



# TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

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### Reflections From the Desk of Lion Victor

*This past year serving as the president of Camarillo's PV Lions Club has been a fulfilling journey for me. Taking on this role brought a sense of purpose and responsibility as I led a brilliant and dedicated group of individuals in serving our community. Throughout the year, I've been deeply touched by the steadfast support of our members and their shared commitment to making a positive difference.*

*In my capacity as president, I've worked to uphold the values of the Lions Club in all our activities, whether it's our service programs or fundraising events. Witnessing the direct impact of our initiatives has been incredibly gratifying, whether it's providing assistance to those in need or fostering a stronger sense of community unity. Together, we've faced challenges head-on and put in concerted efforts to bring about positive change and future growth.*

*One of the most rewarding aspects of my time as president has been seeing the camaraderie and collaborative spirit among our members. Whether it's organizing successful events or brainstorming solutions to local and internal issues, the dedication and enthusiasm of our club have been truly inspiring. It's a testament to what we can achieve when we work together with a shared vision and a commitment to service.*

*As my term draws to a close, I'm filled with gratitude for the opportunity to lead this remarkable organization. While my time as president may be ending, my dedication to serving our community and supporting the Lions Club will continue. I eagerly anticipate remaining involved and witnessing the ongoing growth and impact of our community-focused endeavors. I am truly grateful for each and every one of you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.*

**Yours in service,**

**Victor Martinez, President**



**Agents of Change!**





## A Heartfelt Farewell to my District Clubs

Dear Lions of District 4-A3 ~

As my time as your District Governor comes to a close, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude for the incredible journey we've shared together. Serving as your governor of the District has been an honor beyond words.

Throughout my tenure, I have been continually inspired by your unwavering dedication, boundless compassion, and remarkable achievements in service to our community. Despite facing unique challenges, you have shown time and time again that nothing can dim the light of your passion for serving others.

Together, we have overcome obstacles, celebrated triumphs, and forged lifelong bonds that I will cherish forever. Your resilience, creativity, and unwavering commitment to our shared mission have truly made a difference in the lives of so many.

As I pass the torch to District Governor-Elect Jason Laird, I do so with the utmost confidence in your ability to continue shining brightly and making a positive impact in the world. Though my role may change, know that my admiration and support for each and every one of you will remain steadfast.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your governor. It has been the greatest honor of my life.

With heartfelt gratitude,  
Rich Cervantes  
District Governor, MD4 A3

# PV Lions Calendar 2024

- June 11 Regular Meeting - O-Club
- June 15 **Farmers Market**
- June 18 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- June 25 **PV Lions Installation** - O-Club
- July 9 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- July 16 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- July 20 **Farmers Market**
- July 23 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Aug 13 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Aug 20 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Aug 17 **Farmers Market**
- Aug 27 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Sep 10 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Sep 17 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Sep 21 **Farmers Market**
- Sep 24 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Oct 8 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Oct 15 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Oct 22 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Nov 12 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Nov 16 **Farmers Market**
- Nov 19 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Nov 26 Regular Meeting - B&G Club



Great cormorants perch on a rock in the Nile River at Aswan, Egypt

## 6-7 Apr - Easter Festival 1/2

The Easter Festival ended with two nice spring days and better than expected sales compared to prior years for the week after Easter. It is always difficult to estimate supplies for the last weekend but we ended up with almost everything sold. We had one box of burgers, one package of hot dogs and 40 Bratz out of 800 purchased remaining and they will be saved and used.

Thanks goes to a lot of people and several clubs including Pleasant Valley, Santa Paula, Santa Paula Leos, Ambers Light, Conejo Valley and Channel Islands. Particular thanks to Lion Bill who arranged for the permits and set up the banking system each morning while dealing with personal issues throughout the 4 week event; Bill is truly a dedicated Lion.



I don't need to mention other PV Lions because they are prominently shown throughout this and the prior bulletin.

As you know from the April Bulletin this event started off with lots of problems and we lost 3 of the 9 days due to rain and those days historically were our best days, but we survived and managed to make some money for our charities and importantly provided a source of funding for several other lions clubs that rely on this event for funding.

This and the following pages provide a few photos of who worked the final weekend.

Our DG Rich showed up to wrap hot dogs, although they were not Dodger Dogs, and we had a visit from Past DG Nese Gunar from Turkey on Sunday. She had her interpreter and has visited several local clubs on her visit to the US.





## 10 Apr - Easter Festival Cleanup

It only took 2 1/2 hours to clean up the Easter Fest Venue. Seven PV Lions and one SP Lion with 5 trucks showed up at 0900 on a beautiful day.

Our District Governor showed up to take down all the tent screens. He was the only one smart enough to bring a drill and he even knew how to use it.

The photo of the near-total eclipse is shown Just Because I wanted to!

***We got a final accounting for the event and both Santa Paula Lions and Leos each netted more money than PV Lions who organized the event. All those days when few red-hatted lions showed up to work reflected in our final tally. We must do better in October.***



# Beautiful Scenery from Around the World



# 9 Apr - Regular Meeting 1/4

Lion Victor started the meeting by introducing our guest speaker, Jennifer Caldwell, Chief Development Officer, Ventura County Food Share ( details on following page).

As you can see, our meeting attendance has regressed with an estimated 25 lions.



Pres. Victor presented the results of our internal analysis and his and Lion Bill's meetings with Pleasant Valley Recs and Parks and the B&G Club concerning a change in meeting venue to save the club some cash and move us to the center of town. Most seemed in favor of the move.



At first I didn't recognize the guy at the podium with the start of a black beard but it is Lion Dan. He said something about being on strike against Gillette Razor, or something like that. Dan is shown replacing all the Lion Flags in our display. There are over 200 countries represented by Lions.

Lion Bruce provided info on the Easter Fest organized by Lion Bill. The total income was about \$30K but we will have to wait to find out our profit. It won't be nearly as large as





**Guest Speaker: Jennifer Caldwell, Food Share**

Jennifer educated us on the tremendous work of the Ventura County Food Share and the impact it has on hunger. She received many compliments on her talk. Although we provide funds to Food Share and two of their distribution centers we were surprised at the breadth of their effort. About a third of the county residents were served last year. They serve the unhoused, farm workers, seniors and low income families: there is no income requirement for their donation. The slides below speak for themselves.



**BECAUSE NO ONE SHOULD GO HUNGRY.**



**THE STATE OF HUNGER IN CAMARILLO**

Pounds of food distributed	698,663
Equivalent # of meals provided	582,219
Retail value of food distributed*	\$2,129,259
Emergency food boxes distributed	3,506
# People served	5,426
% of county population served	7.66%
Distribution locations	18
Number of retail partners	11
# of Kitchen-Free bags distributed	682

**Serving our Unhoused**



50,000 Kitchen Free Bags

**Serving our Farmworkers**



# 9 Apr -Regular Meeting 3/4

The photo shows how the meeting always starts with Lions Arti and Joe holding court at the bar.



Lions Bruce, Chet, Mike and John and Anthony provided a pork tenderloin dinner with lots of trimmings. Below you see Chet and Bruce “discussing/arguing about” the amount of seasoning needed for the pork loin (they sounded like a very old married couple). Not sure who won that battle but the product was tasty.



**FOR CHEMISTS  
ALCOHOL IS NOT  
A PROBLEM  
IT'S A SOLUTION**



**I SCREAM  
YOU SCREAM  
THE POLICE COME  
IT'S AWKWARD**

# 9 Apr - Regular Meeting 4/4

## Tail Twisting

- We had two birthday Lions, Mike and Victor — both paid up.
- Lion DanG talked about his kids growing up and paid for the privilege of watching and participating in their growth.
- Lions Wim and BillC tossed in some cash but I have no idea why - but thanks!
- Lion Dave tossed in \$10 for Ted Rains and also mentioned that Larry Davis was in hospice.
- Tail Twister Dick Bellman also ponied up now that he is back.
- Lion Jan mentioned her grandson who joined the Navy and is headed to boot camp. I think this is the second time for Jan so she obviously is very proud of her grandson.
- Lions Missy and Joe are proud of a relative entering the Daytona Hall of Fame.
- Lion Bulletin (not shown because he doesn't do selfies) just learned that his father in law who served in the Navy during WW2 got out then joined the Army during the Korean War. He was in the 1st transport plane that dropped troops in N. Korea and was the only survivor in his unit. After escaping the Koreans he joined up with the Marines in Chosen NK.



# Thank You us for joining us at our Spring Forward Gala! :



Our Spring Forward Gala happened on Sunday, April 14th...and with everyone's support, we raised over \$36K! Thank you to everyone who came to our Gala and to all who donated... fun was had by all!!

*PDG M. Dunleavy*





# ML805 NEWS

LEARN MORE ABOUT VENTURA COUNTY'S NEWEST BASEBALL FIELD FOR ATHLETES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

## SPECIAL THANK YOU!



"SERVING WITH PRIDE SINCE 1945"

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the amazing individuals at the Camarillo/Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club! They cooked over 200 hamburgers and hot dogs for our opening day. They also provided water and chips at no cost to our players and their families!



Our event was extra special thanks to the hard work from our friends at PV Lions! If you haven't tried a Lion's Burger you are missing out!



## OUR LAST GAME IS MAY 4TH

It's hard to believe our first season is coming to an end. Please join us for our Closing Ceremonies on Saturday May 4th at the Friendship Field. Come watch our athletes accept their trophies for an amazing season! We'll have yummy treats from Mister Softee, coffee and pastries! Come out to cheer on our amazing athletes!

Game 1: 8:30am, Angels vs Rockies  
Game 2: 9:45am, Dodgers vs Orioles  
Game 3: 11am, Red Sox vs A's



## ML 805 FALL BALL

We are excited to announce that Fall registration opens on July 1st! Our Fall baseball season begins in September and will be a 6-week season! Visit us on the web or visit us on social media!



Thank you to our friends at Amber Light Lions Club and PV Lions Club for our ML805 golf cart! This cart allows us to pick up players and families to avoid the walk to the field! We also used this beauty in the Camarillo Christmas parade!



## HOW YOU CAN HELP

As we prepare for our Fall baseball season we will need Coaches! Please email our President, Rick Pena at 805miracleleague@gmail.com to learn more about this role! Our Buddies, Coaches and volunteers have been amazing this season! You can help by being a Buddy, Coach, Volunteer or Fan! We love seeing our community in the stands watching our awesome athletes!

Follow the Miracle League of the 805 on social media!



# Bulletin(s) at Yosemite Valley 1/3

Spent 4 days in Yosemite Valley and 3 nights at the Ahwahnee Hotel. It was very cold and snowy when we drove in but it cleared nicely the next day so my wife could sketch in preparation for a show late next year. My wife is a huge John Muir fan with one of her Muir paintings in the Visitor Center many years ago. She actually does have native American genes but no, the **Sierra Miwok Indian** above her is not related. I took "way too many" photos but will only show a *few*.



Bulletin(s) at Yosemite Valley 2/3



# Bulletin(s) at Yosemite Valley 3/3





## 20 April - Farmers Market

Three PV Lions including 2VP Bob Larson and PP's Tom and Bulletin Bob worked Farmers Market and collected lots of eye glasses and even two cell phones, which we will pass to Ambers because they have a recycling source.

The lady at center below came by early and said that she had glasses but forgot them. Lion Tom joked with her about us being there for a few more hours and she actually went home and got some glasses. Tom found a pair that looked just like the sunglasses (below) that he used when he drove his first new Oldsmobile, so he was very excited.



1956 OLDSMOBILE GOLDEN ROCKET

# TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

## 13 Apr - Donated BBQ to Boy Scouts of Ventura County

The old saying of “neither rain nor, sleet or snow will keep the mail from going through” was ever so true on April 13th as Lions Bruce and Chet braved the elements to BBQ for a donation BBQ redeemed by Laurie Bennett at a Boy Scouts of Ventura County fundraiser.

The party took place at a private residence on Valley Vista Rd, across the street from Lion Bob Bordeaux’s house.

As the rain came down, the EZ canopy went up and the fire kept us relatively warm. The menu of tri-tip, chicken, baked beans, garlic bread and salad fed 40plus guests with no complaints! As the hungry guests stayed dry under massive tents and space heaters, the chefs delivered the pip-pin hot food and hit the road for a nice hot shower!

At each of our own homes ☐!!!!

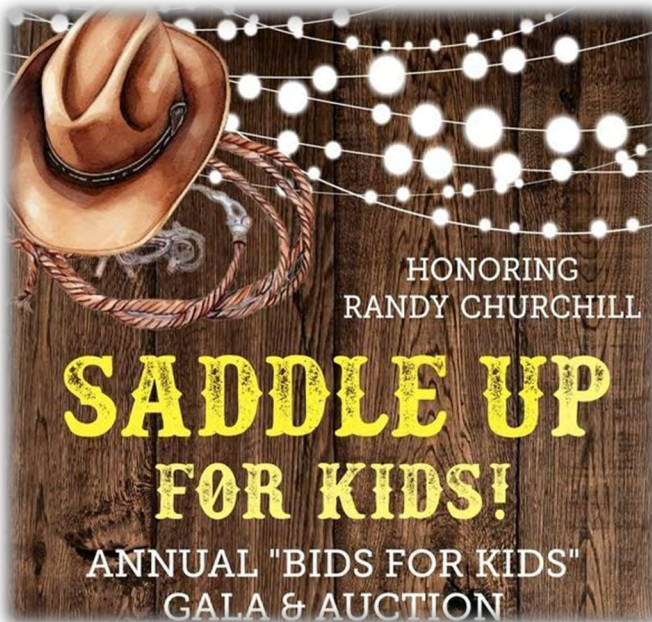
*1VP Bruce*



## 20 Apr - B&G Club Gala

Pleasant Valley Lions had one table for eight at the Boys and Girls Club *Saddle Up For Kids Bids For Kids Gala and Auction*. Attendees included Lions Bill Schulze, Joe Flores, Jack Eberts, Neil McNutt, John and Karen Fraser and Mike and Donna Morgan.

*PV provided one Santa Maria Style BBQ for 40 and it sold for \$4000 WOW!.*



## 23 Apr - Regular Meeting 1/2

Three more regular meetings remaining before President Victor hands off the Club reigns to 1VP Bruce who already has half a year as president under his belt so there won't be a learning curve. As all prior presidents can attest to, the year goes by very fast and then you become one of many past presidents (the best position in the club).

Total attendance at the meeting was less than 30 but we did have a prospective new member show up. We met him at Farmers Market this past Saturday and Lion Tom D invited him to our meeting. He is a neighbor of DG Rich and has been by the market before so he is familiar with our club. He was very curious about Lions and took lots of notes. Let's hope he returns.



Bottom right you see the best attended part of the meeting. *Amie*, always in training is learning to interact at a bar. See following update on Amie's training .





We had two primary speakers and both were from the club.

**DG Rich** gave a pep talk to encourage us to continue pursuing community projects. He talked about the Ambers Earth Day celebration that he, George and Bill participated in last night. Then he mentioned Food Share's food distribution program in Camarillo that always needs bag stuffers each week. He encouraged us to participate.

The 4A-3 district convention occurs in a couple of weeks and we have 7 delegates. He applauded our participation.



**Lion Bill** had lots to discuss. He didn't have the final numbers on the Easter Fest but estimates a \$12-\$15K profit. Not bad considering that we missed the three largest days of the fundraiser. Bill is still in discussion with the Fair Board about parking and bingo and will meet with them again this week. He spent most of his time discussing a new venue for our regular meetings. The O=club is too expensive and much larger than we can justify, particularly now that we would be required to have security for 3 hours at \$50.hr if we serve alcohol at a Recs and Parks facility. Bill mentioned other options that he and Victor are pursuing with the B&G club.

**Sec. John** continues to pursue a Lupus walk on Aug 24 in Oxnard. The club is interested in this event. Lions Russ and Rich will take over Secretary duties next year.



**Lion Bob L** is leading a tree planting event this Friday at 10sam at Valley Lindo Park.

**IVP Bruce** thanked his cooking crew of lions Chet, Mike and John and Anthony. We had our traditional Santa Maria dinner and it was great.

**Lion George** has been treasurer for many years and we thank him. We need someone to step up to the plate.



# Update on Guide Dog Puppy Amie 1/7



Guide Dogs  
of America



Tender Loving  
Canines

April 15, 2024

Mr. John Fraser  
Camarillo-Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club  
P. O. Box 157  
Camarillo, CA 93011

Dear John,

Enclosed is the next update on Amie, your newest addition to the Lions Club. Adorable!  
Thank you so much for your sponsorship and I will also be emailing a copy to you.  
If you have any questions, please feel free to call or e-mail me.

Warm regards,

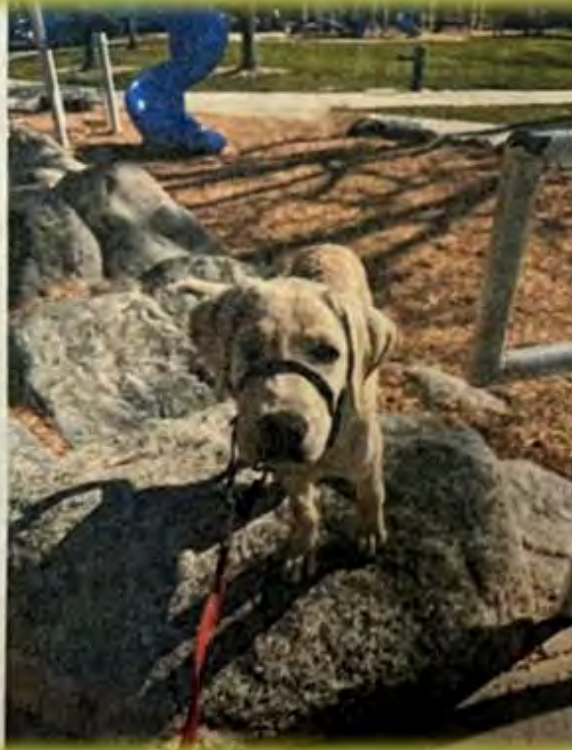
*Joanne*



Guide Dogs of America

Tender Loving Canines

## Update on Guide Dog Puppy Amie 2/7



MISSY AND I WENT ON AN EXCURSION TO LEMON PARK IN SIMI VALLEY WHERE I SAW MY FIRST DUCKS. DID SOME ROCK CLIMBING ALONG THE WAY



WE WERE ASKED TO GO TO RANCHO MURIETTA COUNTRY CLUB IN SACRAMENTS CAR SHOW. AMIE WAS VERY POPULAR.

## Update on Guide Dog Puppy Amie 3/7



TLC TRAINER NICOLE AND MATT WERE AT THE SHOW AS WELL WITH THEIR SERVICE DOGS. THE LOCAL FIREMEN WERE ALL ABOUT THE DOGS.



I THINK I WILL TAKE A LOAD OFF TIL MY NEXT REPORT. THIS GOING HERE AND THERE AND EVERYWHERE IS EXHAUSTING. THANK YOU LIONS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT AND WILL SEE YOU AT THE NEXT MEETING.

## Update on Guide Dog Puppy Amie 4/7

DEAR LIONS,

WELL I NOW HAVE RECEIVED ALL MY SHOTS AND CAN GO PRETTY MUCH EVERYWHERE AS YOU WILL SEE FROM MY PICTURES. I WISH I COULD SHARE ALL MY PHOTOS BUT THERE ARE JUST TOO MANY. THIS REPORT WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD IDEA WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TOO. THANK YOU LIONS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT IN SPONSORING ME. BECAUSE OF YOU GDA/TLC SUPPLIES ME WITH FOOD AND ALL THE MEDICAL CARE I NEED.

MISSY VOLUNTEERS IN THE NURSERY ONCE A WEEK AND BEING I'M OLD ENOUGH NOW SHE LEAVES ME WITH THE RECEPTIONIST LISA PETERSEN IN THE VISITORS CENTER. IT'S GOOD FOR ME TO BE AROUND DIFFERENT PEOPLE AND LEARN TO SETTLE AND NOT JUMP UP ON THINGS. I'M STILL TOO YOUNG TO VISIT THE BIG DOG KENNELS BUT AFTER MAY 13TH I'LL BE MAKING MY FIRST RESERVATION TO STAY AT THE KENNEL FOR ½ A DAY. CAN'T WAIT FOR THAT, I HEAR ALL THE KENNEL TECHS PLAY WITH US.

AS I GET OLDER I'LL GET TO EXPERIENCE MORE AWESOME THINGS BUT BABY STEPS FIRST. BEFORE I FORGET I WANT TO INVITE YOU TO THE UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE AT GDA/TLC FACILITY IN SYLMAR. ON JUNE 8TH. IT'S ALOT OF FUN. I'M ENROLLED IN PUPPY TRIALS AND THE TRAINERS WILL BE DEMONSTRATING GUIDE DOGS.

THE BIG THING IS THE SILENT AUCTION. ALWAYS GREAT THINGS TO BID ON. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

AMIE AND LION MISSY



AMIE HAS FINALLY HAD HER SHOTS SO OUT WE GO INTO THE RAIN FOR OUR FIRST TRAINING AT THE OAKBROOK PLAZA



# Update on Guide Dog Puppy Amie 5/7



SEVEN WEEKS  
OF PUPPY  
KINDERGARTEN  
CLASSES.  
LEARNING ALL  
THE BASICS



PUPPY  
KINDERGARTEN  
GRADUATION CLASS  
WITH MY OTHER  
SIBLINGS.

# Update on Guide Dog Puppy Amie 6/7



AMIE ATTENDING OUR VENTURA AREA MEETING. WE WERE WORKING ON IMPULSE CONTROL



AMIE WENT TO MISSY'S DOCTOR APPOINTMENT

# Update on Guide Dog Puppy Amie 7/7



ATTENDED THE MUSTANG CLUBS MEETING WHERE THEY PROVIDED A CHECK TO GDA/TLC TO SPONSOR ANOTHER PUPPY FROM MONEY THEY RAISED FROM THEIR ANNUAL CAR SHOW



ATTENDED CORNERSTONE SCHOOL. THE CHILDREN WERE LEARNING ABOUT SERVICE AND GUIDE DOGS.

## 26 Apr - Tree Planting at Valley Lindo Park 1/3

Five Pleasant Valley Lions spent a couple of hours planting 10 trees at Valley Lindo park in Camarillo. The crew consisted of organizer 2VP Bob, DG Rich, Lions Bill, Tom and BobT plus several folks from Recs and Parks.

The hole digger on the Bobcat sure made life a “hole” lot easier for this geriatric group. The entire group worked on the first couple of trees until we got a little smarter and worked on two trees at a time.



## 26 Apr - Tree Planting at Valley Lindo Park 2/3

Here are a few more photos showing Lions and Recs and Parks “hard” at work. Just when we thought we were finished we were given water bags to put around each tree for use until irrigation is installed.



## 26 Apr - Tree Planting at Valley Lindo Park 3/3



Pleasant Valley Recreation & Park District, Camarillo CA is

😊 feeling happy.

April 26 at 12:15 PM · 🌐

Happy Arbor Day! 🌳 We celebrated today with the Camarillo-Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club. They donated 10 trees and helped us plant them on this beautiful day at Valle Lindo Park. The trees were planted around the tennis courts where turf mitigation is currently in process. The trees are going to add beauty, energy, and shade!

A big THANK YOU to [Camarillo Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club environmental team!](#) They are looking for new members, check out their page to see what they're all about.

#pvrpd

#arborday2024

#parksandrec



Pleasant Valley Recreation & Park District  
**NEWSLETTER**  
May 2024

In honor of Arbor Day on April 26, we partnered with the Camarillo-Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club. They donated 10 trees and helped us plant them at Valle Lindo Park. The trees were planted around the tennis courts where turf mitigation is currently in process. The trees are going to add beauty, energy, and shade!

A big THANK YOU to the Camarillo Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club environmental team!



*It took a while but eventually we made the ACORN. We had more press for this event than anything we have done in years. — Great Job PV Lions.*

# NEIGHBORS



SCOTT STEEPLTON/Acorn Newspapers

**HELPING HANDS**—Above, Valle Lindo Park in Camarillo is getting new landscaping, with 10 trees donated by the Camarillo/Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club. At right, club members help plant them.



Courtesy of the Lions Club

## Made for the shade

■ Lions plant trees at Valle Lindo for Arbor Day

By Zia Zografos  
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Some Lions Club members put their green thumbs to good use by donating 10 trees to the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District.

Lions Clubs International is the largest service organization in the world. The Camarillo/Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club is one of more than 46,000 across 210 countries and territories.

The lion's share of the club's mission is to raise money and donate to various organizations throughout Camarillo and Somis. Whether that be handling parking at the Ventura County Fair, selling food at Moorpark's Underwood Harvest Festival or providing eye exams and eyewear to school children, the club likes to help wherever it can.

In honor of Arbor Day on April 26,

the club's environmental team donated 10 trees and helped plant them at Valle Lindo Park in Camarillo. Planted around the tennis courts where turf work is in progress, the park district hopes the trees will add a bit more beauty, energy and shade for park visitors.

Bob Larson, a club vice president, said this is the club's third tree donation to the parks district. About half a dozen club members got to digging, spending the day under the sun nestling the trees into holes.

"A goal of the Lions clubs is to protect the environment, so one of the things we've been doing is planting trees," Larson said.

The club has also helped with beach

and riverbed cleanups as well as planting milkweeds for butterflies.

Recreation Services Manager Nicole Lousen said as part of its 2021-26 strategic plan, the district has committed to encourage more green initiatives. That means creating a more efficient

**'By planting these trees, the Lions Club has contributed to cleaner air, improved biodiversity and enhanced green spaces for Camarillo residents to enjoy.'**

— Nicole Lousen  
Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District

design of the district's parks in order to reduce environmental impacts and add drought tolerant landscapes.

Valle Lindo is one of six parks where turf areas can be removed to minimize or in some cases eliminate water waste, she said.

"The Lions Club's donation of 10 trees for Arbor Day has had a significant impact on the district's efforts," Lousen said. "These trees not only enhance the aesthetic appeal



**FLOWERING BEAUTY**—The news trees are located in the area near the park's tennis courts.

of our surroundings but also play a vital role in promoting environmental sustainability. By planting these trees, the Lions Club has contributed to cleaner air, improved biodiversity and enhanced green spaces for Camarillo residents to enjoy."



# Thank You

A Big Thank You to  
**Ms. Shirley Anderson**  
for your \$1,000 donation  
to our Club!





# Bellman's Journey to the Mediterranean

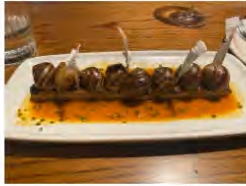
## March Travels ;

Dick & Sharon Bellman took a 3 week journey to the Mediterranean during the month of March. Beginning with a 3 night stay in Barcelona we visited the amazing Sagrada Familia, enjoyed Tapas dinners and marveled at the peace and serenity of this beautiful city.

We then boarded the brand new (2nd sailing) Sun Princess. A beautiful ship with stops along the way which included Messina (Sicily), Athens, Kusadasi (Turkey) and Naples among others. Highlights included some major ancient sites including the Acropolis, Parthenon, the city of Ephesus and more historic ruins than we could count. An unusual part of the journey was when we encountered a snow and hail storm (yes, on a Mediterranean cruise!), as we ascended Mt. Etna



Snow storm - Mt Etna.



Tapas in Barcelona



Parthenon



Pompeii.



Colosseum



Venice at night

When our 10 day cruise terminated in Civitavecchia-Rome we extended our journey by staying 4 nights in the "Eternal City," where we visited the Colosseum, the Vatican (including the Sistine Chapel and St. Peters Basilica as well as the famous Trevi fountain. We then took a short, fast trip aboard the Italian train system to the city of Venice. It was a thrill being transferred from the train station to our hotel directly next to the Rialto Bridge by water taxi. In addition to some of the historic sites of Venice (Doges Palace, St. Marks Square) another highlight was simply wandering the streets and alleys of Venice and getting lost or as lost as you could possibly in a city as small and compact as Venice. Another highlight of Venice was the amazing food. We had some of the best Italian food ever, of course accompanied by the compulsory house red wine. *Malta delizioso.*

As much as we enjoyed our incredible trip and inspire of the lengthy return flight it felt good to arrive home to our own bed and good pal, Kelsey.

*Lion Dick Bellman*



*Pompeii*

# Meet the American who never flinched in the fight for independence, Abigail Adams

"These are the times that try men's souls," Thomas Paine wrote near the end of the turbulent, fear-filled year of 1776.

It was the soul of a woman, however, that defiantly withstood the weight of the trial — the miraculous fight for American independence — with five children at her hip.

*Abigail Adams* never flinched, never wavered.

Neither the crown then nor fellow citizens today can mistake her gamble on a bold new nation called the United States.

"We are no ways dispirited here. We possess a spirit that will not be conquered," Adams wrote to her husband, John, on Sept. 20, 1776, days after George Washington's colonial army was routed by the British in Brooklyn and Manhattan.

Adams was just 31 with five small children at her humble farmhouse, with her husband far from home for much of their marriage.

"No woman in the history of our nation contributed more or sacrificed more for our country than Abigail Adams," said Tom Koch, mayor of Quincy, Massachusetts, where Abigail lived most of her life, and a devoted scholar of Adams history.

She rests today within the Church of the Presidents, across from his office at Quincy City Hall.

He added, "She was a revolutionary in every sense of the word."

Adams watched the rebellion intensify two months later. She climbed a hill near the humble family farmhouse, which doubled as her husband's law office, and watched the Battle of Bunker Hill erupt across Boston Harbor with her 7-year-old son, John Quincy.

"The day, perhaps the decisive day, is come on which the fate of America depends," she wrote afterward. "My bursting heart must find vent at my pen."

She knew a difficult life lay ahead, yet never wavered.

**Kerry J. Byrne**



Engraved portrait of Abigail Smith Adams (1744-1818), late 1700s. She was the wife of the second American president, John Adams, and the mother of John Quincy Adams, the sixth American president. (Stock Montage/Getty Images)



# 2024 MD4-A3 CONVENTION MAY 3-5, 2024



Lions District 4-A3  
2024 Convention  
Hosted by  
District Governor  
Richard Cervantes



*“Be the Slugger for Change”*

# 3-5 May - 2024 MD4-A3 Convention 2/7

There was a food court for the first time in several years and **PV Lions won first place and \$50 out of 7 entrants.** Lions Chet and Mike organized a meal of avocado with spicy shrimp and guacamole. We had many visitors who told us that it was the best there so we weren't surprised that we won. DG Rich visited the Orcutt stand because they offered 1/4lb Dodger dogs. One club offered taquitos and many came by for toppings of guacamole and shrimp so it was a winner. We dished out about 90 servings plus the extra toppings and many came for seconds.



### Amber's Light Magic Yarn Project

It wouldn't be a district meeting or convention without Amber's Light's Magic Yarn Project for all to participate. Lion Chris is shown with International Director Robert Lee and his wife who learned to make a wig.

Lion George is always there as an expert wig maker showing others the trade. DG Rich, Mary Jo, Jan and many others participated.



## 3-5 May - 2024 MD4-A3 Convention 4/7

It was a terrific ending for our District Governor's term and a great one for our Club— see all the awards for recognition on the following pages.

Lions Lloyd and Jan were almost the first people you met at the convention. They registered all delegates and managed the ballots.

Eleven PV Lions including DG Cervantes, PDG Mike Brown, Pres. Martinez, District Treasurer Graham and Lions Price, Mike and Jan Nunez, R. Taylor, Bill Schulze, Lloyd Christie and Mike Morgan attended the convention.

Our new 2nd Vice-District Governor, Patrick Pothier from Ventura Downtown is shown accepting his nomination with DG Rich, 1VDG Jason and International Director Lee watching.

About 10% of the nearly 1000 4A3 club members attended the district convention.





PDG Margaret Dunleavy is shown with DG Rich and his cabinet, including DG Treasurer Lion George presenting Global Service Awards to those clubs who satisfied all 5 Global Causes. Pres. Victor is shown just after receiving the award at right and proudly holding our club's award.

Lion Jan "loved" going to the podium to introduce all the ballot initiatives.



Just after lunch Lions George and Chris set up the Beep Ball for all to try. For most but Lion Bill it should have been called *Whiff Ball* because that is what mostly happened when the blindfolds were worn.



### Club Awards

We all knew that we were the Top Large Club in the District and now we have proof. Congratulations to our 100% President and Secretary. Past Pres. Morgan was recognized for the Melvin Jones he received last year. The Global Services Award recognized our club for satisfying all five Global Causes (Vision, Hunger, Childhood Cancer, Environment, Diabetes). We also completed a club Short Tail. The following page shows our 100% Model Club Recognition.





Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

January 04, 2024

VICTOR MARTINEZ  
CAMARILLO  
UNITED STATES

Dear members of CAMARILLO SOMIS PLEASANT VLY:

On behalf of Lions Clubs International Foundation, congratulations on becoming a Model Club! Thank you for your tremendous contribution to the success of Campaign 100.

As a Model Club, you showed great leadership and dedication to our foundation. You are part of an elite group that worked to magnify the service of Lions globally, and enabled LCIF to surpass its US\$300 million goal.

Model Clubs made it possible for LCIF to award 403 grants amounting to US\$7.7 million to help combat COVID 19. Contributions from Model Clubs also helped to aid Ukrainian refugees in 17 countries. As members of a Model Club, you also played a pivotal role in expanding LCIF's ability to support each of our global causes. You have made it possible for LCIF to continue empowering the service of Lions for years to come.

Enclosed, please find a special plaque commemorating your status as a Model Club. We hope you will display this plaque with pride and that it will serve as a reminder of your club's exemplary service during Campaign 100.

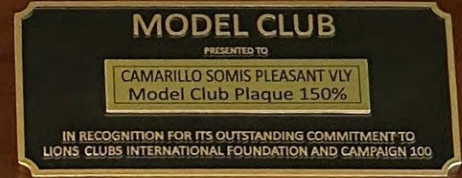
We thank you for your dedicated support of LCIF and applaud your club's efforts to make Campaign 100 such a success.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada  
Past International President  
Chair, Campaign 100

J. Frank Moore III  
Past International President  
Vice Chair, Campaign 100

WE CARE. WE SERVE. WE ACCOMPLISH.



## OVERVIEW

*“With our unique campus designed specifically for the purpose of training working dogs in disaster and wilderness search, the Search Dog Foundation offers canine teams the opportunity to practice in realistic disaster scenarios before they face the real thing on deployment.*”



*From a train wreck to a freeway collapse to Search City—a simulated neighborhood devastated by an earthquake, tornado or hurricane—and plenty of rubble piles all around, you will have a chance to see what it takes to prepare canines and their handlers to respond in the wake of disasters.*

*We rarely open our doors to the public for this type of event, so don't miss your chance to learn more about what these amazing dogs can do.”*

Lions Walt and Brenda Brand and Tom DeBardas represented Lions at the Disaster Dog open house. Originally several other PV Lions signed up for the event but there was a scheduling conflict with the 4A3 District Convention. Thanks to Brenda and Tom for the photos that are shown here and on the following page.



4 May - Disaster Search Dog Open House 2/3



### *From our Founder, Wilma Melville:*

“As the Search Dog Foundation continues moving forward, ever-evolving our program and improving our campus to ensure the training of future generations of canine disaster search teams, we have not forgotten where it all began.

*168 is engraved in my heart.*

On April 19, 1995, many of our lives were changed forever when a terrorist bomb ripped open the side of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, killing 168 and injuring many more. First responders from across the country answered the call to aid in rescue and recovery efforts, including me and my disaster search dog, Murphy.

While this tragedy marked the beginning of the Search Dog Foundation, it has always been not about our organization, but the lives lost and the many rescuers who worked tirelessly to find and help others in the aftermath.

*After my deployment to Oklahoma City, I set a personal goal of seeing the Search Dog Foundation not only train, but certify 168 canine disaster search teams – one for each of the lives lost.*

Because of that life-altering experience, I made a vow to myself and the nation that we would create the first nonprofit organization to produce highly-trained disaster search dogs for our country, providing them free-of-charge to their task forces and fire departments to help ensure that no survivors are left behind.

And boy, did we... together!

What started as a small group of volunteers, nearly as driven as the search dogs we trained, together we have created an organization that continues to lead the way for providing support and strengthening disaster response in this country.

Since that fateful day 25 years ago, SDF teams have responded to 196 deployments around the world, rescued hundreds of dogs from bad situations, and made a difference in countless lives.

Then, I was able to travel to the certification test in Phoenix, Arizona, earlier this year to see seven SDF-trained search teams pass their tests, completing my goal of creating 168 certified search teams.

Now, hear how the bombing in Oklahoma affected my life as well as my message for the handlers who certified in Phoenix and for all who have certified throughout our history.”



# Comics



"TELL ME THE STORY OF HOW YOU RESCUED ME AGAIN!"..



**THATS HIM,  
THATS THE GUY WHO  
SAID MY MOM WAS A POODLE**



My emotional support dog  
after I tell him all my problems



Unless you have kids, then  
Silence is Suspicious



**TWO SUBWOOFERS**

We're looking to volunteers to help at our weekly Food Distribution and National Trails Day in June.

We make 300 bags of produce a week, serving 140-160 families. We recently got approved to serve USDA on top of food received from Food Share. We are grateful to provide more food to those in need. With the increase in produce, we are in need of more volunteers to help us serve families. We can't do it without the help of volunteers.

Four PV Lions helped pack and distribute food starting around 10am and finishing up just before 1pm as the very last bag and box of food were distributed. ***DG Rich and Lions Bob T, Bills and Bill C participated this week. Lion GK Smith was our lone representative last week. Lion Tennessen helped in Oxnard. DG Rich and Lion Bellman worked next week so we are doing our part.***

I was impressed with the organization and process for filling and distributing all 300 bags and boxes of food. The volunteers are truly dedicated to this work. In fact one of the young workers left at 1pm to head to another distribution. ***If you can spare a little time they need your help; it is very gratifying.***



# FOOD DISTRIBUTION DRIVE-THRU

Every Friday\*

11:00AM - 1:00PM

\*Subject to change due to holidays

**We're Here to Help!**

Bags of food are distributed to those in need at no cost based on a demographic form.

## ITEMS DISTRIBUTED:



Canned Food

Fresh Produce

*Specific items change every week per donations received from our partners.*



## Pick-Up Location:

Community Center Parking Lot  
1605 E. Burnley St., Camarillo



## For More Info:

Visit Our Website  
[www.pvrpd.org/food-distribution](http://www.pvrpd.org/food-distribution)





# 10 May - Food Distribution Drive-Thru 2/2

We started inside filling all the bags using an effective assembly line process and then moved outside to distribute the food to very appreciative patrons.



# Happy 80th Birthday Chet 1/7



# Happy 80th Birthday Chet 2/7

Chet knows how to throw a party and he did it at Camarillo Grove Park to celebrate his 80+ years on this earth. This is the site of a former Stage Coach stop so Chet likely remembered his first stop in Camarillo **many** years ago and wanted to recreate the trip that brought him to Camarillo all the way from Wales.

Many relatives and friends showed up for this event and they had a great time listening and even dancing to the age-appropriate music, enjoying birthday treats, eating a nice meal cooked by Bruce's BBQ, imbibing a little and just having a nice afternoon at the park.

Chet now joins a long list of 80+ year olds in the club — *Welcome to the 80's club Chet!*



# Happy 80th Birthday Chet 3/7

Thanks to Lion Hillary, Brenda (and me) we have lots of photos of Chet with friends and family.



# Happy 80th Birthday Chet 4/7



First ever tailgate party



# Happy 80th Birthday Chet 5/7

Good food, lots of treats, drinks and dancing. Lion Lee Brown can still “cut a rug”.



# Happy 80th Birthday Chet 6/7

After inserting most of mine and Hillary's photos I received 10 emails from Brenda Brand with dozens of photos primarily showing all the happy birthday party guests. Brenda has a future as a wedding photographer because she didn't miss anything.



# Happy 80th Birthday Chet 7/7





President Victor started the meeting off by introducing Lion Dave Tennessen who introduced our two guests from the Camarillo Police Department, Chief Tennessen and Captain Jason Hendren. Dave is the eldest of 7 children and Eric is the youngest. Eric said his parents apparently saved the best for last while Dave had another opinion. *Bulletin has no comment.*

Chief Tennessen provided a great rundown on crime in Camarillo and clearly we are fortunate to have both Eric and Jason at the helm of a very effective police force. In fact, our Oxnard Noontimer guests asked if they could borrow some of the force for their city.

Chief Tennessen started out as a civil engineer (*Civil Engineers Rock*) from North Dakota School of Mines and Technology but decided upon a career in law enforcement following his older brother. He moved very rapidly up the ranks to become Chief of Police in Camarillo and we are fortunate to have him.

After giving us a thorough briefing on crime in Camarillo he talked about the memorial that will be built to honor Deputy Eugene Kostiuhenko who was killed 10 years ago by a drunk driver during a traffic stop. Deputy Kostiuhenko had served in the Ukrainian military and served with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office for 11 years. Deputy Eugene is always on their minds when they go on duty each day and provides a reminder of the dangers of driving drunk.

PDG Mike Brown invited both Chief Tennessen and Captain Hendren to our meeting to discuss the memorial being built to honor Deputy Kostiuhenko. They are close to achieving the \$21K needed with only \$2.1K remaining. PDG Mike Brown is donating both the lighting and its installation for the memorial.



**Deputy  
Eugene Kostiuhenko**

## 14 May - Regular Meeting 2/3

We were visited by two clubs, *Oxnard Noon-timers and Santa Paula*, although they weren't here for an official visitation. Oxnard came to support Secretary Fraser and PV Lions on the Lupus walk planned for later this year. Santa Paula came by to provide Peace Poster material.

**DG Rich Cervantes** provided a rundown on the District Convention and noted all the awards that Pleasant Valley Lions received. If we had positive growth we certainly would have been in the running for District #1 club — perhaps next year. DG Rich then talked about the Food Share drive thru event that occurs each Friday at the Comm. Center and encouraged all to participate. It is a great way to serve the community in a very visible way.

**Lion Bill Schulze** and DG Rich have a meeting with the Ventura County fair board to discuss bingo and to see if they have reconsidered our involvement in Fair Parking.

1VP Bruce thanked his cooking crew of Chet, Mike, JohnI and Anthony. There were lots of compliments for the meal of pork chips, baked potato, veggies and salad.



# 14 May - Regular Meeting 3/3

It was a good tail twisting evening starting out with birthday boys MikeN and past president from Oxnard.

- Joe Flores just celebrated 57 years of marriage.
- DG Rich only has 1 1/2 months remaining in his term. He will move on as district membership Guru.
- Russ tossed in some cash celebrating his knee replacement.
- More cash from Oxnard requesting Cam PD do in Oxnard what they have accomplished in Camarillo.
- President Victor anteed up for our #1 Large Club award.
- Missy is shown with Amie but she and Joe tossed in some happy bucks celebrating WYO's graduation to training to support PTSD patients. WYO will be trained at a California prison.
- Oxnard Noontimer again: 2 yr old grandson in addition to wearing a San Francisco hat in Dodger country.
- Lion Dave paid \$10 for Eric's B-Day last month.



## 17 May - COSMOS Track BBQ 1/2

We had eleven Lions plus Shirley Anderson turnout for the COSMOS BBQ. You will note that a few photos had to be combined to get the group shot because folks couldn't be corralled for one shot. PV Lions included Bellman, Missy and Joe Stayton, Eberts, DeBardas, Lee Brown, Tennessen, Larson, McNutt, Taylor and White. That's half as many as have been showing up at our regular meetings.

COSMOS paid for 577 people with 151 for hotdogs and 426 for burgers (30 veggies), chips and water. Not all showed up but they paid \$5770 for the group. It was a profitable and enjoyable afternoon. We have been doing this for many years and they are very appreciative but this was nearly twice as many people as before so we were quite busy for a few hours and needed all the help.

I include photos on the following page to show our workers and the very large crowd we served.



*Lions*

*I want to thank you all for helping out on the Cosmos BBQ yesterday.*

*It was a big success and we made a little over \$4000.00 for PV Lions.*

*Special thanks to Bob Larson & Bob Taylor for helping with the shopping and Joe Stayton for towing the white trailer.*

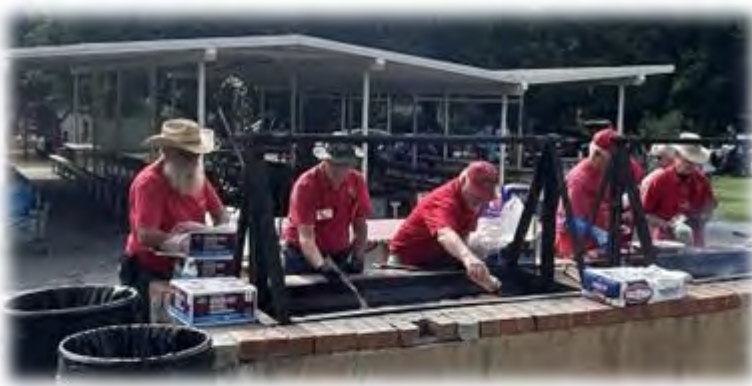
*Teamwork makes it work.*

*Thanks again.*

*Russ*

# 17 May - COSMOS Track BBQ 2/2

We used the existing charcoal grill and it took quite a few of us to handle all the dogs and burgers for this very large and hungry crowd. Hotdogs and burgers were provided at separate tables to make it a little easier and it worked well. Jack and Shirley handled the hotdogs and Lee and Neil served the burgers. The rest of us got smoked over the grill.



## 18 May Farmers Market

Lions Tom, Bob L and Bob T worked Farmers Market and collected lots of batteries and eye glasses.. It actually was hard to get up because we three were a little tired from doing the COSMOS BBQ yesterday finishing up at about 8pm. We had only one lion visitor —shown inserted by the flag. Lion Wim has lots of friends at the market and enjoys visiting.



Arches National Park

Arches National Park, Utah



Lake Bled and Bled Island Slovenia

# 18 May Area Student Speaker Contest

## For a Better World, What Would YOU Change?

Student speaker Area 3 chair Lion Mary Ann Novak is shown below left with the winner, Rachel Alonzo. Prior to this contest, Rachel had already won club, zone, region, district, and now area. The next and final contest will be state and that will be on June 15 in Sacramento. **Rachel won a \$6500 scholarship.**



The participants from left to right are:

- **Rachel Alonzo District 4-A3 Ventura Downtown Lions—Winner**
- Holleigh Simpson, District 4-A2
- Sophie Sun, District 4-L3

PV Lions Victor, DG Rich, Mike M, Bill S and George attended.

Several months ago while visiting Ventura Downtown several of us heard Rachel give her speech for the first time so we were pleasantly surprised to learn of her victory.



## Student Speaker Judges



# 18 May City of Hope - Lions Tribute Day

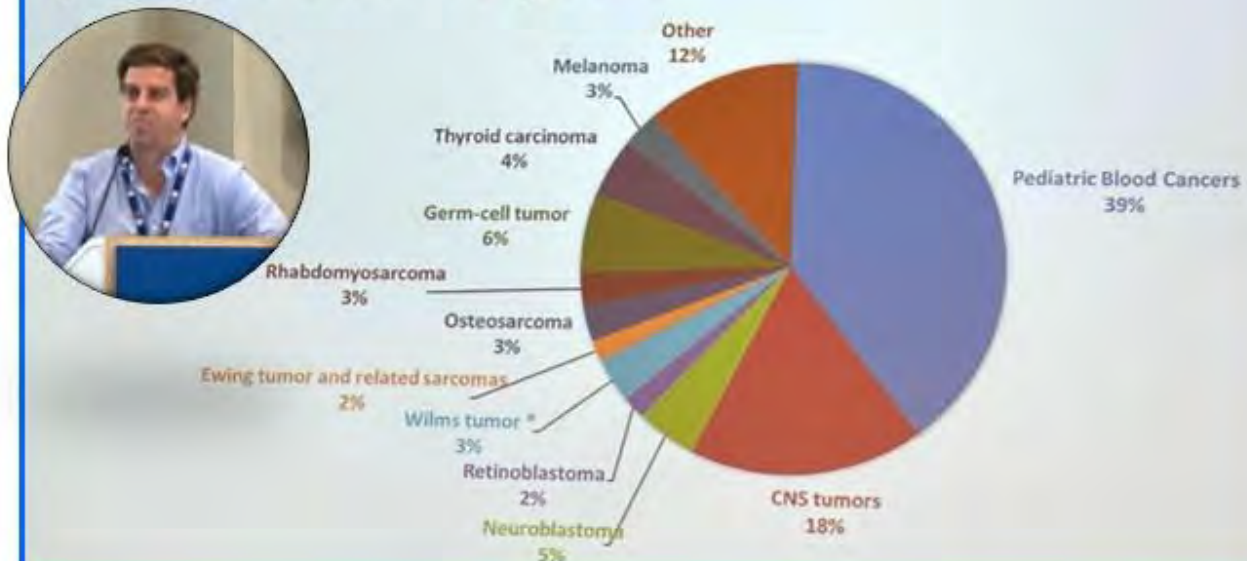
President Victor represented Pleasant Valley Lions at the City of Hope Lions Tribute Day. He is shown with MD4-A3 City of Hope representative Cheryl Taylor from Conejo Valley Lions and with our incoming DG Jason Laird. President Victor presented a check for \$1750 (\$2000 for year) to the City of Hope. Thanks Victor for representing PV Lions .

Victor provided several slides from the presentations provided by the doctors but unless you are a pediatric cancer or diabetes scientist they won't mean much. The one that I included is self explanatory, it shows that blood cancer dominates for pediatric patients. The City of Hope is at the forefront creating cancer treatment solutions for children.



## Innovations in Cancer Treatment of Children

### Frequency of pediatric cancers in patients younger than 19 years





## 20 May 1927 Lindbergh Begins Transatlantic Flight

Departing from Roosevelt Field on Long Island, New York, just before 8 a.m. on May 20, Lindbergh would spend the next 33-and-a-half hours in the air before landing safely at Le Bourget Airdrome, Paris, at 10:22 p.m. local time on May 21, according to the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum's website.

A sizable crowd in France was waiting for Lindbergh's arrival.

"The crowd surged on the Spirit of St. Louis, and Lindbergh, weary from his 33 1/2-hour, 3,600-mile journey, was cheered and lifted above their heads," noted the History Channel website.

The journey across the Atlantic was physically and mentally taxing.

Lindbergh did not sleep for the entire duration of the flight, and he estimated that he went more than two full days without sleeping.

"Lindbergh went so far as to buzz the surface of the ocean in the hope that the chilly sea spray would help keep him awake, but 24 hours into the journey, he became delirious from lack of rest," said the site.

Additionally, Lindbergh kept the windows to his plane open for the entire trip.

While keeping the windows open increased drag, Lindbergh hoped that the cold air would force him to stay awake for the duration of the flight.

During the flight, Lindbergh began hallucinating, seeing "fog islands" in the sea and describing "vaguely outlined forms, transparent, moving, riding weightless with me in the plane," said the History Channel. These apparitions, Lindbergh said, "spoke to him and offered words of wisdom for his journey."

President Calvin Coolidge arranged for his transport back to the United States (by boat, not by plane) and he received a ticker-tape parade in New York City and the Congressional Medal of Honor.

*Christine Rousselle*



# 21 May Board Meeting

This was the next to last meeting for the 2023-24 PV Lions Board. Most members showed up including the Nunez's who are not in the photo.

At right we have DG Rich Cervantes holding a large package of Real Dodger Dogs purchased at COSTCO by 2VP Bob Larson.

## New Business



- **Bingo at the Fair:** Lion Bill met with the VC fair board and they will provide a tent inside the gate that can accommodate up to 80 (est) patrons. They will provide tables and chairs. The board approved up to \$6000 for purchase of TV monitors/stands/sound system and software. Bill estimates that we will need two shifts of 7 each day of the fair. Other clubs will be asked to support the effort.
- **Meeting Venue change:** DG Rich met with the B&G Club and they agreed to allow us to use their venue for our meetings. We will need to set up the tables but they have a full kitchen for our use. Bruce will deal with the storage issue. This will be brought up for vote at the next regular meeting.
- **2024-25 Officers and Board:** Pres. Victor presented the slate for discussion. It will be modified slightly and provided to the club for affirmation. There are two major changes: Lion Bill S will be treasurer and Lion Rich C will be secretary.
- **Housing Opportunities Made Easier:** we have been asked to cook burgers for up to 50 on 21 June. This will be a no cost to PV.



## Donations

- Camarillo Police Memorial for Eugene Kostiuchenko - \$2100
- Student Speaker Contest - \$1000 ((\$3000 for year)
- Salvation Army Gala - \$700 for table of 8
- Scholarships - 2 @ \$5000 Oaks Christian & Rancho Campana
- Pleasant Valley Museum & Historical Society - \$400 for 2 Bricks (\$5100 total over several years) — *donation from 16 April board meeting*

## Thank You Letters

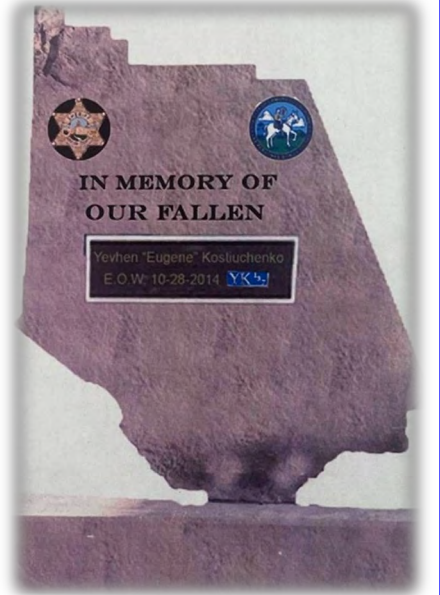
- Boys & Girls Club - BBQ for 40 — Auctioned for \$4000
- Teddy Bear Foundation - \$1000
- Daisy Lee Ranch—Senior Pack - \$1200 Trailer for senior dog center.
- Pleasant Valley Historical Museum and Garden—\$400
- Camarillo High School Safe and Sober - \$250
- Health Care Foundation - \$5000

## PDG Brown Delivers Check to Cam. PD for Memorial

PV Lions approved the \$2100 needed to put Camarillo PD over the top to complete the \$21,000 memorial project for Deputy Kostuchenko who died from a drunk driver over 10 years ago. A pictorial of the monument is shown at right.

PDG Mike Brown delivered the check to the Camarillo Police Department. From left to right Mike is shown with senior deputy John Meeker, commander Eric Tennesen and captain Jason Hendren.

*Mike donated the lighting and its installation to this project.*



**Deputy  
Eugene Kostuchenko**

# Thanks from: Boys & Girls Club

May 13, 2024

Victor Martinez  
Pleasant Valley Lions Club  
POB 157  
Camarillo, CA 93011-0157



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Dear Victor,

**Auctioned for \$4000**

**THANK YOU** for donating the gift certificate for the Lions Club BBQ for 40 guests in support of the Boys & Girls Club 2024 Gala & Auction. Funds raised from this event ensure we can continue to welcome our communities' youth after school, providing a safe second home while their parent(s) can continue to work.

Your donation makes it possible to meet the needs of every child who walks through our doors from receiving snacks to essential supplies, school support, and access to opportunities that build character, competence, and critical life skills. These are the great moments that lead to great futures.

Your continued partnership fuels our unwavering commitment to support every child who needs the Club. Together, we will do whatever it takes to ensure great futures are possible for all young people. **Today and always, thank you.**

Sincerely,



Roberto Martinez, CEO / President  
Boys & Girls Club of Camarillo

# Thanks from: Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation

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May 9, 2024

George Graham  
Camarillo-Somis Lions Club  
P.O. Box 157  
Camarillo, CA 93011

Dear George,

Thank you so much for your gift of **\$1000 Sponsor** dealer to Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation's annual Teddy Bear Picnic. The support you have provided gives critical relief and hope to the families we serve and lets them focus on **what is most important – their child in treatment.**

Our families have shared their greatest needs during this difficult journey, and TBCF is always eager to meet them to ensure they can not only survive but thrive in the midst of their child's cancer diagnosis. In the last year, we've **expanded our core programming to now include individual or couples counseling, added 2 new funds to our direct financial support, and began providing separate funding for lodging and transportation to treatment centers.** *These enhancements have changed our families journeys, and wouldn't be possible without generous supporters like you.*

Your generosity is greatly appreciated by Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation, me personally, and most importantly – by the families your donation benefits. We are thankful to count you among our valuable supporters.

Sincerely,

Corey Pahanish, Ph.D.  
Executive Director  
805.265.0623  
[corey@teddybearcancerfoundation.org](mailto:corey@teddybearcancerfoundation.org)

Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization, tax ID # 14-1872081.  
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[www.TeddyBearCancerFoundation.org](http://www.TeddyBearCancerFoundation.org)

Thanks from: Daisy Lee Ranch—Senior Pack

Thank you!  
Toni & the Senior Pack

Dear members of the Lion's Club

On behalf of Daisy Lee Ranch and the Animal Charity Support Group, we would like to extend a huge Thank-you for your generous donation of \$1200 to help with purchasing a trailer for the senior dog center.

Having a trailer on site will be a relief in the event of a fire should evacuation become necessary. It will also be well used to lighten the physical load for tasks associated with the upkeep of the sanctuary.

We appreciate your kind consideration and support!  
Sincerely

Volunteer - CAT DERLEY - ANIMAL CHARITY

# Thanks from: Pleasant Valley Historical Museum & Garden



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**HISTORICAL MUSEUM & GARDEN**  
 Established 1964

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Please keep this written acknowledgment of your donation for tax records. No goods or services of any value were, or will be transferred to you in connection with this donation.

May 22, 2024

Pleasant Valley Lions Club  
 c/o Mr. Bruce Jochums  
 35 Jody Lane  
 Camarillo, CA 93010

Dear Bruce,

Thank you for sponsoring a personalized brick, as part of our "Be a Part of History" campaign. Your donation of \$400 was received, check #2137. [for two bricks.] [Your total donations for Building Fund are \$5,100]

You have chosen this inscription for 1 paver. If it is inaccurate, please notify us.

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Sincerely,

Bill Todd  
 Recording Treasurer  
 Building Committee

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**2nd Brick**

# Thank You - Camarillo High School



thank you!

May 3, 2024

Camarillo/Somis/Pleasant Valley Lions Club  
P.O. Box 157  
Camarillo, CA 93011-0157

Dear Lions Club,

We wish to thank you for supporting our 2024 Safe and Sober After Prom by donating **\$250.00** towards our event and raffle prizes for our students of the Senior Class. What a kind donation! Our After Prom was a great success because of yours and other generous support from our community. This year we kept close to two hundred teens in a safe and fun environment to continue their celebrations after their Prom. This also kept our community residents safe from teens out celebrating driving around in their cars after their prom. We are so fortunate to live in a community where the focus is to keep our high school teens safe while offering them opportunities and fun alternatives after their prom.

We appreciate your generous support and we look forward to working with you again.

Sincerely,

Monica James  
Adolfo Camarillo High School  
PTSA - After Prom Committee Chair  
achsptsa@gmail.com



# Thank You - Health Care Foundation

HEALTH CARE  
**FOUNDATION**  
FOR VENTURA COUNTY



May 22, 2024

Pleasant Valley Lions Club  
P.O. Box 157  
Camarillo, CA 93011

Reference: 2024 LCIF Matching Grant Donation

Dear Lions Victor Martinz, John Fraser & George Graham,

Thank you for your generosity in donating to Health Care Foundation for Ventura County, Inc. (HCFVC) on behalf of your Pleasant Valley Lions Club. As you know, HCFVC is a nonprofit public benefit corporation that exclusively benefits our Ventura County Health Care Agency (VCHCA) and especially its hospitals Ventura County Medical Center (VCMC) and Santa Paula Hospital. HCFVC is currently supporting Lions District 4-A3 in its endeavor to apply for and receive the LCIF Matching Grant of \$100,000.

This gift of **\$5000.00** via check #2149 identifies you as an advocate for advancing the Lions Club mission in Ventura County, and a model for generous giving for others to follow. These funds will be utilized for medical equipment related to vision and diabetes for the vulnerable populations in the public safety net health and hospital system in Ventura County. Our unified Lions effort as "Knights of the Blind" leads the way for all clubs to unify in this fight against the disease of diabetes.

We appreciate your commitment and look forward to cultivating the future of health care in Ventura County with you. Thank you for your support!

In philanthropic spirit,

*Amy Towner*

Amy Towner  
Chief Executive Officer

## 27 May Memorial Day 2024

Memorial Day honors and mourns the U.S. military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. From 1868 to 1970, it was observed on May 30. Since 1971, it is observed on the last Monday of May.



*Constitution Park Camarillo*



## 24 May - Food Share

Five PV lions including Bills, Bob T, Dick B, Rich C and Bruce J helped out at Food Share at the start of Memorial Day weekend. By 12:30 we were close to finishing with most of the USDA food (cheese, meat) gone for the day. The last dozen or so patrons primarily received veggies and fruit but they were appreciative. This was Bruce's first time so he is a food share virgin no more.

At center below you see what remained for the day.





President Victor introduced our guest speakers from the Cancer Support Community. They represent 1 of 38 affiliates in the U.S. Both speakers were passionate about their organization and justifiably so because of their tremendous impact on the lives of cancer patients in our community. They collaborate with other local cancer foundations such as BumbleBee. I copied their brochure below and what stands out is the fact that all services are provided at no cost.

Our speakers were here to *“spread the word about what we do”* and both accomplished their mission.

**Monica Murietta**  
Executive Director



**Bill Thomas**  
Board Member



### Our Mission

CSC uplifts and strengthens people impacted by cancer by providing support, fostering compassionate communities, and breaking down barriers to care.

### Our Vision

Everyone impacted by cancer receives the support they want and need throughout their experience.



Surveyed participants in our programs and services experienced overwhelmingly positive outcomes:

- 96% Would recommend CSCWSB to others impacted by cancer
- 90% Felt more connected
- 88% Experienced better quality of life
- 81% Felt better able to cope with distress

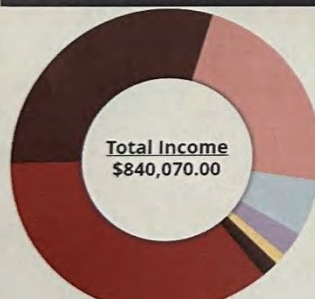
*“I felt that the group and the people saved my life and my sanity.”*

### Cancer Types of 2023 Participants

- 38% Breast
- 10% Prostate
- 10% Blood Cancers
- 6% Lung
- 5% Ovarian
- 4% Colorectal
- 3% Brain
- 3% Pancreatic
- 2% Head and Neck
- 2% Thyroid
- 18% Other



**ALL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ARE PROVIDED AT NO COST TO PARTICIPANTS.**



- 36% Individual Contributions
- 30% Foundations/ Grants
- 23% Special Events Income
- 6% Program Services
- 2% Corporate Contributions
- 1% Community Fundraisers
- 1% Government Grants
- 1% Legacies & Bequests

*“The positive experiences and sense of control over the management of my care still resonates today.”*

*“Very nice to know I'm not the only survivor out there.”*

## PV Meeting Speakers

**Pres. Victor** presented the proposed slate of officers and board for 2024-25 and asked for any added nominations—there were none. This will be presented at our final meeting for approval.



## Lion Bill Schulze

- **Preposed change in meeting venue.** Bill offered up three choices for the move including: 1) remaining at the O-Club with and without alcohol being served (\$150 cost difference each meeting for security guard), 2) Community center (with same alcohol criterion), 3) Boys & Girls Club. The B&G club is significantly cheaper and moves us into town although we are required to purchase a commercial refrigerator at \$2000. The club voted for option 3 and we will move beginning in July.
- **Bingo:** Bill informed the club that the board approved \$6000 for the purchase of Bingo equipment and that we will be running Bingo starting this year at the Ventura County Fair. They will provide tent, tables and chairs at no cost and advertise the event. He stressed the need for club support to run two shifts from 2-6pm and 6-10pm.



## Lion George

We have a table for 8 at the Salvation Army Gala and George solicited lions to attend. Contact George if interested.

## Dinner

We had a traditional Memorial Day dinner of burgers, corn, salad and lots of cake. It was very economical because we used product remaining from the COSMOS BBQ last week and the Easter Fest. Lions Bruce, Chet, Mike, Jan and John Erin and Anthony comprised the cooking crew.



## Tail Twisting

Lions Joe and Dick collected lots of bucks from the crowd. It started when Lion Dick asked all veterans to stand with the intention of twisting all others. Lion Sherri thought that the vets were the ones being fined and offered to pay all fines. Dick corrected her but she still offered to pay.

Most of those who paid commented on the meaning of Memorial Day and friends and loved ones they lost. Others (not shown) including Nunez, Taylor, Conn and Schulze also contributed after recounting stories of loved ones lost. It provided a sobering reminder that freedom is not free and it requires dedication and sacrifice from many.



## Raffle

- **50/50:** Two winners of \$5 but the real winner was Admin because both *Sherri* and *Bill S* put the cash back into the pot.
- **Bean Pot:** There were 14 blue and 1 white marbles in the bag for \$30 and Lion Bill S became another in the long line of LOSERS. The pot grows.



## Butterfly Habitat Planting Event

2VP Larson has another planting event on **June 5th** at Laurelwood Park.

Email [Heidi.Ortloff@vcrd.org](mailto:Heidi.Ortloff@vcrd.org). If you can participate.



# May-June 2024 Birthdays

HAPPY  
Birthday



Certificate

Happy Birthday Month

Good for ONE drink at the bar



Castleberry	Bill	5/20
Dellanina	Gino	5/24
Goldberg	Daniel	5/20
Rapose	Joel	5/6
Price	Chet	5/1
Smith	Merleen	5/4
Taylor	Frank	5/16

Carlson	Cody	6/1
Mansfield Jr	Arthur "Art"	6/11
Steinmetz	Greg	6/2
Stepenson	Kim	6/19



## Horoscope: Taurus—Gemeni

- Taureans mumble while describing philosophical concepts.
- The Taurus is a strange bird because he or she holds grudges about things that never actually happened.
- This may stem from the feelings of inadequacy resulting from being beaten out for first in line in the zodiac by Aries. That is the Taurean self-image, always second best. However, they are undoubtedly the best at feeling like second best.
- All Taureans want to be God. Unfortunately, God is an Aries.
- Everyone loves a Gemini because everyone loves a schizophrenic.
- You like to think that you are a half-and half mixture of Socrates and Michelangelo, but in reality it's more like Prince and Bea Arthur.
- You are progressive, outgoing, and one of the most popular rides at Cedar Point. However, you can and will negate all of this by the time you're finished reading this sentence.
- Geminis drive funny cars. They often drive them into trees or buildings. Geminis are pushy and overbearing. They pick fights with small children and moon people at weddings.



## **President's Message Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill**

We're almost at the end of the Lion year, and I've been so fortunate to meet many of you during my travels. I experienced first-hand one of our association's greatest strengths—the diversity of our membership and service.

For more than 100 years, Lions have opened their arms to the world and embraced new people, projects and ideas. We provide eyeglasses to those with low vision, welcome displaced people to our communities, care for the elderly and so much more.

As Lions, we don't just accept the status quo—we innovate to meet the ever-changing needs of our communities. Let's continue to find new ways of supporting all people who need us and inviting all people who want to join us in service.

When you became a Lion, you also became a leader. Lions and Leos lead their communities in service and bring people together to achieve greater outcomes than we can alone.

Every time you invite a new member, or we charter a new club, more people are helped, and more communities are served. We are making a tremendous impact all over the world thanks to your leadership.

So, let's continue to grow our impact and share your amazing projects on social media to encourage others to join you. Take an online course to enhance your skills and encourage others to do so, as well. Let's continue to be the leaders that our communities and world need us to be.

Yours in service,

**Dr. Patti Hill**  
**International President**



# TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

Donate today and bring possibilities to life



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

## **Hello Lions, Leos and fellow humanitarians,**

I am thrilled to announce that LCIF is well on its way to achieving this year's stretch fundraising goal because of the awesome generosity of those of you who have donated this fiscal year. Although we've made excellent progress, we need your help to push us through to the finish line by making your personal and club donations, hosting a fundraiser and encouraging others to give to LCIF. Less than one month remains before I have the sincere pleasure of announcing our total funds raised during the Second Plenary Session at the annual convention in Melbourne. I am truly looking forward to celebrating our successes together and sharing the worldwide impact of our collective service made possible through our foundation.

[Every donation](#) brings us closer to achieving our goals, while continuing to enable us to change lives of people who need our help by providing for immediate needs after a natural disaster, feeding children facing food insecurity, helping hospitals improve facilities to treat vision impairment or serving in so many other ways. We are truly making a difference in the world together with our global foundation. My sincere thanks to everyone who supports LCIF financially and as an ambassador for the work we do together.

Make a great day,

**Brian E. Sheehan**

**Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation**



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

## Historic flooding in Brazil devastated entire communities.

LCIF grant funding will enable Lions to help victims recover and rebuild.

[LIONSCLUBS.ORG/DONATE](https://www.lionsclubs.org/donate)

Heavy rain and flooding devastated communities in the Brazilian state of Rio Grande do Sul, impacting over 800,000 people. More than 70 people were killed, more than 150 injured, and dozens are missing. Over 80,000 are displaced by the disaster.

When a humanitarian crisis of this magnitude strikes, we, as Lions, are ready to help. Right beside us is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), our global foundation. LCIF is mobilizing funds, including a US\$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant and a US\$20,000 Emergency Grant, to empower Lions in Brazil to help their communities recover.

**Your donation can make a difference.**

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate?>

Your generous donation to LCIF's Disaster Relief Fund, specifically reserved for all disaster relief, helps Lions continue to serve!



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# PROJECT CARE

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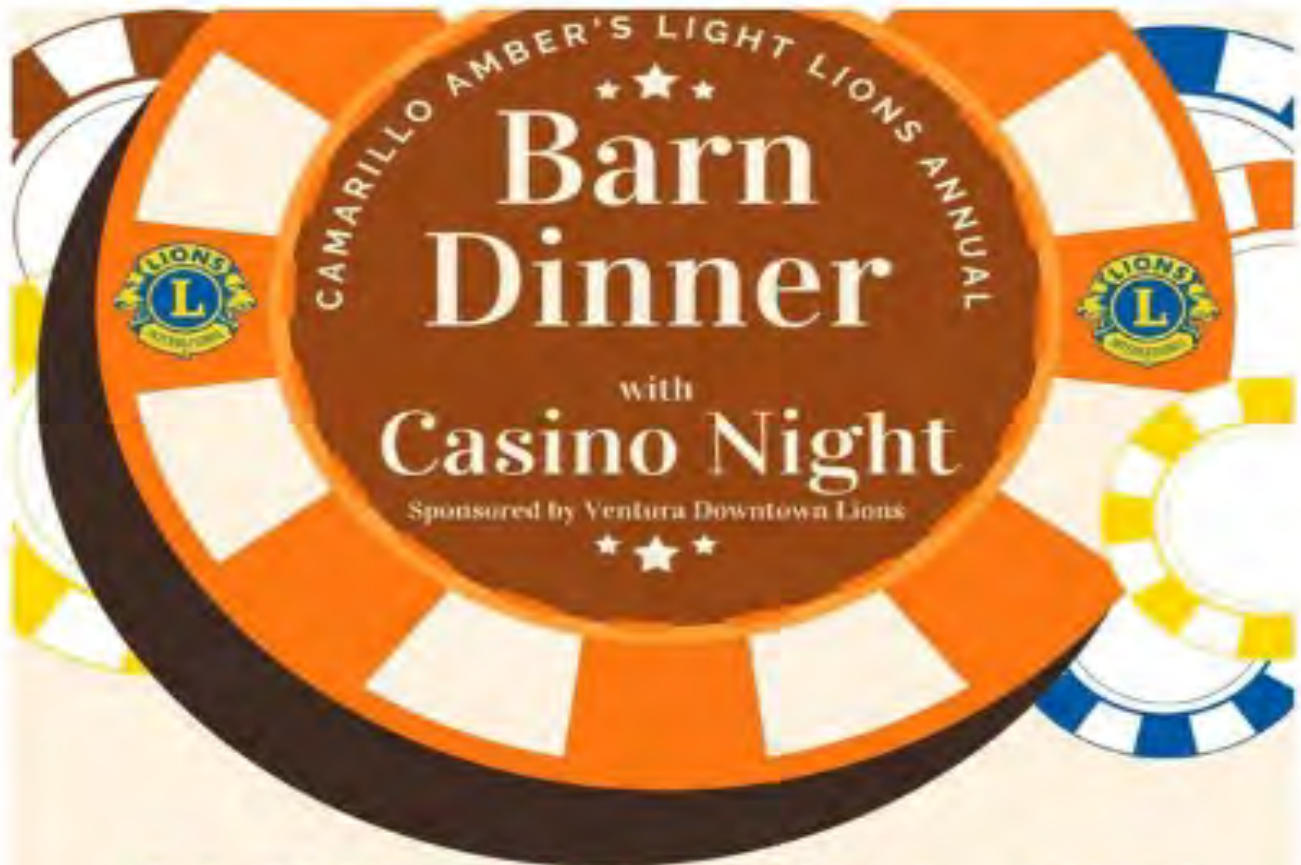
Clubs are encouraged to host community projects in this area.



Report Services projects to MYLION  
by July 15, 2024

# 1 June - Amber's Light Barn Dinner

**Announcing Camarillo Amber's Light Lions Club  
Annual Barn Dinner & Casino Night  
sponsored by Ventura Downtown Lions**



**SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024  
5:00 PM**

**1194 PANCHO RD, CAMARILLO 93012**

**\$40**

Fiesta Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

**[CLICK HERE](#)** to get your tickets!

Or send your name(s) and check to:  
Camarillo Amber's Light Lions, PO Box 3264, Camarillo, CA 93011

Questions? Email PP Mary-Catherine at [lionmarycatherine@yahoo.com](mailto:lionmarycatherine@yahoo.com) or  
PP Julianne Mann at [lionjuliannejochums@gmail.com](mailto:lionjuliannejochums@gmail.com).

# #NATIONALTRAILS DAY® PLEDGE



# VOLUNTEER DAY

## NATIONAL TRAILS DAY

Join us for a day of community camaraderie and environmental stewardship at our trail clean up day!

Partnered with:



### Areas to Help:

- Pull weeds ✓
- Rake Debris ✓
- Lay Wood Chips ✓
- Clean Trail Signs ✓



**SATURDAY, JUNE 1**

8AM - 12PM



**LAS POSAS EQUESTRIAN TRAIL**

2084 Via Veneto, Camarillo



**Call For Questions**

805.482.1996 x117



**SIGN UP AT**  
[pvrpd.org/volunteer](http://pvrpd.org/volunteer)





# MISSION 1.5

Please join us on  
Saturday June 8th 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM



**ZOOM**  
or In Person



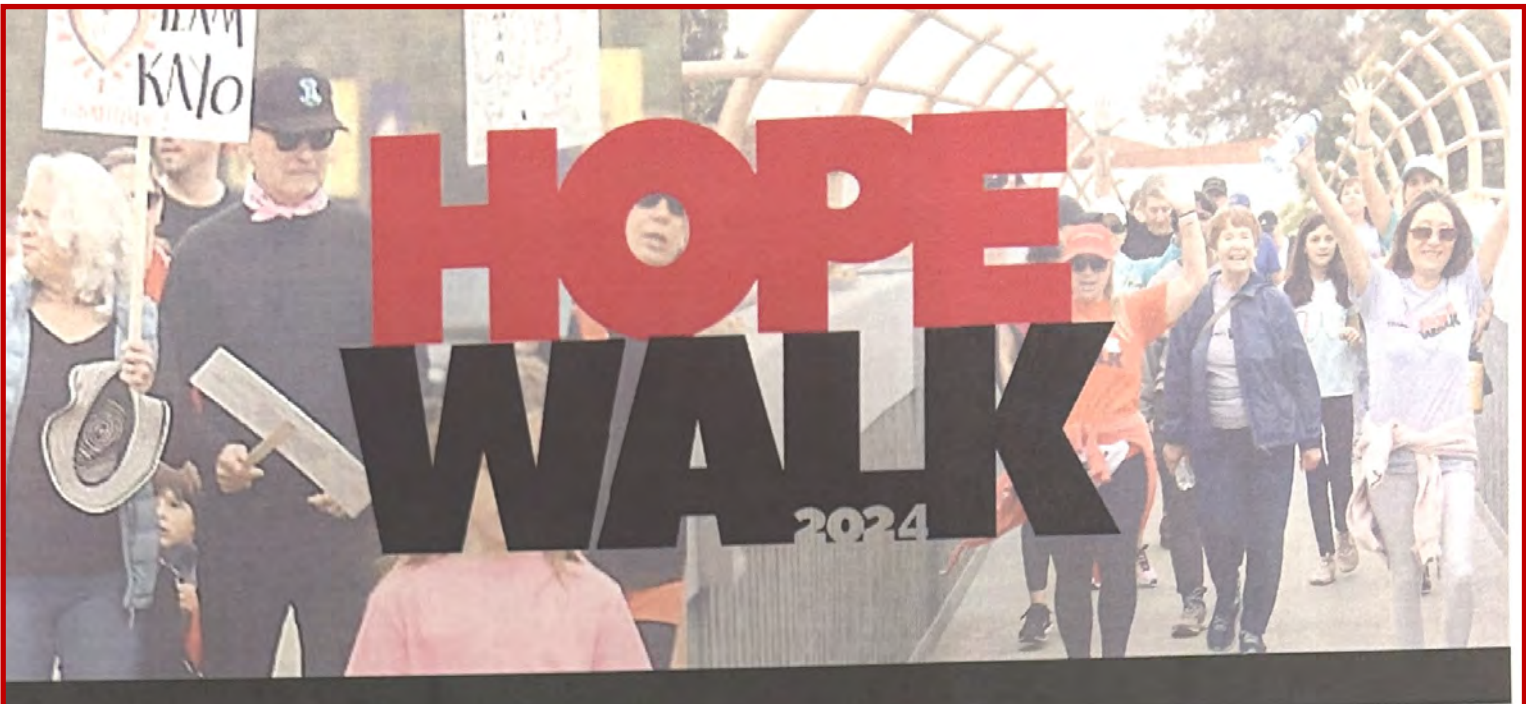
## LIONS CLUB Team Development Workshop



For In Person GGHL Clubhouse 9860 Larson Ave GG  
For more Info contact [Lioncraig4L4@gmail.com](mailto:Lioncraig4L4@gmail.com)

This workshop is for current and future Lion  
Leaders!!!

REGISTER IN ADVANCE by clicking on the picture,  
using the QR code above, or



**SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024**

**CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY • REGISTRATION 8 AM**

- No registration fee
- 5K and shorter route
- Great music
- Refreshments
- Health and Wellness Fair
- Kids' Zone
- Sign-up your team today
- Raise \$100 - receive a t-shirt!
- For all ages!
- Event website: [fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/walk4csc](https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/walk4csc)



Scan the QR code to register, donate, and learn more about the event!



## Melbourne 2024

106TH LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

### Register now and save

For our 106th Lions International Convention, we're headed to Australia's cultural capital, the dazzling city of Melbourne. Secure your spot and save US\$75 when you register for LionsCon by January 12.

Register now

<https://www.mcisemi.com/>

### Accommodation without conditions.

New for international convention this year, all Lions and Leos are free to book their stay at any of our available participating hotels. Plan your stay with fellow Lions and Leos, enjoy free shuttles and still get the lowest room rates available—all while choosing from any of our conveniently located hotel partners.

Learn more

### Start your visa process early.

In addition to a valid passport, travelers will also need the appropriate visa to enter Australia. There are different types of Australian visas available depending on the length of your stay, your current passport status and other qualifying conditions of your visit.

Learn more

### We can't wait to see you!

Everyone benefits by attending the biggest Lion event of the year. So secure your spot at LionsCon in Melbourne now as the best options and biggest savings are available to Lions and Leos who register before January 12, 2024.





# CARAVAN FOR CANCER!

*Come show off your car and join us for a canyon drive through Malibu!*

**\$100 registration fee includes:**

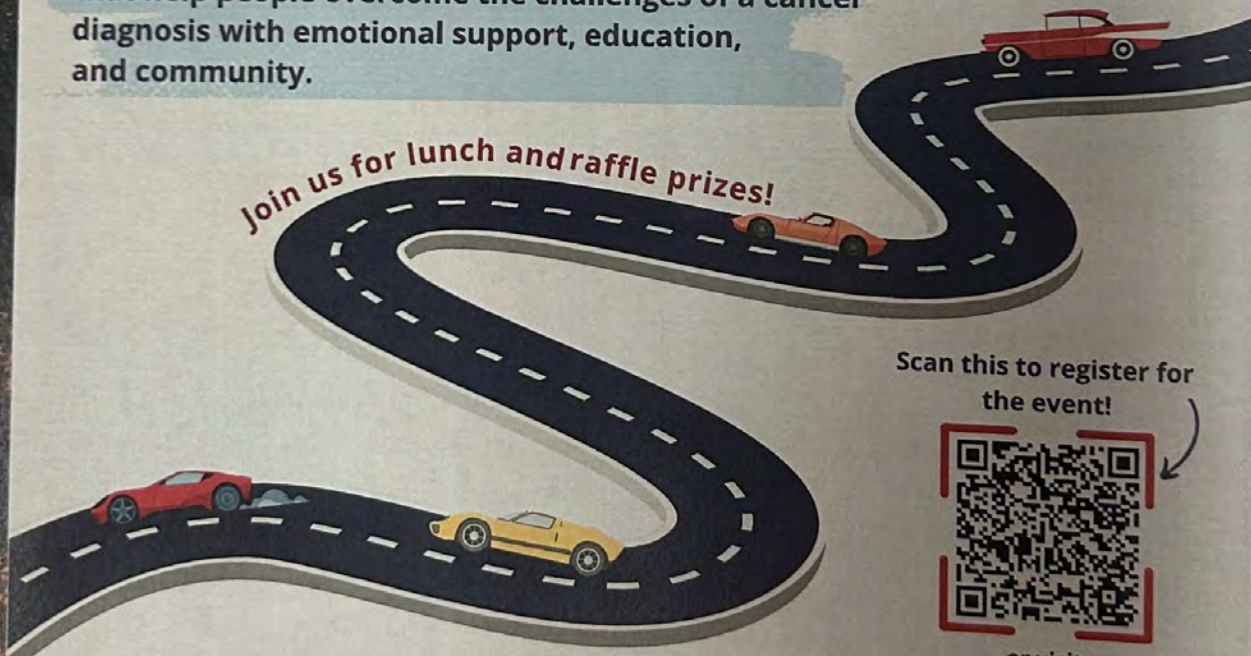
- Continental breakfast
- Canyon drive
- Post-drive tailgate lunch
- Goodie bags for all drivers

Proceeds support CSCVSB's no cost programs that help people overcome the challenges of a cancer diagnosis with emotional support, education, and community.

**June Sunday**  
**23rd 9 AM Check-in**

CSC Office  
4195 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd  
Suite 107  
Westlake Village

*Join us for lunch and raffle prizes!*



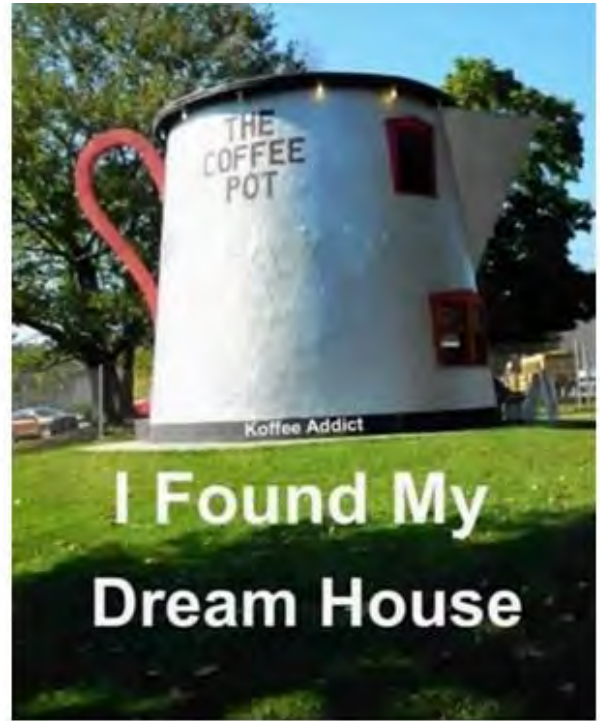
Scan this to register for the event!



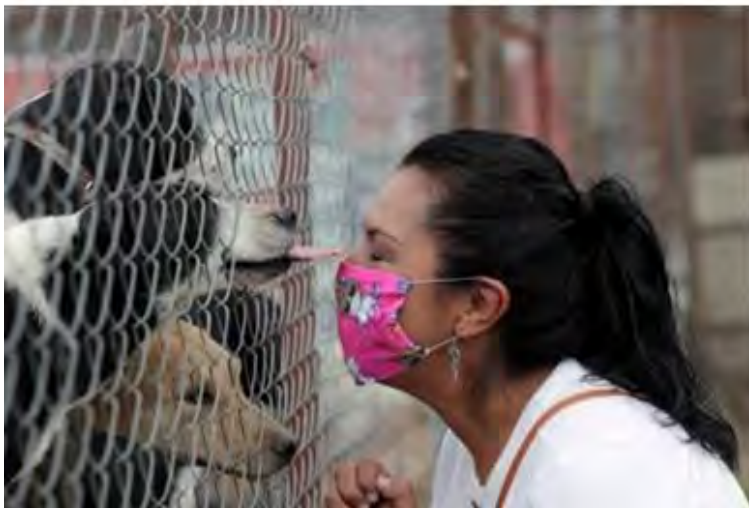
or visit [caravanforcancer.org](http://caravanforcancer.org) for more details!

# Lloyd is at it again!

Be the kind of  
**woman**  
that when your feet  
hit the floor  
each morning  
the devil says,  
"Oh crap,  
she's up!"



"Uh-oh, Stan. I guess it wasn't a big, blue mule deer."



## PV Lions Committees 7/3-6/24

1st Vice President - Bruce Jochums	
Finance & Budget	Bill S., Rich C., Russ W., Victor M., Mike N., Mike M., John Fraser, Bruce Jochums
Community Betterment	John Fraser
Cook Lead 1st qtr.	Bruce Jochums
Cook Lead 2nd qtr.	Chet Price
Cook Lead 3rd qtr.	Mike Nunez
Cook Lead 4th qtr.	Kerry Forsythe
Bar 1st qtr.	Art Mansfield Jr. and Joe Flores
Bar 2nd qtr.	Art Mansfield Jr. and Joe Flores
Bar 3rd qtr.	Art Mansfield Jr. and Joe Flores
Bar 4th qtr.	Art Mansfield Jr. and Joe Flores
District Contests	Lloyd Christie and Russ White
Photographer	Hillary Ling & Bob Taylor
Christmas Float	Bruce Jochums, Mike Nunez, Kerry Forsythe
Student Speaker Contest	Dick Bellman and Kim Stephenson
Meeting Programs	Bruce Jochums
Scholarships	George Graham, Russ White, John Fraser, <b>OPEN</b>
Membership Chair	Mike Nunez
Club Service Chair	Russ White
Peace Poster	Dan Goldberg
Sight & Hearing	Russ White, Bob Taylor
Public Relations	John Fraser
Club Bulletin	Bob Taylor
S.W.O.T.	Victor Martinez

2nd Vice President- Bob Larson	
Lion Burgers	Russ White & Jan Edmondson
Visitations	Lloyd Christie
BBQ Trailer & Equipment	Bruce Jochums & Mike Nunez
Raffles	Russ White & Bob Taylor
5K-1K Race	Mike Brown
Special BBQ's	Bruce Jochums & Mike Nunez

3rd Vice President- John Knittle	
Kids Shopping	George Graham
Club Bulletin	Bob Taylor
Harvest Festival	Bruce Jochums
Easter Festival	Bruce Jochums
Badges/Pins/Banners	Mike Nunez
Sight & Hearing	Russ White
Fair Parking	Bill Schulze
Web site /IT	George Graham
Public Relations	John Fraser
Club Greeter	<b>OPEN</b>

## PV Lions Roster June 2024

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Zwinkels	Wim	981-0010	805-276-8692	wzwinkels@aol.com	Yoke

## May - June Historical Events

- **May 5, 1961** - Alan Shepard became the first American in space. He piloted the spacecraft *Freedom 7* during a 15-minute 28-second suborbital flight that reached an altitude of 116 miles (186 kilometers) above the earth. Shepard's success occurred 23 days after the Russians had launched the first-ever human in space, cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin, during an era of intense technological competition between the Russians and Americans called the Space Race.



- **May 6, 1937** - The German airship Hindenburg burst into flames at 7:20 p.m. as it neared the mooring mast at Lakehurst, New Jersey, following a trans-Atlantic voyage. Thirty six of the 97 passengers and crew were killed. The inferno was caught on film and also witnessed by a commentator who broke down amid the emotional impact and exclaimed, "Oh, the humanity!" The accident effectively ended commercial airship traffic.



- **May 18, 1804** - Napoleon Bonaparte became Emperor of France, snatching the crown from the hands of Pope Pius VII during the actual coronation ceremony, and then crowning himself.



- **June 8, 1874** - Apache leader Cochise died on the Chiricahua Reservation in southeastern Arizona. After a peace treaty had been broken by the U.S. Army in 1861, he waged war against settlers and soldiers, forcing them to withdraw from southern Arizona. In 1862, he became principal chief of the Apaches. He and 200 followers avoided capture by hiding in the Dragoon Mountains. In June of 1871, Army General George Crook assumed command in Arizona and managed to win the allegiance of many Apaches. Cochise then surrendered. He disappeared briefly in the spring of 1872, but returned and settled on the reservation where he died.



- **June 26, 1945** - Champion athlete Mildred "Babe" Didrikson (1911-1956) was born in Port Arthur, Texas. Nicknamed after baseball legend Babe Ruth, she won two gold medals at the 1932 Olympics, setting world records in the javelin throw and high hurdle. She then took up golf, winning the 1946 U.S. Women's Amateur Tournament. In 1947, she won 17 straight golf championships and became the first American winner of the British Ladies' Amateur Tournament. As a pro golfer, she won the U.S. Women's Open in 1950 and 1954. She also excelled in softball, baseball, swimming, figure skating, billiards, and even football. In 1950, she was named 'woman athlete of the first half of the 20th century' by the Associated Press. She died of cancer at age 45.



# Lloyd is at it again and again!

Why do men's clothes have buttons on the right while women's clothes have buttons on the left?

## **BECAUSE**

When buttons were invented, they were very expensive and worn primarily by the rich. Since most people are right-handed, it is easier to push buttons on the right through holes on the left. Because wealthy women were dressed by maids, dressmakers put the buttons on the maid's right! And that's where women's buttons have remained since.

## **2 . WHY?**

Why do ships and aircraft use 'mayday' as their call for help?

## **BECAUSE**

This comes from the French word m'aidez - meaning 'help me' - and is pronounced, approximately, 'mayday.'

## **3 . WHY?**

Why are zero scores in tennis called 'love'?

## **BECAUSE**

In France , where tennis became popular, the round zero on the scoreboard looked like an egg and was called 'l'oeuf,' which is French for 'the egg.' When tennis was introduced in the US, Americans (naturally), mispronounced it 'love.'

## **4 . WHY?**

Why do X's at the end of a letter signify kisses?

## **BECAUSE**

In the Middle Ages, when many people were unable to read or write, documents were often signed using an X. Kissing the X represented an oath to fulfill obligations specified in the document. The X and the kiss eventually became synonymous.

## **5 . WHY?**

Why is shifting responsibility to someone else called passing the buck'?

## **BECAUSE**

In card games, it was once customary to pass an item, called a buck, from player to player to indicate whose turn it was to deal. If a player did not wish to assume the responsibility of dealing, he would 'pass the buck' to the next player.

## **6 . WHY?**

Why do people clink their glasses before drinking a toast?

## **BECAUSE**

In earlier times it used to be common for someone to try to kill an enemy by offering him a poisoned drink. To prove to a guest that a drink was safe, it became customary for a guest to pour a small amount of his drink into the glass of the host. Both men would drink it simultaneously. When a guest trusted his host, he would only touch or clink the host's glass with his own.

## **7.. WHY?**

Why are people in the public eye said to be 'in the limelight'?

## **BECAUSE**

Invented in 1825, limelight was used in lighthouses and theatres by burning a cylinder of lime which produced a brilliant light. In the theatre, a performer 'in the limelight' was the Centre of attention.

## **8 . WHY?**

Why is someone who is feeling great 'on cloud nine'?

## **BECAUSE**

Types of clouds are numbered according to the altitudes they attain, with nine being the highest cloud. If someone is said to be on cloud nine, that person is floating well above worldly cares.

## **9 . WHY?**

In golf, where did the term 'Caddie' come from?

## **BECAUSE**

When Mary Queen of Scots went to France as a young girl, Louis, King of France, learned that she loved the Scots game 'golf.' He had the first course outside of Scotland built for her enjoyment. To make sure she was properly chaperoned (and guarded) while she played, Louis hired cadets from a military school to accompany her.