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2014-2015



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Hello Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

Can you believe we are already in April! Where has the year gone? So much has happened this Lion Year and it is all due to your hard work and dedication! Let's run through some of the more recent accomplishments.

I want to begin by congratulating three clubs for already earning their first banner patch linked to the Lions Club International Centennial Service Challenge. Three of our clubs have completed service projects that meet the criteria in all four categories: Vision, Youth, Environment and Hunger. Who are these clubs? I can't tell you, it's a surprise that LCI has asked me to reveal at our District Convention in Cayucos. I will give you a hint...one club is from the Northern Region, one is from the Western Region and one is from the Central Region. I know there



are more clubs who have also done work in each of the categories, but you need to get that reported to LCI to receive the recognition; please contact our Centennial Service Challenge Coordinator, Lion Lydia Martinez, if you need any help.

A huge two paws in the air and waving them like we just don't care for 4-A2...we have broken the 2,000-Lion ceiling! On March 27, our district was at +43 Lions for a grand membership total of 2,001 Lions!! One of my goals this year was to break that mark and I thank you all so much for your efforts in recruitment. I know we will still have ups and downs in our totals, but let's keep this trend going and ensure our district stays above 2,000 Lions moving forward.

I think we need a loud Lion Roar for the Lions of Three Rivers for hosting a great Third Cabinet meeting on January 30-31. There were more than 170 of our Lions present and everyone had fun. There was good food, good company and good lion information shared amongst the guests over both days. At this meeting, we spotlighted the Central Region and Region Chair Lion Dick Piepenburg did a great job showcasing so much work done by his clubs. We also recognized each of our 64 Club Presidents with their Presidential Trophy. Then it happened, the double-dog dare...please see the separate article in this newsletter talking about the money raised for LCIF. You were all amazing!

In February, our District played host to the annual Multiple District 4 Convention and Council of Governors meeting in Visalia. There were Lions here from up and down the state, along with both candidates for 2nd International Vice President, Lions Naresh Aggarwal (from India) and Salim Moussan (from Lebanon), and our visiting International President, Lion Al Brandel and his wife Maureen (from New York). Our MD4 Lions also voted to endorse Lion Howard Hudson as a candidate for International Director. Congratulations to Lion Howard and I wish him the best of luck as he now heads to the International Convention for the next round of voting. I want to thank Convention Chair Lion Betty Morris and all the Lions from the Central Region that helped make this 5-day event such a success. I also want to thank the Parlier Lions Club for kicking off the week with a great welcoming party for our visiting guests.

That takes us into March when our Lions took their annual trip to Ensenada, Mexico for the 53rd Operation Friendship Visitation. As a Committee member, I am proud to say this was easily the most work accomplished by our guest Lions in all the years I have been attending. We had so many paws on projects, it was fun to watch. Please see the pictures and information for more details. Thanks to the Caruthers Lions for inviting my Parlier Lions, Lions Jim, Lydia and myself along on their adventures.

Our District also had a visit from Lion Ronnie Martin, an LCI expert at membership recruitment and the forming of new clubs. Ronnie and GMT Lion Dean Church focused their efforts in Clovis and I am happy to report we have 15 of the 20 new Lions needed to form a new club. He also trained 5 more of our Lions in membership canvassing, something our entire District will benefit from.

So much hard work, so many people served, so many accomplishments, it is simply too much for one article. I am proud to be your Governor. I promised you last July that if we all worked together, you would see amazing results this Lion Year. You did and the District has much to be proud of, congratulations and thanks to each of you. I am looking forward to our convention in Cayucos, April 24-26, it's time to celebrate and recognize even more of our District's Clubs and Lions. Let's all go and show our support to incoming Gov. Craig Cooper, see you in Cayucos!!

Semper Fidelis,

Lion Anthony





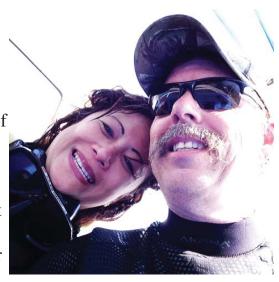
"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Winston Churchill

Lions are truly super people doing extraordinary things

Hello to All of My Lions Family, the Best in Leadership for All of Our Communities

While I was celebrating the 15th anniversary of the East Fresno Lions Club I was thinking about all of the people that we have helped as Lions Club members. The word help really does not summarize what we do as a lion and how we affect other people's lives. After giving it much more deeper thought into the



matter I realize that we have not really helped out anyone, how can we consider it to be helpful when we restore someone's vision after 25 years of not being able to see. For us we feel good inside that we have helped them but what we have really done is changed their lives. We have given them independence, we have given them a new life in which they are able to see all the beauty around them. Of course I'm only talking about vision, but we should also consider all of the rest, such as measles vaccinations, diabetes, clean drinking water, books for kids. You see the list goes on and on as well as the lives that each of you have changed. When you bring in a new member into your Lions Club, their life will change as well. If you think about it none of us are the same person as we were when we first joined. Like a caterpillar into a butterfly we have changed the way we look at things, the way we act towards others and also what is important in the ways that we spend our time. I know that when we finally pass through this life we will not be remembered by how large our house was, how much money we had in the bank, or even about what type of car we drove. But I guarantee you for as long as the people who are living that you have helped, and even as far down into their generations of grandchildren will always remember where their glasses came from, how they participated in a Lions student speaker contest, how baseball uniforms were bought for them in their time of need, basically everything that you do on a daily basis as a lion.

Recently both myself and my much better half Christy were able to be selected to attend the Vance Lions leadership training. They told us there that only less than 1% of the Lions are able to be selected to attend this Institute of training. We flew up to Calgary Canada where we were able to receive some of the top training that Lions clubs international gives. California had the largest attendance and it was an experience of a lifetime. I have learned so much from this training that we received their, this in hopes to help out our district in any way I can. This Institute of training for Lions leaders is only by invitation only and you have to be selected to attend. From our district there was only Christy and myself. There was a lot of work, and homework which kept us up and busy through the entire time we were there. We made a lot of new friends from all over the world. It was taught by some of the top leaders in Lions clubs international and it was well worth it. I cannot wait to start to put some of this to use and to share what I have learned with all of you.

Among some of the other highlights of this last Lions quarter was our trip down to Ensenada Mexico. So many heartwarming stories came out of this trip. An elderly lady who was able

to have her eyesight restored after several years, she was so happy she had to give all the Lions around her a hug. Robert Lee, Central Region Zone Chair One, who fitted her with her glasses received the first hug, it was very heartwarming and I don't think that there was a dry eye around. When she came up to give me a hug, I did not know exactly why. I did not give her glasses, or even check out her eyes. I was not one of the ones who escorted her up to see Dr. Jeff Garcia or to perform the eye check prior to her seeing the doctor. The only thing that I was doing was taking pictures. She gave me the biggest hug and told me that Lions have big hearts full of love. This was Translated by lioness Terry Molezzo Secretary for the Selma lioness club. You see we all represent the goodness which comes from Lions. I guess you might say that the pin that you wear which everyone was given in the Lions clubs gives you free access to hugs of appreciation from anyone that has been helped by another lion. We are one family. Thank you so much for all of the help and life changes that you have made for others that allows Lions taking photos like me to receive hugs and appreciation. The trip to Ensenada Mexico will never be forgotten by me. You see not only did we help out so many people there but I was also able to really get to know some wonderful people. Jan Lee, Amanda and of course Terry and has been a real pleasure love you all I really do not want to leave out anyone you have all made such a huge impact in my life. We had a very large number of Fresno host Lions, my club, that went down this year and it was so nice to spend the time with all of them. Tracy Meaders, and Jill Smythe Me laughing so hard I thought I was going to pass out. And all of the photo bombs from lion Cindy, Mary Ann, and of course Becky Bohigian. It was also very nice to see so many members from the Diwata Club. This year is winding down and I am so very proud to have been a small part of what has been going on in our district. We absolutely have the best district in our multiple district in California. From the bottom of my heart "THANK YOU"

I have put on nearly 63,000 miles on my car traveling around the entire United States up through Canada and to visit all of our clubs in our district. Following around our District Gov. Lion Anthony Martinez has been a great learning experience for myself. All of the warmth that you have shared with us is greatly appreciated.. Thank you so much for the opportunities that you have given to me along with that thank you so much for the warmth and kindness that you have shared with us on our visitations. It really motivates me in getting out to see all of you again for this next up-and-coming Lions year. I hope to see all of you in Cayucos for our annual convention. And I hope to get your vote so that I can go in as the First Vice District Gov.

"Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile" Albert Einstein

Thank you all again your brother in Lions Second Vice District Gov. Al



### Fellow Lions, Lioness' and Leos;

The 2015 District Convention scheduled for April 24-26, promises to be more fun, we have more games planned and we have revised some of the contest award rules. There will be a putting contest, a Cornhole tournament, a dunk tank, and maybe a race. If you registered early, the fees were just \$82.00 which includes your registration, 3 meals, international food night, and our Governor's pin. We have very limited space at the hotel, so please register your food booth, registered booths go to the front of the line. You can only win one of three booth prizes that we are offering this year. The booth prizes for the Best Food, Best booth and Best over-all.

I continue to be excited about serving as the District's Global Membership Team Coordinator, GMT. We have embraced the challenge to rebuild shrinking clubs and we have a new club developing. Also, we have a lions club that opened their doors to both women and family membership plus a

number of our clubs have added student members.

It was a little frightening to begin the first quarter of 2014-2015 with a net loss of 16 members. We closed the second quarter with a 0 gain for the year. We had a great third quarter with a 42 membership growth. Our District has captured 5th place in MD4, the four Districts in front of us have added 1 or more new clubs. We offer our thanks to the clubs that have replaced some of their lost members but remember Governor Anthony's challenge to "Add 1" to our club membership total this year. We offer a special thanks to the 23 clubs (36%) with positive membership results for the year, these clubs are the primary reason for the District's success. The membership growth leaders at the end of the third quarter: Buttonwillow Lions with plus 16, and Fresno North Lions with plus 15, Laton Lions with plus 12, Diwata Lions with plus 11 and Selma Central Valley Lioness Lions with plus 7. Kerman Lions, Orange Cove Lions, and Richgrove Lions are all plus 6. Also, we have four Clubs with plus 5; Kings, Lemoore ,the Governor's club Parlier and my club Ponderosa. We introduced a special membership growth trophy at the second cabinet meeting, the Diwata Lions Club was our first winner, Richgrove Lions won the second quarter contest and we have a, different winner for the third quarter. The results for the Fourth quarter will identify two winners, the club that has the largest net membership gain for the quarter and the club that has the largest membership gain for the Year. Member retention is a very important part of this contest, when you drop a member you have to replace that member with 2 members to reach you Plus 1 goal. Members leave us for reasons, we need to know what those reasons are before they make the decisions to retire their vest. Please make every effort to retain our fellow Lions.

We have developed a membership recruitment workshop; "Just Ask" New Member Recruiting for Clubs is a four step process that includes 1.) Preparing your club, 2.) Creating your clubs growth Plan, 3.) Implementing your clubs growth Plan and 4.) Welcoming your new members. All four steps are equally important. The workshop takes about two hours to complete and we are offering follow-up assistance with club application of the training recommendations. The workshop is highly recommended for our clubs that have less than 20 members. If your club is interested call me at 559-841-7766 and we can add your club to the schedule.

We are continually looking for talented Lions that are interested in becoming a part of a District task force that can assist Lion David Beeman, GLT Coordinator and myself with District leadership and membership challenges. If you are interested, call Lion David or myself.

In Lionism

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

## Club Officer School of Instruction 2015

May 30, 2015 8 AM to 3 PM

Visalia Unified Sch. Dist. Learning Center 5000 West Cypress Ave, Visalia, CA www.4a2lions.org

newly elected and re-elected club officers two-hour sessions begin at 8 AM, 10 AM and 1:15 PM **2015 TOPICS: President Zone Chair** Committee Chair Director **Treasurer** Secretary **Tail Twister** Vice-President **Past President LEO Advisor Parliamentarian Guiding Lion CEP** facilitator volunteers needed for registration and escort



4-A2 Global Leadership Chair David Beeman

"Growing Stronger Together"

# Registration Form For The: DISTRICT 4-A2 58th ANNUAL CONVENTION (Friday-Sunday) April 24-26, 2015 District Governor Anthony Martinez



NAME OF LION, LIONESS OR LEO				DRESS	3			
ADDRESS CITY				ZIP CODE CELL PHONE				
CLUB NAME	REGION:		ZONE	DIST	RICT OR CL	UB OF	FICE HE	ELD
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CONVENTION PACKAGE PLAN INCLUDES: REGISTRATION, CONVENTION PIN, FRIDAY'S FOOD FAIR, SATURDAY'S LUNCH, GOVERNORS DINNER & SUNDAY'S BREAKFAST  POST MARKED BEFORE AFTER April 7th \$82.00 \$100.00								.00
LIONS AND GUEST			\$25.00	0 \$30.		0	\$	.00
FRIDAY	INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR	CASUAL	INCLUDED		INCLUDED		IN	ICLUDED
SATURDAY Lunch 12 PM	TURKEY SANDWICH, POTATO SALAD, CHIPS, SOFT DRINKS COFF/TEA & COOKIES	CABINET DRESS UNIFORM	\$15.00		\$20.0	0	\$	.00
SATURDAY DINNER	CHICKEN BREAST CAYUCOS TRI TIP RED POTATOES, STRING BEANS, SALAD, GARLIC TOAST, PIE AND ICE CREAM. COFFEE & TEA	FORMAL ATTIRE	\$30.00	0 \$35.00		0		
SUNDAY BREAKFAST	ORANGE OR APPLE JUICE, MIXED FRUIT CUP SCRAMBLED EGGS, HASH BROWNS, SAUSAGES, WITH TEA AND COFFEE	BUSINESS CASUAL ATTIRE	\$12.00		\$15.00		\$	.00
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TOTAL AMOUNT - INCLUDING REGISTRATION:						\$	.00	

## SEND CONVENTION REGISTRATION TO:

MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE
TO: DISTRICT 4-A2
Mail to: Cabinet Treasurer
Jan Beatty-Taylor
710 North Vista, Visalia CA 93292

559-802-3345 or 559-909-1817

#### **HEADQUARTERS HOTEL**

Cayucos Beach Inn 333 South Ocean Avenue Cayucos, CA 93430 Phone: (805) 995-2828 FAX: (805) 995-0131

admin@cayucosbeachinn.com
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**CONVENTION CHAIR** 

PDG Lion Dean Church 34327 Shaver Springs Rd. Auberry, CA 93602 559-841-7766

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WHAT TYPE OF FOOD WILL BE PREPARED					

#### MORRO BAY GOLF COURSE

#### District 4A2 Lions 2015 Annual Convention

WHERE: 201 State Park Road, Morro Bay

*TELEPHONE:* 805-772-1923

WHEN: 11 AM Friday, April 24, 2015

FEE: \$55 and includes Golf Cart, small bucket range balls

*DEADLINE:* April 14, 2015 – (Golf Course <u>requires</u> guarantee)

FORMAT: 4 Man Scramble

<u>RULES</u>: No cut-offs or tank tops, soft spikes required!



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GOLFERS --- IF A FOURSOME IS NOT LISTED, WE WILL MAKE UP TEAMS.

Make Checks Payable to: Lion Bill Diltz, Golf Chair

Mail with this form by deadline to: 4314 W. Nicholas Ave. Visalia, 93291

559-732-6897 or 559-288-2933 Email: wbdiltz43@gmail.com

Golf by the sea – what could be more fun? ... EXCEPT when you are doing it with fellow Lions!!! Join us for a game of scramble and <u>bring a friend!</u>





## **Lions International Multiple District 4-A2 Convention Delegate Form**

In accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws, all Lions Clubs in good standing with Lions Clubs International and the Lion International Multiple District Four are entitled to one (1) delegate to vote and (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, Provided they are in good standing, and who have been enrolled as shown by the records of the Lions Clubs International Office preceding the month during which the Lions International Multiple District 4-A2 Convention is held.

The number of delegates your club is entitled to vote at the District 4-A2 Convention is figured from your Membership Report as of the end of March. When you complete your Membership Report for March, you can compute the number of delegates and alternates your club is entitled to and select your representative (s). List their names below on the left side of this form. Also indicate whether each representative listed is a Delegate or an Alternate.

Return this form promptly by April 17, 2015: PDG Lions Ron Waldrop • 601 Kern Street • Taft, CA 93268 After April 17, 2015, bring your Delegate Form with you to the Lions District 4-A2 Convention

Your delegates <u>must register for the convention</u> and obtain a name badge before they can be certified to vote. Then they must sign this form at the convention and receive a delegate sticker from the Certification Desk. All delegates must be <u>REGISTERED AND CERTIFIED</u> by Saturday, April 25, 2015 in order to vote at the convention.

Voting will take place on Saturday April 25, 2015 from 3-5 PM at the

<u>CAYUCOS MEMORIAL HALL</u>

10 CAYUCOS DRIVE, CAYUCOS CALIFORNIA 93430

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NOTE: This is not a registration form. <u>All Lions must be Registered before</u> they can be <u>Certified to Vote</u>. Please advise your delegates to arrive early. Any Lion not certified as a delegate will not be allowed to vote at the Lions International Multiple District 4-A2 Convention.

Secretary's Signature:

NAME OF CLUB:

REGION & ZONE:

President's Signature:



#### From our Leos Corner:

Our Leos has been very busy this second half of the year. In Feb. they were invited to do the flag ceremony at the MD-4 convention in Visalia. There were 35 Leos carrying the 210 flags to the stage. The Lions were very impressed by the event. It was nice to be able to showcase our district Leos. Afterward they with another 25 Leos were able to have a speaker and lunch, here they were able to meet other Leos from the district. It was a good Leo networking session.

In March, 27 Leos and 9 Advisors went to the 2nd Annual Youth Leadership Institute at Teresita Pines Camp. The Leos had a full weekend of workshops and intermingling with Leos from all over California. Our Leos are finding out there are a lot more Leos out there besides them.

On April 11th, some of our Leos will be attending the 4th Annual Leo Fun Day. This day is hosted by one Leo club and all the other Leos clubs are invited for a fun day. There are free food and fun day of activities provided by the host McFarland Roaring Leo Club. Central Valley Leos started the Leo Fun Day, Parlier Leos and Riverdale Leos also have hosted. This is one event that our District Leos can have a great time and enjoy each other friendships.

I would like at this time to welcome the newest Leo Club in our District. They are La Sierra Leo Club from Visalia. This makes our 11th Leo Club in Dist. 4-A2. Our Leos is not only our future, they are our present also.

#### Lion Bev Cho, Dist. Leo Advisor

#### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

For those of you who were not able to be at our District meeting in Three Rivers at the end of January, you missed something really amazing. At the Friday night dinner, District Governor Anthony said that our District was last in giving to LCIF. He challenged our Lions to improve that. One challenge led to another, and by the time the meeting was finished on Saturday, almost \$3,000 had been collected in cash/checks. 5 clubs pledged to purchase a Melvin Jones Fellowship. DG Anthony also started having raffle tickets sold for \$10, there was enough raised from that for not only 1 Melvin Jones Fellowship won, but also a second one. When DG Anthony began this on Friday night, I hadn't even given my LCIF report yet. By the time I gave my report on Saturday, our Governor had continued encouraging donations, so that by the time I got up to give my report, I was so overwhelmed by the generosity of our District Lions that I was almost speechless. While we did improve in our overall giving in MD-4, we are still in the bottom third of our multiple. I really want to emphasize, the bad part of that, is less dollars that are able to be used by LCIF. While there isn't time to get a Melvin Jones Fellowship to be presented by the District Convention, there is still May and June for donations to be given and counted for this Lions year. It is always an honor to have a Melvin Jones Fellowship given, whether at a District Convention, a District meeting, or a club meeting.

Thanks to our Convention Chair, PDG Dean, we will again have a Melvin Jones Fellowship Luncheon at our District Convention. If your club is going to be giving a MJF at the Convention, please let me know.

I do want to thank PDG Dean for appointing me to be our District LCIF Chair during his term as District Governor. I have been so glad to be a part of promoting LCIF during this last three years. My job doesn't end until the end of June, so I will still be sharing about LCIF and the great work they do. Again, please contact me if you would like a program, or want to know the status of your club's donations.

--- PDG Vicki Beeman

lion90vicki@yahoo.com 559-584-2911 (home) or 559-212-5016 (cell)

#### Lions of District 4-A2 raise almost \$12,000 for LCIF

When the Melvin Jones Fellowships were totaled and all the cash counted, the final total was \$11,850 raised for LCIF! Thank you, thank you and thank you Lions! What an amazing Cabinet Meeting! This wasn't just a cabinet meeting; it was a cabinet meeting on steroids!

If you were there, you know what I am talking about it. If you weren't, I will try to do the Lion energy justice here. I will say our Lions made me proud while in Three Rivers for our Third Cabinet meeting, January 30-31.

Let's begin with the Lions in attendance. We had 120 Lions pre-registered weeks in advance, a good indicator of attendance. By meeting time there were 130 pre-registered and another 40 walk-ins on Saturday. Yes, we had more than 170 Lions at a Cabinet Meeting! We had Lions there from two clubs who hadn't been to a District event in decades; I have been asked to leave their names off this report as they may now be in the Lion Witness Protection Program for stepping outside of their home clubs...lol... thank you guys so much, please keep coming back.

On Friday night, in keeping with Super Bowl weekend, our Lions wore their favorite team's jersey. Lots of fun and laughs and great Lionism was in the air. The Lions of the Three Rivers Lions Club greeted us well and fed us some very tasty food. Then it happened...the double-dog dare.

I was talking with my Lions and asking them how we could improve our donations to LCIF. We talked about where we were in donation levels and how much I really wanted us to succeed. We began to focus on a Melvin Jones Fellowship raffle, how would \$10 per ticket work, would we sell enough for a fellowship? And that's when it happened. Lion MaryAnn Sayers, the President of the Fresno Host Lions Club, stood and announced that Fresno Host would offer the first \$1,000 and commit to purchase a Melvin Jones Fellowship. That was quickly followed by the Parlier Lions Club President, Lion Carlos Herrera, matching the MJF commitment from his club and challenging anyone else to match.

From there, over the next two days of the Cabinet Meeting, there were challenges and donations and raffle tickets sold. It was more than I could keep up with from the podium; I know \$100 and \$20 bills piled on the podium in front of me. There were \$100-challenges by the Club Presidents, Region Chairs, Lions, Tailtwisters, Military Veterans, our District Chaplain and both Governors. So many more Lions rushed to our Treasurer to participate and purchased \$10 raffle tickets. It took our District Treasurer and LCIF Coordinator a bit of time to get everything straightened out.

Ultimately, nine MJF were committed by clubs and \$2,850 in cash was collected. How was that for 4-A2 stepping up big-time...\$11,850 in cash donations and pledges towards LCIF and Melvin Jones Fellowships from one cabinet meeting.

Your generosity allowed for two MJF to be raffled at the cabinet meeting, the first winner was Lion Bill Mayer and the second was the Visalia Sequoia Lions Club. The good news is we have over \$800 in credits towards a third MJF and \$600 in undeclared monies from the District, so I plan on carrying this over and raffling off a third MJF at our convention.

Our spotlighted Region was the Central Region and Lion Dick Piepenburg gave a great report. He had pictures and information from so many of his clubs' projects. Lions followed along and some took notes on a project or fundraiser profiled. The clubs in his region have definitely been active. Much thanks to all the clubs who provided Lion Dick so much information!

We also gave away beautiful plaques to each of the 64 Club Presidents. From LCI, we presented 13 pins and banner patches to Clubs and Lions for accomplishments in Membership and Club Excellence. It was a huge day of thanks, praise and recognition.

Our guests were Governor Warren 'Buck' Larsen and 2VDG Audrey Wottrich, both from 4-C2. They had fun and both thanked us for a nice weekend. They were both good Lions and took part in tossing rally shirts and even singing 'Neon Moon' to our Lions over lunch. Lion Buck said he plans on taking some of our excitement back to his District.

I know my year is far from over, but I want to thank all of you for making my third and final Cabinet Meeting so much fun and a huge success. There was so much energy and commitment from the Lions. Always remember, there is nothing we can't do in 4-A2...Growing Stronger Together!

Semper Fidelis, Governor Anthony T. Martinez





Se reunieron

Los Leones

Se reunieron



Leones de Fresno. Parlier v Reedlev. California.

alegre convivencia como parte del evento especial de los gremios hermanos

POR ANAIS GÓMEZ / EL MEXICANO

FOTOS POR RAMIRO ARAUJO

/ EL MEXICANO





Gildardo Mayoral, Carlos González y Humb









Una amena convivencia se generó en la reunión







## OPERATION FRIENDSHIP 2015 By Gov. Anthony T. Martinez

The Lions of District 4-A2 joined los Leones del Distrito B-1 in Ensenada, Mexico, March 19-22, for the 53rd annual Operation Friendship Visitation. As most know, this is the annual visit where our Lions make the trek to Ensenada and have traditionally performed eye exams and dental cleanings for the students of a chosen school site. Along with these services, our Lions have also donated cash to the school sites in need of repair, school supplies for the students and teachers and any additional needs identified.

As a Committee member, I am proud to report this visitation had more Lion paws on projects than any time I can remember. What was once eye and dental services only has grown into what was referred to this year as a health clinic. There were Lions performing: vision exams, dental/hygiene services, chiropractic exams, blood pressure checks and glucose testing for diabetes. Also, for any Lions who weren't working at an actual health station, others took care of cleaning the grounds of the school by picking up trash, pulling weeds and trimming trees. This year's school site, Felipa Hirales Elementary School, really benefitted from the services and funds our Lions provided.

I still remember when the time spent at the school was done before noon each year. For the past two years, the Ensenada Lions have had to provide a sack lunch to our Lions because the work and services continue until approximately 3 pm, with the only break being when the students of the morning and afternoon school sessions switch out.

In keeping with true Mexican tradition, there was also fun to be had by all. We were treated to a nice welcome reception on Thursday with dinner and a dance; this year, a mariachi group was also brought in to perform all of our song requests. Friday was the big work day. Saturday was a day of free time with excursion choices for our Lions that included a wine tour and a trip to La Bufadora. I heard compliments from the Lions that chose each option. On Saturday, I went on a nice self-tour of a couple of wineries with the Caruthers Lions, thanks again for inviting Lion Jim, Lion Lydia and I along with you guys...the mush-rooms were fantastic (please ask Lion Lydia about that experience).

Others chose to simply relax on Saturday and enjoy the beautiful weather; some spent the day shopping on the local main street, which had much more activity, things to see and open stores than recent years.

Here are some of the final totals: 500 students and 100 adults received Vision exams with 135 pairs of glasses provided, 415 received Dental Hygiene services along with toothpaste and toothbrushes, 140 students and adults received Chiropractic exams with 98 requiring Chiropractic adjustments and 80 students and adults received Blood Pressure and Glucose testing. Money donated to improvements at the school included \$1,300 from pre-sold raffle tickets and \$1,800 from donations from 4-A2 Lions Clubs, Lions and guests. This year, 64 of our Lions took part in the visitation.

Each year, our Committee promises you a great time and that plenty of valuable services will be



provided to the students of the chosen school site. This year was no exception; in fact the services provided were over the top. Please mark your calendars for next year's 54th annual Operation Friendship Visitation, March 17-20, 2016.

I am thinking we had a 'first' or at the least a very rare occasion this year for Lions...an International New Member Induction. I swore in two Lions in a bilingual/two-country new member installation during the Business Meeting, one English-speaking Lion from 4-A2 and one Spanish-speaking Lion from B-1. The women New Member Lion Candy Hilvers and her Sponsor Lion Sherry Phillips and the men are New Member Leon German Torres and his Sponsor Leon Armando Lechuga. On behalf of all our Lions and Leones, we welcome Lion Candy y Leon German!!



Operation Friendship Pictures follow:



















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!

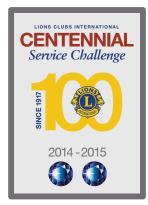
### Earn Special Centennial Recognition for Your Club

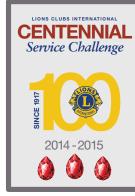
Your club can earn a Centennial Banner Patch with a special gemstone design each year you sponsor a Global Service Action project impacting Youth, Vision, Hunger or the Environment.

- 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.





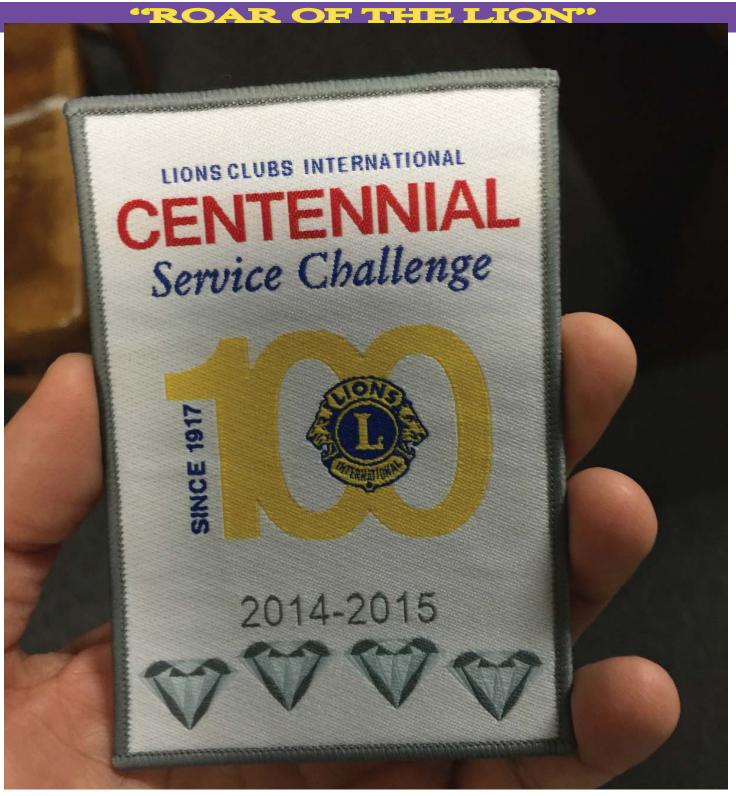




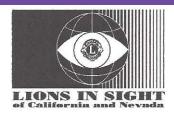


All Centennial service activities must be reported through MyLCl's Service Activity Report to receive recognition.

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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.



#### **LIONS IN SIGHT**

1404 Lemon Street, Vallejo, CA 94590 Phone: 707-648-2306 Fax: 707-648-2481 Email: lionsinsight@att.net Website: www.lionsinsight.org

FOUNDER Wayne Cannon, OD, MS (In Memoriam)

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SRI LANKA: Amila O Silva, MD

SPONSORS: Avenal Prison Folsom Project Las Vegas Women's Correctional Facility Lancaster Prison Volunteers of Vacaville 26 December 2014

Lions:

In order for us to grow and further our mission, we are in need of more Lions to be involved with our foundation. We need Lions to get new member clubs and become involved as board members.

Therefore, I am asking for you all to think about new trustees. The number of trustees is unlimited as they would be like our zone and region chairman promoting Lions in Sight. Promotion includes new club membership, donations—including selling our fellows i.e. Wayne Cannon Patron of Sight Fellow, Marilyn Green Life membership, Bud Jensen, Donn Owens and Don Work Fellows.

We currently need an area director in Area 3 (districts A-2, A-3, L-1 and L-3) and Area 4 (L-2, L-4, L-5 and L-6). This position collects all the area information and reports at each meetings which are held three (3) times a year.

Lions in Sight is also seeking someone committed to becoming our second vice-president which is a two (2) year term. If you know someone who would be interested or need additional information, please contact me directly.

Yours in Lionism,

Walter C Griffin Lions in Sight of CA/NV First Vice President cad-e-man@hotmail.com 510.507.0058



Hanford Breakfast President Jim Boyd and District Governor Anthony Martinez in front of Lion Jim Gregory's sister's home., in the Laton Lions parade on March 28. The annual tradition continues.

- Lion David

great news of our District breaking 2,000 Lions today, Fri 3/27/2015.

DG Anthony Martinez

District WebMaster James W. Copner

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Please visit our Lions District Website:

http://4a2lions.com/

WEBMASTER

email: copner@msn.com







## WORK WEEKEND

Friday, May 22 - Monday, May 25, 2015 (or a portion thereof)

It is time to wake camp up from her winter slumber and we need your help to do so! In exchange for full tummies, a beautiful setting and lots of camp magic we hope you'll join us complete some of the following tasks:

Raking Pine Needles
Repair Work to Buildings
Deep Cleaning

Wood Chipping
Pool Cleaning
MUCH, MUCH MORE

Under the direction of our fantastic Facilities Manager, James Walker, we will

complete the most pressing tasks together.

Thank you in advance for you help!

#### **REGISTER TODAY**

http://workweekend15.eventbrite.com

You <u>MUST</u> pre-register via this website in order to attend!

Questions/Concerns? Contact DYF at info@dyf.org 925-680-4994











#### IT IS OFFICIAL

#### THE LIONS EYE CLINIC IS MOVING

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

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

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

\$ 5,000	Dream Builder	plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic
\$ 10,000	Hope Builder	plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic
\$ 25,000	Care Builder	plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic
\$ 50,000	Foundation Builder	plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic
\$ 100.000	Sight Builder	plaque, name on wall in LEF clinic,
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and name in building public area.

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

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

For more information about how you and your club can contribute to this project, please visit our web site at **lionseyefoundation.com** or contact one of the district Trustees.

Submitted by: Lion Lillette Quesnoy, District Lead Trustee



## Camp Pacifica Benefit



#### **Sporting Clays Tournament**

Rooster Ranch I 26166 Kelly Road I Hilmar, CA 209-667-0483

### Saturday May 2, 2015

#### **NSCA Registered & Open Shoot**

Registration 8:00a – Shotgun Start 9:00a Golf Carts – Reserve Now

#### \$90 Entry Fee Includes

- Breakfast & Lunch
- Shooter's Range Bag
- Henry Golden Boy <u>Special</u> Shoot Off
- And More

## Sponsored by Alquist Arms

15 - \$90 Class Award Gift Cards
15 - Winning Class Range Bags

Registration & Golf Carts - 209-667-0483

Camp Pacifica is a Lions Club Youth Hearing Impaired Free Summer Camp

Hwy 49, Between Mariposa and Oakhurst, CA (www.camppacifica.org)

Camp Pacifica is a 501-C3 Non-Profit Organization – E.I.N. 77-0269193



## Lions Clubs International Larry Dicus International Director 2013-2015

Dear Lion Jim

Happy 2015!!

Congratulations to our MD4 Lions Float Committee for creating an inspirational Lions float in the Tournament of Roses parade highlighting five Lions projects that provide exciting experiences for sight impaired individuals. I hope you were able to see the parade on TV.

If you didn't, please click the picture below to see the TV coverage.



2015 Rose Parade Lions Float

If you would like to know more about the projects that inspired the float, click on the surf board below.



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#### 2015 Lions "Inspiring Challenges" Rose Float

As we progress into this year, Jane and I are reminded that our two year term representing you on the LCI Board of Directors will come to an end on June 30th.

It continues to be an honor representing you!

At the fall 2014 Lions Board meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona, several noteworthy actions took place. Two important By-law amendments were approved and will be on the ballot at the Lions Clubs International convention in Hawaii:

Number 1: To reinstate the position of 3rd International Vice President, with limited travel ability to enable him or her to become more familiar with a LCI operations before beginning their term.

Number 2. To reallocate representation from geographies of International Directors over a three-year period to more fairly represent membership (LCI Constitution and By-Laws require a review of representation every ten years.) The proposal will reduce the number of U.S. Directors from 14 to 11 over a 3 year period, with two directorships going to ISAAME and one to OSSEAL.

Jane and I continue to visit and share California Lion projects with Lions throughout the U.S. Again, we continue to be impressed with Lions club members commitment to their communities everywhere. I post pictures often on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> in an effort to show the great work being done. We continue to witness unique and impressive projects. A couple of the recent projects we have visited include:

<u>Vision Center for the Blind (VCB) in New York</u>. This is a 35 acre facility dedicated to helping sight impaired people improve their mobility, living skills, and independence.

<u>Wisconsin Lions Camp.</u> This Lions camp provides free camp experiences for youth and adults who are blind or visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing, youth who function socially or educationally as having a mild cognitive disability and youth with diabetes. All costs of the camp are supported by Lions Clubs of Wisconsin.

Please mark on your calendar March 28, 2015 for our California Lions Eyes Across California program.

Lions Eyes Across California

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throughout California to participate on March 28, 2015 with a eyeglass recycling event. Throughout the years, Lions, Leos, and other volunteers continue to collect used eyeglasses and recycle them. Lion volunteers clean, sort by prescription strength and package the glasses for use in clinics where the recycled glasses are then distributed to people in need in underserved communities.

I hope many of you will attend or send delegates from your club to our 96th MD4 state Lions convention in Visalia from February 20-22. Our District Governors and the convention committee has developed a full agenda of activities and sessions that will be very worthwhile. Check it out on the <u>Lions MD4</u> <u>Website.</u> Delegates at the convention will also be electing our next endorsed International Director candidate to represent MD4 on the LCI board. Please come and get involved!

Again, it continues to be a privilege to represent all California Lions. As always, please feel free to contact me if I can assist in any way.

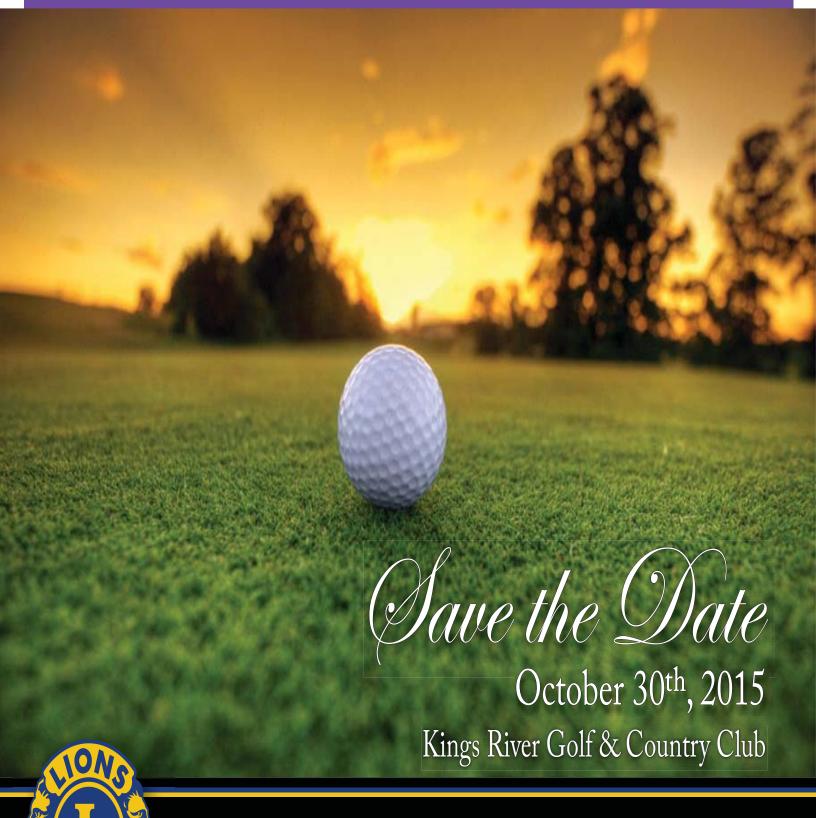
Yours in Service

Jany Dias

Larry Dicus

International Director





## Inaugural Kingsburg Lions Golf Tournament

Benefitting the Kingsburg Cancer Volunteers, Community Charities and Local Youth Activities



#### PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT **CLUB ACTIVITY REPORT**

FOR THE MONTH OF

December\_ MONTH JUST COMPLETED

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

MAILED BY THE 20th OF THE REPORTING MONTH

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

**CLUB NAME: Lemoore Lions Club** DATE: 1/01/2015 **DISTRICT 4-A2** REGION: Western ZONE:

	Service Proje	cts*				Fund Raisir	ng Projects*		
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#### CONTINUE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SEPARATE SHEETS: TYPE ANY INFORMATION AND GIVE MORE DETAILS

- 1. 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.
- 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.
- 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

CS - parlierlions@yahoo.com; RC AND ZC -

1/01/15 - INPUT TO INTERNATIONAL

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.

## Congratulations to the Kings Lions Club for being selected as the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce's Organization of the Year for 2015!

The Kings Lions Club, despite being chartered on October 15, 2013 has given back so very much to our Community in so many ways. The Kings Lions Club is made up of 40 hard working and motivated community members. The Kings Lions Club membership is diverse in every way, truly representing Lemoore and Kings County's diversity.

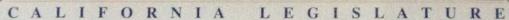
The Kings Lions Club actively seeks out opportunities to help those in need in our own backyard as well as internationally. Their very first community service project was the Heritage Apartment Fire last year, right here in Lemoore. When they heard that there was a tragic fire that displaced several families, the Kings Lions Club was first on the scene and first to organize and deliver much needed food and supplies directly to the affected families. Yes, even before the Red Cross had arrived. That is what makes the Kings Lions Club and our Community so great, the willingness to get involved and help our neighbors in need.

Since then, their list of their accomplishments is clearly very impressive. To date, they have donated over \$26,000 back to our own Community and countless man hours towards their projects

In addition, the Kings Lions Club was voted as the 2015 Hanford Sentinel's Readers Choice Award as the "BEST Non Profit Organization".

The Kings Lions Club has provided significant contributions and has enabled many organizations and families to not have to go without.







By the Honorable Rudy Salas, Jr., 32nd Assembly District, and the Honorable Andy Vidak, 14th Senatorial District; Relative to commending the

#### Kings Lions Club

Thereas, For its distinguished record of public service and immeasurable contributions to the local community, the Kings Lions Club will be honored as 2015 Organization of the Year by the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce during its 57th Annual Installation and Awards Banquet on January 23, 2015, and upon this occasion, the Kings Lions Club and its members are deserving of special public commendations; and

Thereis. With its selection as Organization of the Year, the Kings Lions Club--whose 40 hardworking members are proud to belong to the newest Lions Club in the Central Valley, chartered on October 15, 2013--carns well-deserved distinction for the many ways in which it has already admirably served the residents of Kings County and the City of Lemoore during its remarkable first year and for its members' readily apparent enthusiasm and dedication as the Club enters its second year; and

Thereas, Embracing a membership that is truly diverse and representative of both the County and the City, the Kings Lions Club is a nonprofit organization that actively seeks out opportunities to get involved and provide assistance in the communities where there are neighbors in need, as well as to participate in the charitable endeavors of its nonprofit parent organization, Lions International, and

Thereas, The Club's initial community service project was its first-on-the-scene aid provided to those made homeless by the May 2014 Tanglewood Apartment Fire in Hanford through its organization and distribution of much-needed food and supplies; other laudable Club activities included Christmas-related distribution of much-needed tood and supplies, once taturable Club activities included Christinas-related events such as a canned food drive and participation in Presents on Patrol and the 6th Annual Community Christmas Dinner, as well as major events held throughout the year, such as the Kings Lions Brewfest and Kings Lions Liuau, to raise funds in support of the Club's charitable community initiatives, and

Hiterens, As of December 1, 2014, the Kings Lions Club had donated countless volunteer hours and over \$24,000 to support a diversity of worthy causes which included, among numerous others, the Lemoore Senior Citizens Center, Lemoore Police Explorers Program, Lemoore and Hanford Youth Boxing Programs, Stratford Youth Soccer Team, Sarah A. Mooney Historical Museum, Badge of Brothers, and Lemoore Christian Aid; and

Readers' Choice Awards, the Kings Lions Club has amassed a list of accomplishments that encompasses a broad range of projects, kinds of volunteerism, charitable acts, and events that have contributed immeasurably to the quality of life and well-being of hundreds of people and many organizations in Kings County and the City of Lemoore and that reflect an organization devoted to the highest ideals of service to and support of others; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by Assembly Hember Rudy Salas, Jr., and Senator Andy

Hidatk, That the Kings Lions Club be congranulated on its selection by the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce as 2015 Organization of the Year, and extended best wishes that the unstituting efforts of its members will continue in the years to come.

Members Resolution No. 139

Dated this 23rd day of January, 2015



# District 4-A2 Governor Anthony Martinez