



District Deeds

District 4-L2 Newsletter

January 2014

"We Serve"

District Theme:
**"Moving Forward with
Technology"**

I had the privilege of hosting International President Barry Palmer during his entire visit here. He was in town to ride the Lions float in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade.



District Governor Kenny Shu

From 12/29/13 to 1/2/14, IP Barry met with Club Presidents, District Governors, attended 230 member Seal Beach Lions Club's meeting, attended IP Reception, went to the float barn to decorate the Lions float, met Rotary Club, Kiwanis and Optimist International Presidents to exchange ideas, went to Pasadena Host Breakfast, attended float judging, rode the float on New Year's Day and attended the Rose Bowl football game. He managed the entire busy schedule smoothly. Despite the bad weather, he was able to depart on January 2nd to LCI in Chicago.

IP Barry told me that the Lions global membership is up 22,000 in this fiscal year. However, the U.S. membership is down 4,000. The shining star is Southeast Asia, which is up 7,529. China is up 2,150 for the last 6 months. I can tell membership is on IP Barry's mind. He asked me, "What is the solution to U.S. membership decline?" I told him that campus clubs is one area and our district is working very hard on increasing membership through this avenue. He acknowledged that the U.S. membership decline is slowing compared to last year.

There's reason to be proud of District 4-L2's successful IP reception on 12/29. 300 Lions and guests participated. This is the largest attendance so far. Thanks to our clubs, neighboring districts 4-L1, 4-L3 and individual Lions sponsoring this event. Past District Governor Judy Powell, Past Council Chair Roger Powell and Cabinet Secretary Nancy McAfee

worked tirelessly on this event to achieve such an impressive turnout.

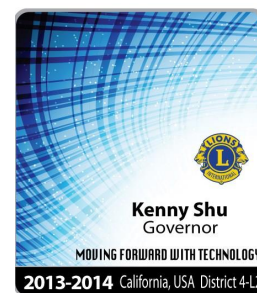
Our 3rd District Meeting is coming up on January 25. I have invited Lion John Kelly who works for Apple to speak on the topic of "Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Oh My! Can Social Media Help Our Club?" On the next day January 26, we will celebrate Melvin Jones. The donation to Philippine's Haiyan Typhoon disaster is eligible for Melvin Jones fellowships. Please send in the names of your new Melvin Jones Fellows to Cabinet Secretary Nancy McAfee and let's celebrate.

At the start of the New Year, I wish our district lions a happy new year. Also, I encourage you to think out of the box for club projects and for the increase of membership.

See you at the District Meeting.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Kenny Shu
4-L2 District Governor



Lions 4-L2 Business Directory Listings

District 4-L2 Lions have the opportunity to include their business in the *District 4-L2 Yellow Pages* that will be posted to the Lions4L2.org website. All that is required is that the "yellow pages" form be filled out. It is available on the website home page. The form can be mailed to:

Lion Manny Sanchez
P.O. Box 1201
Norwalk, CA 90651

or emailed to him at:
boldexplorers@yahoo.com.



1st Vice District Governor Remarks

Fellow Lions,

As we start a New Year, let us renew our commitment to Lionism and to the motto òWe Serve.ö

Let's start this New Year with new ideas for positive growth in our clubs and in the District. Let's bring that enthusiasm back that we had when we first became Lions. Let's make 4-L2 the best District in California.

Remember, membership is the life blood of our clubs. We need to give a new infusion of life so that we can grow and develop new projects that will benefit our community.

If you are a new member, congratulations in becoming a Lion, and don't forget to get involved! Take a position in one of your committees and make a difference.

OUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION FOR 2014 should be to bring a prospective member to our club meetings or projects. Let's show our friends and family how much fun we have as we make our community a better place to live.

As for myself, my year is approaching fast when I will be taking office as your District Governor. I am looking forward to working together with all of you to bring the fun back to 4-L2, but I cannot do it alone. I need your commitment and support, I need a strong team. I need a team whose main goal is to òSERVEö and if we work together, we will achieve great results.

Have a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Alberto Montes De Oca
1st VDG 4-L2

Words from 2nd Vice District Governor

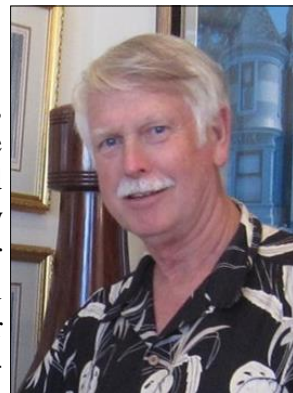
As we begin the New Year, I hope all of you enjoyed the end of 2013 with family and friends. I wish you a Happy New Year and may all of your resolutions come true. If you intend to set a few goals for yourself this year, don't forget to consider your family, your faith, and your future. All are important. As for me, my faith is strong, future bright, and as for family...a new granddaughter, Leighton Everly Wehage, was born Christmas morning to my daughter-in-law, Cynthia, and son, John. Welcome to the World Leighton. All fingers and toes accounted for.

The district continues to be strong. Although some clubs struggle with membership, we somehow keep the numbers relatively constant at about 1,250. One concern is the number of clubs with less than 20 members. For those clubs, it can be a struggle to find new leaders to keep the energy at a high level year after year. Maybe your club's goal this year should be to get your club up to 20 (or maybe a little more). Go get 'em Lions!

The visit by International President Barry Palmer and many other dignitaries was an inspiration for sure. Those International Directors and Past International Directors who came to Southern California leaving the COLD country for a week or so probably enjoyed the weather here more than any of us could possibly imagine. Their visit to the Phoenix Decorating òbarnö in Pasadena to see the Lions float up close had to be a highlight, but nothing could be more special than for the float to win an award at the Rose Parade. Well done, Lions!

As we enter the second half of our term, we remain inspired by the dedication, enthusiasm, and service shown by District 4-L2 Lions. You Rock!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Larry Wehage, 4-L2 Second VDG



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January Events

1/13 (New date) Monday, Presidents Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at American Red Cross, 6706 Friends Ave., Whittier. The meeting will be led by PDG Chris Ohrmund. Please RSVP to her at ohrmu@aol.com.

1/18, Saturday, MD4 Leadership Institute, Ontario, CA. Qualified candidates are Lions in good standing who have active interest in their club or district leadership. Link is on district website.

1/25, Saturday, 3rd Quarter District Meeting, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Montebello Senior Center, 115 S. Taylor St., Montebello. Hosted by Bay Region. Program by manager from Apple on keeping your Social Media Network updated. \$10/person before 1/23/14. \$15 thereafter and at door. Checks payable to District 4L2 may be mailed to CS Nancy McAfee, 5156 E. Ebell Street, Long Beach, CA 90808.

1/26, Sunday, Melvin Jones Celebration and Dinner, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Friendly Hills Country Club, 8500W. Villaverde Dr., Whittier. Business dress. \$35 or \$50 after 5:00 p.m. 1/24/14. Checks payable to District 4L2 may be mailed to CS Nancy McAfee, 5156 E. Ebell St., Long Beach, CA 90808.

Health and Welfare

Our condolences to Evelyn Swartz on the passing of her husband, Lion Sam (West Covina Lions), to Shirley Butler on the passing of her husband, Lion John (City of Industry Lions) and to Lion Jose Angel Barajas (East L.A. Lions) on the passing of his brother.

Get well wishes go to Lion Drew Sones (Whittier Host Lions) who had a knee operation and to Lion Daryl Sexton (Downtown Long Beach Lions) who is in the hospital.

On a happy note, congratulations go to 2nd VDG Larry Wehage and wife, Glenda, on the birth of a granddaughter on Christmas Day!

District Officers

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Above: Theme of Rose Parade

Below: Lions Club International depiction of theme.



Lions International President Barry Palmer addressing Lions & others at Pasadena Host Annual New Year's Eve breakfast.

**Lions International Tournament of Roses Parade Float
"Matteo's Dream"
Special Award for Exceptional Merit in Multiple Classifications**

