



Seal Beach Host Lions Club

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President's message:

October has been a very active month for Lions. The Casa Auction was held on October 3rd with over 20 Lions in attendance. Recognition goes to Lions Scott, Renee and Jacquie.

Lions were at the American Legion Yacht Club in Newport Beach on October 17, 2009, helping with parking, cooking, and escorting attendees to the masted ships. Lion Dave and his staff did a great job at this event; they all deserve a great roar and a "yo ho."

On October 15th many Seal Beach Lions could be seen at the Oktoberfest in Huntington Beach. We had a great time, great food and, of course, the Diamond Sisters.

The weekend of October 23 - 25 witnessed many Lions having a great time at Catalina Island. Lions Juliette and Dave coordinated the event and everyone had a good time.

Lions who remained on the mainland participated in the fundraiser at McGaugh School Carnival. PDG Lion Ellen Liebherr chaired this event and made it a great success. Thanks to Lion Ellen and her committee.

On October 14th Lions Jackie and Mike Maloney transported Lions to a visitation at the Garden Grove Host Lions Club. Jackie and Mike, thank you for your time and effort in making this visitation a success.

I want to thank all Lions for their work on the various activities in the month of October. These are more contributions to our goal as club of the year.

The month of November will present the Seal Beach Lions with several opportunities to achieve our goal. On November 8th the Second Cabinet Meeting will be held at Diamond Bar. This is a great opportunity for new Lions to complete their Proud Lions application. There will be visitations on Nov 2, 12, & 17. See Lion Jackie for more information.

We will be cooking a dinner at Ronald McDonald House on November 19, 2009. For more information or to sign up to help, contact Lion Jackie Maloney.

A final thought: this month we celebrate Thanksgiving. During this time we give thanks to God for all the blessings he has bestowed on us. The parents of cancer patients are going through a tough time this Thanksgiving. They visit their children in the hospital who are being treated for a serious disease. One of the best things we can do as Lions is cook dinner for these parents after a long day at the hospital with their children. After all, our motto is "We Serve". Isn't that the reason we joined Lions? Have a Happy Halloween and a great Thanksgiving.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion President Gary Denni

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

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Club Calendar

- Nov 6 - Harbor Mesa Lions Casino Night \$40 pp
- Nov 8- Cabinet Meeting - Diamond Bar CC
- Nov 22 - Clea Harder Dev School Fundraiser - Westridge CC \$60-before 11/3 \$75-after 11/3
- Dec 4 - Seal Beach Christmas Parade
- Dec 7 & 14 - Youth Center Tree Lot
- Dec 12 - CASA/Pancake Breakfast
- Dec 12 - Christmas Party, \$50 per person
- Feb 26-March 1 - Carnival Cruise/Ensenada Visitation, \$310pp
- Ronald McDonald House Scheduled Dinners
 - November 10, 2009
 - December 17, 2009
 - March 17, 2010

Happy Birthdays to:

- Terry Stephenson.....11/3
- Mike Maloney.....11/4
- Barbara Avakian.....11/6
- Eddie Maginnis.....11/7
- Bob Luther.....11/12
- Ray Longoria.....11/21
- Mary Moser.....11/23
- Steve Lewis.....11/27





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On October 19th sixteen Seal Beach Lions served dinner to the Leos at the Methodist Church to thank them for their help at the Fish Fry and other events from the past year.

Lion Jackie Maloney chaired the event with help from Lions Mike Maloney, Renee Schulte, Bruce Ghormley, Chris Langlois, Carole Hamburger, Marilyn Redd, Dave Hubbard, Gail Hubbard, Kathy Landers, Barbara Avakian, Mary Moser, Ray Longoria, and Donna Rowlands. Leo Advisors Scott Newton and Allyn Mattox were also present.

A delicious dinner of lasagna, salad, garlic bread, drinks, and chocolate and lemon cake was served to 25 Leos.

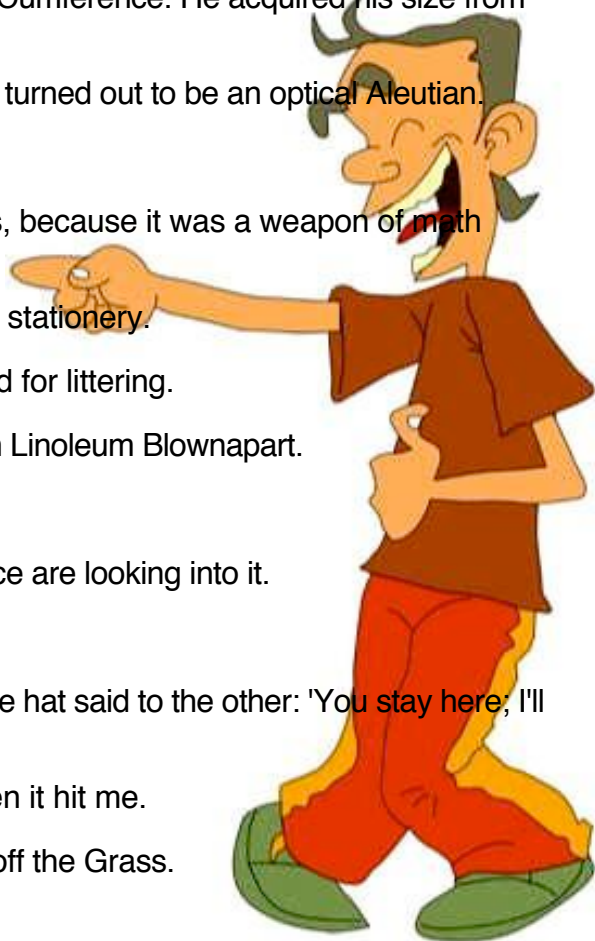
Lion Jackie also raffled off pumpkins while the Leos munched on dinner.

The Leos, who occasionally get pizza at their meetings, were grateful for the hot meal. Leo president Shaina Denny thanked the Lions for the dinner and jokingly asked, "So, Jackie, what are we having next month?"

Lion Jackie was happy to serve the Leos and said, "I think this should be a Seal Beach tradition."

PUNS FOR EDUCATED MINDS

1. The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.
2. I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
3. She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.
4. A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class, because it was a weapon of math disruption.
5. No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationary.
6. A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.
7. A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.
8. Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
9. A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.
11. Atheism is a non-prophet organization.
12. Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other: 'You stay here; I'll go on a head.'
- 13.. I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.
14. A sign on the lawn at a drug rehab center said: 'Keep off the Grass.'





Season of Gratitude

By Allyn Mezin Mattox

The end of 2009 is upon us already. As November approaches we begin to think of the Thanksgiving holiday. Of course that means that Christmas is around the corner and we think about our holiday experiences. Some of us may travel, some may celebrate religious traditions, and others may work so the rest of us can have a vacation with our friends and families.

It is also a time to reflect and think about what has happened in the past year and what will happen in the coming year. At Thanksgiving we think about gratitude and being thankful. Have you ever considered that when you do work as a Lion, maybe someone is grateful for the work that we do for someone else?

Every year the Seal Beach Lions do a variety of service and fund-raising projects for the community. We collect used glasses for distribution to the needy. We work hard at the Fish Fry. We recognize our teachers in the Los Alamitos School District.

We participate at numerous pancake breakfasts, including one where we serve the children of CASA Youth Shelter. We take the CASA Youth Shelter Christmas presents. We donate food and services at McGaugh Elementary School and Seal Beach Youth Baseball.

We buy tables at Seal Beach Police events and we participate at the CASA benefit every year. We serve dinner at the Ronald McDonald House to the families of children with life-threatening diseases.

Many of us do administrative duties of the club, also. We wait in line at the bank. We pull permits for events. We deal with the government when necessary. We type minutes and balance check books.

We drive to the grocery store. We drive to Fullerton to buy Bratwurst. We spend hours on the phone, in the car, and on the computer. We wait in line, stay "on hold," and sit in traffic.

We supervise Leos, spend the night at the park in our cars, and get dishpan hands doing dishes. We make coleslaw, clean grills and cook hot dogs. We teach students to speak and the visually impaired to sail. We dog sit!

We buy tickets to LaHabra Host Corn Fest and Huntington Beach Crab Fest and Octoberfest. We buy each other ice cream at Dairy Queen.

We use our own gas and our own cell phone minutes. We don't turn in all our receipts, and we contribute things out of our own pockets. We write checks and we pay happy dollars. We get our tails twisted.

Why do we do these things? Are we crazy?

The answer is no... We are Lions. We do all of these things because we care about our community and each other.

Sometimes we don't see the fruits of our labor. We don't see the person who wears the recycled glasses that we have collected. I don't think too many of us have been to the Orphanages of Thailand with John Doogan, and hopefully we won't have to be patients at the City of Hope.

Sometimes we do get the opportunity to see the gratitude people feel for what we do. Cooking for a family at the Ronald McDonald House is especially rewarding. Taking Christmas gifts to the kids at CASA Youth Shelter is another extremely moving event. The teachers in our school district are also so grateful for the recognition they receive at our Honor the Teachers Night.

As Thanksgiving approaches I know it is important to remember that we need to be grateful for the blessings that we have, but as Lions I think it is important to remember that the work we do is a blessing to others. Even though we may not feel appreciated when we are standing in line at the bank for a half an hour or when we have pushed the tenth button on the phone tree, we may be doing something that someone else is grateful for. Keep up the good work, Lions! Just think... Someone may be feeling grateful for YOU!



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You too can enjoy a delicious Dairy Queen! Come to a visitation!



Catalina



Lions Juliette Walters and Dave Hubbard organized a group of twenty Seal Beach Lions and guests to travel across the bay for the Second Annual Catalina Visitation.

The beautiful weather cooperated so Lions could play golf, hang out by the pool, or enjoy a tour to the outback, which was arranged by Lion Juliette.

The weekend trip included a poolside barbecue on Friday night and a steak dinner in downtown Avalon at Steve's Restaurant.

A hospitality suite was well stocked with drinks, ham sandwiches and fruit for all to enjoy.

Lion Ray Longoria was provided a padded helmet so he wouldn't fall down and hit his head again like he did last year. Unfortunately, Lion Bruce Ghormley needed one, too.

May new and long-time Lions participated in this event. All had a good time.



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October fest

Visitation Chairperson Lion Jackie Maloney organized the Seal Beach Lions to take a trip to Old World to drop in on the Huntington Beach Lions at Oktoberfest.

The club members joined in with their neighboring club, as everyone ate, drank and did the chicken dance.

The Diamond Sisters, whose contortions never cease to amaze onlookers, provided the entertainment for the evening.

Lion Dave Hubbard led everyone down to the Ratskellar for a cocktail at the end of the evening.





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At the October 21st regular meeting, the Seal Beach Lions Club hosted a presentation by Jason Cecil, the Event Coordinator for Help For Brain Injured Children, Inc., at The Cleta Harder Development School in LaHabra, California.

Cecil presented a program and video outlining the work the school does to help students who have been hampered by prenatal, postnatal and perinatal brain disorders, such as genetic disorders, drug injuries and oxygen deprivation.



The Cleta Harder School helps its students reach their maximum potential, whatever level that may be. For example, a student's maximum ability may be to communicate, to get into school, or to obtain a job.

The school offers occupation, physical and speech therapy for moderately and severely disabled students, as well as severely emotionally disturbed students.

"Its goal is to give students the means to become more productive members of society," said Cecil.

Lion's club members were invited to tour the facility any time.

Members were also invited to the 23rd Annual Food Affair Fundraiser, which will be held on November 22nd at the Westridge Golf Club. Between 100 and 200 live and silent auction items will be available.

Tickets are \$60 before November 3rd and \$75 after November 3rd.

At the end of the presentation, Cecil was presented with a Seal Beach Lions pin from president Gary Denni.



Lions Gail and Dave Hubbard participated in **White Cane Days** at the Seal Beach Center in front of Premier Bank. Even though three banks were robbed in the center that morning, it didn't deter Lions Gail and Dave from setting out their Eyeglass Box, Seal Beach Lions Box, placing the white canes on display and playing a Huell Howser Video on Lions and sight.

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Seal Beach Lions attended a visitation luncheon at the Garden Grove Lions Club House on October 14th. Lions Gail Hubbard, Renee Schulte, Allyn Mattox, Mary Newton, Garden Grove President Steve Diaz, Garol Hamburger, Mike Maloney and Barbara Avakian are pictured.



Two awards were given out at the October 21st Seal Beach Lions Club meeting at the Lone Star Restaurant. Lion Scott Newton was presented with a Life Membership by president Gary Denni. Club secretary Renee Schulte and president Gary Denni also present the Proud Lion Award to Bonnie Milam, who is shown with her sponsor, Barbara Avakian.



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Sailing for the Blind

Seal Beach Lions Dave Hubbard, Gary Denni, Renee Schulte, Scott Newton, Dewey Linehan, Carol Linehan and Steve Louis helped approximately 150 visually impaired people enjoy a day of sailing in Newport Beach on October 17th.

Our Lions parked cars, worked as escorts and helped people onto the boats. Owners of more than 60 sailboats participated in the event.



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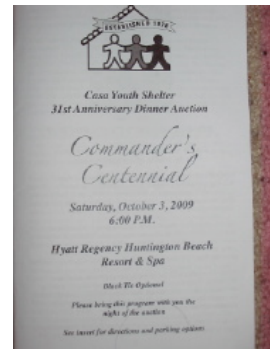
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Looks like all the Seal Beach Lions had a great time at **the 31st Annual CASA Youth Shelter Ball**, which was held on October 3rd at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Huntington Beach. The theme for the evening was "Commander's Centennial."



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Seal Beach Lions Club General Meeting Minutes October 7th, 2009

I. Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Lion Ellen
Invocation: Lion Mike G.
City of Hope Prayer: Lion Allyn
Lions Song: Lion Dewey

II. Introduction of Guests: Ryan Zieenbusch/Lion Nichole Illingworth

III. Announcements & Correspondence: Lions Gary and Renee reported and sent around the "Something of Interest" File which included other Lion's club announcements and a sign up for the upcoming 2nd Cabinet Meeting, November 8th, 2009 at the Diamond Bar Country Club.

Wrap up Reports:

A. River Clean Up/September 19th: Lion President Gary detailed the scope and success of this service project. We ran out of all food items.

B. Orange Region Meeting/September 22nd in La Habra: Lion Carol L. reported the details of this meeting and that eight (8) Seal Beach Lions will be credited with their attendance.

C. Visitations: On behalf of Lion Jackie, Lion President Gary sent around sign up sheets for the following scheduled Club visitations:

(1) Garden Grove Host Lions/October 14th Lunch (2) Huntington Beach Host Ocktoberfest/October 15th, 7:00 pm (3) Stanton Lions Club/October 28th Lunch. Meet at Coaches to carpool- -call Lion Jackie Maloney for more details.

D. Casa Youth Shelter Auction/October 3rd: Lion Scott reported on the success of this event.

V. Committee Reports:

A. Sailing for the Blind/October 17th, American Legion in Newport Beach from 7 am-???: Lion Dave reviewed the particulars explaining the duties and timeframes and encouraged all that can please join him.

B. Catalina Trip/October 23rd-25th: Lion Juliette summarized the final details surrounding this weekend and urged everyone to plan to enjoy this second not so annual fun time. See flyer in "Something of Interest" file ("FILE") for further details.

C. McGaugh Carnival/October 24th: Lion Gary received a request, recently, for the Club to provide and cook hotdogs etc. at this annual event. After some discussion, Lion Bruce moved to allocate \$500 for the food, Second Lion Diane, Carried. Lion Ellen volunteered to put the particulars together. Webmaster to email Club members requesting support in 9:00-12:30 and 12:30-4:00 pm shifts.

D. Chili Cook off: Plans pending.

E. White Cane Program: Lion Gail said our White Cane table will be located at a Leisure World Market Center bank (where Lion Gary works) this Saturday, October 10th from 9 am-12 pm. She related an approximate \$25 donated so far.

F. Status of Booth building, Grill repair and Signage: Booth building tabled until after the first of next year (2010), Lion Bruce to research regulator replacement and; Lion Kristine to research signage cost estimates.

G. Second Cabinet Meeting/ November 8th, 2009, Diamond Bar Country Club, Registration 9:00 am: All members are encouraged to attend. Club will pay for the breakfast.

VI. Other Business:

A. Student Speaker Contest: Lion Patti reported on the status of this Contest.

B. Holiday Party/December 12th: Lion Kristine reminded all about the details of the party--\$50 per person.

C. Christmas at Casa/December 12th: Lion Nikki to assist Lion Scott with the gifts for those at the shelter. . .an estimated 10 kids between the ages of 12-16 years of age (subject to change).

D. Next Program: Lion Gail said our next program to be given by Lions from La Habra Host--HBIC (Help for Brain Injured Children)

E. Fine free badge--one meeting--Lion Gary. Monthly fine free statue--Lion Dewey.

VII. Dinner (no break)

VIII. Resume Meeting 7:52 pm

A. Mystery Lion: Lion Kristine

B. Treasure Chest: Lion Bruce--all LOSERS

C. Tail Twister: Lion Brad--mean as usual but entertaining.

IX. Adjourn Meeting 8:21 pm

Respectively Submitted: Lion Secretary, Renee Schulte



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I. Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance:	Lion Dave Hubbard
Invocation:	Lion Mike Maloney
City of Hope Prayer:	Lion George Dooley
Lions Song:	Lion Dewey

II. Introduction of Guests: La Habra Host members Lions Dick Prescott, Larry Spooner, Evelyn Carrell, Jim Schweitzer and Dave Collins. Harbor Mesa members Lions Marianne Allen, Terri Stoker, Daila Vaden, Cathy Waters, Lisa Knowles, Sally Uhlir, Sue Seager, Gina Stansbury and Carol Proctor. Orange County Center members Lions Del Hosler, Jack Perich, Kurt Vanderwest and Mike Smith. Bijan Norri/Lion Steve Louis. Program guest, Jason Cecil/Lion Gail.

III. Announcements & Correspondence: Lions Gary and Renee reported and sent around the "Something of Interest" File which included other Lion's club announcements and thank you notes. Lion Scott awarded Life Membership status.

Wrap up Reports:

A. Sailing for the Visually Impaired: Lion Dave reported that on Saturday, October 17th, eleven Seal Beach Lions participated in this event volunteering approximately 50 hours parking cars, assisting with food delivery and boat loading.

B. White Cane Program and banner patch preparation: Lion Gail presented White Cane Days October 10th, 9-12 pm, and collected some monetary and eye glass donations. The Club received the two patches ordered in August depicting our two PDG's: Lions Ellen Liebherr and Frank Shufelt. Lion Gail has rearranged/consolidated patches on one of our banners and will sew the patches on our newly purchased additional banner.

C. Lasagna Dinner: Lion Jackie M. reported on the success of this appreciation dinner for the Seal Beach Leos. Sixteen (16) Seal Beach Host Lions donated their time and efforts to thank our Leos.

V. Committee Reports:

A. Catalina Trip/October 23rd-25th: Lion Juliette summarized the final details surrounding this weekend and urged everyone to plan to enjoy this second not so annual fun time. Approximately 20 Lions and guests scheduled to go. Lion Jackie invited members from the Catalina Avalon Lions to join us on Friday evening.

B. McGaugh Carnival/October 24th: Lion Ellen volunteered to put the particulars together and needs Club member's support in 9:00-12.30 and 12:30-4:00 pm shifts. Reportedly about 8-10 Leos will be assisting during the day.

C. Chili Cook off: No report..

Second Cabinet Meeting/ November 8th, 2009, Diamond Bar Country Club, Registration 9:00 am: All members are encouraged to attend. Club will pay for the breakfast. The following Lions are interested in attending: Patti W., Karen Russell, Dave and Gail Hubbard, Bonnie, Gary Denni, Carol Linehan, Gene and Chris Craig, Steve Louis, Renee, Nikki and Bruce.

Christmas Party/December 12th, 7:00 pm Details spelled out in Flyer.

Signage: Report pending.

Visitations: Lion Jackie invited all Lions to attend the next visitation to Harbor Mesa, November 2nd. Meet at Coaches, 5:45—Dairy Queen to follow. Ronald McDonald House arrangements being finalized.

Other Business:

Club shirts are available through Lion Dave for \$40.

Holiday Parade/Breakfast with Santa/Dec. 4th and 12th respectively/Lion Scott will need the Santa throne.

\$100 Donation mentioned for Governor for Ensenada Visitation

VII. Dinner 7:41 pm

Resume Meeting 7:52 pm

A. Program: Jason Cecil with H.B.I.C. (Help for Brain Injured Children, Inc.

B. Mystery Lion: Lion Renee

C. Treasure Chest: Lion Bill--all LOSERS

D. Tail Twister: Lion Brad--mean as usual but entertaining.

IX. Adjourn Meeting 8:48 pm

Respectively Submitted: Lion Secretary, Renee Schulte



**Seal Beach Lions Club
Board Meeting Minutes
October 21st, 2009**

I. Call to Order: 8:54 pm

Roll Call: The following Board members were in attendance: Lions Gary Denni, Renee, Brad Barras, Christine and Eugene Craig, Dave and Gail Hubbard, Jackie Maloney, Allyn Mattox, Jacqui Howes, Barbara Avakian, Barbara Wright and Scott Newton. Excused Board members: Mike B. Al and Lorraine Chavez, Bruce Gormley and Ray Longoria. The following non Board members were in attendance: Lions Bob Heenan, Carol and Dewey Linehan.

Remarks by the President: None

Reading and Approval of the Minutes: M/Lion Jackie S/ Brad Carried

V. Reading and Approval of the Treasurer's Report:

Lion Treasurer Gene to present an accounting of the 2009 Fish Fry for the next meeting.

Taxes Discussion/status pending accountant review

Membership Delinquent Dues: Lions Brad and Scott to help facilitate members delinquent payment. Next action—dropped from roster.

Other Treasurer business:

No motion was made to donate additional monies for the Governor

Sponsorship for Miss Seal Beach pageant participation: Lion Bob Heenan requested \$275 for sponsorship for the pageant. M/S/C 6/4

New Year patch: Lion Gene requested consideration—tabled until charitable giving budget finalized.

VI. Other Business

Christmas Tree Lot: Lion Barbara Wright requested help on Dec. 7th and 14th at the Tree Lot at Ganahl.

Life Member: Lion Scott moved to have Lion Ray changed to Life Membership Status. M/Scott S/ Barbara W. Carried 11/1/1

VII. Motion to Adjourn Allyn./Second Scott/Carried 9:25 pm

Respectively submitted: Lion Secretary, Renee Schulte