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Millbrae Lions

A message from President Santa Smith

Remembering Our Late President
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Hello fellow Lions, here it is the first weekend in December. Lady Kathleen and I just returned from a little trip up to Calistoga. Saturday night they had a Christmas tractor parade down Lincoln Street and the Calistoga Lions Club had an entry. The trip up on Hwy 29 was so colorful. We were blessed with good weather the whole time.

Speaking of being blessed, I have been! You, the Millbrae Lions Club and your spouses are always going the extra mile no matter what project, there you are! Thank You Millbrae Lions.

Our next meeting is on December 17th at the Terrace Café starting at 6 p.m. with a no host bar and appetizers. Dinner is at 7 p.m., this is going to be an informal meeting with no head table, and some great raffle prizes from Lion Tail Twister Dave

Heaton. There will be lots of good music to dance to, so dust off your dancing shoes and let's cut a rug. Lion Lynn Azzopardi and Lion Rich Bortolion need your canned food and or clothing for Samaritan House.



Lion Lucy Denos and Lion Susan Lacock need your Christmas Presents unwrapped and delivered to Lion John Muniz.

Lion Troy Avededo needs any donations for the U.S. Marines overseas, dropped off

at the tree lot.

Lady Kathleen and I would like to wish each and every one of you a ***Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!***

Yours in Lionism.

Lion President Charles (Smitty) Smith

Regular Meetings

1st and 3rd Wednesdays
of each month
7:30 PM
Green Hills Country Club

Millbrae Lions President

Smitty Smith
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Millbrae, CA 94030
(650) 952-4776
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Board of Directors

2nd Wednesday
of each month
7:00 PM
Dave Chetcuti Room



From the Editor's Desk



Did you know that there is about a week now (depending on when you receive this bulletin) before Christmas? Time goes by so quick. This issue of the bulletin is the 12th that I've published, and there are 12 more to go before the end of this Lions Term. Before you

know it, our President Smitty and First Lady Kathleen will be ready to hand over the reigns to our upcoming regime.

Lady Judy Cullina and Lion Randy Sahae announced that the new episode of the "Millbrae Magazine" Show has premiered on MCTV...and features a story on ME, your Bulletin Editor. I don't recall the camera lens breaking during my interview, so it may end up being OK, Ha Ha. Go to Channel 27 for showtimes. "Must See TV".

From the Editor.

The Millbrae Lions Club Bulletin is published semi-monthly by Lion Paul Larson, (650) 742-0545 at home or email at oceanboy@earthlink.net. Deadline for the next edition is the day after our Regular Meetings at Green Hills

Next Meeting "Spouse Night"

Our next meeting will be on **Friday, December 17, 2004** at the El Rancho Terrace Cafe. Attire: **Winter Dress**.

Holiday Party: Hors d'oeuvres, choice of Roasted Chicken Breast, Potato Crusted Salmon or Portobella Mushroom Pave, Dessert Buffet, Dancing to Oscar Rivera.

Cocktails: at 6:00 PM
Dinner: at 7:00 PM
Greeters: Lew Grasberger and Bob Jorge



Neighboring Clubs

San Bruno Lions Club

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 PM, At the 16 Mile House, Broadway, Millbrae.

Burlingame Lions Club

Meets every Thursday at 12:10 PM, Burlingame Lions Hall, 990 Burlingame Av, Burlingame.

Pacifica Lions Club

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 PM, Nick's Restaurant, Rockaway Beach, Pacifica.



Know your 2004 - 2005 District 4-C4 Officers

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Guanajuato Lions Club

Guanajuato, Mexico

If you know of a club that would like to Twin with the Millbrae Lions Club, please contact Lion Chairman Frank Azzopardi

Remember to bring your canned goods on Dec. 17th

So many families in our county are struggling to make ends meet. Because of this, Lions Rich Bortolin and Lynn Azzopardi would like to impress upon the Samaritan House and the families they help our Lions' motto of *We Serve*. Therefore, we will deviate from our usual Christmas gift exchange and in lieu of a *Secret Santa* gift, we would like the members and spouses to donate canned goods or cash, to be passed along to the Samaritan House.

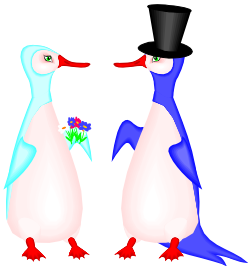
Lion Lynn and Lion Rich greatly appreciate your generosity. Please bring your canned or other donations to the December 17th Christmas party/meeting. Our neighbors are counting on it!





December 26, Dave Enberg
December 29, Don Beyer
December 30, Kristine Barbaro
December 31, Matt Fitzgibbons
AND a very *Special Birthday Wish*
to President Smitty's mother who
turned 90 on December 3rd!

Happy Anniversary!



December 29, Bob & Emily
Jorge
December 31, Clancy & Dancy
Fancy

SUNSHINE REPORT

Christmas Greetings and Joy to you all. I will be up late on Christmas Eve. I can't tell you why, but it involves flying, six or seven hooved animals with antlers, and elves. You better not be naughty because I am keeping an eye on you! Happy Holidays to everyone!



On a sad note, Barbara Landucci, sister of Janet Newby, passed away. Our sympathy to Janet & Ted Newby and their family.



Please call **Millbrae Man of the Year**, Lion George Habeeb, if you know of a Lion or a family member that is sick. (650) 588-4326 or email at habeeb490@aol.com

Millbrae Lions Multiple Choice

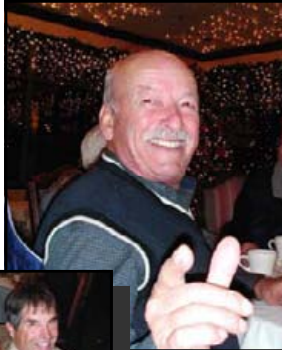
1. What "attire" did Lion Troy Acevedo wear to Smitty's Installation Dinner?
A. Tuxedo
B. Kilt
C. Birthday Suit
2. Lion Rich Bortolin was:
A. born in San Mateo
B. a men's clothier
C. born in a manger
3. Lion Paul Bourque:
A. was Club President
B. married Marian
C. lives in a shoe
4. Lion John Bowers' sponsor was:
A. Don Griffin
B. Mary Griffin
C. Merv Griffin
5. Lion Joe Bronzini:
A. works on teeth
B. has teeth that work
C. has teeth that dance

(Answers on page 9)



Our Last Meeting, December 1, 2004

1. Lion President "Smitty" Smith called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.
2. Lion Dan Quigg led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Lion Lynn Azzopardi led the singing of "My Country is of Thee."
4. Lion PDG George Habeeb gave the invocation.
5. Lion 1st V.P. Don Beyer announced the visiting Lions and guests.
6. Lions Information not given.

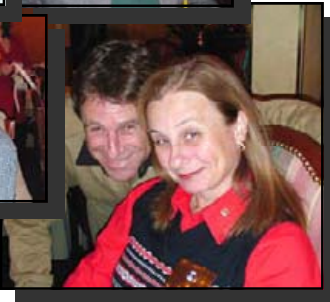


7. PROGRAM



8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. District Convention: PP Lion Al Morando, this year's District Convention Chairperson, informed the club this year's District 4-C4 Convention has been moved to April 22-24, 2005 at the Red Lion Inn, in Sacramento Ca. "We will have a Tail Twisters Hospitality Room, Tail Twister skit and club skit. Lion Lynn Azzopardi will make homemade Tamales for the International Square". At the next Board of Directors Meeting, Lion Al will make a motion to have the club pickup the room tab for our members who attend. We also need an initiation chairperson to coordinate the initiation of our incoming President, 1st V.P. Lion Don Beyer. More information will be forthcoming.
- B. Christmas tree Lot: PP Lion Mike Simonini gave us an update on the Christmas Tree Lot. "We will need help unloading the second shipment of Christmas Trees scheduled to arrive on Friday, 12/3 by 08:00 a.m. The last day of sales and tear down is Saturday, 12/18. We will need help. Thank you to all Lions who have helped with the lot".
- C. Family Assistance: Lion Lucy Denos our family assistance chairperson thanked the Lions who brought gifts for a needy family from the Lomita Park School. Contact Lion Lucy Denos or Lion John Muniz to donate your unwrapped gifts.
- D. Millbrae Lions Club Christmas Party: If you plan on attending the MLC Christmas Party on Friday, December 17th, at the Terrace Café, please contact PP Lion Rich Bortolin. The cost is \$32.00 per person. Millbrae Lions Club members pay \$10.00, guests \$32.00. Music will be provided by Oscar River, so "Let's Dance". Lion Rich asked the members to bring canned goods or donations in place of a gift exchange.
- E. Samaritan House: Lion Lynn Azzopardi thanked the members of the Millbrae Lions Club for donating clothing to the Samaritan House and canned goods to the Second Harvest Food Bank.
- F. Silent Auction: Lion Matt Fitzgibbons thanked the MLC for their donations and participation in our annual "Silent Auction". Lion Matt also thanked his wife, Lady Karen and his daughter Lisa for their help with the "Silent Auction". Lion Matt presented a net profit check of \$5406.00 to MLC President Lion "Smitty" Smith.



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Our Last Meeting (Continued from page 5)



9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. MD-4 will hold their convention at the Town and Country Hotel, in San Diego Ca. on February 11th thru 13th. See Lion John Muniz for details.
- B. The Castro Lions Club has invited us to a Holiday Cocktail Party on December 4th, 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm... Please bring an unwrapped toy. See Lion John Muniz for details.
- C. The San Bruno Lions Clubs Annual Crab Feed dinner will be held on Saturday, February 5th 2005, at the San Bruno Senior Center; cost is \$37.00, and further details are forthcoming.
- D. The Golden Gate Lions Club New Year's Eve Ball will be Friday, December 31st, at the Clarion Hotel in Millbrae. Start time is 06:00 pm; see Lion John Muniz for details.
- E. A District 4-C4 Delegates Fund Raiser (to defray the cost of voting delegates to the MD-4 convention) is being held at the Foster City Recreation Center on January 7th, cocktails 06:30 pm, dinner 07:30. There will be a raffle and dancing; a donation of \$25.00 pre-paid only. See Lion John Muniz for details.
- F. The Emanuel (Sheltering Pines) nursing home will have their annual Christmas tree decorating gathering on Thursday, December 9th at 10:00 am. The Millbrae Lions Club donates and helps decorate a beautiful Christmas tree. Contact Judy Craighead (697-0832) for information or just show up.
- G. **The Millbrae Lions Club will present an \$8500.00 check to the Millbrae School District on Monday, December 13th 07:00 pm, at the Millbrae City Council Chambers, at the Millbrae City Hall. We would like a large showing of Millbrae Lion Club member with Lions jackets, to be present for this event. The money is used to support the Millbrae School Districts "Student Mentoring Program" for at risk students.**
- H. Crab Chioppino Dinner: Lion Ron Frediani (Chairperson) reminded us our annual Crab Chioppino Dinner will be held on Saturday, January 22nd, at St. Dunstan's Parish Hall in Millbrae. This is a not-to-be-missed fun event for the whole family. Stay tuned for further details.
- I. Lion Troy Acevedo requested donations of cards, letters, AA batteries, and beef jerky, magazines to be sent to the United State Marine Corps. stationed in Iraq. Please contact Lion Troy by Wednesday, December 8th if you have donations. The Marines will ship the donations at no cost.

10. TAIL TWISTER RAFFLE—Lion Dr. David Heaton

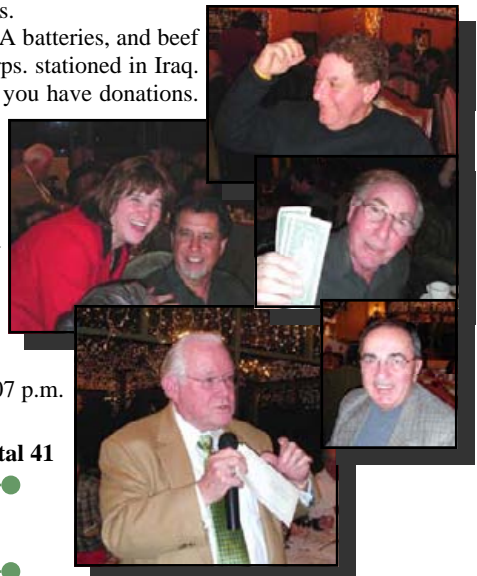
- A. The winners of the raffle were Lions Rich Bortolin, Cynthia Silva, Matt Fitzgibbons and two others unbeknown to me.

11. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Lion President "Smitty" Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Attendance: Members 40 Spouses 0 Guests 1 Total 41

The Minutes for each meeting are produced by Secretary John Muniz,
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The Silent Auction was a “roaring” success



November 17th, 2004—Karen & Lion Matt Fitzgibbons and their crew’s combination of hard work and time paid off. Loads of items were auctioned off to not only members of the Millbrae Lions Club, but to visiting members of the San Bruno & Foster

City Lions Clubs and guests. Fun and accumulation of goodies was the name of the game. Congratulations to all the lucky top bidders who went home happy with the items they had their hearts set on. From the Editor.

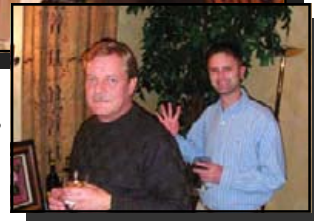
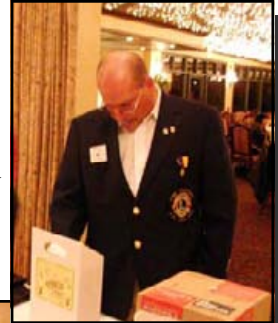
A special message from Lion Matt:



Many thanks to members of our club & local merchants for their generous donations for our Silent Auction. We raised \$5406.00 after some minor expenses. Special thanks to all members who will host dinners at their home. Extra special thanks to Lady Karen & Lady Lisa Fitzgibbons for their tireless assistance in the preparation of this event, and also on the

night of the auction, as well as Lady Kathleen Smith, Lady Barbara Albright and Lady Nancy Montes for their help in the always difficult task of reconciling the bio sheets the night of the auction.

Lion Matt Fitzgibbons





Trees Trees, Everywhere Christmas Trees



On Sunday, November 28, 2004, PDG George Habeeb was King Lion and took charge of the Millbrae Lions Tree Lot. 32 trees were sold throughout the day, and Lady Helen Habeeb made a beautiful turkey



dinner for those Lions who helped out. From the Editor

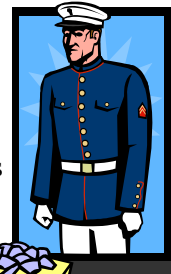


Care Packages for the Marines in Iraq



Lion Troy Acevedo has forwarded a special package of goodies that many of you donated for the Marines in Iraq. Items including shoe inserts, power bars, beef jerky, AA batteries, sox, cards & letters, magazines, & general guy stuff will arrive soon to Troy's cousin, his buddies & fellow Marines who are now serving in the desert during Christmas.

The troops are starved for items from home and will appreciate these special Christmas gifts from the Millbrae Lions Club.



Entertainment just went on sale



For just about 10 years now, Millbrae Lions have been buying "Entertainment" books containing hundreds of "half-off" and "2 for 1" coupons from Lion Ron Pape. They run \$20.00 per book **and the proceeds benefit our club**. Save thousands on travel, dining, & attractions. You have time before Christmas to buy them as gifts. **Contact Lion Ron** at Pape Meats, or call him at 697-7319 soon **before all the books gone**.



Tigger's Tidbits



Santa Claus, like all pilots, gets regular visits from the Federal Aviation Administration, and it was shortly before Christmas when the FAA examiner arrived.

In preparation, Santa had the elves wash the sled and bathe all the reindeer. Santa got his logbook out and made sure all his paperwork was in order.

The examiner walked slowly around the sled. He checked the reindeer harnesses, the landing gear, and Rudolf's nose. He painstakingly reviewed Santa's weight and balance calculations for the sled's enormous payload.

Finally, they were ready for the check ride. Santa got in, fastened his seatbelt and shoulder harness, and checked the compass. Then the examiner hopped in carrying, to Santa's surprise, a shotgun with tranquilizing darts.

"What's that for?" asked Santa incredulously.

The examiner winked and said, "I'm not supposed to tell you this, but you're gonna lose an engine on takeoff."

Answers to Multiple Choice on page 4

1. B- Kilt.
2. A- born in San Mateo, and
B- a men's clothier.
3. A- was Club President, and
B- married Marian.
4. A- Don Griffin
5. A- works on teeth
B- has teeth that work
C- has teeth that dance (maybe... anything is possible).

Lion Randy Sahae is Flying High

November 14, 2004—Lion Randy, when taking her visiting niece (trying to impress her new boyfriend) for a flight, took this picture as she piloted her plane over the Golden Gate Bridge. Notice the wing of the aircraft in the lower right.





The Melvin Jones Memorial

Located at Fort Thomas, Arizona, the Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial was erected and dedicated in 1965. This came years after a movement by the Arizona Lions to find a way to honor Melvin Jones, founder of one of the largest humanitarian service organizations in the world, "LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION."

Melvin was born on January 13, 1879, at Fort Thomas, Arizona, at a time when the west remained unsettled because the Apache Indians were making their last stand against the White man's encroachment on their land.

While visiting his birthplace, he related a memory of a spanking received at age three for running away from home with his dog to the nearby Gila River. In an interview for an article in the Lions Magazine, Melvin recounted that "he was either seven or eight years old when his family moved from the Arizona Territory, and his boyhood memories were of horses, blue clad troopers, bugles and war cries, wagon trains, gaunt settlers and dust."

Melvin Jones, founder of this great service organization, died in 1961. His philosophy of life, "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else," lives on in our motto "We Serve."

In 1961 the International Board of Directors proclaimed January 13 (the birthday of our founder, Melvin Jones) as a day of memory each year throughout the world of Lionism. Founders and Rededication month traditionally observed in January, shall thereafter be designated as Melvin Jones Memorial month.



Thereafter; every year; on the Saturday closest to the 13th of January, Lions throughout the world gather to pay tribute to Melvin Jones who said, "Dreams are the fool ideas of day before yesterday that become the commonplace miracles of today."

In June, 1999, the Lions International Board gave this prestigious fifty-foot spire recognition as an International Shrine. On several occasions before his passing, Melvin visited the site of his birth and participated with the Arizona Lions groups that laid the foundation for the memorial now honoring his name.

All donations of \$250, \$500 and \$1000 are suitably recognized on the Wall of Fame, which is mounted in the Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial Building for all to view.




If you are visiting the southwestern United States, take the opportunity to visit your founder's birthplace.



January 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 NO Reg. Meet.	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 Reg. Meet.	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Board Meet.	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Reg. Meet.	27	28	29
30	31					

February 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Reg. Meet.	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Board Meet.	10	11	12 
13	14	15	16 Reg. Meet.	17	18	19
20	21 	22 	23	24	25	26
27	28					

Upcoming Events

December 19 - Christmas Tree Lot Clean Up - Mike Simonini Chairman

January 12 - General Meeting 7:30 P.M. - Green Hills Country Club

January 19 - Board Meeting 7:00 P.M. - The Chetcuti Room

January 22 - Crab Cioppino - St. Dunstan's Hall - 6:00 P.M. Cocktails, 7:00 P.M. Dinner - \$37.50 per person - Ron Frediani Chairman

January 24 - Peninsula Council Meeting - Burlingame Lions hosting at the Double Tree Hotel - 6:30 PM Cocktails & 7:30 PM Dinner.

January 26 - General Meeting 7:30 P.M. - Green Hills Country Club





Millbrae Lions Club

c/o Lion Paul Larson

Chapel of the Highlands

El Camino Real at Millwood Drive

Millbrae, CA 94030-1392



LIONS ETHICS

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand a fair remuneration for my just due, but to accept no profit at the price of my own self respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down others. To be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

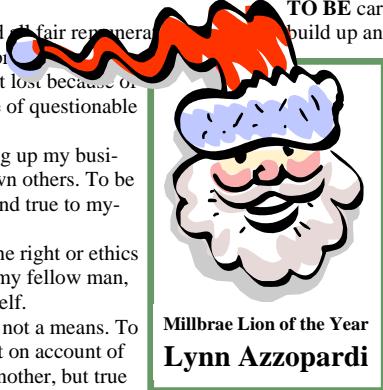
WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position of action towards my fellow man, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the true spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my unswerving loyalty in word, act as deed; to give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID my fellow man by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

TO BE careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise. To build up and not destroy.



LIONS OBJECTIVES

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of "GENEROUS CONSIDERATION" among the peoples of the world through a study of the problems of international relationship.

TO PROMOTE the theory and practice of the principles of good government and good citizenship.

TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, social, and moral welfare of the community.

TO UNITE the members in the bonds of friendship and mutual understanding.

TO PROVIDE a forum for the full and free discussion of all matters of public interest, partisan politics and sectarian religion alone excepted.

TO ENCOURAGE efficacy and promote high ethical standards and professions: provided that no club shall hold out as one of its objects financial benefits to its members.