



LIONS DISTRICT 4-A1 NEWSLETTER



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~ CALENDAR of EVENTS ~

[DISTRICT 4-A1 ONLINE CALENDAR](#)
[MD4 GOOGLE CALENDAR](#)
[LIONS INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR](#)

July 1: Lions Clubs & Helen Keller Challenge 2.0 on Zoom - California Lions Clubs Marketing – [FLIER](#)
July 1-4: Fireworks Booth – Modesto 500 Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 1-4: Fireworks Stand – Chowchilla Lioness Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 3: Fireworks Show – Jackson Lions - [LINK](#)
July 3: Blood Drive – Chowchilla Lioness Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 4: 4th of July Pancake Breakfast in the Park – Tracy Breakfast Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 4: 4th of July Parade – Mokelumne Hill Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 4: 4th of July Fireworks – co-sponsored by Madera Evening Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 11-12: Canine Rattlesnake Aversion Training – Tri Dams Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 12: Installation of Officers – Linden Lions
July 13-17: [Lions International Convention](#) - Orlando, FL
July 14-15: Demolition Derby – Turlock Lions
July 19: Chartering Night – Stockton Healthy Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 24: Lions Clubs & Helen Keller Challenge 2.0 on Zoom - California Lions Clubs Marketing – [FLIER](#)
July 25: Cornhole Tournament - Escalon Lions - [FLIER](#)
July 26: DG Matt Stickler – [Installation](#) – Memaw's Country Thangz, 25791 Tamarisk Dr, Madera - [FLIER](#)
July 31: Deadline for entering 2024-25 Service Reports – see article in this newsletter
July 31: Lions Clubs & Helen Keller Challenge 2.0 on Zoom - California Lions Clubs Marketing – [FLIER](#)
August 16: Lion & Leo Club Officer Training – District 4-A1 - [FLIER](#)
August 22-24: Council of Governors – 1st Quarter – Holiday Inn Dublin-Pleasanton by IHG – Dublin CA
August 23: Bowling Fundraiser - Upcountry 88 Lions - [REVISED FLIER](#)
September 6: Lions Appreciation Day & Open House – Camp Terestia Pines - [FLIER](#)
September 12: Blood Drive – Sutter Creek Lions

September 12: Lions Float Charity Golf Tournament – Costa Mesa – for Lions Float Inc – [FLIER](#) - [LINK](#)
September 13: Relay For Life – in Linden – see article in this newsletter - [LINK](#)
September 13: Autumn Cruise – Escalon Lions
September 14-20: Celebrate Community – Clubs combine projects with Kiwanis, Optimist & Rotary - [LINK](#)
September 16: Walk to End Alzheimer's – Modesto 500 Lions - [LINK](#)
September 18-20: [USA/Canada Forum](#) - Atlantic City, NJ
September 26-27: District Meeting in Yosemite Region – note date change
October 1: Deadline to purchase [Peace Poster/Essay Contest kits](#) from Lions International
October 4: Charity Golf Tournament in Valley Springs– Tri Dams Lions - [FLIER](#)
October 4: Octoberfest Concert & Dinner – Waterford Lions and Oakdale Lions – [FLIER PG1](#) [FLIER PG2](#)
October 5-12: Mental Health – Well-Being Service Week – MD4 - [FLIER](#)
October 11-13: Trip to Reno – Turlock Lions
October 24-25: Council of Governors – 2nd Quarter – Friday PM is optional night participation. Saturday is full Zoom.
November 15: [Peace Poster/Essay Contest's](#) postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to District Governor Matt.

~ FUTURE EVENTS ~

February 18-22, 2026: Council of Governors – 3rd Quarter in Long Beach on the Queen Mary
June 26-28, 2026: Council of Governors – 4th Quarter in LA
July 3-7, 2026: [Lions Int'l Convention](#) - Hong Kong
September 3-5, 2026 - [USA Canada Forum](#) – Memphis TN
July 2-6, 2027: [Lions Int'l Convention](#) - Washington DC
Sept 16-18, 2027 - [USA Canada Forum](#) – Huntsville AL

~ ONGOING EVENTS ~

Cabinet/GAT Meetings – 7pm on 1st Tuesdays
Membership Orientations – ALL LIONS ARE WELCOMED!
6:30pm every 4th Tuesday [Zoom](#) except Nov, Dec, Jun & Jul

Club Officers' Town Hall Meetings – 6pm - 3rd Monday of each month – See [District Calendar](#) for Zoom link

4-A1 Marketing Meetings – 7:30pm - 4th Monday of each month – See [District Calendar](#) for Zoom link

MD4 California & 4-A1 Lions Care Service Projects
Website: md4lions.org/project-care

District 4-A1 Newsletter's Deadlines – Items are due by 25th of each month - [EMAIL](#)

GAT MD4-A1 Meetings – Every 2 weeks on Tuesdays 6-7pm – See [District Calendar](#) for Zoom link

WELCOME STOCKTON HEALTHY LIONS CLUB TO DISTRICT 4-A1

The Stockton Healthy Leo Lion Club is the first Leo Lion Club chartered in 4-A1. They will be holding their Chartering Night on **July 19th**. Please contact Lion Eugenia Hernandez to RSVP by **July 10th**. Email: stocktonhealthylionsclub@gmail.com - [FLIER](#)

BOOTH FOR FORMING NEW CLUB IN MOUNTAIN HOUSE



RELAY FOR LIFE



Hello District 4-A1 Lions,
As we end another Lion year, I want to thank all the clubs in our District that have supported their local [Relay for Life](#) events this year. There are many, and I don't want to feel bad by listing those I know and miss out on a club

that I didn't know participated. With your help, three of our local Relays have raised over \$250,000 this year for The American Cancer Society to use in their fight against cancer and support those that are fighting.

Los Banos - \$36,051

Madera – \$59,009

Modesto - \$155,970

There is one more Relay happening in September of this year. They haven't raised a lot of money yet, but let's see if we can help them meet their goal.

[Relay for Life of Linden](#) – **September 13, 2025**

For those interested in participating in Relay for Life, please reach out to me to receive contact information for the local coordinator and learn how to contribute. Thank you for all you do and look forward to working with all of you for many years to come.

~ Shawn Monnin, District Relay for Life Coordinator

shawnpmonnin@gmail.com

LIONS EYE FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

Dear Fellow Lions of District 4-A1,
For over 60 years, the Lions Eye Foundation has provided life-changing vision care to those in need—treating conditions like cataracts, glaucoma, and diabetic retinopathy with expert, compassionate care. Most of us in District 4-A1 proudly support this vital cause through our club memberships. Now, we have the opportunity to do even more. For the first time in our district, we are hosting a fundraiser dedicated specifically to the Lions Eye Foundation—and we need your support to make it a success. The Oakdale and Waterford Lions Clubs have joined forces to present an exciting Fall Oktoberfest Concert and Dinner on Saturday, **October 4**, from 5–9 PM in Waterford, CA. The evening will feature:

- A delicious tri-tip dinner
- A no-host bar with beer and wine
- Live music by the Valley Groove Band—a talented group known for playing classic hits from the '60s, '70s, and '80s at wineries and breweries throughout the Valley
- Raffle prizes and fun activities throughout the evening

To help cover event expenses—such as the band, food, permits, security, and more—we are asking each club in our district to contribute \$200 and a raffle prize. In appreciation of your support, we are pleased to offer four event tickets to your club, upon request, which you may use for a raffle or to recognize deserving members. Please make checks payable to "Oakdale Lions Club," with "LEF Concert Event" in the memo line. Mail your contribution to this address:

Tom F. Mihok, O.D.

Lead Trustee for Lions Eye Foundation 4-A1
409 Solmar Court
Oakdale, CA 95361

Your support will not only help us host a fantastic event, but also ensure that any remaining funds go directly to the Lions Eye Foundation and its mission to preserve sight for those who need it most. As Helen Keller once called us, we are the "Knights of the Blind." Let's live up to that legacy—by coming together, having fun, and making a real difference in our community and beyond.

We cannot do this without you. Thank you for your continued service and support.

~ Tom F. Mihok, O.D.

Lead Trustee for Lions Eye Foundation 4-A1

NEW WEBSITE: <https://www.lionseyefoundation.com/>

[FLIER PG1](#) - [FLIER PG2](#)

JULY VISION NEWS

~ Jennifer Gass, District 4-A1 Vision Chairperson

PEACE POSTER & ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

2025-2026 Contest theme is "Together As One"

"We're excited to announce the 2024-2025 Peace Poster and Essay contest winners! So check out the winning posters and grand-prize winning essay and be sure to order your 2025-2026 Peace Poster kit today." [LINK](#)

[The 2025-2026 Contest](#)

[Peace Poster Contest Deadlines](#)

[Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit](#)

[Additional Resources](#)

[Contest Winners](#)

[Peace Poster Tabletop Exhibit](#)

Peace Poster Contest Deadlines

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- **January 15:** Kits went on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- **February 1, 2026:** International winners notified on or before this date.



Grand Prize Winner - 2024-25 "Peace Without Limits"

Shuwen Wang - 13 years old - China

Sponsored by Dalian Delong Lions Club

CURRENT MERIT WINNERS

LION PORTAL: TRANSFER OF DUTIES & BENEFITS OF SERVICE REPORTING

Grace Period Information: There will be a grace period for the following outgoing club officers so that they can close out their year regarding reporting service activities as well as making sure that the club officers for the new year are entered for transfer of duties. The following officers will be allowed to login from **7/1 through 7/31** with full permissions. As of 8/1, the permissions will be ended.

Club Service Chairperson
Club Administrator
Club Protocol Chairperson
Club Information Technology Chairperson

Guiding Lion

Club President, Secretary, and Treasurer

Leo Club Advisor

Leo Club President, Secretary, and Treasurer

"Service reporting allows your club to showcase the positive impact you are making in your community now and provides insights to guide your club in the future. Clubs that report service also become eligible for awards and recognition." [LINK](#)
"We recommend reporting a service activity in the [Lion Portal](#) as soon as possible after you complete your service. The Lion Year ends on June 30, but reports can continue to be entered for that year until **July 31**.

You can collect the data needed to report an activity with the [Service Activity Information](#) resource, which includes a list of our global causes and project types. Training resources and additional information about the Lion Portal can be found on the [Lion Portal Updates](#) webpage."

LIONS ALL-STAR GAME UPDATE

49th Central California Lions All-Star Game on Saturday at Tracy High's Wayne Schneider Stadium

"Modesto defensive star takes top award in shootout Lions All-Star Game" By Quinton Hamilton

<https://www.modbee.com/sports/high-school/prep-football/article309244545.html>

Read more at: <https://www.modbee.com/sports/high-school/prep-football/article309244545.html#storylink=cpy>

Thank you, Lions of District 4-A1, for your continuing support. ~ Elizabeth Olson

The Patterson Lions traveled to Modesto to serve dinner to the players and coaches after practice for the Lions All Star Football game. Lions Scooter and Chris made some awesome pulled pork and mac and cheese. *See more info in the Patterson Lions' section of this newsletter.*

Below photo is showing Hughson Lions getting ready to feed the South Team Football Playerw.





Carrie Guadagnolo
June 21 at 9:18 PM · 🌐

More of my Lion friends at the Lions All Star Football Game.



Carrie Guadagnolo
June 21 at 8:01 PM · 🌐

Carrie is at the Lions All-Star Football game tonight in Tracy! I saw a former parent of one of y students and she thanked me for being such a kind and caring teacher for her son. He is now 23!



Booker Guyton
June 21 at 10:58 PM · 🌐

Congratulations to Isaac Sagapolu for winning MVP Award of the Lions District 4A All Star Football Game! #ItswatweDo #E-House4Life #FactoryBuilt



MD4 A1 Lions Clubs
June 21 at 6:47 PM · 🌐

District 4-A1 All Star Football Game at Tracy High School
Game is about to start and DG Eric is doing the coin toss.







LIONS PROJECT FOR CANINE COMPANIONS NEW WEBSITE

The Lions Project for Canine Companions has an updated website that has a lot of great information about the program and how clubs and members can support the LPCC. Also, if any clubs would like us to provide a presentation on Lions Project for Canine Companions, they can contact Lion Kirk Noffsinger at kirknoffsinger@gmail.com or online at our website: <https://www.lp canine.org/> ~ Kirk Noffsinger



LIONS CLUBS & HELEN KELLER CHALLENGE 2.0

The Centennial Celebration Update will be in August's District Newsletter and on [the Facebook page](#).

MD4 CALIFORNIA LIONS CLUBS SERVICE WEEKS INITIATIVES

MD4 California LIONS CLUBS

2025/2026 New Service Weeks Initiative
Inspired by IP-Elect A.P. Singh

Mental Health & Well-Being
 October 4-12, 2025

Hunger
 January 3-11, 2026

Environment
 April 18-26, 2026

✓ Hey California Lions! Save the dates and start planning your service projects now as we join service with clubs and districts worldwide
 ✓ Club partnering/district-wide projects encouraged
 ✓ Plan event outreach early to maximize community visibility, engage volunteers, share out and inspire
 ✓ Visit *Service Resources* for event ideas at marketing.calionsclubs.org

California Lions Global Service Team Coordinator - Lion PCC Craig Durand
LionCraig4L4@gmail.com (714) 936-5778
 Service 1st California Leads the Way! CaliforniaLions.org/MD4Lions.org

October 4-12 - Mental Health & Well-Being

January 3-11, 2026 – Hunger

April 18-26, 2026 – Environment

e-district.org/sites/california_lions_marketing_committee/page-10

~ Photos submitted by Debbi Hopman

DISTRICT 4-A1 TRAINING & OPPORTUNITIES

LION AND LEO CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

– August 16, 2025 - [FLIER](#)

The District Global Action Team is here to help. We don't tell you what to do. We provide information and brainstorm with you. You make the decision(s) as to what is best for your club. We can come to you. **Clubs may request training** for their Club, Zone, or Region. Contact Global Leadership Coordinator Claudia Miller at ckay613cayucos@gmail.com 209-596-1219.

Zoom links are on [District Google Calendar](#).

Member Orientation (Zoom) **2nd Monday of the month** 6-7PM, except for November & December and June & July. [for new Lions and ALL Lions]

Town Hall Meetings (Zoom) **3rd Monday of the month** 6-7PM. Focus is on assisting officers and Lions with Lion Portal challenges, general questions, finding resources, and training on areas identified by district members. Ask questions and resolve challenges. Short trainings will also be provided throughout the year.

Rebuild Club Meetings (Zoom) **4th Friday of the month** 6:45PM. Any Lion or Club is welcome to join the meeting. Focus is to assist Clubs that want to increase membership and grow service and assist clubs in identifying [S.M.A.R.T. goals](#) to increase membership and strategies to make that happen. We share successes and flops, learn from each other, and work together to address challenges.

LIONS NEWSLETTER MONTHLY COMMUNITY PARTNER EDITION

The goal of the newsletter is to attract and nurture community partners that will ultimately have a collaborative working relationship with your club. These "community partners" can be businesses, non-profits, local government, schools, and even individuals. The unifying factor is these "partners" have a shared mission to one of the eight Lions' Global Causes, district projects, or clubs' signature activities. By experiencing who Lions are and what we do firsthand, the evolution between "partners" and new club members should develop organically. Don't let Lionism be the best kept secret! If you don't feel comfortable bragging about yourself, send us an email, and **we will** brag on you!! Deadline is the same as our regular newsletter – the 25th of each month.

We will officially launch on July 1, with the beginning of the new term; but we will have a preview edition (for feedback) available in the next week or so. That advance edition will be going out to all presidents, secretaries, and marketing chairs for comment.

Be a part of this exciting new venture -

- 1) Please add Diana Ringer (dianaringer@icloud.com) to your distribution lists so she can get copied on all newsletters / community event fliers. The newsletter will have **Upcoming Events (next 30 days) | Save the Date (2-6 months)** sections for advertising upcoming public events.
- 2) Send personal stories about how our district projects/ Lions International causes have impacted you or the people

you served. Testimonials, quotes, proud moments (1-2 paragraphs) are welcomed. Don't forget to add relevant web-ready photos as well.

- 3) Have something you would like to contribute, even if you missed the deadline? No worries! We are developing a dedicated website with expanded editions of the newsletters which will showcase additional content. Send your blog post / photos to [Diana Ringer](#), the site's webmaster, and she'll take it from there.
- 4) If you have the names and email addresses of community partners that we can send the newsletter to directly, please send those to [Gail Cates](#). Please include the contact's first name, last name, business/non-profit name, email address, and your club's name. (We will be sending them a separate email, confirming if they want to get it.)

LIONS INTERNATIONAL'S MARKETING AWARDS FOR 2024-2025



[CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE DOCUMENT.](#)

Message from DISTRICT GOVERNOR MATT STICKLER



Happy July, Lions of MD-4A1!

I can't believe the time is finally here — what a journey it has been! After two years filled with growth, service, and connection, I'm honored and excited to officially step into the role of your **2025-2026**

MD-4A1 District Governor.

These past two years have been incredibly rewarding. I've had the privilege of getting to know so many of our clubs and witnessing firsthand the resilience, heart, and dedication that make this district shine. It's been inspiring to watch our clubs evolve, grow stronger, and adapt to the needs of their communities.

I'm deeply proud to share that I am the **first elected District Governor from Madera — and the youngest in the 78+ year history** of MD-4A1. This milestone is not mine alone; it's a reflection of the support, passion, and vision that each of you brings to our district.



Now, if you haven't heard yet — you're getting a 4-for-1 deal this year! Alongside me is my incredible partner in service, **Cabinet Secretary Maggie**, and our two Cubs, **Glenn (GR) and Kinsey**. They've stood by my side from the very beginning, sharing in the vision of service that Maggie herself grew up with.

Her father was a Lion, and together we are passing on those same values of community and compassion to our children. It's never too early to learn what it means to give back.

Our theme this year is: **"Serve from the Heart"** — inspired by our hometown, Madera, the heart of California. We will strive to **meet in the middle**, just like the iconic palm and pine that greet travelers on the [highway] 99. Whether you're from the mountains or the valley, we are one family, united in service.

I am committed to making Lions a **family-friendly organization** where Cubs, Leos, Omegas, and Lions work hand-in-hand. When there is a need, you'll find the whole Lion family answering the call — together.

My goals for this year include:

- Continuing the momentum of our district's three-year plan
 - Supporting club growth and membership development
 - Offering comprehensive training for Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and any member ready to lead
 - Encouraging **100% club participation in LCIF support**
- And yes, I'm putting a challenge on the table! If MD-4A1 raises **\$70,000 for LCIF**, I'll show up to the convention in a dress. If we reach **\$80,000**, I'll add **high heels** to the look — and let me tell you, finding size 15 heels will be quite the "feat!"

Our cabinet is here to support YOU — our clubs, our leaders, and our members. We want to see 4A1 stand out across California. If you ever need assistance, have a question, or want help with anything from training to project support, **we're just a phone call or email away**.

Let's make this a year to remember — **serving with heart, as one Lion family**.

In service,

~ Matthew "Matt" Stickler District Governor 2025–2026

UPCOMING EVENTS SECTION (in date-order)

107th LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – July 13-17

Orlando, Florida welcomes Lions and Leos from around the world for sun, fun, service and the 107th Lions International Convention. Lions International Convention is the premier event of the year. You'll hear Lion leaders and global thought leaders, Learn from fellow Leos and Lions, Reconnect with old friends and make new ones, and celebrate our service in one of the most incredible city on earth. Whether you're new to Lions or have been a Lion for years, you'll leave renewed, inspired and with a vision for the future of service.

Below you will find the QR code links for registration, the official Red parade shirt and MD4 Breakfast/Caucus
LIONS INTERNATIONAL

Breakfast at Orlando \$40
RED convention shirt \$56 (+\$4.00 per size after XL)
California pin for 2025 Orlando \$2.50 ea.

The breakfast/caucus is at the Rosen Plaza July 14th Monday, 6:45am, and then the Parade that morning.

All the International Convention Hotels are listed on their website.

lionscon.lionsclubs.org **FLIER**



Here are links with more info:

<https://www.mcievents.com/lci2025/>

<https://www.promoplace.com/lcicon/shop-now.htm>

<https://district4c4.wufoo.com/forms/zj1gigm191zgna/>

MD4A1 INSTALLATION – JULY 26



You're Invited!

Please join us for the
District 4-A1 Installation of Officers

Saturday, July 26
6:00 PM

Location: Memaw's Country Thingz
25791 Tamarisk Dr. Madera CA 93638

Cost: \$25 per person
Food Provided by Taco Man

We are honored to have Lion Mark Piva as our Installing Officer for the evening.

Theme: Disney's Cars

Feel free to dress in your favorite Cars-inspired attire or bring your best Radiator Springs spirit!

Let's celebrate our new and outgoing officers
and
enjoy a fun-filled evening together.



You're Invited!

Join us for the **MD4A1 Installation**

July 26th **Madera**

Be part of this special event as we come together to celebrate and connect! 🌟Space is limited—don't miss out!

Scan the QR code on the flier to RSVP today
(Or go to this [LINK](#))

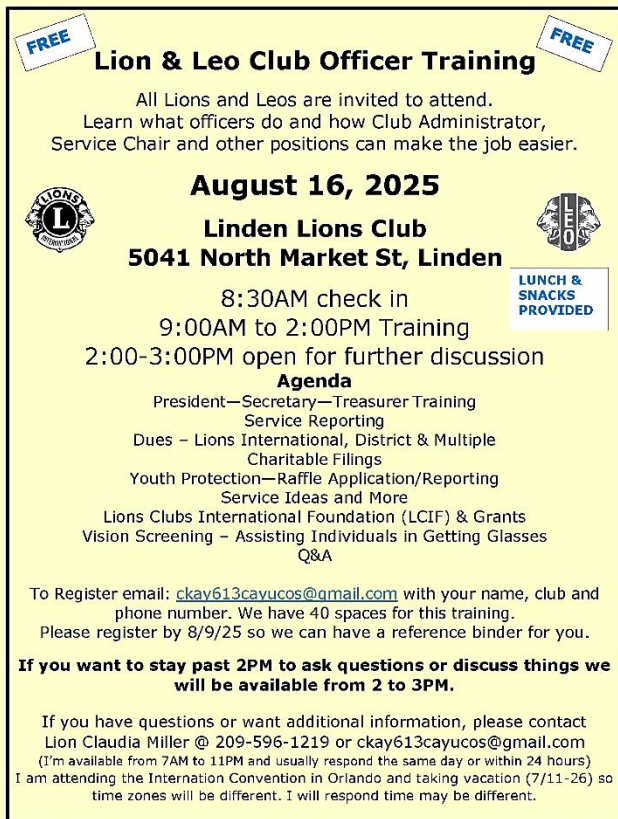
We can't wait to see you there!

We have a request that if you have members who can attend, please send in a raffle prize.

Thank you!

~ Maggie Vaiarello Stickler

LION & LEO CLUB OFFICER TRAINING DISTRICT 4-A1 – August 16



Lion & Leo Club Officer Training

All Lions and Leos are invited to attend.
Learn what officers do and how Club Administrator, Service Chair and other positions can make the job easier.

August 16, 2025

Linden Lions Club
5041 North Market St, Linden

8:30AM check in
9:00AM to 2:00PM Training
2:00-3:00PM open for further discussion

Agenda

- President—Secretary—Treasurer Training
- Service Reporting
- Dues – Lions International, District & Multiple
- Charitable Filings
- Youth Protection—Raffle Application/Reporting
- Service Ideas and More
- Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) & Grants
- Vision Screening – Assisting Individuals in Getting Glasses
- Q&A

To Register email: ckay613cayucos@gmail.com with your name, club and phone number. We have 40 spaces for this training.
Please register by 8/9/25 so we can have a reference binder for you.

If you want to stay past 2PM to ask questions or discuss things we will be available from 2 to 3PM.

If you have questions or want additional information, please contact Lion Claudia Miller @ 209-596-1219 or ckay613cayucos@gmail.com
(I'm available from 7AM to 11PM and usually respond the same day or within 24 hours)
I am attending the International Convention in Orlando and taking vacation (7/11-26) so time zones will be different. I will respond time may be different.

LIONS CAMP TERESTIA'S APPRECIATION DAY & OPEN HOUSE – September 6



LIONS APPRECIATION DAY &

OPEN HOUSE

LIVE MUSIC, CATERED MEAL, COFFEE BAR, ACTIVITIES, CAMP PRESENTATION, SMORES, A&C PROJECT, STEP & REPEAT, AND EVEN MORE!

SAT SEPT 6TH
9AM-4PM

Rsvp-campteresitapines.org/registeropenhouse

For Lions Appreciation Day & Open House this year, we have a good amount of surprises in store! For Saturday, **September 6th** (9am-4pm), we're revamping and refreshing our annual FREE event! If you've never been here before, OR...if you have been (but are curious about the changes to our event), we'd love to see you! Register Today: <https://campteresitapines.org/registeropenhouse>

USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM September 18-20

**LEARN
GROW
LEAD**

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ
SEPT. 18-20, 2025

<https://lionsforum.org/>



LIONS ROSE FLOAT'S GOLF TOURNAMENT September 12

Promote Your Business & Sponsor a Tee \$100

LIONS FLOAT INC. ROSE SUPPORTER

2025 CHARITY LIONS FLOAT INC. GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2025
Costa Mesa Country Club
1701 Golf Course Dr. Costa Mesa

SCHEDULE
10am - Registration & Putting Contest
11am - Tee Off-Scramble Format
5pm - Steak Dinner & Awards Prizes & Auction (10032 Edye Dr, Huntington Beach, CA 92646)

For More Information Contact Craig Durand
714 936-5778 Lioncraig4L4@gmail.com or visit WWW.LIONSFLOAT.ORG

REGISTRATION
\$25 Super Ticket
\$165 /Early Bird: Before August 15th
\$175 / Per Person
\$660 / Foursome
Includes Green fee & Cart, Tee Gifts, Steak Dinner & Awards Program

Includes Contests: Putting- Closest to the Pin & Longest Drive! 2 Mulligans & \$10 Gift certificate to Roger Dunn

\$40 Steak Dinner Only
Includes Giant BBQ Grilled Rib Eye, Salad, Baked Potato, Roll, Dessert & Sodas

Tee Up for a Great Cause!

Join us for a fun-filled Golf Tournament on Friday, **September 12th** in the beautiful Huntington Beach area (District 4-L4) — all in support of the [Lions Rose Float](#)! Whether you're a seasoned golfer or just love to play for a purpose, this event is your chance to make a difference and enjoy a day on the greens. And yes — your day ends with a delicious steak dinner!

Date: Friday, September 12

Location: Huntington Beach area, District 4-L4

Includes: Golf tournament + steak dinner

Register with: CC Craig Durand

Let's swing into action and help bring the Lions' message of service to the world stage with the beautiful #LionsRoseFloat in the Rose Parade!

Tag your golf buddies and help us spread the word!
#LionsRoseFloat #LFI #LionsMD4 #WeServe #LionsGolf

LIONS EYE FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER OCTOBERFEST - October 4

[FLIER PG1](#) - [FLIER PG2](#)

SEE ARTICLE EARLIER IN THIS NEWSLETTER

ALPHA & OMEGA LEO NEWS SECTION

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-clubs/about-leos>



EL CAPITAN HIGH SCHOOL LEO CLUB





El Capitan High School Leos saved the day. When the Atwater-Winton Lions Club learned that they were short on help for the 75th Anniversary fundraiser, they put out a call for help from the ECHS Leos. With three days' notice, the Leos put together an eight-person crew and saved the day. Job well done Leos!



The El Capitan High School Leos prepared and served a super tasty meal at the D Street Shelter. Complimenting their original "El Cap Chicken Salad Sandwiches" with potato salad and a fresh fruit salad, they topped off the dinner with ice cream treats provided by Lion Anne-Marie. Anne-Marie made sure there was enough ice cream for the Leos to enjoy post meal.

El Capitan High School Leos Installation



The 2025-26 ECHS Leo Club Officers were installed last week. Pictured from left to right: Valery C, Co-Secretary; Saorse B, Vice President; Amberly H, President; Ashley N, Treasurer; and Kashua H, Public Relations Officer.
- reporting by Gary Eno



Lions Anne-Marie and Gary, with wife Cheryl, accompanied the ECHS Leos on their end-of-the-year field trip to San Francisco on June 10th. The exhilarating day included a group walk across the Golden Gate Bridge, a shopping and dining visit to trendy Sausalito, a ferry ride from Sausalito to the SF Ferry Building, and a visit to Golden Gate Park's Botanical Garden. As a bonus, the bus ride through the city featured interesting perspectives of many of the architectural highlights of the "City by the Bay." ~ Gary Eno

GOLDEN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL LEO CLUB

[instagram.com/gvhs_leo_club](https://www.instagram.com/gvhs_leo_club)



Pictured left to right: Newly installed Golden Valley High School Leo Club Officers: Karla C, Volunteer Coordinator; Damon S, Treasurer; Lynda U, President; Selene X, Historian; and Lily X, Vice President. Lions Anne-Marie, Kevin, Edgar, and Gary attended Sunday's GVHS Leo Club Installation at Roland Brooks Park. Outgoing officers were recognized for their service this past year. Lions Jean and Jim Weaver were congratulated for their 20+ years of service as Lions and Leo Advisors. ~ Gary Eno

TOKAY HIGH SCHOOL LEO CLUB

[instagram.com/leotokayhighschoolclub](https://www.instagram.com/leotokayhighschoolclub)



Welcome Aboard, New Leos & Lion!** 🐘 ✨ Big cheers to our amazing new members:

☀️ **Omega Leo Paola Vazquez**

☀️ **Omega Leo Ángel Hernández**

☀️ **StocktonHealthyLeoLionsClub Maricela Vazquez**

They jumped right into action with our awesome Alpha Leos—serving with heart at a **fun-filled boat ride** to support **PALS of Lodi**, a no-kill dog shelter! 🐕 🚤 💙

We're beyond proud of your energy, kindness, and dedication. You're already making waves and changing lives! 🌊 💛 **Welcome to the Pride!**

[#ServiceWithHeart](#) [#NewLeos](#) [#LionsInAction](#) [#PALsofLodi](#) [#weserve](#) [#4a1leo](#)

Huge congratulations to Alpha Leo Alan on taking first place in his age category! 🏆 ☀️ Beyond proud to see him and his family crushing it. Shoutout to Alpha Leo Jeremy and his amazing family for running 10 miles in this heat! 🔥 Thanks to our awesome sponsors: Sandra Medina, Holland Alignment, and Stockton Healthy Lions Club.



Lion Paul Wagner, of the Linden Lions Club, presented a scholarship from himself and Stockton Delta Pacifica Lions Club to a Leo from the Tokay High School Leo Club.

~ Carrie Guadagnolo

LEO-LIONS NEWS SECTION**STOCKTON HEALTHY LIONS**

[instagram.com/stocktonhealthyleolionsclub](https://www.instagram.com/stocktonhealthyleolionsclub)

🌈 ✨ You're Invited! ✨ 🌈

📍 Stockton Healthy Leo-Lions Club

🌟 Induction Ceremony 🌟

📅 **July 19th** | ⌚ 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

📍 10035 Reflection Ln, Stockton, CA

🎤 Guest Speakers | 🍗 Chicken Dinner

🎵 Neo 80's Theme – Come dressed to impress!

💰 \$25 food cost

👥 Celebrate 32 amazing new members!

📅 RSVP by July 10

📞 Contact: Lion Eugenia (209) 922-1753 – [FLIER](#)



We're honored to welcome Horacio V to our Lion pride! Our first meeting was a hit - we tackled officer approvals, pull tab collections for Ronald McDonald House, and planned an unforgettable induction ceremony.



President Lion Sandra and Secretary Eugenia are dedicated to excellence, expanding their knowledge of Lions International through a comprehensive Zoom webinar.

June 5th post on Instagram: Happy World Environment Day from LEO-LIONS! Today marks the start of our

mission to make a difference. A reminder that we collect pull tabs to support families at Ronald McDonald House, recycle plastic bags into benches, and refurbish prescription glasses for those in need at our Health Fair. Get in touch to learn more or schedule a donation pickup!



[June 3rd] was an amazing day! We visited our sponsoring club, Stockton Delta Pacifica Lions Club, and were blown away by their warm welcome and valuable insights. Plus, we're excited to support their fundraiser! All in all, a fantastic night with incredible Lions members.



June 1 post on Instagram: Just crushed our first 10-mile run and it was EPIC!! 🔥 The energy was electric and we're beyond proud of our winners: Alpha Leo Alan, 5K Queen President Leo Lion Sandra M, and a huge shoutout to Leo Lion Secretary Eugenia for placing 6th! 🤩 The competition was fierce, especially in the 39-49 age bracket - wow! 🤩 A massive thank you to all the families who joined and supported us, and to Holland Alignment for sponsoring our runs! We couldn't do it without you!

MERCED HEALTHY LEO LIONS

The new Merced Healthy Leo Lions Club was chartered June 18, 2025. It's club number is #182692. PDG Gabby McKechnie is their new Secretary. Stay tuned...

CLUB NEWS SECTION

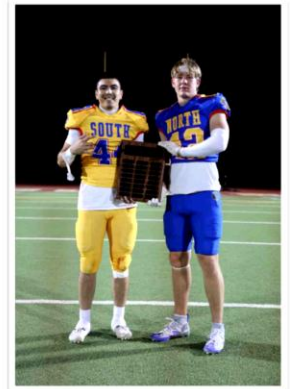
Check out the clubs' fundraisers & events in the Calendar on page 1 of each NEWSLETTER and on our district's [Calendar](#), [Facebook](#), & [Instagram](#).

CLUBS – Please send a quick notification to Newsletter Editor Gail each time you have social media posts to include in upcoming District's Newsletters!

MERCED BREAKFAST LIONS

We decided to cancel the next meeting of Lions which would have been on July 3. The next meeting of Lions will be on **July 10** at Merced College. See you then. ~ Michael Belluomini

All-Star Football Game



Players Of The Games.

Gold: Juniper Helling (Mariposa) Blue: Elizabeth Avila (Livingston)
South: Amani Sua (Torres) North: Dylan McCauley (Orestimba)
- Lou Souza reporting

All-Star Football Game (Lou S): Lou thanked all the Lions, Leos, staff and all the other organizations for a job well done. It was a very successful event. \$18,000 were given in scholarships. The Blue Team won the girl's flag football game. The South won the boy's game.

Installation Ceremony (Michael B): The evening went well.



Thank you to Matthew and Maggie Strickler, the new District Governor and Secretary, for performing the installation ceremony.



The theme of the ceremony was "heroes." Photo is of some of the installed officers wearing hero's masks.



Bill Halpin reported on **scholarships**. Various Lions will attend the Scholarship Nights at the local high schools. The club awarded \$11,000 to local students. Bill Halpin introduced this year's Jack Rowe scholarship winner Chase S, Dave's son. He then presented him with a \$1000 scholarship check.

Mike and James cooked for the homeless.



Left photo: Receiving Lions of the Year awards were Kevin Swartwood and Lou Souza. Shown here with Robyn Piro.



Right photo: Immediate Past President James Zimmerman received honors for a job well done.

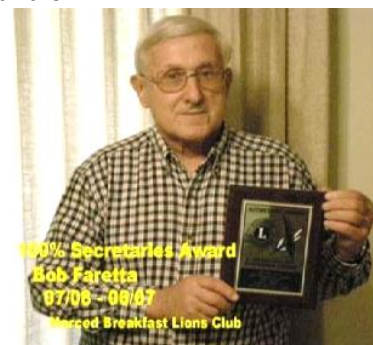
Merced Breakfast Lions fed the homeless at the **D St. Shelter** on June 22. Thanks to Kent C., Michael L., Ray W., Lou S., Vince P., Robyn P, and Nancy R, who prepared the tri-tip sandwiches.

The El Capitan High School Football Team [Boosters] is running the **fireworks booth** licensed to the MBLC this year. It is sponsored by us at Main St. and "R" Street by Grocery Outlet. This is the first time we have had this partnership in running the fireworks booth now that Merced Aquatics has withdrawn. Please sign up for one of the work periods by emailing Xavier at xramirez@muhsd.org. It takes all our help to successfully serve the community.

Gary reported on the **Leos Appreciation Day**. Students said it was "cold," but they had a great time. Fifteen different Lions attended the event to show their appreciation for our Leos. Mark reported on the **Homeless Dinner**. He thanked the Sharps for opening their home. He said there was good attendance.



With the help of the Merced Cub Scout Pack 96 and Boy Scout Troop 88, five Memorial Day flags were placed at the residences of Richard Maddox, Air Force, (Lion Debby), Jim Weaver, Navy Veteran, (Former Member Golden Lions Club), Lion Lou Mondo, Army Veteran, Lion Gary Eno, Navy Veteran, and Toby Masterson, Army Veteran. As Merced Breakfast Lions Club members, we commemorate Memorial Day and pay tribute to our Veteran club members and to all brave men and women who defend our homeland, liberty, and principles. The club received a certificate of appreciation from the San Joaquin Lions Club for our participation in "Bags for Benches, Round 6."



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Robert Wayne Faretta. Bob was born on March 13, 1938 and passed away on June 7, 2025. Bob was a member of Lions for 59 years. Bob was an advocate for many causes. Most notably, he served tirelessly collecting eyeglasses for The Recycle Eyeglasses Program and collecting money for the City of Hope. Bob was best known as a long serving club secretary. Ray Wenham, the current club secretary, said, "Bob was the ultimate secretary the club ever had." We will miss you, Bob. A Memorial Mass for Bob will be held Thursday, **October 2, 2025** at 11:00 AM at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 671 East Yosemite Avenue, Merced. Following the Memorial Mass will be a reception at 12:00 PM at St. Patrick's. Bob will be laid to rest at San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery, 32053 West McCabe Road, Santa Nella, CA.

TRI DAMS LIONS



For the Lions' global cause of "[Youth](#)", the Tri Dams Lions have been proactive in promoting and supporting the health, well-being, and fun times for our local youth. The Tri Dams Lions were pleased to partner with Valley Springs "Power Up Fitness" professional gym on the

SOBER GRAD NIGHT event for Calaveras High School. We were present at the event from when the graduated seniors arrived at 9:00 PM until 2:00 AM with our fully-functioning hot dog cart, snacks, and a music system in the pool area of the gym! We appreciated the opportunity to support our local high school seniors in this fun and substance-free celebration!



Also, for the Lions' global cause of "Youth", the Tri Dams Lions awarded two \$500 **scholarships** to two seniors graduating from Calaveras High school. A total of 52 applications were submitted, and the Tri Dams Lions' Scholarship Committee members of Lions Greg Morrill, Janice Bassett, and Ron Bassett conducted a thorough, thoughtful and fair review of each one. Students Kaylie A and Ashlee S were awarded the scholarships based on their inspiring and substantial essays. Lion Greg Morill presented the awards at the high school's awards night ceremonies.

IT'S HERE!! For our Community Safety and Awareness mission, Tri Dams Lions is partnering with San Joaquin Dog Training Club to host the annual - and very popular! - **Canine Rattlesnake Aversion Training** at the Burson Community Center on **July 11 & 12**. The rattlesnake trainers are paid professionals that the San Joaquin Dog Training Club brings in to provide this valuable training. Having the event at the Burson Community Center allows our community to have this class right here in -what is indeed- rattlesnake country, rather than our residents having to travel longer distances for it. See [FLIER](#) for details.

Charity Golf Tournament – Save the Date! Saturday, **October 4th**. La Contenta Golf Club, Valley Springs. You are invited for a day of fun competition and giving back to the community!! Sponsorships appreciated. 18 Holes. Shotgun Start. Tee Contests and Games. Catered Lunch. Drawings & Silent Auction. Call 209-442-8876. Email TDLC@email.com. [Tournament & Sponsor Registration](#) - Website: <https://www.tridamslionsclub.org/2025-golf-tournament> - [FLIER](#)

LINDEN LIONS



DG Eric presented a Lion of the Year award to Lion Randy Viglienzzone. Congratulations to Randy!!!



NEW MEMBER INDUCTION by PDG DOUG CAMPBELL -

President Dr. Richard Boden called two new members and their sponsors to the podium to be installed by PDG Doug Campbell. Photo: PDG Doug Campbell (L), John Tivald, Luis Pena, P.P. Jack Colombini, and Lion Garrett Guadagnolo.

May 27th Meeting - HONOR OF PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS.

Past District Governors and dignitaries were given an opportunity to talk about their accomplishments or memories of their term.

1st VP Albert Dondero had the honor of introducing each.

PDG Russ Carter—Hilmar Lions Club
2001-2002

Lion Jill Loving for her husband

PDG Jim Loving 2007-2008

PDG Pat Gillium Casey Modesto 500
2008-2009

PDG David McCullough & Laura
2011-2012

PDG Kent Christensen & Barbara

Merced Breakfast 2014-2015

PDG Doug Campbell & Rosie
Oakdale 2022-2023

District Cabinet Secretary
Maggie Strickler

BBQ Rob—Madera Evening
1st VD Gov Elect Steve Moore &
Robin—Linden
DG Elect Matt Strickler—Madera Evening
DG Dr. Eric Chung—Atwater Winton

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These Convention 2025 photos are late – my Linden Boys did this! ~ Paul Wagner





On Thursday, May 22nd, our club members volunteered to place flags on Veterans' graves located at the Murphy's Buena Vista cemetery. The English translation of Buena Vista is "Beautiful View." Pictured, from left to right...Ed Kane, Jerry Rucker, Jeff St Louis, Jim McCutchan, Raelyn Winkler, Carolee Kane, and Jackie Reeves (member of the cemetery board).



TURLOCK LIONS



We would like to say "thank you" to the Lions who attended the unveiling of the new athletic training room at Turlock High School. A young lady named Sarah G lead the project as a requirement to complete her Eagle Scout merits. Congratulations to her on her achievement! Please save the dates **October 11 to October 13** for the next bus trip to Reno. Yes, it is for two nights, not just one! More details will be available soon. Questions should be directed to Lion Rafael V or Lion Chris C.

MURPHYS ANGELS LIONS



TRACY BREAKFAST LIONS

Tracy Breakfast Lions has a new President. Oops, he not a new one, he's our current president re/elected from

2005-2006. He took over mid-year when the then Sitting President had to retire for medical reasons (but he's better now).

We will be hosting the annual **4th of July** Pancake Breakfast in the Park again. Last year, as in the past, we served between 700 and 900 people that started lining up at 6:00 in the morning. This is a tradition that goes back over 20 years and gets stronger every year. It was \$6.00 per person for pancakes, sausage, coffee, orange juice, and a bunch of Lions happy to serve. [FLIER](#)
~ Roy Hawkins

WATERFORD LIONS and OAKDALE LIONS

Waterford and Oakdale Lions Clubs are co-hosting a fundraiser for the Lions Eye Foundation. The event is being led by Dr. Tom Mihok, O.D., who serves as the Lead Trustee for the LEF in District 4-A1. [FLIER PG1](#) - [FLIER PG2](#)

MODESTO 500 LIONS

Modesto 500 Installation! What a lovely evening to celebrate the members of our club who have served this year. PP Gabrielle Deubert and her hubby Mike welcomed us to their home and provided us with an excellent feast! There was lots of laughter and celebrating the efforts of those who have served and will continue to do so. Thank you, President Dennis, for leading us through this past year. We look forward to the new incoming board to carry your torch!



Left photo: It's the least we could do for President Dennis for putting up with this lot for the year.



The three Presidential Musketeers for 2025-2026 - PDG Pat Casey-Gillum, PP Robin Brown, Incoming President Lori Begen!



Treasurer PP Gabrielle Deubert is keeping us honest as Treasurer for another year!



PDG Claudia Miller is kickin' butts and takin' names as our newest Secretary!



Lion Sue Carner will be dragging club paraphernalia to meetings as Lion Tamer when she's not galivanting around on one of her adventures!



Board directors, PP Dennis and PP Jerry Cooper, will try to direct us into the new year. Good luck with that!



New Marketing Chair and past Secretary Diana Ringer is the newest recipient of a Melvin Jones Fellowship!



PP Jerry Cooper earned the most coveted Helen Keller!



Wouldn't you know it, busy body PP Robin Brown earned Lion of the Year!



And the newest recipient of the Bull Throwers award go to....of course...PP Gabrielle Deubert!



Lovely thank you flowers to both Lion Lori Begen and PP Carol Shipley for all the work they put into our beautiful 75th Anniversary event! They did us proud!



An extra special "thank you" goes to PP Gabrielle and her hubby Mike for hosting Installation at their home and providing the tasty meal!

CHOWCHILLA LIONESS LIONS

Chowchilla Lions Lioness will be having a Fireworks Stand, **July 1st thru July 4th**, 10 am - 10 pm daily. We will be at SaveMart Parking Lot 1225 E Robertson Blvd. in Chowchilla. ~ Sylvia Gutierrez - [FLIER](#)

Here's the [FLIER](#) for the **July 3rd** Blood Drive.



Moke Hill Lions hosted our 1st Health Fair this year and are excited to say it was a success! Dr. Eleanor Britter, Director of the Lions Global Initiative for Health and Wellness, and her husband came and educated us on the process and we're ready for next year, and many years to come. We are thrilled to introduce this event as another meaningful way to strengthen our support for the community.

MOKE HILL LIONS



The Mokelumne Hill **4th of July** Parade is on the 4th, and the Lions Club is a big part of the celebration, including our famous Brat Booth. Come by for a delicious bratwurst and enjoy the parade. [FLIER](#)

TRACY TANK TOWN LIONS

Tracy Tank Town Lions celebrated 22 years of service on Thursday, June 12th with PDG Dave McCullough installing our incoming officers. Tracy Tank Town Lions' members were also on hand to help with All Star Football Concessions. *[See photos earlier in this newsletter.]*



Lion Jane held our flag and Lion Lou led our invocation.



Outgoing President Lion Carol thanked everyone for their service. She was honored with a donation to the California Eye Foundation.



PDG Dave McCullough installed our officers.



We were listening attentively.



Left photo: Lion Carol presented Lion Debbi with her President name badge. Right photo: Lion Debbi presented Lion Carol with her Past President name badge.



PDG Dave was honored with a donation to the Student Speakers Foundation in memory of PDG Ken Sherwood.



Tracy Tank Town Lions ~ Debbi Hopman

PATTERSON LIONS

The Patterson Lions began the month of June recovering from our annual Chicken BBQ during the Patterson Apricot Fiesta on May 31. We cooked and sold almost 500 chicken dinners. This is our club's longest standing fundraiser, and the community looks forward to it every year!



On June 17, we traveled to Thomas Downey High School in Modesto to feed the All-Star Team dinner after their practice before the big game in Tracy on June 21. The kids, and coaches, enjoyed some world class pulled pork and mac and cheese prepared by Lions Scooter and Chris. Many kids came back for a 2nd helping, and a few even came back for a 3rd!

At our board meeting on June 18, Boy Scout Troop 81 served the board members some of their famous apricot ice cream that they sell during Fiesta as a thank you for all we do to support them. We didn't get any pictures because we were all too busy eating!



As we end another successful Lions year, we want to thank everyone for your help and support. Good luck to everyone in the coming year, especially all the new club and district officers! ~ Shawn Monnin, Marketing Chair

STOCKTON SAN JOAQUIN LIONS and ARNOLD LIONS

[STOCKTON San Joaquin Lions Club](#) added 24 new photos to the album: [Three Senses Trail Trip for the Blind in Partnership with Arnold](#) —at [Calaveras Big Trees State Park, June 22 at 7:33 PM](#) · [Arnold, CA](#) ·

🌲 Our senses came alive at Calaveras Big Trees June 21st! What a beautiful break from the city, as we reflected among the giant sequoias with good friends. A huge "thank you" to the Arnold Lions Club for co-sponsoring our trip for the blind to the "Three Senses Trail" in Arnold, CA.

Renovating this trail was a legacy project spearheaded by Arnold Lions - with a grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation - and supported by our District 4-A1 Lions Clubs - and many community partners. We will never forget Arnold Lions' legacy of kindness, community service, and this amazing experience for the blind. Special thanks also to O&M and Braille Instructor, Denise Ferrin, for providing her excellent guidance. **#HelenKeller100** Check out the October 2018 article:

<https://www.calaverasenterprise.com/.../three-senses.../>



Arnold Lions Rod Smith (L) and Von Smith (R) with San Joaquin Lions, Jennifer Gass, Lisa Rodriguez, and Hy Cohen (C). Lion Rod is 4-A1 Environment Chair and Lion Jennifer is 4-A1 Vision Chair. — at [Calaveras Big Trees State Park](#).



Lion Vaughn provides guidance as Lion Hy explores a tactile sign.



Morad, Hy, and Joe Jr. were standing on a giant tree stump.



Jennifer, Lisa, and Enrique explored natural objects with Guide Denise Ferrin.



The Arnold Lions generously sponsored lunch at the Snack Shack for all.



Here's a group shot after the nature walk.



Lisa, Enrique, and Jennifer explored a tree that experienced a lightning strike. Guide Denise was explaining to them.



Jennifer, Lisa, and Denise were on top of the giant tree stump.



Guide Denise explained about the local trees.



Marcus and Enrique felt the braille informational sign about trees at the Tree Senses Trail.

CERES LIONS FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/cereslions>



Ceres Lions Club, California

June 28 at 2:47 PM · 🌐

Who is ready for the Stanislaus County Fair? Ceres Lions Club members were hard at work getting the parking ready today. The fair is July 11th -20th. Come out and enjoy!



Ceres Lions Club, California

June 25 at 10:55 PM · 🌐

It was an honor to have local veterans join us tonight. President Lion Matt Mann accepted a certificate of appreciation from the American Legion for our club's efforts in helping place flags at Ceres Cemetery for Memorial Day.



Ceres Lions Club, California

June 25 at 10:32 PM · 🌐

Lion Bob Gobble was honored with the Ron Ivey Humanitarian award by past President Lion Doug Wallick at tonight's meeting. Great job Lion Bob for your distinguished work and support of the Ceres Lions Club.



Ceres Lions Club, California's post



Ceres Lions Club, California

June 22 at 8:36 PM · 🌐

Preparing and slicing tri-tip for the Stanislaus County Sheriff K9 fundraiser.



OAKDALE LIONS' FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/oakdalelionsclub>


Oakdale Lions Club - Oakdale, CA is at Oakdale Morning Market.

June 28 at 8:53 PM · Oakdale, CA · 🌐

Here is our **Oakdale Morning Market** gang. Got to visit with a LOT of folks and keep raising awareness of who we are and what we do!

Oakdale Lions Club - Oakdale, CA is at Gene Bianchi Community Center.

June 28 at 3:52 PM · Oakdale, CA · 🌐

Thursday, June 26th at our regular Dinner Meeting featured the installation of our new officers and welcome to new members.



Oakdale Lions Club - Oakdale, CA is at Day On The Farm - Jim Sanchez Ranch.

June 16 at 11:49 AM · Oakdale, CA · 🌐

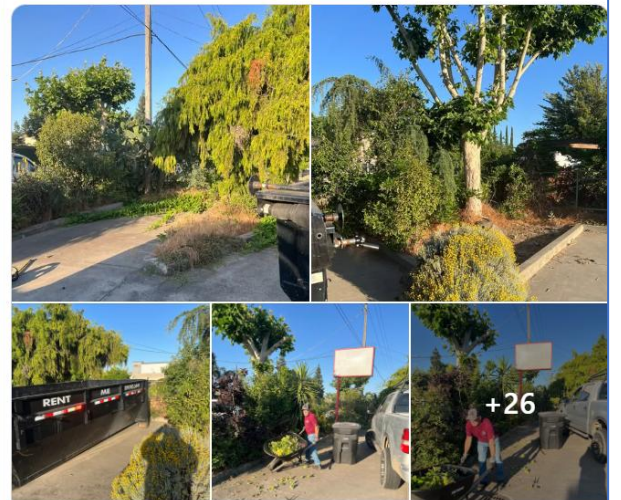
Pictures from Day on the Farm, Saturday, June 14th. About two dozen Lions, Lions family members and our new Leo Club serve hot dogs, chili, chips and fruit to a couple hundred disabled kids and their families. Always a good day all around.



Oakdale Lions Club - Oakdale, CA

May 31 at 4:34 PM · 🌐

Thank you Lion Wes and crew!



Wes Dobbins is with Mindy Johnson and Lisa Kjeldgaard.

May 31 at 2:48 PM · 🌐

Today some friends of mine and yours we did a thing. I am a **Oakdale Lions Club - Oakdale, CA** member and with the backing of Love Oakdale we helped out a local m... See more

Oakdale Lions Club - Oakdale, CA

May 21 · 🌐

Once again - We Serve!



OAKDALELEADER.COM

Hundreds rally for fight against cancer at Relay

Once the formal ceremony was concluded, all adjourned to the track at Johansen for the dove ...

*To contact these Lions, call
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number at 209-418-7782 or
ask your Zone Chair for the
District Directory (PDF or
hardcopy)*

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Samantha Hyatt

Global Service Coordinator (GST)
Beth Estante

NEW CLUBS – ACCORDING TO THE LION PORTAL

MERCED HEALTHY LEO (182692)
06/18/2025

STOCKTON HEALTHY (181676)
05/30/2025 (Induction July 19, 2025)
- FLIER

MOUNTAIN REGION

Region Chair – OPEN

Mountain Zone Chair - Claudia Miller
COPPEROPOLIS LAKE TULLOCH
(47759)

JACKSON (2263)
MURPHYS-ANGELS (2282)
MOKELUMNE HILL (39671)
SONORA (2292)
SUTTER CREEK (111484)
TRI DAMS LC (2303)
UPCOUNTRY 88 (37207)
WEST POINT (2307)

SAN JOAQUIN REGION

Region Chair - OPEN

San Joaquin Zone 1 Chair - OPEN
CLEMENTS-LOCKEFORD (2252)
ESCALON (2258)
LINDEN (2266)
LODI (2268)
LODI MEXICAN AMERICAN (46183)
RIPON (2288)

**San Joaquin Zone 2 Chair - Rodrigo
Acosta Jr**

LATHROP (105237)
STOCKTON DELTA PACIFICA (47862)
STOCKTON SAN JOAQUIN (2298)
STOCKTON HOST (2294)
TRACY BREAKFAST (2302)
TRACY TANK TOWN (67535)

STANISLAUS REGION

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“Rick” Hernandez Jr**

CERES (2250)
CROWS LANDING (2253)
GUSTINE (2259)
HUGHSON (135129)
LOS BANOS (2270)
MODESTO 500 (2279)
PATTERSON (2286)

**Stanislaus Zone 2 Chair - Shawn
Monnin**

ATWATER-WINTON (2248)
DENAIR (2255)
HILMAR-IRWIN-STEVINSON (2260)
LIVINGSTON (2267)
OAKDALE (2285)
TURLOCK (2304)
WATERFORD (2306)

YOSEMITE REGION

Region Chair - OPEN

Yosemite Zone 1 Chair – Karla Gran

CHOWCHILLA (2251)
CHOWCHILLA LIONESS (98271)
DOS PALOS (2256)
LE GRAND (2265)
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MERCED BREAKFAST (2276)
MERCED COUNTY LE (143071)

**Yosemite Zone 2 Chair – Paula
Hansen**

BASS LAKE (2249)
MARIPOSA (2274)
NORTH FORK (2284)
SIERRA (2291)



STOP THE DROP

Keep Our Lions Strong – Keep Our Members Engaged

Why It Matters:
Every Lion counts. When members leave, we lose passion, hands, and heart for our service. Let's act now to STOP the DROP!

6 Simple Actions Every Club Can Take:

- **Connect Personally**
Reach out to absent members with a call, text, or visit. Show you care beyond the meetings.
- **Ask & Listen**
Survey your members: What do they love? What needs improving? Listen and act on their feedback.
- **Make Meetings Meaningful**
Keep meetings fun, inspiring, and efficient. Celebrate service, not just business.
- **Engage Everyone**
Assign small roles or tasks so every Lion feels needed. Involve members in planning projects they care about.
- **Recognize and Appreciate**
Celebrate milestones (years of service, birthdays, achievements). Say "Thank You" often and sincerely.
- **Have More Fun!**
Plan social nights, service celebrations, and lighthearted competitions - laugh, bond, and make memories together - it's why Lions stay!

REMEMBER:
RETENTION ISN'T JUST ABOUT STAYING—
IT'S ABOUT BELONGING.

**STRONG CLUBS = STRONG SERVICE!
TOGETHER, WE CAN STOP THE DROP!**



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