

DISTRICT 4-L2

THE LIONS' ROAR



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A Message from District Governor John Nelson

District 4-L2 Lions – Happy New Year! May you experience wellness and continue performing service, to the communities you serve.

Some of the highlights for the past six (6) months include: Our District membership has grown to 1,278, that's a plus of 39 members. Thirty-nine Lions means 78 additional hands providing more service to our customers. I thank all of the hard working Club Membership Chairs, GMT's Rico Sam and PDG Manny Sanchez for their leadership. I look forward to having those that sponsored a new

Lion becoming a Mentor and helping the new Lion to earn their Proud Lion pin.

Twenty-seven of our forty-eight clubs are reporting their projects and service hours. This totaled 14,597 hours. Our District's stated goal is for thirty-seven clubs to report their projects and lion hours to LCI in the next six months. I commend all the Club Secretaries who faithfully turn in their reports.

On November 10th, at the District Leadership Training, the judging took place for this year's Peace Poster and Essay Contests. The winning poster was submitted by the LA Diamond Lions Club and the winning essay was submitted by the Montebello Lions Club. Both were sent to our state office in Santa Barbara for judging. We are proud to announce that our poster was runner-up. Congratulations to all who sent entries and especially to our District Peace Poster Chair, Lion Norma Amezcua.

Governor's special recognition goes to the East Whittier Lions Club. They celebrated their 49th Annual Children's Christmas Party on December 7th. Children from Whittier enjoyed a hot breakfast, a Christmas puppet show by Puppeteer Jim Gamble and a visit from Santa Claus, who resembled PDG Manny Sanchez. Congratulations to Club President Miriam Miranda. I look forward to next year's event, celebrating 50 years.

The Fisher House at the VA Hospital in Long Beach has benefited from the support of many 4-L2 clubs. Downtown Long Beach and Norwalk Lions are donating bottled water; SOLA has donated numerous personal items to the families; Pasadena Host, Downey, and a personal donation by Lions Jeannie and David Williamson have also been received.

The tragic fires in California have affected thousands of people in 2018. The Lions of 4-L2 recently stepped forward and answered the call. Without hesitation, the San Gabriel Region, led by Region Chair Tommy Chen, rallied the Los Angeles Diamond, San Marino Griffins, Temple City Centennial, Arcadia Champion, Monterey Park Dynasty, Los Angeles Overseas and the Los Angeles Hacienda Heights Centennial Lion Clubs to raise over \$25,000 for the fire victim relief, and more donations are on the way.

In February, our MD-4 Convention will be held in Sacramento. The Academy of Lionism awards for 2017-2018 will be awarded. Nominations from 4-L2 in the categories are: MD-4 Lion of the Year-Lion David Williamson, SOLA; Leo of the Year-Leo Flora Cheung, President of South Pasadena Leo's Club; MD-4 large Club of the Year-Montebello Lions Club and MD-4 Club of the Year-SOLA. District 4-L2 wishes good luck to all nominees.

It is my continued honor representing the membership in "The Best in The West" District 4-L2.

"HUMBLE AND KIND. WE SERVE"

A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Gary Hall



Hello, fellow Lions of District 4-L2:

For this issue of the Lions' Roar, I am dedicating my article to the SOLA Lions Club. When I was presented with and read what this club had accomplished in one year, I wanted to share it with every member of our District. The list is very impressive and a strong message to all our Clubs about what service

can be all about. Also, I extend my congratulations to current SOLA president Ron Copley and IPP PDG Alberto Montes de Oca for their dedication and leadership and also to all the members of the SOLA Lions Club for their service.

SOLA Lions Club is a specialty Lions Club, not a traditional Lions Club. The SOLA Lions Club was chartered in 2009 with the sole purpose of serving and supporting Special Olympics (SO) Athletes. SOLA's mission is: "To help provide sports and training programs for any individual with intellectual disabilities and thereby improve their lives and the lives of everyone they touch". SOLA supports Special Olympics Athletes for who they are: Champions! SOLA was the first Special Olympics Lions Club to support the athletes directly. After being formed, SOLA was asked by Lions Clubs International to develop a model for forming new Special Olympics Lions Clubs around the world. After three clubs were formed, all new SO clubs were called "Champion Lions Clubs" (named after the Athletes). Now there are Campion Lions Clubs all over the world.

In 2017-2018, the SOLA Club conducted competitions for local Special Olympics athletes in the greater Los Angeles area in four sports: swimming, basketball, bowling and softball. The Club conducted all aspects of the competitions, including planning, executing and follow-up for each competition held. Each competition includes set-up, registration of athletes, teams, volunteers, opening ceremonies, actual competition, lunch, final competition, medal presentation and clean-up. The Bellflower High School LEO (Leadership, Experience and Opportunity) Club members are also part of the volunteer base. In addition to the competitions that were conducted last year, the SOLA Club hosts the annual SO Athletes Christmas Party which was attended by approximately 350 athletes. SOLA held fundraisers during the year. These raised over \$17,000.

Following are some of the other events SOLA participated in last year. "Tip-A-Cop" fundraiser that brought in over \$2,500; "End of Spring Season" celebration where over 70 athletes were served pizza; and "Kids Against Hunger" that created over 10,000 meals for the hungry here in Southern California. They helped acquire baseball equipment for all SO teams in the Los Angeles area. The Club purchased new sweat suits for the Whittier athletes in swimming and track and field, and warm jackets for the coaches.

The SOLA Lions Club continues to have a major positive impact on the SO athletes they serve. The Lions/Special Olympic Partnership in Southern California and the world is strong and getting stronger. SOLA Lions continue to have a positive impact for this partnership.

As always, remember.

"WE SERVE BETTER TOGETHER"

District 4-L2 Leadership Seminar – All Lions Are Invited To Attend

Lions On The Move – Third in the Series Guiding Lion Training - GMT PDG Manny Sanchez Public Speaking – You Can Do It! – GLT PDG Chris Ohrmund Saturday, March 2, 2019 – 9:00a.m. – Noon (Coffee/doughnuts served at 9a.m.) Conference Rooms A and B at Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital 12401 Washington Blvd., Whittier RSVP to CS Nancy McAfee by February 20, 2019

A Message from our 2nd Vice District Governor Woody Hugh

Midterm Reflections:

I am grateful to the several dozens of host Lions Clubs for their warm welcome during the club visitations with leader DG John Nelson, 1st VDG Gary Hall, CS Nancy McAfee, Region Chairs and Zone Chairs.



Visiting the newly transferred club and seeing individual clubs grow in Membership, service projects and donations, is a testimony that the hard work of past and current leadership's reputation for our District 4-L2 has been and is in good standing.

Throughout this year, with local, national and global disasters, District 4-L2 Lions' giving and compassion star shines brightly, guides and lights the way for the multiple MD-4 districts in California. It is great and inspiring to be a Lion especially in District 4-L2. Thank you Lions.

District 4-L2 is definitely "Rockin' the Vest". We Serve.

Blessings throughout the New Year!

MD-4 LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

March 23-25, 2019 Lions Learning Center East and West 9164 and 9191 Base Line Road #9161 Rancho Cucamonga, CA

This program is for all 4-L2 Lions who are interested in leading and motivating volunteers using the style and skills taught by Lions Clubs International.

The training includes the following subjects: Diversity, Public Speaking, Membership, Personal Mission Statement, LCI Forward, Motivating Club Members, Strategic Planning, and Issues and Opportunities.

The training received is invaluable in your Lions' life,

professional work environment, and personal life.

Cost is \$300.00 which includes hotel room and all meals. A single room costs \$420.00. District 4-L2 provides \$100.00 scholarship to each District attendee after the Institute is completed.

Open to the first sixty (60) Lions who register. Register TODAY. Send the application (available on our District and MD-4 website) and your check, made out to MD-4 to:

> PCC Liz Crooke, MD-4-GLT Coordinator P. O. Box 1264 Salinas, CA 93902 E: <u>liz@lionliz.com</u> C: 831-320-6282

Our District 4-L2 Family is saddened by the Loss of these Special Lions: (Since our last District Bulletin)

Lion Ted Minter – Belmont Shore Lions Club

Lion Russell Rottigni – Bellflower Noon Lions Club

They will be missed!

District Sunshine Report – Submitted by Lion Cheryl Nelson, Chair

Get Well Wishes to: Lions Karl Burger (Bell Gardens), Richard Giors (Arcadia Host), Teri Hall (Irwindale) and Ed and Bonnie Barwick (Downtown Long Beach).

Sympathy to: Lions John Romero on the loss of his son (East Los Angeles and Teddy Bedjakian on the loss of his father (Pasadena Host).

Please let Lion Cheryl know when a card should be sent.

UPDATES TO OUR DISTRICT DIRECTORY:

Page 14 – New website address for MD-4 Office: www.californialions.org

Page 55 – New email for President of City of Commerce Evening Lions Club: jperaza@lda.org

> Page 96 – Address for Rancho Los Amigos is: 7601 East Imperial Highway Downey, CA

If you have any other updates, please let CS Nancy and PDG Chris know.

<u>Kick Cancer's Butts for the Kids</u> Lions District 4-L2 Fundraiser with Quartermania Sunday, February 24, 2019 Cost - \$25.00 per person Doors Open – 10:30a.m. and Lunch will be served at 11:15a.m. Quartermania Begins at 12:15p.m.

Cathy Hensel Youth Center 236 South Taylor Avenue, Montebello Tickets or Questions – Contact Lion Lynda Fisher at <u>Imfisher714@gmail.com</u> or PDG Manny Sanchez at <u>lionmanny@gmail.com</u> Bring your quarters. There will be special drawings for some wonderful items.

To All California Lions,

The following email was received from District Governor Sue Kerr (4-C1). This is a need-to-share story of the overwhelming kindness and goodness of our Lions in financial giving and of the front-line dedicated Lions volunteers in selfless service to the victims of our recent forest fires.

As a side note, we are told that the local Boy Scouts and The Salvation Army as partners in service are being directed to deposit their goods at the Lions Store in Chico where Lions are entrusted with the hands-on distribution to the needy. Council Chair Bob Stewart

The Lions of District 4-C1 appreciate the support we have gotten from Lions all over the state of California and from across the Nation.

Our Camp Fire relief center opened on November 26th and we have served over 2,000 families that were victims of this terrible fire. We offer food, blankets, and hygiene products, gift cards to purchase rakes, shovels, sifters and whatever else is needed as they go back into the fire area to save what they can. We also offer gas cards as well as cards for local stores to fill in any need that we cannot meet. Some of the victims are just now able to go back into the area to see what is left of their properties. Most will not be able to return for a very long time and some not at all. Unlike Santa Rosa, this entire town has literally been wiped out. The needs of this community will go on for many years.

We expect that the relief center will be open at least through January, 2019. Many of the victims were renting and cannot find a place to live, so are using their automobiles, trucks, RV's and trailers to survive the best that they can. Many had no insurance so their need is great.

Almost all of the survivors of the Camp Fire have nothing left except whatever was on their backs as they ran from the flames. Most of the people coming into the relief center have nothing left but their family and friends. We listen to their stories and give hugs. Quite a few of the volunteers at the center also lost homes and/or jobs. The effect of the fire was not just loss of property, but also jobs are gone, so incomes have been drastically reduced.

The fairground in Chico, as well as the surrounding communities of Oroville, Gridley, Yuba City and Colusa, are still housing refugees from the Camp Fire. Some have gone even farther away all up and down the state as well as to other states outside of California.

Lions from Chico, Paradise, Gridley, Live Oak and all the other clubs nearby have pitched in with donations of money, goods and time. We have had volunteers from Redding, Willows, Sutter, Oroville, Auburn, Sacramento, Santa Rosa and many more that are Lions and non-Lions. We are all doing our best to support the City of Paradise and the surrounding towns affected by the fire. We know they have a long road ahead to bring back businesses and rebuild their towns. Lions are here to help until it is done.

Sue Kerr District Governor District 4-C1

Welcome to our Lions Family (November 20 th – December 20 th)		
Name	Sponsor	Club
Rachel F. Abeyta	Dierk Esseln	Arcadia Host
Cindy Sin Sui Kuen	Emily Zhou	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Jenny Xiao	Emily Zhou	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Jane Cai	Henry Liu	Industry Professional
William Wang	Henry Liu	Industry Professional
Louis Salgado	Laura Santos	Irwindale
Tanglan Guo	Shoujing Ge	Los Angeles Diamond
Jie Li	Kaiser Mo	Los Angeles Diamond
Liang Tsu Lu	Li Lu	Los Angeles Diamond
James Lee	RC Tommy Chen	L.A. Hac. Hgts. Cent.
Lavina P. Marquez	May Hui	L.A. Hac. Hgts. Cent.
Hector Marquez	May Hui	L.A. Hac. Hgts. Cent.
Kun Yen	RC Tommy Chen	L.A. Hac. Hgts. Cent.
Jesse G. Urquidi	Anthony Garcia	Norwalk
Zheng Lu	Vivian Lu	San Marino Griffins
Meinuo Yu	Vivian Lu	San Marino Griffins
Ling Wang	Shirley Chang	Temple City Cent.
Qiang Zhang	Shirley Chang	Temple City Cent.
Gang Zhu	Shirley Chang	Temple City Cent.

News from Our District GST Coordinator – PDG Alberto Montes De Oca

Fellow Lions:

Great job at the Diabetes event held in November. District 4-L2 had many Clubs and Lions participating in different ways making this event a great success.

Just like this event, I know you and your Club have been very busy working and making your Community a better place to live, work, and raise your families, but we are missing a key component.

You are probably asking yourself what this can be. Let me tell you. Lions Clubs International is the biggest service organization in the world and large corporations look at us to see how much service we give to each community. The reason is because they base their matching grants on this service.

As you know, we are Lions because we like to serve. But we are not reporting these good deeds, so the work we do in our communities is going unnoticed in the rest of the world.

Let's fix this problem by electing a member to be the GST (Global Service Team) Coordinator from each of the clubs so they can report everything you are doing.

District 4-L2 is "The Best in the West", but we are slacking on this part. Let's make the next six months the best by reporting all your service activities. Let's make District 4-L2 the best all around.

Happy New Year to All!

Your California Lions Foundation (CLF) is Coming Through for You

<u>Wildfire Relief</u> – Thank you fellow Lions, Lions Clubs and their supporters in California. At last count CLF had taken in about \$77,000 designated for wildfire relief. One major recipient of these funds is District 4-C1 (very northernmost district in California) in response to the earlier fire near Redding and the most recent Camp Fire that wiped out the city of Paradise. Monies will also be distributed in response to the Woolsey fire through District 4-L3. This is an excellent use of your California Lions Foundation.

<u>Helping Smaller Clubs Meet Their Community Needs –</u> A number of larger clubs with successful charity fundraisers are supporting CLF because they see this as a way to benefit Californians served by smaller clubs whose grant needs may fall toward the lower end of the range for matching grants (e.g. \$500-\$2,500). All too often the smaller clubs can struggle to raise sufficient charitable funds to meet some of their local community's more pressing needs – this is a way you can help us reach out to all Lions Clubs in California.

<u>We Still Need Your Donations to Reach Our Initial Funding Goal of \$250,000 –</u> California Lions response to wildfire relief was amazing. That being said, we still need undesignated donations to reach our initial funding goal of \$250,000 before matching grants can be made. Please consider recognizing your club's outstanding members with one or more Kay K. Fukushima Fellows (\$1,000) or Reginald Harris Fellows (\$2,500) at your year-end awards ceremony.

<u>Contact Your District CLF Director/Coordinator –</u> PDG Alberto Montes De Oca is your District Coordinator and can provide more information and give a presentation to your club on the purpose and benefits of CLF and how you can help.

PDG Alberto Montes De Oca California Lions Foundation President 2018-2019

News from the Organization for the Physically Impaired Submitted by Lion Jose L. Jimenez, Founder/CEO <u>www.opi2.org</u>

Words are limited to express how much we appreciate all the support you have given to OPI in order to embrace our mission of pledging to empower our members through social, educational, cultural, recreational, and athletic programs to integrate them into society at large.

I'd like to highlight a few programs: A new program called "Culture Expressions" was started with the purpose to celebrate and share in music, dance, theatre, sculpture, architecture, painting and poetry in a social setting. At the same time an opportunity was established whereby those individuals with physical limitations in any form are able to enjoy and participate in social, cultural and recreational activities. This included opportunities to develop and demonstrate their skills, gifts or cultural talents in a public forum and interact with the community in general.

We held our third annual "Furry in the Neighborhood", at one of the development cities in Tijuana, Mexico, with the greatest need. At the same time, we celebrated International Children's Day with a meal, toys, and clothing and of course, stuffed animals given away.

Congratulations to our Goalball Team for obtaining second place out of ten teams that participated at Mexicali Baja California Mexico annual tournament.

Celebrating Christmas in Tijuana was a special year-end project. We are looking forward to 2019!

Service with a Smile



San Gabriel Region Club Presidents presenting combined donation of \$25,000+ for Wildfire Relief.



DG John inducting new members at L.A. HH Centennial Lions Club.



The "Tree of Life" Ceremony was held at Rancho Los Amigos Rehab. Hospital. Those Lions honored were: Dave Smith-Pasadena Host. PDG Sallv Torres and PDG Manny Sanchez-Montebello, Dr. Paul Helzer-Bellflower Noon, RC John Layton-Norwalk, Dick Hall-Paramount, Maria Fernandez-Downey, Alex Zacaras and Frank Ordace-Bell Gardens, and Karl and Adele Burger-honored by District 4-L2. The "Tree was started in 1988 and the chair of this project is Lion Karl Burger. It pays tribute to those Lions who have passed away and/or given of themselves unselfishly to service of others.





Lions Clubs International Foundation Report Submitted by PCC Roger Powell, MD-4 LCIF Coordinator

Grants Made to California Lions and Worldwide for Disasters and Projects

Lions in California areas struck by wildfires have received disaster grants to help them respond to the needs of their communities. In the far north, District 4-C1 got two disaster grants of \$10,000 each. South of them, District 4-C2 also received a \$10,000 grant. Closer to home, Districts 4-L1 and 4-L3 each were sent a \$10,000 grant. One target was the area of the Woolsey fire involving our neighbors in Calabasas, Malibu and Thousand Oaks. These grants generally come within 24 hours of a district's request and are for use as determined by local Lions to assist in relief for the affected communities. Another grant in California's District 4-L5 assisted with the building of a blind center. Following the recent tsunami in Indonesia, an immediate grant of \$50,000 was awarded there for recovery efforts.

Donations Are 100% Tax Deductible: Foundation Rate 4 Stars

These are just a few examples of what our donations to our Foundation accomplish for those in need. And those contributions are 100% tax deductible because no portion of the donations goes to administration of the fund. Those costs come out of earnings on investments. This is one of the reasons Lions Clubs International Foundation is one of the few charities that has rated four stars, the highest possible, by Charity Navigator for six straight years.

Two Special Recognition Events Coming Up!

First is 3rd Annual Melvin Jones Breakfast at our State Convention

At the annual Multiple District Four California Convention, February 8th – 10th in Sacramento, we will celebrate our third annual Melvin Jones Breakfast on Sunday morning. Current Lions Club International Third Vice-President Brian Sheehan will be there to assist in our recognition of 100% clubs and outstanding districts in participation and donations as well as the presentation of Melvin Jones Fellowships and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships. If any of our district clubs or individuals would like to be a part of this event, the awards must be ordered right away and brought to the convention for presentation.

Let either LCIF District Coordinator PDG Manny Sanchez (<u>lionmanny@gmail.com</u>) or me (PCC Roger Powell – <u>kpow@charter.net</u>) know if your club or you as an individual want to participate.

Save February 17th for Our District Event!

A short time after the state convention, our District will hold our own Melvin Jones luncheon at the Rio Hondo Country Club. Melvin Jones Fellows and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows will be recognized on February 17th as will clubs that have made significant donations so far this year. Details will be provided soon on an invitation to the event.

Let's Keep Up the District's Tradition of Giving!

District 4-L2 has an enviable history of support of our Foundation. Let's make this another outstanding year. A great New Year's resolution would be to promise yourself to donate in January 2019. It's easy to do online at lcif.org or contact PDG Manny or myself for assistance.



Student Speakers Foundation and Contest Submitted by PDG Chris Ohrmund, Foundation President, District Trustee and District Student Speakers Chair

Foundation – Club or Community Awards - Thinking of honoring those Lions who have given outstanding service to your club or honoring a member of your community who has been a supporter of your club. A Student Speakers Fellowship is the answer and is a special way to honor them. All monetary contributions, in any amount, are greatly appreciated.

Contest - The topic for the 2019 Contest is "Freedom of the Press – What Does It Mean?"

Clubs – Please remember that your Club Contest must be completed on or before February 25th.

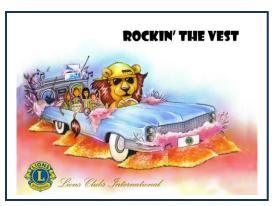
Zone and Region Chairs – NOW is the time to schedule your Student Speakers Contest and **READ** your contest materials (please <u>do not</u> give your materials to clubs). Zone contests must be completed on or before March 18th and Region contests must be completed on or before April 5th.

Please let me know the date of your contest so that I can compile a contest calendar.

Our **District Contest** will be held in conjunction with our District Meeting on April 6, 2019. The location will be the Rosemead Doubletree Hotel – 888 Montebello Blvd.

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>ohrmu@aol.com</u> or 909-598-0554.





Our International President Gudrun Yngvadottir and her husband, PID Dr. Jon Bjarni Thorsteinsson honored our District and Lions Float, Inc. by visiting us and riding on LCI's float in the Rose Parade. The theme of the 2019 Rose Parade was "The Melody of Life" and our float's theme was "Rockin' the Vest". The float honors the memory of PID Karla Harris (Wisconsin) who was instrumental in recording the "Rockin' the Vest" video. Her husband Lion Clarence and daughters Lions Casey and Clarren rode on the float.

Many Lions and friends assisted in decorating the float at Phoenix Decorating in Irwindale, CA. Lions were able to view the completed float while attending the Dec. 31st breakfast event chaired by the Pasadena Host Lions. Each year, the Pasadena Host Lions donate the proceeds of the breakfast event to Lions Float, Inc. towards the cost of the float. This year LCI also contributed \$75,000 towards the float.

Also included in the festivities for our International President were meeting with MD-4 Club Presidents and an evening reception, organized by our District. Both events were held at the Rosemead Doubletree Hotel.

A Lion's "ROAR" to:

ZC Richardo Lara (Maywood) elected to the City Council in Maywood and then selected as Vice-Mayor by his peers.

Lion Fran Coeur (East Whittier), Lion Sookie and RC Tommy Chen (LA Hac. Hgts. Centennial), Lion Jason Dhing (Monterey Park), Lions Cindy Farber and Annette Gonzales (Montebello), CS Nancy and Lion Danny McAfee and ZC Georgette and Lion Robert Leal (Belmont Shore), Lion Norma Amezcua and RC John Layton (Norwalk), Lion Bob Tevis (Paramount), RC Harry Shuster (West Covina), Lions Kaiser Mo, Wei Hung, Yatung Cai, Peter Feng, Ayi, and Hu Ting (LA Diamond) who attended our District Leadership Seminar on November 17th. A special word of appreciation also to our presenters: DG John Nelson (Belmont Shore), VDG Gary Hall (Irwindale), PCC Roger Powell (Downtown Long Beach), PDG Bill Walters, PDG Manny Sanchez, and PDG Chris Ohrmund (Montebello). Certificates of achievement will be presented to all for attending at our District Meeting on January 12th.

CS Nancy McAfee (Belmont Shore), Ron Copley (SOLA), PDG Manny Sanchez (Montebello), Val Lerch (Downtown Long Beach), and PDG Larry Wehage (Bellflower Noon) who received International President's Banners for their assistance when the LCI Board of Directors met in Long Beach in October.

Lion Miriam Houssela (LA Sunrise) who contributed \$100 to her Club's homeless project.

Lion Lynda Fisher (Norwalk) for chairing the Diabetes Expo held in November. This event raised \$7,000 which was donated to the American Diabetes Association.

PDG Alberto Montes De Oca and Lion Ron Copley (SOLA) received an IP Leadership Medal for coordinating the Special Olympics event for the LCI Board of Directors during their visit in October.

PDG Manny Sanchez (Montebello) and PID Larry Dicus (Whittier Host) also received IP Leadership Medals for their outstanding efforts to start the Kids Sight Program in our area.



Proud Award Recipients





Some of our 4-L2 Lions who had the honor to meet with IP Gudrun.

Calendar of Events

January 1st – New Year's Day – Watch the Lions' Rose Parade Float as it travels down Colorado Blvd.

January 12th – Third Quarter District Meeting at Rosemead Doubletree Hotel – 888 Montebello Blvd.-Rosemead. Breakfast served beginning at 8:00a.m. and call to order at 9:00a.m. Cost is \$17.00 prior to January 7th. Reservations to CS Nancy McAfee.

January 13th – Happy Birthday to our Founder Melvin Jones, 1879-1961.

February 8-10th – MD-4 – California State Lions Convention in Sacramento at the Doubletree by Hilton.

February 9th – L.A. Chinese Lions Club's Fundraiser.

February 16th – Lions Flag Day.

February 17th – District's Melvin Jones Recognition Luncheon beginning at 1:00p.m. Cost is \$40.00 per person. Location is the Rio Hondo Event Center-10627 Old River School Road in Downey. RSVP by February 5th to CS Nancy McAfee. No tickets available at the door.

February 24th – Kick Cancer's Butts for Kids (See page four for details)

February 28th – Downtown Long Beach Lions Club's Chinese Auction.

March 9th – Montebello Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at the Montebello Senior Center – 115 South Taylor Avenue – Montebello. Only \$5.00 per person. Time 8:30a.m.– 11:30a.m. Tickets from any Montebello Lion.

March 16th – Lions Eyes Across California Day.

March 23rd – 25th – Lions Leadership Institute (See page three for details)

March 23rd – Montebello Lions Club's "Roast of PDG Bill Walters" at the Montebello Senior Center. All Lions and friends are invited to attend and "roast" PDG Bill. Contact PDG Chris Ohrmund for details.

March 29th – MD-4 Youth Leadership Institute at Lions Camp at Teresita Pines.

March 31st – Lions Tribute Day at the City of Hope.

Interested in an event? Contact the hosting Club. Clubs are invited to submit news or dates of events for publication to PDG Chris Ohrmund <u>ohrmu@aol.com</u> Deadline for next bulletin is March 15th.