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I had my first experience at a convention and I have to admit, I was proud to be a Seal Beach Lion!

We were #1 in MD-4 at our Statewide Convention in Primm, NV, the weekend of February 4,6, 2011. Our club won a huge medal that I proudly wore the entire weekend for the gains in our club's membership.

We were also a finalist for our "Blind Sailing" project, which is chaired by Lion David Hubbard.

I really didn't know what to expect at a convention, but it was lots of information, lots of networking, and lots of fun.

The convention in Primm was our Statewide Convention. Our convention May 13-15 will be our District Convention. Lion Jackie Maloney is the chairperson and is planning fun things to do at the Doral Resort.

If you have never been to a convention, think about attending. This year, there will be a golf tournament, a talent show, hospitality suites, and lots of fun events to attend.

Lion Camille Romano has been busy this month, organizing our "new" Lions to beautify Seal Beach by refurbishing all the old benches in Eisenhower Park.

She, along with her co-chair Mark Kavanaugh, have been organizing new Lions, Leos, and a few "old" Lions to grind off rust, patch, primer, paint, sand and varnish benches, so that they look like they are brand new.

The bench refurbishing has been a lot of work. Please come down and lend a hand if you are able to help.

Lion Adriana Ziegenbusch did a great job on chairing her first Student Speaker contest. We had three speakers and the night went off without a hitch. We will have the Zone Contest on March 3rd in Garden Grove for the next leg of the contest.

Our annual Designated Driver program will again be this year on March 17th. We need people to help work our booth on Main and Central in Seal Beach. Please sign up to work at our next meeting!

Lion Ellen Liebherr is chairing the Sight and Hearing Booth at the Seal Beach Health Faire on March 19th. Please check with Ellen to give a hand. The Faire is at the Rossmoor Center.

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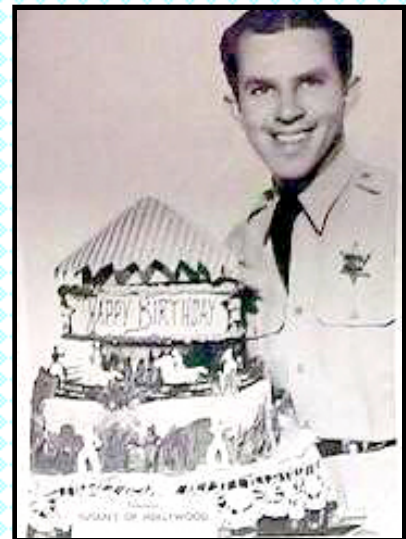
Upcoming Events

Regular/Board Meeting, Mar 2
Zone Student Speaker Contest, Mar 3
Ensenada Cruise, Mar 4-6
Ronald McDonald House, Mar 11
Orange Region Meeting, Mar 15
Meeting/Charitable Giving Night, Mar 16
Designated Driver Program, Mar 17
Seal Beach Health Faire, Mar 19
H.B. Crabfest, Mar 27

Seal Beach 10K, Apr 2
Orphanages of Thailand, Apr 2
Regular/Board Meeting, Apr 6
District Meeting, Apr 16
Honor The Teacher Night, Apr 20
Every 15 Minutes, Apr 20 -21
Roar for Autism, Apr 23
Pancake Breakfast, Apr 30
Golf Tournament, May 5
Convention, Palm Springs, May 13 -15

Happy Birthdays to:

Eric Dreyer-Goldman, Mar 2
Christine Craig, Mar 6
Aro Riley, Mar 8
Kara Estabrook, Mar 9
Jean Mundon, Mar 18
Alan Chavez, Mar 22
Lee Melody, Mar 26
Jim Klisanin, Mar 26
Ed Jones, Mar 26
Carol Linehan, Mar 28





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Lion Cubs Lindsay Safe, Camille Romano, Aro Riley , Ashleigh Mattox and Cathy Newton receive their Proud Lion pins from club president Allyn Mattox.



Bench Project Pictures:



LaHabra Lions presented tail twister Brad Barras with cold, hard cash to earn back their fine "potty" at Seal Beach Lions February 2, 2011 meeting!



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The Student Speaker Contest was held on February 16 at the Mary Wilson Library. Lion Adriana Ziegenbusch was the chairperson.

Three Los Alamitos High School students presented speeches on this year's topic, "Enforcing Our Borders: State versus Federal Rights."

This year's winner will go on to present her speech at the Zone Contest on March 3rd in Garden Grove and will compete for the chance to win some sizeable scholarship money.

Each of the competitors were awarded a \$25 check for competing and the winner was awarded \$75.



The Lions Statewide Convention was held the weekend of February 4-6 in Primm, NV, at Primm Valley Casino Resort.

Seal Beach Lions that attended included President Allyn Mattox, Dave and Gail Hubbard, Diane Martin, Renee Schulte, Bruce Gormley, and Carol and Dewey Linehan.

The highlight of Seal Beach Lions' weekend was receiving a First Place medal for Membership for being #1 in the State of California for Membership Growth for 2010-2011.

Our club was also a finalist for our "Blind Sailing" project, and Dave Hubbard was recognized as chairperson.

Congratulations, Seal Beach Lions! You have had a great year!



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Our **new Lions** have been taking on some **great projects** and really putting in some serious hours.

Lion Camille Romano has taken on the chairmanship of the Beautify Seal Beach Project. She has been encouraging our "new" Lions to join her down at the pier on weekends to help her refurbish the old park benches in Eisenhower park. Our cubs have been doing a great job. These old, worn out benches have been restored to look brand new!

This project was inspired by our project to restore the bench that our Leos donated in memory of Dylan Barras. Dylan's bench was five years old and our Leos decided to freshen it up.

The benches at Eisenhower Park have been unattended for close to 20 years and have been a much bigger project than first was thought. Many of the benches are corroded and rusted and in need of much repair from the salt air.

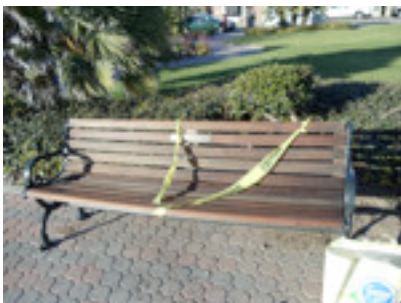
The wood is also much more worn than Dylan's bench, which is located across the street from Eisenhower Park in front of El Burrito Restaurant and does not get as much exposure to the elements.

Camille and her cubs and some Leos have almost completed the benches on the West side of Eisenhower Park.

When you have a little time, bring your honey down to watch the sunset and enjoy sitting on the nice beautiful benches that Seal Beach Lions have refurbished for the City of Seal Beach.

Lions that have been working on this project include Dave Schwien, Lara Ellsworth, Mark Kavanaugh, Allyn Mattox, Cynthia Ramirez, Grant Newton, Keith Berry, Chris Coultrou, Katherine McHugh, Meagan McHugh, Les Shobe, Nikki Illingworth, Lindsay Safe, Mike and Marcia Haley, Ray Longoria, Scott and Cathy Newton, and Camille Romano.

Leos include Shaeye Bosley, Carl Aaker, Alex Valentincic, Cameron Moore, and Kylee Stone.



Congratulation to Leo Alex Valentincic for being recognized at the Teen Recognition Awards!

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Seal Beach Lions made a **visitation to Harbor Mesa** where Lion Tim Kelsey earned his Proud Lion Award!

Lions present were Les Shobe, Katherine McHugh, Tim Kelsey, Allyn Mattox, and Scott and Cathy Newton.

Also shown in this photo are Harbor Mesa Club President Jennifer Kelder and our wonderful Governor, Norm MacKenzie.



PROUD LION AWARD

To receive your Proud Lion pin you need to complete five tasks. The five tasks are:

- 1) **Attend a Board Meeting.** You have already accomplished this the night you were voted in. As a note, you are always welcome to attend board meetings which follow our 1st meeting of the month.
- 2) **Attend a Zone, Region or District Meeting.** There are three different meeting opportunities for you to choose from in the next two months
- 3) **Participate in a Club Project.** Most of you have already completed this. If you have not, there are plenty of opportunities in the next couple of months.
- 4) **Visit another Club.** This can be accomplished by attending another club's meeting or fundraising event. There will be several opportunities over the next few months that we will tell you about.
- 5) **Bring a guest to a club meeting or function.** Ideally it would be a prospective member. But any guest will do including your spouse, significant other or friend.

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On Saturday, February 12th, Seal Beach Lions and Leos cooked and serve all of the food for the **Pony League Opening Day**. We served more than 600 hot dogs and hamburgers and had a great view of the ball diamonds.

The chairperson was one of our "cubs," Lion Tim Kelsey, who was assisted by Lions Scott Newton, Cathy Newton, Katherine McHugh, Meagan McHugh, Allyn Mattox, Lee Melody, Byron Markel and 18 Leos. Seal Beach Lions worked a total of 88 service hours on this project.

Lions John Doogan and Scott Newton addressed the crowd to present them with the idea of a Beep Ball Tournament that Seal Beach Lions will be hosting on May 21st, along with the Braille Institute. Lions Scott Weir and Bill Blatnick will be chairing the tournament.





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Seal Beach Lions Club General Meeting Minutes Khoury's Restaurant January 5, 2011

Call to Order 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, City of Hope Prayer and Song

President's remarks:

Our club meeting on January 19 will be a membership meeting. Bring a guest, it will be a special meeting to showcase what a great club we have.

The Primm Nevada convention is coming up. Lions Bruce Gormley, Renee Schulte, Diane Martin, Carol & Dewey Linehan, Dave & Gail Hubbard will be our delegates.

For our meeting on February 2 please bring an unwanted Christmas gift to exchange.

Lion President Mattox handed out President certificates to Lions who have sponsored a new member this year.

The Leo's will be refurbishing and re-dedicating Dylan Barras's bench this Saturday. Any Lions are welcome to pitch in and help.

Committee Reports:

Christmas Parade - Lion Bruce Gormley said it went perfectly. 106 entries and everyone was in the right order.

There were 60 volunteers helping out. Please return the red jackets to him so that we will have them for next year.

Other events held recently that were successful include the Beach Clean-Up, the Lions float for the Rose Parade, Breakfast with Santa, Casa Youth Shelter, our Christmas Party, Christmas dinner at American Family Housing and our Christmas donation to Interval House.

Lion Scott Newton passed our service awards to club members Mike Nars and Dino Syrengelas. Lions Mike Maloney and Dave Hubbard received lifetime membership pins.

Upcoming Events:

Ronald McDonald House will be Jan. 17. Lion Ashleigh Rollins is chairing the event.

Student Speaker contest will be Feb. 16 at the Mary Wilson Library at 6:30. Lion Adriana Ziegenbusch is chairing this event.

The golf tournament will be held on May 5 at Bixby Golf Course. It will be a Cinco de Mayo theme. There will be a 1:00 shot gun start with dinner following.

Lion Rich Dudash's father passed away. Please send Lion Rich a card if you'd like to.

Lion Mike Haley asked for a new member to volunteer to co-chair the pancake breakfast. New Lion Lindsey Safer volunteered.

Lion Bill Howes will be hosting the annual Joe Jost's football event this year since his team, the Browns, are the biggest losers in the league.

Treasure Chest - Lion Bill Howes

Secret Greet - Lion Gary Denni

Tail Twister - Lion Brad Barras

Meeting adjourned at 7:25



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Call to Order 7:40 pm

Secretary's Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report was given by Lion Mike Maloney.

2 new members were voted and sworn in. Donna Melody and Les Shobe

Lion Lee Melody spoke about the car raffle held at the Fish Fry. He suggested increasing the number of tickets sold from 500 to 600. Lots of lively discussion. In the end the motion was passed to increase the number of tickets sold to 600.

Lion Ellen Liebherr spoke about the new Life Membership Committee our club has formed. They will be deciding who will become a Life Member from now on. Life members will now pay \$50 per year for club dues. Motion was voted on and carried.

Steering Committee - Lion Scott Newton passed out a spreadsheet with our current budget and YTD expenditures. The committee will meet in February to review the budget and make final recommendations.

Board voted to give a \$200 donation to Lions Teen Recognition and \$60 to the Diamond Bar Lions for Drumming for Kids.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30.

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Call to Order 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, City of Hope Prayer and Song

This was our special membership meeting and included many potential members for our club.

Introduction of Guests. A girl scout troupe was visiting us. They are doing fund raising to paint a mural on the McGaugh School Gym wall. They asked for \$800.

President's remarks:

Lion Allyn Mattox brought in some club scrapbooks showing our activities this year.

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Lion Gay Snyder-Johnson gave the club an update on Jennifer Jaques who recently had a heart transplant. Our club was touched by her story and we appreciated the update on her condition.

There will be a Cabinet Meeting this coming Saturday.

Program:

Canine Companions. LPCCI Doreen Mayo and her dog Sue gave a presentation. Doreen has raised 6 dogs for the program. She talked about how the dogs are matched to the recipients, the graduation ceremonies in Oceanside. Lion Ellen Liebherr spoke of her experiences with LPCCI. She has been President of the organization and during that time the Lions involvement with them grew and the level of donations greatly increased. She shared how great of an experience this had been for her and encouraged other Lions to get involved in projects they were interested in because it's a great opportunity for personal growth and development.

Lion Scott Newton gave a really interesting history of our club.

Lion Jackie Maloney gave a presentation on the Melvin Jones award and what it means to receive one.

Event Reports:

The Chamber of Commerce event was a good event for us. There were 75 people there and since we sponsored it we were able to speak to them about our club.

Lion Bruce Gormley spoke about the nominating committee. He went over who the officers are now and the process of electing new officers.

There is a convention coming up May 12-15 in Palm Springs. Lion Jackie Maloney reported it will be held at the Doral Hotel and that it will be a fun weekend.

Lion Ellen Liebherr reported on the upcoming Seal Beach Health Fair to be held March 19. The Lions Sight & Hearing van will be there and she asked for volunteers to work in the van.

20 year award pins were given to Judy O'Neill, Jean Munson, Nancy Herbert and Scott Newton.

3 new members were introduced and given their packages and pins.

April 2nd is the Seal Beach 10K run. Meet at Lion Ray and Marilyn's before.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50

Board Meeting Notes:

A brief Board Meeting was held after our regular meeting.

8 new members have met the criteria for joining the Lions Club. They introduced themselves and we voted all 8 of them into our Club.

Rebecca Miller
Richard Gibson
David Embry
Kara Esterbrook
Cindy Ramirez
Megan McHugh
Laura Ellsworth
Byron Markel

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30

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