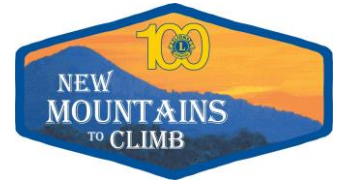




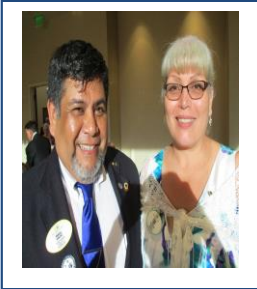
DISTRICT 4-L2

THE LIONS' ROAR



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A Message from District Governor Manny Sanchez



Hello Fellow Lions,

What a great first quarter of our Lions Year and it is all because of your efforts. As Lions we continue to stay strong. We had a fantastic start with Leadership. Our club workshops were the largest turnouts and we want the attendance to grow. As we countdown to our centennial, Lions Clubs International gave us tools to work with as clubs. One of them is the slogan "Where there is a Need, there is a Lion". That slogan includes us. If you feel you as a Lion or a club needs specific training, please let us know. We are a Team! We are a Family!

Membership is growing but we need more hands. International President Chancellor Bob Corlew stated that for every Lion, fifty people are impacted by us. I have two ideas. One is to reach out to past members and ask them to return. This is our Centennial and we want them to be a part of the celebrations. The second idea is to reach out to those individuals that you feel will be great Lions. Show them what your club has to offer in community service. Let them know that we can use their help with fresh ideas and a friendly smile.

Lions Clubs International Foundation has been a big supporter of our District. They supported us with the purchase of the Lions Mobile Health Unit, the Blind Children's Center van, the Boys and Girls Club van and the most recent Spot Vision Screeners. This year two additional grants for Volunteer Days in partnership with Anthem Health were awarded to our District. It is important that we give back with individual donations and the very special Melvin Jones Fellowship. This year you can do both, your individual donations to LCIF for specific causes: measles, sight, disaster, youth or the greatest need can now be counted toward a Melvin Jones Fellow or a Progressive Fellow. Help us to be one of the top Districts for donations not just in California, but in North America.

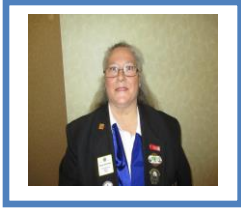
Communication is key in sustaining members and growing clubs. Each club has a website or your club can have one free of charge from Lions Clubs International. Facebook is also free and we can assist with setup and ideas for marketing your clubs. These tools work; clubs can double or even triple attendance at your club's fundraisers. Every club can link to the community and each other. What great marketing tools! In fact, your club may get a couple of members from these sites. Contact us for more information and send in your articles to be in this bulletin and to the District website and Facebook.

Log your activities. We want to brag about everything you do, but we need to know. This is one of the main reasons we have the Centennial Service Challenge. We as Lions know in our hearts what we do, but as we get closer to our Centennial we need to show the world what we do. Reach out to us if you have any questions.

I close by saying thank you. We are the number one District, but it could not happen without you. Keep up the great work. Reach out to us and the other clubs for ideas and support each other. I am proud to be your Governor. This is because of you. I am proud of each and every one of you!



A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Theresa “Tessy” Prumatico



Fellow Lions,

We are quickly approaching the holidays and what a great time for all District 4-L2 Lions to accomplish one of our Diamond Achievements. Which one you ask, feed The hungry of course! This can be done in so many ways. Having a canned food

Drive at your club meeting, or setting up a table outside a grocery store (with permission from the store) and donating the food to your local food bank. Another way is by asking your local Parks and Recreation, Social Services, Police Department, or City Council members who can benefit from a care package or Holiday basket and provide one to them. Many clubs also go down and volunteer at their local Church or Mission serving food. Whichever your club decides, thanks so much for caring and volunteering from your heart!

Coming up in February all clubs can earn another Diamond Achievement. Which one you ask – youth! The Student Speakers Contest is a great way to involve our young adults! I look forward every year to listening to each student give their speech with their unique and individual ideas on the topic. I also enjoy seeing students start out being a little shy in their speech-giving skills and as time goes by turn out to be a great speaker! What a great way for these young students to express themselves and gain valuable skills to use the rest of their lives!

I would also like to express to each new Lion the importance of earning their Proud Lion Award. This usually is done within the first six (6) months of membership. Once qualifying time has passed, unfortunately, so has the award. This is one award that I will never achieve and would have liked to have had the opportunity to earn this prestigious award. I have been a Lion for just about twenty-seven (27) years and this award was not really publicized when I started. This is why I am encouraging all new Lions, if you so desire, to accomplish the goals and receive your Proud Lion Award. Your sponsor will also receive a Proud Sponsor Award! What a great way to say THANK YOU to your sponsor for asking you to become a member of the world's #1 Service Organization.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas as well as a new year filled with health, prosperity, special family memories, and a great year of Lionsim!

More HANDS, More HEARTS, More SERVICE – Lions Volunteer from the HEART!

REMINDER OF IMPORTANT DATES

November 12th - District Meeting – Box Lunch at 11:30a.m. Meeting will follow. Student Speakers Contest Chair's Training at 9:30a.m. Member Orientation after the meeting. Contact CT Ron Copley for reservations NOW.

December – Rancho Los Amigos “Tree of Life” ceremony. If you or your club would like to purchase a Gold Leaf for \$200, contact Lion Karl Burger (Bell Gardens) at 562-708-8658.

January 1st – Pasadena Host Lions Club's New Year's Breakfast at Castle Green and Tour of the Phoenix Float Barn. Early Bird Purchase by 12/1 and save \$5.00 per person. Time is 8:00a.m. – 11:30a.m. Flyer is on our District Website – www.Lions412.org

January 1st – Reception for our International President Bob Corlew and First Lady Dianne at Rosemead Doubletree Hotel. Tickets are \$20.00 and none will be sold at the door. Send your check to our CT Ron Copley. Flyer is on our District Website.

January 13th – Melvin Jones Birthday

January 21st – District Cabinet Meeting

A Message from our 2nd Vice District Governor John Nelson

Lions of District 4-L2, in our last bulletin I wrote, “Pinch me”- this feeling has not abated as your 2nd Vice District Governor. I often think, “I ain’t ever had it so good.” It’s easy to see why District 4-L2 is the “Best in the West.”



Looking back:

Lion training has been a continuing theme for District Governor Manny, 1st Vice District Governor Theresa and myself who realize the importance of offering training to all Lions. This past September the USA/Canada Leadership Forum was held in Omaha, Nebraska. It opened my eyes even further. Lions who attended this Forum had over 90 courses to choose from. The instructors were top notch and the material provided was invaluable. I left the Forum more enthused and excited to learn more about Lionism. In fact, I was so impressed with the excellently run Forum, Lion Cheryl and myself registered for next year’s Forum to be held in Portland, Oregon, September 21-23, 2017. My hope is many of you will consider going and join us next year and enjoy the training and fellowship.

Additionally Certified Guiding Lions Training was held on October 22nd. This was a joint training with multiple Districts attending and was held at the Garden Grove Lions clubhouse (District 4-L4). The trainers were PDG Chris Ohrmund and PDG Norm MacKenzie (District 4-L6). Many new certified guiding Lions were trained as were past guiding Lions who were re-certified. Once again our District leadership shined as our GLT Gary Hall was instrumental in helping with this training.

October 8th saw Lion John Bauer’s Celebrity Roast held at Camp Teresita Pines. Lion John has been the camp manager for many years. I have seldom seen a more humble person than John. He will be sorely missed by all – enough said.

Looking forward:

What does Celebrating 100 Years of Service – Where there’s a need, there’s a Lion and Lionism on Parade mean to you? Your 2017 Lions Centennial Float.

Many 4-L2 clubs and individual Lions have contributed by purchasing Lion Float merchandise and supporting the largest Lions’ float built to date. You have donated and purchased raffle tickets, pins, tote bags, embroidered caps, tee shirts, golf shirts, zippered hoodies and club banner patches. A big Lion roar to all who have supported this years Lions’ float. If anyone is interested in purchasing any of the items, please contact me.

If anyone is interested in working on the Float this year, the schedule is out and you can check the 4-L2 website. Leos are also encouraged to volunteer.

January, 2017, is the International President’s Reception at the Rosemead Doubletree Hotel-888 Montebello Blvd. Only 350 tickets will be sold and are selling fast.

This column is a small snippet of the on-goings in our District, clubs, MD-4 and International.

“Keep climbing those mountains”.

“Humble and Kind” in service to our communities.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR’S VISITATION SCHEDULE - November

Pasadena Host – November 15th

SOLA – November 16th

Covina Breakfast and Downey – Nov. 17th

Arcadia Champion – November 23rd

Central City East Boyle Heights – November 29th

**“One word of advice –
always go forward –
never go back. Only
dead fish go with
the flow.
Anonymous**

Our District 4-L2 Family Is Saddened by the Loss of these Lions:

Lion James E. Moore, Jr. a sixty-three year member of the Bell Gardens Lions Club.

Lion Robert “Bob” Martin a twenty-seven year member of the Lakewood Lions Club.

Lion Dorothy Birgbauer a twenty-nine year member of the Pasadena Host Lions Club.

Sincere sympathy to their families. They will be missed.



Sunshine Report from Lion Lorraine Magner:

Get Well Cards to: Lions Jill Wall (SOLA), Frank Berumen (Montebello), Ken Casford, Chris George, Bill Davies, and Jerry Frame (Whittier Host), Hal Stearns (East Whittier), Marilyn Bittle, Felix Franklin, Leslie Drag, and Bonnie Barwick (Downtown Long Beach), and Carl McBride (Belmont Shore).

Sympathy Cards to: Lions Miguel Hidalgo (Montebello) loss of his daughter, Jeannie (SOLA) and David (Whittier Host) Williamson on the loss of Jeannie’s father, John Cullen (Pasadena Host) on the loss of his father, Gloria Valdez (East Los Angeles) on the loss of her father, and Carol and CT Ron Copley (SOLA) on the loss of their son and Carol’s brother.

Please contact Lion Lorraine at lorrainemagne@yahoo.com so that she may send a card.



Lions who attended the President’s Training.



Show your Pride with a special banner at events.

Welcome to our Lions Family. (August 20th – October 20th)

Name	Sponsor	Club
Andrew Feng	Amanda Tang	Arcadia Champion
Dieci Ho	Amanda Tang	Arcadia Champion
Van Han	Amanda Tang	Arcadia Champion
Danny Ramirez	Robert Acosta	Bell Gardens
Richard Antonio Doria	Clyde Wilson	Bellflower Noon
Noe T. Garcia	George Atkinson	Bellflower Noon
Julie Ton-Fercho	Rosa Orozco	Downey
Ada Becerra	Abram Garcia	East Whittier
Luis E. Gaeta	Abram Garcia	East Whittier
Shirley Chang	Susan Huang	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
James Chin	Terry Jung	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Calvin Chow	Alicia Chung-Clark	Hac. Hgts East Valley
Michael Chu	Alicia Chung-Clark	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Queenie Huang	None Listed	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Susan Huang	Terry Jung	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
May Hui	Terry Jung	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Gavin Lin	Terry Jung	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Leo Pan	Terry Jung	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Sunny Jung	Alicia Chung-Clark	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Radhia Wang	None Listed	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Charlie Xie	None Listed	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Sandy Yeh	Terry Jung	Hac. Hgts. East Valley
Frank Chan	Albert Siu	Industry Professional
Coco Wang	Albert Siu	Industry Professional
Jian Qun Zhang	Henry Liu	Industry Professional
Gladys Estrada	Georgette Leal	Belmont Shore
Robert Leal	Georgette Leal	Belmont Shore
Ellen Sommers	Cheryl Nelson	Belmont Shore
Linger Chu	Kaiser Mo	Los Angeles Diamond
Jane Hu	James Wong	Los Angeles Diamond
Heidi Jin	Michelle Xiao	Los Angeles Diamond
Priscilla Yim	PDG Kenny Shu	Los Angeles Diamond
Annie Chen	Nancy Han	Los Angeles Overseas
An-Li Chiang	Sharon King	Los Angeles Overseas
Daisy Chen	Angela Lai	Los Angeles Overseas
Judy Hon	Sharon King	Los Angeles Overseas
Chien Chang Kuo	Helen Wang	Los Angeles Overseas
Liza Li	Nancy Han	Los Angeles Overseas
Teresa Castro	Emelia Alvarez	Montebello
David Chang-Chien	Joice Ho	San Gabriel Taiwanese
Karen Su	Jacky Lu	San Gabriel Taiwanese
Thomas Horng	Jacky Lu	San Gabriel Taiwanese
Christine Chan	PDG Khan Kayum	West Covina
Nancy Lee Ruyter	Frank Zacharis	West Covina
Karla Contreras	Michael Miller	West Covina
Mary Beth Duke	Susan Sones	SOLA
Jess M. Lopez	PDG Alberto Montes de Oca	SOLA
Craig Peck	Susan Sones	SOLA
Penny Lopez	PDG Alberto Montes de Oca	SOLA
Ellen Peck	Susan Sones	SOLA



OUR YOUTH IS OUR FUTURE

Fellow Lions,

The youth is our future and what a great opportunity for our very young community to express peace through art. There is still time for entries to the International Peace Poster/Essay Contest and this year the theme is "A Celebration of Peace" for the 2016-17 Contest. If you did not order the packet, then down load the rules from LionsClubs.org, search "Peace Poster".

The CONTEST DEADLINE is November 15th for the postmarked deadline for a club to send one winner (per contest sponsored) to the District Governor via the Cabinet Secretary Nancy McAfee. At the District Meeting, we are requesting the clubs to bring their entries to be proudly displayed. It will be a great opportunity to show off the creativity of our youth. (Picture is LCI winning poster last year.)

Encourage those young artists or writers to submit their poster or essay. I want to give the warmest good luck to all our incredible students.

Best Wishes to all,
DG Manny



Kudos to the **Arcadia Host Lions Club** who held an event that welcomed back the teachers in the Arcadia Unified School District. Each year the Lions serve a special lunch to them. This year they served 500 hamburgers with all the trimmings. This is their way to thank the teachers for all they do for the students. Event was held at Arcadia High School.

Participation is the Key to Service!

A special message from Past Council Chair Roger Powell, Multiple District 4 California LCIF Coordinator

The headline above was my slogan as 4-L2 District Governor in 2005-06. For the Lions of 4-L2 and California, it now means to me that participation by members and clubs is the key to successful support of our international charity, LCIF – Lions Clubs International Foundation. Millions of people around the world have benefited through more than 11,340 Foundation grants, which have totaled more than \$826 million. That number continues to grow in part from gifts from foundations, corporations, governments and non-Lions. However, the vast majority of LCIF's funding comes through the generous donations from Lions clubs and individual members.

Giving and Receiving in 4-L2

But let's bring that closer to home. Since the Foundation's inception, our district received grants totaling almost half a million dollars. So where do we stand right now on the giving side of the equation? While we can take pride that at the end of Lions year 2015-16, our district was at the top of the fifteen districts in California in total giving, that fact becomes less impressive when we see that we came in dead last in percentage of clubs and individuals participating! Our high total was the result of outstanding contributions by just three clubs: Downtown Long Beach (\$24,000), San Gabriel Taiwanese (\$10,300), and Pasadena Host (\$7,018), accounting for just over 90% of our total donations. And while the state average in participation was 50.48% over the previous year, our district was at 2.61%, down 1.35%. Think what we could do if we improved 4-L2's participation in giving!

So How Do We Change That?

One way many districts are improving participation is by embracing the 100% club individual donor contribution program. To qualify for recognition as a 100% LCIF club, each member donates a minimum of \$20 to the Foundation with all contributions being submitted together with the individual names of the donors. The club is awarded a patch, and each contributor receives a special pin. Of course, contributions of \$50 or \$100 are also accepted in this program, and all contributions count toward achieving a Melvin Jones Fellowship or Progressive MJF. The donations can also be designated for a particular program, such as for the "\$1, One Shot" LCIF initiative to eradicate measles, which concludes this year. This is an ideal way for small clubs to become distinguished for their support of our charity. **And we got our first 100% club in the district this year when President Mary Jane Patton (East Long Beach) submitted her club's total individual donations this past August!**

Want to Learn More?

Want to learn more about this program and about our what our charity does? We will be happy to provide a program for you or make a brief presentation during Governor Manny's visit to your club. Contact me at kpow@charter.net to make that happen.

Special Thanks to Contributing Clubs

We would be remiss in not congratulating and thanking those clubs that have already contributed to LCIF as 2016's 1st quarter closed in September: East Long Beach, East Los Angeles, East Whittier, San Gabriel Taiwanese, Special Olympics of LA (SOLA), and West Covina. Your early commitment to this great cause is much appreciated.



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**WEST COVINA LIONS CLUB
WEST COVINA, CA
“NIGHT ON THE TOWN”**



Over six hundred attendees enjoyed West Covina Lions Club’s annual “Night on the Town”. Seventeen restaurant sponsors gave free food and drink to all participants. Music flowed throughout the course of the event and a large silent auction was held. The most coveted and sought after item was a hockey stick autographed by the entire Anaheim Ducks Hockey Team.

The Club netted \$16,000.00, which was added to its foundation giving program. Monies from past years and this year were distributed to eight deserving high school students pursuing college. Eight \$2,000.00 scholarships were awarded to each for a total of \$16,000.00.

\$10,000.00 was distributed to Lions Club’s Camp Teresita Pines for the sponsorship of two cabins, \$5,000.00 was given to the City Of Hope and \$16,000.00 was given to Lions Friends In Sight for equipment. Additional monies were disbursed to LCIF and other worthy services such as the Senior Center of West Covina. Monies will also be used to provide eye examinations for 8,000 students at the West Covina School District and eye exams for the general community this coming fall.



West Covina Lions Club is an active, growing, and giving club. More and more Leos from their sponsored West Covina High School Leos Club are making the transition into Lionism after their graduation from high school. The West Covina Lions will continue to foster a strong



relationship with young Leos and recruit more members in order to continue their fundraising, charitable giving, and service legacy to the community.



Pasadena Host Lions Club hosted the Rose Queen and her Court at their meeting on November 1st. Pictured with the Court L to R: DG Manny Sanchez, ID Howard Hudson, Council Chair David Radtke, and VDG Norm McDaniel.

Our fantastic Lions' Float for the 2017 Rose Parade.





From Our History The Impulse to Serve

We honor and celebrate our Founder Melvin Jones on his birthday January 13th.

Melvin Jones had been a member of the Business Circle of Chicago, a lunch club for business men, for several years when he began pondering a question: "What if these men, who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?"

His club, like hundreds of others across America, was focused on helping members create a business network. The U. S. economy was growing in the early 1900s and opportunities abounded. Yet landing new business still often depended on whom you knew.

In prior generations associations focusing on religious groups, industries or communities filled the need for socialization and networking among businessmen. But by the early 20th century, that began to change. Business luncheon clubs promised social and business connections across industries, usually over a hot meal, with a large and eager membership from the growing middle class. Hundreds of these organizations popped up in towns across the United States.

By the time Jones joined the Business Circle of Chicago in March 1913, the competition among clubs for membership was intensifying, and the Business Circle was losing members. Jones realized that for his club to survive, it would have to join together with other smaller clubs. He was also convinced that it had to offer something different.

"I'm finding out that you don't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else," Jones said. "And I'm beginning to believe it might help some of these clubs, like The Circle, to take that to heart."

Larger organizations such as the Elks, the Loyal Order of the Moose and Rotary International, had charitable service components to their clubs. But Jones wanted to do more. Communities had many needs that called out for someone to take responsibility and help. Youth needed mentors. The hungry needed feeding. The ill needed medical care. Jones envisioned a way to help individuals and communities through volunteer service.

"Any association that presumes to leadership in the community will have to offer something more than business reciprocity among the members," Jones told his club.

In 1917, Jones had the chance to make service part of the core of an organization. When his Business Circle met with other like-minded clubs at the LaSalle Hotel in Chicago, the groups united to become a greater force for good under the name International Association of Lions Clubs. While fellowship and fun remained a hallmark of each meeting, Lions Clubs took a giant step forward by emphasizing the need to serve.

CHCIAGO – THAT TODDLIN’ TOWN!!!

The location of our 2017 International Convention.

It was recently announced by Lions Clubs International that the International Show at the Convention will be held on Saturday, July 1st. Scheduled to perform will be “Chicago” and “The Beach Boys”!

A free ticket for this very special evening of entertainment will be yours as part of your Convention Registration fee of \$130.00. Be part of the Centennial Celebration and participate in this chance of a lifetime – seeing and hearing “Chicago” and “The Beach Boys” on stage at the same time!

Registration forms are available at the LCI website www.lionsclubs.org or in the “Lions Magazine”.

FYI – The MD-4 Lions are planning to have a train to Chicago. It will begin its journey in northern California. For more information, contact DG Manny.



The District 4-L2 Bulletin “The Lions Roar” will be published each quarter before our District Meeting.

Articles and announcements are welcomed and encouraged to be submitted by Clubs and Lions.

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(Editor reserves the right to edit submissions.)

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Third Quarter District Meeting is January 21, 2017