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"ARROYO GRANDE LIONS HAVING FUN HELPING THEIR COMMUNITY"

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President's Comments:

If the Harvest Festival attendance was as good as the Arroyo Grande Lions' it would be a record year.

If NASA had our energy and drive it would have brought a whole new meaning to "Rocket Science."

Thank you Lion Terry for guiding us through.

I'm continuing to collect information and talk to people about Lions Quest.

Recently I spoke with PDG Jerry McCray from 4-C2. He was helpful in improving my understanding of the program. I'll be looking forward to making a road trip to Santa Rosa or Eureka to sit in on a one day training session for teachers. I hope a few of you will join me.

Let's keep the focus on creating a new line of defense to protect our 5 Cities children from drugs. Thanks, Lion President Dan.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sept. 12- Board Meeting
- Sept. 19 – Regular Meeting
- Sept. 20 – Nipomo Lions 8:00 AM Blacklake
- Sept. 20 – Nipomo Lions golf tournament
- Sept. 27- Set-up for Harvest Festival
- Sept. 28 & 29- Harvest Festival
- Sept. 28, 29, 30- PDG Reunion in Redding
- Oct. 3- Regular Meeting
- Oct. 4- Nipomo Lions 8:00 AM Blacklake
- Oct. 6- Healthy Club Workshop II **Bakersfield**
- Oct. 10- Board Meeting at Lion Jim Gallagher's
- Oct. 17 Regular Meeting
- Oct. 18 Nipomo Lions 8:00 AM Blacklake
- Oct. 31 Halloween Guest night Costumes are optional (each person wearing a costume will

SPECIAL NOTE:

New rates for drinks;
Sodas \$1.00
Beer & Wine \$2.00
Mixed drinks \$3.00

Receive two raffle tickets.

Club news:

Sept. 5 meeting: I have a senior moment and lost my notes concerning the program for this night. I know that we had fun and another enjoyable meal.

Sept. 12 Board meeting: The board meeting was hosted by President Dan with the following Lions in attendance; Lions Dan, Jack, John McInerney, George, Elliott, Tom, and Terry. The items discussed Health Fair scheduled for Oct. 21 in Nipomo, the Healthy Club Workshop in Bakersfield, a social on Halloween, which is 5th Wednesday of the month and is a guest night, the Turkey Trot in November, Harvest Festival, and the Cabinet meeting in Santa Maria on November 16 & 17.

Sept. 19 Regular meeting: We hosted the Zone 2 meeting on this night with several clubs not in attendance. Clubs discussed their club activities such as the Police and Fire Department Appreciation night presented by the Morro Bay Lions. Pismo Beach does catering of bars as a fund raiser. The question was asked if any project was to be undertaken for Campaign Sight First II, nothing special except on a district level. Other items discussed were:

What projects would you like the District to support? (The suggestions of support for Web Pages and Orientation and Zone meetings were of interest to those in attendance.)

The Healthy Club Workshop scheduled for Oct. 6 in Bakersfield.

Attendees were encouraged to go to the Miniature Golf Social/fund raiser to be held on October 6 in Ventura.

The District Cabinet Meeting to be held in Orcutt/Santa Maria on November 16th & 17th.

Sept. 28 & 28 Harvest Festival-\$4,000 was raised through the effort of all the Lions that helped. I believe this sets a new record.

Oct. 3 regular meeting: Lion Frank gave an overview of the duties and responsibilities of the county Tax Collectors Office. This was an interesting program; however I suggest that we take up a collection and buy him an extension cord.

Visitations:

No visitations were scheduled for September; however Terry, Jack and George visited Templeton. Up coming visits will include Cayucos, Cambria, Shandon Valley, Pleasant Valley, Carpinteria, and Saticoy.

Halloween Guest Night: October 31, 2007 meeting will be a guest night and a pot luck dinner. You will be notified whether to bring a salad or a hot dish. The entrée and dessert will be provided by the club. If you come in a costume you will receive 2 raffle tickets. This should be a fun night so please plan to attend.

The family Christmas Party is approaching please plan to attend and bring your young children or grandchildren. The date has not been confirmed; however it will probably be December 19, 2007.

WE SERVE

Lions information—US/Canada Forum 2007

The 2007 Lions USA/CANADA Forum held in Grand Rapids, Michigan was attended by Lion Jim Gallagher of the Arroyo Grande Lions Club and Lion Jan Gallagher of the Nipomo Lions Club. We attended opening events Thursday evening, seminars Friday and Saturday, and the closing event Saturday evening. Thursday's speaker was Jeanne Robertson, whose message was how to use humor to achieve success. Jeanne is a Lion. Jim attended 4 seminars on Friday dealing with conducting effective meetings, public speaking challenges, maintaining effective leaders, and club Presidents Challenge to Change. Friday's luncheon speaker was Steve Gilliland, a successful consultant, motivational speaker, and retired baseball player. The seminars attended by Jim on Saturday were Lions Service, Use of LCI's information technology, being an effective Vice President, and having fun through Tail twisting. Saturday's luncheon was directed at acknowledging Lionism throughout the world lead by our International President Mahendra Amarasuriya. Saturday's closing dinner was Manual Scott. Mr. Scott is a wonderful example of how an individual can overcome life's obstacles; believe in the beauty of diversity, and how to use the power of love to embrace humanism.

Mr. Scott is also a Lion. In addition to attending seminars we meet many Lions from other parts of the US and Canada. The USA/CANADA Forum is definitely an event to attend to appreciate the strength and breathe of Lionism Internationally. I encourage Lions interested in learning more about Lionism to consider attending the 2008 USA/CANADA Forum which will be held at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, September 18th thru the 20th. We have registered and we have a few enrollment forms if you're interested. Come talk with us. It would be fun to have a larger attendance from this area.
Lion Jim Gallagher



Lions Jan & Jim Gallagher

DISTRICT 4-A3 ACTIVITIES:

The second Cabinet meeting will be held in Orcutt/Santa Maria on November 16 & 17, 2007. There is a miniature golf social/fund raiser scheduled for Ventura on October 20, 2007. Check the district web site for further information concerning these two events.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT FOUR (MD-4) ACTIVITIES:

The second Area Healthy Club Work Shop was held in Bakersfield on October 6 with Lions Terry & George Attending. Lion George was also one of the presenters. The 25 in attendance were divided into discussion groups and develop ideas for Membership, Extension, Retention, and Leadership. The next work shop will probably be held in each district and cover "Officer Training." This work shop will be held in May of 2008.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES: International President Mahendra Amarasuriya, stated in his monthly message, "Change is not easy. Many clubs need to change, modifying practices and procedures. Even the more successful clubs need to anticipate the future and make subtle changes. We don't need to change who Lions are and what we do. But we do need to change how we do things." These words reflect the need that Lions should seek younger members and change if necessary to make our clubs of interest to the younger generation.

He went on to say, "Unless we understand younger people and their needs and wants and reshape our clubs accordingly, we won't be able to entice them to join. But if we are savvy about what we do and how we present ourselves to the public, it won't be just Generation X and Y that people will hear about. They'll know about Generation L, those service-minded younger people who become Lions."

American Soldier and Wisconsin Lions Clubs Team Up to Give Iraqi Girl Chance to See Lions Clubs, Aspirus Wausau Hospital and Lions Eye Bank donate corneal transplant to 7-year-old. See complete story on LCI's web site.

Lions warned about approaching flu season. "It is predicted that future flu pandemics may affect more than 30% of the population. Unlike a seasonal flu virus, humans have a lack of natural immunity to a pandemic flu virus. Several weeks or months may pass before health officials identify a particular strain of the flu and develop a vaccine." It is recommended that Lions clubs provide help within the community with the following information:

"Flu germs transfer through close personal contact such as shaking hands, sneezing, and the sharing of common surfaces including doorknobs and table tops. To minimize the spread of germs during a pandemic, minimize contact with others and follow these basic guidelines.

- Use a disposable tissue when sneezing or coughing. If a tissue isn't available, sneeze into the sleeve of a shirt. Sneezing into one's hands can further spread germs.*
- Use soap, alcohol-based hand wipes, or gel sanitizers to wash hands.*
- Avoid contact with the eyes, nose, or mouth.*
- Stay home if infected with the flu virus. This will minimize the spread of germs."*

Above information provided by LCI

HUMOR?



Laugh a minute! Ha! Ha!



Did you know?

Think Change: What seems like only a ripple today...can become the wave of the future.

Recent club Photos:



Lions Dick (Morro Bay), Kim (Pismo Beach), Pres. Dan, ZC Terry, Jack & Tom (Cayucos)



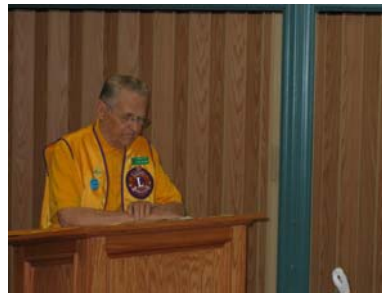
Lion Frank hooking together his "extension cords"



Zone Chair Lion Terry



PDG Stan, PCC George & Pres. Tom



Templeton Pres. John at our visitation



We stole their banner (digitally)



Pleasant Valley Lions barbecue too



PDG Stan pitching CSFII



PV Lion Jerry & PV Pres. Tom

More club/MD-4 information:

Lion PDG Stan and Lion PCC George attended the MD-4 PDG Reunion in Redding, California on September 28 & 29, 2007. Unfortunately they had to miss working in the Harvest Festival booth; however Lion George still had the most charges against him thanks to his children and grandchildren. Friday night was a social time with dinner out. We had reservations for 18 Lions and guest which grew to 32 by the time we arrived at the Italian restaurant. Saturday lunch included initiating PDGs from the last two councils into the group. Thanks to PDG Stan who brought it to the attention of all that PCC George had not been initiated. Then it was discovered that PID Bill Crawford and PDG Ron Hurd had not gone through the ceremony too. Thanks Stan!

Saturday night dinner included a bus ride to Shasta Lake and a cruise up the lake for a chicken and tri-tip barbecue. The meal was okay but they need a lesson from our barbecue crews. The reunion is scheduled for the same weekend for the next several years. Become a DG and you too can enjoy such a week.

More club photos:



ZC Terry and other Lions at the zone meeting



Lions Sharon and Teresa from Santa Maria Valley Lions visiting



Lion pres. Dan, Lion Terry with the visiting Barcellos & Friends



Vi, Sue, Lion Jan, Lion Jim & Lion Matt at the Family picnic at the Sharpe ranch



Lion George shows son Jason how to barbecue pork at the picnic



Lion & Lion Jim behind those dark glasses



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OBJECTIVES

- **TO CREATE** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.
- **TO PROMOTE** the principles of good government and good citizenship.
- **TO TAKE** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.
- **TO UNITE** the Clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- **TO PROVIDE** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest: provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by Club members.
- **TO ENCOURAGE** service minded men and women to serve their community without personal financial rewards, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry professions, public works and private endeavors.

