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# Lions' Tale



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## President's Message

Last month I wrote that Lion Joanne Blos had lost her battle with cancer and we planned to go to her memorial on October 14<sup>th</sup>. But that changed on October 8<sup>th</sup> when firestorms destroyed Joanne's memorial site, thousands of buildings and killed over 40 persons. Instead, Lions mounted an effort to help others through a LCIF grant and individual club donations to the Redwood Empire Food Bank, Redwood Lions Memorial Foundation and others. Our work to help others, locally and worldwide, continues. This month we will decide on Year-End donations – last year we gave over \$17K to over 20 organizations.

Stan Ramondo, President

### KUDOS, KUDOS:

To everyone who helps keep our club active. Keep up the good work!!

To **Stan Ramondo, Doug Woods, Michael Stanford, & Michael Carnacchi** who closed off the regular season of the Gravenstein Lions Chain Gang at Analy High School's football game on Sept. 29th.



To **Jerry Coleman, Michael Carnacchi, Martha Porter** and **Stan Ramondo** who did vision screening of 37 persons at the Sebastopol Fire Department Free Breakfast on October 8.

To **all the Lions** who agreed to help at the December 9<sup>th</sup> Yuletide Dinner in Windsor as a fundraiser for MD-4 Student Speaker Foundation. Get on the worker list at our next meeting!

To **Jerry Coleman & Don Canardo** who are working on a new Club Visitation schedule. Let Lion Jerry know of your availability to go see what Lions in other clubs are doing!

### PLANNING AHEAD:

November 8 – **No Pre-meeting.** Social at 6:45PM. Regular meeting at 7PM. Program is Lions Year-End Donations. Lion Chef is Joel Vogen at 707-481-1497. No Meeting on November 22.

November 11 (Saturday) – Club project of packaging food for Redwood Empire Food Bank from 9A-12P at the REFB office near the Sonoma County Airport, **3390 Brickway Blvd., Santa Rosa. THIS IS A SPECIAL PROJECT THAT YOU SHOULD INVITE A FRIEND TO HELP THE LIONS!!**

**November 18 – District 4-C2 Cabinet Meeting** in Cobb, CA. Meeting starts at 10AM. Contact Secretary Mike for registration form and agenda.

December 13 – Meeting planning is underway. No meeting on Dec. 27.

January 10, 2018 **Board meeting at 6:15PM.** Social at 6:45PM. Regular meeting at 7PM. Program is a West County School Nurses report by Cynthia Formaker et al.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** Student Speaker Contest is February 14<sup>th</sup>!!! Topic is **“Integrity and Civility Play What Role in Today's Society?”**

## **CLUB GOALS**

- 1. Increase club publicity and recognition**
- 2. Participate in Lions District 4C-2 activities**
- 3. Continue club projects/activities**
- 4. Increase hands-on projects**

## **CLUB PICTURES**

**AS PROMISED, HERE ARE PHOTOS OF OUR VISIT TO GOATLANDIA**

**Here's MAX the Lamb we met in June 2017**



**LIONS AND GOATS**



**Our VEGAN DINNER by Deborah and Alana – it was Jackfruit that Mike thought was pulled pork sandwiches – Delicious!!**



**Smiles at a \$500 donation to Goatlandia**



**IT WAS A FUN OUTING!**