### District Governor Bill Ridle

### Strengthen the Foundation

**Cabinet Secretary Darlene Ridle** 

**District Treasurer Nancy Miller** 

### The passing of the torch so to speak ...........

want to thank Immediate Past District Governor Duke Dunham and his team for a job well done despite the challenges presented with the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

This year will be a year dedicated to Rebuilding. We will be working with all the clubs to "Strengthen the Foundation" of their clubs through training and orientation. We need to retain our members as well as identify opportunities for new clubs. Our goal is to bring our membership to 1,250. We are at 1,006 as of today. I would like to thank all our lions for their service and dedication.

The coming year will be full of challenges and opportunities for different ways of fundraising and service. On July 11th we held our District Officers and Club Presidents Installation at Matteo's Dream Playground. A first for our district. We also included a service project for the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano. Through the generosity of our Lion members and the public we collected 1,049 pounds of food and over \$5,000 indonations. Per Joel Sjostrom CEO/President of the Food Bank, the funds collected will provide 10,000 meals (this does not include the food collected). I would like this to be a signature project for my Governor year. We will have a FOOD DRIVE for the Alameda Food Bank at our Cabinet Meeting on November 7th. I encourage all Lions and clubs to continue to support their local food bank and report the service in MyLion. Any dona-

> tions that are earmarked as a "Lions Clubs Donation" can be tracked by the Food Banks.

This will be a year of challenges for all clubs and lions. We are ready, willing, and inspired to

> STRENGTHEN THE LIONS OF DISTRICT 4C3



(Picture to the left - from left to right District Governor Bill, Immediate Past District Governor Duke and Council Chairperson Claudia Miller) Dan Ranaldi Zone 5/Lilyan Seqeria Zone 6

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### **James Varghese 1st Vice District Governor**

Working Together For Success.

TEAM stands for Together Everyone Achieves more, and this is the basis of the most spectacular successes across the world. Many leaders who have achieved so much have done it, only because they could instil confidence in their teams about their vision, and inspire them to work towards the common goal. No man is an island and

success always arrives when people understand and work together towards a common goal. For this, it is important that each and every member of the team understands the goal and owns it, as if it is their individual goal.

We, the Lions, the Clubs and District are blessed to be a part of a noble organization that was founded with a firm and clear vision of serving humanity. Through the rough and tough times that the world has seen since the inception, we the Lions have never wavered from this. Each and every Lion is a valued member of the team, who understands these values and is willing to contribute in innovative ways to uphold them.

As the 1st Vice District Governor Elect of an esteemed arm of the Lions Clubs International, I have often experienced this wonderful team work. I am happy to note that each and every one of the team upholds the underlying principle of service to humanity very close to their heart. This is what drives them to identify areas where our service would make a difference, and work whole-heartedly as one unit to make it happen. There are multiple examples from across the world, wherein our teams have made a positive impact in improving the lives of the people. Whether through health camps, providing food for homeless, renovating schools, rebuilding lives affected by floods, or contributing to the cause of the environment, our team has always been in the forefront of service.

I feel humbled and proud to be a part of such an esteemed organization, supported by such a wonderful team. It is this team that works together that has helped us bring about these changes, and I look forward to their continued support. Alone we achieve so little; together we can achieve so much said the great lady, Helen Keller. Let us hold this vision close to our heart and continue to work for the betterment of humanity.

-James Varghese, 1st Vice District Governor Elect



**Linda Barbara 2nd Vice District Governor** 

We're all proud to be a Lion, we serve the community in all disasters and pandemic conditions not only to the poor but all victims of various calamities. Lions at this time are being asked worldwide to help even more people than ever before. It is being done with compassion and energy to help all humanity from one end of the globe to the other. The state of the world is experiencing major crisis and the need continues to grow. We are being asked to attend to our elderly and the sick in such great numbers it is very hard to keep up with the need. But this great Lion Organization strides

to keep up the pace. We have had to think "outside the box" and continue service with foresight and ingenuity to get the work done in a safe and careful manner.

Here in our district I see and hear that service is still being done and offered wherever and whenever possible. Many clubs are assisting food pantries and food distribution centers all over the state. The need for food to feed those who cannot work at this time is beyond what these centers can provide on a daily basis. Enter the Lions with fundraisers and donations for food, bags to pack the items in, freezers to store items in and lastly Lion members to delivery to those who cannot travel to pick it up themselves. There are clubs in the Bay area that have sponsored clubs across the world to make it possible to feed those that might not have been fed. A little kindness goes a very long way, and that is what Lions do... we show kindness in many different ways!

I am honored to be a part of such a diverse group of people to be able to "serve" and help make our world a better place.







# From the Desk of Cabinet Secretary Darlene Ridle

#### **DISTRICT DIRECTORIES**

Each club will be given three directories.

- If your Club President attended the District Installation on Saturday, July 11th they would have been given three directories.
- For the Club Presidents that were not able to attend the Installation, either your Zone Chairperson or we will deliver the directories to the Club President.

Past District Governors that attended the Installation were given a directory otherwise we will deliver or mail to them.

District Governor's Cabinet Officers were given a directory at the District Installation.

Committee Chairperson's will be given a directory (if they do not already have one from another position)

NOTE: If you would like an electronic version of the District Directory, please email me at Darlene58@yahoo.com and I will email you a copy in PDF format

A copy of the club's information and officers can be found on the District website, click on the link below.

https://www.lions4c3.net/region-zone-listing

#### **Errors / Corrections for the District Directory**

- The directory member information was downloaded from MyLCI. The club information was also from MyLCI but not all was downloaded some was manually entered so I apologize for any errors. I can make updates to the PDF file but if information is incorrect in MyLCI that will need to be corrected for a permanent update.
- If you see some names in all capitals and others that are upper and lower case, it is because that is how names were entered in MyLCI. We would like MyLCI to be the source of information going forward, so please have your club members review their information and club secretaries please update MyLCI.

#### Q: How do I change my contact information?

A: Only club secretaries, club presidents and LCI headquarters staff can change any member contact information at this time. Contact your club secretary or District and Club Administration (districtadministration@lionsclubs.org) to update your contact information

If you need help or guidance, please contact me via email at Darlene58@yahoo.com or call me at 510-253-5933.



### Raymond Oliver Service Chairman



In the last fiscal year, 65% of the Lions Clubs in our district reported at least one service activity. That's not bad, but we can do better. Any club project, even a small project, can be reported. So, if you are mailing cards to nurses or veterans, helping at food banks, delivering meals to women's shelters or making donations, it's all reportable. Even the time you spend reporting counts as reportable hours. I believe that by reporting the service you are already doing, 100% of clubs reporting is achievable.

**We Serve** There will be a District Governor Service Contest. To be eligible, a club must enter their service/activities in MyLion. The club officers who can report activities in MyLion are Club President, Club Secretary, Club Administrator and Club Service Chairperson. These officers can be designated in MyLCI. I am planning training sessions for all those who need to become familiar with MyLion. More information will be forthcoming about the training and about the contest.

These are challenging times and, due to COVID-19, we may not be doing exactly the same activities we did before. The emphasis may be less on vision screening and more on hunger relief as examples. And the important thing is that you are serving safely.

### **Mo Powers Leadership Chairman**

Leadership Learning in District 4-C3 in 2020-2021

Dr. Maureen Powers, Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator

You will have multiple opportunities to improve your leadership knowledge and skill this year! Under DG Bill Ridle's guidance, PDG Gary Wong and 1st VDG James Varghese and I put together the first Club President's Training offered in several years — and most of our District's Club Presidents attended even before the new Lion Year had begun! Congratulations to all of you for your attendance and participation. Your Leadership Learning Team instructors sincerely hope your year gets off to a really strong start, and that we may have helped a little in that regard.

Coming next is Club Officer Training, in August. This will be a one-hour session that will cover duties and responsibilities of all other Club officers, but of course Presidents can also attend. There will be something for everyone -so whether you are Secretary, Treasurer, Tail Twister, Membership Chair, or some other Officer I haven't named, please try to attend. Dates are tentatively set for August 1 and August 15, from 9 to 10 am. Like Presidents training, all meetings will be virtual.

As the year progresses, I will be joining with your Global Membership Team Coordinator, Lion Barbara Chambers, and your Global Action Team Coordinator, Raymon Oliver, to bring presentations to your Club about how leadership and service and membership all work together to make us the great Lions and Lions Clubs we are. We'll be in touch to establish dates for our (virtual) visits.

Finally, please use the resources at mylion.com. There you can find all sorts of videos and other information, including short courses, on everything from Club Officer duties to Conflict Management. You will also find there information on climbing the Leadership Ladder in Lions. If you aspire to offices beyond the Club, or if you just want to be a better Lion locally, I urge you to look at what the USA-Canada Forum and other offerings can do to help you attain your goals.

### **Barbara Chambers Membership Chairman**



I have the pleasure of not only serving as your District Global Membership Leader but also your District NAMI Champion.

NAMI stands for the North American Membership Initiative. The objective of NAMI is to grow membership in Lions Clubs in the United State and Canada. There are three focus areas:



Rejuvenate Districts with new clubs
Revitalize Clubs with new members
Re-motivate members with new fellowships and exciting services

Each District has submitted a District NAMI Plan. The goals of our District's NAMI Plan is to start three new clubs, end up with a net plus 2 members in each existing club as well as give support to rebuild the weaker clubs, and to strengthen our foundation through service. The specifics of our Plan can be viewed on the MD4 website.

Global Membership Team—If we don't have members, we don't have clubs, we can't do service without members. Members are our foundation and our most valued asset.

What can we do to promote membership?

**PROMOTE** membership—promote our clubs in the local newspapers about our service projects, guest speakers, induction of new members and installation of our club officers.

**INVITE** prospective members to meetings, social events and to service projects. Nothing gets a prospective member excited about being a part of a club as getting involved in a service project. **ENGAGE** members—make members feel valuable and included; conduct proper business meetings and have interesting speakers as well as time for socializing.

**RETAIN** members—not only do we want to get new members, we must retain those members as well as our existing members by making sure all members are included and heard, by following up on members if they miss meetings, by reviewing our service projects to make sure we are training other members to carry on our projects or even reevaluating our service projects to make sure age or health issues are not preventing members from participating. Listen to new members, they may have new ideas and new energy.

Your Global Action Team –GAT—(Maureen Powers, Raymon Oliver and Barbara Chambers) and the two Administrative Assistants (Manil Shrestha for specialty club issues and Joe Costa for veterans issues) as well as the entire Cabinet are ready and willing to help with new and existing clubs. We are here for YOU, our most valuable asset.

## **Gopa Kumar Public Relations Chairman**





Don't Keep your Club's Service Project as a Secret.

- Ln. G. Gopakumar, Public Relations Chair Person
It is important to let the community know about your service projects, fundraisers, and community events. This will help people understand who you are, what you do, and why they should join you in service.

When planning an event, think about how you'll promote it before, during, and after the event. Lions have the greatest stories on earth. Storytelling is a powerful way to help people understand your club and all the good you are doing for those in need. Authentic human experiences help people connect on an emotional level and inspire change.

#### **How to Share your Club's Pride:**

Great photos get attention, so take lots of photos of Lions serving and smiling. Get close when you're photographing for the best moments.

Your club can do more service with more members. Promoting membership events to the community is a great way to make sure that caring men and women show up at your events.

Don't forget that every service project and club event is an opportunity to find new members.

#### Here are a few tips:

**Sponsor a booth at a special event.** Think of the impact your club could have at the community's next health fair, festival.

**Media News Publicity**: Write and publish News in your local newspaper about your service events, provide clear photographs of the events with news (Remember, pictures worth thousand words). If your club doesn't have a social media site, you should consider having a site in Facebook and similar social media platforms. This way you can get much publicity without any cost.

**Lion Magazine**: If you are getting Lions Magazine, after reading that, donate yours and your fellow lions copy to the local library.

**Club Website**: If you don't have a website for your club, consider creating one. It is always good to have an internet presence. Once you have a website, make sure to update the site with recent club information and photos.

**Club News Letter**: Newsletter is a great way to communicate among club members and to display your service activities to the public. Try to have a monthly newsletter, if that is not possible, at least publish once in every quarter.



### Meet International President - Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi of Busan, Republic of Korea, was elected to serve as International President of Lions Clubs International at the association's 102nd International Convention, held in Milan, Italy, July 5 through July 9, 2019.

A member of the Busan Jae-il Lions Club since 1977, International President Choi has held many offices within the association, including club president, cabinet secretary, district governor and international director. He also served numerous times as a DGE Group Leader and served on 11 committees as a member of the International Board of Directors. In addition, he was a chairperson of the 39th OSEAL Forum in 2000 and a host committee chairperson at the 95th Lions International Convention in Busan in 2012, the largest convention ever held in Lions history.

In recognition of his service to the association, International President Choi has received numerous awards, including the Humanitarian Partnership, Senior Master Key Award, 100% District Governor Award, International President's Leadership Awards, International President's Awards and an Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, International President Choi is chief executive officer of Koala Company, Ltd., an international trading company, and is also a past director of the Busan Sports Association. International President Choi and his wife, Seung-Bok, have one son, four daughters and two granddaughters.

# United in Kindness and Diversity Dear Club Leader,

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has impacted the work of Lions around the world. In many cases, it has also created financial hardships for our Lions and the people for whom we care.

To support the incredible men and women serving with us, the International Board of Directors has passed a resolution to help our clubs.

#### Here is an overview of the resolution approved by the Board of Directors:

- Flexible payments No clubs will be suspended or cancelled through December 31, 2020 for late payment of dues.
- Charter and entrance fees waiver We have waived all charter and entrance fees from July 1 December 31, 2020.

These measures will help Lions facing financial hardships, and give our clubs hope, encouragement, and an opportunity to start the new Lion year with renewed energy and optimism.

This may be a time of great need, but we will overcome this together. For more than a century, Lions have taken on the greatest challenges facing humanity. That is who we are, and what we do.

So let us stand together. And let us remember just how important we are to our communities and the world.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi International President Lions don't just serve the world.
We represent it. This year, we'll unite
clubs and communities around the
world because in times of great
need, greater good can only
be achieved when we join
together as one.





### A message from:

### Jerome Thompson

Past International Director, GAT Constitutional Area 1 Leader

#### Lions of North America Are Impacting Lives!

#### Dear Club Leader:

I got a call one afternoon from a friend. The first thing that I heard as I answered the phone was, "Jerome, I think I am lost."

"Ok, stay calm. I will try to help you. Look around and tell me what you see.

Then, tell me where you are trying to go."

After a short exchange, my friend discovered where she was; the wrong turn that was made; and, how to get back on course.

#### COVID – 19 has us a little off course. Where are we?

Even with the COVID crisis slowing us down, we impacted nearly 22 million lives in the United States and affiliate countries (CA 1). That is with only 49% of the clubs reporting at least one service project.

Because of the efforts of each club, we decreased our dropped members by 6% in the past year. Additionally, we reduced the number of clubs that turned in their charters by 10%. Congrats! Let's keep working on retaining those members that we have.

Lions are resilient! We will remain calm and learn to navigate the new normal that is emerging daily.

#### Where are we going?

Our challenge in 2020-21 is to work with our clubs to emerge from "COVID Hibernation" and return to what we do best – serving our communities.

We are going to utilize the North American Membership Initiative process in about 90% of our district to expand our footprint of service, engage more volunteers and provide opportunities for personal leadership development.

#### How can you and your club help?

#### Service

Monthly report your service using MyLion. The process has been streamlined to allow you to report in a matter of minutes.

Strive to report service activities that impact about 120 lives per member during the next year. If you have a club of 30 members, try to report service projects impacting 3,600 lives.

#### Membership

Your DG team will be striving to charter a new club or two in the district. If you know someone who lives in the area, please ask them to join the new club.

The Constitutional Area Goal is to add 44,000 Lions to existing clubs between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. Your club is asked to add at least one new member each quarter.

The Constitutional Area Goal is to limit drops to no more than 33,000. Your club is encouraged to engage members in new service opportunities, new fellowship opportunities and to limit dropped members to three per club, if at all possible.



Thank you for your leadership!! Working together we are going to show kindness to our members and our community. Your Global Action Team is here to assist. Please let us know what we can do to assist your club.

Sincerely, H. Jerome Thompson

### **Lions District Food Drive** Thank you to all who donated either food or money

FOOD BANK FOOD DRIVE - To Support Lions Clubs International Global Cause - Hunger By Lion Darlene Ridle

We started off the Year with A District Wide Service Project and Installation of District Officers on Saturday, July 11, 2020. THE LIONS OF DISTRICT 4-C3 DID A FANTASTIC JOB.!!!

There were about 90 Lions in attendance and 19 clubs represented. The Food Drive was advertised on neighborhood and personal Facebook pages. We raised over \$5,000 and donated 1,049 pounds of food which equates to approximately 12,000 meals. Great JOB! Below is a list of the clubs and in-1,049 lbs of food dividuals that made donations of food and/or money.

**\$5,300.00 in donations** 

A SPECIAL Thank you to the following:

Lion Liz Lamach for her help in securing the playground and working with the City of Concord as well as coming out to help us setup last Saturday for the District Installation and District Food Drive Volunteers that did Setup, Take Down, maned the Temperature check-in, Registration,

Food Bank Drop-off, Took Pictures

Area	Lions (not in any order)
Setup	Liz Lamach, Anne Jordan-Talley, Wendy Snyder, Leslie Hutchings, DG Bill, PCC Denny, Darlene, Manil, Barbara Chambers, Steve Ranse, Dan & Mary Rinaldi
Take Down	Jim & Jane Etherington, Steve Ranse, Manil Shrestha, DG Bill, ZC Tony Hong, Linda Barbara, and Jenn
Temperature Check	Manil Shrestha & ZC Tony Hong
Registration	Darlene Ridle, John Bates, and Mac Coates
Food Bank Drop-Off	Nancy Miller, Michelle Strong, Mary & Dan Rinaldi
Photographers	David Williams, ZC Govind Shahi, Sir Dan Robertson

AND ANY OTHER LION I MAY HAVE MISSED. We did this **TOGETHER** 

Our Installing Officer Council Chairperson Claudia Miller The Food Bank President and CEO Joel Sjostrom and Food Bank Administrator Neil who came out to support the event

The next Food Drive will focus on ALAMEDA County with a collection date at the November Cabinet Meeting. We will be working with our Hunger Chairperson Laxmi Chaudhary. More detailed information will be coming soon.



Thank you Bill for sharing the Pics - but we are most appreciative of your leading the support of the Lion's Club to our Food Bank and our community. Your food and cash donations make a HUGE difference to our neighbors in need!

Joel Siostrom

President & CEO

Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano

925.676.7543 ext 202

www.foodbankccs.org

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List of contributers

Albany Club	Albany Club	
Stuart Griffin	Albany Club	
Valerie Griffin	Albany Club	
Barbara Griffin	Barbara Griffin	
Alameda Club	Alameda Club	
Ray Oliver	Alameda Club	
Duke & Terri Dunham	Ambrose/Pittsburg	
George Fosselius	Berkeley Club	
Cynthia Fosselius	Berkeley Club	
Berkeley Annapurna	Berkeley Annapurna	
Lilyan Sequeira	Brentwood	
Dave Ciruli	Brentwood	
Virginia Ciruli	Brentwood	
Bonnie Clawson	Byron Delta	
Karen Fox	Byron Delta	
Leslie Hutchins	Byron Delta	
Ann Jordan Talley	Byron Delta	
Linda Barbara	Byron Delta	
Marilyn Senn	Byron Delta	
Liz Lamach	Concord	
Concord Club	Concord	
Dan Rinaldi	Crockett	
Mary Rinaldi	Crockett	
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### **Sue Langhorst Student Speakers Foundation Director**

Student Speaker Foundation Congratulations

The Student Speaker Foundation is the source of money for all the scholarships awarded in the Student Speaker Contest. That's \$105,000 in scholarships awarded each year!

This year, the contest has had a few bumps along the way due to Covid 19. All participants in the contest at the time we had to shelter in place were allowed to continue. Instead of "in person" speeches, a written copy was submitted along with a video of the student giving the speech. These were judged the same way as usual and winners presented to the next level. Scholarships are being awarded as before. When a winner is decided, an announcement will be made.

That being said, the Foundation still needed donations. Each district is requested to donate \$7000 to cover its share of the \$105,000. Congratulations! For the second year in a row, District 4-C3 has gone over the \$7000 mark. THANK YOU to all clubs and individuals donating. This has been a rough year as far as fundraisers. Even so, continued donations to the Foundation have been greatly appreciated.

District Governor Duke was a big part of this as he gave his cabinet members Harry J. Aslan Student Speaker Fellowships. What a wonderful way to honor his hardworking team.

Thank you, all.

Sue Langhorst - Student Speaker Foundation Director



### John D. Posey Executive Director Lions Eye Foundation

#### 2019: A BANNER YEAR FOR THE LIONS EYE FOUNDATION AND LIONS PATIENTS

The 2019 calendar year was a banner year for the Lions Eye Foundation (LEF) and its nine member districts representing 292 member clubs and 8,732 Lions. Lions patients had a total of 2,956 visits to the Eye Clinic. A review of 2019 is illuminating for it illustrates the dedication of the Foundation and its nine member districts to LEF's mission to preserve and restore the gift of sight through free ophthalmic examinations, surgeries and

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Surgeries		PATIENTS	
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#### DISTRICT NEW PATIENT REFERRALS

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	REFERRALS			
46	18	19		
A1	30	22		
A2	5	3		
A3	0	0		
C1	3	3		
C2	171	114		
C3	72	21		
C4	56	27		
C6	71	32		
TOTAL COST OF EYE SURGEIES				

#### The Total cost of the eye surgeries was 5,306,000.

OTHER MEDICAL DRECEDINES				
TOTAL COST		5,306.000		
Strabismus	4	555,000		
Retina	57	1,995,000		
Pterygiums	14	308,00		
Oculo-Plastics	7	140,000		
Glaucoma	16	320,000		
Cross Linking	5	19,000		
Cornea	10	385,000		
Cataract	132	1.584,000		
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230	1,000	315,000		
DIAGNOSTIC		TOTAL COST		
TESTS				
3,075		694,619		

medications to the less fortunate members of our communities.

### FOR EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED, LEF RECEIVED A NINE DOLLAR RETURN

The combined cost of all medical benefits provided for Lions patients during 2019 was \$7,086,869.00. LEF spent \$636,819.00 for these medical benefits. For every dollar LEF spent during 2019, nine dollars was received in medical benefits, a significant return on our charitable investment.

### THE BUILDING OF A NEW AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTER

In addition to the \$636,819.00 spent in 2019, LEF provided a 1.5 million dollar grant from LEF's capital fund raising campaign to the Pacific Vision Foundation to assist in the building of a state of the art Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) which will be dedicated to eye surgeries. The ASC is scheduled to open this Fall. It will be on the same floor and next door to the Lions Eye Clinic. Many of our Lions patients will soon have surgeries there.

All LEF districts are encouraged to refer patients to the Eye Clinic. Visit our web site at www.lionseyefoundation.com. for additional information

regarding LEF and patient referral. You can also contact the LEF Clinic Coordinator, Mark Paskvan, at (415) 600-3950.

Yours in Lionism, John D. Posey Executive Director Lions Eye Foundation

#### **60TH ANNIVERSARY**

2019 marked the Foundation's 60th anniversary. The 2019 year accomplishments adds another pillar to the remarkable LEF legacy of preserving and restoring eyesight to members of our communities. The Foundation and all Lions, past and present, can be proud of the Foundation's accomplishments.

### THE LIONS EYE FOUNDATION HAS POSTPONED ITS 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Lions Eye Foundation Board of Trustees decided to postpone its 60th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for October 16 – 18, 2020, at the Reno Silver Legacy Hotel. Because of the uncertainty surrounding the corona virus and its possible resurgence this fall, it was decided to reschedule the event to October 2021. When the new date is rescheduled, it will be announced.

### **George Fosselius Lions Club International Foundation**

Fellow Lions

During these trying times, the best way Lions and Lions Clubs can do Service is by proxy.

The Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is serving those in need

around the world and here at home... As usual.

In addition LCIF has provided funds to Lions Clubs and Districts to combat Covid-19 to the tune of 44 grants awarded, which total over \$5,000,000 So if you can donate any amount...

\$2.50 (caffe Americano)

\$3.50 (Latte)

\$10 to \$25 (what you save NOT eating at a Lions meal meeting)

\$100 members of model clubs

...To LCIF

You will be doing service by proxy. Thank you for your service.

Here are the ways you can text-to-donate:

By Text

• Text LCIF to 243725.

On-line website

Make a donation online at https://donate.onecause.com/lcif

By Facebook

Set up a facebook fundraiser for any occasion. Your birthday or National Onion Ring Day or whatever. Direct the proceeds to Lions Club International Foundation.

All methods will be credited to the individual Lion and to the Club. Please inform your Club Members.

Ask your treasurer to put a group donation together with the attached form.

For Donor Help:

**Donor Assistance** 

630-203-3836

donorassistance@lionsclubs.org

Other questions or schedule me for your Zoom club meeting gfosselius@gmail.com



OUR MANE MESSAGE

CAMPAIGN 100

LCIF - EMPOWERING SERVICE"

### FUNDRAISING FOCUS: MODEL CLUB CHALLENGE

Thank you and congratulations to all 205 Campaign 100 Model Clubs in CA II CA I Model Club members have committed to contributing nearly U\$\$4.5 million to LCIF and Campaign 100. Shout out to MD-4 (California), which leads the charge with 34 Model Clubs! Model Club commitments are imperative to our campaign's success, which directly impacts our ability to serve in CA I and our global community. This past January, we launched a **Model Club Challenge**. Since January 1, 2020, your efforts have helped secure 85 new Model Clubs totaling more than \$1.6 million.. Thank you, and keep sharing the benefits of Model Clubs. We need more! Contact your LCIF Regional Specialist for strategies and tools to help secure even more commitments.

Special acknowledgement to the highest level Model Clubs in CA I!

CLUB NAME	MD	DISTRICT	%	
Broadway	24	24-L	PREMIER Model Club	
Sugar Land	2	2-\$4	PREMIER Model Club	
Webster	20	20-E1	PREMIER Model Club	[
Wethersfield	23	23-B	PREMIER Model Club	
Colorado Springs Nob Hill	6	6-SE	400% Model Club	
North Bend Mount Si	19	19-B	400% Model Club	
Oakland Montclair	4	4-C3	400% Model Club	

### ion Denny California Lions Foundation

Couldn't your club use money for a worthwhile project?

Well, the California Lions Foundation (Your Foundation) wants to help!

Thus far 4-C3 clubs have already received \$1,970.43 in CLF Matching Grants:

Moraga Lions Club . . . \$1,270.43 Campolindo High School Project
Antioch Rivertown Veteran Lions Club . . . . \$700 Veteran support
\*and pending Crockett Lions Club . . . . \$2,500 Contra Costa Food Bank

Your club can now complete the CLF Grant Applications on-line at: https://calionsfoundation.org/app And you can still use the download printable version to submit via email.

Either way, please consider applying for CLF assistance.

- Get together with your club members.
   Brainstorm your ideas for a meaningful community project
- 3. Submit your request for a CLF Matching Grant

More information at: https://calionsfoundation.org/grants. And don't forget to share the attached information with your club members . . . "We Serve" Lion Denny



### Matching CLF Grant Applications are now being approved by CLF for up to \$5,000 in support of projects up to \$10,000.

**CLF** is a California, non-profit, tax-exempt, corporation with the sole purpose to provide matching financial grants to California Lions Clubs. CLF matching grants are provided to enable California Lions clubs to provide even greater service to their local communities.

### Member and Club Opportunities are available:

- Kay K. Fukushima Fellowship for a donation of \$1,000.
- Reginald C. Harris Fellowship for a donation of \$2,500.

### Grant Requests and Donations may be sent to:

California Lions Foundation c/o MD4 Lions Office 129 Los Aguajes Ave., Santa Barbara, CA 93101

www.CaliforniaLionsFoundation.org/grants

### Leanne Hamaji Lions In Sight Update During Covid-19 Pandemic

As with almost all Lions organizations, the Lions In Sight (LIS) foundation, based in Vallejo, dramatically altered its operations because of the pandemic. Eyeglass sorting work parties were curtailed in March and the warehouse closed shortly thereafter. All remaining international and domestic clinics scheduled for 2020 were cancelled as well.

The new LIS foundation President, Dr. Corina van de Pol, reports that eyeglass collections have continued with clubs and individuals mailing eyeglasses or leaving them at the warehouse door. She asks clubs to continue their normal collections to ensure a good supply of eyeglasses when operations resume.

Lions in Sight provides eyeglasses to, on average, 20,000 clients per year. Something as simple as providing eyeglasses to someone could help them learn to read, advance their studies, obtain gainful employment, learn a trade, drive safely, provide for a family, and maintain independence. For those in need, having eyeglasses can be life-altering. Through clinics and local optometrists, LIS can also arrange eye exams, cataract surgeries, and specialized treatments. In addition, LIS annually sends 100,000-150,000 pairs of glasses to permanent clinics in Mexico and the Philippines where local Lions and eye care providers help to reach and treat individuals in need of vision care.

Dr. van de Pol and the LIS Board of Directors are looking for new, creative ways to bring service to communities in need while abiding by local public health orders. To keep informed about the future plans of LIS, please subscribe to emailed news updates here: https://www.lionsinsight.net/subscribe

Donations are always needed and appreciated. Lions In Sight is a non-profit 501(c)(3). To make your tax-deductible donation by credit card or PayPal, please visit <a href="https://www.lionsinsight.net/donate">https://www.lionsinsight.net/donate</a>. To send a check made payable to Lions In Sight, please mail to 1404 Lemon Street, Vallejo, CA 94590. Thank you!

Submitted by Leanne Hamaji

Photos:

LIS volunteer, Linda Barbara fitting a veteran for eyeglasses at the 2019 Stand Down on the Delta in Antioch.

Clients awaiting eye exams and eyeglass fittings at the 2019 LIS clinic in Doc Let, Vietnam.





### Valentine's Lunch with Byron Delta Lions in their red shirts and the LCVI clients.



Barbara Chambers (LCVI Public Relations Chairman) Lions Center for the Visually Impaired (LCVI) wants everyone to get to know us better. We plan to do a series of articles to spotlight some aspect of the Center. Our first spotlight is the Byron Delta Lions Club whose

members do so much for the LCVI clients. I have heard that when the clients know that the Byron Delta Lions Club members are hosting an event, not only do all the regular clients want to attend, but past clients are calling to sign up too. Thank you Byron Delta Lions Club for all the wonderful food, music, games, gifts, and fellowship you have given to our clients. Below is a short article written by Byron Delta Lions Club member Ann Jordan-Tally who served the clients not only at the special events, but as an ongoing volunteer at the weekly classes.

Ten years ago, Byron Delta Lions put their hearts into two favorite activities at LCVI: A Valentine's Day Lunch and a Christmas Lunch. Initially these two fun-filled days included a great meal, fun word games and always a special gift for each client. BDLC expanded the events to include music, singing, arts and crafts, and even a chair exercise program that morphed into dancing to golden oldies. The program has grown to quarterly lunches with the addition of Cinco de Mayo and a September BBQ. Whether it's a sing-along, movement or crafts, there's always something special happening when these Lion's get together with their friends at LCVI. (Ann Jordan-Tally)

These are cards clients made to send to servicemen and women thru "Operation Creekside", which sends monthly care packages. Our cards were included in the boxes sent







Lions Center on TV! The Lions Center for the Visually impaired was recently featured in a two-part interview feature airing on the local TV station KOFY TV-20. Interviewed by TV

personality Uzette Salazar, Client Tim Carroll, Board Member Barbara Chambers, and staff member Richard Grange explained about the services and mission of LCVI, and how COVID-19 has cancelled in-person activities and led to creation of new Virtual Events and

Virtual Support Groups. Client Macleatus Henderson is to be featured in the possible third segment still pending production. It is exciting to see that the Lions Center for the Visually Impaired is being recognized and receiving exposure as a leading Bay Area organization serving blind and visually impaired seniors.

Executive Director, Yolanda Braxton had the vision and idea to contact local stations to ask their interest in how blind and visually impaired seniors are coping with the COVID-19 pandemic. Richard Grange, Activities and Marketing Coordinator was assigned the task and soon received a positive reply from KOFY TV 20. Right away, technical issues arose, with our clients not having access to a computer or smartphone that sighted people can easily take for granted. Ultimately, those technical issues led to only one client out of three being able to join the live Zoom interview. This experience helps us see the unnoticed ways our blind and visually impaired seniors wrestle with limitations, restrictions, and lack of resources on a daily basis, especially now.



Please take a look at the videos, courtesy of KOFY-TV 20, to see for yourself. Let us know if you would like to support the Lions Center and all its amazing and valuable services for the blind and visually impaired. Call the Lions Center for the Visually Impaired Office at 1-800-750-EYES, 925-432-3013, or email to info@lcvi.org to learn more, or visit our website at www.lcvi.org.

The new Virtual Events started by Lions Center for the Visually Impaired have proved to be a wonderful way for our LCVI clients to stay engaged with the Center and most importantly with each other during the stressful days of shelter-in-place. Starting in April, LCVI Activities and Marketing Coordinator Richard Grange has planned and hosted the virtual events weekly on Tuesday mornings at 10am. Each week a different theme is chosen to provide focus to the 90-minute session and stimulate discussion and sharing of personal experiences and opinions.

An interesting and eclectic variety of event themes keeps things fresh: for example, "The Zen of Bento" "Amazing Corn" or "Juneteenth". A typical Virtual Event includes some exercise or meditation, a game or music activity, and presentation of topic with discussion. There is also time for check-ins, for LCVI announcements, and free time to chat and share information. Here are some themes for Virtual Events in August: Poetry of Toni Morrison, Mt. Diablo Adventures, and Hot August Nights Car Show.

Byron Delta Lions with LCVI client

Although there have been technical issues including confusing dial in numbers,



(1 client) excessive background noise, bad audio quality, etc. the Virtual Events have been welcomed by the many LCVI Clients. Attendance started low, but grew week to week and now averages about 7 people per session. 19 clients have attended at least once. A new experience for all was a Virtual Memorial Service for David W., an LCVI Client who passed away recently, and it was a unique way to show our respect and appreciation to David. A Virtual Open House for Alameda County will be held on July 30, and a Special Game Night is planned for a Friday evening in August. In addition, Blind and Low Vision Virtual Support Groups are hosted weekly by Vicki McDaniel, Vision Health Outreach Specialist.

Call the LCVI Office at 1-800-750-EYES, 925-432-3013, or email to <a href="mailto:info@lcvi.org">info@lcvi.org</a> to learn more or register for the Virtual Events, Virtual Support Groups or other LVCI services.



### By Maureen "Dr. Mo" Powers, Board President

Ever wonder what happened to the Lions Center for the Blind in Oakland after the doors were closed and services stopped? Well, our clients at the time went to other agencies; our furniture was donated to another non-profit; our important files and a few other items were put into storage; and the Board slogged on.

Determined to remain true to our mission, we morphed LCB into a virtual organization, even before COVID 19. We met in person in the beginning, but had no office or other space. And the "services" we offer now are direct to Clubs, organizations, and blind individuals – through grants-in-aid, information, and contact referrals available to all. Because we are no longer a Center, we changed our name. Check out the history and more at our new completely accessible website at <a href="https://www.lionsvisionresource.org">www.lionsvisionresource.org</a>.

Last year (2019) Lions Vision awarded around \$30,000 in grants to individuals with vision loss and the organizations that serve them. One research grant was also included in that year. This year, we are awarding \$70,000 to 14 individuals and 4 organizations. The largest award (for a new vision screening device to expand their capabilities) went to LCVI. For Clubs, we also offer free information and supplies for White Cane Day, and for all, there is a resource database on our site that shows contact information for blind-friendly merchants, doctors, sports outlets, and more. Our services make people happy and allow them to lead more productive lives. It's very rewarding.

We are always looking for more Board members and volunteers. Give me a call or respond through the website. Your Club should be receiving the Lions Vision Delegate form soon, to appoint your representatives as Advisors to LVRN. We look forward to "seeing" you in the near future.

Our Address: P.O. Box 27404, Oakland, CA 94602 Our Phone (still the same!) 510.450.1580





### **GOVERNOR'S SERVICE CONTEST**

This year the District Governor Service Contest will be based on your club service entered on MyLion. There will be awards given quarterly and one final award at year end. To be eligible the clubs need to report some type of service every month. It could be any size, it does not need to be large. Individually, or as a group, we all do service and more frequent than we realize. It could be picking up eyeglasses for recycling, sorting glasses at the warehouse, donating food or money, sending cards to nurses or veterans, giving away masks, etc. There are so many ways to do service.

#### Award categories

- · Club Award for the most people served in their community on a single project
- Club Award for the most improved
- · Club Award for the most dollars donated
- · Club Award for the best club project
- · Zone Award for the best zone project



- · Your member ID (your club secretary, president, service, or admin officer can provide)
- . Your date of hirth
- Whether you want you User ID to be your email or phone number
- Password
- · Agree to the privacy policy and terms of use

Click on the link below and the following screen will appear. <a href="https://myapps.lionsclubs.org/?ga=2.59375405.1477818167.1594679768-435405002.1585086982">https://myapps.lionsclubs.org/?ga=2.59375405.1477818167.1594679768-435405002.1585086982</a>

Click on the Green button to "Register"







Add your Member ID, Date of Birth, select either Email or Mobile number for your User ID, enter a Password & Retype the Password, Review and check the privacy policy and terms of use. Then click "continue"

### How do I reset my password?

MyLion provides a way to reset your password and regain access to your account. On the MyLion Login page, you will see "Forgot your MyLion Login? <u>Username</u> or <u>Password</u>"

- Select Password.
- Enter your email address or mobile number in the space provided.
- Select Continue.
- A six-digit code will be sent via email or text (depending on which you provided).
- · Enter the six-digit code.
- · Enter a new password.
- Retype your new password.
- Select Continue

If you have questions, contact the District Global Action Team Service Chairperson, Raymon Oliver at (510) 332-9881 or Email: ray.oliver@att.net



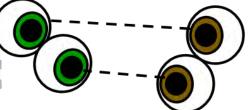
The TOP Ten reasons for Wearing a Face Mask iuu

By Lion Darlene Ridle

**10. A reason to wear eye makeup** 

9. Containing bad breath

8. Forces people to make eye contact



7. If people spit when they talk, it contains it to their space <

6. It hides your double chin

5. You can make faces, and no one can see them



3. Good weight loss tool, when out and about



1. You might save someone's life



Graphics by Michelle Strong

### Mac Coats Zone 1 Club news

### Crockett Lions Club

Covid has slowed down many groups but not the Crockett Lions Club! In the first two weeks of this new Lions' year we have had a Club Installation, a District Installation, and a Governor's Visitation. DG Bill installed our new Crockett President. Aimee Henry. She has adopted a theme for her year, "Our Mission is Possible", and plans to focus on growing our club as well as offering service with creativity and commitment. Also we look forward to installing a new member, Chris Perry. The District Installation had a good showing of Crockett Lions. We manned booths, took pictures, and looked on with pride at both our new District/Club officers as well as our gifts to the Contra Costa Food Bank - \$5000 and 1,049.00 pounds of food! To crown the day we got our new Directories. Thanks to Bill and Darlene for their thoroughness and creativity. Governor Bill along with Cabinet members and guests made his first official visitation to Crockett. He reminded us that the most important part of his job is to make our clubs strong. Zoom has been a gift! About 15-18 Club members have been meeting on Zoom on Wednesday mornings from 9 -10 a.m -18m To accommodate those who can't make morning meetings, we are going to experiment with holding a monthly Zoom meeting in the evening. These will be on the third Wednesdays of the month from 7-8 p.m. Please contact PP Dan Rinaldi if you would like to get an "invite" to any of our meetings.

### Do you know Joe from Crockett Lions Club

How many things do you know about Lion Joe Costa? By Lion Darlene Ridle



Here are eight things you may or may not know about Lion Joe Costa of the Crockett Lions Club

- 1. Did you know that he was raised in Brooklyn, New York?
- 2. That he loves to sing. In fact, his father had a record cutter and Joe still has vinyl records that his father cut of his family singing songs.
- 3. Frequently he can be seen sporting a t-shirt with different saying. I am not sure how many t-shirts he has but it is a lot.
- 4. He is an A's fan through all the ups and downs.
- 5. He retired from the Navy,
- 6. Retired from teaching classes at various colleges

#### 7. He has a heart of gold

He has been a Lion since 1995. He has been Club President, Club Treasurer and District Treasurer several times. Lion Joe and Lion Mac shared the role of District Song Leader and what a pair they were and still are when you see them together. He donates raffle prizes, frequently has funded various projects and has been there for the club in so many different ways.



During the last few years Lion Joe found a piano bar in Oakland called "The Alley". There are several people who meet regularly on Thursdays, and Sunday to take turns singing their favorite songs accompanied by the

piano player. Now I must make the distinction this is not Karaoke. That is a whole different discussion for another time.

Rod Sibble at the rance as

The Alley is iconic, built in 1933 it is a little hole in the wall place where many people get together that love to sing and/or be entertained by others that love to sing. Now with COVID-19, they cannot get together at The Alley, so they get together via ZOOM. Our Lion Joe is going to be one of the regulars that will be featured in a Documentary about The Alley. The Documentarian, Hunter is going to feature each of the regulars with some background on each person and hopefully wrap up the Documentary at The Alley. Stay tuned for the next installment about our Lion Joe.

### **Antioch Rivertown Veterans Lions Club**



Antioch Rivertown Veterans Lions Club in conjunction with the Delta Veterans Group and the VFW in Antioch wanted to do something to honor and celebrate our Veterans on Memorial Day. A ceremony was held at the two war memorials sites as well at Oak View Cemetery. Community Officials along with members of the Delta Veterans Group were stationed at the war memorials at Antioch Marina and at the

Fairgrounds and at the Oak View Cemetery where service members graves were decorated with flags. The veterans and their families were invited to view the ceremonies from their cars and then to drive to the VFW Hall in Antioch to pick up a grab and go lunch.



Over 500 boxed lunches were prepared (a hamburger, a hotdog, chips, cookies, bottled water, information on veteran programs as well as the postcard to the right). Matching Grant for \$700 was received from California Lions Foundation.

Antioch Rivertown Lions: Lions Velma Wilson, Gerald Wilson, Club President Jim and Jane Etherington, Paul Scannell, Pat Jeremy, Diane Ferguson, Darlene Ridle and Guiding Lions PCC Denny Grotrian and DG Bill Ridle put the event together and had assistance that day from other Lions in the District from Oakley Delta Lions Sue Higgins, WC Diablo



<u>Valley Lions</u> John Bates, <u>Crockett Lions</u> Dan and Mary Rinaldi, <u>Richmond – Pinole</u> Lion Stu Griffin, <u>Ambrose – Pittsburg</u> IPDG Duke Dunham, with VFW members Stephanie her husband and Ernie who manages the VFW Hall.

Lion Velma Wilson recruited two new members, Antioch Mayor Sean Wright, and Antioch Council woman Lori Ogorchock.



# Albany Lampoon Lions Club

#### PAT BROWN INSTALLED ALBANY PRESIDENT



Congratulations to newly installed Albany Lions Club Patricia Brown. Pictured above is President Pat sitting regally as she takes the reins of the Club. Pictured below is District Governor



Elect Bill Ridle, who looking like a radio host, performed the Installation ceremonies. DG Bill did an outstanding job of mixing humor with the solominess of the ocassion for a great ceremony.

We know President Pat is dedicated to service having taken time from the International Convention and Roman holiday to participate in a service project. Pat has attended leadership trainings at the District and International levels and is one of our best prepared Presidents in Albany Lions history. Pat is ready to lead and the Club is ready to follow her direction and undertake new projects. We know Pat's heart is in community service and we look forward to the coming Lion year!





We were privileged to have two additional Lion Dignataries join our installation service. Both are related to President Pat. Apparently Lions Club participation is a family tradition. We were honored to have Past District Governor Clarence Brown and 1st Vice District Governor Pamela Williams pictured above as our special guests. PDG Clarence not only helped President find our club but sponsored her into the club! Thank you both!

#### KAY FUKUSHIMA FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

Named for Past International President and California Lion Kay Fukushima who urged Lions to move beyond traditional vision programs and provide greater service to the local ommunity, the Fellowship recognizes commitment to Lions through the support of the California Lions Foundation. Albany recipients are:



Jeffrey B Shea - Served 2 terms as president of the Albany Club. Jeff was an active, enthusiastic and valued member of the club until illness prevented his active participation. His positive attitude and warm smile are missed by one and all.

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#### MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

This year the Albany Lions Club is sharing its good fortune by recognizing Lions Clubs International and its assistance to the Albany Lions Club by sponsoring six (6) LCIF Fellowships.

The "Melvin Jones Fellowship" is named in honor of Lions Clubs International's founder, Melvin Jones, Chicago businessman and insurance agent. In 1917, Jones asked, "What if business people who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?" Lions Clubs were born out of a need to foster community service as well as a business code of ethics and fair dealing, which continue to as resounding in Lions Club tenants.

The Melvin Jones Fellowship honors those who support the Lions Clubs International Foundation and its efforts to fund service projects and provide emergency relief throughout the world. Individuals may provide their individual suport for LCIF projects and programs through direct donations and Lions Clubs can honor deserving members recognizing their long term service and efforts on behalf of a local club and community. The Albany Lion Club has awarded Melvin Jones Fellowships to the following Lions in recognition of their dedication and hard work:



#### Donald Chelemedos -

Past president, zone chairman and Deputy District Governor. Don was one of the original creator of the Albany Lions Crab Feed fundraising event. He has participated in 53 annual crab feeds, and been a cochairman of the event purchasing supplies for the event and then served as chief bartender. Don has been a member of the Albany Lions Club for over 56 years and participated in countless service

projects the most recent one being the refinishing of Lions Benches on Marin Avenue where Don single handedly sanded and stained the wooden benches.



#### Alan V. Caruso -

A longtime member of the Albany Lions Club, Founding Lion and Guiding Line in establishing the Kensington Lions Club. Lion Al is a Past President and Life Member of the Club and greatly enjoys visiting other Clubs and participating in District activities. Lion Al is the fund

raiser extraordinaire selling tickets and soliciting contributions from businesses and friends alike. Lion Al's hard work has also contributed to the success each year's annual crab feed fundraiser. Held various offices over the years.



#### Harry E. Schreyvogel -

Served twice as President of Albany Lions Club. Lion Harry has served many times as the chairperson of various club activities, including the annual crab feed fundraiser, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Pancake Breakfast, Senior Center Luau, and other projects and fundraisers too numerous to count. Lion Harry is always ready and

willing to pitch in and help on any club project. Lion Harry's involvement in his church and in the community has made us aware of community needs and started many new projects over the years.

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### Albany Lampoon Lions Club

### MELVIN JONES AWARDS Continued from page 1



#### Richard M Stellina -

Rich has been Treasurer of the Club for over 20 years. He has faithfully overseen club finances assured all financial reports required from the club are filed accurately and on timely. Rich supervises the kitchen during the annual crab feed and at various pancake

breakfasts. Rich is always ready to help out on club projects and can be counted upon to participate and lend a hand in all Club projects.



#### Dr. Robert Uhrhammer -

Past President and long time Tail Twister. One look at his hulking figure assures that no one will dispute a fine leived by Lion Bob. Lion Earthquake brings a multitude of construction and repairs skills to

our projects based upon a youth spent working in California's central valley. Handy with a hammmer or a tourch he is our go to construction guy. Has also assumed primary responsibility for maintenance of cross on Albany Hill. Always at the ready when a club project requires a truck. Lion Bob can be counted upon to pitch in and make sure Club projects are completed successfully. Lion Bob is also a retired seismologist and can be counted upon to explain the most recent ground shake and is always good for a program at local clubs.



#### Stuart W Griffin -

Presented by Albany Lions Club in grateful appreciation for years of service and assistance to the Albany Club going above and beyond the call of duty. Lion Stuart has volunteered his exceptional culinary skills to support the Albany Lions Club with both service projects and fundraisers. Without Stu's help

many of our traditional projects would not be possible. Special note is taken of his assistance at the annual crab feed, 4th of July pancake breakfast, "Dinner with Albany" and the never easy Albany Senior Center Luau fundraiser. Albany Club says "thank you Lion Stu."

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#### KAY FUKUSHIMA FELLOWS AWARDED continued



Valerie L Griffin - Only 3-time President in Albany Lions history. Past President of the Lions Center for the Visually Impared, Past Zone Chair and active in District activities, particularly with regard to the having served as the District Student Speakers Contest Chairwoman. Lion Valerie is ultimately responsible for 25% of the club's membership, making it a real "family affair" with twin sister

Vickie, brother-in-law Clifford and nice and nephew all having been motivated to become Albany Lions. Beware when the sheriff is in town.





Victoria L Redstone - Part of the "family affair". Between the two, have served as president of the club 3 of the last 4 years. Also served on the club's cross committee providing valuable input to the process. Part of the glue holding our club together. Honored together as a couple just as they participate in all club activities.



### Richmond Pinole Lions Club



Our new incoming President John Pinckney

attended the District Installation of officers on July 11<sup>th</sup> held at Matteo's Dream Playground. We are looking forward to his leadership this year

Our club installation is scheduled for Monday July 20<sup>th</sup> at noon at an outdoor area of Pear St. Bistro in Pinole

(Top picture from left to right DG Bill Ridle, President John Pinckney, Lion Mary Desmond, CC Claudia Miller, Installing Officer Bottom picture — left to right CC Claudia Miller, Lion Michelle Strong and PDG Neil Desmond in the car and President John Pinckney)

In April and then in July we suffered two losses that left our club reeling. On April 26<sup>th</sup>, Lion Teri

Garcia unexpectedly passed away. Lion Teri will be remembered as a caring person who loved her family and helped her community.



If one loss was not enough on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Lion Jim Shattuck passed away suddenly after a long illness. Lion Jim has and will be a pillar of the Richmond Pinole Lions club. For 45 years Lion Jim served his community as a Richmond Pinole Lion. He will be dearly missed. He was a generous and loving person and a leader in the community and an inspiration to us all.



In March Lion Laurelle visited the Coopers Animal Refuge near her sister's place west of Melbourne. Delivered a huge suitcase of quilted crate liners, Joey pouches, small animal nests etc. that my daughter Keri and Crockett Carquinez Women's Club ladies made. Unfortunately, we had to cancel the AUSSIE Night with COVID-19.



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Lions Audrey, Laurelle and Keri have been making cards for the long-term care veterans in Martinez during COVID-19.

Submitted by Darlene Ridle

### Koshy John Zone 3 Club news

### Silicon Valley Indian Lions Club

### Submitted by Koshy John, here are the highlights of their activities:

Backpacks donated at Bret Harte Middle School, Hayward and to the to the children in fire-affected Paradise Ca

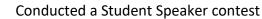
- Donated 250 blankets and 250 hygiene kits to 500 homeless veterans at the Military Veterans Stand Down Event at Contra Costa County Fairgrounds.
- Volunteered in the Grateful Garments project on Saturday
- Conducted several eyeglass sorting and recycling events
- Vision Screening at the medical camp in Fremont, CA

Participated in the Solace Event and provided funds to support the terminally ill cancer patients in India. \$1000 to their cause.

Organized a Grand New Year Party in association with Music India in Milpitas. Helped with the Buds school Kalpetta renovation project in Kerala India.







Donated \$1000 to TriCity interfaith ministries to provide food to the poor



PPE Distribution: Face shields were distributed to the following organizations.

o St. Mary's Homeless shelter, Stockton

- o Alameda Newark Wellness center, Fremont
- o San Jose Job Corps
- o Tri-City Center, Fremont



### Oakland Montclair Lions Club

By Lion Maureen "Dr. Mo" Powers, Club Secretary

Our Club didn't miss a beat due to the coronavirus lockdown. We started meeting virtually via Zoom and we continue to meet that way every other week: First Tuesday at noon, and third Tuesday at 6 pm. To join us, just contact me for the latest Zoom link.

Our famed Montclair Village Restaurant Walk has been rescheduled for September 17, a Thursday evening. Previously sold tickets will be honored, and additional tickets will go on sale shortly. Tickets will be completely refundable if we have to cancel. More restaurants to visit, outside seating, and more beer and wine this year, so come on out!

Also come join us (if the situation allows) at our Club Officer Installation at noon on August 4 in Montclair Park.

We've extended special invitations to our fellow Oakland Club (Oakland Chinatown) and to the Alameda Clubs (Breakfast and Yeti). Plus, we will be installing our new Leo Club officers from Oakland High School. Bonus: for \$20 you can have your very own Box Lunch from Lion Leslie Masler – with chicken and Caesar salad and pie. Oh my!

Our service activities continue, with providing masks to elder and veteran organizations, and helping out a senior residence in Oakland with their needs. We are a Founding Club of the California Lions Foundation, and a 500% Model Club for LCIF Campaign 100. Very proud to be Montclair Lions!

Here we are at a fun outing to the United Airlines maintenance facility at SFO airport, in January, when we could do things like this.



### Anthony Hong Zone 4 Club news

### Fremont Dawn Breakers Lions Club

Focus	Projects/Events	# of events	People Served	Volunteer
Fundraiser	Pancake Breakfast/Grill Cheese Lunch Fundraiser	1	0	88
Fundraiser	Santa Clara Voting Fundraiser project	1	3000	8
Hunger	Centerville Free Dining - Bag supply	2	545	4
Hunger	Viola Blythe Food bank wearhouse	8	701	70
Kids	Adopt-n-Angel bike assembly	1	0	16
Kids	EBRPD Special Kids Fishing Derby	1	314	40
Kids	Student Speaker Contest Club Level	1	4	20
Other	Run Information Booth at Fremont Arts and Wine Festival	1	1000	66
Vision	Dawn Breakers Eye Colection awareness booth	1	50	10
Vision	Support Services for the Blind or Visually Impaired	1	0	3
Vision	Vision Screening at Fremont Street Eats	2	52	27
Vision	White Cane Day	1	0	10
Grand Total		21	5666	362
Submitted by	y Mile Hale Club Secretary			

# Livermore Lions Club

We installed 6 members at the beginning of last year and recently installed 5 more members just before the end of IPDG Duke's year. We are looking for one more to make an even dozen.

We have so far donated to Shepherd's Gate, 4Oceans, Ear and Eye of the Lion, and Lions in Sight

Provided 490 meals to 130 individuals

Donated \$275 to Fertile Ground Works

Given bags of rice, beans, cereal, cooking oil, laundry detergent to 30 families in need.

Provided our local nursing home with gallons of hand sanitizer and hundreds of masks.

Collected 255 Eyeglasses for recycling



Fertile GroundWorks, Livermore, CA

Our mission is to teach and empower people and communities to increase their health, wellbeing, and self-reliance by growing food for themselves and others, organically and sustainably. Produce from our Garden of Grace is given to Open Heart Kitchen and local food pantries to feed the needy. Fertile GroundWorks also champions locally grown food and facilitates the creation and sustainable operation of community, school and employee gardens.

Working on some new ideas for fundraising. We are thinking of doing a contest of pets wearing costumes \$10 per entry/ awarding 1-3rd place awards. Funds raised would go to purchase computers for local schools

Stay tuned!

### Dam Rimaldi Zone 5 Club news

### Moraga Lions Club

The Moraga Lions have continued to have zoom and face to face meetings together.

We awarded from a distance six junior high students with our Lions Achievment award (formerly the Lions Pride Award or Rudy Awards).

We continue to spend hours as Muffin men (taking food from local stores and delivering it to Oakland) and volunteer at our churches. Some are sewing, cooking for friends who are sick, and boarding and unboarding businesses with the social disturbances.

We have started our Wellness Service Program. Our members reach out to friends, church members (to be expanded) to see how people are doing and to see if they need something and just to say hello. Lions who are not comfortable going out in public can make phone calls, determine needs and set up deliveries. We composed a flyer with LAMORINDA SENIOR SERVICES. The Police Chief was impressed and is making copies for his officers.

To help people get out a bit we have hosted long distant and drive by dinners......hot dogs, chips and a cold dring.

We will pick pears on August 8th with the Moraga Park Foundation at JM and St. Monica. Pears will be donated to the food bank.

We are looking for volunteers to help. This will require the coordination of several groups, and any of the Moraga Lions who are unable to physically help with the harvest may wish to be a coordinator from home. Submitted by, Dan Aglasgow

**Walnut Creek Diablo Valley Lions Club** 

Members John Bates, Michelle Strong attended the installation of district officers on July 11th and showed up early to volunteer. Mary and Neil Desmond, Ed Cossart and Phillis Neitling were there to support. They made a 1,000.00 donation to the CC Food bank and also brought boxes of food on food drop off day. Jack Murphy made food donations and Teri Carson and Mike and Diane Ward made check donations to the food drive. Michelle also had two friends and her brother show up with

They have sponsored three collage students though their scholarship

program and they awarded 1,000.00 each towards the students collage education.

Made donations to Lions sight savers and Lions eye foundation.

boxes of food to donate.

Jack murphy makes regular food donations to Monument Crisis center.

They sponsored a RUDY award at Christ The King Catholic School in Pleasant hill given to a well deserving student, our value was \$100.00 Submitted by Michelle Strong













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Made donations to: Contra Costa Food Bank totaling \$250.00, White Pony Express donated backpacks and monetary donations totaling \$150.00. Bay Area Crisis Nursery monetary and blankets hand made totaling 150.00, Diablo Valley Lions Club \$100.00 towards the READ program. Michelle donated 3 bags of clothes to Darlene for her project. Submitted by Michelle

With all that the students are missing at this time, Livermore Lioness thought it would be nice if they could at least make two students happy. They chose one student from each of the high school, read the application member of their cub and decided that they were deserving.

From Granada High School Chandler Duarte. She plans on a career in teaching and minor in religion. She'll be leaving for Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Ok. on Aug. 8th Our other recipient is Kayla Steinhorst. She plans on attending the University of Nevada-Reno on Aug. 18th. She plans to study advanced medicines and treatments for children and elderly. Each received \$500.00

They both came by to pick up their awards and were very appreciative and grateful. As always it's a pleasure to work on this project.

Kathy Anderson former member of the Livermore Lioness (Western Washington does not have any Lioness Clubs) and now a Secretary for the Olympia Host Lions Club. They're We are called Host because our club has had 10 new clubs started under us. Made and delivered potato salad for 30 to one of their local shelters providing meals for the homeless. Her contribution was a small part of the meal provided by members of the Olympia Host Lions Club. She's so proud to be a part of that group. Submitted by Michelle Strong

### Walnut Creek Host Lions says Good-bye

After 97 years, the curtain comes down on THE LIONS CLUB OF WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA, known as the WALNUT CREEK (HOST) LIONS CLUB. After about 4,000 CLUB MEETINGS, almost all weekly even through the Depression and World War II, the show is over. And so, a little retrospective . . .

The CLUB was chartered on April 7, 1924, as a part of LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL, and is the oldest service club in Walnut Creek. It was part of LCI DISTRICT 4-C3, and as such it supported and participated in the programs, projects and meetings of the many dozen different CLUBS that have been part of the DISTRICT. Like most LIONS CLUBS, the WALNUT CREEK HOST LIONS CLUB collected used eyeglasses to be recycled for use by under-served persons in the U.S. and throughout the world.

The CLUB'S annual CRAB FEED featured all the crab you could eat, plus other food, fun, entertainment, prizes,

raffles and auctions.

The CLUB regularly supported and participated in the CHALLENGER DIVISION OF LITTLE LEAGUE, CITY OF WALNUT CREEK COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY, WREN AVENUE SCHOOL COMMUNITY READERS DAY, WREN AVENUE SCHOOL teachers, XENOPHON THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER, the CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION, CITY OF HOPE and the MONUMENT COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP HEALTH FAIR.

The CLUB regularly supported the BLIND BABIES FOUNDATION, WALNUT CREEK LIBRARIES, TRINITY CENTER in

WALNUT CREEK and BAY AREA CRISIS NURSERY.

The CLUB regularly supported and participated in the LIONS DISTRICT SPECIAL KIDS DAY, LIONS CENTER FOR THE BLIND OF OAKLAND, LIONS CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED, LIONS VISION RESOURCE NETWORK, LIONS SIGHT SAVER FOUNDATION, LIONS PROJECT FOR CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE, LIONS QUEST, LIONS IN SIGHT, LIONS HEARING FOUNDATION, LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION, LIONS YOUTH EXCHANGE, LIONS WILDERNESS CAMP, WHITE CANE DAYS, LIONS EYE FOUNDATION, MATTEO'S DREAM all-abilities playground, LIONS STUDENT SPEAKERS FOUNDATION and just about any other LIONS project in the DISTRICT. iect in the DISTRICT.

The CLUB regularly supported and participated in the LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST and

MD4 STUDEŇT SPÉAKERS CONTEST.

The CLUB hosted a THANKSGIVING LUNCH AT THE LIONS CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED, for over fifty

The CLUB operated the WALNUT FESTIVAL CORN ON THE COB and BEER BOOTHS.

For fun, the CLUB played softball, attended OAKLAND A'S games, DAYS AT THE RACES at GOLDEN GATE FIELDS, hosted VALENTINES DAY programs, dinners out, installations, LUAUS, CINCO DE MAYO, HALLOWEEN, HOLIDAY and other parties, barbecues, pancake breakfasts, anniversaries and picnics, and visited other CLUBS at their meetings, socials and fundraisers.

The CLUB sent an "all CLUB" delegation to the YOUTH HOUSE in SARAJEVO, BOSNIA, as part of a LIONS IN SIGHT CLINIC trip to that then-war-torn country, built the SENSORY GARDEN and helped to fund and build the

CHILDRENS GARDEN, both at THE GARDENS AT HEATHER FARM.

The CLUB earned the word "HOST" as part of its name by sponsoring four other LIONS CLUBS who continue the proud LIONS traditions – the DIABLO VALLEY LIONS, the ROSSMOOR LIONS, the YGNACIO VALLEY COM-MUTERS LIONS and the PLEASANT HILL LIONS (either the PH LIONS or DANVILLE LIONS – memories are fading). The CLUB participated in DISTRICT governance with dozens and dozens of COMMITTEE, ZONE and REGION CHAIRS, DEPUTY DISTRICT GOVERNORS, a DISTRICT TREASURER, several DISTRICT GOVÉRNOR CANDIDATES, and two DISTRICT GOVERNORS. Plus two DISTRICT LIONS OF THE YEAR, and two DISTRICT PIONEER LIONS. And on the MD4 level, the CLUB provided dozens of COMMITTEE CHAIRS, an endorsed candidate for the LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONÁL BOARD and a COUNCIL CHAIR. And on the LCI level, the CLUB provided a member of the LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The CLUB attended and participated in probably hundreds of annual DISTRICT, MD4 and LCI CONVENTIONS, and won its share of skits, costume contests, FOOD FAIRE competitions, CLUB BULLETIN CONTESTS and GOV-ERNORS' SERVICE CONTESTS.

The CLUB helped to build and support the OAKLAND and PITTSBURG BLIND CENTERS.

The CLUB sponsored or participated in City-wide WATERMELON FEEDS, CHRISTMAS DAY DINNERS for homeless and lonely people on 20 Christmas Days, JOURNEYS FOR SIGHT, WALNUT FESTIVAL 5K/10K RUNS, cleaning and painting WALNUT CREEK SCHOOLS, WALNUT FESTIVAL PARADES, rummage sales, buying park land for MT. DIABLO STATE PARK, hospital toy banks, litter collection on YGNACIO VALLEY ROAD, traffic patrol uniforms, books for JUVENILE HALL, Braille transcriptions for students, CIVIC PARK GAZEBO, SENSORY GARDEN AT HEATHER FARM GARDEN CENTER, LAS LOMAS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL field lights, American flags for students on FLAG DAY . . . the list goes on and on.

Thanks to all of the LIONS who served as leaders of the CLUB for 97 years, through some really good times (100+ members) and some less than great times, and most recently to LIONS ANN SANZERI, who has served as CLUB SECRETARY for 30 years, and LION DONNA MOORE-HEAD, who took over as CLUB TREASURER during a particularly dark period in the CLUB's history, and has faithfully served in that position for several years.

Note: most members have transferred to now named Walnut Creek Ygnacio Valley Club and four transferred to Walnut Creek **Diablo Valley Club** 

And who can forget, "There ain't no flies on us, There ain't no flies on us, There may be flies on some of you guys, But there ain't no flies on us. Walnut Creek. Walnut Creek, Best Club in the land . . . joy on every hand. Walnut Creek. Walnut Creek. That's where the walnuts grow."

### **Walnut Creek Rossmoor Lions Club**

Pandemic changes Rossmoor Lions Club operations, but not its desire to serve

Normal life within the Rossmoor Lions Club has changed dramatically since the start of the county's shelter-inplace. Like all clubs in Rossmoor, Lions stopped meeting in March, which meant no educational speakers or leisurely lunches with friends. In addition, the county's public order restrictions curtailed Lions' ability to hold public fundraisers such as the Antique Appraisals (April & September), White Cane Days (May) and Lions Breakfast (October), among others.

After about a month of shelter-in-place, the Rossmoor Lions Board of Directors regrouped and began thinking about how to continue the goals of the club during the pandemic. The club looked for ways to continue financially supporting charities within the tenets of hearing, vision, hunger, pediatric cancer, diabetes prevention, environment, and disaster/humanitarian relief.

The Rossmoor Lions Board launched a multi-point plan to continue club life, albeit in a very different way. With some 50 club members, Zoom meetings seemed like they would be too chaotic. Instead, the Board is continuing communication with club members through a bi-monthly emailed newsletter.

NEWSLETTER

The newsletters relay news and updates,

include essays written by club members sharing poignant life experiences,

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and share interesting *online links* and lists of things to do or see within the community.

The newsletters also list small, easy ways club members can do service projects from their homes. Communication among club members is facilitated via the newsletters and the personal essays allow club members to continue getting to know each other even more deeply than through in-person meetings and lunches.

The club also launched an annual campaign titled, Lions Campaign 2020 to take the place of the club's annual fundraisers. No public fundraisers means Rossmoor Lions Club is unable to raise the usual tens of thousands of dollars for outreach. The hope is that Lions Campaign 2020 will, at least, raise some funds and allow the club to donate to the non-profits it usually supports annually.

Lions Campaign 2020 runs June, through and including September. It consists of donation request letters sent to hundreds of past donors and weekly Lions Club articles in the Rossmoor News. Each article describes charities supported by Rossmoor Lions and a request for donations.

So far, the club is receiving donations every week. Donations to the Lions Club of Rossmoor Foundation, can be sent to P.O. Box 2181, Walnut Creek, CA 94595

Lastly, the Rossmoor Club has embarked on creating a customized website (vs. the one provided by LCI). The website will allow the club to accept online donations via credit card or PayPal.

Considering that the pandemic will last into the near future, facilitating donation methods will be essential toward continued fundraising.

Through the three major changes mentioned above, Rossmoor Lions Club will get through the pandemic intact and hopefully, still be able to help those in need Submitted By, Leanne Hamaji.. President, Rossmoor Lions Club



### Walnut Creek Ygnacio Valley Lions CLub

Ygnacio Valley Lions Club decided it needed to do SOMETHING to help during this Shelter in Place. Masks are needed, but not always available to everyone. So...200 disposable masks (bought from Frank Ma) were donated to Trinity Center in Walnut Creek (daytime respite center for homeless) and Refuge Food Pantry in Concord (formerly Parkhaven.). Also donated were 80 handmade cloth masks made by member Barbara Griffin and her mother and sister.

The donations were warmly received and greatly appreciated. Submitted by Sue Langhorst

### Lilyan S Zone 6 Club news

Discovery Bay Lions Club

We had an impressive presentation by Riley Lee who is raising \$2,300 for her Eagle Scout project, which is to build 3 peace poles at Anne's Church. We voted to give her \$300. Amanda Dove said that the food trucks which have been coming to Discovery Bay are giving back 10% to the Lions to give to the Food Bank and for scholarships. We voted to authorize Bryon Gutow to plan a free concert if we get approval from the County. Last year the Discovery Bay Lions donated \$1500 to "Mini-Medical School" for CPR training at Excelsior Middle School. Because the school was closed and there will be a different schedule, Dr. Oli Francis, requested that we "allow the money to be used for CPR

training by East Contra Costa County Fire District education fund (consistent with our original proposal) for pediatric drowning and CPR education within our community." He also acquired matching grants for this worthwhile cause.

We also donated \$10,000 to The Lions Center for Visually Impaired, \$300 to the Odyssey of the Mind team for

their registration fees, 1000's of eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt, and \$5000 to the local Food Bank. Submitted by, Lion Debbie Finnegan

**Discovery Bay Lions** 

### Ambrose Pittsburg Lions Club

Ambrose-Pittsburg Lions update for the Lionizer:

During the last few months The Ambrose-Pittsburg Lions Club participated with the Antioch Rivertown Veterans Lions for their Memorial Day drive by bag lunch. We are working on our scholarship program to award 3 scholarships for graduated students from either Pittsburg HS or Mount Diablo. We continue to make our donation to LCVI and we made a donation to the food bank at the District Installation.

We continue to look for ideas and are available to work with other clubs on their projects.

Submitted by PDG Duke Dunham

It has been a most challenging six months in our club's history to do fundraising as we have done in the past with our Pancake Breakfasts and our annual Pittsburg Carnival, but our club Ambrose-Pittsburg Lions did participate in a drive-thru food drive and we were able to donate canned goods to our local food banks. We are looking forward to participating in our first Zone 6 meeting soon in order to gain some insight and brainstorm some ideas for future fundraisers.

Submitted by Lion Sue Augusto

President Ambrose-Pittsburg Lions Club

### Brentwood Lions Club

The Brentwood Lions Club, as have all Lions Clubs, was blind-sided by the COVID-19 pandemic and we scrambled with how to conduct meetings and continue our service projects. In the midst of these trying times, ZOOM meetings have now become the norm for us; however, normal meeting participation has not been what we expected and we are currently working on getting more members to participate. In the meantime, we are brainstorming with continuing to conduct some of our service projects within the COVID-19 limitations and restrictions. Brentwood Lions participated in a local community food drive and was able to donate \$1,000 to Hope House in Brentwood. Members continue to work with the Shepherd's Gate abiding with the mandated social distancing rules. In reaching out to youths (i.e. Boys Scouts), Brentwood Lions is mulling over a "ham operator" idea. One of our members has access to radios and electronic kits. It's quite a challenge to do fundraising, but where there's a will, there's a way.

Submitted by, Lilyan Sequeira

Byron Delta Lions Club See page #18

# Is your club engaging in Video meetings?

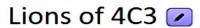
Online Meeting Etiquette

A set of guidelines to make your online meeting productive

- 1. ne person is the Moderator and controls the conversation
- 2. Have an agenda, and stick to it
- 5. Be on time and BE MUTED when you enter the meeting
- 4. Have your device plugged into a power source, video takes a lot of power
- 5. Place your device on a hard surface to avoid camera movement, and focus your attention on the camera
- 6. Everyone should be in a comfortable location, face lit, with limited distractions, and remember, you will be visible, wear your vest or appropriate Lions attire
- 7. All that is visible in the room will be in the meeting, distractions should be avoided, such as children, pets, phone calls and other activities
- 8. If using Zoom, go to the bottom of your screen while moving the cursor and click chat
- 9. Remain muted until you are asked to speak, raise your hand to ask permission to speak
- 10. Do not have two devices turned on at the same time, it will cause feedback and echos
- 11. No cross talk, discussion should be for all participants

V S O S S E N D N I K A C O L V P D

If audio only, identify yourself before speaking



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### FUNDRAISING DURING COVID-19 By Lion Darlene Ridle

Your club may not be able to do the same fundraiser you have always done in the past. You may have to think outside of the box.

This has been the topic of many discussions among non-profits, how will we raise funds if we cannot do our Pancake Breakfast, the Crab Feed, Spaghetti Feed, BBQ, etc.

Here are some ideas I have heard from others and found on the internet.

- 1. If you know someone who is going to sell their house or Commercial Real Estate, contact Lion Jim Etherington, you would be surprised how this could generate funds for your club. His email is <a href="mailto:jim@vahop.vet">jim@vahop.vet</a>
- 2. Bryon Delta Lions netted \$1,000 selling Krispy Crème donuts. We love our donuts. Here's the link https://www.krispykreme.com/fundraising/home
- 3. Do a Virtual walk or run to raise funds for a cause
- 4. Do an auction on-line
- 5. Do a grab and go lunch or dinner
- 6. Do a "No Show Event". Invite your group of supporters to A No Show Event to raise funds for a cause. The cost \$20.00. Here is how you save by not going to the event

Cost of the Event	\$20.00
Raffle Tickets	\$10.00
Drinks	\$10.00
New Outfit	\$40.00
Gas to drive there	\$5.00
Total Cost if you went to the event	\$85.00
You just saved by just donating \$20.00 and staying home	\$65.00

- 7. Hold an Online Concert Do you have someone locally that can do a concert (for free or a small amount) and have a donate button online. The concert is free, but people can logon to donate. You can also provide an Honorarium to your celebrity.
- 8. Online Wine Tasting Different kind of wines that can be paired with quarantine foods. You can even do a cooking demo and of course have a donate button for your cause.
- 9. Donate to Learn Do you have volunteers that can teach an online class? They would sign up to learn for a fee (playing the guitar for example)
- 10. Donate for a Vote Have a contest and the supporters watching the contest would donate to vote for the winner. Contest could be the best song, best costume, etc. The winner would receive a prize. The donations would go to your cause.
- If none of these ideas inspire you or generate some discussion, check out this video on Online Fundraising By Lion Richard Stevenson, South Tucson Cyber Lions

Online Fundraising w/PayPal & e-Clubhouse – click on the link below <a href="https://youtu.be/W3RErTzmiCc">https://youtu.be/W3RErTzmiCc</a>

### PEACE POSTER CONTEST

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit

To sponsor the Peace Poster Contest, Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1. The kit is available in 12 of our official languages. A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

#### Each kit contains:

Official Club Contest Guide and Rules

Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules

Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home

Sticker to place on back of winning poster

Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

\*To order a kit by phone, call Club Supp<mark>lies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).</mark>

The 2020 - 20201 Contest - Peace Through Service

Lions have provided an important reminder to the world that, through service, we can give and receive so much – joy, kindness, hope, and PEACE. This year, young people have the opportunity to express their visions of peace through the lens of service.

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Wendy Snyder

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Peace Poster Contest Deadlines

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

January 15: Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

October 1: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the District Governor.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a district governor not belonging to a multiple district to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

December 15: Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters. February 1: International winners notified on or before this date.

### CLUB PROJECT DURING SHELTER IN PLACE

We worked vey hard from our homes and created cards for the Veterans in the care facility in Martinez and for the Nurses that care for them. Also another project to send card to out deployed troops tht due to the Covid 19 can not come home now.

Heart felt words on every card and hand created pictures and artwork We started mid April through the end of June. Michelle Strong and her friend Dana Bible, Darlene Ridle, Gloria Denton and Gloria's friends, Laurelle Martin, Keri Martin, Dawn Lopez, Sue Langhorst, Suzi Hart, Michele Ladmirault, Tisha Trette, Juanita Pagan-Padilla, Audrey Nieman,

Darlyn Phillips - Recreational Therapist at Center for Rehabilitation and Extended Care (CREC) in Martinez who helped with the distribution al all the the cards we did over 400 cards in all





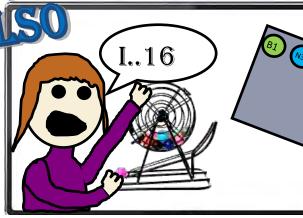






# CLUB PROJECT DURING SHELTER IN PLACE NEXT PROJECT PEN PAL FOR A VETERAN

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# Editions Page

### Sometines i'ts right in front of you and you don't know

His name is Julian and he's family now.

When he first started spending time with our group of friends none of us actually knew the situation he was in. We were all clueless to the fact that he called a bench in a park home. None of us knew because he always had a smile on his face and was just constantly happy. He started coming around more and more. He said he loved spending time with all of us and it made him feel good. One night he pulled my friend aside to talk, when my friend came back in he had the most heart-breaking look on his face. He pulled me aside and told me the situation with Julian. Julian had asked him if he could pay us a little bit of money every month that if he could sleep on our floor just so he could get off the streets. I started crying. I was so destroyed by the fact that this beautiful soul has been through so much turmoil and had no roof over his head. He is the most caring and giving per-

son I've met in a very long time. I witnessed him give his last three dollars to another homeless man in need. I heard about how he split a sandwich with a different homeless man a few days prior. I couldn't believe how one person who has nothing was willing to give anything he had to others that were also in need. He did those selfless

acts because he personally had been in those positions. My friend and I spoke to our roommates and we all decided to give him a place to call home. That same night he asked for just a floor, we took him to our house and gave him what we could. We fixed up our garage and moved a couch in there. We gave him warm blankets, pillows, and basic toiletries. We gave him what we could. When he got home a series of emotions flashed across his face where he saw his own space. There was shock, confusion, and finally relief. He just looked at me and with a shaky voice said thank you. I apologized to him that all we had to offer was a couch in a garage. He pulled me in for a hug and said that compared to where he was, this was his heaven. I let him have his space to freshen up and as I was walking away I heard him through the closed door say "Thank you Jesus". My heart broke for him. That night I went to bed thinking of ways I could make him feel more at home. The next morning I discussed with my friend about making a huge feast in honor of Julian and just inviting all of our friends that night. Especially since he hadn't had a home cooked meal in two years. Everyone agreed to being there and even offered to bring food. We were all buzzing with excitement when we heard our friend pull up with Julian. He had no clue what was going to take place. When Julian walked through the door we all shouted "Welcome home". The joy that came across his face made everything worth it. He was Welcome Home definitely surprised. He went around the room giving everyone hugs and thanking each and everyone of us for making him feel like he had a family. Watching him load his plate upred and with plenty of food and just hearing him laugh reassured me that the night was a success.

And thank you, I appreciate the contribution that The Lioness Club made in order to help make life a little bit easier for Julian. He is now off the streets, surrounded by those who care, and safe at home. He says he will continue to improve his life now that he has a reason to.

Story By Kim Rojas friend of Mine

**Diable Valley Lioness made a difference** 

**Sometines helping others starts at home** It's been a pretty long journey for me to get glasses, but it

It's been a pretty long journey for me to get glasses, but it was so worth the wait. My friend Michelle had reached out

to me in September and let me know about a great opportunity for me to get some much needed new glasses. I was beyond ecstatic at the idea. She gave me the contact info of one of her club members from The Lions Club named Kirk who could help me further. Well, I gave him a call and he was very sweet, patient, and informative about what I needed to do to obtain glasses through their Lions in Sight program. The day came where I had to go to the eye center on the Berkeley campus where I would get set up with glasses. The first day I went I

was led over to a selection of frames where I was given the choice to pick from. It took one frame, that was it. I zoomed in on a lovely black and turquoise cheetah print frame. The student intern then proceeded to fit my face with the frames and adjust them perfectly. It was all simple and quick. They told me they'd call me in two weeks when they'd be ready. It had only been a week when they called and told me to come back in and pick them up. The last visit was very short, I was called in after a few minutes of waiting. I was seated and handed the glasses to try them on again. They were perfect! From the beautiful frames sitting on the bridge of my nose to the crystal clear view I was now receiving. I am so grateful to **The Lions Club and my friend**Michelle for providing me with the opportunity to see. Their organization is amazing and absolutely selfless in what they do to be able to help people in need.

# UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDARS AUGUST 2020

Date / Time	Location	Description	Contact
August 1, 2020, Sat.	ZOOM Meeting	Club Öfficer Training	Lion Dr. Maureen Powers, GAT
		Presenters: PDG Gary Wong, Lion Dr.	Leadership Chair
9 AM to 10 AM		Maureen Powers, 1 <sup>st</sup> VDG James	C: 510-772-4911
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		officers except President and Vice	
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August 1, 2020, Sat. 9 AM to 10 AM	ZOOM Meeting	DG Visitation to Antioch Rivertown Lions Club	Cabinet Secretary Darlene Ridle C: 510-253-5933 E:
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August 1, 2020, Sat.	Virtual ZOOM meeting	San Leandro Manakamana	Promod Joshi, Club President
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1 1 1 1 1 1		Lions Club installation	E: pramod.kj@gmail.com
August 3, 2020, Mon.	ZOOM Meeting	Lions Center for the Visually Im-	Darlene Ridle, Secretary
7:00 PM	20011 Weeting	paired – Advisory Board Meeting	C: 510-253-5933
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August 4, 2020, Tues.	Virtual ZOOM meeting	Oakland Montclair Lions Berkeley	Lion Dr. Maureen Powers, Club
		Makalu and Fremont Sagarmatha	Secretary
		Club Joint Installation	C: 510-772-4911
			E: mopowers@yahoo.com
August 6, 2020, Thurs.	ZOOM Meeting	Berkeley Lions Club Installation	Lion Jay Touriel
12:30 PM			C: 510 589-4212
			E: lionjay@comcast.net
August 8, 2020, Sat.	ZOOM Meeting	Berkeley Annapurna Lions Club	Lion Laxmi Chaudhary, Club
9:30 AM to 10:30 AM		Installation	Secretary
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August 8, 2020, Sat.	ZOOM Meeting	Training: Entering Service & MMR	Lion Dr. Maureen Powers, GAT
1PM		Reports What is Lions Service? Why is it Im-	Leadership Chair C: 510-772-4911 /
(Make-up)		portant to report service? How does	E: mopowers@yahoo.com
(Make-up)		MyLion work? Get answers to these	E. <u>mopowers@yanoo.com</u>
		and other questions in the upcoming	
		District 4-C3 training on service Re-	
		porting	
August 15, 2020, Sat.	ZOOM Meeting	Club Officer Training	Lion Dr. Maureen Powers, GAT
9 AM to 10 AM		followed by District Meeting	Leadership Chair
(Make up)		Presenters: PDG Gary Wong, Lion Dr. Maureen Powers, 1 <sup>st</sup> VDG James Var-	C: 510-772-4911
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		Training will encompass all club offic-	
		ers except President and Vice Presidents	
August 15, 2020, Sat	ZOOM Meeting	District Meeting	DG Bill Ridle
10:00 to	200W Weeting	Diabetes Presentation	C: 510-375-7054
10.00 to		Zone Reports	E:lionwork@yahoo.com
		Membership Reports	Cabinet Secretary Darlene Ridle
			C: 510-253-5933
August 20, 2020, Thurs.	ZOOM Meeting	Dawn Breakers Lions Club –	Lion/ZC Tony Hong, Club
-		DG Visitation	President
			C: 378-3609
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			or Cabinet Secretary Darlene
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August 21-23, 2020 (Fri – Sun)	Online Meeting	Council of Governors Meeting District Governors maybe meeting in	Cabinet Secretary Darlene Ridle C: 510-253-5933
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		and other attendees online – More	L. danenesowyanou.com
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Please, take the time to share your club news... Pictures, events, donations, community service everything is relevant. Hoping for 100% participation

Submissions must have "Lionizer" in the subject line

IN addition to the thanks I've given to those who participated A HUGE shout out to Darlene Ridle for being the best partner in the success of this edition of the Lionizer.

Through texts, emails, phone conversations and Zoom meetings.

WE both learned a lot about patience, persistence and endurance

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