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#### THE VIEW FROM THE TOP

Happy New Year! New Year; new resolve; new ideas; new members; more trees.

4-L4 Lions started the second half of the Lions' Year with positive forward inertia. We have now had twenty three straight months of positive membership gain. The leaders in growth are Seal Beach Host with 39 (most new members) and Western U with 20 (highest % of new members). Many clubs deserve kudos for adding new members. District 4-L4 is up 53 net new members since July 1. We've added 100, but lost 47. Our clubs are stronger in retention than ever before and a number of clubs have been successful in bringing back former members. Retreads still have lots of valuable energy and ideas, and they bring back experience. With January as renewal month, renew some old memberships.

Breathe new life into your tree planting program. Plan now; plant in March or April. Tree Planting in 4-L4 has not quite caught on as in other districts. To spur growth in tree planting, I'm going to alter the rules (I made 'em, I can change 'em). Individual Lions planting trees for personal use will get club credit for that tree. A picture is required and eye witness approval by your Zone Chair. So far, worldwide Lions have planted 6 million +.

The Lions of 4-L4 are leaders in so many areas. Vision screenings are up, thanks to Calif. Lions Friends in Sight. Two screenings have taken place in Rancho Cucamonga, providing tests and glasses for over 500 people. The Dec 3rd clinic also offered hearing tests in the 4-L4 Sight & Hearing Mobile. Planning is moving ahead to put on a clinic in Orange County, probably Santa Ana. No schedule yet.

Thanks to the many wonderful clubs in 4-L4 for extending invitation to Christmas parties and events. The high point was riding in the Seal Beach Host Lions parade. Marilyne & I rode in a '57 T-bird convertible (I wasn't old enough to own a new one, or rich enough to own one later) with my name on the sides. Of the thousands of people in the crowd, I spotted my first high school girl friend. She tried to catch the car but one of the wheels came off of her walker and she fell behind. Thanks to President Mike Haley & Seal Beach Host for the great memories. Also, thanks to PRC Jim Klisanin for the hospitality before the parade. Jim's a successful realtor in Seal Beach; he served with me & PDG Danny Mayer & Lion Mel Bentgen as Region Chairmen for Gov. Kurt Vanderwest. First Lady Marilyne sends her thanks as well to all the Lions we shared holiday cheer with, especially to Zone Chair, Gina Stansbury, for the hospitality of her home & the singing with piano & guitar (Bob Proctor), and to Harbor Mesa president, Carol Proctor, for the invitation and cordiality (and the Newport Ribs).

Onward. Our 3rd Cabinet Meeting honoring PDGs is on Saturday, January 23. A roast would be fun. Then on to the 93rd Annual MD-4 convention in Ontario, Calif. Stay at the Double Tree and enjoy all the events without the commute. Don't let traffic spoil the fun.

Conserve Recycle And Plant. Don't Refuse

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# 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT PJ SMITH

Happy New Year!

It is two days after Christmas and all through the house not a creature was stirring not even a mouse. My body feels like it is in a state of hibernation after too many parties, food and of courses adult beverages. As I reflect back on 2011, I see and feel the many, many wonderful things we have accomplished as Lions. Our membership has had a positive growth for 23 straight months. The generosity from our Lion Clubs towards humanitarian needs is beyond words and belief. There is no doubt in my mind that 2012 will bring the same if not more for our District 4-L4.

We still have something to finish in 2011. Our beautiful Lion Float needs to have the final touches put in place. The Reception for IP Tam will be on Thursday, December 29th from 5 to 7:30 PM at the Doubletree Hotel, 888 Montebello Blvd. Rosemead (It's Free). On Saturday, December 31st the Pasadena Host Lions will host the Breakfast/Float Barn Tour in Pasadena. There also is the Club President's Reception with IP Tam, Sunday, January 1, 2012, at the Doubletree, 1-3:30 PM.

As we fast forward to January, there are many things happening. Our 23rd Annual Melvin Jones Dinner and Awards will be Saturday, January 7, 2012. This event will be held at the Costa Mesa Country Club, 1701 Golf Courses Dr., Costa Mesa. P.I.D. Bill Crawford will be our guest of honor. Please come out and support all of our past and present Melvin Jones Fellows.

The student speaker's contests will be gearing up. All clubs, zones and regions should notify the District as to when and where their contests are going to be held. This year's topic will surely be interesting "What Could the America of Yesterday Teach the America of Tomorrow?"

The Third District 4-L4 Cabinet Meeting will be held January 21st Honoring Past District Governors. The meeting will at Meadow Lark Country Club 16782 Graham St. Huntington Beach, registration 8:30 AM and meeting at 10:00 AM. Our first two cabinet meetings were extremely well attended so let's make this over the top for the first cabinet meeting of the new year.

Please check the Forum for all Club events and the great things that are happening in our District.

2011-2012 STUDENT SPEAKER TOPIC

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



### CABINET SECRETARY MARIANNE ALLEN'S REPORT

First, I hope everyone had a great holiday season and got everything you ever wanted.

By the time you read this, the Melvin Jones Dinner will be over with. For those of you who were honored, congratulations on receiving this very prestigious award.

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, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Come January, it will be time to start the Club Level Student Speakers Contest. Please remember the deadline for the Club contest is February 21, 2012. The topic for this year is "What could the America of yesterday teach the America of tomorrow?" The Region meetings which will be the Student Speakers Contest will be as follows: Foothill Region, March 14, 2012, Orange Region, March 13, 2012 and Saddleback Region March 12, 2012. Flyers to follow.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. Deadline for reservations is January 7, 2012.

# 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



## 2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT

#### SHEILA CASTEEL

Happy 2012! Lions from places near and far celebrated the ringing in of the New Year with other Lions. Among the festivities were float decorating, a reception with our International President, Dr. Wing-Kun Tam, the annual breakfast and float barn tour in Pasadena, New Year's Eve parties, and of course the Tournament of Roses Parade followed by the Rose Bowl Football Game.

At the reception hosted by Lions Float, Inc, International President Dr. Tam described Lions as being a large family. If we chose to celebrate the holidays together, whether by choice or obligation, this is surely a sign that we are indeed a family. Since it is tradition that families take trips together, I would like to suggest a couple of destinations for our Lions family in District 4-L4.

Ensenada, Mexico is one place I would like to propose. A group of Lions will be traveling by way of Carnival Cruises to visit the Lions in Ensenada. There will be fun, food, and merrymaking as we travel down the Pacific Coast. Then, in true Lions fashion, we will present gifts to our friends in Mexico. We are set to sail the first weekend in March. Lion Carol Linehan is making all the arrangements. If this sounds like something you would like to do, contact her ASAP.

There is another place I highly recommend. The wonderful thing is that it truly fits just about ANY budget. You can return as many times as you like and see something different. This destination offers endless opportunities to learn something new. It is a place to learn about both history and current events. By visiting this place, you can learn leadership skill that will benefit you in your personal, professional, and Lions life. During your visit, you can get things to help your Lions Club to be the best that it can be. The place to which I am referring is <a href="www.lionsclubs.org">www.lionsclubs.org</a>. I strongly encourage you to take the trip. I think you will glad you did. Happy Traveling!

## Second Life

DO YOU HAVE USED OR OBSOLETE HEARING AIDS IN A DRAWER JUST TSKING UP SPACE? GIVE THEM A SECOND LIFE.

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HEARING AID BANK

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





#### 2011-2012 DISTRICT 4-L4

THIRD District 4-L4 Cabinet Meeting
Saturday, January 21, 2012
"TARGET SERVICE"

PROGRAM: HONORING PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS



Meadow Lark Country Club
16782 Graham St
Huntington Beach, CA 92649
Cost: \$28 per person
Registration: 8:30 a.m., Meeting: 10:00 a.m.
Clubs are asked to bring a raffle prize (approximately \$20 value)

Please send your reservations and checks by **Jan. 10, 2012** to: Lion Marianne Allen P.O. Box 487 Garden Grove, CA 92842

Phone: 714-658-2232 (leave a message) E-mail: sarahcait@sbcglobal.net

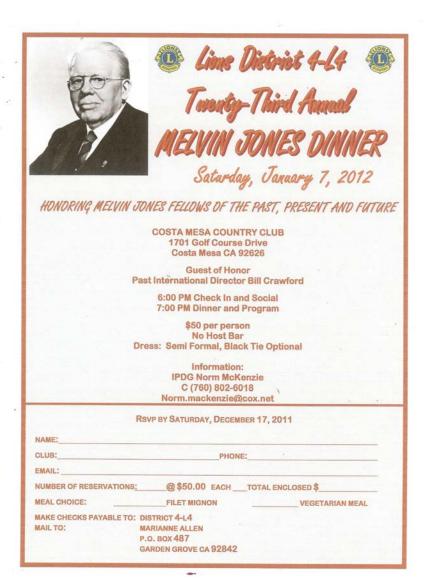
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#### NUMBER ATTENDING:

(\*\*\*\*Please include list of names on reverse side of this flier or email.)

MAKE YOUR CHECK (s) OUT TO: District 4-L4

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Come as a flapper or Come as you are, Dress up as a gangster or Silent screen star

It's going to be fun No matter the dress Just bring yourself and We'll do the rest!



Please join the Anaheim, Brea,

Garden Grove & Orange

Lions (lubs in celebrating their 90th

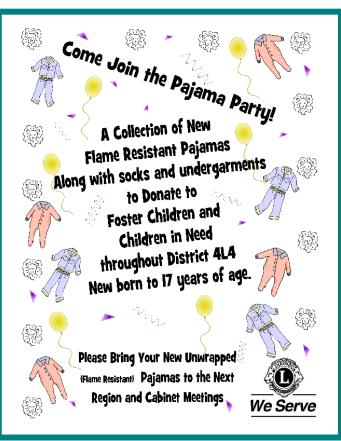
Anniversary

Dinner, Music & Dancing

(osta Mesa (ountry (lub friday, March 23, 2012 6:30 PM \$50.00 per person

RSVP Don Wolf dwolfwoodworker®gmail.com







### **Fantastic Foothill**

#### Region Chairman Gil Smith

Isn't it wonderful how Lions volunteer to improve their communities and donate to the many worthy charitable causes that need our financial support? Community service has an added benefit – we gain stronger clubs. Working together on community service, especially hands-on projects, creates a lasting bond between club members and leads to a more effective activation and retention process. Service is both our motto and the bond that makes Lions successful.

A last minute reminder - Lions in leadership positions within the local clubs are encouraged to register for the MD4 annual convention February 3-5, 2012 and take advantage of the leadership and subject area workshops held on Friday.

Zone A – Tamara Martin

Cucamonga District Host Lions: The Cucamonga District Host Lions sponsored the recently completed Friends in Sight clinic at Lions Center East on December 3rd. The screening began at 8:00 a.m. and lasted until 3:30 p.m. Of the 378 patients seen that day, 319 received recycled eyeglasses, 13 needed to have glasses made and 14 needed further examination or treatment for different conditions. A total of 16 Lions clubs had members who worked the event. Other recent community service activities by the club include: feeding the hungry at the Salvation Army on Thanksgiving Day, making quilts for Santa Claus Inc., collecting 850 pair of used eyeglasses, supporting Rising Stars, and helping Operation Community Cares through packing 1,000 boxes for our soldiers and donating \$450 to help with the shipping.

**Ontario Upland Lions Club**: Ontario Upland has been active in decorating the Lions Rose Parade float and collecting 60 pair of used eyeglasses. Unfortunately, they recently lost one member due to the passing of Marylou Niesley.

Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Club: The RCC Lions Club continues their service to the community through: San Antonio Community Hospital (40 hours), collection of pajamas for the Pajama Queen PDG Elizabeth Warren, and Santa Claus Inc.

**Upland Host Lions Club**: Ken Myers was co-chair of the annual Upland Christmas Parade, which was well attended and one of the best organized in recent years. They also participated in the Channel 7/Fill the Bus Toy Drive.

Zone B – Andrea Busby

**Ontario Host Lions Club**: The club conducted a live auction and raised \$659 for its Christmas Basket program, then prepared and

distributed the food baskets. It also collected a number of used eyeglasses.

**Western U Lions Club**: The club provided nine students and one doctor for the Friends in Sight clinic in Rancho Cucamonga on December 3rd = over 80 service hours.

Pomona Host Lions Club: The club added two more members to reach the milestone of 50 members. Charities donations for the month included: Braille Institute, Learning Ally, Lions Camp at Teresita Pines, San Gabriel Children's Center and City of Hope. The Vacation Opportunity drawing will be held on January 5th. The Sight for Success fundraising campaign to pay for student eyeglasses has raised over \$1,100 thus far. Three Lions worked the Friends in Sight clinic and several worked on decorating the Lions Rose Parade float.

Zone C - Drew Sasser

**Chino Valley Lions:** The club spent ten-hour days for almost 25 days operating their annual Christmas tree lot. Community service activities by the club include: donating 30 Christmas trees to Isaiah's Rock, donating 100 pumpkins to the Chino Hills Library fundraiser, and collecting over 100 pair of used eyeglasses.

Diamond Bar Breakfast Lions Club: The club conducted its Bob's Big Boy fundraiser from which they presented \$200 to "Warm the Homeless, Inc." They also presented toys to firefighters for "Spark of Love", collected 23 pair of used eyeglasses and decorated the Lions Rose Parade float. Diamond Bar Breakfast will also award three Melvin Jones Fellows at the Melvin Jones dinner January 7th. They continue to have an active Leos club.

**Walnut Diamond Bar Lions Club:** Community service was focused on the collection of 3,000 food items from three schools and the distribution of 30 food baskets to local families and the collection of 30 pair of used eyeglasses.



The **SURF CITY** branch of the Huntington Beach Host Lions Club made a donation of 12 Gold Medallion Trees Monday November 14th to Edison High School as part of a worldwide effort by the Lions Club Green team to plant trees in their local communities.

The Surf City branch raised \$600 to pay for the trees with a paper shred-a-thon earlier in the year.

#### **BREA LIONS HOLD PAJAMA PARTY**



At a recent Brea Lions Club regular dinner meeting, the Brea Lions hosted the Lions District 4-L4 Pajama Party. This event was the brain child of Past District Governor Elizabeth Warren who is the project chairman, and assisted by Brea's own Lion and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor P.J. Smith whose enthusiasm and marketing of this project has been immeasurable. Lions "Queen" Elizabeth and VDG P.J. are assisted by Mission Viejo Lions Club President Lori Mayer in marketing this project through District 4-L4.

This District project's aim is to provide pajamas for needy children throughout Orange County. Western Youth Services which works will troubled children, also, was a primary beneficiary of the donated 180 pairs of pajamas, 38 pairs of socks, and 19 pairs of briefs collected by the Brea Lions Club. These items will be distributed to needy children in the City of Brea. Jennifer Vasquez was on hand to receive the donations on behalf of *Western Youth Services*, headquartered in Laguna Hills, with offices in our Brea Community Center, along with Lori Mayer representing *South County Outreach*.



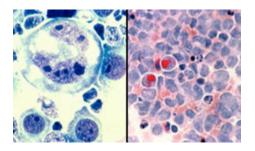


#### **City Snippets**

District City of Hope Chair, Lion Lorna Badame

## Lymphoma Patients' Stem Cell Genes Might Signal Risk of Dangerous Disease Later By Roberta Nichols

Sometimes lymphoma treatment has an unexpected and tragic side effect: Patients can later develop an aggressive form of leukemia or related blood disease. But City of Hope scientists recently pinpointed a few genetic changes that seem to identify the patients most at risk.



For some patients, treatment of lymphoma, left, can lead to leukemia, right. (Courtesy of National Cancer Institute/Dr. Lance Liotta Laboratory)

Tracking down these genetic changes will teach scientists important facts about how acute myeloid leukemia, or AML, and therapy-related myelodysplasia (t-MDS) develop. It could lead to new ways to prevent the diseases or treat them more effectively.

It's just one of the pieces of research supported through the Tim Nesvig Lymphoma Fellowship and Research Fund, but it symbolizes the wide impact of studies funded through the effort. The fund backs studies into advanced strategies, like engineering T-Cells to attack lymphoma and testing new drugs to fight recurrent lymphoma, as well as ways to improve stem cell transplantation and other projects. Now, by illuminating how t-MDS and AML develop, the funded scientists have uncovered some surprising information about the diseases' early stages. They found that even before patients in their study were treated for lymphoma, there was already evidence of leukemia deep inside the patients. Specifically, stem cells in their blood already had some genetic twists that put them on the road toward developing leukemia, according to Ravi Bhatia, M.D., director of the Division of Hematopoietic Stem Cell and Leukemia Research and co-principal investigator on the study. These changes might have made the cells particularly susceptible to damage during lymphoma treatment, but some of these patients might have developed leukemia even without cancer treatment, he said. If scientists learn more about how these genetic changes make

If scientists learn more about how these genetic changes make patients susceptible to leukemia, they may be able to detect the changes in advance — and design ways to prevent leukemia from developing.



### **ORGANIC ORANGE**

# Orange Region Chairman RENEE SCHULTE

Before I start bragging about all of the wonderful volunteering our Region has accomplished this month, a small reflection seems appropriate. By the time you read this, Christmas and perhaps the New Year will have passed. I hope everyone has had an opportunity to come together as a family and/or friends, shared the wonderful aspects of both and will remain happy and healthy for another year. Wow, I only have, I mean, I <u>have</u> six more swell months to create this portion of the FORUM. This translates into you having six more swell months to read it, so read on!!

#### **ZONE "A"** Lion Randy

Brea Lions Club: The Brea Lions Club was once again very active this month of November attending our District Cabinet meeting and averaging an impressive 75% in monthly Club attendance. Their efforts were noted as the Club was published five times in local newspapers. This Club volunteered 50 service hours and \$1,000 for the City of Hope by way of their pancake breakfast; they also spent 18 hours on behalf of the Salvation Army. A quick note for next month, because rumor has it they had a very successful Lions District 4-L4 Pajama Party. . .stay tuned for next month's synopsis.

La Habra Host Lions Club: This Club's November membership was 104 Lions (including one new Lion!!) and they are also maintaining a strong Leos Club of 63 Leos!! The La Habra Host Lions were also very busy volunteering once again all over the place. An accumulation of 217 La Habra Lions volunteered close to 900 hours and served 150 people this month. They collected 712 eyeglasses, 100 pairs of pajamas, donated blood and time for the City of Hope and made dinner for and donated \$2,000 to the Ronald McDonald House. An evening of dining and dancing was created to help fund The Gary Center. An estimated and impressive \$10,000 was raised. They also made time to visit the Seal Beach Host Lions Club, to oversee the activities of their Leo Club and take care of some Club administrative duties. It is neat to note that members of their Leo Club are practicing to sing at various local senior homes. Indeed, Lions and Leos serve in many countless and creative ways

#### Zone "B" Lion Patrick

<u>Buena Park Noon:</u> I am pleased to report on behalf of our Buena Park Noon Lions that they have been active in several 4-L4 programs; LCIF, Leos Club, City of Hope and White Cane Days just to name a few. The Club was represented a couple of times in their local newspapers and continues to volunteer with a heart community-wide.

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 attended, in force, our Cabinet meeting and took some time to enjoy Oktoberfest and Casino Night with our Huntington Beach Host and Harbor Mesa Lions respectively. Eight (8) service hours and \$1,275 were donated to supply eye exams and glasses for needy students within the Orange Unified School District and this Club continues to support the 4-L4 approved project: Ronald McDonald House and participate in the Lions Peace Poster Contest.

#### Zone "C": Lion Bruce

Garden Grove Host Lions: One of November's accomplishments for this Club, was the planting of ten (10) large oak trees in support of our District Governor Ken Sherwood's "Sherwood Forest" tree planting campaign (what a great picture, thank you for sharing it with me). Many Garden Grove Host Lions took some time to visit the Huntington Beach and La Habra Host Lions Clubs in addition to sponsoring a Life Line screening at their clubhouse. Seal Beach Host Lions: The Seal Beach Host Lions continue on their merry recruiting way and in November added yet another new Lion, bringing their Club membership to one hundred and seventy-two (172). At this time, however, I am still reading November's Monthly Membership and VAD reports (I started in November just kidding Lion Allyn just wanted to see if anyone reads this stuff, oh, and just further kidding District Governor Ken) so I will attempt to summarize and not minimize this Club's service project, program and charitable donation activities. Throughout the month of November over 1,200 service hours and \$3,000 in donations on behalf of eighteen (18) projects, most notably (but to diminish the others), American Family Housing Thanksgiving dinner, Ronald McDonald House dinners, LPCCI graduation and various Leo support events were generated. An estimated \$1,500 in funds were raised on behalf of a local school; over \$10,300 in support of the tragic salon killings and close to \$6,000 in charitable donations went to LCIF, Teen Recognition and the Seal Beach Leos Club, just to name a few. The Club attended our Cabinet meeting, boosted a 75% Club meeting attendance, awarded four (4) Proud Lion Awards, were published in local newspapers thirty-nine times, published a newsletter, held a new member orientation, witnessed the CCI graduation and participated in several 4-L4 approved Programs such as Student Speakers, Teen Recognition and Peace Posters. WHEW. . good job of reporting!!! Westminster Lions: Once again the Westminster Lions Club has donated used eye glasses to Lions in Sight. This month it was 35 lenses at an unreported value. Thank you Lion Robert for keeping us informed.

Okay, alright already, I am done here. Remember if you have read this far and haven't found any details of your Club's monthly activities, it is because I haven't received any. I could make something up but you might not like it and I don't want to anyway.

Happy holidays, a prosperous New Year and I will see you on the flip side. Remember: weed weeds, plant plants go GREEN.

#### **Lions Disaster Relief: A View from the Outside**

By Gil and Barbara Smith

District 4-L4 Disaster Preparedness and Relief Chairs

As Lions, we follow with great interest what LCIF is doing around the world to render relief after major disasters. We have read LION magazine and website articles about Lions racing into action after earthquakes, tsunamis, tornadoes, hurricanes, and floods. As we know, our district has generously responded to these great humanitarian needs.

Rarely, however, do most Lions have the chance to hear about our work through an outside, non-Lions source. This month we had such an opportunity when we received an email from Mark Benthien from the Southern California Earthquake Center at USC. We became acquainted with Mark through our District 4-L4 Disaster Preparedness and Relief representation at the California Earthquake Country Alliance meetings. Mark helps coordinate these meetings as well as the Great California Shake-Out.

Recently, when Mark was touring the tsunami-damaged area of Japan, he thought of us and the Lions. He had come across some temporary shops the Lions had helped build in the coastal town of Kessenuma, which had been wiped out by the tsunami. The economy had also been destroyed, and the Lions shops are allowing the economy to begin a recovery.



As seen in the accompanying photos, he sent pictures of the Lions shops, the devastation, and of himself in front of a ship, which had been swept in and stranded a mile inland by the tsunami.

We were impressed with Mark's photos and e-mail because so often we hear only of the immediate response to a disaster. Here were photographs almost ten months later, showing that Lions continue to help long after a

#### 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.





disaster... long after all the news media have left. Here was proof that at least partially because of Lions, the devastated town of Kessenuma can now begin to rebuild and to have hope for the future.

Multiply the story of Kessenuma numerous times in Japan and around the world, and we can begin to understand what it means to live our motto, "WE SERVE."



PDG Jon and 2VDG Sheila Casteel, LCI President Wing-Kun Tam, DG Ken Sherwood, IPDG Norm MacKenzie at the reception for President Tam.



LCI President Wing-Kun Tam speaks to California Lions at his reception in Rosemead.



First Lady Marilyne and District 4-L4 District Governor Ken Sherwood enjoy President Tam's reception.



District 4-L4 1VDG PJ Smith presents a beautiful Rose Parade stained glass memento that he made to President Wing-Kun Tam.



PDG Judy Schnitzer and husband George at the reception for LCI President Tam



Foothill Region Chair Gil Smith visits with Past LCI President Kay Fukushima.



PDG and Lions Float President Jon Casteel speaks.



PCC Ed and Jackie Bordenkircher and Georgia and 1VDG PJ Smith



PDG Elizabeth Warren conducts the raffle as President Tam draws the tickets.



Lions Jo Fulton, Beverly and Richard Sugerman, Barbara and Gil Smith





ZC Drew and Vicky Sasser at the reception



Leos and Wanda and Jack Tanaka with President Tam



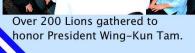
International Director Bob and Vicky Smith pose with President Wing-Kun Tam.



Lion Martha Hebert and PDG Judy Schnitzer with President Tam after the reception



Ken Bell takes a break from the float pavilion to attend reception with wife Beverly.





Jim Peugh, Scotty and Barbara Barclay, Wanda and Jack Tanaka enjoy visiting.



First Lady Marilyne and DG Ken Sherwood pose with Public Relations Chair Jack Tanaka.



President Wing-Kun Tam speaks at the Lions Rose Parade Breakfast.



PIP Kay Fukushima and IP Wing-Kun Tam admire the progress on the Lions float.



IPDG Norm MacKenzie, District 4-C5 Governor Richard Wilmot and PCC Larry



Georgia and 1VDG PJ Smith and friends with President Tam



Lion Jerry McJunkin, PDG Elizabeth Warren and Lion Pat Mason



Lions and Leos continue to decorate the Lions float as the parade day nears. The 2012 Rose Parade is January 2.



Lions Gil and Barbara Smith, Jo Fulton, Mary and Dave Wallace and Beverly and Richard Sugerman pose with President Tam.





Lion Wanda Tanaka and some Leos decorate the float sign.



Meticulously, flower by flower, seed by seed, the float takes shape.



Lions Jim and Alice-Faye Peugh



Each flower can take up to 13 hours to decorate.

#### LA HABRA LIONS OPERTATION SANTA

Each year the La Habra Host Lions Club participates in the City's Operation Santa, a classic & custom car show and toy drive. The City works with local school districts to identify those families with children that could use a helping hand during the holidays. Operation Santa accepts donations of non-perishable food, toys and monetary contributions to provide to these families.

When it was all done, the Grand ballroom at The Community Center was filled with toys for more than 600 families to enjoy.











## You're Invited To The **SURF CITY LIONS CLUB** "SHRED-A-THON"

Date: January 14, 2012 (Saturday)

Hours: 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM



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## **SUPER SADDLEBACK**

#### REGION CHAIRMAN KEN HENDERSON

Happy New Year Fellow Lions! I hope everyone enjoyed the Holidays with your Family & Friends, made all your resolutions & are ready to start our Lion New Year with a Loud Proud ROAR!

There is much to do & little time to do it... Our Student Speaker Contests is coming up for all levels, there is a Zone Meeting to be planned, Cabinet Meetings to attend , Tree Plantings to support, the MD4 Meeting, the Year End Convention & many, many more goals we have that need to be completed.

What is going on in the Saddleback Region?

#### **Harbor Mesa Lions Club:**

Planted 20 Trees in Costa Mesa & Fountain Valley, Ronald McDonald House Breakfast / Women helping Women, donated 185 pairs of Eyeglasses & many Cell Phones, raised \$340 selling See's Candy. Funds Donated \$150 to American Family Housing & \$370 to Cities of Costa Mesa & Fountain Valley to purchase trees. Published their Newsletter.

#### **Huntington Beach Lions Club:**

Helped at the American Family Housing Thanksgiving dinner by donating turkeys and help. Planted 12 Trees at Edison High School in Huntington Beach. Donated \$350 to the Orange County Food Bank / Donated \$200 to Huntington Beach Surf City Splash / Donated \$260 Eye Glasses & also donated \$600 towards costs of Trees planted. Way to keep busy Huntington Beach Host!

#### **Mission Viejo Lions Club:**

Collected & Shipped 491 pairs of used Eyeglasses to LIS. Purchased 10 Turkeys for Aliso Intermediate School. Collected food for SCO Food Drive (ongoing Club commitment)

#### **Tustin Host Lions Club:**

Planted 27 Trees. Donated \$500 to Miss Tustin Scholarship Program

Unfortunately I did not receive reports from the other Saddleback Clubs. I know you all are doing GREAT things out there in your Community, so please send your reports to me by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month, so I can share all of your activities with the rest of the District.

## Global Leadership Team (GLT)

District GLT Coordinator – Gil Smith gilfsmith@aol.com

H: 909-860-6477 C: 909-802-9915

As the newly appointed District GLT Coordinator, I would like to share with you what to expect in the ensuing months. The GLT will be bringing you new programs and materials to help clubs with the orientation of new members, leadership training and the Club Excellence Process (CEP)

A revised New Member Orientation Program, developed from a blending of the LCI Basic Mentoring Program, current programs by PDG Dan Mayer, and effective educational approaches, will be available in January. It is a 90-minute program designed to be presented at the club level with a focus on "We Serve" and to reinforce "why you joined Lions." It will include special shared moments from the local and GMT speakers. The objective is to make it a personal experience while sharing what Lions are all about on a local through LCI level. It has been tested on the Pomona Host Lions and was well received – just ask 1VDG PJ Smith. Keep an eye out for its release as you will find it to be an effective and motivational orientation for new members. The program will come as a printed packet for smaller group discussions and a PowerPoint for larger groups.

A District Leadership Academy should be initiated in the second quarter of 2012. The objective is to bring leadership training opportunities in needed areas to the District level. We ask that you share with the GLT topics of interest so we can develop focused presentations over the next few months. Fortunately, we already have the resources in District 4-L4 Lions to provide the training, including Lions who have presented at the MD4 Harris Ranch Leadership Institute and the USA/Canada Forum. The preliminary plans are to offer one or two topics during the hour before each cabinet meeting.

The Club Excellence Process (CEP) is one of the more exciting programs from LCI.

If you want to improve your club, regardless of whether you are struggling or have been highly successful, the CEP will help you become better. You will hear much more about CEP in the coming months as the program is rolled out in the first quarter of 2012. Please see 2VDG Sheila Casteel's article in the November Forum. Around ten fellow Lions from District 4-L4 were trained as CEP facilitators in October and stand ready to help your club.

Please email or call me with any requests or ideas you care to share for the Global Leadership Training program.

#### CALIFORNIA LIONS FRIENDS IN SIGHT

On Saturday, December, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011: Friends in Sight did a vision screening in conjunction with the Lions of District 4L-4 in Rancho Cucamonga, CA. We departed our Hemet staging area at 5:30am and Yucaipa at 6:15am. At 7:15am we had arrived and began to set up for the day's screening.

The screening began at 8:00am and the last patient of the day was leaving with their recycled eyeglasses at 3:30pm.

Listed below is a synopsis of the day's vision screening findings:

- 378 patients were seen for the day.
- Of the 378, 46 needed no prescription, 13 need to be made at the optical lab and 319 received recycled eyeglasses.
- 4 patients need treatment/evaluation for glaucoma.
- 5 patients need cataract surgery on at least one eye.
- 2 patients need treatment for seborrheic blepharitis.
- 2 patients need laser treatment for proliferative diabetic retinopathy.
- 1 patient needs a dilated fundus examination for flashes and floaters.

With our goodbyes made and equipment repacked we departed for our staging area in Yucaipa. By 5:00pm we had arrived at the Yucaipa location and 5:30pm at the Hemet location.

It was a great day to help people and work together as a team. We had great support from many volunteers whether a lion member or a non-lion member.

Listed below are those that participated directly in the vision screening

San Jacinto Lions Club: George Reed.

<u>Cucamonga District Host:</u> Michael Bailey, Barbara Barclay, Scotty Barclay, Dave Geyer, Tony High, Jamie Jimenez, Norm MacKenzie, Tamara Martin, Jim Peugh, Marilyn Seely, Bonny Thompson and Larry Williams.

Lucerne Valley Lions Club: Deborah Post.

Magnolia Center Lions Club: Emerson Campbell.

Norco Lions Club: Bert Horton.

Ontario Upland Lions Club: Ken Sherwood.

Pomona Host Lions Club: Barbara Smith and Gil Smith.

Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Club: Barbara Abramovitz, Sergio Gonzalez, Jerry McJunkin, Sandy Richmond and Elizabeth Warren.

<u>Riverside Downtown Lions Club</u>: Juana Rodriquez and Anna White.

<u>Seal Beach Host Lions Club</u>: Nancy Herbert, Nichole Illingworth, Jackie

Maloney, Cathy Newton and Scott Newton.

<u>Upland Host Lions Club:</u> Sang Han, Hal Tanner and Rosemary Tanner. Victorville Lions Club: Lupe Munoz.

<u>Spring Valley Lake Lions Club:</u> Jean Andrews and Al Andrews.

Jurupa District Lions Club: Irasema Guzman.

<u>Western University College of Optometry & Western University Lions Club:</u> Hamsa Azar, Jen Buell, Ani Grigoriana, Jonathan Hall, Dina Ibrahim, Rosalyn Ohebsian, Christine Pham, Lindsay Stronz, Thomas Wong and Frank Spors, O.D.

<u>Calimesa Breakfast Lions Club:</u> Don Ranney, Rob Manning, Dick Mottar, Pati Van Dusen, Dick Benoit, Jeannie Lloyd, Linda Donoso, Jim Selby, Ricardo Terrones, Kathy Ogaz, Dan Ogaz and Brian Van Dusen, O.D. <u>Non-Lions:</u> Trina Jimenez, Ann Bushling, Julie Berberian, Anna Bedrosian, O.D. and Richard Gilkision, O.D.

### GUIDE DOGS OF THE DESSERT RODE IN THE LAGUNA NIGUEL HOLIDAY PARADE



THE TUSTIN HOST LIONS CLUB PARTICIPATED IN THE TUSTIN CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING AND DONATED TO THE SANTA COP PROGRAM







#### HO HO HO

The Seal Beach Lions spent December 21 preparing and serving a plated prime dinner to the clients of American Family Housing. Guests were treated to first class service while the kids got a visit with Santa.















# HEARING & SPEECH ACTION NEWS

#### It's a Noisy Planet: How Parents Can Protect Their Kid's Hearing

We live in an increasingly noisy world. We are surrounded by a growing number of tools, toys and other noisy gadgets that make noise — and lots of it. Just compare the noise made by a rake to that of a leaf blower. You may not realize that too much noise can permanently damage your hearing and your child's hearing.

Even a small loss of hearing can affect a child's quality of life. The ability to hear well helps children succeed in school, in sports and other activities, and in their personal relationships. As adults, hearing quality may affect their job opportunities and workplace safety.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has made the reduction of noise-induced hearing loss (NIHL) a national objective, with a goal of reducing NIHL in kids and teens under age 17 as well as in adults. The national public education campaign is designed to increase awareness among parents of children ages 8 to 12 about the causes and prevention of NIHL. This age group provides an excellent opportunity for parents to encourage them to adopt healthy hearing habits.

There are simple steps that everyone can take to protect their hearing and awareness; steps that will make it second nature to use protective techniques when exposed to loud noise, just like it has become second nature to wear sunscreen at the beach or to snap on a helmet when biking.

For further information see: www.noisyplanet.nidcd.nih.gov. or call 1-800-241-1044.

Keith Campbell, Chairman 4-L4 Hearing & Speech Action 714/536-9813 kcampbell5@socal.rr.com If you have any trouble completing or sending this form by e-mail, please contact Lion Ron Raines ronraines@gmail.com



### OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

## 93<sup>rd</sup> 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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SATURDAY, FEB. 4 - "Governor's Banquet" (fun & entertainment)			\$55	\$6			
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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 award-winning 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!)



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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

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. 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**

January 1 Huntington Beach Surf City Splash & Pancake Breakfast

January 7 Melvin Jones Dinner

January 14 HB Surf City Lions Club Shred A Thon

January 21 Cabinet Meeting

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

March 2-5 Ensenada Visitation and Cruise

March 6 Orange Zone B Meeting, Knott's Berry Farm Resort Hotel

March 10 Orange Lions Spaghetti-Bingo Dinner

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

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

March 23 Anaheim, Brea, Garden Grove & Orange Lions Clubs 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

March 25 Huntington Beach Host Lions Crab Fest

March 30 Region Level Deadline Student Speakers Contest

April 14 Cabinet Meeting

April 21 Rancho Cucamonga Community Lions Fashion Show May 16-20 District Convention, Four Points Sheraton, Ventura May 31-June 3 Council of Governors' Meeting Sacramento

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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