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A message from your PCL President



Greetings Fellow Lions,
The new year is here and the Board of the PCL is hard at work in preparation for the 47th Annual Police and Fire Awards Dinner Banquet. March 30th is not that far off and we have been busy getting nominations from our police and fire chiefs, sending out invitations and flyers, contacting our elected officials for letters of commendation among other tasks. The process is coming along.

As I've said at the monthly meetings, these police and firefighters are deserving of an evening of recognition. They put their lives on the line to protect and serve us with courage and gallantry. They are the ones who would rush into a burning building to save others. When ordinary

citizens run away from trouble, they run towards it. So let's make March 30th, 2012 a special evening for them.

What can you do to help? As always, please support the event by hosting the nominees (and their spouses or guests) from your towns. I know that some clubs have also sponsored city officials and police and fire chiefs from their cities. You should have received by this time the list of nominees as of 2/5/12. I will be sending updates to you via email as more nominations come in. Also, you can support this important event by taking out program ads. These ads help to underwrite the costs of putting on such a large event. If you can't take out an ad, maybe you know of someone who will. Let Lion Al Hernandez know (alhern@comcast.net) and he will send an ad solicitation. And, of course, please buy tickets.

Sometimes, it's not a matter of being the least you can do. Sometimes, it's the most you can do. Our men and women don't ask for much. They don't even ask this of us. I think that it's appropriate for one evening to give them a pat on the back and let them know that we appreciate them.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Mario Benavente
San Bruno Lions Club
PCL President

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Thank you for your support and may good luck find all who read this Bulletin.



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Foster City — Mary True
Half Moon Bay — Celia Ayon
Menlo Park Host — David Hunter
Menlo Park Live Oak — Margaret Carney
Millbrae — Ronald Frediani
Pacifica — Kathy Dedini
Palo Alto Host — William Downey
Redwood City Fair Oaks — Aide Garcia
Redwood City Sunrise — Christine Cheshire
Redwood Shores — Gary Krippendorf
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San Carlos — Scot Marsters
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SSF Host — Terry White

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SF Bayview Hunters Point — Gwendolyn Strain
SF Chinatown — Johnson Y C Lam
SF Circle — Eva O. Harmon
SF Fil-Am — Ferninand Feria
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SF Highlands — Evangeline Roberts
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SF Nikkei — William Stipinovich
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SF Park Presidio-Sunset — Russell "Woody" Howard
SF Premier — Gemma Noromna
SF State University Campus — Judy Thao
SF The Castro — Troy Bruner



November 28, 2011 Dinner Meeting



The fourth meeting of the 2011-2012 PCL board and presidents from the Lions Clubs from Daly City to Palo Alto was held at the Sequoia Club in Redwood City. This meeting was hosted by the Redwood City Sunrise Lions Club.

The meeting was called to order on time, and with the usual beginnings. The pledge was led by Lion Bill Gibbons, the song started with the duo of Lions Lydia Taylor and William Jackson. The invocation was given by Lion Marolyn Schappert.

Secretary's Report



Lion Dan Andersen asked that all the club Presidents turn in their monthly reports after they had given them and, if possible, to make sure they send him an e-mailed copy of the report or a brief report that can be published in the next bulletin. If the Presidents don't send in the reports via e-mail, all the typos are theirs.

In the future, it would be great if all clubs could send in their reports in a way that they feel best describes their club's *upcoming activities*. And, best of all, you may include as many details as you like.

Treasurer's Report

Lion Ora Syler was not in attendance, so President Mario told the gathering that there was actually money in the PCL account. It totals \$9,185.82.

Second VP Report



Lion Sylvia Chu was also not in attendance so our 2nd VP, Lion Paul Larson reminded everyone that there was no meeting scheduled for December. The next meeting will be hosted by the Burlingame Lions Club at the Double Tree Hotel. The price is still going to be \$25 per person, but the hotel was

bought by Hilton, and they wanted to raise the price of the dinner to \$45. We will just not be getting a salad or desert. How cheap can they get?

First VP Report

Lion Paul Larson announced the schedule of meetings for the next year, and reminded everyone to make sure that they make reservations. It's important to insure that there is enough seating and food.

He also got the club reports started.

Up-coming meetings

February 27, 2012	SSF Golden Gate
March 30, 2012	Police and Firefighters Awards
April 23, 2012	Half Moon Bay
May 21, 2012	Millbrae
June 25, 2012	San Bruno



November 28, 2011 Dinner Meeting, Continued

This was the meeting where the PCL Club President's showed-off their skills in costume design. Each club president was asked to come up with a tooth fairy costume. There were some really clever costumes, and each deserved a prize.





November 28, 2011 Dinner Meeting, Continued





November 28, 2011 Dinner Meeting, Continued



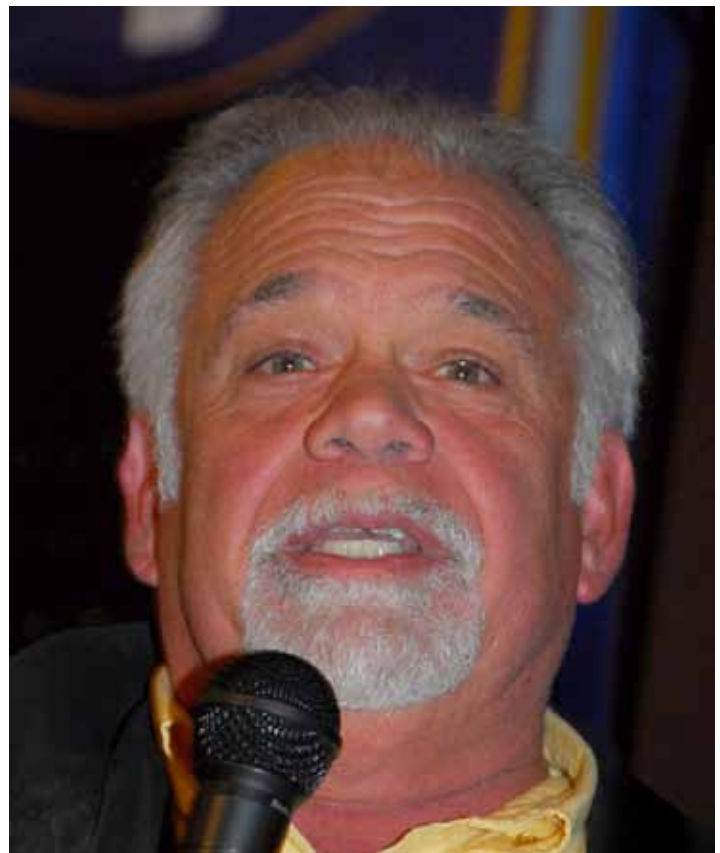


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LCI Rose Bowl Float





January 23, 2012 Dinner Meeting



The sixth meeting of the 2011-2012 PCL board and presidents from the Lions Clubs from Daly City to Palo Alto was held at the DoubleTree Hotel in Burlingame. This meeting was hosted by the Burlingame Lions Club.

Burlingame Lions Club.

The meeting was called to order on time, and with the usual beginnings. The pledge was led by Lion Jack Van Etten, the song started with the infamous "Burlingame O'Burlingame" sung by Lion Erik Winkler, and the Burlingame Lions in attendance. By now, I would think the entire PCL Lions know these words. The invocation was given by Lion PDG Don Stanaway. We were informed the term "Past" will not be used in reference to those Lions that have held office. It is now the custom to refer to them as "Former" whatever position they held.

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Treasurer's Report



Lion Ora Syler informed the group that we now have \$10,780.52 in the treasury.

Second VP Report

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First VP Report

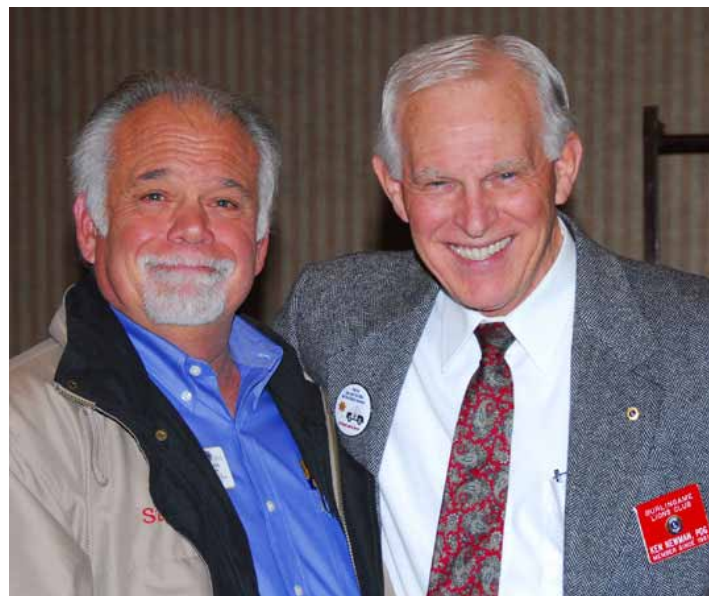
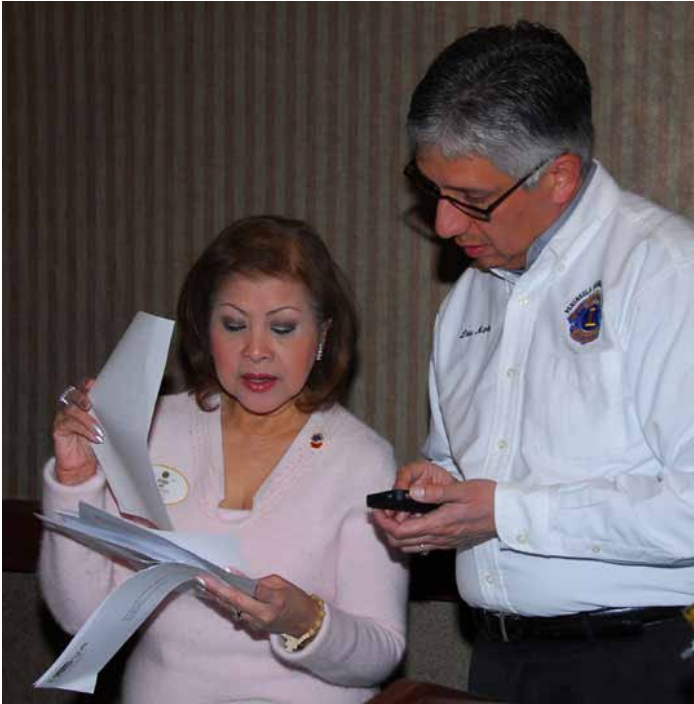
Lion Paul Larson announced that the Police and Firefighters award dinner is going to be held: Friday, March 30, 2012 beginning 6:15 PM with no host Reception, and 7:30 PM for Dinner. The event will be at the Crown Plaza Foster City Hotel, 1221 Chess Drive, Foster City. The scheduled keynote speaker is U.S. Congresswoman, Jackie Speier. The attire is semi-formal. The cost is \$50.00 per person. This usually a sell-out event, so get your reservations, and the Club's advertising in as early as possible.

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January 23, 2012 Dinner Meeting, Continued





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January 23, 2012 Dinner Meeting, Continued



PCL Club President's Reports

The following reports were delivered on Monday, January 23, 2012. It is important to have all, or as many as possible, of the clubs present their activities that have been planned for the next month or so. In that way the various clubs can avoid schedule conflicts.

Note: Before our next meeting, please E-mail me a copy of your typed report. Remember that PCL President, Mario, only wants to have reports on upcoming events and joint projects. Past accomplishments are tremendously appreciated but not required in your report.

Thank you Club Presidents for your hard work and for all you do for Lionism and your Club. PCL Secretary/ Bulletin Editor Lion Dan Andersen.

14 PCL Lions Clubs present

Bay Area Special Olympics Lions Club

President: Deborah Kiely

Report:

- 1 BASO member/s present tonight;
- Lion President Debbie Kiely,
- BASO consists of 28 members / 1 associate member / 1 Guiding Lion; 2 new inductees in February, 2 interested



candidates

December Events

- Food Distribution - Samaritan House
- Toy Distribution - Samaritan House
- Holiday parties

Upcoming Events

- Special Olympics Basketball Tournament - February 4th @ 10-2:00PM - Peninsula Jewish Community Center AND Brewer's Island School in Foster City.
- District Governor Esther Lee and Cabinet visitation - February 8th @ 6:30PM - Burlingame Lion's Hall
- Special Olympics Polar Plunge - February 25th, Aquatic Park, San Francisco



PCL Club President's Reports — Continued

- Looking for plungers and pledgers! :-)
- BUNCO Night - March 24th @ 6:00PM - Burlingame Lions Hall - Flyer coming soon.

Special Note: BASO is still trying to find a permanent home for the monthly club meetings. In January we met at Mimi's Cafe in San Mateo. This worked well, so we will try it again for the March meeting. February 8th meeting will be held at the Burlingame Lions Hall @ 6:30PM - Governor's Visitation.

Please call Lion President Debbie @ 650-574-5652 if you are planning a visitation to confirm location.

Belmont Lions Club



President: Lion Christine Beard
Report: No report turned in or sent in.

Brisbane Lions Club



President: Lion Michael Abney
Report: 1st DG Bob Wilson
 • No report submitted or sent in.

Burlingame Lions



Present: Lions Erik Winkler, Kevin Kiely, Dan Andersen, Jack Van Etten
Report:

Recent Past Event:

• Lions Club Invitational High School Boys Basketball Tournament, Dec. 7th, 8th & 9th. This December was the 35th annual Basketball Tournament - the longest running basketball tournament on the Peninsula. Proceeds from ticket sales are used to support Burlingame High School's Athletic Program and to

help provide a student scholarship. Tickets sales raised \$3,536.50. The event involved 20 Lions volunteers over the 3-day event.

Upcoming Events:

- Student Speaker Contest, Thursday, February 2nd, 12 Noon, Lions Club Hall
- Valentine Bingo, Friday, February 10th, 6 pm, Lions Club Hal. This has become a very popular and successful event. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and dinner is at 6:45 p.m. followed by 10 rounds of bingo. The cost is \$20 per person in advance and \$25 per person at the door. For tickets, please RSVP by February 6th by contacting Lion Geno Caccia at gc@cacciaplumbing.com or 415-716-4969.
- All School Spelling Bee, Wednesday, February 22nd, Lions Club Hall. Local Elementary schools participate in what has become an annual Burlingame Lions event.
- St. Patrick's Day Dinner, Saturday, March 10th, 6 pm, Lions Club Hall. This has become a Burlingame Lions tradition with great food, camaraderie and the Murphy Irish Dancers.
- Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast, Saturday, April 7th. For the past 35 years, this has been one of the best-attended holiday events in Burlingame (anywhere from 1,500 to 2,000 attendees). It is held the day before Easter at the baseball field behind the Burlingame Lions Club Hall. About 500 pancake breakfasts are served with the income from the breakfasts being used to offset the cost of providing 4,000 chocolate Easter eggs made by Preston's Ice Cream and Candy to over 500 children of all ages. Entertainment is provided by the San Mateo Elks Club band and local artist and face painter, TwinkeeDeeStar, who does free face painting for the children. The event usually involves 20-30 Lions volunteers and 10-15 Leo Club volunteers. This event provides a wonderful opportunity for the community and great exposure for the Lions Club.
- Cinco de Mayo Bingo, Saturday, May 4th, 6pm, Lions Club Hall
- Cars-in-the-Park, Washington Park, July 28th, last Saturday in July. For the past 7 years, the Burlingame Lions Club has held a car show and BBQ in Washington Park. There have over 200 cars shown each year



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with the average attendance between 2,000 and 3,000. Income is generated by entry fees, sponsorships and by food service. The event nets about \$6,000 and last year involved 26 Lions, 14 Leos, and 8 family members. Cars-in-the-Park is our largest fundraiser and it is truly an all-hands event.

Other Important Information:

• Our Leo Club, directed by First VP Lion Ken Ingram, has reached 80 members!

Daly City Gateway Lions Club

President: Lion David Hoffman

Report: Not present, No report submitted

Daly City Host Lions Club

President: Sharon Keenan

Report: Not present, No report submitted

Foster City Lions Club



President: Mary True

Report:

Future Activities:

- Student Speaker Contest at our regular meeting January 24th
- Annual joint venture with the FC Rotary Club, Fire and Police Bingo and

Spaghetti Dinner with proceeds going to fire and police on February 3rd. Our Leos will be serving along with the Rotary's Interact Club (student club).

- We will be helping with the Special Olympic Basketball Hot dog lunch on February 4th.
- Our regular Blood Drive will be held at the Foster City Rec Center from 8 to 1 on February 11th. Hope there will be time for Lions from other clubs that are attending the 3rd Cabinet Meeting also on the 11th at the Foster City Rec Center to give blood.
- For our regular club meeting on February 14th we are planning a special 'Bring Your Sweetheart' evening.
- Our big fundraiser the Annual Crab Feed will be on February 25th at the Foster City Rec Center. We will have our Leos doing the serving so our Lions can enjoy the evening.

- The Annual Hit-A-Thon where we cook and serve

Half Moon Bay Lions Club



President: Dainne Ayon

Report:

Activities for January 2012

- Tonight our club has 5 members present. Lion Greg Redican, Lion Gil Bus-tichi, Lion Hans Beck, 2nd Vice District Governor Lion Steve Picchi and myself Lion Dianne Ayon. We wish everyone a very happy New Year.

- In December our club assisted the "Breakfast with Santa", hosted by the HMB Parks and Recreation Department, and also assisted by the San Mateo County Sheriff's Athletic League. We prepared a pancake breakfast and the Sheriffs provided Santa Claus and even Sheriff Sal (a Salamander) was there to greet the children and their parents.

- On January 16, 2012 our club had its 65th anniversary.

- In February we had hoped to host a Wild Game Feed, instead we have chosen to host this event next February. Updates will follow.

Menlo Park Host Lions Club

President: David Hunter

Report: Not present, No report submitted

Menlo Park Live Oaks Lions Club

President: Margaret Carney

Report: Not present, No report submitted

Millbare Lions Club



President: Ron Frediani

Report: Submitted PDG George Habeeb

- During the month of December 2011, the San Bruno Lions Club held their annual Holiday Party at Greenhills Country Club, provided food baskets for



PCL Club President's Reports — Continued

needy families in the City's schools (Called Operation Food Basket) and brought toys to special needs children (Operation Santa Claus).

Upcoming events:

- Superbowl Pool with the winners to be determined on Super Sunday, February 5, 2012
- Celebration of PDG Bob Marshall, Sr.'s 50th Anniversary in Lionism on February 21st, 2012 at 16 Mile House (RSVP to PDG Mel Phillips)
 - Crab Feed on Saturday March 10 at the San Bruno Senior Center \$50 per person
 - The Leos Clubs continue to be active.

Pacifica Lions Club

President: Kathy Dedini



Report:

I'm sure you have come to realize
When it comes to writing I'm not that wise
So now we start another year
Please all join me in the cheer.
The pancake breakfast went quite well
Shirley, Michael and Barbara did real

swell

And, thanks to one and all who work that day
They gave their all the Lions way
On the 17th we had the speakers contest
One student was all we did test
San Bruno was here, I lost my bell
Lookout Smitty we'll give you hell
The 21st brought family fun day in Brisbane
Lion Yvonne did it and stayed sane
We cooked hotdogs for families for free
Kids, grandkids, or who ever family day be
Thank you all for your patience in reading this
ee you next month, I won't miss

Palo Alto Host Lions Club

President: William Downey

Report: Not present, No report submitted

Redwood City Fair Oaks Lions Club

President: Aide Garcia

Report: Not present, No report submitted

Redwood City Sunrise Lions Club



President: Christine Cheshire

Report: No report submitted or sent in.

San Bruno Lions Club



President: Charles "Smitty" Smith

Report: No RTeport submitted or sent in

San Carlos Lions Club



President: Scot Marsters

Members present: Scot Marsters, Cindy Smith

New Members: Norma Baldwin, Shayne Hale, Estelle Bertolucci

Report:

Recent Club Donations:

- \$250 Friends of the Adult Community Center
- And continuing in our tree-planting theme for the year: \$1000 for Tree planting at Burton Park

Upcoming Events:

- January 28 San Carlos Crab Feed - Tickets are still available. I encourage you to email Lion Connie Barton-Barba at cbar@earthlink.net to purchase tickets.
- Please help us Celebrate San Carlos Leos Charter Night on February 9. We have 40 new Leos and after 20 years of talking about it, we finally have a Leos Club. We would love to see many of you there.
- And San Carlos Lions is proud to be the sponsor of



PCL Club President's Reports — Continued

the new Peninsula Special Interest Lions Club. We look forward to working with them on Children's Health issues. So please give them a warm Lions welcome.

San Mateo Lions Club



President: Michael Chan

Report:

December Activities:

- Bowling For Kid Tournament - All 24 lanes were occupied and raise 8 huge bags and cartons of toys and funds for Bs&Gs Club.
- Service Project Dinner Meeting – 200

X'mas Cards for Vets in Palo Alto Hospital and Decorated Small X'mas Trees for seniors

- Donated 150 backpacks to Director of East Palo Alto Human Services Agency for Kases For Kid program.
- Participated and served at the X'mas Party & Conference organized by the Association for Chinese Families of the Disabled.
- Participated at the Multi-Club Holiday Gala to raise food for Bread of Life, and toys for the Samaritan House.
- Participated at the New Year's Eve Party organized by the S.S.F. Golden Gate Lions.
- Lions of Life has passed many milestones and now waiting for the final letter from the Nepal Health Research Center to let the 2 hospital to administer the Liveleaf LiveDrop to help with Diarrheal Dehydration suffering and death in Kathmandu, Nepal. Our small yet eager sister Club in Kathmandu is working along side with LTG and LL.
- SM Lions Club Project and Information Flier posted on Facebook pages and website. A much simpler version was allowed by the District after the committee edited it.
- No news on the Sabrato Family Foundation office space applications yet. Emailed them more information on Lions Club from LCI bulletins.

Future Programs:

- Lion Of Life Campaign: First of all, dealing with humanitarian health program is not an easy task. In order

to insure success, LTG and LiveLeaf have requested the involvement of Dr. Arthur Dover, LL's medical adviser; Drs. Sarker, Senior Scientist and Mark Pietroni, Medical Director. All three physicians agreed that it would be a good idea to have the Nepal protocol be as similar as possible to the ICDDR,B protocol. ICDDR,B is the International Centre for Diarrheal Disease Research, Bangladesh - an international health research institution located in Dhaka Dr. Dover is remaking revisions to the Nepal protocol and Dr. Sarker is making revisions to the Case Report Forms. Both Drs. Sarker and Pietroni volunteered to be co-investigators and schedule a visit to Nepal if that will help get the protocol approved.

- Production of Emergency Preparedness Video with Lion Jack Van Etten. Video outline drafted by Lion Jack for DG Esther and other's review. Taping plan to start in Feb. Please response to Jack's outline asap.
- Clothing Donation. 18 cartons will be shipped to the US and we have to take a calculated risk on the import duties on these cartons. Legacy Through Giving Foundation plan to support San Mateo Lions Club to pay for the imposed tax unless it is beyond the reasonable amount. Various options are being considered to support this effort.
- Continue to work on Website, Facebook and Social Media programs to increase SMLC exposure, membership and launch of the LOL or Lions of Life Campaign.
- Plan to have a BBQ, fishing and boating outing with San Mateo and Placerville Bs&Gs Club possibly in April or May. Need fishing and hiking volunteers.
- SMLC will participate in the Peace Officer & Firefighter Award night.

• Hearing Days – February

• Flag Day – February



PCL Club President's Reports — Continued

For events and dates, please refer to District newsletter or emails.

San Mateo Metropolitan Lions Club

President: Jennifer Chen

Report: Not present, No report submitted

SSF Golden Gate Lions Club



President: Roy Blanco

Report:

- Our club is going to have our annual Health Fair on October 16 at the Holy Angles Church community Hall from 8 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

- We are preparing for "Adopt a Navy Sailor" during Fleet Week in the second

week of October

- New Years Eve Fundraising at the embassy Suites Gateway in SSF. Tickets will be available the first week of October. \$75 per person

SSF Host Lions Club



President: Terry White

Report:

- The South San Francisco Host Lions club is now its 67th year of existence.

- We have 31 Members and one of our members has been in our club for 52 years. Lion George Stagnaro. We plan an event honoring him in March.

- We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month. 12:15pm at the Basque Cultural Center.

- In the past 30 days we assembled 365 holiday food boxes and delivered them with the local YMI and Kiwanis to income strapped homes. We also we have been working on several projects.

- Kases for Kids - Chaired by Lion Helen Olsen - \$1,000 raised to date.

- The Scott Dykes Project (furnishings for battered women leaving shelters) – Chaired by Lion Theresa Garcia

- The South City Mud Cats Little League team - Chaired by Lion Ron Fornesi provided them with \$250 for this

year's equipment needs.

- We are providing \$250 for the SSF Boys and Girls Club for the 1/26 Youth of the Year Awards.

We maintain a local landscape at the corner of West Orange Ave. and the El Camino Real - Chaired by Lion Terry White

- Planning our Bingo Night on May 4th.

- Planning a new fund raiser to replace Day in the Park BBQ for September 2013



2nd VDG Steve Picchi



My report at the last PCL meeting covered two topics. 1) As a lion you are never too old to learn something new or just dust off the cobwebs. 2) Its campaign time again and yes I am running for 1st VDG, see you on the campaign trail.

Burlingame Lions Club President, Glenn Mendelson, introduces Lion Jack Van Etten — Running for 2nd VDG next year.



On behalf of all the members of the Burlingame Lions Club, it is with great pleasure that I stand before you tonight and introduce our 2012 Candidate for 2nd Vice District Governor of District 4-C4, Burlingame Lion Jack Van Etten.

Lion Jack has displayed a love and commitment to his Lions Club, the Peninsula Council of Lions, and to the Lions District 4-C4. He has outstanding qualifications and his background of Leadership, Integrity and Service are second to none. Please join our club by supporting and voting for our candidate, Burlingame Lion Jack Van Etten for 2nd Vice District Governor of District 4-C4 in 2012.



Lion Jack is an active member of the Burlingame community. He moved here in 1976 and started with the Burlingame Police Department in 1974. He rose through the ranks until he was selected to assume the position of Chief of Police in 2004. He served in this position until his retirement in

December 2009.

Jack has been married to his wife, Lynn, for over 35 years. They have a daughter, Kristi. Besides his family, the apple of Jack's eye is his faithful dog, Rex.





PCL — Service with a Smile

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“A man who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life.”

- Charles Darwin



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 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 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, as 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 International Purposes

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.