4C2 DISTRICT BUZZ

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SEPTEMBER NEWS

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DG JOE'S MONTHLY MESSAGE!

Another month down & what a start to our year! The Corona Virus has us locked down & unable to meet or work on service activities. The fires have our members & their families losing their homes. We have friends homeless & everything they had saved lost to the fires. I want to personally thank every Lions club & Lion member who took part to help victims from the fires. We've received a \$10,000 emergency grant from LCIF. Those funds, as of today, have been spent. But do not be disappointed! We'll still be able to help out. We also have a grant for \$5,000 from the California Lions Foundation. If you have questions, please contact me or 1st VDG Cindy. I'd like to thank every 4C2 club that has donated to the 4C2 fire fund. We've received over \$4500 from clubs & still more coming in. This money is available for helping after all LCIF & CLF money has been spent & we still have \$10,000 available from our Special Activities Emergency Funds available when needed. I'm so proud of what this district has done during the Fire emergency. That's why the 'WE SERVE' spirit stands out in this district, more than any other. Keep up the good work!

We have a lot of activities coming up in the district. On Sat. Nov. 14th, we'll have our 2nd virtual Cabinet meeting. Please mark your calendar for this! More info to come! 2nd VDG Beverlee is planning a virtual Halloween party & then a virtual Christmas Party for the district. Dates & times to follow. Great job & thank you Beverlee.

Other good news. We have a new club in the district. Laytonville Lioness club has decided to transfer & become the Laytonville Long Valley Lioness/Lions club. Welcome aboard. We're all looking forward to meeting you. Also, Lions remember you must 'ASK' people to become Lions. I'd like everyone to 'ASK' 1 person to join our great association.

I'm still planning on doing 'in-club' personal visitations as soon as I can. Once the state opens up, I'll be setting up my schedule. I hope to see each of you soon. We'll continue getting information out to you by having Cabinet Secretary Cyndi emailing it to Club Presidents & Secretaries. I want to thank Cyndi for all the time she puts in. It's a hard job.

Well, until the next newsletter comes out, please say safe, keep up the good work & remember 'WE SERVE'.

COVID 19 doesn't stop **DIXON LIONS from** keeping their town clean & tidy.

FAIRFIELD HOST's PDG Barry Fredenburg, made a donation of \$1000 to the FOOD BANK OF CONTRA COSTA & SOLANO.

FORT BRAGG LEOS efforts to replace the annual **HAUNTED HOUSE event** with a great alternative.

If we all participate, we can make this a fun District event! We may even make the pages of the LION **MAGAZINE!!**



'DISTANCE OR ONLINE **LEARNING - PROS & CONS'. ORDER YOUR** PACKETS BY OCT. 1st!!





Fort Bragg-Mendocino Lions and Leo Clubs! Presents...

Build a Scarecro Contest! Entry fee: \$5

Submissions due: September 30th



October 24

Package deal! Enter all 3 contests for only \$10

For contest rules and more information contact: fblions@mcn.org or visit our website:

Best Decorated Pumpkin Contest! Entry fee: \$5

Submissions due: October 19th **FREE Trick or**



Halloween Night at the **Lions Hall!**

FortBraggLionsClub.org/Events.html





SAN RAFAEL, LAS GALLINAS LIONS delivering CD players & CDs to the local Marin Post-Acute facility. Lions Graham & Kathleen Forder, Dolores Cuervo & Nyet Wan, along with the club members, participated. What a treat for the residents!





A creative SANTA ROSA HOST Lion, Janah Lo Presit, created this 'donation flower cart'! It's transportable, ingenious & a fun way to accept donations from the public. The SR Hosts are proud to have Janah as an active & guiding principle of performing community service, even w/these unprecedented hurdles in our path. Maybe Janah would share details!



MCKINLEYVILLE Lions gathered, donated \$700+ of clothing & toys to fire victims @ Happy Camp. Firefighters received care packages of socks & snacks. Donations were turned over to Willow Creek resident & Prescott Arizona Lion member-atlarge, Steve Paine & will go to Happy Camp on Sun. Sept. 20th. Thank you MCKINLEYVILLE Lions.



Ideas for Community Service During a Pandemic Created by California Lions

We Serve

- 1. Write letters to our Soldiers
- 2. Create cards for recipients of delivered meals (Meals on Wheels)
- 3. Call Seniors or others that are home bound.
- 4. Sew and donate face masks, or other needed articles
- 5. Identify families that need assistance and create and deliver food baskets
- 6. Set up a "go fund me" account asking for \$10 to get food to people that need it, purchase the food from local restaurants, then deliver!
- 7. Shop for groceries/essential items and deliver to homebound.
- 8. Volunteer at the local Senior Center if permitted.
- 9. Volunteer at the local food bank if permitted.
- 10. Put your clubs eye care program on-line so you can receive request, send out approval letters and pay for the exam and glasses all online.
- 11. Develop a game/puzzle for kids to do at home, have a new one every week.
- 12. Hold a blood drive if permitted
- 13. Hold a Farmers Market if permitted.
- 14. Hand out red and green sheets of paper to Seniors, ask them to put the green one in their window if all is well, the red one if they need someone to contact them.
- 15. Offer to host a "Zoom" meeting for Seniors to "get together" and chat
- 16. Had to cancel a club event/fundraiser? Donate gift cards and raffle prizes to shelters.
- 17. Use Zoom, Google Hangouts or other virtual media to read to or be read to by school children
- 18. Write letters to Santa for the Macy's Believe Program to benefit Make-A-Wish (Melanie Hunter would be happy to provide info)
- Write cards and/or letters to congratulation graduating high school students who may not have a graduation ceremony.
- 20. Walk dogs and/or exercise pets of at-risk people who cannot go out to do so
- 21. Bathe and groom pets for seniors who can't take them to their usual groomer
- 22. Mow lawns and do yardwork for seniors in our neighborhoods
- 23. Host virtual birthday parties for kids who can't have real parties with their friends
- 24. Cut and split firewood for seniors and low-income families (in the forest far away from other people)
- 25. Take garbage and recycling carts to the curb for pickup and put them back after pickup for at risk neighbors who are staving inside
- 26. Volunteer at local animal shelter (if permitted)
- 27. Many recycling centers are not operating right now. This is a great chance to post notices in your neighborhood and collect recyclables to benefit the charity of your choice. My club sends the pull tabs to Ronald McDonald House and puts all the rest of the money we earn from recycling towards Melvin Jones Fellowships for our members.
- 28. Plant a garden and donate the fresh produce to your local food bank, soup kitchen or school cafeteria (if permitted)
- 29. Deliver fresh flowers from your yard/garden to at risk people who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries
- 30. Host a virtual sing along or jam session for kids Ideas for Community Service During a Pandemic Created by California Lions
- 31. Record yourself teaching or sharing a special skill or talent you possess (i.e. virtual art lesson, music lesson, crochet lesson, etc.)
- 32. Collect favorite recipes from your friends, neighbors, club members and create a cookbook. Sell copies as a fundrais-
- 33. Pet sit for people caring for sick family members
- 34. Sew curtains and/or bedspreads for your local women's shelter or camp facility
- 35. Host a virtual workout session
- 36. Set and check mouse and/or rat traps, roach traps, wasp traps for seniors and shut ins, replace light bulbs, or any other chore they may need assistance with.

LAKEPORT LIONS
donated \$5000 to the
MOOSE LODGE on Sept.
9th as they continue to be
the center of evacuation,
meals, food & much more
for Lake County!
LAKEPORT Lions wanted
to help keep their supplies
full to continue service with
the fires & Covid 19 needs.

Great job LAKEPORT Lions!

konocti lioness have been busy as always. They donated \$1000 to COBB MOUNTAIN
Lions for the 'Little Red Club
House'. \$7000 in scholarships
were given to 7 H.S. seniors, as
well as presenting returning
teachers @ Kelseyville & Riviera
Elem. School, baskets of goodies
for the staff rooms. \$2000 was
donated in school supplies for the
children, including 75 backpacks!







DIXON LIONS recently approved a \$1000 donation to help purchase supplies at evacuation centers from the recent fires in their area! The check was presented to PDG Barry Fredenburg.

SAN GERONIMO LIONS ARE ZOOMING!!
They are having their 1st ZOOM BOARD
MEETING! P.S. IM ENCOURAGING
EVERYONE TO TRY THIS - IT WILL (MAY)
TEMPT SOME MEMBERS TO ATTEND THEIR
1ST BOARD MEETING!

GUALALA LIONS have continued their FIREWOOD SALES and are now finishing for the season. They also do 'HAZMAT' COLLECTION, as well as HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP every other month!

GUALALA now has ZOOM BOARD MEETINGS **O O** and, like so many of our clubs, are now looking for more revenue-producing projects!

We need to share any of those, so if you send them to me, I circulate to one & all!

THE IMPORTANCE OF GIVING TO LCIF.

LCIF IS THERE FOR YOUR COMMUNITY – As your LCIF coordinators for the district, PDG Phyllis Rogers & I would like you to be aware of the importance of LCIF as it relates to your life as a Lion in District 4C2. The past 6 years have brought our district disastrous fires and LCIF has provided a 30-day immediate disaster grant of \$10,000 each year. Now LCIF has added a recovery grant of \$20,000 for an additional 6 months, if needed. The monies are used for humanitarian purposes.

It's important that each club, each individual Lion & the district know that for LCIF grants to continue in the future, there is need for LCIF contributions. It's only fair that we, as Lions, as a club & as a district donate something each year according to our means.

There are many levels of giving to LCIF. One that you should be aware of is the Community Impact Grant provision. If the district combines clubs that make a \$10,000 or more donation in a year, 15% will be returned to the district for any charitable use. The 15% may be accumulated for 15 years. One qualification is that the monies may be given to LCIF in the categories for Humanitarian or Greatest Need. Contributions cannot be given to LCIF for Disaster Relief.

Individual clubs qualify under the above rules for donations of \$5000 or more. They will receive 15% of the contribution accumulated for up to 15 years. The club's contribution will not be included in the district's combined clubs \$10,000 or more. Remember all monies contributed to LCIF can be accumulated & used for a Melvin Jones award.

For example, a club that donates \$5000 in a year will receive \$750 back, to be used for any club's charitable purpose. The club will be able to name 5 Melvin Jones. Actually, the 5 Melvin Jones will cost the club \$4250, since they will receive \$750 back at any time in the next 15 years.

There are many ways to donate to LCIF which will be explained in the future. The important thing to remember is that LCIF donations aid our district in many ways, such as the fire relief we've received for the past years. Since it's founding in 1968 our district has received \$411,099

for our needs. Let us give back our share as a thank you.

PDG Bob Reuther, Co-coordinator LCIF.

DO YOU SHOP AMAZON MORE NOW SINCE LOCKDOWN? If you do, please consider a charitable donation via AMAZON SMILE. Just everyday purchases generated over \$200 million in donations to charities worldwide. Please note the numbers to date:

\$11,131.43 to LIONS INTERNATIONAL **FOUNDATION**

\$198,636,544,70 to all charities in the USA

\$215,721,458.97 to all charities worldwide.

RIO VISTA LIONS -UPCOMING EVENT.

1st SPORTING CLAY TOURNAMENT. 💯

WHERE: @ BIRDS LANDING **GUN CLUB.**

WHEN: NOV, 13, 2020.

Please call Lion Barry @ (707) 580-0336 for more information.

RIO VISTA LEO CLUB. TO TO

Leo members have been zooming and plan on promoting MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH! They will be tying green ribbons throughout the downtown area as in the past! They are in collaboration with Rio Vista High School NAMI club & the 1st Step program.

Keep up the good work LEOS!

RIO VISTA LIONS -

UPCOMING EVENT!!





DRIVE THRU TRI-TIP DINNER

WHERE: RIO VISTA FIREHOUSE

WHEN: OCT. 14, 2020

TIME: 4.30 – 7.00 PM

COST: \$15.00 per person.

Please contact Lion Danny for

tickets at: (831) 970-2951

HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR STUDENT SPEAKER PACKETS YET? THE DEADLINE IS OCT. 1st! FOR SOME REASON, LESS PACKETS HAVE BEEN ORDERED OVERALL, BUT THERE HAVE BEEN DUPLICATE ORDERS FROM SOME CLUBS. ONE PACKET PER CLUB IS SUFFICIENT GENERALLY. AFTER OCT. 1st, YOU WILL HAVE TO PAY!

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2020 NEEDS TO JUST PULL OVER AND LET ME OUT... I'LL WALK.