

DISTRICT 4-L2

THE LIONS' ROAR



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A Message from District Governor John Nelson



Lion's greetings to the 4-L2 membership.

As we head into the fall months, I am proud to announce we are truly the "Best in the West". Each of the 48 clubs have worked very hard providing service to their communities. I commend the clubs who have reported their service hours to Lions Clubs International. In addition, at the on-going District Governor visitations, I have seen first-hand what a difference you make. I have heard many great success stories and it warms me to know your excitement and enthusiasm is contagious.

Recently District 4-L2 received a grant from LCIF to purchase 5 new spot vision machines for the Lions Kid Sight project. On September 25th, you wasted no time putting the machines to work. Partnering with the Long Beach Unified School District Head Start Program – 29 children were screened at King Elementary School. Nine children were in need of eye-card follow-up. With the help of the Downtown Long Each Lions Club, these 9 students needs will be met.

I want to say thank you for supporting my passion, the Fisher House at VA Hospital in Long Beach. At the first district meeting the membership voted and approved it to become a district sponsored project. Fisher House Assistant Manager, Andrea Lennon, presented a video about the house and it was well received. Since then many clubs have donated items which have been delivered to help out the veterans families. Lion Lynda Fisher and Walmart donated water bottles (cases) and Pasadena Host Lions Club made a \$500 donation.

Our Clubs have also answered the bell when it comes to our district membership growth. District 4-L2 is plus 49 since the beginning of our fiscal year on July 1st. We are leading MD-4, yes that's number one to date. GMT's Rico Sam and PDG Manny Sanchez have been working overtime, helping the clubs with visitations and training regarding membership. Please remember that the best way to recruit new Lions is to bring them to one of your projects, not to meetings. Get the prospective Lions involved early and often. Have one of your club's projects be a membership drive, and they will see how much fun Lions have and more important, they will know "We Serve" our communities.

With the holidays fast approaching, the month of December is a special time to be a Lion in 4-L2. Please be sure to sign-up and work on our Lions' float. Visit the Lions Float Inc. website to register. This would be a great project to bring prospective members too. Also on December 29th, 4-L2 will be hosting a reception for our International President Gudrun Yngvadottor from Iceland. This is your chance to share some Lion fellowship with her. Tickets are limited to the first 350 people. It is sure to be sold out. Please contact Cabinet Secretary, Nancy McAfee. Cost is \$20.00 per person.

Recently our 4-L2 family suffered dearly, two fallen Lions, PDG Sally Torres (Montebello) and Lion Phyllis Smith (Pasadena Host) will be missed by all. Both were Leo leaders and truly dedicated their lives to our youth. Condolences from our District go out to the families.

It is my honor to represent you in service to others.

"HUMBLE AND KIND, WE SERVE"

A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Gary Hall



Hello, fellow Lions of District 4-L2,

This past quarter I have again had the pleasure of meeting and greeting while visiting your clubs during the official visitation of our District Governor, John Nelson, and other District Officers. These visitations are very beneficial to the clubs and members because it allows members and officers to interact with each other and questions or other items can be handled on a personal basis that may otherwise be unasked or unanswered. Also, 2nd VDG

Woody Hugh is available to display and vend the official merchandise of the Lions International Rose Parade Float. Second VDG Woody can be contacted at 310-251-4760 is you wish to purchase any of the many promotional items available.

Lions Camps at Teresita Pines held their annual Lions Appreciation Day and Open House on September 8th and as a member of the Board of Directors, it was my pleasure to coordinate the event again this year. Many Lions and guests attended the fun-filled day which included a continental breakfast hosted by Teresita Pines management and staff and a luncheon hosted and prepared by the LA New Millennium Lions Club of District 4-L3. The Appreciation Awards portion of the program was emceed by Board President PDG Larry Wehage and he presented awards to many clubs and individuals for their contributions to the Camp during the past year. If you have never been to our Lions Camps at Teresita Pines, I urge you to accept my invitation to do so at any time. Camp Manager, David Garry, will welcome you. Just call 800-585-3245 first to arrange a personal tour and maybe even enjoy a free lunch with the camp staff.

The District's Diabetes Committee, chaired by Lion Lynda Fisher (Norwalk), has been working hard for several months to present the first annual "Diabetes Awareness, Health and Wellness Expo" that will be held on November 10th from 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. at the Applied Technology Center-1200 West Mines Avenue-Montebello. Complete details can be found on the District 4-L2 website. If you are unable to participate, donations are most welcome. Please try to attend and see some of what your District is doing for the community. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the American Diabetes Association.

As always, remember.

"WE SERVE BETTER TOGETHER"

Dístríct Sunshíne Report – submitted by Lion Cheryl Nelson

Get Well To: Lions Shirley Rosen (Covina Breakfast), Lorraine Magner and Phyllis Smith (Pasadena Host), Tavi Guzman (Montebello), and Karl Burger (Bell Gardens).

Sympathy To: Lions Calvin Smith (Pasadena Host), Ted Lindberg (East Whittier). 2nd VDG Woody Hugh (Bellflower Noon), Glenn Purbaugh (Irwindale), PDG Sally Torres (Montebello), family of PDG Sally Torres, family of PDG Leonard Locher (former Maywood Lion), family of Raul Reyes (Baldwin Park), and family of Felix Frankilin (Downtown Long Beach).

Thinking of You To: PDG J. C. Van Deusen (former West Long Beach Lion).

Please let Lion Cheryl know if a card should be sent stephensmother@cs.com

Being Thankful

I am thankful for the alarm that goes off in the early morning hours because it means that I am alive.

I am thankful for my huge heating bill because it means that I am warm.

I am thankful for the clothes that fit a little too snug because it means that I have enough to eat.

I am thankful for a lawn that needs mowing, windows that need cleaning and gutters that need fixing because it means I have a home.

I am thankful for my shadow who watches me work because it means that I am out in the sunshine.

I am thankful for the spot I find at the far end of the parking lot because it means that I am capable of walking.

I am thankful for the mess to clean up after a party because it means I have been surrounded by friends.

I am thankful for the lady behind me in church who sings off key because it means that I can hear.

I am thankful for weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day because it means I have been productive. Anon.

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 Raul Reyes – Irwindale Lions Club

PDG Sally Torres – Montebello Lions Club

Lion Phyllis Smith – Pasadena Host Lions Club

Lion Fei-Kwang Tseng – San Gabriel Taiwanese Lions Club

Lion Jack Terry – Whittier Host Lions Club

They will be missed!

UPDATES TO OUR DISTRICT DIRECTORY:

Page 38– Information for new Cabinet Treasurer Richard Kaminski Address: 27 Basilica Place Ladera Ranch, CA 92694 Cell – 949-322-9529 B – 949-945-1450 Email – <u>laderarichard@gmail.com</u> Home Club: Bellflower Noon

Page 40 – Bay Region Chair, John Layton's cell phone listed is his Fax Number and his Cell Phone is 323-867-6541

Page 43 and 66 – New email for ZC Jacky Lu is lionjackylu@gmail.com

Page 44 and 58 – Remove P. O. Box

Page 62 – Alhambra Lions Club New address for President Lion Teresa Yip 3822 Temple City Blvd., Rosemead, CA 91770 New Secretary is Lion Bonnie Young 333 West Garvey Ave. #861, Monterey Park, CA 91770 bonnieforeveryoung@yahoo.com Phone – 626-246-4066 New Meeting place and time– U2 Café, 1200 E. Valley Blvd., Alhambra, CA – Noon Meeting

> Page 64 – New President for San Marino Griffins Lions Club is Lion Yili Angela Sheng 298 West Highland Avenue Sierra Madre, CA 91024

Page 68 – New Club Name: Los Angeles Hacienda Heights Centennial Lions Club

 Page 106– Requirements for Proud Lions Award: Attend a club board meeting.

 Participate in a club service or fund-raising activity. Introduce a new prospective member to the club.

 Make a visit to another club and secure a visitation slip.

 Attend a zone, region, district, or multiple district meeting and report back to the club.

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

From Cabinet Secretary Nancy McAfee

New Date, Time and Location for the 2nd Quarter District Meeting. The meeting will be held on November 4, 2018, at the Doubletree Hotel (Montebello Room), 888 Montebello Blvd., Rosemead. Check-in and Lunch Buffet from noon to 1:00p.m. The meeting will be called to order at 1:00p.m. The Program will include: Overview of the Student Speakers Contest, presented by PDG Chris Ohrmund, Judging of the Peace Posters, chaired by Lion Norma Amezcua, and remarks by one of the candidates for the MD-4 endorsement for International Director, PCC David Radtke, from District 4-L4. Updates from all committees will be included in the agenda. Cost of the District Meeting is \$17.00 prior to 10/29/18 and \$20.00 after that date and at the door. You can email CS Nancy with your reservation prior to the 29th and pay the early price at the door. ALL NO SHOWS will be charged!

The International President's Reception will be held on Saturday, December 29, 2018, from 5:00p.m. to 7:30p.m. This is a great opportunity to meet our International President Gudrun from Iceland. Tickets are \$20.00 each. Tickets are pre-sale only, <u>NONE will be sold at the door and NO will call.</u> There are only 300 tickets available and we have Lions already attending from across the United States. To obtain ticket(s) send your check or money order, made payable to District 4-L2, and mail to CS Nancy McAfee, 5156 East Ebell Street, Long Beach, CA 90808. Please include your name, club and contact information. Tickets will be mailed back to you. Tickets will also be on sale at our November 4th District Meeting. Remember this reception is open to ALL Lions in California and tickets are going fast.

Attention Club Secretaries: MYLCI website is making many changes and not everything is working as it should. The site is now asking for complete birthday, before it just required the year. The red flag is just an information needed flag. Click on edit member and add month and day, then click on "I confirm birthday". That action will update member profile and remove flag. If you have any questions regarding mylci, please email me at <u>cs4L2@msn.com</u> Another change is on service activities, there are less choices for activity type.

Thanks to all 4-L2 Lions for your time, and continued support.

ALL District 4-L2 Lions are invited to attend the Central Region Zone and Region Meeting

Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 6:30p.m.

Montebello Senior Center 115 South Taylor Avenue Montebello

ALL Central Region Club Presidents or their Rep. are asked to share a brief update on the "happenings" in their Club. Meeting Conducted by the District's Global Action Team.

Dessert and beverages will be served upon arrival.

Welcome to our Lions Family (August 20th - October 20th)

Name	Sponsor	Club
Maurice Byrne	No Sponsor Listed	Bell Gardens
Francisco Ordorica	Eliseo Rodriguez	Bell Gardens
Angel Puente	Juan Anaya	Bell Gardens
Hirad Shams	Angel Torres	Bell Gardens
Angel Torre3s	Alex Noriega	Bell Gardens
Javier Vazquez	Carmen Barragan	City of Commerce
Francosco Ordaz	Alicia Chung-Clark	Hac.Hgts. East Valley
Sarah He	Albert Siu	City of Ind. Professional
Louis Salgado	Laura Santos	Irwindale
Alexa Narez	Clara Calderon-Muniz	Lakewood
Patrick Buckley	DG John Nelson	Belmont Shore
Theodore Buckley	DG John Nelson	Belmont Shore
Juliane McCall	Phyllis Schmidt	Belmont Shore
Victor Law	Huo Chen	Los Angeles Chinese
Li Li	Shoujing Ge	Los Angeles Diamond
Rocio Garcia	Cindy Farber	Montebello
Annette Gonzales	PDG Bill Walters	Montebello
Reiko Huang	Jessica Wang	Monterey Park Dynasty
Brian Li	Jessica Wang	Monterey Park Dynasty
Antonieta Paez	Anthony Garcia	Norwalk
Jason Perez	Anthony Garcia	Norwalk
Hiba Matta	James Shoaff	Pasadena Host
Susan Riley	Patrick Riley	Pasadena Host
Janet Chin-Man Chao	Emily Lai	San Gabriel Taiwanese
Robert Feng-Yuen Lee	Emily Lai	San Gabriel Taiwanese
Ping Jiang	Ellina Yao	San Gab. Vall.ntrepreneu
Wei Bai	Vivian Lu	San Marino Griffins
Jing Li	Yili Sheng	San Marino Griffins
Margaret Liu	Yili Sheng	San Marino Griffins
Jing Li	Yili Sheng	San Marino Griffins
Jasmine Wan	Yili Sheng	San Marino Griffins
Yvonne Xie	Yili Sheng	San Marino Griffins
Rose Zhou	Vivian Lu	San Marino Griffins
Robert Eddy	Mark Scott	Whittier Host
Philip Miles	Gil Rodriguez	Whittier Host
Gwen Stanga	Susan Sones	Whittier Special Olympics



If you are interested in ordering a **District Shirt**, please contact PDG Chris Ohrmund. Order forms will also be available at our Nov. 4th meeting.

Approximate cost of shirt is \$45.00 (depending on size).

To avoid postage charges, we need a minimum of ten (10) shirt orders.

News from the District's Global Membership Team Chairs: Lion Rico Sam and PDG Manny Sanchez

Lions:

District 4-L2 is on the march to hitting 1,300 members for the 2018 – 2019 Lions year. You, the Clubs, have added forty-nine (49) new members, making us the Number One in the State of California. We thank you and our District Governor John thanks you! As we add one member at a time, focus on a Club New Member Orientation. We are ready to assist you with an orientation as a program at your club. Capture the excitement of the new member and support their ideas. That's what Lions is all about. Find out how your new members want to serve.

Your District Cabinet thanks you, our Clubs, for "retaining" members. Continue to have club socials and talk about new projects or how to modify old ones. Create a true fellowship environment in your Club.

Record missing members. We are here to assist you in the recording of missing members or helping to correct the members' records. Recently MyLCI has up-graded the system to include the members "full" birthdays. Let us know if you need our help or even for us to schedule a special class for MyLCI membership.

Lions Support Our Youth:



The Lions in the Monterey Park Lions Club sponsored (third year) the First Tee at the Monterey Park Police Department's "Youth Activities Golf Tournament". All funds raised go towards Kid's Activities Needs.

The Club also completed a very successful 2018 Annual Eye Screening for Kids Event. They screened over 2,000 kids and since the program's inception, they have screened over 70,000 kids in Monterey Park.

The Lions Club of Montebello recently attended an "Eagle Scout Honor Court" for Troop 330 which is sponsored by the Club. Eagle Scout (center) is Rudolph "Rudy" Tula.



Maximize Your Donation to the California Lions Foundation (CLF)

Here are three ways you can help meet the charitable needs of California Lions Clubs and maximize the benefit to you and CLF through special donation techniques.

Gifting of Appreciated Assets (e.g. Securities, Real Property)

If you are planning to make a contribution to CLF, you may want to consider donating appreciated real property or stock from your investment portfolio instead of cash. Your tax benefits from the donation can be increased and CLF will be happy to receive the donation. Keep in mind CLF must pre-approve any donation of real property.

The general rule is that the deduction for a donation of property to charity is equal to the fair market value of the donated property. Where the donated property has appreciated in value, the donor does not have to recognize the gain on the donated property. This allows for the doubling up of tax benefits: a charitable deduction for the full value of the property, plus avoiding tax on the appreciation in value of the donated property.

Gifting of IRA Distributions

The IRA rollover gift is another tax-wise strategy that provides benefits to you and CLF. Here are the benefits:

Use a portion of your Required Minimum Distribution to make a gift to CLF and avoid paying income taxes on the amount you donate.

Fulfill part or all of your Required Minimum Distribution for the year.

To qualify:

You must be 70 ½ years old or older when you make the transfer to CLF.

The transfer must be made directly from your IRA to CLF.

Note: Unfortunately this approach does not apply to 401k nor 403b programs.

Designating CLF for Your Employer Match Program

Many larger corporations have a program whereby they will match your donation to preapproved charities, universities, etc. If you work for one of these corporations, please try to have CLF added to their approved list, and then enroll in their gift-matching program.

Thanks to the entire individual California Lions and their Clubs who are supporting the California Lions Foundation.

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

District Lions Clubs International Foundation Report Submitted by PDG Manny Sanchez, District LCIF Chair

Fellow Lions:

Lions Clubs International continues to support our country and the world with much needed grants. Our District was awarded five (5) additional Spot Vision Screeners for the KidSight Program. LCIF responded to the Earthquake and Tsunami in Indonesia and the fires in Northern California and also the hurricane damaged areas of the East Coast.

Your donation is very much needed at this time in the area of greatest need. California will go through another fire season this year and this is usually followed up with flooding and mudslides in our rainy season. The southern and east coast of the United States will need more help to recover from the flooding and hurricane damage as well as prepare for additional storms.

To move forward with our mission to serve Lions Club International Foundation, you are asked to continue to honor your members with a Melvin Jones Fellowship or a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship. Support the Campaign 100 by donating as an individual and work towards becoming a 100% club by having each member of your club donating to LCIF.

Currently, District 4-L2 is 9th in donations in MD-4. Let us work to be number one in supporting our Lions Clubs International Foundation. Contact me for an LCIF program and/or help with the donation form.

Save the date for the District's Annual Melvin Jones Luncheon, February 17, 2019, at the Rio Hondo Event Center. Contact our Cabinet Secretary Nancy McAfee to reserve your seat and let us know who you will be honoring at this luncheon.

I close with a message from LCIF, "One hundred years ago, our founder Melvin Jones, asked a simple question, "What if people put their talents to work to improve their communities?" Today we ask the same question, because our communities, in every country, need our service. Now, more than ever," said PIP Yamada. "Together with LCIF, we must commit 100% to tackling global challenges. We give and we serve because the need is so great."

To Donate go to: https://www.lcif.org/EN/support-our-work/donate-now.php



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

Foundation

The Lions and Clubs of our District continue to be generous to our Foundation with their contributions. Please know that ALL donations go directly to support our students and the scholarships they receive. There is also a SSF pin that is available for \$5.00. They will be for sale at our next District Meeting. Another great way for you to support our students!

Contest

By now, all Clubs should have received their contest packet. If not, contact me ASAP. I will distribute the contest packets to the Zone and Region Chairs, but those are for your contests, so please do not give them to clubs to use.

There will be an Overview on the Contest at our District Meeting on November 4th. Questions are welcome. Please try to attend.

The topic for the Contest is "Freedom of the Press – What Does It Mean?" Consult your district directory (page 10) for deadlines for the contests. Our District Contest will be held in conjunction with our District Meeting on April 6, 2019.

If you have any questions, please contact me <u>ohrmu@aol.com</u> or 909-598-0554-R or 909-6446-0673-C.

District 4-L2 Diabetes Expo

November 10, 2018 8:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Applied Technology Center 1200 West Mines Avenue Montebello ZC Lion Lynda Fisher, Chair <u>Imfisher714@gmail.com</u>

All Clubs, Lions and Leos are asked to participate and stand up and support the community in the fight against diabetes. This Expo will increase our efforts to promote diabetes awareness and education.

Here is your opportunity to get involved by attending and having a booth about diabetes prevention. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be sent to Lion Lynda.

Lions Clubs International states:

"Diabetes contributes to more than 5 million deaths a year, making it the eighth leading cause of death in the world. And the numbers are rising. Lions and Leos are confronting this global health emergency by raising awareness of diabetes through Strides events, expanding access to care through screening and treatment programs, and improving quality of life through diabetes camps and community recreational programs. We believe we can help prevent and control this global epidemic by uniting Lions and Leos around this cause."

Lions Clubs International Centennial Service Challenge – Halting Diabetes

About The L.O.V.E. Program, submitted by Lion Rudy Sandoval, President

The L.O.V.E. Program, in cooperation with the University Eye Center at Los Angeles and Marshall B. Ketchum University offers complete vision care including such specialties as low vision devices and vison therapy. Patients of the program receive complete vision examinations and prescribed correction and treatment.

Patients receive top quality services from University Eye Center, a teaching clinic staffed by optometrists, ophthalmologists, college interns and complete office personnel.

The program offered through the center makes available a loaner library of special Low Vision Devices, prescription glasses, contact lenses and vision therapy services. The center has over a hundred years of experience in identifying and solving the diverse problems of patients seen in private and clinical practice.

The Referral Process:

The services of the Lions Low Vision Services (L.O.V.E.) Program are available to those referred to the program by Lions Clubs, schools and other designated agencies. A patient referral form must be completed and forwarded to the address indicated on the form. As soon as eligibility is determined, an appointment will be scheduled for the patient at the University Eye Center.

Mission Statement:

The L.O.V.E. Program "compliments" and does not "compete" with club and community vision services.

Questions, contact Lion Rudy at R-562-200-1164 or rodolfo.sandoval@rocketmail.com

LIONS ON THE MOVE Leadership Training Series 2018–19

Series Two: ORIENTATION for ALL Lions (New and "Seasoned")

Saturday, November 17th – 9:00a.m. – 11:30a.m. (Coffee, water, fruit and donuts)

District – presented by DG John Nelson and 1st VDG Gary Hall

Multiple District Four – presented by PDG Manny Sanchez and PDG Bill Walters

Lions Clubs International/Mentoring – presented by PCC Roger Powell and PDG Chris Ohrmund

> Montebello Senior Center-Upstairs, South Wing 115 S. Taylor Avenue, Montebello

RSVP by November 4th to our CS Nancy McAfee

Questions, contact GLT PDG Chris Ohrmund

Calendar of Events

Leo Events

November 10th – Assist at Diabetes Expo

Lion Events

October 27th – Paramount Lions Club Health Fair

October 29th – Lions Float Incorporated Golf Tournament For information call PDG PJ Smith at R-714-996-2950 or <u>eaglehills2@roadrunner.com</u>

October 30th – Central Region Zone and Region Meeting – ALL 4-L2 Lions are invited to attend.

November 4th – District 4-L2 2nd Quarter District Meeting

November 4th – City of Commerce Evening Lions Club Pancake Breakfast Brenda Villa Aquatic Center – 5600 Harbor Street, Commerce 8:00a.m. – 11:00a.m. Cost is \$5.00 per person

November 10th – District's First Annual Diabetes Expo

November 12th – SOLA Lions Club Golf Tournament Friendly Hills Country Club For details: <u>www.solagolf.com</u> or Contact Lion Ruri Pierre, Chair 562-567-9471 <u>rpierre@cityofwhittier.org</u>

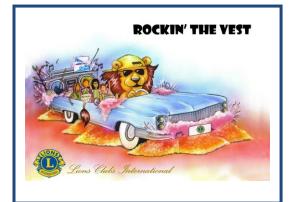
November 17th – "Lions On The Move" Leadership Series Two – Orientation

December 29th – Reception for our International President

December 31st – Pasadena Host Lions Club – New Year's Eve Breakfast and Tour of the Float Barn For Tickets or questions call 818-254-9563 or email <u>pasadenahostlionsclub@gmail.com</u>

January 1st – Happy New Year! Watch the Parade and see our Lions Float.

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 December 15th.



Our Lions' Entry in the 2019 Rose Parade, "Rockin The Vest". If you are interested in decorating the Float, visit the Lions Float, Inc. website at <u>www.lionsrosefloat.com</u>

Dry work begins on December 1st.