

Tuesday, 2/21/2023

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3:00 – 5:00 pm Convention Registration Open Gateway Foyer

2023 Council of Governor’s Meeting

Wednesday, 2/22/2-23

See COG Schedule for Committee Meetings, Times & Locations

9:30 am	Spouses Visit to Moffett Museum Meet in Lobby ** Bring California ID Card/Driver’s License for Identification**	
11:00 – 12:00	Budget, Finance & Admin (All 3 Councils)	San Jose/Santa Clara
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch	Sierra Room
1:30-4:30 pm	Council Meeting /Caucus	Oak/Fir
4:45 pm	Personnel Committee	Boardroom
12:00 – 5:00 pm	Convention Registration Open	Gateway Foyer
1:30- 4:00 pm	Spouses Service Project Eyeglass Sorting, Etc.	San Jose/Santa Clara
5:00 pm	Dinner	Sierra Room

Thursday 2/23/2023

9:15 am	Council Session 1	Oak/Fir
12:00 – 5:00 pm	Convention Registration	Gateway Foyer
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch	Sierra Room
1:00 pm Following Lunch	Spouses Trip to Bayland Nature Preserve Meet in the Hotel Lobby	
1:00 – 4:45 pm	Delegate Certification	Silicon Valley Room
1:30 – 3:30 pm	Council Session 2	Oak/Fir
3:45 – 4:45 pm	Convention Walk Through	
3:45 – 5:00 pm	Pin Traders Registration	Gateway Foyer
3:45-5:00 pm	Vendors Tables/Exhibit Set Up	Gateway Foyer
4:30 – 6:00 pm	California Lions Foundation Wine Tasting & Auction	Room #1054

Thursday Dinner is on your own

**California Lions Convention
Friday 2/24/2023**

8:00 – 11:30 am 2:00- 5:00 pm	Convention Registration	Gateway Foyer
8:00 – 11:30 am 2:00 – 5:00 pm	Delegate Certification	Silicon Valley Room
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Pin Traders	Gateway Foyer
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Vendors/Exhibits	Gateway Foyer
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Peace Poster Exhibit	Gateway Foyer

Seminars

8:00 – 8:50 am Lions & Technology PDG Manny Sanchez
San Simeon Room
Spend time with the “Yoda of Technology” and bring all of your questions. Be prepared to learn some new tips and tricks to help you be more effective.

8:00 – 8:30 am How Best to Assist a Visually Impaired Person 2nd VDG Scott Quinlan
San Martin Room
Everything you wanted to know about visual impairment, but were afraid to ask.

8:00-8:50 am Leadership Lessons from Master Yoda Lion Lidia Petrov-Jones
San Juan Room
Master Yoda is an excellent example of **great leadership**, perhaps the most iconic mentoring leader on the silver screen. In this session you will learn about his Leadership Style, his influence, and lessons that we can apply in our Lions Association.

8:00 – 8:50 Specialty Clubs Lion Thelma Batillo
San Carlos Room
In this session you will learn how to start a Lions Club and how to re-energize your club. Lion Thelma will share 100 service ideas to be better able to attract people who already share a passion for SERVICE.

**8:00-8:50 am The Global Initiative for Health & Wellness Lion Eleanor Britter
San Jose/Santa Clara Room**

In this session you will learn more about the Global Initiative for Health & Wellness and recent projects and their impact.

**8:00-8:50 am Service Projects in the 21st Century & Networking Lion Jimmy Ness
Carmel/Monterey Room**

In this session you will discuss new service project ideas for new, seasoned and cyber clubs. You will lay out from inception of the event/project to finish as well as incorporate networking and working with other groups for success and possible New Lion recruitment.

**8:30 – 9:00 am. IRIS, Intelligent Retinal Imaging Systems Louis Morrow
San Martin Room**

Learn more about this product and how it will be a wonderful Diabetic Retinopathy screening tool for our communities.

**9:00 – 9:50 am MYLION for Leaders and an Update on LCI’s Lion Kathy McCracken
San Simeon Tech Lab Salesforce Project**

This session will provide an opportunity learn more about MYLION, ask all your questions, and be updated with the progress of LCI’s Salesforce Project.

**9:00 – 9:30 am California Lions Foundation PDG John Schroeder
San Martin Room**

Here is your opportunity to learn how our California Lions Foundation is improving our communities and consider how your community might be next!

**9:00- 9:50 am Cabinet Secretary Training IPDG Allen King
San Juan Room**

Thinking of serving as your District’s Cabinet Secretary? Attend this session and learn all about the roles and responsibilities of this position and have all of your questions answered!

**9:00 – 9:50 am How Being a Toastmaster Can Make You A Better Lion 2nd VDG Eric Cheung
San Carlos Room**

Hear from a California Lions Toastmaster member how being a Toastmaster will make you a more effective Lion and prepare you to be an awesome Public Speaker..... and have lots of fun while you are at it !

**9:00 – 9:50 am Running A Successful Student Speaker Contest PDG Chris Orhmund
San Jose/Santa Clara Room with Class!**

Join this session to learn the “do’s and don’ts” for conducting a Student Speaker Contest with “class”!

9:00 - 9:50 am Lions Clubs International Foundation LCIF Coord, Roger Powell
Carmel/Monterey Room Lion Stephanie Gwinn
Learn everything you wanted to know about our Foundation from the experts!!

9:30 – 10:00 am Magic Yarn Project Governor Linda Barbara
San Martin Room
Learn first-hand all about this amazing project that brings joy into the lives of children dealing with cancer. Get all your questions answered and then look forward to being part of the hands-on Magic Yarn Service Project scheduled for Saturday afternoon!

10:00 – 10:50 am Branding and Advertising PDG Fanny Chu
San Simeon Room
Back by popular demand! PDG Fanny presented this session at the last USA-Canada Forum to a standing room only crowd! Join in and learn Branding & Advertising for your club, service Projects, Fundraisers & Lionism. Be Seen, Be Heard & Be Known!

10:00-10:50 am Hosting a Convention or a COG Meeting PDG Kevin Patel
San Martin Room
Importance to Host Multiple Convention and/or Council of Governors? An idea of primarily steps before you request to host, selecting/appointing Chair, the ways to reduce the cost. You'll have some answers to many of your questions and will have interaction on selecting the best venue/location, how to increase attendee's, effective advertising, sponsorships, transportation, suitability, service activities, entertainment, VIP guest speaker, Celebration of Life, Academy Awards presentation and etc...

10:00-10:50 Succession Planning, The Seal Beach Success Story PDG John Schroeder
San Juan Room
Does your club have a succession plan? If not, this is the session for you! Hear from a Seal Beach Lion what this innovative club has done to ensure they will be able to serve their community for years to come.

10:00-10:50 The Do's and Don'ts for Serving Alcohol at Lions Events Governor Craig Durand
San Carlos Room
Bring all your questions about this very important topic to this session, make sure you are setting your club events up to succeed!

10:00-10:50am Mini-California Lions Toastmasters Club Meeting CLTM Members
San Jose/Santa Clara Room & Discussion
Join this session and see what all the fun is about! Learn how the California Lions Toastmasters Club meets regularly and makes public speaking more enjoyable than terrifying !

**10:00-10:50 am 120 Years of Lighting the Way in California Lion Sharon Giovinazzo
Carmel/Monterey Room**

If you are not familiar with the San Francisco Lighthouse for the Blind here is your opportunity to learn of all they do to assist the blind and visually impaired. If you have not met Sharon and her Guide Dog Pilot, attend this session and plan to be inspired!

**11:00-11:50 am Information Security IPDG Allen King
San Simeon Room**

A topic that is relevant to us all! Attend this session and learn how to keep your information secure and what not to do while online!

**11:00-11:50 am Closing the Back Door IPDG Dr Jun Valera
San Martin Room**

Hear first-hand from IPDG Dr Jun what his District has done to close the back door and continue to make a positive difference in their membership numbers.

**11:00-11:50 am Cabinet Treasurer Training PDG Bill Ridle
San Juan Room**

Attend this session to gather information regarding the billing and compliance for District and Club Treasurers along with valuable information for your financial committees.

**11:00-11:50 am Be an Effective and Informed LEO Advisor PDG Kevin Patel
San Carlos Room**

Resources available, opportunities, types of Leo Clubs, charter information, how to form a Leo District, benefits and process to form a LEO MD, Leadership Development, Service with Lions Clubs and LCIF. Info on Leo-Lion Liaison for your District/MD. Discussion for their future.

**11:00-11:50 am Leadership Thoughts from a PIP and a 2nd VDG PIP Joseph Preston
San Jose/Santa Clara Room Lion Laxmi Chadhury**

This session is for anyone who wants to learn more about what it takes to step up and out into leadership roles in your club or District. Hear from Past International President Joe about his leadership experience and at the same time from a new 2nd VDG who just finished the Regional Lions Leadership Institute.

**11:00-11:50 am How To Plan a Successful Diabetes Education Event Desi Mehrabian, RN
Carmel/Monterey Lucie Mue, R.N. (Ret)
Lion Dave Kaplow**

Learn how to hold an event for an audience of kids/students and effectively share information about Diabetes. Go back to your LEO's and teach them to do the same!

12:30 – 2:00 pm

Leadership Luncheon

Presiding – PDG Norm McDaniel, MD4 GLT Coordinator

Pledge: DG Jay Ruiz, Song: DG Melinda Blaza, Invocation: DG Aggie Vosburg

Introduction of VIP's: CC Karen Crook

Lunch

Introduction of Guest

Speaker – PDG Norm McDaniel

Keynote Speaker: Sharon Giovinazzo, CEO, Lighthouse for the Blind & Visually Impaired, San Francisco

Afternoon Seminars

2:15 – 3:30 pm

Tips & Tricks for Service Reporting

MD4 GSTC Susan Gall

San Simeon Room

Bring your questions and prepare to learn all you need to know about how to report your club's service.

2:15-3:30 pm

Training for the Local Lion, Sources, Resources, and Ideas

PCC Don Gall

San Martin Room

Bring your ideas and questions and be prepared to walk away from this seminar with twice the ideas and information you came in with!

2:15 – 3:30 pm

Q&A for Club Secretaries and Treasurers

PDG Bill Ridle

San Carlos Room

IPDG Allen King

Did you miss the last session for Secretaries and Treasurers? No worries! Here is your chance to bring all of your questions and be prepared to get answers and more information about these two very important club offices.

2:15- 3:30 pm

Market Your Club and Find New Members

Lion Dave Kaplow

San Jose/Santa Clara Room

In a nutshell, are you looking for new creative ways to market your club in your community? Could your club use some more members? Attend this seminar!!!

2:15-3:30 pm

Forming a 501 C3 Organization

Lion Jimmy Kang

Carmel/Monterey Room

Learn from a Lion the steps to obtaining a 501 C3. Bring all your questions and understand the benefits to your club.

3:30 – 4:00 pm.

The Roles and Responsibilities of a District Governor

CC Karen Crook

San Martin Room

Come to this seminar and separate the mystery from the facts about what it takes to be an effective District Governor.

3:30 – 4:00 pm **USA-Canada Forum, Reno, September 2023** **PDG Linda Wagner-Griffin**
San Juan Room

USA-Canada Forum is in our backyard this year! Come hear all of the exciting things in store for the attendees, bring your questions, you REALLY don't want to miss it!

3:30-4:00 pm **Lions Float** **PDG Manny Sanchez**
San Simeon Room

Attend this seminar to hear all about the 2024 Lions Float! See this year's float in action! Ask Manny how many flowers does it take to make a float???

3:30 – 4:00 pm **IRIS, Intelligent Retinal Imaging Systems** **Louis Morrow**
San Carlos Room

Learn more about this product and how it will be a wonderful Diabetic Retinopathy screening tool for our communities.

3:30 – 4:00 pm **Lions Eye Foundation of California & Nevada** **PDG John Posey**
San Jose/Santa Clara Room

Attend this seminar to learn about the amazing partnership between the Lions Eye Foundation and California Pacific Medical Center and how they have been providing needed eye care to people in Northern California and Nevada who otherwise could not afford it, and how we Lions play a part.

5:00-6:00 pm **Hospitality Suite** **DG Melinda Blaza, Rm # 1054**

5:45 pm **Doors Open for Dinner** **Gateway Ballroom**
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6:00 om **Dinner is Served**

Following Dinner Entertainment will be Provided by the San Jose Kaisahan Unity Lions Club
Bring your dancing shoes!

Saturday, 2/25/2023

7:30- 9:00 am Doors Close Promptly at 8:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies - Parade of Flags	Gateway Ballroom
8:00 – 11:30 am 1:30 – 5:00 pm	Convention Registrations	Gateway Foyer
10-11:30 am 1:30-3:30 pm	Delegate Certification	Silicon Valley Room
8:00 – 5:00 pm	Pin Traders	Gateway Foyer
8:00 – 5:00 pm	Vendors/Exhibits	Gateway Foyer
9:00 – 12:00	LEO's Seminars	San Simeon
9:15 - 11:00 am	Business Session, Reports	Gateway Ballroom
	District Caucuses	
	4-C1, 4-C2, 4-C3 & C-4	Gateway Ballroom
	4-C5 4-A1	San Martin Room
	4-C6	Room 1054
	4-A2, 4-A3	San Juan Room
	4-L1, 4-L2	San Carlos Room
	4-L3, 4-L4	San Jose/Santa Clara Room
	4-L5, 4-L6	Carmel/Monterey Room
12:30 – 2:00 pm	1st Responders Luncheon	Gateway Ballroom
	Pledge: DG Jay Ruiz, Song: DG Melinda Blaza, Invocation: DG Aggie Vosburg	
	Introduction of VIP's: CC Karen Crook	
	Lunch	
2:00 – 3:00	Peace Poster & Peace Essay Workshop	Carmel/Monterey
2:30– 4:00 pm	Spouses Reception *By Invitation Only*	San Carlos Room

2:30 – 4:30 pm Magic Yarn Project San Jose/Santa Clara Room

**2:15 -3:30 Youth Exchange Program Lion Carrie Guadagnolo
San Simeon Room 2nd VDG Vicky Brady**
Learn about the history of Youth Exchange, how to host a student, MD4”s Impact on the program and the relationships that you can build!

**2:15-3:30 Youth Protection Policy PDG Juanita Nichols
San Martin Room PDG Manny Sanchez**
Lion Todd Reibe, DA, Amador County

You don't want to miss this seminar on this important policy. Bring all your questions and learn how to incorporate it into your club and your activities.

**2:15 – 3:30 Hunting Lions, This Is Not A Recruiting Seminar PDG Anthony Martinez
San Juan Room Captain, Fresno Police Dept.**
Captain/PDG Anthony has presented this session to Lions previously, and each time he does he is contacted after the session by a Lion who shares their story of being a victim. Learn about victimization via fraud, identity theft and email scams.

**3:30 – 4:00 Tail twisting for Beginners & Experts PDG Anthony Martinez
San Juan Room**
According to PDG Anthony, if you have never fined a PIP, you aren't doing it right! Review the spirit behind tail twisting and how it sets the tone for our meetings. Lions are looking for a show and it is up to the tail twister to bring it !

4:30 – 6:45 pm Governor's Reception DG Melinda Blaza's Suite, #1054

VIP Photos Arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled time Grand Staircase-Lower Level

5:15-5:45 pm – Second Vice District Governors & Spouses

5:45-6:15 pm - First Vice District Governors & Spouses

6:15-6:45 pm – District Governors & Spouses

Governor's Gala Banquet & Academy Awards Gateway Ballroom

6:30 pm – Doors Open, Socializing

7:00 pm – Grand March

7:30 pm – Flag Salute, Song & Invocation

7:40 pm – Dinner is Served

8:40 pm Past International President Joe Preston

9:00 pm Academy Awards

10:30 pm - Entertainment

Following the Academy Awards, Jocelyn Enriquez will be providing the entertainment, thank-you to PDG Ron Mercado for making this possible !

Sunday, 2/26/2023

7:00 – 9:45 am	Convention Registration	Gateway Foyer
7:00 - 9:45 am	Delegate Certification	Silicon Valley Room
7:00 – 10:00 am	Voting	San Jose Room
8:00 – 9:30 am	Melvin Jones Breakfast Presenter PCC Roger Powell, MD4 LCIF Coordinator	Gateway Ballroom
9:30 – 10:00 am	Students Speaker Foundation Chris Ormund	Gateway Ballroom
10:00 – 10:30 am	Celebration of Life Presenter, DG Aggie Vosburg, Council Chaplain	Gateway Ballroom
10:30 – 11:30 am	Final Business Session Presiding, CC Karen Crook Scrapbook Awards – PDG Sue Kerr Resolutions Announcement of Voting Results – PDG Kaz Soto	Gateway Ballroom
	Closing / Adjournment – CC Karen Crook <i>Drive Safely Home!</i>	