



It's Official!

District Governor Donna Prince was sworn in virtually on June 29, 2021.

Her husband, Lion Brad Prince pulls the ELECT ribbon from her name-tag while new First Vice District Governor Tim Luckinbill looks on.

Lions Pride

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DISTRICT 4-C5 DG Donna Prince

WELCOME LIONS & LEOS!

As we begin our new service year under the leadership of our District 4-C5 Governor Donna Prince and Lions Clubs International President Douglas X. Alexander, we're shifting the look, but not the content or quality of our District's monthly bulletin to align with LCI's monthly Lions Magazine. After doing researching their format, content focus, and layout, we hope you'll like the new accessibility-friendly type fonts, focus on photos, new index and highlights, and service articles. *Send stories & photos: 4c5bulletin@gmail.com*



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District Governor

Donna Prince

Greetings District 4–C5 Lions and Leos!

The start of a new Lions year is an exciting time for everyone and it traditionally kicks off with our International Convention at various locations in the world. This year our incoming International President (IP) Douglas X. Alexander and all the District Governors were inducted virtually from the comfort of our homes. President Alexander shared his theme for this year; **Serve From The Heart** and no District does that better than ours.

At this time we reflect back on the past year and give thanks to those who worked tirelessly to see that our Clubs and District remained healthy and continued to provide service to those in

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Camp Ross Relles needs your help!

One of our legacy projects in need of immediate help is the annual Deaf Camp at Ross Relles scheduled for August 1st -7th.

Past District Governor (PDG) Nick Nichol shared that the camp is filled to capacity with 80 attendees and they need donations to sponsor the campers (\$400 each) and meals (\$250 each).

If your club sponsors a cabin don't forget it is time to send in your check for \$500. Volunteers are also needed to work at the camp; contact PDG Nick for details or more info:

lionnick@sbcglobal.net

All donations are made to “**Lions Wilderness Camp**” and mailed to:

Lions Wilderness Camp

P.O. Box 8, Roseville, CA 95661.

need. Our Immediate Past District Governor Cat Gon, and her Team guided 4-C5 through an unprecedented time and we owe all of them a big THANK YOU!

I am truly honored to serve as your 2021-2022 Governor and I promise to do my best to help our Clubs and District continue with the legacy of great Leadership, Membership and Service for which C5 is known far and wide. I am so lucky to have a great Team of dedicated, talented and enthusiastic Lions who stepped up to serve in the Cabinet, on Committees and in other District positions this year. This group has a **Spark** that will ignite a fire in all of us to find new service projects and share the joy Lionism brings to us, and when others see us having so much fun, they will want to join us!

Our very efficient Cabinet Secretary Evelyn Butler is in the process of arranging my District Governor club visits and with 50 Lions clubs and 10+ Leo Clubs this is a very big task, so please help both of us out by setting a date that works for you and me.

Our District is busy with planning events and activities. Watch for notices sent from PDG Sarah Enloe via Constant Contact emails, or our District Website (coming soon).

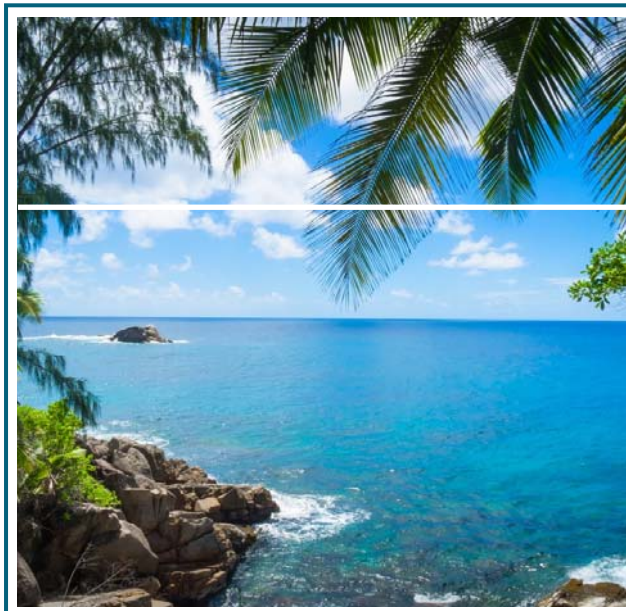
For the past several years Lion Kitty Kramer served as The Pride Editor and at her request I sought her replacement. Not an easy task!

Kitty did an exemplary job every month keeping us well informed. Thank you to Lion Kitty.

Lion Brad and I look forward to the year ahead and take the advice of Past Council Chair Dave and Lion Dana Johnson to enjoy every single day of this adventure!

Enjoy your summer, be safe and stay hydrated!

District Governor Donna and Lion Brad Prince



Environment

Helping our Future Generations

The Environment is a key focus for DG Donna. She encourages clubs to work a service project like recycling or beach cleanup!

District Governor Donna's Focal Foundations

- Lions Club International Foundation: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-foundation/mission>
- California Lions Foundation: California Lions Foundation (CLF) is a California, non-profit, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) corporation with the sole purpose of providing designated and matching grants to California Lions Clubs and California Lions Districts. <https://californialionsfoundation.org/>





GREETINGS FROM 1VDG TIM

Happy Fathers Day to all the Lion Dads out there. I hope that you all had a great day with family.

Immediate Past District Governor Cat and her Cabinet were busy with a full agenda last month: new officers training, the 4-C5 Convention, where a fun time was had by all, and Club visitations combined with installations/ inductions, but you know what, we love it. It isn't a formal club visit; it is better than that. As incoming leaders we get to see the officers that we will be working with the next full year. To me, that is exciting and I'm looking forward to the interaction with all the clubs.

District Governor Donna is working hard to set up the calendar for the next several months. Club visitations, Club events, 4-C5 events, monthly Cabinet Meetings and Quarterly Cabinet Meetings. Please plan to attend as there is a ton of information and things to share with our Lions.

With the State opening up it is time to start planning for the summer. In person meetings, fund raising, in person visitations, so do get back into the swing of things. If you are still uneasy with meeting in person, just practice your social distancing.

With the 4th of July, there were plenty of activities to work and get involved back into our communities. I have missed that interaction as much as the public has. So Let's Do It! And definitely don't forget about the County Fairs. Nevada County is a big one, so plan to attend and support our clubs that work all week at the Nevada County Fair. I'll be there working and enjoying seeing all the Lions from Donner Region and farther.

I would like to see clubs doing visitations in the next few months. As you know, no one from the Valley wants to come to the Foothills after October, so you have all summer to travel Club to Club. Keep good records and you can get Short Tail, Long Tails and other awards. It is all good stuff. Your Directories have pages to keep records of the visits. JUST DO IT. Call ahead and I quote, "Make visitations into something that will strengthen your club and strengthen Lionism. Make visitations useful and fun."

Happy Grad Night

Happy Fathers Day

Happy First Day of Summer

Happy 4th of July

Have a great month ahead, July 1, 2021 the start of the new Lions Year. Let's get busy.

Thank you

1VDG TIM

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~ * ~

Welcome 2VDG Zenny Yagen!

Fun Facts about 1VDG Tim

- ◆ 1VDG Tim was named District Lion of the Year in 2019-2020!
- ◆ He is a graduate of the MD-4 Regional Lions Leadership Institute, whose classmate was DG Donna during the 2019-2020 service year!
- ◆ He is a native Californian, born in Chico, California.
- ◆ He served in the U.S. Air Force, specializing in aircraft maintenance and flight line security.
- ◆ Yes, he has volunteered as a local Santa during the Christmas Holidays!



Unfortunately, our newly elected Second Vice District Governor was on vacation during the preparation of our first newsletter. We'll have her first District message in our August issue!

Many of you know her, however, as she served as Cabinet Treasurer for IPDG Cat Gon and before that, as Cabinet Secretary for PDG Sarah Enloe. You'll regularly see her supporting district events with a lovely smile on her face! She is also the Charter President of the Sacramento Malaya Lions Club!

Dogs and Lions

A Match Made in Lion Service Heaven

If you love dogs and want to do your part to make your community better, consider joining the newest Lions Club that is being formed locally to bring together service minded people who also care about everyone's best canine friend. This is the club for you, if you spend a lot of quality time on long relaxing walks with your favorite pooch or appreciate programs for service dogs like Canine Companions for Independence, Guide Dogs for the Blind and puppy raisers, support programs that help dogs like the SPCA and dog foster care, disaster pet rescue groups and assistance to pets of homeless folks or maybe you provide services to dogs as a veterinarian, pet store owner or you run a dog kennel. If dogs and your community are important to you, find out more about Lion service and by contacting: **Lion Derek Ledda: Lions District 4-C5 New Club Coordinator (916) 205-4185 or lion_dll@yahoo.com**



4-C5 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Submitted by GMT PDG Andy Anderson



GMT Report for District 4-C5 (Jun 30, 2021)

As of today, we have added 154 new, reinstated and transferred members to 34 clubs of our District for a 68% and lost 214 members. Our net progress for this year is -60.

Our District is starting off with the following make up of members:

7/1: Total members – 1320	Total Females – 566 (42.88%)	Total Males – 754 (57.12%)
5/1: Current members – 1275	Total Females – 555 (43.5%)	Total Males – 720 (56.5%)

We will received the final numbers in the middle of July for 2020-2021.

DG Cat's first membership goal was to have every club increase their membership by either 1 new/reinstated/transfer member during each quarter or add 4 new members during the year.

The clubs that have added 4 or more new/reinstated/transfer members during the year to meet DG Cat's goals during the year are:

Colfax Lions (27)	Esparto Lions (4)	Galt Lions (27)
Higgins Diggins Lions (4)	Mother Lode Lions (5)	Roseville Host Lions (15)
Sac Antelope Lions (5)	Sac Embarcadero Lions (5)	Sac Maharlika Lions (6)
Sac Malaya Lions (10)	Sac Nepalese Lions (7)	Woodland Host (4)

Her next goal was to work with clubs under 20 in membership to increase to 20 or more. Due to the Covid, we were not able to meet this goal. We started the year with 24 clubs under 20 and we finished with 24 clubs under 20. We had three clubs that did surpass the 20 member mark but we also had three clubs who went below the 20 member mark due to moves, decease and transfers. The clubs that increased to 20 and over are Esparto Lions, Roseville Host Lions and Sac Antelope Lions.

Her last goal was to increase in membership in our clubs. The following clubs finished the 2020-2021 on a

4-C5 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

continued

positive note:

Citrus Heights Lions (8 to 10)

Folsom Lake Lions (10-11)

Sac Antelope Lions (19-21)

Sac Malaya Lions (36-40)

Woodland Yolo Sunset (12-13)

Colfax Lions (21 to 47)

Galt Lions (29-48)

Sac Embarcadero Lions (40-44)

Sac Nepalese Lions (13-17)

Esparto Lions (19-22)

Roseville Host Lions (15-26)

Sac Maharlika Lions (50-53)

Woodland Host Lions 34-35)

We would like to congratulate the members of the Galt Lions Club for their excellent recruitment and 1st VDGE Lion Tim Luckinbill and DGE Donna Prince for their hard work with promoting Lionism to the former members of the Colfax Lioness Club. 26 ladies now have joined the Colfax Lions Club.

PDG Andy Anderson

District GMT Coordinator/NAMI Champion



***LCI Portion of Dues Waived
until Dec. 31, 2021***

Don't forget that the LCI Board voted in May to extend the waiver of the LCI portion of annual membership dues! This means that new members can join for \$21.50 less! Discuss this with your club Treasurer so that the correct dues amount can be shared with your new members!



District 4-C5 Newest Members for June 2021

Name	Club Name	Zone	Region
Barhydt, Andy	Higgins Diggins	Sierra	Donner
Barhydt, Julie	Higgins Diggins	Sierra	Donner
Bartlett, Geri	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Butler, Calvin	Folsom Lake	Marshall	Washoe
Candler, Suzanne	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Carroll, Jennifer	Sac Antelope	Wolfskill	Dos Rios
Connors, Sharon	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Corbett, Daniel	Galt	Sutter	Sacramento
Corbett, Deborah	Galt	Sutter	Sacramento
Costa, Cynthia	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Delapp, Jewell	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Doyle, Katrina	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Elkins, Brad	Galt	Sutter	Sacramento
Epperson, Kris	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Faitz, Kim	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Fallai, Bill	Citrus Heights	Wolfskill	Dos Rios
Green, Trista	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Heinrich, Dani	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Henry, Kathy	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Horn, Kathleen	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Hughes, Leona	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
James, Tamara	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Klobucar, Kay	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Lyter, Rebecca	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
McCleary, Genevieve	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
McKenney, Marty	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Mintline, Mary	Colfax	Foothill	Donner

Name	Club Name	Zone	Region
Origer, Teresa	Galt	Sutter	Sacramento
Owen, Linda	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Owens, Serene	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Palmero, Dolores	Folsom Lake	Marshall	Washoe
Peck, Steven	Newcastle Golden	Eureka	Washoe
Pereira, Cynthia	Sac Malaya	Crocker	Sacramento
Peterson, Sherri	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Plotner, Lisa	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Schwenger, Gina	Esparto	Gordon	Dos Rios
Sussek, Valerie	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Swift, Janice	Colfax	Foothill	Donner
Threets, Harley	Esparto	Gordon	Dos Rios
Waldo, Fran	Colfax	Foothill	Donner

Then ZC Laura Barhydt and Lion Janet Proctor received their progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship awards, bestowed by International Director Mark Lyon and then DG Cat Gon at the District Convention in June.

Photos reprinted from HDLC "Pick & Shovel" July 2021, Pres. Wes Carpenter



Melvin Jones Fellowships are awarded to those who contribute or have contributed on their behalf, \$1,000 to LCIF, marking a commitment to

humanity in the legacy of our founder.



Then ZC Laura Barhydt was honored with the DISTRICT LION OF THE YEAR award by then District Governor Cat Gon! As per tradition, she can be addressed as "LOY (Lion of the Year) Donner Region Chair Laura" for the ensuing 2021-2022 Service Year! **CONGRATULATIONS and WELL-DESERVED!!!**

IN MEMORIAM



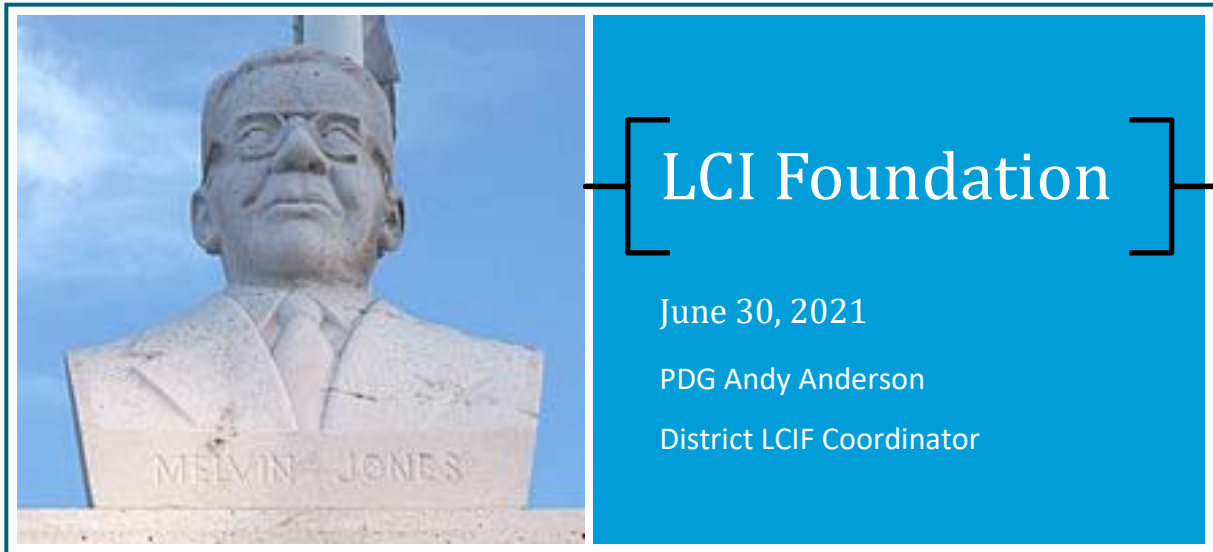
Lions Gone, and Never Forgotten

June 2021

Name	Club
Art A. Berliner	Newcastle Golden Spike Lions
Reynold K. Endow	Sacramento Capitol Lions
Carlene A. Hosea	Placerville Lions
John E. Rosenberg	Grass Valley Host Lions
Dr. Herbert K. Yee	Sacramento Capitol Lions



Be free, be strong, be proud of who you have been, know that you will be mourned and missed, that no one can replace you, that you have loved and are beloved. Move beyond form, flowing like water, feeding on sunlight and moonlight, radiant as the stars in the night sky. Pass the gates, enter the dark without fear, returning to the womb of life to steep in the cauldron of rebirth. Rest, heal, grow young again. Be blessed.



As of today, Jun 30, 2021, I submit the following report on the District 4-C5 actions in reference to the LCIF. Total donations reported on LCIF Report for this year 2021-2020 is \$44,206.47. We have surpassed DG Cats goal of \$35,000 by 126%. Congratulations to everyone who has donated this year during the COVID.

Clubs and its members who have donated \$1,000 or more to LCIF:

Country Club	Folsom City Host	Folsom Lake
Galt	Higgins Diggins	Mother Lode
Penn Valley Hi-Graders	Placerville	Rio Linda
Sacramento Antelope	Sacramento Capitol	Sacramento Embarcadero
Sacramento Mabuhay	Sacramento Maharlika	Sacramento Malaya
Sacramento Senator	Sacramento Valley Hi	Woodland Host

Currently we have requested 34 Melvin Jones Fellowships and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships so far this year and counting.

This year we have three LCIF 100% Clubs and they are Folsom Lake Lions Club, Woodland Host Lions Club and Woodland Yolo Sunset Lions Club. Also this year we had one more Model Club added to our list and that is Nevada City Lions and Folsom Lake Lions became our first 100/100 club. Also we have several members who are listed on the LCIF Campaign 100 Donor Awards list.

Under the **Lions of Commitment** are PDG Don Ring, PDG Rich DeCuir, PDG Andy Anderson, PDG Kumar Kalagara, PCC Derek Ledda, Lion Ellen Yevdakimov, Lion David Eichner, and Lion Howard Fleming. Under the **Lions of Action** are PDG Sarah Enloe, DGE Donna Prince, 1st VDGE Tim Luckinbill, Lion Gayle Kono, Lion Francine Nichol and Lion Ernest Takahashi.

Under the **Lions of Service** are PDG Nick McNicholas, Lion Peter Brinckerhoff, Lion Ron Gaynor, Lion Dean McDaniel, and Lion Arnie Romanello.

Serving Together for The Greater Good



District Governor Donna Prince shared with her Cabinet her theme for the year and the details of the symbolism behind her pin. Her theme is ***"Serving Together for The Greater Good."***

The pin reflects three things that are important to Donna:

- Family
- Our environment
- Making this a better world by providing service to our communities.

The Lion Pride represents both our traditional family and our chosen Lion family. The pin features a smiling Lion, Lioness and Cub surrounding the Earth.

The Lioness is wrapping her paws around the earth, which represents the symbiotic relationship of the two mothers: Mother Earth provides what we need to live and the Lioness in return protects the environment vital to Mother Earth. DG Donna began her life in Lions as a Charter Member of the Bear River Lioness Club so it is also homage to her own beginnings and to all former Lionesses.

The Lion is grinning because he also protects our Earth and is pleased with the shift in Lions ideology, which encourages women to join our worldwide Pride. He is standing watch over his Cub protecting and guiding the young Lion heir.

The Cub represents the youth in our organization, our Leos who are so important to the longevity of our organization!

The DG pin has a blue background and costs \$4. It is available from any Cabinet Officer.

DG Donna decided to mint another pin which has the purple background. This pin is not for sale. It is her gift to any new Lion who joins a club during her District Governor year. (Sorry, reinstated members do not qualify for a pin.) The new Lion's sponsor will also receive a purple pin; however, only one pin will be given to any sponsor.

3 Pillars for DG Donna

- *Family*
- *Our environment*
- *Making this a better world by providing service to our communities.*

UC Davis Eye Center Grant Awarded!



At its May Board meeting, the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) approved the District's application for a grant in the amount of \$200,000 that will provide the UC Davis Eye Center with funds to purchase the critical equipment they need to create an innovative pro-

gram of vision screening that will help thousands of children with amblyopia and adults with diabetic retinopathy, especially in underserved communities, to avoid going blind. This would not have been possible without the strong collaboration by District 4-C5, the Northern California Lions Sight Association (NCLSA) and the UC Davis Eye Center and the hard work of the Grant Project Team which included Lion Co-Coordinators Dr. Ernie Takahashi and PCC Derek Ledda and Eye Center staff, including Erin Bauer, Traci Galbaugh, Rebecca Subbotin, Dr. Marcella Estrada and Dr Glenn Yiu. The challenge of raising the \$100,000 needed to match the portion that LCIF will provide was daunting but thanks to NCLSA's donation of \$75,000 and efforts by District clubs and individual Lions to raise \$20,000 more and Eye Center supporters committing to raising the remaining \$5000, we are closing in on our fundraising goal.

We are also grateful to the three lead clubs for the grant, Senator Lions Club, Maharlika Lions Club and the Higgins Diggins Lions Club that have each donated \$1000 and to the many other clubs that have made significant contributions, including the Antelope Lions Club, Colfax Lions Club, Capitol Lions Club, Sunrise Lions Club, Golden State Lions Club, Roseville Sunrise Lions Club, Placerville Lions Club and the Nevada City Lions Club to name a few. We need many more clubs and individual Lions to make donations in any amount to help us reach the finish line. We do



Hello Fellow Lions,

The Multiple District 4 Student Speaker Contest Committee is requesting suggestions for topics for this year's upcoming contest.

Upon review of the suggested topics received, 10 topics are then submitted to the sitting Council to select the topic that will be used for the Contest.

If you would like to submit a topic, please use the link below to place your suggestion.

[https://
www.md4lions.org/
student-speakers-
contest](https://www.md4lions.org/student-speakers-contest)

Best Regards,
Lion Zenny Yagen
2nd Vice District
Governor

not want you to take money away from any of your other service projects community but please consider donating what you can afford, \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100 or more, to make sight accessible to everyone from childhood to their golden years.

Please contact any of the following Lions and lead club representatives, if you have any questions, would like to make a donation or would like to have a presentation at your club's next meeting. Thank you all, in advance, for your support and for living up to your title as Knights of the Blind.

Lion Dr. Ernie Takahashi
Senator Lions Club
District Grant Co-
Coordinator
(916) 201-4972
ektakahashi@me.com

Lion PCC Derek Ledda
Maharlika Lions Club
District Grant Co-
Coordinator
(916) 205-4185
lion_dll@yahoo.com

Lion DG Donna Prince
Higgins Diggins Lions Club
(530) 305-8077
liondprince@gmail.com

Now IPDG Cat Gon addressing the Colfax Lions at their recent Officer Installation.



Lion Sandy Smith, PDG
Andy Anderson, DG
Donna Prince and now
IPDG Cat Gon attend the
Colfax Lions Officer In-
stallation.



**Executive Cabinet
2021-2022**

Donna Prince, District Governor

Tim Luckinbill

First Vice District Governor

Zenny Yagen

Second Vice District Governor

Evelyn M. Butler

Cabinet Secretary

PDG Doug Wight

Cabinet Treasurer

Jeri "JT" Retzlaff

Global Leadership

PDG Andy Anderson

Global Membership, LCIF, GMA

Jeri Wartena

Global Service

Gayle Kono

Administrative Assistant

Dave Pevny

District Statistician

Susan Giles

District Chaplain

Region Chairs:

Laura Barhydt, Donner

Jim Fuller, Dos Rios

Josephine Fong, Sacramento

Tony Santos, Washoe

Zone Chairs:

Helene Smith, Foothill

Tom Parilo, Sierra

Tim Leathers, Gordon

Jeremy Price, Wolfskill

Brent Showalter, Crocker

Jack Edwards, Sutter

Suzi Mortensen, Eureka

Jill Santos, Marshall

Grass Valley Lions Meet In-Person

We had a very nice Installation of Officers at The Willo on Thursday, July 1.

First meeting of the rank 'n file in over a year.

Hope this is a sign that we'll be able to get back in the groove and re-

sume our regular dinner meetings and various activities again soon. PCC

Dave Johnson did his normally excellent job of providing humor and gaiety to the event as Installing Officer.

Please, let's all support our incoming officers and get our club rolling again. It was GREAT seeing all of our familiar faces again.

- President Paul Dean
Reprinted from GVHLC



Photo by CT PDG Doug Wight



Sutter Zone Meeting

The Zone Meeting is scheduled for August 2nd at the home of Zone Chair Jack Edwards in Elk Grove, CA. Please contact ZC Jack for information at jack@jackaedwards.com. The meeting will start promptly at 6:30 pm, although Lions are welcome to arrive as early as 6:00 to socialize.

Goodbye to Lions Ren and PDG Herbert Yee

The Capitol Lions Club sadly informs the District that it has lost two long-time Lions in late June, Lion Reynold "Ren" Endow and PDG Dr. Herbert Yee.

Lion Ren Endow, a local CPA, passed away on June 22, 2021. Ren joined the Capitol Lions Club in 1981. He is well known to NCLSA as their accounting "guru" for voluntarily assisting them with accounting services ever since the time many years ago when he served as their CFO.

PDG Dr. Herbert Yee was the last remaining Charter and Life Member of the Capitol Lions Club, which he joined in 1953. He passed away on June 26, 2021, at the age of 96. PDG Dr. Yee was a long-time local dentist with a practice on J Street in downtown Sacramento.

District 4-C5 Lions Clubs and Foundations Let's Stay in Compliance!!!

With 50 Lions Clubs [501\(c\)4](#) (referred to as **Clubs**) and several Foundations 501(c)3 (referred to as **Foundations**) in District 4-C5, we all strive to serve our communities, offering assistance when and where needed; making donations; raising funds; and so much more, doing what we do best – **“We Serve.”**

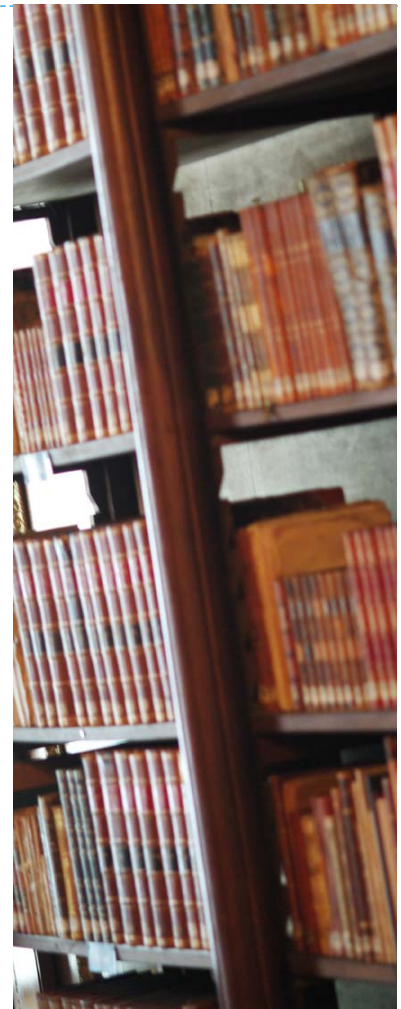
Each of our Clubs and Foundations in doing so, need to keep our various government agencies satisfied by filing specific compliance documents along with the appropriate filing fees each year.



“Keep your clubs and foundations in compliance with IRS and LCIF rules so that you can keep serving your community!”

How do we accomplish this?

- 1) Ensure that your Club has its EIN on file and, if applicable, your Foundation has its **SEPARATE** EIN on file.
- 2) File **ANNUALLY** your Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Franchise Tax Board (FTB) tax returns (990's to IRS and 199s to FTB) if your Club and/or Foundation's income is over \$50,000. Clubs and Foundations with income equal to or less than \$50,000, may file electronically using the IRS Form 990-N (e-Postcard) and for FTB use the California FTB Form 199 (e-Postcard).
- 3) File **ANNUALLY** the RRF-1, along with your IRS 990 tax return with the California Attorney General's (**AG**) Charitable Trust Division, if your Club and/or Foundation's income is over \$50,000. Additionally, Clubs and Foundations with income equal to or less than \$50,000, must file the Form CT-TR1 along with the Form RRF-1.
- 4) File the SI-100, along with a fee of \$20, with the Secretary of State (if your Club was chartered in an odd number year, you file the SI-100 in all odd number years, or if chartered in an even number year, you file the S1-100 in the even number years). Additionally, there is **NO FEE** for submitting a Statement of Information to update the Entity record in between filing periods, for example the changing of Officers.



Also, the following is some important general information that Lions Clubs 501(c)4 and Foundations 501(c)3 need to be aware of, because it is critical to understand to be in complete compliance. All **NEW** Lions Clubs 501(c)4 and Lions Foundations 501(c)3 **must submit** a formation application to Lions Clubs International (LCI) and receive formation approval and be properly registered with the IRS; State of California FTB; AG's Charitable Trust Division; and Secretary of State (SOS), prior to engaging in charitable activities.

ALL Lions Clubs 501(c)4 are under the group exemption of LCI 501(c)4 organization and cannot be changed. Donations to these clubs are **NOT** ordinarily tax deductible to the donor.

A Lions Club may create a separate Lions Foundation as a 501(c)3 in addition to its required creation of a 501(c)4 organization, which will allow some donations to be tax deductible. **The Lions Club then ends up with two separate entities.** In this case, these entities, The Lions Club 501(c)4 under LCI's group exemption, as well as the Lions Foundation under the 501(c)3 exemption, each of which, will have its own **SEPARATE EIN NUMBER** and must complete its own IRS and State of California tax and charitable annual filings. **The Lions Foundation 501(c)3 must be independent of the normal administration of the Lions Club 501(c)4 and have its own Board of Directors.**

This year, District Governor Donna Prince has formed a new District 4-C5 Compliance Committee to assist new clubs in properly registering with all entities, plus assist and answer questions for existing clubs. Our committee is comprised of:

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Lion Carleton Enloe © 1(916) 801-8802 - email cmenloe@comcast.net

PDG Doug Wight © 1(530) 477-0134 - email dougs63riv@yahoo.com

Lion David Huber © 1(916) 390-5585 - email dvhuber@hotmail.com



We can also provide your Club and/or Foundation with a detailed compliance guide that, if followed, will enable your Club and Foundation to file the required documents easily and stay in compliance. We are here to help – so please, reach out to us when needed.

Lions Clubs International and MD-4 Dues Reminder

As we begin the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, each Lions Club in District 4-C5 is planning wonderful projects that fulfill our motto, "We Serve." And by now we have all put together both our Community/Project fund budgets and our Administrative funds budgets.

In preparing those two budgets, each club should have prepared Administrative budgets which includes the cost of payment of both Lions Clubs International (LCI) and Multiple District Four (MD-4) annual dues. In your planning we assume that you will have budgeted enough in your membership dues to cover both LCI and MD-4 due plus having enough funds built into your Administrative budgets to cover any other club administrative costs to operate your club during the year without going in the hole.

You will receive an invoice from LCI in July for six months membership dues and again in January for the balance of the six months membership dues. Additionally, you will receive an invoice from MD-4 in February covering six months of membership dues that includes the dues for both MD-4 and District 4-C5, and again in February for the remaining six months in our club year.

We urge all clubs to remit both sets of dues promptly to keep in good standing with both LCI and MD-4. As to the MD-4 dues statements, once you have remitted those dues payable to MD-4, they in turn will take their portion from the remittance and forward the balance back to District 4-C5. The current system is a little clumsy, but in the long run, our District has been living with the payment system to date. Our issue at the district level is that the district income is dependent on your clubs remitting to MD-4 promptly as it takes some time for the MD-4 office to send us our portion of income to run the district. Your cooperation in remitting both LCI and MD-4 dues upon receipt of their invoices is greatly appreciated. **CT/PGD Doug Wight**

District 4-C5 Cabinet Meeting Hosted by the Sacramento Region

Lions Summer Fun in the Park

Saturday, August 21, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

William Land Park Picnic Areas 8 and 9

Corner of 17th Ave and Land Park Dr

Across street from Sacramento Zoo and Adjacent to Fairytale Town

Picnic tables and benches are on site. Bring a cushion for comfort or you may bring your favorite picnic chair.

Continental Breakfast will be served!

District Service Activity: Collection Alert! Do you have expired or unused medication in bottles waiting to be discarded? Save our environment and dispose of them safely. Bring them to the meeting and give them to Lion Lynn Ventura, who will discard of them properly!

Sacto. Region Chair: Josephine Fong, josiehfong@gmail.com, 916.997.4427

Crocker Zone Chair: Brent Showalter, bshowalrhn@yahoo.com, 916.228.9129

Sutter Zone Chair: Jack Edwards, jackedwards@surewest.net, 916.240.9302

DOOR PRIZES!!

BINGO!!

Pre-order your lunch! NO LUNCHES SOLD ON SITE!

- \$10 per person, indicate your choice of Ham, Turkey or Veggie
- Make checks payable to **District 4-C5**
- Send check to: **CT/PDG Doug Wight
10044 Golden Shore Dr.
Grass Valley, CA 95949**
- Payments need to be received **no later than August 16, 2021**

Name _____	Ham _____	QTY _____	\$ _____
Name _____	Turkey _____	QTY _____	\$ _____
Name _____	Veggie _____	QTY _____	\$ _____
			Total due \$ _____

Contact Email:

Contact Phone:

For Foundations or Causes, please bring your own table and chairs!



Lions Pride throughout the District

~Inductions, Visitations and Installations ~

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, many visitations and inductions of new members were delayed. Following an easing of gathering restrictions, DG Cat Gon was able to visit several clubs and perform those inductions and installations. Here's a small gallery of just a few of the visits she made and events attended.



DG Cat Gon inducted several new members into the Sacramento Camellia Lions Club. ↑



DG Cat Gon visiting the Citrus Heights Lions Club. ↑



Fort Sutter Lions welcomed DG Cat Gon for her official visitation. ↑



DG Cat Gon thanked her convention hospitality team with a luncheon. ↑

Rumor III x Mays Heroic 'H' litter



~TIME TO SAY GOODBYE~

Kudos to **Lion Jeri C. Retzlaff**, who took care of these adorable puppies since birth. She had to say goodbye to them last month. They are now on their journey to become service dogs with Canine Companions, a national organization that provides expertly trained assistance dogs free of charge to people with disabilities. These little miracle workers will transform and enrich lives.

Until we meet again....

How Serious Is America's Literacy Problem?

by Amy Rea - Apr 29, 2020

According to the International Literacy Association, there are 781 million people in the world who are either illiterate (cannot read a single word) or functionally illiterate (with a basic or below basic ability to read). Some 126 million of them are young people. That accounts for 12 percent of the world's population.

According to the National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES), *21 percent of adults in the United States (about 43 million) fall into the illiterate/functionally illiterate category. Nearly two-thirds of fourth graders read below grade level, and the same number graduate from high school still reading below grade level, meaning, they don't catch up.* This puts the United States well

behind several other countries in the world, including Japan, all the Scandinavian countries, Canada, the Republic of Korea, and the UK.

Breaking the below-grade-level reading numbers out further: 35 percent are white, 34 percent Hispanic, 23 percent African American, and 8 percent "other." Non-U.S.-born adults make up 34 percent of the low literacy/illiterate U.S. population. New Hampshire, Minnesota, and North Dakota have the highest literacy rates (about 94 percent), while California has the lowest (77 percent).

WHY IT MATTERS

The risks to people who can't read or can barely read are significant, including:

HEALTH The *American Journal of Public Health* reports that the inability to read and understand health information leads to poverty, and poverty to poor health care. Studies have linked low literacy to problems with understanding and using preventive services, delayed diagnosis of illnesses, ability to follow medical instructions, and more.

EMPLOYMENT The National Council for Adult Learning point to non-productivity in the workforce, crime, and loss of tax revenue due to unemployment as the result of low literacy skills. The Bureau of Labor Statistics has data showing a strong relationship between attaining higher educational levels and better employment opportunities.

POVERTY The National Institute of Literacy says that 43 percent of adults with the lowest literacy levels live in poverty. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the official poverty rate in 2018 was 11.8 percent, down slightly from 2017. But 17.6 percent of Hispanic people and 20.8 percent of African Americans were classified as being in poverty, much higher than the average, and both groups saw an increase from 2017. Literacy and income are tied closely together, though race-based discrimination affects Hispanic people and African Americans in the employment market, making it harder to earn incomes comparable to white people even at equivalent educational levels.

GENERATIONAL LITERACY Adult poverty in turn impacts children; 61 percent of low-income families have no children's books in their homes, which affects the child's ability to develop the skills to begin reading on their own. The Annie E. Casey Foundation reports that 68 percent of fourth graders in the United States read at a below proficient level, and of those, 82 percent are from low-income homes. The National Bureau of Economic Research says 72 percent of children whose parents have low literacy skills will likely be at the lowest reading levels themselves. *The pattern sets in early: the American Library Association says a child who is a poor reader at the end of first grade has a 90 percent chance of still being a poor reader at the end of fourth grade, and poor readers at the end of their fourth grade tend to still be poor readers even if they graduate from high school.*

CRIME The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has data showing that 75 percent of state prison inmates are either classified as low literate or did not complete high school. The Literacy Project Foundation reported that three out of five people in prison can't read, and 85 percent of youth offenders struggle to read.

HOW LIONS CAN HELP For over ten years Lions International has urged clubs to support literacy in all of its forms. In District 4C5 this support has manifested itself in two main ways: At the creation of Donna Prince, our 2021-2022 District Governor, many of our clubs conduct Reading Contests in elementary and middle schools. The children have great fun reading books of their choice and competing for prizes; they become very successful at improving their reading skills. The second way of supporting literacy is by becoming a part-time, one-on-one tutor to learners in County Library Adult Literacy Programs. Contact your library for details.

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After reviewing the status of literacy in the United States, and throughout the world, there is no doubt of the need for helping children and adults improve their ability to read; how it will greatly improve their lives in many ways. How children can become better students by understanding the materials they are trying to master, and how adults can better perform their current jobs, and qualify for jobs with improved pay and benefits with stronger reading skills. We can help raise people up out of poverty to lead a happier and more complete life. Helping people strengthen their literacy skills allows them to work on their own behalf to improve their lives, and take personal pride in their own achievements, rather than relying on taxpayer supported social programs.

If you have questions, or need assistance in planning a program, contact:

Alan Archer, District 4-C5 Literacy Chair

email: archer3636@suddenlink.net, (530) 558-5276

Gold Country Lions, Grass Valley, Past President, Secretary, Treasurer, Board Member.

“Once you learn to read, you will be forever free”

~ Frederick Douglass ~

PLACER HIGH SCHOOL LEOS

FINISH THE YEAR STRONG

Sponsored by Auburn Host Lions Club, Placer High School Leos finished up a successful year, in spite of COVID restrictions and having to meet mostly on a Google Meet remote platform, similar to Zoom. The club had bi-monthly meetings and had a new remote or socially distanced project every meeting.

The Placer High School Leos finished up the year with a donation of \$565 to Stand Up Placer Women's Shelter in Auburn. The Leos raised that money by working at a Meadow Vista Lions Crab Feed pre-COVID. Stand Up Placer helps save lives by empowering survivors to stand up to domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. They also run a women's shelter at an undisclosed location.



Pictured from left to right are Leo Advisor Colleen Conley, Leo Secretary Sydney Nichols, Leo President Sophia Hodgson, Stand Up Placer Executive Director Jenny Davidson, Stand Up Placer Project Manager Louise Arquilla, Leo Vice President Victoria Eichhorn, Leo Treasurer Sheyla Flores Martinez, and District 4-C5 Leo Coordinator Steve Murphy.

FOLSOM LAKE LIONS CLUB

SUBMITTED BY LION DEE FARMER

June was a rather busy month for the Folsom Lake Lions. We had 7 out of 10 of our members attend the Convention over the first weekend in June, including new member Lori Palmero and Lion Becky Bell, who transferred from Mother Lode Lions Club. We participated in the food faire as we always do - featuring large sweet strawberries with whipped cream and chocolate! There was entertainment as usual - and our President-Elect Gail O'Brien won the game of "find the safety pin in the bowl of rice."



We also all enjoyed the entertainment Saturday night. We were joined by President-Elect Gail's husband Kevin and they celebrated being married for 45 years that night! The new cabinet members for 2020-2021 were introduced, and we are proud to have our member Lion Evelyn Butler as Cabinet Secretary. She will share responsibility for producing the "Pride" with Gayle Kono.

Four of our members participated in a visitation to Folsom City Host on June 16. The group enjoyed dinner together. President Scot Mathis then led the meeting during which we discussed the upcoming annual Folsom Hometown Parade to be held on Saturday, June 26 as part of the festivities for 4th of July and the annual Pro Rodeo, both of which return this year!!

On the day of the parade, we paired up with Folsom City Host members. PDG Mike Retzlaff graciously provided the covered wagon float for us again this year. Lion Sheri Retzlaff joined all of us to help decorate the float with lots of red, white, and blue plus our American flag. Several Lions rode on the float, while many of us walked alongside.



The parade was a success with the central Sutter Street lined with community members and LOTS of children! Members of both clubs handed out small American flags to the children along the parade route. After the parade, we had lunch together in Historic Folsom on Sutter Street. It was a fantastic day enjoyed by all!

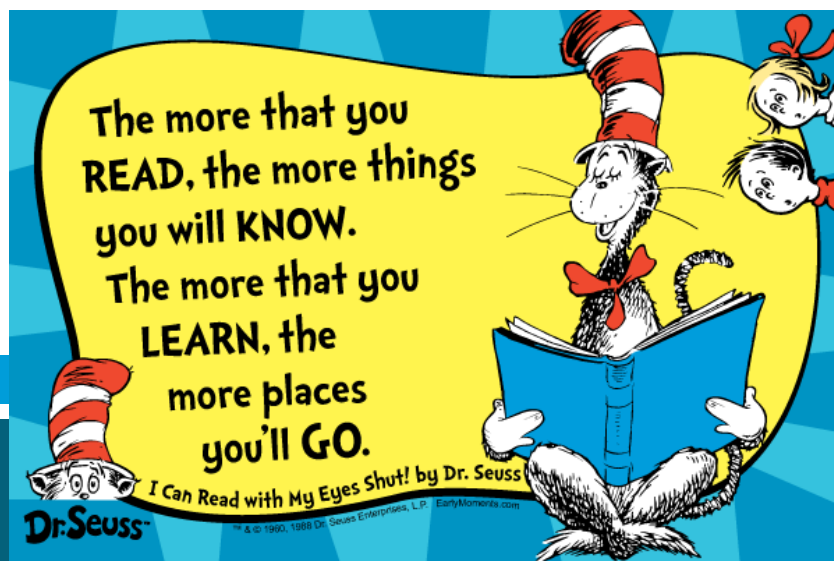
WOODLAND'S LITERACY CONTEST

The Woodland Lions Clubs and the Elks Lodge recently held their annual Literacy Contest. The Covid pandemic brought out some new thinking as to how this would be held. Normally the Clubs visit schools to kick off the contest. This year with the help of the school district, a YouTube video was made that was shown on monitors in all classrooms district-wide and also sent to every student's home. Lions Ernie Roncoroni from Yolo Sunset, PDG Frank Dunn from Woodland Reveille, and Jim Fuller from Woodland Host made the video. The video rolled out the contest. This year the contest period was 4 weeks.



After the 4 weeks the contest was over. The Lions were allowed back in the schools and ticket drawings were done over Zoom from principals' offices. Again the presentation was sent to all classrooms and to students' homes. Those winning students attending school that day came to the office to claim their Amazon Fire HD7.

It was exciting for the students and the teachers. Teachers like this contest because it motivates students to read.



Sacramento Senator Lions Club Delivers Early Christmas Gift

Submitted by Lion Josephine Fong

A few years ago, Sacramento Senator Lions Club donated some Kindle devices as one of their Special Projects to Sierra Enterprise Elementary School to encourage students to read, as reading is fundamental to learning. Since then, Sacramento Senator Lions Club has formed a close relationship with the school and has generously donated food, toys and other items to the students through the years.

Recently, through a grant from Lions Education Foundation (LEF) and the club's Special Projects Fund, Club President PDG James Fong, accompanied by Crocker Zone Chair Lion Josephine Fong, who is a member of Senator Lions, delivered a check in the amount of \$400 to the school's principal, Patricia Hecht. This is to be used to help the students with purchasing school supplies, paying for field trips and other academic needs.

Sierra Enterprise Elementary School is a public school in Sacramento County and is one of 42 elementary schools in the Elk Grove Unified School District. It is home to some 500 students in grades K-6. Eighty per cent of the students are on free or reduced lunch; hence, it is a Title I school. The school is noted for the diversity of its student body with 35.4% being Hispanic, 27.3% Asian, 14.5% White and the remainder belonging to other ethnicities.



The school's mascot is the Eagle and its motto is: We Rise Up! Yes, the Sacramento Senator Lions Club will continue to help the students of Sierra Enterprise Elementary School "Rise Up!" to the challenges of today to be leaders of tomorrow!

"It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge." - *Albert Einstein*

Left to right: Senator Lions Club President PDG James Fong, Sierra Enterprise Elementary School Principal Patricia Hecht, Crocker Zone Chair Josephine Fong.

Woodland Host Garage Sale

Submitted by Region Chair Jim Fuller

Garage sale shoppers showed up early to shop the Woodland Host Lions Club's garage sale on June 11 and 12 at the Scout Cabin. Results of the sale were split equally among Woodland Host and the Scout Cabin.

The Garage Sale moved a lot of items and had most Host Lions sorting, marking, and categorizing during the week prior to the event. Happy to say the sale generated \$3000 in profit. The event also generated some nice publicity from our local newspaper.



Nevada City Lions making the rounds at District Events!

Reprinted from the NCL's newsletter, *Tommyknockers Drift*, July 2021, by CT PDG and Club Secretary Doug Wight



The winning mini-golf team at the District tournament, organized by Lion Mitzi Stockel, included PDG Andy Anderson, CT PDG Doug Wight, and PDG Bill and Lion Darlene Ridle of District 4-C3. ↓



← Before the June 23rd meeting was brought to order we had a very nice potluck dinner honoring Lion Ina Elrod who was attending her last dinner as an active Nevada City Lion. She is moving to Indiana at the beginning of July.



↑ Lions 1VP/Lion Tamer Verne Taylor and Director Jim Wapp of NCLC staffing the NCLC Food Fair booth. Can anyone guess what they served?



↑ Lion Dora Hermansen received a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award from her club, bestowed by International Director Mark Lyon and then DG Cat Gon at the June convention. Congratulations!

Loomis Lions Club

Reprinted from the Loomis Lions Club Newspaper, July 2021

Editor Lion Jack Morris, MJF



The time has definitely arrived for considering changes in our services where they now appear inadequate, and to consider adding on new services to match the times.

Many of our Lions clubs have aged in both membership and in the ways we think and operate. For the longest time, as we aged, we performed elderly-like, becoming more a place to chat and eat, and too often steered away from pondering new ideas that we felt threatened past and pet projects.

All service clubs, Lions included, spend time with their recruiting campaigns.

Recruiting is always easier when clubs have strong leaders, great projects, and all members are listened to during club business.

During late May, a dinner social was called for the 7-clubs in Eureka Zone of District 4-C5 to discuss the coming year's recruiting program.

It was held inside the Pescatore Winery and Vineyard, Auburn Ravine - an ideal location for open discussion and comradery. Our stated goal was to agree on a plan to include all 7-clubs with update materials and to approach the

potential membership with shared resources.

The dinner guests were in general agreement; required a second meeting. As my club's membership Chair, and the MC for the evening, I brought with me two unproven projects I felt all 7-clubs could consider for their clubs during the coming year.

Let's Play Marbles

Since many of us had played the game of 'Ringers' or marbles, I suggested the Lions of Eureka Zone might promote the playing of marbles and do so by using our several Boy Scout Troops as the initial players. Two clubs, Newcastle and Loomis, agreed to see what they could promote. The two representatives are working on community tournaments and are hoping other clubs and troops, in or out of the Zone, will join in the games.

Today's young people enjoy electronics, their iPhones and iPads their toys of choice. The chances are that very few fly drones, and fewer yet among the parents fly them.

It costs less than \$150 to purchase

two cheap drones and the propellers and batteries necessary to keep them airborne. For this small investment, the club has sufficient devices to attract kids and their parents.

Kids Flying Drones

A first step is for several club members understanding the codes, rules, and laws, pertaining to flight. These same members must then learn to drone

fly, themselves. They will be the club's flight instructors.

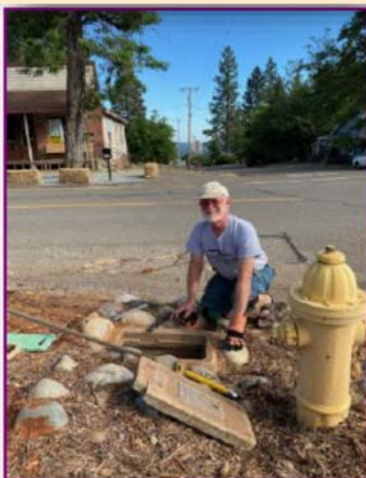
Lastly, announce to the media that the club's Drone Flight School is accepting student pilots and for FREE. At least one parent must be present. This project should be highly attractive to media, parents, and to the future pilots. It is a gift for the club's membership Chair as she mingles with the parents suggesting they learn to fly as well.



Foresthill Lions revitalize Main St. planters

Lions Mary and Mark Bell, Nancy Roblin, and Wali Atkeison did a wonderful job replanting their Club's planter boxes on Main St.! Take a look and admire their work, next time you are in town!

Reprinted in part from the Lions' Roar, July 2021 by Lion Debbie Griffin



Events and Fundraisers

To reduce the overall file size of the District Bulletin, we have bundled all flyers, events notices, meeting announcements, and other club-specific flyers into a separate packet.

Please continue to send your flyers to:

PDG Sarah Enloe

sarahte@comcast.net

The flyers will be shared via Constant Contact, our district-wide email distribution system. We will gather them from there to include in the new packet.

For Questions about the Bulletin or other District information, please contact:

Cabinet Secretary
Evelyn Butler

Email:

lionevelyn916@gmail.com

Phone: 916-990-4826

Address:

1222 Villagio Dr.

El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

New District Bulletin Format

First, we must apologize for the lateness of the July edition of the Bulletin. It has been a very busy month helping get things organized for DG Donna and the incoming Cabinet, and for the bulletin!

Nevertheless, we hope that you enjoy this new format.

We decided to make specific changes that include using accessibility guidelines that are normally meant for websites, but certainly apply to overall readability. For instance, we'll only use ADA-compliant fonts that (Tahoma, Arial, Calibri, Helvetica, Verdana and Times New Roman) unless it's for a graphic element, and to use no smaller than a 12 pt. font. You'll also see more clear or white backgrounds and black font to help improve the readability and less strain on your eyes.

We're including content from the club newsletters, newspapers and bulletins that we receive monthly. We enjoy reading what's happening in the district and are sharing your stories to wider audiences!

Next, we've moved all flyers and events notices into a separate file (see the sidebar) to reduce the overall file size for sending by e-mail. And we've set articles and stories in a way that they can be easily printed or shared individually for club scrapbooks or member distribution.

Please send us your stories, articles, and photos to the following email:

4c5bulletin@gmail.com

This allows both of us to access your messages and work on the bulletin more efficiently. If you send your articles to our personal emails, they are often bundled up with a lot of our other Lions or personal correspondence and could delay getting your great stories into the bulletin!

Please let us know your thoughts on the new bulletin.

We wish you all the best for a safe and fulfilling service year!

Lions Pride Bulletin co-editors,

CS Evelyn Butler and

AA Gayle Kono

