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Greetings Lions, Leos and Friends

A Grand and Joyous Happy New Year to everyone. As 2012 slowly fads into history and are memories, we can truly say that our Lions' year has been great with many accomplishments. We can boast about our positive membership gain and receiving the "FAST START cruising speed award" from International President Wayne Madden for the positive growth. However, I'm deeply saddened by the loss of Pomona Breakfast that was chartered in 1956 and Rancho Cucamonga Community chartered in 1992. With these two Lions Clubs surrendering their Charter, we have lost a total of twenty three members. I'm hoping and looking forward to all these Lions finding new Lions homes within their communities. On the brighter side, we picked up twenty three new members from Atria retirement home that will become members of Upland Host Lions Club. Congratulation Upland Host Lions!

I would like to thank all of the Lions from District 4-L4 that made the journey to Sacramento to attend our beloved Past International President, Kay Fukushima's Celebration of Life memorial service on December 14, 2012. It was estimated that there were approximately 800 Lions at the service. For those Lions that were unable to attend, there will be another Celebration of Life service for PIP Kay Fukushima on Sunday, January 13, 2013, at 2:00 PM in the Sky Rose Chapel at Rose Hills, 3888 Workman Mill Road, Whittier CA 90601.

December was very busy with many Santa visits. I believe I was the most photographed person of the month. Listening to Santa wishes and seeing so many smiling children's faces truly is a gift one needs to experience. Thank you Seal Beach Host Lions for the wonderful opportunity to ride in the Seal Beach Christmas parade. This was a first for Georgia and I . . . and and we had a great time. I also enjoyed attending the La Habra Lions Santa Car show. The vintage cars were beautiful and definitely a blast from the past. We wrapped up December with the IP Wayne Madden and family visiting Southern California for the Rose Float parade along with several other events. A Big, Big thank you to all Lions, Leos and friends who helped decorated the Lions' Float.

Paddy Pass Alert! Our third District Cabinet Meeting will be on Saturday, January 26, 2013. Location: 101 W. La Habra Blvd. La Habra CA. 90631 La Habra Community Center, cost \$28.00. Registration starts at 8:30 AM with training session from 9:00-10:00 AM. This session will cover Conflict and Resolution, wow!! Great topic! The general meeting will start at 10:00 AM and conclude at 2:00 PM. Our 1st VDG Sheila Casteel will be making an interesting presentation on "World Services for the Blind". The highlight of the meeting we be honoring all of our Past District Governors. Many PDGs are very active in our district, so let's all come out to give them the recognition they deserve. All Lions attending the Cabinet Meeting will receive five paddy passes for an opportunity to win the stained glass window at convention. The window will also be on display at the meeting. Please RSVP, ASAP to Cabinet Secretary Dewey Linehan, 4729 Rey Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92649 or at dewdrm1@hotmail.com.

Yours in Lionism
PJ Smith, DG 4-L4

2011-2012 DISTRICT CABINET



2013 MD-4

Leadership Institute

January 19th to 21st

Harris Ranch

Coalinga, California
located off Interstate 5

Cost: \$250

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an extra \$60 per night as a single

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LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Lions Leadership Institutes focus on building the skills of Lions leaders to prepare them for leadership responsibilities at the club, zone, region and district levels. There is a focus on applying many of the leadership skills long recognized in business and government to working with volunteers and the community.

QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates are Lions in good standing who have are active in their club or district leadership.

COST OF THE INSTITUTE

The cost to the attendee is \$250 for the weekend. The rest of the cost of the Institute is picked up by Lions Clubs International and Multiple District Four. This covers the meals, materials and a shared room at the hotel.

APPLICATIONS

Lions who meet the qualifications may apply. If you are interested in attending, applications are available from your district governor or you may download an application from the MD-4 web site.

Requirements

All attendees agree to do the pre assignments and to attend all of the classes

AREAS OF EMPHASIS

Some of the areas covered in the course work are Change Leadership, Presentation Skills, Diversity, Conflict Resolution, Supporting Teams, Project Management, LCIF, Communications and Technology & Lions.

DRESS

The dress is casual. Please wear comfortable clothes to the classes. Business attire is appropriate for the graduation dinner on Sunday evening.

STARTING TIME

We start training at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning. Some students may want to come in on Friday evening. You can do that at your own expense. We have a group rate of \$120 per night that you may use. Meals start with the Saturday Continental Breakfast at 9 a.m. All sessions start on time. Training ends Monday at noon.



1st Vice District
Governor

Sheila Casteel



2nd Vice District
Governor

Gil Smith

Happy 2013! Another year has come and gone, a new one has begun. One of the things many people like about a new year is that it is a time of new beginnings, a clean slate, and a fresh start. Of course there are the here-one-minute-and-gone-the-next resolutions to eat better, exercise and get organized. I offer you a suggestion for a resolution that you can actually keep.

Resolve to do one thing to help increase membership in your club. If you are a Lion who already does something to increase membership, then do one additional thing. Take some time to think about what you will do. Don't be afraid to get creative. Don't be afraid to do something that has already been done. Don't be afraid to steal ideas from other Lions. Do make a commitment to do something. Do share your plans with another Lion. Do carry out your plan.

Here are just a few ideas to get you thinking of possible things you could do.

- Wear your Lions pin all day, every day.
- Start a conversation about Lions.
- Bring a prospective member to a meeting or activity.
- Go to a membership class.
- Become more educated about Lions.
- Sponsor a new Lion.
- Get more involved with your own club.
- Brainstorm membership ideas with another Lion.

The future of Lions depends upon replenishing members. If during his last days, Past International President Kay Fukushima could talk about Lions and begin recruiting his Hospice Nurse into our organization, then certainly each of us could do just one thing we are not already doing to increase and strengthen membership.

Barbara and I spent the holidays with our daughter on the East Coast so unfortunately we have missed all the fun of Rose Parade activities and the visit of International President Madden. I hope that many of you were able to attend. They are some of our favorite Lions events. We hope you had a happy and meaningful holiday season.

January is the midpoint of our Lions year. It is a wise idea to sit down with your board to look at where you are and what you still have to do this year. One good idea is to use President Madden's quarterly pitstop checklist to see how your club stacks up against the three major areas of: service, membership and public relations, and operations.

Your District officer team also has a wealth of experience and is ready and willing to assist any club in the District. Members of the governor's team would like to visit with the boards of directors for a number of clubs over the next several months to see how you're doing and identify where we can be of assistance to help clubs grow and provide effective hands-on community service.

Looking forward to the district growing in membership and in service from the heart!

STUDENT SPEAKER CONTEST MD-4 LIONS CLUBS OF CALIFORNIA

2012-2013 Topic
"How Do We Create and Keep Jobs in America?"

Deadline for Club Contests
February 23, 2013



DID YOU SEE IT?

**Our 2013 Lions Float was a hit in the
Annual Pasadena Rose Parade.**



District 4-L4
 "We Serve"



Third DISTRICT CABINET MEETING

ORANGE REGION
 SATURDAY January 26, 2013
 Governor's Motto:
 "Service From The Heart"

LA HABRA COMMUNITY CENTER
 101 W. La Habra Blvd.

La Habra, Ca. 90631
 Registration Starts at 8:30 A.M.
 Training session 9:AM-10A.M. 2nd VDG Gil Smith
 Conflict & Resolution
 Honoring Past District Governors

Presentation given by 1st. VDG Sheila Casteel
 "World Services for the Blind"

LUNCH 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
 Cost \$28.00

Please make reservations no later than: January 18,2013

Club name _____

Number attending: _____ Amount enclosed: _____

Please send the names of those attending.....on the back of form

Send completed payments to:
 Cabinet Secretary Dewey E. Linehan, 4729 Rey Drive,
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 Team (GLT)**

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Kick off the year with a renewed spirit of enthusiasm to serve your community and make your club better!!

The following resources are available and supported by your fellow District 4-L4 Lions who stand ready to help: Give your club a tune up with the Club Excellence Process. Give you new members a good grounding with a Lions Orientation.

Use your Certified Guiding Lions to help where desired or needed.

Give your present and future leaders the outstanding opportunity to grow through the District Leadership Academy, the MD4 Leadership Institute in mid-January at Harris Ranch, and use of the LCI web site training materials.

MD4 Leadership Institute at Harris Ranch from January 19-21, 2013 is an excellent program for all Lions who are current or future club presidents or who currently or in the future may serve as district officers. There are still a few slots available.

Conflict and Club Politics will occur in any club at some time to varying degrees. How we deal with it is the important part of the process. To better help identify and address conflict and club politics issues that can be divisive for a club, please join your fellow Lions at the District Leadership Academy in the hour before the next Cabinet meeting January 26, 2013.

If every Lion took advantage of only one of the many training opportunities available, just think how much better our clubs would be and how much individual Lions would grow.

**Multiple District 4 Convention
 February 8-10, 2013
 Sacramento CA**

**Multiple District 4 Leadership
 Institute
 January 19-21, 2013
 Harris Ranch**

**For more information
www.md4lions.org**



Cabinet
Secretary

Dewey
Linehan

I hope everyone received what they wanted for Christmas? December was very busy to say the least. All the Christmas parties we went to, standing in line at the check-out in stores for that last minute shopping and too much wassail.

On December 29, the Cabinet and a lot of Lions took part in meeting our racing team I.P. Wayne Madden at the Ontario Hilton. He and his wife Linda were present at the reception. They will be on the float in the Rose Bowl Parade New Years Day, be sure to have your Big Screen TV on to view this spectacular creation that the Lions put together, a big thank you to all of them.

It's amazing that half of our Lion's year has passed. We're into the new year to start our journey the next (6) months to the finish line of our race, watch out it's going to be fast. We have a busy schedule coming up, the Melvin Jones Dinner, Orange Region District Cabinet meeting on the 26th of January, MD-4 Convention in Sacramento February 8-10, Ensenada Visitation March 8-11, then the Club, Zone and Region Student Speaker Contests.

I've decided instead of a real long message for December, I would cut it short because I know your clubs and members are busy planning the rest of your Lions year, so with that I would like to say a Happy and Healthy New Year to all, from your Cabinet Secretary, Dewey E. Linehan

ORDER EARLY !
2013-2014
PEACE POSTER CONTEST
OUR WORLD. OUR FUTURE



26th Annual Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest kits are available Jan 15-Oct 1, 2013. Each kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor the contest. One kit is needed for each entry sponsored. Purchase your kit early to allow adequate time for shipment and contest planning.

THERE'S NOTHIN' LIKE A PARADE



An estimated 14,000 spectators watched the 34th annual Seal Beach Christmas Parade. This parade was the biggest ever with 110 entries and over 3,600 participants. The parade is a cooperative effort by the Seal Beach Lions Club, the Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce and the City of Seal Beach.



The Seal Beach Lions Club manages the parade and does most of the heavy lifting. It takes a full year of planning to pull the event off.

A BIG congratulations goes to Lion Seth Eaker who was named Grand Marshal of the parade and Lion Rosie Ritchie whose Miss Seal Beach Program was named Junior Grand Marshals. Not only is this a great honor for these two Lions but it is a proud day when two Seal Beach Lions are chosen for these top honors.

Governor PJ and first lady Georgia were also guests riding in a convertible down Main Street. Lions also invited another special guest, Dottie Seatter, 90 years young, blind and a big fan of Lions and the community of Seal Beach. She rode on the 1929 Antique Fire Engine along with Lions, Leos and a writer from the Orange County Register. The writer, David Whiting, wrote a front page story in the Register about Dottie and her parade experience.



FOOTHILL REPORT

Region Chairman Drew Sasser

December WesternU

The WesternU Lions, now comprised of students from various health disciplines, focused its activities on multi-area health and vision screenings in December. Final exams concluded before winter break.

NOVEMBER WESTERNU

The WesternU Lions Club is continuing to grow and now has 76 members from five colleges from the Western University of Health Sciences. On October 13th, the club participated in the Friends in Sight Vision Screening in Rancho Cucamonga. Twelve Lions from the College of Optometry participated in this event, and they saw roughly 400 patients, including some with ocular diseases, such as Macular Degeneration and Diabetic Retinopathy. On November 3rd, led by Lions Mojdeh Robubi and Pasha Mostowfi from the College of Dentistry, the club held a dental screening in Pomona. There were a total of twelve WesternU Lions conducting this event.

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES FOR POMONA HOST

December was an extremely busy month for the Pomona Host Lions. In the community service arena, members helped man the fundraising booth of the Pomona Community Engagement at the Holiday at the Civic Center Plaza, continued to collect large amounts of food in two separate drives for Hope Partners Food Pantry, "sold" certificates for the Sight for Success fundraiser, collected eyeglasses from its numerous recycling box sites, and played Santa at a local elementary school. At the Pomona Concert Band holiday performance, Santa Gil Smith handed out candy canes, as he and club members collected community donations of non-perishable food, toys, eyeglasses and books. Toys from the concert and from the club's collection at its holiday luncheon were given to the Pomona Santa Cop program for needy children. Members continued to cut plastic bags and tie strips, creating "plarn" for crocheting into mats for the homeless. The month was rounded out with a Holiday Open House and more visitations.

NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES FOR POMONA HOST

The Pomona Host Lions got a fast start on November 1 with its "Get Involved Project Fair," where members and guests rotated among six tables, which had displays and sign-up sheets for 14 different current and upcoming projects. Project chairs and directors enthusiastically explained the different ways to volunteer. The club held a flag presentation for first grade classrooms at Lincoln Elementary in commemoration of Veteran's Day. Lions read a book about the American flag and then presented flags to every child and a stuffed lion and the book to the class. In support of the city-wide "Together We Read" Literacy Celebration and its focus on Isabel Allende's novel, Zorro, the club co-hosted with St. Paul's Episcopal the 1940's classic, The Mark of Zorro. Several members staged mock sword fights before the movie. The club had its largest ever Hope Partner's food collection, collected eyeglasses from an expanded number of deposit sites, had a used blanket and towels

collection for the Inland Valley Humane Society, had a Homeless mats plastic bag workshop, and completed its HomeTown Buffet cards sales. School district and city dignitaries helped the club launch its annual Sight for Success fundraising campaign, and Lions are tutoring and a club member led a parents' literacy workshop at local schools. The club continues its active visitation schedule, each day getting closer to its goal of having every local and able-bodied Lion go on at least one visitation this year. For the first time, the club participated in the Peace Poster Contest, with the winning entry advancing onto the district. Last, after receiving official notice that the new Golden Springs School Leo Club has received LCI approval, Leos and Pomona Host sponsors are making plans for its Charter Celebration.

DIAMOND BAR BREAKFAST LIONS CLUB-

NOVEMBER 2012 ACTIVITIES:

Foothill Region Cabinet meeting at Ontario Hilton on November 10th was attended by Lions Jack and Wanda Tanaka, Karen Eubanks and James Farmer. Two wonderful surprises were; the presentation of a beautiful plaque to Lion Jack Tanaka by PDG Jon Casteel for his dedication and commitment to the Rose Float Decorating for the past several years and the second presentation to Lions Jack and Wanda by PDG Dan Mayer for a new Fellow called the Tanaka Fellow. Congratulations! They participated in "Giving Back to the Vets" by purchasing toiletry items and bringing it to the Cabinet meeting. They had 68 participants in the Peace Poster Contest and the school's committee selected one to enter the competition for LCI. They made several visitations this month; The Leos are busy as usual. Besides having their regular and board meetings their activities include; writing Thank You cards for our Vets and delivering them to the Veterans hospitals in Long Beach and Loma Linda, recycling for Special Education students at Diamond Bar High School and helping the library with Girls Day. They also had an event to honor Lions Jack and Wanda.

Diamond Bar Breakfast Lions Club-

December 2012 Activities:

Lions Jack and Wanda attended Past Intl Pres. Kay Fukushima's funeral in Sacramento. New Member Key Award was presented to Lion Jack by President Brian for bringing in 10 Lions! The Lions Christmas pot luck party was at Lions Rachel and Roger's home with a gift exchange and a white elephant exchange. Lions bought unwrapped toys for the "Spark of Love" toy drive by the firefighters in Diamond Bar. Lions Jack and Wanda Tanaka and JK Chun and his wife Grace decorated the Rose Float on Dec. 15th. Lions Jack and Wanda and the Leos decorated on Dec. 22nd, 26th and 28th.

Two visitations were made in December. White Cane money was donated to five sight/hearing charities. The club purchased a Target gift card for Ed and Barbara Bordenkircher's daughter. Their family lost everything in a house fire. Several members will be attending the Melvin Jones Dinner in January 2013. The Leos were busy as usual with; recycling, having meetings, their Christmas party and the District ice-skating party. They also helped with the library's Gingerbread House decorating, will be fundraising for Hurricane Sandy, selling coffee and of course decorating the Rose Float.

FOOTHILL REGION REPORT (CONTINUED)

UPLAND HOST LIONS

A Melvin Jones Fellowship to Club President Madeleine Lesondak for an outstanding member and Club President. From the day she joined the club Madeleine has been fully involved in Club activities. Congratulations Madeleine you are more than deserving of the recognition provided by this award.



Lion Jim Thomas is currently visiting in England with his daughter and new grandchild. Jim makes it a point to attend local Lions Club meetings. The Littlehampton Lions Club (England) has a multi-use truck that they rig up at Christmas with a floating living room where Father Christmas sits and has kids sit on his lap. The float (truck) is driven through neighborhoods, with music blaring, out of a loudspeaker system, and the lions go door to door advising families to send out their little ones and make requests for donations. When the truck is not used for Christmas they transport donations, and cater food at events out of it. The Rustington Club operates a charity store. The store gets a lot of donations including a goodly number of books. Since the items are all donated and not wanting to become a storehouse for unsold "stuff" everything is priced very inexpensively so all the items go quickly. Any leftover books are sold elsewhere in another fundraiser. They put the books on a table at the local train station and sell them to commuters. Commuters can either buy or rent the books. They have an honesty box where the commuters pay for the books. They don't make a lot of money but are happy with what they get. In the back of the charity store there is a space made up to look like Father Christmas' North Pole Home. For a donation of 2 pounds 50 pence the kids can go into "Santa's Grotto" and sit on Santa's lap and have a proper visit with Father Christmas.



On December 15, the Upland Host Lions helped soon to be branch Club at Atria Del Rey pack care bags to be distributed at the Ontario USO. So far this year 25,600 military personnel have visited the USO facility. The Ontario USO is one of the largest in the Country. Also, during December our Club packed Christmas Dinners for 12 families and donated them to Foothill Family Shelter for distribution.

Orange Lions Club Annual Charity Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo



Saturday, March 16, 2013



Garden Grove Lions Den
9860 Larson Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92842



Dinner from 5:30 to 7:00pm
Adults: \$12.00
Children: \$7.00 (10 & under)



Bingo from 7:15 to 9:00pm
Initial Per Person Buy In: \$20 (includes 2 4-On Packs + Dauber)
Each additional 4-On Pack: \$5.00

For Tickets or Information Contact:
Diane Quinlan 714-623-1439 or Val Bedel 714-377-0871

Good people. Good food.
Great cause!

FOOTHILL REGION REPORT (CONTINUED)

RANCHO CUCAMONGA COMMUNITY

Submitted their final report this month, they will be missed...But we will hopefully see our friends at other clubs very soon!!!

CHINO VALLEY LIONS

have been hard at work on the Christmas tree lot this month, and November had them installing 2013 Officers in there 2 Leos Clubs , Chino Valley Leos, Chino Hills High School Leos. They Purchased glasses for 4 students this month and did trail clean up in the city.

WALNUT DIAMOND BAR

Seven members volunteered to work on the paper lights and ornaments for the Scholarship Tree. Members collected over 160 toiletry items for "Stand Down". In addition their members collected a total of 340 glasses and 16 hearing aids which were all brought to the Region Meeting. November was a very busy month for the volunteers at the local food bank - collecting, inventorying and distributing food to needy families. The Walnut Diamond Bar Lions also purchased a Melvin Jones Award for one of their members designating the monies be given to Sandy Hurricane victims.

UPLAND DISTRICT HOST

These guys are always busy with something. November had 69 eyeglass collections, many hour in network and literacy programs within the city, as well as Church community service and LCI Lions Float work. Keep up the good work guys and gals.

SADDLEBACK REPORT

Region Chairman MARK SNIDER

Chanuka and Christmas are over, New Years next week. Somewhere along the line, we might get a chance to stop, take a breath and reflect back on the past year for all the things that have happened to us, both good and bad.

Personally, I'm optimistic that the coming year will be a good one. Have to be cause if you don't think positive...

We have a number of clubs in Saddleback Region that are far better at getting their news out than I am for the District Forum, but let's see if I can recap some of the information...(At least the news articles and reports I could find that I was sent...)

A reminder: Everyone should have their Club and Zone Student Speakers Contest scheduled as those are coming up fast and the students need time for preparations.

Lots of club activities to report...

The **Tustin Lions** participated in their Santa Cop Toy Donation Program (see photos) and the Citrus Ranch Park Art Wall Dedication. More photos can be viewed by going to their Facebook Page (<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Tustin-Host-Lions-Club/262580920523348?fref=ts>).

Tustin participated in the Peace Poster Contest in Mid November and they either partied or went on vacation a good bit of the time, because according to their upcoming events calendar, they were dark for 3 of four meetings. Current membership stands at 35 for Tustin Host.

The **Harbor Mesa Lions** won the District Attendance award at the November Cabinet meeting...Way to go Lions. They helped out two families for the Christmas Holidays, providing food and gifts. The club also participated with the Boys and Girls Clubs at the "Christmas Shopping Event" The kids pick out gifts for themselves and their families. Anyone visiting the OC Swap Meet, be sure to stop in at Bob's Ice Cream on December 29th and 30 to help support the club by buying ice cream from them...they are working from 10-4 pm. Harbor Mesa is up in points for Club Visitations...I'm gonna bet they win! Their membership stands at 52.

Looking forward to seeing our float in the New Years Day Parade.

If I missed anyone, my apologies. I try to consolidate all emails from District folks into one area. Helene and I moved the first of December and we are still trying to find things that are still boxed or put away in who knows where...

Happy New Year!



TUSTIN LION PRESIDENT JUDY BARR MAKES A PRESENTATION OF MANY TOYS DONATED BY LIONS TO RUBY FROM TUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT. THESE TOYS WILL GIVEN TO UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY AT AN EVENT CALLED SANTA COP PROGRAM, WHERE 20 LOCAL NEEDY FAMILIES WILL BE HOSTED AT A CHRISTMAS PARTY SPONSORED BY OUR TUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT.



TUSTIN HOST LIONS WERE HONORED AS A 'VALENCIA' DONOR AT THE UNVEILING CEREMONY OF THE BEAUTIFUL ITALIAN CERAMIC TILE WALL MURAL DEDICATION HELD AT CITRUS RANCH PARK ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH. THE ART WALL MURAL HONORS TUSTIN'S AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE AND IS OF THE VIEW FROM VISTA VIEW POINT AT A HILLTOP LOCATED WITHIN THE PARK. — AT [CITRUS RANCH PARK](#)



DISTRICT 4-L4 CONVENTION



Lion PJ SMITH, Governor
 May 17-19, 2013
 RIVIERA HOTEL & SPA, PALM SPRINGS, CA

LIONS ON THE LAM

Registration Form

Revised 11-15-2012

(Please Print or Type)

Name:	E-mail:
Address:	Telephone:
City:	Fax:
Zip Code:	Club Name:

CELLBLOCK AND INMATE COSTS

Escape Cell	Thursday First Nighter's Tram Ride and Dinner	\$40.00
Block A Cell	Friday Dinner, Saturday Lunch and Dinner, Sunday Breakfast	\$220.00
Block B Cell	Saturday Lunch and Dinner, Sunday Breakfast	\$165.00
Inmate A	Individual Meals and Entertainment Friday Dinner	\$55.00
Inmate B	Saturday Lunch	\$45.00
Inmate C	Saturday Dinner	\$75.00
Inmate D	Sunday Breakfast	\$45.00

NAME	First	Cell Block	Escape	Inmate	Registration	TOTAL COST
One Name Per Line	Convention	"A" or "B"		A,B C, D	\$20/After 5-1-13 \$40	Book & Reg. Fee

Make Checks Payable to: District 4-L4 Convention

Mail to: Joanne Waltman, P.O. Box 575, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91729-0575

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT: Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Discover ___ Credit Card # _____
 3 Digit Code ___ Expiration Date: Month ___ Year _____

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS APRIL 1, 2013

Hotel Reservations
 Rooms \$119 plus tax
 Reserve rooms by April 15, 2013

Riviera Hotel & Spa, Palm Springs
 1600 N. Indian Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92262
 1-866-588-8311

FOR SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS CONTACT CONVENTION CHAIR, PDG BARBARA HAYWARD.

- PDG Barbara Hayward, Convention Chair 714-545-6126
- Joanne L. Frank Waltman, Treasurer 909-946-3557
- PDG Dan and Lori Mayer, Registration 949-458-3710
- Marianne and Mike Allen, Hotel Reservations 714-534-3791
- Ron and Terrie Finseth, Golf 714-639-4052
- PDG Elizabeth Warren and FFL Sandi Scheafer 909-941-0604 / 714-549-4961

Palm Springs Aerial Tram FIRST NIGHTER'S DINNER



Come and join Governor PJ
on the High Flying PS Aerial Tram
Thursday, May 16, 2013 - 6:30 pm

Includes round-trip ride on the world's largest rotating tram cars that will carry us from the Valley Station, elevation 2,643 feet, to the Mountain Station located at the 8,516-foot level of Mt. San Jacinto State Park and Wilderness.

Once there, we will dine at the famous Peaks Café while enjoying the wonderful views of the valley.

Round trip tram ride and dinner - \$40 per person*.
Prepaid reservations only.

*May be remitted with registration.

Make checks out to District 4-L4 Convention
Mail to Lion Joanne Waltman
P.O. Box 575, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91729-0575

SAVE THE DATE Larry Dicus

MD-4 endorsed candidate for
International Director

**FUNDRAISER
CASINO NIGHT
APRIL 6, 2013**

HOSTED BY THE
SEAL BEACH LIONS CLUB

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

SEAL BEACH LIONS BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



It was an early morning start for the Seal Beach Lions as they prepared breakfast for families in Seal Beach. About 350 people attended enjoying the great food. The little kids also got the chance to share their wish lists with Santa.



SEAL BEACH LIONS SUPPORT CASA YOUTH SHELTER

The Seal Beach Lions packed a number of back packs filling them with lots of wonderful colorful socks, wallets, sunglasses, key chains, flashlights, sports drinks, candy, hats, beanies, gift cards and lots of love! The teens arrived earlier that day for a VIP pancake breakfast, photo op and a chat with Santa, returning to Casa shelter for some hot chocolate, a tour of the facility and the presentation of the back packs.



BREA LIONS FLIP PANCAKES FOR PATHWAYS TO HOPE

It was a cold morning but several Brea Lions trekked down to Irvine 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.

All of the food was served in the cafeteria area of this large facility. 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 were on display and for sale with a nicely decorated facility for the occasion.



HEARING & SPEECH ACTION NEWS

ALL ABOUT HEARING LOSS

The Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) has produced a series of seven captioned videos on hearing loss, its causes and what to do about it. This is part of HLAA's strategy to increase the public's awareness about hearing loss as a health issue to encourage people who think they might have a hearing loss to seek help. Each video is about five minutes in length and the series is intended for use in professional's waiting rooms and by AARP and HLAA chapters and other groups for presentations at Sertoma, Lions Clubs, Rotary Clubs and similar groups.

Currently 80% of people who could benefit from hearing aids do not get them. These videos talk about hearing loss and what to do about it. Subjects covered include Basic Facts, Symptoms, Diagnosis, Treatments, Living with Hearing Loss, Causes and Prevention and Hearing Aids, Cochlear Implants and Assistive Listening Devices.

Watch all seven videos on-line at:
hearingloss.org/learn/hearingloss_video.asp.

For a FREE DVD with all seven videos, call me for an order form.

Keith Campbell, Chairman
4-L4 Hearing & Speech Action
Kcampbell5@socal.rr.com



The Huntington Beach Host Lions provided a pancake breakfast for about 150 kids and families at a community center in Huntington Beach. Santa Lion Steve Christy was a hit with both kids and adults.



**5th Annual Ensenada Visitation Cruise
Carnival Inspiration**



**Join District Governor PJ, Lions & friends
for the Ensenada Cruise.
March 8th – March 11th, 2013**

On Saturday, March 9th, District 4-L4 will join the Ensenada Lions for lunch. This year will mark the 55th International Visitation between District 4-L4 and the Ensenada Lions.

Sailing categories will be as follows:

- Category 6C mid-ship outside \$420.60 per person (8 Cabins Left)
- Category 6B forward or aft outside \$410.60 p. p. (8 Cabins Left)
- Category 4C mid-ship inside \$375.60 per person (7 Cabins Left)
- Category 4B forward or aft inside \$370.60 per person (6 Cabins Left)

The remaining Inventory will be pulled on Oct 10th

\$100 deposit per person is due now.

Final payment is due December 21, 2012 .

If paying by check Dec 14th.

Please call 714-846-2478 or email Lion Carol Linehan
CADL8029@yahoo.com for questions and reservations.

Vamos a Ensenada!

BREA LIONS RENT-A-SANTA PROGRAM BRINGS CHEER DURING THE HOLIDAYS



The Brea Lions were busy with their Rent-A-Santa program visiting various charity locales such as Head Start, Help for Brain Injured Children, the Boys & Girls Club, and Brea Olinda Special Ed School.



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE RULES 2013

- No food can be brought in prepared at home or in a crock pot.
- No homemade made baked goods can be brought in - they must be made at the location or store bought and still in the store package
- You are required to clean up after you make the meal this includes dishes, wiping down the counters, sweeping the floor and taking out the trash.
- Dinner - you can come as early as 4:00 - but dinner needs to be served from 6:00 - 6:45
- Breakfast - you can come as early as 7:00 - you can serve anytime between 8-9 for 45 minutes.
- NO LUNCHES
- You are required to bag up all the left-overs and not leave anything out - all food must be marked with what it is and the date it was made.
- Each adult must sign a contract with Ronald McDonald House yearly for release of liability.
- No Children under 16 years of age. Maximum number of people to help is 10.
- You must not have a cold, a fever within the past 48 hours or an infection.

HB LIONS HOLD HEALTH FAIR AT AMERICAN FAMILY HOUSING

The Huntington Beach Host Lions performed sight and hearing screening for clients of American Family Housing which provides emergency, transitional and permanent affordable house as well as counseling and life skills training to homeless and low income individuals and families in order for them to improve their lives and become self supporting members of society. The Health Fair had other vendors who supplied screening for dental and child development.



GIVING THE GIFT OF DIGNITY

As seen in the Ontario Upland Lions newsletter

Human Trafficking does not seem like it should be a problem in the United States. Slavery was abolished 150 years ago. We have laws that protect the innocent. We believe in individual freedoms. We are "the land of the free and the home of the brave." Shockingly, our beautiful "Golden State" of California is home to three of the "FBI's 13 highest child sex trafficking areas in the nation: Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Diego." To make matters worse, the "average entry age of American minors into the sex trade is 12-14 years old." (www.caseact.org)

The Coram Deo Sunday School Class at Pomona First Baptist Church is attempting to provide some comfort to victims of this horrible crime by providing Freedom Bags. When individuals are rescued from bondage, they rarely have more than just the clothes on their back. Freedom Bags are backpacks filled with a few personal items and a message of love. It is the church's hope that "when those who are rescued receive one of these bags, they will understand how much God loves them, and will never become entangled in human trafficking again." The backpacks are then given to local law enforcement to distribute to boys and girls when they are found.



Ontario Upland Lions Club member Wendy Wood got her club involved in this project this holiday season. Great job Lions!



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

California Lions Friends In Sight has continued its mission into the 2nd quarter of the Lions fiscal year by providing 6 Vision screenings in the past 8 weekends. CLFIS started these vision screenings in Oxnard followed by Santa Ana and 29 Palms then on to Apple Valley, Eastvale and finished the 2012 calendar year in North Palm Springs. These screenings improved the vision of 1,948 people. There were over 300 lions and non-lions that volunteered their help during these screenings.

During the first 6 months of the 2012/13 Lions fiscal year, CLFIS has provided 15 vision screenings with 16 more scheduled for the second 6 months which will be 8 more than the total for the 2011/12 fiscal year. The patient count is also running much higher with an average of 305 per screening this year versus an average of only 254 last year.

As can be imagined CLFIS needed an increase in volunteers to help man these screenings and it has been forthcoming. In the first 6 months there have been 696 volunteers versus a total of 925 volunteers for all of last year. If you would like to help during the second half of this fiscal year go to our web site: californialionsfriendsinsight.org to see the upcoming schedule of vision screenings. CLFIS needs many more volunteers to continue to maintain the same excellent services. So when they are in your area come out and volunteer your help.

The 2012/13 4L4 District November Eye Glass Collections saw some new competitors charging to the front. Huntington Beach Host grabbed the number one spot for the month, but Cucamonga District Host hung on to the year to date club lead. In the Zone competition Saddle Back "A" grabbed top monthly honors, but, Foothill "A" hung on to the YTD lead. Saddle Back Region clubs brought their region to the front in the region competition. However, Orange Region continued to lead the YTD competition.

This time last year, thru November, District 4L4 clubs had only collected a total of only 16,943 used eyeglasses or just 64% of this year's total of 26, 641 used eyeglasses collected.

WAY TO GO 4L4 CLUBS

A big THANK YOU again goes out to all the Lions Clubs who continue their financial and volunteer support of these California Lions Friends in Sight Vision screenings.

La Habra Host Lions “Operation Santa”

Lion Elizabeth Steves worked hard all year to create a fantastic car show. The show included numerous classic vehicles, muscle cars, VW bugs and motorcycles. All of the entrants received a tee shirt, lunch and a good time. While bands played, all of the attendees visited all of the vehicles and got to vote on their favorite.



All of the entrants were asked to bring an unwrapped toy or gift card. Over 680 gifts were given to those children underserved on our community. Elizabeth Steves collected over \$7000.00 in sponsorships that was also donated to “Operation Santa”



Lion Randy McMillan chaired the Bar-B-Que booth and cooked tri tip, and Hot dogs. His wife, Jeri, made her famous cole slaw. After the event all of the proceeds were given to those in need with in the La Habra community.



THE YEP SAGA CONTINUES

The adventures continue with the Youth Exchange visit. It was the wish of the young lady from Finland to go to a real horserace, as there is no horseracing there. Since I have contact with a trainer and owners at the racetrack, I was able to set up a thrilling Friday evening at Los Alamitos. To start a few of us braved the early morning and went to watch the horses workout, breakfast and meet with Trainer Keith Craigmyle who gave us a tour of his stable of horses. We also got to meet a Jockey, Devin. The horses gave her a warm welcome and the young De Stefano boys got to feed the horses and see the kind of food given the horses. We left the track to go for a pool Party at the Brenda & Dan Donahue’s home, before a very large group returned to Los Alamitos for the big races. There were a lot of oohs and aahs when the students entered the track. After watching a few races we headed home as we had to be up early the next morning for the District Cabinet Meeting.



The students were introduced to the Lions of District 4-L4 at the Cabinet meeting, and we had to leave early as we were on the move again. I arrived in San Diego for an afternoon at Mission Bay beach. Leaving the beach we headed to our long time friend Lion Manny De Metrie for a pool party with the San Diego Lions Club. Manny was hosting two young men from Japan. Lion Manny and Marilyn are wonderful hosts and no one ever goes away hungry. He has been known to pack lunches for us when we leave. On Sunday we headed to San Diego Zoo for a fun filled day.

Dear God
My prayer for 2013 is for a
fat bank account & a thin body.
Please don't mix these up
like you did last year.
Amen

DISTRICT 4-L4 CALENDAR

2013

January 5	Pre-Cabinet Meeting
January 5	Melvin Jones Dinner
January 26	Cabinet Meeting, Orange, PDG Recognition
February 23	Club Student Speakers Contest completion deadline
February 6-7	MD-4 Council of Governors Meeting, Sacramento
February 8-10	MD-4 Convention, Sacramento
February 17	Teen Recognition Awards Reception
March 2	Pomona Host Lions Bowl-A-Thon
March 11	Foothill Region Meeting
March 12	Orange Region Meeting
March 13	Saddleback Region Meeting
March 16	Zone Student Speakers Contest completion deadline
March 24	Lions City of Hope Day
April 6	Int'l Director Endorsed Candidate Larry Dicus Fundraiser
April 6	Pre-Cabinet Meeting
April 6	Region Student Speakers Contest completion deadline
April 13	Orphanages of Thailand Fundraiser
April 22	Orange Lions Golf Tournament
April 27	Cabinet Meeting, Saddleback & District Student Speakers Contest
May 11	Area 4 Student Speakers Contest, Brea
May 30-June 2	MD-4 Council of Governors Meeting, Torrance
June 1	MD-4 Student Speakers Contest Finals
July 5-9	International Convention, Hamburg Germany
August 2-4	MD-4 Council of Governors Meeting, Pleasanton
September 19-21	USA/Canada Forum, Overland Park KS

ATTENTION

CLUB PRESIDENTS, CLUB SECRETARIES, CLUB EVENT CHAIRMEN

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

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

SHOW YOUR CLUB OFF THROUGH THE DISTRICT 4-L4 FORUM

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