



The Scratching Post

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A message from your District Governor

Fellow Lions and
Leos:
**District Lions Signs
– Update**

Lions Rosie Jones,
Steven Sams and
Ken Ibarra were in-

strumental in locating 3 of the 7 signs. Thank
you! Thank You! Thank You!

**Lions Clubs International's – October
Growth Award Program**

**How can my club obtain the October
Growth Award?**

Banner patches will be awarded to the top 3
clubs in each district with a **positive net
growth membership during the month of
October.** A net membership growth of 3 is
the minimal requirement to attain this award.
These awards will be solely based on
the WMMRs; and MMRs received
during the month of November.

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A message from your Vice District Governor

In the beginning of
September I had a leg
infection and was not
able to attend several
visitations. I would
like to thank those
that sent me cards and
well wishes, thank
you. It was very heart

warming.

October will be an interesting month. White
Cane Days, Healthy Club Workshop, Race for
Sight and of course more Visitations. I look
forward to them all. October also has "October
Growth Award Program" from Lions Interna-
tional.

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This Newsletter is published monthly by Millbrae Lions Club 1st V.P. & 4-C4 Newsletter Editor Lion Paul Larson. Please feel
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Editor is Millbrae Lions Club President John Muniz who is also Associate Newsletter Editor. He can be contacted at
jfmflash@flash.net. Thank you for your support and may good luck find all who read this Newsletter.



From the Editor's Desk



Greetings Lions! At the beginning of September I was away in Hawai'i. The picture to the left is of me "spreading the good will of Lionism" on my Tree Top zipline tour through the Norfolk Pines of Kawai'i. 6 different

zipline runs were strung by cables from tree to tree high above the

ground. I had the experience of hanging from a harness beneath each cable connected by a pulley while zipping to platforms positioned at each tree. It was a lot of fun and not as scary as it sounds. Norfolk Pines were brought to the Islands by Captain Cook. Since they grow so straight and tall they are perfect replacements for broken ship masts.

If you ever want to publicize a club event, please email your event flyer to me at **lion-paul@chapelofthehighlands.com** and I will spread the word. Take care, Lion Paul Larson ~ 4-C4 Newsletter Editor.

Articles & photos may be submitted to **Lion Editor Paul Larson** for publication in *The Scratching Post* via email to **lionpaul@chapelofthehighlands.com** and must be sent no later than the 20th day of each month for inclusion in the next issue. Flyers for upcoming club projects and other "time sensitive materials" may also be emailed to the Editor and will be distributed ASAP to the appropriate club officers via their email. Thank you for your cooperation.

DG Maxine (continued from page 1)



In addition to receiving a distinctive banner patch, your club's name will appear on a page of the LCI Web site specifically designed to recognize achievement during the October Membership

growth Award Program.

Now is the time to make your membership grow!

Plan now to attend.

Second Cabinet/District Meeting:

November 10, 2007, Mission Blue Recreation Center, Brisbane.

More information will be available by October 5, 2007.

RETENTION – Keep quality members and make them feel useful. When we do, our district is more vital, successful and rewarding.

Together We Serve,
District Governor
Maxine Frazier



Lion DG Maxine wishes to extend a **very special thank you** to Lion Esther Lee and her District Directory Committee for preparing and giving us an outstanding 4-C4 Directory. The Region Chairs have all the remaining District Directories and will be distributing them to the Club Secretaries and Presidents who were not in attendance at our 1st District Cabinet Meeting.



Lions help to build new homes for low-income families

On August 30, 2007, the Peninsula Habitat for Humanity had the ground breaking for eight Town Homes on Lincoln Avenue in Redwood City. For years, District 4-C4 Lions have provided financial support and many volunteered hours in building homes for low-income families. Lions Jun Madrinan, Marilyn Schappert, Bill Gibbons and RC Sunrise President Boyd Schauer represented District 4-C4. If you have any question concerning how you can volunteer and/or send donations, please contact Lion Jim Bigelow or log on “[www. Peninsulahabitat.org](http://www.Peninsulahabitat.org)”.



VDG Emil (continued from page 1)

The White Cane days are officially the 5th and 6th but many clubs hold it on a different weekend due to other projects or events. White cane days are more than handing out the white canes and collecting change. It's a great chance for letting the community know you are here.

The healthy Club Workshop will be held in the Oakland Blind Center on the 6th. This is a great chance for the club presidents and officers to help prepare for their year or help make their club better. If you need more information on the class, please call me at 650 355-2536. All Lions are welcome.

The Race for Sight will be held on October

12th at Bay Meadows. The event is \$40 and worth every penny. The finds will go to a very good cause, Sight First II. Contact Elaine Borland as soon as possible if you would like to attend.

The October growth Award Program is a program for new members. Those clubs that get three new members in October will receive a banner patch. The program will be based upon the October membership report. The best thing on getting three new members is having three new members to help on projects and events.

Then there are the Visitations. I look forward to them all.

Yours in Lionism
VDG Emil Kantola



Know your 2007-2008 District 4-C4 Cabinet Officers



Maxine Frazier ~
District Governor



Bill Stipinovich ~
Region 1 Zone 4 Chair



Paul Larson ~
District
Newsletter Editor



Emil Kantola ~
Vice District
Governor



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Region 2 Chair



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District
Executive Director



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Immediate Past
District Governor



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District Executive
Coordinator



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Cabinet Secretary



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Region 2 Zone 2 Chair



Jun Madrinan ~
District Executive
Coordinator



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Cabinet Treasurer



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Region 2 Zone 3 Chair



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Contest
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Region 3 Chair



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Contest
Co-Commissioner



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Region 3 Zone 1 Chair



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Region 1 Zone 2 Chair



Connie Barba ~
Region 3 Zone 3 Chair



Roger Gulen ~
Region 1 Zone 3 Chair



Jim Bigelow ~
Region 3 Zone 3 Chair





Know your 2007-2008 District 4-C4 Club Presidents & Secretaries

Club

Atherton
Belmont
Brisbane
Burlingame
Daly City Gateway
Daly City Host
Daly City Host
East Palo Alto
Foster City
Half Moon Bay
Menlo Park Host
Menlo Park Live Oak
Millbrae
Pacifica
Palo Alto
Redwood City Sunrise
Redwood Shores
San Bruno
San Carlos
SF Ocean/Ingleside
SF Bay
SF Bay Area New Century
SF Bayview Hunters Point
SF Chinatown
SF Circle
SF Fil-Am
SF Geneva/Mission
SF Highlands
SF Hispanic
SF Host
SF Korean American
SF Marina North Beach
SF Merced Heights
SF Nikkei
SF Park Gate
SF Park Presidio
SF Premier
SF Sunset
SF The Castro
SF West OTwin Peaks
San Mateo
San Mateo Metropolitan
SSF Golden Gate
SSF Host

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Bre Martinez
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Rufino Ramos
Jocelyn Mina
Haemi Jun
Romualdo Enriquez
Lydia Taylor
David Fujita
Armando Bolanos
Russell Howard
Marcus Norona
Sandra Collins
Thomas Rudder
Fel Amistad
D Ray Mahaffay
Cindy Zheng
Cipriano Ayalin
Sandra Ige

Club

Atherton
Belmont
Brisbane
Burlingame
Daly City Gateway
Daly City Host
East Palo Alto
Foster City
Half Moon Bay
Menlo Park Host
Menlo Park Live Oak
Millbrae
Pacifica
Palo Alto
Redwood City Sunrise
Redwood Shores
San Bruno
San Carlos
SF Ocean Ingleside
SF Bay
SF Bay A. New Cent.
SF Bayview Hunters Point
SF Chinatown
SF Circle
SF Fil Am
SF Geneva Mission
SF Highlands
SF Hispanic
SF Host
SF Korean
SF Marina North Beach
SF Merced Heights
SF Nikkei
SF Park Gate
SF Park Presidio
SF Premier
SF Sunset
SF The Castro
SF West O'Twin Peaks
San Mateo
San Mateo Metropolitan
SSF Golden Gate
SSF Host

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Gail Wood
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Teresa Labitoria
Lou Himenes
Connie Yi
Araceli Carbonell
Tom Fourie



Millbrae Leos pour on the charm at the Millbrae Art & Wine Festival

Leo's and Lions at Art and Wine

Millbrae Ca, Saturday, September 1, 2007

We had a great showing of Leo's at our Millbrae Art and Wine Festival Leo and Lion information booth. The weather was perfect and the crowds appeared. We gave balloons to the kids and a lot of young people showed an interest and asked lot of questions. Thank you Leo's ad-

visor Lion Doug Callahan and the entire Millbrae Lions Club Leo's who showed up for our annual Art and Wine Festival.

We currently have twenty-nine members of the



Millbrae Leo's Club. Our Leo's Club presents a great opportunity for young people to serve our community while fulfilling their college en-

trance requirements for community service hours. If you know of any young people from the ages of 12 through 18 who might be interested in joining our Leo's Club please contact Lion Doug Callahan or Lion John Muniz at cell phone number

650-455-3472.

Lion John Muniz
President 2007-2008



The "Ear of the Lion" needs to hear from you



August 31, 2007

Dear fellow Lions of District 4-C4,

This is a thank you letter from me as your district coordinator to our district. A lot of the clubs are member clubs of The Hearing Foundation (Ear

of the Lion) and I write this letter to encourage the rest of the clubs to consider becoming members as well.

If you have any questions regarding membership or individual gifts toward the foundation, feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,
Lion Douglas W. Borland
District Coordinator



A message from your Cabinet Treasurer Mike Simonini



To All Club Secretaries & Treasurers
My message to all club Secretaries & Treasurers is a short one.

Some Clubs are starting to lag behind in paying dues please keep your

dues under the 60 day Past Due mark.

Too All Club Presidents

Lion **President:** It is **Your Job** to make sure

your Club is within the 60 day past due mark. Check with your club Secretary & Treasurer to make sure that you are. The biggest problem we are having with clubs is **no one knows who is getting the Mail. FIND OUT WHO IS.** Is that Lion giving it to the right Lion ?

Our mission this year is to keep all clubs current with their dues not only to LCI but also with MD-4. Your MD-4 dues are how the District operates.

District Treasurer

Mike Simonini

650-697-6346 ~ jsimvista@sbcglobal.net

August's Equation Quiz: The winning Lions are...

In the August issue of *The Scratching Post* Lion DG Maxine presented a special series of puzzles which represented "an equation, acronym or will known phrase". 2 Lions figured out the puzzling puzzles and will each receive a prize at our 2nd Cabinet Meeting on November 10th at Mission Blue Center in Brisbane. Breakfast Begins at 8:30 am, the Meeting

starts at 9:00 am until 1:00 pm with Lunch also served. Oh, by the way...the 2 Lions that won were San Bruno Lion Alan Hafter and SF Ocean Ingleside Lion Rosie Jones. Congratulations to both very bright Lions! (Answers P. 14)



Somewhere in this issue is a SECRET WORD...



Lion DG Maxine again wants you to know that there is a "secret word" from her planted somewhere in this issue of *The Scratching Post*. If you read very carefully you will find what she wants you

to know. I will give you a hint: Lion District Governor Maxine appreciates the fact that every Lion who thinks they find the "secret word" could (or could not) be looking for a phrase. If you think you found it, please call Lion DG Maxine ASAP at (650) 991-0754. Good Luck!



Campaign SightFirst II: The rest of the story



July, 2005 — May, 2007:

On behalf of our team, yours and mine, for you and me, let's remember and honor those of us "crusaders"

against an awful life in darkness. We need to celebrate the giving spirit of each one no matter the amount. I hope that their names in print for publication will accord the recognition that is well-deserved!

With regard this team, the members are in the footnote of this article.

To Lions whose donations to CSF II were mostly from their personal/individual funds; to Lions clubs who have contributed--having designated or awaiting to designate their MJF(s)--WE THANK AND HONOR YOU!

After months of fundraising, cash/pledges started coming in April of 2006 with the nomination of San Francisco Highlands as a Model Club with initial pledge of USD\$12,000.00; hence, have been raised to USD\$14,000.00. What followed were monthly infusion of individual Lions and Lions clubs with their cash donations and pledges.

Total cash received and reported as of May, 2007 was \$33,860.00. Total pledges reported/confirmed in May of 2007--for completion in June, 2008--was plus or minus \$23,000.00.

As follows is a list of Lions clubs and Lions who have personally donated within the time frame of April, 2006 up to May, 2007, towards Melvin Jones Fellowship Recognition (the number of asterisks indicates progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship):

SF HIGHLANDS--\$11,000.00 (Individual Lions)
MODEL CLUB/VISIONARY SOCIETY RUBY PATCH

Josie Andrade *	Billy Camota *
Bernie Elayda *	Kristy Elayda *
Elsa Pastie	Lourdes Pescador *
Vangie Roberts	Aurora Santiago

FOSTER CITY--\$4,450.00 (Individual Lions)

Ron Cox	Janis Kiesel
John Mapes	Fred Sommer *

SAN FRANCISCO HOST--\$3,050.00 (Club/Individual Lions)

William Balza	Roger Gulen *
Jocelyn M. Mina	*****

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO HOST--\$3,000.00 (Club and Individual Lions)

Robert Menicucci	Richard Noftsgar
Mark Olson	

MENLO PARK LIVE OAK--\$2,500.00 (Club)
VISIONARY SOCIETY TOPAZ PATCH

Melvin Jones Fellows have not yet been designated as of May, 2007.

SAN BRUNO--\$2,025.00 (Individual Lions)

Mario Benavente	Ken Ibarra
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SF MARINA-NORTH BEACH--\$2,000.00 (Club)

Leland Lee	Eve Santos
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SAN MATEO--\$1,795.00 (Club/Individual Lions)

Linda Lopez-Wood	
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MILLBRAE--\$1,500.00 (Club)

Melvin Jones Fellow has not yet been designated as of May, 2007.

SO. SAN FRANCISCO GOLDEN GATE--\$1,050.00 (Individual Lions)

Rudy Pedagat *	
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MENLO PARK HOST--\$1,000.00 (Club)

Joseph R. McLoughlin	
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The following are clubs whose donations are from \$300.00 and under:

DALY CITY GATEWAY	SF THE CASTRO
SF CHINATOWN	HALF MOON BAY

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Pledges to add to donations already made are broken down as follows:

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO HOST--\$7,000.00 (total pledge of \$10,000.00)

SAN MATEO--\$5,000.00

SF HIGHLANDS--\$3,000.00 (total pledge of \$14,000.00)

New pledges, as follows:

BRISBANE--\$3,000.00

PALO ALTO HOST--\$3,000.00

DALY CITY HOST--\$3,000.00

OCEAN INGLESIDE--\$1,000.00

N.B. It is important to declare that all of the above monies, cash received and/or pledges are exclusive and does not include funds raised from the D4-C4 LCI 90th Anniversary Fundraiser and from sale of the 90th-Anniversary Pin, led by then DG Al Russell.

"Campaign SightFirst II is a passion we all need to share, if we are to fully answer Helen Keller's challenge to be 'Knights of the Blind' in this crusade against darkness." That was the mission statement as pronounced by then LCI President Ashok Mehta as he launched CSF II in 2005. District 4-C4 has responded and will continue responding to this challenge. . . .

Having been appointed by then 2005-2006 DG Eugene Chan as district coordinator for CSF II 2005-2008, I was given the freehand in recruiting Lions to assist me and D4-C4 in promoting and soliciting donors and donations. Hence, the group coordinators. To them: my heartfelt thanks for coming together, for getting together, for working together.

On behalf the team of group coordinatos and from me, then district coordinator: our utmost gratitude to all of the above individual Lions and Lions clubs who have cared to share the mission and the passion for Campaign Sight-First II.

PDG Jocelyn M. Mina

Past District Coordinator, CSF II 2005-May,2007

Footnote: Group Coordinators;

Lions Thelma/Chester Ajero (San Francisco Host)

Flor/Billy Camota (SF Highlands)

Priscilla Yusi (So. SF Golden Gate)

Helen Olson (South SF Host)

Gail Wood (San Francisco Host)

Bob Wilson (Brisbane)

Frank Rescino/Ken Ibarra (San Bruno)

Eldon Fernandes (Menlo Park Host)

Vhangeee/Nick mesa (San Mateo)

Sunshine Report from Lion Barbara Fields



Get well wishes Lion Rene Craig Daughter of Lion Katie Dawson had surgery, get well to Lion President Dave Keller San Bruno had a bad fall, undergoing therapy. Passed Away Lion Romy Villanueva SF Circle

Lions Club Aug 23rd and Ester Livingston San Francisco Merced Heights, Lion Mike Smook-

ler Half Moon Bay. Our deepest sympathy to the families .

To all clubs in District 4-C4 please let me know of your deceased members and sick members in a timely manner so I can send an appropriate card.

Thanks, Lion Barbara Fields;
barbara.k.fields@sbcglobal.net



Menlo Park Host Lions wish “happy trails” to their President

FAREWELL TO ELDON FERNANDES

01 Aug marks a dismal day for the Menlo Park Host Lions Club, as well as District 4-C4. Their club president was resigning and moving to Tucson, AZ in less than a week. The three musketeers, IPDG Al Russell, Lions Frank Cauterucci, Sam Nervino and I attended the last meeting that Lion Eldon Fernandes would preside over. IPDG Al presented a Certificate of Appreciation for his hard work and dedication as Zone 3 Chair in Region 3 and his devotion in getting the East Palo Alto Lions Club "back on its feet!"



would have 3 exemplary Lions from a wonderful Township known as Gustine, located in Merced County and all 3 Lions attended the

same school. Lion Portuguese cousin Eldon was presented a Certificate of Pride by his 2 Italian cousins, Lions Frank and Sam who are actually cousins.

We will truly miss Lion Eldon, and you may contact him at:

7253 West Brubeck Court
Tucson, AZ 85743-7319
e-mail: efernand314@aol.com

We love and miss you Eldon and take care!
Aloha
Lion Sandee Ige
President---SSF Host Lions Club

Who would have guessed that District 4-C4

Lion DG Maxine is welcomed by the SF Bayview Hunter's Point Lions



On August 28th Lion District Governor Maxine and her entourage made their official visitation to the San Francisco Bayview Hunter's Point Lions Club. Lion DG Maxine is pictured to the left surrounded by Bayview Hunter's Point members who are all showing their pride as Lions.



SF New Century Lions “drag-on” as they speed across the bay

Rain splattered over the San Francisco Bay Area New Century Lions canopy, early Saturday morning on September 22, 2007, on Treasure Island, for the **International Dragon Boat Festival**. The Lions huddled underneath the canopy with all their friends, for warmth and companionship. However, as a blessing from the racing gods, when the Team NC Lions marched down to the edge of the Pacific Ocean, for their first race, the skies cleared and the rain ceased.



Team NC Lions paddled the first two races, amidst the turbulent waves of the Pacific Ocean, with salt water spraying each and every team member, and we surged to strong finishes. Team Captain Lion Theresa led the way, not only as the coordinator of this year's NC Lion dragon boat team, but also paddling in the first row as the right lead stroke. Seated next to Lion Theresa was Lion Gina, as the left lead stroke. Coach Jeremy steered our dragon boat, making sure that we paddled straight towards the finish line. The engine room of the dragon boat roared with aquatic fury, with veterans Lion Dan, Lion Patrick, and Lion Brian, pumping fire to the dragon boat.

Then, all our hard work and commitment boiled down to one race. For the final championship race, Team NC Lions competed in Division D, next to other teams with similar abilities to ours. Right when the championship race began, Team NC Lions boated surged powerfully forward, roaring down our watery lane. We paddled as one entity, with paddles going in and out of the choppy waves at exactly the same time. We focused inside the boat, giving it all we got. Then, suddenly, we

surged across the finish line, roaring tremendously to a third place finish! We finished the race in 1 minute and 31 seconds.

The NC Lions team received our bronze medals at the dragon

boat ceremony. We all felt exhausted, but incredibly satisfied with our third place finish, especially since we won medals in a higher division than we were in last year. Yeay Team NC Lions! Great job!

Congratulations to Team NC Lions: Coach Jeremy Wong, Team Captain Lion Theresa Chu, Lion Gina Tse, Anna Louie, Lila Louie, Lion Charissa Gung, Michelle Lee, Jeff Chin, Adam Loo, Lion Dan Ng, Lion Sam Cuan, Lion Patrick Dominguez, Lion Brian Jann, Linda Chang, Jerry Sun, Jenee Li, Susanna Cuan, Cindy Ng, Kirby Lee, Ray Wong, Andres Kong, and Danica Fryhling.

As an added incentive to work at our collective best, Team NC Lions fundraised for Campaign for Sight First II during this dragon boat race. Together, we won third place. Together, we raised money to fight preventable blindness. Next year, we will take the gold. Roar! Roar! Roar!





4-C4 Lion Spotlight: Millbrae Lion & PDG George Habeeb

Mane Squeeze by Lion Lynn Azzopardi

Lady Helen met Lion George for the first time in Lowell, Massachusetts where she lived with her family. Helen's sister, who had married George's brother, had just had her first baby, and George was in town to meet the new arrival. It would be another four years before Helen and George would meet again. Having recently graduated college and now working fulltime to lend support to the family finances, Helen decided to take a two-week vacation to San Francisco to visit her sister and her family (having been raised in San Francisco, George's brother had decided he could not weather the weather of Massachusetts). George was appointed tour guide. Three weeks later the smitten George took Helen to the top of the Mark and proposed. Unfortunately, Helen had to decline, as she was already engaged to a beau back in Massachusetts. As luck would have it, Helen's sister had planned that their widowed mother should come to San Francisco to live, and after Thanksgiving that year brought her mother back west. By then Helen's two-week vacation how now extended to six months. Helen's mother told her that it was now time to break it off with George and return to her fiancée in Lowell. So, at what Helen expected to be her last night of dinner and dancing with George (at the Claremont), George asked her to return the engagement ring to her fiancé, so that he could replace it with one from him. Right then and there Helen realized that it was George whom she wanted to be with but still wondered whether she was making the right decision. Well, some time with the next 55 years, it became apparent that Lady Helen had indeed made the right decision. From the beginning George was in the grocery business. A captain in the Army reserves, George had showed great promise as a medic and his superiors had hoped to send him on to medical school.

However, George had made a pact with his best friend in high school that they would be partners in the grocery business. He could not bear to break that promise and thus his lifelong career as the owner of a grocery. Lady Helen describes her year as "First Lady" as wonderful and when



really came to know the other Lions and their wives well and formed many strong relationships. Typically there would be about 25 members at the board meetings. Lady Helen's desserts became so popular that she would receive specific requests and therefore be serving several desserts at each meeting. Once the members would arrive, Lady Helen would go off to the living room. And while she had one eye on a book, both ears were directed toward the meeting, and so she learned quite a bit about the Millbrae Lions Club and Lionism. Although she claims not to have a favorite

project, Lady Helen fondly remembers the paper drives, fireworks stands and corned beef and cabbage feeds for St. Patty's Day but there was an absolute twinkle in her eye when she spoke of being on Lion Joe Marricini's meatball assembly line for the *Spaghetti Blasts* for which she and half a dozen other Ladies would make about 1500 meatballs. **Mane Event:** When George was about 12 years old, with his parents' permission, he gathered his three brothers and about four or five friends (with their parents' permission) and took off for Stinson Beach for the first of several camping adventures. They camped on the beach for two weeks. The parents of all the boys trusted George, who was only 12, to take total charge. They had no tents, just blankets made into sleeping bags, and they fished and dug clams and made chowder, with some canned foods to supplement. They made campfires on the beach to cook and stay warm. George's brothers and friends always looked forward to the next trip, as he would take them to different beaches each time. (And to think, when is the last time we would allow our children to even walk to school!?)



A review for Club Secretaries on MMR / MAR protocols



From Lion Sandee Ige and Lion Denise Kelly:

There has been some confusion about reporting, here is a recap for Secretaries and Club Contest Chairs:

MMR – Monthly Membership Report: This Lions International Report is due by the fifth of each month. Please provide a copy to Cabinet Secretary Lion Marian Mann, your Region Chair, your Zone Chair, and your assigned Contest Co-Commissioner.

MAR – Monthly Activity Report: This Lions International Report is due by the fifth of each month. Please provide a copy to Cabinet Secretary Lion Marian Mann, your Region Chair,

and your Zone Chair. The Contest Co-Commissioners do NOT need a copy of this report.

Monthly Contest Reports: This reporting can be made on the forms provided to the club secretaries or in the manner of your choice as long as all of the information required for each contest is included. Please provide a copy of reporting to your assigned Contest Co-Commissioner. Please do NOT send copies to the individual contest chairs.

The best way to send your reports is via email. If you would like assistance in using email to send any of the monthly reports or with the reports, please let us know and we are happy to help.

We Serve!

SF Highlands Lions help to educate poor youngsters in Philippines

Lions on the move to build a school building in the Philippines!

“Education gives hope for a better life, gives a lot of opportunities and helps to improve the quality of life”

SF Highlands Lions Club is poised to construct a school building for the poor and hungry children in the impoverished tri barangays {barrios} of Pagasa, Paco Roman and Agbannawag, Rizal, Nueva Ecija, Philippines.

In this part of the country, hundreds of children suffer from poverty, illness, illiteracy and other hardships in life. In reaching out to them, the SF



Highlands Lions have initiated various programs, providing health and education services to give them hope for a brighter future.

In June 2006, the SF Highlands Lions has established a kinder school, the **Highlands First Step Learning School**. The school has employed qualified teachers and staff who are compassionate to the children. The school offers 100% free education to its students. Schoolbooks and materials, uniforms, shoes, daily breakfast and snacks are provided free. (continued on page 14)



Lion Rosie Jones is strongest link



At the SSF Elks Lodge on Monday, September 24th, Peninsula Council of Lions President Bob Wilson presented Ocean Ingleside Lion Rosie Jones with the "Strongest Link" award in appreciation for her upstanding Lionism.

SF Highlands Lions (from page 13)

A school van was purchased to transport students who are up to two kilometers away from school who walk under a 90 degrees Fahrenheit temperature.

The school rents a room of a local church and started with 20 kinder students in its initial school year of June 2006. This school year of June 2007, the enrollment grew to 53 students. The school is expecting an enrollment of over a hundred students the next school year June 2008,

With the challenge of increased excited and motivated kinder students and their thankful parents, the SF Highlands Lions have decided to move the Highlands School to a larger venue. During the club's last two meetings, a "mercy hat" was passed around and seven Highlanders responded with a \$4700.00 donation to purchase a property lot.

The construction of a new school building is planned in January 2008 and targeted to be operational in six months. To date, our Building Fund is

August's Equation Quiz (from page 7)

Answers:

1. 1 = Rotten Apple in Every Barrel
2. 10 = Little Indians
3. 3 = Little Kittens that Lost Their Mittens
4. 4 = Strings on a Violin
5. 5 = Tires on a Car (including the Spare in the Trunk)
6. 6 = Pockets on a Pool Table
7. 7 = Years of Bad Luck for Breaking a Mirror
8. 2 = Gentlemen of Verona
9. 9 = Justices of the Supreme Court
10. 10 = Digits in a Telephone Number (including the Area Code)
11. 76 = Trombones that Led the Big Parade
12. 20 = Cigarettes in a Pack
13. 3 = Strikes and You're Out at the Old Ball Game
14. 66 = Books of the Bible (in the King James Version)
15. 15 = Men on a Dead Man's Chest
16. 20 = Questions (Animal, Vegetable, or Mineral)
17. 7 = Dwarfs with Snow White
18. 30 = Seconds over Tokyo
19. 8 = Days a Week (in the Beatles Song)
20. 2,000 = Pounds in a Ton

progressive at \$28,000.00.

The SF Highlands Lions are so appreciative with the enormous outpouring of monetary donations from their fellow Lions, friends and relatives. The key to their success is their genuine passion to care for the unfortunate children. With their drive to provide education, food and clothing, the poor children will be dreaming dreams for a better life in the future.



SF Castro Lions set sail for a familiar home port



The Castro Lions will be returning to Octavia Lounge for our first General membership Meeting in November (11/5). See www.octavialounge.com for directions / details.

Visitations are welcomed - guest dinners are \$25/person.





Many Thanks
Lion Steven Sams
Secretary of the Board
Castro Lions Club Charities Inc.



SF Castro Lions lend their voices to those who can't see

Record-A-Thon 2007

Record-A-Thon is a week-long annual recording marathon designed to record as many completed books and hours of text as possible. In addition to our regular hard-working volunteers, we also open our doors to local community members who are given the opportunity to record in one of our six recording booths. We are sincerely grateful to all volunteers who participated during Record-A-Thon and hope to see you in the studio again soon!

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VOICEONE



Lion DG Maxine welcomes our new Lions to District 4-C4

Each month Lion DG Maxine will be welcoming each new Lion to the family of Lions Clubs in District 4-C4. Congratulations new Lions...you are now part of something special!

August 2007

Member	Club	Sponsor
Dean Treft	Burlingame	Ken Newman & John Benson
Don Shipley	Burlingame	Jack Van Etten
Rosalind Walton	East Palo Alto	Freda Johnson
John Aronis	Millbrae	Paul Larson
Robert Stoudt	Palo Alto	N/A
Danielle Rosenthal	Redwood Shores	N/A
Christine Jose	San Francisco Fil Am	Augusto Valera
Noli Naguiat	San Francisco Fil Am	Augusto Valera
Conrad Gatdula	San Francisco Host	Yolanda Cayabyab
Elizabeth Yulo	San Francisco Host	N/A
Sepulia Romeo	San Francisco Host	Jocelyn Mina
Kenny Lostica	San Francisco Premier	Marcus Norona
Everett Davis	San Francisco The Castro	Dennis Hale
Edith Davis	S. San Francisco Golden Gate	Gwendolyn Rowe-Lee Sykes

Foster City Lions & LEF are fishing for your support of our veterans



Continuing their quest to give a little joy back to those who served our country, the Foster City Lions along with the Lions Eye Foundation will be hosting an Abalone Steak Dinner on Saturday, December 15, 2007 at the Foster City Rec. Center. Cocktails at 6:00 pm and an Elegant Dinner at 7:30 pm with a minimum donation of \$100.00 per person. For details call ASAP to Lion PDG Don Stanaway at (650)

697-7785 or Lion PDG Roger Chinn at (650) 345-2877 or email at roger@chinnassociates.com.



Lion DG Maxine visitation schedule

Lion Maxine and her entourage will be making visitations to all Lions Clubs in District 4-C4 at various times of her term. Executive Coordinator Jun-Anselmo Madrinan has made up the below schedule. If you have questions for him you can call (650) 572-9021 or email him at anselmo@maitadist.com. Lion DG Maxine looks forward to visiting your Lions Club.

Date	Club	Date	Club
07/17/07	DC Gateway	09/12/07	Menlo Park Live Oak
07/18/07	SF Castro	09/12/07	Atherton
07/20/07	SF Hispanic	09/12/07	Menlo Park Host
07/26/07	Burlingame	09/18/07	Palo Alto
08/01/07	SF Geneva-Mission	09/19/07	SF Park Presidio
08/01/07	DC Host	09/19/07	SF Fil Am
08/07/07	Redwood Shores	09/20/07	SF Premier
08/08/07	RC Sunrise	09/25/07	Foster City
08/08/07	SF Sunset	09/27/07	San Carlos
08/10/07	SF Highlands	10/01/07	Half Moon Bay
08/13/07	SF Ocean Ingleside	10/03/07	SF Nikkei
08/16/07	SF Chinatown	10/08/07	SF Host
08/20/07	SF Circle	10/08/07	SF W. Twin Peak
08/21/07	San Bruno	10/09/07	Brisbane
08/23/07	San Mateo	10/16/07	Pacifica
08/28/07	SF Bayview	10/17/07	Millbrae
09/04/07	Belmont	10/18/07	SF Korean-Am
09/04/07	East Palo Alto	10/23/07	SF Marina No Beach
09/05/07	SF Bay-New Century	11/06/07	So SF Host
09/11/07	SF Merced Hts	11/07/07	SF Park Gate
09/12/07	San Mateo Metro	11/09/07	SF Bay
		11/27/07	SSF Golden Gate



Lion DG Maxine want you to remember

District 4-C4 Joins Together
In A Tribute to
Bay Meadows Racetrack

Race For Sight

At
Bay Meadows
In
San Mateo

October 12, 2007, Friday

\$40.00

Drinks 5:30 pm
Buffet 6:30 pm

Parking Included

Race for Sight Ticket Deadline is: September 27, 2007 ~ Read ~ Urgent

We need 100 - 125 members to support our International President Mahendra Amarasurica "Challenge to Change"

Our District Goal - RAISE CSF II FUNDS

If you have not purchased tickets, please contact your Region & Zone Chairs, District Coordinators, Lions Elaine Borland and Esther Lee, or call (650) 574-4405 now.

PDG Ray Rosenthal has planned a PDG Luncheon on September 26, 2007. I will ask each PDG to please support our district event.

SAVING SIGHT - Lets Make it Happen!

Buy tickets, attend and join the Campaign and Made a Difference!

DISTRICT 4-C4
CABINET/DISTRICT MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2007

CHALLENGE TO CHANGE

WHERE: MISSION BLUE RECREATION CENTER
475 MISSION BLUE DR, BAIRBRIDGE, CA 94005

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2007

TIME: 8:30 AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
9:00 AM—1:00 PM MEETING & LUNCH

COST: \$15.00 PRE-PAID, \$20.00 AT THE DOOR

RSVP: PAID ADMISSIONS PREFERRED BY 11/1

MAIL CHECK TO: MIKE EMBOWIE, 1075 VISTA GRANDE, MILLBRAE, CA 94030

San Francisco Coordinating Council of Lions Clubs Clubs Hosting Monthly Meeting ~ Save the Dates

2007

August – Hispanic
September – Marina North Beach (September 26, 2007)
October – Joint Council (Peninsula in Charge – October 22, 2007)
November – SF Chinatown (November 28, 2007)
December – No Meeting

2008

January – Bayview Hunter's Point
February – SF Ocean-Ingleside
March – Peace Officers & Firefighters
April – Open
May – Open
June – SF Bay New Century

Please contact
Lion Rosie
Jones re-
garding
schedule at
(415) 585-5725



District 4-C4 ~ Article IV - Territory

Section 1. All territory embraced by the Association of Lions Clubs, District 4-C4, Lions International, shall be as follows: all Lions Clubs now existing and to hereafter exist in the counties of San Francisco and San Mateo, and the city of Palo Alto in Santa Clara County.



Important Dates and Upcoming Events



4-C4 Cabinet Meetings

November 10, 2007—2nd Cabinet Meeting—Region 2, Brisbane—Mission Blue Center
February 9, 2008—3rd Cabinet Meeting—Region 3—TBA
May 14 - 18, 2008—District Convention—Sacramento Radisson Hotel

Special Activities

October 6 - 7, 2007—White Cane Days
October 12, 2007—Race for Sight—District wide CSF II Fundraiser, Bay Meadows
October 22, 2007—Joint Council Meeting, Peninsula Host—TBA
November 20, 2007—Turkey Bowl—Serra Bowl, Daly City
December 15, 2007—Foster City Abalone Feed—District wide Lions Eye Foundation
Fundraiser—Foster City Recreation Center
February 15 - 17, 2008—Flag Days
March 1 - 2, 2008—Hearing Days
March 23, 2008—Lions Day at City of Hope
TBA—Peninsula Police & Fire Awards
TBA—San Francisco Police & Fire Awards
March 29, 2008—Eyeglass Collection Day
April 5, 2008—Y & C A Raffle Award Dinner
April 19, 2008—Worldwide Induction Day

Club Secretaries take note:

Your monthly MMR & MAR are both are due into LCI and 4-C4 Cabinet Secretary Marian Mann no later than the **5th** day of each month!

Student Speaker Completion Dates

Theme: *"Immigration: My Solution"*

Club Contest—February 18, 2008
Zone Contest—March 20, 2008
Region Contest—April 7, 2008
District Contest—April 28, 2008
Area Contest—May 19, 2008
MD-4 Final—June 7, 2008

Make sure all contestants are informed of these dates, and that the final dates will be decided soon. In no event will the final dates for each portion of the contest be any later than the dates listed above. It is the contestant's responsibility to be available for all presently listed and future Student Speaker Contest Dates should they progress toward the Finals.



The Scratching Post

Millbrae Lion Paul Larson ~
District 4-C4 Newsletter Editor

c/o *Chapel of the Highlands*

El Camino Real at 194 Millwood Drive
Millbrae, CA 94030-1392



LIONS ETHICS

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of 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 of profit for 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 others. To be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as the right or ethics of my position of action towards my fellow man, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the true spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my unswerving loyalty in word, act as deed; to give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID my fellow man 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 OBJECTIVES

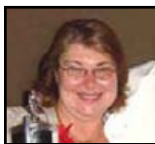
TO CREATE and foster a spirit of "GENEROUS CONSIDERATION" among the peoples of the world through a study of the problems of international relationship. **TO PROMOTE** the theory and practice of the principles of good government and good citizenship.

TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, social, and moral welfare of the community.

TO UNITE the members in the bonds of friendship and mutual understanding.

TO PROVIDE a forum for the full and free discussion of all matters of public interest, partisan politics and sectarian religion alone excepted.

TO ENCOURAGE efficacy and promote high ethical standards and professions: provided that no club shall hold out as one of its objects financial benefits to its members.



2006-2007 District Governor's Award
Lion Elaine Borland

