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**"ARROYO GRANDE LIONS HAVING FUN HELPING THEIR COMMUNITY"**

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**President's Comments:**

My focus this year will be on:

- 1) Back to the community we serve
- 2) Motto-Arroyo Grande Lions Having Fun Helping Their Community
- 3a) Build a youth Improvement Program or
- 3b) Youth Protection Project
- 4) One Major Local (High Visibility) Project

I know these are my goals, I hope to make them ours.

If you accept them it will take a total club effort to accomplish them.

Each and every one of us can bring a skill or passion to these projects. Thanks, Lion President Dan

**SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS:**

July 18-Regular meeting District Governor's official visitation  
July 19-Nipomo Lions 8:00 AM Blacklake- District Governor's Official Visitation\*\*  
July 19-Visitation to San Miguel Lions@  
July 21-Governor's Roast in Ventura  
July 24-Visitation to Atascadero Lions@  
July 26-Visitation to San Luis Obispo Lions (12:00 noon)\*\*@  
July 26-Visitation to Shandon Valley Lions @  
July 28-Family Picnic at Stan's Ranch in Huasna Valley  
August 1 – Regular Meeting  
August 1-Visitation to Santa Maria Noontimers Lions (12:00 noon)@  
August 2 – Nipomo Lions 8:00 AM Blacklake  
August 3, 4, 5- Council of Governors meeting in Santa Maria  
August 8 – Board Meeting at Jim Gallagher's  
August 15 – Regular Meeting  
August 16 – Nipomo Lions 8:00 AM Blacklake

**\*\*Denotes a visitation with our Zone Chair Terry at the DG's official club visitation**  
**@Denotes a club visit by Lion George-other members are invited to join the visit!**

**Club news:**

**June 6 meeting:** The program was "Get on the Bus" which involves bringing children from the Los Angeles area to visit their fathers who are interned at CMC in San Luis Obispo. This event occurs twice a year. Lion Terry announced their new grandchild Flynn Paul Kantzalis Orton born on June 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:45. Have your money ready at the next meeting.

**June 13 Board meeting:** The board meeting was hosted by Lion President Terry (& Nancy)

**June 20 regular meeting:** A joint induction of officers of the Arroyo Grande and Nipomo Lions club was held. There were 70 Lions & guests in attendance. Lion Dan Walker was installed as the president of Arroyo Grande and Lion Denise Farmer as the second president of the Nipomo Lions. Good luck to them and all the other officers.

**July 4 meeting:** There was no meeting since this was the Fourth of July

**July 11 Board meeting:** The meeting was hosted by Lion President Dan. Committee chairman were selected. The names will appear in the next issue of this publication, since some chairmen have not been asked yet. President Dan selected as his motto for the year "Arroyo Grande Lions Having Fun Helping Their Community." The board approved up to \$200.00 to purchase a banner with the motto printed to be used a club functions. President Dan is also considering a major community project which will be present for approval at a later date. The date for a visit to the Melodrama will be present to the club in the near future. This would be a Lions and spouse or guest night out. The board also discussed the family barbecue/picnic at Stan's ranch to be held on July 28 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. A sign up sheet will be at the next meeting. This is opened to all Lions and their guests (children, grandchildren, etc.). Fun and games are planned so mark this date on your calendar.

**Visitations:**

Lion George with Lynn attended the Installation of officers at the Vandenberg Village Lions on June 16. Lions George, Stan, and Jack with Lynn, Mary, and Pam attended the Installation of officers at Santa Maria Valley Lions on June 23. Lions Dan, George, Stan, Terry with Michele, Lynn, Mary, and Nancy attended the Installation of officers at the Orcutt Lions on June 30. Lion George inducted two new members to the Pismo Beach Lions on June 26.

We have an obligation to support our club members (Terry-Zone 2 Chairman & Jack-Cabinet Treasurer) when they accompany our District Governor on his official visitations. The next visits will be on July 19, 8:00 AM to Nipomo, July 26, 12:00 noon San Luis Obispo.

In addition any one who wishes to join me (George) on a club visit should contact me prior to the visit. The next scheduled ones are: July 19-San Miguel (7:00 PM), July 24-Atascadero (7:00 PM), July 26-Shandon Valley (7:00 PM), and August 1-Santa Maria Noontimers (12:00 noon). I will be making other visits between August and March 30, 2008 including visits to the southern part of the district. Please contact me if you are interested in joining me. There will be additional planned visits arranged by Lion Terry.

Lion's information:

### **LCIF Ranked Best NGO Worldwide**

In a special report released Thursday, July 5, 2007, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) ranked best among non-governmental organizations (NGOs) worldwide. From 34 global organizations, LCIF came in first for its execution of programs, demonstrated accountability, communications internally and externally, program adaptability to the surrounding community, and understanding the goals of its corporate supporters.

LCIF beat out Rotary International, Habitat for Humanity, UNESCO and UNICEF, to name a few on the list.

The ratings were compiled by the Financial Times in association with the Dalberg Global Development Advisers and the United Nations Global Compact. The assessment was published in the Financial Times' Corporate Citizenship and Philanthropy special report and highlights companies' growing interest in long-term partnerships to tackle an expanding range of social issues. The full story can be at <http://www.ft.com/cms/s/e230ea0e-294c-11dc-a530-000b5df10621.html> and story about the list can be viewed at [www.FT.com/cms/s/64b86094-2a90-11dc-9208-000b5df10621.html](http://www.FT.com/cms/s/64b86094-2a90-11dc-9208-000b5df10621.html). The list was also reproduced in the Chronicle of Philanthropy. The full list can be viewed at [http://media.ft.com/cms/e462102e-2b03-11dc-85f9-000b5df10621,dwp\\_uuid=c1927432-1f9e-11dc-ac86-000b5df10621.pdf](http://media.ft.com/cms/e462102e-2b03-11dc-85f9-000b5df10621,dwp_uuid=c1927432-1f9e-11dc-ac86-000b5df10621.pdf).

The list was released at a meeting of executives of NGOs and the UN in Geneva, Switzerland.

Lions Clubs International Foundation is Lions helping Lions serve the world. Donations provide funding in the form of grants to financially assist Lions districts with large-scale humanitarian projects that are too extensive for Lions to finance on their own. The Foundation aids Lions in making a greater impact in their local communities, as well as around the world. Through LCIF, Lions ease pain and suffering and bring healing and hope to people worldwide. For more information, visit [www.lcif.org](http://www.lcif.org)



### ***DISTRICT 4-A3 ACTIVITIES:***

Lion Bill Dunlevy of the Ventura Downtown Lions was elected as district governor and Lion Joe Woodruff from the Carpinteria Lions was elected as vice district governor at the convention in Solvang. DG Bill will be making his official visit to our club on July 18. Please support DG Bill and our Zone Chairman Lion Terry and attend this meeting.

### ***MULTIPLE DISTRICT FOUR (MD-4) ACTIVITIES:***

The First Council of Governors meeting will be held in Santa Maria on August 3, 4, 5 at the Radisson Hotel at the Airport. This is a great opportunity to attend a COG meeting. Contact Lion George for any additional information.

***LIONS INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES:*** Mahendra Amarasuriya, a banker and a corporate leader, from Sri Lanka was elected as International President at the International Convention in Chicago. His theme is "Challenge to Change" which we will hear more about through out the year. Also elected as International Director from MD-4 was Dana Biggs. Dana attended the cabinet meeting we hosted when I became district governor.

### **Nipomo Club News:**

The members held a "brain storming session" on July 5<sup>th</sup> at their regular meeting and discussed the following topics: Membership, Location and time to hold club meetings, Why are we Lions?, Make a difference how?, Fund raising. A detailed outline of this meeting can be obtained from President Denise.

Lion Bill Van Hoosan will be traveling through out the U.S. for the next year. He will be missed.

Golf Tournament (August 23, 2007)- Lions Mark, David, Bill, & Norm will help this project

Eye glasses & Cell phone Pick up will be taken over by Lions Merle & Marsha Ackerman.

District Governor Bill Dunlevy will make his official visitation on July 19. Each should plan on attending this meeting. This is when the DG tells of his goals for the district in the up coming year.

A 1<sup>st</sup> year anniversary party is planned for August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM to be hosted by Lions Merle & Marsha. A flyer was emailed to all club members.

This will be the last issue that information concerning the Nipomo club will appear in this newsletter unless requested by the Nipomo club. They will be preparing their own in the near future.

HUMOR?



Laugh a minute! Ha! Ha!



Did you know?

It is better to be approximately right than precisely wrong. *Warren Buffett*

Recent club Photos:



Governor Bill & Lion Margaret at the convention



Lions Stan, George, & John "working" at the food faire



Lion Stan Campaigning for Joe



Lions John, Bob, John, Joe with Sue at the father daughter banquet.



The crew cooking at the banquet



Lion Frank's presentation on the eye at a recent meeting



Happy to be out of office!!!!



May I have this dance? Who will lead?



Pres. Dan & Pres. Denise

Lion's information:

Lions-Quest K-12 programs are among the most highly acclaimed positive prevention programs in the world. Lions-Quest **Skills for Adolescence** has received the CSAP/SAMHSA "MODEL" Program award, which identifies it as a best practice, evidence-based program that focuses on the elements that are critical to reducing adolescent drug use and promoting healthy behaviors. Lions-Quest's K-12 programs:

- Reduce risk factors that encourage drug use (alienation, aggression toward peers, friends who use drugs, etc.)
- Engage the home, school and community in developing assets for young people within a unified school-community initiative
- Promote the protective factors that discourage drug use (knowledge of harm of drugs, friends who don't use drugs, resistance and goal-setting skills, etc.)
- Establish normative beliefs that drug use is not the norm among young people, and provides a clear "no use" message
- Address internal and external pressures to use drugs and teaches positive peer pressure strategies
- Teach resistance and other social skills, as well as emotional competencies
- Provide accurate, age-appropriate information about the short- and long-term impact of drug use on a young person's health, friendships, interests and future goals
- Foster bonding with pro-social peers and caring adults in the home, school and community
- Encourage students to be healthy role models through service-learning projects in the school and community
- Provide evaluation instruments to measure the effectiveness of the program

***More information on the Quest program will be presented at a future club meeting. This could be a possible program offered by our club.***



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#### **Lions information:**

The Motto of Lions International is, "**WE SERVE.**"

The slogan of Lions is "**Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety," thus **LIONS**.**

#### **Lion's official colors:**

The official colors are purple and gold. Purple stands for loyalty to friends and to oneself. It also stands for the integrity of mind and heart. Gold symbolizes sincerity of purpose, liberality of judgment, purity in life and generosity in mind, heart, and pursue toward one's fellowship.

#### **The Lion's emblem:**

The emblem consists of a gold letter "L" on a circular gold area with two lion profiles at either side facing away from the center. The word "Lions" appears at the top and "International" at the bottom. Symbolically, the lions face both the past and future... proud of the past and confident of the future.

