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Knights of the Blind and Beyond *A message from DG Nadine Nishioka...*



My Fellow Lions,

It is an honor and pleasure to serve alongside each and every one of you as your District Governor. Together with your Vice District Governors, Lion Blayne Hanagami and Lion Bob Lee, we will do our best to give you the support needed to maintain the success of your clubs.

As your Centennial District Governor Team, Lions Blayne, Bob and I, are here to support you and your respective clubs. We have a great Global Leadership Team and Global Membership Team with Past District Governor Lion Alan Garson and Past District Governor Lion Cecelia Izuo helping to lead the way.

Remember, the "District" is here to serve your needs and we can only do so with your help. Please feel free to contact any or all of us if you require assistance or you have questions.

As your District Governor, I promise to serve your needs and the needs of our District as a whole. We are all volunteers and we are all equal Lions serving in our communities. No one Lion is better than another, we are all good at what we do; serving the needs of our communities; "all for one and one for all" as we continue to be "Knights of the Blind and Beyond..."

WHERE THERE'S A NEED... THERE'S A LION. ROAR!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Nadine

Nadine Nishioka
District Governor

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"Knights of the Blind and Beyond!"

CABINET MEETING INFO

1st Cabinet Meeting:

Date: Saturday, July 30
Location: Pearl City Cultural Center
Registration: 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Start Time: 8:30 a.m.

10:30 - Noon - Guest Speaker and CPR Training:
Lion Pamela Foster, chair - Lions With Heart.

There will be CPR Training following Lion
Pamela's presentation.

2nd Cabinet Meeting:

Date: Saturday, October 29
Location: Pearl City Cultural Center
Registration: 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Start Time: 8:30 a.m.

3rd Cabinet Meeting:

Winter Forum:
Date: January 27 – 28, 2017 (Cabinet Meeting will
be held on Saturday)
Location: Kilauea Military Camp (KMC), Volcano
National Park on the Big Island
Registration: 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Start Time: 8:30 a.m.

Events at KMC are coordinated with Region VII
and Region VIII clubs. Accommodations can be
made at KMC by calling: (808) 967-8337 or going
online at: groups@kmc-volcano.com

Rates are at a discount for active military, guard,
reserve and eligible retired military. All others
please identify yourself as a Lion attending the
Lions event.

4th Cabinet Meeting:

District Convention:
Dates: May 4 – 6, 2017
Location: Ala Moana Hotel
Cabinet meeting will be held on Thursday at 2:00
p.m.

WORDS FROM THE CABINET AND DISTRICT COMMITTEES

Region IV Zone 2 – Lion Virginia Padayhag

Greetings, Lions of Region IV, Zone 2:

I know all the clubs have been busy making their Action Plans for 2016-17. Thank you to all the clubs for submitting their goals, objectives and summaries. You made my job easier.

I hope we continue to work together in partnership. At our first Zone Advisory Meeting, I would like to propose a Zone Project. If your club has ideas for a Zone Project that will make Lions visible in the community, please bring your ideas.

I am looking forward to a productive year. Please feel free to contact me at anytime.

Lion Virginia Padayhag
Region IV, Zone 2 Chair

Region VII – Lion Glen Shigehara

For 2016 - 2017 Region VII will continue to do vision and hearing screenings in our schools and vision screening at other community events. We will also join with Region VIII to plan for a successful 3rd Cabinet meeting and KMC Winter Forum, January 27 - 28, 2017.

Thank you. Shige

Knights of the Blind – Lion Sharon Ige

Do you have a passion to help the blind? Do you see ways things can be changed in the community beneficial to those who cannot see?

A new committee has been formed this year by DG Nadine Nishioka to explore further ways the Lions can impact the lives of the blind on a more everyday and consistent basis.

Our first step after we form our committee is to gather feedback from the blind community and see where their needs may be. We will then as a committee decide which of the requests are practical and doable. Then we will put our plans into action.

If this sounds like something you would like to be involved in or have questions, please contact me via email. See directory for contact info.

Thank you for your heart to serve!

Lion Sharon Ige



Leo Clubs – Lion Whitney Miyahara

The Leos of District 50 are getting ready to head back to school and jumping back into service after a much needed break from classes and tests. All advisers and new Leo Club officers should check out the website for upcoming events and projects and to find copies of the Leo 72 form which needs to be turned in at the beginning of each school year. Our next district meeting is on Sunday, Aug. 21, 2016 at O'ahu Veterans Center from 1:30-2:30pm. All advisers and Leo Club officers should attend, other Lions Club members are more than welcome to join us but please RSVP with the Leo Secretary.

For more info, please visit hawaiileos.org or contact Lion Whitney at hawaiileos@gmail.com.



Global Membership Team - PDG Cecelia Izuo

Membership Retention

One very important aspect we have to deal with in our Lions Clubs is retention. Many times we are so preoccupied with recruitment that we neglect the retention of our members. Your members need to feel needed and appreciated.

For new members, help them with the Proud Lion and Proud Lion Too Awards (see our district website <http://www.hawaiilions.org/member-information.html> for more information on the Proud Lion Awards.) The Proud Lion initiative is actually a Lion activation process. It begins with the orientation of the new member. The new member then, with guidance of a sponsor or mentor, becomes indoctrinated through the tasks that eventually lead to the award.

Another avenue to keep in mind that will help with retention is to make sure your members are working on committee's and projects that interest them. Use a member interest survey at the beginning of each Lions year. Ask all members to fill out the survey and give assignments accordingly.

Lions in Sight – Lion Alice Kudo

Lions of D50, Lets 'Rock and Roar'

Thank you Lions of D50, your awesome efforts took us over the 40,000 mark for the last Lions in Sight project and ask for your continued dedication as we welcome our new District Governor and embark on another exciting year.

Mahalo to all who contributed to the first issue of the Leo Liona for the 2016-2017 term! Looking forward to releasing the future issues!

Lion Todd Kawamoto
Leo Liona Editor

Our 'Community Gratis' partners are again on-board (to store our boxes of eyeglasses and to ship them from Maui, Kona and Hilo). Walmart is also currently working to reserve all locations statewide for our project on Saturday, January 21, 2017.

This fiscal year has already started with 2 requests: 1200 used eyeglasses from Kamehameha Lions will be going to Kenya on the Hope Chapel mission next month and another 3,000 eyeglasses are on request to go to the Philippines with the Ohana Medical Mission in December. Your undying efforts over the years to provide the 'Gift of Sight' to many have resulted in a truly successful project that has helped thousands to enjoy a more meaningful life.

General cleaning and packing instructions will be on the website soon. We will also have the labels (ready to print) that go on the side of the boxes to recognize your club and to indicate the number of eyeglasses packed. Thank you Lions for being the 'rock' and always roaring loudly.

Environmental Services – Lion Jan Offner

District 50 activities to help protect and care for our aina are being planned. Please mark your calendars:

- Saturday, September 3, 2016, TENTATIVE, Go Green recycling at Kaimuki High School, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- Sunday, November 13, Ala Wai Community Park cleanup, 8:00-10:00 a.m.

Details and sign-up information will be disseminated to zones and clubs via the cabinet secretary and at the cabinet meetings.

Mahalo for your support!