

THE GROWL

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Lions “gamble” to raise funds for International Director candidate Larry Dicus.

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SB raises funds for PCC Larry Dicus

ELLEN LIEBHERR

President

On April 6, 2013 the Seal Beach Lions hosted a District 4-L4 fundraiser for endorsed candidate Larry Dicus.

The event was held at Harbor Party Rentals, owned by President Ellen and Lion Mike Liebherr in Huntington Beach.

A big top tent was erected where 125 Lions from District 4-L4 and 4-L2 enjoyed a night of casino games.

Lion Linda Stobbe did a fantastic job of decorating the tent while Lions Gary and Diana Bean handled the registration and general organization.

President Ellen supplied all of the food with the help of Lions Marcella McSorley, Dave Hubbard and Diane Martin in the

kitchen.

Thank you to Lion Cathy Newton for selling the wine box raffle tickets and Lion Laura Ellsworth for selling the 50/50 raffle tickets.

Seal Beach Lions Scott Newton, Maria De La Cueva, Karen Russell, Diana Brunjes, Bill Blatnick and Camille Romano served as Black Jack dealers letting the chips fly from the table.

Everyone was a winner! Huntington Beach Lions, as well as District Governor P.J. Smith and PCC Larry Dicus, also gave a try at dealing. There also were two craps tables that kept the noise level at a roar.

We were able to raise \$2000 that will be donated to the International Director Candidate Larry Dicus, campaign fund. Great job everyone!

SEAL BEACH LIONS CLUB

Meetings on the first and third
Wednesday of the month at
Khoury's Restaurant
110 Marina Drive, Long Beach
7 p.m.

www.sealbeachlions.com



CALENDAR

Friday, May 17 - Saturday, May 19
District 4L4 Convention, Palm Springs

Saturday, May 18
PONY Baseball Home Run Derby BBQ

Saturday, May 18
Beep Ball Tournament

Sunday, May 19
OPGI Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 7
Booth Building & Painting Party

Monday, May 20
Leo Community Support Night

Tuesday, May 21
Seal Beach Public Safety Honors Luncheon

Friday, May 31
McGaugh Family Fun Night

Saturday, June 1
Lions Charity Golf Tournament

Wednesday, June 5
Lions Regular & Board Meeting

Saturday, June 8
Braille Leo Club Dining in the Dark

Wednesday, June 12
Lions Regular Meeting

Saturday, June 15
Installation & Awards Night

Sunday, June 23
Lions Blood Drive

BIRTHDAYS

Thursday, May 2
Rose-Marie Baker

Saturday, May 4
Shane Tester

Monday, May 6
Lindsay Safe

Thursday, May 9
Grant Newton

Saturday, May 11
Lee Pfeifer

Monday, May 13
Teri Newton
Mike Putnam

Wednesday, May 15
Marco Carreon
Dora Syrengelas

Friday, May 18
Jennifer Kocken

Saturday, May 18
Mike Brown

Tuesday, May 21
Chris Langlais

Friday, May 24
Kent Maul

Saturday, May 25
Richard Gibson
Debbie Laws

Sunday, May 26
Nikki Illingworth

Tuesday, June 2
Josh Haynie
Joan Wilkins

Wednesday, June 3
Tim Kelsey

Friday, June 7
Rosie Ritchie



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ELLEN LIEBHERR

President

With so little time left in this Lion's year you think it would be easy for me to take on a short-timer's attitude. In just another month, I will be turning over the President's job to Lion Lindsay but for now there is still too much to do to slow down.

I look forward to our Braille Institute Leo Club's Beep-Ball Tournament at the McGaugh School baseball field. This is one of the most enjoyable events I have ever attended. These kids usually give our local Pony League players a run for their money.

I am also excited to attend their Dining in the Dark event on June 8 at the Braille Institute. I think I will leave the white clothing at home. I am sure most of my dinner will be in my lap as we will be blindfolded during the meal. I hope many of you will join our group in support of these two great kids.

Our club will be attending the Seal Beach Police Honors Luncheon at the Old Ranch Country Club on May 20. We will be there in full support of two of our own Lions, Steve Bowles and

Todd DeVoe who will be recognized for their first responder work on the Meritage tragedy. We are proud to be the sponsor of three perpetual plaques honoring our local police force.

Lions Grant and Nick are working hard getting everything together for our June 1 Golf Tournament at the Bixby golf course. Their job got a little easier when Lion Alan Chavez presented 18 hole sponsorships and the promise of 6 more at the last meeting. Way to go Alan! We may break records again this year.

There are still a few spots open for golfers and plenty of room for those just wanting to come for dinner at the Marina Center.

We will also be at the Marina Center for our annual Installation and Awards Dinner on June 15. This will be a fun time as we bring in our new officers and thank all those who have made this year the success that it has been. I look forward to handing the reigns over to President Elect Lindsay who I am sure will lead this club to new levels. Dress in your best cowboy/cowgirl attire and come to the Wild Wild West Hoedown! Remember – reservations are a must.

Fish Fry is right around the corner. That means car raffle time too. Lion Bruce has car tickets and is looking for Lions to spend some weekend time at the pier selling tickets. Please consider helping out. It is a nice way to enjoy the beautiful Seal Beach sunshine.

My best to you all
President Ellen

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GRANT NEWTON, third vice president

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BRAD BARRAS, tail twister

NEIL GORMLEY, lion tamer

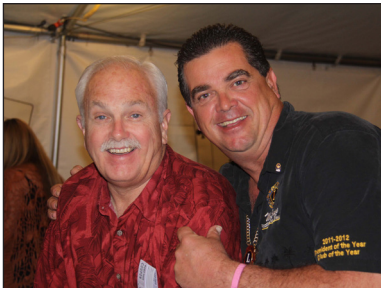
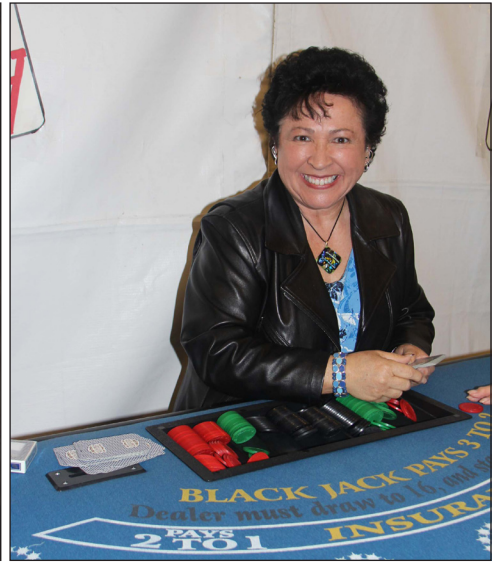
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Lions bring in the money at Casino Night





Lions and Leos support Thailand orphans

LINDSAY SAFE

Editor

Nine Seal Beach Lions, four Leos, a prospective Leo and four prospective Lions attended the Orphanages of Thailand Luncheon fundraiser in Santa Fe Springs.

District Leos put on the fundraiser to raise money for this district approved project. The food was outstanding along with authentic Thai dancing.

Tom Olzak from the Braille Institute was the keynote speaker and mentioned our involvement with the Braille Leo Club. Seal Beach had the largest group at this event and was recognized numerous times. I am not sure how much the event raised but it was certainly a nice sum.



Lions honor Los Al teachers

KAREN RUSSELL

Lion

The Seal Beach Lions honored 10 teachers (one from each Los Alamitos Unified School District school) as teacher of the year. We also honored one administrator of the year from the district.

As part of the award ceremony, each principal spoke about the teacher chosen from his or her school and then the teacher spoke as well.

After each presentation, the teacher and administrator were given a plaque designating them as Harry Aslan fellows.

This award gives \$250 per recipient to the Student Speaker Foundation which awards scholarships annually to the winners of the Multiple District 4 contests.



Team Lions 35th overall

Barbara Avakian, Social

It was a beautiful Saturday morning as we assembled in Lion Ray and Marilyn's garage for the first leg of the race. Team number 18 was "looking" good.

We had refreshments and headed to the start line. Along the course, Lion volunteers happily helped out and cheered us on.

As I neared the turnaround, I saw many of my teammates, who were ahead of me, heading for the finish

I kept going, only to be waylaid by Mother Nature. I re-entered the race and tried to pick up my pace. Ahh, there's the finish line. On to leg number three--Clancy's--where I found many of my teammates already celebrating.

Our team originally had 30 entrants, but one had to drop out because work called. Of the 29 remaining runners, I'm happy to report all clocked in, no

one took the shortcut. Out of 37 teams we came in 35th. I guess "looking" good isn't everything.

Ryan Ziegenbusch, Logistics

On Saturday April 13 Lions, Leos and other volunteers braved the chilly morning to provide course control for the Seal Beach 5k/10k Run/Walk.

Everyone did a great job guiding walkers and runners to separate sides of the street to insure safe paths for all participants.

Lion Bruce Gormley stood firm as runners and walkers came together nearly getting trampled. He credits his bright yellow Lions shirt in helping him stay safe as he divided runners and walkers.

We had excellent help with set up, transportation of volunteers and

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Bixby Village Golf Course
 6180 Bixby Village Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803

SHOTGUN START
 @ 2 p.m.

SCHEDULE
 registration
 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.
 welcome & proceed to tee
 1:45 - 2:00 p.m.

FEES
 \$75/person
 \$300/foursome
 \$20/banquet only
 (single entrants welcome)

BANQUET
 immediately following golf
 @ Marina Community Center
 151 Marina Drive
 Seal Beach, CA 90740

AWARDS
 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams
 closest to pin (man & woman)
 longest drive (man & woman)
 putting contest
 hole in one prize
 raffle

SPONSORS
 hole/\$75
 awards/\$250
 refreshments/\$250
 banquet/\$500
 title sponsor/\$1000

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Grant Newton, 1119 Electric Ave. Apt. 1, Seal Beach, CA, 90740 or email to grant.newton@dtsweb.com

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Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____ Email: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

banquet only/\$20

The remainder of my foursome includes: (please include email addresses for all participants)

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Name: _____ Email: _____
 Name: _____ Email: _____

Sponsor: hole/\$75 awards/\$250 refreshments/\$250 banquet/\$500 title sponsor/\$1000

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ **Deadline for registration is Saturday, May 22, 2013**

Make checks payable to Seal Beach Lions Club (We are a 501C3 non-profit organization, TAX ID #37-1613518)
 All contributions are tax deductible as allowed by the Internal Revenue Service Code.



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2013 FORD ESCAPE

tax & license not included

SEAL BEACH LIONS CLUB

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AM/FM CD Stereo w/ 6 speakers • SiriusXM Satalite - 6 months pre-paid • SYNC® w/MyFord® • IceBlue® Interior Lighting

Drawing @ 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 21, 2013

winners need not be present to win!



2ND PRIZE

Pedego Electric Bike



3RD PRIZE

16 GB iPad Mini + Case

Proceeds benefit sight and hearing impaired, local community projects and other charitable organizations



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Seal Beach Lions Club, 1198 Pacific Coast Hwy. D-305, Seal Beach, CA 90740

23RD CAR OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

For information, call Bruce or Renee @ 562.493.0115

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Billing Address: _____ Email: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Number of tickets: _____ x \$100 = \$ _____

Method of payment: check/money order MasterCard Visa
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EXPIRATION DATE: _____ / _____ (MM/YY) CV# _____

SIGNATURE _____ (required for credit card use)

\$100 donation includes dinner for two @ the Lions 69th Annual Fish Fry, July 20 & 21

Make checks payable to Seal Beach Lions Foundation
(We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, TAX ID #37-1613518/C2540594)



Lions Mike Haely, Barbara Wright, Scott Newton, Ray Longoria and Alan Chavez at Joe Jost's at Dave's Other Place.



Lions and Leos serving at the Original Parts Group pancake breakfast fundraiser.



Lion Scott Newton visits the London Bridge Lions Club while in Lake Havasu City for Lion Nick Bolin's wedding.



Lions Ray Longoria, Mike Haley, Alan Chavez, Mike Ferreira and others clean the fryers for Fish Fry.



Breakfast, BBQ proves successful event again

LINDSAY SAFE

Growl Editor

The 60th Annual Lions Pancake Breakfast and BBQ was another success.

It was a beautiful day for this annual event chaired by Lions Lindsay Safe and Diana Bean.

This breakfast and BBQ continues to grow in size and profit and this year was no different with a profit close to \$5,000.

More than 60 Lions and Leos served nearly 350 breakfast meals and 980 bratwurst/jumbo hot dog/cajun sausage meals to car enthusiasts at the Seal Beach Car Show April 27, 2013.

Some of the heroes of the event include Lions Gary and Diana Bean, Nichole Illingworth, Camille Romano, Mike Gibbons, Mike and Marcia Haley, Scott and Cathy Newton and Dave Hubbard.

Overall, it was a great event filled with sun, fun and good food



LEO CLUB OF BRAILLE INSTITUTE PRESENTS

DINNER IN THE DARK

"A NIGHT IN THE SERENGETI"

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2013
6:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

**BRAILLE INSTITUTE
ORANGE COUNTY REGIONAL CENTER
527 NORTH DALE AVENUE
ANAHEIM, CA 92801**

ADULTS \$20/YOUTH \$15 (17 & UNDER)
INCLUDES GOURMET ITALIAN DINNER,
ENTERTAINMENT & PRIZES
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Please return this form with your check or money order to:
Braille Institute, Orange County Regional Center, 527 North Dale Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92801



Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Number of adult tickets: _____ x \$20 = \$ _____ Number of youth tickets: _____ x \$15 = \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Limited seats. No tickets available at the door!

Make checks payable to *Leo Club of Braille Institute*

Run SB, from page 4

coordination of course control provided by Scott Newton.

New Lion Samantha Savage encouraged runners to finish strong and stay to the right as they turned down 1st Street.

The Leos came out in force manning blow horns and safety vests. This is a project that we could not do as well, without support from the Leos.

City officials stated "this was the best course control that they had ever seen for the race."

Thank you to everyone who helped with the course control and city employees and volunteers who helped coordinated the race.

Official Meeting Minutes

APRIL 3, 2013

GENERAL MEETING

President Ellen Liebherr calls meeting to order at 7:00pm.

President Ellen led the club in the salute to the flag of the greatest country on earth, the United States of America.

Lion Lindsay led the club in the Invocation.

IPP Mike led the club in the City of Hope Prayer.

Guests:

Many guests tonight. Frank Hall was a guest of Lion Margie. Lion Geri brought her neighbors Dan and Julie Craker for a second visit. Lion Cynthia brought Pam Sigler. Lion Marcella invited Leanna Sabo back for her second visit. Lion Scott invited Samantha Savage. Rocco Mann was a guest of Lion Jim.

Eagle Scout Project

Leo Kurt Buse of Troop 642 is currently working towards becoming an Eagle Scout, the highest honor in the Boy Scouts. He intends to build new storage shelves for the Life Shelter in Los Alamitos (for abandoned and abused women). He is looking for support from the Lions. President Ellen tabled this for the board meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Lion Diana announced the upcoming District Cabinet Meeting on 4/27/13, the Orphanages of Thailand Restaurant Fundraiser on 4/13/13 and the 4-L4 Convention in May. Please see Secretary Diana if you are interested in attending, members are asked to register for these events themselves.

Treasurer's Report:

Lion Terry announced that the admin account has \$12,232 and the charity accounts combined are at \$60,246.

Announcements: See chairs for more information

1) Club Officer Election: IPP Mike Haley read the official slate of nominations for 2013-2014.

President: Lindsay Safe

1st President: Scott Newton

2nd President: Nikki Illingworth

3rd President: Neil Gormley

Secretary: Camille Romano

Treasurer: Laura Ellsworth

Membership Chair: Grant Newton

Tail Twister: IPP Mike Haley

Lion Tamer: Ken Robinson

First Year Directors: Marcia Haley, Rose Marie Baker, Cathy

Newton, Tom Duszynski, Maria De La Cuerva

Second Year Directors: Diana Bean, Les Shobe, Nick Bolin

IPP: Ellen Liebherr

Lion Karen motioned to accept all nominations without question, Lion Lee seconded. The membership voted and all approved (with a couple non-descript goans).

Lion Lee inquired as to the number of members in our club.

President Ellen says we have about 215 members and are the seventh largest club in the United States.

2) Club Visitations – skipped

Lion Bill announced the Joe Jost event on Saturday at 2pm at Dave's Other Place – Ray Longoria is buying!

3) Casino Night Fundraiser (Larry Dicus for ID) 4/6 – President Ellen will be hosting Casino Night at Harbor Party Rentals. Our President still needs a strong showing from our club. There are 90 RSVPs so far, most from the district. Please sign up and support this important fundraiser!

4) OPG Pancake Breakfast 4/7 – Lion Diana Bean needs our help! From 6:30-10:30am we will be cooking up our famous pancakes. OPG has promised to make a \$2500 donation to the club.

5) Ronald McDonald House Walk 4/7 – Lion Aro says that donations are welcome if you are unable to attend the walk. See Aro to get involved.

6) Honor the Teacher Night 4/17 – Lion Judy is encouraging us to attend in place of our regular club meeting. Our club will be meeting at the Marina Center. The cost is \$15 for dinner and you must sign up if you want food!

7) Car Show Pancake Breakfast 4/27 – Lion Lindsay needs help setting up Friday afternoon 4-6pm and cooking on Saturday. Lion Bruce announced that a 2013 Ford Escape will be raffled off. Only 600 tickets – get yours now!

8) Run Seal Beach 4/13 – Lion Ryan is looking for help to keep walkers and runners separated by Marina & 1st Street.

9) Softball Game & Picnic 4/21 – President Ellen is putting together this fun social event for the club. Come play some ball and enjoy some BBQ. IPP Mike and Lion Scott are the team captains.

10) Camping Trip 5/10-5/11 – Lion Brad is sorry about the timing of the trip and is encouraging Lions to attend this fun social event. See Brad with questions!

11) Beep Ball Tournament 5/18 – Lion Scott filled in for Lion Todd and asks that the club come out and support this event. The game starts at 12pm and it's free!

12) Pony League Home Run Derby Project 5/18 – Lion Neil volunteered to go get the grills!

13) Golf Tournament 6/1 – Lion Grant says that this event is going to fill up quickly! The cost is \$75 and you can begin registering online next week.

Break at 7:46pm.

Return at 7:59pm.

Old Business:

1) The Crab Fest was a lot of fun! The Leos received \$1560 in tips and it was a great showing of support for the Huntington Beach Lions Club.

Samantha Savage (guest of Scott Newton) was introduced.

2) Awards - IPP Mike earned a membership key and Lion Beverly was awarded her Proud Lion pin.

Break to Board Meeting: 8:03pm
See Board Meeting Minutes.
Back to Meeting: 8:06pm

Treasure Chest Drawing:
Lion Bill added \$100 to the potential winnings and also confirmed that the winning key is in the jar.

Fines and Happy Dollars:
Lion Mary bought the Fine Free badge for \$11. Lion Brad was fairly easy on the fines tonight and lots of happy dollars!

Adjourn:
Without any other business, President Ellen adjourned at 8:32pm.

APRIL 3, 2013 BOARD MEETING

1) Call to order: President Ellen called the meeting to order at 8:03pm.

2) Roll call: Diana Brunjes (Secretary), Scott Newton, Bruce Gormley, President Ellen Liebherr, Terry Stephenson (Treasurer), Mike Haley (IPP), Adriana Ziegenbusch, Neil Gormley, Brad Barras, Lindsay Safe, Geri Eckner, Diana Bean and Nikki Illingworth. Absent: Camille Romano, Grant Newton, Nick Bolin and Les Shobe.

3) Membership Proposals: IPP Mike Haley was called up to ask for membership proposals. Lion Geri Eckner to sponsor Dan and Julie Craker. Bruce motioned to accept the proposals, Nikki seconded, all in favor.

4) Adjourn back to regular meeting at 8:06pm.

5) Call to order: President Ellen called the meeting to order at 8:40pm.

6) Roll Call: Diana Brunjes (Secretary), Scott Newton, Bruce Gormley, President Ellen Liebherr, Terry Stephenson (Treasurer), Mike Haley (IPP), Adriana Ziegenbusch, Neil Gormley, Brad Barras, Lindsay Safe, Geri Eckner, Diana Bean and Nikki Illingworth. Absent: Camille Romano, Grant Newton, Nick Bolin and Les Shobe.

7) Secretary's Report:
Brad motioned to approve the minutes, IPP Mike seconded, all approved.

8) Financial Report:
Diana Bean motioned to approve the report, Geri seconded, all approved.

9) Membership Proposals: LeAnne Sabo, sponsored by Marcella McStorley was presented for membership. Bruce motioned to approve the proposal, Neil seconded, all in favor.

10) Business:

a) Samantha Savage – she is only 20 years old but Scott would like the club to consider her for membership as she will be 21 in September. Brad motioned to approve, Bruce seconded, Lindsay opposed the rest of the board in favor.

b) Police Officer of the year Perpetual Award – Fellow lion Steve Bowles asked the board to consider sponsoring three plaques: Policer Officer of the Year, Police Civilian of the Year and Police Volunteer of the year. The plaques are \$400 each and \$30 per plaque every year for 50 years. IPP Mike asked if the club needed to sponsor all three. Scott mentioned that the Rotary Club is currently on the existing plaques. Bruce asked if this should go to the steering committee. Brad asked if the Leos would consider sponsoring one or jointly. Scott moved to sponsor all three plaques, IPP Mike seconded, all in favor.

c) Eagle Scout Project by Kurt Buse – Kurt requested \$800. Bruce felt it was Kurt's duty to work hard to collect the funds and how much the club had sponsored for other scouts in the past. IPP Mike said \$250 in the past and made a motion to donate \$250 to Kurt. Brad seconded. Additional discussion in regards to the amount and President Ellen called the motion to question. Two opposed, Nikki and Geri, and the motion passed.

d) Ronald McDonald House Walk – Aro requested \$1000 to support the 5k walk on April 7th. Geri motioned to donate \$250, IPP Mike seconded. Diana Bean asked about the sight walk. Scott asked to amend the amount. Adriana suggested \$800. Geri amended her motion to \$800, Adriana seconded. Four opposed: Scott, IPP Mike, Nikki and Lindsay. Motion carries.

11) Adjourn: President Ellen adjourned the board meeting at 9:06pm.