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The President's Message:

My Fellow Lions,

By the time you read this message your bellies should be well full of Turkey and Stuffing. How wonderful for us that we do not have to want at this time of the year. We all know of families and individuals that are not so lucky. Part of the reason I joined the Lions Club was

that I felt I needed in some small way of paying back for my good fortune. I believe I can say without a doubt that was your reason also.

This past month highlighted the generosity you are capable of giving. When the fires hit Southern California we responded by organizing the donation drive with the American Legion and VFW. This was a first where 2 or more organizations came together for a common cause. 'Operation Firestorm' was a success because individuals took time out of their busy lives to help those affected by this disaster. There were many involved with this project but I need to thank Lion Ellen Liebherr and Lion Dave Hubbard for going the extra mile.

The Food Finders project was also a success as I delivered over a 1,000 cans of food and other items so they could be distributed to the shelters and other relief organizations for Thanksgiving. If you were not able to participate in either of these two projects you still have a chance in December. We will need plenty of volunteers for the following events: Christmas Parade, Veterans Bingo, Christmas Breakfast with Santa, Story Telling with Santa and Christmas Gift delivery.

Thanks to all of you who participated in our November projects.

As I close I feel I need to remind all of you that after the first of the year we will be headed down the final months for Club of the Year. I have heard that the race may be a tight one this year, so I am asking for your full commitment on volunteering for old and new projects. I would like to head into the Palm Spring Convention knowing we gave everything we could despite the outcome. In doing this I believe we become the winners for all the less fortunate.

God Bless and I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Be safe and sane as you celebrate for I need your soul and spirit for the New Year.

The Prez

Meeting schedule: First and Third Wednesday of the month. Meetings begin at 7pm sharp and are held at 'The Lone Star SteakHouse', 6575 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, CA

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The Secretary's Message:

With the varying tasks as Club Secretary and Editor of the newsletter one would think that was enough for any one individual to handle, especially with the activities of this busy 'Club of the Year' group. Yet, this soul has the vigor of a Gloucester fisherman in a humbling nor'easter: stoic at the helm and collectively calm.

The last four months have been witness to digesting manuals of financial services information and attending preparatory classes for stockbroker licenses. With two examinations successfully completed and one remaining this marathon of sorts should soon but be over. If so inclined, raise a glass in

celebratory fashion.

As I have been of good mind and body, I wish to extend speedy recoveries to our Lion sisters, Margie Garcia and Khryste Hinkebein. For those previously uninformed, cars while crossing the street recently injured both. Lion Margie suffered the most traumas. To hear her story firsthand the remainder of this space is provided for that purpose.

Kid

On Friday morning, 10/24, at approximately 9:45 I left my job site at Artesia H.S. to attend a meeting 3 blocks away at the ROP Cabrillo Lane site. It was a clear day, there was no oncoming traffic and there was a white work truck at the boulevard stop across the street (4 lanes away), so I proceeded to step off the curb to cross the street. I was hit, knocked unconscious for a while and when I woke up in the street I saw my right foot dangling to the right side of my right leg. Fearing amputation and never being able to ride my Harley again, I pulled myself up, pulled my foot back into place and waited for the ambulance.

I had a two-hour surgery at 2 pm at La Palma Hospital that afternoon. My surgeon is out of Long Beach and her name is Serena Young. I have 2 pins in my ankle and heel. I will have another surgery in approximately 6 weeks. I have no other injuries except bruises on the left side of my body. The Doc says pulling my foot back in place is probably the best thing I could've done.

I'm sure my Lion family will think of a new nickname for me. So I will award the best nickname a prize in the spirit of Lionism. Unfortunately, I will not be seeing any of you soon. I'm in a soft cast and I can't drive. The best way to contact me is via e-mail MagFGarc@aol.com. It's very hard to get to the phone via my walker. Have fun with this. Hope to see you soon.

Your Lion Sister,
Margie



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Club Calendar:

Monday, December 1

- 6:30 pm -8:30 pm : Leo Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 3

- 7:00 pm -9:00 pm : Seal Beach Host Lions Gen. & Board meeting.

Friday, December 5

- 5:30 pm -10:00 pm : Christmas Parade

Wednesday, December 10

- 6:30 pm -8:00 pm : Veteran's Bingo

Saturday, December 13

- 7:30 am -11:00 am : Breakfast with Santa
- 6:00 pm -11:30 pm : Lions Christmas Party

Monday, December 15

- 6:00 pm -8:30 pm : Storytelling Santa
- 6:30 pm -8:30 pm : Leo Board meeting.

Wednesday, December 17

- No Meeting tonight (DARK)

Thursday, December 25

- Christmas Day

Saturday, December 27

- 8:00 am -4:00 pm : Leo Rose Parade Float.

Thursday, January 1 2004

- New Year's Day

Wednesday, January 7

- 7:00 pm -9:00 pm : Seal Beach Host Lions Gen. & Board meeting.

Wednesday, January 21

- 7:00 pm -9:00 pm : Seal Beach Host Lions Program night

Where in

the World are our Members now?

Clues: Pacific Ocean, Garden Island, near the end of the road.



Answers: October was Spirit Lake, Idaho. November was Depoe Bay, Oregon.

Lions of Distinction



Lion of Distinction for the month of November is PDG Lion Ellen Liebherr.

Lion Ellen has been a driving force in Lionism for both our club and the District. She is always there for me when I ask her to take on a project or create a new one. Her dedication to 'Operation Firestorm' was a testimonial to her giving nature. She and husband Mike represent all that Lionism is about: CARING AND GIVING.

I am proud to be associated with her and feel very lucky to have her part of the Seal Beach Host Lions.

Congratulations!
Prez

**Be Confident
Be Proud!!**

At left was stolen (borrowed) from the November, 2003 edition of the ROAR

ROAR
Pasadena Host Lions Club
Pasadena, California

The news letter of the Pasadena Host Lions Club. Dave Thomas, Editor. Because we thought it was really cool and wish we had come up with it.





Who dey?? Lions in the Spotlight

In an effort to get better acquainted with our fellow Lion brothers and sisters, this month 'The Growl' introduces two of the clubs newer members: Terry Barton and Jim Dunn. Both come to us with many life experiences to share.

Our new comrades share a special friendship within the community and their sponsor, Lion George Layman. Aside from the couples being members of the 'Old Ranch Country Club', the trio's wives (Ricki, Barbara, LouAnn) are members of the Seal Beachphilanthropic group Ladies Of The Evening.

Enjoy the features!



Lion Terry Barton:

Lion Terry and wife Barbara have enjoyed their home on Ocean Avenue for the past 32 years. Married 46 years they have one child, a son. Happily married in nearby Huntington Beach the younger Barton's share in proximity with the grand folk three grandchildren who like to visit often.

Originally from Columbus, Ohio, Terry and Barbara met in college while attending Ohio State University. Upon graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Government/Pre-Law Terry enlisted in the United States Air Force working in the Office of Special Investigations. His rank before departure was that of Major.

Accepting a position with the aerospace firm Rockwell International, Terry began his civilian career as a Contract/Projects Manager in the Space Division for the Apollo Lunar Landing Program. con't on page 7

Veterans Corner:



It is the VETERAN, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the VETERAN, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the VETERAN, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the VETERAN, not the campus organizer, who has given us freedom to assemble.

It is the VETERAN, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to fair trial.

It is the VETERAN, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.

So next time you run into a VETERAN thank him/her for all their sacrifices to make all these freedoms a reality.



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Striving for 'Club of the Year' honors, the group continued the momentum displayed throughout the year.

"Operation Firestorm"

In the true spirit of Lionism, the club joined in partnership with American Legion Post 857 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4048 in coordinating the "Operation Firestorm" project.

Over a period of seven days the groups collected donated clothing, food, blankets, toys and miscellaneous items to fill a 28 foot trailer truck. The donations were delivered to those needy residents who were devastated by the fires.

Many thanks to Lion Jim Klisanin for volunteering his office as a drop of point.

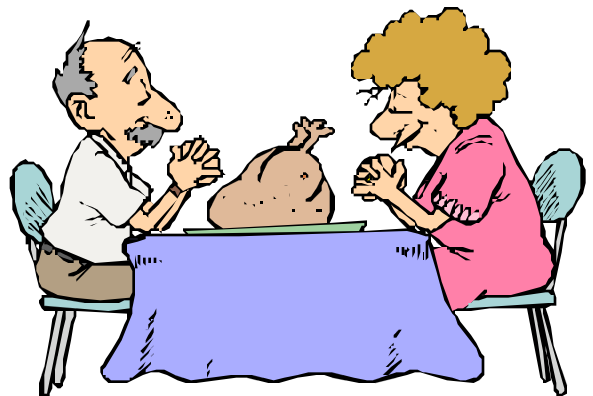
Pictured at the trailer (below) are: Lion President George Dooley, American Legion Commander Tom Lazerick, Don Nattress and members of Post 857.

Pictured at Baytown Van (lower/right): front row, Dave Hubbard, Tyler Sternagle, Shawn Haley, middle row, Marcia Haley, Mike Goodrich, Jessica Haley, back row, Mike Haley, George Dooley.



"Thanksgiving Dinner"

On Thursday, 27 November, the Seal Beach Chamber and Business Association held a Thanksgiving Dinner at St. Anne's Church on 10th Street in Old Town. Serving approximately 100 individuals from mostly the Leisure World community fellow Lions Carol and Dewey Linehan were there to lend a hand in serving up the trimmings and all the fixings. Together, they put in 5 service hours.





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District 4-L4 2nd 2003-2004 Cabinet Meeting

The District 4-L4 2nd 2003-2004 Cabinet Meeting hosted by the Foothill Region was held on Saturday, 22 November, at the Pomona Valley Mining Company.

Presiding over the gathering of approximately 95 Lions from the 46 clubs throughout the district, District Governor Jim North and his cabinet presented an informative agenda. In attendance from Seal Beach Host: Lion President George Dooley, Lion Gail Hubbard, Lion Dave Hubbard, PDG Lion Ellen Liebherr and Lion Herb Groom.

During registration, Lions were offered to have their blood sugar count screened by members of P.A.D.R.E with Committee Chairperson Lori Mayer overseeing the process. This invaluable service proved worthy to two individuals who were encouraged to seek follow up from their personal practitioner.

Among the many committee reports and presentations the standouts for this observer were: Leo of the Year Award Presentation and Keynote Speaker address.

Braille Institute **Leo Amelia Diaz** is certainly one powerful young lady. Named the District's Leo of the Year for her many efforts, especially with Folsom Prison brought much pride to learn of. But, that was not the show stopper. Hearing that Amelia has an LCI foundation named in her honor was truly inspirational.

Fellow **Lion Jay O'Neil**, City of Hope Senior Director, Gift Planning Development, presented an informative keynote address to the assembly. The topic: diabetes.

As one would expect, the Seal Beach Host Lions (the mischievous souls we are) did not disappoint. You might say things got slightly out of hand warranting the Governor's posse to round the five of us up and throw the key away.



More information & updates at - <http://SealBeachLions.com/>



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As fate would have it, the young couple decided to “go west” and a transfer brought them to the sleepy town of Seal Beach. Subsequent to the Apollo Program Terry worked as a Subcontracts Manager on the Shuttle Orbiter Program. And, until retirement five years ago Terry enjoyed the responsibilities of Procurement/Project Director within the Corporate Offices/Computing Center.

Never one to stop learning, it was during his tenor in the Shuttle Orbiter Program that Terry enrolled at Pepperdine University thus achieving a Masters in Business Administration degree. His academic experience also includes serving as classroom instructor of Business and Industrial Management within the California State College system.



Lion Jim Dunn

For 34 years Lion Jim has enjoyed the splendor of rising each morning to see the vast Pacific Ocean from the

home he built on the shores of Ocean Avenue.

Sharing in these joys is his wife, Lou Ann. On 13 October 2003 the two marked their thirtieth wedding anniversary. The date was celebrated on the isle of Santa Catalina at Mount Ida (the Wrigley Mansion) with Lou Ann’s longtime friend and matron of honor partaking in the milestone.

Both remarried, Jim has four children (two daughters and two sons) from his previous marriage. Although the families are spread out geographically, Corvallis, OR, Santa Inez,

Riverside and Seal Beach, Jim has much to be thankful for with six grandchildren and one great grandchild on the way – the little guy is expected in March 2004.

During the 1970’s Jim was a member of the Seal Beach City Council (along with Terry Barton’s wife Barbara, while Terry was instrumental on the Planning Committee).

For many years Jim was self-employed in a family owned and managed business – Arcco Instrument Company. The company, founded by Jim’s dad, started out by providing printing materials for the oil industry. With Jim’s creativity he expanded the business to include the making of oil field instruments, namely: densitometer’s and picometer’s. Acquiring patents and obtaining many on his own, Jim’s company marketed the products directly to companies in the oil industry usually through sales calls or displaying the wares at industry trade shows.

Eventually Jim’s son would join him in the profession and has since had the company passed down to him, like his grandfather did with Jim. On numerous occasions the duo traveled to the far reaches of the world together offering sales calls and supervising installations of their products. Upon retiring 12 years ago and working for a stint as a consultant to his son, the company was moved from its origins in City of Commerce to its present location in Riverside.

As a former member of the Masonic Lodge, Jim is no stranger to philanthropic endeavors. He now shares a special pride within Lionism with a family member. Leo Andrew Terbush is his grandson.

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