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Side Lines

Our mission statement has "participating in hands-on projects that help the visually impaired and assist others in need, especially children". Visually impaired and children are the two groups that we clearly identified. You will read about how the "Super" Lions participated in our community efforts in fighting blindness and how our backpack for kids project touched young children in this issue of DAILY PLANET.

Please write to us with your suggestions and comments at newsletter@almadenlions.org

Editor Lion Wen Doong



THANK YOU LIONS FOR THE BACKPACKS

BY LION JUDIE BENNETT

[Editor: We asked Lion Judie Bennett to write an Introduction to this month's special Issue - Thank You Lions. On the next three pages, we printed some of the Thank You letters from students who received our donated backpacks. Their joy of receiving this gift is obvious in the letters. Thank you, Lions, for making a difference in our community and for touching those in need. Please visit our website to see the entire collection of the Thank You letters from students at www.almadenlions.org.]

When a needy child receives a backpack filled with supplies to complete their work, several things take place. When the teacher begins a lesson, the child has the tools needed to begin with the rest of the class. The papers have a safe place to be stored on the way home. The family has an opportunity to see the work, get an understanding of school expectations, and to help with homework. All these are tiny steps toward school success.

The members of our club cannot be assured that a child with a backpack will be a better student as a result of receiving the backpack. But, look at the alternative.

When a child arrives in class unprepared, they may have to wait to get the attention they need to get started. They miss out on important instruction while searching for tools to begin. Their ability to complete the lessons successfully has lessened. They may be asked to remain behind during recess and get caught up. Sometimes when a child misses a recess, they are missing a chance for healthy exercise. This is the same child who carries their homework folded in their pocket. These forgotten papers are all too often found in the lint trap of the dryer. Homework not completed is not the end of the world, but what if it becomes a pattern for the child? The lives of some of our needy children are very fragile. They often live day to day with a lack of consistency. Failing to complete work and be up with the rest of the class can cause these children to "turn off" at a far faster rate.

Having these valuable tools to bring to school and take home in a durable backpack gives these children a giant step toward success.

ALMADEN SUPER LIONS IN ACTION - AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION STEP OUT WALK

BY LION WEN DOONG

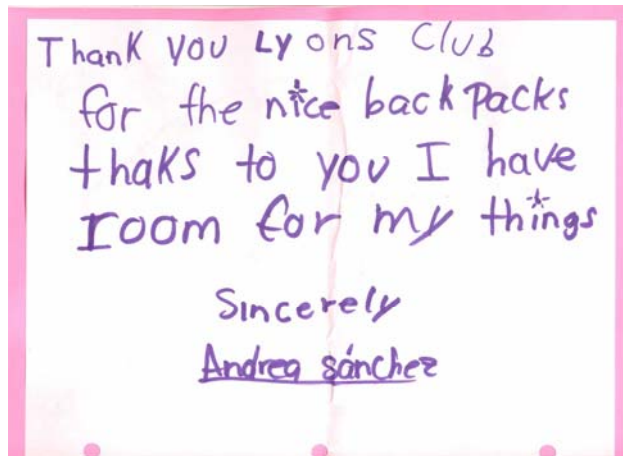
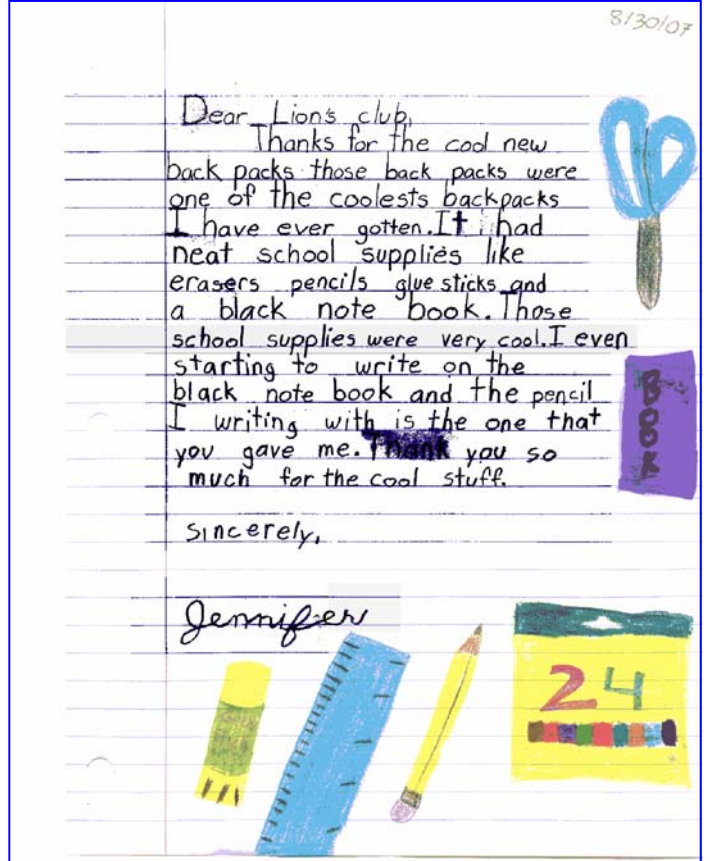
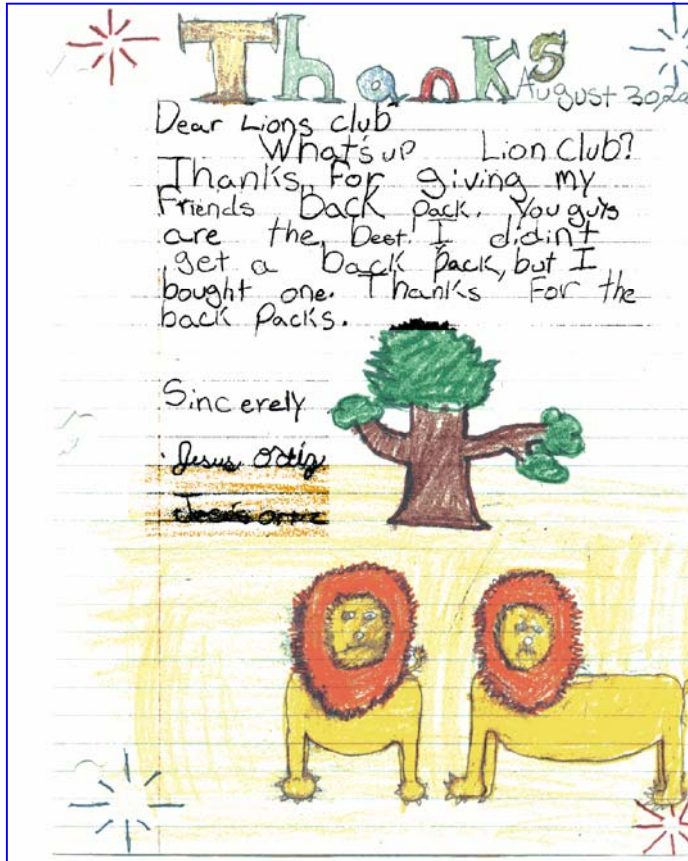
Lions clubs around the world are involved in many sight-related projects in order to help prevent blindness. The "Super" Lions Team and many club member sponsors took part in the American Diabetes Association (ADA) annual fund raiser, Step Out to Fight Diabetes, on October 6. In the United States, **diabetes is the leading cause of new cases of vision loss in people ages 20 to 74** ⁽¹⁾. Every 21 seconds another American is diagnosed with diabetes. It affects the lives of 20.8 million children and adults in this country and 1 in 3 American born in 2000 will be diagnosed with diabetes. For people with diabetes, the risk of blindness is more than 3 in 100,000 people.

We encourage all "Super" Lions to participate in the walk or become a sponsor next year to fight diabetes and to prevent this leading cause of blindness.



The "Super" Lions Team consisted of Lions (left to right) Wen, Greg, Harry, Jeff, and Val.

(1) Begg IS, et al. (2001). Eye disease. In HC Gerstein, RB Haynes, eds., *Evidence-Based Diabetes Care*, pp. 396-428. Hamilton, ON: BC Decker.



Letter from the Principal

With heart felt thanks for your generous contribution of 50 backpacks. I send you happy wishes for a wonderful year—because you supported so many families at the start of this new school year. The future is bright, thanks to people like you who care. You are the best! Please come by and visit us some time: I know you will have fun!

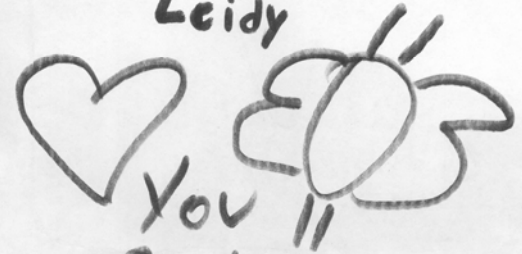
All my very best,
 Maria Arias Evans/Principal

Thank you
Lions club
For the Backpacks
and I didn't have a
place to put my books
and now I do
Thanks to you

Emma

Thank you
Lions club For
Back packs and school
supplies, Books and
stuff.

Form: COOL
Leidy



You
Rock



Thank you
you
Rock Lions club



COOL

Dear Lions
Club Thank
You For the
Backpacks
now I have more
space
Sincerely for my
mom
Jacelyn
Barbosa



Dear Lyons Club


Thank you for
the back packs
now I have a place
to put my stuff in:

Sincerely,
Carla



Luis Angel Ramos Cruz 8/30/07

Dear Lion's club,
 In the past Saturday I went to sign my Fifth Grade Backpack.
 Then my teacher is misdela Torre and then I went to pick
 up my backpack then I check inside my backpack and then
 I had this new cool ruler, and I had this cool red notebook
 and I had this really cool crayons and then I went to
 tell my mom and my mom got really happy that she screams
 and then I went to tell my dad and my dad told
 me were did you get that? I love and I told him
 him I got it at the school free and then we
 were really happy that we get to tell
 all my tias, and tios, and primas, and then
 we were really happy. Again thank you
 for the backpack and all the things inside
 them thank you a lot.

Sincerely

 Luis Ramos

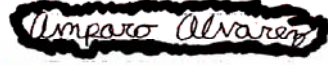
August 30, 2007

Thank you letter

Dear Lion's club

This past Saturday I saw a cool backpack there
 were three colors: blue, red, and orange. And I was
 surprise that did not buy a backpack. I got the orange
 backpack because I like the color orange. The items
 that were in the backpack were 2 pencils, 2 erasers,
 a folder, 1 glue, 1 crayola box, a bander, and a ruler
 that I use a lot.

Again, I want say thank you for the new
 backpack and items. You people are nice and
 kind for buying us new backpack for the
 whole school. And the whole school thanks you
 for the backpack.


Sincerely

 Amparo Alvarez

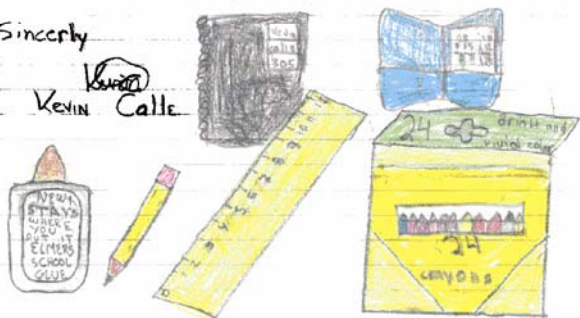
THANK YOU

Thursday, August
30, 2007

THANK YOU

Dear, Lion's Club
 This past Saturday I went
 to the school sign up sheet for us
 to go to Horace Mann and I would
 want to say thanks. I would like to
 say thanks because you are the ones
 who gaved us backpacks and I would
 like to say thanks for being nice to us.
 Thank you for the pencils, the ruler, the
 glue, the notebook, the crayons and the
 folder that you guys gved me.

Sincerely

 Kevin Calle



Thursday August
2007

Dear Lion's Club,

This past Saturday I went to an
 ice-cream social to find out what the name
 of my teacher, also a free book and get
 backpack I like the backpack. I love
 the back pack because your club give us
 glue, pencil, ruler, notebook, and a blue back
 pack. I want to tell you that Horace
 Mann school is great. This school is the
 best and I want to told you Thank
 you for the back pack.

Again, I want to Thank you for
 your kindness of the backpack
 and all those stuff you are so nice

Sincerely,
 Darlene Pedraza
 Darlene Pedraza

Thank You

News Room



NEW INFORMATION ADDED TO CLUB CALENDAR

Schedule for Club members responsible for Speakers and raffle gifts have been added to our Club Calendar (Page 6 of this newsletter or visit <http://calendar.yahoo.com/aa35171>).

WWW.ALMADENLIONS.ORG WEB SITE UPDATES

All Thank You Letters from students who received Almaden Super Lions donated backpacks have been posted on our website at http://www.almadenlions.org/club_photos/Scanned_Thank_You_Notes/photo_index.htm.

I CARE CLASSIC BROCHURE FINALIZED

Thanks for Lions Steven Marks, Wen Doong, and comments from Judy Froom, Judie Bennett, and others, our next year's I Care Classic Brochure has been finalized. Please visit our website at http://www.icareclassic.org/images/2008_Brochure.pdf to view and download the full size brochure.



Picture of The Month

Editor: This is a new section starting this month that DAILY PLANET Newsletter editor will select one picture from our reader submissions and share it with other Club members.



Please submit your picture(s) to newsletter@almadenlions.org before the 5th of each month for that month's newsletter.

NEW EYE GLASSES COLLECTION LOCATIONS

Thanks for Lion Len Grilli's effort, we added two more eyeglasses collection locations this month.

Branham Family Eye Care
1673 Branham Lane
San Jose, CA 95118
(408) 269-6861

Tuxedo Fashions
363 Meridan Avenue
San Jose, CA 95126
(408) 294-3311

HOW ARE WE DUNE?

BY LION LEN GRILLI

When it comes to eyeglass collection, as well as other club endeavors, we are dune a "SUPER" job! Since July 19th, we have collected **1230** pairs of unneeded eyeglasses. A special thanks is extended to Lion Alan Woertink who was responsible for the recent gathering of **262** pairs of the aforementioned eyeglass total.

Congratulations to all club members and continue to **SEE** the need!

MARK YOUR CALENDERS NOW!

BY LION LEN GRILLI

The "Almaden Room" at the Atrium has been reserved for Wednesday, February 13, 2008 (Club Contest) and Wednesday, February 27, 2007 (Zone Contest) for the 71st Annual Student Speakers Contest. The 2008 topic is "Immigration - My Solution". More to follow.

October 2007							
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Week 40	30	1	2	3 7a Speaker Hufferd 7a Raffle Fiacro 7a super meeting	4	5	6
Week 41	7	8	9	10 7a Speaker Brewer 7a Raffle Schaaphok 7a super meeting	11	12	13
Week 42	14	15	16	17 7a speaker Hanner 7a Raffle Rick 7a super meeting	18	19	20
Week 43	21	22	23	24 7a Raffle Silky 7a super meeting	25 6p Board Meeting @ Spedding's	26	27
Week 44	28	29	30	31 7a Raffle Tom 7a Speaker Doong 7a super meeting	1	2	3

November 2007							
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Week 44	28	29	30	31 7a Raffle Tom 7a Speaker Doong 7a super meeting	1	2	3
Week 45	4	5	6	7 7a Speaker Doong 7a super meeting 12p Raffle Show	8	9	10 8a 2nd District Cabinet
Week 46	11	12	13	14 7a Speaker Donnell 7a super meeting 12p Raffle Jeff	15 6p Board Meeting @ Smpson's	16	17
Week 47	18	19	20	21 7a super meeting 12p Turkeys Out 12p Raffle Alan	22 THANKSGIVING	23	24
Week 48	25	26	27	28 7a super meeting 12p Raffle Bemis	29	30	1 11a Blind Center Christmas Party

Your Suggestions Count -

Please let us know how to make OUR Newsletter better. We welcome your input and article submissions.

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Region 3 Zone 1

Mount Hamilton

1st & 3rd Thursday 7:00 pm, Baker's Square, Milpitas

San Jose East Valley

Every Tuesday 7:00 am except on the THIRD Tuesday at 7 pm, Carrow's Restaurant. 1696 Tully Road, San Jose

San Jose Host

Every Tuesday 12:00 pm
Moose Lodge, 1580 Hamilton Ave, San Jose

District 4C6

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