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San Mateo Lions supports following charities...

A Second Harvest Food Bank, Samaritan House, Lions in Sight charity, The Maple Street Shelter, American Legion, Boys & Girls Club, Burlingame Kite Festival, Chinese Affirmative Action, Chinese Hospital (SF), Chinese Newcomers Service, City of Hope, College Park School, Grateful Garment Project, Kases for Kids, Knights of Columbus, Lions Veterans Charities, Midsi Sanchez Foundation, Our Common Ground, Parkside School, Peninsula Veterans Lions, Rebuilding Together, Redwood Lions Memorial Foundation, Rocky Lombardi Festival, Site for Sore Eyes, Student Speaker Foundation

President's Proclamation

Dear Fellow Lions,

Thank you to those who trusted me to lead when I accepted as a second term of SMLC President. Are you ready for a super start on the 2021-2022 Lion year?

As the country is slowly coming out of a year-long hibernation, and businesses are beginning to open up, people are beginning to travel more, Lions members are thinking of how to get back to "normal". Our club is no different. We have been meeting on Zoom since the shut down last March and sometimes it has been a struggle.

This past year has been a challenge as we navigated the effects of corona virus. It was imperative that we scale back our program to keep our volunteer members safe. We were fortunate to have a few successful fundraising dinner events over the past year. Traditionally, we have sponsored a Fun Day at Classic Bowl in Daly City, Pasta Bingo at American Legion Hall, SM Nationals Little League Breakfast, Rebuilding Together, Second Harvest Food Bank, Samaritan House Food distribution, Restaurant Walk... However, as that became more difficult over time. The pandemic did not stop your service and you offered hope, light and love to so many in this challenging year. I am proud to be a Lion and part of this organization.

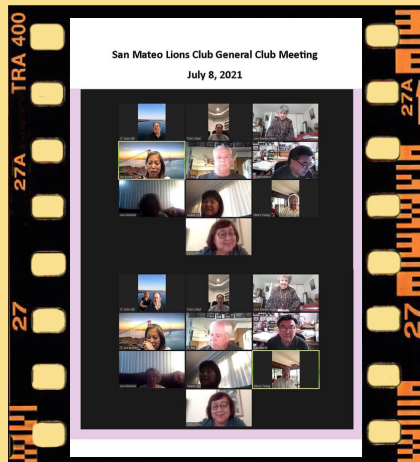
Lion President Henry

**In Person Meeting -
September 9, 2021 at 7 PM
at Neal's Cafe, Crystal
Springs Shopping Center**

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Club Activities

By Lion Eleanor Szeto and John Gill



Let me give a brief recap of what our Club has been doing for the past three months... Italics added by Lion John Gill.

May and June: On May 26, 2021 PDG Mel Phillips provided our Club with the first eye screening training. Lions President Henry, Ray, Lou, Eleanor, Isabella and Thomas attended the training. PDG Ken Ibarra also came to see how we were doing. He also advised us on how we can approach schools and child care centers to let them know that these eye screening services are free for their students.

We held our regular meeting via zoom on June 10. We finalized our decision that Henry Young should remain as our President for Fiscal 2021 to 2022. The officers of the Club were revised whereby Lion Eleanor Szeto assumed the responsibility of Vice President. The Board of Directors remain the same with the addition of Lion John Gill since three former board members have resigned from our Club due to personal circumstances. We voted to delay the installation of new members and officers until the situation permits a gathering in a to be decided location. This will give the new members an opportunity to see the camaraderie we have with various clubs in our region.

On June 14, we sponsored Fireman and Police Officer honorees of the Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs 55th & 56th Annual Virtual Police & Fireman Awards program. SMPD Sergeant Tracy Unga and Officer Erik Avila and Fire Captain Brad Olson also achieved Area Wide awards.

July: We started our year without much fanfare. We discussed the possibility of another Gourmet Dinner Fundraiser if the Covid situation is under control, possibly to be held in September 2021. We broached the subject of holding our Annual Bingo Event in October and several of us became committee members to plan the event. *At our July meeting, we were visited by our Zone Chair, Uni Pacay Buckley.*

August: Many subcommittee meetings were held by Lions President Henry, Lou and Eleanor to chart out the course for our Club. After careful deliberation, we decided to cancel our planned September Bingo event since the Delta variant is raising its ugly head in our community. We however discussed the possibility of reviving our volunteering at the Samaritan House, Thanksgiving delivery of food etc. We also discussed the possibility of partnering with Walgreen for its Annual Wellness Clinic where flu shots are given.

We also voted to resume our monthly meeting (2nd Thursday of each month) at Neal's in San Mateo. This will make our meeting more interesting and vibrant and provide our new members to have an opportunity to become familiar with our existing club members and to give them a better idea of what the San Mateo Lions Club has been involved in over the years.

On August 20, 2021, Lions President Henry, Isabella, Eleanor, Betty, and Thomas Tang also visited Eleanor Britter at her clinic where she provided a tour of her facility and the history of how her Club was able to obtain so many donations of flu shots, medical supplies etc. We have scheduled an extra eye screening training to be conducted by Eleanor Britter.

Roaming the District...

By Lion John Gill

It seems that our Lions district has moved on from the idea that a pandemic is raging forward. It's like that forgotten wildfire that is only 85% contained but has been going on for so long that people forget it's still going. All throughout our district, are Lions clubs having in-person functions, often without masks or any kind of social distancing, many indoors. Since our reopening in June 15, a few San Mateo Lions - Lion Pat, Eleanor, Marian, Lou - and I have attended a variety of Lions events of the district in person, both outdoors and indoors. We can likely grow our list exponentially if we want to include our Associate, ID Lion Ken, but we'll keep this list to our regular members. Here is a sampling of where our club members have attended Lions events and meetings in our District since the reopening: installations of *Bay Area Global Outreach LC*, *Bay Area Special Olympics LC*, *Burlingame LC*, *Foster City Bair Island Cyber LC*, *Foster City LC*, *Peninsula Veterans LC*, *Redwood Shores LC*, *San Bruno LC*, *Silicon Valley LC*, and *District 4-C4 Cabinet*. Our club also has attended both *Peninsula* and *SF Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs* meetings and the in person *District Cabinet Meeting*. Of all of those, only the Council meetings were online. BASO, San Bruno, and Redwood Shores held their installations outdoors in a park. The rest of the clubs mentioned had their installations indoors. Basque Cultural Center, Foster City Recreation Center, Burlingame Hall, Parkside Middle School, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Marriott Hotel, Beckner Shelter at San Bruno City Park and Alexander Park were the venues. Attendance fared well, with indoor events pushing up to 80 or more and outdoor events at a comfortable 40 or less. There are more installations planned. I did attend a SF Council of Lions meeting in person at a seafood restaurant in Daly City, but their past two meetings have been online. PCL has yet to meet in person for a meeting. Check the District Thread for upcoming events.

Service and Fun...

By Lion Lou Himenes

August-Service and fun

On 8/14/21-My two grandsons and I, John Gill and Eleanor Szeto had a great time at the BASO installation picnic last Saturday. There was good food, prizes, goody bags for the kids and an adult piñata. I was great supporting their Club while having fun.

September-Service and fun

Second Harvest Food Bank-I need to check still to see if they are still needing volunteers. More to come later.

Senior Health Fair with Walgreens checking in Seniors for their shots. More to come later.

Take care,
Lion Lou

2021-2022 District Officers

District Governor:	Jun Valera, Jr. MD	* liondrjunvalera@icloud.com
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Region 5 Zone 2 Clubs

**Bay Area Global Outreach, SF Financial Rescue, San Mateo, San Mateo
Metropolitan**

Calendar & Club Info..

September 2021

Links to event flyers provided where applicable

District Thread: www.lions4c4.org/events/thread

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	September Birthdays: Ron—7 Ray— 19 Maria—??		1	2	3	4
5	6	7 	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Save the Date

Sept 7 —Happy Birthday, Lion Ron

Sept 9— In Person Club Meeting at Neal's Café, Crystal Springs Shopping Center, @ 7-9 PM

Sept 11— Peninsula Special Interests LC Veterans 911 BBQ, 5 A Storage, Foster City 11—3 PM

Sept 17—Peninsula Special Interests LC Installation

Sept 18—San Carlos LC Lobster Feed

Sept 19—Happy Birthday, Lion Ray

Sept 25 —Foster City Rubber Duckies Race & Concert / San Bruno Lions Online Bingo

Sept 27 — Peninsula Council of Lions Meeting

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about our services and meeting times.

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Regular Meetings: 2nd Thursday
Monthly, 7 pm Neal's Cafe, Crystal
Springs Shopping Center

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.

Newsletter Production Team

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Eleanor Szeto

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John Gill

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John Gill

2021-2022 Club Officers

President: Henry Young
Vice President : Eleanor Szeto
Secretary: Ray Mahaffay
Treasurer, Marketing Communications & Service Chair, & LCIF Club Coordinator: Lou Himenes
Membership Chair: Eleanor Szeto
Tail Twister: Betty Deeney
Lion Tamer: Juliana To
Directors: Isabella Fong & John Gill

Non-Voting Chairs

SM Lions Web Site & Facebook Chair: John Gill
SM Lions Newsletter Editors: Eleanor Szeto and Elaine Borland
PCL Representatives: John Gill & Marian Mann
Sunshine Chair: Marian Mann
Eyeglass & Hearing Chair: Lou Himenes
Leos Advisors: John Gill (AHS) and Lou Himenes (SMHS)

Lions Clubs International Purpose

To Organize, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.

To Coordinate the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.

To Create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

To Promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.

To Take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

To Unite the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

To Provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian 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.

Birthdays

May - Marian and Isabella

June - Pat and Lou

August - Eleanor & Doug

September - Maria, Ron and Ray



Lion John at District Cabinet Meeting. Photo by Lion Michael Chan. When not taking photos or eating, Lion John was double masked to be safe. Lion Marian also attended the event.

For this issue, we're trying out Canva to have a newsletter than can be prepared online. There are some differences between how Canva works and the Microsoft Publisher program I normally use. I find that I can't group stuff together and adjust boxes as easily as I could in Publisher but that may just be a learning curve. Wrapping text around images doesn't seem to be a Canva feature. Nor does headers and footers.

What I like about Canva is everything is online, no files to save. Easy to color pages and arrange content.

Relatively easy to add photos. Files can be easily shared, too. The official website is www.canva.com.

Go check it out to learn more about Canva and how to use for flyers and other publications.



Bay Area Special Olympics LC announced on August 29 that Lion Helen Habeeb, longtime Lion and wife of late PDG George Habeeb passed away that morning. Lion Helen was revered among Lions as a dedicated past president of BASO Lions and had a welcoming personality towards all who met her. The Habeeb family has decided to keep all services private due to Covid 19 safety concerns. Condolences may be sent to Habeeb Family, 490 Barcelona Dr., Millbrae CA 94030

