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THE PRIDE

August 2020



Kindness in Action

Where there is a need, there is a Lion. As volunteers, this is our opportunity to reflect the best in humanity. As Lions, we believe in service without restrictions. Each day, we attempt to meet the needs of those in our communities and around the world. Service has been our hallmark since the founding of Lions Club International in 1917. By working together, we are able to leverage funds and physical partnerships that would otherwise be unavailable to us.

This pandemic has added restrictions on how we serve, not that we serve. We must now be more creative than ever.

Our clubs must become incubators for new ideas. Lions have talked about the need for change for many years. Now, change is being thrust upon us. If we are to exist as a viable association for another 100 years, we must not just embrace change. We must be change agents leading the way. The challenge that was issued to us by Helen Keller in 1925 in Cedar Point Ohio that asked us to constitute ourselves *Knights of the Blind* in the crusade against darkness has not changed. The darkness has grown.

Where there is hunger and food insecurity, there is darkness and Lions have answered by partnering with local Food Banks and food distribution centers to feed those in need. Where there is disease, there is darkness and Lions have partnered with The Carter Center to fight river blindness, with the City of Hope to fight Pediatric Cancer and Diabetes, and with the Gavi Vaccine Alliance to combat measles. For the visually impaired, Lions have partnered with Guide Dogs of the Desert, World Services for the Blind, Kids Sight USA, and California Lions Friends in Sight, to name a few.

We drive away the darkness by our continued service. By taking all that is good and kind and putting it into action. **Service = Kindness in Action**. Our core values will always remain the same. We shall continue to serve without reservation. We shall continue to be a force for good—both at home and abroad. We shall continue to fight in the crusade against darkness.

Shine the light of service in the dark places of despair and indifference.

Phil Burch
District Governor
4-L5



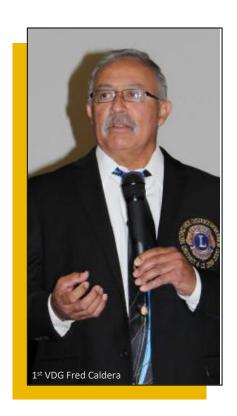
Lions Showing Leadership

Hello everyone!

Thank you all for your support in electing me to 1st Vice District Governor of 4L-5. It is my desire to help lead and guide all clubs to be servants to the communities that they serve.

To say the least, the end and start of this Lions year 2020, has been disappointing. The events of 9-11 in 2001 gave this country a sucker-punch to the face and we came out swinging hard. This event, the virus gave us a punch to the gut and left us winded. But now is the time to catch our breath and hit back harder with a hard one-two.

What do I mean by this? Lions clubs in this country and worldwide have faced and served in disasters of all kinds with service. Emergency relief; feeding people; building shelters; counseling; a shoulder to cry on; the list goes on. This district has lots of talented



people who have God given gifts for service. This is a time where you can shine and roar like a Lion.

Now I know that there are members who are not able or comfortable to serve out in the open during this health emergency. I am not compelling those to do so. I am sure that you are serving in a safe manner. For those of you that are able to serve outside, I encourage you to find ways to do so. Have your club contact your city leaders and ask in which ways you can serve, is one example.

Merriam-Webster's dictionary describes *fear* as a term that implies anxiety and usually a loss of courage. Let's not let this define us. Let us come out roaring like courageous Lions showing leadership and innovation in the face of this adversity.

Your servant,

Fred Caldera

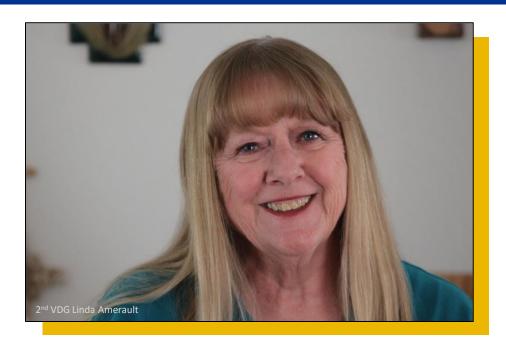
1st Vice District Governor, 4-L5



On the frontlines of service.

Today and every day.





Together, We Can Do Anything

Hello everyone! It is going to be another super year for the Lions Clubs in District 4-L5. I am looking forward to serving you as 2nd Vice District Governor and working with DG Phil Burch and 1st Vice District Governor Fred Caldera. Even though we are curtailed in performing our activities to an extent right now because of COVID-19, I believe

we can overcome some of these restrictions by working together and developing new and creative ideas for fulfilling our motto, "WE SERVE."

There are so many creative Lions in our District so let's work together in developing new ways to serve Riverside and San Bernardino counties in all possible ways. Some of the areas we need to address are *vision*, *environment*, *pediatric cancer*, *diabetes*, and *hunger*.

Together we can do anything we put our collective minds to do. The District 4-L5 Cabinet is here to work with you in training, projects, service, or whatever your club's need. Call, email or text me if you have any questions or concerns. If I don't know the answer, I will find it and get back to you.

Yours in Lionism,

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We're making a world of difference

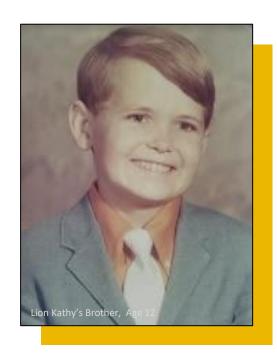
At home and abroad.



Families Impacted by Childhood Cancer Still Need Us

Lion Kathy McCracken
District 4-L5 Global Action Team Service Coordinator

Fifty years ago, this month, my youngest brother died 6 weeks after being diagnosed with cancer in his nymph glands. He was 12 years old. Because my mother was a registered nurse, he was able to be home with us between hospital visits. In fact, he died at home. I went with him to his Cobalt (radiation) treatments and also to JC Penney in San Bernardino when my mom bought the first suit for him off the rack. We always had to mix and match his clothes sizes because he was husky. He was so proud of that suit on one hanger. The only time he wore it was the night we had family photos taken for the last time, on August 1st. On August 25th, he was buried in it.



Why would I tell you about this sad time in my life? Many families are experiencing this kind of heartbreak in their lives. I always thought there should be someway for families to live near a hospital while a child is going through treatment. There were none 50 years ago. Well, now there are many hospitals for children with housing accommodations for families. They need our support.

In our district, we have Ronald McDonald House. Many of our Lions Clubs have been supporting Ronald McDonald House families by providing breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks, for years. And of course, supporting families through the PDG Bob Domenigoni Memorial Tab Challenge – a great way to participate in a project for Childhood Cancer.

Unfortunately, the coronavirus (COVID-19) has eliminated many clubs from actively participating in service projects. I know that because it has affected my club from going out in the public. But, are there project ideas that can still be done while staying safe at home? Glad you asked. A few ideas are listed on the next page.





CANCER





VISION

HUNGER





Project Ideas to Support Families Impacted by Childhood Cancer During the Pandemic

Ц	Send cards and letters to families at a children's hospital
	Make monetary donations to a Children's Hospital of your choice
	Knit scarves or make no-sew blankets
	Start collecting toys for Christmas
	Deliver fresh flowers
	Donate gift cards
	Write letters to Santa for the Macy's Children Believe program to benefit Make-A-Wish
	Contact "Make a Wish" for ideas on what to write in letters to a child
	Contact Ronald McDonald House to have food delivered

I'm sure your club members will have many more ideas to benefit LCI Global Childhood Cancer. Please be sure and report your project results on <u>MyLion</u> each month to let everyone know what about your club's project and how you all are supporting families impacted by childhood cancer. It just may encourage another club to serve.

Contact me if you would like to any information on using <u>MyLion</u>. LCI improved the process of planning and reporting your volunteer hours.

Lion Kathy McCracken
Rialto Host Lions
District 4-L5 Global Action Team Service Coordinator
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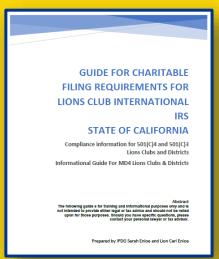
Helping those affected by childhood cancer SURVIVE and THRIVE.





District Announcements





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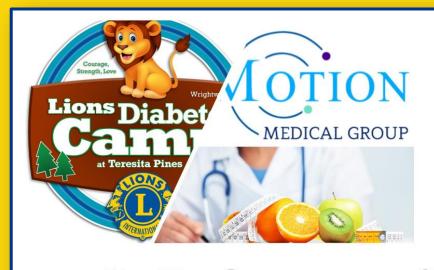
September 25th - 27th, 2020

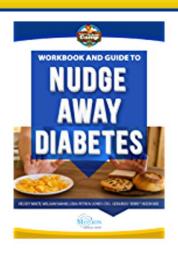
Attend virtually! Only \$20 registration fee

Click to register: https://members.lionsforum.org/event-3925061

Guidelines for Charitable Filings

Prepared by IPDG Sarah Enloe and Carl Enloe Click to access: https://bit.ly/ca-lions-irs





Lions Diabetes Camp in partnership with Motion Medical Group

invites you to the:

Wednesday Wellness Diabetes Program every 1th and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 PM Virtual Meet Ups.

Lions Diabetes Camp - Virtual Meet Ups

Starting Wednesday, September 2nd, 2020 at 7:00 pm (1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month)

Register at the link below to get the Zoom link invite

Click to register: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrceqgrjosGtl8LN_NbYrwUOFdJQqNmKf6



August 2020

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 4-L5

CABINET INSTALLATION & DISTRICT MEETING intual

August 29, 2020 - 12:00 PM

https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/385497773

Access Code: 385-497-773

or join by phone @ 571-317-3122

Installing Officer International Vice President

Brian Sheehan



Kindness in Action

Click to Join District 4-L5's Installation: Saturday, August 29, 2020 – 12:00pm

https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/385497773





District Governor Club Visitation Schedule, 2020-2021

Club	Туре	Day	Date	Time
Grand Terrace	TBD	Wednesday	5-Aug	6:30AM
Corona Host		Thursday	6-Aug	12:00 - Noon
Blythe		Monday	10-Aug	6:30
Colton	Zoom	Wednesday	19-Aug	TBD
Desert Center Chuckwalla		Tuesday	11-Aug	7:00
Arrow Bear Lake		Thursday	20-Aug	7:00
Bloomington		Wednesday	26-Aug	6:00
Coachella Valley		Tuesday	1-Sep	7:00
Barstow		Tuesday	8-Sep	7:00
Anza	TBD	Monday	21-Sep	7:00
Apple Valley		Monday	28-Sep	6:30
Big Bear		Thursday	1-Oct	6:00
Highland		Tuesday	5-Oct	6:30
Victorville Lioness		Thursday	8-Oct	Noon
Victorville	In person	Thursday	8-Oct	Noon
Murrieta	In person	Tuesday	13-Oct	6:30
Murrieta Breakfast		Tuesday	13-Oct	6:30
Redlands Evening	In person	Thursday	15-Oct	7:00
Beaumont		Thursday	22-Oct	7:00
Calimesa Yucaipa		Wednesday	18-Nov	11:30AM
Canyon Lake		Thursday 	19-Nov	7:00
Canyon Lake Lioness		Thursday	19-Nov	7:00
Fontana Breakfast		Saturday	21-Nov	12:00 Noon
N. Fontana Centennial		Saturday	21-Nov	6:00
Calimesa Breakfast		Wednesday	16-Dec 6-Jan	6:30AM
Jurupa District Menifee Valley		Wednesday Thursday	7-Jan	6:00 7:00
Moreno Valley Lioness		Wednesday	13-Jan	6:30
Lucerne Valley		Thursday	21-Jan	7:00
Moreno Valley		Monday	25-Jan	6:30
Rialto Breakfast		Monday	1-Feb	11:30AM
Spring Valley Lake Helendale		Thursday	4-Feb	6:30
Rialto Host		Monday	8-Feb	6:30
Riverside Magnolia	In person	Wednesday	10-Feb	6:30
Norco		Thursday	11-Feb	7:00
Palm Springs		Thursday	25-Feb	12:00 Noon
Temecula		Thursday	4-Mar	7:00
Yucaipa Valley		Monday	9-Mar	6:30
Spring Valley Lake		Thursday	11-Mar	5:00
Nuview		Tuesday	16-Mar	7:00
Timberline		Thursday	18-Mar	6:00
Crestline Lioness		Tuesday	30-Mar	6:30
Norco Lioness		Monday	5-Apr	7:00
San Jacinto		Thursday	8-Apr	7:00
Hemet		Wednesday	14-Apr	6:30
Big Pines Teresita Pines	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD



Got News?

Do you have any news you'd like to share with the entire District? Share it in the District Newsletter!

Email: district4L5news@gmail.com



Lion Debra Johnson
Big Bear Lions Club

Lion James Owens, Jr.
Jurupa District Lions Club

Lion Nancy Hernandez
Corona Host Lions Club

Lion José Morales
Big Pines - Teresita Pines
Lions Club



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Serving Safely

Our service endures.

