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Dear Lions, Leos and Friends,

It is official--I am now the District Governor for District 4-L4! What an honor and privilege that is for me. The District Governor Elect Seminar was fantastic and even though California is ahead of most states in leadership training, I did learn some things that I will use during my year. The Leader/Mentor and fellow Lions in my group were fantastic and it was an experience that I will never forget. And then there was the Convention--my oh my what a Convention it was! There were so many highlights but the three that stand out in my mind are: Former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell's dynamic keynote address, the International Show featuring one of the defining sounds of a generation--the Beach Boys (remember "Good Vibrations"?)--boy, did Region Chair Carol Van Holt and I have fun--we just couldn't sit still so got up and danced), and the moment when Immediate Past District Governor Elizabeth pulled off my green ribbon and I became District 4-L4's District Governor and all the flashbulbs going off (thanks Lions Carol and Sergio). You will hear more about Convention, International President Eberhard J. Wirfs, his theme "Move to Grow", the Ginkgo Tree and his programs and focus for this year, three of them being **Lions in Sight, We Need You** (his spouse/partner initiative), the **Global Youth Music Competition** which he will be launching, and his **Awards Programs** to be given to other members of our district leadership team. My special thanks to hubby George, First Vice District Governor Norm MacKenzie and Jo, Immediate Past District Governor Elizabeth Warren, Region Chair Carol Van Holt and Keith, District Photographer Sergio Gonzalez and Lion Barbara Abramovitz for attending the Convention and making it even more special for me.

As you know, our membership numbers are down here in 4-L4 and so once again we must concentrate on making membership a priority. We must of course continue to obtain new members but we must also work on forming new clubs and branch clubs and retaining the members we have. This seems to be a global problem but I know we can change that here in our District. We not only have a wonderful MERLO Team, headed up by First Vice District Governor Norm MacKenzie, but a great Global Membership Team as well who are ready and willing to help our clubs and district move and grow. We will be having workshops throughout the year (the first one was held on July 26th at the first cabinet meeting led by MERLO Team Members Lion Dave Hubbard, Membership Chair and Past District Governor Lowell Sneathen, Retention Chair. MERLO Orientation Chair Past Council Chair Ed Bordenkircher has put together some great orientation materials for you and the MERLO Team Members are working on a one day workshop which will be held on Saturday, August 15 at the Garden Grove Club House (other team members are Lion Leonard Gleason, Extension Chair and Past District Governor Mike Scheafer, Leadership Chair). There will also be a 2-3 day workshop put on by our MERLO Team and the Global Membership Team so be sure to watch for upcoming details on that.

Besides all the seriousness I've listed above, we are going to be having lots of fun as well and you will be seeing a lot of "Lavender" this year--from "Pink" to "Lavender", oh well, what can I say! I am looking so forward to seeing all of you during my visitations to your clubs and meeting all of you new members. I know that all of you are going to join me as we "Light the Path for Service."

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August 4	Tuesday	12:15 pm	Ontario Host
August 4	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Fullerton Host
August 5	Wednesday	7:00 pm	Seal Beach Host
August 6	Thursday	12:10 pm	Pomona Host
August 6	Thursday	6:30 pm	Anaheim
August 7	Friday	11:00 am	UC Irvine
August 12	Wednesday	12:00 pm	Stanton
August 12	Wednesday	6:45 pm	Mission Viejo
August 13	Thursday	7:00 am	Costa Mesa/OC
August 13	Thursday	6:45 pm	Ontario/Upland
August 14	Friday	7:00 am	Pomona Breakfast
August 16	Sunday	4:00 pm	O.C. Costa Rica
August 17	Monday	7:00 am	Diamond Bar Breakfast
August 18	Tuesday	6:30 pm	Chinese Amer of O.C.
August 19	Wednesday	12:00 pm	Laguna Niguel
August 19	Wednesday	7:00 pm	Orange Co. Central
August 20	Thursday	7:15 am	Fullerton Breakfast
August 20	Thursday	6:30 pm	Rancho Cuca. Comm.
August 25	Tuesday	12:00 pm	Buena Park Noon
August 26	Wednesday	6:00 pm	Cuca. District Host
August 27	Thursday	11:30 am	Santa Ana Host
August 27	Thursday	7:00 pm	Brea
September 1	Tuesday	6:45 pm	Costa Mesa/NH
September 2	Wednesday	12:00 pm	Garden Grove Host
September 2	Wednesday	7:00 pm	Orange Host
September 3	Thursday	7:30 am	Upland Host
September 3	Thursday	7:00 pm	Huntington Beach Host
September 8	Tuesday	7:00 pm	La Habra Host
September 9	Wednesday	12:00 pm	San Clemente Host
September 9	Wednesday		Foothill Region Meeting
September 10	Thursday	6:30 pm	Chino Valley
September 14	Monday		Saddleback Region Meeting
September 16	Wednesday	6:30 pm	Newport Beach Hawaiian
September 17	Thursday	6:30 pm	Walnut Diamond Bar
September 22	Tuesday		Orange Region Meeting
September 24-26			USA/Canada Forum
October 5	Monday	6:30 pm	Harbor Mesa
October 7	Wednesday	7:00 pm	O.C. Korean American
October 16-18	COG		Foster City CA
November 4	Wednesday		Westminster
November 17	Tuesday	12:15 pm	Tustin Host



## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor's Corner

**Norm MacKenzie**

The 92nd Lions Clubs International Convention held in Minneapolis, Minnesota July 6-10 was the first one that I fully registered for and attended all the activities. The previous convention I attended was the one in San Diego and since I lived close by, I didn't stay in one of the hotels. So I missed out on meeting many Lions from around the world. Being part of the 15,000 Lions from more than 100 countries was one of my most rewarding experiences in Lionism. I'm so looking forward to attending the 93<sup>rd</sup> International Convention in Sydney, Australia next year. I honestly feel that any Lion who has not attended an International Convention is missing out on an experience of a life-time that really makes you feel the joy of being a Lion.

Highlights of the convention included a spectacular Parade of Nations featuring more than 10,000 Lions, many in native dress, who marched along with floats and 25 marching bands. We had a concert by the legendary Beach Boys, which brought back some great memories, and the keynote speech by former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell that was awesome. It was great to witness the association honoring Australian youth activist Father Chris Riley for his work helping homeless and troubled youth.

I attended workshops that helped me sharpen my skills in helping this District grow and continue its journey to more greatness, learned about important issues facing communities around the world, elected international officers, voted on constitutional amendments and helped set the future direction for Lions Clubs International.

I'm looking forward to meeting with all of you during Governor Judy's visitations and informing you about the great Lions Float in the Rose Parade among other topics.

I want to remind everybody about the upcoming MERLO training on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at the Garden Grove Lions Club House. I encourage the Region and Zone Chairs to participate and urge all clubs to send a representative, preferably your Membership Director and/or President.

It's great to be a Lion!!!



REGION CHAIRMEN PETE BADAME, CAROL VAN HOLT AND KEN MYERS  
"SEE NO EVIL, HEAR NO EVIL, AND SPEAK NO EVIL" AT THE CABINET MEETING.

The Huntington Beach Host Lions Club's

# 17<sup>th</sup> Annual OKTOBERFEST

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2009  
7:00 p.m.

**at Old World Restaurant**  
in Huntington Beach  
(on Center Street behind Bella Terra Shopping center)

**\$12.00 per person**  
Choice of Bratwurst or Chicken Dinner  
Includes 1 beer, 1 wine, or 1 soda

**Bring your significant other,  
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Proudly presents the Sixth Annual

# Country Harvest

A Fund Raiser Celebration to benefit  
**The Gary Center**

**When: Saturday, October 24, 2009**  
**Where: Our Lady of Guadalupe-Coleman Hall**  
900 W. La Habra Blvd, La Habra, CA  
**Time: Hospitality starts at 6:00 PM - Dinner at 7:00 PM**  
**Cost: \$40 per person—Table of 8 for \$280**  
Includes choice of Beef Tri-Tip or BBQ Chicken, with Baked Beans, Corn-on-Cob, Garden Salad, and Dessert.

We promise you will enjoy our No-Host Bar, Fun, Great Food, Raffles, Silent Auction, and Live Auction with entertainment featuring "The Five-Star Band" and "Audio Drops".

For reservations or information, contact Event Chair Bill Kenney @ (562) 371-5225, or Associate Chair Mark Handler @ (562) 458-7999, or visit [www.lahabralions.com](http://www.lahabralions.com) or [www.garycenter.org](http://www.garycenter.org)

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Make Checks payable to "The La Habra Host Lions Club".  
Provide list of attendees and mail this list and check to Event Treasurer  
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## The Second Opinion 2nd Vice District Governor

**Ken Sherwood**

Too many people put off something that brings them joy just because they haven't thought about it, don't have it on their schedule, didn't know it was coming or are too rigid to depart from their routine.

I got to thinking one day about all those people on the Titanic who passed up dessert at dinner that fateful night in an effort to cut back. From then on I've tried to be a little more flexible. How many women out there will eat at home because their husband didn't suggest they go out to dinner until after something had been thawed? Does the word "refrigeration" mean nothing to you?

How often have your kids dropped in to talk and sat in silence while you watched "Jeopardy" on television?

I cannot count the times I called my sister and said, "How about going to lunch in half an hour?" She would gas up and stammer, 'I can't. I have clothes on the line. My hair is dirty. I wish I had known yesterday. I had a late breakfast. It looks like rain.' and my personal favorite: 'It's Monday.' She died a few years ago. We never did have lunch together.

Because Americans cram so much into their lives, we tend to schedule our headaches. We live on a sparse diet of promises we make to ourselves when all the conditions are perfect!

We'll go back and visit the grandparents when Steve is toilet trained. We'll entertain when we replace the living room carpet...We'll go on a second honeymoon when we get two more kids out of college.

Life has a way of accelerating when we get older. The days get shorter, and the list of promises to ourselves gets longer. One morning we awaken, and all we have to show for our lives is a litany of 'I'm going to,' 'I plan on,' and 'Someday, when things settle down a bit.'

When anyone calls my 'seize the moment' friend, he is open to adventure and available for trips. He keeps an open mind on new ideas. His enthusiasm for life is contagious. You talk with him for five minutes, and you're ready to trade your bad feet for a pair of roller blades and skip an elevator for a bungee cord...

My lips have rarely touched ice cream for ten years. I love ice cream. It's just that I might as well apply it directly to my stomach with a spatula and eliminate the digestive process. The other day, I stopped the car and bought a triple-Decker. If my car had hit an iceberg on the way home, I would have died happy.

Now...go on and have a nice day. Do something you WANT to...not something on your SHOULD DO list. If you were going to die soon and had only one phone call you could make, who would you call and what would you say? And why are you waiting?

### DISTRICT 4-L4 FOOTHILL REGION MEETING

### "LIGHTING THE PATH FOR OTHERS"



SEPTEMBER 9, 2009  
WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM

**LIONS PARK EAST**  
9191 Baseline Rd., Rancho Cucamonga

**Guest speaker - PDG Jon Casteel**  
**Fun - Taco Bar - Sodas - Prize**  
**\$15 per person**

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**Club:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number Attending:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS SEPTEMBER 1**

#### THE SECOND OPINION (CONTINUED).....

Have you ever watched kids playing on a merry go round or listened to the rain lapping on the ground? Ever follow a butterfly's erratic flight or gazed at the sun into the fading night? Do you run through each day on the fly? When you ask 'How are you?' Do you hear the reply?

When the day is done, do you lie in your bed with the next hundred chores running through your head? Ever told your child, 'We'll do it tomorrow.' And in your haste, not see his sorrow? Ever lost touch? Let a good friendship die? Just call to say 'Hi'?

When you worry and hurry through your day, it is like an unopened gift...thrown away...Life is not a race. Take it slower. Hear the music before the song is over."

Share the fun and adventure of Lionism with a friend before it's too late.

That's my opinion.  
2nd VDG Ken

## LIONS SUPPORT CHOC

Orange County Central Lions Club is supporting Children Hospital of Orange County (CHOC) California kids as they are coping with hospitalization with a special donation of \$800 in gift cards to Target and Michaels.

The Child Life Department help kids to effectively cope in the hospital setting and to encourage their continued development. They do this through a variety of programs. They offer activities such as music therapy, playrooms, special entertainment, Radio Lollipop and art therapy. Additionally, they have Child Life Specialists who are available to help the children become more familiar with the hospital setting through medical play, preparation for procedures and surgeries, and normalization of the hospital environment. Child Life Specialists also assist children through procedures by providing support and distraction.



Annie Esquerra, Child Life Specialist of CHOC Hospital indicated that the lion's donation will help them do their job in so many ways. Their 3 playrooms are stocked with toys, board games, crafts, and video game systems which they are able to provide because of such donations. The playrooms are open every day for children to come and just be normal kids. It is a safe zone where kids can interact and have fun and where no invasive procedures or exams are allowed.

Also, they give children prizes to encourage positive coping or to reward them for their hard work. Often times simple activities such as getting up and walking or taking medication is difficult for the hospitalized child. They use prizes as incentives to meet these treatment goals. For example, if a child is having difficulty taking his medication they provide a sticker chart. When the child fills up the sticker chart for taking their medicine (for instance after taking their medication 3 times when asked) he or she gets a prize.

Jack Perich, President of the Orange County Central Lions Club indicated that part of his wish as president, was to help the CHOC Children. The Lions donation of gift cards can be used by the CHOC Staff to purchase the toys and games enjoyed by the families and patients that spend time at CHOC Children's.

This year's topic is very appropriate based on all of the discussions regarding our Health Care and where the government is going with it.

### TOPIC IS: "UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE - HOW WILL IT AFFECT US?"

The process will be as follows:



1. MD4 will be sending out postcards to the Presidents of each club on September 1, 2009.
2. You must return the postcard by October 1, 2009.
3. On October 1, 2009 and continuing until the end of the October, Student Speakers packets will be mailed to the individual listed on the postcard

If you do not receive a postcard by September 1, 2009, you can contact the MD4 Office at 800-546-6634

Let's have a great contest this year.

Marianne Allen, Chair  
District 4-L4 Student Speakers

Support Your District Governor

 **Fundraiser**   
**Sock Hop**  
**Celebration**

Sponsored by the Past District Governors of District 4-L4

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**\$35.00 per Person**

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For planning purposes, we ask that you respond ASAP.



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

**PDG CHUCK OVERBEY**

My wonderful friends, I was delighted with my warm reception at the recent Cabinet Meeting. I apologize for missing my article in the last two issues of the Forum. I'm sad to say we have lost several terrific Lions and I have quite a lot to report.

Bill Winstead was a kind man with a great sense of humor. He was born in March of 1916 and passed on in June of 2009 at the age of 93. He became a Garden Grove Lion in 1977 and served as President in 1990-1991. He was awarded Club Lion of the Year in 1993-1994. Bill traveled to the Garden Grove Host Lions Club meetings from Fallbrook every Wednesday. He worked in Real Estate, but prior to that spent 30 years in the US Navy, serving in World War II and the Korean War. He loved golf and helped design the Navy Golf Course in Los Alamitos. He was a highly respected individual and a great Lion.

Bruce Roth was a long time member of the Costa Mesa-Orange Coast Lions Club. He suffered from Diabetes and lost a leg last year. I can't seem to get a lot of information about Lion Bruce, but I'm sure he was a wonderful man and a dedicated Lion. May he rest in peace.

John Selters, long time member of the Pomona Host Lions Club, passed away on Friday Night, May 1, 2009, from natural causes. Johnny was born in Big Timber, Montana, on September 14, 1914. He would have been 96 in September. He was a key member in his club and was recently honored with a Melvin Jones fellowship. For many years he operated a local law firm where his son, Ben Selters, also a member of the Pomona Host Lions Club, continues the tradition of service.

Luther Mitchell was a past president and Life Member of the Buena Park Noon Lions Club. He was raised in Fullerton, and was a graduate of Fullerton College, and the University of Southern California. During his youth, baseball games were squeezed in between hard work, highlighted by games with professional players back in the day when they traveled from town to town playing local teams. Luther and his brother both earned baseball scholarships to USC. During the late 40's and 50's he worked as a dental technician for Dr. Montgomery, known as "the dentist of the stars". Luther had a unique ability to match color shades perfectly, a skill bigger than life for movie stars. In the late 1950's he opened his own dental business in Buena Park. He later served as President of the Southern California Dental Laboratory Association. Luther was generous with his time in professional, and community

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**HARBOR MESA LIONS  
WILD WEST CASINO  
NIGHT**

**Friday, November 6, 2009**

**Information: call 714-898-1897**

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER (continued).....

organizations. He was a life member and past President of the Buena Park Noon Lion's Club, a member of the Masonic Lodge and Al Maliakah Booster's Club. Lion Luther served as Deputy District Governor in 1977-1978. He was awarded one of Lions highest awards, the Melvin Jones Fellowship. On May 7, 2009 he went home to Heaven after a lengthy and valiant fight. He was greatly loved and will be missed.

Dr. Roger Ellison was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on July 31, 1924. He put himself through medical school and received his MD from Indiana University in 1948. In addition to being a great doctor, he was a great community spirit involved in many local charities, churches, and projects. One of these was the Pomona Host Lions Club which he joined in January of 1955. He passed away peacefully on May 18, 2009.

Gene Adloff and his wife, Louise, have been devoted members of the Buena Park Noon Lions Club for many years. Lion Gene was born August 20, 1916 in Gonzales Texas. He went through high school there and graduated from the University of Texas with a degree in chemical engineering. He Joined the BP Noon Lions in 1971 and served as club treasurer for 30 years. He passed away on June 9, 2009 after a valiant battle with Cancer. He was a dedicated Lion for 42 years and a wonderful man. He is greatly missed.



## FABULOUS FOOTHILL

### Region Chairman Ken Myers

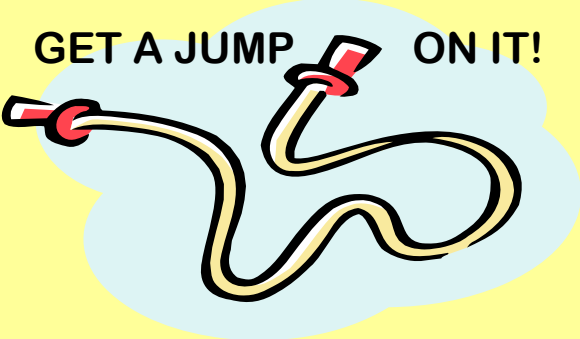
**Lighting the way for service**, Rancho Cucamonga District Host Club under the direction of Lion Bill Davis held the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Blind Buddies Golf Challenge. The blind and vision-impaired participants were taught the basic fundamentals of chipping and putting and hitting the balls on the driving range. Joe Groham a PGA professional gulf pro from the Navy Golf Course in Cypress, along with fellow Lions from Rancho Cucamonga Community and Upland Host made this event very successful.

Lighting the way for service in the Foothill Region is Zone "A" Chair Sheila Casteel. After learning about the Lions involvement in the Tournament of Roses Parade, Sheila was inspired to become active with the Lions Float project. She now serves as a Director for Lions Float, Inc. Because of her work on this project, International President Al Brandel presented her with the International Leadership Award during his visit to Pasadena for the 2009 Rose Parade.

While in Thailand for the 2008 International Convention, Sheila and PDG Jon visited the Pattaya Orphanage. The infants and children were all waiting for love and attention Sheila said. After holding and receiving hugs from the children, Sheila and PDG Jon wanted to take them all home. They now are devoted to this Lion project.

We look forward to hear more about the Rose Float inc., and the Pattaya Orphanage in Thailand in the future.

Lighting the way for service in the Foothill Region.



**GET A JUMP ON IT!**

**2010 Student Speaker topic:  
"Universal Healthcare –  
How will it affect us?"**

*Line your speakers up early and give them a head start to a winning performance*



## Hearing & Speech Action News

### "HEAR US ROAR"

We now have the first District Approved Project of the 2009-2010 Lions Year! At the July 26 District 4-L4 Cabinet meeting a remarkable new project was described by guest speakers Doug Lopez and his brother, members of Whittier Host Lions Club. They have aptly named their project "Hear Us Roar" to label Lions involvement in the huge task of diagnosis and treatment of hearing loss in newborns and children in the formative pre-school years and beyond.

The need for our help is evident by the statistics that show 12,000 infants in the United States are born with a hearing impairment. Of these, 4,000 are profoundly deaf. In fact, hearing loss is the number one birth defect in the United States. Most States have mandated Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) programs, but most are unfunded and Federal funding has been decreasing every year.

While currently 95% of newborns are screened for hearing loss, that screening has not yet been successfully linked to systems of precise diagnosis, early intervention, medical care and family support. A major problem is the need for education of both caregivers and family members and financial support to assure that appropriate services are rendered.

The plan by which Lions can assist in this situation was presented in a thorough manner by the Lopez brothers and their reception by Lions in attendance was immediate and enthusiastic. A motion was quickly passed to establish a District Approved Project. Further details on how you can participate are forthcoming.

Meanwhile, take a look at [www.communicatewithyourchild.org](http://www.communicatewithyourchild.org).

Keith Campbell, Chairman  
4-L4 Hearing & Speech Action  
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[kcampbell5@socal.rr.com](mailto:kcampbell5@socal.rr.com)

**Gold 4 G.A.P. Foodbank**


Bring your old rarely used Gold Jewelry and Sterling Silver to be purchased by Grand Jewelers. You will receive cash (in the form of a check).

**Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

Antonino's Ristorante from 5:00 pm until 8:30 pm

Bring a can of food to donate to the Foodbank

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## ORANGE REGION REPORT

**REGION  
CHAIRMAN  
PETE BADAME**

### *“Wendilts and Tibidows”*

With our new year just getting under way, and not much input yet from the individual clubs about any of their successes thus far, I thought I would do a different kind of column this month. This is something that has been on my mind for a long time and I just needed a forum to express it. So, I thought, what better forum than the 4-L Forum? With your indulgence, here goes:

Most people are familiar with the word “Nimby”, which is an acronym for “not in my back yard”. The word, as you know, reflects an attitude shared by many people. It simply means that although they recognize the need for something, a new jail or a power plant for example, they will not support such a project if it means having it located in their area. “Nimby” has come to be an accepted term due to its usage and familiarity. With this in mind, I have come up with a new term, “Wendilt”, which I feel represents an attitude shared by many Lions, often by the “monarchs”, who have been involved in Lionism for many years. “Wendilt” is an acronym for “we’ve never done it like that”. It is closely associated with another new word, “Tibidow”, which means, “tried it before... It doesn’t work”. Simply said, these two “words” can become cub-killers.

Imagine this scenario: A new member, maybe even YOUR cub, after hearing an open invitation, decides to attend a club board meeting. At the proper time, he proposes a new fund raiser and states that he is willing to chair the event. Someone then drops a “Wendilt” or a “Tibidow”, the cub’s idea is ignored and his bubble is burst. Sadly, it is just this kind of attitude that can sour a new member against becoming involved in the club and, worse yet, can lead to his resignation. The bitterest pill of all to swallow is that this individual may have gone on to become a club leader, but the club will never know because he was not given the opportunity to fail.... or to succeed.

Try to think about this scenario when hearing ideas for new projects and fundraising events. Perhaps you may try using another acronym, “Lagias”, or “Let’s all give it a shot!” Remember, even your club’s biggest and best fundraising event was once someone’s idea!

**53rd Annual  
October 16,17,18 2009**



**Friday - 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  
Saturday – 10:00 a.m. – Midnight  
Sunday – 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

**Howdy varmints! Silverado Sam here. Silverado Days are on their way. I'd like you to join me as we celebrate 53 years of good times in this, the center of the southland. We're celebrating with games, crafts, contests, rides, food and fun for the whole family.**

**You can even enter to win great prizes!**

**Good times start at 4:00 pm October 16  
William Peak Park.  
Don't miss it!**

**2009 FORD TRUCK  
OPPORTUNITY DRAWING**

### **Did you know?**

- Silverado Days draws about 150,000 people over a 3-day period to Peak Park in Buena Park
- The festival is sponsored by the Buena Park Noon Lions Club, and this shindig raises thousands of dollars for local charities every year
- Local businesses can join the booster club to help offset festival costs and ensure more money for local charities
- Last year there were 16 food booths, 20 game booths, 90 arts and crafts booth and 30 carnival rides to share with your family and friends
- The carnival is open Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to midnight and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Featured contests include World Amateur Arm Wrestling Championship, Custom Car Show, a pie-eating contest, hog calling, baby contest (on Saturday), dog show, pig races, chili cookoff and much more!!

**General Chairman Michael Davis  
michael@teamdavis.com**





# SUPER SADDLEBACK REGION REPORT

## REGION CHAIRMAN CAROL VAN HOLT

I have always been proud of being a Lion, but never so proud as I am now, after experiencing the International Convention in Minneapolis. From the awesome parade, the Beach Boys, Colin Powell, to the personal testimonials of those the Lions have helped, what a week it was! There were Lions everywhere in town; in fact we heard that ten to fifteen thousand Lions converged upon the city that week. That's more than double my home town population! We bid adieu to the International President Al Brandel and willkommen to the new President, Eberhard Wirfs. He is from Germany and loves music, my kind of guy! He entertained us at the piano with a version of "Wooden Heart." I have a feeling you will be hearing that song more than once this year! Minneapolis was most accommodating and a terrific host. It is a beautiful city with sidewalk cafes, urban parks, tons of shopping (Mall of America is close by,) Mississippi River cruises, and home of the Minnesota Twins.

Congratulations to Huntington Beach Host Lions: Doris North, "Lion of the Year" 08-09; Leonard Gleason and Dick Sklar, the Melvin Jones Fellowships. Their club has set dates for two of their big events, Oktoberfest will be October 15, at Old World German Restaurant and the Laughlin trip is scheduled for October 23-25. Their Leo's Club Committee had the first meeting in July and the goal is to launch a new Leo's club in August before the start of school. Their President this year is Lion Leonard Gleason.

The Costa Mesa Newport Harbor Lions were pleased with their biggest fund raiser, the Fish Fry. The numbers were down, but it was worth the effort. They are planning an event at the train station in Fairview Park and will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. They are also working to bring membership up this year. Their new President is Lion Raul Jara.

Congratulations to San Clemente Host Lion, Harold Oertle, the club's "Lion of the Year." They got an early start on raising funds this year with their Glow Necklace sales for the Fourth. They made a profit and enjoyed the festivities on the pier. On August 9, they will be selling pizza at the Street Fiesta. This is an annual event that is oodles of fun with many non-profit and arts & crafts booths. I am putting this on my calendar for sure! Their new President is Lion Anthony Duynstee.

Mission Viejo Lions are working on membership and have a new member in the wings. Their July fundraiser was a great kick off to this year's activities. They are developing a website, [www.mvlionsclub.org](http://www.mvlionsclub.org) and have an e-mail address, [mvlions@gmail.com](mailto:mvlions@gmail.com). They are aiming to have new projects and fundraisers this year. The President is PDG Lion Danny Mayer.

UCI Lions had a successful casino night with over 50 attending and raising funds to support the Lions Hearing Clinic and

### DISTRICT 4-L4 SADDLEBACK REGION MEETING



### "IN THE SPOTLIGHT"

Is your Lions Club  
in the spotlight?

SEPTEMBER 14, 2009  
MONDAY 6:30 pm

### DAVID L. BAKER GOLF COURSE

10410 Edinger Avenue, Fountain Valley

Your club can win a prize by having  
The best attendance percentage!

LASAGNA DINNER, DRINKS INCLUDED  
**\$16 per person**

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Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730-3413

For more info: Carol Van Holt  
714-962-0265 or [cavanholt@socal.rr.com](mailto:cavanholt@socal.rr.com)

Club: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS SEPTEMBER 6**

### SADDLEBACK REGION REPORT (Continued).....

Research Center, hearing aids for those who cannot afford them and a range of other Lions projects. Their new President, Payton Lin, and Secretary, Janice Chang are UCI graduate students and have enthusiasm and innovative new ideas for the club.

The Costa Mesa Orange Coast Breakfast Club has installed two new members, congratulations and welcome! They are working at the Second Harvest Food Bank each month and several members are sponsoring "Neighbors Night Out" on August 4th. Members will be featured as well as speakers and their meetings this coming year. Their president is a repeat this year, Lion Judy Wines.

Harbor Mesa Lions are busy filling school boxes in August and will distribute them the first week of school. Their Spaghetti Splash is scheduled for September 12. The wheels are in motion for their biggest fund raiser, "Wild West Casino Night" on November 6. They have already started the visitation program with several clubs, hoping to achieve that District award again. Their new President is Lion Sue Seager.

I have challenged the clubs of Saddleback Region to "Light the Path for Service," which is Governor Judy's motto, and to shine the brightest. One of the goals to reach for this year is to start new clubs. Lets all work on that and if anyone has any suggestions or ideas of where a club could be established, please let me or your Zone Chair know. See you all at the Saddleback Region Meeting on September 14.

Auf Wiederschen – Until we meet again!

Hi, Everyone. Welcome to another exciting year in District 4-L4. I am **BEVERLY BELL**, your District Cabinet Secretary this year. For those that don't know me, I joined the Rancho Cucamonga Lioness Club in '88 and was Charter Secretary when we became Lions. I later transferred to the Chino Hills, now Chino Valley, Lions to join my husband. I have just finished two years as Club Secretary.

This past July I was privileged to be invited to the Fullerton Host 70th Anniversary party. The reception was held at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library. Past International Director Bill Iannacone spoke to us about his participation in Lions in Sight. It was a speech that was very moving and inspiring. My husband and I found two stories of people who benefited from the program especially memorable. One man had had cataract surgery many years ago, but had not gotten the glasses to replace the infected lenses in his eyes. When he first saw his wife after getting his glasses he said she was just as pretty as the day he married her. Another woman was thrilled to be able to read her Bible again without help.

Thanks to all of you for getting your reservations for the First District Cabinet Meeting into me. I was still getting reservations the day before the meeting. I appreciate all of you who came out to support our new District Governor Judy as she starts her year.

I am looking forward to another fabulous Lion year. If you have questions (on the District, please), feel free to call or e-mail me. I'll do my best to find an answer for you.

Please note that there has been a change in reporting dates. Monthly Membership Reports (MMR)s now have to be received by Lions International on or before the end of the current month. Please remember to get your reports in on time.

# MEMBERSHIP MEMBERSHIP

By District Membership  
Chairman Dave Hubbard

## Let's Get Out and Grow!

A new Lions year is upon us, a new chapter in our storied history. And how will it be viewed in the future. Will this year go down as a year of phenomenal growth or just another with marginal or no growth? It's up to you.


The District 4-L4 Membership Committee is committed to increasing membership this year and we are here to help you. During the year, we will be providing you with helpful hints to help your club grow. We will be having prospective new member socials to help you sign them up. We will provide programs and assist you when asked. The rest is up to you.

Let's all work together to grow. Without new members, we will wither and die. P.D.G. Jon Casteel, Lion Steve Christie, and I are here to help you. But you need to help yourselves. All we want is for you to ASK, ASK, ASK. We will be there to help you with the rest. Let's make this a year to be remembered. Let's go into it with enthusiasm. Let's go out and share our wonderful organization with those around us. Let's grow!

**Bruce Levine, Joan Siegal, and the HB Host Lions Shamelessly Present**

## The Worst Night at The Movies 5:

**THE BAD MOVIES WALK AMONG US**




**AND**

**Plus Cartoons  
and Selected Shorts**

*Food and drink provided as guaranteed under the Patriot Act*

**Suggested Donation \$10 Admission (\$20 to Leave)**  
All proceeds will be donated to the Orange County Food Bank  
*Because man does not live by bad cinema alone  
Give 'till It Hurts (Believe Me It Will!)*

**Saturday, October 10, 2009**  
618 17th St, Huntington Beach 714-960-2593  
R.S.V.P  
Doors open at 6pm. By 7pm, all guests will be strapped into the Cinema Appreciation Chairs.



Come Sail Away for a Visitation with the Lions of Ensenada  
aboard the  
**"Carnival Paradise"**  
Round trip from the Port of Los Angeles (Long Beach) to Ensenada, Mexico!

Join Governor Judy & District 4-L4  
**Friday Feb. 26, 2010 – Monday, March 1, 2010**  
On a Fabulous 3-Day Mexican Cruise Visitation

Join Governor Judy for this Fantastic 3-Day Cruise. We will be scheduling a Visitation to the Ensenada Lions, the **longest standing International Visitation in Lions history - 51 years!** A lunch will be planned at a cost, to be determined, for each person attending - which is separate from the price of the Cruise. This is the most fun way to visit our Amigos in Ensenada. The **"Carnival Paradise"** is your: "Hotel," featuring "Fine Dining with Fabulous Food" – "Someone else to clean up your room!" – and "Amazing Entertainment!" This is the way to go with no hassle! *Just ask last year's sailors!*

**CRUISE COSTS:**  
*Prices quoted include all Taxes\*\**

**Inside Cabin:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> passenger - \$300.10\* Per Person (Based on Double Occupancy)  
3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> passenger in same Cabin - \$160.10\* Per Person

**Outside Cabin:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Passenger \$330.10\* Per Person (Based on Double Occupancy)  
3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> passenger in same Cabin - \$170.10\* Per Person


**Suggestion:** As the cruise price is so reasonable, you might like to make a \$30 donation per person (\$60 or more per Cabin) to District 4-L4. In turn, Governor Judy can use this to make a donation to the Lions of Ensenada.  
\*If a Fuel Supplement is enacted the price could raise by \$9 per day per person.  
\*\*Also included is all of the fun and camaraderie of Lions that you can imagine!

**Payment Schedule:**

- Deposit of \$25 per person- by September 11, 2009
- 2<sup>nd</sup> payment of \$75 per person by October 29, 2009
- Final Payment due December 23, 2009

Please call or email Lion Carol Linehan 714-846-2478 or Carol\_Linehan@yahoo.com ASAP, or Lion PDG Barbara Hayward 714-545-6126 with any questions.

**Vamos a Ensenada!**



# 2009-2010 DISTRICT CALENDAR

August 7	Upland Host Fish Bake & Corn Feed
August 7-8-9	La Habra Corn Festival
September 9	Foothill Region Meeting, Lions East, Rancho Cucamonga
September 14	Saddleback Region Meeting
September 22	Orange Region Meeting
Sept 24-25	USA/Canada Forum
October 10	Project LOOK, Tecate Mexico
October 10	Huntington Beach Host Lions Worst Night at the Movies
October 10-11	White Cane Days
October 15	Huntington Beach Host Oktoberfest
October 23-25	Huntington Beach Host Laughlin Bus Trip
October 24	La Habra Host Country Harvest Fundraiser
October 24	District Governor's Fundraiser, Pete's Ponderosa Ranch
November 6	Harbor Mesa Wild West Casino Night
November 8	Cabinet Meeting, Diamond Bar County Club
January 15-18	MD-4 Lions Leadership Seminar, Harris Ranch
January 16	Melvin Jones Dinner
January 23	Cabinet Meeting
January 30	Teen Recognition Dinner
February 5-7	MD-4 Convention, Riverside CA
February 19-21	Lions Flag Days
February 22	Deadline for Club Student Speakers Contest
March 6-7	Hearing Days
March 20	Ontario-Upland Lions Bunco Night
March 28	Lions City of Hope Day
April 18, 2010	Cabinet Meeting Speakers' Contest , Costa Mesa County Club
March 16	Orange Region Meeting
March 22	Saddleback Region Meeting
March 31	Foothill Region Meeting
May 1	Ontario-Upland Lions Spring Tea
May 13-16	District 4-L4 Convention, Ventura Marriott
June 29-July 2	Lions International Convention, Sydney Australia

## ATTENTION

***CLUB PRESIDENTS, CLUB SECRETARIES, CLUB EVENT CHAIRMEN***

**DO YOU SEE YOUR UPCOMING EVENTS ON OUR DISTRICT CALENDAR?  
IF NOT, PLEASE SEND DATES AND FLYERS TO YOUR EDITOR.**

**HAVE YOU HAD A FUN SOCIAL EVENT, A SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING EVENT,  
OR PARTICIPATED IN A GREAT SERVICE PROJECT? SEND PICTURES AND A REPORT TO YOUR EDITOR.**

**SHOW YOUR CLUB OFF THROUGH THE DISTRICT 4-L4 FORUM**

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