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"ROAR OF THE LION"









Lions of District 4-A2

We wish you the happiest Holiday and a very good New Year. Travel safely, enjoy family, and don't eat too much.

Thank you for your service to our communities and the improvement to the lives of all those around you.

DG Walt Juarez
1st VDG Anthony Martinez
2nd VDG Craig Cooper

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District
4-A2
2nd Quarter
2013-2014



NOW! 2013-2014

3rd Cabinet Meeting Portuguese Hall Selma Feb. 21 & 22 Registration and Golf on Pages 3 & 4 Convention Registration on page 7 editor PDG Jim Bartleson - jimbart@ pacbell.net published 4 times a year Fall, Winter, Spring & Summer



Seasons Greetings!

I hope you and your families enjoyed a safe and happy holiday season.

I am happy to report to you that our District Membership has once again shown positive membership growth during the second quarter of this fiscal year. Our district membership totals are now at a plus 53 with a total membership of 2,008 members.

Thanks to you, our members present at the Cabinet meeting in Lemoore approved that we pursue a district Grant to support our district's newest endorsed Project, the Diabetic Youth Camp at Bearskin Meadows. I am pleased to report that our Grant Committee has completed the Grant application process and it has been forwarded to LCIF where it will be reviewed in February 2014 by the International Board of Directors.

Our district now has 63 clubs! Welcome the Kings Lions of Lemoore Chartered October 15, 2013 and now have 31 members.

The next District Cabinet Membership Meeting will be the weekend of February 21-22, 2014 in Selma hosted by the Selma Central Valley Lioness Lions club and the Northern Region. Friday night there will be a no host bar followed by a dinner. After dinner, there will be a DJ and dancing. Saturday will be our Business Cabinet Meeting and there we will provide you with the latest information on what is happening in our district.

This years District Convention is May 2-4 2014 in Cayucos where we have planned a fun filled and eventful weekend. On Friday May 2nd there will be an International Food Fair and a DJ to provide the music. Saturday May 3rd we will have a full calendar of events followed by a Melvin Jones Luncheon to recognize those members in our clubs that deserve recognition for their accomplishments. The money raised from the Melvin Jones Fellows will go to the LCIF Disaster Relief that has already donated over \$500,000.00 to provide aid as a result of the devastation in the Philippines. And, we will also be holding the District Student Speaker Contest at the Convention with the topic "Community Service, What Does it Mean And Why Does It Matter". I hope to see you there.

I have visited over fifty of our clubs so far this year and it makes me proud to see all of our clubs actively and continually involved in serving our communities. You should all be proud. Thank you Lions.

Walt Juarez

District Governor



Register for

3rd District Cabinet Meeting

in Selma, CA

February 21-22, 2014

You are invited to join District Governor Walt Juarez and his Cabinet at our third District 4-A2 membership meeting at the Selma Portuguese Hall, 1245 Nebraska Ave, Selma, CA 93245

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MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO DISTRICT 4-A2

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

Friday: Dress in ethnic costume of any country or state or maybe as a winter athlete to celebrate the upcoming Olympics in Sochi, Russia. No-host bar 6 PM; Dinner 7 PM; DJ & Dance 8 to 10 PM at the Portuguese Hall. Prizes & Raffle

Saturday: District Meeting 9 AM-2 PM at the Portuguese Hall; Lunch 12 PM at the Portuguese Hall

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

Holiday Inn—Selma Swan Court

2950 Pea Soup Anderson Blvd., Selma, CA 93662 Breakfast is a \$10 voucher for Spike-n-Rail next door. PHONE: (559) 891-8000 **Mention Lions Club for discount**

See the video at www.swan-court.com

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL Rooms: \$85.00 plus tax, including breakfast voucher if reserved before February 6

ALTERNATE MOTEL

Super 8 3142 S. Highland Ave. Selma, CA 93662

super8.selma@gmail.com Call the motel directly and mention Lions Club. 559-896-2800 fax 559-896-7244

Friday, Feb. 21, one night special prices:

- —1 bed, 1 or 2 people \$68.90 tax included
- -2 beds, 2 people -\$79.50 tax included

extra person \$5, kids stay free

Guarantee with credit card Free cancellation by Thursday morning, Feb. 20

District 4-A2 3rd Cabinet Meeting Golf Tourney

WHERE: Ridge Creek Golf Course 3018 Ridge Creek Drive

Dinuba CA.

WHEN Friday, February 21, 2014 at 10:00 AM

FEE: \$52.00 per player includes cart

DEADLINE: February 10, 2014.

This date was set by the golf course.

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



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Make Checks Payable to: Lion Bill Diltz, Golf Chair

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





The MD4 Youth Outreach Committee has selected the site for the 2014 Youth Leadership Institute for our Leos. It will be at Camp Terisita Pines near Victorville on the weekend of April 4th-6th, 2014. The MD4 Leadership Team is assisting in planning & providing leaders for the sessions. We are working to keep the cost to the youth down to \$130. 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 Treasuer 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.

See next page for more information.







Multiple District Four LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL



2014 YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

April 4-6 **Lions Camp at Teresita Pines**

22801 Big Pines Hwy, Wrightwood, CA 92397 teresitapines@hughes.net • 800.585.3245 or 760.249.3580

Fellow Lions, Leo Advisors & Leos,

The price of the Youth Leadership Institute is \$130 per attendee. Raffle tickets will be sent on request to help subsidize the Youth Leadership InstituteExpenses. Each attendee can sell \$130 worth of tickets to subsidize the price. Tickets sell for \$1 each.

- Deadline Mail to PDG Jim Bartleson on or before March 17, 2014 Include:
- Registration Form
- Permission Slip
- Sold raffle tickets stubs with checks (No Cash) OR \$130 check for your attendance

For Youth Leadership Institute accommodations only. Please **PRINT** your name properly & clearly, so we can prepare your **Name Badge**. Do not forget to indicate your T-shirt size (including sizes if you are an advisor, chaperone, or Youth Outreach Committee member).

For more information call:

Lion Jim Bartleson, Lions Youth Outreach Member

1823 Main Street

Delano, CA 93215-1450

(661) 331-9442 cell

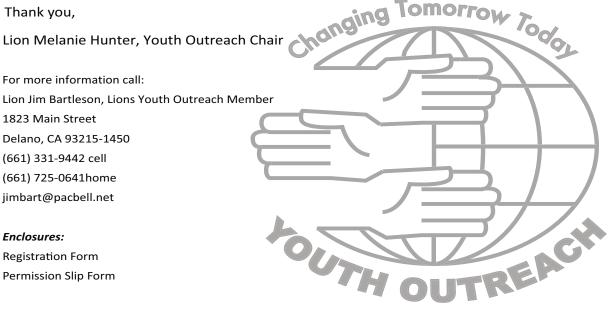
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jimbart@pacbell.net

Enclosures:

Registration Form

Permission Slip Form



December 15, 2013

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.

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CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Make Checks to District 4 A2 Convention 710 North Vista Visalia, CA 93292

Call Judy Woolley Convention Chair 559 916 2521

Convention Headquarters Cayucos Beach Inn 333 South Ocean Ave Cayucos, CA 95432

805 995 2828 Tell them you are with the Lions Convention



Hello Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

HO! HO! HO! Merry Christmas! I hope everyone is having a great holiday season! Did everyone get enough to eat for Thanksgiving? Did you wait until the last-minute to do your Christmas shopping? Are you doing something exciting for New Years? Did you go to Vegas to watch my great Bulldogs? So much going on right now, I will bet everyone's calendar is just as busy as mine has been lately.

Do you know the crazy thing? By the time we catch our breath it will be January of 2014, and time to plan for the upcoming cabinet meeting in Selma on February 21-22. I know the Central Valley Lioness Lions will have a nice time planned for our District. Please make plans to attend.

Speaking of making plans, do you have your passports ready? After February comes March, and we all know what happens in March...the 52nd Operation Friendship, March 20-23. For anyone going, plan for a very busy Friday. The Committee has asked the guests what they want more of, and the guests have spoken. Like the true Lions you all are, you asked for more WORK! The final plans are in place for the activities of the trip and our Lions will spend an entire day at a school worksite, seeing two full sessions of students and almost doubling the number of students and guests who will receive eye exams and dental cleanings this visitation.



Let me share some more personal news with you! This year, my daughter Tressa blessed us with my grand-daughter Catalina the day before Thanksgiving; this holiday season has been very special for us. Since her husband Chris was still afloat on the USS Nimitz, my family was pretty involved with taking care of Tressa, her son, her dog, her...let's just say we have stayed pretty busy in my home lately...smile.

This newsletter will be out just before the new year...Happy New Year! I hope 2014 finds our District has broken the 2,000-Lion mark. I know Gov Walt continues to do what he can to encourage membership growth. He has done well with the District this year. A new project, some new clubs, keep it up Gov Walt. Over the past few months, I have visited some districts that are struggling with membership, some down to around 1,000 Lions. Some of these districts are also facing the reality of consolidation of districts. I am so glad the trend for 4-A2 is that we are healthy and growing.

Thanks for all your support and hard work in the first half of this Lion year and I am looking forward to hearing about more projects, more donations and more new members in 2014. I really like bragging on all the work your individual clubs do to my fellow 1VDGs; please keep sending me your updates.

Let me wrap this up by wishing each of you a great holiday season. I hope Santa brings each of you what you ask for. Let the end of 2013 and the new 2014 bring you much health and happiness. Also, please find time to just slow down a little, take in the season and all that it means. Let's be thankful for the blessings and presents we receive daily. When we do that, it is easy to remain committed to passing our good fortune along to others, as only Lions do.

In a few days, my family will be out shopping for a new stocking for the mantel...I hope Catalina doesn't mind that my bulldog Chesty still has the largest stocking at the fireplace...lol. Merry Christmas to all, and to all a goodnight!

Semper Fidelis, Lion Anthony



2 nd VDG Craig Cooper

Hello Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

I hope this finds everyone ready for the holidays and wish you all a very blessed and merry Christmas.

I wish there was a way to have you feel how proud and happy I was at the New Members Recognition when you answered the call to help support Matteo's Dream. When each club started pooling their resources right there, it was heartwarming. Thanks to Paul and the Exeter Club for hosting and for starting the rally to finish "The Dream." John Burns even met me with a donation the day I was leaving to turn in our assistance. I'll think of all of you when I proudly watch that float come down Colorado Blvd.

At the last COG meeting I listened as ID Larry Dicus read a letter from a hard working, dedicated Lion that I have looked up to this last year. She wrote about the "moment" she became a Lion. Not the day she was inducted, but the moment it sunk into her heart that she was a Lion. It made me think about mine. It was in October of 1994 at the corner of 11th and G Streets in downtown Reedley. During our White Cane Day a car stopped at the flashing red light. As the lady driving started to reach for her purse I started my speel about the Lions and what we do. The lady said, "Oh, I know about the Lions and what you do." "You got me an exam and glasses 30 years ago and I owe my education to you." As she started to leave she put a twenty in the basket and said, "And without education I would never have been able to take care of my family". And after two years of Lionism it hit me in the heart. The reason I share is that I don't think we hear enough of, "The Moment I Became a Lion." I hope that each of you share your moment with everyone you can. Each time I talk to a prospective member I share mine and hope that everyone could feel what I feel every time I take that basket out to the intersection in town.

I don't want to be the best kept secret around and I embrace our International President's call to be the organization that is looked at first any time a community needs help. No matter if it's down the street, two counties up, or around the world.

That brings me to my last little bit. I strongly encourage those clubs that don't regularly support LCIF to please do so. Whether it be for a fellowship, an award or just a donation, every little bit helps. Lions, we are a global cause for good.

I'm proud to serve with you, Walt and Anthony and look forward to seeing you all at the MD4 convention in February.

Yours in Lionism, Craig

Lions In Sight: VSP vision care program

Did you know that your Lions Club can provide vision care at no cost to the club? Vision Service Plan will provide at no cost an eye exam, frames and lens. Certificates are available, provided that the patient or family meets the following criteria:

- The family income is at or under the 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.
- Not enrolled in Medicaid or any other vision insurance.
- A child is 18 years old or younger and hasn't graduated from high school.
- A child, an individual, or the parent of the child is a U.S. citizen or documented immigrant with a Social Security number.
- The program hasn't been used during the last 12 months. Lost, stolen, or broken glasses aren't covered and can't be replaced with this certificate. Only one certificate per individual may be issued during any 12-month period.

Only VSP Choice Network doctors who carry Altair* frames can provide services to patients using these certificates. Please note, not all doctors are VSP Choice Network providers; and not all VSP doctors accept these certificates. There is an 800 phone number that you can call for additional questions, and they will assist you with doctors who will provide this service.

Please have your club representative call Lion Lillette Quesnoy at 559-733-1483 or e-mail at lillette0446@sbcglobal.net for a certificate. District Governor Walt Juarez will be notified when a club requests a certificate. The certificates are numbered and we are asked to be accountable for them.

Once your club receives the certificate, make sure that the certificate is filled out; help make an appointment by either providing the VSP list of participating providers or call the provider for the patient to schedule the appointment. Confirm the location, date and time of the appointment. And remind the patient to bring the VSP certificate with them to the appointment to receive services.



Lions Eye Foundation – moving forward

one benefit of your Lions club being a member club of the Lions Eye Foundation is that each member receives a copy of "*The Lions Eye*".

You should have received your publication the week of December 9th. Please take a moment to read the Presidents Message. The Foundation is moving forward promoting the *capital campaign* to raise five million dollars to move out of our outdated building and create a Lions Eye Center in a new state-of-the-art facility.

As reported in the last issue of our district "The Lions Roar", due to the uncertainty

of the building that is our home clinic, we are forced to relocate. Our new site will be at 711 Van Ness in San Francisco. The building has been secured by Pacific Vision Foundation. Now the foundation is ready to move forward to reconfigure the interior. This state-of -the-art medical center will house the entire ophthalmic department <u>under one roof</u>. 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 Foundation is already at the one million dollar mark. This is due to the generosity of Lions and the very positive response from various donors. The seven districts that benefits from the clinic have stepped up to support and donate funds to this endeavor. Several clubs have made sizable donations.

Your district Trustees and Advisors encourage all clubs to examine how your club can contribute to the campaign. A *Don Stanaway Fellow* for \$250 is a wonderful way to honor members of your club.

Please don't hesitate to contact any of the Trustees in our district for questions or a program.

Submitted by: Lion Lillette Quesnoy, District Lead Trustee

From the District 4-A2 Global Leadership Team Coordinator:

As we approach the end of 2013, we can look back with great pride on another year of service representing the world's largest service organization. We need to recognize those Lions who have been instrumental in making each of our clubs a success in serving the needy in our local communities and supporting programs that reach beyond our local communities to our nation and the world. I personally would like to thank all of the Lions of District 4-A2 who not only support their local programs, but also contribute and give of their time and efforts to making the District successful in achieving its goals.

Ringing in a New Year marks the halfway point for our Lion Year of 2013-14. The District has done a great job thus far but we still need to focus on our goals for membership retention/growth and on developing new leadership to lead our Lions. Your club should be preparing in January to provide a strong slate of officers for the upcoming Lion year of 2014-15. I would encourage each club's board to spend time evaluating the needs of the club and looking for the best candidates to meet the need. Additionally, we need to provide leadership resources/mentoring for prospective Lion leaders. Let them know what is expected and provide a job description. As I have stated before, the LCI website provides a wealth of resources and training materials that can be accessed and utilized on an individual basis. As always, I stand ready to assist in any way I can.

One of the best resources you can take advantage of will be the annual District 4A-2 Lion Officer Training session that the District conducts in early June. Dates will be announced shortly and we plan on being in Visalia again this year. Expect more information at our third Cabinet Meeting in February.

Our third Cabinet Meeting will be held at the Portuguese Hall in Selma, Ca. on February 21-22, 2014. 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

Peace Poster

















PEACE Poster Contest - MD-4 2013-14

Dear Lions, and Contest Judges Margie and Louise,

The State Peace Poster and Essay Contest was held December 12, 2013 at the Multiple District 4 state office at 129 Los Aguajes Avenue, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. In attendance was Council Chairperson Derek Ledda, PDG Howard and Lynn Hudson (Santa Barbara Host Lions and GLT Area Coordinator, PDG Jim Bartleson Senior member MD4 Lions Youth Exchange Committee and Lion Shirley Welch, PDG Lita Guidotti MD4 Public Relations, Committee and guest, Esteemed Judges Margie Yahyavi, Executive Director, Santa Barbara Education Foundation and Louise Komp, Member of Board of Directors, Santa Barbara Arts Association, also Office Manager Cass Cara.

Out of 14 Entries.

Congratulations to District 4-L4 The State winner. The poster will be submitted to International for consideration in the final world contest.

Megan Hall
Age 13, Hewes Middle School Grade 8
"Our future will be bright if we work together."
Tustin Host Lions Club, President Cherrill Cady
District 4-L4, DG Sheila Casteel



Lemoore Cabinet Meeting







New Member Nite



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 due to 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.

Bearskin Meadow Notes

We just received a gift from El Monte School of \$650.00 for the support of Bearskin Meadow. The students raised this money as a school project from a visit they had from our Gov Walt.

Our grant proposal has been sent out. Many long hours have been spent by some very great Lions. The grant team is Gov Walt, David Beeman, Joy Witherspoon, Judy Arribere, 1st Vice Anthony Martinez, and 2nd Vice Craig Cooper. Rebecca and PDG Vicki also came to a few meetings. Many thanks to all who helped: We also had help from Diabetic Youth Foundation Camp Director Jennifer Goerzen.

Memorial Day Work Weekend will soon be here so make you calendar May 23, 24, and 25, 26th. Please send in your club donations so we can order the wood to build the new amphitheater.

Committee Members

Northern Region, Chair Judy Woolley Central Region Mary Andrade Joy Witherspoon, Committee Secretary Southern Region Fred Linder Western Region Randy McNary

Ex-offico: District Governor Walt Juarez, 1VDG Anthony Martinez, 2VDG Craig Cooper
Dr Mary Simon, diabetic specialist

Jennifer Goerzen, Bearskin Meadow Resident Camp Director Mats, Executive Director, Diabetic Youth Foundation

From the December LIONS Magazine Porterville Lions Club



Reborn to be Wild

Gene Wild's favorite thing to do is hop on the motorcycle he lovingly restored, a 1983 Honda Saber, and ride for hours up the California coast on fabled Highway 1. It's great—the clean air, the purple mountains, the glimmering ocean, the Lions. Yep, Lions made it possible. "They're awesome," says 40-year-old Wild, who works at a processing plant for oranges and grapefruits. "I wouldn't even be working without them." About 15 years ago, when he had little money, the Porterville Breakfast Lions made arrangements to fix his cataracts. Though he was young, he was nearly blind. Lion Steve Graybehl, his former high school teacher, set the wheels in motion. Now Wild and his wife, a fellow rider, are living at full throttle.

Got Hearing Aids?

Lion Terry Brooks, Director of Membership and Development for the Ear of the Lion Foundation, recounted how Lions of Districts 4-C3, 4-C4 and former 4-C7 established the foundation with the purpose of providing hearing aids for low income people. At the Lemoore cabinet meeting, he reviewed the number of people served by the foundation - and of those who are from our District - over the past three years. Clubs can support the foundation's purpose

- (1) by collecting hearing aids along with used eyeglasses.
- (2) by becoming a member club and contributing \$3.75 per Lion member every six months. (These clubs are notified when a need is met from their area and sign an agreement that they are the sponsor of the individual being helped.)
 - (3) by giving Terry's card to hearing aid dispensers.

Regarding point #3, he said that in the four county area that makes up our Lions District, only six dispensers in all Fresno County work with the Foundation. In Tulare County, two; in Kings County one; and in Kern County only one. Find Ear of the Lion contact info on page 112 of your directory.

How to Respond to a Disaster

Our guest speaker at the Lemoore cabinet meeting was Lion Tom Penhallegon, PDG, who was quoted in a recent issue of The Lion. He recounted Lions service at the RIM Fire near Yosemite. The fire started August 17th and is still not out, with 138 fire fighters still on the fire line daily. It was declared contained this past week. In just three days it had grown more rapidly than any fire fighter leaders had ever seen. Being declared a disaster, FEMA and the Red Cross responded. But neither they nor the Lions had practice in dealing with an ongoing disaster, like the RIM Fire. Lion Tom showed up at a newly opened Red Cross center for evacuees on his way home from his Lions Club meeting and asked if there was anything he could do. From starting with dinner that night, the project grew to gathering and storing food, recruiting and organizing volunteers, menu planning and kitchen management, plus coordinating with what FEMA and the Red Cross could and couldn't do and their deadlines. By Day 4 the Lions of his district were serving 1,000 meals a day with eight people per meal (about all that would fit in the kitchen) running the serving line and food prep. When the need grew beyond what District 4-A1 could support, ID Larry Dicus was instrumental in providing volunteers from what turned out to be seven districts over the 16 days the evacuation center was open, who served 6,334 individual meals. At mealtime sometimes 1,200 meals would be needed, sometimes 450. An interesting challenge was dealing with small food donations that would not feed the group. What do you do with one can of cooked carrots, one of baked beans, etc., and 200 meals to serve from one kitchen? He finally asked the local radio station to request that these end, and that donors combine efforts to buy a bulk purchase, such as of one kind of meat.

Nominations Window is Open

Clubs may nominate candidates for district office until the close of the 3rd cabinet meeting in Selma. Send the nomination to the Nominations and Elections Committee member from your Region. See page 104 in your directory. See also the By-Laws on page 148 for the qualifications for district offices.

Got Directories?

Zone Chairs have completed delivery of three District Directories to each club. Additional directories will be available at the Selma cabinet meeting for \$2 each at the registration table.

David Beeman dpbeeman@yahoo.com

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (Dec. 2013 Newsletter)

By now, you have already received at least one message about donations to LCIF, particularly since Typhoon Haiyan hit the Philippines. I do thank all the clubs that have made donations to LCIF because of that disaster. Donations are still needed for the Disaster Relief Fund, to continue to help in the Philippines, as well as countless other places around the world. DG Walt has announced that we will have a Melvin Jones Fellowship Luncheon at the District Convention in Cayucos on Saturday, May 3, 2014. All MJF recipients will be recognized, at least by name. For any clubs that have Melvin Jones Fellowships to present, and want to, can present them at that luncheon. If you will be doing that, please let me know and, of course, bring the award with you to the Convention. If you want it presented at your club, and would like me to come (or possibly DG Walt), also contact me (or the Governor).

As of November 30th, our District has 341 Melvin Jones Fellowships and 18 Progressive MJFs. Wouldn't it be great to get that first number up to 500? I know it will eventually get to that number.

I sent out a letter in November telling each club how much money that had in the Unnamed category and how much would need to be added to reach the \$1,000 for a MJF. At any time, I can give you that information again, or who all in your club does have a MJF.

Recently, everyone received a letter from LCIF about matching donations to the One Shot, One Life fund. This is still an on-going cause. Donations for this are eligible for MJFs, as are any donations to the Disaster Relief Fund. You probably do remember that I have said this before, but every dollar to LCIF goes directly to LCIF for grants. Our District has applied for an LCIF grant to be used at Bearskin Meadow Camp.

Please continue making your donations to LCIF, and thank you again for being such generous clubs.

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)

Jane and I wish you a happy holiday season as you prepare to spend time with family and friends this year. We wanted to take a minute to thank you again for the privilege of representing you as your Lions International Director and for the outstanding support from California Lions at the International convention last July in Hamburg, Germany.

We have been on-the-go since our election, conducting speaking engagements at Lions conferences in Louisiana, Montana, and New York, and club anniversaries here in California. In October, we attended the Lions International Board of Directors meeting in Port Douglas, Australia and then took a week to look around New Zealand.

During our speaking engagements, I have been sharing the wonderful story how California Lions rallied and helped feed evacuees and fire-fighters during the awful Yosemite Rim Fire last September. I hope you have seen the video outlining this outstanding effort. I am so proud to be a California Lion! The video is at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cxqNIcaC61k.

We are currently preparing for International President Barry Palmer's visit to the Pasadena area for the Tournament of Roses on January 1st. If you will be near Montebello on the late afternoon of December 29th, please come visit with International President Barry and Anne at our Lions reception. It is open to all Lions – just RSVP through the District 4-L2 website. IP Barry and Anne are wonderful ambassadors for our Association this year.

I am particularly excited about the message our Rose Parade float tells this year. The title of the float is 'Lions Built Matteo's Dream Park'. It is a replica of the park built by Lions in Northern California for children of all abilities. Over 2,000 Lions from more than 43 clubs worked together to help make the dream of Lion Liz Lamach come true! She is truly a Lion who 'Followed her dream!'

Please review the video on our Lions website and share it with friends and fellow Lions: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P7GginsS7fA&feature=youtu.be

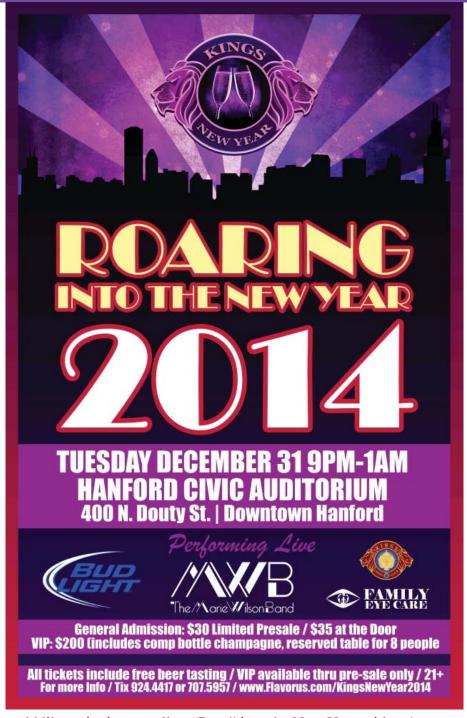
Please help us share this outstanding story about what Lions can do!

Jane and I hope to see many of you at the MD4 convention starting February 14, 2014 in Ontario. You should be able to find registration information on the MD4 website.

Again, best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season. Thank you for being a Lion!! Invite friends, associates, or family members to also become a Lion and enjoy in our experience of 'making a difference' in your community.

Yours in Lionism,

Larry Dicus International Director representing MD4



The Kings Lions Club would like to invite you all to "Roar" into the New Year with us!

"Roaring into the New Year 2014" will be held on DEC 31 from 9pm to 1am at the beautiful Hanford Civic Auditorium. Tickets are still available and event details are on the attached Fundraiser Event Flyer.

If you need tickets or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or any of our Kings Lions Club members.

Happy Holidays to all of you!

Lion Jeff Garcia Kings Lions Club President 559.924.4417 office

Top Club Standings ---- current as of December 15th

Kings Lions Club	2342	points
Lemoore Lions Club	1934	
Buttonwillow Lions Club	1350	
Central Valley Lioness Lions Club	1146	
Easton Lions Club	1143	
Porterville Breakfast Lions Club	1087	
Hanford Breakfast Lions Club	1068	
Midway-Sunset Lions Club	1007	
Exeter Lions Club	940	
Bakersfield Sports Lions Club	901	
North Fresno Lions Club	736	
Fresno Pride Lions Club	650	
Central Lions Club	490	
Diwata Lions Club	450	
Visalia Sunset Lions Club	405	
Visalia (Host) Lions Club	325	
San Joaquin-Tranquillity Lions Club	315	
Visalia Pride Lions Club	305	
Delano Lions Club	285	
Laton Lions Club	225	
Bakersfield Donghae Lions Club	200	
Bakersfield Breakfast Lions Club	200	
Taft Lions Club	200	
Woodlake Lions Club	200	
Parlier Lions Club	200	
Selma Lions Club	196	

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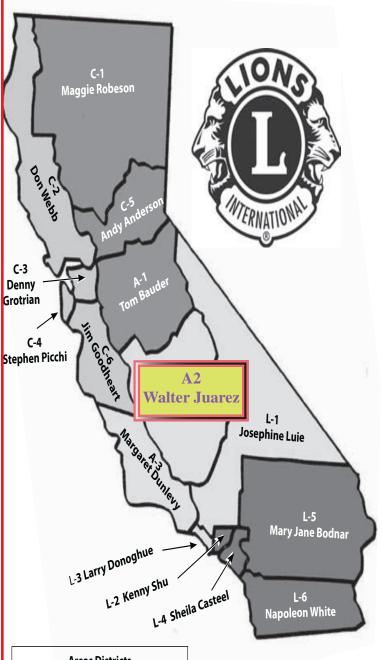
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2013-2014 MD-4 DISTRICT AREA MAP



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(M.	arriott) Walnut Creek, CA; 4-C3
Fall - October 25 - 27, 2013 (Holiday Inn	n Bayview) San Diego, CA; 4-L6
Mid-Winter - February 12 - 13, 2014	. (Doubletree) Ontario, CA; 4-C5
Joint - June 5 - 8, 2014(Do	oubletree) Rosemead, CA; 4-L2
Organizational - August 1 - 3, 2014(Ra	adisson) 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 Diegeo

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

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

USA/CANADA FORUMS

September 19 - 21, 2013	Overland Park, Kansas
	San Juan, Puerto Rico
September 17 -19, 2015	Grand Rapids, Michigan
	Omaha. 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	

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