



# Seal Beach Host Lions Club

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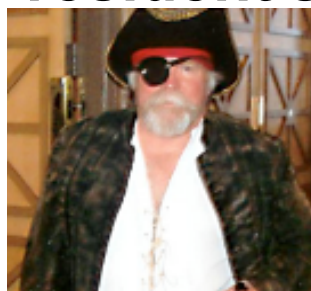
## In Memoriam



It is with a heavy heart that I inform our members that Lion Tom Ahrens passed away on February 29, 2008. He passed away peacefully in his sleep. Tom died from the effects of Type 1 Diabetes. Tom was 53. Lion Tom was a loyal and hardworking Lion. He served as President of the Seal Beach Host Lions Club in 2005-2006

and served the District as Diabetes Awareness Chairman in 2006-2007. Tom also was serving this year as our 3rd Vice President. Arrangements are forthcoming although it was his request that he be cremated. President Dave will forward more information as it becomes available.

## President's message:



February seemed to fly by. It was a busy month and I think we had a little fun along the way. It started with the Mardi Gras Party hosted by Lion Alan and Lorraine Chavez and Lion Barbara Wright. I heard through the grapevine that some people had way too much fun. Thank you for a great time. Lion Gail and I attended the MD-4 Convention in

Modesto. We had a good time even if they showed a picture of me at the Huntington Beach Lions Polar Plunge in front of everyone at the opening session. That was pretty scary, although it doesn't compare to some of the pictures taken at the Seal Beach Polar Plunge. A special thanks to the Lions who braved the cool waters at the Polar Plunge. The pictures of the Synchronized Swim Team are pretty unbelievable.

On February 6, we held our club Student Speakers Contest. Lion Renee did a remarkable job. We had 3 speakers who did a fine job of speaking on illegal immigration My Solution. The winner, Sean Cray, will represent us at the Zone C Student Speakers Contest on Monday, March 3 at the Garden Grove Lions Clubhouse. We had a

**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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## Presidents Message continued....

really good turnout of Lions for the contest. I was really impressed.

On February 10, Lion Barbara Wright took her cooking crew to Ronald McDonald House and brought cooking cuisine to a new level. As we got out of our car in front of the house, Lion Gail could already smell the Chicken Cacciatore. Great job Lions.

February saw us add another three new Lions to our club. I would like to extend my congratulations to Lions Terry Stephenson, Roni Berhends and Michael Bromfenbrenner (Michael B). Lion Michael was out there working at Kid Baseball Opening day. We were lucky for most of that day cooking about 600 hamburgers and hot dogs before it decided to rain. My thanks to Lions Scott, Mike Haley, Bruce Gormley, George Dooley, Tia Wildermuth and Michael B for helping out, especially Lions Scott and Mike Haley for picking up the grill at midnight in the rain. That evening, Lions Gail, Patty W., Karen Russell and I represented our club at the Teen Recognition Dinner. We will be having a special presentation at the club for one of the recipients from Seal Beach.

Ten members visited the La Habra Lions Club end the month. Lion Carol received this month's Pirate Parrot for the great job she done arranging all of our visitations.

March looks to be busy month. We have the zone Student Speakers Contest, the Kids Baseball Photo Day Pancake Breakfast, Springfest, St. Patrick's Day Designated Driver, Club Charitable Giving Night and the Orange Region Meeting. We still have time to bring in some more new members. So let's do it. Let's all get out and show the community and the District why we are the BEST LIONS CLUB around.

It looks like the Seal Beach Springfest is on again and we will be in charge of the parade and food booths. We need a chairman and committee to get started on this as soon as possible.

As we go forward, it is time to start thinking about our leadership for next year. We are looking for Lions to lead our club into our 70th year. If you are interested in holding an office next year, please contact Lion Mike Haley. Our leadership helps keep us strong. Let us continue our quest to be the BEST! AAARRRGHHH!

The Captain

## Mardi Gras Party

This year the Mardi Gras Party was hosted by Alan & Lorraine Chavez and Barbara Wright. Costumes were the order of the night (which added to the festivity of the occasion).



## Club Calendar

March 1 - 2, 2008, Hearing Days

Monday, March 3, 2008, Harbor Mesa Bingo Night

Monday, March 3, 2008, Zone Student Speakers Contest, Garden Grove Lions Clubhouse

Wednesday, March 5, 2008, General Meeting & Board Meeting

Sunday, March 9, 2008, Daylight Savings Time starts

Saturday, March 15, 2008, Cucamonga District Host Sip for Sight at Antonio's Restroante Italiano

Sunday, March 16, 2008, Palm Sunday

Monday, March 17, 2008, St Patrick's Day

Wednesday, March 19, 2008, General Meeting

Thursday, March 20, 2008, Deadline for Zone level Student Speakers Contest

Sunday, March 23, 2008, Easter

Monday, March 24, 2008, Foothill Region Meeting

Tuesday, March 25, 2008, Anaheim Lions 35th Annual High School Baseball Tournament

Saturday, March 29, 2008, Ontario-Upland Lions Bunco Fundraiser

Sunday, March 30, 2008, City of Hope

Monday, March 31, 2008, Orange Region Meeting - Student Speakers Region Contest



## Polar Bear Plunge

In February several Lions participated in the Seal Beach Polar Plunge. The members enjoyed a refreshing swim in the ocean.





## MD-4 Convention

Lions Dale and Gail attended the MD-4 convention in Modesto. Our president was subjected to having his picture (from the Huntington Beach Plunge) viewed by everybody at the beginning of the convention. Lion Dave reports that Lion Gail and himself had a great time at the convention.





## Student Speaker Contest

On February 6, the Student Speaker Contest was held at the Mary Wilson Library. There were three speakers. The winner was Sean Cray, who will represent the club at the Zone C Student Speakers Contest on March 3.



## Crab Fest





## Ronald McDonald House

On February 10th, Barbara Wright took her staff of crack cooks to Ronald McDonald House to prepare an Italian dinner for the guests at Ronald McDonald House. Lions had a fun time preparing the meal. When Lion Dave and Gail came by to see how things were going they told us they could smell the aromas wafting out the building.



MENU FOR  
FEBRUARY 10, 2008

CHICKEN CACCIATORE  
PENNE PASTA  
GARLIC CHEESE BREAD  
GREEN SALAD  
VALENTINE COOKIES  
BROWNIE BITES

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## A Reminder:

11th Annual Seal Beach Lions Club Charity Golf Tournament will be held on 5-1-2008 at the Navy Golf Course in Cypress, California. Registration begins at 10:30 AM and tee-off at 13:00.

The cost is \$150.00 per golfer. Phone 562-431-6092.

Seal Beach Host Lions Club  
Lone Star Steak House  
Meeting Minutes  
February 20, 2008

Call to Order: 19:00 by President Dave Hubbard

Introduction of Guests: HBH x 12, Tustin x 5, Mike B-guest of Erik D, Roni B-guest of Barbara W, Terry S-guest of Linda S, Rick S-guest of Mike D, Barbara Meyer and Tori Z-Miss Seal Beach Pageant.

Announcements: Jim K-pin-5 new members 06-07, Dino S 1st progressive MJF and Parrott award, Endorsement of Elizabeth Warren DGD of 4L4, Endorsement of Judy Schnitzer VDGE of 4L4, Parrott award for Feb Carol L. Pony Baseball-Mike D-opening day 2/23, photo day 3/8-Scott N chair. Miss Seal Beach Pageant info and asking for financial assistance. HBH Crab Fest - 4/3/08 - Costa Mesa Senior Center - Seal Beach Leos to assist.

### Reports:

A: Mardi Gras - Thank you to Chavez family for hosting. Also thank you to Liebherr family for rental supplies and assistance with food.

B: Ronald McDonald - Barbara W. next one for April.

C: Student speaker - Renee S. Zone level 3/3. Zone meeting that night as well.

D: SB PD Crab Feed -16 members assisted. SB PD Polar Plunge - 11 Lions and Leos assisted. Mike H was part of the O'Malley team (got a donation for the Fish Fry).

E: Teen Recognition - Attended by Dave and Gail H, Patti W, and Karen R - Recognition of recovering teen substance abusers and teens involved in community awareness.

F: Visitations - Carol L - 2/26 La Habra-Stans: 2763pts, 18 clubs, 43 members doing at least one visit.

G: Steering Committee - Bill H - allocation of funds for rest of year.

H: Kids Baseball - Dave H - opening day hamburger and hotdog 2/23. Leos to assist. Photo day pancake breakfast 3/8. Leos to assist. Scott N chair.

I: Springfest - Jim K and Barbara W - Lions to do food and parade-greenbelt 11- 3 on 3/16. Parade will last approx 1 hr. Resurrecting the Kazoo band?

J: Designated Driver - Linda S - same location as last year, hrs 4 pm to 12 am, 3 vans, Monday 3/17.

K: Nominations - Mike H. Interested in holding any office contact Lion Mike H.

L: Fish Fry - Starting signups. Car in March. Looking into 2 new fryers.

M: Golf Tournament - Brad B - 5/1/08, hole sponsors \$100/00, goody bags. See Brad B to assist.

N: 4L4 Convention - May - See Gail H for registration forms.

With no further business to discuss - Motion to adjourn - George D, 2nd Ray L. Carried.

Next Meeting 3/5/08





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Lone Star Steak House  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 20, 2008

Call to Order: 2039 by Lion President Dave Hubbard.

Roll Call: Dave H, Gail H, Mike G, Mike H, Carol L, Judy O, Bob H, George D, Scott N, Bruce G, Ray L, Gary D, & Bill H.

Reading of Minutes: Minutes per e-mail. Motion to approve - Scott N, 2nd Bill H. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Charity - \$39471.94. Admin - \$19,975.79. Car \$1825.09. Motion to approve - Carol L, 2nd Gary D. Carried.

Old Business:

Steering Committee:

No Youth Exchange

Camp Wilderness beds - instead of \$500.00, \$1,000.00

Garage - from \$3000.00 to \$2000.00

Make A Wish - \$100.00

Melvin Jones - \$2000.00 for Campaign Site First. President to decide

Unplanned - \$6,000.00. Borrowing against reserve for Breakfast, Designated Driver and Spring Fest.

Recommended as outlined by Steering Committee. Motion - Bruce G, 2nd Bob H, opposed Carol L (President being able to designate the MJF Recipients). Motion after discussion to opposition - Bob H, 2nd Bill H, 1 opposed - Carol L. Motion carried.

New Members:

Mike B, Roni B, Terry S. Motion to accept into club - Scott N 2nd Bill H. Carried

New Business:

Community Awards - 10-15 awards. \$500.00 budgeted. Plaques/Certificates. To occur in March. Event vs. place of work with photo op. Bruce G - info.

Kids Baseball - Opening day 2/23, photo day 3/8. We won't be supplying the food just do the cooking with Leo support. Motion to do - Bruce G, 2nd Bill H. Carried.

Springfest - Food Booth and parade. Leos to help. Need food chair. Dave - Bruce? Check with Al C first since he has done in the past.

Hopkinson School Carnival - 5/30 from 2:30 to 7:00 PM. Hot dogs and hamburgers. Motion to do Bill H, 2nd Bruce G. Carried.

Nominations Mike H if you are interested in holding any of the offices.

Banking Option - Gary D - To have info by the 3/5 meeting.

Car Raffle - Will have car by middle of March.

4L4 hospitality Room - requesting money to cover food, liquor and decorations. To allocate \$750.00. Motion to approve Bill H, 2nd Carol L. Carried. Room price is separate.

Honor Teacher Night - 4/16/08 - need firm head count for food prep.

Club Aprons - Order 25. Sell to members. Motion - Bill H, 2nd Bruce G. Discussion - Judy O wants to amend the number to 30. To be sold at cost. Motion to approve with amendment - Bruce G, 2nd Bill H. Carried.

Looking at new golf shirts for club members.

New Member Orientation - Looking at having one in March. Bruce G to set up.

With no further business to discuss - Motion to adjourn - Bruce G, 2nd Ray L. Carried.

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