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President's Message

Hello Millbrae Lions!

I trust you and your loved ones are staying safe and well. Please know you are thought of often and I look forward to seeing all of you again - in person - at soonest opportunity.

It was nice to see many of you at the Zoom General Meeting and/Zoom Board meeting last month. The MLC now has a zoom account (secured) and can hold meetings and gatherings up to 100 guests. We will continue to use Zoom for scheduled meetings until further noticed.

You may have noted your Quarterly dues were reduced. Recognizing the financial impact of the COVID 19 pandemic on our community at large, your due were reduced for the Apr - June quarter. We will continue to monitor the pandemic impact and adjust as we can.

We've had some great impact in our community. Over the past 6+ weeks, we have donated thousands of masks to members of the community and first responders. Thank you to all the Lions that volunteered to help in each of these projects. More to come for certain and we will keep you posted.

Finally, I regularly tell you that you make a difference to people in our community. I wanted to end this message with a note we received from a grateful recipient of face masks this past weekend. I will see you soon - Zoom if you can! Lion President Rob

Email letter to the MLC:

I can't thank you enough for the masks. I am a caregiver for a wonderful friend who is on Hospice. I asked for masks for each of us and you were kind enough to have them hand delivered today!!! Hooray - I asked Mission Hospice if I could wheel my friend around on my block - and perhaps beyond - if we had masks on and kept our distance = and they said staying home was most safe but given the patient's situation - and her desire to breathe real air (meaning out of the house in which we have been locked in for weeks!) it would be okay. Well, it was WONDERFUL. She was so excited to be outside and I am so grateful to Millbrae Lions for making it possible.

Warm regards and with gratitude,

(Name withheld)

Millbrae Lions Meetings

Next Meeting

Wed, May 6, 7:00pm

Zoom Meeting

Link sent via email

Board Meetings

2nd Wednesdays,

7:00 pm

Chetcuti Room

General Meetings

1st and 3rd Wednesday,

7:00pm

Greenhills Country Club

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Lion President's Goals/Visions

Year | President

Key Vision and Goals

2019-20 | Rob DuCote:

- Continue to actively recruit community members into the Millbrae Lions Club, ensuring effective and robust relations across our diverse Millbrae community.
- Continue to form strategic partnerships with key civic and social groups, resulting in greater collaboration and leveraging of each organization's unique capabilities.
- Identify and incorporate new project management "best practices" to optimize delivery and impact of projects and Club operations
- Create and maintain the delivery of high quality, impactful projects to the Millbrae community through effective management.
- Year over year, provide opportunities for MLC members and spouses/significant others to have FUN while growing and nurturing friendship and camaraderie

2018-19 | Bart Speccia:

- 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.

2017-18 | Dave Van Wart:

- 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

2016-17 | Bruce Sutter:

- Ensure the MLC Project Portfolio met the needs of the community (Schools, youth, seniors and other non-profits) and grow our membership.

2015-16 | Lorrie Kalos:

- Work Effectively in Numbers to support the community and have fun.

2014-15 | Calvin Chin: Back To Basics

- Understand and embrace – "Who Do We Serve"?
- 5 year MLC Roadmap (refresh every year)
- Refresh MLC Project Portfolio, no sacred cows.
- Rekindle and develop effective working relationships with both Millbrae community and fellow community service organizations.

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Lion Focus

Operation Masks for Millbrae

By: Bulletin Staff | Date: April 9, 2020

The Millbrae Lions Club and City of Millbrae teamed up to donate 6,000 masks to 600 families, elders, and schools in the City of Millbrae on the weekend of May 2, 2020 - May 3, 2020.

Millbrae Lions Club members, Lady Lions, Lions' sons, daughters, grandmas, community volunteers, City of Millbrae officials, Mayor Reuben Holober, and City of San Mateo Councilwoman Diane Papan who attended school in Millbrae, volunteered hundreds of hours to package masks, deliver masks to homes, and operated a drive-thru for people to pick up masks at the Library.

Cars lined up in front of the Millbrae Library in the parking lot and onto the local streets waiting to receive 3-6 free masks before Operation Masks-for-Millbrae opened the car lanes. The City of Millbrae donated 1,000 masks primarily for senior citizens, while the Millbrae Lions Club used money raised from their annual fundraisers to purchase and donate another 5,000 masks for the community.

"The city is doing everything we can to ensure COVID19 does not take hold in Millbrae and our citizens are safe," says the Mayor Millbrae Reuben Holober who also volunteered to deliver masks. We are grateful for our community organizations like the Millbrae Lions Club who has raised and given thousands of dollars back to the community."

In addition to Operation Masks for Millbrae, Millbrae Lions donated 1,000 much-needed masks to San Mateo County first responders at the beginning of the COVID19 epidemic. San Mateo County

emergency operations were grateful since personal protection equipment was in very short supply.

Where did the Lions Club get these hard to find masks? Lion President Rob DuCote and Lion Marian Kong tracked down credible sources at fair market prices.



"I'm very proud of our membership and community volunteers. They all understand the importance of helping to protect our community from COVID19," says the President of the Millbrae Lions Club, Rob DuCote. "Our efforts won't end here. We see this as part of an extended campaign help our community and we will do all we can to help people through the hardship brought on by COVID19"



Operation Masks for Millbrae started on Thursday, April 30, 2020 with the assembly of 3 and 6 packages of masks. 3 packaged masks for seniors/individuals and 6 packaged masks for families. Co-Chair Lion Betsy Jacob and Co-Chair Lion Ann Schnieder planned for a few days of making up these packages. But with the help of Lion John Celentano, Lady

Elaine Celentano, Lion Oscar Loza, Lion Lynn Clinton, Lion Secretary Steve Henderson, and son John, Lion President Rob DuCote, Lion Anthony Caccia, Lion Marian Kong, Lion 1VP Wayne Lee, and Lion Disen Cai, all the packages were assembled by 3 PM on Thursday!



Distribution went smoothly starting on Saturday despite the pressure of cars backing up along Poplar. The Lions and lady lions stepped up and quickly solve that issue thanks to the leadership of CoChair Lion Jeff Spickler and Lion Bulletin Editor EJ Penas using his smartphone to check-in those people who pre-registered and other lions took names, addresses, and

phone numbers for contact tracing procedures. Lion President Rob DuCote, Lion Secretary Steve Henderson, Lion Gina Papan, and sister Capachino HS graduate San Mateo Councilwoman Diane Papan, Lion Betsy Jacob,

Lion Adam ODea, Lion Juan Gomez, Lion Tom Williams (also City Manager), Lady Lion Principal Christine Spickler, One Martial Arts Kimberly Beliso, PTO Vivian Chu, and several intrepid youngsters and parents who came back the next day to volunteer. About 500 people and 2,700-3,200 masks were given out.



On the next and final day, Sunday, traffic was smooth and constant. CoChair Lion Anders Fung managed Sunday's operation with the help of again Lion



President Rob DuCote, Lion Gina Papan, Lion Juan Gomez, Lion Tom Williams, and Lion 1VP Wayne Lee's mother, sister, niece, nephew, and son, One Martial Arts, Brannon Beliso, Public Works Acting Director, Jane Kao, and the same intrepid young volunteers from the day before all combined to make another smooth day of rewarding and fun distribution.

In short, it was a successful community effort lead by President Rob DuCote and City Manager Tom Williams.

The Millbrae Lions Club thanks the Millbrae staff and City Manager, Lion Tom Williams for their seamless cooperation, assistance, and lunch.

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General Dinner Meeting Agenda

Check in to Zoom - 6:45 PM

Pledge of Allegiance - Ed Musa

Song - PP Sahae

Invocation - PP Bortolin

Moment of Silence celebrating the life of PDG George Habeeb

Toast – Raise a Glass for a Virtual toast with members of our club celebrating the Life of PDG George Habeeb – Lion President DuCote'

Club Business

- Member Check In - President DuCote
- PP Nomination 2020-2021 Board of Directors - IPP Speccia
- Homemade Masks Project - Secretary Henderson
- Member Dues Reduced to \$80.00 this quarter (Apr-Jun) – PP Chin
- Future PPE and Community Support Efforts – President DuCote
- Future Meetings via Zoom – President DuCote

Project Reports

- Sunshine Report - PP Muniz
- Masks for Millbrae Project - Lion Schneider/Lion Lee and team
- Donation to Mills Family Relief Fund – President DuCote
- Donation of protective masks to MESD – President DuCote

Club Business

- PP Nomination 2020-2021 Board of Directors - Update - IPP Speccia
- Installation Update – President DuCote
- COVID 19 Community Need Input – all members
- MLC Golf Tournament Update – Lion Musa/Lion Jacob/Lion Ortega

Upcoming Events and Meetings

- Millbrae Lions BOD Meeting on Zoom (May 13)
- Millbrae Lions General Meeting on Zoom (TBD May 20_
- Millbrae Lions General Meeting TBD via Zoom (TBD Jun 3rd)
- Millbrae Lions BOD Meeting on Zoom (TBD Jun 10th)
- 2020/2021 MLC BOD Installation (TBD June 27 @ GHCC or Zoom)
- 10th Annual Millbrae Machines (TBD Aug 15)
- MLC Golf Tournament @ GHCC (Sept 14th)

May Birthdays

Nancy Montes (May 14)

David Van Wart (May 15)

Bob Vogt (May 18)

Ken Fowler (May 19)

Joe Bronzini (May 21)

Ron Johnson (May 24)

Judy Cullina (May 25)

Lew Grasberger (May 28)

May Anniversaries

Michael and Alice Kuang (May 12)

Doug and Mary Ann (May 19)

Dave and Debbie Van Wart (May 23)

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2019 – 2020 Millbrae Lions Calendar

July	17	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	27	Millbrae Lions BBQ at Baseball Tournament Taylor
August	7	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	14	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	17	Millbrae Machines On Broadway
	21	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	31	Art and Wine Festival
September	4	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club - Calcutta Night</i>
	11	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	18	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	28	Relay For Life at the Shea Center
October	2	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	9	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	13	Lions Family Picnic 11:00am
	16	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	26	Monster March 9:30am
	26	Marinated Crab Feed 1pm
November	6	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	13	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	20	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club - Spouse/Partner's Night</i>
December	4	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club - Guest Speaker</i>
	6	Senior Center Christmas Tree Decoration
	11	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	18	<i>No General Dinner Meeting</i>
	20	MLC Christmas Party at Green Hills Country Club
January	8	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	22	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	26	Millbrae Lunar New Year Festival
	25	Crab Cioppino at St. Dunstan Parish Center 3pm
February	5	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	12	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	19	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	23	BOD Nomination Breakfast
March	11	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	14	Millbrae Lions Baseball Season Opening Day – At Taylor
	18	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
April	1	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club</i>
	8	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	15	<i>General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club – Youth Week</i>
May	6	<i>General Dinner Meeting - On Zoom</i>
	13	Board Meeting - On Zoom
	20	<i>General Dinner Meeting - On Zoom</i>
June	3	<i>General Dinner Meeting - On Zoom</i>
	10	Board Meeting Chetcuti Room
	17	<i>General Dinner Meeting Cancelled</i>
	27	BOD Installation Dinner Meeting (TBD June 27 @ GHCC or Zoom)

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SUM 20 Millbrae Machines 2020

By: Bulletin Staff | Date: April 15, 2020

Still working on plans for this years show! This will be our 10th anniversary and look forward to life returning to normal and people out enjoying a good time! More to come!!

Project Chair(s):
Lion Anthony Caccia



Sunshine Report

The Passing of Past District Governor George Habeeb

By: Lion PP John Muniz | Date: November 3, 2019

Today we lost an American Hero and I lost one of my best friends. He was the best of fiends to all of us. Anyone who knew him came away a better person by knowing him. I am heartbroken as we all are when we lose someone so enduring to us all. Captain George Habeeb was taken from this life and entered unto the next life, he was one-hundred and two years old. Our heats go out to his wife Helen of 70 years, sons Gary and Kenny and daughter Patty.



Born on October 18th, 1917 in San Francisco, a graduate of Mission High School in San Francisco, a

long-time grocery store owner in San Francisco and Daly City and a liquor store named "The Town Vintner". George enlisted in the United States



Army in 1942 and quickly rose to the rank of Captain, serving in the medical corps. After the World War Two ended in 1945, George continued serve his county in the United States Army reserves until 1958.

George Habeeb epitomized the word community service and volunteerism. A fifty-nine-year member of the Millbrae Lions Club. He was the President of the Millbrae Lions Club, Past District Governor for Lions district 4-C4 and Chairperson for the District Canine Companions for Independence. Lion George received many awards for his dedication to the Millbrae Lions Club and Lions

International. Ten years ago, Lion George was awarded The "Ambassador of Good Will" medal, the highest award presented by Lions International.

Helen and George were also founding members of the Millbrae Historical Society (since 1970) serving on the Board of Directors under 16 Presidents.

George Habeeb was named "Millbrae Man of the Year" in 2004 for his outstanding commitment to serving the Millbrae Community.

George and Helen were also dedicated members of the Italian Catholic Federation Branch 403.

I know the Millbrae Community is mourning the passing of George and he will be missed by many, but I know he is in a better place, at

peace with the Father.

Chapel of the Highlands has indicated "Services are Pending"



Sunshine Chair:
Lion John Muniz

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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 unswerving 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.

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Region 3 Zone 1 Chair

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Millbrae Lion of the Year

2018-19 Millbrae Lion of the Year
Lion Rob DuCote

