



TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

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Club Notes

It's January and many of our Lion Friends have to deal with ice and snow; our sympathies are with them and definitely with the lion at right.



Pleasant Valley had a great float in the Camarillo Christmas parade thanks to Lion Bruce and his team. The theme of our float was *Decades of Agriculture* and it was populated by a dozen types of fruits and vegetables from Ventura County.

There were three separate events during the month related to **Global Cause - Vision**. We sorted eye glasses for District 4A3 and helped clean and organize their facility in Santa Barbara, Lion Bill S. delivered over 8000 eye glasses to Calif. Lions Friends in Sight (CLFS) in Beaumont and learned about their processes for cleaning, measuring sorting and storing glasses. Bill is the district 4A3 liaison to CLFS and will be looking for support from our club to learn those processes to help reduce the huge workload on the Beaumont team.

We had a joint Christmas party at the Los Posas Country Club with Ambers Light and 3 other clubs joined in the fun. A cold kept me away but I got great photos from several lions that are **all** shown for your viewing pleasure.

Pleasant Valley did a Santa Maria-style bbq for Dial Security for 50 and a Lion Burger fest for 180 for the Camarillo High Football awards night.

DG Dr. Kalani Jose sent the district a holiday message and for those who don't read email (other than the one with our newsletter of course) nor get past page 34 I attached his message on the following page.

Happy Holidays Camarillo-Somis PV Lions, Family and Friends

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As I approach the halfway point, it has been an eventful year as District Governor. I started my year with a personal retreat with the question of what am I looking to achieve with the time that I have as District Governor. After hours of contemplating the question and understanding that we were coming out of a worldwide pandemic, I concluded that I wanted to motivate, organize, and lead the Lions of A3. Setting up a solid calendar of events was essential. My calendar included visitations, installations, inductions, district meetings, and zoom conference calls/meetings. I also conducted leadership calls to include my entire cabinet, my GAT (Global Action Team) Team, Region and Zone Chairs, and committee chairs to name a few.

Then the next step was to take action. My very first task was a leadership development workshop hosted by my Global Leadership Team chair. With great anticipation, my first visitation was with the Nipomo Lions Club. Following that were Santa Maria Sunrisers and Noontimers, Cayucos, and Goleta Lions Clubs.

The journey of the District Governor was on its way. That’s when Amber’s Light and Pleasant Valley assisted me with our cabinet installation and first District Meeting held in beautiful Camarillo. I must note that it was a success. Everyone in attendance was made aware of what was going on in the district – that we had begun providing many service projects throughout our district with the youth and vision.

Soon after, I visited San Luis Obispo, Channel Islands, Arroyo Grande, Paso Robles, Vandenberg Village, a combined visitation of Santa Margarita, San Miguel, and Templeton, Pismo Beach Cities, Fillmore, Oxnard Downtown, my host club the Oxnard Noontimers, Carpinteria, Camarillo Amber’s Light, Ojai Valley, Santa Paula, Orcutt, Conejo Valley, and Ventura Downtown Lions Clubs (I owe them a fine for calling them Downtowners!).

At this point, we hosted our second District Meeting in the delightful town of Santa Margarita. Again, it was a great success filled with representation from across the district, partaking in a service project and peace poster voting. In addition to my duty as DG and all of my visitations, I was generously invited to participate in three parades – in Cambria, Oxnard, and Orcutt. I believe that with those amazing experiences, my hand wave and happy smile were perfected.

As the year 2022 comes to an end, I would like to wish you and your family “Happy Holidays” from me and my family. I look forward to 2023 being filled with outstanding events like Ventura Downtown Lions Club 100th year Celebration on January 7 with the International President Brian Sheehan in attendance, the Melvin Jones Luncheon (with the date to be determined), the many student speakers competitions, more District Governor club visitations, the third District Meeting on March 4 in Orcutt, and the District Convention on May 5 and 6 in Oxnard.

I appreciate your kindness and willingness to serve as Lions because where there’s a need there’s a Lion, and I believe, “Together we can!”

Mahalo and Thanks,
Dr. Kalani G. Jose
District Governor, MD4 A3



Recycled Eye Glasses Sorting for District 4-A3

Twenty one District 4-A3 lions from 7 clubs gathered in Santa Barbara to clean the MD4 Headquarters building and sort district eyeglass donations. The clubs included Pleasant Valley, Ventura downtown, Santa Paula, Ambers Light, Carpinteria, Oxnard Noontimers and Conejo Valley. **Lions Rich, Bill S., Richard B. and Lloyd C. represented PV Lions.**

I borrowed the photo at bottom center from the 4A3 Facebook page but the others came from Lion Rich. Rich doesn't do selfies (good for him).

In case you forgot, our own Lion Bill S. is the 4A3 district coordinator for Lions Friends in Sight.

From the look of the photos the headquarters sure needed cleaning.



I'M LOOKING FOR A MAN WITH ONE EYE.

IF YOU USE BOTH EYES, YOU'LL FIND HIM A LOT QUICKER.

IT'S FINE TO EAT A "TEST" GRAPE IN THE PRODUCE SECTION BUT YOU TAKE ONE BITE OF A ROTISSERIE CHICKEN AND IT'S ALL, "SIR YOU NEED TO LEAVE."
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YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE YOUR PICS

THAT WAS TUESDAY

TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

3 Dec - Lions BBQ for Dial Security

A year ago Dial Security won a raffle from the Boys and Girls Club for a PV Lions Santa Maria Style Barbeque. They thoroughly enjoyed the dinner so this year they hired us to do a repeat dinner for their employee's Christmas party. Lions Mike Nunez, Jan Nunez, Bruce Jochums and Chet Price did the honors this year. Last year we towed our trailer to their house and did all the cooking on site but this year the meal was cooked at our yard and taken to the Dial Security owner's house to serve. As with last year's meal they loved it and handed over a check that night. No photos for the evening because they "*were way too busy*" so I forgive them (this time). Thanks for taking the time to add a little cash to our charity account.



Christmas Parade 1/3

*“The theme of this year’s parade is **Through the Decades**, as PVRPD celebrates 60 years of recreation. We chose **Decades of Agriculture** as the theme of our float. With the numerous amount of Lions Club members involved in crop growing, farming and ranching along with our many food and monetary donations to local charities, we thought this was an appropriate theme. We are towing a picking trailer with a tractor and displaying the many crops that are grown in Ventura County along with Christmas decorations.” (Lion Bruce, 2023)*

Float building started at Lion Bruce’s house and he had lions Kerry and Neil help with initial assembly. Bruce hand made the signs and scrounged/bought lots of decorations. Lions Mike and Bruce have lots of farmer friends who provided the tractor and trailer. Lion Mike picked up all the vegies at Underwoods who donated all but the strawberries *provided at half price*.



There were six boxes of fruit and vegies on each side of the float and each had to be placed in a box and held in place by saran wrap for display. You have to be impressed with all the hand-lettered signs on the float.

Bruce got all the greenery donated and it was used to fill out the boxes nicely for the display.



Seven Pleasant Valley Lions showed up on Friday afternoon with six of them shown below. Lion Mike Nunez had to leave shortly before the photo was taken.

It took about 4 hours to do most of the preparation with a little more to do in the morning.



Christmas Parade 2/3

I received photos from Lions Mike, Victor, Kerry, Missy and Daniel from the parade site. We had 9 PV Lions including Pres. Mike and Donna and Lions Bruce, Mike N., Kerry, Victor, Neil, John F., Daniel, Missy and Puppy Kaye who saw Santa for the first time.

You have to love the red tractor that pulled the float. In case you were wondering Leo the Lion doesn't need a driver's license because it is legal to drive farm equipment on the road and there is nothing in the CA driver's manual that prohibits Leo from driving.



Christmas Parade 3/3

We now know that Leo didn't drive the tractor, rather it was our 3rdVP Bruce at the helm with back seat guidance from Leo.

Pleasant Valley was 50th in line out of over 60 entrants so they saved the best for near last.

We had several new participants from our club in the parade including Lions Mike M., John F. and Daniel.

Looks like Daniel also got to meet Santa.



12 Dec - Lion Burgers for Cam High Football

Lion Bruce was asked if PV Lions could do a lion burger dinner for the Camarillo High School football awards night. It was done almost at cost although we made \$8 for the evening's fun. The culprits who handled the event for 180 hungry footballers and parents are shown below. Lion Bruce is auditioning for next year's Halloween slasher movie.

Dinner included Lion Burgers with cheese and lots of trimmings, potato and/or macaroni salad, chips and water. They provided desert and some of us availed ourselves of dessert. Kerry, Victor with a little help from the Bulletin cooked the 180 burgers in less than an hour. We had a great double row assembly line and the five of us managed to serve everyone in half an hour although we felt a lot like "one arm paper hangers" for a while. It helps when you have a barbeque pro (Bruce) organizing the line.

I did manage to jump from cheese for a couple of seconds to take a few photos. Kerry assembled the burgers, Victor and Bruce dished the salads and Pres. Mike and I made lion burgers into lion cheese burgers.



12 Dec - Thank You from Cam High Football

From: Amber Johnson <momjohnson04@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 11:25 AM

To: russdalew@verizon.net

Subject: Re: BBQ for ACHS Football Team

Hi Russ!

Thank you so much for your crew in feeding our varsity football team and their families on Monday night! The meal was really appreciated. We let all know in our invites for the event that the Lions Club was donating their time and just charging us cost for the food. (I hope you broke even!) When I was planning the event I was trying to think of how we can feed the masses on a small budget. My husband remembered when he played there (over 30 years ago) that the Lions Club did a similar BBQ.

Your organization made an impression on him then and I'm sure they did on Monday night.

Thank you again!

Amber Johnson

Autos built but never sold



1954 OLDSMOBILE ROCKET F88



1955 LINCOLN INDIANAPOLIS



1956 OLDSMOBILE GOLDEN ROCKET



1956 PONTIAC CLUB DE MER

Pleasant Valley/Ambers Light Christmas Party 1/4

Lion's Christmas Party was at the Las Posas Country Club and was well attended by lions from 5 clubs including Pleasant Valley, Ambers Light, Santa Paula, Conejo Valley and Ventura Downtown. Unfortunately the cold bug hit my family so I had to depend on others to provide me with photos and info and they came through. Lions Hillary, Kerry and Daniel provided photos and I tried to use most of what they provided. It was great to see that Lion Greg came with his guide dog. They stayed with Lion Bruce who was batching it since his wife Ellen is still busy working and traveling. ——— Great group photo below.



Pleasant Valley/Ambers Light Christmas Party 2/4



Las Posas Country Club did a nice job of decorating the room and I heard that the dinner and DJ were great.

The top couple of rows show members from clubs other than Pleasant Valley. They are easy to spot because they don't have red jackets. Looking at all the happy faces below and on the other pages makes me envious that I wasn't there.



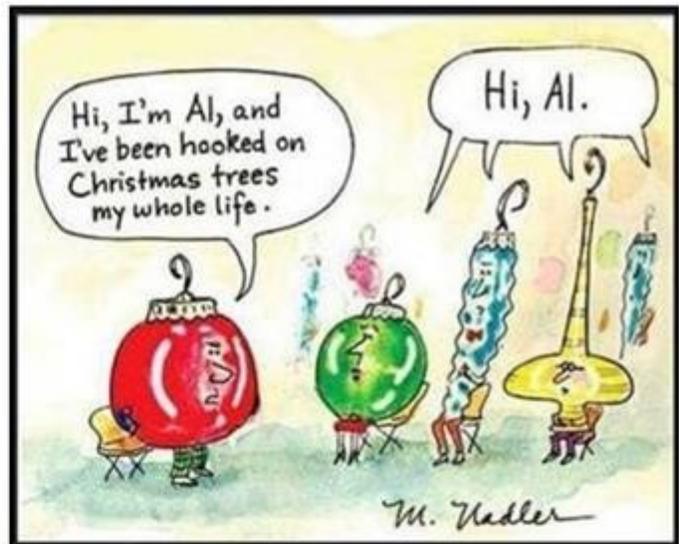
Pleasant Valley/Ambers Light Christmas Party 3/4

There were a couple of contests at the party including our traditional gift raffle and the clothespin raffle. I don't know who won any of the gifts shown below but I do know that Lions Victor and Jan were tied at the end in the clothespin contest and agreed to split the \$250 prize; congratulations to both. Sure were lots of red jackets on the dance floor although it looks like Pres. Mike had to leave the ladies-only dance shown at bottom right. Anyway, the ladies always seem to outlast the guys on the dance floor.



Pleasant Valley/Ambers Light Christmas Party 4/4





Nov - Board Meeting

The Bulletin was in Tucson for this meeting so the following was excerpted from Sec. John's report.

- President Mike M. made his selections for the outstanding Lions awards to 4A3. He selected ***Lions Bill Schulze, Mike Nunez and Bob Taylor.***
- Club Services Chair Lion Bill S. noted that this past year there were 7,765 vision screenings and over 4,000 community service hours in addition to the time spent by members at Tierra Rejada in October. Lion Russ White will be replacing Bill as the Club Services Chair starting in January.
- Bill S. provided details on the final numbers for Tierra Rejada (Fall Festival), which included our club selling over 4,700 tri-tip sandwiches, over 4,100 hot dogs, close to 4,000 burgers and over 11,000 ears of corn. The net profit was \$66,881. Bill noted that we raised more money on fewer items sold than last year.

Global Causes

- Diabetes: Victor M. indicated that there were about 100 people at the Diabetes Walk event on November 5, which was a bit fewer than in 2021. The event went well - 15 PV Lions were on hand and **\$1,400 was raised for the City of Hope.**
- Vision: Three eye clinics are scheduled for 2023: Feb in Santa Paula; April in Oxnard; August in Guadalupe.
- Hunger (Hillary L. was absent)
- Environment - Bob L. noted that a fire preparedness flyer was distributed. Bill S. made note of the Monarch Butterfly protection zone near the two cemeteries in Oxnard, and that the Oxnard Lions have raised \$2,000 to support the project thus far.
- Childhood Cancer - George G. would like us to increase our Bumblebee Foundation sponsorship for their December 10 event, in lieu of the annual Christmas party for the kids. George also noted that the Magic Yarn project could become a multi-club project.

Donations (\$8500 total)

- **\$500** for the Bumblebee Foundation
- **\$5,000** contribution to help cover the \$55K cost for a new van for the Friends in Sight program (**see next page**)
- **\$1,500** donation for the Salvation Army in Oxnard
- **\$1,500** donation to the Camp for All - for blind and deaf children

Potpourri from Secretary John

These vignettes from Secretary John need to be saved for posterity; here are the latest.

- Oh yeah....one more thing...Christmas quiz time...who is Santa's favorite performer? Give up? It's Elf-is Presley. OK, OK...geez...don't throw the messenger down the chimney.
- Why is Santa afraid of getting stuck in a chimney? He has Claus-trophobia.
- What did the rabbi say to the hippie at the Hanukkah celebration? "I like your Dreidel-locks."
- What are Santa's favorite potato chips? Crisp Pringles.

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At our November board meeting PV Lions donated \$5000 towards the purchase the first of two new vans for CLFS. Let's hope that other MD4 clubs are as generous.



California Lions
FRIENDS IN SIGHT
"Together, We Make Tomorrow Look Better"



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See The Good

RESTORING VISION & PREVENTING BLINDNESS



California Lions Friends in Sight

Our all-volunteer work takes us throughout Southern California and Northern Mexico serving those in need. Every year we see thousands who can't afford eyeglasses or a doctor visit. We come with testing equipment, recycled eyeglasses, computers, and caring volunteers. On any given Saturday, **we'll see 300 people**. All receive a free eye health screening by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist. Everyone who needs eyeglasses gets eyeglasses, free.

HELP REPLACE OUR VAN

After 10 years towing two 16-foot trailers and volunteers to more than 600 events, our vans are exhausted. Repairs exceed their value and we're reaching out to the community for help. Your generous donation will keep us on the road to serving people most in need.

The Goal

Raise \$55,000 by June for the first of two new vans.



CONTACT INFORMATION

✉ **California Lions Friends in Sight**
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☎ 951-845-4559

✉ info@californialionsfriendsinsight.org
www.californialionsfriendsinsight.org
✉ 501c3 non-profit, Tax ID #27-2235369

We Serve

NOTE: This is an edited "resend" of information that was sent out more than a year ago! Some members have been asking - so sending it again!

What do we do with all the eyeglasses that we have been collecting for who knows HOW long???

The primary organization that currently is accepting eyeglasses from Lions in District 4-A3 is **California Lions Friends in Sight**. The District 4-A3 liaison for CLFIS is Lion William (Bill) Schulze (Camarillo-Somerset Pleasant Valley Lions). He can be contacted directly at wschu60505@aol.com or by phone at 805-386-8088 or 805-427-0764.

Please, see the detailed information below the CLFIS logo on how to sort and box up your eyeglasses for delivery to them. **PLEASE**, do not just send them boxes of unsorted eyeglasses. They are **ALL VOLUNTEERS**, just like us!!

The collection program at Avenal Prison is still operational, as well. Note: they only take glasses in good condition (with lenses intact). They do **NOT** accept broken glasses, loose lenses, or miscellaneous parts. Nor do they accept any **NON-prescription** sunglasses. Please do not include eyeglass cases with your collection.

As we do not have a designated person for the District to chair the Avenal Prison Eyeglass Collection Program (**maybe it could be YOU!**), coordinated delivery to Avenal takes time. For now, when you have a supply of sorted eyeglasses ready, please let me know, and I will relay the information. **ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO DO THIS IS ASKED TO LET DG KALANI JOSE KNOW!!** It is preferred that all eyeglasses be sorted inside bags and placed in banana boxes, or at least stack-able boxes **ALL** or near **THE SAME SIZE**.



Glasses that are presorted and boxed for delivery to CLFIS can usually be delivered to [District meetings](#). The [Camarillo-Somis-Pleasant Valley Lions Club](#) periodically coordinates the delivery of eyeglasses to them but could always use the assistance of other Lions/Clubs. Collected eyeglasses can also be delivered to a [CLFIS vision screening event](#). It's possible other arrangements can be made. Reach out to [Lion William](#) for guidance if needed.

Below is some basic information about sorting eyeglasses. Please retain for your records. This is a suggestion, and greatly appreciated, but NOT required. In general, there are four categories to sort donated eyeglasses into. If possible, please put the sorted eyeglasses in [LBELED](#) stackable boxes of the same size for easier transport.

- **RE-SPECS**

- out-dated frames, not currently fashionable
- damaged non-usable frames & lenses
- parts, pieces, lenses only
- non-useable sunglasses, prescription or "plano" (no power in the lenses) - yes, regular sunglasses ARE accepted! See below for more information.
- frames only, parts, pieces, etc,

- **USABLE FRAMES/NON-USEABLE LENSES**

- clear prescription lenses too damaged to use, but the frame appears to be okay
- prescription sunglasses are NOT useable - HOWEVER, the frame itself can be in good condition, so those may be included

- **RECYCLABLE EYEGLASSES**

- prescription eyeglasses that are clear, the frame is fashionable, and the lenses appear in useable condition (sometimes you will not know the useable condition of the lenses, so please include even if you are not sure)

- **PLANO SUNGLASSES**

- useable plano (non-prescription) sunglasses, i.e. lenses in useable condition and the frame is in useable condition.
(Note: no power in the lenses or "plano" can be determined by looking through the lens as you look at a target in the distance. Move the lens sideways and then rotate it from the horizontal position to the vertical position. No movement seen means no power or "plano." IF movement is seen you have power in the lens, and those should be placed in the RE-SPECS box.)

Laura Selken, District 4-A3 Corresponding Secretary

20 Dec - Board Meeting

We only had 9 out of 19 board members present so we didn't make a quorum, which meant that we couldn't vote on the one item in solicitations. The request was from the Camarillo Police Department for additional helmets for kids under 18. They only have 3 out of the 50 helmets that we gave them remaining so it has been a huge success and the club should be very proud for making kids safer. All were in favor of providing new helmets but we will have to wait till next month to vote on this request.



Our 1st VP Lion Victor had the Con tonight and did a fine job of controlling the crowd.

Business

- 3rdVP Bruce gave a recap of the Christmas parade and recommended that we provide \$100 gift certificates to the two folks who provided the tractor and float bed.
- Lion Bruce also gave a recount of the burger barbeque for 180 at the Cam High Football awards night. He had many positive comments from those at the burger fest.
- Lion Victor gave a recap of the Christmas Dinner and noted that everyone who attended seemed to have a great time.
- Sec. John discussed our possible sponsorship of the Celtic Fair in 2023 in the March Timeframe. He will follow up with the city and provide details.
- Lion Dick B. already has some student speakers and the club contest is scheduled for our Jan 24 meeting.

Global Causes

- Diabetes: nothing to report
- Vision: 1stVDG and Lion Russ screened 15 at Cal Fire on 19 Dec;
Lion Bill S. took over 8000 glasses to Lions Friends in Sight in Beaumont. *"They were overwhelmed by the packaging done by our own 2nd VP John K."* See following article on Lion Bill's visit to Beaumont.
- Hunger: nothing to report
- Environment: Lion Bob L. is working with Recs and Parks to plant a few trees at various locations.
- Childhood Cancer: Lion George mentioned Amber's Magic Yarn project on Jan 6 that will be attended by LCI international president.

Thanks

- Lions Camps at Teresita Pines
- Somis Pantry
- CASA
- Bumble Bee Foundation

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!
We appreciate you and look forward to
seeing you in the New Year!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David H. Hany".

Your Friends at Lions Camps at Teresita Pines

Thanks: Somis Pantry

Somis Pantry

P.O.Box 119, Somis, CA 93066

Beth Yale (818-634-9243)
Julia Newman (805) 377-2270
Founders



November 25, 2022

Pleasant Valley Lions Club
P. O. Box 157
Camarillo, CA. 93011

Dear Pleasant Valley Lions Club Members:

As you know, in October 2008 we had the idea of feeding needy families in Somis and Camarillo. That idea became a working pantry, based at Somis School, which initially fed 25 families per month. We now feed about 60 families per month which translates to about 350 people. The need for our services has not subsided. Our families are the working poor and unemployed.

In February, 2009 we became a Food Share Agency which has been an incredible asset to our Pantry. The ability to obtain affordable food from the Ventura food bank has increased our giving to our current families by 40%. In addition to providing food, we have clothing drives and Christmas Santa visits with stockings for the children in our community.

Somis Pantry's success has been realized because of the generosity of individuals like yourselves and the donated services of more than a dozen volunteers. Your \$1,000.00 donation helps us make a tremendous difference in the lives of people in our community and in our mission to feed local families.

Once again we would like to thank you for your support and alliance with our pantry, especially during the increased numbers of food insecure people needing to be helped.

Sincerely,

Beth Yale and Julia Newman

Beth Yale and Julia Newman

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Somis Pantry under the Auspices of Jewish Families of Camarillo - DBA Temple Ner Ami
501©(3) nonprofit organization

No goods or services were provided in exchange for your donation.

*Happy
Holidays
to all !!*

Thanks: CASA



November 28, 2022

Pleasant Valley Lions Club
PO. Box 157
Camarillo, CA 93011

BOARD MEMBERS

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Dear Friends at Pleasant Valley Lions Club:

On behalf of all of us at CASA of Ventura County, thank you for your contribution of \$500.00! We truly appreciate your commitment to Ventura County's foster children.

This gift will give children in our community – who have been abused, abandoned or neglected – a powerful voice in court, at school, and everywhere they need an adult they can rely on. A volunteer Advocate is often a foster child's one, constant adult presence during a time of changing caregivers, social workers, neighborhoods and schools.

It is CASA's goal to provide an Advocate for every foster child who needs one, and your support is a tremendous help. Thank you again, and best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season!

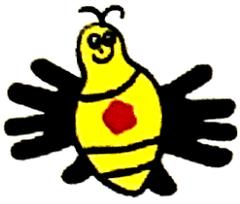
Sincerely,

Pam Knitowski
Director of Development

No goods or services were provided by our organization in consideration of your donation.

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Thank you for your support!



BumbleBee Foundation

Supporting Pediatric Cancer Families

DONATION RECEIPT

The BumbleBee Foundation is committed to sharing hope with pediatric cancer families. The needs of these families are tremendous: medical bills, prescriptions, transportation expenses, lodging expenses, and counseling to name a few.

With your help and generous donation, we can ease some of the burden these families face as they fight for their child's life. You can follow us on Facebook or Instagram to see some of our families and how your donations directly help. Thank you for helping us share HOPE!

Below is a summary of your donation received. No goods or services were received in exchange for your donation.

Date: November 16, 2022

Donor Name: Pleasant Valley Lions Club

Gift: \$500 check # 1991 – BEEMerry Event Santa's Elves Sponsor

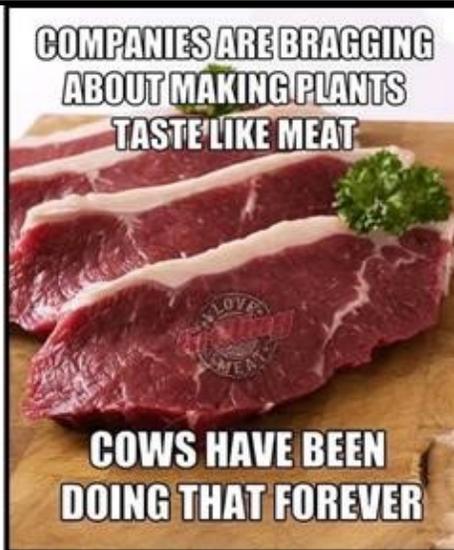
*Thank you
for helping our
kiddos have such a
wonderful event on the
10/11!*

19 Dec - Eye Glasses to CA Lions Friends in Sight

Lion Bill Schulze is the 4A3 District liaison to California Lions Friends in Sight. Lion Bill took a 3 hour trip to Beaumont to deliver over 8000 pairs of eye glasses and to get educated on the processes CLFS uses to prepare, categorize and store the glasses. CLFS spends 3 weekends each month distributing glasses to those in need throughout our district and is overextended. Lion Bill is trying to reduce their effort by learning their processes and will try to procure one or more devices to measure each lens. If we can learn to clean, measure and store glasses we will be of immense help to CLFS. The cost of the device is about \$900 and Bill suggested that Lion Victor write a grant to California Lions for one of the devices. The photo below at top left shows the over 8000 eye glasses that were organized and boxed by Lion John Knittle and delivered to Beaumont. Bill said that they were extremely impressed with the organization and packaging of the glasses (kudos to John K.). You will have to enlarge the page to see how CLFS organizes the glasses after they are cleaned and measured. Their vans have a similar storage means so it becomes easy to replenish a van after an event. There are upcoming events in Santa Paula and Oxnard and Bill will be looking for volunteers to get some training on each machine and in the overall process used to fit folks with new eye glasses.



Every loaf of bread is a tragic story of a group of grains that could have become whiskey but didn't.
#breadisgood
#whiskeyisbetter



SOMETIMES YOU MEET SOMEONE AND YOU KNOW FROM THE FIRST MOMENT THAT YOU WANT TO SPEND YOUR WHOLE LIFE WITHOUT THEM.

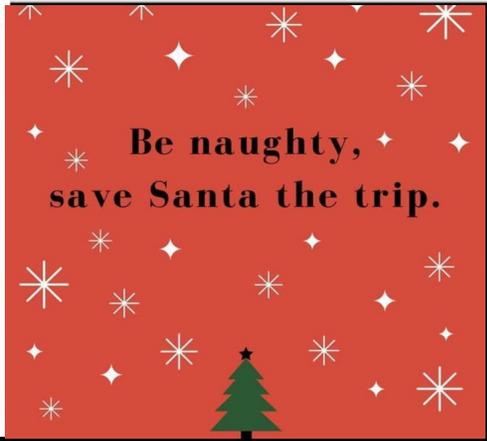
JUST BEFORE THE FLIGHT, THE DISGRUNTLED CREW PREPARED THEIR OWN SILENT PROTEST



I choked on a carrot this afternoon and all I could think was "I bet a donut wouldn't have done this to me."

When I offer to wash your back in the shower, all you have to say is yes or no.
Not all this "who are you and how did you get in here?" nonsense.

I told my wife I saw a deer on the way to work.
She said how do you know he was headed to work?



Be naughty, save Santa the trip.

Submittal to LCI request for club charity examples

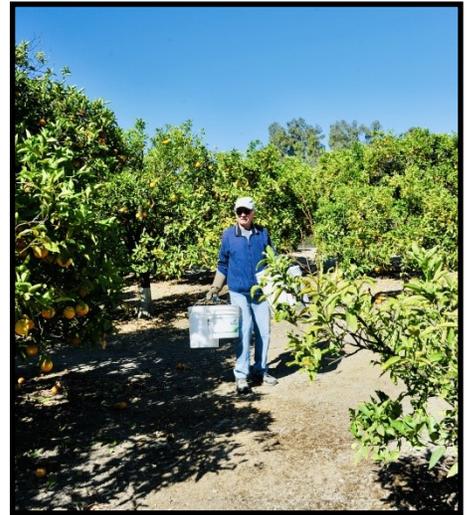
We received a request from LCI for examples of our club's charities. There were so many to choose from but we had to make a choice. They only wanted a couple but I sent them four and suggested that they pick. The photos are in order of the bullets below.

Let's hope they pick a few to highlight the great work done by PV Lions.

PV Submittal:

I attached 4 photos from which you can select.

- **Orange picking.** A club member has an orange orchard and he donates several thousand pounds of oranges each year to Food Share. Club members pick the oranges.
- **Vision Screening.** Our club has screened up to 8000 children from 30-35 local elementary and middle schools each year. We use 2 vision screeners that we purchased to identify those children with risk factors, which need to be examined by a doctor.
- **Donated Helmets.** We donated 50 helmets to the Camarillo Police for kids under 18 to protect them from injury while skating, biking or skate boarding; more will be provided as needed.
- **Kids Shopping Spree.** We donate a shopping spree to 40-50 children for school clothes and take them shopping. Depending on age each child gets \$150-\$200.



LCI response:

Dear FVDG/DGE,

Thank you for your photo submission.

We look forward to welcoming you to the 2023 FVDG/DGE Seminar in February at Q Center.

Kind regards,

The Instructional Design Department

Lions Clubs International



Interesting Trivia



In 1959, a coffee maker was an optional extra in Volkswagen cars.



When Franklin Roosevelt started a foundation to fight polio, Comedian Eddie Cantor came up with the "March of Dimes", asking people to mail a dime to the White House. They were soon overwhelmed with 2,680,000 dimes mailed to them, literally truckloads, mostly from children. These dimes went directly to research that resulted in the Polio vaccine. This is why Roosevelt is on the U.S. dime.



Walmart Is Opening Dental Offices In Some Of Its Stores. There Will Be An Express Lane For People With 12 Teeth Or Less.



Vision Screening 2022-23

We had one vision screening originally scheduled for December at OPHS/OVHS but it was delayed till January. Cal Fire requested a screening and Lions Rich and Russ handled the job.

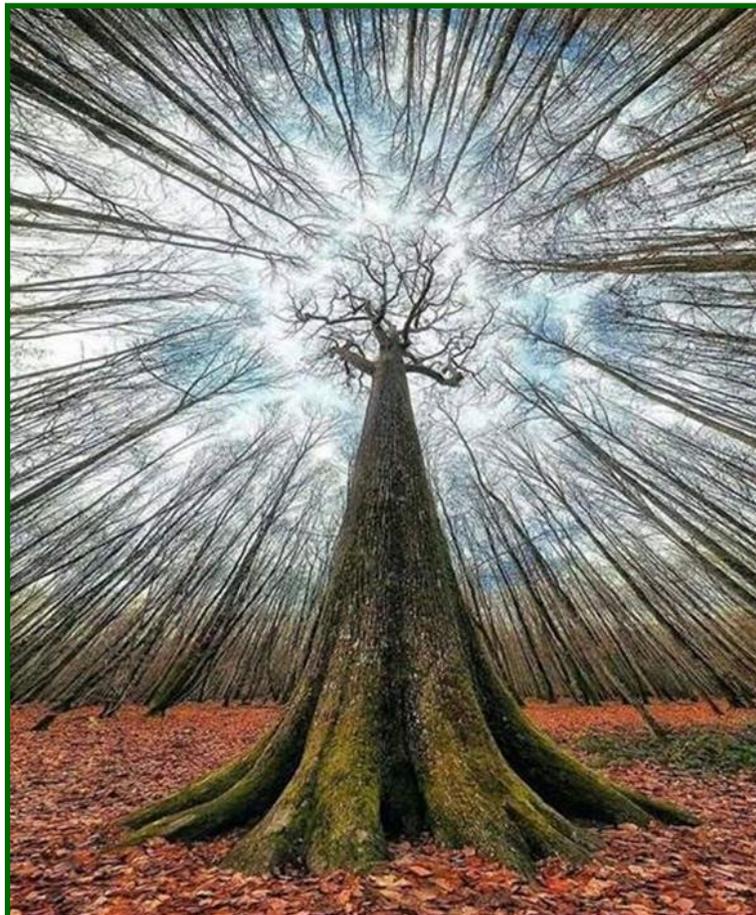
EYE SCREENING 2022/2023					
#	Date	School	Lions	Screened	Total
1	20-Sep-22	Laguna Vista	Rich, Russ, Bob	180	180
2	22-Sep-22	Mar Vista Elementary	Russ, Tom, Lloyd	280	460
3	27-Sep-22	Tierra Vista Elementary	Bill S, Bob, Lloyd	275	735
4	29-Sep-22	Ocean View Middle	Bob, Tom, Bill Conn	230	965
5	17-Oct-22	Brookside Elementary	Rich, Russ, Bob	269	1234
6	3-Nov-22	Oak Hills Elementary	Russ, Lloyd, Tom	231	1465
7	7-Nov-22	Medea Creek Middle	Bob, Bill S, Tom	333	1798
8	15-Nov-22	Red Oak Elementary	Russ, Bill C, Lloyd	235	2033
9	Jan xx	OPHS>OVHS	Rich, Bill S, Bob		
10	19-Dec-22	Cal Fire	Rich, Russ	15	2048
11	24 Jan, 23	Olivelands Elementary	Russ, Rich, Bill S		
12	24-Jan-23	Briggs Middle School	Russ, Rich, Bill S		
13		Carl Dwire School			



Lion Mark was a long-time member of Pleasant Valley Lions.

May he rest in peace.

MARK MAIDEL



January 2023 Birthdays

HAPPY
Birthday



Certificate

Happy Birthday Month

Good for ONE drink at the bar



Baker	Richard	1/23
Feder	Alan	1/18
Forsythe	Kerry	1/26
Kitagawa	Steve	1/1
Mc Nutt	Neale	1/8
Smith	Rochelle	1/4
Stayton	Joe	1/8
White	Russell	1/4



Horoscope: Capricorn— Aquarius

- Capricorns are like a strange cross between a Leo and a Virgo. They think that this makes them both charismatic and logical. In reality, it means that they are tight-assed and nitpicky, and have to keep their egos in the backyard.
- In the event of nuclear war, only cockroaches and Capricorns would find a way to survive.
- Capricorns cannot even fathom, much less describe, philosophical concepts because they don't involve equations.
- The Aquarius loves a party. Anytime, anywhere is their motto. It is not unlikely that an Aquarius will consider a wake a good place to meet chicks. Aquarians tend to be nostalgic about the 1960s because that was the last time they could be naked in public and get away with it.
- 97.4% of the Night Train consumed in the past thirty years has been consumed by Aquarians. Almost every Aquarian will claim to have seen Jerry Garcia's image in their Froot Loops at least once.

TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

- Jan 6** Ribbon cutting - Vision Equip for Las Islas Clinic in Oxnard (see page 31)
- Jan 7** Magic Yarn Project—5808 Telephone Road @ 10am (see page 32)
- Jan 7** 100 Years of Community Service - Ventura Downtown (LCI President will attend)
- Jan 10** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Jan 17** Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Jan 21** Farmers Market
- Jan 24** Regular Meeting—Student Speaker Contest - O-Club
- Jan 28-30** Regional Lions Leadership Institute - Santa Rosa
- Feb 9** Lions Day with the United Nations
- Feb 14** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Feh 18** Farmers Market
- Feb 21** Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Feb 28** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Mar 14** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Mar 18** Farmers Market
- Mar 21** Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Mar 24-26** Regional Lions Leadership Institute - Anaheim
- Mar 28** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Apr 11** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Apr 15** Farmers Market
- Apr 18** Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Apr 25** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- May 9** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- May 16** Board Meeting - B&G Club
- May 23** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Jun 13** Regular Meeting - O-Club
- Jun 20** Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Jun XX** PV Lion Installation - O-Club



6 Jan - Ribbon Cutting - Vision Equip for Las Islas Clinic in Oxnard

From: Towner, Amy

Subject: Hybrid/Virtual Lions Club International Foundation Matching Grant Ribbon Cutting Phase 1 Funds - Vision Equip for Las Islas Clinic in Oxnard

Ventura County is thrilled to welcome International Lions Club President, Brian Sheehan and his First Lady Lori Sheehan alongside Lions Clubs of Ventura County for a virtual Ribbon Cutting of the Phase 1 of Lions Club International Foundation Matching Grant funds totaling \$200K. These funds purchased vital vision equipment for a federally qualified health care clinic, Las Islas in South Oxnard and other retinal cameras for a few more locations. Our local Lions Club members are Knights of the Blind and have been champions for our community carrying the Lions mission. County of Ventura's Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, County Department and Agency Leaders, Health Care Agency leaders, doctors, nurses and staff as well as Health Care Foundation Board of Directors and Advisory Board Members welcome and thank all the Lions for their community partnership.

Due to infection control with COVID, RSV, and Influenza, we will be safely holding this Ribbon Cutting hybrid and virtual in the Pacific Conference Room located at the Hall of Justice (directions and parking locations attached). Invitees may attend in person if fever free and healthy, and others are welcome to join us virtually through the Zoom link below. We will be Zooming in for a live tour during this gathering to the actual clinic. We will also be recording this hybrid/virtual Ribbon Cutting for anyone globally that can't attend.

We appreciate all the stakeholders and community for helping drive the mission of diabetes management and vision in our community and look forward to gathering to mark this momentous occasion.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Towner, Ventura Downtown Lions Club member at amy.towner@ventura.org or 805-652-3361 office.

Amy Towner is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3053279579>

Meeting ID: 305 327 9579

Fellow Lions this ribbon cutting ceremony is the end result of our collaborative efforts several years ago. Our club was a big contributor to this project. If you can make this event please do. Please wear you red shirts or coats. The International President Bryan Sheehan will be doing the ribbon cutting.

Rich Cervantes

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7 Jan - Childhood Cancer Project (Magic Yarn)

Good morning Fellow Lions

As we continue to move forward toward our 100th Birthday Celebration being held on January 7th 2023 at the Crown Plaza, we have an exciting service based project planned with Lions Club International President Brian Sheehan and First Lady Lori will be participating in, and that will impact one of our 5 Global Causes - Childhood Cancer.

We're really excited about teaming up with the Magic Yarn Project Ventura Saturday morning January 7th 2023 to create wigs for the Little Cancer Fighters who, with these wigs, are being invited back into a world of imagination and play during this difficult time in their lives. Since 2015 over 44,000 wigs have been donated

Handmade and donated crocheted beanies which are then styled to resemble a variety of princesses, pirates, superheroes, and other beloved characters. They are made with soft acrylic yarns and embellished with gems, ribbon, silk flowers, and crocheted flowers, starfish and snowflakes. And the wigs are machine washable when placed in a mesh laundry bag.

We will be meeting starting at 10:00 AM, at the American Legacy Solutions building located at 5808 Telephone Road in the Vons shopping center (cross street is Victoria) in the large conference room on the second floor. We can fit approximately 50 participants so if your interested in joining us as we create a number of these wigs for these brave warriors, please RSVP to Childhood Cancer Chair Lisa Morris at her cell of 805-216-7471, email of limorcakes@yahoo.com or to Chris Graham on 818-207-0382, or email chrisg5215@aol.com

If you want to know more about the Magic Yarn Project you can visit their website at: <https://themagicyarnproject.com/>

Thank you and happy holidays

Pat

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818-468-0777

**Nothing spoils a
good story like
the arrival of an
eyewitness.**

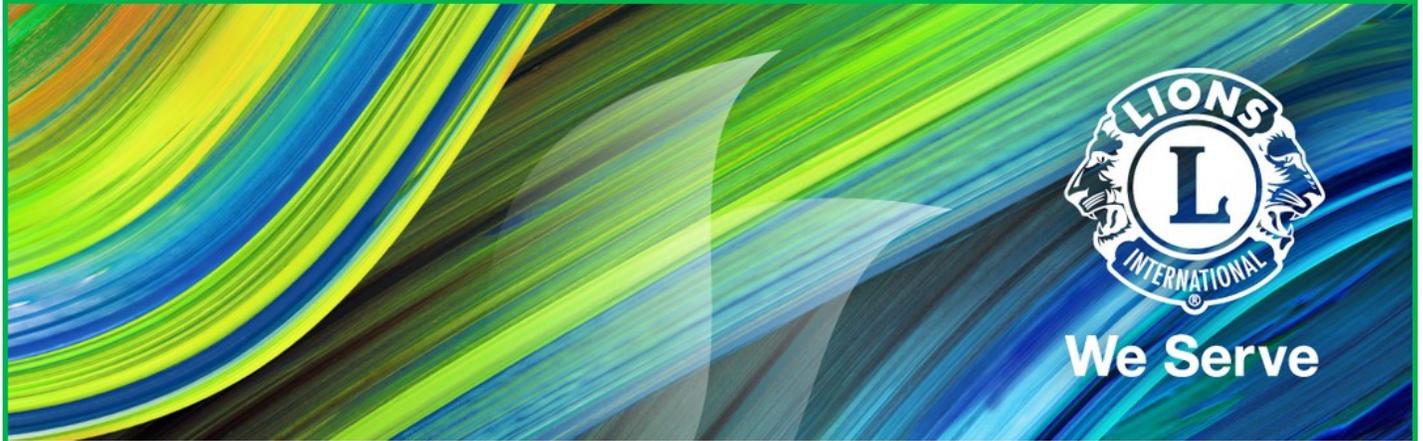
~ Mark Twain

It turns out that when
asked who your favorite
child is, you're supposed
to pick one of your own.
I know that now.

**I'VE REACHED THAT AGE
WHERE MY BRAIN GOES
FROM "YOU PROBABLY
SHOULDN'T SAY THAT." TO
"WHAT THE HELL, LET'S SEE
WHAT HAPPENS."**

TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

Your end of year gift, like your service, matters. Give the gift of hope through LCIF this holiday season.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Together we can with
International President,
Brian Sheehan**

Dear Lion,

The holidays are such a special time. And as we gather with family and friends to celebrate this season, let's also remember to celebrate as only Lions can—by serving others. Your kindness will make a big difference for so many families, especially at this time of the year.

Our service is a gift that never stops giving. And by working with your club on a hunger project for your community, you can ensure that all families have a special holiday meal and the support they need all year long. Or consider a gift to LCIF and see how your generosity helps Lions bring hope to the world.

Happy holidays, and thank you for your incredible kindness and service!

Make a great day,

Brian Sheehan

International President

It is only fitting to regurgitate info that came from Lion Tom on his page !!!

- If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days you would have produced enough sound energy to heat one cup of coffee. (Hardly seems worth it.)
- If you farted consistently for 6 years and 9 months, enough gas is produced to create the energy of an atomic bomb. (Now that's more like it!) (I already have 2 bombs)
- The human heart creates enough pressure when it pumps out to the body to squirt blood 30 feet.
(O.M.G.!)
- Banging your head against a wall uses 150 calories an hour.
(Don't try this at home; maybe at work.)
- The male praying mantis cannot copulate while its head is attached to its body. The female initiates sex by ripping the male's head off. (Honey, I'm home. What the...?)
- The catfish has over 27,000 taste buds. (What could be so tasty on the bottom of a pond?)
- Butterflies taste with their feet. (Something I always wanted to know.)
- The strongest muscle in the body is the tongue. (Hmmmmmm.....)
- Right-handed people live, on average, nine years longer than left-handed people.
(If you're ambidextrous, do you split the difference?)
- Elephants are the only animals that cannot jump. (Okay, so that would be a good thing.)
- A cat's urine glows under a black light. (I wonder how much the government paid to figure that out.)
- An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain. (I know some people like that.)
- Starfish have no brains. (I know some people like that, too.)
- Polar bears are left-handed.
(If they switch, they'll live a lot longer.)





From LCIF Chairperson Douglas X. Alexander

Greetings, Lions and Leos!

As we prepare to enter a new calendar year, we reflect on the successes of 2022. Lives around the world were changed because of Lions humanitarian service in our communities, empowered by LCIF.

Of course, one of the biggest highlights of the year was the successful completion of *Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service*. Thank you to every Lion and Leo who embraced the philosophy of serving by doing AND giving and contributed to this historic campaign. People everywhere will benefit from your support.

In 2023, continue to share with your fellow Lions and others around the world how much more is made possible by supporting our global foundation. Through LCIF, single clubs or districts can do so much more. LCIF grants enable Lions to think big and to tackle large-scale projects that we wouldn't be able to do alone. In fact, LCIF is the only Lions foundation that empowers the service of Lions worldwide and remains committed to magnifying your service, while strengthening our humanitarian mission.

Please join me in continuing to support LCIF in 2023. Together, we can build on the success of Campaign 100 and bring hope to a world in need throughout the next year – and beyond!



Helping Kids 'Be Kids'

Lions in Kerala, India, recognized a need to offer a sense of normalcy to children battling cancer as they undergo treatment. An LCIF grant enabled the Lions to make a pediatric oncology unit a more child-friendly facility to help provide a distraction and alleviate as much pain as possible as the children receive care.



There When Disaster Strikes

Bring help and hope to people in communities who may have lost homes, jobs, and even lives to tragic events. Around the world, our foundation is there with critical funding for Lions-led disaster relief efforts.

After devastating tornadoes hit several southern and Midwest states in December 2021, Lions in affected communities turned to LCIF for help.

More than 80 people lost their lives and thousands of properties were destroyed or partially destroyed, including homes and businesses, leaving people without a home or place of employment. In one of the hardest hit areas, Mayfield, Kentucky, nine people lost their lives at the Mayfield Candle Factory, which employed more than 250 local workers, after the tornado ripped through the facility.

“I have been a Lion for long time and our motto is that ‘we serve,’ but until the Lions serve your community, you don’t know what these words really mean,” Judge Kevin Bishop said.

Your donation* will make a lasting difference in the lives of those recently affected by disaster.

To learn more about LCIF Disaster Relief grants, visit:

lionsclubs.org/disastergrants or

email LCIFGlobalGrants@lionsclubs.org.

**100% of donations benefit grants and programs and qualify for Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) or Progressive MJF.*

CLUB NEWS

Change in Date/Location for LCIP in Constitutional Area IV

There has been a change in the date and the location for the LCIP training being offered in Constitutional Area IV. It was previously scheduled for December in Barcelona, Spain, but will now be taking place May 19-22, 2023 in Madrid, Spain. [APPLY NOW](#) 

Expand Your Marketing Knowledge

Did you know that every club member can take part in your marketing efforts? Check out the interactive Club Marketing Guide to test your knowledge and learn everything you need to know to promote your club and its impact in your community.

[GET STARTED](#) 

Last Chance to Apply for the Marketing Award

Don't miss your chance to take home the grand prize! Check out the award details to see if your club's marketing campaign qualifies and submit your application for the Lions International Marketing Award by December 31, 2022. [LEARN MORE](#) 

Celebrate Our Founder's Legacy and Show Your Pride

The 2022 Melvin Jones Photo Contest is open through December 31, 2022. Show your pride in honor of Melvin Jones' 144th birthday by sharing a photo of what it means to you to be a Lion or Leo. Don't miss your chance to enter and win! [LEARN MORE](#) 

Faculty Development Institute (FDI) Applications Due Soon

Lions in Constitutional Areas V and VI who are interested in attending the FDI must submit their applications by January 28, 2023 for Osaka, Japan and Visakhapatnam, India. [APPLY NOW](#) 

Lions Certified Instructor Program (LCIP) Applications Due Soon

Lions in Constitutional Area VII who are qualified to apply for the LCIP must submit their applications by January 14, 2023 for Christchurch, New Zealand. [APPLY NOW](#) 

Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI) Applications Due Soon

Lions in Constitutional Areas III and IV who are interested in attending the ALLI must submit their applications by January 21, 2023 for Guatemala City, Guatemala or by February 11, 2023 for Oslo, Norway. [APPLY NOW](#) 

Learn the Ins and Outs of Delegation

Struggling to finish tasks? Use your Lion Account login credentials to access the Lions Learning Center (LLC) and take the online Delegation Course. You'll learn the importance of delegation and how to share responsibilities and overcome challenges as you strive to balance your workload. [LOG IN](#) 

Explore How LCIF Grants Can Help You Serve

LCIF grants magnify Lions' service impact, locally and globally. Explore the LCIF Grants Toolkit to find grant types and resources, and see if there's a grant that's right for your club, district or multiple district — now or in the future. [LEARN MORE](#) 

View Reported Learning through Learn Insights

Tracking member learning is beneficial to the success of our members, clubs and our association. Learn Insights, your executive-level dashboard, provides a statistical overview and drill-down capabilities of leadership development, membership and service learning events reported in Learn. [LOG IN](#) 

Show Your GAT Pride

Ready to represent your Global Action Team (GAT)? Then check out the great collection of GAT banners, name badges, pens and tablecloths in the Lions Shop so you can find the perfect GAT item for your next Lion event. [SHOP NOW](#) 

See How LCIF Grants Are Helping Ukrainian Refugees in Poland

Throughout the war in Ukraine, Lions around the world have united in kindness and service to help people who desperately need it. See how the LCIF Refugees and Displaced Persons Fund and LCIF grants have helped magnify their service during this immensely challenging time. [WATCH NOW](#) 

Remember to Update Your Club Roster

Is your club roster up to date? By maintaining your club roster, your club will be billed only for your active club members. It also ensures that your members receive all the benefits of being a Lion. Log into MyLCI or your local reporting system today to ensure your roster is accurate and to avoid any billing errors. [LOG IN](#) 

Leo-to-Lion Transition Online Course Now Available

Use your Lion Account login credentials to check out the new Leo-to-Lion Transition Course in the Lions Learning Center. You'll learn about service options and resources to support Leos as they transition beyond the Leo Club Program to Leo-Lion membership.

[LOG IN](#) 

Registration Is Open for LDUN 2023

The 45th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations will be hosted in Nairobi, New York City and Geneva. Join your fellow Lions and Leos, interact with global leaders and celebrate our service around the world at this monumental event. [LEARN MORE](#) 

New Global Cause Pins Available

Show your support for our global service with our stylish new global cause pins. Collect all five, and let the world know what our causes mean to you! [SHOP NOW](#) 



MD4-A3 GAT/Global Membership Approach

Volume 2, Issue 3
October-November 2022

Lions of MD4-A3 ~

New Member Welcome Letters & Dropped Member Exit Survey

This year we have initiated the mailing of a **Welcome Letter** from the District Governor to our new members. The letter also includes a listing of resources they can access via Lions Clubs International and district leadership contact information.

In addition to the District Governor's welcome letter, all sponsoring Lions, along with their new members, are encouraged to participate in the Proud Lion program. It is a great way to provide additional orientation to the Lions organization.

DROPPED MEMBER EXIT SURVEY

We have also initiated a **Dropped Member Exit Survey**. This survey is similar to a customer satisfaction survey. It is through this survey we are learning why some of our members are leaving. Survey responses will help all of us to better serve our members from the club to the district level.

Here are a few of the responses we received:

- age and health reasons
- moved out of the area and will look into transferring to a local club at new location
- was not made aware of the responsibilities before and after joining
- time demands
- did not feel welcome; cliques; did not feel part of the group
- needs for fellowship not met
- inappropriate/unwelcomed comments made due to alcohol consumption

If you have observed any of the above behaviors within your membership, as a club leader, it is important that you address the matter accordingly. This can be done on an individual basis or to the club as a whole.

Feel free to contact PDG Juanita for resources and/or additional support. Discussions will be kept confidential.



Earn Your Proud Lion Pin!

The following goals of the **Proud Lion-Proud Sponsor Program** must be successfully attained by the Protégé (new) Lion under the guidance of the Mentoring Lion (sponsor) to qualify for the Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor Awards.

PROTÉGÉ LION MUST:

- attend a club board meeting.
- participate in a club service or fundraising activity.
- introduce a new prospective member to the club.
- make a visit to another club and secure a visitation slip (signature on visitation card).
- attend a zone, region, district, or multiple district meeting and report back to the club.

The goals listed above must be attained within six months of joining, and the sponsor must have accompanied the Protégé Lion to each of the five activities.

The Proud Lion Program is a great opportunity for the Mentor Lion (Sponsor) to assist the Protégé (new member) to become familiar with the club and district activities. This is a great recognition program for both the sponsor and the new member. Any sponsor of a new member can request the Proud Lion Mentoring Program Form from our District GMT Coordinator PDG Juanita Nichols at Nonjuanitag@zmail.com.

If you have any questions about the program, please feel free to reach out to PDG Juanita!

*"The strength of the team is each individual member.
The strength of each member is the team."*

~ Phil Jackson

District Dashboard Summary – July through November 2022

Service:

Reported Service:

Again, thank you to each of our club secretaries, service chairs, and club administrators for reporting their activities. Below is the July-November service activity reported to LCI via *MyLion*.

NOTE: Our district has achieved **100% Club Service Reporting**. Congratulations on the awesome job you are doing!

District 4-A3 Service Activity:

People Served: 65,545
Completed Service Activities: 436
Volunteer Hours: 15,473
Funds Donated: \$151,108
Funds Raised: \$433,037

Global Service Team Coordinator Report:

One of the sub-goals is for 75% of the clubs to complete at least one service project in each of the five LCI service areas – **Diabetes, Environment, Childhood Cancer, Hunger Relief, and Vision** – by June 30, 2023.

As reported at *MyLion* as of Nov. 15, 2022:

- ★ 2 clubs with service projects in all 5 areas – Camarillo Amber's Light & Conejo Valley
- ★ 2 clubs with service projects in 4 of 5 areas – Camarillo-Somis-Pleasant Valley & Santa Maria Noontimers
- ★ 5 clubs with service projects in 3 of 5 areas – Morro Bay, Nipomo, Paso Robles, Pismo Beach Cities, & Ventura Downtown
- ★ 6 clubs with service projects in 2 of 5 areas – Cambria, Carpinteria, Cayucos, Fillmore, Santa Maria Sunrisers, & Vandenberg Village
- ★ 8 clubs have completed a service project in 1 of 5 areas and the remaining 6 clubs have completed at least one "other" service project.

Please, please, please keep reporting and please be sure to enter as many metrics as possible. Do not hesitate to contact PDG Margaret at 805-340-5605 via text/phone or at dunlevy.margaret@gmail.com.

~ PDG Lion Margaret Dunlevy

Membership:

Net Growth (as of 11/30/2022):

Congratulations to the following clubs:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| * Camarillo Amber's Light: +1 | * Oxnard Downtown: +2 |
| * Camarillo-Somis-Pleasant Valley: +1 | * San Miguel: +3 |
| * Carpinteria: +3 | * Santa Margarita: +2 |
| * Conejo Valley: +2 | * Santa Maria Sunrisers: +1 |
| * Fillmore: +2 | * Santa Paula: +2 |
| * Nipomo: +1 | * Templeton: +1 |
| * Ojai Valley: +3 | * Vandenberg Village: +3 |
| * Oxnard Channel Islands: +1 | * Ventura Downtown: +4 |

MD4-A3 Membership Summary:

July 1, 2022: 1005 Members
November 30, 2022: 1025 Members
Added Members: 54
Dropped Members: 34 (8 deceased)
District Net Membership: +20 members

We are averaging about 20-22 clubs that are submitting their Monthly Membership Report (MMR) in MyLCI. Remember, even if there is no change to your club membership, you still need to submit the monthly MMR **before 10:00 p.m. on the last day of each month.**

Our next **Membership & Club Leaders Session** is scheduled for **Friday, January 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.** (Zoom link: <https://us02zoom.us/j/81616029757?pwd=SGJkaDRlVlRsdmFOUkVhbn16M0M3Ezdaa29>) At this meeting, we will talk about where your club is regarding membership retention and growth. This is also a great opportunity to share with the GAT Team any challenges you foresee for the remainder of this Lions' year. The meeting will be kept to one hour and is open to all Lions. Hope you are able to participate and share your ideas.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact PDG Juanita Nichols at lionjuanitag@gmail.com.

Please consider giving to the Miracle league of the 805. We are raising money to build a specially equipped sports field so can EVERYONE can play baseball in the 805!



How can YOU help?

- A Cash Donation
- Joining our Home Plate Statue Campaign
- Financially Sponsoring a Portion of the Field
- Donating Building Materials and Labor
- Volunteering



Facebook.com/miracleleague805



www.MiracleLeague805.org

The contract to build the field has gone out to bid. The potential contractors, PVRPD and our committee is out walking the field this morning. We are scheduled to break ground in March 2023. We can use any help we can get because once the field is built we will have costs to start the league up. Which is what everyone is waiting for! We CAN-NOT wait! Thank you in advance!!!

Here is where we are:

We have raised enough money to build and construction starts in March 2023.

What is next?

- Create the league & obtain equipment
- Recruit coaches and players
- OPENING DAY

Our current funds are going to the building of the field. We are now raising funds to start the league. Your help is appreciated.



Let's make 2023 the biggest year for Lions Clubs!

**GI  ING
TUESDAY**

Together with your support, we can show California, our country, and the world, how ***We Serve***.

Your donation makes a big impact!

Lions Clubs across California have been doing an amazing job delivering canned goods to seniors unable to leave their house, giving out meals to wildfire evacuees, and purchasing vital equipment for local food banks. This past year CLF has given out 15 grants to local Lions Clubs donating food and supplies to local food banks and charities to help their neighbors in California with food insecurity.

Please make a **donation today** and help feed more families in need.

Make a donation via credit card on our website
californialionsfoundation.org/donate



**LIONS DAY
AT
DISNEYLAND!**



Wednesday January 4, 2023

“Together We Can” Enjoy a Day at Disneyland!

Join Lions Clubs International President **Brian Sheehan** and 1st Lady **Lori Sheehan** for "Lion's Day" at Disneyland **Wednesday, January 4, 2023!** **"Together We Can"** enjoy fellowship and fun with Lions from around the globe on this special day at “The Happiest Place On Earth,”

Disneyland

Special Event - Open to all Lions

Tuesday, January 3, 2023, from 3 PM to 5 PM, join other Lions at the **Anaheim Hilton Lounge** for a **"Meet and Greet"** with President Brian and 1st Lady Lori

Disneyland ticket pricing for this special event have been reduced from their normal retail pricing

For those who wish to stay and enjoy **Disneyland** for more than one day, the **Anaheim Hilton** is offering **Lions** hotel rooms at a reduced rate beginning on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, through Thursday, January 5, 2023

TO REGISTER FOR “LIONS DAY” AT DISNEYLAND, AND RECEIVE THE LINKS FOR PURCHASING DISNEYLAND TICKETS AND MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW

<https://californialionsmd4.regfox.com/lions-day-at-disneyland>

Disneyland Tickets and rooms at the Anaheim Hilton are limited. Don't delay. Register today before both are Sold Out!

Any questions can be directed to PDG Norm McDaniel
805-653-6676 (office) 805-340-4849 (mobile)
lionnormthegovernator@gmail.com

7 Jan 2023 100 Years of Community Service



VENTURA DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB CELEBRATES

100 Years of Community Service

SAVE THE DATE

January 7, 2023



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KEYNOTE SPEAKER,
PRESIDENT OF LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

BRIAN SHEEHAN



**SANTA ROSA
REGIONAL LIONS
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**



8 AM Saturday, January 28th thru 1 PM Monday, January 30th

Interactive and Team-Building Training!

Leadership for Success!

This 3-day Institute focuses on:

**Working in Teams, Public Speaking, Diversity,
Motivating Club Members, Time Management, and more...**

This Institute will prepare Lions for Leadership positions at "All" levels. You may be a member thinking of moving into a leadership role in your club or district. You could be a current club leader or district leader looking to hone or add to your skill set. All would benefit from attending and familiarizing themselves with leadership skills and a deeper understanding of how to better serve their clubs, district, and community. Participants are not only provided the necessary information but the tools and resources needed to help your clubs and district strive and succeed in today's current environment. Fostering "**Team Building Skills**" with your fellow Lion is also a crucial component of this Institute. In a nutshell, this Institute focuses on enhancing leadership and management skills and expanding participants' knowledge of Lions Club International.

Lodging and Meals

The fee of \$400.00 (no refunds after January 13, 2023) covers the Institute, food, and lodging from **8 AM Saturday, January 28th through 1 PM Monday, January 30th**. If you plan on arriving on Friday, January 27th, you will be required to pay for that night's lodging at the rate of \$169.00 plus fees and taxes when you check-in at the hotel. A credit card will be required by "**ALL**" at check in. All meals during the Institute are provided at the Institute location. Continental breakfast on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Lunch on, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Dinner on Saturday and Sunday. Beverages provided at each meal.

DAMAGE, SMOKING & CLEANING FEE

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Location of Institute and Lodging

**The Institute will be held at the Earle Baum Center, 4539 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa.
Lodging will be at the Courtyard by Marriott, 175 Railroad Street, Santa Rosa.**

TO REGISTER AND PAY FOR THE INSTITUTE - CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW

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**ANAHEIM
REGIONAL LIONS
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**



8 AM Friday, March 24th thru 1 PM Sunday, March 26th

Interactive and Team-Building Training!

Leadership for Success!

This 3-day Institute focuses on:

**Working in Teams, Public Speaking, Diversity,
Motivating Club Members, Time Management, and more...**

This Institute will prepare Lions for Leadership positions at "All" levels. You may be a member thinking of moving into a leadership role in your club or district. You could be a current club leader or district leader looking to hone or add to your skill set. All would benefit from attending and familiarizing themselves with leadership skills and a deeper understanding of how to better serve their clubs, district, and community. Participants are not only provided the necessary information but the tools and resources needed to help your clubs and district strive and succeed in today's current environment. Fostering **"Team Building Skills"** with your fellow Lion is also a crucial component of this Institute. In a nutshell, this Institute focuses on enhancing leadership and management skills and expanding participants' knowledge of Lions Club International.

Lodging and Meals

The fee of \$400.00 (**no refunds after March 10, 2023**) covers the Institute, food, and lodging from **8 AM Friday, March 24th through 1 PM Sunday, March 26th**. If you plan on arriving on Thursday, March 23rd, you will be required to pay for that night's lodging at the rate of \$129.00 plus fees and taxes when you check-in at the hotel. A credit card will be required by **"ALL"** at check in. All meals during the Institute are provided at the Institute location. Plated Breakfast on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Lunch on, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Dinner on Friday and Saturday. Beverages provided at each meal.

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Location of Institute and Lodging

The Institute and Lodging will be held at "The Anaheim Hotel" 1700 S. Harbor Blvd, Anaheim, CA 92802

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Is Anyone up for a Visit to Disneyland?

Yes, we have arranged for anyone attending the Institute and their family to purchase tickets (limited to 6) to Disneyland and California Adventure at a special rate. "The Anaheim Hotel" (across the street from Disneyland), our host hotel, on a case-by-case basis, might still be able to offer you a discounted room rate 3 days before the Institute and 3 days after the Institute. For those who wish to stay for a longer period of time and enjoy "The Happiest Place On Earth, " please contact Tina Riley at 714-292-7642. If you are interested in enjoying "The Happiest Place on Earth," click anywhere on this document for link to purchase tickets:

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Announcing the 45th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations

Join us.

LDUN is an exclusive opportunity for you to meet new Lions and Leos, interact with global diplomats, and celebrate Lions service around the world.



Nairobi

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Registration for LDUN Nairobi is coming soon!

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New York

Friday, March 3, 2023

Registration for LDUN New York is coming soon!

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Geneva

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Registration for LDUN Geneva is coming soon!

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Lions and LEOs,
Although I have been a Lion since 1999, I am always amazed at the creativity, dedication and enthusiasm Lions bring when they gather to plan a service, leadership or membership event. The Reno Forum is no exception. The Planning Committee met in Reno from October 16-20, 2022.

Our first step was to get acquainted. Although Honorary Chair Vice President Dr. Patti Hill and I knew everyone on the

team, not all the Lions had previously met. Several had met via zoom, but not in person. Lions on this committee come from both the United States and Canada. Taking a few minutes to develop that level of trust to bring the Forum to life was important. The responsibilities of each committee were reviewed. Then the group did an interactive activity that stressed the communication needed among committees to organize a meaningful learning event.

On day two, the Host Committee, led by Lion PDG Linda Wagner-Griffen, joined the Planning Committee. More details were defined. The Host Committee is the "Boots on the Ground" for any Forum. They are already working on their tasks and organizing volunteers. To host a Forum requires 400 plus volunteers. Since no one wants to work the entire Forum, the more volunteers available, the more chance there is for everyone to have some Forum time and volunteer time. If you would like to volunteer contact Manpower Coordinator, PCC Don Gall at dongall95336@gmail.com.

On our third day of meetings, each committee further clarified needs and ideas. By the end of the day, a lion with a bit of vision or imagination could see that the Reno Forum promises to bring new ideas, innovation and opportunities for attendees. If you are not registered yet, now is the time to get that done! Go to www.lionsforum.org

We want to see you in Reno!
Up and Away with Leadership

Jama

PV Lions Committees 2022-23

1st Vice President -Victor Martinez	
Finance & Budget	Bill S., Rich C., Russ W., Victor M., Mike N., Mike M., John Fraser, Bruce Jochums
Community Betterment	John Fraser
Cook Lead 1st qtr.	Chet Price
Cook Lead 2nd qtr.	Bruce Jochums
Cook Lead 3rd qtr.	Mike Nunez
Cook Lead 4th qtr.	Kerry Forsythe
Bar 1st qtr.	Art Mansfield & Joe Flores
Bar 2nd qtr.	Art Mansfield & Joe Flores
Bar 3rd qtr.	Art Mansfield & Joe Flores
Bar 4th qtr.	Art Mansfield & Joe Flores
District Contests	Lloyd Christie
Photographer	Hillary Ling & Bob Taylor
Christmas Float	Bruce Jochums, Mike Nunez, Kerry Forsythe
Student Speaker Contest	Mike Morgan
Meeting Programs	Mike Morgan & Victor Martinez
Scholarships	Richard Baker
Membership Chair	Mike Nunez
Club Service Chair	Bill Schulze
Peace Poster	Victor Martinez
Sight & Hearing	Russ White, Bob Taylor, Bill Schulze
Public Relations	John Fraser
Club Bulletin	Bob Taylor
S.W.O.T.	Victor Martinez

2nd Vice President– John Knittle	
Lion Burgers	Russ White & Bob Taylor
Visitations	Lloyd Christie
BBQ Trailer & Equipment	Bruce Jochums & Mike Nunez
Raffles	OPEN
5K-1K Race	Mike Brown
Children's Xmas Party	Art Mansfield
Flag Day	OPEN
4th of July	OPEN
Special BBQ's	Bruce Jochums & Mike Nunez

3rd Vice President– Bruce Jochums	
Caps/Shirts/Jackets	OPEN
Kids Shopping	George Graham
Peace Poster	OPEN
Club Bulletin	Bob Taylor
Harvest Festival	Bill Schulze
Easter Festival	Bill Schulze
Badges/Pins/Banners	OPEN
Sight & Hearing	Richard Cervantes
Fair Parking	Bill Schulze
Web site /IT	George Graham
Public Relations	John Fraser
Club Greeter	Dan Goldberg