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THE VIEW FROM THE TOP



The opportunities for service multiply with the holidays: the assembly and distribution of food baskets; bell ringing with the Salvation Army; working at local food banks; volunteer gift wrapping; random acts of kindness to strangers; random acts of love to family and friends. Most Lions I know (and I know the best Lions in the world) "Target Service" on a daily basis. Acts of kindness, generosity and loving service become a way of life and part of the daily routine for those who live the motto "We Serve".

For many people, this is the season of miracles. For the "Believers", miracles are a daily occurance. If you truly believe you can make a difference, you will. We may not always know when that act of kindness, that smile or word of encouragement will spark a reaction in another to do that one positive act or create a chain of good deeds. Lions know the benefits of positive thinking and action and how to avoid the devastation of negativism.

Lions, you are powerful indeed. Roar with enthusiasm.

December is a wonderfully busy time for Lions. Join with local Lions in caroling at a local hospital or senior center; decorate the Rose Parade float; attend a Lions Christmas party or better yet, take a Christmas party to a shut in or fellow Lion in distress.

I will see many of our club presidents at the reception with President Tam on January 1, 2012. Please call me soon if you would like to attend this unique event and opportunity. We need a count, so call soon.

First lady Marilyne and I wish you all a joyous Christmas and a blessed holiday season.

For the holidays.... Rest , recharge, "Target Service".

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You're Invited to a reception Honoring Lions International President Dr. Wing-Kun Tam

When: Thursday December 29, 2011 from 5 to 7:30PM

Where: Doubletree Hotel 888 Montebello Blvd. Rosemead, California

Cost: Just your RSVP by December 23rd
To: PDG Judy Schnitzer
At: jschnitzer@cox.net
Or Call: (714) 838-4201

There will be a raffle for Lions Float merchandise, so brings some dollars

Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served but your RSVP is a must by December 23rd

Presented by: Lions Float Inc. President PDG Jon Casteel and the Lions Float Inc. Board of Directors



2012 LIONS FLOAT DECORATING SCHEDULE



Lions Monday Dec 26 8AM-9PM

Lions & Leos
Saturday Dec 31
8AM to completion

For more information:

http://www.lionsrosefloat.com/decorating.



1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT PJ SMITH

Ho, Ho and a Merry Christmas to all of our Lions families. Georgia and I would like to extend an invitation to all Lions who truly enjoy seeing Christmas decorations to come through our track of homes. Our residential neighborhood goes over the top when it comes to decorating. Attached is our address and directions. If you are in the neighborhood, please stop by for a visit and I'm sure there will be some adult beverages available.



Directions

57 Frwy North towards Diamond Bar and exit at the Imperial offramp. East on Imperial to Kraemer - Left on Kraemer and travel to Birch - Right on Birch to Starflower - Left on Starflower into the tract - we're the third house from the corner all the way to the top of Starflower before it turns onto Bluebell.

PJ Smith

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E-mail: eaglehills2@roadrunner.com

We started the month of November with a fantastic Cabinet meeting hosted by Foothill Region. We were a little cozy and tight which will definitely need to be taken into consideration for future meetings. It's always great to have first timers attending so please don't be strangers hopefully we'll see you at our next Cabinet or Region Meetings. Congratulations to Foothill Region for a job well done.

I thought with our last Governor's visitation that things would be slowing down a little. That's what I get for thinking - many miscellaneous meetings, float committee, membership, MD-4 convention, judging Peace Poster Contest and Student Speaker contests. A Lion's work is never done. The key ingredient is having fun as we serve. Speaking about having fun and being a blessing for those less fortunate than us, many Lions attended the turkey carving held at America Family Housing on November 23 for serving on Thanksgiving Day. There were over fifty turkeys which Lions "man handled" and carved. Thanks to PDG Ellen (chef extraordinaire) and all other lions that helped.

Membership is running rapid with a positive membership growth for twenty-three continuous months. Our district is now at 1188 members. We must continue this growth to accomplish the great many things we do as a district. December should be no reason to slow down. During this time, we get to meet a lot of new folks as well as renew friendship with old friends. The holiday season provides a great opportunity to recruit new members. Just remember," If you don't ask, you don't receive".

I have been going non-stop before Thanksgiving with the last three days doing extensive outside decorating for Christmas in between trying to get my news article out. I have run out of gas so Merry Christmas to all.



CABINET SECRETARY MARIANNE ALLEN'S REPORT

For Club Secretaries, please remember to submit your monthly reports by the end of each month. Once you file online with International, you must still submit copies to your District Governor, $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ and $\mathbf{2}^{\text{nd}}$ Vice District Governors, Cabinet Secretary, and your Region and Zone Chairpersons. You may email the reports to them or mail copies whichever is easiest for you. However, I prefer to receive the reports by e-mail. You can email me at sarahcait@sbcglobal.net. .

First, I wanted to thank the Region and Zone Chairpersons for all of the help you gave in order to make the 2nd Cabinet Meeting a great success. Kudos to all of you. We had over 130 people in attendance.

By now, you should have received your packet for the Student Speakers Contest. This year's topic is "What Could the America of Yesterday Teach the America of Tomorrow". Let's have 100% Club participation this year.

The 3rd Cabinet meeting will be held on Saturday, January 21, 2012 at the Meadowlark Country Club in Huntington Beach. Please get your reservations in early. We will be honoring all of the Past District Governors. The other important thing happening in January will be the Melvin Jones Dinner on January 7, 2012. This is always an exciting event. Flyers for both of these events are in this month's forum.

I want to wish all of you a very Happy Holiday season and please keep all of those less fortunate in your prayers. Also, let's keep all of our men and women serving in the military in our prayers.

Trees Planted Worldwide 5,952,945



GARDEN GROVE HOST	51
CHINO VALLEY	17
HB SURF CITY	12
SEAL BEACH HOST	8
HARBOR MESA*	20
	108

*COSTA MESA NEWPORT HARBOR HELPED SPONSOR 10 OF THE TREES THAT WERE PLANTED IN LIONS PARK

UPLAND HOST PAID FOR 6800 SEEDLINGS OVER 10 ACRES



2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT

SHEILA CASTEEL

Happy Holidays to all of you and your families!

Holiday celebrations inspire us to reflect on our faith and our beliefs. Often we give pause and rededicate ourselves to our beliefs. As Lions we believe in service. We too, rededicate ourselves in service. I see this in our many holiday projects that give to communities and humanity, both near and far.

It is not just in November and December, however, that Lions give food baskets, toys, pajamas, school boxes, and medical care. Lions give throughout the year. For this, I am both thankful and proud to part of this incredible worldwide organization in general and District 4-L4 in particular.

My wish for you and your families is for all that the season offers ~ the possibility of miracles that Hanukkah brings, the promise of healing and forgiveness that Christmas brings, and the hope for a bright future that the New Year brings.

Just Imagine.....I Believe.....A World At Peace.



8th Annual Golf Tournament

THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO TRY THOSE CHRISTMAS CLUBS OR RETRAIN THE OLD ONES FOR THE NEW YEAR. GIVE YOURSELF A BREAK FROM THE HECTIC HOLIDAYS.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28TH

"DO GOOD, HAVE FUN"

10:00 REGISTRATION, PUTTING CONTEST & BBQ LUNCH 11:00 SHOTGUN START

MEADOWLARK GOLF CLUB
16782 GRAHAM STREET, HUNTINGTON BEACH

\$75.00 PER PLAYER
INCLUDES GOLF, CART, GAMES, LUNCH,
RANGE BALLS, SHIRT & GIFT BAG

REGISTRATION FORM AVAILABLE ONLINE WWW.AFHUSA.ORG

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE & MAIL TO
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PAY ON LINE AT WWW.AFHUSA.ORG
CREDIT CARD: CALL JUDY AT 714/897-3221 OR PAYPAL

"Day at the Races"

Presented By:

Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Club



Isn't it time your life got a little racey?

Experience the thrilling excitement of Thoroughbred racing amid the beauty and tradition of Santa Anita Park.

With friends, family or co-workers, Santa Anita is a sure winner!

January 28, 2012

Gates Open at 10:30 am / Post Time 1st Race 12:30 pm \$60.00 Per Person Includes Valet Parking & Buffet Lunch Teens ages 13 to 17 is \$45 each / Child ages 4 to 12 is \$30 each Enter at Gate 5 Meet at the Club Plaza

RSVP by January 15th with your payment

Tickets are now available

Contact Lion Lion Terese Ganser Evenings 909 980-3414 Or email at tc.ganser@verizon.net Between races we will have a raffle with great prizes for \$1 a ticket.





Let's Celebrate New Year's Eve Together!

Sponsored by Ontario Host Lions



At the DoubleTree Hotel – Claremont 555 W. Foothill Blvd. Claremont, CA 91711

> December 31, 2011 Time: 7pm – 1am

Dinner served at 8 pm with a No Host Bar Dinner Choices 1) Cornish Game Hen 2) Prime Rib or 3) Salmon Cost is \$95/person or \$180 per couple Questions, please contact Mary Garbo 909-553-1523

Special Room Rate of \$99 at the Doubletree by Hilton Claremont on 12-31-11 if reservations and ticket purchase is made before 12-17-11



Twenty-Third Annual ELVIN JONES DINNER

Saturday, January 7, 2012

HONORING MELVIN JONES FELLOWS OF THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

COSTA MESA COUNTRY CLUB 1701 Golf Course Drive Costa Mesa CA 92626

Guest of Honor Past International Director Bill Crawford

> 6:00 PM Check In and Social 7:00 PM Dinner and Program

\$50 per person No Host Bar Dress: Semi Formal, Black Tie Optional

> Information: **IPDG Norm McKenzie** C (760) 802-6018 Norm.mackenzie@cox.net

RSVP BY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2011

CLUB:	PHONE:			
EMAIL:				
NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS:	@\$50.00 EACHTOTA	L ENCLOSED \$		
MEAL CHOICE:	FILET MIGNON	VEGETARIAN MEAL		

GARDEN GROVE CA 92842

Resents

Spring Luncheon and Fashian Sham

April 21, 2012 at 11 o'clock

Double Tree Heat Of **Double Tree Hotel Claremont**

555 West Foothill Boulevard, Claremont \$35.00 per person to help Support Lion Charities Includes Lunch served at 11:45 Fashion Show, Door Prize Drawing

Fashions by Dress Barn Ontario Mills Shopping Center



Grand Prize Drawing Ticket \$1.00 each 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prize to be Awarded Winner need not be present

RSVP By April 14th For Information Contact: Lion Faye Hampton 909 820-3276 by email at just4faye@att.net or Lion Terese Ganser 909 980-3414 by email at tc.ganser@verizon.net.



HUNTINGTON BEACH HOST LIONS CLUB

The Huntington Beach INTERNATIONAL SURFING MUSEUM is pleased to present the 12th ANNUAL



Sunday, January 1, 2012

• 9:00 - 11:00

REGISTRATION (pre-registration - www.hbsurfcitysplash.com)

Meet at Zack's Concessions (PCH & Main)

& All-YOU-CAN-EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

 11:00 - 11:45 PRE-SPLASH EVENTS



12:00 NOON (Lifeguard will guide us to the <u>safest shore—usually North side</u>)

Countdown & SPLASH into the NEW YEAR by the PIER

Suggested Donations for Certificates* of "Lion-Heartedness" (\$10) or "Sanity" (\$15) support the H.B. International Surfing Museum. Add another \$10, and receive an annual membership to the Surfing Museum (\$20 value).

*SPLASH CERTIFICATES can be picked up at the Surfing Museum at 411 Olive Sh for discounts and aifts MAILBOX STATION



714-960-960



For further information: www.hbsurfcitysplash.com Lee Love 714-349-7706 LoveSurfCity@gmail.com www.hbsurfcitysplash.com



As of 11/27/2011





Fantastic Foothill

Region Chairman Gil Smith

The November 5th Cabinet meeting held in the Foothill Region at the Pomona Valley Mining Company was a big success, albeit somewhat crowded, with over 130 Lions in attendance. Thanks to all who helped.

The one thing that gives a district officer the most joy is to induct new, enthusiastic members into Lions. I recently had the privilege of inducting Sandy Richmond into the Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions (no, not the Sandi Richmond who has been a long time member of Ontario Upland). Hopefully this is just the beginning of a growth pattern for the RCC Lions. Upland Host added one new member and the new WesternU Lions Club brought in 20 new members recorded in November.

I also had the privilege of being the GMT representative presenting two orientations for the six new members who have joined the Pomona Host Lions this year. The new orientation program, which we used, is in development by the GLT.

All Lions clubs are encouraged to make effective use of their Region and Zone Chairs to help you where needed. Your Region Chair, as a member of the GMT and GLT, can bring you membership plan workshops, the Club Excellence Process (CEP) to be rolled out in the first quarter of 2012 and new member orientations. Your Zone Chairs should have developed close contact with you to identify your needs and District resources that can assist.

The following are recent activities by clubs in the Foothill Region. Since your Region Chair is in Washington DC, all I could include was what was sent by email or from your Zone Chair. If anything is missing, please make sure your Zone Chair has the necessary information to include in their write up next month:

Zone B – Andrea Busby

The Ontario Host Lions Club is hosting its first annual New Years Eve Party. The event will be held at the Double Tree Hotel in Claremont and tickets are \$95.00 per person or \$180.00 per couple. If interested in this event, which includes a dinner and dancing, contact Lion Mary Garbo for more information and tickets (909) 553-1523. The club recently honored eight deserving students from its local high schools in November. They were presented with a certificate of achievement as well as a gift of \$25.00. The club is currently collecting non-perishable food items for its annual Christmas food basket distribution to be held on December 24th. To help raise money for this event as well as an annual Christmas party for the Lincoln School



FRIDAY DECEMBER 3 7-9 PM MAIN STREET, SEAL BEACH

FOOTHILL REGION REPORT (continued).....

children, the club is having two holiday auctions at its regular club meetings in November and December. Also, congratulations to Lion Andrea Busby for receiving a President's Excellence Award for 2010-2011 from IPDG Norm MacKenzie at the Cabinet meeting in November.

The Pomona Host Lions Club continues its active involvement in the Pomona Unified Schools with its literacy coaching and flag-day events. This is in addition to over \$5,000 awarded in mini-grants to teachers for enhancements to their classroom teaching. Visitations are continuing at a rapid pace. The club is having a vacation opportunity drawing for a week at a condo in Kauai, Hawaii and \$1,000 reimbursement for airfare. The drawing will occur at the club's first meeting in January. Congratulations to Immediate Past President Jack Lightfoot for receiving the President's Excellence Award at the last cabinet meeting.

The **WesternU Lions Club's** community service activities included participation in CareNow LA and the Vietnamese Diabetes Seminar and Health Fair, which together involved 110 hours of work and helped serve over 1000 people. The Club also will support the Friends in Sight event December 3rd in Rancho Cucamonga and is planning its own Friends in Sight in April, in conjunction with the Pomona Host Lions. In January the club will elect its new officers, hold an orientation, and induct its 20 new members. WesternU now has 68 Lions, most of whom are students or professors at the College of Optometry.

Other Clubs Reporting

The **Ontario Upland Lions Club's** community service activities included youth exchange presentations, assistance at a senior citizens center, and the donation of eight hearings aids. The club also donated \$300 to SOVA and \$200 to the Rose Parade Float.

The **Upland Host Lions Club's** community service activities included food bank distribution, volunteering for San Antonio Community Hospital, paying for 13 pairs of student eyeglasses, donating/packing Thanksgiving dinners for 12 families and voting to get involved in the Penny Pines Reforestation program. The Club also added one new member.





The Cucamonga District Host Lions Club is sponsoring a



FREE VISION SCREENING
With
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EXAMEN DE LOS OJOS GRATIS Con LENTES DE AUMENTO GRATIS

Screening shall be Conducted by

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FREE Hearing Screening sponsored by Upland Host Lions Club

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IMPORTANT
Screening may close earlier, subject to attendance.

We will be collecting used eye glasses and hearing aids during this ev

Call Dave Geyer at 909-980-3201 or Email: info@cucamonaadistricthostlions.org
www.cucamonaadistricthostlions.org

This vision screening is not meant to replace a comprehensive eye examination and refraction that you obtain through your eye doctors office. The vision screening is designed to assess for ocular health concerns and provide a useable pair of recycled eyeglasses until you can obtain the professional services and

Brea Lions cook pancakes for City of Hope fundraiser

The Brea Lions trekked down to Irvine in the wee hours of the morning to cook and serve a pancake breakfast for Pathways to Hope, City of Hope Foundation that was held at a large L.A. Fitness Center



This breakfast was held during a 2-day dance-a-thon fundraiser where several "swinger" groups were participating in the gymnasium. All sorts of memorabilia was on display and for sale with a nicely decorated facility for the occasion.







THE MANE LINE

Lion's Teen Recognition

Over the years I have heard of the district program called Teen Recognition. Lion John Dugan has been very active with Teen Recognition through out the years and has come to our club to promote it.

This year Lion Carol Linehan and Lion Joan Parks are co-chairmen of this program and have taken a slightly different approach to it. They first decided to have a committee member from all three regions get involved in promoting it. Your favorite editor, yours truly, was asked to be the Orange Region committee member. Since I don't have quite enough to do as club secretary and bulletin editor I agreed to help out.

The purpose of this program is to recognize, support and reward teens for their efforts in volunteerism in promoting a drug, alcohol and tobacco free life-style.

Students honored by Teen Recognition Program are active in both their schools and communities. They spend their free time volunteering in programs such as sage rides, PAL(Peer Assistance Leadership), Red Ribbon Week, D.A.N.C.E. (Drug Alternative Night and Counseling Event). Through the support of our Lions clubs, Teen Recognition Program annually acknowledges these students with certificates and cash honorariums at a special program in their honor.

Applications are distributed by Lions Clubs to local High Schools and Community Youth Groups. High School students who have maintained a GPA of 3.0 or above and have worked toward helping their peers attend a substance free lifestyle are eligible to receive applications. Applications will be evaluated by the Lions Teen Recognition Committee.

If any member has a contact with a high school counselor or scholarship coordinator please contact me and I will supply the application and letter to give the school. With our recent success establishing Leo's clubs there may be someone you have met that would be interested.

The deadline for submitting the nomination form is December 31, 2011.

Please help me support this healthy lifestyle with today's youth who have many temptations trying to drag them down the wrong path.

As seen in the Orange Lion's Main Line by Mike Smith







SEAL BEACH LIONS PLANT SOME BIG ONES!

TEEN RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Lion Joan Parks

We are all setting our sights toward the New Year, and we need your help with this program. My Co-Chairman, Lion Carol Linehan, myself and our three Region Chairmen, Lions Mike Smith, Mark Snider and Loyce Mejias are all working to get the word out about this fine program. There are too many stories about teens gone wrong and bad incidents, but here we have a chance to support and show off these great teens that work so hard at showing their peers a better way to live. Let's all support this program, get some applications into the hands of the High School Councilors and get your club to make a donation to honor these special teens.

Thank you to the Lions Clubs who have sent donation so far; Harbor Mesa, Huntington Beach Host, Walnut-Diamond Bar, La Habra Host, Rancho Cucamonga Community, Pomona Host, and Seal Beach Host

SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, February 26, 2012
2 PM
Garden Grove Club House

I would like to ask you all to take a look at the article written by Lion Mike Smith, editor and secretary of the Orange Lions Club in the club's November bulletin, "The Maine Line". Thank you Mike.

LION'S TEEN RECOGNITION



Please join the Lions of District 4-L4 in honoring Students who actively encourage their peers to "Just Say No" to drugs, alcohol, and tobacco...

Join us for the Teen Recognition Program
Dessert and Awards Program.
Special Guest Speaker:
Sergeant Steve Bowles,
Seal Beach Police Department

Send reservations and checks to Lion Carol Linehan by February 10, 2012 4729 Rey, Huntington Beach, CA 92649

Sunday, February 26, 2012 @ 2PM, \$5 per person Garden Grove Club House 9860 Larson Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92866



ORGANIC ORANGE

Orange Region Chairman RENEE SCHULTE

WOW!! What happened to October? For that matter what happened to November??? By the time you read this (providing that you do) you will have been scared silly by all of those trick or treaters and stuffed to perfection around the table while giving thanks for all of our countless blessings. Here are some of our Region's Club examples of giving back for the month of October, 2011:

ZONE "A" Lion Randy

Brea Lions Club: The Brea Lions Club was very active in October attending their monthly meetings and our District Governor's meeting. Their efforts were noted as the Club was published four times in local newspapers. A HUGE roar of appreciation is in need The Brea Lions Club once again had a of mentioning!!! tremendously successful 52nd Annual Orange County Prep All-Star Charity Football game and were able to contribute to many charities most notably the PADRE Foundation, Western Youth Services and the Orange County Youth Foundation to name a few. Congratulations to all of our Brea Lions, their families and everyone who participated and contributed to this great event!! Fullerton Host Lions Club: I hope this Club did well at their Charity Putting Tournament held October 8th . I was held to continue to support several Fullerton Youth Organizations such as the Fullerton Boys and Girls Club and their 4H Clubs just to name a

La Habra Host Club: October membership 104 Lions (including one new Lion!!) and are maintaining a strong Leos Club of 63 Leos!! The La Habra Host Lions were also very busy volunteering all over the place: The Gary Center, the La Habra Boys and Girls Club and a Ronald McDonald House just to name a few. They racked up over 1,100 service hours much of which involved their annual car raffle and their 63rd annual Corn Festival. They donated to Ronald McDonald, raised a bunch of money at their Concerts in the Park program; participated at our Cabinet meeting and a variety of 4-L4 approved programs such as Teresita Pines, Scleroderma and student speakers. The Club received two (2) student speaker awards and one (1) Proud Lion. I enjoyed reading through their newspaper articles and, of course, the Twister Tails. Thanks fellow Lions!!

Zone "B" Lion Patrick

<u>Buena Park Noon:</u> Congratulations to our Buena Park Noon Lions Club. They continue to support a variety of 4-L4 Approved Programs such as LCIF, White Cane Days, the City of Hope and of course their Leos Club to name a few. Thank you for keeping me in the loop.

2011-2012 STUDENT SPEAKER TOPIC

'WHAT COULD THE AMERICA OF YESTERDAY TEACH THE AMERICA OF TOMORROW?

Orange Lions Club: According to Orange Lion Mike Smith and their Mane Line newsletter, the Orange Lions were once again busy doing what Lions do—give and share. They prepared dinner at the Orange Ronald McDonald House, paid a visit to the Ontario Host Lions and played in the Fullerton Host Lions putting tournament. In addition, they collected close to 3,000 pairs of eye glasses for Friends in Sight. We are very proud to brag that they have initiated TWO Leo Clubs; one from Esperanza High School (25 members) and the other from Villa Park High School (23 members). Congratulations!!! Under the direction of Lion Mike, the Orange Lion Club members are actively promoting our Teen Recognition Program and are therefore seeking students to recognize for their volunteering support toward a drug, alcohol and tobacco free life style. SEE Lion Mike.

Zone "C": Lion Bruce

Garden Grove Host: During the month of October, the Garden Grove Host Lions spent some time and went to visit the Seal Beach Host Lions, and donated \$1,000 to the Acacia Adult Day Services and sent nine hearing aids over to Lion Keith Campbell. This Lion club has also received the coveted "Golden Arrow" award by planting at least one tree per club member. Good job and go GREEN!

Seal Beach Host Lions: Okay so this is my club and I will, once again, try not to be overly zealous in my reporting. This Club continues to grow. In October, they added five new members bringing their membership to 171. Great job!! volunteered over 650 service hours for local and regional projects; a few service projects included the hosting of the Governor's visitation, many in the Club attended his fundraiser and were also involved in a new member orientation. Many members took some time to visit the Fullerton Host, Buena Park Host and the Huntington Beach Host Lions clubs; and participated in the Seal Beach Animal Care Center Wag-in-Walk fundraiser; they were represented at a pre Cabinet meeting and continue to support Student Speakers, Teen Recognition, White Cane and the Leos Club programs. I would be completely remiss if I didn't mention the support this Lions Club committed and continues to commit to the efforts toward the healing needs as a result of our recent tragedy. I must also thank you for all your support.

<u>Westminster Lions:</u> Almost every month the Westminster Lions Club donates used eye glasses to Lions in Sight. This month it was 32 at a value of approximately \$160. Thank you!!

Okay, once again, I am done here. See you soon and remember: weed weeds, plant plants go GREEN.

GARDEN GROVE LIONS AT WORK

The Garden Grove Host Lions Club aided the City of Garden Grove Public Works staff in planting 10 Coast Live Oak trees in the median of Stanford Street in front of Garden Grove High School.



The tree planting was initiated by the local Lions Club as part of the Lions Clubs International program to plan one million trees worldwide in 2011-12.



The trees, all 6 feet tall and in 24" square box planters, were donated to the City by the Garden Grove Lions Club and were obtained from Shadetree Partnership nursery in Irvine.

Members of the Club, assisted by Boy Scouts of Troop 1134 of Huntington Beach showed up the morning of November 19, 2011 with shovels in hand to help City workers excavate and backfill the holes for the trees.

HARBOR MESA LIONS HEIRLOOM QUILT RAFFLE



This brand new beautiful hand made quilt can be yours!

Measures 80" by 100" - perfect for your full sized bed.

Raffle Tickets - \$5.00 each

Drawing for winning ticket will be held at the District Cabinet Meeting on January 21, 2012. Winner need not be present.

To order tickets, please send your check and self addressed stamped envelope to:

Lion Gina Stansbury 15412 Cottonwood Huntington Beach, CA 92647

Your ticket stub will be placed in the drawing for you. You can also contact any of our members to enter the drawing.

Funds raised will be donated to local charities.

The trees will eventually grow to 50 feet in height and will beautify the streetscape as well as benefit the environment. Coast Live Oak is the only California native oak that actually thrives in the coastal environment, although it is rare on the immediate shore; it enjoys the mild winter and summer climate afforded by ocean proximity.



NOVEMBER 5TH CABINET MEETING





































By Larry Williams, Co-Chairman District 4L4 Friends in Sight Project

California Lions Friends in Sight (CLFIS) did only one vision screening during the month of September, however, it was a big and significant one. The Flying Doc' Health Faire in Thermal, California. We participate in this health faire twice a year, once in the spring and once in the fall. The Flying Doc's are a volunteer based nonprofit organization that aims to improve the health and well being of geographically diverse peoples through education and the provision of no-cost, high quality medical, dental, and optometric clinics. They serve Mexico, Central America and South America, and migrant labor populations of Southeast California. Since 1975 they have offered more than 250 short-term medical, dental and optometry, and other healthcare clinics treating over 7,000 patients per year. For more information: www.flyingdocs.org.

There was a total of 1,612 treatment or services given out "Free of Charge" at the Health Fair, of which 386 vision screenings were done by California Lions Friends in Sight, on Saturday, September 24th. There were 4 Lions clubs and 18 Lion Volunteers that participated directly in the vision screening along with 9 from the Flying Doc's and 10 students from the CVHS Health Academy. The 18 lions, from CLFIS, had a long fulfilling day, leaving the Hemet and Yucaipa staging areas around 5:30 am and not returning until after 6:45 pm.

Since July 30th, 2011 CLFIS has participated in vision screenings at 5 locations, having seen 1,410 people, dispensed 1,219 recycled glasses and had the help of 229 volunteers.

Here are the results going out to the Region and Zone Chairman showing the eyeglass collection efforts of Lions club in 4L4. For the month of September there were 1,477 pairs collected in 4L4 with our highest collector of eyeglasses being Mission Viejo with 577 pairs collected, followed closely by Rancho Cucamonga Host with 500 pairs collected. The Year to Date figures show Foothill Region in front with 4,048 collected followed by Orange Region with 3,265 and Saddleback Region with 1,327 pairs collected. Garden Grove Host is still the leading club with 2,945 pairs collected.

If your club is interested in becoming a processing satellite or coming out to Beaumont for a visit, as the Seal Beach Club did, contact PDG Dottie Allen, 951-216-4300 or email her at shortstackallen@aol.com. For a complete listing of 2010 and 2011 vision screenings and other information about CLFIS: www.californialionsfriendsinsight.org.

If you would like to donate glasses to CLFIS, please bring them to a Region; Zone or Cabinet meeting or contact Larry Williams, retiredpinman@verizon.net



The Youth Exchange Committee has been busy planning for the 2012 Exchange Program for students ages 16 -21. The cost is \$2700.00 for all countries except New Zealand which is \$3000.

Partial aid is available for those who qualify. The program is a five week commitment with most students going to one week of camp. They spend two week with each host family in different parts of the country. A few countries elect not to have a camp like we have at Teresita Pines in Wrightwood.

If you know a student who may benefit from such a trip, have them check into the program. They can find an application online at www.ye.md4lions.org or contact me.

Applications are due February 28 with a deposit of \$500. Final payment is due by March 31.

There have been some changes in the number of students able to participate this year. The countries and number of students are Austria (2), Belgium (2), Brazil (2), Finland (2), Germany (2), Israel (2), Italy (6), Japan (25), The Netherlands (2), New Zealand (2), Norway (2), and Switzerland (2).

If you want to help our District Youth Exchange program, you may consider making a donation or honoring someone with the Charlie St. John Award for \$500.

Martha Hebert, District 4-L4 YE Chairman





SUPER SADDLEBACK

REGION CHAIRMAN KEN HENDERSON

I hope everyone is enjoying the holidays, spending time with family & friends $^{\sim}$ also helping those in need during these trying times. And, don't forget to eat a lot!

This month I attended the 2nd Cabinet Meeting of the Year, hosted & organized by Lion Gil Smith - Foothill Region Chair. The event was held at the Pomona Mining Company & we were fortunate to have a clear day (could nearly see Catalina... nearly...) The meeting was very well attended, food & drinks were great! Lion Gil did an excellent job organizing & running the meeting effectively & professionally. I would recommend that every Lion attend at least one Cabinet Meeting this year. It's a good opportunity to learn more about the district & all the 'going-ons' of all the other clubs. There are some really GREAT Lions in our District that you may have not met yet?

Below is the information I received from the Saddleback Clubs that submitted reports (please, remember, I need your VAD & MMR Reports by the 20th of the month so I can share all fo your club's activities in the Forum. Also, if you send a copy of your newsletter, I will pull information from there.

Harbor Mesa Lions Club ~

The club paid for the purchase & planted (10) 15 gallon trees as a donation to the city of Costa Mesa. (5) Syacamore & (5) Tipuana trees were planted. They also completed a similar project in Fountain Valley. CONGRATULATIONS LADIES!!!

Mission Viejo Lions Club ~

MMR - No new members

Collected & shipped 260 pairs of used eye glasses to LIS

Huntington Beach Lions Club ~

MMR - Added (2) new members & dropped (2) members Visitation - visited the Harbor Mesa Club Activities - Donate Blood Platelets, Tom Hollister Survive & Thrive 5K Run / Walk Crime Victim Support Event Raised 4160 from their event "Worst Night at the Movies" total service 50 hours

Laguna Niguel Lions Club ~

"La Dolce Vista" Event - total service hours were 195 hours. GREAT JOB!

Tustin Host Lions Club ~

Raised \$5,000 at Tustin Tiller Days - total service hours were 108 hours \$150 Charitable Donations went to Tiller Day Band Awards. \$397 was donated for eye exams & glasses for children Service projects totaled 43 service hours - which included WHote Cane March, Tiller Days, Learning Ally, Pop Tops for Ronald McDonald House & used Eye Glasses Program.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS to ALL! Lion Ken





HEARING & SPEECH ACTION NEWS

EGHARP DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?

It means "Eyeglass & Hearing Aid Recycling Program", a combination of two District Approved Projects, the District Hearing Aid Bank and California Lions Friends in Sight. I came home from our last Huntington Beach Host Club meeting with 46 pairs of glasses, collected by Branch Club Member Raymond Louison, and 32 hearing aids from District Governor Ken Sherwood, leaving me in a rare state of elation, to say the least.

Now, with accomplishments like that to set an example. I'm wondering why this doesn't happen on a regular basis. The last time anything like this took place was October 6, 2011, when Lion Leonard Gleason of HB Host showed up with 60 pairs of eyeglasses, and November 6, 2010, when Chuck Overbey of the La Habra Host Club turned in 62 hearing aids.

While these numbers are not unheard of, they are uncommon. They show what is possible and I'm thinking, "Why so rare? Why doesn't every Club Member do something similar?" And you, dear reader, why isn't your name listed here? Are you thinking the same? Are you thinking, "I could do that!". Well, I'm thinking, "You could, and you should!" Let's all of us give this some thought and then work on it!

Keith Campbell, Chairman
4-L4 Hearing & Speech Action, kcampbell5@socal.rr.com

HARBOR MESA "DIGS" THEIR WORK

The Harbor Mesa Lions Club, along with several members of the Costa Mesa-Newport Harbor Lions Club, worked with the Maintenance Services Division of Costa Mesa in fulfilling one of Lions' International objectives this year: reforestation of trees on our planet. Our Clubs paid for the purchase of ten 15-gallon trees — a donation to the city of Costa Mesa.



Five Sycamore trees were planted at Fairview Park (northeast & east of the picnic shelter) and five Tipuana trees were planted at Lions Park



SEAL BEACH GOES TO THE DOGS

The Seal Beach Lions piled into a rented van to take them to the November 12 Canine Companions for Independence graduation in Oceanside.



Reports were made that the 75 dogs at the graduation were much better behaved than their 250 human cohorts in attendance.



There were about 42 matriculating dogs; all golden and black labs. 10 lucky recipients received their special companions that day.

CCI service dogs are placed with individuals who have developmental and physical disabilities. The dogs go through 6-8 months of training before being placed with an individual in need.





Second Life

DO YOU HAVE USED OR OBSOLETE HEARING AIDS IN A DRAWER JUST TSKING UP SPACE?

GIVE THEM A SECOND LIFE.

DONATE THEM TO
THE LIONS DISTRICT 4-L4 HEARING AID BANK

MAIL TO: LIONS HEARING AID BANK 8121 RIDGEFIELD DRIVE HUNTINGTON BEACH CA 92646 OR CALL (714) 536-9813



Puppy raisers are the real heroes of this program. They raise the dogs for the first 14 months before turning them in for advanced training and then on to help someone with the gift of independence.

If your club would like to learn more about this program contact District LPCCI Chairman Lion Lee Love 714-349-7706 loop.google.com. The next graduation is February 12, 2012. Don't miss it! www.cci.org

AMERICAN FAMILY HOUSING & LIONS FEED 500 AT THANKSGIVING

With the help of Lions, American Family Housing held their annual Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 24 feeding an estimated 500 people. Lions from Seal Beach and Huntington Beach, along with DG Ken and VDG PJ and friends of AFH donated and baked the 50 turkeys needed to feed everyone. The Harbor Mesa Lions Club was also a food sponsor.

On Wednesday a number of Lions got elbow-deep into the birds at the carving party, slicing up the birds in a record 2 hours. Others helped in getting the dressing and yams ready.

On Thanksgiving it was an early morning of heating the food and moving it to the Westminster Senior Center where dinner was served to low income families and the homeless. Guests got the full traditional meal of turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, candied yams, green bean casserole, salad and dessert.

This is the second year that PDG Ellen Liebherr has volunteered to manage the kitchen. She has said with all of the help given by Lions, this may be the easiest catering job she has ever done. Leave it to Lions to come through to help those in need.

















If you have any trouble completing or sending this form by e-mail, please contact Lion Ron Raines ronraines@gmail.com



OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

93rd MD-4 Convention 2012 Ontario, California February 3, 4 & 5, 2012 Theme: "LIONS EXPANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE"



CONVENTION HOTEL - DoubleTree Hotel Ontario Airport, 222 North Vineyard Ave, Ontario, California 91764-4431 Telephone: 909-937-0900 Use Convention Registration Code: **LIO** for discount and attendee rooms together.

EACH Lion, Lioness, Leo or Guest MUST complete a SEPARATE registration form.

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	uncheon (with PID Philip		\$35	\$4			
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LIONS DAY AT THE THEATER

"SIGHT UNSEEN"

Lions and Leos of District 4L4 will have "their day" at South Coast Repertory Theater in Costa Mesa on SUNDAY, MARCH 11, at the 2 p.m. performance of "Sight Unseen." We are very fortunate to have this great opportunity at a much discounted price of \$21 per person, less than half price of the regular tickets. Tickets are for sections "A" and "B" and on a "first-come, first served" basis and are limited to four per household. Previously purchased tickets are not applicable and this offer cannot be combined with any others.

ORDERING TICKETS: It is highly advisable to get your order in early for the best seating and before there is a sell out. There are three ways to order your tickets: On line at www.scr.org., after entering promotion code **6201**, click "apply" prior to choosing seats; By phoning **714-708-5555**, mention the code **6201** for the discount; or in person at the box office located at 655 Town Center Drive, Costa Mesa, 92626, and again have the code **6201**.

SYNOPSIS OF "SIGHT UNSEEN": This is an OBIE awardwinning play is about an upcoming artist with a waiting list to buy paintings he has yet to paint. Although success is on the horizon, he feels something is missing. On impulse, he decides to search for the woman who was his first love and early inspiration and maybe to get back in touch with the past—and those feelings that made him an artist in the first place. Contains brief adult situations. Recommended for Middle school and above. For a more detailed description, see the South Coast Repertory website.

We are not raising any funds with the purchase of theater tickets, however, you can participate in a dining experience after the theater by dining at a near-by restaurant that will donate a percentage of your bill to the District. Flyers will be available for that at our next Cabinet Meeting and will be sent to your clubs. These funds will be donated to the Student Speaker Foundation.

For more information: Lion Carol Van Holt

District Cultural Committee (714) 962-0265 home (714) 745-9567 cell clion93@verizon.net





SOUTH COAST REPERTORY

Exclusive offer for district 414 lions

"LIONS DAY AT THE THEATER"

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2 p.m. 655 Town Center Drive, Costa Mesa

Please join our fellow Lions to experience

'Sight Unseen"

An OBIE winning play by Donald Marguelies

Our discounted price is: \$21 per ticket! (Over 50% off!)

Mark your calendars and get your party together.
Limited to four tickets per household, A and B section seating only.

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For further information, contact Lion Carol Van Holt, District Cultural Committee Chair at: 714-962-0265 or e-mail: clion93@verizon.net.

Further information will be in the Forum and flyers will be sent to each club.



COME SAIL AWAY FOR AN



Friday, March 2, 2012 – Monday, March 5, 2012

4 cabins left
Will revert back into Carnival pool on December 28, 2011
Call for more information and pricing

Note: a fuel supplement of \$9 per day per person may apply





ALSO INCLUDED IS ALL OF THE FUN AND CAMARADERIE OF LIONS THAT YOU CAN IMAGINE

Payment by 12/29/11 by CC or 12/20/11 by check. 3rd person and single supplement call for pricing.

For Reservations & more information contact Lion Carol Linehan 714-846-2478 or cell 714-716-9380

email: carol_linehan@yahoo.com

DISTRICT 4-L4 CALENDAR

December 2 Seal Beach Holiday Parade

December 3 CA Friends in Sight Screening, Rancho Cucamonga American Family Housing 8th Annual Golf Tournament December 28 January 1 **Huntington Beach Surf City Splash & Pancake Breakfast**

January 7 **Melvin Jones Dinner Cabinet Meeting** January 21

January 28 Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Day at the Races

February 1-2 **Council of Governors' Meeting Ontario**

February 3-5 **MD-4 Convention Ontario**

February 17-19 **Lions Flag Days**

February 21 **Deadline Club Level Student Speakers Contest**

February 26 **Teen Recognition Dinner**

March 1 - May 1 Rancho Cucamonga District Host Santa Claus Inc Toy Drive

Ensenada Visitation and Cruise March 2-5 March 10 **Orange Lions Spaghetti-Bingo Dinner**

Cucamonga District Host Sip for Sight Gourmet Wine Tasting Fundraiser Dinner March 10

March 11 Lions Day at the Theater March 12 **Saddleback Region Meeting**

March 12 **Zone Level Deadline Student Speakers Contest**

March 13 **Orange Region Meeting** March 14 **Foothill Region Meeting**

March 5-6 **Hearing Days**

March 15 Lions Day at City of Hope

Anaheim, Brea, Garden Grove & Orange Lions Clubs 90th Anniversary Celebration March 23

March 30 Region Level Deadline Student Speakers Contest

April 14 **Cabinet Meeting**

Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Fashion Show April 21 May 16-20 District Convention, Four Points Sheraton, Ventura **Council of Governors' Meeting Sacramento**

May 31-June 3

June 2 **MD-4 Student Speakers Finals**

June 22-26 **Lions Clubs International Convention Busan Korea**

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.

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