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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Hello fellow Lions,

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and celebrated with family and friends. Lion Christie out did herself with the decorating and lighting. All of her little "ducklings", and Papa, enjoyed the results of her efforts. We hope each of you found some time to reflect on the reason for this season and found comfort doing so. I had the opportunity



to ring the bell for the Salvation Army on Christmas Eve and felt very blessed for those in my life, and that includes each of you.

I'm enjoying the visits to your clubs and have learned lots of things that this 20 year lion didn't know. Each club different and yet each club having many similarities and all of you doing such great work in your communities. I have been accompanied by Lions Christie, Dick and Dawn, and Sandy on most all of the visits and you have made us feel so very welcome. Bakersfield Breakfast, you guys are a hoot!, keep up the good work. Cabinet Secretary Dick Piepenburg has been doing a great job of scheduling visits so club presidents look for his call.

I hope you are all getting ready for a great District meeting in Visalia this February. Region Chair Janet McClintock has been working hard and has covered every detail you can think of. I know we'll have a lot of fun. The theme is Western so we'll see a wide range of easy listening music. There will be some upbeat pop dancing, surely some two-step and swing, and I know there will be some good old belt buckle polishing slow stuff.

Remember our upcoming events including the District Meeting, our MD-4 convention, Operation Friendship, City of Hope Day, our A2 Convention in Cayucos and a great opportunity for service at Bearskin Meadows.

I know I speak for the whole Cabinet when I say, "Thank You", for letting us serve you and represent you at the Multiple District. We consider it a privilege and an honor and put you first in everything we do.

I hope to see you all at your District Meeting in Visalia. After all, it is in the heart of A2.

Proud to serve with you, DG Craig

Our DG in action





1st VDG

Happy New Year,

A safe beginning to everyone! As we start this New Year, I have been doing a lot of thinking, and some of these thoughts are on my New Year's resolution and how long I'll be able to keep them. But one other thought I have is how old our district is. It is true that in the not-too-distant future, in 2017 we will be celebrating the 100th-year birthday of Lions Clubs International. 2017 will be an important year in our history, and the culmination of how the Lions is the number one service club in the world. A few more years further, 2020 is the foundation year of our district thus placing us in a unique position as a District Centenary.



I thought of all the projects that our district had taken a century back, all the fundraisers we organized and the people that made huge differences in building our district to what it is now.

I would like to ask all of you to look back into the past to the beginning of our club, your district. I am trying to collect history of our district, our clubs in the district, the fundraisers that you participated in, the service projects that affected your community, the people that should not be forgotten, and those who helped lead your club to its successes. If you are able to write down what you remembered about your club's history or submit copies of old photographs of events that you participated in together with a summary of who are in the photo and what was the photo was about, please send them to me.

I would like to use the collected historical information on a book that would outline the history of our district. This is one of my goals for 2020, our district's birthday. I am hoping that this will make a meaningful birthday present for our district. Good deed and times should never be forgotten.

While visiting other clubs I mentioned how nice it would be to have a bowling league, some fun competition between clubs, zones, and regions. My thoughts were for activities that everyone can enjoy. I mentioned it to some other Lions and was surprised to discover that predecessors had bowling leagues 20 to 30 years ago, and it was fun for everyone and was a huge success. I also mentioned this to the other vice district governors within our multiple district to see if they might be up for some friendly competition between districts. We have tossed around the idea of running it similar to that of the student speaker contest. I have no doubt that this is something we are able to do to,

have fun, and socialize with other clubs, and even that of other districts. If there is an interest in this idea, please let me know so that we can go forward on our plans.

Last year has rocked and rolled too quickly. I have been studying so hard because I want to do my best as an incoming Governor. I know I have mentioned before how we affect people's lives. We should know that while we affect other people's lives we also change our lives for the better. My children who are all grown now sometimes do not understand why my wife and I spend so much time trying to help out people that we do not even know. This got me thinking about time and how we spend it in this New Year ... thinking about time spent may be discomforting but it might not also be a bad idea ... especially at the beginning of a New Year. Maybe some things to think about. As we look towards 2016, we look at a block of time. We see 12 Months, 52 weeks, 365 days, 8,760

hours, 525,600 minutes, 31,536,000 seconds. We have done nothing to earn it, to deserve it, to purchase it. Like the air we breathe, times comes to us as a part of life. The gift of time is not ours alone. It is given equally to each person, rich

or poor, educated and ignorant, strong and weak ... every man, woman, and child has the same 24 hours a day.

Another important thing about time is that no one can stop it. There is no way anyone can slow it down, switch it off, or adjust it. Time just marches on. No one can bring back time. Once it's gone, it's gone. Yesterday is lost forever. When yesterday is gone, tomorrow is uncertain. We may look ahead at a full year's block of time, but we really have no guarantee that we will experience any of it. Obviously, time is one of our most precious possessions. We can waste it. We can worry about it. We can spend it on ourselves. Or as good stewards, we can invest it on a Lion's service, in helping out others, in enriching other people's lives, in saving someone's sight or hearing, or in just spending time with an older person who needs us during the holidays, and even reading a book to a child who cannot read yet. We are Lions who help make differences in other people's lives.

A new year is full of time. As the seconds ticks away, will you be tossing time out the window or will you be making every minute count? Recently I came across this small story of 1000 Marbles that I would really like to share with you.

1000 Marbles

The older I get, the more I enjoy Saturday mornings. Perhaps it's the quiet solitude of being the first to rise, or maybe it's the unbounded joy of not having to be at work. Either way, the first few hours of a Saturday mornings are the most enjoyable. A couple of weeks ago I was shuffling towards the backyard patio with a steaming cup of coffee in one hand and the newspaper in the other. What began as a typical Saturday morning, turned into one of those lessons life seems to hand you from time to time.

Let me tell you about it. I turned the dial on the radio to listen to a Saturday morning talk show and I heard an older sounding gentleman with a golden voice. You know the kind who sounded like he should be in broadcasting. He was telling the person he was talking to something about "1000 marbles". I was intrigued and stopped to listen to what he was saying.

"Well, Tom, it sure sounds like you're busy with you job. I'm sure they pay you well but it's a shame that you have to be away from home and your family so much. Hard to believe that a young man has to work 60 to 70 hours a week to make ends meet. Too bad you missed your daughter's dance recital."

"Let me tell you something, Tom, something that has helped me keep a good perspective on my priorities." And that's when he began to explain his theory of "1000 marbles".

"You see, I sat down one day and did a little arithmetic. The average person lives 75 years. I know, some people live less and some people live more but on the average it's 75 years. So I multiplied 75 by 52 and came up with 3900 which is the number of Saturdays the average person has in their entire life".

"Now stick with me, Tom. As I'm getting to the important part. It took me until I was 55 years old to think about this in any detail. And by that time I had lived through 2800 Saturdays. I got to thinking that if I lived to be 75 I had about only 1,000 Saturdays left to enjoy."

"So I went to a toy store and bought every single marble they had. I ended up having to visit 3 toy stores to round up to 1,000 marbles. I took them home and ended up putting them inside a large, clear container right here in the shack next to my gear. Every Saturday since then I have taken out one marble and thrown it away."

"I found that by watching the marbles diminish, I focused more on the really important things in life. There's nothing like watching your time here on earth run out to help get your priorities straight."

"Now let me tell you one last thing before I sign off with you and take my lovely wife out to breakfast. This morning,

I took out the very last marble of the container. I figure if I can make it until next Saturday then I'll have been given a little extra time. And the one thing we can all use is more time."

"It was nice to meet you, Tom, and I hope you get to spend a little more time with your family and I hope to meet you again."

You could have heard a pin drop on the radio when this fellow signed off. I guess he gave all of us a lot to think about. I had planned to work that morning but instead I went upstairs and woke up my wife with a kiss. "Come on, honey, I'm taking you and the kids to breakfast". "What brought this on?" she asked with a smile. "Oh, nothing special. It's just been a while since we spent a Saturday together with the kids. Hey, can we stop at the toy store while we're out ... I need to buy some marbles."

THE END

God gives us time. He is very specific in how many "days" it took to create our universe and this very land we call our home. We don't know how long those "days" were ... but there was a time, identified as a "day". Most of us wear watches, have several clocks in our home, on our computer. We know when our favorite TV show or sports game comes on because we check the TV Guide for the schedules. If we are still working we have to be there on time or ... no job. Our Lions meetings start at a certain time. School stresses that the children be on time or they get tardy slips. We make dinner reservations for a specific time. The airplane leaves at a schedule. Responsibilities, fun, work, family, vacations ... they all come down to ... "what time shall we...?" We might feel that the clock, time, is our master but it is really a gift from God to use for our benefit, for each season, to make the best use of our marbles!

We will always have time in our lives. If we view each Saturday, each day of the week, as another special blessing from God, it will certainly be a wonderful way to wake up each morning. Using our time as Lions to start the New Year, we can make a difference in our lives and our neighbor's lives, and even a new member's life. Remember that each new member may need to become a Lion just as bad as we need them to be one. We have the chance to help change their lives too. Taking the time to help out. We accomplished amazing things as this mighty pride of Lions. So let's not view time as our enemy, another day to get through, but as a unique, never to be repeated, block of seconds and minutes ... a "What can we do now? Kind of day".

Maybe some of you remember the old Jim Croce song:

If I could save time in a bottle the first thing that I'd like to do Is to save every day till eternity passes away Just to spend them with you.

But we can't save time in a bottle. So the next best thing is to use our given amount of moments to be the best that we can be; to be the best Lion, the best spouse, the best parent, co-worker, or friend; to use our marbles, with the unknown amount we each have, to savor each day; to dance in the rain; to make snow angels (if someone can helps us stand up again); to eat more cookies; to tell our family and friends we love them; to worry less about what others think; to really listen; to take that trip we've been planning; to put on your bathing suit and get in that pool; to climb that mountain; to watch the sunset.

We each have our ways we can use our time if we really free our minds. So open up your bottle, count out another marble ... and have a wonderful ... time! Lions, we serve to help others, we take the time to make a difference in someone else's life. Thank you for all that you do and I am looking forward to another great year. I am so proud of this district. Happy New Year.

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2nd VDG

BREAK THE SHELL & COME OUT OF IT TO SERVE THE BEST AS POSSIBLE...

-2nd VDG Lion Chiragkumar "Kevin" Patel

First, let me wish you, your family & friends a very Happy New Year! & please accept my Namaste!

It has been great time until now with Lions of our District, Multiple and around the World. It was a great opportunity to experience the real essence of going and completing the training through USA/Canada Leadership Forum and recently getting certified through ALLI (Advance Lions Leadership Institute) at Chicago. I came across various Lion Leaders from several parts of USA & Canada. I should say these type of training is required to mold our thoughts for servicing in our community and managing our organization more efficiently. It is said – "Life is a lifelong learning process". Advance Lions Leadership Institute helps us to make our own ideas come out true from the hidden box within our self. It is very important to explore and know our self in first before training others. Understand the real importance of our Lions Clubs International motto, "We-Serve!"

I did find out that whenever we add new members we should consider many things about their interest for which they have joined our club and how we can satisfy the needs of that member efficiently for the best community required services according to the needs. Lot of times we ignore or underestimate the needs of assessment but it should not be that way because we are all together to serve our community in the best possible way according to the need. Similarly, officers must be recruited accordingly in what they are interested. We all are volunteers and can't demand anything but can always request several times.

It is very important for each club to recruit a Membership Chairperson. We all know that we can't serve without members. The membership Chairperson is an elected officer of the club and a member of the Board of Directors, these two facts underscore the importance of that position. It is only with a dedicated group of dedicated Lions that we are able to fulfil our motto: "We-Serve!" The title is not meant to imply the membership chairperson alone responsible for recruitment and satisfaction. Let us put together regarding our constitutional duties and responsibilities.

Constitutional duties and responsibilities: -

- -Create a plan for club membership growth and present the plan to the club's board of directors for approval and support,
- -Understand the different membership types and programs offered by LCI,
- -Create a plan for membership satisfaction and present it to the club's board of directors for approval and support,
- -Understand and incorporate membership satisfaction programs into membership growth initiative,
- -Encourage the recruitment of new members and promote award programs to the club members,
- -Form a membership committee and work with it throughout the term,
- -Ensure new members receive new member orientation and participate in the Lions mentoring program,
- -Serve as a member of the zone level membership committee,
- -Submit membership chairperson recruiting reports and the club membership satisfaction,
- Report to the club officers once each month,
- -Co-operate with other club committees to fulfil positions responsibilities,
- -Assist club officers in organizing a club excellence process workshop to examine your community's needs, assesses your current membership satisfaction and develop action plans,
- -Conduct exit surveys with members who leaves the club.

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Secondly, Effective Meetings are very important. The meetings should be informative and to the point and not long and boring. Always:

- 1. Keep members interested
- 2. Keep your club running successfully

Look at Your Club:

Please take time to examine your club and honestly assessing its current status is the key to successfully making changes. Without pinpointing the areas that need attention, you might be fixing a problem that doesn't exist and ignoring a potential trouble spot. It is helpful to write down your observations as you undertake the process. Begin by observing members during the meetings.

- 1.Are your meetings well attended?
- 2.Do you notice any attendance trends?
- 3. How do your members act during the meeting?
- 4.Do they seem interested, enthusiastic, bored or impatient?
- 5. After meetings do members feel inspired and motivated?
- 6. What was the atmosphere during the meetings? Friendly? Tense? Lively? Boring?

The presiding officer should also take a good candid look at his/her performance during meetings.

- 1.Are you comfortable running meetings?
- 2.Do you follow your agenda?
- 3.Do you have a good command of parliamentary procedures?
- 4.Are you able to handle interruptions and difficult behavior?
- 5.Do you convey excitement and enthusiasm for being a Lion?
- 6.Do you allow members to actively participate in meetings?
- 7.Do you willingly accept suggestions?

These are very important factors to consider without which we cannot run our organization successfully and efficiently. We are to complete our Century for Servicing and have to complete several other centuries to serve... Listen to input from members. Learn where problem areas exist. Respond by making appropriate changes. Agendas that work. A typical agenda includes

- Call to Order
- Opening exercises
- -Program (guest speaker, entertainment, etc.) may either precede or follow the business portion
- -Approval of minutes of previous meetings
- -Treasurer's report
- -Old or unfinished business
- New business
- -Adjournment

Try to be short and sweet to run successful meetings and keep up the member's enthusiastic satisfaction which will also lead to very good attendance. Program pointers are needed to include in your meetings like: Recipients of club service, local community leaders, local business people, cultural organizations, school and youth groups, club partners, district committee chairman, etc. This is enough for this time from my side but please do not hesitate to contact me for any Lions need because remember: -

"Where There's a NEED, There's a LION..."

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CALLING ALL LIONS, LIONESS, LEOS & OUR FAMILIES FOR OUR LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL:



WE NEED TO PLAN FROM NOW FOR OUR GREAT ORGANIZATION FOR THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION. SO PLEASE SHARE YOUR IDEAS & SUGGESSTIONS WITH ME & ALONG WITH OUR DISTRICT CHAIR LION LIDIA MARTINEZ.

I am planning for some multicultural shows from different parts of the WORLD especially which has service activities through MUSIC & DANCE and LOT OF FUN keeping the motto, "We-Serve!" throughout our District & Multiple for which I strongly need your help. Please contact me either via e-mail or text or phone. I have created a contact group called: - "LIONS CENTENNIAL GROUP" through application called as WHATSAPP for this we can stay in touch anytime by leaving message, pictures, any club project or an event information or a flyer and has thousands of uses. You have to download "WhatsApp" application through your mobile phone. There is a one-time fee \$0.99 charge per year for the service but it is very cool and convenient and very fast for sending messages & pictures to any mobile around the World with nominal one-time charge per year. It works with phone data or just WIFI too. So, please give it a shot to join together along with our LIONS, LIONESS, LEOS & YOUR FAMILIES. And, I am sure you will never want to leave our LIONS CENTENNIAL GROUP. Let us see who joins first for this fun Lions Centennial Group.

At your 24/7 Lions service & joining our Lions Clubs International – Centennial Celebration,

- Lion Chiragkumar "Kevin" Patel

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2nd VDG Continued



Sanger Lions Installation & Charter Presentation and in the picture is our DG Lion Craig Cooper and Sanger Lions Club members



The picture on the left side is Fundraiser event by Diwata Lions Club & on right is Hanford Leos distributing Fire Alarms, Hanford



Left side is with our 2nd District Meeting visiting guest Lion Bob & Lion Becky & on right 2nd VDG presenting Centennial Lapel pin



On the left is 2nd VDG receiving Certificate from Program Manager at ALLI, Chicago & on right PID Lion Phil Nathan & his wife, U.K.

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On the left picture with LCI President Lion J. Yamada & his wife at Rose Parade; On right District Halloween Party at Bakersfield



On Left our visiting District Guests 2nd VDG Lion Bob Stewart & His wife Lion Becky in Haloween Costume: 2nd VDG receiving Lions Bachelors Certificate during the first batch of Lions Institute, Grand Rapids & on right most popular AG Show at Fresno



Lion members & officers pictures enjoying at our District Halloween Party during the 2nd District meeting, Bakersfield

2nd VDG Continued



Left: New Members of Hanford Breakfast; Right -PDG Lion George Finley + Lion Kerry at Sanger Charter Presentation & Installation



2nd VDG Lion Chiragkumar "Kevin" Patel receiving International Presidential Award Medal through Lions Clubs International through DG Lion Craig Cooper, PDG Lion Betty Morris with Lion Kevin at Dist.Halloween Party & with Santa Lion Jim Boyd-Salvation Army Bell



From Left Lion Kevin receiving ALLI Certificate at Chicago, Fresno Host DG Lion Craig Cooper Visit & Halloween party at Lemoore

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Left side RC Lion Cindy Copner with the New member inducted at Sanger & on right Hanford Leo Advisor Lion Susan with Leos



District Installation of officers of 4-A2 & on Right Sanger- Banner Presentation by PDG Lion Anthony Martinez & DG Lion Craig Cooper



On left guest for our District Meeting Lion Thomas "Nick" Nicholas from District 4-C5 with his wife Lion JoAnn at Fresno; on right Lion Falguni Patel- President of Hanford Breakfast enjoying Fundraiser Event Lunch with Diwata Lions President Lion Vicki & her members.

2nd VDG

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New member installed Lion Randy on Left with DG Lion Craig Cooper, DS Lion Dick & on right Lion Van at the District Meeting



DG Visitation at Sanger with RC Lion Cindy Copner, 1st VDG Lion Al Kroell, Lion Cristy & 2nd VDG Lion Chiragkumar "Kevin" Patel-Selfie



Hanford Breakfast Lions Club Presenting Pull Tabs for Ronald McDonald Children Hospital & on right 2nd VDG Lion Kevin with Council Of Governors (COG) 2nd VDG Lion Mike with AC Lion Linda, 2nd VDG Lion Bhee with Lion Falguni Patel & 1st VDG AC Lion Christy Kroell at Riverside Halloween Party

2nd VDG Continue

January 2016

Focus: Special Interest Clubs

Relieving the Hunger Centennial Service Challenge

January 1: Beginning of Period 2 for the Lions Pride Awards

January 1: Lions Services for Children Symposium funding for fiscal year 2015-2016 opens up to multiple districts in all Constitutional Areas based on availability.

January 4: Executive Committee Meeting (Laguna Beach, California, USA)

January 4: MD-4 Excellence Award Submissions sent to the MD-4 Office.

January 9: Last day for early discount on convention registration fees

January 11-17: Worldwide Week of Service to celebrate Melvin Jones' b-day

January 11-17: LCIF Week

January 16-18 MD4 Leadership Institue Ontario

January 13: Melvin Jones' birthday

January 15: Peace Poster Kits go on sale from Club Supplies Sales

January 31: Deadline for districts to submit a single Lions Environmental Photo Contest entry to MD4- Office

February 2016

Focus: Women

February 1: International Peace Poster contest winners will be notified on or before this date

February 3-4 COG Mid-Winter meeting

February 5-7 MD4 State Convention Modesto

February 12: Application deadline for Standard, Core 4 and IAG grants to be reviewed at the April 2016 Board mtg

February 19-21: Flag Day CA

By February 22: Student Speakers Club Contest

March 2016

Eye Donor Awareness Month

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March 1: Deadline for MD-4 to submit a single Lions Environmental Photo Contest entry to International Headquarters

March 1-4: International Board of Directors Meeting (Savannah, Georgia, USA)

By March 14: Student Speakers Zone Contest

March 26-28: Emerging Lions Leadership Institute - Constitutional Areas I and II: USA (Denver, Colorado, USA)

March 31: Last day for regular convention registration fees

April 2016

Family & Friends Month

Leo Club Awareness Month

Protecting Our Environment Centennial Service Challenge

April 1: Leo of the Year Award applications (Leo-LOY) due

April 3: City of Hope Lions Day

By April 4: Student Speakers Region Contest

April 5-13: Family Week

April 13-16: International Board of Directors Meeting (Prague, Czech Republic)

April 16-18: Advanced Lions Leadership I

April 18: Application deadline for Standard, Core 4 and IAG grants to be reviewed at the June 2016 Board meeting

April 22: Earth Day

April 24-30: World Immunization Week

By April 25: Student Speakers District Contest

April 26: Lions Worldwide Induction Day

Submit Cabinet Contact info to MD-4.

May 2016

Strengthen Membership Month

Recycle for Sight Month

2nd VDG Continued

- May 1: Deadline to cancel with refund of convention registration
- May 1: Deadline for advance convention registration and hotel room requests to be received
- May 1: Deadline for International Contest (Newsletter and website) entries to be received by Public Relations and Communications Division
- May 2: Executive Committee Meeting (Oak Brook, Illinois, USA)
- May 11-17: White Cane Week
- May 13: Application deadline for SightFirst grants to be reviewed at the August 2016 SightFirst Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting
- May 15: Annual Leo Club Officers and Membership Report Form (Leo-72) due
- May 15: Deadline for filing Officer Reporting Form (PU101)
- May 15: Deadline date for convention hotel deposit refunds for individual cancellations
- By May 16: Stuedent Speakers Area Contest
- June 2016
- June 1: Helen Keller Day
- June 2-5 Joint COG meeting
- June 4: Student Speakers Final contest
- June 5: World Environment Day
- June 15: Deadline for submission of pre-certified delegate forms for voting at International Convention
- June 19-23: International Board of Directors Meeting (Fukuoka, Japan)
- June 20: Deadline for 2015-2016 Charter Applications
- June 20: Application deadline for Lions Quest grants to be reviewed at the August 2016 Lions Quest Advisory Committee (LAC) meeting
- June 24-28: 99th Lions International Convention (Fukuoka, Japan)
- June 30: Close of Period 2 for the Lions Dignity Award
- Sincerely yours in Lionism,,
- Lion Chiragkumar "Kevin" Patel, 2nd VDG, MJF

From the District 4-A2 Coordinator of your Global Leadership Team, Lion David Beeman:

See also the Free Training article on page



Sometime this Spring, your Lions Club will appoint a Nominating Committee.

About the end of March or early April, that committee will make its report to the club.

Your club will then go about its procedure of electing new officers for the next Lions year.

But I want to talk about the part where your club Nominating Committee comes to see you.

They will ask you to hold a

club office. And, being a Lion of good sense, you will say, "No."

My question to you is, "Why?"

Lions Clubs offer every member opportunities for Leadership growth and experiences you can't get elsewhere.

Some of the best ones come up when that Nominating Committee comes visiting.

Maybe you said, "no," because they were offering you a position you felt unqualified for.

Well, everybody knows that. And we do that all the time. What fun would it be to do the same job over and over, year after year?

Okay, so how do you get qualified? Do Lions offer training in Club Treasurer, or Secretary, or — even Vice-President?

YES!

And it will be right here in Visalia on Saturday, the 21st of May with two-hour classes available from about 8 AM to 3 PM.

Our highly qualified instructors are gearing up to bring you a lively and interactive class that meets your needs, so watch for details and -

Mark your Calendar!

And tell that member of your Nominating Committee, "Yes!"

Now, finally having read the newsletter, I submit another suggested page.

These are the seminars offered (in Modesto this year) at the MD-4 convention. For me these seminars and the annual meetings of our charitable foundations are the best part of the MD-4 convention, and a strong reason to attend.

But Lion Jim, I don't have a way to show that this page is about the MD-4 convention - - -

- Lion David (559) 584-2911

MD4 Seminars

Friday Seminars

5 Days & Nights in Fukuoka, Japan (International Convention 2016)

Bringing Light to the Dark Around the World

Now & the Future of Lioness with our Lions

100 Years of Service (District Coordinator Centennial Training

Exchanging Students Around the World

Keep the Promise of Sight & Hearing

How to Reach Your Goals

Member Care

Tools for Team Coaching

Street Talk—Recruiting New Lions

Are You Prepared for Disaster

Campus Clubs for the Second Centennial

What's Your Long Range Planning for the Future

Truth or Dare? Wilderness Camp Extraordinaire

Saturday Seminars

District Secretary / Treasurer Training

Asking a Woman: Leadership Development

So You Might Want to be a District Governor

Everything You Wanted to Know about being a Lions Club President

Orientation & Mentoring of New Members

To be an Excellent Zone or Region Chair

A Successful Student Speaker Contest

LCIF & You! All About Grants & Giving

Free Training!

Top Ten List to be a good project chair

Which are you best at?

10.

Write thank-you letters to those outside the club who contributed.

9

Make a final report.

8.

Allow enough time.

7

Make it fun.

6.

Have a committee.

Or a Team.
Does that sound better?

5.

Follow up.

4.

Have a budget.

3.

Have a schedule.

2.

Have a plan.

1.

Have a goal.

How did you do??

Comments:

Or give a plaque. But no less than a letter. You can have one of your committee do this. Prepare the letters for your club president to sign.

At the right time and place, provide your club with details about what the project accomplished, who contributed to the SUCCESS, (This is really important to recognize if there were other areas that came up short - you don't want the whole world to remember only bad parts of a good effort.) and include an accounting of money in and money out.

Or have extra people to go get what somebody forgot, or got broken, or ran out.

Have snacks, or drinks, or recognition.

Yes, it's harder to coordinate, but there are six reasons it is better (too much for this to still be a list). Give everybody an important job, even if you have to pair them up. Match jobs to volunteers if you can, or to skills. But YOU decide.

That's part of working with a committee. Stay in touch with them.

- That you asked for, and
- That your club gave you.

of who does what by when.

Duh.

That way everybody knows what we are working toward, and how we are doing.



Fellow Lions, Lioness and Leos of District 4-A2

I hope that you all had a very Merry Christmas and I wish everyone a healthy and prosperous 2016. Every day is a "Great Day to be a Lion". With that in mind, we should share the opportunity to feel the Lion experience with every one that we meet. As I travel the District I have the opportunity to meet many people. When I meet a new person my first thought is that everyone is potential Lion until they tell me personally No. I have heard No or Maybe more than Yes but I feel good that I at least gave them the opportunity to become a part of the world's greatest service organization. I am still offering my 'Just ask" membership recruitment workshop for multiple or individual Clubs. The training will include a review of all current membership programs i.e., Student programs, Family , Veterans, etc. if you want to grow "Just Ask"

This is our Centennial year and we have been challenged by our International Presidents to track the number of people that "We Serve" and report our results through the LCI system. I understand that we have clubs that do not

do their reposts regularly, if you or the Club Secretary needs assistance with your LCI password or how to use the system please contact your Zone or Region Chair, the GLT Coordinator David Beeman or myself for assistance. Further, we are challenged to focus on four specific areas Protecting our EVNIRONMENT, Relieving the HUNGER, Sharing the VI-SION, and Engaging our YOUTH. When we meet these challenges our first and best rewards are the hugs and smiles we receive from those that "We Served". Clubs also have the opportunity to earn a special Banner patch. Our clubs are normally involved in these service areas, however, our efforts are not always reported. It would be awesome for every club in District 4-A2 to earn the banner patch with four diamonds which tells everyone that you met every challenge.

We had awesome membership growth last year and made a big dent in District A-1's lead as the largest District in MD-4. We expect to erase more of their lead again this year but we don't have to be the largest District, although it would be nice. We just need to attract as many members as is needed to effectively Serve all the many communities within our District. I am a little disappointed in our membership development results year to date given all effort that everyone has put into making it better. Our start this year is not much different from last year, at the end of the first two quarters we had a net 0 change in total membership (we lost as many members as we added). On December 31st this year were -1 net growth/loss for the year. Our challenge this year is to have Governor Craig's results exceed IPDG Anthony's which is a tall order. We had a net gain of 92 members the last half of last year so we only need a gain of +93 members this year. WE can, "Just Ask"!

Further, the first quarter of this 2015-2016 year, we inducted 51 new members, unfortunately we lost 62 of our friends, leaving us with a first quarter net growth of minus 11 members. The only positive is that it was less than our first quarter loss last year. Year to date first quarter, only 14, 22%, of our clubs recorded positive membership results and 20, 32% experienced negative growth. We had a 4 way second place tie for the Membership Growth Trophy, Clovis Lions Club, Fresno Diwata Lions, Lamont Lions and Reedly Lions all with plus 3 members. I am proud to say the new name on the Trophy is Fresno Unlimited Lions with a plus 4 members. In five quarters we have had 5 different winners.

For reasons that will not be offered in this writing, the contest for the Trophy will most likely end on June 31st this Lion year. That being said, if you are interested in owning this trophy, you have two more quarters to get there. The key to success is "Save a Friend" keep your members through June 31st and add enough members to produce a net gain in members that exceeds all other clubs during a quarter or have the largest net membership gain for the year.

The 2015/2016 second quarter results are just in; We have two clubs that tied for 2nd place; Fresno North Lions and Riverdale Lions with a net +2 membership gain. We have another first time winner, Lamont Lions took top honors with a net +3 members for the quarter. The Lamont also leads the way for the year honors with +6 members. Additional details will be shared at the February District Meeting.

In Lionism,

F. Dean Church, PDG/GMTC



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

"ROAR OF THE LION"

"Lions-Can you see us now?"

REGISTRATION FORM: THIRD QUARTER DISTRICT MEETING, 2016

FRIDAY, FEB. 12 - SOCIAL, DINNER AND DANCE TO LIVE MUSIC "COUNTRY GEORGE AND THE WESTERN EDITION" Western Dress

SATURDAY, FEB 13 - DISTRICT BUSINESS MEETING

Mail to: Jan Beatty at 710 N Vista, Visalia,

Ca. 93292 559-909-1817



Please join District Governor Craig Cooper, guests, district officers and fellow district Lions on Friday, February 12, at the Lamp Liter Inn at 3300 Mineral King Blvd. in Visalia. Social hour is at 6pm, dinner at 7pm and dance to follow. The District business meeting will commence at 9am on Saturday, February 13.

Name of Lion or Leo					Email Address					
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FRIDAY	# Teriya	Teriyaki Chicken and Beef Buffet			fet	\$30.0	00	\$3	35.00	\$
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SATURDAY LUNCH 12 PM	# Chick Beef Buffet	en and				\$25.0	00	\$3	30.00	\$
Extra: Purchase Governor Craig Cooper Trading Pins					\$3.00) each	1		\$	
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3300 Mineral King Bl				g Blv	otel: Lamp Liter	Make your				otels in area:

Group rate available \$79 plus tax

Hampton Inn

VALLEY OAKS GOLF COURSE - VISALIA

3rd District 4A2 Lions 2015-2016 Golf Tourney

WHERE: Valley Oaks Golf Course

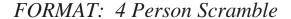
1800 S. Plaza Street, Visalia

TELEPHONE: (559) 651-1441

WHEN: 10 AM Friday, February 12, 2016

FEE: \$45 includes Golf Cart DEADLINE: February 7, 2016

Golf Course requires guarantee. PLEASE reserve early with this form or call Bill – saves confusion!





#	PRINT NAME	EMAIL	TELEPHONE	CLUB NAME
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2				
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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
559-732-6897 or 559-288-2933 Email: bcdiltz@comcast.net



Center of the District, just off of Hwy 198, and easy to get to. Come see why this is such a popular course in our District... and <u>bring</u> a friend to introduce to Lions.

Make up your own team or we'll make arrangements for you to join others.

Take in the fun of Scramble Golf!!!

District 4-A2 59th Annual Convention

Friday- Sunday April 22- 24, 2016

Lions, Can You See Us Now

District Governor CRAIG COOPER

CAYUCOS, CA

Address

City

Zip Code

Cell Phone

Club Name

Region

Zone

District or Club Office Held

Name of Guest or Other Lion

Registration, Co	Package Plan Includes:	Post Marked Before April 7th	PostMarked After April 7th	Kaya.			
Saturday's Lunc	ch & Governor's Dinner, Sunday Breakfas Early Bird Special!	\$ 90.00	\$100.00	\$.00		
Lions & Guest	Lions & Guest attending the convention are required to register (Food Fair included)		\$ 25.00	\$30.00	\$.00	
Friday	International Food Fair	Summer Beach Wear	FREE	FREE	\$	0.00	
Saturday Melvin Jones Luncheon 12pm	Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Chips, Cookies, Assorted Soft Drinks	Cabinet Dress Attire	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$.00	
Saturday Dinner	Cayucos Tri-TipChicken Breast Baked Potato, Chili Beans, Salad, Garlic Toast, Pie & Ice Cream. Assorted Beverages	Formal Attire	\$38.00	\$40.00	\$.00	
Sunday Breakfast	Orange Juice, Apple Juice, Coffee, Tea, Mix Fruit Cup, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Sausages	Business Casual Attire	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$.00	
DISTRICT 4-A2 CONVENTION PINS (\$3.00 EACH)							
Total Amount Including Registration =							

SEND CONVENTION REGISTRATION TO:

Make check payable To: **District 4-A2**

Mail To: Cabinet Treasure Jan Betty- Taylor 710 N. Vista, Visalia, Ca 93292 559.802.3345 or 559.909.1817

CONVENTION CHAIR:

PDG WALTER JUAREZ 4032 W. Crowley Ct. Visalia, Ca 93291

waltjuarez08@aol.com 559.741.1044 or 559.308.4154

Optional Stays near Cayucos: Cambria, Ca Morro Bay, Ca

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

Cayucos Beach Inn

333 S. Ocean Ave. Cayucos, Ca 93430

Phone: (805) 995.2828 Fax: (805)995.0131 admin@cavucosbeachinn.com

No Vacancy



What Type of Food Will be Prepared

Mail To: Cabinet Treasurer

Jan Beatty- Taylor
710 N. Vista, Visalia, Ca 93292

Lions, I hope that you had a great Christmas. The time of giving is still not over. Please go to you clubs and let them know you want to donate your \$20.00 per member to LCIF. We as Lions are LCIF; we are the backbone and the strength of Lions Clubs International Foundation. When there is a problem, be it flood, earthquake, or a new center for the Blind, we as Lions step up to the plate and make it happen. I thank each and every one of you that has donated to LCIF, but there is so much more we can do.

Grants are always available for your next district project, just like Bearskin Meadow Grant that our district received. When you see a need, share it with your club and your district. Sometimes in life we have sad things happen to us, but think of all the small children that need special shots for river blindness, children who need food or shelter. Then think again "LIONS" WE SERVE...

To be a full 100% club the club needs to send \$20.00 per member to LCIF or give it to me and I will send it in. \$20.00 per member, a member list with their Lion membership number. Members can pay their club treasurer or the club can donate it to LCIF. Banner Patches will be given out at convention for the clubs that have accepted this challenge and support to LCIF.

We are so blessed to have so much in America but there are many that need our help, each and every one of us. Wear your Lions Pin proudly, and then wear your LCIF pin right next to it. Join the many clubs that have already become 100% total club participate and receive your banner patch of distinction at our convention at the Melvin Jones Luncheon.

Call me
PDG Judy Woolley
559 916 2521
judyarribere@aol.com
I can speak at your club



BEARSKIN MEADOW CHILDREN'S DIABETIC CAMP MEMORIAL WORK WEEKEND

Fellow Lions, Leos, Leo Advisors and Guests Mark your calendar for Bearskin Meadow Camp's Annual Work Weekend

FRIDAY, MAY 27 — MONDAY, MAY 30, 2016

Last years devastating "Rough Fire" came dangerously close to the Bearskin Meadow Diabetic Youth Camp and it did in fact force the evacuation and closure of all roads leading into Bearskin Meadow Diabetic Youth Camp before we could successfully close the Camp last summer. We are asking and in need of Lions and Leos to help with the preopening of the Children's Camp during this years Memorial Day Weekend.

Because of the Rough Fire, and the short evacuation notice, many Chores and Projects were left undone. As always before we reopen the Camp for the children, the Pine Needles have to be raked away from all of the Cabins and sleeping areas and our District Leos have always been a tremendous help in completing this task. We are asking again for the Districts Leos help to reopen the Children's Diabetic Camp.

One Project that was left unfinished was the Sleeping Deck Overhangs and the re-shingling of the Overhangs. Lion Richard Garcia of Central Valley Roofing and other members of the Sequoia Lions will donate their time to re-shingle the Deck Overhangs (at a great savings to the District) with new shingles we purchased last year with part of the Grant Money our District was awarded in 2014 by LCIF in Partnership with the Diabetic Youth Foundation (DYF) To renovate the Diabetic Youth Camp.

Lion Richard is asking for help and assistance in the removal of the old shingles from the Deck Overhangs prior to installing the new shingles. This Project calls for our YOUNGER LIONS to step up and volunteer to help for us to complete this particular project. All volunteers will be well fed three meals a day and can either sleep in a cabin or under the stars on one of the sleeping decks at night. Be sure to bring layered clothing and sleeping bags wherever you choose to sleep. We have chores for all age groups and plenty to do, so everyone is welcome to volunteer. Volunteers can work one, two or three days it is up to you. Your volunteer hours can also be credited towards the Centennial Service Challenge Awards Patches for your Club Banner.

To signup and for more information, Contact PDG Walt Juarez at waltjuarez08@aol.com or PDG Judith Woolley at judyarribere@aol.com.

Thank you Walt Juarez PDG

54th LIONS OPERATION FRIENDSHIP VISITATION



MARCH 17 - 20, 2016





CANCELLATION POLICY: NO REFUNDS 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO MARCH 17, 2016

- ELIZALDE CHARTER BUS WILL TAKE YOU DIRECT TO THE HEADQUARTERS HOTEL (EL CORTEZ).
- 2. NO HASSEL AT BORDER CROSSING TO ENSENADA AND RETURNING BACK HOME.
- 3. THIS IS A FIRST CLASS BUS, WITH LOTS OF FUN/FELLOWSHIP & RETURNS SUNDAY MARCH 20th
- 4. SEATS ARE ONLY RESERVED WHEN PAYMENT OF \$200.00 PER SEAT IS RECEIVED.
- 5. GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN EARLY TO ASSURE BUS AVAILABILITY.

THE BUS COST INCLUDES ELIZALDE CHARTER BUSES FROM SELMA, VISALIA AND BAKERSFIELD DIRECT TO THE HOTEL IN ENSENADA. WE WILL BE STOPPING FOR LUNCH. ALSO INCLUDED AT NO ADDITIONAL COST, (FOR BUS PASSENGERS ONLY) YOU WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO VISIT THE LIONS SCHOOL, AND BACK TO THE HOTEL. FOR YOUR TRIP HOME, ELIZALDE CHARTER BUSES WILL PICK YOU UP AT THE EL CORTEZ HOTEL ON SUNDAY MORNING; AFTER WE ARE FINISHED WITH OUR BREAKFAST THAT WILL BE SERVED AT LAS BUGAMBILIAS RESTAURANT (NEXT TO THE EL CORTEZ).

BUS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016 DEPARTS: SELMA, OLD COST LESS FOODS PARKING LOT- 2446 MCCALL AVE., SELMA CA 93662 VISALIA AIRPORT – 9501 W. AIRPORT DRIVE, VISALIA CA 93277 BAKERSFIELD DAYS INN – 818 REAL ROAD, BAKERSFIELD CA 93309 ARRIVE: ENSENADA						
SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2016, DEPARTS: ENSENADA 9:00AM lionsoperationfriendship@gmail.com						
RESERVATION FORM						
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CIRCLE BOARDING SITE: Selma, CA Visalia, CA Bakersfield, CA						
CIRCLE METHOD OF PAYMENT: CHECK VISA MASTER CARD CREDIT CARD #:EXP DATE: SIGNATURE:						
MAIL THIS BUS RESERVATION FORM, ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK TO: OPERATION FRIE	NDSHIP					

bcdiltz@comcast.net

PLEASE RETAIN TOP PORTION OF THIS FORM, IT CONTAINS THE TIME AND DATE OF YOUR DEPARTURE.

C/O BILL & CARRI DILTZ - 4314 W. NICHOLAS - VISALIA, CA. 93291 - (559) 732-6897 OR (559) 300-7015





Lions Operation Friendship

"HANDS ACROSS THE BORDER "SERVING SINCE 1963"

54th LIONS OPERATION FRIENDSHIP VISITATION



MARCH 17 - 20, 2016

VISITATION PACKAGE & HOTEL

RESERVATION FORM



VISITATION PACKAGE PRICE IS \$75.00 PER PERSON (This is required for everyone attending) This money goes directly to help cover the cost of food, entertainment and other incidentals to the visitation. Everyone attending must pay for a Visitation Package. The package includes the following; 2016 Lions Operation Friendship Visitation Pin & the Lions Operation Friendship Visitation T-Shirt, Thursday Night Social (Wine, Beer, Margaritas & Taco Bar), Friday's Lunch, Business Meeting & Dinner and Sunday Breakfast at Las Bugambilias Restaurant is provided by Ensenada Lions.

HOTEL ROOM COST AND INFORMATION

HOTEL **EL CORTEZ** STANDARD

ONE KING / TWO QUEEN

JR. SUITES ONE QUEEN PREMIER (NEW ROOMS) ONE KING / TWO QUEEN

\$75.00 ◆◆ Room Price: you can have up to 4 people per regular room per night ◆◆

Call Lion Jeff Garcia at (559) 924-4417, FOR AVAILABILITY

HOTEL ROOM AND VISITATION PACKAGE PRICE MUST BE PAID TOGETHER

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C/O JEFFREY GARCIA - 162 WEST D STREET- LEMOORE, CA. 93245 - PHONE (559) 924-4417

jeff@eyecaredoctor.com

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Lions Operation Friendship

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Lions Clubs International

Celebrating 100 Years of Service

Our Centennial Celebration brings Lions together to celebrate 100 years of life-changing humanitarian service.

Starting with the kickoff in July 2014 and ending in June 2018, Lions in clubs around the world will join in the celebration by expanding our community project work and inspiring others to join us in service.

It's an exciting time to be a Lion. Let's celebrate together!



Ways your Lions club can celebrate and serve

Lead through Service

Organize Centennial Service Challenge projects to benefit youth, vision, hunger, and the environment

...and share your successes with your local media and on MyLCI.

Invite for Impact

Participate in the Centennial Membership Awards by inviting new members and sponsoring a new club

...and encourage your new members to participate in Centennial service projects.

Connect with **Community** Identify needs in your community and plan a Centennial Community Project to make a lasting local impact

...and share your Centennial projects through social media with the #LIONS100 hashtag.

Start your Centennial Celebration today!

- 1. Talk about the Centennial with your club and invite them to join the celebration.
- 2. Choose a Centennial Club Chairperson and/or committee.
- 3. Create a plan for your club to Lead through Service, Invite for Impact, and Connect with your Community.
- 4. Share your plan with your District Centennial Coordinator — other clubs can benefit from your ideas.
- 5. Share the impact of your service on MyLCI at mylci.lionsclubs.org.

Centennial Resources

Visit <u>lions100.org</u> for everything Centennial, including planning

guides, project ideas, presentations, and videos to inspire

Join the Centennial Service Challenge at lions100.org/centennialservicechallenge

Invite new Lions to join you in service and celebration at

lions100.org/centennialmembership

lions100.org



Multiple District Four



2016 YOUTH Leadership institute

April 15 to 17, 2016

Lions Camps at Teresita Pines

22801 Big Pines Hwy, Wrightwood, CA 92397 info@campteresitapines.org • 800.585.3245 or 760.249.3580

Fellow Lions, Leo Advisors & Leos,

The price of the Youth Leadership Institute is \$130 per attendee with **check made out to MD4 with Youth Outreach in the Memo Area.**

Raffle tickets will be sent on request to help subsidize the Youth Leadership Institute expenses.

Each attendee can sell \$130 worth of tickets to subsidize the price. Tickets sell for \$5 each & the 1st prize is \$300, 2nd \$200, 3rd \$100. Order Raffle Tickets from Melanie Hunter. Mail to Lion Melanie Hunter at 2734 Starlight Boulevard Redding, CA 96001 on or before March 28, 2016. Maximum enrollment is 200 Leos, Advisors and Chaperones. Preference will be given to registrations received with payment.

Include:

- Registration Form
- Permission Slip & PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT ON CAMP RULES, Signed by Parent/Guardian & Leo & Advisor Sold raffle ticket stubs with check (No Cash) for \$130:

Check Made out to MD4 with Youth Outreach in the Memo Area for your attendance.

Please **PRINT** your name properly & clearly, so we can prepare your **Name Badge**.

Do not forget to indicate your **T-shirt size** (including advisors, chaperones,

or Youth Outreach Committee member). For proper cabin assignment, please indicate your gender.

Thank you,

Gary Hall, Youth Outreach Chair printer70@verizon.net Cell (626) 327-0564

For more information contact:

Lion Melanie Hunter,

MD4 Leo Chair

2734 Starlight Boulevard

Redding, CA 96001

(530) 921-3600 cell

mhunter@sdsengineering.com

Enclosures:

Registration Form

Permission Slip Form

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT ON CAMP RULES

All Signed by Parent/Guardian & Leo





Multiple District Four LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL



2016 YOUTH LEADERSHIP

INSTITUTE

April 15 - 17, 2016

Lions Camps at Teresita Pines

22801 Big Pines Hwy, Wrightwood, CA 92397



REGISTRATION FORM

Permission Slip & PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT ON CAMP RULES MUST Accompany Registration Form along with \$130 fee, Submit ALL Forms by March 28, 2016

include for each attendee: \$130 and ticket stubs for any sold.

Checks Payable to: MD4 with Youth Outreach in the Memo field (Do not mail to Santa Barbara)

Mail to: Lion Melanie Hunter before March 28, payment must be made by 3/28/16, no refunds after this date.

Lion Melanie Hunter 2734 Starlight Boulevard Redding, CA 96001

T-shirt size:	S M D L DXL DXXL	Other	·		
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August 26, 2015



2016 YOUTH LEADERSHIP



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PERMISSION SLIP

IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ!

We must have the completed Permission Slip & PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT ON CAMP RULES (with parent signature for a Leo youth below the age of 18), (those 18 & older may sign their own forms), and the Registration Form before an individual can be assigned to a cabin.

The Youth Outreach Committee reserves the right to prohibit a Leo Youth from participating in this event based on behavioral or disciplinary concerns. The parent/guardian must provide transportation for any Leo sent home. The committee is required to have a chaperone of 21+ years of age of appropriate gender in every cabin. Pictures will be taken at the camp for display at the camp and on the appropriate MD4 websites, if you do not wish pictures taken of your youth please check here ...

District:
Advisor's Name
Email:
Phone:
Phone:
sing requirements / Allergies/etc.:
ny permission to the Youth Outreach Program and/or it's agent to obtain whatever, being parent, guardian or other person entitled to legal custody of, nor child, do hereby authorize the Lions/Leos Club International, to whose care I
nination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis or treatment and hospital care ral or specific supervision and upon the advice of a physician and surgeon licensed or to consent to an x-ray, examination, anesthetic, dental or surgical diagnosis or minor by a dentist licensed under the provision of the Dental Practice Act.
Date:
Phone:
Policy #:



YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Lions Camps at Teresita Pines



PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT ON CAMP RULES

It is the goal of the Youth Outreach Committee that every participant has a fun and safe experience during the Youth Leadership Institute. To help ensure this, we are asking you to review the following rules and sign this contract to abide by them.

- I will stay on camp property at all times during the Youth Leadership Institute weekend.
- I will not intentionally injure or endanger myself or any other person either physically or emotionally.
- I will respect the environment, camp, camp property and personal property of others. I will not enter others cabins or touch anyone's property without permission. If I do not, my family will be liable for damages caused.
- I will not use foul or abusive language.
- I will not engage in any sexual contact, indecent exposure, or entering a cabin of opposite sex.
- I will not use or possess tobacco products, drugs, alcohol or weapons.
- I will demonstrate respect for staff and fellow campers at all times.
- I will not engage in harassment or ethnic/racial/religious/political slander of any person or group.
- I will be on time for all activities and meals. I will participate in all scheduled activities. I will be in the right place at the right time doing the right thing.
- I will remain in my cabin during designated quiet hours. If I must leave the cabin for any reason during these hours (i.e. restroom), I will notify my chaperone.
- I will be quiet and courteous when instructions are being given.
- I will keep my cabin area neat and will ensure that I leave my space clean at the end of the weekend.
- I will not eat or store food in my cabin.
- If I am with someone who is breaking one of the above rules, I will talk with my chaperone or a Youth Outreach Committee member about it.

If I do not follow these rules, I

- 1. Can be promptly dismissed from camp.
- 2. Must have a parent/guardian come to camp to pick me up at their own expense.
- 3. Forfeit all camp fees.
- 4. Risk losing the privilege of returning to camp in the future.

Participant's Name (Please PRINT)	Parent/Guardian's Signature
Participant's Signature	Advisor's Signature
 Date	Date

I have read and understand the rules. I promise to abide by them and help to enforce them.

August 26, 2015



YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

April 15 - 17, 2016

Camp Teresita Pines 22801 Big Pines Highway Wrightwood, California 92397



Friday, April 15, 2016

3:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Check-In (Leavy Hall)
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Dinner (Leavy Hall) (participants arriving after 6:00 pm will need to eat prior to arrival)
7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	Orientation / Introductions / Getting To Know You Activities (Leavy Hall)

Saturday, April 16, 2016

8:00 am – 8:45 am	Breakfast (Leavy Hall)
9:00 am – 9:15 am	Flag Salute / Introduce Team Challenge Activity (Flag Pole)
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Leadership Training Session One (See Board for Locations) participants will rotate in groups to four different sessions including: • Session One (topic to be announced) by PDG Sheila Casteel • Session Two (topic to be announced) by PDG Jim Goodheart • Session Three (topic to be announced) by PCC Denny Grotrian • Session Four (topic to be announced) by PCC Liz Crooke
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Best Practices for Leo Advisors by (Dining Hall Annex)
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Team Challenge Activity Continues
11:00 am – 12:00	Leadership Training Session Two (See Board for Locations)
11:00 am – 12:00	Best Practices for Leo Advisors (continued) by
12:00 am – 12:15 pm	Turn In Team Challenge Activity Results (round one)
12:15 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch (Leavy Hall)
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Leadership Training Session Three (See Board for Locations)
2:00 pm – 2:45 pm	Just For Fun Activity (Leavy Hall)
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	Leadership Training Session Four (See Board for Locations)
3:45 pm – 4:45 pm	Team Challenge Activity Continues
4:45 pm – 5:30 pm	Prep for Club Presentations (Sunday Morning Bragging Rights)
5:30 pm – 6:15 pm	Dinner (Leavy Hall)
6:15 pm – 6:45 pm	Keynote Speaker
6:45 pm - 7:00 pm	Youth Exchange Presentation by Eileen Blummin
7:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Graduation Ceremony Life After Leos / Campus Club Presentation
8:45 pm – 10:15 pm	Campfire
10:30 pm – 11:15 pm	Evening Activity / Turn In Team Challenge Activity Results (round two) (Leavy Hall)



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL 97TH ANNUAL MD-4 CONVENTION





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Registration (required)		\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 65.00
Convention Pin		\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Friday Leadership Luncheon		\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 45.00
Friday Dinner		\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 65.00
Saturday International Dignitary	Luncheon	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 45.00
Saturday Council of Governors'	Banquet	\$ 50.00	\$ 65.00	
Sunday Breakfast with Special S	3peaker	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00
2 Choose Your Meals: Friday Leadership Luncheon Friday Dinner Saturday International Dignitary Luncheon Saturday Council of Governors' Banquet Sunday Breakfast with Keynote Speaker		Chicken Cordon Blue: Vegetarian Pl Sautéed Chicken Breast: Vegetarian Pl Prime Rib: King Salmon: Vegetarian Pl		Vegetable Salad: Vegetarian Plate: Vegetarian Plate: Vegetarian Plate: Vegetarian Plate:
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This registration is not valid without payment. Payment by check or credit card. Return (not honored) check fee \$25. **YOU MAY SUBMIT CREDIT CARD REGISTRATION BY EMAIL**, if you know how to **save** and **attach** this file.

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JOIN THE

Centennial Service Challeng

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!

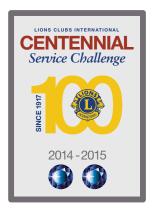
Earn Special Centennial Recognition for Your Club

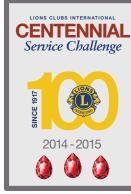
Your club can earn a Centennial Banner Patch with a special gemstone design each year you sponsor a Global Service Action project impacting Youth, Vision, Hunger or the Environment.

- 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.

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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.

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CLUB ACTIVITY REPORT

FOR THE MONTH OF

December. MONTH JUST COMPLETED

ALL CLUB ACTIVITY MUST BE REPORTED EACH MONTH ON THIS FORM AND

REPORTING MONTH

TOP DISTRICT CLUB WILL BE DETERMINED ONLY FROM INFORMATION REPORTED ON THIS FORM

CLUB NAME: Lemoore Lions Club Club Identification No. 2349 DATE: 1/01/2015 DISTRICT 4-A2 REGION: Western 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	
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Number of Club Officers attending a Zone Advisory Meeting this month		a 0	Number of Members as of July 1 27			27	Participated in Flag Day this month – May		Check
Number of Non-Officer Members attending a Zone Advisory Meeting this month		U	Number of members at end of this period 29			29	Participated in White Cane Day this month		
Number of Club Officers attending a District Cabinet Meeting this month		U	Number of new members gained this month 0			0	Participated in Student Speaker Contest this month		
Number of Non-Officer Members attending a District Cabinet Meeting this month		U	Number of members dropped due to death 0			0	Published a Newsletter or Bulletin this month		
Number of Certified Delegates attending the MD-4 Convention this month		o 0	Number of members dropped due to transfer to another club			0	Sponsored a New Lions Club this month		
Number of Non-Delegate Members attending the MD-4 Convention this month		0	Number of members dropped for any reason other than death or transfer			1	Sponsored a New Leo Club this month		
Number of Certified Delegates attending the District 4-A2 Convention this month			Average percentage of active member attendance this month			99%	This Club is a Member of the Lions Eye Foundation		
Number of Non-Delegate Members attending the 4-A2 Convention this month		0	Number of Youth Exchange Students Sponsored			0	This Club is a Member of the Lions Ear Foundation		
Number of Members attending the Ensenada Operation Friendship trip		0 0	Number of Proud Lions Awarded this month 0			0			
Number of official club visitations this month		th 2	Membership and Activity Reports mailed by the 20 nd of the reporting month			d by the	Date Mailed: 1/01/2015		
Visited all of the clubs in the Zone since July 1		Check	Semi-Annual Dues paid to Lion International by- July & Jan			onal by-	Date Paid: 07/14/2014		
Number of times club was published in newspaper or other media (Attach Articles)			Semi-Annual Dues paid to MD-4 by- August and February				Date Paid: 08/27/2014		
Number of Member Bearskin Meadownonth	0		Amount of money donated by the club this month ist names of each Donee in section below.			\$9,100			

CONTINUE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SEPARATE SHEETS: TYPE ANY INFORMATION AND GIVE MORE DETAILS

- 5 Lions helped the Hanford Breakfast Lions Club with their annual Breakfast with Santa. Total of 20 hours worked and served over 500 people.
- 7 Leos helped the Hanford Breakfast Lions Cub with their annual Breakfast with Santa. Total of 28 hours worked.
- 13 Lions Participated in the Christmas Parade to help pass out flyers for our annual Breakfast with Santa. Total of 26 hours worked.
- 4. 8 Leos Participated in the Christmas Parade to help pass out flyers for our annual Breakfast with Santa. Total of 16 hours worked.
- 18 Lions worked our annual Lemoore Lions Breakfast with Santa. Total of 160 hours worked and served over 925 people.

 14 Leos helped the Lemoore Lions with their annual Breakfast with Santa. Total of 98 hours worked and served over 925 people. 6.
- Lemoore Lions donated \$350 to the Local Soup Kitchen
- Lemoore Lions donated \$7,000 to West Hills College for Scholarships.
- Lemoore Lions Donated \$250 to the Lemoore Police Presents on Patrol.
- 10. Lemoore Lions Donated \$1,000 for Presents on Patrol to feed the hungry.
- Lemoore Lions Donated \$300 for gift baskets for the Nursing Home.
- Lemoore Lions Donated \$200 for the City of Lemoore Shoe Drive.
- 8 Lions Helped the Lemoore Police Department wrap gifts for Presents on Patrol on 12-17-14. Total of 32 Hours worked.
- 6 Lions helped the Lemoore Police Department distribute gifts and food for Presents on Patrol on 12-19-14. Total of 18 hours worked and served 50 families with a total of 230 people served.
- 15. 3 Leos helped the Lemoore Police Department distribute gifts and food for Presents on Patrol on 12-19-14. Total of 9 hours worked.
- 16. 8 Lions helped wrap gifts for the Elderly at the Kings Nursing and Rehabilitation Center on 12-13-14. Total of 24 hours worked.
- 12 Lions helped distribute gifts and sang Christmas Carols for the Elderly at the King Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Total of 18 hours worked and served 48 people.
- 13 Leos helped distribute gifts to the elderly at the Kings Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Total of 19 hours worked and served 48 people.
- 10 Lions hosted a Movie Night for the Lemoore Leos for all their hard work throughout the year. Total of 50 hours worked and served 14 Leos and Cubs

Signature of Club President:

President Lion Greg Martella

EMAILED TO DG - **iamlionanthony@yahoo.com**

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Signature of Club Secretary:

Lion Bill Maver

RETAIN A COPY OF THIS REPORT FOR YOUR RECORDS. MAIL A COPY TO: DISTRICT GOVERNOR, CABINET SECRETARY AND ZONE CHAIR.



District 4-A2 Governor Craig Cooper