



WE SUPPORT

Lions surprise the Orange County Chapter of the USMC First Marine Division with a random act of kindness.

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WE SUPPORT YOUTH

Leo-the-Lion was great publicity for Leos fundraiser at the Seal Beach Art Festival.

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WE GIVE GIFT OF SIGHT

Lions give the gift of sight nearly every weekend during September and October.

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WE WORK

Look here for our meeting minutes.

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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.org



Lions random act of kindness supports First Marine Division

ELLEN LIEBHERR

PDG & IPP

On September 28, the Seal Beach Lions performed a random act of kindness.

A few weeks ago we learned that the First Marine Division retirees would be having their annual luau at the Naval Weapon Station Beach.

PDG Ellen was asked to cater the event, but instead, our club chose to sponsor and pay for the event and surprise them on the day of the luau.

Ellen cooked up pulled pork, chicken, Hawaiian rice, macaroni salad and more for the 35 attendees.

Lions Camille Romano and Samantha Savage handled all of the serving while

Lion Scott Newton manned the bar.

Hawaiian dancers entertained while veterans, both young and old, enjoyed the great weather and tropical setting.

Camille and Samantha had the opportunity to spend time with a veteran who served in both WWII and Korea and received the Distinguished Service Cross for Gallantry.

Scott had the privilege of spending time with a younger former marine who served in Iraq and earned the Navy Cross – second only to the Medal of Honor. These two meetings made the whole event worth it.

Scott stayed to the end, as the bar had to remain open, and surprised the attendees with our gift of the food and drink for the day. They were very grateful.

CALENDAR

Monday, November 11

Veteran's Day Letter Project @ VA Hospital
Veteran's Day Support of VFW

Saturday, November 16

District Meeting: Foothill Region
CASA Auction
Honoring our Fallen

Wednesday, November 20

General Meeting

Saturday, November 23

CLFIS: Imperial

Wednesday & Thursday, Nov. 27 & 28

American Family Housing Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 28

Seal Beach Thanksgiving Dinner

Saturday, November 30

Seal Beach Christmas Tree Lighting

Wednesday, December 4

Lions General Meeting

Friday, December 6

Seal Beach Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 7

CLFIS: Apple Valley

Monday, December 9

Youth Center Tree Lot

BIRTHDAYS

Tuesday, November 12

Linda Stobba

Thursday, November 14

Mike Maloney

Monday, November 18

Julie Craker

Thursday, November 21

Michele Gemar
Ray Longoria
Bob Spriggs

Saturday, November 23

Mary Moser

Thursday, November 28

Les Shobe

Friday, November 29

Mohinder "Mo" Sethi

Tuesday, December 3

Margie Garcia-Hall
Bruce Gormley
Mary Newton

Thursday, December 5

Nick Bolin

Monday, December 9

Edward Zelinske

Tuesday, December 10

Shani rae Erickson
Eric Johnson



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

LINDSAY SAFE

President

As we enter another holiday season, a slew of thoughts and emotions flood our minds. Some become anxious with thoughts of family dinners, looming present to by while others rejoice in pumpkin spice lattes and Christmas music.

As Lions, we continue in our service to the community with a seasonal twist. We gear up to prepare and serve Thanksgiving meals, collect gifts for the kids at CASA, come together to light the Seal Beach Christmas tree, make sure the Christmas parade goes off without a hitch and provide joy for the community with Breakfast with Santa.

The bottom line: we are still as busy as ever. Through all this, however, we must take time to realize there is ALWAYS something to be THANKFUL for.

And in honor of 30 days of thankfulness, I give you my list.

1. The grace of God and the faith that through Him all things are possible
2. My mother's words of wisdom
3. My father and best friend for showing

me that change is possible

4. The rest of my family for their continuous love and support
5. To be alive and healthy
6. The amazing friends I've made through the years
7. Our club and the caring individuals who form it
8. My rewarding career
9. Advising journalism and the friends it made me
10. Living a town as wonderful as Seal Beach
11. The men and women who serve or have served to protect our freedoms
12. The ability to sing and the joy it brings
13. My creativity
14. My horses and Invicta Farms
15. Receiving an education
16. My students for keeping me on my toes everyday
17. Paying off all my debt, so I can travel
18. Long summer days spent on the river
19. Coming home to amazing sunsets
20. Walsworth Publishing Company
21. Sunday Bloody Sunday at The Hangout
22. Taco Tuesdays at Yucatan
23. My dogs Piper and Max
24. My neighbors for their impromptu concerts of the deck
25. The challenges that have made me who I am today
26. The joy of living in California
27. My beloved Nana's ring
28. A Thanksgiving where all friends are welcome
29. Being able to spend a second Thanksgiving with my wonderful extended family
30. Tomorrow begins the countdown to Christmas--my favorite holiday

So Lions, what's on your list?

Yours in Lionism,
Lindsay

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LIONS ^{by} THE NUMBERS

204
lions
worked

1,620
people
served

1,233
lion
hours

Leos raise funds at Art Festival

LINDSAY SAFE

President

More than 60 Seal Beach and VBA Leo Club members spent the weekend cooking up hot dogs and bratwursts at their annual fundraiser during the Seal Beach Arts & Crafts Festival Sept 7 and 8.

Nearly 700 meals were served and about twice as many drinks because of the great weekend beach weather. Leos manned the grills, served food, made lemonade, worked the cash register and more.

Leo-the-Lion was out both days for several hours and even made it to the beach and as far as PCH on Main. It was

great publicity for the Lions as he wore a Seal Beach Lions Club Vest.

Leo advisors Marcia Haley, Cathy Newton, Chris Langlais, Camille Romano, Chardy Lang, Evan Jenkins and Scott Newton provided oversight of the busy weekend where the Leos earned an estimated \$2,500 for charity.

It was great to see new Lion Evan Jenkins serving as an advisor and taking charge of the cooking area.

Amazingly, there were 28 Leos at clean-up and the process took less than 45 minutes from beginning to end. Having the pier storage and a close garage was an amazing benefit and really simplified the weekend.

931
eyeglasses
collected

20
hearing
aids
donated

59
tags
removed

\$5,114
funds
RAISED

McGaugh Carnival another big success

DIANA BRUNJES

Lion

The McGaugh Elementary School Carnival is an annual event in which 100% of the proceeds raised by the Seal Beach Lions go to the McGaugh Parent Teacher Association (PTA).

Each year, from 11a.m. to 3 p.m., the Lions supervise and support the Leos as they grill hot dogs and hamburgers that are generously donated by local restaurants O'Malley's on Main and Hennessey's Tavern.

Over 400 meals were served, for a grand total of \$1200 for the McGaugh Elementary School PTA.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the Leos to give back to a school that many attended as children.



The PTA uses the funds for a variety of things, including computers, equipment, books and more.

Lions serving the event along with chairperson Lion Diana Brunjes include

Brooke Reid, Liz Sontag, Bob Spriggs, Diana Bean, Gary Bean, Evan Jenkins, Karen Russell, Gary Denni, Mike Gibbons, Lee Melody, Maria De La Cueva, Ashley Villarama and Grant Newton.

Santa Ana eye screening proves successful again

CATHY NEWTON

Director

The CLFIS eye screening in Santa Ana on Saturday, Sept. 21 was very special for our club for many reasons.

Seal Beach Lions co-hosted the screening bringing 26 Lions and Leos to work the event, we also brought a Seal Beach homeless person to the screening, and there were several touching moments that helped make our volunteer efforts worthwhile.

Set-up began just after 7 a.m. when the vans arrived. There were at least 150 people in line when we arrived. Volunteers included Lions, Leos, ROP Nursing students and more.

Once everyone was trained, the screenings started around 8:15 a.m. Seal Beach Lions were spread everywhere including registration, crowd control, prescription reading and writing, glaucoma testing, computers and eyeglass distribution.

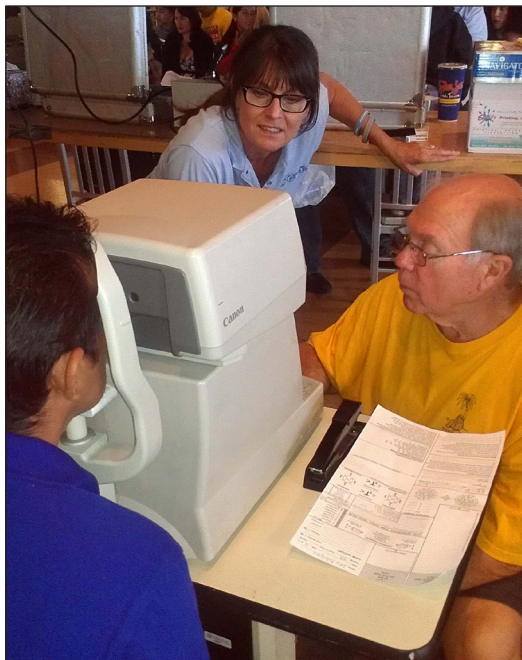
A total of 354 patients were seen and of those patients, 22 needed no prescription, 316 received recycled eyeglasses, and 16 will receive new glasses once we have them made.

Lion Knute Fredholm and his son, Leo Kole, drove Seal Beach homeless man, Buddy, to the screening. Buddy is a well known member of our community who hangs out near Endless Summer on Main Street. Learning of his sight problems, Knute took charge and brought him to this screening. Buddy was our first patient. Leo Kole escorted Buddy through the process and even worked refractometer for Buddy. In the end, Buddy left with new glasses that significantly improved his vision.

Lion Marcella had a touching moment when a child told everyone around her, "I will see my papers and familia now." Lions Scott and Cathy worked with a young boy who exclaimed, "I can see!"

Lions do wonderful things to better our community and we donate to many good causes both locally and internationally, but there is no better feeling than personally helping someone improve his vision and seeing instant, "on the spot" results of our efforts.

CLFIS gives us the opportunity to help thousands each year receive the "gift of sight" in a very personal way.





Lives changed at Oxnard eye screening

CATHY NEWTON

Director

This was a special screening requiring the Seal Beach Sight Team to travel up on Saturday for a rare Sunday clinic.

After setting up at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic School, our club hosted a happy hour for all of the CLFIS volunteers who were there for the night.

We served lots of adult beverages and snacks, created even stronger bonds between Lions of many clubs, and of course, watched the World Series game.

Dr. Brian brought over a very special bottle from his last Mexico trip and we all took turns taking sips, and sips, and sips.

On Sunday, we were up bright and early to start the screening before 7:30 a.m. Scott picked up Lion Cassie who attends Cal State Channel Islands.

Everyone manned their stations and soon we were in full swing and ended up serving more than 425 patients for the day.

This clinic is hosted by the Oxnard Lions

Club(s), so we had an opportunity to 'talk Lions' with our brothers from the north.

Two rookies from our club worked their first clinic and both did a fantastic job --thank you Marcia and Cassie.

More than any other project we do, these screenings create those special Lion moments when you realize what a difference we make in people's lives.

Needy people come to these screenings hoping to see better and in just a few hours, they leave with the gift of sight.

Some leave with better glasses than they had before, some are given referrals for additional treatment, some get brand new glasses made for them, and others with significant vision imparity find out just how bad their vision was before coming to our screening.

Many of us had one or more of those special Lions moments on this day, but one in particular, really will make a difference in the lives of two sisters.

Rita is a 20-year-old girl who, on a few occasions in her life, had sight screenings performed but her parents never followed

up. She heard about our sight clinic and the free glasses, so Rita and her 13-year-old sister, Yuri, waited in line for three hours to get into our clinic.

Lion Cathy pulled the eyeglasses for Rita before meeting her. After calling Rita up to try on glasses, she looked at the prescription to see that Rita was very much nearsighted (-3.5 sphere in both eyes).

When Rita responded that she had never had glasses before, Cathy was beside herself knowing that this poor girl could hardly see at all and could certainly never get a driver's license.

Rita put on the first pair of glasses and with tears in her eyes, declared, "I can see."

Rita's life was improved dramatically because of our desire to help those in need. Rita's face will forever be etched into Cathy and my hearts. That felt good!

And by the way, her little sister Yuri also needed glasses and had a (-2.50) correction. Both girls were very grateful and happy when they left. This is why we do what we do.



Lions just cannot stop giving gift of sight

CLFIS: MURRIETA

Sharing the "Gift of Sight" is the focus of our President, Lindsay Safe, and on Saturday, October 12, 2013, Lion Gary Bean and Lion Diana Bean joined the California Lions Friends in Sight at a vision screening with the Murrieta Lions Club.

We arrived at the screening location and began to set up for the day. The vision screening began at 8 a.m. and the last patient of the day was leaving with their recycled eyeglasses at 2 p.m.

Why do we do this? Well here is the day's vision screening findings.

A total of 203 patients were seen for the day. Of the 202, 11 needed no prescription, 14 need glasses to be made at the optical lab and 177 received recycled eyeglasses.

One patient needs assessment for a developing macular hole, one patient needs strabismus surgery, one patient needs cataract surgery on one eye and five patients need assessment/treatment for glaucoma.

CLFIS: SAN JACINTO

This rare Friday screening was put together to support State Senator Bill Emerson's clinic. Senator Emerson is the person who helped get legislation passed to help CLFIS programs.

This was Lion Bob Spriggs first clinic. Bob was able to work in several areas, including dispensing eyeglasses to patients. Lion Gary Bean also worked most of the time dispensing eyeglasses.

Lions Diana Bean and Scott Newton ended up as Dr. Brian's assistant at the exam station. They dilated patients eyes using several prescription drops, they interviewed youth regarding their sight issues and Dr. Brian was continually showing them eyes with glaucoma and cataracts and teaching them a great deal about eye care and sight diseases. Needless to say, this was a very rewarding assignment but also a bit stressful--in a good way.

Scott had the opportunity to help a large family go through the screening process. The mother of seven kids brought six of them to the clinic and five of the six needed glasses.

Fortunately, CLFIS had the correct prescriptions for all five

kids. These kids were so well behaved and so appreciative of getting glasses that he wanted to take their picture. The group hug of all five kids with mom and him made the whole day worthwhile.

CLFIS: WEST COVINA

We just can't keep the Seal Beach Lions from serving up at another California Lions Friends in Sight vision screening with the West Covina Lions Club.

Lion Ken Robinson and Lion Dave Schwien arrived to help at the screening location at 8 a.m. and helped set up for the day.

The vision screening began at 9 a.m. where Lions Gary and Diana Bean joined them after the Tri the Beach event!

The last patient of the day was leaving with his recycled eyeglasses at 3 p.m.

Lion Diana Bean had the pleasure of fitting two brothers with glasses, the oldest brother was so excited to find purple on his glasses, his brother is Autistic and does not speak, but his smile showed his excitement in receiving his new glasses, they were so excited to see and receive their tootsie pops as well.

A total of 209 patients were seen for the day. Of the 209, 23 needed no prescription, 12 need to be made at the optical lab and 174 received recycled eyeglasses.

One patient needs surgical excision of a pterygium, one patient needs assessment/tr coma and onepatient needs cataract surgery.



UPCOMING VISION SCREENINGS

Saturday, December 7
Apple Valley, CA

Saturday, December 28
Palm Springs, CA

Saturday, January 4
Blythe, CA

Saturday, January 18
Grand Terrace, CA

Saturday, February 8
Santa Paula, CA

Saturday, February 22
Riverside, CA



Lions welcome VBA Leos

CAMILLE ROMANO

Secretary

What a fabulous night Friday, Sept. 27, 2013, turned out to be. Eight Seal Beach Lions attended the Village Bible Academy's newly chartered Leo Club dinner. This club is proudly sponsored by the Seal Beach Lions. PDG Ellen Liebherr catered a delicious dinner of Lasagna, salad and bread.

In attendance to celebrate this new club were Lions Scott and Cathy Newton, Lion and Zone C Chair Dave Hubbard, Lions Diana and Gary Bean, Lion Camille Romano, Lion Nikki Illingworth. Seal Beach Leo Cameron Moore's mother Ramona attended as well since Cameron could not be there.

Two Seal Beach Leos were also present: President Carl Aaker and Leo Miles Austin. President Carl presented the VBA club with a \$50 donation to help them

get started. Seal Beach Lions presented the VBA President with a \$1,000 check to help them with the many projects they already have lined up.

Special, and surprise guest, District Governor Sheila Casteel was in attendance to welcome these wonderful kids to the family of Leos/Lions. Sheila gave a five minute talk on leadership that was very poignant and inspiring.

All the people in the audience learned something from DG Sheila. Needless to say, the VBA Leos and their parents felt even more special because District Governor Sheila took time on a Friday night to come welcome the new club. Thank you Sheila. Lions Jack and Wanda Tanaka also joined the celebration and contributed a donation to help the club get started.

All in all, it was a wonderful evening, and it was an honor for all of us to welcome this charming and lively group of young adults to join the Lions family.

Lions support annual Tri the Beach



DIANA BEAN

Director

With safety vests and flags in hand, nine Lions and 11 Leos staged at various areas on the bike paths cheered on the bikers during that segment of the event.

We were charged with the safety of the bikers along the bike path from Rivers End to College Park West and back. Jobs included directing them under the bridges and at the turn around area. We had two bikers go down and assisted in contacting first aid.

Lion Laura Ellsworth equipped with a Pedego Bike picked up all the event signs on the bike paths.

Founder's Day BBQ

MIKE FERREIRA

Lion

On Oct. 6, Lion Mike Ferreira chaired the Founder's Day BBQ. Lions Gary and Diana Bean, Margie and Frank Hall, Lee and Donna Melody, Scott Newton, Ernie and Melanie Wallner, Joan Wilkins and Barbara Wright helped with the event.

The menu consisted of hot dogs, turkey dogs and bratwurst with chips and a soft drink. The Leos cooked and helped with site setup and breakdown.

We sold one box of hot dogs, one box of turkey dogs and box and a half of bratwursts before we packed up for the day.

White Cane Day Fun

LEE LINDQUIST

Lion

White Cane Day was a fun day with all the locals coming by to say, "Hi" and to see what we were doing.

I explained what White Cane Day was about and some even donated money for the cause.

Lions Gary Denni, Barbara Wright, and Lynn Lindquist came by to help.

Many people asked what the Lions do and I explained what it is that we do for the community and surrounding cities to help out in any way we can.

Lions help Hopkinson

ALAN & LORRAINE CHAVEZ

Lions

For the fifth year, we loaned our grills to Hopkinson for their annual carnival.

Lions Alan and Loraine with help from others loaded up the equipment, trained parents, cleaned the grills and got them back just in time for the McGaugh carnival.

Orange Zone C Meeting

DAVE HUBBARD

Lion

On Wednesday, October 23, 16 Seal Beach Lions, plus our own Orange Zone C Chairperson Dave Hubbard, attended the Zone C meeting.

Lion Dave started the meeting with stressing the importance of clubs submitting their activities and achievements on time. Dave solicited opinions from various attendees on how to grow our club and retain members.

Lion Dave also reviewed leadership development and asked us to think about any potential new clubs in our zone.

This was an informative meeting with good ideas presented for us all to consider.



Lions provide additional help at annual Wag 'n' Walk

LINDSAY SAFE

President

On Saturday, September 28, 2013, Seal Beach Lions volunteered to cook and sell hot dogs at the annual Seal Beach Wag 'n' Walk event held at the Seal Beach Pier.

This event helps the Seal Beach Animal Care Center, a local no-kill animal shelter, raise funds to operate their facility. Lions and Leos once again stepped in to support a community activity.

Furthermore and in the Lions spirit of seldom saying "no," the Animal Care Center asked our club to help set-up and tear down the overall Wag 'n' Walk event and we agreed.

This project was independent of Lion Nikki Illingworth's Wag 'n' Walk BBQ but many of the people who helped with logistics stayed to help set up the Lions booths.

Starting at 7:15 in the morning, Lions and Leos set up tables and

chairs, assisted in unloading trucks, assembled canopies, helped vendors set up and did other jobs as needed.

What was expected to be nearly a two hour job turned out to take just over an hour and fifteen minutes.

Many of the Animal Care Center volunteers were so very grateful for our assistance which elected a great deal of hugs. Dee Carey, the center's director, personally thanked us for the help.

The clean up crew was led by Lion Diana Bean who first had to retrieve all of the dog water bowls from the parade route after the animals were done walking.

Thankfully, only water bowls needed to be "cleaned up." At the end of the event, Diana and her crew stacked tables and chairs as well as assisted vendors with taking down canopies and loading their cars.

Our assistance was greatly appreciated on this project and I would recommend that we do it again next year if asked.

Sailors have great time with SB Lions

DAVE HUBBARD

Lion

The 24th annual Sailing for the Visually Impaired was held at the American Legion Hall in Newport Beach on Saturday, October 24th. The program provided a day of sailing for blind and visually impaired individuals, their family and escorts. Approximately 180 individuals participated with approximately 150 volunteers, cooking, serving, escorting, and sailing them. The Seal Beach Host Lions participated for the 15th year. We had 19 volunteers at the event. We had 11 Lions, five Leos from the Village Bible Academy, and three additional volunteers helping.

We assisted in seating and serving meals to the participants. Additionally, Lion Gary Snow assisted with setting up the sound



system for the entertainment. Lion Marcela McSorley photographed the participants as they were escorted to the boats. Lions Samantha Savage and Shani Rae Erickson helped with the registration. Shani Rae and Lion Leanne Sabo also sold raffle tickets. Our Lions escorted the participants to and from the boats.

The Leos "babysat" the seeing-eye dogs while their masters were sailing. Our other

volunteers helped serve, sell raffle tickets and assist participants when needed.

Lion Dave Hubbard was asked to explain to the participants the goals of Lions in the challenge to be "Knights of the Blind and Visually Impaired." The club donated a gift card to the raffle and we picked up some eye-glass lenses. Our 90 hours of volunteer time were welcomed by both the sponsors of the event and those we helped.

Look for more from October in the next issue of The Growl!! Official Meeting Minutes

**SEPTEMBER 4, 2013
GENERAL MEETING**

President Lindsay Safe called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Lion Les Shobe leads the club in the salute to the flag of the greatest country on earth, the U.S.A.

Lion Ray Longoria leads the club in the Invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: We had returning guests, Mike from Virginia Beach, VA and his friend Hilda from Huntington Beach. The following five guests became members tonight (see board meeting notes). Lion Ray Longoria presented Susan Pierce who is re-joining our club tonight. Lion Joan Wilkins introduced Janet Horowitz. Lion Mardele Gardiner introduced Lauri Blanchard. Lion Scott Newton introduced former Leo's Eric and Shaina Denny. Five of our seven guests became members tonight!
LOTS OF PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS TONIGHT!:

A) President Lindsay asked the group for volunteers to be greeters at the front table at our meetings. She would like one or two people to volunteer each meeting to sit at the table to help people with the sign in sheet, to answer questions, and to be the face of our club for the evening. Lindsay suggested sitting there from about 6:15 to 7:00 pm.

B) President Lindsay also reminded everyone that District Governor Sheila Casteel will visit our club on September 18, 2013. The cost for dinner this evening will be \$10/person, with a no host bar. Lindsay encouraged everyone to come and meet our very engaged and enthusiastic District Governor. This will be a fun meeting.

C) Lindsay reported that the District Governor's fund raiser will be at Ponderosa Pete's on Saturday, October 5, 2013. She encouraged everyone to attend as this should be a super fun event.

D) Pres. Lindsay reminded everyone to come out to the Art Fest this weekend at the Seal Beach Pier to either help or support the Leo's as it's their biggest fund raiser of the year.

E) Lindsay announced our first "Happy Hour" will take place at The Hangout at Main Street and Ocean Blvd on Monday, 9/9/13 between 5:30 and 7:30 pm. She encouraged everyone to come and meet and socialize with their fellow Lions.

F) Madam President mentioned the Sunset Beach Chili cook-off is taking place on Saturday, 9/14/13.

G) Lindsay was contacted by the downtown Long Beach Lions Club. They are holding their annual "Sight First Health Fare on Saturday, October 5th and asked if one of the SB Lions would deliver the sight and hearing van to them. Lion Mark Kavanaugh volunteered to do this!

H) President Lindsay also readdressed the issue of why we stopped passing the basket for donations to the City of Hope. As a club we donate to City of Hope, but for those who want to make a personal donation at our meetings we have a separate City of Hope jar at the greeter's table.

I) Lindsay asked Lion Esther to speak to us about the Bay Theatre. Lion Esther asked everyone to sign a petition to help keep the theatre operating as either a movie theatre or a live performance theatre.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS:

IPP Ellen Liebherr presented the following Lions with outstanding

service awards: Lion Scott Weir; Lion Nick Bolin; Lion Marcella McSorley.

President Lindsay then presented IPP Ellen with a "25 years of Service to Lions" award. Well deserved award IPP Ellen!

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Ronald McDonald House: LB 9/8: Lion Adriana is cooking lunch here on Sunday, 9/8 and asked for five volunteers. Lions Ray Longoria, Renee and Bruce Gormley all raised their hands to help.

B) Visitation HB Lions Oktoberfest 9/19: Lion Nikki has sign-up sheets for this really fun event at Old World in Huntington Beach on Thursday, 9/19/13.

C) CLFIS: Lion Scott Newton reminded the club of the following sight screening, Santa Ana, CA on Saturday, 9/21. Scott advised us that we met our demand for at least 25 Lions to come and help. This is a huge screening event.

D) VBA Leos Charter Night 9/27: New Lion Chardy Lang encouraged everyone to come support the new Village Bible Academy Leos club on Friday, 9/27. Cost of attendance is \$15.

E) Founder's Day: 10/16: Lion Mike Ferreira reminded us about the 98th annual Founder's day event. He will have sign-up sheets at our 9/18 meeting. Lions will be cooking and serving food from 10:30am to 2:30 pm.

F) Big Bear Lions Oktoberfest 10/12: Lion Tom Duszynski reminded us that this event is coming up on October 12th. More details to follow but Tom thinks he and Robin will host another reception at their Big Bear home on Friday, 10/11.

G) Lions Camping Trip 10/18-20: Lion Brad asked that those that are interested in this trip to send him a message of their interest in the trip. He has arranged for "mobile apartments" to be delivered to the camp site for those that don't want to go to a motel or sleep on the ground or don't have their own camper.

OLD BUSINESS:

A) CLFIS: Phelan: Lion Scott Newton reported this was a huge success. Well worth the drive to Phelan. Many, many people in need of eyeglasses were served.

B) Visitation: Orange Street Faire: The lions that attended this event had a good time, even with the very, very, and very, very warm weather. Those that went had a great time, and enjoyed supporting our fellow lions in Orange.

Treasure Chest Drawing:

After the last two weeks of big winners, we had no money winners this week but we still had fun listening and watching Lion Bill give away some money and prizes.

Fines and Happy Dollars:

Tail Twister Mike Haley has a new collection basket (really boys!) and collected a lot of happy dollars in it this evening.

Adjourn:

Without any other business, President Lindsay adjourned at 8:04pm.

**SEPTEMBER 4, 2013
BOARD MEETING**

1) Call to Order: President Lindsay calls the meeting to order at 8:13pm.

2) Roll Call: Diana Bean, Scott Newton, Marcia Haley, Mike Haley, Tom Duszynski, Rose Marie Baker, Camille Romano, IPP Ellen Liebherr, Nick Bolin, Les Shobe, and Ken Robinson. Absent: Nikki Illingworth, Neil Gormley, Marie De le Cueva, Laura Ellsworth, Grant Newton, Cathy Newton.

3) Membership Proposals: Susan Pierce, Janet Horowitz, Lauri Blanchard, Shaina Denny, and Eric Denny were presented to the board for membership. Lion Mike Haley made a motion to approve new members; Lion Marcia Haley seconded; motion carried by the board.

4) Secretary's Report: Lion Mike Haley made a motion to approve the secretary's report; Lion Diana Bean seconded; motion

carried by the board.

5) Treasurer's Report: No action was taken on the report this evening.

6) Melvin Jones Fellowships: President Lindsay asked for a vote to approve spending \$8,000 for eight more Fellowships for recipients of this most prestigious award. IPP Ellen Liebherr made a motion to approve; Lion Scott Newton seconded; motion carried by all board members.

7) Admin Budget: Lion Terry Stephenson, head of the Finance Committee, presented the board with the 2013-2014 Admin Budget. After a thorough explanation of the items in the budget, Lion Mike Haley made a motion to approve; Lion Nick Bolin seconded; motion carried by all board members.

8) Other Business: Lion Les Shobe asked the board for a donation of up to \$1,000 toward the Military organization M.R.W. (moral recreation welfare). Lion Scott Newton advised Les that he will take it to the Steering Committee meeting in October, and will advise Lion Les of their decision after the committee has voted on it.

With no other business to discuss, President Lindsay adjourned the meeting at 8:31 pm.

SEPTEMBER 18, 2013 GENERAL MEETING

President Lindsay Safe calls meeting to order at 7:07pm.

Lion Ray Longoria leads the club in the salute to the flag of the greatest country on earth, the U.S.A.

Lion Mike Ferreira leads the club in the Invocation.

Guests: WOW, another record night for guests! Lion Jim Klisanin brought Laurin DeVine; Lion Evan Jenkins presented his parents, Keith and Valerie; Lion Adriana introduced Anicia Vintimilla; Lion Mike Haley invited Helena Ybarra and Adam Gardiner; Vic and Nancy Grgas introduced Michael Treece; Lion Diana Bean brought Liz Sontag; Lion Matti Kline introduced her friend Karin Gregg in from Arizona; Lion Mark Kavanaugh introduced Long Beach Lions Kurt and Hilda Davis; and Lion Chardy Lane introduced her daughter Jennifer Lane, the newly elected President of the newly chartered Village Bible Club Leo Club.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

A) President Lindsay reminded the club about the upcoming Region meeting on September 24, 2013.

B) President Lindsay announced the Zone meeting on October 23, 2013 which will be held at the Garden Grove Lions clubhouse.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) HB Lions Oktoberfest Visitation (9/19): Lion Nikki encouraged everyone to attend this event as it is a lot of fun with lots of beer, brats, music, beer, and merriment.

B) CLFIS (9/21): Lion Lindsay Safe, in the absence of Lion Cathy Newton, encouraged everyone to attend this screening. As mentioned time and again, screenings are a very rewarding project.

C) VBA Leos Charter Night (9/27): VBA President Jennifer Lang asked for a show of hands of those that maybe attending this event. She welcomed everyone to come and enjoy the evening with these new Leos.

D) Wag-n-Walk (9/28): Lion Nikki advised the club that sign-up sheets were going around for anyone who wanted to help with this annual event.

E) Founder's Day Concert & BBQ and White Cane Days (10/6): Lion Mike Ferreira reminded the club about coming out and helping with this event.

F) Big Bear Lions Oktoberfest Visitation (10/12): In the absence of Lions Tom and Robin, President Lindsay encouraged everyone to get signed up for this visitation. Sign-up sheets were on each table.

G) Lions Camping Trip (10/18-20): Lion Brad again remind-

ed everyone to let him know if they were interested in attending. 30 people have signed up so far.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business was discussed due to the Governor's visit.

- Lion Lindsay called for a dinner break at 7:27pm; meeting resumed at 7:56pm.

- President Lindsay began the Governor's visit by introducing Zone Chairperson Lion David Hubbard who kicked off by introducing Orange Region Chair Roy Ramsland who in turn introduced District Governor Sheila Casteel. Sheila introduced her cabinet: Immediate PDG PJ Smith; 1st Vice District Governor Gil Smith; PDG John Casteel; Public Relations and Media Chairperson Carol Van Holt; and Orange Region Chair Roy Ramsland.

- DG Casteel's purpose for this visitation was not only to pass on the International President's message of "Follow Your Dream" but to pass on her theme of "Make the World a Better Place." DG Casteel asked what was our dream for this club? Lion Seth Eaker answered that our dream was to be # 1 in our district, up from our current number 3 position. DG Sheila also asked us to reach out to other clubs and offer our help. DG Sheila reminded our club about her fundraiser on October 5, 2013 at Pete's Ponderosa.

- PDG PJ Smith then awarded PDG Ellen Liebherr three awards.

- President Lindsay presented DG Sheila with a Dr. Bryan Van Huser Fellowship Award.

- President Lindsay announced that Lion Evan Jenkins (our youngest Lion ever) will be the Junior Grand Marshall of the Seal Beach 2013 Christmas Parade.

- Lion Jim Klisanin proudly announced that Lion Seth Eaker will be honored with "Citizen of the Year" award. Details to follow.

- President Lindsay also announced the following 10 2013-2014 Melvin Jones recipients: Lion Jim Klisanin, Lion Tom Duszynski, Lion Diana Bean, Lion Gary Bean, Lion Ryan Ziegenbusch, Lion Marcia Haley, Lion Ray Longoria, Lion Laura Ellsworth, Lion Renee Gormley, Lion Bruce Gormley
A HUGE congratulations to all recipients!

Adjourn:

Without further ado, President Lindsay adjourned at 8:45pm.

OCTOBER 2, 2013 GENERAL MEETING

President Lindsay Safe called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Lion Chani DeMello leads the club in the salute to the flag of the greatest country on earth, the U.S.A.

Lion Gary Denni leads the club in the Invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Another record night for guests. Seven guests became members tonight: Gary Landis; Matthew Clark; Brooke Reid; Roger Lange; Elizabeth Sontag; Rick Kreuzer; and Kim Kreuzer. Additionally, Lion Scott Newton presented Jim and Wendy. Lion Rocco Mann introduced Buddy from old town Seal Beach, and Lion Bob Heenan introduced our guest speaker Dr. Nilesh Vora.

SECRETARY'S COMMENTS: Secretary Camille reminded everyone to bring a pair (or two or three) of new pajamas to our next meeting as she will be delivering them to the District Meeting in November, 2013.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

President Lindsay asked Lion Frank Carvajal to speak about the Seal Beach Tree Lighting Ceremony, which Frank advised is being held on November 30, 2013 from 4-7pm. Volunteers are needed to set up and tear down.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) CLFIS: Lion Scott Newton reminded the club of the following sight screenings in October: Murrieta on 10/12; San Jacinto on 10/18; West Covina on 10/19; and Oxnard on 10/27. Again,

everyone was encouraged to attend one of more of these screenings to get the true sense of what Lionism is about.

B) Sight First w/Downtown Long Beach Lions (10/5): Lion Mark Kavanaugh reported that LB Lions need help from 8-10am for set-up and also from 8:00am to 4:30pm to help man the event. Lion Mark will deliver and return the Lions sight van to LB.

C) Founder's Day/White Cane Days: (10/6): Lion Mike Ferreira reminded us about the 98th annual Founder's day celebration. Mike has sign-up sheets and reminded us that Lions will be cooking and serving food from 10:30am to 2:30 pm. Additionally, Lion Lee Lindquist will be manning a table handing out not only white canes but literature on Lions as well as literature our club's LAG project.

D) Big Bear Lions Oktoberfest (10/12): Lion Tom Duszynski reminded, and encouraged us to attend this event. We get possibly two visitation credits for Big Bear. He has 17 Lions signed up so far.

E) Ronald McDonald House in Long Beach (10/13): Lion Joan Wilkins announced we will be cooking dinner. She recommended looking in the ROAR for details on time and positions to be filled.

F) Seal Beach Triathlon (10/19): Lion Diana Bean requested volunteers to help with staging of this event which begins at 7:00 am at River's End Cafe. She will need about 10 adults and 10 Leos to help man the bike path. Event will be from 8:00-10:30 am.

G) Sail for the Visually Impaired (10/19): Lion Marcella gave details on this event which will be held at the Newport Beach Yacht Club from 7:30am to 5:00 pm. She needs volunteers to help with parking; escorting people to and from the club; to and from their tables; and also escorting them to the boats.

H) Lions Camping Trip (10/18-20): Lion Brad advised us there are three trailers left. These are the \$300 trailers. Between Lions and others about 25-40 people signed up.

I) McGaugh School Carnival (10/26): Lion Diana Brunjes needs volunteers to help set up, cook, and tear down for this event. She needs help from about 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

J) Wings, Wheels, Rotors Expo (10/27): Lion Ray Longoria needs help setting up Saturday evening, 10/26 for the Expo on Sunday 10/27. Volunteers are needed on Sunday from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm and/or 12:00 to 5 pm. There will be pumpkin decorating for kids. Should be a fun event.

PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER: Tonight we had the pleasure of welcoming Oncologist Niles Vora, M.D. who spoke to us about his program at Long Beach Memorial Hospital called "The Bucket List Project." According to Dr. Vora, this can best be described as a "make-a-wish" for his adult patients. Dr. Vora and his staff's goal is to help his patients live for the "now." It was a pleasure having Dr. Vora join us for his presentation. More details, and his website, will be listed in the ROAR for anyone wishing to contact him.

OLD BUSINESS:

A) Huntington Beach Oktoberfest: Lion Nikki reported 16 Lions attended this event and plenty of beer and brats were consumed, and the "chicken dance" was done by many.

B) VBA Leos Charter Night: Lion Chardy Lane reported there were 78 people in attendance to help celebrate this new Leos club. PDG Ellen Liebherr catered dinner and eight SB Lions attended to support these great kids. Chardy was very appreciative and thankful for the support.

C) CLFIS Santa Ana: Lion Knute spoke about how rewarding this screening was to him. He appreciated getting a first-hand look at what all our efforts in collecting glasses does for the underprivileged. Lion Maria also contributed that this screening anticipated serving about 350 people however, close to 600 showed up!

D) Random Act of Kindness for Marines: PDG Ellen reported that this project turned out better than expected. Lions were asked to cook and serve lunch for a group of retired Marines. At the end of the luncheon Lion Scott Newton surprised the group telling them the lunch was paid for by the SB Lions club. They

were very appreciative.

E) Wag 'n Walk: Lion Nikki reported that 13 Lions and 20 Leos cooked and sold hot dogs and brats. After two and a half hours, she ran out of food. She made \$550 which will all be donated to the SB Animal Shelter.

No Treasure Chest Drawing Tonight:

Fines and Happy Dollars:

Tail Twister Mike Haley was kind to everyone tonight and skipped the "fines" collecting and only collected Happy Dollars, which made everyone even happier!!

Adjourn:

Without any other business, President Lindsay adjourned at 8:07pm.

OCTOBER 2, 2013 BOARD MEETING

1) Call to Order: President Lindsay calls the meeting to order at 8:13pm.

2) Roll Call: Diana Bean, Scott Newton, Marcia Haley, Mike Haley, Tom Duszynski, Rose Marie Baker, Camille Romano, IPP Ellen Liebherr, Nick Bolin, Les Shobe, Ken Robinson, Nikki Illingworth, Neil Gormley, Marie De le Cueva, and Laura Ellsworth. Absent: Grant Newton and Cathy Newton.

3) Membership Proposals: Roger Lange, Gary Landis, Matthew Clark, Brooke Reid, Elizabeth Sontag, Rick Kreuzer, and Kim Kreuzer were presented to the board for membership. Lion Nick Bolin made a motion to approve new members; Lion Mike Haley seconded; motion carried by the board.

4) Secretary's Report: IPP/PDG Ellen Liebherr made a motion to approve the secretary's report; Lion Diana Bean seconded; motion carried by the board.

5) Treasurer's Report: Lion Camille Romano made a motion to approve the treasurer's report; Lion Maria De le Cueva seconded; motion carried by the board.

6) Charitable Giving Report: Lion Scott Newton, representing the charitable giving members reported we have two and a half times more money for discretionary "unplanned giving" this year than in any other year. There is \$19K left to give away. We will look at the charity account again in January or February, 2014 and determine what our plan of action will be with any remaining funds. Lion Mike Haley made a motion to approve; Lion Les Shobe seconded; motion carried by all board members.

7) PDG Ellen Liebherr made a motion to give \$1,000 to the Long Beach Memorial Palliative Care Program to specifically go to "The Bucket List Project." Lion Marcia Haley seconded; motion carried by all board members.

8) PDG Ellen announced that Lions International President, Mr. Barry Palmer, has planned a trip to visit our club on December 29, 2013. Ellen made a motion to the Board to approve \$1,000 to go toward this visit. Lion Mike Haley seconded; motion carried by all board members.

9) Lion Scott Newton asked the board to make a \$90.00 donation to the new Bolsa Grande High School Leos Club in Garden Grove, CA. PDG Ellen made a motion to approve this request; Lion Nick seconded; motion carried by all board members.

10) On Behalf of Lion Matti Kline, Lion Scott Newton made a motion for \$250 to be approved for the Wings, Wheels, and Rotors project for supplies and food. Lion Les seconded; motion carried by all board members.

11) Lion Scott Newton requested \$250 to purchase a Christmas tree ornament for the City of Seal Beach Christmas tree. PDG Ellen made a motion to approve this expenditure; Lion Diana Bean seconded; motion carried by all board members.

With no other business to discuss, President Lindsay adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.

OCTOBER 16, 2013 GENERAL MEETING

President Lindsay Safe called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Lion Lee Melody leads the club in the salute to the flag of the greatest country on earth, the U.S.A.

Lion Maria De la Cueva leads the club in the Invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Sometimes we have more guests than other clubs have members! Seven guests joined us tonight. Lion Chardy Lang introduced her daughter Jennifer, who is the current President of the VBA Leos. New Lion Gary Landis introduced his friend Chris Lloyd; Lion Sue Scott Charles presented possible new Lion Gloria Applebaum; Lion Carol Hamburger brought her friend from Portland, OR Stephanie Jones; New Lion Susan Pierce brought Laurie Krueger; New Lion Brooke Reid convinced her father Mike Harvey to attend; and Lion Scott Newton introduced two prospective new members, Jim and Wendy Schulien.

SECRETARY'S COMMENTS: Secretary Camille reminded everyone to either bring a pair (or two or three) of new pajamas to our next meeting in November or to drop them off at the UPS store in Seal Beach. She will deliver them to the District Meeting on November 16, 2013. She also reminded everyone to come to the District meeting as it satisfies one requirement for a new Lion to earn their Proud Lion pin.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

A) President Lindsay asked for our attention while Lion John Doogan presented New Lion and former Leo President Evan Jenkins with the 2012-2013 International "Leo of the Year" Award which is awarded for outstanding leadership abilities. This is only the second time in our club's history that one of our Leos has received this prestigious award.

B) VBA President Jennifer Lang presented President Lindsay with a thank you plaque for sponsoring their new club.

C) Lion Scott Newton presented VBA President Jennifer with her club's official bell and gavel. She was very happy!

D) Lion Lindsay also advised us that after the conclusion of our business this evening, we had a guest speaker.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) CLFIS: Lion Scott Newton reminded the club of the following sight screenings in October: San Jacinto on 10/18; West Covina on 10/19; and Oxnard on 10/27. Again, everyone was encouraged to attend one of more of these screenings to get the true sense of what Lionism is about.

B) Seal Beach Triathlon (10/19): Lion Diana Bean asked for two more adult volunteers to help with staging of this event, which begins at 6:45 am at River's End Cafe. Event will take place from 8:00-10:30 am.

C) Sail for the Visually Impaired (10/19): Lion Marcella gave details on this event which will be held at the Newport Beach Yacht Club from 7:30am to 5:00 pm. She needs volunteers to help with parking; escorting people to and from the club; to and from their tables; and also escorting them to the boats.

D) Lions Camping Trip (10/18-20): Lion Brad advised there is one trailer left. These are the \$300 trailers. Between Lions and others about 25-40 people are signed up.

E) McGaugh School Carnival (10/26): Lion Diana Brunjes reported that she now has enough volunteers to help set up, cook, and tear down for this event.

F) Wings, Wheels, Rotors Expo (10/27): Lion Mattie Kline reported that help is still needed on setting up Saturday evening, 10/26 for the Expo on Sunday 10/27. Volunteers are needed on Sunday from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm and/or 12:00 to 5 pm. There will be pumpkin decorating for kids. Should be a fun event.

G) Lions Christmas Party (12/13): Our annual party will be held at the Seal Beach Yacht club. Stay tuned for more details.

H) Zone C Meeting (10/23): Lion Dave Hubbard reminded us of this meeting, which is being held at the Garden Grove Lions Club. Meeting starts at 7pm. Please contact Dave for more infor-

mation or if you plan on attending.

I) International President's Visit (12/29): Lion Scott Newton reported what an honor it is that the Lion's International President is visiting our club. Stay tuned for more details.

J) Project Chairs Needed: Lion Scott asked for a volunteer to help with the SB Chamber Veteran's Day event on 11/11/13 from 9:30-12:30 and the SB Chamber Thanksgiving Dinner on 11/27/13 at St. Anne's church. Treasurer Laura Ellsworth volunteered.

OLD BUSINESS:

A) Huntington Beach Oktoberfest: Lion Tom reported that 29 Lions and friends attended this event this visitation and had plenty of beer, brats, and fun.

B) Sight First w/Downtown Long Beach Lions (10/5): Lion Mark Kavanaugh was absent this even so no report was given on this project. However, it was reported by Jennifer Lang that many VBA Leos helped at this event.

C) Founder's Day/White Cane Days: (10/6): Lion Mike Ferreira was absent tonight so no report was given on Founder's Day. Lion Lee Lindquist reported that the White Cane table set up at this event was very successful with a lot of the public stopping by asking questions.

D) Ronald McDonald House in Long Beach (10/13): Lion Patti Hall reported that along with her co-chair, Joan Wilkins, 12 Lions and 1 Leo helped serve dinner to 47 adults and 10 children this night.

Guest Speaker: Ms. Laura Hertzog from the organization "Honoring our Fallen" presented a slide show and a 15 minute summary of this organization's purpose. She explained that all the volunteers in H.O.F. commit to helping families, widows, and children of soldiers who died in combat. Their help includes everything from buying groceries to buying airline tickets for relatives of these soldiers. This is a non-profit, volunteer only organization.

At the end of the presentation, President Lindsay Safe presented Ms. Hertzog with a \$1,000 donation from our club. Ms. Hertzog was most appreciative.

Treasure Chest Drawing Tonight:

Lion Gary Denni is our new Treasure Chest MC.

Lion Bill Howes has retired from the job.

Fines and Happy Dollars:

IP Tail Twister Brad Barras was kind to everyone tonight (thank goodness) and skipped the "fines." Only Happy Dollars were collected.

Adjourn:

Without any other business, President Lindsay adjourned at 8:12pm.