Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Growler and other Lions Activities

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November/December 2019

HAPPY THANKSGIVING AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Multi Club Holiday Gala is scheduled for Sunday, December 8th The Holiday Gala this year will be back at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2000 Bridgepointe Circle in San Mateo. The Clubs sponsoring the dinner are Belmont, Menlo Park Live Oak, Peninsula Veterans, San Mateo and San Carlos Lions. The entrée choices are Vegetable Risotto, Chicken or Grilled Flank Steak. Cost is \$60.00 per entrée and it is requested that RSVP's be in by December 1st if possible. There will be a complementary bottle of Cabernet and Chardonnay at each table of eight for dinner. The reception is 4:30 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm. No host cocktails will be at the Hotel Bar by check in in the main lobby. Our dinner will be in the same room as before the Orchid Room. Check in for the dinner will be in the hall next to the Orchid room. You will receive your dinner ticket and one complementary raffle ticket.

The raffle will be for ten raffle prizes, two per sponsoring Club valued at \$50.00 or more. There may also be some bottles of wine. Again this year we are encouraging canned goods for the needy and children's toys. There will be an opportunity to donate for special baked cookies at each table and the proceeds will go to the Lions Student Speaker Foundation. We look forward to seeing those who can attend. Checks for your entree should be payable to San Mateo Lions Club and mailed to Box 5623, San Mateo CA 94402 and please note the entrée choice, your Club affiliation and name or names of those attending. The After Eight Singers will provide some holiday music.

District Governor Helen Casaclang Annual Club Visitation, Monday, December 9th DG Helen and select Cabinet Officers will be visiting our Club and she will be our Program and it is open to all Club members. Our Club meeting for this visitation has moved to the Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce at 1100 Merrill Street at the Caltrain Station in Menlo Park. The Club is hosting lunch for all who are attending including our District guests. Please arrive by 11:45 am and wear your Club Lions nametag. DG Helen will update us on items of interest for District 4-C4 and Lions

Clubs International. Cabinet Officers attending may also provide some remarks. At our meeting she will also be presenting LCIF Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards to Bobbie McDonald, Tina Morris, Priscilla Robertson and Jim Bigelow. We will take up our December Club Board items at our next meeting back at Little House on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 11:45 am.

ICARE Celebrated their 50th Anniversary Bobbie McDonald and Tina Morris our Club ICARE Committee Co-Chairs reported that the 50th Anniversary of ICARE was held in Ladera and was a High Tea" celebration. Club President John Hickson and Sara attended and John provided some remarks on the fine work ICARE has done over the many years being celebrated as thy have been involved in fundraising and vision screening activities. He also made the point that our Lions Club is most appreciative of their becoming Lions members and have continued and expanded their vision screening during the last five years. Both Bobbie and Tina also indicated some of the original ICARE members were present who were a part of ICARE when it was formed in 1969. Over 40 were in attendance for the 50th Anniversary celebration. In addition to vision screening a number of the current Club ICARE Committee also help with our Club's Sunday Farmers Market that is much appreciated!

<u>Peninsula Council of Lions dinner meeting</u> The Peninsula Council of Lions meeting will be held on Monday, November 25th at Mahany Hall, 1336 Arroyo Avenue in San Carlos. No Host reception at 6:00 pm and dinner at 7:00 pm. Club Board member Karl Jeager will be attending and provide our Club report. Anyone wanting to attend it is \$30.00 at the door and RSVP to PCL 2nd VP Lion Venetia Young at RSVP2PCL@gmail.com

<u>Update on Club Student Speakers Contest</u> Our Club has received all the Contest materials for the topic of this years contest "Homelessness in California; What is the Solution?" is the topic for students to express their views. Our Club Contest Co-Chairs Margaret Carney and Dorothy Page are currently contacting local schools to make students aware and encourage them to participate in our Club's Monday, February 10th Contest at the Menlo Park Chamber Office at 7:00 pm. If you know of anyone interested from our local High Schools please let our Co-Chairs know.

<u>December Club Donations</u> Club Treasurer Priscilla Robertson and Club President John Hickson are working together to ready the checks for the many community and Lions activities we support. The December checks will be over \$20,000 and are included in our Club Board approved Fiscal 2019/2020 Community Giving Budget. Also with Club funds, member and Lions Friends donations we will again provide over \$1,000 plus in toys to the Menlo Park Fire Protection District to be given out to the needy in Menlo Park's Bell Haven neighborhood and in East Palo Alto for the Holidays.

<u>Club Farmers Market</u> Our Sunday Farmers Market held in downtown Menlo Park continues to do well with over \$1,000 collected each Sunday from the Farmers and

vendor space fees. We are still doing over 4,000 pounds of donated produce monthly to the needy. As the calendar year 2019 is coming to an end we should recognize many who keep our major fundraiser going as we head to our 28th year! Those involved are Jim Bigelow, Jean Bushee, Margaret Carney, Jitz Couperus, Nancy Couperus, Lori Hennings, John Hickson, Karl Jeager, Bobbie McDonald, Tina Morris, Priscilla Robertson, Karla Taylor, Paul Tarantino, Isaac Stevnson and Ruthie Wilkins.

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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. 3 rd (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 10 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 11 th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Club Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue in Menlo Park
Nov. 17 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 24 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market and pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Nov. 25 th (Monday)	6:00 pm	Peninsula Council of Lions dinner meeting at Mahany Hall, 1336 Arroyo Avenue in San Carlos. No host cocktails at 6:00 pm and dinner at 7:00 pm
Dec. 1 st (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Dec. 8 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy

Dec. 8 th (Sunday)	4:30 pm	Lions Multi-Club Holiday Gala, Hilton Garden Inn, 2000 Bridgepointe Circle, San Mateo, 4:30 pm no host cocktails, 5:30 pm dinner followed by After Eight Singers holiday music and raffle
Dec. 9 th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Annual District Governor Helen Casaclang's Club Visitation, at Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce Office, 1100 Merrill Street at the Caltrain Station in Menlo Park. Lunch is provided and open to all Club Members.
Dec. 15 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Dec.22 nd (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Dec. 29 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Jan. 5 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Jan. 12 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Jan. 13 th (Monday)	11:45 am	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Board meeting at Little House, 800 Middle Avenue in Menlo Park
Jan. 19 th (Sunday)	12:45 pm	Menlo Park Live Oak Lions Farmers Market pickup of farmers donated produce for the needy
Jan 29 th (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 sprit 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.