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### THE VIEW FROM THE TOP

Late summer, early Autumn is the best time for planting trees. This allows the trees to take root before the winter dormant period. Now, it's time for District 4-L4 clubs to move from planning to planting. Garden Grove Host appears to be first to plant trees with the approval and help of the City of Garden Grove. GG Host president Chuck Lake has pledged one tree per member (46) with 18 going into the ground around Big Ron's auto body shop with the remainder throughout the city, according to Lion Ron Pierce. Garden Grove is requiring 15gal. size trees (very survivable) with most other cities contacted requiring 5 gal. to 20 gal. size trees. The City of Tustin is apparently asking for 40 gal. size. Explain the world wide Lions project and try to work with your city on reasonable size limits. Lets keep the cost down as much as possible. I am happy to report that so far over 302,000 trees have been planted by Lions around the world. Start digging.

#### PLANT-RECYCLE-CONSERVE

We only have one planet, one environment, one ecology. If we take care of it, it will take care of us. Use less, leave more. Our heirs and survivors will be grateful.

Clubs are doing their part in new member recruitment with Seal Beach Host leading the way. They probably won't beat last year's record take but they are approaching being the largest club in MD-4. I've been asked to do new member inductions while on the visitation trail and it's always a pleasure to welcome new Lions into the pride. IPDG Norm MacKenzie has a terrific GMT group in our district. Please invite them for a membership presentation and learn the simple, exciting strategies for gathering new Lions and let's grow our service potential.

The visitations to the wonderful clubs in District 4-L4 have been better than visits with family members. Well, actually it has been visits with family, just too brief, so the fun is more concentrated. I lost my "virginity" (first Gov. visit) in a room full of beautiful women (that's the way it should be done) at Harbor Mesa Lions. The visits have been a great opportunity to learn more about the exciting projects the clubs are involved in and get to know more about the members personally. Harbor Mesa president, Carol Proctor has a degree in horticulture. If you have a question about tree varieties to plant, call Carol for advice.

The gifts from the clubs, although not required, have been appreciated and enjoyed. The contributions to the Student Speakers Foundation (my favorite Lions charity) are most welcome. The Foundation sends me a letter of thanks on behalf of the club each time. Other notable gifts from the clubs included an engraved decanter from president Sally Nockold and the Newport Beach Hawaiian Lions and a green suede "Robin Hood" hat with feather from president Larry Spooner and La Habra Host Lions. More visitations await through September and October, interspersed with trips to Anchorage, Alaska; Reno, Nevada, and Redding Calif. for Lions business and some pleasure too. It's all good!

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Look for student speaker notices going out with dues statements, a new system this year. Tear off the response portion and return to Cass Cara at the MD-4 office to receive your student speaker packets. Make contact with your schools early and give the students plenty of time to prepare. This Lions year's topic, "What Could the America of Yesterday, Teach the America of Tomorrow?", has excellent research possibilities and is as timeless as it is timely. We're looking forward to some great speeches from many students.

District 4-L4 has the highest participation percentage of any district in MD-4. Keep up the good work. Let's talk it up.

Make your plans for Oct.1, Governor's fundraiser at Pete's Ponderosa in Yorba Linda. Dress western like the back cover of the directory or come as a Sherwood Forest tree.



EACH CLUB IS ASKED TO MAKE A \$200 DONATION TOWARD PAYING FOR THE MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE LIONS INTERNATIONAL ROSE FLOAT, ONE OF THE MOST VALUABLE PUBLIC RELATIONS OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO LIONS. DONORS WILL RECEIVE A RECOGNITION PATCH TO ADD TO THE CLUB BANNER.

> FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAIL YOUR CHECK: PDG JON CASTEEL 9333 MONTE VISTA STREET, ALTA LOMA CA 91701 (951) 235-4606 JANDSCASTEEL@HOTMAIL.COM

Don't Refuse



By Larry Williams, Co-Chairman District 4L4 Friends in Sight Project

Since California Friends in Sight (CLFIS) is new to 4L4 and MD4 an explanation of the project seems in order.

CLFIS is based in Southern California and primarily does vision screenings with recycled eyeglasses. The most recent screening was in Grand Terrace, Ca on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Three hundred and seventy people were seen at this screening and 334 were fitted with recycled glasses. These screenings and recycled grasses are all completely FREE OF CHARGE. The glasses are those that have been picked up by Lions clubs members primarily in the 4L4 and 4L5 areas. When doing a vision screening, CLFIS carries 12,000 pairs of collected recycled glasses with them that have been cleaned, disinfected, verified and cataloged into storage containers based on power, lens style and frame styles.

During a typical year, CLFIS has done 20 to 24 vision screenings in Southern California and Northern Mexico. Local Lion's clubs request the vision screening for their area and supply a site, local Lion volunteers to assist the CLFIS staff with the screening, and refreshments for the workers. Examples of vision screenings done this year include the Cucamonga District host in February with the screening of 206 adults and children with free recycled glasses. The screenings generally begin at 8 am and end around 3 pm. Other vision screenings include Murrieta with 115 people seen, Thermal 360, Yucaipa 257, Apple Valley with 316 screenings and in April CLFIS went to Sonora-Baja on a 3 day trip and 728 happy people left with recycled glasses. CLFIS at the vision screenings also assess for ocular conditions that could lead to blindness. In just the above six screenings 2,600 people were seen, of which 72 were identified with pathological conditions covering macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, optic atrophy, strabismus and cataracts, to name a few. Once those conditions were identified the patients were given advice on seeking further care for their conditions.

Since CLFIS have recently been approved as a MD4 project we look forward to working with all MD4 Lions clubs throughout the MD4 area.

For a complete listing of 2010 and 2011 vision screenings and other information about CLFIS go to the web site at www.californialionsfriendsinsight.org

If you would like to donate glasses to CLFIS, please send them to Larry Williams, 1238 Fairway Circle, Upland, Ca 91784 or have them brought to the next cabinet meeting, for e-mail guestions retiredpinman@verizon.net.



Martha Hebert, District 4-L4 YE Chairperson

I am pleased to announce that District 4-L4 served six foreign exchange students and one from 4-L2 with Lion Yolanda Christensen from Covina Breakfast Lions, for a total of seven (7) students. The students were in southern California from July 23 to August 7. Our students were Patricia Jank (Austria) hosted by PDG Judy & George Schnitzer (Tustin Host); Theresa Stelzer (Austria) and Alice Ferro (Italy) hosted by Jim & Elena De Stefano and sons, Jacob & Jimmy (friends of Tustin Host); Christian Moller (Denmark) hosted by Lion Lynn & Brenda Davis and son, Peter (Tustin Host); Anna Jensen (Denmark) hosted by Lion Susan Seager (Harbor Mesa); Mauritz Esser (Germany) hosted by Lion Martha Hebert (Ontario Upland Lions); and Lisa Dittschar (Germany) hosted by Lion Yolanda Christensen (District 4-L2, Covina Breakfast).



The students were seen lunching at Philipp's Hot Dip Sandwich Restaurant, riding the subway to tour Hollywood's Kodak Theater, with dinner at the Santa Monica Pier. They enjoyed a day at Disneyland with other Youth Exchange Students. The students and their host family were invited to a barb-que at Norco Lions.

The Students attended the 4-L4 Cabinet Meeting and later traveled to San Diego's Mission Bay and a pizza party given by 4-L6. They stayed overnight and spent the day at Balboa Park going to the Zoo and I-Max Theater. All the students visiting in southern California were treated to a day of kayaking at Newport Aquatic Center in the Newport Bay. They even got a chance to play a game of American Football in the sand.

The students went to Big Bear Lake for three days. Our Cabin (made possible by a member of the Tustin Host Lions) was walking distant to the Big Bear Village and Marina. The students were given a private tour of the lake by Lion Bear Smith from Big Bear Lions Club (on recommendation of PDGs Bob & Mel Niez) , went bowling, rode the Alpine Slide, Bumper Cars, played Miniature Golf, and rode the ski lift at Snow Mountain and some chose to walk down the mountain.

When they weren't busy with the above; you would find them shopping, going to the beach, having swim parties, eating or doing things with their host families.

On Saturday, August 6, Ken & Denise Myers hosted a farewell potluck party for the students and their host families. Ken & Denise's son and his wife and grandson traveled over from Phoenix, AZ to meet the student and help with the party. On Sunday, August 7, the host families took the students to Teresita Pines and said goodbye. All the host families enjoyed their students and one family suggested that we have a 'Host Family' reunion, since they enjoyed doing things together.

All the above was made possible by clubs generous donations and our fundraiser. Kudos to everyone who helped make this possible.





## District Governor Ken Sherwood's Visitation Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Club</u>
1-Sep	Thu	6:30 PM	Anaheim
6-Sep	Tue	12:15 PM	Ontario Host
7-Sep	Wed	12:00 PM	Laguna Niguel
8-Sep	Thu	11:30 AM	Santa Ana Host
8-Sep	Thur	6:30 PM	Chino Valley
15-Sep	Thu	7:15 AM	Fullerton
16-Sep	Fri	7:00 AM	Pomona Breakfast
16-Sep	Fri	11:00 AM	UC Irvine
20-Sep	Tue	6:45 PM	Costa Mesa Newport Harbor
3-Oct	Mon	7:00 AM	Diamond Bar Breakfast
4-Oct	Tue	7:00 PM	OC Korean American
5-Oct	Wed	7:00 PM	Seal Beach Host
6-Oct	Thu	12:10 PM	Pomona Host
6-Oct	Thu	6:00 PM	Walnut-Diamond Bar
16-Oct	Sun	4:00 PM	OC Costa Rica
18-Oct	Tue	6:30 PM	Buena Park Noon
19-Oct	Wed	12:00 PM	Western University
19-Oct	Wed	7:00 PM	Orange
20-Oct	Thu	7:30 AM	Upland Host
20-Oct	Thu	6:30 PM	RC Community
26-Oct	Wed	6:00 PM	Cucamonga District Host
2-Nov	Wed	call	Westminster
3-Nov	Thu	7:00 PM	Huntington Beach Host
10-Nov	Thu	6:45 PM	Ontario Upland

#### OC Vietnamese American

## CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE GRADUATION SCHEDULED FOR NOV. 12



Join us on SATURDAY, November 12, 2011 to honor the newest recipients of Canine Companions assistance dogs in the Southwest Region.

Graduation begins at NOON at the Serra Center at the Mission San Luis Rey Parish at 4070 Mission Avenue in Oceanside, California. Graduations are open to the public with free admission.



## 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT

**PJ SMITH** 

Your Governor's team and cabinet have been very busy making club visitations. By the time you receive this Forum, we will have visited twelve clubs. The excitement and enthusiasm has been overwhelming. It is always a pleasure to visit with many fellow lions that you don't normal see throughout the year. Thanks for all that you do and the great hospitality extended to your Governor's team.

Our District is on a roll and has been for 19 straight months. 4-L4 has had a positive growth last year of a net 64, placing us number three in the nation and number one in California, WOW. This year since July 2011, we have picked up 18 new members. I just found out that Surf City Lions has joined with Huntington Beach Host Lions as a Branch Club giving us 12 more new members. Congratulations to Lion Leonard Gleason and his team of Lions on bringing this to fruition.

This new year, we are really pushing the new Global Member- ship Team and Global Leadership Team, (GMT-GLT). Please don't let theses fancy names or acronyms scare you. They just replaced MERLO under new leadership teams. We, as a district, are doing great and will continue to do so.

I had the opportunity to attend an Orientation for the Seal Beach Lion Club new Cubs conducted by PDG Ellen Liebherr and Lion Scott Newton. PDG Ellen and Lion Scott did such a fantastic job that when the Orientation was finished, the new Cubs were so excited, full of energy, and enthusiasm that they formed into groups to plan and strategized on their new projects. This example is Lionism at it's best, good stuff. Lion Scott, also a member of our Global Membership Team, is a dynamic moving machine with endless energy. Thanks Scott for everything you do.

At the Council of Governor's Meeting this month, we selected a topic for the student speakers' contest. The topic selected was "What Could the America of Yesterday Teach the America of Tomorrow?" This topic should prove to be very interesting and covers a very large time span without being as controversial as some topics in the past. We're all looking forward to hearing from are great student speakers.

The Governor's fundraiser will be Saturday, October 1, 2011 starting at 6:00 PM. The location is 18103 E. Bastanchury Rd. Yorba Linda, "Pete's Ponderosa Ranch". Dinner will be catered by Lion Andrea Busby - YUM, YUM, with lots of fun, fellowship, no host bar and entertainment by the Five Star Band. Cost is \$35.00 per person. We are asking all clubs to bring a really nice raffle or opportunity gift for the silent and live auction. If our Editor has room in the Forum there will be a picture of the two gifts I have put together. These items alone should get you to attend this fundraiser and bid on them.

Please check the Forum for upcoming Governor's visitations and everything that is occurring in our great 4-L4 district.



### These two great raffle prizes are a sample of what will be available at the District Governor's October 1<sup>st</sup> Fundraiser









## 2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT

## SHEILA CASTEEL

What's GLT stand for again? <u>G</u>oogle Language Tools, <u>G</u>lucose Loading Test, <u>Gay Lesbian Transgender</u> – no, none of them sound right. Sometimes it is hard to keep up with the myriad of acronyms Lions use. To clear up the mystery, hear it is straight from Lions Clubs International, "the Global Leadership Team (GLT) provides for an enhanced focus on leadership development, which is critical to the future vitality of our association. The GLT directs its efforts toward identifying and cultivating effective leaders through active training and leadership development initiatives, while providing necessary information, guidance and motivation.

<u>The GLT structure</u> encompasses representation at the international, multiple district, single district and district levels and includes district governor teams, providing a comprehensive global platform for developing more qualified leaders from the club level up, while encouraging regional training and development approaches to address local needs."

Well, I'm sure **that** really cleared it up for you all. OK, how about the Sheila Reader's Digest version ~ GLT takes the place of the "L" in MERLO. It is a streamlined program starting with the International President of Lions Clubs International down to the individual Lions Club. The purpose is to develop Lions Leaders who will ensure the survival, growth, and success of our organization for the future. PDG Mike Scheafer is our District GLT Coordinator and is at the start of a three year term. He is responsible for writing an action plan and developing the GLT program for District 4-L4.

Leadership is important to the strength and growth of any organization. District Governor Ken Sherwood has praised our district for orientation and training programs we already have in place. Arguably, we are ahead of a great number of districts throughout the Lions world in this area. Yet, we still have plenty of room to improve. Too many times and for too long, the question is asked "who can we get to be club president, club secretary, committee chair, district officer, or ..." you get the idea. Wouldn't it be nice to have a pool of people both willing and able to take on these positions? I believe that the GLT is a means to develop such a pool.

Here are a couple of leadership development opportunities available to you:

## Cabinet Secretary's Message Marianne Allen

Our first Cabinet meeting was a great success. We had over 140 members that showed up and supported the Installation of New Officers. I want to thank all of the Region and Zone Chairpersons who assisted in making this Cabinet meeting a great success.

For Club Secretaries, please remember to submit your monthly reports by the end of each month. Once you file online with International, you must still submit copies to your District Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governors, Cabinet Secretary, and your Region and Zone Chairpersons. You may email the reports to them or mail copies whichever is easiest for you. However, I prefer to receive the reports by e-mail. You can email me at sarahcait@sbcglobal.net.

A couple of things I need to let you know. One is the Peace Poster Contest Deadline is October 22, 2011. You can order Peace Poster Kits through the International Website. We do not have a Peace Poster Chair this year so the entries must be given directly to District Governor Ken Sherwood. The other is the Student Speakers Contest. This year's topic is "What Could the America of Yesterday Teach the America of Tomorrow". MD4 will be sending out information to the Clubs. Please let every club participate in this year's contest. Also, look for the flyers for the Region Meetings. I have emailed those out to all of the Presidents and Secretaries of the Clubs. If you have not received one, please let me know. They are also in the Forum.

## 2<sup>ND</sup> VDG REPORT (CONTINUED)......

#### MD4 LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (JANUARY 14 – 16, 2012) HARRIS RANCH, COALINGA, CA

Focuses on building the skills of Lions leaders to prepare them for leadership responsibilities at the club, zone, region and district levels. There is a focus on applying many of the leadership skills long recognized in business and government to working with volunteers and the community. Qualified candidates are Lions in good standing who have are active in their club or district leadership. The cost to the attendee is \$250 for the weekend. The rest of the cost of the Institute is picked up by Lions Clubs International and Multiple District Four. This covers the meals, materials and a shared room at the hotel. Visit <u>http://www.md4lions.org</u> to download application.

### Second Annual District Forum Aspire To Serve!

Saturday, 5 November 2011, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM. California Maritime Academy 200 Maritime Academy Drive, Vallejo, CA. Hosted by District 4-C6 there are two General Plenary Sessions and 28 Educational Workshop Sessions. Open to all Lions and friends who want to learn about leadership and service in our community. For more information visit www.lionsdistrictforum.org.

# SEAL BEACH LIONS CONTROL GRAFFITI

In late June, the City of Seal Beach called the Seal Beach Lions for help in removing graffiti on private property. Under the leadership of Lion Ray Longoria, a team of Lions came together to combat the problem. The team started with a specific problem identified by the city and then moved to sweeping every street and alley in Old Town. In three weeks, the Lions removed or covered more than 400 incidences of graffiti. Some were very obvious and others quite discrete.



For only a \$200 investment they acquired environmental chemicals designed specifically to remove various types of graffiti. From the very beginning, they had aesthetics in mind and concentrated their efforts on removal rather than simply covering it up. Lion Cathy Newton commented: "I was amazed at how much graffiti we have in Old Town. We rode our bikes or walked every ally for three weeks cleaning them up everywhere. Now our bikes rides include checking for new graffiti".

While there was certainly a lot to clean up, it is hard to say how old all of this graffiti really is. Some of the taggings were dated as old as 2005. The Lions have also partnered with the State of California, Consolidated Disposal and Southern California Edison whose properties have been affected as well. The Lions also met several residents who are acting as their 'eyes in old town' helping identify problems when they occur.



"This project has made us several new friends in Old Town" says Lion Scott Newton. "Business owners and residents all seem to really appreciate our efforts"

The Lions have established a graffiti hotline for businesses and residents to report graffiti problems. When notified, the Lions will respond to the problem in less than 24 hours. Future plans include expanding the program to all parts of Seal Beach.

## ONTARIO HOST LIONS CLUB

Paserate THE 11<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL PASTA DINNER AND WINE TASTING EVENT

WHERE: THE COOPER MUSEUM at 217 east "A" Street, Upland Ca 91786 WHEN: Sunday September 25", 2011 TIME: 3:00pm wine tasting & throughout the afternoon dinner served from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

> TICKET PRICE: \$30.00 TICKET INFO: Andrea Busby (909) 944-7715 or Gayle K. Garbo (909) 989-0059

Proceeds from this event will benefit Ontario Host Lions Community Service Projects





## **ANOTHER FANTASTIC LA HABRA HOST LIONS CORN FESTIVAL!**

























#### **DISTRICT 4-14**

#### ORANGE REGION MEETING

Date:	Wednesday, September 14, 2011
Time:	6:00 pm Registration 7:00pm Dinner and Program
Cost:	\$15.00/person, make checks payable to: District 4-L4
Location:	Garden Grove Lion's Den: 9860 Larson Ave. Garden Grove
Dinner:	Catered by Creative Catering (Lion Ellen)
Program:	DG Ken Sherwood and Environmental Presentation

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT REGION CHAIR, RENE SCHULTE (562)493-0115 50/50 drawing and surprises

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Please make reservations by September 5, 2011

Club name: Number attending: Amount enclosed:

Please send the names of those attending.....on the back of this form.

#### Send completed payments to:

Cabinet Secretary Marianne Allen, P.O. Box 487, Garden Grove CA 92842 sarahcait@sbcglobal.net





#### **DISTRICT 4-I4**

#### SADDLEBACK REGION MEETING

Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 Time: 6:00pm Cocktails; 7:00pm Dinner & Program Cost: \$25.00/person, make checks payable to: District 4-L4 Location: Costa Mesa Golf & Country Club 1701 Golf Course Drive Costa Mesa CA

Program: Lion Ken Sherwood and Environmental Presentation

For more information: Contact Ken Henderson, Region Chair: (949) 280-7604 50/50 Drawing

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**DISTRICT 4-L4** 

#### FOOTHILL REGION MEETING

Date : Monday, September 12, 2011

Time : Registration 6:00 pm/Dinner & Program 7:00pm Cost : \$18.00/person, make checks payable to: District 4-L4 Location: Western University of Health Sciences Banfield Hall

611 E. Second Street, Pomona, CA Contact: Lion Gil Smith, Foothill Region Chairperson, (909) 860-6477

PROGRAM: GMT, Membership Development, Sharing Community Service 50-50 drawing

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Please make reservations by September 5, 2011

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## **ANNOUNCING!**

La Dolce Vita Italian Festival Friday and Saturday, Sept 30th-Oct 1 Near the Chet Holifield (Ziggurat) Building in Laguna Niguel

Be a part of what will be an exciting Event for **Orange County Residents** 

<u>Events and Activities:</u> Italian Musicians -Mambo Italiano Evening -Guest Cooking Instructors Artists for the I Madonnari -Pizza Dough Tossing Contest Spaghetti Eating Contest -Collaborating with the Local Bocce Tournament Activities for all Ages (plus so much more)

La Dolce Vita will be a 2 day Celebration of all things Italian. Open to the Public! FREE Admission and FREE Parking!

We are currently looking for the following: Corporate Sponsors Vendors (selling all things Italian) Food Vendors (preparing their tempting Italian dishes on site for sale ) Artist of all skill levels for the "I Madonnari" Local Performers to share their Italian Talents with the crowd. Volunteers

For more information on how you can participate email: Gisella Kaplan at gisella@ladolcevitafestival.com, or Ron Perrella at ron@ladolcevitafestival.com; or call 949-340-5770

## What I did on my Summer Vacation GIVING THE GIFT OF SIGHT

It was just before 6am when the phone rang at my parent's lake house in Wisconsin. Being up already, I answered the call that was from the Wisconsin Lions Eye Bank. A person had died that previous evening and their eyes were harvested and needed to be immediately transported to the Lions Eye Bank in Madison.

My Dad is a Lion in Winchester, Wisconsin and had signed up for emergency transport duty for eye tissue destined for transplant at the Lions Eye Institute in Madison (350 miles away). There are 1,500 Lions in Wisconsin who are registered to transport 'eyes' and I was privileged to join my Dad on this mission to truly help give someone the gift of sight.

Within 15 minutes of receiving the call we both had on Lions shirts and our respective club badges and were on our way. Our assignment was to pick up the eye tissue from the Emergency room of a remote local hospital and transport it another Emergency room in Wausau which is about half way to Madison.

We arrived at the Emergency Room in Woodruff after a 40 minute drive and picked up a box that contained a cooler with the eye tissue. Emergency Room personnel were expecting us so the pick up was fast.



We safety "seat belted' the package and took off driving. Knowing that I would probably not get a speeding ticket, you can imagine how fast I drove. We drove south another 2 hours to a hospital in Wausau (Central Wisconsin). Because we were early, the Emergency room personnel took possession of the package and secured it for another Lion who was to transport it the remaining distance to the Lions Eye Bank in Madison.



Our job was done once the transport to Wausau was complete but we still had a 2 ½ hour drive back to our lake house.This was certainly a first for me and I felt quite privileged to be part of this ongoing service project by the Lions of Wisconsin. This was an experience that made me truly feel as if I was helping give the gift of sight.

Lionism in Wisconsin is huge. Literally, Lions dominate in every small town in the state. In our small town of 380, there are 55 Lions. That's almost one Lion for every 7 people. In Winchester, the entire town council are Lions, most of the volunteer fire fighters are Lions and the Lions have their name and Logo on nearly every public building and park in the town. It felt like Seal Beach ©





For another installment of City Lights, here is an interesting item from City of Hope's EHope newsletter.

District City of Hope Chair Lion Lorna Badame

## **DID YOU KNOW?**



A man's job may affect his risk of lung cancer. While cigarette smoking is by far the biggest factor contributing to lung cancer, Italian researchers found that job factors like exposure to chemicals can play a major role. The scientists studied more than 4,200 people, about half of whom had lung cancer, and found that men who worked in jobs known to increase lung cancer risk — mining and metalworking, for example - were 74 percent more likely to have the disease. The strongest associations were seen for ceramic and pottery jobs as well as manufacturing of brick and non-iron metals. Over all, about five percent of men's lung cancer risk appeared to stem from occupation, according to the researchers. The scientists found a similar correlation in women, but the study contained too few women to be certain of the numbers. The National Cancer Institute has information on how to prevent lung cancer, which can be found at their website, <u>www.cancer.gov</u>.



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Lions Scott Newton, Seal Beach Lions



# Fantastic Foothill

Region Chairman Gil Smith

Please join us at our first Foothill Region Meeting of the year, September 12<sup>th</sup>, at Banfield Hall on the campus of Western University of Health Sciences (this is where the WesternU Lions held their charter night). We will have a full program and look forward to hearing what each club in the Region is doing and/or plans to do this year. We also will discuss Global Membership Team, membership development, share community service ideas, etc.

Your Zone Chairs will be contacting you to help develop your Club Profile. As Governor Ken said: "The Club Profile template is a most useful tool. Each club should devote at least one general meeting to completing one with all members assisting. Zone Chairs could implement and assist in the process." It is both an excellent stepping off point for developing a strategic plan and helps your Foothill Region officers get to know your club.

The Foothill team has conducted three Membership Plan presentations (a 45 minute facilitated discussion) to clubs in the Region in an effort to help them invigorate their membership recruitment, activation and retention efforts. Your Region officers encourage every club to consider letting us help you self assess where you are and develop ideas for an active membership program. Topics we cover include:

- Sources of potential Lions, use of the Recruiting Wheel and Canvassing
- Visibility in the community
- Membership recruitment plan of action and what draws people to Lions
- What keeps a new member in Lions
- Indentifying your club's first steps

Your Foothill team is here to help each club achieve its full potential whether it be development of a broad strategic plan or a plan focused on membership recruitment and activation. While we are here to assist and/or facilitate the development of these plans, in the end the plans must be your product. Let us help you strengthen your club for the next generation of Lions.

Recent activities by clubs in the Foothill Region include:

The **Cucamonga District Host Lions Club** continues to be active in the community through quilt making for Santa Claus, Inc., used eyeglasses collection, and Friends in Sight. It also recently contracted with the City of Rancho Cucamonga for tree planting (an allotment of 100 trees over a couple years).

The **Ontario Upland Lions Club** recently held a yard sale with good club participation. The first annual Oodles of Noodles Spaghetti fundraiser is set for October 15<sup>th</sup> at the Magnolia Community Center in Upland.

The **Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions** members continue to provide service for San Antonio Community Hospital and Ronald McDonald House. As a result of the membership plan discussion led by Region Chair Gil Smith, the club is establishing a Service Projects Committee to develop more active service projects which goes hand-in-hand with membership recruitment and retention. A fundraiser was held August 29<sup>th</sup> at the Outback restaurant. The club had four visitations in August.

The **Upland Host Lions Club**'s 57th Annual Fish/Steak/Corn Feed in August netted about \$10,000 for their charities fund. The club's community service activities include food bank distribution support, volunteers at San Antonio Community Hospital, collection of 200 pair of used eyeglasses and two diabetes awareness classes at Fullerton and Brea taught by Ken Myers.

The **Ontario Host Lions** will conduct their 11th annual Pasta Dinner and Wine Tasting on Sunday Sept 25th. Tickets are \$30.00, and seats are limited, so get your reservation in ASAP. Contact Lion Gayle Garbo (909) 989-0059 for tickets and event information.

The **Pomona Breakfast Lions Club** is holding its annual rummage sale fundraiser September 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Ebell Club in Pomona. The club has collected approximately 60 pair of used eyeglasses over the last two months and helped at Kingsley Elementary School in Pomona.

The **Pomona Host Lions Club** kicked off its year with an expanded committee structure and monthly meetings for membership, community service and fundraising. Thus far this year four new members have joined. The club has expanded its support of the Hope Partners food bank through collection of food, as well as used eyeglasses, at the annual summer Pomona Concert Band concerts in Ganesha Park. The club also partnered with the WesternU Lions in a health fair and unexpectedly four members and spouses put their bilingual skills to good use. Another new community service project was participation in the Great Campout at the Fairplex with over 250 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. Visitations are off to a roaring start. The club is having a vacation opportunity drawing for a week at a condo in Kauai, Hawaii and \$1,000 towards airfare.

The **WesternU Lions Club** held its first board meeting of the school year and set up committees for membership, community service and fundraising. Its objective is to have one community service project a month. There was a good turnout with over 50 in attendance for the first general membership/recruitment meeting of the year. A meeting was held with Friends in Sight, which should lead to a vision health fair in Pomona sometime early next year.

The **Chino Valley Lions Club** collected 150 pair of used eyeglasses. The club also raised \$1,500 for the "Relay for Life" to support cancer research.

The **Diamond Bar Breakfast Lions** had four visitations in August, the Leos did five projects in July and August and the club continued to collect used eyeglasses.

The **Walnut Diamond Bar Lions** collected 115 pair of used eyeglasses and had one visitation



# **ORGANIC ORANGE**

# Orange Region Chairman RENEE SCHULTE

Wow!! It's September already. . .only nine more of these to compose and you to read!!! Time flies when you volunteer!! By the time this is published, our Governor's Cabinet (including moi) will have visited the Orange Region Lions Clubs of La Habra, Stanton and Brea (fair warning, if it is not too late). I know you remember my July article, where I introduced myself and our ORANGE GREEN Region Zone team: Zone "A" Lion Randy McMillan; Zone "B" Lion Patrick Donnelly and; Zone "C" Lion Bruce Gormley. If everything goes well, I would like to share with you all of our Region's twelve club's activities by their respective Zones. I hope that will be helpful but I will need your help-so please let me and your Zone representatives know what your Club is doing. If you don't read about your Club in this monthly FORUM, it's because I don't want to make anything up or assume that your Club isn't doing a bunch of Lion's volunteering; I do want to do a good job as your Region chair. THANK YOU!!!

Here are some of our Region's Club activities for the month of July, 2011:

#### ZONE "A" Lion Randy

#### Brea Lions Club: July membership estimated 24 Lions

The Brea Lions Club were very active in July attending their monthly meetings and our first Cabinet meeting. Their efforts were noted as the Club was published ten (10) times in local newspapers. A fun time was had by all at their annual North/South high school football game and they continue to support their Brea Olinda Ladycat girls' basketball program. Please let Lion Randy know of any upcoming events/projects and I will submit the information in our next FORUM.

<u>La Habra Host Club:</u> July membership 101 Lions (including one new Lion!!) They also boast of having 63 Leos!!

The La Habra Host Lions were also very busy volunteering all over the place: The Gary Center, the La Habra Boys and Girls Club and a Ronald McDonald House just to name a few. They racked up over 1,100 service hours much of which involved their annual car raffle and their 63<sup>rd</sup> annual Corn Festival. They donated to Ronald McDonald, raised a bunch of money at their Concerts in the Park program; participated at our Cabinet meeting and a variety of 4-L4 approved programs such as Teresita Pines, Scleroderma and student speakers. The Club received two (2) student speaker awards and one (1) Proud Lion. I enjoyed reading through their newspaper articles and, of course, the Twister Tails. Thanks fellow Lions!! Sorry I missed the Corn Festival (first time in many years), Lion Bruce made me go to Las Vegas and lose \$\$'s. I look forward to reading about your success in your next Membership Report.

#### Zone "B" Lion Patrick

Orange Lions Club: July membership 33 Lions

WOW!! Our Orange Lions Club went on six (6) six visitations last month!! Thanks for supporting Blind Buddies for the Rancho Cucamonga Lions; the 67<sup>th</sup> annual Seal Beach Lions Fish Fry; the rummage sale sponsored by the Huntington Beach Host Lions and the Brea Lions North/South annual football game. It is greatly appreciated and what a fun way to share in our Lions experiences, meet or rekindle friendships and generally have a great time. We serve in many ways. Our Orange Lions were also well represented at the Cabinet meeting; cooked breakfast at the Orange Ronald McDonald House where they also donated some money. In addition, the Club also made a donation to Project Hope and awarded a worthy Lion a Harry J. Aslan Fellowship.

#### Zone "C" Lion Bruce

Garden Grove Host: July membership 45 Lions

Our Garden Grove Host Lions were in attendance at the Cabinet, officers training and our first Zone meeting which means, of course, they paid a visit to the 63<sup>rd</sup> annual Seal Beach Lions Fish Fry. They donated close to \$4,000 to various District and local charities, sponsored a candidate for Miss Garden Grove; participated in our LCIP program, and awarded a Membership Key to a worthy Garden Grove Lion. The Club also, spent 60 (sixty) hours sorting and shipping to Lions in Sight over 3,000 eye glasses making many needed sight impaired people very happy. I am very grateful (and relieved) to report that our ORANGE Region Governor's Visitation meeting will be hosted at the Garden Grove Lions Den, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Everyone, by now, should have been notified through the flyer that was generated. If not, give me a call for the sordid details (562) 493-0115. Thank you Garden Grove Host Lions!!!

<u>Seal Beach Host Lions:</u> July membership 153 including 15 new members (WOW)

Okay so this is my club and I will try not to be overly zealous in my reporting. However, I received over forty (40) pages of documentation of this Club's July report of Visitations, Activities and Donations. Having been this Club's secretary a year when we were awarded Club of the Year, I know they/we have a ton of Lions stuff going on. I will briefly summarize and try not to do a disservice or the opposite. The Seal Beach Host Lions Club volunteered close to 200 service hours for local projects, receiving some donations for doing so; put an estimated 1,000 fundraising hours putting together the 63<sup>rd</sup> annual Seal Beach Fish Fry, in which a ton of charitable giving money was raised; were represented at the pre Cabinet, Cabinet, Zone and officers training meetings; visited two (2) Lions Clubs; had twenty (20) newspaper articles printed; participated in the activities of the Seal Beach Leos and donated hearing aides and eyeglasses. WHEW enough said.

Okay, I am done here. See you soon and remember: weed weeds, plant plants go GREEN.



# **SUPER SADDLEBACK**

## REGION CHAIRMAN KEN HENDERSON

Happy September Saddleback Lions, I hope everyone is enjoying the last days of summer and will be well rested for a busy and successful Lion year. The Governor and his Cabinet have been very busy with visitations; I would like to thank the clubs I visited for their great hospitality. I have really enjoyed spending time and learning the dynamics of the different clubs in the Saddleback Region and am looking forward to visiting every club in the region this year.

I am very excited about the programs being presented at the visitations, especially the pledge our Governor made to plant 1,000 trees in District 4-L4. Please contact your Zone Chairs or myself if you need help implementing a plan to plant trees in public areas in your community.

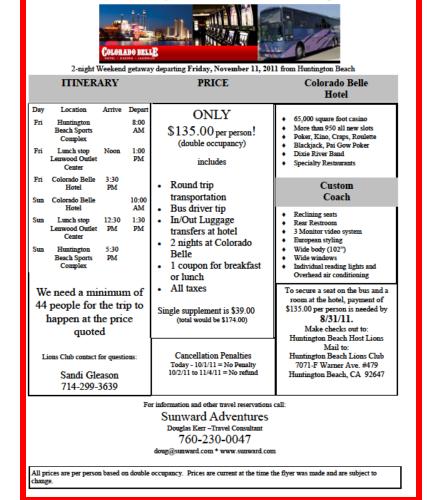
PDG Norm MacKenzie is heading up a new membership program called Global Membership Team (GMT) to increase membership in our District. Please read his article in last month forum to get the details on this program. He is requesting each club to submit a Membership Growth Plan to him by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

To insure your club receives publicity in the Forum for upcoming fundraisers and events, all club secretaries please forward their MMR, Activities and VAD reports and copies of their newsletters to district officers, including your Region and Zone Chairs. Please forward information you would like included in the forum to your Region Chair (me) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Saddleback upcoming events:

- Harbor Mesa: 16<sup>th</sup> annual Spaghetti Splash is Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup>, RSVP by the 18<sup>th</sup>. Look for their ad is this issue of the Forum for details.
- Huntington Beach Host: Oktoberfest Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 7-9 p.m. @ Old World German Restaurant. Crabfest is scheduled for Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup>, 4-8 p.m. @ Old World German Restaurant.
- Orange Lions Club: Looking for volunteers to help at the Orange International Street Fair. Contact Allan Walsch @ 562-905-2000 ext. 120
- Tustin Host Lions: Tiller Days is around the corner, first weekend in October. Have a beer and visit with the Tustin host Lions!

Please put on your calendar's our first Saddleback Region Meeting September 13<sup>th</sup> @ Costa Mesa Golf Course. Please join us for cocktails at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner and program at 7:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to show the Governor how enthused Saddleback is to have a great Lion year! Huntington Beach Lions Club Weekend Getaway at the Colorado Belle, Laughlin



The Huntington Beach Host Lions served up some tasty pancakes & sausages and held a successful Shred-A-Thon





Year-Round Growth Program By: PDG Norm MacKenzie, GMT Coordinator

LCI's Year-Round Growth Program recognizes Lions and their respective club for member invitation successes during a given fiscal year. Lions should be excited about inviting others to club meetings. If your club meetings don't offer networking and fun, then you need to communicate with the Club Membership Director and/or the Club President on how you think meetings can be more fun for all the members.

It is the "The District Governor Team," and GMT's goal for clubs to have a net two (2) for the year which is an overall net gain for the District of 72 members plus two (2) new clubs (20 charter members each) equals = 112 new members added to the District's 1,154 members will put the District at 1,266 members.

When inviting prospective members, let them know LIONS are Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service! Also when recruiting young people, let them know Lions offer Leadership, Impact, Opportunity, Networking, & Service. Once they become members, encourage them to present new ideas and let them organize and run the event. That's offering new cubs the Opportunity to build Leadership skills which have a positive Impact on Service to the community while Networking with others to make it happen.

#### **Individual Invitation Awards**

Each Lion who sponsors a new member is eligible to receive a certificate of sponsorship from the international president. Both the sponsorship certificate and new member certificate are included in the New Member Kit, which may ordered free of charge through the **Club Supplies Department.** 

Additionally, Lions who sponsor three (3) or more members during a given fiscal year will receive the Year-Round Growth Membership Excellence Lapel Pin.

#### **Club Invitation Awards**

Clubs that bring in the number of members in their category, as specified below, during a given fiscal year receive a Year-Round Growth Membership Excellence Banner Patch. The club categories, and number of new members necessary to receive the patch for the category, are as follows:

- Clubs with 21 or fewer members: bring in 3 or more new members
- Clubs with 22-40 members: bring in 5 or more new members
- Clubs with 41 or more members: bring in 8 or more new members

Additionally, the top three clubs (one from each of the three size categories above) from each constitutional area with the greatest number of new members and positive net growth during the fiscal year will receive a Lions Clubs International Flag Set.

#### Year Round Growth Outreach Strategy

Consider utilizing a calendar to guide or focus your invitation efforts. Give each month a different membership demographic, enabling your club to concentrate on the wide range of potential members available in your community. Consider the following sample calendar:

- July/August Women
- September Professional partners
- October Traditional membership growth campaign
- November/December Students
- January Leos and former Lions
- February Target demographic groups
- March Spouses/family
- April Worldwide Induction Day
- May/June Retention focus

Utilize local resources such as, Chamber of Commerce Business Directory, and City New Business License Lists as well as friends, neighbors, relatives, church, and business associations. Invite potential members to participate in your community service project.



## WHITE CANE

In 1921, James Biggs, a photographer from Bristol, England, became blind following an accident. Because he was feeling

uncomfortable with the amount of traffic around his home, he painted his walking stick white to be more easily visible.

In 1930, the late George A. Bonham, President of the Peoria Lions Club (Illinois) introduced the idea of using the white cane with a red band as a means of assisting the blind in independent mobility. The Peoria Lions approved the idea, white canes were made and distributed, and the Peoria City Council adopted an ordinance giving the bearers the right-of-way to cross the street. News of the club's activity spread quickly to other Lions clubs throughout the United States, and their visually handicapped friends experimented with the white canes. Overwhelming acceptance of the white cane idea by the blind and sighted alike quickly gave cane users a unique method of identifying their special need for travel consideration among their sighted counterparts.

Today white cane laws are on the books of every state in the US and many other countries, providing blind persons a legal status in traffic. The white cane now universally acknowledges that the bearer is blind.

## OCTOBER IS WHITE CANE MONTH



## Register for the Great California Shake Out

By Gil and Barbara Smith District 4-L4 Disaster Preparedness and Relief Chairs

The 2011 Great California ShakeOut is October 20, 2011, and over eight million Californians are expected to participate. Have you registered yet?

Registering is easy, and if you have registered in prior years, renewing is even easier. Just follow these steps:

#### Go to www.shakeout.org.

Click on the big "Register Now!" or "Log in" (for prior participants). These are located in the orange box on the top left under "The Great California ShakeOut" logo.

The directions are easy to follow. If you are a prior participant and have forgotten your access code, your code will be promptly emailed to you within seconds.

You are allowed to register for yourself and family and separately for your business, school, district or other group.

The only requirement of the ShakeOut is that you somehow participate in earthquake preparedness. The Earthquake Country Alliance, which coordinates the event and of which we are associate members, prefers that people practice "Drop, Cover and Hold On!" sometime in close proximity to that day, but the timing is flexible. Try to schedule a "Drop, Cover and Hold On!" for a Lions meeting.

Learning to do the "Drop, Cover and Hold On!" properly is extremely important. The process has evolved as experience and research continue to show the safest way to respond to an earthquake. Since we have been taught under the old guidelines to duck under a table, our natural, but unwise, instinct is to try to run to the nearest table. However, in a large earthquake, if we try to walk or run, we would be thrown to the ground and injured.

The refined "Drop, Cover and Hold On!" guidelines say to drop where you are and cover your head with your arms and hands. If you can crawl under a sturdy table or to a solid piece of furniture, hold on tightly to the stable item so you won't be hurled back and forth. If not under a table, have one hand over your head and one hand holding on.

For more detailed information on "Drop, Cover and Hold On," go to www.dropcoverholdon.org.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

PDG CHUCK OVERBEY



Marvin R. Shiparo, MD was born August 27, 1923, in Los Angeles. He attended Stanford Medical School , served in Korea, and settled in Santa Ana, where he became a well known and popular doctor. He joined the Tustin Host Lions Club in May of 1992. He was very active during his years as a Lion serving as  $2^{nd}$  Vice President in 1995, Lion Tamer for many Years, Golf Tournament Chair for 6 years, and a committee member for every year of his membership. He loved flying, golf, and "Fly-Fishing". Lion Marvin passed away on June 4, 2011. He is survived by wife Jeanne, his son Dan, and two Grandchildren.

Jon A. (Jack) Shafer Joined the Tustin Host Lions Club June of 2007. He owned a business called "Computer Bits" until he retired. He joined the Tustin Chamber in the 1980's. He served on their Board in the 1990"s, and became Chamber President in 2001. He founded the "Tustin Police Officer of the Month" program some 25 years ago. Even though Jack was retired, he remained very active in the Tustin Community. He was a long time member of the Tustin Boys & Girls Club, he served on the "Tustin Police Dept. Advisory Board" some 25 years ago, was an active member of the Tustin Host Lions Club, and was a founding member of Business Alliance of Orange County. Jack was named "Tustin Area Man of the Year" in 1999. Jack passed away on July 20, 2011, and is survived by Wife Kay & Family.

William F. Priest was born November 17, 1946, in Columbus, Georgia. He joined the La Habra Host Lions Club in July of 1988. Bill was a good Lion and served on many programs and projects during his 23 years of service. Bill had previously been a member of the Buena Park Host Lions Club before it disbanded. Bill was a "behind the Scenes" man. He loved many of our projects but he especially liked the Ronald McDonald Program. He worked in the "Hot Wings Booth" at our Corn festival. Bill was a mild mannered and very likeable man who was loved and respected by all who knew him. Bill lost his battl4e with cancer and passed away peacefully at his daughter's home on August 11, 2011. He will be missed.

2011-2012 STUDENT SPEAKER TOPIC

WHAT COULD THE AMERICA OF YESTERDAY TEACH THE AMERICA OF TOMORROW?



By Kristan Seeden Fountain Valley Living Magazine

You'd think they planned it. Both Fountain Valley residents, both with a love for cooking, and both are blind. Terry Coakley and Scott Quinlan won top awards for their culinary creations at this year's Orange County Fair cooking competition. But it's all purely coincidence.

Oakley nabbed her division's Best in Show award for her Orange Jack Marmalade, the recipe for which includes Jack Daniels. The whiskey gives the spread "more of a warmth than a sweetness," she says. She also won a first-place ribbon for her Champagne and Roses Jelly.

Using a recipe that been in his family for decades, Quinlan too placed first for his barbeque sauce, and he's certainly not giving up his secret. He would only divulge that he uses a special blend of herbs and spices, and it takes up to 12 hours to cook down just right.

Quinlan lost his sight six years ago due to complications with diabetes, but he's been making his sauce for a good 30 years. "I've been in the kitchen since I was 5 years old," he said. "I live on the Food Network and I'm a big barbeque guy."

Coakley, who has been blind for around 17 years after a combination of medical problems, didn't decide to take up canning her own jams and jellies until 2004, after a plum tree in her yard "went crazy." She's been entering the fair contests ever since, having won her first Best In Show last year, while this was Quinlan's first time entering.

Although they are clearly talented, both admit to a few challenges presented by cooking without sight. Quinlan has been burned a few times and enlists a friend to help with the canning process. He also uses measuring cups with Braille markings, but other than that, he says he doesn't really have any other difficulties.

Coakley has also been burned quite a few times and has made some modifications to help protect herself from hazards. "I have learned not to play with knives anymore," she said. "For peaches, for example, I scoop the fruit out instead of chopping it."

The two culinary artists have yet another common interest: advocacy. Quinlan in a member of the Orange Lions Club and Coakley lists membership with the Woman's Club, the Fountain Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Advisory Committee for the Disabled.

## AMERICAN FAMILY HOUSING THANKSGIVING SOUP-KITCHEN DINNER



On Thanksgiving Day PDG Ellen Liebherr will put on her chef's hat to run the American Family Housing Thanksgiving Dinner for the homeless and less fortunate. A repeat of last year, about 300-400 people are expected at the Westminster Community Center.

The dinner is traditional fare – turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, cranberry sauce, green beans, salad and dessert.

Last year there was great support from local Lions and friends. We think that since this is now a District approved project that more Lions would like to get involved. Here are a number of ways:

- \$50.00 sponsorship of all disposable dinnerware
- \$50.00 sponsorship of cranberry sauce
- \$75.00 sponsorship of crudités (vegetable appetizers)
- \$100.00 sponsorship of mashed potatoes & gravy
- \$100.00 sponsorship of dressing
- \$100.00 sponsorship of green bean casserole
- \$100.00 sponsorship of green salad
- \$200.00 sponsorship of dessert

We are also in need of turkeys – about 50 of them! Usually stores have great values during the holidays so picking up an extra one while shopping is a minimal expense.

Because oven space is a major obstacle, how about baking it for us? It can be delivered to American Family Housing on Wednesday, November 23 carved or un-carved.

If you are handy with the knife, there is a turkey carving party starting at 4:00 on Wednesday at AFH. A light snack is provided for all the chefs!

If you or your club is interested in participating, please email or call PDG Ellen – <u>ellen@creaticecateringhb.com</u> or 714/458-3077.

Last year was a big success. Let's show our support for this great program again this year. Your early response to this request would be appreciated.

## SUPPORT LIONS DISTRICT 4-L4 TEEN RECOGNITION PROGRAM



It is that time of the year when your district looks to the Lions Clubs of District 4-L4 and individual Lions to support a fantastic program to reinforce the positive leadership in our youth today. The Lions' Teen Recognition Program provides an opportunity to recognize, with cash awards, students who actively promote a drug, alcohol and tobacco free lifestyle to their peers.

Here is how your club can help: Please consider a donation of \$200, which will provide cash awards for selected students. Please respond by January 10, 2012 to Lions Teen Recognition Program, 4729 Rey Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92649. If you have questions, you may call Lion Carol Linehan @ (714) 846-2478 or Lion Joan Parks @ (949) 422-4133.

How are students selected? Applications are sent to your local schools and youth organizations. Students are selected by your Teen Recognition Committee based on their leadership in promoting a substance-free lifestyle. If your club would like an application to personally distribute to schools or students please contact one of the above mentioned Lions.

Where and when will this event take place? Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 26, 2012 at 2:00pm at the Garden Grove Lions Clubhouse, 9860 Larson Avenue, Garden Grove. We will be featuring excellent speakers, serving dessert and giving out awards. The cost is \$5.00 per person.

This program is sponsored solely by the Lions of District 4-L4. Please support this program by sending in your donation, encouraging your members to attend this terrific event, and help in locating those very special teens that are helping other teens understand the dangers of drug, alcohol and tobacco use.

Your TRP committee looks forward to 100% participation by Clubs this year.

AMERICAN FAMILY HOUSING'S CUB SCOUT PACK 465 IS SELLING POPCORN. WE WILL RECEIVE PRODUCT TO SELL ON SEPT  $24^{TH}$ . WE WILL ALSO TAKE ORDERS THAT WILL BE DELIVERED IN NOV. IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE LIONS CAN HELP IN SOME WAY? THANKS.

Joyce Murphy Child Coordinator American Family Housing 714-897-3221 x 115 office 714-330-8867 cell jmurphy@afhusa.org



The Harbor Mesa Lions had 34 members for a picnic meeting at Angel's Playground in Tewinkle Park in August. This club was instrumental in the formation of the park and honored with this part of the equipment with their name on it.



# **DISTRICT 4-L4 CALENDAR**

September 12	Foothill Region Meeting
September 13	Saddleback Region Meeting
September 14	Orange Region Meeting
September 18	Vietnamese Lions Club Health Fair
September 22-24	USA/Canada Forum, Anchorage AL
September 24	Harbor Mesa Spaghetti Splash
September 25	Ontario Host Pasta Dinner & Wine Tasting Event
October 1-2	White Cane Days
October 1	District Governor's Fundraiser
October 20	Huntington Beach Host Lions Oktoberfest
October 21	Harbor Mesa Wild West Casino Night
October 28-31	Council of Governors' Meeting Redding
November 5	Cabinet Meeting
November 12	Canine Companions for Independence Graduation, Oceanside
November 24	American Family Housing Thanksgiving Dinner
January 7	Melvin Jones Dinner
January 21	Cabinet Meeting
January 28	Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Day at the Races
February 1-2	Council of Governors' Meeting Ontario
February 3-5	MD-4 Convention Ontario
February 17-19	Lions Flag Days
February 21	Deadline Club Level Student Speakers Contest
February 26	Teen Recognition Dinner
March 2-5	Ensenada Visitation and Cruise
March 12	Saddleback Region Meeting
March 12	Zone Level Deadline Student Speakers Contest
March 13	Orange Region Meeting
March 14	Foothill Region Meeting
March 5-6	Hearing Days
March 15	Lions Day at City of Hope
March 30	Region Level Deadline Student Speakers Contest
April 14	Cabinet Meeting
April 21	Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Fashion Show
May 16-20	District Convention, Four Points Sheraton, Ventura
May 31-June 3	Council of Governors' Meeting Sacramento
June 2	MD-4 Student Speakers Finals
June 22-26	Lions Clubs International Convention Busan Korea

## **ATTENTION**

CLUB PRESIDENTS, CLUB SECRETARIES, CLUB EVENT CHAIRMEN

DO YOU SEE YOUR UPCOMING EVENTS ON OUR DISTRICT CALENDAR? IF NOT, PLEASE SEND DATES AND FLYERS TO YOUR EDITOR.

HAVE YOU HAD A FUN SOCIAL EVENT, A SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING EVENT, OR PARTICIPATED IN A GREAT SERVICE PROJECT? SEND PICTURES AND A REPORT TO YOUR EDITOR.

SHOW YOUR CLUB OFF THROUGH THE DISTRICT 4-L4 FORUM

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