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The President's Message:



So it's Sunday, August 27th, and another beautiful day in Seal Beach. Earlier today I had washed both of our cars and as a reward I felt a cocktail was in order. We also wanted to stop at an open house on First Street to check it out. Well, the house was a bit odd but most houses in old town are a bit odd because they started out as bungalows, which people bought with the intention of remodeling into McMansion's. They end up with odd floor plans. The one we looked at had the family room upstairs where you would expect the master bedroom to be.

Anyway, we continued on to Hennessy's, which was crowded and noisy so we went over to O'Malley's. Much quieter there but by then we were thinking that McKenna's By The Bay would be a better choice so we walked up to Alamitos Bay and found a place at the bar in McKenna's. They have a Bloody Mary bar there, which Jacqui highly recommends. For \$3.00 they give you a shot of vodka and a glass. So you go over to the Bloody Mary bar and they have about twenty-five items you can put in it. I had had a Mai Tai at O'Malley's so I stuck with that at McKenna's. Very tasty. I was half way through my second drink at McKenna's when it occurred to me that the president's message was due. So we walked home and here I am up in our computer/hobby/nap room watching "The White Buffalo" with Charles Bronson and trying to think of something relevant to put into this month's message.

The first thing that comes to mind is whether I can write a better message sober or inebriated. I guess that is for you, the reader, to determine. A Big Thanks go out to Lion Khryste Langlais for chairing the Council of the Blind Barbecue fund raiser which happened to fall on the same day as our End of Year Party at the Naval Base. see next page

Meeting schedule: First and Third Wednesday of the month. Meetings begin at 7pm sharp and are held at 'The Lone Star SteakHouse', 6575 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, CA



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Lions George Layman and Biff Horvatin did a great job with the party. The catered lunch was great. There were problems with the jockey box that the Budweiser distributor gave us along with a keg of Bud and Bud Light but we still managed to consume a large amount of beer. I would also like to congratulate one of our newest Seal Beach Lions, Bonnie Jackson, on her marriage, which also happened to fall on the same day as the Beach party. It was a very busy August 19th.

Events coming up: The City of Orange Festival (I know it's not called that but I can never remember the right name) which we are assisting the Orange Lions Club with on Labor Day weekend. The Seal Beach Arts Festival which is the Leos Club's largest fundraiser which falls on the weekend of September 9th, the Governor's Official Visitation on Sept. 20th and the Ensenada Visitation on Sept 21 thru the 24th. I hope also to see you all at the Huntington Beach Host Oktoberfest at Olde World in Huntington Beach on Sept. 28th.

Finally, I would like to re-institute a custom that we have gotten away from in the last ten years. When I first edited the growl back in 1996 it was expected of each Chairman of each of our events that he or she write a report about their event to be published in the Growl. We have gotten away from doing this and I would like to see it re-instituted. So I am asking Lion Herb, the current editor of 'The Growl' to "remind" our chairpersons that a report will be expected for the edition of 'The Growl' following their event. This is strictly voluntary but I would like to see all chairpersons participate.

Yours in Lionism,
President Bill

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CLUB CALENDAR

- Monday, September 4, 12:00am Labor Day(fed holiday)
- Tuesday, September 5, 6:00pm Leo Summer End BBQ
- Wednesday, September 6, 7:00pm General and Board meeting
- Saturday, September 9, 12:00am Leo's Art Show BBQ Fundraiser
- Sunday, September 10, 12:00am Leo's Art Show BBQ Fundraiser
- Sunday, September 10, 12:00am Grandparents Day
- Monday, September 11, 12:00am Patriot Day
- Monday, September 18, 6:30pm Leo Meeting
- Monday, September 18, 12:00am U.S. Airforce Birthday
- Monday, September 18, 12:00am Orange Region Meeting
- Wednesday, September 20, 7:00pm Membership meeting-Governor vission
- Thursday, September 21, 7:00pm Oktoberfest visitation
- Thursday, September 21, 12:00am 50th Ensenada Visitation
- Friday, September 22, 12:00am 50th Ensenada Visitation
- Saturday, September 23, 10:00pm River Clean-up
- Saturday, September 23, 12:00am 50th Ensenada Visitation
- Saturday, September 23, 12:00am Autumn begins
- Saturday, September 23, 12:00am Rosh Hashanah
- Sunday, September 24, 12:00am 50th Ensenada Visitation

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One night at Cheers, Cliff Clavin explained the "Buffalo Theory" to his buddy Norm:

"Well ya see, Norm, it's like this. A herd of buffalo can only move as fast as the slowest buffalo. And when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first. This

natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members! In much the same way, the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cells. Excessive intake of alcohol, as we know, kills brain cells. But naturally, it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, making the brain a faster and more efficient machine! That's why you always feel smarter after a few beers.



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Editors note:

As Lion President Bill has indicated in this month's message, a voluntary request is going out to all Chair person's of events to write a little something about the event they chaired. To some, this may appear a tall order. In hindsight it displays a reaffirmation that maintaining a legacy file for you, and generations of Lions to come, to read the varying accounts and view-accompanying images from an event is important.

When you think about it, used properly the newsletter can become a recruitment tool. Sharing with friends and family a copy of the newsletter –filled with written accounts of charity events and social good deeds- may very well result in having that added arrow in one's quiver to bring that person along to a meeting or event, and ultimately join our family of philanthropists in our beloved City of Seal.

Yes, each month, I will **gently** remind the Chair's of performing this task.

In closing, I remind you that this is *your* Growl.

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