

MANE LION

District 4 C-1 Newsletter



December 15, 2025

4 C-1 DG Michele Martens

Hello Everyone,

I would like to thank you for all the service you accomplished in 2025 and for the incredible impact your kindness has had on our communities. As we welcome new Lions, let us also embrace new projects and fresh opportunities to serve. 2025 has been a wonderful year, and as we look ahead to 2026, we are excited to prepare for **Hunger Week**, which will take place from **January 3 to January 11, 2026**. Wishing each of you a **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year!** Service from the Heart

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DG Michele Martens

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4 C-1 1VDG Jason Piazza

Greetings.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday season. This time of year, is a time of celebration, thankfulness, and being with those who are important to you. This time of year, can also be a time of sadness for some as it may bring sad memories, or cause feelings of loneliness. In my career as a law enforcement officer, I have seen this firsthand. I have also had my own problems in life, both personally and professionally. I am thankful for professionals, family, and fellow Lions who have been my support through the years. During this time if you find yourself in need to talk to someone, I encourage you to reach out to those around you who would love to offer you that support. I am also available anytime to meet or chat and offer any support I can. Have a wonderful month.

Talk to you soon,

1 VDG Lion Jason

Changes to the Mane Lion

Due to a request from the Lions attending the Lakehead District Meeting there will be some changes to the Mane Lion starting in January 2026.

All of the District forms and information will be in the beginning part of the Mane Lion after the DG and 1VDG notes.

After the District forms and information the club activities and announcements will be presented.

Lions will be able to find what they are looking for on the first page in the right column that works as a Table of Contents.

Yours in Service Mane Lion Editor : Lion Barbara Ott



1 VDG Jason Piazza



2 VDG Scott Muir

Central District Cabinet Meeting

Lakehead Lions Club, Hosts of Meeting



4C-1 Governor Michele and PDG Jamie



Taking a break to pose with Lion Leo at the Central District Meeting in Lakehead were DG Michele Martens, PDG Jamie Hart and Redding Host Lions Jim Myers, Chris Bohn & Launa Myers.

Lakehead Lions Club



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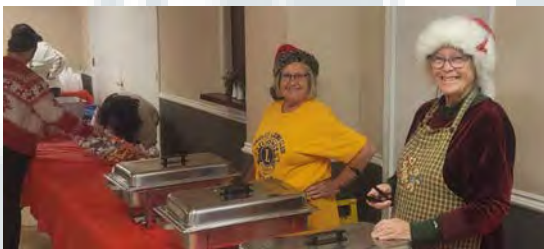
Gridley Lions Club

Home Club of District 1VD Governor Jason Piazza

Light Parade Organizers



Cooking Breakfast with Santa



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Home Club of District 1VD Governor Jason Piazza

Lions Christmas Tree at Museum



Cooking GIBT Basketball Tournament



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Redding Hosts Lions Club

Friday, November 21st saw Redding Host Lions at Save Mart ringing bells and accepting donations for the Salvation Army. Thank you Lions Jim & Launa Myers, Steve Brooks, Julia Maddox and friend Bryan.



Redding Host Lions were busy today helping to "Stuff The Bus" at Les Schwab on Hilltop Drive



Shasta County Cyber Lions

Cubs in the House



Maureen Robison has been hard at work! Cub vests! She ROCKS! And they are so nice.....Thank you



Cubs in action! Stayed up way past their bed time to help shop for food baskets.



It's time! Setting up, making Holiday Food Baskets and distributing! 52 families served!



We came together! Service with a smile ! We had Girl Scouts, Buckeye Grange volunteers, some Enterprise Lions, some Anderson Lions, Shasta County Cyber Lion Cubs, Shasta County Cyber Lions and wonderful delivery people Mary, Rich, and Andrew Smith!



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Shasta County Cyber Lions

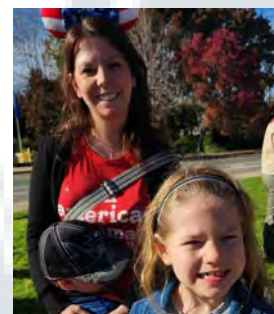
The Shasta County Cyber Lions don't slow down !



Our newest club members ! Welcome Josh, Sarah and sons!
They donated 3 cases of Macaroni and cheese and 46 pies!



John , Tori, and two cubs Sierra and Rogan helped carry the flag at the Veterans Parade in Shasta Lake!



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Sutter Lions Club



Sutter Lions Family Christmas Dinner

Our Sutter Club Family Christmas Dinner was a wonderful event. Our members and guests enjoyed an amazing turkey dinner with all the extras you can imagine. Thank you to everyone who brought food and gave your time to make table decorations and raffle prizes. You are awesome!



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Foothill Loma Rica Lions Club



Lions Peoria Cemetery Flag Project.

Thanks to generous member and community sponsors, we were able to purchase and place 187 8ft flags on the graves of all Veterans for Veterans Day, keeping our promise and rendering the cemetery a stirring tribute to their sacrifice and service. Thank you to many Lions and community members who came to help assemble and place them for the holiday.



Colusa Lions Club

Another LION sighting in Colusa!
This time spreading Christmas
Cheer!



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Yreka Hosts Lions Club

Etna Lions Club



Santa from Etna Lions Club
(Jack Jones)



Float entry in the Yreka Christmas
Parade (Yreka Host driver Mark
Smith):



Parade was a success!

Special shout out to Yreka Hosts Lions Club member Rick Atchley for riding his motorcycle in the Christmas Parade.



Forest Ranch Lions Club



'Tis the Season for Giving ...



The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is now up in the Forest Ranch Post Office with tags containing wishes from children. If you would like to make a child's Christmas brighter,

- ▣ Select a tag off the tree
- ▣ Purchase the item(s) requested
- ▣ Wrap the Gift
- ▣ Tape the tag to the outside of the package
- ▣ Place the wrapped Gift back under the tree in the Post Office by 3:00pm -Wednesday, December 17, 2025

Thank you for helping to make this Christmas merrier for a child in this Community. The Lions Club will be delivering your gifts to the recipients in time for Christmas. We want to wish everyone a Healthy, Happy and Peaceful Holiday



Lakehead Lions Club



Win this handmade
"Fisherman's Paradise"
Quilt. Throw or Wall
hanging size - 55" x 67"
See the quilt and Buy
tickets at Camp Shasta
from Nov. 8 to Dec 13.

Drawing Sunday, Dec. 14
at 10:00 am. Winner need
not be present to win.

Info? Niki Manning
530-515-1280 or
Linda O'Neill
510-734-7542

Quilt Raffle

**\$5 Ticket
Donation**

DONATIONS BENEFIT THE
LAKEHEAD LIONS CLUB
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS



JOIN US FOR A
**KIDS
CHRISTMAS
PARTY**
SAT. DECEMBER 20
8:00 - 11:00 AM
Pancake Breakfast, Crafts &
Photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus
LIONS CLUBHOUSE
20814 MAMMOTH DRIVE, LAKEHEAD

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Peach Bowl Lions Club



4 C-1 Governor Michele and 1VDG Jason came to visit!



Live Oak Lions Club

Such an amazing turn out at Bingo ! Thank you for your support and your patience while we figured out where to seat everyone!

Joni Kelly



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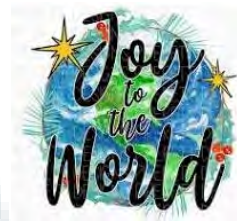


We showed up for Toys for Tots

Wheatland Lions Club



Special Thank you to all Wheatland
Lions Club members. Tree Light-
ing in Wheatland.



Peace Poster Contest



"TOGETHER AS ONE" The Peace Poster contest is now over at the District level. Four clubs participated in the contest this year and here is the winning poster that is now headed to MD4 for the next level. Congratulations to Loma Rica Foothill Lions and your student who created this winner !

Peace Poster Contest



Peace Poster Honorable Mention - unfortunately this student's birthday did not fall within the rules set by Lions



Runner Up



Runner up: Enterprise Lions Student



Runner up Redding Hosts Student

Health Foundation

DISTRICT HEALTH FOUNDATION NOTES

On November 8, Anderson Lion Hannah Garman put on a very successful Diabetes Strides Walk at the Sundial Bridge. Anderson Lions Club members worked and the Health Foundation had a table and display as well as several Board members in attendance. Steve and Maggie enjoyed meeting many of the 100+ participants and gave out camp materials to 6 new camper families as well as 4 new counselors. It was a great day!

Clubs have been sending generous donations for camperships for next June. Thanks went out to Chico Breakfast Lions, Lakehead Lions, Cottonwood Lions, Linda Lions, Sunset Buttes, and Redding Host Lions. Fellowships to support Camp have been ordered by Weaverville Lions, Sunset Buttes Lions, and Scott Valley Lion Jan Corrigan. All of this is greatly appreciated.

Maggie & Steve Robeson



Health Foundation

LIONS DISTRICT 4-C1 HEALTH FOUNDATION

3733 N. Hwy. 3 Etna, CA 96027 (530) 467-4167

FELLOWSHIP ORDER FORM

Each Fellowship costs \$200. May be purchased in any order.

If a recipient buys all four, an ALL FELLOWS PATCH is earned.



_____ PDG BOB TRUEAX _____ LION KAREN MARCEAU

_____ LION JIMMY UYEMOTO _____ LION DON RUBLE

Enclosed is _____ for a _____ Fellowship

Name of Recipient _____

Inscription on the plaque _____

Order Information:

Name of person ordering _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Make check out to: "Lions Health Foundation of District 4-C1"

Plaques will be available for presentation at each district meeting or by arrangement.

Please send to Maggie Robeson, Secretary 4-C1 Health Foundation

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2026 Convention**2026 Convention Food Fair Announcements and Updates:**

Theme: Rockin' the 50s

Food: 1950's food



Think about casseroles: Green Bean Casserole, Chicken Tetrazzini, King Ranch Chicken Casserole, Beef and Rice Bake were popular then.



Side Dishes: Macaroni and Cheese, Glazed Carrots, Creamed Corn, Scalloped Potatoes were popular as well.



No open flame this year and No alcohol allowed
You can bring hot plates, crock pots etc and extension cords.



Remember, this is your dinner, so please bring a dish to share. I am looking forward to seeing your amazing creative booths!



There will be dancing to the 50's so bring your dancing shoes as well. Let's have fun.



If you have any questions about the food fair or if you need more raffle tickets, please contact Celestina Traver 530-440-2855.

With Service,

Lion Celestina Traver

Rockin the 50's

**District 4-C1 Convention Food Fair
Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds – Yuba City
Friday, April 10, 2026 ~ 6:00 pm**

(Set-up begins at 5:00 pm)

Bring your Favorite Entrée, Salad or Dessert

**Prizes Will Be Awarded to the Top Three
Winners in the Following Categories**

**~Best Tasting~
~Best Decorated Booth~
~Best Costume~**

**Only ONE club will be allowed to bring any particular
food item. Please register your club promptly to
ensure you get your first choice.**

Food Fair Registration Form

Club _____

Food Item _____

Contact Person _____ **Phone** _____

Will You Require Electrical Power (one outlet per booth) ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Please Mail Completed Form to: Lion Celestina Traver
555 Castenda Drive, Redding, CA 96003
Any Questions Please Call 530-440-2855 or
E-mail deary2012@hotmail.com**



Lions District 4-C1 Directory & Convention Program Ads



We need the assistance of all the clubs and individual Lions members as we solicit ads for next year's District Directory. The ads help cover the costs for printing. Please consider submitting ad(s) for your club, as an individual Lion and/or for local businesses. The price places your ad in our District Convention Program as well as the District Directory. (Two ads for the price of one.) The deadline for submission of ads to be included in the District Convention Program **is March 1, 2026.**

	Price	Type of Ad	Amount Enclosed
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50	Business Card	
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$70	Half Page	
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$115	Full Page (4-1/2" x 7-1/2")	

Name: _____

Business or Organization: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Enclose artwork desired (send in flat envelope – please do not fold) or **e-mail jpeg, Word document or pdf** (preferred) to:

Lion Melanie Hunter
2734 Starlight Boulevard
Redding, CA 96001
mhunter@sdsengineering.com

Please make checks payable to District 4-C1 and note in memo line "District 4-C1 Directory Ads"



66th Annual Lions District 4-C1 Convention

(Individual registration form required for each attendee)

April 10 – April 11, 2026

Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds, 442 Franklin Avenue, Yuba City, California

Use one form for each registrant

Name _____ Club _____
(Last Name) (First Name or as desired on badge)

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Current Office (Club / District) _____

Non-Lion (spouse/guest) _____

Please check all that apply: First Timer ☐ Melvin Jones ☐ Helen Keller ☐ KK Fukushima ☐

DEADLINE FOR MEAL PLANS & CANCELLATIONS IS APRIL 4, 2026 **No telephone registration will be accepted.**

REGISTRATION FEE ONLY waived for Leo Club members (All other attendees must pay this fee, **including Food Fair participants**)

Registration Fee	Amount	Enclosed
	\$25.00	\$ _____

<u>MEAL PACKAGE (Includes the Following):</u>	\$60.00	\$ _____
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Saturday Expanded Continental Breakfast

Saturday Lunch (Deluxe Salad Bar)

Saturday Dinner (Pulled Chicken Sandwich **OR** Pulled Pork Sandwich, Baked Beans, Potato Salad & Dessert) ☐ Chicken ☐ Pork

Coffee, Tea & Water Available All Day

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please list any special dietary requirements below

Make checks payable to: **District 4-C1 Convention**

Mail checks with registration form to: **Melanie Hunter**
2734 Starlight Boulevard, Redding, CA 96001

Early Bird Incentive:

All registrations received by March 18, 2026 will be placed in a drawing for a refund of the meal package.

Hotel Reservations:

There is no "Host" Hotel for this Convention.

All participants needing overnight accommodations may utilize the attached list of nearby hotels to make their own reservations at a location of their choice.

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HOTELS NEAR THE FAIRGROUNDS

Hampton Inn & Suites
1375 Sunsweet Boulevard
Yuba City, CA 95991
530-751-1714

Best Western Yuba City Inn
894 W. Onstott Frontage Road
Yuba City, CA 95991
530-674-1650

Holiday Inn Express
531 Shasta Street
Yuba City, CA 95991
530-474-7945

Motel 6
700 North Palora Avenue
Yuba City, CA 95991
530-674-1711

Quality Inn Yuba City
965 Gray Avenue
Yuba City, CA 95991
(530) 237-0518

RV PARK

Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds RV Park
442 Franklin Avenue
Yuba City, CA 95991
530-674-1280

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2025 - 2026 District Governor's Visitation Schedule			
Day	Date	Time	Club
Tuesday	October 28, 2025	6:00 PM	Weaverville
Tuesday	October 28, 2025	6:00 PM	Trinity Lake
Tuesday	October 28, 2025	6:00 PM	Hayfork
Thursday	October 30, 2025	6:00 PM	Burney
Monday	November 3, 2025	6:30 PM	Live Oak
Tuesday	November 11, 2025	7:00 PM	Forest Ranch
Tuesday	November 18, 2025	7:00 AM	Chico Breakfast
Tuesday	December 2, 2025	6:00 AM	Colusa
Tuesday	December 2, 2025	Noon	Linda
Wednesday	December 10, 2025	7:00 AM	Yuba City Peach Bowl
Wednesday	December 10, 2025	6:00 PM	Yuba City Sunset Buttes
Thursday	December 11, 2025	7:00 PM	Sutter
Tuesday	January 13, 2026	5:45 PM	Anderson
Wednesday	January 14, 2026	7:00 PM	Shasta Lake
Thursday	January 15, 2026	6:00 PM	Loma Rica Foothill
Tuesday	January 20, 2026	6:00 PM	Cottonwood
Wednesday	January 21, 2026	7:00 PM	Gridley
Thursday	January 29, 2026	7:00 AM	Redding Breakfast
Thursday	January 29, 2026	Noon	Redding Host
Tuesday	February 3, 2026	3:00 PM	Paradise Host
Wednesday	February 4, 2026	7:00 PM	Meridian
Thursday	February 5, 2026	6:30 PM	Willows
Friday	February 13, 2026	7:00 AM	Enterprise
Tuesday	February 24, 2026	7:00 PM	Palo Cedro
Wednesday	March 4, 2026	6:30 PM	Wheatland
Thursday	March 5, 2026	6:30 PM	Hamilton City
Saturday	March 14, 2026	TBD	Yreka Host
Saturday	March 14, 2026	TBD	Etna
Saturday	March 14, 2026	TBD	Etna Scott Valley
Saturday	March 14, 2026	TBD	Fort Jones
Thursday	March 19, 2026	Noon	Quincy
Wednesday	April 1, 2026	6:00 PM	Alturas
Thursday	April 2, 2026	6:00 PM	Lakehead
	To Be Scheduled		Shasta Cyber Club
	To Be Scheduled		Burney Leos
	To Be Scheduled		Northern Summit Leos
<i>*Times Are Preliminary And Subject To Change</i>			



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"THANK HEAVENS IT'S NOT ANOTHER DINNER" DISTRICT GOVERNOR SUPPORT FUNDRAISER

December 5, 2025

To the Clubs of Lions District 4-C1:

Once upon a time in past years we held special fundraising dinners to generate monies to help compensate our District Governors for their out-of-pocket expenses. Being District Governor is an expensive proposition, and only a small portion of the expenses are reimbursed. We'd like to thank Governor Michele Martens for her hard work this year, especially in light of the increased costs for fuel, food and lodging which continue to creep higher and higher, and we have chosen to use the approach we have used over the last several years.

Instead of asking all of you to buy dinner tickets, bring raffle prizes, drive to a distant location and possibly need a motel room, we are having a "Thank Heavens It's Not Another Dinner" Governor Support Event. Your club, and/or individual members, are asked to make a donation to Governor Michele's fund (detach the form on the bottom). All donations will be turned over to our District Treasurer who will write one check to be presented at the Transitional District Meeting. *If possible, we would like to receive all donations no later than June 1, 2026.*

Thank you for your consideration of this program and your support of Governor Michele.

District Treasurer PDG Sue Kerr

Please detach and send to: PDG Sue Kerr, 3250 Cowgill Lane, Redding, CA 96003

Lions Club _____ or

Lion's Name _____

☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 Other Amount _____

Enclosed for Thank Heavens It's Not Another Dinner Governor Support

*Please make checks payable to Lions District 4-C1 with **No Dinner** on the comment line*

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR DISTRICT 4-C1 2025 - 2026



December 6, 2025	Central Region District Meeting & Lakehead Redding Lighted Christmas Parade	
December 26 - 31, 2025	Rose Parade Float Prep/Events	Pasadena
January 1, 2026	Rose Parade	Pasadena
January 23 – 25, 2026	Regional Lions Leadership Inst	Sacramento
February 7, 2026	South Region District Meeting	To Be Determined
February 18 & 19, 2026	Council of Governors Meeting	Long Beach
February 20 – 22, 2026	MD-4 Convention (Queen Mary)	Long Beach
March 20 – 22, 2026	Emerging Lions Leadership Inst	Anaheim
April 10 & 11, 2026	District Convention	Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
May 2, 2026	Bike Around The Buttes	Sutter
June 18 – 21, 2026	Joint Council of Governors	Los Angeles
June 20, 2026	Lions All Star Football	Redding
June 22 – 27, 2026	Camp for Kids w Type I Diabetes	Camp McCumber
July 3 – 8, 2026	International Convention	Hong Kong

2026 Student Speaker Contest Dates

Order Packets By	October 15, 2025
Club Contest By	February 20, 2026
Zone Contest By	March 13, 2026
Region Contest By	March 31, 2026
District Contest On	April 11, 2026
Area Contest By	May 15, 2026
Final Contest On	June 20, 2026

Dates Not Yet Set

Lions Student Speaker Contest

ANNOUNCEMENT: 2025–2026

Lions Student Speakers Contest Topic! 🎤 🧠

We're proud to unveil this year's powerful and timely theme:

“Youth Mental Health: Overcoming Barriers to Well-Being.”

💬 This topic invites high school students across California to raise their voices and spark meaningful conversations about mental health challenges, resilience, and the path to well-being for their generation.

🌍 With youth mental health becoming a global concern, this contest gives young people a platform to share their insights, stories, and solutions — while building confidence, public speaking skills, and leadership for the future.

🏆 Scholarship prizes await at every level of the competition!

📅 Local Club contests begin in early 2026 — contact your nearest Lions Club for details or visit the California Lions Student Speakers Foundation website.

👉 Tag a student who'd be a great voice for this topic!

[#LionsStudentSpeakers](#) [#YouthMentalHealth](#) [#LionsServe](#)
[#StudentVoicesMatter](#) [#MentalHealthAwareness](#) [#Future-Leaders](#)







Accessible version here
[Environmental Photo Contest](#)

Environmental Photo Contest

Join the MD4 Lions and Leos in showcasing your commitment to the environment through original photography. Capture moments that reflect our dedication to improving and preserving the natural world around us.

Categories:

- Core Environmental -**
Stunning landscapes, wildlife, and natural wonders
- Human Connection -**
Volunteers, cleanup efforts, or local green initiatives
- Special Focus or Technical -**
Aerial perspectives on environmental beauty or destruction
- Wildlife -**
Any wildlife in its natural habitat

- Photos should be original, unaltered and taken by the individual submitting the photo.
- Photos should be printed on high-quality photo paper and measure 8" x 10"
 - All photographers accept responsibility for the cost of all photos
 - Only one submission per club per category will be accepted.
(Leo & Lions Clubs count individually)
- Photos must be taken during the current Lion year and submitted by Feb 1st, 2026.
- Photos will be judged impartially based on originality, artistic merit, and technical quality.
- Voting will take place at the MD4 Convention in Long Beach.

Include your name, Club name, District, and a brief description of the photo. Again, photos must be received by Lion Nichole Muller, MD4 Environmental Chairperson no later than February 1st, 2026 via mail

Mail photos to: Lion Nichole Muller
320 Main St. Suite D Seal Beach, CA 90740
Or Email to: nikkisblions@gmail.com



"Totally California" Environmental Experience



LIONS YOUTH DIABETES CAMP

District 4-C1 Lions Health Foundation is pleased to announce Camp McCumber dates for 2026. **Our Camp for Youth with Type One**

Diabetes will run June 21 – 27 next year and is open to ages 8 – 17.

Please help us get the word out to those interested in your area.