



DISTRICT 4-L2

THE LIONS' ROAR



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A Message from District Governor John Nelson



District 4-L2 Lions – Spring has sprung and so has the 4-L2 membership in doing what you do best! Our motto, “We Serve” is being seen throughout our District boundaries and beyond from the sandy beaches of Long Beach to the San Gabriel Valley and the foothills of Pasadena. As your Governor, I could not be prouder of each and every one of the current 1,331 Lion members.

Please welcome the Los Angeles Sunrise Lions Club and President Lion Millie Barajas to 4-L2. In their short existence with us they have been very active all year serving their community and busy in the entire District.

The recent MD-4 Convention in Sacramento was fruitful for our District. The SOLA Lions Club was named “Club of the Year” at the Academy Awards Governors’ Banquet. It is quite an honor to have the SOLA Lions Club recognized, not only locally, but state-wide also. Congratulations to PDG Alberto Montes De Oca (Past President) and the club members.

In addition, congratulations are in order to the L.A. Diamond Lions Club for their student being honored as a runner-up at the state level in the recent Peace Poster Contest. The student will be honored April 6th, at the 4-L2 District Meeting. Our District’s Peace Poster Chair, Lion Norma Amezcua and I will make a presentation to the student.

And the awards keep coming. The Montebello Lions Club has the winning student for the recent Peace Essay Contest. The student also will be honored and recognized April 6th

District 4-L2 will be recognizing three great Lions and presenting them with the MD-4 Excellence Award for excellence above and beyond for service to their clubs, district and community. These unnamed Lions will be revealed at the District meeting.

And it gets better. The Irwindale Lions Club has chartered a new Leo’s Club. The Sierra Vista Leo’s Club is 60 strong. Congratulations to Charter President Leo Ashanti and her cabinet. I want to express my gratitude to Lion Teri Hall who was instrumental in getting the new Leo Club chartered.

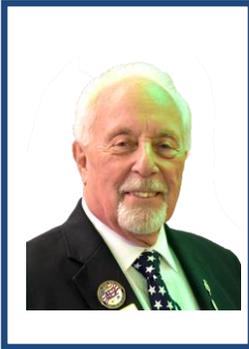
Our Annual 4-L2 Convention is just around the corner, May 17th – 19th at the Double Tree Hotel in Cathedral City. We are sharing this weekend with District 4-L4 and the fellowship will be plentiful. We will have many honored guests. One who stands out will be a 97 year old Veteran. You don’t want to miss out hearing the Patriot speak.

Lion Cheryl and I want to thank all of you for a wonderful year.

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

“HUMBLE AND KIND, WE SERVE”

A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Gary Hall



My fellow Lions:

This will be the last article of my First Vice District Governor year.

I have truly enjoyed serving my Lions family these past two years as your VDG. DG John Nelson and his cabinet officers have been a real pleasure to work with and be a part of. All of the club visitations, installations, Student Speaker Contests and other events I have attended are a pleasant memory as well.

I thank every member of District 4-L2 for their service and for supporting me these past two years. I am enjoying the journey that will now take me to the next level of leadership in our District.

As I prepare to be your next District Governor for the 2019-2020 Lions year, I must tell you about the training that is presented by Lions Clubs International. By the time I am officially installed in Milan, Italy, on July 9, 2019, I will have had four days of DG training. The first three days (February 11 – 15) were held at the Q Center in St. Charles, Illinois, about 35 miles from Chicago. I was there along with 754 other FVDG's from around the world.

During our time there we were treated to a bus trip to Chicago where we visited the grave site of our founder Melvin Jones and his wife, who is also interred there. From there we went to LCI headquarters in Oakbrook, Illinois, which is also a suburb of Chicago, for the grand tour of the facility that included the offices of the President and three Vice Presidents of LCI. The First Vice President, Jung-Yui Choy, was on hand and we all had our pictures taken with him.

Our Group Leader and Trainer was PID Allen Lundgren from Scottsdale, Arizona, and he made our time with him fun, memorable, and a wonderful learning experience. He will also be in Milan to present the fourth day of training that will be on July 5th, the day before the start of the International Convention.

Also, on February 5 – 7 was the mid-winter Council of Governors meeting in Sacramento, CA. It was held at the Double Tree Hotel and then the MD-4 (State) Annual Convention followed on the 8 – 10. The big event at the Convention was of course the election of our MD-4 Endorsed Candidate for International Director. Two candidates were in the running for the position, PCC David Radtke, District 4-L4, and PDG Ken Ibarra, District 4-C4. The voting was very close and PDG Ken was declared the winner by two (2) votes.

Lion Teri and I were honored to be the guests of FVDG Claudia Miller, at District 4-A1's District Meeting on February 22 – 23 in Sutter Creek, CA. We enjoyed a wonderful dinner on Friday evening at a restaurant owned by a Lion, with live music for entertainment and then breakfast and lunch on Saturday, prepared and served by the Lions of District 4-A1.

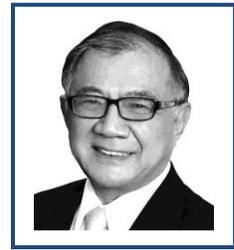
District GLT PDG Chris Ohrmund has announced the date of June 1st for the next "Lions on the Move" Training Sessions. It will be held at the Applied Technology Center – 1200 West Mines Avenue, Montebello from 9:00a.m. – Noon. Training Sessions will include: Zone and Region Chairs; Presidents and Vice Presidents; Secretaries; Treasurers, and Membership Chairs. I highly recommend that all club officers and any Lion attend one of these very important (and free) trainings.

As always, remember.

"WE SERVE BETTER TOGETHER"

A Message from our 2nd Vice District Governor Woody Hugh

No article received.



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**

A total of fifty-nine (59) Lions attended the Southern California Institute. Congratulations to those Lions from District 4-L2 who graduated from the Institute and are ready and willing to share the skills that they learned. We're so proud of our Lions for their enthusiasm in strengthening their leadership skills. District 4-L2 attendees were: RC Tommy and Lion Sookie Chen (L.A. Hacienda Heights Centennial Lions Club), Lion Cindy Farber (Montebello Lions Club), Lion Coco Wang (LA Diamond Lions Club), Lions Ruri "Peanuts" Pierre, Penny and Jesse Lopez, Theresa Rivas (SOLA), and Lion Eleanor Costella (East Whittier Lions Club).



Pictured are our Graduates and Instructors: L to R MD-4 GLT Team Member PDG Norm McDaniel, Coordinator PCC Liz Crooke, Team Member PDG Manny Sanchez, and MD-4 GMT Coordinator PDG Buck Larson. Not pictured Lion Coco Wang from LA Diamond.

Watch for the dates of the 2020 Institute and plan to attend.

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

Lion Mario Del Fante – West Covina Lions Club

Past International Director Robert “Bob” Smith – District 4-C5

They will be missed!

LIONS ON THE MOVE

Leadership Training Series 2018 – 2019



Series Four: Training:

Club Officers 2019 - 2020

Zone and Region Chair 2019 – 2020

Date Saturday – June 1, 2019

Time 9:00a.m. – Noon – Refreshments Served Upon Arrival

**Location Applied Technology Center High School
1200 West Mines Avenue
Montebello**

**YOUR TRAINING STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU
IN PLANNING FOR A SUCCESSFUL YEAR!**

Zone and Region Chairs – 1st VDG Gary Hall

Presidents/Vice Presidents – GLT PDG Chris Ohrmund

Secretaries – CS Nancy McAfee

Treasurers – Lion Lisa Mayo

Membership Chairs/Committee – GMT PDG Manny Sanchez

RSVP to CS Nancy McAfee by May 19, 2019

cs4l2@msn.com

Message from our Cabinet Secretary, Nancy McAfee . . .

Happy Spring!

It's time to start setting dates for club officers' elections. The elections are to be held no later than April 15, 2019. Report the results on mylci or mailing a copy of the PU101 form to Lions Club International. Deadline for reporting 2019 – 2020 club officers is May 15, 2019.

District 4-L2 Convention will be held May 17 – 19, 2019 in Cathedral City (near Palm Springs). For a club delegate to be eligible to vote, a club must be in good standing. This means **both MD-4 dues and LCI dues must be paid by April 30, 2019**. Any club with a past due balance will not be able to vote.

Many questions have asked about how many delegates a club will have. This information comes from LCI and I should have the report by April 3rd. As soon as I receive the report, the Delegate Form and number of delegates for each club will be emailed to both the Club President and Club Secretary. Eligibility is based on membership as of March 31, 2018. A Lion must be a member for a year and one day to be able to vote.

If you have any questions, please contact me at cs4l2@msn.com or call me at 562-810-1841.

Thank you for your support and time.

Information from our District GST PDG Alberto Montes de Oca . .

Fellow Lions:

Our Lions Year is almost over. Yes, June 30th is our last day and we will be starting a new year with a new District Governor and Cabinet and your Club will be starting one more year of service to your community with new leadership from your Club.

I know you have been very busy doing many Lions Projects, but have you been reporting all the work and hours you have given to your community?

Well, I think we need to step up and show the rest of California why we are the "Best in the West".

Your District 4-L2 has done a great job during the year reporting the service hours provided to your fellow citizens, but we still have some Clubs that are not reporting their service hours. Maybe you ask yourself why? Why not report all the great hours you spent servicing your community. Maybe your Club needs help!!!

If you find yourself in this predicament, please don't hesitate to let me know or ask Lion Nancy McAfee, our District Secretary.

Let's make a commitment to finish this calendar year with the best reporting of the year.

Yes, let's have every Club in the District participate by reporting one or two projects, and let's make this last quarter the best year, **100% reporting**.

Remember you are already doing the work in your community, so just tell us how many people you have impacted in your community and surroundings.

Thank you for your participation and commitment to District 4-L2 and Lions International.

Welcome to our Lions Family (January 20th – March 20th)

Name	Sponsor	Club
Ken Letourneau	PDG Mike Brassard	Bellflower Noon
Carrie M. Uva	Cindy Kovach	Downey
Christine M. Ybarra	Laura Santos	Irwindale
Gong Yanhui (Echo)	Huo Chen	Los Angeles Chinese
Mei Zhang	Ting Ning Cheung	Los Angeles Chinese
Emily Cheng	PDG Kenny Shu	Los Angeles Diamond
Julie Cheng	Shoujing Ge	Los Angeles Diamond
Jack Feng	Jany Huang	Los Angeles Diamond
Ching Shu Hung	Linger Chu	Los Angeles Diamond
Samuel Hung	Linger Chu	Los Angeles Diamond
Michael Lee	Jany Huang	Los Angeles Diamond
Robert Liu	Kaiser Mo	Los Angeles Diamond
Lilly Soong-Lin	Linger Chu	Los Angeles Diamond
Elena Tang	Jenny Wang	Los Angeles Diamond
Tammy Tu	Kaiser Mo	Los Angeles Diamond
Tina Van	Shoujing Ge	Los Angeles Diamond
Fumei Wu	Linger Chu	Los Angeles Diamond
Rose Ruiqing Xing	Shoujing Ge	Los Angeles Diamond
Lesly Xu	Kaiser Mo	Los Angeles Diamond
Jackie Zheng	Linger Chu	Los Angeles Diamond
Jodi Zou	Jenny Wang	Los Angeles Diamond
Alice Leung	May Hui	L.A. H.H. Centennial
Kenneth Liu	May Hui	L.A. H.H. Centennial
Joan Fan	Jack Liu	Los Angeles Overseas
Connie Su	Jessica Mei	Los Angeles Overseas
Dao-I Sun	Jack Liu	Los Angeles Overseas
Lui Fai Vanessa Yeung	Jessica Mei	Los Angeles Overseas
Alfredo Evaristo Lazarte	PDG Eduardo Oviedo	Los Angeles Sunrise
Norma V. Schall	Evelina Cerna	Los Angeles Sunrise
Myriam L. Singer	Evelina Cerna	Los Angeles Sunrise
Thomas Hung	Reiko Huang	Monterey Park Dynasty
Willie Kuo	Thomas Hung	Monterey Park Dynasty
Manjula Kaloor	Richard Kasten	Pasadena Host
Lucy Lopez	Maggie Cardenas	Pico Rivera
Albert Roque	Vince Chavez	Pico Rivera
Joyce Aljuan Chen	Vivian Lu	San Marino Griffins
Aimee Chin	Vivian Lu	San Marino Griffins
Ivy Sisi Hu	No Sponsor Listed	San Marino Griffins
Chun Kwok Ngai	Shirley Chang	Temple City Centennial
Fei Yao	Shirley Chang	Temple City Centennial
Mike Hughes	No Sponsor Listed	Whittier Host
Isaac Lopez	Gil Rodriguez	Whittier Host
Henry Luna	David Martinez	Whittier Host
Nicholas Morlet	Greg Williams	Whittier Host
Carlos Ramos	Greg Williams	Whittier Host
Fabio Soto	No Sponsor Listed	Whittier Host
Luther Leon Williams	Greg Williams	Whittier Host
Bradley J. Harmer, Sr.	Drew Sones	Whittier SOLA

California Lions Foundation Will Soon Be Accepting Grant Requests

Your California Lions Foundation (CLF) is entering the next stage of its development as we will soon be accepting grant requests in the range of \$500-\$2,500. Let me share with you where we currently stand:

Current Financial Status:

- Non-designated charitable funds: \$210,000
- Designated charitable funds: \$34,000 (mostly for wildfire and disaster relief)
- Administrative funds: \$15,000.00

Wildfire Relief - During the course of the recent wildfires, most seriously in District C-1, CLF received \$114,000 in designated wildfire donations and disbursed \$80,000 in response to requests from District C-1.

Soon CLF Will Be Accepting Grant Request Applications – The CLF Board of directors has decided that it will soon accept grant requests of \$500-\$2,500. Keeping requests to this dollar range will extend the life of the currently available non-designated charitable funds. The grant policies and grant request forms will soon be posted on the CLF web site.

CLF Needs Non-Designated Charitable Donations to Fulfill its Mission – California Lions were generous in their response to the wildfires we suffered last year. What we really need now is a program of sustained giving to meet the many ongoing needs of our California communities. As clubs enter the time of year when they recognize their leaders, this is a wonderful time to consider a Kay K. Fukushima Fellow. There still is some room left for a Founding Member and Founding Club.

Endowment – Your CLF Board has decided to set aside as an endowment \$100,000 of the current non-designated charitable monies. To that will be added a percentage of all new non-designated donations. The income from these invested funds will be available for grants. The objective is to insure a future base from which income will be derived for new grants.

PDG Alberto Montes De Oca
President California Lions Foundation

The Lions Club of Montebello Honored PDG Bill Walters by having a “Roast” to raise funds for their Scholarship Fund, and naming a scholarship in his honor.



PDG Bill was honored by a Proclamation from the city of Montebello. It was presented to him by City Clerk Irma Barajas and former Mayor Lion Art Barajas. Approximately 150 friends celebrated PDG Bill and all of his involvement in the community and Lions.

ZC Jacky Lu recently visited the Lions of Taiwan and spent time with the MD-300 Council Chair.



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in Montebello and had dinner with District 4-L2 Lions.

This is a yearly tradition which was started in 2005.

The following day they attend the "Lions Day at the City of Hope".



Lions from the various San Gabriel Region Lions Clubs celebrated Lunar New Year with an exciting evening of great food, entertainment and fellowship on February 23rd.

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

Fellow Lions,

I want to thank you, the clubs and membership, for a fantastic Melvin Jones Fellow Awards Luncheon. We were honored to recognize over fifty Melvin Jones Fellows and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows on February 17, 2019. The event was well attended by our district clubs. It was a great luncheon.

As of the most recent report from Lions Clubs International Foundation, District 4-L2 has donated \$53,693.53, but donations since late February and March are still being reported. We know many more donations are coming in to LCIF.

We are hoping clubs will consider LCIF recognitions for end-of-the-year events. There is nothing more special than honoring someone with a Melvin Jones Fellowship or Progressive Melvin Jones. For those new members to Lions, all contributions to LCIF are recorded on your and your club's records and at Lions Clubs International Headquarters. Lions Clubs International Foundation has many forms of recognition. Go to www.lionsclubs.org. At the top of the page, click on "LCIF". Under Support, click "Recognition Programs" and see all the programs that are offered by LCIF. Your donations make a difference in California and all over the world.

Thank you, Lion Calvin Smith, of the Pasadena Host Lions Club, for being the first Major Contributing Donor this year for Lions Clubs International Foundation. Lion Calvin donated \$25,000 in memory of Lion Phyllis Smith, his wife, whom we lost earlier this year. Lion Phyllis was known for her dedicated work with youth, especially Leos, alongside Lion Calvin. We honor both Lion Phyllis and Lion Calvin Smith.

Remember Our California LCIF Motto:
GIVING IS GOOD!



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

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

District Contest will be held at our District Meeting on April 6th. Four outstanding students will compete for a \$4,500 scholarship to a two or four year university, college, or accredited school of higher learning.

Next Year's Topic will be chosen at the August Council of Governors' Meeting. All Lions re invited to submit an idea for the subject matter. Let me know if you have an idea about what our youth would like to speak on.

A special word of appreciation to the following Clubs who sponsored a speakers contest this year: Belmont Shore, Downtown Long Beach, East Long Beach, Uptown Long Beach, Artesia-Cerritos, Bellflower Family, Bellflower Noon, Paramount, Signal Hill, Central City/East Boyle Heights, East Los Angeles, Montebello, Pico Rivera, East Whittier, City of Industry, Downey, Norwalk, Arcadia Host, Pasadena Host, Irwindale, West Covina, Los Angeles Chinese, Monterey Park, San Gabriel Taiwanese, Arcadia Champion, San Marino Griffins, Monterey Park Dynasty, L.A. Hacienda Heights Centennial, and Los Angeles Diamond.

If you have any questions or would like donation forms, please contact me at ohrmu@aol.com or 909-598-0554 – R or 909-646-0673-C.

Lions Day at the City of Hope
March 31, 2019

It was a beautiful day to be at City of Hope. Approximately 350 Lions and guests attended the annual day, which started off with a panel discussion from the Diabetes and Metabolism Research Institute. We learned that diabetes impacts the lives of more than 422 million people worldwide. That's 1 in 11 adults or about 40 times the population of Los Angeles County. The Lions announced a new "Diabetes Campaign" which will raise one million dollars in five years for research.

Tours were then held and attendees heard about how children, who are fighting cancer, are made to feel more at ease in their various treatments. Tours of the Japanese and Rose Gardens were also enjoyed.

After lunch, we heard the story of living with cancer and being treated at the City of Hope by our own PDG Dennis Windscheffel (Monterey Park Lions Club).

Clubs and individuals then presented donations which totaled \$28,337. Those Clubs from our District that were honored for donations made previously and/or who made donations this year included: Los Angeles Chinese Lions, Montebello Lions, Norwalk Lions, East Valley Lions.

We are fortunate that the City of Hope is located in Duarte, Ca, which is part of our District.

Make plans to attend next year!

Let's "ROAR" for Membership
Submitted by District Co-GMT PDG Manny Sanchez

Lions,

As we move into the fourth quarter, membership continues to stay strong. We started the month with 1,321 members. Since March 1st, we have added ten (10) new Lions making a total of 1,331. Congratulations to you, the Clubs and the members, for keeping your clubs strong. Consider bringing in a new member on "Lions World Induction Day" which is April; 27th. For more information go to www.lionsclubs.org and in the search engine type "World Induction Day" and click on "search websites" to download the latest information. Please contact me if you have any questions.

The Following Clubs added members in the past three months:

Downey
Los Angeles Chinese
Los Angeles Diamond
Los Angeles Hacienda Heights Centennial
Los Angeles Overseas
Los Angeles Sunrise
Pasadena Host
San Marino Griffins
Temple City Centennial
Whittier Host
Whittier Special Olympics Los Angeles (SOLA)

We have added Clubs to our District 4-L2 family. **Welcome Los Angeles Chinese Lions Club and Los Angeles Sunrise Lions Club. Both of these were transfer Clubs.** Please reach out to them and give them a warm welcome.

Finally in the next couple of months, you will be receiving email surveys. We are reaching out to you, the member, to see what you need to support membership growth and retention. It will be very helpful to your Club and the District to asses our current situation and wee where we can improve to assist the Club. We hope you will participate in the surveys.



Calendar of Events

April 6th – 4th District Meeting and District Student Speakers Contest

April 8th , May 13th , May 24th , June 10th , July 8th , July 22nd , August 5, and August 19th – Diabetes Expo Committee Meeting – 7p.m. – Mr. Rosewood Restaurant-10640 Rosecrans Avenue, Norwalk. All are invited to attend and assist in the planning of the Diabetes Expo on August 24th.

**April 25th – Downtown Long Beach Lions Club Theater Night at the Long Beach Playhouse
5021 East Anaheim Street, Long Beach
Doors Open at 6:30p.m. and the Play is at 7:30p.m.
\$30.00 per person. Light Refreshments and Drinks can be purchased.
Call Lion Merlin Thimlar for tickets at 562-673-4907.**

April 27th – World Wide New Member Induction Day

**April 27th – Pasadena Host Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at Salvation Army Tabernacle
960 East Walnut St. 8a.m. – 11a.m. \$7.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the door
Bingo available for \$5.00 per book for 5 cards. Call 626-233-2991 for more information.**

**April 27th – Covina Breakfast Lions Club 3rd Annual Quartermania
\$15.00 per person includes lunch and one Quartermania paddle.
Covina United Methodist Church-437 West San Bernardino Road, Covina.
Doors Open at 11a.m., Games begin at Noon.
Call 626-919-3994 or 626-991-0247 for information.**

**April 27th – Downey Lions Club Fun Fundraiser-Harrah's Casino Turn-a-Round
9:30a.m. Departure and Return at 7:00p.m. \$35.00 per person.
Call 562-879-5130 or 310-283-9825 for details.**

**May 11th – Area Four Student Speakers Contest in Yorba Linda City Hall at 2p.m.
District Winners from L-2, L-4, L-5 and L-6 will compete for a \$6,500 scholarship.**

**May 17th – 19th – District Convention at the Double Tree Hotel in Cathedral City.
Registrations forms are on our District website www.lions4l2.org**

**May 18th – Monterey Park Lions Club Fire Service Day and Breakfast, 8a.m. – 11:30a.m.
Location is Fire Station #61 (McPerrin and Newmark)**

June 1st – District's "Lions on the Move" – Leadership Series Four (see flyer in this Bulletin)

**June 1st – San Gabriel Taiwanese Lions Club – Bird and Water Dance Fundraiser at 6:00p.m.
"The first Taiwanese Dancing Group with Physical Disabilities".
Baldwin Park Performing Arts Center-4640 Maine Avenue, \$10.00 per person.**

**June 7th – 8th – June Joint Council of Governors Meeting and Final Student Speakers Contest on June 8th.
Location – Airtel Plaza Hotel, Van Nuys, CA**

June 14th – Montebello Lions Club Installation of Officers

July 5th – 8th – International Convention, Milan, Italy

July 21st – Installation of the 2019 – 2020 District Cabinet Officers – Rio Hondo Event Center

Interested in an event? Contact the hosting Club.

Next District 4-L2 Bulletin will be published in August, 2019.