



“ROAR OF THE LION”

Lions
District
4-A2
2nd Quarter
2013-2014



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2013-2014

2nd Cabinet
Meeting
Memorial Hall
Lemoore
Nov. 1 & 2
Registration
and Golf on
Pages 4 & 5

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Spring & Summer

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Governor
Walt Juarez
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Visalia Host
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Volunteers of the Week: Lions Club members volunteered at Rim Fire |
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**Complete article on page 16. Thank you,
Lions for your Service**

District 4-A2 Governor Walt Juarez



Hello Lions, Lioness and Leos

First, I want to thank all of you who attended the Installation of District Officers Dinner and District Cabinet Meeting in August. Thanks to you, they were both fun and successful events. Since July, our clubs and our District have been very active in supporting our communities and our great organization, Lions International. At our first Cabinet meeting in Visalia, our district endorsed our support of the Bearskin Diabetic youth

camp in the Sequoia mountains. Work has already begun as nine of our district clubs worked last weekend and tore down the old Stage platform and leveled the ground for the pouring of the foundation later in October. We have set up an account with our District Treasurer Jan Beatty-Taylor to track all funds that will be donated to the Bearskin Meadows Project. Please make your contributions payable to District 4 A2 Lions Bearskin Meadows Project and I thank you for your support. The following are the members of the Steering Committee and the Administrators to provide oversight of the Bearskin Meadows Project:

Project Administrator Governor Walt Juarez

Project Chairman Past District Governor Judith Arribere

Steering Committee Northern Region PDG Judith Arribere, Reedley Lions

Southern Region Fred Linder, Rosedale Highway

Central Region Mary Andrade, Three Rivers

Western Region Randy McNary, Hanford Breakfast

This Committee will provide oversight of the project and will make a report for the district cabinet meetings.

On Labor Day weekend our district was asked to help with the evacuees and other emergency personnel at the Sonora Camp Grounds by International Director Larry Dicus during the Yosemite Rim Fire.

I am proud to say that our members were up to the challenge and we provided the necessary coverage for the Labor day weekend and into the following week. Fortunately, the fire was sufficiently contained by the following Thursday and the remaining evacuees were allowed to return to their homes. Past District Governor Tom Penhallegon from the Sonora Lions club who directed the evacuation at the Sonora Camp grounds will be one of our guest speakers at our second district cabinet meeting in Lemoore scheduled for November 1-2, 2013.

I want to thank all of you who volunteered to help out at the Sonora Camp Grounds evaluation site. We have solidified our relationship with District 4 AI who have told me that any time our district needs help, they will be there. That should make us all feel proud.

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We have several important dates coming up. On September 27th our newest club to be added to our district, the Fresno Pride, will be holding their Charter Party in Fresno. The Charter Party will take place at the Picadilly Inn Shaw Regency Ball Room 2305 E Shaw Avenue in Fresno. Tickets are \$35.00.

On Wednesday October 16, 2013 we will be holding New Members Recognition Night at the Memorial Hall in Exeter. Immediate Past International Director Robert Smith and his wife Vicki will be our guests. I want to thank the Exeter Lions for hosting this year's annual event.

On November 1-2 2013 we will hold our second district cabinet meeting in Lemoore hosted by the Lemoore Lions. On Friday night November 1st will be a Halloween costume party followed by the cabinet meeting on November 2nd. The Hanford Breakfast Lions will be the host for the lunch meal.

For those of you who attended the last cabinet meeting in Visalia, you will be happy to know that we have purchased a new set of speakers and a sound system for the district meetings and other district functions. Of course we had to test the speakers and the sound system and to our surprise we discovered that it can also be used for Karaoke! We also purchased a two year warranty that will replace the sound system for any defects or damage incurred during the two year period. This sound system should serve our district well for many years to come

I have enjoyed visiting many of our district clubs and I look forward to visiting our remaining clubs in the coming months. The first three months have been both rewarding and exciting and I look forward to proudly serving our district in the months to come.

Thank You,
Walt Juarez
District Governor

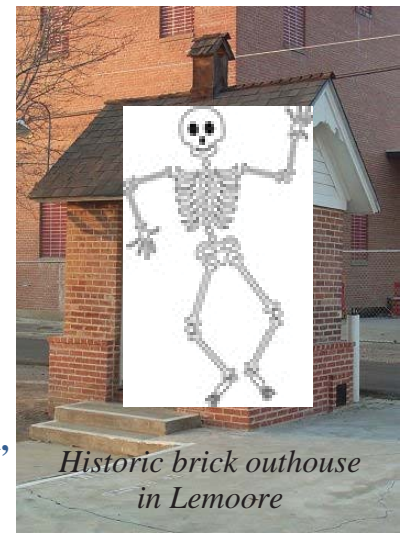
MD4 Youth Outreach Committee has selected the 2014 Youth Leadership Institute for our Leos. It will be at Camp Terisita Pines near Victorville on the weekend of April 4th. we are working to keep the cost to the youth down to \$125. to do this, we are sending a mailing to all California Lions Clubs asking for help. Additionally, the 4-A2 Leo Chair Lion Bev Cho will be asking for help defraying the cost to our Leos. I do not have an article for this newsletter, but if your club wishes to help, send checks to Cabinet Treasurer Jan Beatty-Taylor payable to 4-A2 with Leos on the memo line. Last year 4-A2 had 12 Leos attend the symposium & this year we are hoping to increase that as we have more Leo clubs in the district. Again, if you can help do so.

For more information, contact Lion Bev Cho, District Leo Chair.



Register for
2nd District Cabinet Meeting
in Lemoore, CA
November 1-2, 2013

You are invited to join District Governor Walt Juarez and his Cabinet at our second District 4-A2 membership meeting at the Civic Auditorium, 3300 West C Street, Lemoore, CA 93245



Historic brick outhouse in Lemoore

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					

REGISTRATION: \$10.00 per attendee LEOs REGISTRATION: \$5.00

PACKAGE PLAN: INCLUDES: PIN, REGISTRATION, FRIDAY DINNER AND SATURDAY LUNCH			POST MARKED BEFORE October 25th	POST MARKED AFTER October 24h	\$
			\$42.00	\$52.00	
covers either and both days	LION & GUEST REGISTRATION		\$10.00	\$10.00	\$
FRIDAY Dinner 7 PM	All you can eat! Mexican buffet, chile verde, arroz & frijoles, salad, fruit	ATTIRE: COSTUME PARTY	\$18.00	\$23.00	\$
SATURDAY Breakfast	Breakfast is on your own. \$5 special to Lions at EthelRed's across the street. Vineyard Inn also recommended.				
SATURDAY Lunch 12 PM	Chicken curry, rice, salad, nan bread, dessert Special needs menu available for the same price if requested with this registration.	CABINET UNIFORM or CLUB VEST	\$14.00	\$19.00	
EXTRAS: EXTRA TRADING PINS \$3 (Each)				\$3.00 EA	\$
TOTAL AMOUNT: ALL ATTENDEES MUST PAY REGISTRATION					\$

PDG Meeting 6:00 PM Friday at the Best Western
Friday: Hospitality & Fellowship 5-6 PM at the Governor's suite at the Best Western; No-host bar 6:00 PM and Dinner 7:00 PM at the Civic Auditorium
Saturday: District Meeting 9 AM-2 PM at the Civic Auditorium; Lunch 12 PM at the Civic Auditorium

**CABINET MEETING
REGISTRATION**

**MAKE YOUR CHECK
PAYABLE TO
DISTRICT 4-A2**

To Lion Jan Taylor, Cabinet Treasurer
 710 North Vista,
 Visalia CA 93292
 559-802- 3345 or 559-909-1817

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

The Best Western PLUS Inn & Suites
 820 E. Bush Street, Lemoore, CA 93245
100% non-smoking
PHONE: 559-924-3200
FAX: 559-924-0198

www.bestwesterncalifornia.com/Lemoore/hotels

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS
DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL**

Rooms: \$79.00 plus tax, including hot breakfast
if reserved before October 26th

ALTERNATE HOTEL

Travelodge
 877 East D Street, Lemoore, CA
 93245

PHONE: 559-924-1261
FAX: 559-924-4270
www.travelodge.com/Lemoore

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS
DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL**

Rooms: \$55.00 + tax single occupancy
 \$60.00 + tax double occupancy
 if reserved before October 30th

Say,
"Lions"



“ROAR OF THE LION”

District 4-A2 2nd Cabinet Meeting Golf Tourney

WHERE: *Lemoore Golf Course*
350 Iona Avenue,
5320 S. Laspina
Lemoore, CA.

WHEN 9 AM, Friday, Nov. 1, 2013

FEE: \$47.00 per player includes golf cart & Lunch

DEADLINE: *Wednesday, October 30, 2013*
(Golf Course requires a guarantee)

Shirts and soft spikes are required, cut offs and tank tops are not allowed.



#	NAME	ADDRESS	TOWN	ZIP	TELPHONE
1					
2					
3					
4					

GOLFERS --- MAKE UP YOUR OWN FOURSOME OR WE CAN ASSIST!

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: wbdiltz@yahoo.com

New Member Recognition Night

7 pm Wednesday, October 16, 2013

Exeter Veterans Memorial Building

324 N. Kaweah Ave.; Exeter, CA 93221-1262

No host Bar 6 pm

District Governor Walt Juarez Presiding

Installation by:

Past International Director Robert (Bob) Smith & Wife Vicki



Name of Club _____

List New Members for presentation of Certificates

Please Print Name the way you wish them on the Certificate

1
2
3
4
5
6
7

Number of "Old" Lions ____ + "New" Lions ____ = Total ____ X \$19 = \$_____

Make Check out to: District 4-A2 Lions &

Mail check to Lion Cabinet Treasurer Jan Beatty-Taylor; 710 N. Vista, Visalia, CA 93292

by 10/1/2013 in order to have Certificate for new members

Print "OLD" Members Names

Name	Name
1	8
2	9
3	10
4	11
5	12
6	13
7	14

Hello Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

I honestly wish I could sit with each of you and simply talk about Lionism. Why you might ask? I have been very busy lately, traveling and meeting Lions from around the world. With every visit, with every experience, with every person I meet, I see and learn new things Lionism.

I had an absolute blast at our International Convention in Hamburg, Germany! I met Lions from around the world and spent some time talking with them about their clubs. Do you know that other Lions have drama in their home clubs too? It was funny to hear about disagreements and conflict that club members have had and how they resolved them. It was funny because as I heard these stories, if I had replaced the names and locations, it could have been clubs from my own District.

The reality is that we are all human, with individual tastes and preferences. These differences are what make up our personalities.



I point this out because I want every Lion to know that what we do as a whole is so much greater than the individual differences of our members. Look around yourself, listen to reports at District meetings or what Lions are doing world-wide, and you will quickly grasp how Lions Clubs impact the world. When you see what we do and how we impact so many lives, then think about the club conflict I was referencing, and compare one to the other, the answer is obvious on which is truly valuable. So when your club has that drama that upsets you, I didn't say 'if' I said 'when', because you will, please remember the bigger picture and don't stare at the speedbump, keep cruising down the road.

Talk about Lions in action! I am proud to say that our District answered the call for help and responded to assist with the Rim Fire at Yosemite. What began as an MD 4-A1 effort, making a request for Emergency Assistance from LCI, quickly grew to include many volunteers from 4-A2. I know Gov. Walt is very proud of our Lions and has put together a special section in this newsletter with photos from the Sonora Fairgrounds of our efforts. Great job to my fellow Lions, thank you all!

At our District Convention in May, convention guest, Gov. Ben Anderson (4-C2), and I had the chance to speak about 'missed opportunities' and how we need to always remember to thank people or tell them we love and appreciate them. Sometimes, unfortunately, we learn the hard way that life is unpredictable and we don't always get a second chance, because later can become too late in the blink of an eye. Our convention guest opened his heart to you and followed-up with his affirmation of always remembering to say thank you or that you care, because tomorrow isn't guaranteed. Why do I bring this up now? Within a couple of months of our convention, Gov. Ben lost his wife to a long battle with illness. Maybe knowing that can help all of us understand and appreciate why he spoke with such passion.

Always remember, we are a service club created to help others. Sometimes we need to stop and help ourselves. Take that extra moment to say thanks or that you appreciate one of your fellow members. That genuine sincerity is worth more than you will know.

Semper Fidelis,

Lion Anthony

4-A2 Membership Report

Membership continues to be on the rise in District 4A-2. Congratulations to the many clubs who have a plus membership and a special thank you to the other clubs who are still working to increase their membership. Below is a listing of the year-to-date clubs who have a positive membership growth:

Buttonwillow Lions Club	+ 18
Fresno Diwata	+ 6
Delano Lions Club	+ 3
Bakersfield Donghae Lions	+ 2
Richgrove Lions Club	+ 2
Visalia Pride Lions Club	+ 2
Arvin Lions Club	+ 1
Easton Lions Club	+ 1
Hanford Breakfast Lions Club	+ 1
Ivanhoe Lions Club	+ 1
Parlier Lions Club	+ 1
Ponderosa Lions Club	+ 1
Selma Central Valley Lioness/Lions	+ 1
Visalia Charter Oak Lions Club	+ 1

By the time this Newsletter gets to printing, the Fresno Pride Lions Club will have had their Charter Party and more new members are in the process of being brought in.

There is also a new Lemoore Lions Club in the making, and has 20 members.

All of these new members are surely to make District 4A-2 rise to the top of the MD-4 ladder once again. Congratulations to all for a job well done!

Remember that Membership is the most vital part of our great organization, and we must all strive to keep it “growing strong.”

**Georgia Souza, GMT Rep.
District 4A-2**



Lions In Sight

Volunteer for a clinic trip

The *Lions In Sight of California and Nevada* mission is “to promote the collection of used eyeglasses for the purpose of recycling and distribution in developing nations worldwide”. Our motto is “helping the world to see”.

What better way of helping others in the world than by volunteering as a Lion on a clinic trip with Lions In Sight (LIS).

To accomplish this goal, we as Lions in our district collect the used glasses through our collection boxes (and Wal-Mart stores) that are located in most cities that have a local Lions club. Once the club has collected and sorted the eyeglasses, the eyeglasses are placed in (apple) boxes and then given to the district collection chairperson. LIS picks-up the boxes from our district collection site and transport them to the warehouse in Vallejo, CA. There the eyeglasses are sorted, cleaned, neutralized and categorized by prescription by Lion volunteers.

To accomplish distribution outside the United States, LIS has two programs to meet the needs of providing eyeglasses through-out the world.

(1) “Permanent Clinics” in various developing nations and (2) Lion sponsor clinic trips.

Most clinic trips are in Mexico. Usually there are 8 to 10 trips per year in all geographic areas in Mexico. These clinics trips are arranged and sponsored by the local Lions clubs in Mexico. Most of the clinics are three (3) day commitments most likely over a week-end; i.e. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

A team of three or four qualified eye care professionals (optometrists and/or ophthalmologist) provide an extensive eye exam to the needy patients.

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This is where we as Lions provide the extra support as volunteers. In most cases, five to eight Lion volunteers help in several capacities. Depending on the site and the volume of patients, we provide assistance with crowd control, help with recording information about the patient, assist with acuity exams, and dispense the eyeglasses as per the prescription provided by the doctors.

Translators are available for those who do not speak the local language.

The expense that a volunteer will incur will be the cost of a flight ticket to and from Mexico (other than personal items or “I just gotta have that”). Once in Mexico, transportation from the airport to the location site, overnight hotel cost (may be four nights) and the expense of food while working at the clinic will be provided by the local sponsoring Lions club. Believe me, it’s not all work and no play. Expect a night or two out with the sponsoring Lions, entertainment, great food and drinks, some sightseeing or a cultural event.

Clinic trips are not possible without volunteers. No experience is necessary. The only requirement is that you want to help others.

Yes, the day can be long, your feet may ache, and you may be tired by days’ end; but the reward and gratification is awesome. The true meaning of giving back - “We Serve”.

For a schedule of upcoming clinic trips and information please contact PID Dr. Bill Iannaccone, COO, at 925-708-4833 or visit the website: www.lionsinsight.org.

Submitted by Lion Lillette Quesnoy

District 4-A2 Trustee

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (Aug. 2013 Newsletter)

The need for the work of LCIF never stops. I know all of you are aware of the current forest fires. District Governor Walt signed us up to help staff the kitchen over Labor Day weekend. We went to the Sonora Fairgrounds to help serve meals to the evacuees and firefighters battling the Yosemite ‘Rim Fire’, starting on Friday, August 30th, and going until at least Monday, September 2nd, and maybe beyond that date. I am sure you will receive a report or two at the November District meeting about this experience. Thank you DG Walt for getting our District involved. For clubs wanting to make donations to LCIF, please designate them, “LCIF Disaster Fund.” If you do mail them in directly to LCIF, please let me know also. LCIF asks that any checks not be mailed to any clubs in the disaster areas.

For the 2012/2013 Lions year, our District gave a total of \$16,050. MD-4 met and exceeded their goal by giving \$468,424 to LCIF. Our multiple was number one for the United States.

I also want to thank the clubs who asked me to give a program for last year. I want to keep talking about LCIF, so please contact me if you would like a program. I can give you updates on LCIF, maybe show a video (with some help), or let you know your current status as far as unnamed monies for Melvin Jones Fellowships. I could even come and accept donations for LCIF. We have several clubs that have money with LCIF that could either be used for a Melvin Jones Fellowship, or have money added to what is already there for a MJF. If any club wants to know how much money they have as undesignated, just ask me.

DG Walt has wanted to do a separate Melvin Jones dinner, but want to wait to talk to his Cabinet first before deciding for sure. If we don’t do separate dinner, we try for a LCIF lunch at our 2014 District Convention. That gives our 4-A2 clubs time to plan on having that a Melvin Jones Fellowship ordered to be presented at the Convention.

In the first month already, we had two clubs that purchased a Melvin Jones Fellowship and a \$150 donation from a club. Last year, I collected \$150 at the District meetings. So far this year, I have collected \$190.

Again, please contact me if you would like a program, or want to know the status of your club’s donations.

--- PDG Vicki Beeman

lion90vicki@yahoo.com

559-584-2911 (home) or 559-212-5016 (cell)

The 57th District 4 A2 Convention



CAYUCOS!



Join us *Friday night May 2, 2014* in your *favorite 60's* outfit at our *International Food Fair*.
 Don't miss our *"far-out"* *International Cuisine* and *afterwards Groove* to the sounds of the
60's.

Name of LION or LEO:

E- Mail Address:

ADDRESS

CITY

ZIP CODE

Phone #

CLUB NAME

REGION

ZONE

DISTRICT or CLUB OFFICE

Name of GUEST/ other LIONS

Lions & Guest Registration \$ 20.00

Leo Registration \$0.00

\$

PACKAGE

Registration, DG Walt's Pin, Friday Food Fair, Saturday Lunch,
 Saturday Dinner, Sunday Brunch

Post Marked
 Before MAY 30

Post Marked
 After MAY 30

\$

\$ 90.00

\$ 105.00

Friday:
 Food Fair

International Food
 Wear your favorite 60's Outfit

Registered Lions \$0.00
 None Registered Lions \$5.00

\$

Saturday:
 Lunch

Turkey Croissant

\$ 20.00

\$ 24.00

\$

Saturday
 Dinner

Tri-Tip
 Chicken Breast

\$ 35.00

\$ 40.00

\$

Sunday:
 Brunch

Traditional Continental

\$ 15.00

\$ 20.00

\$

Extra Trading Pins

\$ 3.00

\$

Additional INFORMATION contact PDG Judith Arribere-Woolley 559.916.2521

TOTAL

\$

Convention Registration

Make Checks to:
 District 4-A2 Convention

Cabinet Treasure - Jan Beatty- Taylor
 710 North Vista
 Visalia, Ca 93292
 559.802.3345 or 559.909.1817

Convention Headquarter Hotel

Cayucos Beach Inn
 333 South Ocean Ave.
 Cayucos, Ca 95432
 1.800.995.2828

Make your reservations directly with the Hotel
 (mention that you are with the Lions Convention)

“ROAR OF THE LION”

You are invited to our Centennial Anniversary

Lions since 1917

100th Party

Help Lions celebrate its 100th birthday party, and just like anything great occasion it takes planning.

Can your club fill in anything between these dates with old members of your club. What positions did they hold. Who were they, we have history too with district 4 A2.

Our History

1917 The Beginning

1920 Going International

1925 Eradicating Blindness

1945 Uniting Nations

1957 Organizing Youth Programs

1968 Establishing Our Foundation

1990 Launching SightFirst

Today: Extending Our Reach

Where will we hold it so public can be invited

Proclamations in every city

News articles in every paper

How can Lions at District 4 A2 share the good news “We Serve”

We need old pix copies of club charters

This is your party, what do you want?

How can we tie in our party with Lions International Party?

Kay Fukushima was in charge of this celebration but do illness he is serving a higher power.

Do you want to serve on this project for District 4A2?

Send you name and email address, phone number Club name to Centennial Anniversary, 4747 w Cypress, Visalia, Ca 93277.



From the District 4-A2 Global Leadership Team Coordinator:

Again, greetings to all the Lions of District 4-A2! Time continues to move forward faster each year. As I have transitioned out of the Cabinet Secretary position, I would like to thank all of you for the support these past three years.

I am serving in DG Walt's Cabinet as the Global Leadership Team Coordinator and look forward to serving the District in this capacity. As you know, effective leadership is essential to the success of each Lions Club and identifying and training future leaders is important to the long term health of your Lions Club.

I want to make myself available to assist the clubs, regions, and zones to have effective leadership programs within the District. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me. The Lions International web site also offers a wide range of training programs, webinars, and presentations for identifying and training new leaders. This is a great resource for all Lions Club officers to help mentor new leadership within your clubs. I urge you to take advantage of these resources.

Our second Cabinet Meeting will be held in Lemoore, Ca. on November 1-2, 2013. Please make every effort to have your club represented. Your participation is what makes our District Meetings a success.

Yours in Lionism,

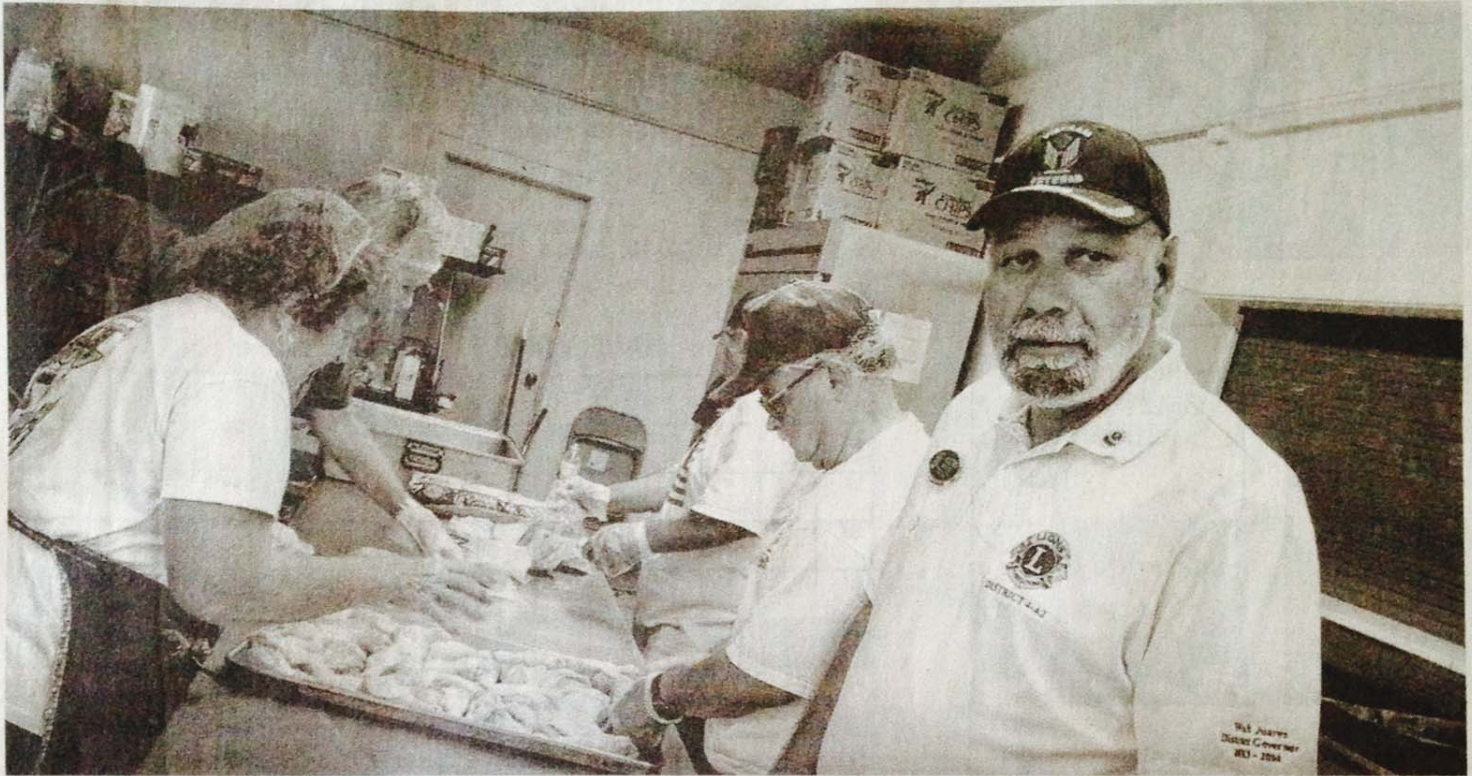
Lion John Burns

District 4-A2 GLT Coordinator

District 4-A2 Lions at the Rim Fire

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Lions club members volunteered at Rim Fire

By Teresa Douglass
tdouglass@visaliatimesdelta.com

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From Aug. 22 to Sept. 5, Lions

RECOGNIZE A VOLUNTEER

We're looking to profile volunteers from nonprofit groups. Contact Teresa Douglass at 735-3289 or Inspire@visaliatimesdelta.com with your information.

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MORE INFO

To find out more about becoming a Lions Club member, contact Walt Juarez at 308-4154 or waltjuarez08@aol.com or go to www.visaliahostlions.org.

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Visalia 1st Cabinet Meeting - August 2013



Is Exeter the Top Club in District 4-A2?

The top club contest started April 1st. I’ve been monitoring it for just the last two months. I’d like to show you just the July & August scores, and then give two hints about how to raise your club’s score.

- 1st - Buttonwillow 1275 points, all for one report to International (that reported 23 new members).
- 2nd - Exeter 680 points, mostly for finishing a \$40,000 service project.
- 3rd - Diwata 450 points, for six new members.
- 4th - Lemoore 440 points, including 150 for starting a Leo Club.
- 5th - Bakersfield Donghae 175 points, for reporting on time and two new members.
- 6th - Midway Sunset 160 points, for good attendance at meetings, and two service projects.
- 7th - Bakersfield Sports 144 points, for eyeglass collection and official visitations.
- 8th - Porterville Breakfast 100 points, half for getting the monthly DISTRICT activity report in on time.
- 9th - Easton 70 points, for reporting on time, *even though they were dark!*

How to Raise your Club’s score:

Hint #1. Use the District 4-A2 reporting form. The secretaries of the following clubs do, and would be glad to share.

- Lion Pat Crabb, secretary of the Midway Sunset Lions Club of Taft, and
- Lion Rosendo Casas, secretary of the Lemoore Lions Club, and
- Lion Gary Mussen of Exeter, and
- Lion Betty Alves of Selma Central Valley, and
- Lion Norm Carpenter of Porterville Breakfast.

This form has lots of blanks to remind you to count the things that are scored. Just paying your dues is 100 points *if you put it on the form*. Also see page 124 in our District 4-A2 directory.

Hint #2. Sponsor new members. Diwata has never used the District form, but I record the new members from your report to International. (Think how many points they’d have if they did use the District form!)

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

CLUB ACTIVITY REPORT

For the Month of

Month just completed

ALL CLUB ACTIVITY MUST BE REPORTED EACH MONTH ON THIS FORM AND MAILED BY THE 2nd OF THE MONTH
TOP DISTRICT CLUB WILL BE DETERMINED ONLY FROM INFORMATION REPORTED ON THIS FORM.

Club Identification No. _____	Club Name: _____	Date: _____
District 4-A2		Region: _____ Zone: _____

Service Projects*				Fund Raising Projects*			
Date of Project	Number of Members Participating in Project	Number of Man Hours	Money Expended on Project	Date of Project	Amount Raised	Number of Members Participating in Project	Number of Man Hours
			\$		\$		
			\$		\$		
			\$		\$		
Number of Club Officers attending a Zone Advisory Meeting this month			Number of Members as of July 1		Participated in Flag Day this month		Check
Number of Non-Officer Members attending a Zone Advisory Meeting this month			Number of members at end of this period		Participated in White Cane Day this month		Check
Number of Club Officers attending a District Cabinet Meeting this month			Number of new members gained this month		Participated in Student Speaker Contest this month		Check
Number of Non-Officer Members attending a District Cabinet Meeting this month			Number of members dropped due to death		Published a Newsletter or Bulletin this month		Check
Number of Certified Delegates attending the MD-4 Convention this month			Number of members dropped due to transfer to another club		Sponsored a New Lions Club this month		Check
Number of Non-Delegate Members attending the MD-4 Convention this month			Number of members dropped for any reason other than death or transfer		Sponsored a New Leo Club this month		Check
Number of Certified Delegates attending the District 4-A2 Convention this month			Average percentage of active member attendance this month		This Club is a Member of the Lions Eye Foundation		Check
Number of Non-Delegate Members attending the 4-A2 Convention this month			Number of Youth Exchange Students Sponsored		This Club is a Member of the Lions Ear Foundation		Check
Number of Members attending the Ensenada Operation Friendship trip			Number of Proud Lions Awarded this month				
Number of official club visitations this month			Membership and Activity Reports mailed by the 2 nd of the month		Date Mailed: _____		
Visited all of the clubs in the Zone since July 1			Semi-Annual Dues paid to International - (9/1) & (3/1)		Date Paid: _____		
Number of times club was published in newspaper or other media (Attach Articles)			Semi-Annual Dues paid to MD-4 - (11/1) & (4/1)		Date Paid: _____		
			Amount of money donated by the club this month		\$		
			List names of each Donee in section below.				

* In the section below, describe all service and fund raising projects. Keep accurate records of the following service projects for a required annual report: **Sight Services – Diabetes Awareness and Education – Hearing Services – International Relations – Environment – Youth Services – Health and Community Services.** Also, report below any special activities, awards and coming events, etc.

Continue additional information on separate sheets

Signature of Club President: _____	Signature of Club Secretary: _____
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Retain a copy of this report for your records. Mail a copy to: District Governor, Cabinet Secretary and Zone Chair.

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Lions Eye Foundation Update

(News release – first of two. Should have been in first issue)

It has been said that LIONS are the best kept secret. In our district, the *Lions Eye Foundation* (LEF) is the best kept secret.

As your club prepares for the fiscal year with officers and committees, this is the perfect time to select a chairperson to represent your sight committee. Your club should have a committee for sight conservation and/or specifically a LEF representative. It would be best that this Lion member has a passion for sight and willingness to help others within his or her community.

The foundation has been serving the less fortunate for over 50 years. As the LEF Mission states: *“The Lions Eye Foundation preserves and restores the gift of sight by providing free ophthalmic examinations, operations and medications to the less fortunate members of our community”*.

It was Helen Keller, a true humanitarian, who inspired worldwide LIONS to become “knights of the blind” and devote our energies to improve the vision of mankind.

Within our district, we have several Lions who dedicate their time to serve as Trustees and Advisors on the Board of Trustee of the *Lions Eye Foundation of California-Nevada, Inc.* We are not compensated in any form. We work to help our district understand the foundation’s purpose and provide all member clubs guidance with club/patient/and referral issues.

Each region has a Trustee that communicates with their clubs and provides the support necessary to promote a strong relationship with the foundation. Advisors are “in training” to assist the Trustees with presentations, programs and promote LEF.

The Northern Region Trustee is Dennis Neal; (phone: 559-891-0917; e-mail: patneal127@yahoo.com); currently there is a vacancy for an Advisor.

The Western Region Trustee is Pat Neal; (phone: 559-389-3796; e-mail: patneal127@yahoo.com); Advisor is Gina Arcino

The Central Region Trustee is Lillette Quesnoy; (559-733-1483; e-mail: lillette0446@sbcglobal.net); currently there is a vacancy for an Advisor.

The Southern Region Trustee is Christy Kroll; (phone: 858-229-7002; e-mail: camkroell@yahoo.com); however, due to the distance there is a vacancy for both a Trustee and Advisor.

Anyone interested in serving the foundation; please contact any Trustee or Lillette directly.

As we move forward this year, it is very important that as a district we improve the commitment that most clubs have made by being a *member club* of the foundation with patient referrals. There is no major additional fee to the sponsoring club other than some small expense for transportation to and from your community and San Francisco. It is not the responsibility of the club to personally drive a patient to scheduled appointments, but rather provide the cost of a bus or Amtrak ticket and a bus/taxi

ride to the clinic (about \$16 each way). If the referral patient is an adult, the cost incurred is for the adult patient only. Any child age 18 or under must be accompanied by a parent or legal adult guardian. Any other expenses incurred by the patient such as meals are the responsibility of the patient. Many referral patients are so grateful that we as Lions are providing free ophthalmic service that they are willing to provide their own transportation.

Should the patient need glasses after a procedure; that cost is also the clubs responsibility. However, know that there are several agencies that will provide free glasses.

Your Trustee will be in contact with your club sometime during the year. We are available to provide you with a program, information or help you with a presentation of a Helen Keller Fellow or a Don Stanaway Fellow.

Lions Eye Foundation moving forward

(Second news release. 2 or 2)

This year our International President, Lion Barry Palmer, has for his motto
“Dream On”.

How fitting is that for our Lions Eye Foundation? Most everything that we as Lions have accomplished has started with a dream or idea.

Sometimes dreams are forced upon us as unforeseen events that occur or situations that change from day to day.

Most of you may not remember the date, October 17, 1989, but you will remember what you were doing on this historic day.

It is the San Francisco earthquake.

Yes, the World Series between the San Francisco Giants and The Oakland A’s, the start of game 3. ABC announcer Al Michaels is recapping for the viewers the pre-game before the first pitch of the game. It was 5:47 pm.

Ahhh!! Now you remember. Most likely you are recalling what you were doing on this Thursday afternoon.

And maybe you are remembering the Oakland – San Francisco Bay Bridge, the top level that fell and the driver killed in his car. OR the Embarcadero over pass near pier 39 that collapsed. The chaos everywhere, by those who were experiencing the earthquake jolts.

Moving forward to just last week.....The Oakland – San Francisco Bay Bridge opened the new bridge. Why? The State of California deemed the old bridge as being unsafe in the event of another major earthquake.

The San Francisco Giant Baseball Franchise has a new playing field at Pac Bell Field. The San Francisco 49ers Football Franchise will be moving to their new playing field in Santa Clara this

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season. Why? The Candlestick Ball Park stadium has been condemned as a structure of uncertainty; unsafe for public use.

The State of California has evaluated all public buildings in the Bay Area. Public safety has been a high priority for the entire Bay Area should an earthquake hit again.

California Pacific Medical Center has multiple buildings. One building that has been deemed as unsafe is the 1921 seven story building that has about 50 doctor offices, a cardiac imaging center and houses the resident program of the ophthalmic department.

CPMC was given a time line to come up with a plan to provide other means to relocate every department and office in this building. Finally, after nearly 20 years, one of the many endeavors of the hospital, the ophthalmic residency program is in the final phase of a new permanent home.

This state-of -the-art medical center will house the entire ophthalmic department under one roof. Not only will it be for the ophthalmic residency program, but will include several ambulatory surgical centers, the imaging department, a lab, ophthalmic doctor offices, optometrists offices (including private practice office space), eyeglass dispensary and parking.

The Lions Eye Foundation will continue to partner with the hospital and research will continue with the Pacific Vision Foundation.

The Foundation has started to raise the funds to help offset some of the costs to continue with our program. Capital Campaign is just one of the many fund raising efforts that we as Lions have implemented to move forward toward the goal of raising five million dollars.

Patient care is our first and only priority. Without the residency program, CPMC, PVF, and all the volunteers who provide the skills, expertise and knowledge, we as Lions would not be able to continue our goal to improve the sight of mankind, being the “knights of the blind”.

Your Trustees and Advisor are asking your club to please help with the Capital Campaign. Honor a member with a Don Stanaway Fellow or have a fund raiser **just** for the campaign. More information will be forth coming.

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Dear Lions,

"THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! CALIFORNIA LIONS' are the words still being spoken by Sonora Lion PDG Tom Penhallegon as he shared the following summary about the Yosemite 'Rim Fire' Kitchen this week.

Total days of operation: 15 Days (August 22, 2013- September 5, 2013)

Total meals served: 6,334

Total contributed hours: 3,257.5

The following Lions Clubs provided volunteers (43 Clubs in 7 Districts)

District 4-A1 Arnold Atwater Ceres Chowchilla Copperopolis/Lake Tulloch De-
nair Dos Palos Escalon Lake Don Pedro Gold Chain Hilmar-Irwin-Stevenson Le Grand
Lodi Merced Breakfast Merced Golden Modesto Modesto 500 Modesto Sunset Murphys-An-
gels Oakdale Patterson San Andreas 49er Sonora Stockton Host Tracy Tank Town Tur-
lock 12:10 Waterford

District 4-A2 Hanford Breakfast Reedley Visalia Host
Parlier

District 4-C1 Chico

District 4-C3 Albany Berkeley Host Crockett Diablo Valley Moraga Pinole
Pleasant Hill West Berkeley

District 4-C5 Maharlika

District 4-L2 Downtown Lions of Long Beach

District 4-L6 Solana Beach/Del Sol San Diego Lions

As indicated above, Lions responded from as far away as San Diego, Long Beach, and Chico to assist fellow Lions.
THANK YOU AGAIN!!

I COULDN'T BE PROUDER OF OUR CALIFORNIA LIONS!
IT GREAT TO BE A LION!!

BULLETIN - GROVER FIRE:

District Governor Maggie Robeson is on top of the requirements for the Grover Fire in Shasta County. She has applied for a LCIF Disaster Grant to support feeding the hundreds of evacuees. As of this evening, local Lions are able to fill the anticipated needs. Thank you local Lions for responding so well!

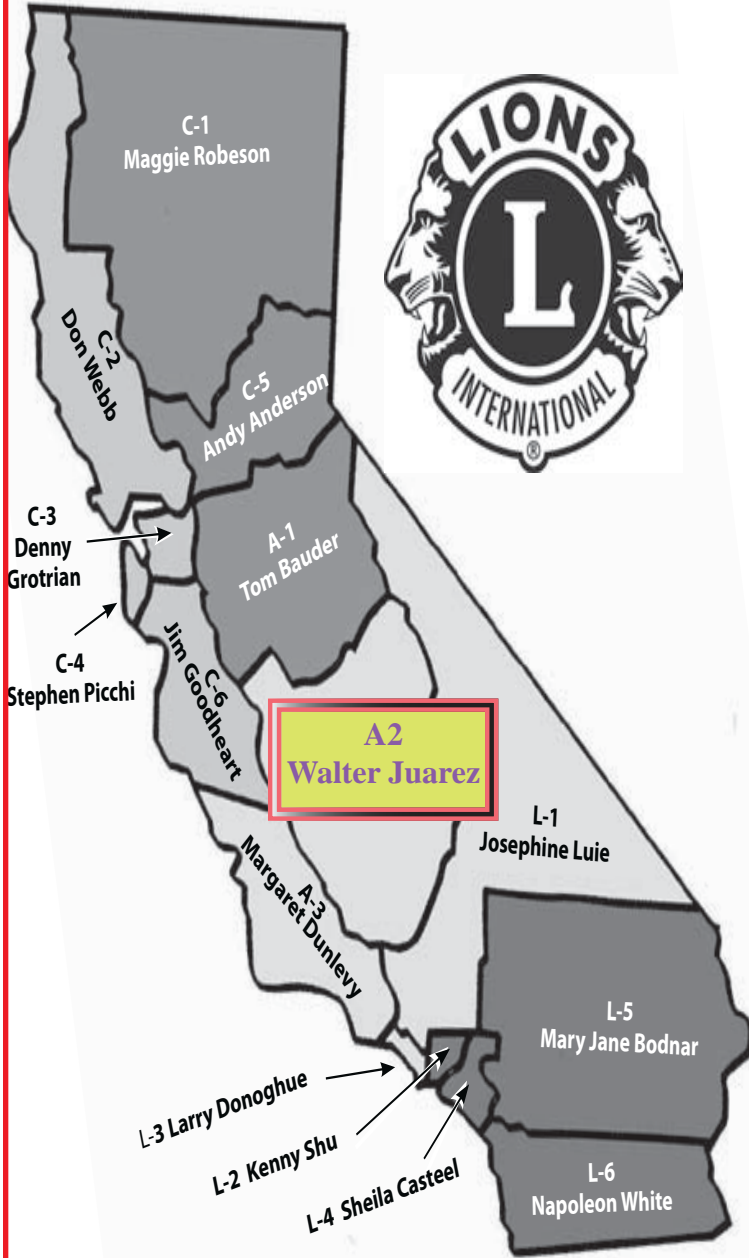
Yours in Service,

Larry Dicus
International Director

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2013-2014 MD-4 DISTRICT AREA MAP



Areas Districts				
1	C-1	C-5	A-1	
2	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-6
3	A-2	A-3	L-1	L-3
4	L-2	L-4	L-5	L-6

CALENDAR

COUNCIL MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS 2013-2014

Organizational - August 2 - 4, 2013(Marriott) Walnut Creek, CA; 4-C3
 Fall - October 25 - 27, 2013 (Holiday Inn Bayview) San Diego, CA; 4-L6
 Mid-Winter - February 12 - 13, 2014(Doubletree) Ontario, CA; 4-C5
 Joint - June 5 - 8, 2014.....(Doubletree) Rosemead, CA; 4-L2
 Organizational - August 1 - 3, 2014(Radisson) Santa Maria, CA; 4-A3

MD-4 CONVENTIONS

February 14 - 16, 2014..... (Doubletree) Ontario CA, 4-L4
February 20 - 22, 2015.....(Marriott, Convention Center) Visalia, CA; 4-A2
 February 5 - 7, 2016.....(Doubletree) Modesto, CA, 4-A1

INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

February 28, 2014 4-L6 San Diego

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

July 4 - 8, 2014.....Toronto, Canada
 June 26 - 30, 2015.....Honolulu, Hawaii
 June 24 - 28, 2016.....Fukuoka, Japan
 June 30-July 4, 2017Chicago, Illinois, USA

USA/CANADA FORUMS

September 19 - 21, 2013.....Overland Park, Kansas
 September 11 - 13, 2014 San Juan, Puerto Rico
 September 17 -19, 2015.....Grand Rapids, Michigan
 TBDOmaha, Nebraska

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

White Cane Days.....Sat. & Sun., October 5-6, 2012
 Flag Days Fri., Sat., & Sun., February 21-23, 2014
 Lions City of Hope Day..... March 30, 2014

STUDENT SPEAKER CONTEST COMPLETION DATES

Club Contest.....by Sunday, February 23, 2014
 Zone Contest..... by Sunday, March 16, 2014
 Region Contest..... by Sunday, April 6, 2014
 District Contest.....by Sunday, May 4, 2014
 Area Contest.....by Sunday, June 1, 2014
 MD4 Final Contest..... on Saturday, June 7, 2014