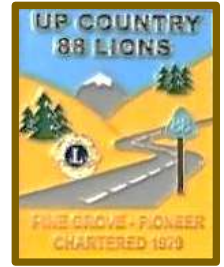




**JUNE
2024**

Official Voice of Up Country 88 Lions What's Doing?



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CLUB MEETINGS 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6pm at Pine Grove Mobile Home Estates' Clubhouse on Irishtown Rd

CLUB # 37207 **BOARD MEETINGS** Virtual - as needed

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PRESIDENT GAIL'S COLUMN

To UC88 Lions & Lion-Friends,

We had our first Meet & Greet (Open House) on May 18th.

We got the word out to many residents of the Pine Grove and Pioneer areas. Keeping our name visible is important to let people know "we're still here and helping serve our community"!



Thank you to Lion Nancy for the lasagna, garlic bread, salad, place settings, and decorations. Thanks to Lion Frank for the drinks. Thanks to Lion Pat for the donuts! We played a fun Corn Hole game that was loaned from Kevin. Thank you to everyone who helped with set-up and clean-up. Kevin said: "The clubhouse looks great. Thank you for such a great cleaning job."

There's a new 5-Minute-Speech on our club's website to share with prospective members. Or here's the [DOWNLOAD LINK](#).

See your invitation to our Installation on June 19th (potluck) in this newsletter. (We decided not to have a Club Lion of the Year for 2023-2024 Lion-year.)

~ Lion Gail

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – JULY 6

The Pine Grove Civic Improvement Club (PGCIC) has a need for volunteers to:

- * Help with set-up, 8am at Town Hall/Pine Grove Park (this is loading the truck, setting up beer booth, and putting up minimal decorations this year)
- * Help with beer booth sales (beer, wine, cocktails, hats, license plate frames, and popcorn this year)

* Breakdown at 8pm (pack up & unload at Town Hall)
If you know of anyone who can help out for any of those chores, give LION GAIL your name and contact info (cell phone or email) for her to give to me so I can contact you.
~ Leigh Rica, President

UP COUNTRY 88 CLUB CALENDAR

Check out our Google Calendar - [CLICK HERE](#)

June 5: Club Meeting - 5:30pm Social time/Appetizers. 6:00pm Meeting. Frank with [Knight Foundry](#) has confirmed him and one other associate will be speaking at our June 6th meeting. *See article on page 2.*

June 19: Installation Dinner – We're 45 YEARS OLD! At Pine Grove Mobile Home Estates' Clubhouse. 5:30 Social Time. 6:00pm Dinner (potluck). *See invite on page 2.*

June 25: District's Member Orientation 7pm via [ZOOM](#) – Every Lion is invited!

June 25: Newsletter Items - Send photos and articles to Lion Editor Gail monthly.

June 25: Service Hours – Report the service you've done to Lion Secretary Brian

July 3: Club Meeting - 6pm – please attend! LOCATION: Pine Grove Mobile Home Estates, 14074 Irish Town Rd (Clubhouse on right as you enter) If you'd like to join online, contact Lion Gail ahead of time.

July 6: Up Country 88's Information Table and volunteering at Groovin' in the Grove – at Pine Grove Park -They're our COMMUNITY PARTNER. *See flier in this newsletter.*

July 17: CANCELLED CLUB MEETING – see you in August!
September 13: Up Country 88's Information Table and volunteering at Celebrate Pine Grove – at Pine Grove Park from 6-8pm

CLUB MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6pm.

For meetings with guest speakers, social time/appetizers start at 5:30pm.

See updates on our online [Calendar](#).

KNIGHT FOUNDRY GUESTS – JUNE 5

Meet the Knight Foundry Alliance Founding Board of Directors
Frank Cunha, Carma Zisman, Robin Peters, Josie Cadieux-Faillers, Ed Arata,
Mimi Arata, Ronald Edgar, and Joe Harralson

Join us & invite your friends! 5:30pm Social time/
Appetizers. 6:00pm Meeting. Guest Speakers: **Frank** with
[Knight Foundry](#) has confirmed that he and one other
associate will be speaking at our meeting.

45th ANNIVERSARY & INSTALLATION DINNER – JUNE 19TH

You are invited to the club's annual Installation
Dinner/Potluck to celebrate our 45th year as a club.

CHARTERED: June 5, 1979 ~ Club #37207

WHEN: Wednesday, June 19, 2024

SOCIAL TIME: 5:30pm

POTLUCK DINNER: 6:00pm

LOCATION: Pine Grove Mobile Home Estates' Clubhouse,
14074 Irish Town Rd, Pine Grove, CA.

OFFICER/BOARD INSTALLATION: Jackson Lions Club
President Elect Dave Carlson and Lion Todd Riebe will be
doing the installing.

THEME: Wear a FUNNY/SILLY HAT

CONTEST: "Best Hat" wins a prize

If you have any old memorabilia to share, please bring it!
Spouses, significant others, plus-ones, neighbors,
CHARTER MEMBERS are invited!

**STUDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE**

At the Scholarship Awards Night at Amador High School
on May 8th, Immediate Past President Frank presented
scholarships to four students. Gianna T won the Ed Shaver
Memorial Award. Daniella C won the Joe Bonini Memorial
Award. Josiah S and Azalea L won the other two
scholarships.

LIONS GO GREEN - SERVICE PROJECT "BAGS TO BENCHES"

**SAVE YOUR PLASTIC !
SEE 2 FLIERS IN THIS NEWSLETTER**



Per Lion Nancy, Chairperson, here are four large bags of
acceptable plastic = approximately 30 pounds.



Out of the nine bags Lion Nancy collected from Young's

IGA Payless Market's donation, only three white clear big bags were acceptable to be recycled for our program... the two big black bags in photo above were not acceptable and she took them to the dump station in Pine Grove.

We collect dry, clean, clear, soft plastic items like: plastic grocery bags, food storage bags, cereal bags, newspaper sleeves, water bottle case wrapping, wood pallet wraps, produce bags, bubble wrap, ice bags, bread bags, toilet paper and clear outer wrap.

Bring to a club meeting or email/text Nancy. If you have any questions, let her know.

Our challenge period is one year (3/25/2024-3/25/2025), to collect 1,000 pounds – we can do this! Then we will receive a bench to put somewhere in the upcountry.

NexTrex website: <https://nextrex.com/view/programs>

For future reference or to let others know about our project, there is this information on our club's website:

<https://upcountry88lions.org/recycling/>

Download the ACCEPTED PLASTICS – [FLIER](#)

Download the DO NOT INCLUDE – [FLIER](#)

DONATION LOCATIONS (look for the container with the LIONS sign on it):

* **Pine Grove Mobile Home Estates' Clubhouse** – 14074 Irish Town Rd, Pine Grove, CA, on the right side as you enter – usually open Mon-Fri 10:00am-4:00pm

* **Sierra Yard Supply** – 22540 CA-88, Red Corral, CA – open Mon-Sat 8:00am-4:30pm

* **Ridge Road Garden Center** – 18815 Ridge Rd, Pine Grove, CA – open Mon-Sat 8:30am-4:30pm



"Environment" is one of Lions International's eight Global Projects. [WEBSITE](#)

GLASSES RECYCLING



Continue collecting eyeglasses, sunglasses, and lenses (no glasses cases though). They are counted on the new [LION PORTAL](#) and delivered to the [Lions Eye Foundation](#) in San Francisco.

BLESSING BAGS ASSEMBLY UPDATE

Here's a photo of the items we received for our Blessing Bags. 20 bags were given to Operation Care and 10 bags were given to Upcountry Community Center.



PHOTOS FROM MEET & GREET



2023-2024 BOARD & CHAIRS

Club President	Gail C
1st Vice President	Frank A
Treasurer	Ernie G
Secretary	Brian C
Membership Chair	Frank A
2-Year Director	Terry V
2-Year Director	Pat M
Marketing Chair	Gail C
LCIF Chair	Gail C
Immediate Past President	Frank A
Scholarship Chair	Nancy V
Guest Speakers Chair	Terry V
Vision Care Chair	Richard K
Student Speakers Contest Co-Chairs	Terry/Nancy

2024-2025 BOARD & CHAIRS

Club President/ <u>GAT</u>	Gail C
2nd Vice President	Lynn M
Treasurer	Frank A
Secretary	Brian C
Service Chair	Terry V
Membership Chair	Nancy V
2-Year Director	Larry R
2-Year Director	Pat M
Marketing Chair	Gail C
LCIF Chair	vacant
Immediate Past President	Gail C
Student Scholarships Chair	vacant
Guest Speakers Chair	vacant
Vision Care Chair/Eyeglasses Collection	vacant - Richard/Nancy?
Student Speakers Contest Chair	vacant
Plastics Collection	Nancy
Pull Tabs Collection	?
Newsletter Editor, Website & Social Media Administrator	Gail C

Tail Twister and/or Lion Tamer positions are optional.

DISTRICT 4-A1 LINK
CALIFORNIA MD4 CALENDAR LINK
INTERNATIONAL LIONS CALENDAR LINK

EYE CARE & HEARING ASSISTANCE

EYE CARE: If you need eye surgery, instructions are available on the Lions Eye Foundation – CA/NV's website: <http://www.lionseyeca-nv.org/-patient-referral.html> or call 1-415-600-3950.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: Instructions are on this website: <http://earofthelion.org/> or call 1-800-327-8077.

CONTACT: If you know of someone in the upcountry area who needs hearing assistance and cannot afford it, contact a Board Member or email us at upcountry88lions@gmail.com

WHY JOIN OUR CLUB?

~ NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED! ~

If you are a Lion and enjoying this newsletter, **share it!**

If you are not a Lion, we would encourage you to become one! Email upcountry88lions@gmail.com

SUGGESTIONS: Leave a brochure in public venues where there is lots of traffic. Be sure to include contact information, like our email address or our **club's business card** - so people can follow-up, perhaps as a potential new member. There's a space in the middle of the card where you can put your own name and phone number if you'd like! Lion Gail has more if you run out.

Click [HERE](#) to download our 5-Minute Talk (PDF file).

The Public is invited to all Up Country 88 Lions' events. Get to know us. Ask us what we do as LIONS! Website <https://upcountry88lions.org>.

Bring your used eyeglasses, cell phones, pull tabs, sunglasses, plastic, and ink cartridges to a Lion (or to [locations on our website](#)) for recycling.

Our Membership Application is located at the back of this newsletter and [online](#). Here's a [link](#) to download the PDF file "Membership Opportunities," a quick reference to understand the various types of membership, and the fees/dues associated with them.

If you join UP COUNTRY 88 LIONS CLUB, you'll become a member of the largest service organization in the world.

Groovin' in the Grove

Pine Grove
Civic Improvement Club
presents its 8th Annual



Saturday, July 6
4:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Pine Grove Park

Food ★ Fun ★ Music
Beer ★ Wine

Live performance by

DOPPELGÄNGER

A high-energy, local
cover band with
father-daughter
lead vocalists!



**FREE
MUSIC
CONCERT
at 5PM**

NEW THIS YEAR
Margaritas & Piña Coladas
plus Local Vendors
Mother Lode Deli Food Truck
(no outside Food or alcohol)

Bring a lawn chair. Shade tents welcome. Sorry, no umbrellas or pets allowed.
Parking in Church Street Lot Courtesy of Volcano Telecommunications

RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAGS

Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!



FROM THE STORE

- ✓ Produce bags
- ✓ Store bags
- ✓ Ice bags



FROM YOUR PANTRY

- ✓ Ziploc & other reclosable bags
- ✓ Cereal box liners
- ✓ Case overwrap
- ✓ Bread bags



FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR

- ✓ Newspaper sleeves
- ✓ Dry cleaning bags
- ✓ Bubble wrap
- ✓ Plastic e-commerce mailers



Plastics must be clean, dry and free of food and organic residue

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DO NOT INCLUDE THESE ITEMS IN NEXTREX® PROGRAMS



- FROZEN FOOD BAGS
- CANDY BAR WRAPPERS
- CHIP BAGS
- NET OR MESH PRODUCE BAGS
- MULCH OR SOIL BAGS

OR THESE

- ✗ Degradable/compostable bags or film packaging
- ✗ Pre-washed salad mix bags
- ✗ Pet food bags
- ✗ Hot dog or meat wrap packaging
- ✗ Six-pack rings
- ✗ PPE- Gloves, masks, or protective wear
- ✗ Pool covers
- ✗ Lamination film
- ✗ Sludge and hay bags
- ✗ Vinyl shower curtains or tablecloths
- ✗ Bedding or linen packaging
- ✗ Shiny, crinkly films like floral wrap
- ✗ Backyard ice trunks

DON'T SEE YOUR ITEM ON THE LIST?

Try these tests to see if your plastic is acceptable or not:

See if the package will stretch when you pull it. If yes, it can be included. If it tears like paper, then please don't put in the bin.

Is the package shiny or does it make a crinkly/crunchy sound in your hand? If yes, do NOT recycle in the Nextrex® bin.



trex.com/recycling 1-800-Buy-Trex



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS
 Invitation-Application for Membership

Lions club name: _____

Member sponsor: _____

First name: _____ MI: _____ Last name: _____ Suffix: _____

Gender: Male Female Non Binary Prefer not to answer Occupation: _____

Date of birth: _____ Spouse's name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please review qualification criteria and fees for the following:

I am a: New member

Former member Transfer member Member number: _____
 (if unknown, email stats@lionsclubs.org)

Previous Club Name: _____ Previous Club Number: _____

Family member Student member Current or former Leo Young adult

Enclosed is \$ _____ as an entrance fee, in addition to \$ _____ for international, multiple district, district and club dues.

I accept membership into Lions Clubs International and that the standards are limited to persons of good moral character and reputation, I recognize the importance of rendering personal service to my community in cooperation with other civic-minded persons. I understand that membership is not valid until approved by the club's board of directors.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

FOR CLUB SECRETARY USE

I confirm that the board of directors has approved this member for membership in this Lions club.

Signature of club secretary : _____

OUR MISSION
 To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



Checklist:

- Keep a copy of the completed application form for the club's files. Do not send it to Lions Clubs International.
- Add the member using My CI or include the member's name and address on the monthly membership report.
- When the entrance fees and dues have been collected and the new member has been provided with a membership card, turn money over to the club treasurer.
- Add the new member's name and address to the club roster and mailing list.
- See that the new member receives a New Member Kit. The materials within are to be presented at the new member's induction ceremony. Take the time to complete the certificate for the new member prior to the induction ceremony.
- Included in the New Member Kit is a coupon for our Club Supplies store at www2.lionsclubs.org. Show the new member the website so they may browse items to spend their coupon on, such as shirts or personalized badges.