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NEWSLETTER

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Hello Fellow Lions of D40S

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Greetings to all from Interna- tional President Eberhard J Wirfs

"Margit and I wish for you and your family much happiness, great prosperity, and continued success as you share this special time with those you love - your family, your friends and fellow Lions.

It's a natural time for reflection, a time for giving thanks and for counting blessings, and of course a time for thinking about what we hope to

accomplish in the New Year ahead.

Personally, I have so much to be thankful for, most especially the opportunity to serve as your international president in 2009-10.

We are nearing the halfway point of what truly could be a remarkable year in Lions history - a year in which we will serve more people than ever, grow our network when few others are growing, and move into new directions that will ensure our position as the world's premiere service organization for decades to come."

I, too, as your District Governor would like to extend my Holiday

Greetings to you and yours during this glorious time of the year. May the Christmas spirit reign in your heart and home and may the New Year bring you joy, peace, health and love.

Feliz Navidad y Prospero Ano Nuevo!

DG Rosa T Doporto



GET WELL AND CONDOLENCES....

- Sympathy to Carlsbad Downtown on the passing of Lion Gene Fooks.
- Also to PDG Mary Jane Shannon, the Montgomery family and the Lions of Multiple District 40 on the passing of our fellow Lion and dear friend, Lion Lee Boyd.
- Get well wishes to Lion Charles Rothwell for a speedy recovery.
- Continued thoughts and prayers to Lion J D Fry.

To all Lions not here mentioned, but are ailing or recovering, my thoughts and get well wishes go out your way. **DG ROSA**

DEN HAPPENINGS

SOME GOOD (?) NEWS...

The following was taken from the December 2009 newsletter from International President Eberhard J Wirfs:

Membership results through November:

2004: - 6,344 net loss
 2005: - 5,321 net loss
 2006: - 4,362 net loss
 2007: - 2,676 net loss
 2008: - 3,860 net loss
2009: only a -2,400 loss

"Yes, membership is still at a net loss of about -2,400 in the USA, but that's the best result in many, many years - and there's been no other point in recent time when America has been within such close reach to achieving net growth. Indeed, this could turn out to be the year of the great 'Lions turn around' story in your great country - a country that has personally inspired me ever since I was befriended by American soldiers as a boy and when I first came here as a young man to learn how to 'move' my family's food business into the future."

While we are still in the loss or minus status we could say 'we're gaining'. Notice that this is in AMERICA, USA. Here in the D40S, we had a loss of 5 as of November 30, 2009.

DG Rosa T Doporto

MERRY CHRISTMAS

*Here's a special wish, to all who believe
 That a Savior was born, that long ago eve*

*A Child without blankets to stay cozy and warm
 Instead wrapped in swaddling and hay to lay on*

*No gifts on that day for that precious Child
 Till days had gone by, Wise men arrived*

*No Ipods or Nintendos, no TVs, no VCRs
 Not fancy clothes either, or the likes of cars*

*But Gold and Myrrh and Frankincense
 The gifts of the heart that make sense*

*So my wish for this CHRISTMAS
 Blessings of the Birth night so long ago*

*No fancy gifts do I have to offer to you
 But sincere wishes of Peace, Love, & Joy*

To all my fellow Lions,

Feliz Navidad

y Prospero Ano Nuevo!!!!

Rosa T Doporto

DG D40S

Written: December 9, 2009

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

From: Al Brandel LCIF Chairperson

Give the Greatest Gift This Year

"This holiday season you can give the greatest gift of all- the gift of sight. A donation of US\$1 will provide river blindness medication, US\$15 cataract surgery or US\$50 low vision adaptive devices. Please help us help more people in the coming year."

As the new year begins, keep LCIF in your budgets so that we may continue to do great deeds for those in need and less fortunate. We know that D40S has benefited from LCIF in the past through grants and continues to be a resource. **DG Rosa**

MANE EVENTS

3rd D40S CABINET MEETING
Saturday, February 13, 2010
'Be a Sweetheart and Attend'
Las Cruces
10:00 am to 10:30 am—Zone Chair Meeting
12:00 noon to 1:00 pm –Lunch
1:00 pm to 2:30 pm
General Meeting

3rd MD40 COUNCIL MEETING
Saturday, March 6, 2010
Rancher's Steakhouse
Socorro
8:00 am to 11:45 am—
Foundation Meetings
12:00 noon to 12:45 pm—Lunch
(\$13.00 ea)
1:00 pm to 2:45 pm—General Meeting

New Mexico D40 Women's Symposium
Saturday, April 17, 2010
Hotel Ruidoso
Ruidoso, NM
9:30 am --- 4:00 pm

Registration \$30.00 until March 1st
Limited seats \$40.00 after March 1st
For Room reservations call Hotel Ruidoso
at 575-257-2007
Rate \$59.95 (LIONS)
See registration form in the *LIONS ROAR*

COMING UP
LIONS EYE BALL
FOUNDATION EYE
BALL
Saturday, February
27, 2010

Best Western Rio
Grande Inn

1015 Rio Grande Blvd.
NW

Albuquerque

Menu Choices, Silent
Auction, Dancing &
more

Donation \$50.00 per
person

Call: Rita Lucero at
505-384-4153

Important Dates:
May 20-23, 2010 NM State Convention
Alamogordo
June 28-July 2, 2010 International Convention
Sydney, Australia
June 4-8, 2011 International Convention
Seattle, Washington



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LIONS IN YOUR CLUB...

IMPROVEMENT

We're always working at it.

We're never totally there.

And the challenge starts all over again

With each new tomorrow.



WE SERVE

2009-10 District 40S Cabinet

<i>Dist. Gov.</i>	Rosa Doporto
<i>1st VD Gov.</i>	Phil Marvel
<i>2nd VD Gov.</i>	Claudia Jensen
<i>D40S S/T</i>	Roy Robinson
<i>Imme PDG</i>	Kitty Callender
<i>Zone 1 Chair</i>	John Chess
<i>Zone 2 Chair</i>	Bettie Brannon
<i>Zone 3 Chair</i>	Anna Marvel
<i>Zone 4 Chair</i>	Ruth Wilkes
<i>Zone 5 Chair</i>	PDG Kitty Callender
<i>Zone 6 Chair</i>	Melissa Washburn
<i>Zone 7 Chair</i>	James Hall
<i>Zone 8 Chair</i>	Juanice Robinson

Cabinet Committee Chairs:

<i>Sight Conservation</i>	PDG Ernest London
<i>LCIF</i>	PDG Rick Jensen
<i>Diabetes Awareness</i>	Jeanette Lang
<i>Info Technology</i>	Jennifer Long
<i>Hearing & Speech</i>	Walter Ramstedt
<i>Women's Development</i>	Melissa Washburn
<i>Environmental</i>	Chuck Galusha
<i>Leadership Dev.</i>	PDG Jim Brannon
<i>Constitution & By-Laws</i>	PID Don Reese
<i>Public Relations</i>	PDG Jim Brannon
<i>Peace Poster</i>	Chuck Galusha
<i>Tail Twister</i>	PDG Jim Brannon
<i>MERL Team</i>	Gemma Ferguson
	PDG Terry Reed
	PID Don Reese
	PDG Jim Brannon