



**Lions  
District  
4-A2  
1st Quarter  
2015-2016**



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Hello Fellow Lions,  
Wow, where to start? Thank you, thank you and thank you. Governor Anthony asked us last year to have each club be positive at the end of the year by even just one, and you guys did it. Not every club was positive growth but what we were hoping for was to grow the district by 63. If we could do that it would be the largest growth in many years. What did you do? Over 90! That’s fantastic! And the lions we grew were solid lions whose paws will be on those projects. I know Governor Anthony will have actual numbers to report to us, but to go from a five year average of minus 40, to a positive 90 is a direct result of your efforts, and Governor Anthony’s leadership and motivation. The chartering of the Sanger Lions Club could not have happened without the help of many, but special thanks to Governor Anthony, GMT Leader PDG Dean, Lion Hank of North Fresno, Lion Lydia and the whole crew from the Parlier Lions. More members, means more paws on the ground, which means more service work being done in our communities. Great job Lions of A2, now let’s keep the momentum going.

As we start this next year I would like to thank all of you for your support and especially those that have stepped up to serve on the cabinet and committees. Lions have always been a labor of love and many of you have offered a lot of love. I hope this year to see a greater support of our foundation, Lions Clubs International Foundation. LCIF is the foundation that provides grants for projects like our help at DYF Bearskin Meadows all the way to providing relief and support during natural disasters all over the world. I would also like to see us play a larger part of the Multiple Districts support of the City of Hope. You will hear more about the great work being done through these two organizations and how you can help throughout the year.

Our international convention was everything we thought it would be and the only thing Lion Christie and I regret is not being able to spend some time with each of you who attended. The information available and the motivational speakers make it hard to come away not being charged up and ready to follow the motto of “We Serve” with even greater pride.

We are planning for our first cabinet meeting on August 28th and 29th, followed by our meeting in Bakersfield on October 30th and 31st. Our first cabinet meeting of 2016 will be in Visalia on February 12th and 13th and we’ll finish out the year with a lot of fun in Cayucos on April 22 through the 24th. Thank you again for your support and the great work you do.

Lion Craig

# “ROAR OF THE LION”

## Membership Growth Trophy

The new Membership Growth recognition trophy was unveiled at the second Cabinet Meeting in Lemoore. The Lion that stands on the top of the trophy came from Pennsylvania, the base was made by an Auberry, CA cabinet maker so we can safely say it is a “one of a kind” trophy. It is a three year trophy that offers 15 opportunities for your club to be recognized by having the highest net gain in membership for a quarter or the highest total net gain for the year. The trophy will be presented to the winning club at the first Cabinet Meeting or Convention following the close of the quarter and the winning club is identified. Each quarterly winner will retain the trophy until it is time for it to be update for the next recipient. The club who’s name appears on the trophy the most during the three year contest will keep the trophy for all to see when you visit their club.

Contest rules are as follows:

Participating clubs must be in good standing with Lions Clubs International.

Membership results must be positive: example a) previous results -2 members, current quarter net +3 members equals + 1 for the quarter; example b) previous results +10 members, current quarter net +3 members equals +3 for the quarter.

The minimum requirement ; the club’s membership net total must exceed the membership numbers record on the last day of the previous year and must increase by 1 member during the contest quarter.

There will be 12 quarterly winners, the club with the highest net gain in membership for the quarter.

There will be 3 annual winners, the club that has the highest net gain in Membership for each year.

LCI, MD-4 & District 4-A2 dues for the new member must be paid.

The trophy must be returned in the same condition as it was when you took possession.

Branch Club members are included in parent club totals.

New Clubs do not qualify for this award their Charter year.

There are two primary components of membership growth, the first is member retention, keep the members that you have. There are always recognizable signs that indicates a member is less than excited about being a Lion, i.e., he or she stops attending meetings or club events, slow to pay dues, nonparticipant during meetings, becomes antisocial, etc. Sometimes it is easier to retain one rather than find one. Second, “Ask One”, new members are out there, we just need to invite them to join a club that they find attractive and is doing the things that they want to be associated with.

There is an easy formula to win your club name plate on the trophy; Retain Members + Add New Members = growth. I am always available to assist you with planning and conducting membership drives.

Congratulations to our first club to receive this recognition; the Fresno Diwata Lions Club. They recorded a net gain of 12 members during the first quarter of year 2014-2015. Awesome!



Good Recruiting to all  
F. Dean Church,  
PDG/GMTC

Fellow Lions, Lioness’ and Leos;

This was a awesome year for District 4-A2 with respect to membership growth. We began the year with a net loss of 16 members at the end of the first quarter. We started our recovery the second quarter with plus 16 for a net total of 0 for the year at the end of December. The last half of the year, we gained 71 members plus we added the new Sanger Club with 20 members. Our net total for the year was plus 91 members which placed us third in MD-4 (all of California) behind Districts 4-L3 with +95 and 4-L6 with 106. Results that I am even more proud of; five under 20 member clubs add enough new members to returned membership levels to the mid to upper 20s. A lot of fantastic accomplishments by a great group of Lions. Thank You all.



Our Trophy, as of this writing we do not have the individual club results for the final quarter of the 2014-2015 year. When the numbers are ready, we will be able to identify both the fourth quarter membership growth winner and the club that was number one in growth for the year adding two more names to the trophy. This leaves us with only 10 more opportunities to add our club’s name by having the highest net membership gain for a quarter or total gain for the year. The club that is named on the trophy the most gets to keep it at the end of the third year.

Our Immediate Past International President, Joe Preston, asked that we Ask 1, Keep 1 and Start 1 and we did all he asked. The true key to a club’s success is keep the members that you have. It is easy to say but we do not always do what we should. Start by introducing your new member to a formal New Member Orientation. Involve all members in a meaningful project or community event. A pancake fundraiser is not always considered a meaningful project. Give the new members the best mentor that you have in your club, that is not always their sponsor (it’s the club’s true Lion).

Lions Club President, set your club’s goals for the year, write them down, share them with all your club members and ask them to do their part to see that the club moves forward. Visit your goals regularly with your members. I am available for new member orientations and we are continuing the Just Ask Club Membership Recruitment training.

I understand that one of our goals this year is to pass District 4-A1 (the largest District in MD-4) in total membership this year, we are only 155 members short of their total.

We expect to add two more clubs this year; the second club in Clovis and another club is pending in London California. Further, we are in discussion with an ethnic group interested in starting a club in Fresno. We still have under 20 member clubs that we are going to offer them the opportunity to grow back to 20 plus, with our assistance. We are targeting four clubs for rebuilding and stronger clubs may be asked to assist us for logistical reason.

It is time to fill your clubs with younger members. The total dues for a college student under the age of 30 years old is only \$21.50 per year. Clubs with LEO’s invite them to join your club when they turn 18.

I Like the Just Ask program, if we continue the “Ask 1”, “Keep 1” and “Start 1” philosophy we will be successful again this coming year. In April we elected an awesome new Governor, now it is time that we do our part to see that he is better than all the rest.

Thank for all that you do for your community, your club, your district and the LCI communities around the world.

In Lionism

Dean Church  
PDG/GMT

# “ROAR OF THE LION”

Hello Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

I am sitting here on the balcony of my hotel, watching the sunset in Waikiki, Hawaii. I have already ‘pulled the tag’ and Gov Craig is officially our Governor! I unofficially gave him the District back in Cayucos, but today he was installed at our 98th Lions Club International Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii.

I am proud to have served as your Governor during what can easily be considered our most successful Lion Year in a very long time! All you need to have done is heard the Region reports at each Cabinet Meeting to have known about the projects and people helped throughout the year. Beyond things done in our own communities, think of our successes at things like Operation Friendship, Bearskin Meadow, the Council of Governors Welcome Dinner and MD-4 State Convention in Visalia. You have all definitely stayed busy this year and I thank each of you for all your Lion efforts.

I just read our final totals in membership and I am happy to report our District had an absolute stellar year in putting more paws on projects! Our 5-year average is 263 Lions dropped each year; my goal was to lose less than 230 Lions and we dropped 219 Lions. Our 5-year average is 244 new Lions each year; my goal was to bring in 290 Lions and you brought in 310 Lions! Our 5-year membership average is a loss of 19 Lions to our District each year; my goal was a new growth of 60 Lions, you grew by 91 Lions! We average one new club per year and we chartered a great new club, the Sanger Lions Club.

My fellow Lions, I am proud to report we didn’t just reach the 2,000-Lion ceiling, we completely shattered through it!! I am confident we will not drop below it again...District 4-A2 started the year with 1,958 and now have 2,049 Lions!!

You know how I love bragging about you. While I was totaling my numbers, my brother Governor Kent text me his numbers and asked how we did. I told him that A-1 is in our sights and we are coming after them. The largest District in the Multiple ended the year at 2,204 Lions. Look where you are A-2, I don’t know if we have ever been the largest District in the Multiple, but we have a great chance at capturing that title now!

I am challenging Gov Craig to keep closing the gap, I know our Pride can stand behind him and get it done. More importantly, I am challenging each of you to keep the ground we gained. Right now, the entire Multiple is being watched for our great strides in growth this year, was it healthy or unhealthy? Our District was the third-largest growing this year behind only L-6 (106 Lions) and L-3 (95 Lions). There will be many watching these Districts to see if we now tank, indicating unhealthy growth. I know everywhere I went and visited, you told me stories of many of your new Lions, who had already gotten their paws dirty on projects. Some earned their whiskers before you even installed them! I guarantee those Lions aren’t going anywhere. I can also assure you the new Sanger Lions Club isn’t going away; if anyone wants to visit a group of young, motivated Lions, the Sanger Lions meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at DiCiccos in Sanger. More to come later on their Charter Party!

You have all done so much this year, I can’t begin to thank you for each accomplishment, everything from food and clothing giveaways to college scholarships to major financial donations to people in need. We have been a steady leader in the Multiple all year. For anyone that doubts your impact, one of my friends overheard a Lion tell PIP Al Brandel while in Hawaii they were working on earning their whiskers and Lion Al interrupted and said, “I already know whose District you are from.” That’s the way we roll in A-2!

Let me end this with a pretty nice moment I experienced here in Hawaii and it couldn’t have been done without my A-2 support. Over the past year, I have gotten to know both candidates for 2nd International Vice President, Lion Naresh Aggarwal (from India) and Salim Moussan (from Lebanon); we hosted each at the MD-4 Convention earlier this year and I have stayed in contact with them since then. Both men ran an admirable campaign, no mud-slinging, no dirty politics, no gossip, just a difference of opinion on the current Lion tradition of selecting our international leadership. This made it easy for me to hang around with each of them during campaign week, wishing each of them much success. When all was said and done, Lion Naresh won the election. I was able to walk out of the convention center with Lion Naresh, his family and security detail, towards his car to get him away from the thousands of Lions all swarming to meet our new leader. We stopped, he hugged me and said, “there are Lions and there are true friends. I will never forget my friend Anthony, because that’s how we roll.”

I thank all my Lions for the paws on projects, the whiskers earned, the great service work done by all...you definitely Grew Stronger Together! A special thanks to our Club of the Year, the Parlier Lions Club and our Lion of the Year, Lion Lydia Martinez, this would never have been so much fun without my home club’s endless support and encouragement...that’s how we roll.

I will leave the specific goals and objectives of our incoming International President to Governor Craig to explain. I know Gov. Craig is excited and ready to lead our District; he is super-motivated on putting more paws on projects and getting “those paws in the dirt” as he likes to say. Let’s stand behind him and support his vision for our Lion future.

Semper Fidelis,  
Lion Anthony

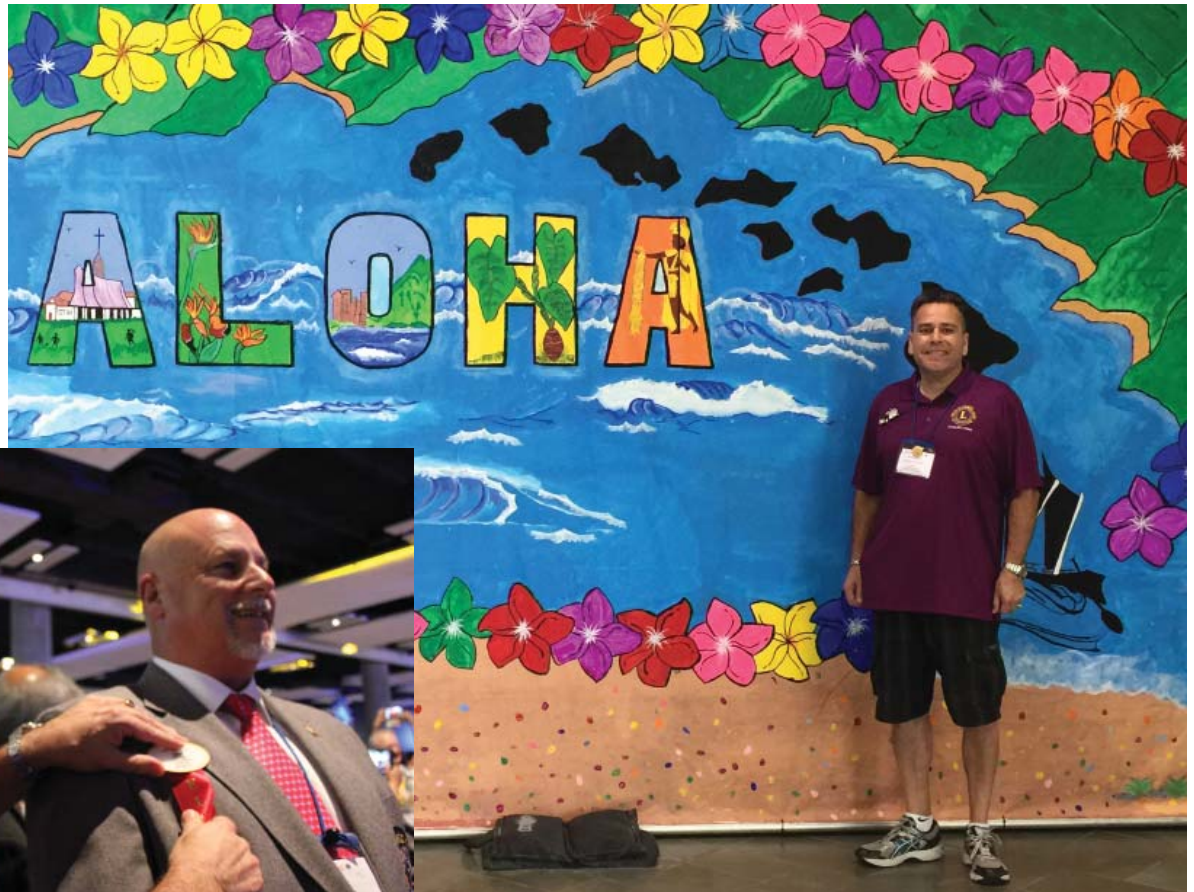
Pic Info: Pictures follow:

ALOHA FROM HAWAII: Standing by a map of the Hawaiian Islands inside the Honolulu Convention Center, home of the 98th International Lions Club Convention.

CELEBRATING WITH NARESH: Lion Anthony and newly-elected 2nd International Vice President Naresh Aggarwal soon after the election results announced his victory.

PULLING GOV-ELECT TAG: Lion Anthony officially finishes installing Governor Craig Cooper with the ceremonial pulling off of his ‘Elect’ tag from his Governor Name Tag.

# “ROAR OF THE LION”



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## LIONS AT VISALIA RAWHIDE

By Lion Anthony Martinez

The Visalia Rawhide made minor league baseball history by being the first Single A team to host a Lions Club International Night on Sunday, July 12, at Rawhide Stadium in Visalia, California. The Rawhide, is the Single A team for the Arizona Diamondbacks. I didn't see too many Diamondback snakes there, but I sure saw a lot of Lions.

In keeping with the Lions Club International theme night, the team wore jerseys with the Lions Club International logo across the back. All of the Rawhide player jerseys were auctioned off during the game with proceeds going to the Blind Babies Foundation (BBF) of Tulare and Kings County. Once the game was over, all the winning bidders were presented their jerseys and I am happy to report that many of the jerseys went to our very own 4-A2 District Lions in attendance.

Also, in keeping with vision-impaired awareness, the Rawhide and BBF teamed up and hosted a Beep Baseball Game before the baseball started. For anyone who does not know what Beep Baseball is, it is a competitive baseball-themed game for the blind and visually-impaired. Many Lions clubs across the nation are involved with Beep Baseball, but this was the first time I was able to witness and actually participate in a game. For specific rules and details, please check the internet for the National Beep Baseball Association.

The Beep Baseball game at the park was challenging and really helped our Lions appreciate the gift each of us is blessed with, the gift of our sight. During the game, the ball is placed on a tee and the player gets 4 strikes for a hit. Once the ball is hit, it begins beeping, so it can be tracked by the defense. The batter then runs towards a large pylon, called a buzzing base, located near first base or third base; this means a batter may hit the ball and actually have to run towards third base, if that is the pylon that begins buzzing. While the batter is running, the fielders are listening to the beeping baseball and being assisted by sighted players on the field. If the batter touches the base before the defense can pick up the ball that is a run; conversely, if the defense picks up the ball before the batter makes it to base, it is an out. All sighted players were blindfolded.

The game at Rawhide Stadium pitted two teams made up of visually-impaired players, Lions and an eye doctor. There was a ringer on one team, a young girl who is visually-impaired, but still managed to get the majority of our Lions out single-handedly. To see the excitement on her face and hear her talking it up between innings was amazing. That moment was easily the highlight of the night for so many of our Lions who had the opportunity to participate in the game. Yes, no need to ask, she got out both Governor Craig Cooper and myself.

Past Council Chair Derek Ledda, Governor Craig and I were selected to each throw out the Honorary First Pitches. I am happy to report, none of us 'bounced it' and all got the ball across the plate to the catcher.

I am sorry to say the Rawhide lost their game against Bakersfield 8 to 0, but the big winner was the Blind Babies Foundation of Tulare and Kings County. I am happy to report the many Lions in attendance were also winners with a night out at the park, a huge Lion presence at Rawhide Stadium and many Lions Club and personal donations to the BBF via the jersey auction.

### Pic Info:

**THANKS GOV:** Lion Anthony fields a beeping ball on defense. Please look closely at Gov Craig standing over him, giving directions...Gov Craig is blindfolded, but trying to help.

**FIRST PITCHES:** Lion Anthony, PCC Derek Ledda and Gov Craig, each had the opportunity to participate in the Beep Baseball game and were also selected to throw out the Honorary First Pitches of the game.

**HEADED TO FIRST:** Governor Craig showed good form on his blindfolded run towards the buzzing pylon at first base, unfortunately he was called out.

**LOOK AT IT GO:** Lion Anthony knocks one out of the park! Ok, maybe not out of the park, but I gave it my best shot while blindfolded.

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Here's a picture of all the Lions that were able to make it to the photo shoot on board the ship. These Lions are from all around the world. I wish all 200 were able to make it there though.

Very respectfully  
1st VDG AI







Happy New Year's

Yes, it's a beginning of a new year for Lions, a changing of the guard. Last year was spectacular for our district. All of the clubs working together and raising our membership to record heights. Thank you to all the clubs who really made an effort to bring up our membership, I encourage you all to keep attracting new members by showing them what we are able to accomplish as Lions. Great job Gov. Anthony and our GMT Past District Gov. Dean Church for their leadership. I am confident that under the leadership of Gov. Craig Cooper we will be able to again reached new heights in membership, clubs, and service projects.

If you did not get the chance to go to Hawaii and listen to our new International President give his speech, you're really missed out on something. His message on working together was very inspirational, he spoke about cranes, how they fly together in formation and when one gets tired it will fall to the back, the next one would take the lead. I was very impressed listening to him, his message really broke through all barriers. I also can't get over all of his accomplishments and all of his humanitarian service which he does. Please if you get the chance go to the international website and read his bio it is really well worth it.

While both my wife Christy and I were over in Hawaii, we were able to go on a cruise and see all of the other islands that make up the eight islands of Hawaii. It was a funny thing, while we were on the cruise, we kept bumping into other Lions from around the world. I would like to venture to say that there were over 200 on the cruise. Once I noticed that there were so many Lions on board the ship, I asked the cruise director if she could arrange a photograph with all of the Lions on board. I thought that it would be an easy task. Three days, and explaining what Lions were I was finally able to get our photo at the very end of the cruise. They broadcasted, "All International Lions Club members on board who would like to take a photograph please report to the fourth deck entrance way and bring any Lions vest or hat that you would like to have in the photograph". They made this announcement 30 minutes before and then 15 minutes before the photo was taken. Unfortunately, a lot were still at dinner and did not make it there on time. We did still have a great number of people who were able to take the photo and we were also able to educate some of the crew who Lions were. I think they were all very impressed with how many were on board the ship.

While we were over in Hawaii, both my wife and I were able to go scuba diving. We were able to go diving on to different islands while we were there. The first dive was over in Oahu, we went down to 80 feet, where we were able to see a barge that was sunk out there. There were so many green sea turtles. The green sea turtle is a protected sea animal that gets as large as 3 feet in length and weighs over 1000 pounds. When they are swimming they are very graceful in the water. Christy did so well on this dive. She had never been down to 80 feet before and the conditions were not that great but, I was still so proud of her. On the other hand I ended up running out of air at 80 feet underwater. It is not a fun experience. You would think that over 5000 logged dives I would know better, but I was able to make it to the surface with only the embarrassment of running out of air.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all again and visiting with all of the clubs in our district. Again I would like to thank all of you for all of your hard work that you did throughout last year. Please continue to thank all of your members for all the hard work that they do and to always make all of your new members and visitors feel welcome. Again, Happy New Year. Lion Al

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Lion Howard Hudson, Lion Yasin Lakhani, Lion Chris & Lion Chiragkumar “Kevin” Patel representing MD-4 at ISAAME hospitality, Sheraton Beach Waikiki, Honolulu, Hawaii





**REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE:**  
***2015-2016 First District Meeting***  
***Installation of Officers Friday, August 28, 2015***  
***First District Meeting Saturday, August 29, 2015***

***Please join District Governor Craig Cooper, District Officers and fellow Lions on Friday, August 28, 2015, at the new Doubletree by Hilton, 2233 Ventura St, Fresno, CA 93721. The evening will begin with a Social Hour at 6:00 PM, Dinner at 7:00 PM, Installation to follow. The District Business Meeting will commence at 9:00 AM Saturday, August 29, 2015 at the Doubletree.***

NAME OF LION OR LEO		EMAIL ADDRESS		
ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP CODE	CELL PHONE	
CLUB NAME	REGION:	ZONE	DISTRICT OR CLUB OFFICE HELD	

NAME OF GUESTS OR OTHER LIONS

		<b>LIONS &amp; GUESTS REGISTRATION \$10.00</b>	<b>LEO REGISTRATION \$0</b>	\$
<b>PACKAGE PLAN INCLUDES:</b>			<small>POST MARKED BEFORE August 17th</small>	<small>POST MARKED AFTER August 17th</small>
REGISTRATION, DISTRICT GOVERNOR CRAIG COOPER PIN, INSTALLATION DINNER & SATURDAY LUNCH			<b>\$78.00</b>	<b>\$98.00</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	# <input type="checkbox"/> Tri Tip Dinner # <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Breast Dinner # <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian Dinner	CABINET DRESS UNIFORM	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Breakfast is on your own			
<b>SATURDAY Lunch 12 PM</b>	Make Your Own Sandwich Bar	CABINET DRESS UNIFORM	<b>\$28.00</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>
<b>EXTRA: DISTRICT GOVERNOR CRAIG COOPER TRADING PINS (\$3.00 Each)</b>			<b>(\$3.00 Ea.)</b>	\$
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT - INCLUDING REGISTRATION:</b>				<b>\$ .00</b>

**FRIDAY: DISTRICT OFFICER INSTALLATION AND DINNER, SOCIAL HOUR AT 6:00 PM, DINNER AT 7:00 PM AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON**  
**SATURDAY: PDG MEETING 8:00 - 9:00 AM AT THE DOUBLETREE HOTEL**  
**SATURDAY: DISTRICT BUSINESS MEETING 9:00 AM—2 PM (LUNCH 12 PM) DOUBLETREE HOTEL**

<p><b><u>CABINET MEETING REGISTRATION</u></b></p> <p>MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE                  TO: DISTRICT 4-A2                  Mail to: Cabinet Treasurer                  Jan Beatty-Taylor                  710 North Vista, Visalia CA 93292                  Cell 559-909-1817</p>	<p><b><u>HEADQUARTERS HOTEL</u></b>                  The Doubletree by Hilton Fresno                  (Formerly the Fresno Hotel &amp; Conference Center)                  2233 Ventura Ave., Fresno, CA 93721                  PHONE: 559-268-1000                  FAX: 559-441-2952  <a href="http://www.doubletreefresno.com">www.doubletreefresno.com</a>                  MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS                  DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL                  Rooms: Standard King or Double \$119.00                  King Suite \$169.00</p>	<p><b><u>ALTERNATE HOTEL</u></b>                  La Quinta Inn - Fresno Yosemite                  2926 Tulare Street                  Fresno, CA 93721-1440                  Phone: 1-559-442-1110                  Fax: 1-559-237-0415  <a href="http://www.lq.com">www.lq.com</a>                  MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS                  DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL                  Rooms: \$65.00 + tax                  If reserved before August 7th</p>
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**Lions District 4-A2**

# RIVERSIDE GOLF COURSE - FRESNO

## *1<sup>st</sup> District 4A2 Lions 2015-2016 Golf Tourney*

**WHERE:** Riverside Golf Course  
7492 N. Riverside Drive  
*(99 N to Herndon, turn R, turn L onto Riverside Drive)*

**TELEPHONE:** 559-275-5900, Ext. 3

**WHEN:** 10 AM Friday, August 28, 2015

**FEE:** \$55 and includes Golf Cart

**DEADLINE:** August 20, 2015 (Golf Course requires a guarantee)



**FORMAT:** 4 Person Scramble

#	PRINT NAME	EMAIL	TELEPHONE	CLUB NAME
1				
2				
3				
4				

**Make Checks Payable to: Lion Bill Diltz, Golf Chair**

**And mail it with this form to: 4314 W. Nicholas Ave. Visalia, 93291**

**559-732-6897 or 559-288-2933**

**Email: [bcdiltz@comcast.net](mailto:bcdiltz@comcast.net)**



**Riverside Golf Course is a favorite of our regulars... come see why and bring a friend.**

**The game is scramble so no pressure and everyone has a good time. Also a great place to introduce someone to Lions!**

**Come join in the fun.**

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The only Leos who attended the convention, took part in the Parade and did Volunteering program with Honolulu local Leo club representing MD-4 Leo Mannati Patel, Leo Dev Patel from Hanford Leos and Leo Shriani Patel of Lemoore Leo Club...

Pictures with PIP Lion Jim Erwin, PIP Lion Mahendra Amarasuriya, my mentor- PIP Lion Rohit Mehta, PIP Lion Ashok Mehta PIP & LCIF Chairman Lion Barry Palmer and from UK PID Lion Phil Nathan, Pakistan PID Lion Nelofer..

President Lion Joe Preston presenting incoming President 2015-2016 Lion Dr.Jitsuhiro Yamada after the oath...  
California MD-4 Breakfast at Marriott, Waikiki with our district officers...  
2nd VDG Kevin Patel



# “ROAR OF THE LION”



Eight members inducted during Zone Social and on July 13th inducted three New Leos of Hanford Leo Club by Lin Chiragkumar “Kevin” Patel (2VDG)... Hanford Leos helping food distribution for the Salvation army on July 17th, 2015



See off to the newly installed Second Vice International President Lion Naresh Aggrawal with his wife Lion Navitaji at the Honolulu International Airport after the convention.. induction of new lion members at Pixley Lions Club by PDG Lion Dean Church & Lion Anthony Martinez, Inducted 8 New Members at Laton Lions Club by Lion Chiragkumar “Kevin” Patel during Zone Social last official visitation of Lion Anthony Martinez as District Governor..



## 2014-2015 Used Glass collection results

A BIG thank-you to the 19 clubs that collected used eyeglasses for Lions In Sight this past year, 2014-2015. Congratulations to the Bakersfield Sports Lions Club for winning the most collected glasses for the seventh consecutive year.

All four regions did participate. The Northern region had eight clubs; the Central region had seven clubs; the Southern region had three clubs and the Western region had one club. Here are the results by region and club:

### NORTHERN REGION:

Fresno Host	3400	
Fresno Diwata	192	
Ponderosa	550	
Calwa	1000	
Selma	2050	
Parlier	53	
Selma Ctrl. Valley	80	
Dinuba	<u>560</u>	
Region Total		7885

### PHONES:

Selma	29
Calwa	38
Parlier	9

### WESTERN REGION:

Hanford Breakfast	1233
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### CENTRAL REGION:

Visalia Sequoia	1189	
Visalia Charter Oak	2200	
Visalia Host	600	
Visalia Sunset	375	
Visalia Breakfast	1000	
Tulare Host	780	
Porterville	<u>1146</u>	
Region Total		7290

### HEARING AIDS:

District wide:	16
Parlier	6
Rosedale	1

### SOUTHERN REGION:

Bakersfield Sports	6300	
Bakersfield Host	360	
Rosedale Hwy.	<u>887</u>	
Region Total		7547

### INK CARTRIDGES:

Delano	120
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DISTRICT TOTAL: 23,955

I try to attend all cabinet meetings, unless there is a conflict with other LIONS foundation meetings, to help facilitate getting the glasses to the recycling center.

Sincerely yours in Lionism,  
Lillette Quesnoy, District representatives





The Lions Eye Clinic  
711 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA

## **The Lions Eye Clinic**

Dear Lions Clubs of District 4-A2,

As your local representatives from the Lions Eye Foundation, we are asking that your club consider an extra donation to the Foundation this 2015-2016 year. Our current facility was built in the 1920s and is not earthquake safe. We are extremely excited that this new world-class eye clinic will be serving our community by mid-year 2016.

Our Foundation is seeking your club's extra support in this campaign in addition to your regular membership. Please consider budgeting this extra campaign contribution in your Lions club budget.

If you have any questions, or if your club would like a presentation about the Foundation please contact one of the District Trustees.

Thank you,  
Yours In Lionism,

District Trustees,

Dennis Neal – Northern Region, (559)891-0917  
Lillette Quesnoy – Central Region, (559)733-1483  
Pat Neal – Western Region, (559)389-3796  
Christy Kroell – Southern Region, (559)338-0275



**75th  
Anniversary**



Join us for Fun, Fellowship and Lionism. Meet other Lions throughout our Great Valley. Here from Guest Speaker John Schoder and stick around and you could be a winner of a Raffle Prize. Remember "It's Great To Be A LION"



**For:** Selma Lions Club  
**Date:** Saturday July 25, 2015  
**Time:** 6:00 PM - Meet & Greet  
7:00 PM - Dinner  
**Place:** Selma Portuguese Hall  
1245 Nebraska Ave. Selma, CA 93662  
**Cost:** \$25.00 per person Steak or Chicken  
**RSVP:** By July 19, 2015  
**Lion Richard Rowell**  
559 824-5864

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Holiday Inn SELMA-SWANCOURT  
2950 PEA SOUP ANDERSEN BLVD  
Selma, CA, 93662, US  
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**Please RSVP: Richard Rowell, 559.824.5864  
Esther Garcia, 559.896.0866**

*Save the*  
**DATE**



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*Lions Club*

**CHARTER  
NIGHT**

Saturday, September 12, 2015  
7038 E. Laurel Ave., Fresno

*(More details to follow)*

**LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION – July 2015**

Technically, I am no longer the LCIF District Coordinator, but I wanted to give you a short report of our donations through the end of May. Our total giving was \$16,316.00. I know there were donations given in June. Thank you again to all the clubs and Lions that made donations to LCIF this past Lions year. It is always a good organization to give your money to. We now have a total of 369 Melvin Jones Fellows for our District, with 23 Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows. I have been very grateful to have served as your LCIF District Coordinator for the last three years. I know you will continue to support our new District Coordinator.

--- PDG Vicki Beeman

The **MD 4 Leadership institutes** are set for this year. The registration form for the November 21-23, 2015 institute in Sacramento is posted on the MD 4 website. The registration form for the January 16-18 institute in Ontario is to be posted in early July.

Fear not to hold club or district office, Lions! These institutes are here to help. You get speaking, organizing, conflict resolution, some Lions history, how to find useful stuff online, and six more topics.

GLT Leader David P. Beeman

Register Now:

Forum September 17-19.

Grand Rapids, Michigan

If you haven't registered for this year's GRAND Forum, what are you waiting for? You should register NOW — the “Summer Fun” rate expires after July 20, and price goes up again. This USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum promises to be everything you've always loved about attending the Forums, and much, MUCH more! The GRAND Forum is set for September 17-19, 2015 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and seminars will begin at 8:30am Thursday morning. If you want to take advantage of lower registration fees, you need to hurry — rates increase from \$288 to \$310 after July 20.

You can register online anytime at [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org).

## Strides Walk Registration Now Open

With the Forum having a full day of programming on Thursday, the question becomes, “What do we do for lunch?”. Why not take part in something during the lunch break at which you can eat, help others, AND have fun at the same time? Register now for the Strides Walk, which will benefit diabetes prevention activities in both the US and Canada. It will be held on Thursday, September 17 from 11:30 until 1:30. The cost of the event is \$25, and participants will receive a T-Shirt (specially designed for this walk) and a sack lunch. The easy 1.5-mile walk will be along the beautiful Grand River in downtown Grand Rapids, after which you will head to DeVos Place to pick up your lunch and shirt.

**NOTE: THERE IS NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION FOR THIS EVENT, SO IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE, YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 10!**

[Click Here to Register for Strides Walk](#)



JOIN THE

# Centennial Service Challenge!



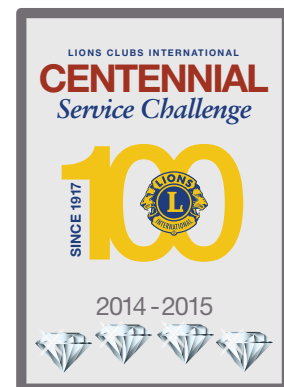
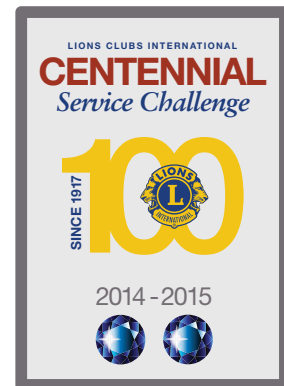
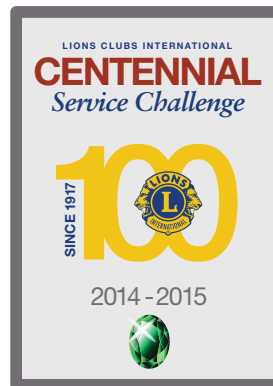
For nearly 100 years, Lions have served their communities and impacted millions of people around the world. In celebration of our 100th anniversary, we are asking you to help reach our Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 100 million people by June 30th, 2018. Your club can play a part in reaching our goal, and you can earn special Centennial recognition when you serve!

### Earn Special Centennial Recognition for Your Club

Your club can earn a Centennial Banner Patch with a special gemstone design each year you sponsor a Global Service Action project impacting Youth, Vision, Hunger or the Environment.

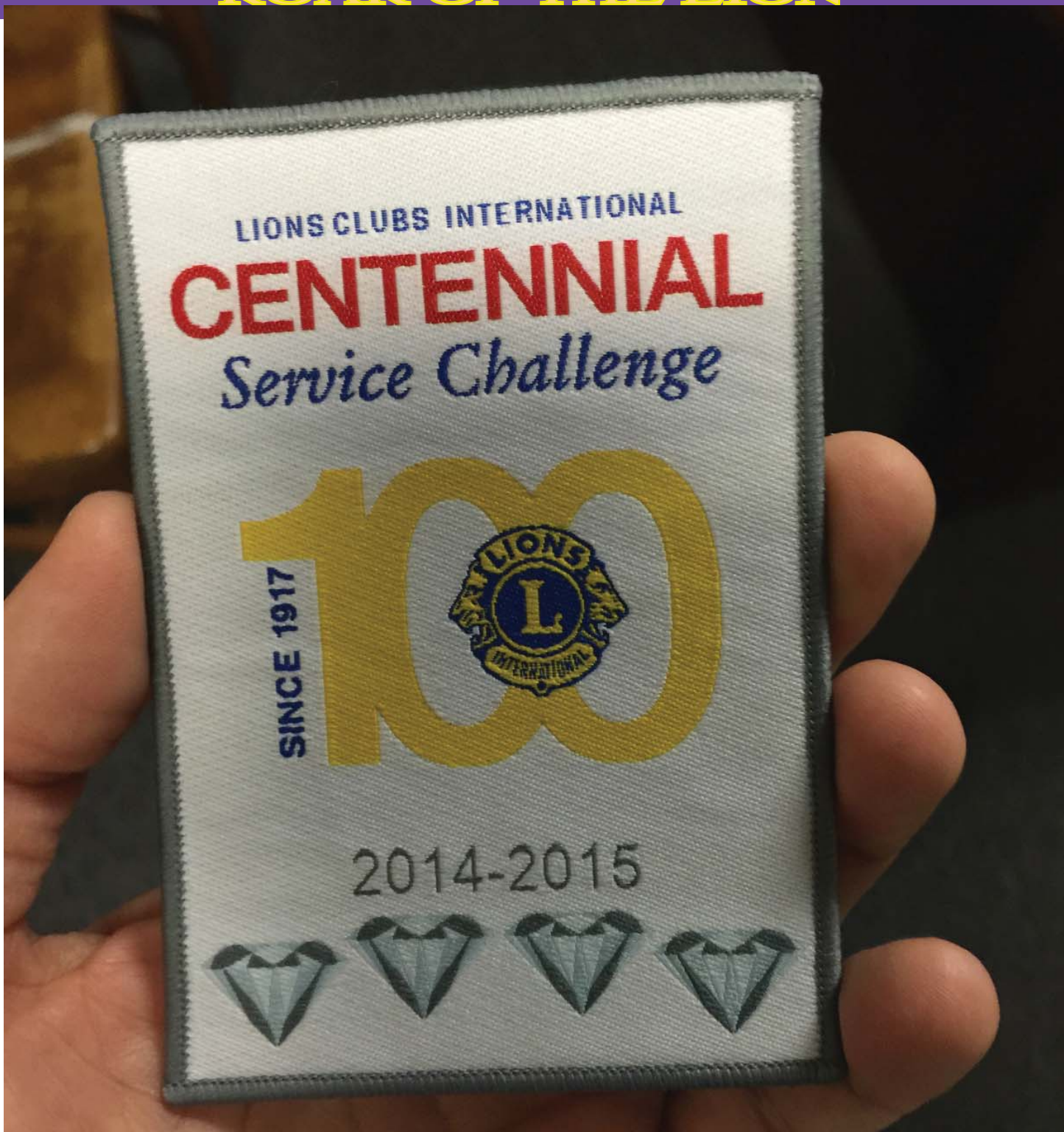
- Each gemstone represents the number of different Global Service Action Campaigns that your club participates in during the fiscal year.
- The more campaigns you participate in, the more gemstones you can earn for your banner patch.
- Earn a diamond-level Centennial Banner Patch by participating in all four Global Service Action Campaigns!

Your club can **earn up to four Centennial Banner Patches** by participating in each year of the Centennial Service Challenge.



All Centennial service activities must be reported through MyLCl's Service Activity Report to receive recognition.

**Bannera Patch next page**



District 4-A2 is proud to announce that three of our clubs have already earned the 4-Diamond Banner patch! This indicates these clubs have performed work in each of the four Centennial Service Challenge categories: Vision, Youth, Hunger and Environment.



## IT IS OFFICIAL

### THE LIONS EYE CLINIC IS MOVING

For some time, I have been sharing with you that the Lions Eye Foundation has been planning on moving the clinic to a new location. Now, after many years of being housed in a 1920’s era former dormitory located at the California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC), the Lions Eye Clinic will be moving to a state-of-the-art facility located at 711 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco. The new facility is scheduled to be completed by the end of March 2016!

The Lions Eye Foundation Capital Campaign, which started over 10 years ago, has raised \$2,000,000 to help with the move, but more funds are needed to purchase new equipment and build out a surgical center to be located at the site. This new Lions Eye Clinic will enable us to not only continue to serve those in need as we have for over 55 years, but also to outreach to many more.

The Lions Eye Foundation has developed a way to recognize donors to the Capital Campaign. Individuals and Lions Clubs that have donated to this Capital Campaign will be recognized at the new Lions Eye Clinic according to the following donation levels:

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| \$ 5,000   | Dream Builder      | plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic                                       |
| \$ 10,000  | Hope Builder       | plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic                                       |
| \$ 25,000  | Care Builder       | plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic                                       |
| \$ 50,000  | Foundation Builder | plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic                                       |
| \$ 100,000 | Sight Builder      | plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic,<br>and name in building public area. |

The Don Stanaway Fellow is also available in three levels: \$250, \$500 and \$1,000.

Remember, your contribution is a great way to recognize individuals, club members, club officers and our district.

For more information about how you and your club can contribute to this project, please visit our web site at [lionseyefoundation.com](http://lionseyefoundation.com) or contact one of the district Trustees.

Submitted by: Lion Lillette Quesnoy, District Lead Trustee



Multiple District Four  
**California**



# District 4-A2 Governor Craig Cooper