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3rd Quarter
2016-2017



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District Governor Al Kroell 2016-17

Hi Team

I hope that every one of you had a very Merry Christmas and will have a very healthy, Happy New Year. I like to thank all of you for the very warm receptions that we continue to get, as both my wife and I visits all of the clubs. You have truly made us feel like part of your lion family and again I would love to thank you for everything that you do for your communities.

It is hard to believe that we are halfway done with this Lions year. Looking back on the last half we have accomplished so much, the Erskine fire, Constitutional Convention, membership seminar, bowling tournament, the startup of disaster preparedness plan for our district, hero clubs, and our Leo's doing social media as the Daily Planet for our district. Just to mention a few things that had happened this last year, we have also tried to update our email list for all of our members in our district, we have changed the Proud Lions booklet, and have even put on the website an online orientation to help out new members. Just think what we are able to accomplish this next half.

As we move forward into this New Year we are going to try to strengthen programs that we have existing right now to make them even better. I'm proud to say that our membership has been going up slowly but steadily and we are now the largest district in MD4. We are the very first ones in the United States to have used the join with us program to bring in our Lionesses into Lions. The Charter Night will be an accomplishment for not only our district and MD4 but for the United States. The International President was going to be the keynote speaker for this event but sadly had another commitment that he had to attend. Therefore, our International Director Howard Hudson will be the keynote speaker on the evening of 28 January 2017. We are also starting a Hmong club in Fresno. This will be the very first Hmong club in the world. I am so proud of these accomplishments and the people that poured themselves into making them all come together.

As we roar in the New Year and kick off our Centennial celebration for Lions, let's make everyone in our district feel appreciated for all of the hard work that they do. Sometimes we only focus on the new members or the members working out in front and forget about all the behind the scene workers that help everything go into place. I was once told that it is not the quarterback that wins football games it's the team. So let's go into this New Year as a winning and caring team.

Remember you are a Superhero to someone even if you don't know that, so be the best you can be every minute of your life because someone is looking up to you.

Happy New Year team and thank you for all of your hard work.

DG Al





John M. Burns 2nd Vice District Governor

Greetings fellow Lions of District 4-A2,

It is hard to believe that we have reached the half-way point for Lion Year 2016-2017, and this year's Centennial Celebration of Lions International. I know a lot of hard work and effort by the clubs of the District to support the Centennial Challenge has been ongoing through this first half of the year, and I really appreciate each of your clubs for their efforts.

The second half of the year will define how well we succeed in making the goals we have set for ourselves. I encourage each of the clubs to make every effort to report their service projects monthly, especially those service projects that qualify as one of the major areas for the Centennial Year—Engaging our Youth, Sharing the Vision, Relieving the Hunger, and Protecting our Environment. Reporting of these centennial projects will earn the participating club a banner patch for each area reported. Don't let your club miss out on this opportunity to participate in this opportunity to earn the Centennial Service banner patches.

As reflected in the Club Health Assessment as of November, the District had a net growth of 21 members since June. Although we are positive for the first half of the year, it is going to take a lot of effort by the clubs to maintain positive membership growth through the rest of the year. I encourage each of the clubs to make membership growth a priority and use our Centennial Year as an excellent backdrop for recruiting new members—especially those non-lions that you invite to your centennial service projects. That is a great opportunity to recruit new members. A club that is active in service not only retains members, but also attracts new members.

Lastly, I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and remind all of you that as Lions you are making a difference in our communities, our nation, and around the world. It is a privilege to serve with each of you in making Lions International the greatest service organization in the world. Thank you again for your support.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion John



For the first time, we took part in the Christmas Parade organized by Lemoore Chamber of Commerce and City of Lemoore and won THIRD position Ribbon for our Hanford- Lions Club Centennial Year Float sponsored by Bombay Indian Food & Chai House, Hanford.

My dear Lions, Leos and family,

This has been my exciting moment to write to you all that recently I have been appointed as a USA Leo Leadership Foundation Regional Coordinator for the Region-A which includes all the districts of California and Oregon states Leo clubs. It is indeed a great opportunity as well as a challenge for me, while being the First Vice Governor this year. So, I will surely need your support for the same to support our young leaders who will be our future. I want to thank all the clubs for the invitations to visit your clubs especially the Christmas parties, and as I gain the know-how as well as enjoy the spirit of holidays with my fellow lions. It has brought me great education, to further study, "What Lions Do?"

Continue.....

Some clubs were dark until end of September and others were still active since the beginning of our lionistic year 2016-2017. Thanks to our GMT and GLT coordinators with their teams who have successfully been working throughout the year to make our district stand-out among all the districts within our Multiple District-4. For example, with the continuing efforts of our District team leaders, we were able to convert the only Lioness club in Selma, into a Lions Club.

Now, only six months left for this lionistic year and we have many centennial challenges to overcome for which we request you all to support as much as you can with full devotion. There are also currently trainings available from our MD-4 Institutes at Sacramento & Ontario. So, those who are willing to learn more and run for future leadership roles, I highly encourage and recommend to attend these trainings. I have further attached details regarding those institutes. Friends, also our Multiple convention and our 3rd District meeting are both coming near in the month of February for which please register in time.

Also, attached with this newsletter, is application for District Officer positions for this upcoming year. After filling it out, please send the application along with a **2x2 color picture in light background or preferably white**, back to Lion Kevin by **February, 28TH 2017**.

Additionally, the success of club awards depends on proper reporting, so please make sure you report accordingly. Club officers should visit the websites to pass the latest updates and other important information and various opportunities along with information regarding to send nominations for awards by visiting District, Multiple and the International Websites of our Lions.

Lastly, with love and lionistic enthusiasm let us step into the Centennial year with much more efforts and more hands to accept more challenges and work more for the betterment of our community. Looking forward to see you all soon in our 3rd District Meeting in February, 2017.

Sincerely,

MJF Lion Chiragkumar "Kevin" Patel
1st Vice District Governor (2016-2017)
District 4-A2

P O BOX 652

LEMOORE, CA 93245-0652

(For preference of faster communication, you may contact me via: -

Phone: (704) 267-9583, Text messages, Facebook, Facebook Messenger,

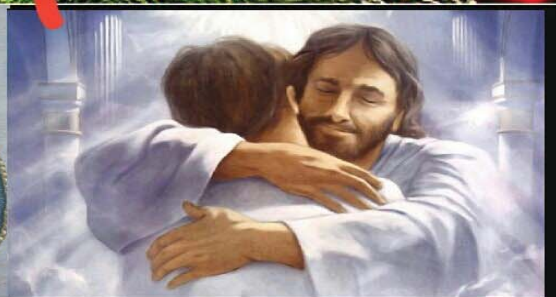
Skype ID# lionchiragkumarpatel

E-mail: chiragkumarpatel@yahoo.com

Fax: (336) 499-2593

Keep in touch and thank-you!)

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SUPERLIONS

Join us for the fellowship at The 3rd District Meeting
Veteran's Memorial, 218 Taylor, Taft, CA

February 25, 2017 Cabinet Dress: Uniform
Host Region: Southern ----- Host Club: Taft & Midway Sunset Lions

>>> REGISTRATION FORM <<<

Lion's Name:			Email:		
Address:		City:	Zip:	Cell Phone:	
Club Name:		Region:	Zone:	District/Club Office Held:	
Number of Lions & Guest Registrations:			@ \$10.00	\$	
Number of Leo Registrations & Pin			@ \$3.00	\$	
Package Plan Includes: Registration, District Governor Pin, Friday's Dinner Saturday's Breakfast And Saturday's Lunch			Post Marked Before Feb 11th \$43.00	Post Marked After Feb 11th \$52.00	\$
Friday Dinner: Includes Beans, Salad, Bread, Beverage & Desert	<input type="checkbox"/> Tri-Tip <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken	Casual	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$
Saturday Breakfast: Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Hash Browns, & Beverage		Cabinet Dress: Uniform	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$
Saturday Lunch: Sandwich, Chips and Beverage		Cabinet Cress: Uniform	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$
Extra: District Governor Trading Pins			\$3.00 Each	\$	
Total Amount - Including Registration			\$		

Cabinet Meeting Registration

Make your check payable to **TAFT LIONS CLUB**
Mail to: Ron Waldrop
601 Kern Street
Taft, CA 93268

BEST WESTERN PLUS 203 SOUTH 6TH STREET
TAFT, CA 93268 PHONE 661-745-5555

#1 NEW(23) 1 BED @ \$90.00 + TAX

(37) 2 BED @ \$95.00 + TAX

EMAIL kunal@bwtaft.com

www.bwtaft.com

Tell them your with Lions Clubs

Recommended Hotels

HOLLAND INN & SUITES 531 WARREN ST
TAFT, CA 93268 - 661-763-5211
#2 \$59.00

CAPRICE MOTEL 222 KERN STREET
TAFT, CA 93268 661-765-2161
#3 \$60.00

TOPPER'S MOTEL 101 EAST KERN ST
TAFT, CA 93268 661-765-4145
#4 \$55.00

SUNSET MOTEL 411 4TH STREET
TAFT, CA 93268 661-765-6214
#5 \$55.00

RIVERLAKES GOLF BAKERSFIELD

3rd District 4A2 Lions 2016-2017 Golf Tourney

WHERE: Riverlakes Golf Course
5201 Riverlakes Drive - Bakersfield
TELEPHONE: 661-587-5465
WHEN: 11 AM Friday, February 24, 2017
FEE: \$45 and includes Golf Cart
DEADLINE: February 20, 2015 (Golf Course requires
guarantee). **PLEASE** reserve early with
this form or call Bill – saves confusion!



COUNTRY CLUB SETTING & SERVICE

FORMAT: 4 Person Scramble

#	PRINT NAME	EMAIL	TELEPHONE	CLUB NAME
1				
2				
3				
4				

Make Checks Payable to: Lion Bill Diltz, Golf Chair
And mail it with this form to: 4314 W. Nicholas Ave. Visalia, 93291
559-732-6897 or 559-288-2933 Email: bcdiltz@comcast.net



Riverlakes Golf Course is recommended by a fellow Lion who loves playing it... come see why and bring a friend. Played in Oct. 2015 and it IS great fun.

The course is 2 miles west of Hwy 99 off of Olive Drive.

Come join to in Scramble Golf!!!

"ROAR OF THE LION"

District 4-A2 60th Annual Convention

Friday—Sunday
April 21-23, 2017
Morro Bay, CA



Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Club Name: _____ Region: _____ Zone: _____

District or Club Office Held: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Name of Guest or other Lion: _____

**MEAL RESERVATIONS ARE LIMITED TO 146,
SO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY**

Reservations Received

		Before Dec 31	Jan 1- Mar 15	Mar 16- April 7	Total
Convention Package Includes Registration, Convention Pin, Friday Food Fair, Saturday Lunch and Dinner, Sunday Breakfast		\$85.00	\$95.00	\$110.00	
All Lions and Guests attending the convention are required to register		\$15.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	
Friday	FOOD FAIR (Headquarters Hotel)	FREE	FREE	FREE	
Saturday Lunch 12:00	Seafood pasta salad with clam chowder, Rolls/crackers, desert & Beverage Vegetarian: Vege salad, crackers/ rolls, desert & beverage	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$20.00	
Saturday Dinner 7:00 pm	Prime Rib or Salmon, salad, veges, rice pilaf, rolls, desert & beverage Vegetarian: Vege lasagna, salad, rolls, desert & beverage	\$38.00 Prime Rib <input type="radio"/> Salmon <input type="radio"/>	\$40.00 Prime Rib <input type="radio"/> Salmon <input type="radio"/>	\$42.00 Prime Rib <input type="radio"/> Salmon <input type="radio"/>	
Sunday Breakfast 9:00am	French toast, scrambled eggs, hash browns, sausage, fruit, juices & beverage	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$20.00	
Make Check Payable & Send to: District 4-A2 Convention 2381 Cherry Avenue Sanger, CA 93657-3607		District 4-A2 Convention Pins (\$3.00 each)			
		Total Amount enclosed including Registration			

Headquarters Hotel is the Cayucos Beach Inn
(805) 995-2828

**However at this time it is booked Contact hotel to be placed on
waiting list**



District 4-A2 Convention 2017

Food Fair

Friday April 21, 2017

Cayucos Beach Inn, 333 South Ocean Ave, Cayucos, CA

This year we will be having something new and exciting during our food fair. We will have a Chili cook-off and a Tri-tip cook-off, as well as a best booth contest. The contest will be judged by our celebrity judges. Peoples choice will determine the best overall booth. A cash prize of \$100 will be awarded to the winners. So get your chef's together along with their secret recipes and enter early. Another new thing this year, will be raising money for LCIF. Each booth will be allowed to have a collection box for donations to LCIF, you will be able to "seed" the box with club funds and the club with the most donations will receive the credit for the entire funds raised. We hope to have a lot of clubs participating and raising money for LCIF this year.

Club Name _____ Chairperson _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Region _____ Zone _____

Cell Phone _____

Please check all that apply

- ☐ Food Fair Booth
- ☐ Chili Cook-off
- ☐ Tri-tip cook-off
- ☐ Other Please Name _____

Send Registration to:

District 4-A2 Convention
2381 Cherry Avenue
Sanger, CA 93657-3607

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NEW MEMBER NIGHT 2016



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New Members 10/2015 to 12/2016

New Member Name (Sponsor’s Name)

Visalia Pride Lions Club:

Ryan Davila, Lori Carrell, Jean Jeppesen, Kathy Ashford, Cassandra Frates, Ruben Perez (Alicia Crumpler)Helen Herrera (William VanLandingham) and Bill Miller (William VanLandingham)

Hanford Breakfast Lions Club:

Maribel Alvarez (Lourdes De Lara), Natasha Black ((Hermanlinda Avila), Lydia Castro (Lourdes De Lara), Delores Arias ((Hermanlinda Avila), Claudia Contreras ((Hermanlinda Avila), Christina, Randi Willis, Natasha Black (Hermanlinda Avila), Shamia Briscoe (Hermanlinda Avila),, Luke Britti, Sierra Patheal (Chiragkumar Patel), Joan Rodriguez (Christina Rodriguez), Santosh Gautam, and Victor Vargas (Hermanlinda Avila),,

Kings Lions Club:

Ulises Lopez, Syklvia Rocha, and Robert Austin Daniel Escalera (Jeffrey Garcia)

Lemoore Lions Club:

Cynthia Halliday (Sollie Bennet), Rosenia A. Lontoc (Sollie Bennet), Ester Ludwig (Rosenia Lontoc), Scott Ludwig , Rosenia Lontoc) Jame Pridgen (Rosenia Lontoc), Toni Pridgen (Rosenia Lontoc), Pete Simmon (Sollie Bennett) Juliano Vargas (Rosenia Lontoc), Kiara Bag-Id, and Ryka Bag-Id

Selma Central Valley Lioness:

Skye Edwards and Madison Neal (Patricia Neal)

Taft Midway Lions Club:

Rebecca Connick and Yulisa Martinez (Carolyn Jackson)

Visalia Breakfast Lions Club:

Stephen Girardot, Brad Baxter (David Baxter), and Ray L. Lewis (Craig Van Horn)

Clovis Country Lions Club:

Stephen Girardot, Brad Baxter, Robert Andrade, Alexandra Major (Earle Raymond Scott Baker), Roger Halder (Rick Brase), Robert Shuman (David Tarvin) and Ray L. Lewis

Cutler-Orosi Lions Club:

JayboyCamaquin, Lucelva S. Cerda (Leanne Cerda), Nancy G. Medel MS (Yvette Botello), Melissa Trujillo Delgadillo (Leanne Cerda) and Veronica Zarco

Delano Lions Club:

Melaie C. Diaz (Simona Forsythe) and Jessie Fragoso (Henrietta Ruiz)

Exeter Lions Club:

Douglas Anez (Mark Mickey Hirni), Becky Reberry (Ramiro Villarreal), Brad Smith (Steve Lentz), Chris Hughes (Ben Weldon), Scott Stults (Mike McGee), and Dewayne Faulkner (Mark Mickey Hirni)

Fresno Diwata Lions Club:

Daniel R. Baxter, MD (Victoria Baxter), Russel Kenneth Kalgting (Eleanor Perry), Sorongon Kabigting, Paul Querijero (Viveca Medrano), Lianne M. Lopez (Viveca Medrano), Sam Cavallaro (Christina Hakl), Franklin Fontonilla (Dorothy Fontanilla), Kevin Krahn (Elsa Krahn), Michelle Baxter, Carmen de Guzman (Eleanor Perry), Jose Florez (Kevin Perry), Jennifer Gilliatt (Eleanor Perry), Zenaida Ragasa (Eleanor Perry), Roberto Jauregui (Luis Bravo), Elena Durst (Ajuriah Carmen Trevino), Falconary Hortizuela (Eleanor Perry), Anne Christine Grace Sorongon (Raymuel Harvey Kabigting), Nilo Medrano (Lianne Lopez) and Cris Slauson (Ajuriah Carment Trevino)

Fresno Pride Lions Club:

Kirsten S. Vercoe (Darla Bussey)

Rosedale Highway Lions Club:

Kristin Egelhoff (Sheri Stringer)

Shafter Lions Club:

Pat Boles (Enrique Serna), Bharpur S. Brar (Gilbert Alvarado), Sandra Gutierrez (Melissa Salinas), Janie Ramirez (Martha Alvarado), Gustavo Olvera (Gilbert Alvarado) and Roselinda Delarosa (Stephanie Serna)

Fresno Host Lions Club:

Cynthia Hargrave (Kelby Hargrave) and Robert Acuan (Connie Acuna)

Kingsburg Lion Club:

Steven Brett (Bo Brett), Shane Cates (Danny Cates), Kenny Collins (Paul Aslan), Scott Fishel (Paul Aslan), Jeremy Horstmann (Steven Brett), Alex Henderson (Steve Safarian), Jakob Smith (David Staffs), and Hector Urueta (David Staffs)

Laton Lions Club:

Adam Torgler (Terry Davis), Michael Tolbert, Cody and Kristen Kennedy, Mindy Moore, John Amaral, David Walter, Christine Kinsey, Miles Sheldon, Ellis Sheldon,

Three Rivers Lions Club:

Raymond Carlson (Martin Burnham), Chad Nicholson (Moises Garza), Audrey Reed (Susan McIntyre), Angela Huerta (Kaye Burnham), Jennifer Lee (Catherine Garza), and Dennis s. Welch (Moises Garza)

Visalia Host Lions Club:

Danny Angel (Stephen Gerrard), Aaron Odell (Steven Yeager), Robin Yeager (Janet McClintock), Diva Azxiz (Jamil Nushwat), Betty Odell (Robin Yeager), and Steven Yeager (Janet McClintock)

Woodlake Lions Club:

Robert Caballero Jr (Roberto Caballero), and Barnes Cody (Brett Morse)

Porterville Breakfast Lions Club:

Ernesto Alonzo (William Fusco), Richard Stadtherr (Dan Stadherr), Julia Padilla (Steven Graybehl), Garret Thomas, Cameron Anderson and Richard Tree

McFarland Lions Club:

Carmen Rico (Cristina Tafoya), Jesus Trinidad Jr (Jerrod Place), Angelica Garza (Jose Hernandez), Isaac A. Garza (Jose Hernandez), and Ms. Gloria Manzano (Marco Martinez)

Caruthers Lions Club

Gino Cattuzzo, Arnold Vera, Tim Rodrigues, and Larry Waldrop

Corcoran Lions Club

Susan Brown (Tammy Jackson), Ken Kemble (Teeresa Murberger), Teresa Murberger (Tammy Jackson), Sheri Gonzalez (Teresa Murberger), Brian Murberger (Tammy Jackson), Christina Toone (Jonathan Toone) and Patricia Nolen (Tammy Jackson)

Fowler Lions Club

George Bacon (Ron Monis), Raul Cardenas (Dave Cardenas) and Karnig Kazarian (Brett Davies)

Parlier Lions Club

Lid Hernancez (Juan Herrera)

Pixley Lions Club

Omar Torrez (George Beboer), Josh Williams (Barry Johnston) and Joey Vanderpoel (Randy Gorzeman)

Ponderosa Lions Club

Jasmine Heirendt (Jeannie Sa)

Richgrove Lions Club

Michell Chavez (Mari Pimentel), Neida Aliza Marie Chavez Pimentel (Maria Pimentel), Cecilia Lara (Virginia Beltran) and Alexia Tonia Rivera (Maria Pimentel)

Selma Charter Lions Club

Luise Arroyo, Virginia Balver, Joan Garcia, Stella Gnzales, Ruth Avila, Mary Chapa, Alissa Gonzales, Andrea Gonzalez, Irene Hughes, Gabriela Macias, Olga Martinez, Andrea Trevino, Anita Lopez, Fermina Martinez, Terry Molezzo

Shaver Lake Lions Club

Carson Brockway (Toby Wait), Richard Miles (Peter Van Vleet) and Susan Miles (Peter Van Vleet)

Visalia Charter Oak Lions Club

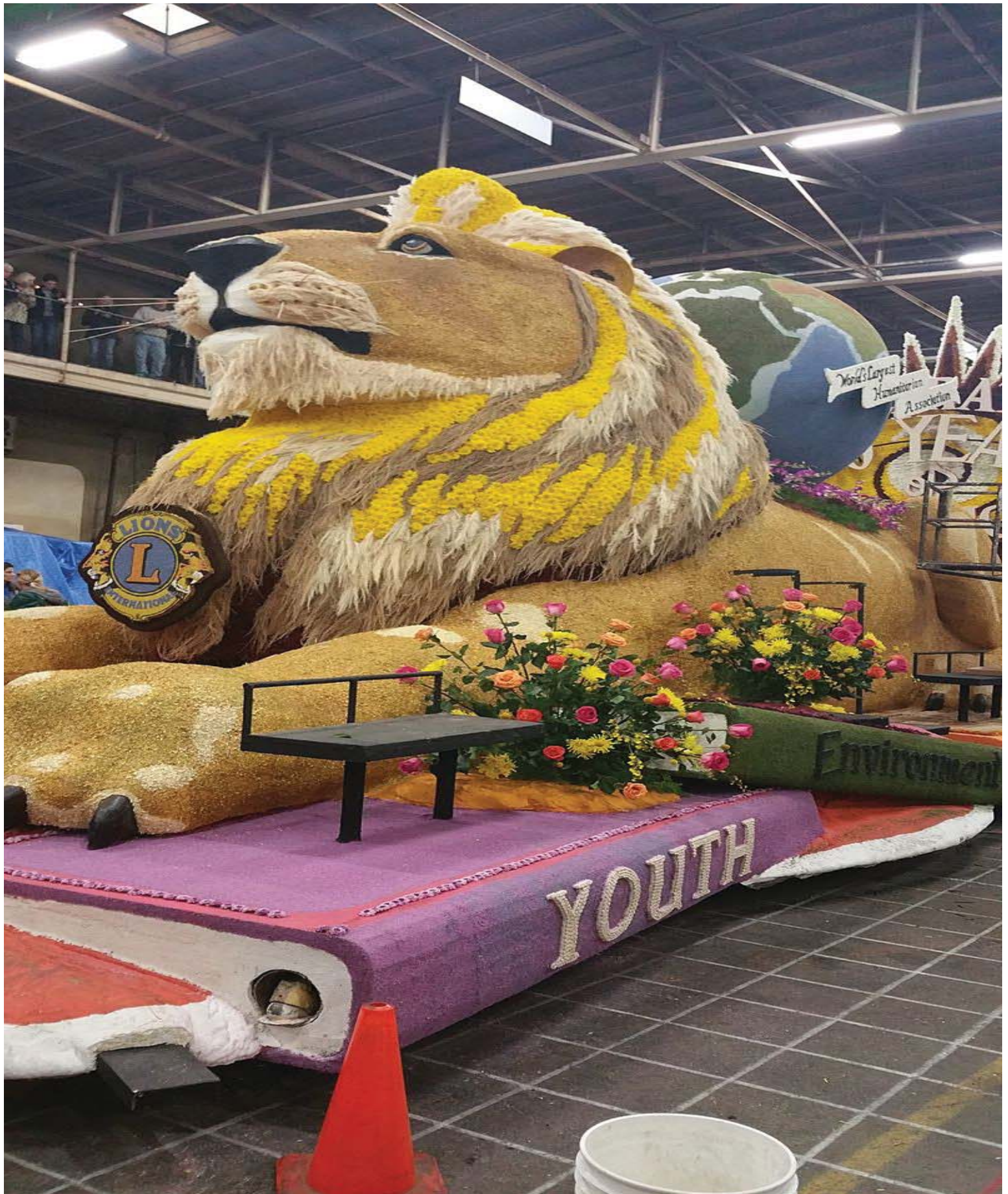
Kimberly Batty (Carolyn Diltz) and Kathleen Luhdorff (Tracey Meaders)

LIONS FLOAT 2016-17

4-A2 Lions working to produce



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DISTRICT 4 A2 GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM COORDINATOR (GMT) PDG WALTER “WALT” JUAREZ



**Greetings Fellow Lions
Happy New Year to all of you!**

I am pleased to say that our district finished off 2016 with a positive membership growth and the Chartering of a new club, the Selma Charter Lions Club. Come celebrate and support our newest club at their Charter Party on Saturday, January 28, 2017 at the Lamp Liter Inn in Visalia. We are now the largest district in California! This year, 2017 will bring a special excitement throughout our district and our Lions organization as we celebrate our 100th year Centennial. Lions, I encourage you to attend the Lions International Convention this year in Chicago the birth place of our organization for a very celebration that will not happen again for another 100 years. If you have not registered, do so now before the price goes up and it's too late.

Myself, Governor Al and the GMT team look forward to expanding new clubs and to continue to increase our district membership in 2017. Our focus will be to increase the membership of the clubs that have a membership under 20 members. Governor Al and I want to encourage the medium and large clubs to partner with the small clubs in their zones with their fund raisers and community projects to help stimulate their clubs growth both financially and in membership. Several clubs in our district are already successfully partnering together in our district with positive results.

As we continue to induct new members into our organization, let us make their inductions extra special, as they should be on our organizations 100th anniversary. Governor Al, myself and the GMT team will be happy to assist your club.

In closing, I want to wish all of you a happy and healthy New Year.

**Walter “Walt” Juarez
PDG/GMT**



LEO'S AND LEADERS:

IT IS THAT TIME AGAIN, PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MEMORIAL DAY SATURDAY AT BEARSKIN MEADOWS. WE CANNOT OPEN THIS CAMP WITHOUT YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT.

COME FOR THE DAY, PLAY BASEBALL AT FIVE, HAVE A NICE DINNER THEN A SAFE RIDE HOME.

LEO'S STAYING THE NIGHT PLEASE CONTACT ME FOR LODGING.

MAY 27, 2017 MEMORIAL DAY WORK DAY FOR LEO'S

BEARSKIN MEADOW

PDG JUDY WOOLLEY
judyarribere@aol.com
559 916 2521

Hello Lions: Please read this important message.

1) This survey is going out to everyone in the District who's email is in the District's mailing list. However, we have discovered not all Lions' emails are there. Since we have these addresses in our years accumulation of such, we wanted to be very sure our past bus riders were all given the opportunity to participate. Lion Jeff has described the survey and how to connect to it. You only need to respond ONCE – so please if you have already responded thru other mailings, you do not need to respond again.

2) Also attached at the end of this email are the registration forms for this year's trip to Ensenada for your convenience. Both the hotel and bus forms are in the single PDF file below.

Thank you for your help in this quest.

From: Jeffrey Garcia

Subject: Fw: Operation Friendship Survey

Dear Lions of District 4A2,

Your Operation Friendship Committee is committed to continuing the legacy of Operation Friendship far into the future. This international humanitarian mission has been going on for 54 continuous years because of the love, support and commitment between the Lions in our very own District 4A2 and Ensenada! This unique program has been responsible for building and rehabilitating many schools in and around Ensenada, as well as providing much needed medical/dental care, glasses, school and sporting supplies along the way to thousands of disadvantaged children and their parents!

In an effort to provide the best possible experience to you and our District Lions, as well as provide the much needed services to the underserved in Ensenada, we need your help.

We would like to invite you to take a brief online survey, whether you have or have not participated in Operation Friendship in years past. Your feedback is important to us. This valuable feedback will allow us to make changes and create an even greater, more rewarding experience for our Lions as well as for the population we serve in Ensenada, Mexico.

So, please take a few moments out of your day today and take this very brief survey just by clicking on this link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/4Co5Hpovbiph15It2>

Please plan on participating on Operation Friendship from March 16-19, 2017! We need YOU!

We Serve,

Operation Friendship Committee:

Lion Bill Diltz

Lion Carri Diltz

Lion Ruth Stratton

Lion Steve Stratton

Lion Anthony Martinez

Lion Ben Fregoso

Lion Jeff Garcia

Lion Gina Arcino

Lion Adrian Antonescu

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55th LIONS OPERATION FRIENDSHIP VISITATION

MARCH 16 - 19, 2017

VISITATION PACKAGE & HOTEL

RESERVATION FORM



♦♦THE VISITATION PACKAGE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL LIONS & GUESTS ATTENDING♦♦
CANCELLATION POLICY: NO REFUNDS 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO MARCH 16, 2017

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; 2017 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 Bugambillas Restaurant is provided by Ensenada Riviera Lions .

HOTEL ROOM COST AND INFORMATION

HOTEL
EL CORTEZ

STANDARD
ONE KING / TWO QUEEN
\$75.00

JR. SUITES
ONE QUEEN
\$90

PREMIER (NEW ROOMS)
ONE KING / TWO QUEEN
\$100

♦♦ 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

RESERVATION FORM

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____ (Please Include)
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
CLUB NAME: _____ Email: _____
FULL NAME OF GUEST: _____

CIRCLE T-SHIRT SIZE: Small Medium Large X-Large XX-Large XXX-Large

NUMBER OF VISITATION PACKAGES: _____ X \$75.00 = _____
Room Price:\$_____ X 3 nights = _____

EXAMPLE OF A STANDARD ROOM (ALL IN ONE HOTEL ROOM) AND VISITATION PACKAGE FOR EACH PERSON ATTENDING

1 PERSON ATTENDING \$300 • 2 PERSONS ATTENDING \$375 (\$187.50 ea.)
3 PERSONS ATTENDING \$450 (\$150.00 ea.) • 4 PERSONS ATTENDING \$525 (\$131.25 ea.)

ENCLOSED IS THE TOTAL PAYMENT FOR THE HOTEL - VISITATION PACKAGE = \$ _____

Excursion (Saturday): Guadalupe Valley Wine Tasting Tour, Blow Hole - Shopping and Chocolate Factory Tour
(\$\$ - SIGN UP FOR TOURS IN ENSENADA DURING REGISTRATION ON THURSDAY- \$\$)

CIRCLE METHOD OF PAYMENT: CHECK VISA MASTER CARD

CREDIT CARD #: _____ EXP DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

MAIL YOUR ROOM RESERVATION FORM ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK TO: "OPERATION FRIENDSHIP"

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

jeff@eyecaredoctor.com

PLEASE RETAIN TOP PORTION OF THIS FORM



Lions Operation Friendship

"HANDS ACROSS THE BORDER "SERVING SINCE 1963"



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OPERATION FRIENDSHIP 2017

PDG ANTHONY T. MARTINEZ

Buenos dias a los Leones de Distrito 4-A2...wait, let me hit the SAP translation button on the keyboard...greetings to my fellow Lions of District 4-A2! It's about that time of year again. With the holidays behind us, it is time to start saving a little money and making sure your passport is valid. Yes, it's time to start preparing for our annual trip to Ensenada, Mexico! The Operation Friendship Committee is officially inviting each of you to join us in our annual hands-across-the-border mission with the Leones de Ensenada.

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Hello Lions

Please send to me your request for Humanitarian Award that will be given out at Convention. Your nomination can be a non Lion or a Lion.

Please tell me why you think this person should receive this award. All nomination must be in to me by the end of February.

Community Service, Extra Mile Lions, a Good Humanitarian

Thank you

Lion Kent Woolley

Humanitarian Chairman

6145 W Crowley

Visalia

Kentwoolley@att.net

Lions Club LCIF 100% Club

LIONS INTERNATIONAL CLUB FOUNDATION

WE SERVE

1. Each member donates \$20.00
2. Club collects the funds and sends it into LCIF
3. Each member receives a LCIF pin
4. Club will receive a banner patch
5. Mail club roster with member number to:

Lions Clubs International Foundation
Department 4547
Carol Stream, IL
60122-4547
USA

District 4 A2 coordinator:

PDG Judy Arribere-Woolley
6145 W Crowley, Ca 93291
Visalia, Ca 93291
559 916 2521
judyarribere@aol.com

These funds do not go toward a Melvin Jones, only toward a 100% club participation
please contact me if you have any questions. Judy

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Fellow Lion, Greetings from Beirut, Lebanon. My wife Alia joins me in extending to you and your family our best wishes during this festive season and holidays. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

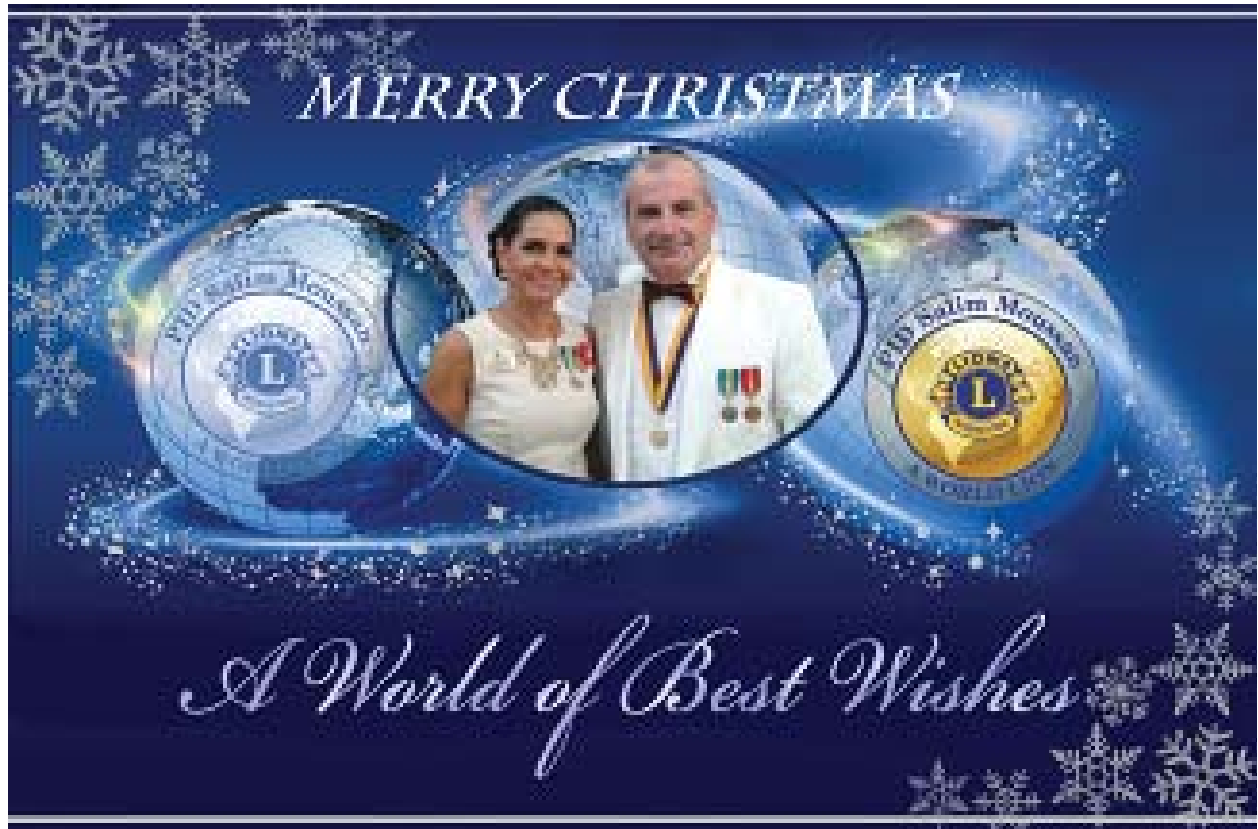
We Serve

PID Salim Moussan

- A World Lion -

Candidate, International Third Vice President

Milano International Convention 2019





Selma Charter Lions Club Charter Party!



The Visalia Host Lions is proud to sponsor the Selma Charter Lions. After 40 years of being in the Selma Lioness, how proud this centennial year to be an official "Selma Charter Lions Club" in Selma, Ca, the "Raisin Capital of the World". Our vision is Where There is a need, There is a Helping Lion serving Selma Community in all areas of need! We are celebrating the signing of our Charter Cub and a new beginning of our visionary work. Come and join us for our grand celebration of our new charter and help support our new club!

Saturday January 28, 2017

Lamp Liter Inn, 3300 W. Mineral King Ave.

Visalia, Ca 93291

Lamp Liter Inn Phone Number: (844)359-4638

Social Hour - (5:00pm - 6:00pm)

Dinner - (6:00pm)

Raffle Prizes

Attire: Semi-Formal

Keynote Speaker and Installation of Officers:

International Director: Howard Hudson

Dinner Price: \$40

RSVP by Jan 21, 2017

Hotel Lamp Liter Inn over night stay: \$83 per night

RSVP and Contact Info

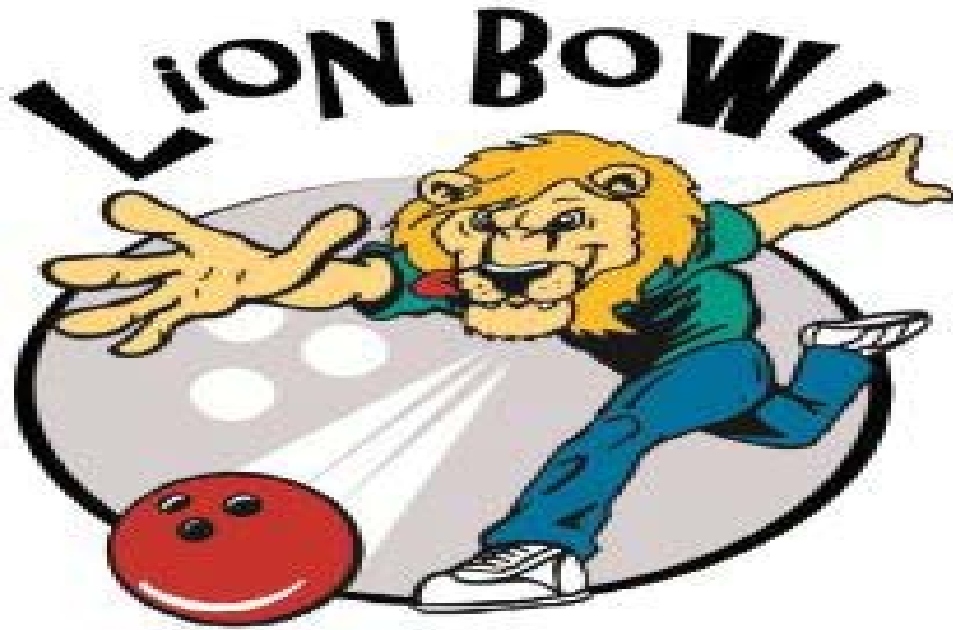
Make checks payable to: Selma Charter Lions Club

Mail to: Terry Molezzo, 3427 Snyder Selma, Ca 93662

For more information call: Lion Terry (559)284-2926

Email: terrymolezzo1@gmail.com





Come join our District 4A-2

Bowling Tournament

***Form a bowling team in your club
and go all the way to District!***

***Clubs will bowl Clubs, Zones will
bowl Zones, and Regions will bowl
Regions***

For more information contact:

Lion Linda Dawyot 559 723-1184



Lion Past Council Chair **DEREK LEDDA** *for* **INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

I believe in LCI's mission that reflects that clubs are the foundation of our Lions service and my commitment would be to do all I can to help our clubs in ways which are compatible with the primary duties that LCI requires of all the members of its Board of Directors and which include:

1. Making sure that our Lions and Clubs have all the information, resources, training and assistance that are available from LCI to help them to be successful.
2. Developing lines of effective communication among our clubs and with the international leadership.
3. Promoting opportunities for projects that are encouraged by LCI but which will also resonate with clubs in serving their local communities.
4. Recognizing the special achievements of clubs and individual Lions.
5. Mentoring excellence at all levels of Lion leadership.
6. Sharing strategies to establish new clubs and to increase the number of quality members in our clubs.
7. Contributing to our Lion fun, fellowship and sense of family and
8. Facilitating centennial celebration activities and positive media coverage of our Lion service everywhere, especially in California.

I am committed to actively partnering with you as an International Director and as a Past International Director. As Helen Keller said *"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something and because I cannot do everything I will not refuse to do the something that I can do."* I ask for your support because together we can do so much.

Thanks for all you've done and continue to do in service,

Lion Derek Ledda

Past Council Chair and Candidate for International Director

Multiple District 4 Lions Clubs international

"Service is a Labor of Love"



4-A2 Event Calendar July 2016 - June 2017

THIS CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE, PLEASE CONTACT THE CLUB OR LOOK ON THE 4-A2 WEBSITE FOR EVENT FLYERS. THIS CALENDAR WILL BE UPDATED AS WE RECEIVE INFORMATION.

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District Meetings

3rd February 18th Southern Region
April 20th - 23rd 4-A2 Convention

COG Meetings

February 8th - 9th 2017 Redding
June 2nd - 4th 2017 Pasadena

Other Event Dates

March 26th 2017 – Lions City of Hope Day
March 31st – April 2nd 2017 MD-4 Leo Leadership Institute
February 10th - 12th 2017 MD4 Convention - Redding

Club Events 2017

March 18th Brewfest (Club??)
March 16th – 19th Operation Friendship – Ensenada, Mexico
February 18th - Visalia Pride Lions Club Valentine's Dinner/Dance, Wyndham Hotel
April 1st Laton Parade and Rodeo
April 2nd Extreme Bull Riding - Laton
April 7th – 9th Three Rivers Jazz Affair
April 27th – 29th Three Rivers Roping
May 6th Exeter 22nd Annual Brewfest
May 14th Woodlake Rodeo
May 26th – 29th Coalinga Lions Beer Booth
Early to Mid-June – Hanford Breakfast Kings Fair
July 1st – 4th Hanford Breakfast Fireworks Booth

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2016-2017 4-A2 Cabinet

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Bowling northern chair		

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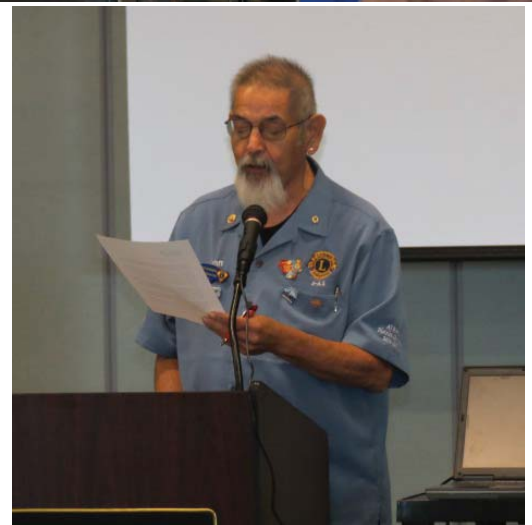
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Member		
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Some Pictures from 2nd District Meeting





JOIN THE

Centennial Service Challenge!



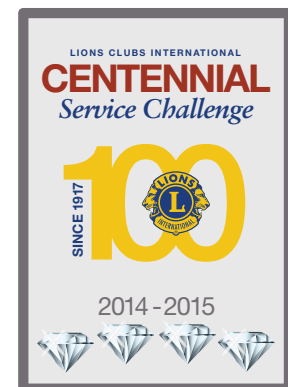
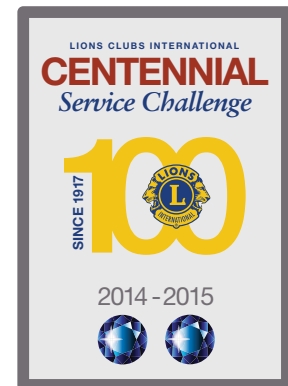
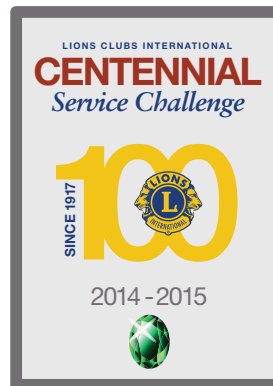
For nearly 100 years, Lions have served their communities and impacted millions of people around the world. In celebration of our 100th anniversary, we are asking you to help reach our Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 100 million people by June 30th, 2018. Your club can play a part in reaching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

Earn Special Centennial Recognition for Your Club

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

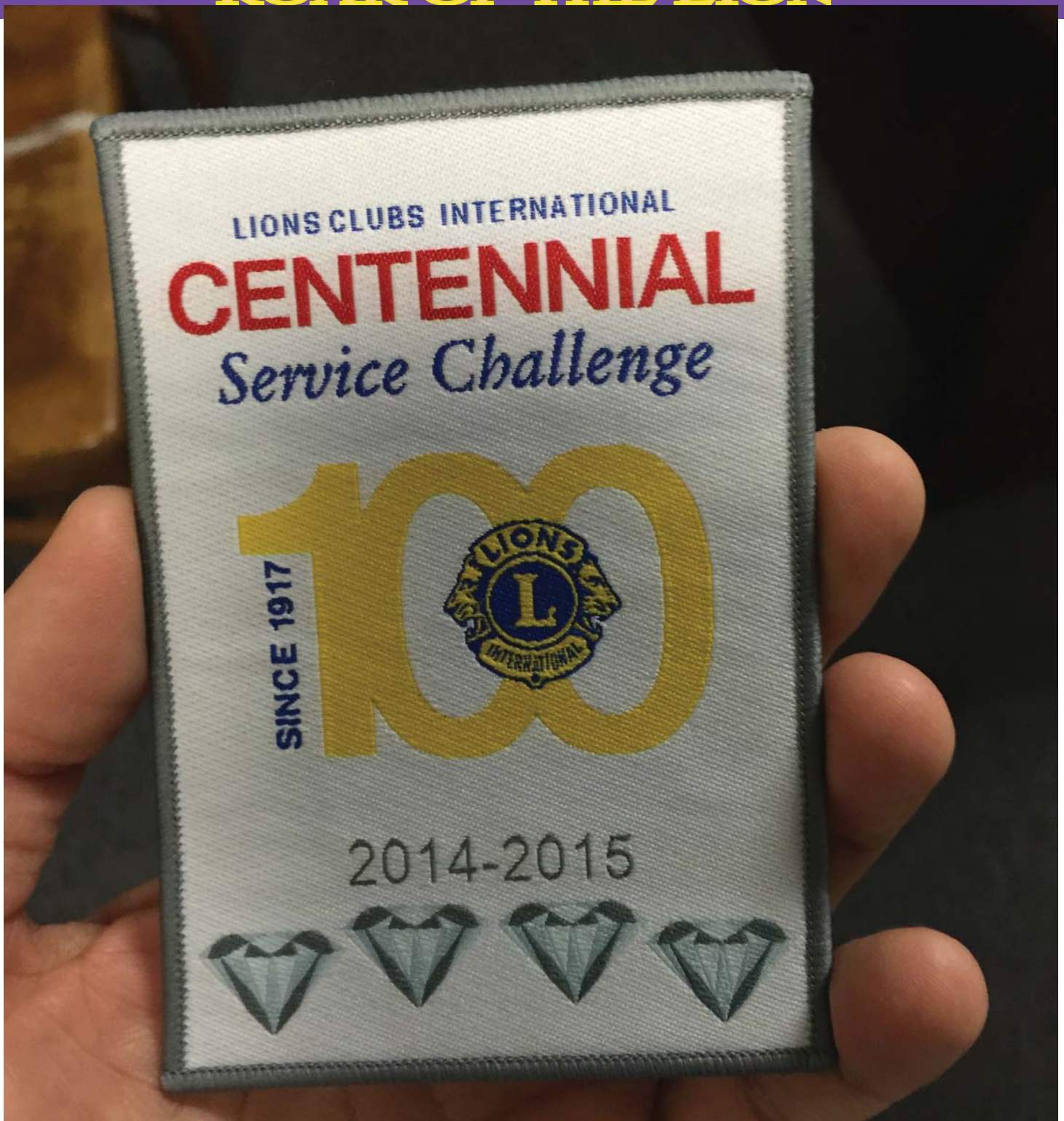
- Each gemstone represents the number of different Global Service Action Campaigns that your club participates in during the fiscal year.
- The more campaigns you participate in, the more gemstones you can earn for your banner patch.
- Earn a diamond-level Centennial Banner Patch by participating in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

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



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

Bannera Patch next page





District 4-A2 Governor A1 Kroell