan's School</u>     |
| <u>Tuesday, March 26, 2019</u>  | <u>9:15am</u>  | <u>Meadows School</u>           |

Contact Chairman PP Lion Tony Montes at (650) 697-3382 if you can help or for more information. Some of the tasks in the program include, writing children's names on fingerprint cards & folders, fingerprinting the children, cleaning the hands of the children, photographing the children and directing the children to each station.



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## RENO BUS TRIP

**THE MILLBRAE LIONS CLUB RENO BUS TRIP IS ALL SET TO GO!**

**SEATS ARE GOING FAST, SO IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GO, LET ME KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

**WE DEPART MILLBRAE ON SUNDAY APRIL 28TH AT 9:00 AM, STAY TWO NIGHTS AT THE SILVER LEGACY HOTEL CASINO, AND ARRIVE BACK TO MILLBRAE TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH AT APPROXIMATELY 6:00 PM.**

**YOUR TRIP INCLUDES LUXURY BUS TRANSPORTATION, HOTEL STAY, COCKTAIL AND HORS D' OEUVRES PARTY, BUFFET BREAKFAST ON MONDAY MORNING, DINNER MONDAY NIGHT, DAY TRIP TO THE PEPPERMILL HOTEL CASINO, UNLIMITED GAMBLING, ENTERTAINMENT, PRIZES, MOVIE, LUNCH ON THE WAY HOME, AND ALL THE FUN WITH FRIENDS THAT YOU CAN HANDLE. LION TOM ENBERG WILL KEEP YOU ENTERTAINED ON THE BUS, AND LION RON FREDIANI WILL MAKE SURE YOU HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED IN OUR HOSPITALITY SUITE.**

**THE COST FOR THIS EVENT OF THE YEAR IS ONLY \$200.00 PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY, AND \$250.00 FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY. IT WILL COST YOU MORE TO STAY HOME!**

**RESERVE YOU SEATS NOW, THEY'RE GOING FAST.**

**LION PP MIKE GIANNI**

**PHONE: 650-952-5737**

**CELL: 650-291-9502**

**E-MAIL: MLGIANNI18@AOL.COM**



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## Millbrae Lions Club Soon to Be Largest in District 4-C4

By, Lion PP Cavin Chin

Taking a quick peep on My LCI, our club is currently the 2nd largest in terms of members. SF Unified Lions Club has 77 members and we are currently at 76 members. Now that Juan Gamez has been inducted (nice that DG Lydia performed the induction). Juan is the 19th Millbrae Lion to join since August 2016.

Looking ahead, we have 5 more candidates in the queue (listed below). Adding these five will potentially bring our club membership total to 81 members where we will be the largest club in District 4-C4!!

| Sponsor         | Candidate        |
|-----------------|------------------|
| EJ Penas        | Tom Williams     |
| Gary Pellegrini | Betsy Jacob      |
| Steve Henderson | Ramiro Hernandez |
| Mike Mullins    | Gabe Ortiz       |
| Joe Ortega      | Ian Gerrone      |

It took several years to get the momentum going and the trajectory for both new members and the back door remains closed (lose members) continues to look very good for our club!!



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## *New Lion Juan Gamez Sworn into Our Club*

*Millbrae Lions are honored by visit by District Governor Lydia Taylor Bellinger, 4C4 District Council, and International Director nominee Ken Ibarra (Past Lions District Governor and former San Bruno Council member). Millbrae Lions Club is more than 80 years of active service to the Millbrae community and beyond. During their visit new Lion Juan Gamez was sworn into the club. Mr. Gamez is excited to join. He brings decades of experience in business to our group. His sponsor Lion Steve Henderson was quoted, saying "I am excited for Juan, and our club. Our future is bright".*



Pictured Top Left. Lion Secretary Rob Ducote', Lion Bulletin Editor Steve Henderson, New Lion Juan Gamez, Lion President Bart Speccia, Lion DG Lydia Taylor Bellinger. – Top Right. Lion Steve Henderson places the Lions Pin on Lion Juan Gamez – Bottom, Lion President Bart, Lion PP, Treasurer Calvin Chin, Prospective new Lion Ian Gerrone, Lion Jaun Gamez, Lion Mike Mullins, Future Lion Gabe Ortiz, and Lion Steve Henderson





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## *Baseball Opening Day – Let's Play Ball!*

Millbrae Lions Baseball opened the 2019 season on Saturday 3-16-19 at Taylor Middle School. Games were played on all four diamonds beginning with Tee Ball grades Kindergarten and 1st at 9:00 am and ending under the lights, with a Bronco game, Grades 5th and 6th, which started at 7:00pm. The Pony Division, grades 7th and 8th is just getting under way. Over 325 baseball players and their families participated in the opening day festivities. In the hour between noon and 1:00pm teams participated in opening day ceremonies, which included a parade onto Taylor field number one for a league wide panoramic picture. The 2019 League wide photo will be available soon. During the Opening ceremonies Lion President Bart Speccia welcomed all to the experience, noting that many of the Lions club members played in the program as kids. Longtime Community, and Baseball volunteer Pete Cullen was recognized for his tireless efforts in support of Lions Baseball. Mr. Cullen is a former coach and league commissioner who now oversees the field operations. He keeps the fields sharp, and trains willing volunteers in field preparation. There were several Lions on hand, including Gina Papan, Calvin Chin, Mike Gianni, John Muniz, Gary Pellegrini among others. The San Bruno Scouts Color Guard presented the colors for the National Anthem. Thanks to the Lions leadership for their continued support of the baseball program. Thanks, in addition to our 26 sponsors who donated in order to help our program to be accessible to all kids that want to play. For a full list of sponsors please see our website [www.millbraebaseball.com](http://www.millbraebaseball.com) . Finally, Thanks to our Baseball Board of Directors who have put in over one hundred hours planning and organizing to get the season underway. There are games on most weekday evenings and Saturdays at Taylor, Green Hills, and/or Glen Oaks. Come on out to the fields to enjoy some baseball soon! For 2019 game schedules Check out our Millbrae Lions Youth Baseball website [www.millbraebaseball.com](http://www.millbraebaseball.com) Get a glimpse of our kids having fun on the field by viewing our 2018 Baseball Opening Day highlight video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUKhbsR0EkA&t=77s>







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*You are cordially invited to the*

**MILLBRAE LEOS CLUB**  
**12TH ANNUAL FRIENDS AND FAMILY DINNER**  
**HOSTED BY THE MILLBRAE LEO'S CLUB**  
**AND MILLBRAE LIONS CLUB**



Date: April 13th, 2019  
Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Location: 1150 Magnolia Ave  
Millbrae, CA 94030  
St. Dunstan Parish Hall

Guest Speaker: Surprise

Join us in an evening of celebration for the 12TH Annual Friends and Family Dinner of the Millbrae LEOS Club filled with fun raffle prizes, music, and catered food. (Leo of the Year and Outstanding Leo to be announced as well!)

**RSVP BY April 6th, 2019**

Go online to reserve at

<https://goo.gl/forms/9ce9ks2Oi79iXwCn1>,

at millbraeleosclub.org.

Or contact Lion John Muniz to make you reservations. Please provide



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