



# TALES FROM THE LIONS DEN

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## Keeping it Reel - Part 2

Hello Fellow Lions,

February has flown bye and as we head into March, we need to prepare ourselves for a busy month of service. This first weekend is quiet, but every weekend, and some weekdays, are jammed packed. Opening day for the Miracle League 805, For the Troops Gala at the Reagan Library, District meeting in Arroyo Grande on the 8th, awards presentation night for the Camarillo Academic Olympics, setup day for the Spring Festival at Underwoods, Rotary Club BBQ at CSUCI, opening weekend at Underwoods Family Farm, and so on!



Please consider signing up for additional shifts for Underwoods as we need a big presence from the Big Red One! As most of you know, we will be open for business on Good Friday April 18th, please consider signing up for that day.

Please continue to watch your email for some upcoming events and notifications of club activities. We are now opening the doors at our regular club meeting nights at 6 pm. If you want to help with the room set up, please show up and patiently wait outside until 5:45. We cannot be roaming around inside the building prior to that. The cooking crew doesn't need any extra people in the kitchen as they are busy getting your dinner ready. If you are interested in joining the cooking crew, please let me know, we can always use the extra help.

There has been a meal train set up for Lions Bill and Ginger for the next couple of weeks as they get back to some sort of normalcy. If you can provide a meal for them and their family, get in touch with me and I'll get you signed up.

Once again, thank you all for your continued support of PV Lions, we can make a difference!!

*Lion President Bruce*

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# PV Lions Calendar 1/1/2025

- Mar 6 **Lion Don turns 100**
- Mar 8 **3rd District Meeting**
- Mar 11 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Mar 15 **Farmers Market**
- Mar 18 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Mar 18 **Easter Fest Setup 0900**
- Mar 22-Apr 20 **Easter Fest (11 days)**
- Mar 25 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Apr 8 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Apr 15 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Apr 22 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- May 13 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- May 17 **Farmers Market**
- May 20 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- May 27 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Jun 10 Regular Meeting - B&G Club
- Jun 17 Board Meeting - B&G Club
- Jun 21 **Farmers Market**
- Jun 24 Installation - B&G Club



# Lion Burgers for Camarillo High Baseball 1/2

Camarillo High Baseball was CIF champ for 2024 and planned a celebration for team and family. *To make it a real celebration* they needed Lion Burgers so they contacted Pres. Bruce to make that happen. We were happy to cook burgers at cost since many club members and their kids were Camarillo High graduates.

The only person missing from the photo above right is Lion Bruce who bought the food, prepped the veggies and organized all our equipment at his house, He is shown trying to hide behind lion Chet.

Cam High was CIF Division 2 champion in 2008 and sixteen years later became 2024 CIF champion Division IV. The champion placards are shown on the screen.



# Lion Burgers for Camarillo High Baseball 2/2

Cam High Baseball sold the burgers for \$8, which was about twice our cost, to make a little money. They paid us for 200 burgers, chips and water but we estimated that about 120 paying customers showed; nonetheless, they still made a little money for the club. We expected to start serving at 11:15 but all the players were at a ball drop by the fire truck until 11:45. We kept the food hot till then and served until 1:15. We left two dozen burgers with condiments and packed up – another PV success.

We were fortunate to have the “Shadow” participate to keep us on track.



# Update on Guide Dog Puppy WYO

Dear Family,

I am writing to update you on my progress in service dog training. This month, I primarily focused on learning...

Stimulus control on my behaviors & polishing up the behaviors I already know, so I can be more precise.

Some other things that I am learning include...

Socialization cues such as snuggling on others and hug onto another person.

I am good at...

Jump on, Tug, belly up

I am still struggling with...

Focus & staying in one place for too long.

I have the most fun when...

Playing with other dogs & jumping on benches

My favorite toy is...

Anything I can tug on with another puppy!

Wags & Kisses,

Wyo



Guide Dogs  
of America



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Ganines

# 6 Feb - Miracle League of the 805 Gala 1/2

Pleasant Valley Lions bought a table for 8 for \$1000 to the annual Miracle League of the 805 fund raiser. All the PV culprits are shown bottom right.

It was a well-attended affair with 80% of the attendees shown below. The remaining, including PV and Ambers Light tables sitting behind. They even had "Donny Dodger" available for photos as guests arrived,

The co-founders of the league, Jodie and Rick Pena moderated the event and It was clear from the audience's reaction that their efforts at making this league happen were greatly appreciated.



Randy Churchill normally handles the live auction but he was unable to attend. His daughter, shown far right represented the family. Randy has been a huge part of the Miracle League and many other organizations in Camarillo and clearly was appreciated by the crowd. Since Randy couldn't attend a DJ from a local radio station filled in and managed to get lots of cash from the live auction. Lions Mike and George bid on 4 Dodger tickets but they got way too pricy.



The Lions Club BBQ was the very last item out of 10 auctioned and until that time the largest winning bid was \$2500 for a gourmet dinner for 8. BBQ bidding was unusual because it went up in \$500 increments compared to \$50-\$100 increments. **The winning bid was \$4000**, which was near our all time record. Lion Mike tracked down the winner and he is shown at right.

### LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

Lions Club BBQ Feast for 40 – A Crowd Favorite!  
 Get ready for an unforgettable BBQ feast for 40 guests, hosted by the Lions Club! Enjoy mouthwatering tri-tip, juicy chicken, rice, beans, and all the fixings—a guaranteed hit for any gathering! – generously donated by the Lions Club.

*The Miracle League was a big winner.*

**Update: Sadly, Randy Churchill passed away a few days after the fundraiser.**

*He will be missed.*







# 8 Feb - Vision Screening Santa Paula

**Free Vision Screening**

Free Recycled Eyeglasses Free consultation

All Ages Are Welcome First Come, First Served, Come Early

We will be collecting used eyeglasses  
Share with your Family, Friends and Neighbors

**Saturday  
Feb. 8, 2025**

**8 AM Open  
to First In Line  
2 PM  
doors close**

**Santa Paula Church of Christ  
276 W Santa Paula St**

Five PV Lions helped at the vision clinic organized by Santa Paula Lions. They included Pres. Bruce, PDG Rich and Lions Mike, Jan and Lloyd. They were a little short staffed so all performed multiple tasks and had little time for breaks.

The clinic served approximately 190 individuals. The following page shows some of the participants.



# 8 Feb - Vision Screening Santa Paula

It takes a lot of help from Lions, volunteers and Lions Friends in Sight to make this happen.



# 11 Feb - Valentine's Party 1/4

We had an early Valentine's Party with about 50 Lions and guests in attendance. Lions Ellen and Bruce with help from a few decorated the tables with lots of candy. We had an open bar with bartender Katy who has done this several times previously.

When we arrived Pres. Bruce got us to pick a card that was used in a game of attrition with two eventual winners of baskets full of goodies. Lion Jack Eberts won the first and Lion Bill Conn won the second.

Lion Chet organized our catered dinner from Ottavios. We started with a shrimp appetizer put together by Chet and sampled by a few before it got out of the kitchen. Dinner was chicken marsala, lasagna, veggies, salad and rolls. We finished up with several decadent cakes.



# 11 Feb - Valentine's Party 2/4



# 11 Feb - Valentine's Party 3/4

Pres. Bruce is shown calling the winners of the basket prizes. Jennifer and the Bulletin are shown with red roses organized by Lion Mike for all the "ladies".

We had a very special guest, Peaches with her handlers. Peaches was highlighted in the Feb.. Bulletin and is our latest guide dog puppy.

PDG Rich provided an update on the vision clinic at Santa Paula. PV had 5 lions in attendance. Beyond the many eye glasses that were fitted Rich identified several who were diagnosed with more severe problems —It is more than just a vision clinic.

Pres. Bruce gave an update on the Miracle League fundraiser. ***Our bbq sold for \$4000.***  
It was good to see Ceeb Hanlon who decided to return to PV Lions.



# 11 Feb - Valentine's 4/4

Here are a few extra photos to show the cooking crew, servers, bartender Katy and customers.

Lion Chet was up at zero dark thirty chopping celery for the bottom of the shrimp appetizers.



# 15 Feb Farmers Market

Four Pleasant Valley Lions plus the ever present Shadow handled Farmers Market duties. The early birds are shown under the canopy and the late bird who forgot to set an alarm came a little later but proved useful fixing our newly refurbished poster board created by our IVP.

When we arrived, the market gave us a large box of eye glasses collected over the month. We doubled that amount from some very generous doners.



## Lion Bill is Free (at last)

After 2 1/2 months in rehab Bill was released and headed home. Bill's daughter and PDG Rich were there to help. There were many employees to wish Bill well on his road to recovery including the manager who, according to Rich, said that Bill was "the best patient they have had".

Rich is very happy to see Bill back because he hopes to return to just being our Secretary and not dual hatted as Secretary and Treasurer. *Welcome home Bill.*





# 18 Feb - Board Meeting

## Pres. Report

- Lion Bill is home and working again as our treasurer. Welcome back Bill!
- Underwoods sign-ups have gone out to other clubs with a good response. Our club's response has been slow.

## PDG Rich

- Ceeb Hanlon asked to rejoin the club and it was approved. We are now at 57 members.
- Lion Wim donated \$1000 for Pasadena fire victims. Rich will send a check.

## VP Reports

- Environment: 1VP Larson: we will have a tree planning in the next couple of months.

## Unfinished Business

- Search Dog Training facility visit will occur in May during scheduled training.

## New Business

- Feb 21-23: MD4 Convention—4 PV Lions will attend
- March 6: Lion Don Seidler turns 100 and will sky dive. We need to attend.
- March 8: We will cook burgers and dogs for opening day. Nunez will organize.
- March 8: District Meeting—Arroyo Grande. PDG Rich and Lion Lloyd will attend.
- March 8: 10 PV lions will attend the For the Troops Gala
- March 13: Need 4 Lions to help hand out Academic Olympics awards.
- March 22: Rotary club BBQ - Chet Price will organize.
- April: YMCA fundraiser for firefighters. We will donate burgers and dogs. Ambers will provide condiments.
- Visitations at Ventura Downtown Feb 20 and Conejo Valley March 3 to complete short tail.

## Solicitations

- CSUCI Food Pantry. Approved **\$1000** additional donation. Total **\$2000** for year.
- Channel Islands Choral. We will do a Santa Maria BBQ for profit for their fundraiser.
- Rancho Campana Safe and Sober Prom Approved **\$1000**

## Thanks

- Food Share Ventura County: **\$1000**
- Student Speakers Foundation: **\$2000**



# Thanks from: Food Share Ventura County



January 30, 2025

Pleasant Valley Lions Club  
PO Box 157  
Carmarillo, CA 93011

Dear Friends of Food Share,

Thank you for your support to Food Share. Your donation is instrumental in helping Food Share address the nutritional needs 267,000 of our neighbors facing hunger each year.

Your generous 2024 donations totaling \$1,000.00 are hard at work supporting our core initiatives:

- **Hunger-Relief Network:** Through our network of 160+ community partners, in 2024 Food Share distributed nearly 20 million pounds of food – the equivalent of 16.6 million meals.
- **Emergency Food Boxes:** Since April 1, 2020, and the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, Food Share has held 1,097 total weekly drive-thru events distributing 373,584 emergency food boxes.
- **Farmworker Outreach Program:** The level of hunger among farmworkers remains high. Tailored distributions in the fields have been a lifeline, providing 25,250 food boxes since 2021, filled with essentials such as masa, fideo, and hominy.
- **Senior Food Kits:** Through our senior kit program, 3,400 low-income seniors have access to a consistent source of healthy, fresh food each month.

Your support extends beyond providing nourishing meals – it breathes hope and dignity into the lives of the **1 in 4 county residents seeking food assistance**. As we express our profound thanks, we also humbly request your continued support in our ongoing battle against hunger in Ventura County. Together, we can make an enduring difference in the lives of those in need.

Thank you once again for standing with Food Share and our mission to lead the fight against hunger in Ventura County. Together, we can ensure that no one goes hungry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Monica White".

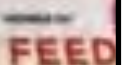
Monica White  
President & CEO

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2024 Donation Receipt

Total Donation Amount: \$1,000.00

Food Share is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. Tax ID 77-0018162.  
No goods or services were provided in exchange for this donation.



# Thanks from: Student Speakers Foundation



## Lions Fourth District **STUDENT SPEAKERS FOUNDATION, INC.** *(A California Non-Profit Corporation)*

December 18, 2024

Pleasant Valley Lions Club  
District 4-A3  
P. O. Box 157  
Camarillo, CA 93011

Dear Lions:

The Lions Fourth District Student Speakers Foundation acknowledges receiving your very generous contribution of **\$2,000.00** (check #2226). I will place this in your account case you want to order future awards.

Financial donations assist our Foundation in providing the \$100,500 for the yearly student speakers contest scholarships.

**This Scholarship Program, through our Foundation, exists because of the special Lion Clubs and Lions who are our supporters.**

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Ohrmund".

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## 20 Feb. - Visitation to Ventura Downtown

Four PV Lions visited the Ventura Downtown Lions. We shared our table with two old friends, PCC Bill and PDG Margaret Dunleavy. One more visitation and we will have a short tail for the year and that will occur at Conejo Valley in March.



Pres. Kevin Seelos is shown at right. It started out with PDG Norm McDaniel twisting lots of tails. He made several hundred dollars for the club. One member donated \$150 after successful heart surgery.



Next up was a report on the Central Coast Free Clinic. They gave out over 1000 pairs of new eye glasses last year. They have great sponsors in addition to Lions and a paid optometrist tech to enable this mobile clinic.



The main speaker was Kevin Brannon, founder of Reel Guppy Outdoors. Kevin spoke at our club a while back and we donated funds for some fishing equipment. He is passionate about helping local youth grow by exposure to their natural environment.



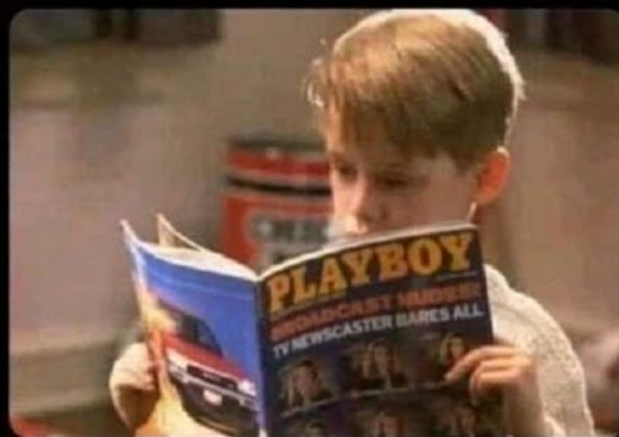
### Reel Guppy Outdoors Program

Angling for adventure, opportunity, and community education since 2011, *Reel Guppy Outdoors Inc.* has been providing local youth and their families with education and fishing outings at no cost to their participants. *Their mission* is to provide a positive environment for youth using outdoor adventures emphasizing education, life-building lessons, leadership, stewardship, and team building. They seek to empower participants with the education and skills to enjoy waters and beaches while promoting good stewardship of natural resources.

# Thanks Lloyd



Gender study when I was a kid



We've been friends for so long, I can't remember which one of us is the bad influence.

Things that used to hurt my back:

- Jumping off of garages
- Crashing my bike
- Falling out of a tree
- Diving in the shallow end
- Contact sports

Things that hurt my back now:

- Sneezing
- Washing the dishes
- Brushing my teeth
- Tying my shoes
- Rolling over in bed





## WELCOME

Fellow Lions, Family, and Guests!

On behalf of the Council of Governors, welcome again to beautiful Visalia, CA, as we gather for celebration and fellowship at our 106th Multiple District 4/California Convention! We are gratified you made the journey and have joined us to help make this gathering the most fun-filled weekend of the year as we celebrate this year's theme, "Service on Safari"!

Chair. Lion Kevin Guess MD4 Council Chair 2024-25

## Dr Manoj Shah Third Vice President



Dr. Manoj Shah of Nairobi, Kenya was elected to serve as Third Vice President of Lions International at the Association's 106th International Convention held in Melbourne, Australia, in June 2024.

Vice President Shah is a successful businessman with interests in the Automobile, Property, Hospitality and Finance sectors.

A Charter member of the Nairobi Greater Lions Club since 1988, Vice President Shah has held many offices within the association at Club, District and International levels. He has served as a Constitutional Area

Leader of the Global Action Team – Africa and was Chairman of the Africa Lions Steering Committee which led to Africa being recognized as a separate Constitutional Area. He also served as a Trustee of the Lions Clubs International Foundation and is a Campaign 100 Lead Gift Donor and LCIF Humanitarian Partner.



## 21-23 Feb. MD4 Convention 2/4

In a few months the guest speaker will turn 100 years old. I wonder whether our own 100 year old (March) Lion Don Seidler knew each other. I also wonder what this secret weapon that could shorten the war by at least two years could have been (not really). What an honor for our 4 PV Lions to listen to this guest speaker!!!

### Veteran Luncheon Guest Speaker



## Norris Jernigan

**NORRIS N JERNIGAN** was born June 11, 1925. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps. On June 10th 1943, the before his 18th birthday and served until March 17th, 1946. In May, 1944 he was assigned to the Intelligence Department of the 393rd Bomb Squadron, 504th Bomb Group (a new B-29 unit). In

August 1944 the 393rd Bomb Squadron was separated from the 504th Bomb Group and sent to Wendover, Utah., When the Squadron arrived at Wendover they were advised they had been selected to be the Bomb Squadron for the 509th Composite Group, a new and specially designed unit, which would be trained to use a new secret weapon and if its use is successful should shorten the war by at least two years.

The Magic Yarn Project was featured at the convention and many Leos and Lions participated to create wigs for childhood cancer patients.



## 21-23 Feb. MD4 Convention 3/4

PDG's Rich and Dave and Lions Bruce, Mary Jo and Gail are shown at dinner. Bottom right PDG Rich is awarded for *meeting the goal for LCIF donations during his tenure* by Dr. Manoj Shah.





## 21-23 Feb. MD4 Convention 4/4

The presentation of Flags is always an impressive ceremony. Below in the main dining hall you see all the flags from the participating countries.

At center we see our 4A3 Lions participating in a caucus prior to voting.

At bottom we have Mike and Jan with their Lion Bud and Jan voting via computer..



# 21-23 Feb. MD4 Convention

The MD4 peace poster winner is shown below left along with the two honorable mention winners. The 4A3 winner shown bottom left was an excellent representative for our district.



# 21-23 Feb. MD4 Convention

Here are the remaining Peace Poster contest MD4 District winners.



DISTRICT 4-L5



DISTRICT 4-L4



DISTRICT 4-L3



DISTRICT 4-C5



DISTRICT 4-C3



DISTRICT 4-C1



DISTRICT 4-A3



DISTRICT 4-A1

## Pres. Bruce:

- Easter Fest set up will be on 18 March starting 0900 at the yard.
- Need 2-3 Lions for Academic Olympics starting at 5:15 pm — Lions Mike and Jan volunteered.
- 8 March—Miracle League Opening—we will provide hot dogs. It is already staffed.
- April 5—Crab Fest. We will have a table for 8. See Bruce.



## Guest Speaker:

### Sara Richardson - YMCA

Sara provided us with a very interesting and appropriate talk. The YMCA provides programs for all ages that promote health and well being. She started out with a little ball game where she tossed balls to those who provided info on their daily physical activities. Rich looks like his old catcher self. A few in the club are already members with dues covered by health insurance. If you are interested in joining check with your insurance to see if it is covered. Sara described the Livestrong and Living Strong programs.

Lion Kim Dallape talked about her experience at the YMCA and how it has had an extremely positive impact on her life.



## LIVESTRONG®

"If Paula had told me in 3 years I'd be going to the pool six mornings a week and then driving back for classes four - five times a week, I would have never believed her. When I started LIVESTRONG® my goal was to complete the class (I knew it would be hard) and to try the pool. I was so down, depressed and in so much pain when I started. I was never a gym person. Never in my wildest dreams did I imagine doing what I can do now.

The Y is not just a gym, it is a caring and supportive community. I will be forever grateful to the Y and LIVESTRONG® for the encouragement and support the staff and members have given me. They have helped me make so many positive changes in my life both physically and emotionally."

**240**

kids received free, life-saving swim lessons through our Learn to Swim program

**190**

cancer survivors found community at the YMCA through LIVESTRONG® at the YMCA and LIVING STRONGER programs.

**630**

kids spent their summer learning and playing outside at YMCA summer camps

## Tail Twisting

- Lion Mike was first up due his flub of the prayer.
- Bruce paid up with a \$20 bill from last meeting for his first granddaughter.
- Lion Jan is extremely proud of her Navy grandson who is headed for an aircraft carrier working in aviation and electronics.
- Lion Sherri and Jeff are off again on a two wheel adventure in Morocco and Europe.
- Lion Russ said that cleanup of destroyed homes around his house has started.
- Lion Missy was teary-eyed describing WYO's graduation (see **following page**). We all should be proud of Missy's dedication to guide dog training.
- Lion Ceeb is back and recounted his trials and tribulations on his way back to the club: Welcome back Ceeb!



## Special Award

PDG Magaret Dunleavy is heavily involved with Lions Camps at Terresita Pines and appreciative of the support from PV Lions. Although a little hard to see she is holding a beautiful *but empty* decanter for our **\$2000** donation.

## PV Sign

Thanks 1VP Bob Larson for our new signs.



Wyo

Judy A. Reilly <JAREilly@GuideDogsofAmerica.org>

Lions,

I wanted to let you know that there is a **POSSIBILITY** that your sponsored pup, Wyo, will graduate at our upcoming graduation on Saturday, March 15.

We have a group of students coming in for training for this class and we also have a group of dogs that are “class ready”, meaning that they are ready to be matched with a partner. Let’s say we have six or eight students in a class.. In that situation we might have close to 20 pups that might work for these students. The matching is an essential element if the team is to be successful. Once the students arrive to our campus for their three week training period, the trainers will determine which dog is the best for each student. This is a time consuming process and a delicate one.

I wanted you to know that possibly, Wyo might be selected for one of these students, but there is no guarantee. I thought you would like to know, however, in case you would want to attend the graduation and “save the date”!

I will not be able to let you know until sometime during the week of March 10, whether your dog has been selected and will be graduating, so please be patient. This is great news however! Even if your pup is not selected this time around it means it/she/he is on the track to success!

**Judy Reilly**

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## 25 Feb. - Regular Meeting 4/4

**Dinner:** The cooking crew led by Lion Kerry this quarter provided a roast pork, veggies, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls and lots of cookies for the hungry crowd.



PDG Rich tasked Lion Jan with contacting preschools in Camarillo to see whether they wanted vision screening. We have 2 spot vision devices and they are underutilized.

### Special Guests:

Guide Dog Amie and Lion Missy are always special guests. PDG Margaret and PCC Bill Dunleavy are friends of the club and are always welcome. The out of focus Bill is entirely the photographer's fault. Lion Bob Larson brought his friend Bill who is potential new member. Bill was a navy diver/EOD in Vietnam.



# March 2025 Birthdays

HAPPY  
Birthday



Certificate

Happy Birthday Month

Good for ONE drink at the bar



Graham Jr	George	3/20	
Knittle	John	3/7	
Scherer	Karl	3/1	
Seidler	Donald	3/6	100 years old
Zwinkels	Wim	3/31	



## Horoscope Pisces - Aires

- Your whimsical nature is on full display this month as your imagination is like a wild ocean, swirling with fantastical ideas and dreams. Whether you're doodling unicorns in the margins of your meeting notes or daydreaming about starting a commune for retired circus animals, let your creativity flow freely. Beware of getting lost in thought while grocery shopping — you might accidentally bring home a llama instead of milk.
- You'll feel unstoppable this month! But that enthusiasm will only work in your favor as long as you channel it into productive tasks rather than challenging everyone to impromptu arm-wrestling matches. Your fiery energy will propel you forward like a rocket on a mission — just don't forget to tie your shoelaces before you sprint towards greatness.



Your donations today make a bigger impact on the future



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**



## Dear Lions and Leos,

While people around the world continue to face unimaginable challenges, Lions and Leos are responding. Grant funds from our global foundation are helping you make a bigger impact when and where it matters most. In recognition of International World Childhood Cancer Day on February 15, this month's newsletter shares more about LCIF's Childhood Cancer Grant, as well as one childhood cancer survivor's story.

It is also my pleasure to share the 2023-2024 LCIF Annual Report, which celebrates the generosity of our donors and highlights examples of grant-funded, life-changing service made possible through your gifts. Thank you to every one who continues to support our foundation with your [personal donations](#). You set the example for countless others, inspiring them to join you in helping expand our service across the globe.

Yours in service,

**Dr. Patti Hill, LCIF Chairperson**



# MISSION 1.5

## Why are you a Lion?

It's a simple question with profound answers—friendships made, joy in helping others and countless more. To meet the challenges ahead, we must grow. *MISSION 1.5* is our path forward. Will we rise to the call, as we always have, or let those needs go unanswered? The choice is ours.



# 1,311,580

### Members Added

These members' lives will be forever changed, as yours has since becoming a Lion, and the lives impacted by these members will be countless. **(Data is from 7/1/24-1/31/25)**



# 1,296

### New Clubs Formed

Just as your club transforms your community, these groups unite to create lasting change in theirs. **(Data is from 7/1/24-1/31/25)**

## British Humor is Different

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TEACHER: Glenn, how do you spell 'crocodile?'

GLENN: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L'

TEACHER: No, that's wrong

GLENN: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.  
(I Love this child)

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TEACHER: Donald, what is the chemical formula for water?

DONALD: H I J K L M N O.

TEACHER: What are you talking about?

DONALD: Yesterday you said it's H to O.

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TEACHER: Winnie, name one important thing we have today that we didn't have ten years ago.

WINNIE: Me!

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TEACHER: Glen, why do you always get so dirty?

GLEN: Well, I'm a lot closer to the ground than you are.

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TEACHER: George Washington not only chopped down his father's cherry tree, but also admitted it.

Now, Louie, do you know why his father didn't punish him?

LOUIS: Because George still had the axe in his hand.....

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TEACHER: Now, Simon, tell me frankly, do you say prayers before eating?

SIMON: No sir, I don't have to, my Mum is a good cook.

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TEACHER: Clyde, your composition on 'My Dog' is exactly the same as your brother's.

Did you copy his?

CLYDE : No, sir. It's the same dog.

(I want to adopt this kid!!!)

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TEACHER: Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?

HAROLD: A teacher.



**Register  
Today!**

# **MD4-A3 3rd District Meeting**

**Saturday, March 8, 2025**

**Saint Barnabas' Episcopal Church**

**8:30 am ~ Continental Breakfast**

**10:15 am ~ District Meeting**

It's time to register for the third District 4-A3 meeting! It will be held at the Saint Barnabas' Episcopal Church (301 Trinity Ave, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420) on Saturday, March 8, 2025!

**You can register & pay ONLINE (click on the link or use the QR code) or fill out the registration form and send your check. If you need to pay at the door PLEASE let Cabinet Secretary Denise Daniels know you are planning to attend. Lunch reservations are needed by Friday, February 28, 2025!**

# Ventura Downtown Lions

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## 14th ANNUAL



### Sonoma Style Crab Feast

# Saturday, April 5, 2025

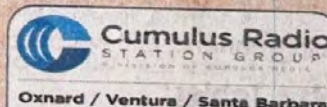
4:30 pm Doors Open • 6:30 pm Dinner Served

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## 7 June - Open House Guide Dogs of America/Tender Loving Canines

GDA|TLC will be holding its annual Open House on Saturday, June 7. It is a fun day with all sorts of attractions: guide/service dog demonstrations, puppy trials, food, puppy kissing booth, etc., etc. If you are in the area, we would love to have you visit.

I am responsible for our silent auction on that day. We assemble over 200 gift items in all sorts of categories: travel, entertainment, sports, gifts for men, women, and children and of course, dogs! I am contacting you because all the items are donated by our generous supporters, so I am hoping you might be able to help spread the word. If you know anyone who has a condo or home in a resort area that might be willing to donate a weekend stay (or longer!) I would love to hear about it. Same goes if you have friends with season tickets to sports events, theater productions, Hollywood Bowl, etc. Donations like that are very popular and my goal this year is to raise \$60,000 – enough to sponsor a service dog team.

So, my friends, if you have any connections or suggestions and can help in any way we would love to hear from you. I also have an Amazon wish list set up Amazon.com if folks want to help and need some ideas. And cash works too! I will happily spend it on needed items that will bring in way more than their face value.

Many, many thanks for your support and consideration – we couldn't do it without you!

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## PV Lions Committees 2024-25

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

<b>2nd Vice President– OPEN</b>	
<b>Lion Burgers</b>	<b>Russ White &amp; Bob Taylor</b>
<b>Visitations</b>	<b>Lloyd Christie</b>
<b>BBQ Trailer &amp; Equipment</b>	<b>Bruce Jochums &amp; Mike Nunez</b>
<b>Special BBQ's</b>	<b>Bruce Jochums &amp; Mike Nunez</b>

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<b>Kids Shopping</b>	<b>George Graham</b>
<b>Club Bulletin</b>	<b>Bob Taylor</b>
<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Bruce Jochums</b>
<b>Easter Festival</b>	<b>Bruce Jochums</b>
<b>Badges/Pins/Banners</b>	<b>Mike Nunez</b>
<b>Bingo</b>	<b>Bill Schulze</b>
<b>Web site /IT</b>	<b>George Graham</b>
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