



# “Committed to Excellence”

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## Francis Bognuda

Hello 4-A1:

Thank you Lions for participating in the wonderful 2010 Lions Convention in Lake Tahoe. The attendance was better than anticipated, and 14 clubs participated in the Food Faire. Food, fun and beverages were enjoyed by all. Linden Lions won the “Best Food Booth”, Tracy Breakfast won the “Best Performance”, and San Andreas 49ers won the “Best Overall”. There were hospitality rooms so everyone could enjoy themselves throughout the convention.

Past International Director David Stauffer and his wife, PDG Rachel were our visiting dignitaries from Iowa, and they enjoyed meeting District 4-A1 Lions and Leos.

Congratulations to Lions of the Year: President Terry and Lion Sandy Anderson from Turlock 12:10 Lions for their wonderful dedication and enthusiasm to the District and MedicAlert. A “Dr. Howard Abrams Humanitarian Award” was presented this year for the first time to PDG Harry Carlson and Lion Sandy Anderson.

We need to have everyone keep collecting and turning in the can pull tabs to help support families staying at the various hospital Ronald McDonald Houses. That allows the families to stay while their children are hospitalized for serious illnesses.

Also, I want to thank the visiting Leos from Madera for participating in the convention this year.

I would also like to thank everyone who attended the last District meeting of my term with the officers’ training. I want to thank Modesto 500 for the food, along with the great help of the Modesto Leos who served, set up and cleaned up. Thank you RC Jim Syvertsen for all of his hard work in putting on a wonderful District Meeting enjoyed by everyone.



We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it.  
~ William Faulkner



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The officer training sessions were very well organized and informative to all of the new officers.

District 4-A1 and PDG Dan Agari did themselves proud by sponsoring and planning the COG meeting held Jun 3 – 6 at the Hilton in Stockton (see separate letter). The final Student Speakers Contest was held on Saturday with participation of Delta Lions' winner. Although there was a lot of cheering for her by the district, she was not the Grand Prize winner.

I want to thank every club in the district for welcoming my cabinet and me to visit your club with a positive attitude during the year. Also thank you Lions for enrolling new members in your club putting the District at a "+" in Membership.

Also, thanks everyone for your "Service through Excellence" that was demonstrated by everyone throughout the year. Remember. You are a person, family member, "Lion", and leader within yourself and your club. Everyone has helped new members become oriented and part of the "Lion" family to follow the words "We Serve". Please continue your support to make Lionism "Larger" and "Stronger" in the "Membership" and "Leadership" through 4-A1.

Again, thank you for an outstanding year of Lionism and MOVE TO GROW LARGER IN MEMBERSHIP AND STRONGER IN LEADERSHIP.

Yours in Lionism,  
DG Francis Bognuda •



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**In Memoriam:**

April – June 2010

Jackson	Dan Vukajlovic
Lake Don Pedro Gold Chain	Victor Thole
Linden	Roger Taylor
Patterson	Floren Grischott

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Merrill Gardens, Whittier	PDG Betty Klingelhofer
Vallejo (Linden)	PDG Jack Anthony

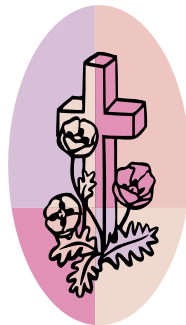


**Betty Smith Klingelhofer**  
**1925 – 2010**

Betty was born November 2, 1925 to Hugh and Ermine Smith in Monroe, Georgia. She grew up surrounded by her three brothers and a nephew in Monroe, where she played basketball and ultimately graduated from technical school with a certificate in Secretarial Science. She took her first job in Atlanta Georgia right after high school in 1945. Atlanta was the perfect spot for her, because in early 1945 she went on a blind date at a bowling alley with a cute sailor who was attending Georgia Tech at the time. Several months later, that sailor popped the question in the, oh so romantic, cemetery. Betty said yes and they were married June 26, 1945. Their marriage lasted over six-decades.

Betty's world travels began after their honeymoon; they took a trip to Key West, Florida, and upon Pop's discharge from the Navy, they moved to Chicago, and then onto San Francisco, and settled in Mountain View, California to raise their family. Andy Klingelhofer was born in March 1952 and Cheryl Klingelhofer Sanchez joined the family in March 1955.

Betty stayed very active throughout her life. She sold door-to-door cosmetics while her children



A love that lasted 64 years  
 ...We will see each other again my love

.... I promise.



Liberty House department store for several years. Before she retired in 1975, she worked at R&D consultants as a bookkeeper. After 1975 she focused her energies on building the Klingelhofer's dream home in Mountain Ranch, CA.

When the home was completed she dedicated her time to service and fundraising. She served as the Lion's Club President and later on, as their Lions District Governor in 1995 - 1996. She continued to attend Lions meetings & conferences until January 2010. Her service with the Lions Club International took her around the world—from Alaska to Mexico to Korea to the Holy Lands. In addition to these service organizations, Betty built an affinity for The City of Hope, helping to find a cure to end cancer in the world.

Betty was blessed with an ever-expanding family over the years. She is survived by four grandchildren and one great grandchild --Brent Klingelhofer (1981), Daniel Sanchez (1983), Amanda Purnell (1984), Michael Sanchez (1993) and Amanda's daughter Amorette Purnell (2008). Betty is also survived by hundreds of family and friends around the world.

Betty would be thrilled with this send off as she was always up for a good party with fun loving people.

## Lion Leaders the World Over

June 28, 2010

Dear District Lions,

Greetings my dear Lion friends. As we approach the final days of 2009-10, I'm pleased to report that our overall net membership growth this year should likely be around +26,000 or even better -- marking the third consecutive year of positive growth and the best results in the modern history of our association. This is truly great, and I'm so proud of you all.

Moreover, it appears all areas will have improved results over the recent past. More districts are now showing positive growth, the average club size is improving, and nearly 1700 new clubs have been formed all over the world. We are also nearing a very historic milestone in reaching 300,000 women members, which by itself is a huge success.



### Update on MERL - a New Day and a New Direction

The main reason why I'm writing today is to relay the decisions just taken at our international board meeting concerning the MERL program. I wrote to you previously informing you that a plan was being developed by a special committee to restructure and replace MERL. That work is now done and we have a new direction.

But first let me state that the historic objective of MERL was never in question. Looking back, it's clear that MERL was a good idea when first implemented more than a decade ago - a right idea for that particular time. It brought more emphasis to membership development and its core components. However, today we find its results and its impact are still somewhat elusive.

We also have some important new structures -- such as the Global Membership Team and the new DG Teams -- that have now taken on more responsibility for membership development. So we needed to find a new way ahead to restructure and ultimately replace MERL, to adapt to the new situation and to pursue new opportunities.

### A New Way Ahead

#### **Expanding the Global Membership Team (GMT) and creating a parallel Global Leadership Team (GLT) to replace MERL**

After many, many months of careful planning and deliberation, your board has developed an innovative plan to replace MERL beginning in 2010-11. It involves three important steps:

- **Expanding the Global Membership Team** down to the multiple district and district level. This will create, for the first time, a complete bottom-to-top team, touching from the club level all the way up to the international president. Also to further clarify roles and responsibilities, the DG Teams will lead the GMT unit at the district level with the help of a GMT Coordinator and a surrounding support team.
- **Consolidating the Membership, Extension, and Retention (M-E- and R) chairs** and their functions into a 'one team approach' where all three functions are integrated in order to enhance accountabilities and reduce overlapping roles in the previous M-E and R positions.

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- **Separating the Leadership function from M-E & R** and elevating the function into its own parallel structure known as the **Global Leadership Team (GLT)**, to work alongside GMT at all levels in a very highly integrated and interdependent fashion.

The overall purpose of expanding GMT and creating GLT seeks to address three basic goals: continued growth, improved club success, and ultimately better leadership development to ensure that LCI remains the world's global leader in community and humanitarian service. [Read the executive summary for further information.](#)

## The Path Forward

This upcoming year will be one of transition. I know that some districts may not be fully ready to move in the new way right away. That's understandable, but we must at least begin taking the first steps. For those districts and multiple districts with active and hard-working MERL teams, of course they may continue to use them in 2010-11 while preparing a transition to the new structure by 2011-12. But those with inactive or expiring MERL teams can, and should, move more quickly to the new approach.

Be assured there will be many more communications coming out in the weeks and months ahead. But I wanted to share these highlights with you as Lion leaders because it's important that you see the road map and be kept informed.

Again we have much to be proud of this year. But our success will only be clearer if we will help those who are taking over for us to move ahead even farther.

In that regard, I wish everyone great success with each and every step you take. I especially want to extend very best wishes to our incoming leaders - especially our incoming district governors - and of course to my dear friend and close colleague, Sid Scruggs, our incoming international president in 2010-11. He has a wonderful theme emphasizing and seeking to grow our service, which is absolutely critical to our continued success. Please join me in giving him our utmost support as he leads our dear association to even greater success.

In the meantime, next year I will be speaking to you as Chairperson of the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). So it's not farewell or goodbye -- just a final greeting and thank you from this side.

With cordial regards, Eberhard J. Wirfs, International President

**MOVE TO GROW •**

### **THE LATEST FROM PDG FELIX ROMO:**

As most of you know, per PET Scans on Feb. 16th & May 13th. no sign of cancer, as well as a biopsy in Feb.. From the beginning I knew that there was a 60% chance the cancer could return. Two specialists & 1 surgeon wanted to remove my bladder, which would mean wearing a bag the rest of my life. This I did not want, because even after removing the bladder, there was still a 30% chance the cancer could return.

After consultation with my urologist & a holistic doctor, I decided I did not want the surgery. By the way these 2 doctors suggested I not do the surgery. My oncologist then asked if I would consider more chemo. I said yes. The oncologist & the UCSF doctor came up with a solution, although this is not what they really wanted, and that is to have chemo & radiation. They both said there were no guarantees that the cancer would not return, but at least my odds are better.

So after some thought & discussion with 3 people who I have a lot of faith in, I decided to go with the chemo & radiation. Chemo & radiation started June 7th, both on the same day. Tues thru Fri will be radiation only. This will last until the end of the week of July 19th.

If you care to talk to me, you can phone me on my cell, 209-768-0742, anytime. Otherwise thank you for your thoughts & prayers. •



**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

April – June 2010

Club/Member Sponsor

**Bass Lake**

Jack Bonanno Emil Paul  
 Jeremy Richter-Vi Penny Park

**Chowchilla**

Leonard Irby Peter Fry

**Dos Palos**

Gerry Martin Unknown

**Garrotte**

Betty Lou Brady Kay Glaves  
 Vickie Webster Kay Glaves

**Jackson**

Allen Hebert Robert Ellis

**Lake Don Pedro Gold Chain**

Donna Stensland Adelina Kalinga

**Le Grand**

Pete Montoya Jim Tesone  
 Joe Fausone Jim Pachecho

**Linden**

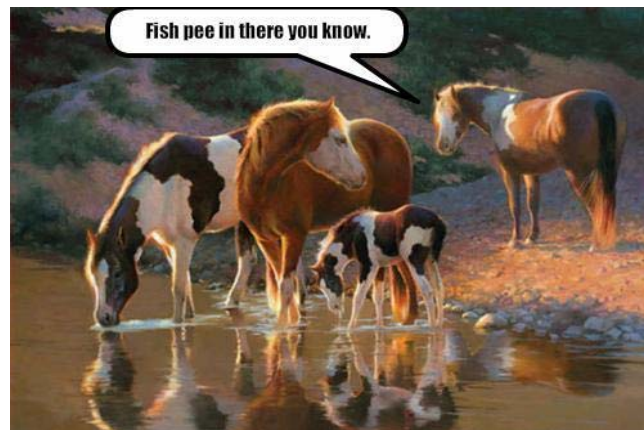
Christopher Herrera Randy Viglienzzone  
 Rance Boysen Reginald Katzakian

**Madera Breakfast**

Dwight Stephens Glenn Vaiarello

**Madera Evening (Leos to Lions! Way to go!)**

Monique Barragon Rosalinda Cantu  
 Michelle Lopez Rosalinda Cantu  
 Chelsea Chaidez Rosalinda Cantu  
 Alejandra Maravilla Rosalinda Cantu  
 Ormar Garcia Rosalinda Cantu  
 Jenny Mejia Rosalinda Cantu  
 Jacob Gonzalez Jr. Rosalinda Cantu  
 Bernice Suarez Rosalinda Cantu  
 Coral Guerrere Rosalinda Cantu  
 Edna Valverde Rosalinda Cantu  
 Vilya Kang Rosalinda Cantu  
 Monica Villafan Rosalinda Cantu



**Mariposa**

Thomas Phillips Stanley Boyer  
 Toyanne Smith William Smith  
 Charles Fall Unknown

**Mariposa Golden Oaks**

Eileen Blajadia Karen Verdugo

**Modesto 500**

Michelle Zaldua Brian Bergstrom  
 Michael Houston Carol Shipley

**Mokelumne Hill**

Lila Moran Unknown  
 Mike Moran Unknown

**Murphys Angels**

Scott Kelly Unknown  
 Louise Leanard James Leanard  
 Joan Neller Phyllis Tourounet  
 Walter Neller Phyllis Tourounet  
 Chris Rinauro James Fraguero

**Oakdale**

Dale Himes John Rowell  
 Stuart Hippler Bradley Bates

**Stockton San Joaquin**

Pam Easter (corrected from last issue)  
 Alice Chapa (not in last issue)  
 Ester Oki (corrected from last issue)  
 Ruth Koon Unknown  
 Renee Koon Francis Bognuda

**Turlock 12:10**

Robert Smithcamp Sandy Anderson

**Waterford**

Ed Esther Kenneth Krause  
 Robert Harris Terry Finneman

**West Point**

Mark Simons Arlene Fischer  
 Patrice Simons Arlene Fischer

**Yosemite**

Michelle Hansen Kym Wright •





**DISTRICT 4 A-1 MEETING  
AUGUST 13-14, 2010**

**MOUNTAIN REGION**

Black Bart Inn – On Hwy 49 San Andreas,  
CA (55 St. Charles St.

Overnight accommodations \$65.00 and up at (209) 754-3808 or (800) 225-3764.

Ask for Lions Club 4 A-1 special rates – **book by August 1<sup>st</sup>**.

Meetings to be held at The Metropolitan (across the street from the Inn).

**Registration:**

Friday Night (only)

**Names:**

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Saturday (only) \$20.00 per person

**Names:**

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Friday Night & Saturday Special

**Names:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Total enclosed:**        \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**R.S.V.P. by August 7, 2010**

Please make check payable to RC Gary West

**Mail to:** RC Gary West  
P.O. Box 143, Burson, CA 95225

**Location:** Metropolitan – 59 Main St. San Andreas  
(by Black Bart Inn)

**Friday Night:**

- 6:00 PM – Cocktails & Social Hour
- 7:00 PM – Dinner provided by San Andreas 49er  
Breakfast & Mokelumne Hill Lions
- 7:30 PM – Program – Installation of New Cabinet

**Saturday:**

- 7:00 AM – Eye Openers
- 7 AM – Breakfast/Omelets to order provided by  
Tri Dams Lions
- 7:15 AM – Pre-District Meetings for Cabinet  
Committee
- 9:00 AM – District Meeting and Training Sessions
- Noon – Lunch is served by West Point Lions
- 1:00 PM – Special Recognitions and Raffle Prizes

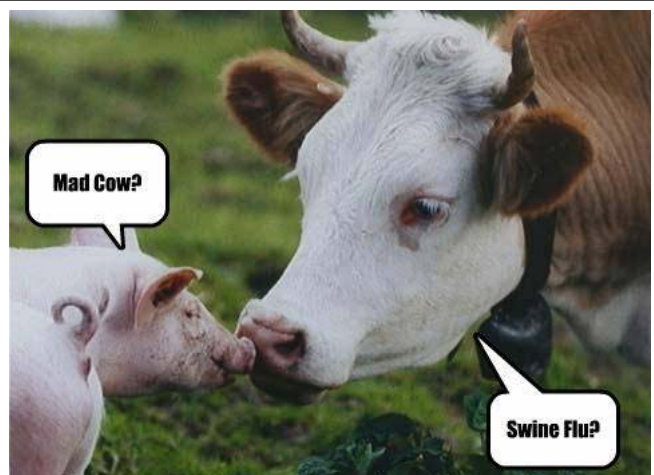
**Costs: Two-day special is only \$35.00**

**Friday Night (only)** Registration & Dinner \$30.00  
**Saturday (only)** Registration, Breakfast & Lunch  
\$20.00

*Please bring two raffle gifts from each club.*

**Questions:**

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For more information, please call PDG Pat Battaglia (650) 780-9590 or Lion Mark Paskvan (415) 600-3950

Please return the stub below with your check for \$40 per person, made payable to the Lions Eye Foundation to:

**The Lions Eye Foundation of California-Nevada, Inc.**

*cordially invites you to attend its*

**50th Anniversary Black Tie optional Gala Dinner Dance**

*Saturday, September 11, 2010*

*Doors Open 5:30 pm*

*No Host Cocktails 6:00 - 7:00 pm*

*Dinner 7:30 pm*

*Dancing 9:30 pm until ? to the music of the Unicorn Dance Band*

*Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport Hotel*

*1333 Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, California*

**Honored Guests :**

Sid L. Scruggs III, *President, Lions Clubs International*

Warren Browner, *M.D., M.P.H., Chief Executive Officer CPMC*

*Reservations must be received prior to August 15th.*

*The first 350 people will be guaranteed seating. Tables will seat 10 people.*



NO. NAME SEAT WITH NAME OR CLUB

STEAK CHICK. VEGET.

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**LEF 50th Anniversary, P.O. Box 615, Belmont, CA 94002 •**

The 50th Anniversary Gala Dinner Dance will be held on September 11 at the Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport Hotel. For this event, the hotel is offering special low rate of \$109 per night, single or double occupancy. The special room rate will apply until August 10, 2010. **Please make your reservations prior to that date by calling 1(800)**

**233-1234 and mention the Lions Eye Foundation.**





## 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest

**“Vision of Peace”** is the theme of the 2010-11 Peace Poster Contest. This contest was created in 1988 to give young people the opportunity to creatively express their feelings for world peace and to share their visions with the world. Lions clubs sponsor the program in a local school or organized youth group. The Peace Poster Contest is open to students 11-13 years of age on November 15, 2010. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, “Vision of Peace.” If your club is interested in sponsoring the Lions International Peace Poster Contest, you can order a kit (PPK-1) for \$9.95 plus shipping, handling and taxes from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. Each kit contains the following:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer (for duplication)
- Sticker to place on the back of the winning poster
- District Governor Postcard
- Certificates

You can order kits through October 1<sup>st</sup>. One winner for each contest sponsored by a club is chosen to advance to DG Steve Granlees for judging. Clubs must submit their winning poster to the November District meeting. On the district level, one winner is selected to go on to the multiple district competition and from there one winner is forwarded to International Headquarters for the final judging. Entries are judged at all levels on originality, artistic merit and portrayal of theme. Whether this is your first time or your 23<sup>rd</sup> time participating in this program, the Peace Poster Contest will help you club forge relationships in the community and attain local publicity while fostering a spirit of peace and international understanding and promoting creativity in young people. Visit the Peace Poster section at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) to view this year’s finalists or contact Debbi Hopman at [debbihopman@gmail.com](mailto:debbihopman@gmail.com) for more information. ●



**2010-11 Grand Prize Winner:**  
**Yu-Min Chin 13 years old**  
**Taichung Kuang Hua Lions, Taiwan**

More from Camp Pacifica:



CAMP PACIFICA WILL BE SHOWCASING ITS NEW B. M. X. TRACK AT THIS YEAR’S LIONS CAMP FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED . IT WAS DESIGNED BY P. D. G. RUSS CUSTER, DAVID MECCHI , WITH IMPUT AND DIRECTION FROM U. S. B.M.X. RIDING CHAMPION BRIAN HOAGLAND. WORK HAS STARTED AND IS STARTING TO TAKE SHAPE ,THIS WILL BE A GREAT ASSET TO OUR CAMP PROGRAM . SHOWN IN THE PICTURE IS CAMP CARETAKER ROGER GROOVER AND THE CATERPILLER OWNED BY DAVID MECCHI. A VERY VERY BIG THANK YOU ! TO THE CERES AND HILMAR-IRWIN-STEVINSON LIONS CLUBS FOR STEPPING UP AND PARTNERING TO FINANCE THIS PROJECT . A BIG THANK YOU !!!! TO ALL THE CLUBS WHO DONATED TO BUY THE BICYLES AND PROTECTIVE GEAR. THIS IS GOING TO BE A GREAT CAMP YEAR. RUSS CUSTER ●



## Leo News:

Lion Jean Weaver, Chair

April was a busy month for the Leos. The weekend of April 9-11 a Leadership Retreat was held at Camp Pacifica. Leos from Madera Leo Club, Merced High School, and Golden Valley High School in Merced attended. They learned about the "Energy Bus" and how to encourage others to "get on their bus" with positive energy and how to scare away "energy vampires" who want to take away their positive energy. They practiced group leadership skills and did some projects around camp. A bonfire Saturday night featured each team in an impromptu skit, followed by a dance in the meeting hall.

A special thank you goes out to the Lions Clubs who prepared and served meals: Atwater-Winton for pizza on Friday night, Madera Breakfast and Evening clubs for breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, Merced Breakfast Lions for lunch on Saturday, and the Merced Golden Lions for dinner on Saturday. Also, a thank you to Lion Marcia Dailey from Merced Golden for procuring groceries from the Merced Food Bank for the weekend.

The Merced Golden Lions were once again supported by their Leo Club from Golden Valley with a couple of projects: the Youth Baseball Parade on April 24<sup>th</sup>, and a "BBQ Pulled Pork" dinner on the 30<sup>th</sup>. They also assisted with the dinner/auction for St Luke's School in Merced.

Perhaps one of the most rewarding activities was attending Parker's Prom at Madera Children's Hospital. This is a party for oncology patients at the hospital. The Golden Valley Leos made corsages and boutonnieres which were given to the kids and their parents who attended. They also took games and prizes for the kids, and had fun helping the kids play the games. This is truly a wonderful project and extremely meaningful to the Leos who help.

We all had a chance to meet the Leos from Modesto at the District Meeting on May 14; they prepared and served the Friday night dinner. And, a couple of Leos from Merced attended the District Meeting on Saturday.

We're excited to have a new Leo club in the district sponsored by Stockton Pacifica Lions. And, I know of several other Lions Clubs who are seriously considering sponsoring their own Leo clubs. This is good news for District Governor-elect Steve who plans to make the Leo Program a number one priority of his term.

I'm sure you will all agree, our Leos are a valuable asset to our District. I am looking forward to working with District Governor-Elect Steve to broaden the program and get more of our young people on track to begin and continue their journey through Lionism. ●

Tracy Tank Town Lions:

Texas Hold'em Style

Sunday September 19

Great Plate Bar & Grill

714 Central Ave, Tracy

\$100/person

Doors open 3 PM;

Open 4 PM - 7 PM to play

Appetizers/no host bar

Reservation:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Buy In # of persons \_\_\_\_\_ Totally Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Send checks to Jane Williford

101 Sloan Ct, Tracy 95376

Phone: (209) 986-5290



The "Garage Lion"

**LCI Membership Billing:** Revised Suspension Policy

In April, 2010 the Board of Directors approved an amended policy, effective July 1, 2010 that affects Clubs that have not paid their club balances on time. The policy is as follows:

A Club which has an unpaid balance in excess of US\$20 per member or US\$1,000 per club, whichever is less, outstanding past 120 days will be automatically suspended including the charter, rights, privileges, and obligation of the Lions Club. In the event, the Club does not reach an active status by the 28<sup>th</sup> of the following month the club's charter would be automatically canceled.

Suspension is the temporary deferment of the charter, rights, privileges and obligations of a Lions club due to an unpaid balance.

Clubs on suspension shall not:

- (a) Conduct service activities
- (b) Conduct fund raising activities;
- (c) Participate in district and multiple district functions or seminars;
- (d) Participate in any voting procedures outside of the club
- (e) Endorse or nominate a candidate for district, multiple district and international office;
- (f) Submit Monthly Membership Report and report forms;
- (g) Sponsor a Lions club, or organize a Leo or a Lioness club.

Clubs on Suspension shall:

- (a) Hold meetings to discuss the future of the club and identify the steps needed to regain an active status.
- (b) Make payments to clear the existing outstanding balance, or request a payment plan.

Please feel free to contact us at [membershipbilling@lionsclubs.org](mailto:membershipbilling@lionsclubs.org) should you require additional information. We hope all clubs will review their statements regularly, and will send the necessary payments to ensure their good standing. This revised policy has serious consequences for clubs that are in arrears in paying their club balances. This policy could affect Clubs that have as little as two per-capita billings or less unpaid at 120 days. Clubs placed on suspension may regain an active status by sending payments sufficient to pay the balance. A re-activation report will not be required to regain an active status, however, officers should immediately review and update the membership roster after a Club is released from Suspension.

Dues are the primary source of income used to support the programs and services provided to our membership. Regular and prompt payment is expected to ensure continued support of this great operation.

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DISTRICT MEDICALERT  
COMMITTEE EXPANDS:  
By Lion Sandy Anderson

The MedicAlert committee for District 4A-1 has expanded to include 16 members. In addition to its original charge of making Lions members aware of the purpose and functions of this organization, the committee has now added the expanded program of providing life saving information tools for children in need. Several years ago the Lions of Canada partnered with MedicAlert of Canada to provide a program called *No Child Without*. This is a fabulously successful endeavor which provides MedicAlert ID's at no charge for needy children ages 4-14.

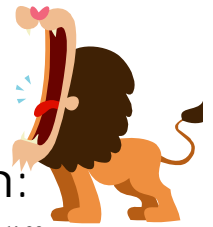
Since the headquarters of MedicAlert is located in our District it was only natural that the Lions of District 4-A1 adopts this same program. The ultimate goal is to have it accepted by all the Districts in California and eventually spread throughout the United States. Who Knows, Perhaps to the International Level?

Five clubs in our District have already adopted the program, Adopting the program requires partnering with the local school district. Lions provide the funds and the school administers the program through MedicAlert. At first glance the \$100 per student fee causes one to retreat. Upon further examination it becomes apparent that this is financially doable. After the initial fees that annual upkeep is minimal. To stimulate interest the committee instituted a fellowship award when a certain level of contributions has been reached.

To find out more about this program contact the committee for an informational program, each region has four committee members eager to disseminate information. To schedule a program contact Lion Terry Anderson 209 632 8883 or 209 634 0203. ●



## Pride News:



### Yosemite Region:

**Sierra Lions** put 3 days together in different locations with the Eyemobile; they screened 45 + 51 + 57 clients!

**Atwater Winton Lions** had a successful Easter Baseball Tournament and helped run the Pig in the Park fundraiser for Camp Pacifica.

**Merced Breakfast Lions** cooked for the Leo retreat; took a client to UCSF for surgery; have been cooking 1 meal /month for the homeless shelter; and did highway cleanup.

**Madera Breakfast Lions** cooked for the Leo Retreat, ran a food booth for the Madera Wine Trail, and have run a Bobby Sox concession booth.

**Madera Evening Lions** also cooked for the Leo Retreat and provided transportation for the Leos to Camp Pacifica. Congratulations on transferring 12 Leos to the Evening Club as Lions!

Also heard from **Le Grand Lions**.

### San Joaquin Region:

**Linden Lions** assisted the Mend the Hearts Organization in their annual fundraiser(250 hours). They had their 29<sup>th</sup> annual Health Fair screening for vision, hearing, dental, skin, feet, breast cancer, blood pressure, coronary risk profile and prostate cancer – saw more than 130 clients. Hosted the Region Student Speakers Contest. Worked the Asparagus Festival as admission clerks – 90 members did 875 hours! Had their annual PDG's night. Worked the San Joaquin County Fair taking tickets and manning a beer booth.

**Delta Lions'** student speaker made it all the way to the Area Contest! Also, they worked the Asparagus Festival.

**Lathrop Lions** worked 40 hours of the Relay for Life; also 22 hours E-waste collection.

**Stockton Pacifica Lions** chartered their Leo Club on May 6: Stur McCandless Leo Club. PDG Howard Abrams continues to recuperate at home. Cards and phone calls are welcome! His wife Carola is home also post breaking her hip in Palm Springs.

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PRIDE NEWS *continued*

**Stockton Fil Am Lions** had their annual Hawaiian Pancake Breakfast and did some days of work for Main Street Park maintenance.

**Tracy Breakfast Lions** are sending 5 students to Japan. They also worked 184 hours at the snack bar for Relay for Life and 177 hours for pancake breakfast for the Relay. Celebrated 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Tracy Tank Town Lions** did 130 exams with the Eyemobile.

**South Stockton Lions** have 2 “Lady” members! Lots of hours with the June COG meeting!

## Stanislaus Region:

**Turlock 12:10 Lions** had their largest Health and Safety Fair May 1. Not only were there health related booths, but donated food was given out as well as clothes, haircuts. Lots of “goodies” for the homeless and jobless. Also presented a Del Alhberg scholarship to a Turlock FFA student. Also spent extra hours with Turlock Gospel Mission, needed to put away those warm sweatshirts and bring on the shorts. Also served an evening meal at TGM. Helped Troop 21 put up flags for Memorial Day.

**Oakdale Lions** - see article page 12. Also voted to transfer to Zone 2 since 2 clubs have disbanded from that zone (Greater Modesto and Modesto Breakfast).

**Ceres Lions** gave 4 scholarships for total of \$2000.00.

**Modesto 500 Lions** celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May in place of their annual night meeting. A few members helped Turlock 12:10 with their health fair, and worked the AMGEN Bicycle Race as it went through Modesto.

Also heard from **Modesto Lions, Modesto Breakfast Lions, and Greater Modesto Lions.**

**Jackson Lions** member Dr Pickens did a Lions In Sight trip to Mexico to do vision screening and eyeglass clinic.

**Arnold Lions** showed 841 service hours in one month! (*Bet their community was really grateful for that! ED*)

**San Andreas 49er Breakfast Lions** won the best overall food award at the convention! Also worked Airport Days at San Andreas airport. Also heard from **West Point Lions.**

## Mountain Region:

**Sonora Lions** sponsored a Soap Box Derby.



**Come on other clubs** – send me pics of your activities. Would not you rather look at these then the column to the left??? ED

**Up Country 88 Lions** have been busy working with the Food Bank.

**Lake Don Pedro Gold Chain and Garrotte Lions** both have been using the Eyemobile. <<<<<<<<

# District 4-A1 Calendar

July 2010

**8 Pig In the Park** – see page 6

**26 – 8/7 Camp Pacifica** in session

**30** Payment due for Raiders vs. San Diego Chargers game – see page 11

**31 Tracy Breakfast bus trip** to Black Oak Casino \$15/person (will get back \$ upon arrival); leave City of Tracy parking lot, 24 E 17<sup>th</sup> St., 8:15 AM; Lion Gene Birk 914-5533 or 835-8207

**31 Chowchilla Lioness Casino Dinner** 5:30 PM; Little Theater, Chowchilla Fairgrounds, Tri Tip dinner, Black Jack Tables, Crap Tables, live & silent auction, \$20/person, Lion Shirley Medeiros 559-223-0042

August 2010

**7 Lions Day** at Camp Pacifica

**13 CCI Graduation** in Santa Rosa 1 PM; contact PDG Don Allen c. 209-988-3098

**13-14 District Meeting** – see page 8

**21 Stockton Host 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday** – see page 11

**21 Night at Modesto Nuts** – see page 9

September 2010

**11 Lions Eye Foundation 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** – see page 10

**17 Tracy Tank Town Lions Texas Hold'em Style** – see page 14

**19 Manteca Lions Calamari Dinner** – contact Lion John [lionjohn@comcast.net](mailto:lionjohn@comcast.net)

October 2010

**3 Delta Lions Ravioli & Chicken Dinner** – contact Lion Carrie 887-2002

**9 Sonora Lions Lobster Dinner** – contact Lion Tim [atchlee@aol.com](mailto:atchlee@aol.com)

**10 Raiders vs. San Diego Chargers** - see pg 11

November 2010

**November District Meeting – Peace Poster contest due**



All Star Football Game: Well the 37<sup>th</sup> annual All Star Football game at Stockton's UOP is over! The North managed to knock the ball loose in the last 4 ½ minutes and make a score to go ahead **15 – 14**.

**GAME MVP: North QB Marcus McDade of St. Mary's.**

**OFFENSIVE MVPs:**

**South RB James Ingram, Modesto**

**North RB Deprey Celestine, Tracy**

**DEFENSIVE MVPs:**

**South NG Cody Wichmann, Mariposa**

**North LB Nick Largent, Escalon**

Those who enjoyed the tailgate parties could not see the game, but those in the Stadium Club got to enjoy a great meal, drinks, good seats, and air conditioning. It seems a shame that we can't get more interest in tailgating!

Many thanks to Chair Elizabeth Gibbs-Olson and her great committee for putting together another fantastic game. ●

