

# Roar of the Lion

## District A-42

March 2017

***"We Serve with Love, Care, Respect & Peace"***

### Centennial District Governor Chiragkumar 'Kevin' Patel

The District has two big events left in our Lion year, plus two bonus events this year only.

The **first** of the two big events is the District Convention. Here's an outline:

**FRIDAY: The International Food Faire** — see page 5 **golf** — see p. 8

*FREE food and drink with your convention registration*

*It's a competition between clubs for the best overall food and fun.*

**SATURDAY: The Parade of Banners** — see page 4

*Each club carries in its own banner.*

**International Director speaks**

*Get the latest on what's up at International.*

*You even get to ask questions!*

**District Student Speaker contest**

*Winner earns a \$4,500 scholarship*

**SUNDAY: The Memorial Service**

*Remembering all those Lions our clubs have lost to death since last year.*

also on  
**SATURDAY:**  
Multicultural Dance  
Competition  
— see p. 15



**DG PATEL AT THE LEO LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE IN RIVERDALE**

The **second** big event is our Club Officer School. Do not fear to serve on your club's Board of Directors. Do not even fear challenging jobs like being Secretary, Treasurer or Tail Twister. Our District has a class for you that will be easy, fun, and will leave you confident that you can do the job and do it well. — see page 12

A new, **bonus** event is the Lions Symposium coming up March 28th in Lemoore. We have invited lots of community agencies to find ways they can use Lion power to help them meet community needs. We are inviting Lions Clubs to come make connections to find better ways of serving and new sources of potential members. — see page 9

The final **bonus** event for this year is the June meeting of the current Council of Governors.

That body of all 15 District Governors in California, all their Vice-Governors, and their key committees has been scheduled for Visalia in June. For those not on the Council, it brings a chance to see and hear the FINAL FOUR in the MD-4 Student Speaker contest.

Bearskin Meadow rockers are available for 2017-2018. Several clubs made a commitment to support this district project through their annual club budget. Make the check out to Bearskin Meadow Project and mail it to cabinet treasurer Jan Beatty in Visalia (address in your district directory).

Last summer 8 of the kids attending diabetes camp at Bearskin Meadow were from 4-A2 ZIP codes.

The Memorial Day Work Weekend this year will be all four days, from Friday evening to Monday afternoon. It's okay to come for just one day, but if you want to spend a night, register online\* (4a2lions.org) to get a place to sleep.

Lion Cassandra Frates is just back from the MD-4 Lions Leadership Institute. Here's what she posted:

I met the most amazing Lions this weekend. I wish I could tag each one and say Thank you for sharing so much of yourself this weekend and for teaching me so much, students and instructors alike!

Some really great things to come from this group..just watch!

🦁🦁🦁 If you have not gone PLEASE go to the Lions Leadership Institute...you will be so happy you did!

### Upcoming events

Lions Tribute Day at City of Hope  
25 March in Duarte, CA

Symposium at Lemoore Civic Auditorium  
28 March

The Laton Lions Rodeo and Parade  
6, 7 and 8 April

High Sierra Jazz Festival  
13 to 15 April at the Three Rivers Roping Arena

District Convention  
27, 28, 29 April at the Tachi Palace

Environmental Photo Contest  
last day to get your 8" x 10" glossy  
to DG Chiragkumar Patel is  
30 April. *(bring it to the convention!)*

Mother's Day Brunch  
13 May at the Hanford Civic Auditorium

Clovis Country Lions Club Fundraiser  
17 May at Tahoe Joe's in Fresno

Visalia Sunset Wine Tour bus  
19 May — see page 9

District LEO Fun Day  
19 May in Lemoore

Parlier Fun Run  
26 May

Bearskin Meadow Camp Work weekend  
25 to 28 May by Sequoia National Park

MD-4 Council of Governors meeting  
and FINAL 2018 Student Speaker Contest  
8, 9, 10 June at the Visalia Wyndham Hotel

Club Officer School  
16 June in Visalia

International Convention  
starts June 29 in Las Vegas

Summer Camp for Deaf students  
15 to 21 July at Teresita Pines near Wrightwood  
22 to 28 July at Camp Pacifica near Oakhurst  
5 to 11 August at Camp Ross Relles near Nevada City

### Visitation contest standings as of January 18th:

#### small clubs:

Delano	215 points
Selma Charter	368 points
Rosedale Hwy	457 points
Bakersfield Host	610 points
McFarland LEOs	5,646 points

#### Medium Clubs:

Fresno Pride	325 points
Visalia Sequoia	1,542 points
Hanford Breakfast	2,918 points
Visalia Charter Oak	3,097 points
Fresno Unlimited	3,065 points
Fresno Host	3,391 points
Lemoore	4,274 points
Visalia Sunset	8,619 points
Richgrove	points

#### LARGE CLUBS:

Reedley	214 points
Central Valley LLC	296 points
Visalia Breakfast	440 points
Visalia Host	652 points
Porterville Breakfast	1,005 points
Kings	1,890 points
Visalia Pride	5,026 points

*reported by District Visitation Contest Chair Mary Andrade  
of the Three Rivers Lions Club*

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*At the MD-4 Convention in San Diego in February, the  
following were honored as this year's nominations from  
District 4-A2:*

#### **LEO of the Year**

*Matthew Brown*

Harmony Magnet Academy LEO Club  
Porterville Breakfast Lions Club

#### **Small Club Project of the Year**

*Clovis Lions Club*

Help for family after house fire

#### **Large Club Project of the Year**

*Fresno Diwata Lions Club*

install drinking fountain at school in Cotabato City, Philippines

#### **Couple of the Year**

*Jim & Susan Boyd*

Hanford Breakfast Lions Club

#### **Lion of the Year**

*William "Van" Van Landingham*

Visalia Pride Lions Club

## Out and About with 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor

What wonderful dedicated Lions we have here in District 4-A2. It has been very important for me to meet our members. Our members have been busy doing what we do best and that is Community Service.



I have seen projects ranging from Eye Screening, Feeding the Hungry, Project Homeless Connect to so many others.

During this year, there have also been many fun times. One for sure, was at the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting in Fresno. Karaoke night, all the clubs coming together to entertain each other and enjoy the time. Bringing us all closer together, with great talent and having fun together. I think it is one of the fun items to put in agenda at each year 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting.

Also, what a great group of Leo clubs we have. They have had a busy year organizing, creating a Leo Cabinet and working on our local Leo's Leadership Forum, which was in Riverdale, March 10. It was a great success and you will be hearing more about our Awesome LEOs.

Thank you all for giving this great opportunity to grow and become a better Lion of service to my Lions Family.

-2nd Vice-District Governor William "Van" Van Landingham

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*The Lion Eye Foundation in San Francisco held the Grand Opening and open house and tours of their new clinic last July. Lions from the Visalia Sequoia Lions and Central Valley Lioness Lions of Selma attended that event and a board of directors meeting.*

Visalia Charter Oak has been using their new vision screener they got with help of a LCIF grant. They started with a screening on July 22nd, and on August 4th, they did one in Hanford.

During the District Governor visit to Corcoran, Lion Jessica Rogers bought three \$20 LCIF contributing member pins, and presented two of them to her two guests as their first pins as Lions. Lion Jessica has been a Lion since August.

## Clovis Lions Club Shoe collection

At the principal's request, the Central Valley Lioness Lions collected 65 pairs of shoes to help the pre-school to 6th grade students at Calwa Elementary. The school, the only one in their town, has a student population of 748, with about 80% of their students with English as a second language. 29 of CVLL's 58 members and 1 guest donated/packed/delivered/shopped for school supplies and/or collected shoes. 65 shoes were collected and donated.

In November the Fresno Unlimited Lions held a diaper drive. Thirteen members went out to collect diapers of all sizes (child and adult) and baby wipes. They donated them to the Marjaree Mason Center because of the Center's service to victims of homelessness and domestic violence in Fresno County. The Center said the donation would serve 250 people.

Selma Charter - scarves and socks and knit caps to nursing home.

On May 8th of last year, eight McFarland Lions participated in the 28th Honor Flight with two arrivals (9:40pm & 11:45pm) at the Bakersfield Airport. Lion members passed out US flags to returning Veterans, their family members and visitors. Total total flags passed out: 200.

They had just done this on May 1st for the 27th Honor Flight event at the Bakersfield Airport, when they passed out 300 US flags.

Then, on the 18th of May, ten McFarland Lions participated in the MUSD 2nd Annual Kern Co. Regional Special Olympics at the McFarland High School. Lions escorted the participants through various events. The Lions also cooked and served hamburgers and hot dogs.

In coordination with Food Link, the Richgrove Lions distributed about 150 boxes of canned food to community members in August, and in July they did a similar project with Food Across America and got vegetables out to members of their community.

Lion Kaden Ferretti is available to speak to clubs about the Kases for Kids project. I thought I knew all about it, but when she spoke to my club recently, I learned that things have changed in the child placement system, so Kases for Kids has changed, too. Contact her through her North Fresno Lions Club.





# District 4-A2 Lions Convention 2017-18 Centennial Year April 27 – 29, 2018



## Calling all District 4-A2 Lions!!!!

**Celebrate your successes this year with your fellow Lions  
at the Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino in Lemoore!!**

**Just send in your completed Registration Form (below), make your room reservation,  
and then get ready to celebrate!**

**To help the District raise money for charity,  
please bring prizes for our opportunity drawings.**

Name of Lion or Leo		Email Address		
Address		City	Zip	Cell Phone
Club Name	Region	Zone		District or Club office held

CONVENTION SELECTIONS AND PRICES		<i>\$\$ if Post-marked before Apr 10</i>	<i>\$\$ if Post-marked after Apr 10</i>	<u>Total \$\$</u>
--Registration, Convention Pin, free Friday Food Fair		\$30	\$45	\$ _____
--Leo Registration		\$ 5	\$10	
SATURDAY LUNCH*	Turkey Avocado Sandwich _____	\$20	\$30	\$ _____
	Greek Veggie Wrap _____	\$20	\$30	
SATURDAY DINNER*	Prime Rib _____	\$40	\$60	\$ _____
	Salmon _____	\$40	\$60	
	Mushroom Ravioli _____	\$25	\$40	
SUNDAY BREAKFAST*	Complete Breakfast with Bacon or Pork	\$18	\$30	\$ _____
	Sausage Links			
	Purchase Extra Trading Pins @ \$5.00 Each	---	---	\$ _____

No Meal Tickets Will Be Available At The Door  
No Meals Guaranteed If Registration Received After 4/17/2018

**TOTAL** ➡ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*We will do our best to accommodate any medically emergent food allergies that require dietary consideration. Please make note with registration.

### District Meeting Registration

Make your check payable to: **District 4-A2 Convention**  
then mail with Registration Form to PDG Betty L.  
Morris, 805 W. Myrtle Avenue, Visalia, CA 93277

### Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino

17225 Jersey Avenue  
Lemoore, CA 93245-9760  
**For reservations call: 800-942-6886**

# DISTRICT 4-A2 LIONS CLUBS & LEO CLUBS

## DISTRICT CONVENTION –2018

### INTERNATIONAL FOOD TALENT COMPETITION

**ON APRIL 27TH, 2018, TIME 5.00 P.M. TO 8.00 P.M.**

**Venue: Tachi Hotel & Casino near pool, 17225 Jersey Ave., Lemoore,**

**Registration Deadline: APRIL 15TH, 2018**



**SHOW US  
YOUR  
TALENT!**



Lion/Leo Club/Individual/Non-Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Region: \_\_\_\_\_ Zone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contest Representative Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone:( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Item Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CATEGORY( Please X Mark): ( ) Food, ( ) Beverage, ( ) Dessert  
Food Item Country or State of Origin if known: \_\_\_\_\_ (You may print recipe for the guests)

#### **A. RULES:**

1. Food Or Beverages served should meet the local Health Department Standards while serving & handling & to be stored accordingly maintaining temperatures for cold & hot food.
2. Hygiene must be maintained at all times. Gloves, Apron, hairnets are recommended.
3. Bring necessary items like tent, table, chairs, silverware, napkins, trashcan, trash bags, lights, extension cord, for your own booth size not bigger then 10' X 10' & food tasting for registered individuals only.
4. You may have a tip can only for your club administrative/fundraiser or to support the charities,
5. Please specify the food ingredients due to allergies and possibly describe in brief,
6. To set-up booth we request you to arrive by 4.00p.m. to locate your place and decorate your booth,
7. There will be live band group during the contest, so please don't bring your music. Thanks!

#### **B. CATEGORIES FOR CONTEST TO WIN:**

1. Best Food/Beverage/Dessert flavor and ingredients use,
2. Best presentation—looks of food, aroma and decoration of the booth ,
3. Best overall food and booth decoration.

**Please Send Your entries postmarked or via e-mail by the deadline April, 15, 2018:**  
Western Region Chair: Lion Falguni Patel, P O Box 652, Lemoore, CA 93245--0652  
Any questions: Call or Text to (559) 270-8307 OR e-mail : falgunipat36@gmail.com



Fellow Lions, Lioness and Leos;

***"It's always a Great Day To Be A Lion! "***

Do you remember this from our last Newsletter: "The clubs in our district dropped 161 to a net loss of 74 members year-to-date through December 31st. That was **161 friends and family members** that had walked out our clubs' doors for the last time. That was 161 members that are no longer helping to serve our communities, **is that important?**" **To answer the question**, during the first two months of this quarter we dropped another 50 members and only added 24 new members. This brings our net loss to -100 members for the year. At the time of our workshop for new member recruiting, February 17th, we had 61 clubs with 1,988 members, but only 15 Lions representing 9 clubs attended the workshop. A notice was sent to all the PDGs, Club Presidents, Club Secretaries and Zone/Region Chairs offering this "Just Ask" workshop.

The Just Ask Workshop is a four step process for recruiting and retaining new members. If your club follows the recommended steps, it **will greatly improve your member retention and increase your membership**. When the logistics are finalized, another Just Ask workshop will be offered in Fresno in March or early April.

There are some positive things to report. I am very proud of the Taft Lions Club, they are the 2017-2018 second quarter membership gain leader and the club's name has been added to the Membership Trophy. At the end of February, we have a five club race going for the third quarter, the Parlier and Riverdale clubs are tied with 3 members followed by the Clovis, Cutler/Orosi and Selma Central Valley Lioness Lions Clubs with plus 2 members. I could offer you a lot of numbers and percentage but to keep it positive we have 17 clubs reporting a positive gain in membership at the end of February.

**Region Chairs/Zone Chairs, again, please** make sure all your Club Presidents and Secretaries know how to enter the new club officers into My LCI prior to April 15, 2018. I believe that you have access to view their reports, please, follow-up before the end of April to be sure that each of your clubs are in compliance. I have some documents that I will share with you that will assist you in walking the club secretaries or presidents through the data entry process, "JUST ASK". Remember, we are to focus on Protecting our ENVIRONMENT, Relieving the HUNGER, Sharing the VISION, Engaging our YOUTH and Diabetes Awareness. When you record these activities note the number of Lion-hours served and people affected by your efforts. You cannot get the credit that you deserve unless you complete the applicable reporting. Additionally, there are three Lion Legacy Project recognition levels that your club can earn again this year.



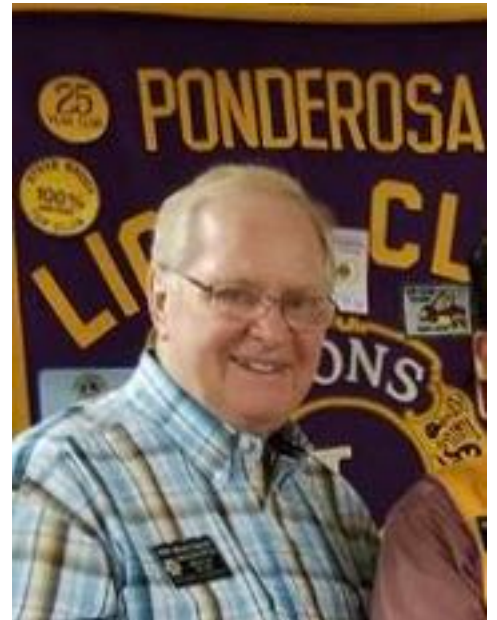
WE need to support our District and our Governor, he has a heart that is as big as mountain and solid gold. I remain a believer in service and our Governor's theme **"WE SERVE" WITH LOVE, CARE, RESPECT AND PEACE.** It is something we still need to think about. With respect to membership, we have just a little more than three months left to make something out of the year. Are we truly "Asking" offering a "from the heart" reason for them to want to become a Lion?

This is the last year for the Centennial special offers which increase our ability to better serve our communities by increasing the membership in our clubs. Again this year our new member pin will have the word Centennial across the top making it more desirable and the member sponsor will receive the awesome Centennial Sponsor pin. Special Banner Patches, more media attention, etc.. Take advantage of the extra tools.

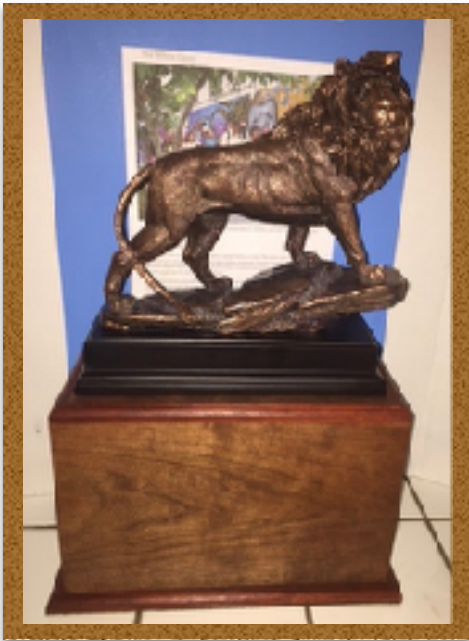
**Be Strong, Be A Lion. Good Recruiting to all**

In Lionism,

PDG Dean Church, GMT-D



# Membership Growth Trophy



THE LION THAT STANDS ON THE TOP OF THE TROPHY IS AN 11" BY 11" BRONZE AND VERY PROUD LION. THE BASE WAS MADE BY AN AUBERRY, CA CABINET MAKER AND GIVEN A FURNITURE QUALITY FINISH BY DEAN CHURCH. WE CAN SAFELY SAY IT IS A "ONE OF A KIND" TROPHY.

The new Membership Growth recognition trophy was unveiled at the second District Meeting in Richgrove. 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 is presented to the winning club at each Cabinet Meeting or Convention following the close of the quarter. Each quarterly winner will retain the trophy until the next quarterly presentation. The club whose name appears on the trophy the most during the three-year contest will keep the trophy for all to see when they visit your club.

Contest rules are as follows:

1. Participating clubs must be in good standing with Lions Clubs International.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. There will be 12 quarterly winners; each will be the club with the highest net gain in membership for the quarter.
5. There will be 3 annual winners: the club that has the highest net gain in Membership for each year.
6. LCI, MD-4 and District 4-A2 dues for the new member must be paid.
7. The trophy must be returned in the same condition as it was when you took possession.
8. Branch Club members are included in parent club totals.
9. 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 the first two clubs to receive this recognition; the **Kingsburg** and the **Shaver Lake** Lions Clubs. They both recorded a net gain of 5 members during the first quarter of year 2017-2018. Awesome! For the second quarter the **Taft** Lions Club goes on the trophy, edging out Clovis and Central Valley.

Good Recruiting to all,

F. Dean Church, PDG/GMT-D

# LEMOORE GOLF COURSE

## *Lions District 4-A2 Convention Golf Tourney*

**WHERE:** Lemoore Golf Course  
 350 Iona Avenue, Lemoore, CA  
**TELEPHONE:** 559-924-9658  
**WHEN:** 10 AM Friday, April 27, 2018  
**FEE:** \$45 and includes Golf Cart, & lunch  
**DEADLINE:** April 23, 2018 (Golf Course requires  
 a guarantee)



**FORMAT:** 4 Person Scramble

#	NAME	ADDRESS	TOWN	ZIP	TELEPHONE
1					
2					
3					
4					

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

**Make Checks Payable to: Lion Bill Diltz, Golf Chair**  
**And mail it with this form to: 4314 W. Nicholas Ave. Visalia, 93291**  
**559-732-6897 or 559-288-2933      Email: wbdiltz43@gmail.com**



As you know, all golf courses are great, and a beautiful place to be... the Lemoore Golf Course is no exception. Your green fees include a Cheeseburger and a drink – not just an ordinary cheeseburger, but the one voted #1 by all members of the Lemoore golf course. It's ALWAYS A GREAT TIME. The game is scramble - so no pressure, and always a great place to bring a friend and introduce them to Lions! Come join in the fun.



# Community is What We Make It!

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of our association and the 50th anniversary of our foundation, we would like to invite you to help us expand our community reach and projects at the *first ever*



## “Lions Offering Partnership in Services Symposium”

This will be a **FREE EVENT** where you have the chance to listen to guest speakers and have the opportunity to share about your organization/business/association/non-profit organization and learn how we Lions could partner with you to help serve our community needs.

## Lions Offering Partnership in Services Symposium

Wednesday March 28th, 2018  
2:30pm to 5:30pm

Lemoore Civic Auditorium, 435 C Street, Lemoore, CA 93245

Please RSVP to by March 21st, 2018 to: District Governor Lion Chiragkumar “Kevin” Patel  
**E-mail:** [shrisaipatel@yahoo.com](mailto:shrisaipatel@yahoo.com) **Phone number:** (704) 267-9583

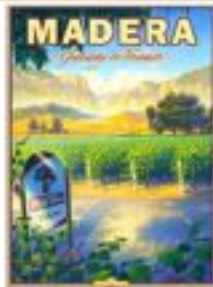
*Any club in attendance representing as a volunteer for our community should bring their banner for display.*



TIME AGAIN FOR A GREAT WINE ADVENTURE

### VISALIA SUNSET LIONS ANNUAL WINE TASTING TOUR

Saturday, May 19, 2018



### Come of Sunset Lions Local Charities

Happy Trails Therapeutic Riding  
Academy in Visalia  
Food Bank  
Imagine U  
Visalia Eye Fund  
Student Scholarships  
Food/Gifts for local families at holidays

Time  
Bus Leaves at 9:00 a.m.  
Returns by 5:00 p.m.

Leaves From  
Carl's Jr. Parking Lot on Noble

All tasting fees are included

Great Opportunity Drawings

Only \$10

For Tickets or Questions:

Contact any Sunset Lion or Lyn @ 559-136-2266 / Dawn 559-740-3707 or [dlspeierbun@gmail.com](mailto:dlspeierbun@gmail.com)

In Fresno, near the end of the third District meeting, visiting 1st Vice-District Governor Skip Zehnder was getting ready to go home to Walnut Creek. But he waved good-bye in the middle of an auction for \$175.

The Shafter Lions Club had 300 backpacks to donate to a “Stuff the Bus” back-to-school project last fall with Assemblyman Rudy Salas, and they still ran out!

The Bakersfield Sports Lions and the Rosedale Lions hosted a Valentine's Day Cookie Decoration party for the families at the Bakersfield Homeless Center.

Lion Bob Sperry of the Exeter Lions Club was selected as Man of the Year for 2016 by the city of Exeter Chamber of Commerce.

## ***A Lions Effort Will Help Dinuba Children Emotionally Survive Traumatic Events***

The Dinuba Lions Club presented kid care kits to the Dinuba Police Department on January 11. Per the program's mission statement, the kits are designed to "ease the emotional burden on children in situations of trauma or neglect by showing them they are worthy of dignity and respect, and by addressing immediate care and comfort needs."

During some Dinuba Police responses, innocent children are deeply affected. Sometimes these are cases where a parent is arrested for breaking a law in town, or sometimes just police responding to residences, and always when the children must be directed to Child Protective Services.

Other situations in which the police department would provide the kits to children include residential emergencies, before Red Cross responds, lost children or runaway juveniles.

Dinuba Police Lt. Russell Son said, "For a lot of the kids, it's a traumatic situation, especially if they're in the foster system already and have bounced around from one place to another. They lose that self-dignity and they don't have that sense of pride.

"You give them something like this that shows them that there are people out there that do care and you can help recover that dignity with each individual kid. It shows them that things do get better."

The kits are designed to provide the children with immediate care items like a blanket, stuffed animal, book with a theme of overcoming traumatic adversity, a toy, and journals and writing instruments for the older children. There are also snacks, as well as hygiene items in a custom cloth pouch for any displaced children, including: a toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, shampoo and conditioner, lotion, a brush and comb, hair ties for the girls and hair gel for the boys.

Dinuba Police Chief Devon Popovich (also a Dinuba Lion) said the kits provided by the Lions Club would provide the department with enough supplies for six months to a year.

Popovich said, "It's not every day we run into these incidents, but when we do it's really nice to have resources like the kits."

Some of the items in the kits were donated by local organizations. Other businesses worked with the Dinuba Lions Club to provide wholesale prices. The Blanket Ladies of Visalia made blankets; the Tulare-Kings Dental Society provided toothbrushes; and Ruiz Foods provided pencil cases.

Dinuba Lions Third Vice President Maria McElroy told the police department, *"Hopefully you will never need this stuff, but if you do need it we have more and we will restock as needed. ... We want the kids to feel appreciated in despite what is going on."*

Dinuba Lions Club members put the kits together in overtime after one of their regular Thursday meetings.

Dinuba Lions Club First Vice President Tim Conklin said, "The Lions are always ready and willing to serve the people of Dinuba. We've got a really hard-working club. We like to have fun, but at the same time we're always here to serve our community."



On May 20th eight McFarland Lions & six Richgrove Lions hosted the first Annual Strides Event in McFarland. Komoto Pharmacy Dr. M. Connors, Davita Dialysis Center's Ms. M. Chavez and Delano Hospital RN L. Zarate gave valuable diabetic awareness information and Physical Instructor S. Flores gave a 30-minute aerobic work-out. Also, Delano Hospital staff conducted sugar blood checks and high blood pressure checks.



## LCIF Donations thru February 2018

- At the District meeting in Richgrove, The **McFarland LEOs** and the **McFarland Lions** each earned a rocker for their banner with \$100 donations to the District's Bearskin Meadow Camp project.

- When the Lemoore Lions decided not to hold their annual Mongolian Barbecue Night this year, the Lemoore LEOs took over. It was a huge night with Visalia Sunset Lions, Fresno Diwata Lions, Hanford Breakfast Lions, Fresno Unlimited Lions, Kings Lions and Visalia Sequoia Lions sending hungry customers.

- Four McFarland LEOS participated in the Reading Across America reading Dr. Seuss books to twenty special needs students at the Kern Ave. Elementary School in McFarland.

- The donation of \$240.00 to LCIF by Bakersfield Sports Lions represented exactly \$20 for each of their members, making them one of the 100% clubs.

- The Diwata Lions Club demonstrated the use of their Welch-Allyn Spot Vision Screener after the Annual Soul Food Dinner of the Fresno Unlimited Lions Club on February 18, 2018. The intent was to accomplish a Train the Trainer event, but they also conducted a vision screening for four adults during the Soul Food Dinner. One needed a complete eye exam and three were within normal range. The subjects were happy for the fast and efficient eye screening by the use of the portable spot vision machine.

<i>Exeter</i>	\$4,800.00
<i>Visalia Pride</i>	\$2,160.00
<i>Parlier</i>	\$1,426.00
<i>Fresno Host</i>	\$1,150.00
<i>Visalia Host</i>	\$1,100.00
<i>Caruthers</i>	\$1,000.00
<i>Clovis Country</i>	\$1,000.00
<i>Dinuba</i>	\$1,000.00
<i>North Fresno</i>	\$1,000.00
<i>Coalinga</i>	\$500.00
<i>Riverdale</i>	\$500.00
<i>Terra Bella</i>	\$500.00
<i>Bakersfield Sports</i>	\$240.00
<i>Visalia Sunset</i>	\$150.00
<i>Hanford Breakfast</i>	\$100.00
<i>Laton</i>	\$100.00
<i>McFarland</i>	\$100.00
<i>Porterville Breakfast</i>	\$100.00
<i>Reedley</i>	\$50.00
<i>Rosedale Highway</i>	\$50.00
<i>Ponderosa</i>	\$20.00

Total donation for this year is \$17,346.00

Please contact me if you have any concerns about your donations to

**Lions Clubs International Foundation**

*Judy Woolley*

## No Small Project

The "drinking fountain" project of the Diwata Lions Club was not only International Twinning with the Cotabato Lions Club in the Philippines, but it was a really big project.

Four Diwata Lions traveled for 15 days in May of last year to Cotabato Province on the large southern island of Mindanao. They were Lions Monina Mata, Ellen Perry and Victoria and Dan Baxter. They worked with Notre Dame Village Central Elementary School, and way beyond. They had to find the spring water; test it for potability (through coordination with the Cotabato City Water District); install a PVC pipe system to bring the water from the spring to the school; they constructed a concrete pedestal and constructed a steel shed for protection and finally, installed two drinking fountains.



This "install drinking fountain" is a Centennial Celebration Level 3 Legacy Project of the Fresno Diwata Lions Club.

It was the District's nominee for the MD-4 Large Club Project of the Year.



2018  
Officers  
School of  
Instruction



"Your dues have  
already paid for this, so  
you may as well go!"

Saturday June 16, 2018  
Visalia Unified School District  
5000 W Cypress Avenue  
Visalia, California 93277

7:30 Doors Open, Snacks  
7:50 Welcome  
8:00 First Training Class  
10:00 Second Training Class  
12:00 Lunch (see below)  
1:00 Third Training Class

## Registration

Name	Phone	Email	Club Name
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Please indicate what class or classes you are interested in.

Mark your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Student Speaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Tail Twister	<input type="checkbox"/> Director
<input type="checkbox"/> New Member Orientation	<input type="checkbox"/> Zone & Region Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer
<input type="checkbox"/> Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/> President	<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Guiding Lion	<input type="checkbox"/> Leo Advisor

☐ Lunch \$5.00 each

Mail or email registration to: [morris\\_bl@yahoo.com](mailto:morris_bl@yahoo.com)

PDG Betty Morris, 805 W Myrtle Avenue, Visalia, CA 93277, 559-967-0209

If you want to print out just one of the registration forms and not the whole newsletter, I can send it to you separately.

— David Beeman, editor, [dpbeeman@icloud.com](mailto:dpbeeman@icloud.com)



HANFORD LEOS

## 4A2 Leos prepare for Camp

The 4-A2 Leos will be hosting a one day camp on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at Riverdale High School. During this one day camp, each Leo and Leo Advisor will receive a camp t-shirt, breakfast snack, lunch, and afternoon snack. You will hear an opening speech from alumni Leo, participate in activities, sessions, and fun! The cost is only \$25 per Leo/Advisor. Registration forms are available at [www.4a2lions.org](http://www.4a2lions.org).

### Bragging Rights

#### Central Valley Leos

Helped CVLLC serve 315 hot Thanksgiving meals at the Selma Senior Center and deliver meals to those who were unable to pick them up.

They cleaned the streets of Selma after Santa's Parade and Craft Faire

Accompanied by a keyboard player and his sister the Leos sang Christmas carols, gave small gifts and spent time talking to the elderly residents of Selma's Leebar Village Apartments over hot chocolate and cookies. Their next stop was Sanger's Golden Living Center skilled nursing facility where they went room to

room spreading Christmas cheer talking to the residents and handing out cards.

#### Dinuba Leos

The Leos held a successful Coats for Kids campaign which benefited needy students in two elementary schools and the high school this past holiday season.

#### Hanford Leos

Ten Leos attended the Lions Family Night (6 of the Leos did presentations on their countries), Free Face painting and popcorn on the Veterans Day Celebration.

They also helped prepare and serve the Thanksgiving Dinner at the Salvation Army, decorated and ride on the Hanford Breakfast Lions Float for the Christmas Parade, visited the Hacienda Nursing home, and helped with the two monthly community dinners.

Several Leos help make decorations and raffle prizes and help prepare craft kits for kids to make at the Dec Breakfast with Santa.

# Leo 4-A2 News



## February 2018

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First Annual 4-A2 Leo Camp

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### Cont. Hanford Leos activities

Leos rang the Salvation Army Bells twice during the month, helping the Lions and the World Link Exchange Program.

During the week of the 18th-22<sup>nd</sup> several Leos worked to help prepare all the toys for the Salvation Army Angel Tree Food and Toy Distribution.

They also make monthly visits to the nursing home and the two community dinners.

### Sierra Leos

The Sierra Leos hosted the Foothill Trunk or Treat in Prather, they had 416+ in attendees. They also helped raise donations for TIP (Trauma Intervention Program), Sierra High FFA, and Foothill Horse Rescue.

They also volunteered at the Ponderosa Lions Club Annual Turkey, put on the November Lions Dinner, which was also their 50th Charter Anniversary. They also completed a Krispy Kreme Fundraiser.

The club has continued its commitment to "Kases for Kids" by reaching out to their community for donations.

### Riverdale Leos

The Leos worked and donated their football concessions proceeds to LCIF disaster relief funds for the recent hurricanes and fires throughout the nation and state of California.

The Riverdale Leos hosted their annual Pictures with Santa on the night of the Tree lighting providing the children of Riverdale a photo with Santa and a chance to tell Santa what they want for Christmas.

### McFarland Leos

The McFarland Leos continued with their volunteer efforts with the Honor Flight and the handing out of our Nations flag, participation in the grand opening and dedication of the Horizon School STEAM building. They have also dedicated a great effort in the Kases for Kids program.



Figure 3 McFarland Leos STEAM Dedication

### Lemoore Leos

Lemoore Leos has been recognized as a volunteer organization by the Lemoore Parks and Recreation. They racked up volunteer hours with the Veterans Day Run, and the Community Thanksgiving dinner.

### Events Coming Up

3/6	Kids Day Newspaper	Various locations
3/10	Youth Leadership Camp	Riverdale
4/3	Lions Speech Contest	Various locations
4/13-4/15	Youth Leadership Camp	Teresita Pines
4/28	Lions Speech Contest @ 4A2 Lions District Convention	Lemoore
5/19	Leo Fun Day	Lemoore
5/26	Bearskin Meadows Diabetes Camp	Sequoia National Park
6/9	Lions Speech Contest	Visalia
6/9	Lions COG	Visalia
6/29	Lions International	Las Vegas



Figure 4 Lemoore Leos Christmas pics



Figure 5 LEOs at Monster's Hockey Night





# DISTRICT 4-A2 LIONS CLUBS & LEO CLUBS DISTRICT CONVENTION –2018 INTERNATIONAL DANCE & TALENT COMPETITION



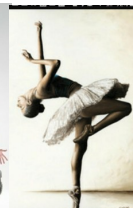
ON APRIL 28TH, 2018, TIME 7.45 P.M. onwards

Venue : Tachi Hotel & Casino, 17225 Jersey Ave., Lemoore,

Registration Deadline: APRIL 15TH, 2018



SHOW US  
YOUR  
TALENT!



Lion/Leo Club/**Individual - Non-Lion**: \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Region: \_\_\_\_\_ Zone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contest Representative Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Performance( Please X Mark): Solo( ) Duet( ) Group( ) & Category: ( ) Dance, ( ) Singer ( ) Jokes, ( ) Acting  
Item Country or State of Origin if known: \_\_\_\_\_ (Bring provide Music for your Competition)\*

## A. RULES & REQUIREMENTS:

1. Minimum age to participate in the Competition is 10 years and above and you must be registered for the Convention to take part in the Competition. You may visit [www.4a2lions.org](http://www.4a2lions.org) for the Convention-2108 registration form.
2. Music must be kept ready as an back-up in case if it fails to upload in the Hall System,
3. Bring necessary items required by you for your performance,
4. Time limit for the Dance, Jokes, Singing & Acting must be in the range from **2 to 5 min. max** else disqualified,
5. To set-up or for your music we request you to arrive by 7.00p.m. **with your registration details**,
6. \*Contact **Music Technician/DJ Lion Dan** for your contest music latest by 7.00p.m. on the Competition day or should send your music in **MP4 format** with your details to **DJ Lion Dan** via e-mail [Dbarcellos@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Dbarcellos@sbcglobal.net)
7. Judges decision will be the final decision and none should try to contact judges during or before the competition.

## B. CATEGORIES FOR THE CONTEST:

1. Solo Dance,
2. Duet/Trio Duets Dance,
3. Small Dance Group (4-10 dancers only)
4. Best Singer Solo,
5. Best Singer Duet,
5. Best Joke Performer (English only),
6. Best Acting
7. Best Overall Dancer—Solo,
8. Best Overall Dance Duet/Trio Duets
9. Best Overall Dance Group

Please Send Your entries postmarked or via e-mail by the deadline **April, 15, 2018**:

District Governor Lion Kevin Patel, P O Box 652, Lemoore, CA 93245-0652

Any questions: Call or Text to (704) 267-9583 OR e-mail : [shrisaipatel@yahoo.com](mailto:shrisaipatel@yahoo.com)