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## President's Message

Hello Fellow Lions!

As always, I want to thank each of you for your support this year. In particular during this pandemic – you have been steadfast in your commitment to supporting our community needs...even when it is tough and somewhat risky to us personally. Time and again, the Millbrae Lions rise to the challenge and do our level-best to SERVE. I am so glad that our club members and their extended loved ones have, by in large have stayed safe and well during the pandemic. I wish for you all continued safety and wellness.

So as many of you have noticed, our club transitioned to Zoom meetings to conduct important club business....and keep our important personal connections with one another. We have been averaging over 25 members in a general meeting – and I would love to see more of you. Please check your email for the Zoom line from our Lions Gmail account – contains important log-in information. If you have issues or don't see the email, please let Secretary Henderson know soonest. I have only a couple meetings left as your President and I anticipate those meetings will occur via Zoom. Look forward to seeing you!

The Millbrae Lions have continued to serve and have some fun together performing service to our community during the pandemic. Recently, we have been able to secure a large food/water donation for the community. 10 Lions responded to my emergent and urgent call for Lion Sweat Equity. They showed up ready to unload from one warehouse – take it to Second Harvest Food Bank – and unload it there. As they worked – wearing masks and respecting social distance – jokes and laughs were shared...it was good to see one another face to masked face! These Lions worked with incredible efficiency and in a little over four hours, loaded and delivered more than 11,000 pounds of food and water (9 pallets) to Second Harvest. As we made the delivery, we also got to experience a moment of genuine happiness as a family arrived to get supplies and was completely thrilled to see the water donation (Second Harvest warehouse was out of water bottles). I left that day so proud of our club and our commitment to service.

We have responded to PPE requests from all across the community, donating more than 12,000 masks to first responders, members of our community and club. Recently the Lions filled an ad hoc donation request from the Millbrae Education Fund for MESD students participating in the free food program. The kids needed masks to be able to get the food from the MESD site – once again, Lions rose to the occasion and provided another 350 masks in support. The MEF/MESD and Mills PTO truly appreciates the money and supplies given by our club to help those in need. I thank all of you for making that possible.

Speaking of need, you are likely aware of the Hemlock Ave fire that displaced more than 50 Millbrae residents. The Board of Directors approved a project and funding to enable our Club to join City, Red Cross, and Central County Fire efforts to help these displaced families that lost nearly everything in the fire. Our funds, plus a generous donation from a community member and another non-profit connected with the Lions provided much needed food, clothing, money and supplies. We continue to monitor the situation on a weekly basis thru the City and look for ways to help as appropriate. I thank the Project Team that rallied on short notice to lead our efforts.

I do want to take a moment in my message to share that I am deeply saddened – and angered – over the unjustified and unnecessary death of George Floyd at the hands of Minneapolis police. I am not OK at all with what I saw on that video. Treatment of another person like this - It was wrong – period. His death has sparked outrage and protests all across our country, to include our local communities here in the Bay Area. I don't support the looting at all – I do understand the protests. As a human being, we all deserve to be treated better than that. I pray for change, understanding, and compassion. Thank you for allowing me to share that with you.

As I look ahead, I don't have an answer for you on the upcoming 2020/2021 BOD installation. More on that as we see what is really possible (and permitted) by the County/City/GHCC. In talking with Lion Anthony about Millbrae Machines, he said we are still planning to have the car show but it might be later in September/October. As of now, the Lions Golf Tournament is on track for our 2nd consecutive tournament at GHCC on September 14th. If you haven't registered, please go to our website and register ASAP!

Hopefully, you are reading this message and taking great pride in being a Millbrae Lion. We serve because we care about one another and our community. We are not motivated by personal accolades or interests – Lions authentically serve from the heart with a health dose of MLC Mojo!

I miss seeing you all in person and I do look forward to that opportunity again...hopefully real soon.

Until next time, Lion President Rob

### Millbrae Lions Meetings

**Next Meeting** Wed, June 3rd, 7:00pm Zoom Meeting Link sent via email Board Meetings 2nd Wednesdays, 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting General Meetings 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm Zoom Meeting



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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**

## Second Harvest Food Bank - MLC Sweat

By:Lion Cal Chin via Facebook | Date: May 29, 2020

The 75 members (amazing Millbrae Volunteers) of the Millbrae Lions Club continues to be grateful to have the ability and drive to help those in need in both Millbrae and San Mateo County; especially during these difficult times. The past 3 weeks we addressed several important needs:









1. FOOD & WATER/DRINKS - Today, 5/29/20, 10 Millbrae Lions packaged and delivered 9 pallets (over 11,000 lbs) of dry food and water/drinks to the SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK in San Mateo. There was a quote in a recent San Jose Mercury News Article where Second Harvest CEO Leslie Bacho - "We saw a 40% increase in need since the crises began, nothing like we've seen before".

2. FACE MASKS - The Millbrae Education Foundation President Elect Joy Pasamonte Henry requested additional face masks to provide to those Millbrae School Families who are unable to obtain on their own. Last week, Lion President Rob DuCote provided an additional 350 Face Masks. Since the pandemic crises began, our club has donated over 12,000 masks.

3. CLOTHING AND GIFT CARDS - Tragically, on 5/6/20, there was a 3 alarm apartment fire in Millbrae where close to 50 residents were displaced and lost most of their valuables. We helped provide clothing via John's Closet (a nonprofit in the memory of John Papan). In addition, thanks to a generous donor and funding from the Millbrae Lions Club, we provided several thousands of \$s gift cards from both Target and Visa.









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# General Dinner Meeting Agenda

#### Check in to Zoom - 6:45 PM

Pledge of Allegiance - PP David Van WartSong - PP Sahae Song Lion - PP Randy Sahae Invocation - PP Bortolin

#### **Project Reports**

- Sunshine Report (PP Muniz)
- Protective mask Distribution (President DuCote)
  - MESD/MEF requested additional masks for youth/families. 350 additional masks were distributed to MESD/MEF
  - MLC Club Member Wellness Check Project (Sec Henderson/Lion Jacob)
    - This project checked-in with members via phone. Additionally, the committee asked members if there were a need to update their formation for the club roster. All information saved in an encrypted folder controlled by Club Secretary and Executive Board

Hemlock Fire – Family Relief Project (VP Lee/Lion Papan/Lion Williams)

- This project provided direct relief for 50 displaced Millbrae residents who were victims of the recent tragic fire. MLC (+outside donor) distributed Visa and Target Gift Cards valued at over \$3000 and clothing via John's Closet (a non-profit in memory of John Papan). Project continues.
- Second Harvest Food Bank Donation (President DuCote)
  - MLC sought out and obtained large donation of food/water. Coordinated delivery of donation to Second Harvest Food Bank. Ten Millbrae Lions quickly packaged and delivered 9 Pallets, (over,1,100 lbs) of dry food and water/drinks to help the needy in San Mateo County

#### **Club Business**

- Input from members regarding urgent community COVID 19 needs
  - Update on 2020/2021 Installation of Board of Directors
- Update on Millbrae Machines Car Show
- Update on the MLC Golf Tournament

#### **Upcoming Events and Meetings**

- Millbrae Lions BOD Meeting on Zoom Jun 10,
- Millbrae Lions General Meeting on Zoom Jun 17
  - 2020/2021 First General Meeting (Tbd Zoom) Jul 1
- 10th Annual Millbrae Machines Car Show TBD Sept/Oct
- MLC Golf Tournament @ GHCC Sept14th

#### June Birthdays

Barba Baciocco (Jun 14)

Frank Barbaro (Jun 22)

#### June Anniversaries

Joe and Leslie Bronzini (Aug 23) Mike and Jane Simonini (Aug 25)



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## 2019 – 2020 Millbrae Lions Calendar

| 2019-2020                      |           |          |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|--|
| Board of Directors             | July      | 17       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Dussidant                      |           | 27       | Millbrae Lions BBQ at Baseball Tournament Taylor                         |
| <b>President</b><br>Rob DuCote | August    | 7        | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| ROD DUCOTE                     | August    |          | - · · ·  |
| Immediate Past President       |           | 14       | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| PP Bart Speccia                |           | 17       | Millbrae Machines On Broadway  |
| TT bart speccia                |           | 21       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| First Vice President           |           | 31       | Art and Wine Festival  |
| Wayne J. Lee                   | September | 4        | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club - <b>Calcutta Night</b>  |
| 114)11031200                   |           | 11       | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| Second Vice President          |           | 18       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Gary Pellegrini                |           | 28       | Relay For Life at the Shea Center  |
|                                | October   | 2        | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Secretary                      | O CLODE!  | 9        | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| Steve Henderson                |           | 13       | Lions Family Picnic 11:00am  |
|                                |           |          | •  |
| Treasurer                      |           | 16<br>26 | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| PP Calvin Chin                 |           | 26       | Monster March 9:30am   |
|                                |           | 26       | Marinated Crab Feed 1pm  |
| Assistant Treasurer            | November  | 6        | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Oscar Loza                     |           | 13       | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
|                                |           | 20       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club - Spouse/Partner's Night |
| Bulletin Editor                | December  | 4        | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club - Guest Speaker          |
| Ellery (E.J.) Peñas            |           | 6        | Senior Center Christmas Tree Decoration                                  |
|                                |           | 11       | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| Tail Twister                   |           | 18       | No General Dinner Meeting  |
| Adam O'Dea                     |           | 20       | MLC Christmas Party at Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Lion Tamer                     | lanuary   |          |  |
| Ed Musa                        | January   | 8        | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| Ed Musa                        |           | 22       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Director of Publicity          |           | 26       | Millbrae Lunar New Year Festival   |
| PP Randy Sahae                 |           | 25       | Crab Cioppino at St. Dunstan Parish Center 3pm                           |
| TT Handy Sunde                 | February  | 5        | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Parliamentarian                |           | 12       | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| PP David Van Wart              |           | 19       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
|                                |           | 23       | BOD Nomination Breakfast   |
| Historian                      | March     | 11       | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| PP Bruce Sutter                |           | 14       | Millbrae Lions Baseball Season Opening Day – At Taylor                   |
|                                |           | 18       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| Director Two Years             | ا تسمید   |          | - ,  |
| Mike Mullins                   | April     | 1        | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club                          |
| John Celentano                 |           | 8        | Board Meeting Chetcuti Room  |
| John Muñiz                     |           | 15       | General Dinner Meeting Green Hills Country Club – <b>Youth Week</b>      |
|                                | May       | 6        | General Dinner Meeting - On Zoom   |
| Director One Year              |           | 13       | Board Meeting - On Zoom  |
| Bob Bourque                    |           | 20       | <i>General Dinner Meeting</i> - On Zoom                                  |
| Bill Armanasco                 | June      | 3        | General Dinner Meeting - On Zoom   |
| Richard Stein                  |           | 10       | Board Meeting - On Zoom  |
|                                |           | 17       | General Dinner Meeting Cancelled   |
|                                |           | 27       | BOD Installation Dinner Meeting (TBD June 27 @ GHCC or Zoom)             |
|                                |           | 21       |  |
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We Serve

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# 20 Millbrae Machines 20 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



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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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**District Governor** Lion Helen Casaclang

**Region 3 Chair** Lion Maryah Tucker

Region 3 Zone 1 Chair Lion Jessie Peoples

## Millbrae Lion of the Year

## 2018-19 Millbrae Lion of the Year Lion Rob DuCote

