

"Roaring Loudly—Gently Serving" MD4-A3 District Newsletter

October - December 2016 - Second Quarter Issue

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

2016/2017 Cabinet Officers

Jose J. Nichols District Governor

Norm McDaniel 1st Vice District Governor

Dave Hubbard 2nd Vice District Governor

Richard Davis
IP District Governor

PDG Chuck Cassy GLT Coordinator

Mark Westfall GMT Coordinator

Juanita Nichols Cabinet Secretary

Mary-Catherine Henggeler Cabinet Treasurer

Region Chairs

L—Terry Orton

I—Don Bock

O-Gene Wanek

N—Greg Steinmetz

Zone Chairs

- 1—Anthony Kalvans
- 2—PDG Dick Kane
- 3—Nancy Pacheco
- 4—Ann McCarty
- 5—Chase Gregory
- 6—Diane Ellis
- 7—Kalani Jose
- 8—George Graham

Leaders Among Us

In our travels not only within District 4-A3, but also in our visits throughout California, Juanita and I have been fortunate to meet great leaders who are making a difference in their respective districts. These leaders I am referring to are not only District Governors, but other dedicated Lions with the passion to improve their respective club, zone, region or district by getting actively involved in activities that are making a difference in their organizations.



ID Howard Hudson, PDG Chuck Cassy, Candidate for International Director and PID Bob Smith

Our District is not only fortunate, but extremely proud, to be the home to **International Director Howard Hudson**. ID Howard and Lion Lynne have been traveling extensively this past year meeting other Lions all over the world while fulfilling the requirement of the International Director's position.

District 4-A3 has the opportunity to continue being home to another International Director. As most of you know, our own **Past District Governor Chuck Cassy** is running for the International Director position. PDG, and current District Global Membership Leader Coordinator Chuck Cassy, has been extremely busy visiting Lions all over the State for the last several months. PDG Chuck Cassy, just like our International Director Howard Hudson, is the type of leaders who has, in the past, made a difference in our district, and who will continue to make a difference within and beyond our district.

Now, as you all know, PDG Chuck needs our support and our vote if he is going to succeed in his quest for the International Director position. So, what is it that we, as proud District 4-A3 Lions can do? We need to register as delegates and attend the Multiple District Four Convention in Redding which is taking place real soon! We realize that the distance to the convention site is not necessarily short, but we sometimes have to make small sacrifices in order to ensure that we continue to have great leaders representing all of us Lions. Enclosed in this Newsletter is the registration information for the MD4 Convention in February. I encourage you to register today, as the deadline for early registration is at the end of this month.

Thank you all for the work that you do on behalf of this great organization. On behalf of our family we wish you the best of Holidays!

Yours In Lionism, Jose Nichols, District Governor





Second Vice District Governor Lion Dave Hubbard

"Aarrggghhh!" The journey through the district so far has been wonderful. Lion Gail and I have visited over half of the clubs in the district. We have met a lot of hard working Lions who are doing good in their communities. My hat is off to you. We have enjoyed the fundraisers we have attended and especially enjoyed working hand in hand with Lions from a number of clubs on their service projects and/or fundraisers. We have served food to the hungry, helped with vision screening for those in need of glasses, boxed toffee, made chili, made burritos for the Harbor Festival in Morro Bay, served

food at the San Luis Obispo Pancake Breakfast, and signed in riders for a bicycle tour. We are getting ready to help rebuild a pier. We have had Dinner in the Dark in Vandenberg Village, been to 2 car shows, enjoyed Pinedorado Days in Cambria, enjoyed a handful of pancake breakfasts, and feasted on tri-tip sandwiches in Arroyo Grande. We have had the pleasure of visiting the clubs with Governor Jose, Cabinet Secretary Juanita, 1st VDG Norm and Lion Cyndee. We are getting to know the clubs and the Lions in the clubs which is important if we are all going to work together to make this a better district and a better world.

Governor Jose and I, along with our GMT Lion Mark Westfall and host of dedicated Lions, have been working to rebuild a number of clubs in the district. We will continue our efforts to make all of the clubs in the district healthy. We are working on starting a new club in Guadalupe and another club is formed in Oxnard. It has been especially rewarding to see the number of clubs who have inducted new members. I hope that all the clubs will work diligently to increase membership. Sometimes I hear, "I didn't join Lions to bring in new members", but we all need to revitalize our club. Otherwise, they get old and fade away. Look at bringing in young adults and families. With them, they bring enthusiasm, new ideas, and strong bodies to help get the job done. That goes hand in hand with developing new leaders for our clubs and the district. Encourage new members to become involved in working on district committees. Encourage them to go to leadership seminars and classes that are conducted by MD-4 and Lions International to strengthen their skills as leaders. I will be working with Gov. Jose and 1st VDG Norm to develop stronger leadership in the clubs and district. With it, we hope to increase membership to strengthen our clubs and be able to provide more service in our communities.

With the Lions Centennial year upon us, have you made plans to celebrate? Do so by helping to reach 200,000,000 people. You can do so by aiding in hunger relief, working to improve our environment, serving youth, and aiding in vision related projects. Have you thought about completing a legacy project in your community? This is a project that will stand the test of time in making your community a better place to live. Matching grants will soon be available from the California Lions Foundation for up to \$10,000.00. Have you made plans for a Centennial celebration in your community? Ask you Mayor or city council for a proclamation. And have you made plans to attend the Centennial Convention in Chicago. This will be a party you won't want to miss? And think about attending the MD-4 Convention in Redding in February. We need Lions from 4-A3 there to support our candidate, PDG Chuck Cassy, for the MD-4 endorsement for Lions International Director.

If you have problems, questions, or need assistance, I will try to make myself available to your club. I hope that our journey together will be filled with success and fun. I hope to see more of you on our journey through the district, at district, region, and zone meetings. Join with me to "Be a Partner in Service".



Leadership Training Opportunities:

2016-2017 MD4 LEADERSHIP INSTITUTES: (REGISTER NOW)

- January 14-16, 2017 Leadership Institute Sacramento (Sacramento Doubletree)
- March 4-6, 2017 Leadership Institute Ontario (Ontario Radisson Hotel)

2016/2017 EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

January 21-24, 2017 Chicago, Illinois

NEW CLUB DEVEOPMENT IN MD4-A3

There's a new club in town — That is the new Oxnard Downtown Lions Club.

The Oxnard Downtown Lions Club is now an official club as of November 29, 2016; sponsored by the Ventura Downtown Lions Club.

This would not have been possible without the collaborative efforts of Cabinet Treasurer, Mary Catherine Henggeler from the Camarillo Ambers Light and Lions PDG, Chuck Cassy and Adam Casillas from the Ventura Downtown Lions.

The new club officers and board members were voted on at the lunch meeting of November 9, 2016 at Tomas Café and Gallery located at 622, S. "A" Street, Oxnard.

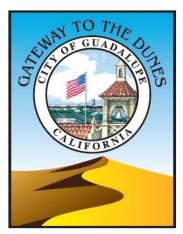
Various dignitaries were present for the big event; MD4-A3, District Governor, Jose Nichols, PDG Jeff Roundy (Guiding

WESERVE

Jeff Roundy, Cibeli Rocha Tregembo, Mary Garcia, Jose J. Nichols, Louie Mendez II, Christine Gonzales, Michael Inda, Chuck Cassy, and Tom Rey Garcia at Tomas Cafe & Gallery.

Lion), 1st VDG Lion Norm McDaniel, District Cabinet Treasurer, Mary Catherine Henggeler, Lion Mark Westfall, District Global Membership Coordinator, PDG, Chuck Cassy, District Global Leadership Coordinator and Rick Smith.

The Charter Ceremony is scheduled for Friday, January 27, 2017 at the Residence Inn in Oxnard.



Guadalupe Lions Club Is Up and Coming!

The Guadalupe Lions Club is another new club that is taking shape as we speak. It is anticipated to have the club formed by sometime soon after the new year.

DG Jose, GMT Coordinator, Mark Westfall, 2nd VDG, Dave Hubbard, Region I Chair, Don Bock and Zone 3 Chair, Nancy Pacheco and Cabinet Secretary, Juanita Nichols have been meeting on a weekly basis with club members.

We will keep everyone posted on its progress.



MD4-A3 Second District Meeting - November 11-12, 2016



The second District Meeting of the year was held November 11-12, 2016. Again, thank you to Region N Clubs for organizing a fun weekend. Camarillo Amber's Light Lions Club hosted the Friday Night Social at the Studio Channel Islands Art Center with some great appetizers and liquid spirits. On Saturday, the Simi Valley-Moorpark hosted the Continental Breakfast with a variety of breakfast goodies and munchies. Lunch was provided by members of the Camarillo-Somis-Pleasant Valley Lions. We appreciate the way club's membership stepped up to help out with the setting up and the take down of table, chairs, sound system, etc. As we all are aware, there a many things that take place behind the

scenes in preparing for a district meeting. It takes everyone to come together to make it all happen.

District Governor Jose's and First Lady Juanita visiting guests were from MD4-A2, District Governor Al Kroell and First Lady Christy Kroell.

In recognition of the Veteran's Day holiday, keynote speaker was Veteran, Mr. Jim Compton. In his own way he gave a very inspirational presentation. Mr. Compton shared his experience as a serviceman that just returned from the Vietnam war. He spoke about how he dealt with post war trauma and what it took for him start the healing process by reconnecting with service men in his company.



Lion Don Greenberg with 1st Ladies, Lion Christy Kroell & Cabinet Secretary, Juanita Nichols



DG Jose enjoying some time with ladies from Amber's Light



Vietnam Veteran Mr. Jim Compton

The day was filled with lots of valuable presentations and information such as, District Leos Program, 2017 Student Speaker Contest and Student Speaker Foundation; Lions Club International Foundation, etc. PDG Jeff Roundy, encouraged all members to register to attend the MD4 District Convention in Redding on February 10-12, 2017 and support our MD4-A3 endorsed Candidate for International Director, PDG Chuck Cassy.



PCC Roger Powell presentation on behalf of LCIF to Lion John Knittle and PDG Margaret Dunlevy



PCC Bill Dunlevy presentation on the Student Speaker Foundation.

MD4-A3 Second District Meeting - November 11-12, 2016



A2 Governor Al Kroell at District Cabinet Meeting with DG Jose Nichols



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Region L Chair, Terry Orton, 2nd VDG, Dave Hubbard and PDG/Zone 2 Chair, Dick Kane

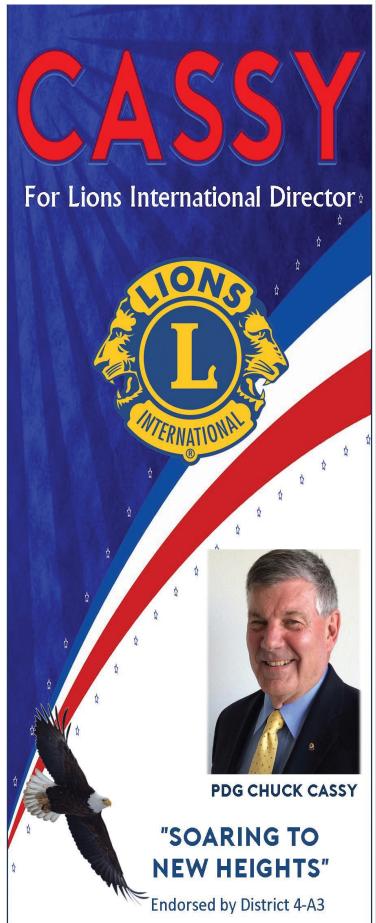
1st VDG Norm McDaniel, DG Jose Nichols, A2 DG Al Kroell, 2nd VDG Dave Hubbard, Nipomo Lions Club President, Bill Criss and GMT Coordinator, Mark Westfall





District Governor presents hosting clubs with Certificates of Appreciation for their hard work in organizing the 2nd District Meeting for 2016/2017.

Camarillo Amber's Light - Chris Graham, Vice President Simi Valley-Moorpark - Barbara Penney, President Camarillo-Somis-Pleasant Valley - Richard Hanson, President



Soaring to New Heights with PDG Chuck Cassy for International Director

REMEMBER TO REGISTER TO ATTEND THE MD4 CONVENTION IN FEBRUARY 2017

Attend a variety of breakout sessions, Participate, network, and meet new Lions.

Vote for the Next Lions International Director!

PDG Chuck Cassy

Lions Clubs International 98th Annual MD-4 Convention Holiday Inn, Redding, CA February 10-12, 2017

Make Hotel Reservations

Holiday Inn Redding, (Host Hotel) 1900 Hilltop Drive, Redding, CA 96002 - (530) 221-7500

\$99 and up (includes breakfast) (Mention Group Code: LNC)
Red Lion Redding, (Adjacent to Host Hotel) 1830 Hilltop Drive,
Redding, CA 96002 - (530) 221-8700

\$100 and up (includes breakfast) (Mention: Lions International Statewide or use Online Group Code: Lion0207)

Reservation Deadline: January 9, 2017

Please note the different registration deadlines.

We are all looking forward to a great week!



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL 98th ANNUAL MD-4 CONVENTION HOLIDAY INN, REDDING, CALIFORNIA

February 10 - 12, 2017

Use one form for EACH registrant. Please PRINT or TYPE. No telephone registrations accepted.

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End of the Year Message From International President

Dear Lion,

2016 has been a year of life-changing service, new initiatives and a celebration of our legacy of bringing hope to underserved populations around the globe. I want to thank you for everything that you have done to help make this year a success.

Thanks to your hard work, Lions have helped more than 120 million people during the Centennial Service Challenge, far surpassing our initial goal of 100 million people—and we're still going! Lions have completed nearly 8,500 Legacy Projects, providing lasting gifts and reminding their communities just how important Lions are. And more than 325,000 Lions have already received membership awards for increasing our service impact by starting new clubs and inviting new Lions to join us in service.

We have accomplished so much this year. But there's so much more Lions can do during the holidays to help our friends and neighbors who need us most. Take the opportunity to finish 2016 strong and serve your community during the holiday season. And remember, when Lions come together for the good of mankind, there's nothing we can't accomplish.



Very truly yours, Chancellor Bob Corlew Your International President

Lions Clubs International Convention - June 30—July 4, 2017



CONVENTION AND HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

LIONS CLUBS 100TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Chicago, Illinois USA • Friday, June 30 — Tuesday, July 4, 2017



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| REGULAR (January 14 through March 31, 2017) US\$180 US\$10 US\$ | 60 Ticketed Events: US\$ | Ticketed Events: US\$ | | | | | |
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Mail: Lions Clubs International Attn: Convention Division • 300 West 22nd Street Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA • Fax: +1 630.571.1689 • E-mail: registration@lionsdubs.org

Please note: Liors Clubs International will be documenting the international convention for promotional purposes. Your participation may be filmed or photographed at this event. Your registration is your consent for use of these images by Lions Clubs International.

MD4-A3 Calendar of Events

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Region L – February 24-25, 2017 Region I – May 5-6, 2017

Morro Bay Santa Maria

DISTRICT CONVENTION

May 5-7, 2016

MD4-A3 Convention, Radisson, Santa Maria

DISTRICT CONTEST DEADLINES

July 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017 April 1, 2016-March 31, 2017 April 10, 2017 April 30, 2017

Contest Period Visitation Contest Reporting Deadline Yearbook Deadline

IPDG ROAST

IPDG Jose Nichols

July 2017

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Lions Flag Day February 17-19, 2017 Lions City of Hope Day March 26, 2017



MD4 AND INTERNATIONAL **EVENTS**

STUDENT SPEAKERS CONTEST

On or Before February 20, 2017 On or Before March 13, 2017 On or Before April 3, 2017 On or Before May 1, 2017 On or Before May 22, 2017 June 3, 2017

Club Contest **Zone Contest** Region Contest **District Contest** Area Contest MD-4 Final Contest

2016/2017 Environmental Photo Contest

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT TO DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Friday, January 6th.

2017 Lions Eves Across California

Saturday, March 18, 2017

MD4 COUNCIL OF GOVERNOR (COG) MTGS.

February 8-9, 2017

Mid-Winter – (Red Lion) Redding, CA; 4-C1

June 2-4, 2017

Joint – (Hilton Pasadena) Pasadena, CA; 4-L2

MD4 CONVENTIONS

February 10-12, 2017

(Red Lion) Redding, CA; 4-C1

February 2-4 or 9-11, 2018 San Diego, CA; 4-L6

MD-4 LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

January 14-16, 2017

North: Sacramento DoubleTree West Hotel

March 4-6, 2017

South: Ontario Radisson Hotel

MD-4 LEO LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

March 31-April 2, 2017 Lions Camp at Teresita Pines

USA CANADA FORUMS

September 21-23, 2017 Portland, Oregon September 20-22, 2018 Columbus, Ohio September 19-21, 2019 Spokane, Washington



2016/2017 ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

November 12-14, 2016 Houston, Texas

2016/2017 EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

January 21-24, 2017 Chicago, Illinois

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

June 30-July 4, 2017

(Centennial) Chicago, Illinois, USA

June 29-July 3, 2018

Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

July 5-9, 2019

Milan, Italy

June 26-30, 2020

Singapore

June 25-29, 2021

Montreal. Canada

MD4-A3 District Governor Visitations & Lions University Program

2016/2017 Governor's Visitations

| Month | Date | Day | Club | B/L/D | Time | |
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| Jan-17 | 18 | Wed | Arroyo Grande Lions | D | 7:00 PM | |
| | 19 | Thurs | San Miguel/Shandon | D | 7:00 PM | |
| | 23 | Mon | Santa Margarita | D | 7:30 PM | |
| | 25 | Wed | Atascadero Lions | D | 7:00 PM | |
| | 26 | Thurs | Morro Bay Lions | D | 7:00 PM | |
| Feb | 2 | Thurs | Templeton Lions | D | 7:00 PM | |
| | 14 | Tues | Cambria Lions | D | 7:00 PM | |
| | 28 | Tues | Cayucos Lions | D | 7:00 PM | |
| Campus Clubs to be Scheduled | | | | | | |
| TBD | TBD | TBD | Allan Hancock Campus | | | |
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| Contact their club Secretary to confirm visitaitons. | | | | | | |

"May your walls know joy, may every room hold laughter, and every window open to great possibility."

- Mary Anne Radmacher

Please notify District Secretary Juanita Nichols if a club event conflicts with the District Governor's visitation.

Empowering Community Service Leaders

NOTE: Lions University is offered by the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Questions or comments about Lions University should not be directed to Lions Clubs International Headquarters, but rather to the <u>Support</u> page.

Through three educational program levels, Lions Leaders will enhance their knowledge and skills to better serve their community.

There were several Lions Members from MD4 that completed the Bachelor's and/or Master's Program.

To complete each program, Lions must complete 10 required courses, at least 5 elective classes, and complete specific leadership experiences. To complete a course, the Lion takes part in an hour long training session. These sessions are offered online on this website, through periodic webinars that are posted on this website, and through live sessions led in Districts and Multiple Districts.

Once the training session is completed, the Lion takes a simple online test to confirm their learning. Upon completion, the Lion is awarded a certificate of course completion. Lions are welcome to complete the courses that interest them in any of the programs, and in any order they wish. Credit is given toward the program that the class is under.



Bachelor's Program: This program allows Lions to develop the skills necessary to lead a vital Lions Club. Courses are directed to the skills needed to be great club leader. <u>Click here</u> to learn more about this program.

Master's Program: This program focuses on giving support to clubs through district leaders. This program is aimed at District Level leaders: District Governors, Vice District Governors, Zone Chairs, District Committee Chairs, Certified Guiding Lions, and other leaders that are ready to foster quality clubs in their District. Click here to learn more about this program.

Doctorate Program: This program focuses on skills needed to be a training facilitator for adult volunteers. In affect, Lions who have completed the Doctorate Program are prepared to be great trainers of other Lions. <u>Click here to learn more about this program.</u>

Here's the link to their Homepage: http://www.lionsuniversity.org/

To the world you may be one person: but to one person you may be the world.

Dr. Seuss

Helen Keller Humanitarian Award

Dear Rebecca.

Most of the time our work doesn't make any headlines. After all, let's face it, simply restoring vision or hearing for people can't compete with the content that dominates the 24-hour news cycle.

But every now and then, someone who works with us to meet these needs in their community gets the recognition they deserve. So we were delighted to see an article in the Lompoc Record celebrating the efforts of Gail Peterson-Latipow, a member of the Vandenberg Village



Lions Club, who received LSH's inaugural Helen Keller Humanitarian Award for her efforts to bring our services to her community.

Since she started working through her club with LSH, Gail has been instrumental in finding people in need and helping them through the application process to make sure their needs are met. She knows that person-to-person contact is what it takes to get results. You can't just hand someone an application and walk away!

For a great example of this, you can read her story on our website here. And you can read the story in the *Lompoc* Record here.

There are so many people who need our help to recover their vision or hearing -- you just need to follow Gail's example. keep your eyes open, and reach out. If you're interested in becoming an LSH Advocate in your community, we'd love to work with you. Just give me a call at 310.702.8655 or email me at rstein@lshf.org. Who knows -- you could be the next recipient of our highest individual award!

Randy Stein, CEO

Pismo Beach Cities Lions Club



We continued to keep busy in September with pancake breakfasts on Labor Day weekend, and then went to the Orcutt Lions Pancake Breakfast the following weekend. On September 12 we attended the Installation for the new Bay Osos Branch Club. We were visited by the Nipomo Lions on the 27th, and did a return visit to them in October. September 24th found us at the Atascadero Lions Reverse Drawing with our traveling bar and continued good fortune with the Reverse Drawing Tickets.

The Five Cities Leo Club we sponsor held

their annual Children's Cancer Awareness Day on September 25th with a very successful pancake breakfast, bake sale and other Children's Cancer Awareness groups joining us. "Team Mateo" was out in full force, including a race car. Way to go Leos you are a credit to the Lions Organization.

No rest in October as we traveled to help the San Luis Obispo Lions with their pancake breakfast on the 9th. We held our own pancake breakfast for the Clam Festival event in Pismo on the 22nd. October 25th marked our Charter Night, catered by the amazing Arroyo Grande Lions. What a great dinner they made

for us. My club honored me with a Melvin Jones Fellow, presented by PDG Dick Kane. I am overwhelmed and consider this a life accomplishment.



November found us on the road again as we traveled to Santa Margarita to help with their annual candy making event on the 6th; also enjoying a tasty breakfast and good Lion fellowship with them. November 12th was our annual fundraising pancake breakfast and canned goods drive. We collected 8 large bags of food items and were able to donate \$700 to the Five Cities Christian Women's Emergency Food Pantry, where we also volunteer in food distribution. Again on the road we traveled to San Miguel for their benefit Fish Fry. Always a delight to see the San Miguel Lions and enjoy their great food. Lion Sadie Griffith has completed a fundraiser for the Mustang Heritage Foundation and has had us send them the money in the name of our club. Thank you Sadie for your hard work and generosity.

Lion Connie presented with Melvin Jones Fellowship by PDG Dick Kane.

We will end our calendar year with our Christmas Party as we plot more great adventures in 2017.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Connie Rose Pismo Beach Cities Lions Club



Morro Bay Lions



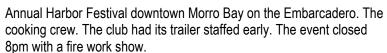
Morro Bay Halloween. It was a 2hr event. The Lions Club distributed over 400 trick or treat bags of candy to children K thru 8. Up from 250 last year. This was the 3rd year. It keeps getting bigger. Total numbers of children during the event exceeded 500.

1st Monday of the month prepping, cooking and serving less fortunate in Morro Bay. Number served this time was 60 people in 1 hour. Numbers reach about 100 depending on time of year and weather.





T'was the night before voting and all thru the house. Not a creature was stirring. Not even a mouse. Morro Bay Lions worked the polls at the Vet's Hall in Morro Bay on Tuesday. The day started 5am set up till 9pm closing and packing away for another year.









Morro Bay Members at MD4-A3 District Meeting: Lion Evelyn Kane, Club President, Ray McKelvey and Nancy McKelvey.

Paso Robles Lions Club—

Paso Robles Lions Club held its first annual Wine and Roses Bicycle Ride on Saturday October 15, 2016. The ride began in the downtown Templeton Park. Riders were able to choose from a 30

mile, 40 mile, 60 mile & 100 mile ride which included a BBQ meal. All proceeds benefited the Paso Robles Lions Club activities.







Baywood Park Pier M

Los Osos Branch Club

The Los Osos Branch Club hit the ground running with their club Legacy Project. They have been hard at work raising funds and reconstructing the Baywood Park Pier.







Arroyo Grande Lions



Arroyo Grande Lions served about 600 tri tip sandwiches at the annual Arroyo Grande Harvest Festival Sept. 23-24. They sold ads to be put on their catering trailer and published a 20-page brochure. Among major sponsors ads on the trailer are those of A.G. Lions Pamela Storton (Storton Properties) and Matt Barcellos (Barcellos Construction). The ads are displayed where ever their catering trailer goes during the year. The brochures were distributed at the Harvest Festival and will be available at any of

our events this year.

The annual Arroyo Grande Recreation Dept. Turkey Trot took place on December 3rd. Lions co-sponsor races for boys & girls from kindergarten up through 8th grade. The winners received turkeys, chickens & game hens as prizes. Runs take place from noon until about 4 in the afternoon at AGHS football stadium.

Santa Maria Sunrisers



The Sunrisers held their first Roaring for Sight Car Show and Chili Cookoff during the weekend of October 22nd. Proceeds from the Car Show benefited the Lions Sight Conservation Foundation of Santa Maria. Proceeds from the Chili Cook-off benefited the Alzheimer's Association.

Chili Cook-off participants were members from the Nipomo Lions, Morro Bay Lions, Camarillo Amber's Light and the Sunrisers.

Great Fun was had by all!



Camarillo Amber's Light

Way to go Camarillo Amber's Light our ship is finally ready to set sail!

Thanks to the leadership of Lion Samantha and her committee with great follow up skills and diligence there are now some smiling faces on many handicapped children that are now able to play on the this great piece of playground equipment. The Club came together fundraising and going to meeting after meeting along with the Camarillo Kiwanis Club, a dream has come true.

Proud Lion President Judy Gray







MD4-A3 Peace Poster Contest Winner

Congratulations Vandenberg Village Lions Club (Mia Criscione, 7th grade student at Vandenberg Middle School)

All MD4 District winning posters will be on display at the MD4 District Convention, February 10-12, 2017 being held in Redding.

PDG Chuck Cassy, Cabinet Treasurer, Mary-Catherine Henggeler, ID Howard Hudson, Lion Lynn Hudson and 1st VDG Norm McDaniel



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128th Annual Tournament of Roses Parade Lions Club International "Celebrating 100 Years of Service"





Many hands coming together and working hard to make sure we shine at the Tournament of Roses Parade on Monday, January 2, 2017.



Oxnard Downtown Lions Club

Club Charter Dinner And Ceremony

Ceremony will be Officiated by International Director Howard Hudson

Friday, January 27, 2017



Residence Inn 2101 W Vineyard Ave, Oxnard, CA 93036

\$50 per person

Additional information soon to follow!



Next District Meeting (Mark you calendars.)

February 24-25, 2017 **Hosting Clubs from Region L**Host Club Morro Bay Lions

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