District 4-C3 * Alameda – Contra Costa Counties

The Lionizer

Cabinet Secretary Al Satake

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Leading Lions to Excel

August 2017

District Governor Rajen Thapa

Lions of District 4-C3:

It is a great honor to serve as your Centennial District Governor of our District. However, we will serve together. We will share our ideas, strengthen our club membership, strengthen our leadership, strengthen our service projects both at the club and district level. As a team, we will be "Leading Lions To Excel."

The Lions of District 4-C3 will be joining the Lions of the World in service. Our Lions International President Naresh Aggarwal's theme is "WE SERVE" and this theme will continue for three (3) years. Does it seem simple? But Lions, is this not what we do for our clubs and our communities. As Lions, we are being asked to expand our service to others. President Aggarwal is asking that each Lion serve 10 people per month which equates to serving 170 million people in the Lions year.

Lions of District 4-C3, together we can meet that goal within our clubs and district by working together. Now is the time to share your plans with others and develop plans to serve more. The Governor Team will work by your side on service projects—small or large.

We started the year with a Celebration of our 100 years of Humanitarian Service. Now is the time to focus on our future and the next 100 years. Chicago brought forth new programs with focus not only on Vision, Hunger, Environment but adding Diabetes and Pediatric Cancer. Our Clubs are being asked to promote Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) and appoint club chairs. As Lions, we will have an opportunity to serve in the area or areas of our passion(s).

Now more than ever, it is important that all clubs report their hours of service and report them to Lions Clubs International. The Centennial Challenge has not ended and we need to be proud about ALL the work we do and share it with the world.

Lions, we are just beginning the journey to excel in everything we do and we look forward to working with you. As we keep in mind and use the Power of We, the Power of Action and the Power of Service, District 4-C3 will gain more members and retain our established members, develop new leaders, strengthen our clubs, strengthen our projects and develop new ones.

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Gov. Rajen Thapa

Installation July 16, 2017

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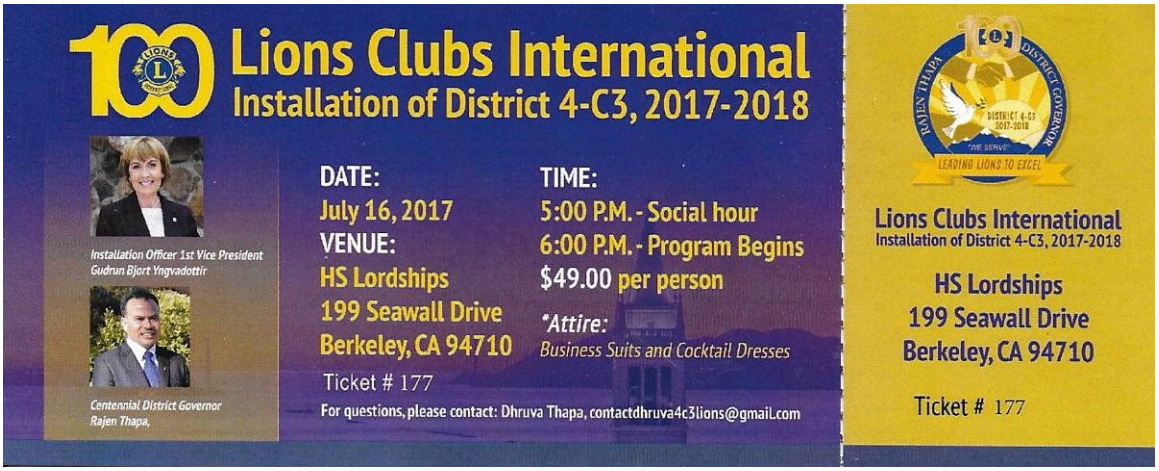
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Lions Clubs International
Installation of District 4-C3, 2017-2018
Installation Officer 1st Vice President
Gudrun Bjort Yngvadottir
Centennial District Governor
Rajen Thapa,
DATE:
July 16, 2017
VENUE:
HS Lordships
199 Seawall Drive
Berkeley, CA 94710
Ticket # 177
TIME:
5:00 P.M. - Social hour
6:00 P.M. - Program Begins
$49.00 per person
*Attire:
Business Suits and Cocktail Dresses
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DISTRICT GOVERNOR
DISTRICT 4-C3
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Berkeley, CA 94710
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1st VDG Skip Zehnder

It already the second month of the new Lion's year. We had a wonderful Centennial Convention in Chicago.

We also had a great District Cabinet Installation at HS Lordship on July 18. Beside the Installation we chartered 2 new clubs on the same day! And International First Vice President Gudron was on hand to induct and install everybody! It was a wonderful day!

Now the work begins. We have started our club visits and enjoying the visits.

We have looking forward to our first District meeting on Aug 19.

Join us as we use the Power of We to serve as only Lions can!

1VDG Skip

There will be a Celebration of Life for San Pablo Lion Fred Nieman

Friday, 1 September 2017 2 pm to 4 pm
Rockefeller Lodge 2650 Market Avenue San Pablo, CA 94806
If you wish to send a card to Audrey and family the address is:
Audrey Nieman
615 Rincon Road
El Sobrante CA 94803-1632

2nd VDG Duke Dunham

Here we are in the 2nd month of our Lion's year already. We have a lot of service to perform and a lot of people to help.

We had a great Cabinet Installation with 1st International Vice President Gudren as our installing officer. She gave an inspirational speech about our Lions' goals and let us know that she started as a Lioness during her Lions journey to International President. DG Rajen reminded us of the power of WE. And we added 2 new clubs.

We've been to the MD 4 Council of Governors meeting where my council of 2nd VDGs were presented with our committee assignments. I am happily on the Long Range Planning and Research Committee. Our committee will be very involved with plotting the future of our Multiple District which will help guide the future of 4-C3. I will keep you informed as our committee moves forward.

It's pretty amazing when you consider all of the work that constantly goes on at our multiple and international offices. Rules and processes are constantly being reviewed and revised. As soon as one convention is completed, the next is being planned. We are an organization of 1.4 million Lions in over 200 countries. We have a lot going on which requires a tremendous organization.

Take advantage of the learning opportunities that we are offered as Lions. Locally we have monthly public speaking training scheduled with PDG Gary Wong. On line Lions has Lions University and in California we have Lions Leadership Institute. At our District Meetings we'll have learning seminars. I hope you are as excited about this as I am.

Locally our work in our communities continues. This is where "the rubber meets the road". It's the service that we provide in our communities that reminds us of why we are Lions. Share our projects with your friends and community members. Schedule some time at the Lions Closet or the Lions in Sight warehouse. Consider a group tour of the new Lions Eye Foundation facility in San Francisco. Visit LCVI in Pittsburg or come to a meeting. Look to other clubs for activities and participate where we can. We do a lot. This is how we attract new members.

Teri and I are visiting clubs. Scheduling is a work in progress but we will be visiting all when we can. I look forward to hearing from you and learning what ideas we have for our district. We'll share our successes and learn together.

See you soon…

2nd VDG Duke

District Meeting August 29, 2017

The Leadership Exchange will be made up of 16 tables of 10 people each . . . There will be 16 coaches each with a different leadership topic . . .and . . each coach will have 9+ Lions at their table for 15 minutes . . . and . . . the Lions switch tables at the end of15 minutes . . . so they each can pick 4 different tables/topic And, here is the line-up so begin planning the tables you want to visit .

1:30 **The 2017 Leadership Exchange**

Table #1 DG Rajen Thapa: "Leading Lions to Excel"

Table #2 4-C6 District Governor Bob Stewart: "Strategic Thinking"

Table #3 4-C6 Lion Beckie Stewart: "New Ways to Serve the Visually Impaired"

Table #4 4-C3 1st VDG Skip Zehnder: "The Importance of Listening"

Table #5 4-A1 1st VDG Don Gall: "The Art of Delegation"

Table #6 4-C3 2nd VDG Duke Dunham: "Recognition as a Motivator"

Table #7 4-A1 2nd VDG Claudia Miller: "More Effective Meetings"

Table #8 Lion Ken Towers "LCIF – New Member Recruiting Tool"

Table #9 Lion Susan Grotrian: "Team Building Skills"

Table #10 Lion Nancy Miller: "Setting Goals and How to Meet Them"

Table #11 PDG Gary Wong: "Ideas to Communicate Effectively"

Table #12 PDG Buck Larson: "How to Recruit Your Friends"

Table #13 4-C1 PDG Maggie Robeson "Conflict Resolution"

Table #14 Lion Claire LeDonne: "How to Market Your Lions Club"

Table #15 PCC Derek Ledda: "Relationship Building"

Table #16 4-C1 PDG Steve Robeson: "How to Lead a Lions Club"

Oh, yes, at the end of each 15-minute segment there will be a raffle drawing . . . and the final draw will be for a 2017 US Commemorative Lions Silver dollar in wooden frame . . . valued at $100 (must be present to win)

Club Presidents and Secretaries: Past District Governors: During the District Meeting, being held on Saturday, 19 August 2017, club delegates will be voting on selection of the convention site for the District 4-C3 Convention for May 2018. Diablo Room (in the Hillside Clubhouse) 3400 Golden Rain Road Walnut Creek, CA 94595 Certification from 8 am to 9:45 am Voting from 10 am to 11 am Vince Lipinski, Chair of the Site Selection Committee, will be making the presentation of locations. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Only the certified club delegate(s) from the May 2017 convention held in Reno, NV will be able to vote. Please advise your club delegates, so that they will plan on attending the District Meeting.

LIONS IN SIGHT OF CA/NV

WALTER C GRIFFIN, PRESIDENT

First of all, I want to thank everyone for all the glasses that you collected last year. Lions in Sight collected approximately 500,000 pairs of glasses and let's try for 750,000 this Lions year. Secondly, for all the volunteer hours you have spent at the Warehouse. Without you, Lions in Sight would not be able to accomplish bringing sight to developing countries.

The warehouse continues to be open evenings on the first Wednesday and Thursday and the third Thursday from 5 pm to 9 pm. Also, the fourth Wednesday from 9 am to 2 pm. If you would like to schedule a work party for your club, zone and or region, please contact either Walter Griffin at 510.507.0058 or Linda Griffin at 510.507.1080.

We are asking you to presort your eyeglass donations and not send loose lenses or eyeglass cases. We cannot use them. However, continue to send broken glasses. If you are not sure, donate them.

Packing your donations in apple boxes makes it easier to store and we can reuse those boxes.

Lions in Sight worked the vision screening trailer and donated readers and sun glasses at the Military Stand Down in Antioch. We will be doing the same in September at the Military Stand Down in San Mateo.

Please contact Lions in Sight for a program and do not forget that we have collection boxes at no charge.

WALTER C GRIFFIN, PRESIDENT

MONSTER BALL

CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF GHOSTS, GOBLINS AND GHOULS!

SATURDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2017

Lions Center for the Visually Impaired
175 Alvarado Avenue
Pittsburg, Ca 94565

$40.00 per person

(No price change)

SOCIAL HOUR—5 PM

DINNER—6 PM

Steak Dinner—With All the Fixings!

COME IN COSTUME and CELEBRATE

Raffles and Prizes

RSVP: Linda Griffin at pdglindagriffin@sbcglobal.net or 510.507.1080 or call LCVI at 925.432.3013 by 18 October 2017

LIONS CENTER for the VISUALLY IMPAIRED

LIONS EYE FOUNATION

LINDA P GRIFFIN, ADVISOR CHAIR

PENNY DRIVE

What do you do with your pennies?
Save them or throw them away?

I have a simple answer, save them and donate them to the Lions Eye Foundation for the "Penny Drive." This is a simple fundraiser and our goal is to raise money for equipment for the new Eye Clinic.

The goal is to collect 10 million pennies. Yes, that is a lot of pennies, but you do not have to count or roll them. Collect them at your club meetings.

Schedule a presentation by one of the Lions Eye Foundation Trustees or Advisors to speak to your club and learn what is new at 711 Van Ness, San Francisco.

This fundraiser will end July 2018 at the Annual Membership Appreciation Meeting.

START TODAY AND SAVE YOUR PENNIES
TO HELP SAVE VISION!

Club News

Upcoming Events

Albany Lions is having an event at the Friend of the Albany Senior Luau. At the Albany Senior Center, Lions Stu Griffin is hed chef. Arrive at 5PM

Solano Stroll: September 10th We will be showing off our newly refurbished Dunk Tank

Byron Delta Lions will be partnering with the East Contra Costa County Historical Society in hosting a Luncheon on the Society's Seller Road grounds on September 13, 2017. Historical Society Docents will be on hand to lead tours of the grounds and buildings that detail the history of East Contra Costa County. Tickets are available by contacting Cathy Sanocki, cathyas@att.net and

Byron Delta Lions are anxious to start their Vision Screening program in local pre-schools with our newly purchased SPOT Camera. Last year we screened over 500 children. We hope to add elementary grades K-3rd grade in the coming year.

Diablo Valley Lions took part in the Stand Down at the Contra Costa Fairgrounds August 11-14. Cooking, making sandwiches etc. They are signing up members to work at the Walnut Festival Ticket Booth to raise funds. A family of Lions, father, mother daughter, son and grandson is working at the White Pony Express along with other members to deliver food to the needy, and to handle the clothing at the General Store.

Walnut Creek Host Lions are serving at the CHILDRENS GARDEN AT HEATHER FARM. They will be working on a "Hobbit Hole." Just a reminder – this is a great opportunity for some real "hands on" SERVICE. On the following Saturdays - August 26 and September 2.

They are also gearing up for their annual fundraiser at the Walnut Festival booth.

Also they are doing "TIP A COP" fundraiser at APPLEBEES to benefit NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SPECIAL OLYMPICS, 5:00 to 9:00 pm, https://www.sonc.org/applebeespinole

At their August 16th meeting, that was also the Govenor's visitation, they inducted 3 new Lions.

These were the only items of news submitted from44 clubs.

Peace Poster Contest

PEACE POSTER CONTEST 2017 - 2018

The theme for this years Peace Poster contest is "THE FUTURE OF PEACE"

If you have not yet ordered your peace poster packet, it is not too late, you still have time.

In the past we have had a great number of clubs representing this contest…I would love to see 100% of Lions clubs in District 4C-3 being a part of this contest. It is probably one of the easiest things your club can do!

You just need to have a chairman, order your kit, talk to the school or other youth group, Girls/Boys clubs, etc. Students must be 11, 12, 13 years of age on November 15, 2017. All of the rules are included in the packet. It is a way that your club can help a child win: 23 Merit Award Winners each receive US$500 and a certificate of achievement. The International Grand Prize Winner receives a trip to an award ceremoney where he/she will receive &US$5,000 and an award. Two family members and the sponsoring Lions Club President or a club member will accompany the winner to the award ceremony.

Deadlines:

October 1, 2017 Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Dept. at International

November 15, 2017 Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster to the district governor.

December 1, 2017 Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning poster to the multiple district council chairperson.

December 15, 2017 Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Division at International Headquarters.

February 1, 2018 International winners will be notified on or before this date.

If you have any questions, or would like me to come and speak to your club, please contact me.

Lion Dee Hicks, Peace Poster Contest Chair

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The Byron Delta Lions Club

East Contra Costa Historical Society

Presents

A Step Back in Time

" A Garden Party "

Wednesday, Sept.13, 2017 at 11:30 am

The East Contra Costa Historical Society

3890 Sellers Ave. Brentwood, Ca.

Please join us for an enjoyable afternoon filled with lunch catered by BJ's Restaurant and Tours of the Museum and Grounds by Docents in period clothing. There will be Live Music, a Champagne and Wine Bar, Hundreds of dollars in Raffle Prizes and a chance to wear your favorite hat and win a prize for Best Homemade and Prettiest Hat.

Limited amount of tickets will be sold at $25.00 each.

Tickets will be sold individually or for reserved tables of 8

To order tickets please Email bdlions@att.net or

call Bonnie at 925-354-7801

Lions

We would like to showcase each and every club in the Lionizer with what you do to SERVE. So please send in a brief summary of all the projects you are involved with and dates for upcoming events for your club.
Deadline is September 21, 2017

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