

November 2010

Friends in Sight report for 09/26/10

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Special points of interest:

- Lions Leadership Forum
www.lionsleadershipforum.org
- Do you know what a Proud Lion award is? Ask Zone 6 Chair Sunshine Cheek for details!
- March in the 49th Annual Old Town Orcutt Christmas Parade with your Club! See Region I Chair Pete Mueller for details captnpete@verizon.net

Friends in Sight

On 09/26/10, Friends in Sight did a vision screening with the Sathya Sai Baba Organization of America & the Lions of District 4-C3. The screening was held on the campus of Our Lady of Guadalupe School in Oxnard. We arrived the night before to meet the local volunteers & to set up the eyeglasses/ examination equipment.

The vision screening began at 9:00am & was finished at 4:00pm. Listed below is a synopsis of the day's findings:

561 patients were seen for the day. Of the 561, 61 needed no prescription, 15 needed to be made at the optical lab

& the balance received recycled eyeglasses. 2 patients need surgical excision of their pterygium on at least one eye. 1 patient needs cataract surgery on at least one eye. 1 patient needs laser treatment for proliferate diabetic retinopathy. 2 patients need treatment for glaucoma. 1 patient needs treatment for superficial punctate keratitis. 1 patient need follow up on a retinal hole. 1 patient needs follow up on a pupil anomaly. 1 patient needs LPI for narrow anterior chamber angles.

Listed below are those that participated in the screening:

Sathya Sai Baba Organization of America-Pacific Region

South

District 4-C3:

Simi Moorpark Lions Club:

Elvie Marfil, Barbara Penny, Merleen Smith, Ada Bittner, Kathy Strange, Jan Edmonds.

Oxnard Channel Islands Lions Club: Scott Feland, Matt Feland, Dan Harbold, Kevin Macey, Dolores Macey, Stella Batey.

Ventura Breakfast Lions Club: Bryon Wilson.

El Rio Lions Club: Joe Rodriguez and Frank Godinez.

Ventura Downtown Lions Club: Ilona Scott

District 4-A3 Meeting November 13, 2010 in Cambria!

Please plan to attend the upcoming cabinet meeting being held November 13, 2010 at Fog's End Bed & Breakfast in beautiful Cambria. There will be several breakout sessions to choose from. Among them are student speaker programs, sec-

retary training, presidents roundtable and more! You do not want to miss out. You will certainly learn a lot while enjoying yourself.

You may locate a reservation form on the district website at www.lions4a3.org.

For those Lions interested in staying the night in Cambria, please contact Jim Bevan at bevanej@aol.com for information about local hotels and rates.

For more information, please visit www.lions4a3.org.

District Governor Mike Brown's Corner

What a great year we are off to. First of all, I would really like to thank all the Cabinet members for all their support and help. I can't believe we are already into our fourth month. We have completed 24 of 37 visitations I have scheduled with great success. I really enjoy doing the District Governor visitations to the Clubs to see what great things the Clubs are doing in the tri-counties.

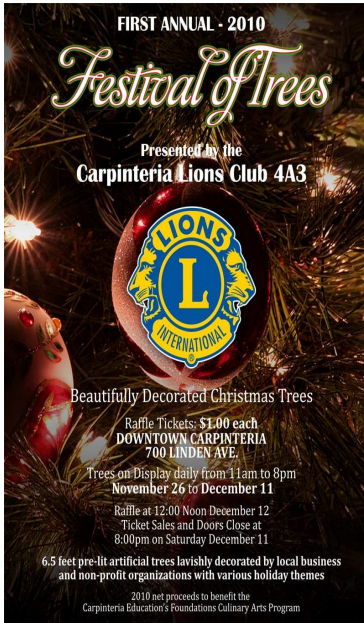
My three goals this year are membership growth, retention and more communication throughout the District on upcoming events and activities. We are holding steady on new membership but, with lost or dropped membership, we are at roughly 1250 members for District 4-A3. We have two new Clubs in the works and hoping to charter soon. We are working on one new Club in the far north and one new Club in the far south. My goal this year is to have three new Clubs and be +75 new members for the year putting us over the 1300 membership mark. Lions International considers a healthy district at 35 Clubs and 1 membership of 1250, which I know we will surpass with the support of the District members and the great Cabinet members.

Please mark your calendars for our second District meeting in Cambria, November 12-13, hosted by the Cambria Lions Club. They have been working hard to make this a successful weekend and District meeting (please see the fliers on the website). The deadline is fast approaching and reservations have to be made in advance.

I would like to thank my Club, Camarillo Somis Pleasant Valley, for all their support and for hosting the first District meeting in August. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in November or at my remaining visitations!

District Governor Mike





Carpinteria Lions Festival of Trees

Hello Fellow Lions,

Please plan to attend the upcoming Festival of Trees project to benefit the Carpinteria Education Foundation's Community Culinary Arts Kitchen at Carpinteria High School.

The Festival of Trees showcase will be located in the Hickey Building at 700 Linden Ave in Carpinteria.

The showcase will be open from 11 am to 8 pm daily starting Friday November 26th through Saturday December

11th with the raffle drawing at noon on Sunday December 12th.

The community will be invited to tour the Festival of Trees showcase and purchase as many raffle tickets as they like for \$1 each and then insert the raffle ticket stubs in the raffle bins located directly in front of each tree. A winning stub will be drawn from each bin on Sunday December 12th at noon.

We hope to include in the evenings at the showcase the high

school choir singing holiday favorites and have a special visit from Santa Clause to the Festival of Trees.

There is no cost to attend this worthwhile event.

Festival of Trees Chairperson,
Vince Choate

Wanted: Enthusiastic, Dedicated Lion to serve on Convention Management Committee

This is a 5 year commitment:

The Fifth-Year Member shall be Chairperson of the Committee & responsible for making all reports to the Cabinet & coordinating activities with the District Governor. This member shall also be responsible for Sec. 5 Campaign Financing.

The Fourth-Year Member shall be Vice Chairperson & shall be responsible for obtaining convention bids per Sec.4 & shall

be in charge of Sec. 6 Convention Housing, Sec. 7 Protocol & Amenities & Sec. 8.4 Resolutions of Appreciation.

The Third-Year Member shall be Secretary & Treasurer of the Committee & shall be in charge of Sec. 10.6 Registration Committee & Sec. 10.7 Finance Committee.

The Second-Year Member shall be responsible for Sec. 8 Convention Business Sessions

& Related Activities with the exception of Sec. 8.4, Sec. 10.1 Halls & Meeting Place Committee & Sec. 10.4 Raffles & Prizes Committee.

The First-Year Member shall be responsible for Sec. 9 Misc. Items, Sec. 10.2 Decorations Committee, Sec. 10.3 General Entertainment & Program Committee, Sec. 10.5 Food Faire & Sec. 10.8 Sport Activities/Tournaments.

All interested Lions, please contact PCC George Stewart at gstewart4a3@charter.net. The CMC will make a decision by November 1, 2010.



Zones 5 and 6 meeting September at Carpinteria Lions Clubhouse

District Governor's Visitations

November

4th - San Miguel & Santa Barbara Host

9th - Simi Valley

11th - El Rio

17th - Saticoy

18th - San Luis Obispo

December

1st - Arroyo Grande

9th - Shandon Valley & Vandenberg Village

Please contact District Secretary Joe Hohenwarter if you have any questions regarding official visitations.

Message from Westside Lions

The Westside Branch Lions Club is hosting a fundraiser selling Party Lite candles. They make great holiday gifts!

If you are interested in purchasing candles & supporting the Westside Lions, please contact Michelle Gody at 805-654-7749 or Mario Robinson at 805-654-7807.

Thanks for supporting Westside Lions & the work we are doing with Youth and Families!

Club Activities

Camarillo-Pleasant Valley Lions - Concession stand at Underwood Family Farms Harvest Festival during October. Bulletin Editor Sunshine personally witnessed Lions Bryon Wilson & Merleen Smith of Ventura Breakfast & Simi Valley pitching in! Their roasted corn officially beats the Ventura County Fair's!!!

Channel Islands Lions -

Held their 20th Annual Golf Tournament Sept. 12. The event saw a great turnout, fabulous weather (briefly fabulous)

AND made an impressive \$1600+ with 24 players! Way to go!

Ojai Valley Lions -

In partnership with Dr. Brockman, conducted free vision & hearing screenings at Ojai Day Oct. 16 for adults & children! They even had an eyeglass collection box on-site! I heard from an attendee how professional the experience was, "just like really visiting the doctor!". "Bryon Wilson, thanks for being there & giving your guidance & support. It certainly

made me feel much better knowing you were there. You are a true professional." - Vicki Hunt

Ventura Downtown Lions -

Annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser Oct. 19 with Lions volunteering in the kitchen, on the serving lines & at the Cottage Home dessert table. Lion Kevin Seelos bravely helmed the event yet again. Lion Marlene Nord provided entertainment with her phenomenal musicality.



DG Mike Visiting Channel Islands
Dan Harbold, Mike Brown,
Barbara Penney, Bryon Wilson

Friends in Sight

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Oxnard Noontimers Lions Club: Toby Scott, Everett Batey, Pat Riggs, George Thompson, Ryan Althoff, Roman Vaisman.

District 4-L5:

Norco Lions Club: Carl Decker and June Decker.

Hemet Breakfast Lions Club: Dottie Allan

Spring Valley Lake Lions Club: Al Andrews and Jean Andrews

Murrieta Lions Club: Cliff Law

Calimesa Breakfast Lions Club: Jim Selby, Don Ranney, Pat Ranney, Rob Manning, Lucy Manning, Ron Meader, Dan Ogaz, Kathy Ogaz, Ricardo Terrones, Pati Van Dusen, Dick Mottar and Brian Van Dusen.

Non-Lions:

Bob Myreck, Cindy Burns & Jeanine Mottar

**Carpinteria Lions Club 4-A3
Congratulates
District Governor
Mike Brown and
Vice District Governors
Dick Kane and
Tony Manuel**

**Serving Carpinteria
for 83 years
Club meets every
Thursday
6:30 social, meeting
starts at 7:00pm**

**6197 Casitas Pass
Rd. Carpinteria, CA**

**Chartered October
1927**

A Message From Your 1st Vice District Governor Dick Kane

One of my responsibilities in the district as First VDG is to represent District 4-A3 in the multiple District Rose Parade Committee.

I attended a meeting October 18, 2010.

If there is anyone in 4-A3 who would like to work on the float

in December, please call me.

My phone number is listed in the roster or email me at rlkane@hotmail.com.

The week after Christmas is quite busy and the float can use all the workers we can get.

We also need help a couple of weeks before Christmas.

If you are interested in Rose Parade pins or clothing, I can help you there, also.

Dick Kane, 1st VDG

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Just In Time For the Holidays!

The Santa Margarita Lions Club is gearing up for their annual Candy Project. On the weekend of Saturday, November 7th, they will be preparing their famous candy. It has been their tradition since 1954. Surely some of you remember purchasing it way back then...

They are asking for Lions to come and help them make and then prepare the candy for sale. Helpers get first chance to purchase the candy boxes. Believe me when I tell you they go fast and are *delicious*.

The schedule is as follows:

- Sat., 11/07 - cooking starts at 6 a.m., all day in the "hot" room
- 12 p.m. - cracking and packing begins
- Sun., 11/08 - boxing the candy starts at 6 a.m. but is usually done by 1 p.m.

There is some downtime Saturday while the candy sets up - you simply *cannot* rush perfection!

Call Lion Tom Severn at (805) 438-4582 or email searstorm11@aol.com if you want to help make the candy or buy the candy at only \$8.00 per box.

50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO HUMANITY

By

VVLC Publicity Chairwoman Kathy Cady



Lion Hank Matter
Vandenberg Village Lions

For the greater part of his life, Lion Hank Matter has dedicated himself to serving others.

He is currently a Director of the Vandenberg Village Lions Club and the Tri-Counties Lions District 4-A3 Chaplain.

Lion Hank became a Charter member of the Point Hueneme Lions Club when he joined in May of 1960.

Since then, he has held numerous offices including 100% Past President and Zone Chairman.

As a member of the world's largest service organization, Lion Hank is passionate about the importance of giving back.

He is loved by all who know him for his gentle spirit and huge heart.

But perhaps Lion Hank's greatest gift is

the compassion, time and energy he so freely gives to those in need.

The members of the Vandenberg Village Lions Club are proud to have Lion Hank as a member.

Bulletin Editor's Note:

We are certainly blessed to count Lion Hank as part of our Lions Family.

**Ventura Downtown Lions
are proud of DG Mike Brown
and VDG Dick Kane
and VDG Tony Manuel**

***Best wishes for a wonderful
2010-2011 Lions year!***

Come visit us on the first three Thursdays of every month. We meet at the Derby Club, located at the Ventura County Fair Grounds. Meeting time runs from noon to 1:00 pm.

**See you there! Just let Secretary Bill
(647-2067) know you are coming.**



**Your District 4-A3 Cabinet Officers! Be
afraid, be very afraid...**

***Congratulations to
DG Mike Brown and
VDG Dick Kane and
VDG Tony Manuel***

We wish you a very successful year.

Santa Maria Noontimers Lions Club

A 100% Melvin Jones Fellows Club

Congratulations to our new
District Governor Mike Brown

We offer our wholehearted support in your
coming year



**Santa Maria Valley
Lions Club
#1 Club in District 4A-3**



WE SERVE

Meetings

1st 3rd & 5th

Wednesdays

Web: <http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/OrcuttCA>

ORCUTT LIONS CLUB

126 s. Broadway — Old Orcutt

Hall Rental, Full Catering
And Bar Service Available

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We Have Joined Together To Become One

The Lions Eye Foundation of Southern California and
Southern California Lions Eye Institute have merged
together and are now one foundation to be known as:

**LIONS SIGHT AND HEARING
FOUNDATION
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

Our mission is to support programs and organizations
in the area of sight and hearing conservation, provide
eye surgical care for qualified indigent patients, and
support programs to preserve and restore vision,
hearing and other similar causes, and for the
collections and distribution of used eye glasses.

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Life Memberships and Fellowships available	\$125.00
Lions Miracle Worker Award	\$250.00
Dr. Ron Akashi Fellowship Award	\$250.00
Robert Sinskey M. D. Fellowship Award	\$250.00
Honorary Life Membership Award	\$500.00
Silver Life Membership Award	\$1,000.00
Gold Life Membership Award	\$2,500.00
Diamond Life Membership Award	\$5,000.00

*Congratulations
to
District Governor
Michael Brown*



*Service can be FUN...
with the
"Big Red One"*



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Volunteers at the Oxnard Health Fair 09/26/10



The Captain Was Here!

Zone 5 Chair Dan Harbold, Region I Chair
Pete Mueller and 2nd VDG Tony Manuel at
the District Meeting in Camarillo August 2010



DG Mike Brown with Lion Don Greenberg's
Youth Exchange Students from Japan at
the Camarillo District Meeting



Region Chair Randy Burg, DG Mike Brown, IPDG
Dan Lyon and Lion of the Year Bryon Wilson (that
guy is EVERYWHERE!) at the official visitation to
Ventura Breakfast