

THE GR WL

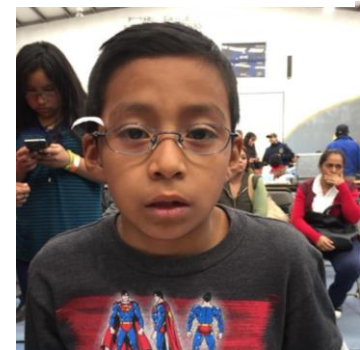
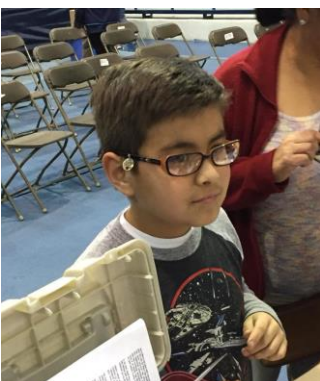
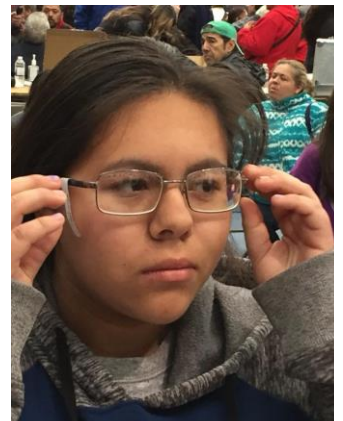
THIS IS WHY WE DO IT!

These faces tell the story. This is why we are so dedicated to the California Lions Friends in Sight program. On the last weekend in January 15 Seal Beach Lions travelled to Tijuana to help CLFIS screen 924 men, women and children in need of eye care. Jobs included checking people in, assisting the Doctors with screenings, entering prescriptions in the computer, selecting the right eye glasses matching the prescription from the eyeglass cases and helping the people try on and select their new pair of eyeglasses. It's a busy 2 days of doing what we do best – SERVE.

The rewards are many but seeing a child's face beaming with a smile when able see across the room is enough for most people to understand how important our work is.

Not that there isn't a bit of fun involved.... The well-organized Tijuana Lions Club does their best to entertain the group. On Saturday night our members visited the Club De Leones clubhouse in Otay for a great evening of food, drink and fellowship. On Friday night the group got together for dinner at the Caesar's, the longest running restaurant in Tijuana, home to the famous Caesar salad.

If you are interested in working an eye clinic please contact Lion Bruce Gormley btgormley@aol.com.



Boys & Their Toys

On February 17 a large gathering of Lions met at the Marina Center for the Club's annual Pinewood Derby and Chili Cook-off. The cars were clever creations with "Melvin Jones" coming in first (Scott Newton), 2nd Mark Newton, and 3rd Dave Schwien. Seventeen chilies were entered. Ray Longoria placed 1st after convincing enough people to vote for number 8, with Mike Haley taking 2nd and Bob Ripple in 3rd place. Tim Young got the award for most original chili. Thank to chairs Mark Newton and Alan Chavez, who got a great bit of help from Ramona Kies and Camille Romano who handled the food and Cathy Newton who worked the registration. This is a great social event for the club.



District Meeting Honors Past District



The January district meeting was held January 27 at the Yorba Linda Country Club. We were represented by Zone Chairman Marcella McSorley, Lion Gary Denny, and Lion Silvia Schroeder. Holding tradition, our own PDG Ellen Liebherr and PDG John Schroeder, who was governor in 1991-1992 in District 4-C6, were among the 14 PDG's recognized. As a mere child, Lion Ellen was the first female governor for our district in 1998-1999. We were also presented with an award from City of Hope.

A Night Among the Stars

This is the sixth year of recognition of the best youth volunteers in our area. Lion Scott Newton reported that there were 16 finalist nominees for 12 agencies and 3 received the Stellar Award with \$500 scholarships. Two of those three were VBA Leo Daniel Hayase and Seal Beach Leo Lindsey Torgerson. Also recognized with a \$500 Rotary Club scholarship was Seal Beach Leo Cody Tanner.

Numerous Lions attended or volunteered at the event including Gina Phillips, Esther Kenyan, Scott Newton, Cathy Newton, Karen Russell, Hans & Lina Lumme, Chardy Lang, Lisa Landau & Rosie Ritchie.

This was a great night to see Leos and Lionism in the spotlight.



Proud mom Lisa Landau, VBA Leo Advisor Chardy Lang, scholarship winners VBA Leo Daniel Hayase, SB Leo Lindsey Torgerson, SB Leo Cody (Landau) Tanner and Master of Ceremonies Scott Newton are all smiles at the event.



Lions Bill Whiteaker, Dave Schwiens, Doc Hall, Marilyn, Redd, Bill Howes and Ray Longoria made a visitation to Ontario Lions Club. It was their Student Speaker meeting and they listened to five excellent speeches. They had their photo taken with one of their thinner members..



Lions Ellen Liebherr, Gar Denny, Marilyn Redd, Jacqui Howes and Diane Martin enjoyed lunch at Tokyo Joes. 25% of the entire day's revenue was donated to the Laguna Niguel Lions Club. They ran into Club President Russ Lange who appreciated our support.

President’s Message – February 2018

“Love looks not with the eyes, but with the mind; and therefore, is winged Cupid painted blind.” So, said William Shakespeare in *A Midsummer Night’s Dream, Act I, sc. 1.*

During February, several things happen, often without anyone realizing the role Lion have in so many varied and diverse things in our community: Valentine’s Day, birthday: Les Shobe’s going away party, some big community galas like the Cypress Colleg Americana Awards Dinner (Lion Steve Masoner as our latest winner) and the La Alamos Education Foundation’s (LAEF) King & Queen of Hearts Gala (Lions were major sponsor, Lion Karen Russell a candidate, and your current president has been for the last five years the executive producer).



Look to Art Fry and his plan with blind veterans and monthly activities, the energy behind Adriana & Ryan’s quest to drop of medical equipment to those in need, Ellen Liebherr’s calls about birthdays and special anniversaries (along with editing and producing the Growl), and Tim Young bringing in 12 members! There are so many facets of our fellow Lions we don’t even know.

So this brings me back to looking with the “mind” and love. How many of you know that I can drive a tractor, helped build a vineyard and have pressed five vintages and nine varietals of wine? I have a picture here to prove it from my family’s vineyard in Sutton’s Bay Michigan. I had no idea that Lion Elizabeth’s commute home is four hours long or that Lion Dena moved to Leisure World! So let’s take the next month to throw ourselves into a project with our fellow Lions with a heart and motto of “We serve.” At the end of the day, at our core of love in each of us, make an effort to connect. I know I will. Just wait until what is happening in March...

DESIGNATED DRIVER NEEDS YOU!



This year St. Patrick’s Day is on a Saturday. We are sure to be busy driving folks home who may have had just a little too much to drink.

March 17

It’s a real fun evening. Shifts are available from 12pm to 10pm for registration attendants, male drivers and female passenger-seat companions. Contact Lions Mike Gibbons, Ramona Kies or Art Fry to sign up.

Seal Beach Lions & Newport Beach Hawaiian Lions Present

A ONE WEEK STAY AT ANY RCI RESORT IN THE WORLD

Select from 4300 Resorts in 110 Countries
Airfare not included. Subject to availability.
Must be used by February 28, 2019
Drawing July 1, 2018

All Proceeds to Benefit
California Lions Friends in Sight

Ticket \$10.00 **0001**

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 PHONE: _____
 EMAIL: _____

Ticket \$10.00 **0001**

Now Available for Purchase!

Tickets are available for a chance to win a one e week vacation anywhere in the world while supporting CLFL. Lion Ellen Liebherr will be selling them at meetings. Consider taking a bunch sell to friends.



The Seal Beach Lions Club

meeting the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 pm at the Seal Beach Yacht Club, 255 North Marina Drive, Long Beach

2017-2018 Club Officers

President
Seth Eaker
president@sealbeachlions.org

1st Vice President
Ryan Ziegenbusch
ryansiegenbusch@gmail.com

Membership Chairman
Laura Ellsworth
membership@sealbeachlions.org

Immediate Past President
Bruce Gormley

Growl Editor
PDG Ellen Liebherr
meliebherr@verizon.net (714) 458-3077

Secretary
Camille Romano
secretary@sealbeachlions.org

2nd Vice President
Marcella McSorley
marcella@marcellamcsorley.com

Tail Twister
Bill Howes

Director (2nd Year)
Jackie Howes
Chardy Lang
Cathy Newton
Mark Newton
Terry Stephenson

Treasurer
Scott Newton
Scottnewton2@hotmail.com

3rd Vice President
Knute Fredholm
kfredholdm@alliedrefrigeration.com

Lion Tamer
Frank Hall

Director 1st
Mike Haley
Mary Hollen
Esther Kenyon
Margie Hall-Garcia
Gary Denni



Lions Support Seal Beach Pony Baseball

On February 3 Lions and Leos showed support for Seal Beach Pony Baseball. This event calls on the Lions to cook food that is provided by the Pony League. Lions come equipped with tables, canopies, grills, propane, smiles and miscellaneous items to successfully serve prepared food. We Serve! Chairman Stan Sarkauskas reports that they arrived at the storage unit to pick up the van at around 8:00 a.m. Jim Whiteaker met them at the garage shortly thereafter to help gather the items needed for the day. They arrived at the baseball field at 9:15 a.m. to set up. Two Leos were already on site ready to assist, along with two Lions. They started the grills and served the first meal at around 10:30 a.m. ending around 1:30 p.m. when they then cleaned up and loaded the van. Approximately 248 meals including cheeseburgers, hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and soda/water were cooked. We collected \$ 4.00 in the Sight tip jar. No eyeglasses were collected at this event. 11 Leos participated, with a total of 25 hours. A special thanks to Mark Kavanaugh and Jim Whiteaker for helping with the loading and unloading of the van. As always Leos ROCKED!



Doc Hall, Stan Sarkauskas, Steve Marmel, Pamela Winner, Mark Kavanaugh, Evan Jenkins, Dave Schwien, Jim Whiteaker, and Chardy Lang along with SB and VBA Lions help SERVE at Pony Baseball opening. No pictured President Seth Eaker and Scott Newton who directed from the sidelines.

SEAL BEACH LIONS CALENDAR

Mar 1	Visitation Pomona Host Lions Club	Apr 14	CLFIS Sight Screening- Tustin
Mar 1	Visitation Huntington Beach Host	Apr 14	St. Baldrick's Pediatric Cancer Fundraiser
Mar 2	Read Across America	Apr 14	CASA Youth Shelter Gala
Mar 2	Leo Appreciation Day	Apr 18	Lions General Meeting
Mar 7	Lions General Meeting – SBYC	Apr 21	Earth Day River Jetty Graffiti Removal
Mar 8	Zone C Student Speakers Contest	Apr 21	Lifeguard Horseshoe Tournament
Mar 10	CLFIS Sight Screening – Corona Sai Baba	Apr 27	Lions Pancake Breakfast & BBQ (set up)
Mar 10-12	Lions Leadership Institute	Apr 27	Teen Recognition Program Dinner
Mar 14	New Members Orientation	Apr 28	District Meeting & Student Speakers Contest
Mar 16-18	CLFIS Sight Screening – Mexicali, Mexico	Apr 28	Lions Pancake Breakfast & BBQ
Mar 17	Lions Designated Driver Project	Apr 28	District Meeting & Student Speaker's Contest
Mar 17	Eyes Across California Eyeglass Collection	May 1	Seal Beach Police Volunteer Luncheon
Mar 17	Visitation: Upland Lions Bunko Night	May 2	Lions General Meeting
Mar 18	Ronald McDonald House LB Dinner	May 3	Ronald McDonald House Dinner
Mar 21	Lions General & Board Meetings	May 6	Rossmoor Community Festival
Mar 24	Orphanages for Thailand Fundraiser	May 7	Ronald McDonald House Dinner
Mar 24	Run Seal Beach 10 K – Course Logistics	May 11-13	CLFIS Sight Screening K57 Baja-Sonora Mexico
Mar 24	Run Seal Beach 10K – Team Walkers & Runners	May 12	Braille Beep-ball Tournament
Mar 25	Visitation - Huntington Beach Lions Crabfest	May 12	CLFIS Sight Screening San Diego
Mar 25	Lions Day at City of Hope	May 12	Pony League Home Run Derby Project
Mar 25	Visitation – Garden Grove Pancake Breakfast	May 13	Ronald McDonald House Brunch
Mar 27	Region Meeting – Student Speakers Contest	May 15	Ronald McDonald House
Mar 28	New Member Orientation	May 18-20	4-L4 District Convention – San Diego
Mar 28	Visitation – Anaheim Lions Club Baseball Tournament	May 19	LAEF Project STEAM Exhibition
Mar 31	CLFIS Sight Screening – Echo Park	May 19	OPGI Car Show (tentative)
Mar 31	Springfest Egg Hunt	May 23	New Member Orientation
Apr 1	Easter	May 26	CLFIS Sight Screening Rialto
Apr 4	Lions Election, Genera/Board Meeting	May 28	Memorial Day Service (VFW/American Legion)
Apr 7	CLFIS Sight Screening – San Jacinto	May 30	Ronald McDonald House
Apr 8	Ronald McDonald House Walk OC	May 30	New Member Happy Hour Mixer
Apr 11	Lions Honor the Teach Night		

Lions Lend a Hand

On January 28, Lions Tom Bell, Angie Canchola, Sherrie Aikens and Art Fry helped chaperone a trip for Long Beach VA blind and low vision veterans to the Aquarium of the Pacific. Then we all came back to help barbecue lunch for the veterans that attended, and those that were not able to attend. This was followed up with a lunch for all who attended as well as other visually challenged veterans who couldn't make the trip. This is a great outreach program for our Lions Club. We are working with VA director Liz Greco on future field trips for veterans.



Student Speakers Mickey Guldimmann, Madison Berry, Revecca Gomez and winner Kristin Dea

"Integrity and Civility Play What Role in Today's Society?"

Chairman Ryan Ziegenbusch organized an outstanding Student Speakers Contest this year. We listened to four amazing speakers on February 1 at the Mary Wilson Library Senior Center. Each student presented a different perspective on the subject, all keeping us engaged throughout the evening. Winner Kristin Dea will now advance to the March 8 Zone region speak-off to be held at the same location.

This year the Foundation will provide scholarships totaling \$103,500.00. From this amount, each of the fifteen District winners will receive a \$4,500.00 scholarship, each of the four Area winners will receive an additional \$6,500.00 scholarship and the winner of the Multiple District Four Contest will receive an additional \$10,000.00 scholarship.

Pinewood Derby Pack 116

It was an early Sunday morning on February 25 as prepared to serve breakfast for the Pinewood Derby Boy Scouts Pack 116 at the North Seal Beach Community Center. With the help of Lions they started the grills around 6:30AM and served the first meal at around 7:30 AM. They switched over to lunch at 11:00 AM and served the last meal shortly after 12:30 PM. They then cleaned up and loaded the van. They cooked approximately 80 breakfast meals, 48 hot dogs, and 48 burgers. Meals included pancakes, sausage, bananas, potato chips, orange juice and water.

Thank you to Stan Sarkauskas and Jim Whiteaker for chairing this event. Thanks also to Lions Mark Kavanaugh, Dave Schwien and Doc Hall, assisted by a number of Leos under the direction of Leo Advisor Lisa Landau. We give a special thanks to Lion Doc Hall. After seeing that we had a problem with a few of our grills, they were loaded and taken to his house for repair. We do this event to pay back the Troop 116 who helps us with our own pinewood derby. They loan us the track and work our annual event.

WE LOVE OUR NEW MEMBERS!



Make sure you take the time to introduce yourselves to them!



*Donna Labar
& Vincent Abbott*



Jeffrey Blancaq



Michelle Lang

Farewell to a Patriotic Lion

Settle down. He's just moving to Oregon. At our last meeting we gave a warm send off to Lion Les Shobe. He will be moving to a care facility in Eugene, Oregon so he can be closer to his daughter Linda..

It was an emotional night as Lions traced his 20 year + military career serving as an Air Force pilot. His dedication to helping those in the military carried over years after retirement. He introduced our clubs to a number of projects that still have our active participation. He is responsible for starting our Military Affairs committee.

Almost everyone in the room had something to say about Lion Les. His impact has been dynamic and we will miss him LES IS MORE!



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THESE SEAL BEACH LIONS WHO JOINED FEBRUARY THROUGH MARCH.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP. WE ARE SO GLAD YOU JOINED!**

35 YEARS

George Layman

30 YEARS

Ed Jones

24 YEARS

Biff Horvatin

15 YEARS

Matt Murphree

13 YEARS

Robin Duszynski

10 YEARS

Terry Stephenson
Josh Haynie

7 YEARS

Gina Phillips
Rose-Marie Baker

6 YEARS

Marcella McSorley

5 YEARS

Nat Ferguson
Mardele Gardiner
Brian Warner

4 YEARS

Dick Crosdale
Barbara Crosdale
Dena Frank
Sonja Adams

4 YEARS

Michael Davis
Jessica Jenkins
Kelly Newton
Joe Stilinovich

3 YEARS

K.C. Coutrup
William Ellsworth
Dave Gibbs
Bob Rippel
Wesley Truneczek
Julie Berberian
Rabih Harfouche
Jillian Harfouche
Frank Urenda
Carmen Urenda

2 YEARS

Elizabeth Kelly
Kent Nerhus
Rana Porter
Susan Proctor
Jan Ridgeway
Colette Young

1 YEAR

Alfredo Gutierrez
Steve L'Ecluse
Jim Scott
Lauren Scott
Tyler Sternagle
Mary Gibbons
David Lynn
Laura Stevenson
Bell Thomas



- | | |
|--|---|
| Mar 2
Erik Dryer-Goldman
Amy Kaufman
Steve L'Ecluse
Jan Ridgeway | Apr 10
Mark Kavanaugh |
| Mar 3
Peggy Senneff | Apr 13
Gary Sethi |
| Mar 4
Hans Lumme | Apr 14
Joe Lopez
Dottie Palaski |
| Mar 6
Sharon Amarantos | Apr 17
Bianca Sovich |
| Mar 7
Laura Kieta | Apr 18
Ernie Wallner |
| Mar 13
Jonathan Belding | Apr 19
Mike Whitley |
| Mar 13
Robin Kemp | Apr 20
Meghan Gabrielson |
| Mar 17
Marlen Shaw | Apr 23
Dan (Gunny) Schmaltz |
| Mar 20
Trudy Briscoe | Apr 24
Lara Edwards
Denos Amarantos |
| Mar 22
Alan Chavez | Apr 26
Brian Warner |
| Mar 23
Troy Allison
Leanne Clark | Apr 28
Mark Newton |
| Mar 24
Beverly Lloyd | Apr 29
Shaina Denny |
| Mar 26
Ed Jones
Jim Klisanin
Lee Melody
Teri Young | Apr 30
David Copley
Dick Crosdale |
| Apr 1
Molly Bounds | May 1
JoAnn Adams |
| Apr 4
Charles Kelly | May 2
Rose-Marie Baker |
| Apr 7
David Lynne | May 3
Michell Elder |
| | May 5
Loyalty Traster-Lee |

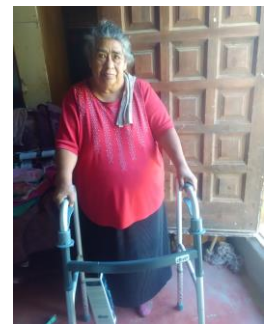
The Angels of Mexico

Too often the good deeds of Lions are not recognized. Many are involved in projects we are not aware of. These Lions don't ask for recognition. They act from the heart and feel the best reward is the smile that they might see on the face of someone they have helped.

Two very giving, dedicated Lions in our Club are Adriana and Ryan Ziegenbusch. They have been collection medical items to include wheel chairs, walkers, and canes and taking them to Baja on a regular basis. If a local Baja Lions club tells Adriana of a need, she makes sure that something is done to help.

Lions Adriana and Ryan are our ambassadors in service. Anyone who has travelled South with them know what a good time can be had while doing good work. There might be a little tequila and Mariachi singing involved.

Let's take this time to say Thanks.



WE HAVE A SUNSHINE CHAIRMAN!



Who better to take on the job of Sunshine Chairman than Lion Esther Kenyon. Her smile alone will make you feel better when you are under the weather.

If you know of a Lion who needs a get well wish or has something monumental happening in, let Lion Esther know. It's hard to keep up on over 300 members so your help will keep us in touch with those we need to be concerned about.

**NOTE: ALL REGISTRATION FORMS SHOULD BE COORDINATED THROUGH LION CATHY NEWTON
EMAIL: Lioncathynewton@gmail.com or give to her at an upcoming meeting.**

2018 LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Friday June 29th thru Tuesday July 3rd.



CONFERENCE

\$150.00 by Jan 12, 2018
\$200.00 Jan 13 through March 31, 2018
\$225.00 April 1 through onsite day of.

HOTEL \$200.00 deposit

Thursday	\$120.00	Prices do not include Resort fee \$18 per day plus taxes and parking.
Friday	\$205.00	
Saturday	\$205.00	
Sunday	\$120.00	
Monday	\$120.00	
Tuesday	\$83.00	

We are doing a group reservation and all attendees will receive:

- Seal Beach Lions button down club shirt (sizes are limited and will go to first paid first served)
- Pay before January 5th you receive an MD4 pin
- Convention Name Badge
- Souvenir Medallion
- Program
- Ticket to International Show Saturday evening.

All convention programs will be at the MGM Grand except the Parade which will be downtown.

You do NOT have to stay at the MGM but we recommend you do the convention reservation with the club.

Group Reservations and hotel questions please direct to Lion Cathy Newton.

lioncathynewton@gmail.com