

District 4L6 News Bulletin



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"ACHIEVE MORE"

"A Word About Protocol"

The association's Official Protocol is designed to eliminate confusion regarding the proper recognition of Lion dignitaries.

Whether for purposes of introduction or head table seating, it provides a simple and definitive answer to the question: "Who comes first?" You should not stray from it without good reason. One of those "reasons" might be a deepseated cultural tradition in your country that would, for example, find it unacceptable to give precedence to the most recent past holder of an office, rather than to the one with the most seniority. One needs to be flexible in such situations, but where they do not exist, it is much easier to simply follow the Official Protocol.

While there is no hard and fast rule, introductions usually commence with those lowest on the Order of Precedence and end with the highest-ranking Lion present. When non-Lion dignitaries are present, a combination of local custom and common sense should be used in deciding at what point they should be introduced. If the event is a multi-day convention or conference, try to avoid introducing all the dignitaries at every event. Once at a general session and once at a banquet is sufficient. Nor is it necessary to give a full introduction to your principal guest more than once; indeed, this can be both embarrassing to your guest and boring to your attendees.

"Achieve More"

DG Napoleon White

As your First Vice District Governor, I have been appointed by International to work alongside the GMT-Global Membership Team Liason in our district.



Lions Clubs International has many great membership/recruiting tools available to us. One that I would like to speak to is the "Just Ask" New Member Recruiting Guide for Clubs. It is available for download at www.LionsClubs.org. This booklet will help guide your club through the process of recruiting new members and effectively manage club growth. Keep in mind that more members mean more service.

Your District Governor team is advocating for your club at the Multiple District Level. When we have our Council of Governors meetings, we meet with all 15 District Governors, 1VDG's and the 2VDG's from throughout the state of California. All Districts, Clubs and members are on the same page, "Let's Grow our Membership".

Currently, International has approached the "Leadership" within the Association and has come to the conclusion that "College Campus Clubs" will help to raise membership overall. If your club is near a 4 year University or even a Community College...contact myself or GMT, PDG Scott Leslie for assistance.

Thank you to those who share their passion of Service to others. We are feeling a good growth spurt in District 4-L6. Our District is #1 in the USA in growth right now...Let's all continue to "Just Ask" and keep the momentum rolling.

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San Diego Pathfinders Charter Night Gala Charter President Katrina Benfer





Charter President Katrina Benfer acceptance speech

The San Diego Pathfinders Lions Club Charter Night Gala Dinner was held on October 12, 2013 at the Town & Country Hotel and Resort, 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108.

The vocal group "Manila Ice" serenaded the guests during a "meet & greet" in the lobby prior to the opening of the ballroom. Council Chairman Derek Ledda flew in from Sacramento to be the keynote speaker and inducted the 87 officers and members in attendance out of 107 in a candlelight and blindfold ceremony.

There were over 230 members and guests in attendance. Also in attendance were DG Napoleon White, 1st DG Mary Rynearson, 2nd DG John Ruiz, CS Garry Jones,

CT Helen Quintanilla who also is President of SD Executive LC, Regional and Zone Chairs, IPDG Blessie Trott, PDG Alice Tana and PDG Art Arboleda, County Supervisor Lion Dave Roberts and various candidates running for elected office. There were six lions clubs in sponsorship of the event with their presidents, as well as many lions from various other clubs. And lastly, without our Chartering Lion and mentor PCT Jay Ruiz, Sr. it would have been next to impossible to put this club together.



The Charter Certificate
Presented by Council Chair Derek Ledda to
Charter President Katrina Benfer



As you join the Lions you will become one of the Beacons of Hope that will light the world for the needy and the oppressed.

San Diego Pathfinders, the newest club in District 4-L6 now has 116 members.

Thanks to the aggressive recruitment of their members and their

Charter President Katrina Benfer.

Congratulations to the San Diego Pathfinders Lions!







On behalf of International President Barry Palmer, I am pleased to share with you that Lions Clubs International's Board of Directors has approved a special pilot program to waive the charter or entrance fee for U.S. Veterans of all ages.

The Involve a U.S. Veteran program is being offered only in the United States. The program waives the charter or entrance fee for any qualifying veteran who joins a new or existing Lions club between July 1st, 2013 and June 30th, 2015.

Eligible veterans include retired U.S. military personnel or honorably-discharged members of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard Services, Marines, National Guard, Navy or Reserves. Those currently serving in the National Guard or Reserves are also eligible. Lions Clubs International will provide an entrance fee waiver of \$25 (\$30 for charter members) to the first 5,000 qualified U.S. veterans that join a local Lions club.

Veterans have made so many great contributions and sacrificed so much to serve our country. As service members are honorably discharged from the military, let's offer them an opportunity to get involved in their communities.

To learn more about this special program. You'll find a program fact sheet, promotional flyer, certification form and a sample press release you can use to promote this program in your community's news outlet's.

LCI Veteran Program **Learn More**

Veterans Day is November 11th, just two weeks from today. Make plans now to reach out to veterans in your community and offer them the opportunity to make a difference and change lives as Lions.

Sincerely,

Peter Lynch Senior Executive Administrator Lions Clubs International

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/membership-andnew-clubs/invite-members/us-veteranprogram.php?utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_ca mpaign=5804%20Veteran%20Program%20EN

Veterans Day Charity Golf Tournament



Sunday, November 10, 2013

Presented by the San Diego United Lions Club and the San Diego Elite Lions Club



Proceeds will benefit Veterans Village and education for underpriviledged Thai children thru Toys 🚓 Thailand, 🛊



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Riverwalk Golf Club, 1150 Fashion Valley Rd, San Diego, CA 92108

Tournament Format: Scramble Registration: 10:00 - 11:00 am Shot Gun 11:30 am Dinner 6:00pm Individual Golfer: \$135/person Foursome: \$480

Cost covers:

green fees • golf cart • free range ball • boxed lunch • buffet dinner

SPONSORSHIP AVAILABLE Contact: Jantima Danford 760-681-6616 email: info@sdulions.org

Not a golfer: Join our dinner at \$35/person or \$50 after pre-registration deadline: Oct. 21, 2013.



To make reservations for the Golf Tournament & Dinner go to www.sdulions.org or call (760) 681-6616. Pre-registration deadline October 21, 2013 (Monday)

Involve a U.S. Veteran Program

Ask now! The program is available to the first 5,000 certified U.S. veterans and runs from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015.

Qualifying veterans receive an entrance or charter fee waiver when joining a Lions club. Eligible veterans includeretired U.S. military personnel (i.e. Air Force, Army, Coast Guard Services, Marines, National Guard, Navy or Reserves) or those honorably-discharged from these services. Eligible persons may still be enlisted in the National Guard or Reserves. Veterans can be certified by completion of the *Involve a U.S. Veteran Program*

Certification Form.







MD-4 2013 FALL COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS From October 25 – October 27, 2013 Holiday Inn Bayside, San Diego CA





Charter President Maria Ellen Sexsion and her officers from San Diego Elite are the Super Hero's" of the night and Lion Mercy Walters a Beautiful Witch from El Cajon Valley Lions Our DJ G-Love Genesis Walcher from Elite LC hopping from one table to another to discover the MD4 Governors have hidden talents.

All were captivated by Lion Floyd Smith from SD United LC when he sang "One in a Million You".

District Happenings





Encinitas Lions 18th Annual

Blind Surfing Event



The Encinitas Lions Club held their 18th Annual Blind Surfing Event at South Ponto Beach in Carlsbad on Sunday, September 15, 2013.

This year's event drew 60 sight-impaired guests ranging in age from 10 to 71 years old to the Carlsbad beach for a day of surfing and fun. Over 100 volunteers from the Encinitas Lions Club, La Costa Canyon Leos, Swami's Surf Club and San Diego Surfing Academy assisted the surfers in the water and prepared lunch for everyone.



Lion Ed Brown

San Diego Rancho Bernardo Lions Club

Lion William Burrows

San Diego Host Lions Club

Lion Don Knoll

Santee Rancho Lions Club

Lion Fred Schubitzke

Montgomery Lions Club

Alpine Viejas Days Parade



The Alpine Viejas Days Parade coordinated by the Alpine Stagecoach Lions Club was held on Sunday, September 29, 2013.

A contingent of Lions from District 4-L6 led by DG Napoleon White in his black Corvette participated in the parade. Also participating were 1st VDG Mary Rynearson and 2nd VDG John Ruiz. Clubs representing District 4-L6 were West Shores Lions Club, El Cajon Valley, El Centro Host, Harbison Canyon, Lakeside Highway Lions Regulators, National City College Campus, National City Host, Spring Valley Lions, San Diego Cosmopolitan, San Diego Majestic and San Diego North County.

Leos Clubs from EL Cajon Valley, Granite Hills and Santana High Schools along with Cub Scout Pack 395 sponsored by the Harbison Canyon Lions Club marched in the parade.0.

Lions Optometric Vision Clinic Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The Lions Optometric Vision Clinic celebrated their 50th Anniversary on September 28, 2013.

The Lion's Optometric Vision Clinic (LOVC) was created in 1963 as a service project, with the support of the local San Diego County Lions Clubs. The LOVC was established to provide vision care to individuals in our community who could not otherwise afford adequate care. This service has provided eyeglasses to over 10,000 individuals. More than 200 San Diego agencies currently refer patients to the clinic. Each patient must meet certain criteria in order to receive benefits from the clinic. It has been the tireless effort and dedication of volunteers from the Lions Club and the San Diego County Optometric Society that have made this a successful project.

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Action Items





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Postmark Deadline - Peace Poster Contest November 15, 2013

Deadline for Club to send one winning Peace Poster to the District Governor

El Cajon Valley Lions Pancake Breakfast October 27, 2013

We had another great successful Pancake Breakfast on October 27th that was well attended by plenty of folks from our local community and lots of Lions & friends from all over the county. We sold over 217 breakfast tickets, the Blue Grass Band was fabulous, the food was outstanding and we had some great publicity on TV! (KUSI - Ch 51)

District Governor Visitations

District Governor Napoleon White and his Cabinet have been busy visiting clubs since his return from the International Convention in Hamburg, Germany. As of November 6th, the Governor and his team have visited 29 clubs in the District. Next week the Governor will head to the Imperial Valley to visit 6 of the 8 clubs. The other 2 clubs are scheduled for later in the year.

During his visitations, the Governor has had the pleasure of installing new members; Installing Club Officers; distributing Chevrons for years of service to Lionism and learning from the clubs their unique ways that they carry out the Lions Clubs motto "We Serve".

Garry Jones Cabinet Secretary



11-1-2013 DG Napoleon White and his cabinet at SD Executive Lions Club's visitation- Helen Quintanilla, CT/Club President

La Mesa Lions Club Golf Tournament Saturday - September 21, 2013

25 Golfers Teed-Off at the 14TH Annual Memorial Golf Tournament & Fundraiser In Honor of Drs. Hardebeck and Soldmann, Jr. The event was held at La Mesa's Sun Valley Executive Course on Memorial Drive. Proceeds benefit La Mesa youth and sight impaired.

Coronado Lions Spaghetti Dinner September 28, 2013

Coronado Lions and Coronado Leos hosted a spaghetti dinner to 125 plus patrons to raise funds to support programs for the blind and vision impaired and youth.

District 4-L6 Achieve More

Sweetwater Zone:

On November 4-8,2013, from 8am-3pm, National City Host Lions Club conducted their annual "One Sight Vision Clinic" held at the Camacho Gym, Las Palmas Park National City, CA. This collaborative program with One Sight, a Luxottica International, and the National School District, provided free vision examinations free glasses for more than 1,000 needy students during this 5 day period. The club donated about \$5k and worked as volunteers providing physical support and assistance during the vision clinic operation. The comprehensive eye examination includes:

Visual acuities, Color Blindness, Depth Perception, Muscle Balance, Tonometry, Dilatation, Autorefraction, Internal eye health.

Glasses were manufactured on site in Eye Van, a mobile lens manufacturing unit. Staff were from Lens crafters, Sears Optical, Sunglass Hut manufactured and provided new glasses to needy students throughout the South Bay area

On October 27,2013, National City Host donated \$6k to the Boys and Girls Club/Don Koryel Memorial Golf Tournament in National City.



Happy Anniversary

San Diego Hillcrest-Mission Valley Lions

Chartered: May 19, 1933

80 Years

Montgomery Lions Club

Chartered: April 14, 1953

60 Years

San Diego Mission Lions

Chartered: March 2, 1963

50 Years

Southwest San Diego County

Chartered: May 14, 1963

50 Years

Oceanside Sea Lions

Chartered June 11, 1968

45 Years

San Marcos Lions

Chartered: November 17, 1983

30 Years

Valley Center Lions

Chartered: January 25, 1988

25 Years

National City College Campus Lions

Chartered August 26, 2003

10 Years

San Diego Classic Lions

Chartered May 6, 2008

5 Years

El Cajon Singing Hills Lions Club

Chartered October 27, 2008

5 Years



District 4-L6 Holiday Party

Salute to our Military

Saturday - December 7, 2013
Crowne Plaza Hotel
2270 Hotel Circle North - SD
Tickets - \$50

Special Guests: Wounded Warriors

For More Information:

Lion Mercy Walters(619) 465-6258

Lion Lydia Duro (858) 232-1032

FOLLOW YOUR DREAM

To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe.

Anatole France

No pessimist ever discovered the secrets of the stars, or sailed to an unchartered land, or opened a new heaven to the human spirit. Helen Keller



DISTRICT 4-L6 HOLIDAY PARTY December 7, 2013 6:00 PM



CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL - 2270 HOTEL CIRCLE NORTH - SAN DIEGO, CA 92108 TICKETS - \$50 per Person

Name:	Club:
Address:	
Phone:	E-Mail:
Number Attending:	Dinner Choices:
x \$50	Roasted Pork Lion topped with Roasted Apples and Fennel
x \$50	Roasted Asian Salmon with Pomegranate Miso Glaze
x \$50	Vegetarian Linguini Mediterranean with Oven Roasted Vegetables
x \$50	l am unable to attend but would like to sponsor a Wounded Warrior Guest
Total:	

* * NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR * * *

Special Room Rate \$99

https://resweb.passkey.com/go/LionsQubDist4L6

1-888-233-9527 Ask for the Lions Club District 4-16 rate when calling

Please make checks payable to District 4-L6 (Holiday Party) and mail with this form to

Garry Jones - Cabinet Secretary 3955 Faircross Place - Unit 46 - San Diego, CA 92115-5969

Deadline for Tickets December 1, 2013

We will be collecting unwrapped toys for Wounded Warriors



