

District 46 Lions Clubs 2022-2023 Annual Convention and Spring Cabinet Meeting was held May 12, 13 in Las Vegas. It was hosted by the Las Vegas Aloha Lions, home club of District Governor Kimo Harward.

Friday, after the Committee Meeting sessions, the first Cabinet Meeting Session began at 10am. Some of the highlights from the session: District Treasurer Stefanie Covert reported that our finances are doing well. \$22,236 in the General Fund, \$10,000 in the Special Activities Fund, \$1,511 in Pin Traders, Discretionary Fund \$11,502, Operating Fund \$15,775. . VDG Adam Hopkins reported on the State of the District. We have 43 active clubs with 1,043 members, an increase from the 957 at last year's event. He urged club secretaries to improve data entry of club activities. 16 members from the District have committed to attending the International Convention in Boston. District 4L in California has 4 clubs that are interested in moving in to our district. DG Kimo Harward was pleased with the activities of the clubs this year, while still encouraging the district to strive forward toward the "magic number" of 1,250 members. "Keep the momentum up."

The Constitution & By-Laws committee, chaired by PDG Cliff Cooper proposed the following: The committee met today and discussed the impending ballot measure to merge the Special Activity Funds and its operational aspects with the District 46 Foundation. With the establishment of the District 46 Foundation (the "Foundation"), there now exists two District entities that perform essentially the same function – the Foundation and the Special Activities Fund. Currently, grant requests may be submitted to the Budget & Finance Committee for Special Activities funding. Grant requests may also be submitted to the Foundation of which members of the Budget & Finance Committee also serve as Directors. This redundancy of functions may be eliminated by merging the Special Activities fund into the Foundation.

The Foundation is an IRS 501(c)(3) entity that permits tax deductions for certain charitable contributions. This is not permitted with the Special Activities Fund.

Approval of this Amendment would cause the Special Activities to be eliminated with any current funds transferred to the Foundation. The District Constitution & By-Laws would be amended to permit the Foundation to receive certain excess year-end funds as currently provided to the Special Activities Fund.

This proposal is endorsed and submitted by the District Budget & Finance Committee RAMIFICATIONS:

YES vote – The District would transfer the Special Activities Fund balance to the Foundation. The District Constitution & By-Laws would be amended to cause the Foundation to obtain excess year-end funds in the manner currently provided to Special Activities. All future grant requests must be made to the District Foundation.

The Foundation will consider all grant requests without the need for Cabinet approval. No vote – Special Activities and the Foundation will continue to function as separate entities. Grant requests may be submitted to Budget & Finance or the Foundation.

Next year's committee will update the Constitution and By-Laws after the International Board of Directors has provided the new changes.

At the Election on Saturday, the membership voted YES on this matter. If you have any questions on how this will operate, reach out to your Club President for more information. A new website for the Foundation will be built.

At 11 am the First Convention Session was called to order. PID Jack Epperson introduced our visiting ID Debra Weaverling. Deb was elected to serve a 2 year term in 2021. She is from Basehor, Kansas, where she has been a member of the Leavenworth Lions Club since first joining in 1998. Her service is defined by her desire to serve her community and "to give back and pay it forward." Her husband Ron, also a Lion, have 3 daughters and 8 grandchildren.

Nominating and seconding speeches were given for the DG and VDG candidates. 2DG Paul Silva, 1VDG Babs Cronin, and DG Adam Hopkins were all seconded and approved to be nominated. At the voting on Saturday morning, all 3 candidates were selected by the membership.

In the afternoon, training for Lions Quest was given by Lion Carol Confino. This is a great program, if your club is interested in what Quest can do for your community, be sure to contact her. The sponsoring club's service project for A Greater Hope, collected school supplies.

Dinner Friday evening was of Hawaiian theme, with the Parade of Club Banners followed by Presentation of Colors by USNSCC Van Voorhis Squadron. Entertainment provided by Na Hula Hali'a Aloha dancers. Special Presentations were given out by DG Kimo Harward. The Thieves auction went to Reno Cigar who pledged \$131,000. Lion Dahleen Kendler was presented with the PDG Excellence Award. See the photos below for more awards.

Saturday Morning began with opening of Delegate Voting from 8 to 11 am. The Cabinet Meeting Session began at 9 am. Global Action Team Reports were given. Some Highlights:

District LCIF Coordinator IPDG Rex Velasquez reported that as of April \$15,865 had been donated, \$9,277 short of the \$25,143 goal for 2022-2023.

GST South Coordinator Glo Watson reported that we are going strong, keep those reports coming. Increasing the reporting is good for the District.

GLT North Coordinator PDG Barbie Hertz reported. Starting June 7 Officer training will be held online each Saturday night via online apps.

GMT North Coordinator Dahleen Kendler reported:

"When I gave my first GMT report in August of 2020 our District membership was 964. Today we are at 1,044. Over the last three years we are up 80 new members. Our goal for next year is to reach 1250+ for membership. If we could get at least 20 clubs to add a Club Branch, that would add 100 new members or more. Remember, it is every member's responsibility to bring in new members and the membership chair to set up new members' events.

Over the last 3 years we dropped/transferred a total of 476 members and added 315 new members. Please make sure you are conducting exit interviews. Why are they leaving? What changes could your club make to retain the membership. Since Covid in 2020, our clubs have had to go through a lot of changes to keep their membership. How many members do you have attending each meeting and what do you do with those members? It doesn't matter how many meetings you hold a month whether it be weekly, twice a month or once a month. I would rather they show up to a service project than a meeting. BUT you need to start planning more service projects and events, start attracting new members so you have more help. If we aren't out there, we will always be the best kept secret.

With the new Lions Portal program starting soon, all club members must have an individual email address, no shared emails can be used, plus they should have their birthdates updated. The Lion Portal will only accept email addresses to sign on. So, if you us a phone number, you will need to change it before they upload the Lion Portal. You can go into MYLCI under reports and run "Member Information Update Report" print it out and have your members update their information.

Looking at the most current Club Health Assessment, we have a lot of clubs in the Red...Why aren't the monthly reports getting reported? Why aren't service hours being added? Why do we have 4 clubs still owing Dues from January or longer to LCI? With the new year quickly approaching, I challenge all of you to get on MYLCI and go onto the learning center and no matter how long you have been a Lion, take time to review your training. Trained leaders and members make for stronger clubs

In closing I would like to share a quote from Benjamin Franklin "Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning."

Thank you for allowing me to be your GMT for these past three years. Let's continue the growth together."

West Charleston Lions made a donation of \$2,000 to Camp Dat-So-La-Le.

Camp Lots-A-Fun has a new location in Alamo, NV to start accepting campers in 2024.

The Student Speaker Foundation had raised \$11,000 this year at the time of Convention. Please keep the Foundation in mind as you raise funds in 2023-2024. The Final Contest was held Saturday afternoon, with 4 great students from around Nevada giving wonderful talks on "How can America find unity in polariizing times." The winner was Robert McInney (I hope the spelling is correct;-)) representing Spring Creek Ruby Mountains Lions. Robert is a senior, planning to attend Oregon State University. Congratulations! But all the speakers are winners and we wish them well in their future endeavors.

This is a great program that needs your support to continue.



























DGE Adam Hopkins presented with the Melvin Jones Fellowship. I to r PDG Barry Temple, DGE, Rachel Hopkins, CS 2023-2024 Judi Temple







Lion Judi Temple 2022-2023 Lion of the Year





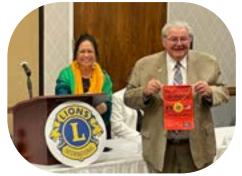






Lion Dahleen Kendler presented with the PDG Excellence Award











FOR MORE PICTURES, GO TO THE DISTRICT 46 FACEBOOK PAGE. **CLICK ON THE LINK HERE!**

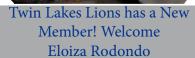




Summerlin Lions Club Donates \$4,000 to the D46 Student Speaker Foundation





























from 2022-2023 District Governor Kimo Harward:

I am so honored to have been a part of this spectacular year. As a single district we have accomplished membership numbers that are extraordinary. With four additional clubs in California communities now joining us, we will soon provide humanitarian service on an even larger scale. This milestone was made possible with your efforts and commitment.

Thank everyone of you for sharing the stories of how Lions make a difference.

Thank every one of you for having the character to live life knowing; we don't "have" to share our time and money, we "get" too.

Aloha pumehana (with affection).



District 46 Nevada/California

"Service with Purpose"

Fellow Lions, we are traveling headlong into what promises to be a great year for District 46. I want to first thank DG Kimo and the entire Cabinet for your tireless work, we have some big shoes to fill.

Let me start by sharing that in our Global Action Team (GAT) Area 1-H, which includes a total of 9 Districts, we are setting the example for growth with 65 new Lions for a growth of 7%. This is fantastic news, but not surprising as our members are always on the lookout for new Lions and opportunities to start new clubs. KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!

Membership growth, while very important, cannot and is not our only focus. We are also rebuilding programs which have become stagnant in the past and revitalizing clubs that have needed a "shot in the arm" for some time. Keep an eye on the Quest program, Childhood Cancer program and clubs like Battle Mountain. I predict you will see great things from them.

As District Governor, I am committed to helping each member find, not only a place to belong in Lions, but to find a greater purpose in their service. When we concentrate on our members by helping them find their specific path, providing training on a variety of topics and embracing their ideas, we not only make Lions a much more attractive organization to join, but we are giving people a reason to stay. I am asking that every D 46 Lion, join me in this mission!

This year's Cabinet, voted to accept four (4) new clubs from California District L-1, which is being done away with as part of a redistricting of Lions Clubs in California. Please welcome the members of Bishop Lions, Mammoth Lakes Lions, Independence Lions and Lone Pine Lions. The move will most likely be official in August of this year but could be as early as July. This is a prime opportunity to show these clubs what it is to be part of our D 46 Lions family.

Our "New Officer" trainings every Saturday night in June, are going well. We have one more session in June but may extend this training if needed. Keep your eyes and ears open for monthly, on-line training opportunities coming your way as well as training at all District meetings. Every class offered this year are topics that were suggested by the Lions of our District. Please take advantage of these classes and encourage your fellow club members and prospective members to do the same.

Our first District meeting (Cabinet meeting) will be in Winnemucca NV August 25-27, 2023. You will see some obvious changes and new opportunities. I hope to see you all there!

We will be heading for the LCICON in Boston in a couple of weeks. Upon my return, I will be making it to EVERY club in our District over the next few months. If your club has not been contacted to confirm meeting dates, they soon will be.

Thank you for being District 46 Lions! You will be served this year as never before!

See you all very soon!

DGE Adam Hopkins

A Note on Service... what Lions Do!

As Lions We Serve. Many clubs do a lot of activities but forget to report. Remember, service does not end until you report it! As Lions the bottom line calculation we do - how many lives were impacted through your volunteer hours.

from facebook...thanks to PDG Excellence Award receipient Lion Dahleen Kendler



Service

Does not end, until you report it.

How many volunteers?

How many hours?

How many Lives were IMPACTED?



News and Notes From around the District

To see YOUR upcoming events or service projects here, email the editor at mtnlioneditor@gmail.com

Carson City Host

It was a beautiful sunshine-filled day for the Annual Kids' Fishing Day on Saturday, April 22nd. About 100 kids and their families came out for a great day of fishing at Baily Pond in Fuji Park, Carson City, Nevada. Thanks to our sponsors, Carson Valley Chukar Club, Nevada Big Horns Unlimited, Dutch Brothers, Scheels; and volunteers from the Carson City Host Lions Club, Nevada Department of Wildlife, the Boy Scouts, and many others for making a wonderful experience for these kids!





























Summerlin Lions

invite all Region 3 and 4 Lions to join them the 3rd Saturday of each month for Eyeglass cleaning.



Southern Eye Glass cleaning at New Vista Ranch, 7875 N Rainbow Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89131 from 9am -1030.

All are welcome.

3rd Saturday of the month

<u>2023</u>

May 20, 2023

June 17, 2023

August 19, 2023

September 16, 2023

October 21, 2023

December 16, 2023

2024

January 20, 2024

February 17, 2024

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May 18, 2024

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August 13, 2024

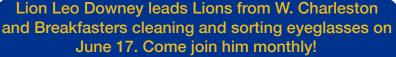
September 13, 2024

October 19, 2024

November 16, 2024

December 21, 2024

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If you any questions, please feel free to contact me on my cell phone 702-321-3186 or Cathy's 702-321-3186.

Lion Leo Downey Las Vegas Summerlin Lions





Boulder City Lions

***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ***

Our Annual Fundraiser is coming up this 4th of July weekend (June 30-July 4) and we are looking for Volunteers to help man the Fireworks booth.

Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age.

Send us a message with your name and phone number to coordinate further or visit us for our Monthly events listed on our Facebook Events page.

Look forward to meeting you and working with you!



FORE! There is a Golf Tournament headed right for you this fall!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 11, 2023 for an 8am shotgun start at Boulder City Municipal Golf Tournament benefiting the LIONS Club of Boulder City.

GOLF TOURNAMENTS LIKE THIS HELP THE LIONS CLUB OF BOULDER CITY TO CONTINUE OUR ANNUAL PHILANTHROPIC EFFORTS.



Fernley-Wadsworth Lions

Being thanked by the Lyon County Fire Chief Jason Nicoll for partnering with the fire department on a "Pancake breakfast +) event! Event was held on May 20th. They may even join the club!!! 100% of proceeds go back into our community!









LV Breakfasters, LV Black Mountain and LV Summerlin Lions packed 1,200 bags of food for children at need in Las Vegas in support of the

Serving Our Kids Foundation.









Las Vegas Black Mountain

Tuesday, May 13, our club had its installation dinner at Frankie's Pizza. The food, fellowship, and festivities was great in spite of The Golden Knights game coinciding with our event. Their winning of the Stanley Cup did not go unnoticed by any !!!

Lionism is many things, but the underlying commonality is serving while building friendship. We do it well!

A special thanks to our own Lion Steven Howard, who owns and operates Frankie's. He always is stepping up to help others by donating and participating in many projects in our community.

We also want to especially thank Lion Yvonne Napua Giordano from the Aloha Lions for installing our new slate of board members and officers and explaining our duties in a fun and inspiring way.

We are looking forward to a great year ahead.



Dayton Valley Lions

The Dayton Valley Lions Club provided ice cream floats and face painting during the Cancer Survivors event at the Carson City Cancer center. We served 170 floats and painted 20 kids.









Lion Monica polishing off he last of the ice cream.

Las Vegas Diabetes Wellness

The "Little Club that Could" is moving right along and we are ending

the 2022-23 year strong!

The club members have been very busy in the community conducting foot screenings at various health fairs and community events. The club is very excited about the recent partnerships that have been established with Molina Health Care and the Jesus Health Ministry. Club members volunteer monthly for both organizations at locations throughout the valley to bring awareness about the importance of foot screenings and diabetes awareness.

On Sunday, June 11th, Lion Donna Cutler hosted a BBQ at her home to celebrate the installation of the new officers. PDG Lion Marcia Newyear graciously installed our officers.

Congratulations to the newly installed officers and directors for the 2023-2024 Year

President: Lion Lisa Radin

Vice President/Secretary: Tasha Thatcher Assistant Secretary: Lion Paige Cudini

Treasurer: Lion Donna Cutler

Membership Director: Lion Jim Hayek

Lion Tamer: Lion Tim Torgesen

Tail Twister: PDG/PCC Lion Sharon Brooks

Sunshine: Lion Rhea Green

The club is proud to announce that Lion Tasha

Thatcher will be serving as one of

the Directors for the District 46 Foundation and the D46 Student Speakers Chair.

PDG/PCC Lion Sharon Brooks will serve as the Diabetes Chair for SouthernNevada.

In addition to foot screenings and participating in other community service

projects this summer, the club is actively preparing for its Annual Poker Run on

Sunday, October 15th!

Please save the date! This is going to be epic!















Las Vegas E-Lions

E-Lions working hard this morning handing out packed lunches downtown! We were able to hand out over 150 lunches and water bottles to those in need and are hoping to be out every month for the rest of the year!!















Elko Lions Glub

Congratulations Ethan Rockwell and Olivia. Ethan took home \$1,000 in prize money and a new Treager Grill winning the Elko Lions Club 2023 Fishing Classic. Three year old Olivia won the Memorial Day youth category with her 2.5 lb rainbow trout.

Special thanks to the local businesses who stepped up and made this possible.

Over the last few years the Elko Lions Club have been able to distribute close to \$30,000 to local youth organizations through the fishing tournament proceeds. Thank you Elko County residents for comming out and supporting our youth.

From Lion Brent Stokes via Facebook







Reno Cigar Lions

The winner of the Reno Cigar Lions computer raffle was none other than Lion Ken Petri.
Congratulations Lion Ken!
Happy computing!



Yerington Lions Club

A successful 67th year for the Nut Feed put on by the Yerington Lions Club. Great food, music,fun raffles, amazing Auction (raised a lot). The end of night entertainment was so good. So good we were asked not to post pictures so you can come next year to see the show!!























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Upcoming Events

Summer District Cabinet/Members Meeting August 25-26 Winnemucca

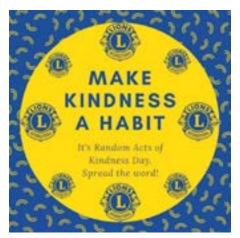
2023 District 46 Women's Retreat Sept 8-10 Las Vegas, NV

> USA/Canada Forum September 21-23 Reno, NV

June 30 Truckee Host Benefit Concert July 4th Austin Lions Free BBQ

JULY 7-11 LCI ANNUAL CONVENTION - BOSTON, MA

August 12 Relay for Life Walk of Northern Nevada September 1 Reno Host "Fight for Sight" Golf Tournament September 28 Las Vegas Breakfasters Annual Mini-Golf Fundraiser October 14th Ely Lions "Punkin' Chunkin' Goes Medieval!" October 15 Las Vegas Diabetes Wellness Lions Poker Run November 11 Boulder City Lions Golf Tournament



Truckee Lions Will Host June 30th Benefit Concert

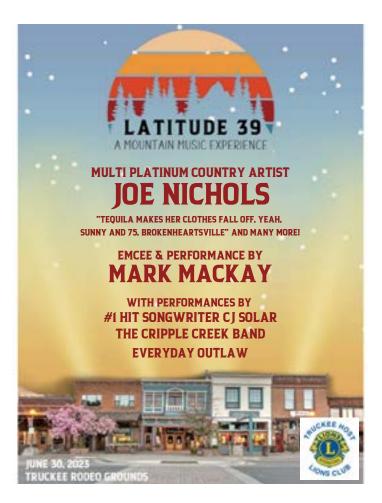
The Truckee Host Lions Club is pleased to announce the creation of Latitude 39, A Mountain Music Experience, which will host a benefit concert featuring country music singers Joe Nichols and Mark Mackay on Friday, June 30th, at the Truckee Rodeo Grounds, 10695 Brockway Rd. All proceeds will benefit the Truckee Host Lions Club.

This special fundraiser will help Truckee Lions continue to provide essential health services, including a free September community health fair, to those in need in the Truckee community.

The Truckee Host Lions Club was inspired to create Latitude 39 by the tradition of community. We are grateful to be part of an area where neighbors care about the well-being of their town and the people who live in it.

For more information or to buy tickets, please click on https://www.latitude39truckee.org.

Truckee Lions have helped others in their community for 91 years. Besides providing free vision and health-related services, the club supports youth groups, including Truckee Little League, high school band, drama, and athletics. The club also collects and recycles glasses so they can be distributed globally through Lions International.





2023 D46 Women's Retreat

"Women Working Together"

<u>9/8/2023</u> – Friday 6:00 pm – Dinner/Activity
Sam's Town Food Court 5111 Boulder Hwy, LV NV 89122
<u>9/9/2023</u> – Saturday 9:00 am – Snacks / Lunch (included) / Dinner TBD
<u>9/10/2023</u> – Sunday 10:00 am – Breakfast optional / TBD

Cost

\$20.00 includes lunch

GOAL: Work together!

Part of the event is to find a Lion to stay with and come to the event together.

Suggested Accommodations

- 1. Find a Lion in the Las Vegas area to stay with and join them for the Retreat.
 - a. If you need suggestions where to stay, contact: Lion Judi Temple 702-683-8423, or Lion Kristen Velasquez 716-903-3438.
- 2. If you absolutely <u>CANNOT</u> stay with another Lion, you have options.
 - a. Make your own arrangements to stay with family/friends.
 - b. Pay to stay at a hotel of your choice.
 - i. Hotels in Las Vegas, NV nearest to the event:
 - 1. Boulder Station
 - 2. Arizona Charlies on Boulder Highway
 - 3. Sam's Town

RSVP Required by August 31, 2023:

EMAIL: Judi Temple @ 46FL1718@gmail.com

□ Ham □ Turkey □ Vegetarian

From 1st VDE Babs Cronin: USACanadaLions.org to fill out your registration form and to fill out the volunteer form. Send those in ASAP so you don't miss out in one of Lions' best leadership seminar!

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!!!



Volunteer Sign-Up 2023 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum September 21-23, 2023 Reno, Nevada, USA



The Host Committee needs 350-400 volunteers. Help us make this the best Forum ever!

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PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO: VolunteerForum2023@gmail.com

^{*} Must be registered for the Forum: lionsforum.org

47th ANNUAL USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

Reno, Nevada

Thursday, September 21, 2023 - Saturday, September 23, 2023

The Forum begins on Thursday morning and ends after the closing banquet on Saturday evening.

Please book your hotel stay accordingly.

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LV Summerlin Lions

Invites you to come celebrate our Quarter of a Century in Lions

EBRATING Entertainment! Memories 201158

Great Food!

August 12, 2023 6P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

Summit Room

Guest Speaker 2215 Thomas Ryan Blvd. Sun City Summerlin, NV

\$65 per person (tables of 4-6) \$70 per person after July 13th Ticket includes one beer, wine or soft drink.

Send checks to: Summerlin Lions, P.O. Box 371234, Las Vegas, NV 89137 Electronically: Zelle payments to Lion Joe Quan, 323-270-9070 Questions?- Call Marie 310-738-7981 **Region 1** Is joining the clubs together to form a team for the Relay For Life of Northern Nevada on August 12. You can help us by donating to our team, buying Luminaria bags from any of our team members or come up on August 12th and join us as we walk the track for 12 hours to help fight CANCER!

The first meeting was April 28th (attendees shown below). For more information about upcoming meetings, contact Lion Dahleen Kendler.

To donate sign on to: relayforlife.org/NorthernNV







Here is the upcoming float decorating schedule at Phoenix Decorating Company for the **New Year's Tournament of Roses Parade**. We need volunteer, club coordinator and District Coordinators to help with the decorating process.

Go to: lionsfloat.org/decorating

Check out the full sight at lionsfloat.org You can pay for a ride of a lifetime on the float plus purchase items to help support the float too.



2024 Rose Parade Volunteer Decoration Schedule DRY DECORATION

Saturday Dec. 2, 2023 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday Dec. 9, 2023 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday Dec. 16, 2023 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday Dec. 23, 2023 9:00 am to 5:00 pm *Lunch break is 12 pm = 12:30 pm*

FLORAL DECORATION

December 26, 2023 - Tuesday

Shift 1: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Shift 2: 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

December 27, 2023 - Wednesday

Shift 1: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Shift 2: 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm

December 28, 2023 - Thursday

Shift 1: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Shift 2: 4:00 pm to 11:00

December 29, 2023 - Friday

Shift 1: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Shift 2: 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm

December 30, 2023 - Saturday

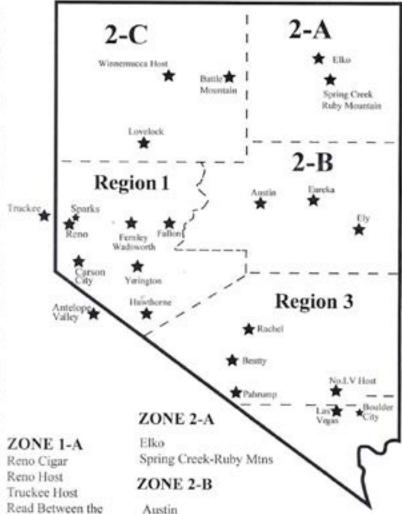
Shift 1: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Shift 2: 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm Graveyard 11 pm to Finish

December 31, 2023 - Sunday

Shift 1: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Shift 2: 4:00 pm to Completion Shift 3: 6:00 am to 10:00am

Dinner break is 6 pm to 6:30 pm

Map of District 46



Read Between the Lions Centennial

ZONE 1-B

Sparks Greenbrae Sparks Spanish Springs Reno Arch Reno Plumb Lane

ZONE 1-C

Antelope Valley Carson City Host Carson Valley Dayton Valley

ZONE 1-D

Fernley Wadsworth Fallon Yerington Hawthorne

ZONE 2-C

Eureka Ely

Battle Mountain Lovelock Winnemucca Host

ZONE 4-A

LV Breakfasters LV Host LV Professionals LV West Charleston

ZONE 4-B

Boulder City LV China Town LV Nevada Peacemakers

ZONE 3-A

Beatty LV Diabetes Wellness Pahrump Valley Rachel

ZONE 3-B

LV E-Club LV Twin Lakes LV Vietnamese-American North Las Vegas Host

ZONE 3-C

LV Aloha LV Black Mountain LV Summerlin

The Story of Lions Most know it, new members should learn it. A little refresher for us all.

Our Story



1917 The Beginning // Chicago business leader Melvin Jones asked a simple and world-changing question – what if people made a commitment to improving their communities? More than a century later, Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world, with more than 1.4 million members in 48,000 clubs acting on the same simple idea – when Lions come together for the good of humanity, there's nothing we can't achieve.

1920 Going International // Just three years after our founding, Lions became international when we established the first club in Canada. Mexico followed in 1927. In the 1950s and 1960s, international growth accelerated, with new clubs in Europe, Asia and Africa.

1925 Saving Sight // Helen Keller addressed the Lions Clubs International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, USA, and challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind." Since then, we have worked tirelessly to aid those who are blind or visually impaired.

1945 Uniting Nations // We were one of the first nongovernmental organizations invited to assist in the drafting of the United Nations Charter. We host an annual Lions Day with the United Nations to continue our partnership and identify global solutions to the challenges facing humanity.

1957 Organizing Youth Programs // We started the Leo program to provide the youth of the world with an opportunity to serve and lead with Lions. There are approximately 180,000 Leos and 7,200 Leo clubs in more than 140 countries worldwide.

1968 Establishing Our Foundation // Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) assists Lions with global and large-scale humanitarian projects. Through our global Foundation, Lions have received more than US\$1 billion in grants to help meet the needs of their local and global communities.

1990 Launching SightFirst // Through the support of LCIF, Lions are restoring sight and preventing blindness on a global scale with the SightFirst program. Launched in 1990, Lions have raised more than US\$351 million for this initiative that targets the major causes of blindness.

2017 Celebrating Our Centennial // Lions celebrate a century of service by serving more than 250 million people around the world through a special Centennial Service Challenge.

2018 Rallying Around Global Causes // Lions unite to support the global causes of vision, hunger, the environment, childhood cancer and our new global focus, diabetes. LCIF launches *Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service* to raise US\$300 million to increase the service impact of Lions around the world.

2020 Responding to COVID-19 // Lions found innovative ways to safely serve their communities during this global health crisis. Our global Foundation, LCIF, donated millions of dollars in emergency grant funds, providing critical supplies and equipment to hospitals, medical clinics and emergency management systems, including front-line health care workers and first responders.

