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President's message:

The month of August started with the visit of the District Governor, Judy Schnitzer, and her cabinet on August 5th. She told us about her experiences at the International Convention including the address by our new International President, Eberhard J. Whirfs. President Wierfs symbol is the Ginkgo Tree, a tree that lives over 1,000 years. Just as the ginkgo tree survives by growing and adjusting to changes in its

environment, so must LIONS IN THE 21ST CENTURY. President Wierfs believes that through member recruitment, listening to members' new ideas and adjusting to change that Lions will remain a viable and thriving institution in this new century. There are many time-honored methods that we use to recruit new members, but there are new technologies and the ideas of fellow Lions that can also help us in this effort. Governor Judy also outlined her program for the district 'Light the Path for Service'.

First District Governor Norm MacKenzie discussed the 2010 Rose Parade Float that Lions International will be entering in the parade and the various ways that funds will be raised for the cost of the float.

I would like to thank Governor Judy and her cabinet for an interesting and informative visit. On August 8th Lions Carol and Dewey Linehan, David and Gail Hubbard, Renee Schulte, Bruce Gormley and I attended the La Habra Corn Festival. The temperature was in the mid 70's and we all had a great time enjoying a variety of foods and seeing the various exhibits.

The month of August ended on a sad note with the passing of Lion Diane Kelly and Bob Eagle who has been Santa for a number of years at our annual "Breakfast with Santa" every December. Diane and Bob will be missed.

Although August has been a slow month, the tempo will pick up in the next two months. Please keep your calendar open with these dates in mind.

September 9th, the Foothill Region will take place at 9191 Baseline Rd., Rancho Cucamonga and John Casteel will be the speaker. The event starts at 6:30 PM.

September 14th, the Saddleback Region Meeting at 10410 Edinger Ave, Fountain Valley, will be held at 6:30 PM.

Saturday, September 19, 2009. we will be working on the River and Costal Cleanup. We meet at the garage at 8 a.m. and will need somebody with a pickup truck. We will be serving hot dogs, various chips, coffee, orange juice and soft drinks to the people who work in the cleanup campaign. Closing time for the event will be noon.

September 22nd the Orange Region Meeting will be held at the Westridge Golf Club, at 1400 S La Habra Hills Dr, La Habra, CA 90631. Starting time is 7:00 p.m. For more information call Region Chair Pete Badame at 562-697-4343.

October 10th, Worst Night at the Films 5 at 618 - 17th St, Huntington Beach. \$12.00 admission price. Films start at 7:00 PM. The event is sponsored by the Huntington Beach Host Lions. This should be fun if you enjoy of films of low or no quality.

October 23-25 is the date for our club's 2nd Annual Catalina get away trip. Lions Juliette and Dave have put together quite a package, and I urge all Lions to consider this event. You will enjoy it.

Well, that's all for now.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Gary

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

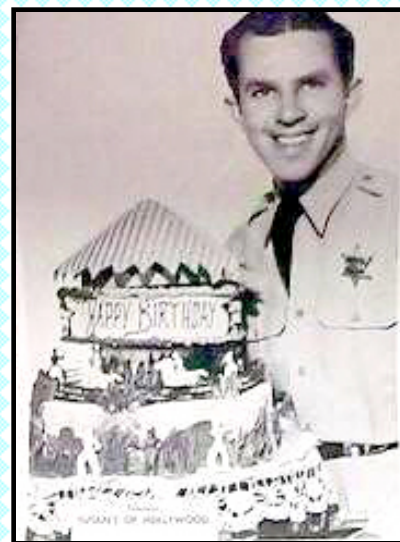
- Sept 12-13 - Seal Beach Leos ArtFest
Sept 19 - River Cleanup, 9 am-12:30 pm
Oct 3 - CASA Youth Shelter Fundraiser
Oct - Open House-Camp at Teresita Pines, 10am - 4 pm
Oct 19 - Huntington Beach Lions Oktoberfest, Old World Village, \$12 per person
Oct 19 - Sailing for the Blind
Oct 23-25 - Catalina Trip, \$261 per person/double occupancy
Oct 23-25 - Huntington Beach Lions-Laughlin Trip
Oct 24 - Support Your Governor, Pete's Ponderosa Ranch-Yorba Linda, \$35 per person
Dec 12 - Christmas Party, \$50 per person
Feb 26-March 1 - Carnival Cruise/Ensenada Visitation, \$310 per person

Ronald McDonald House Scheduled Dinners

- October 19, 2009
November 10, 2009
December 17, 2009
March 17, 2009

Happy Birthdays to:

- Linda Stephenson 9/1
Bill Howes 9/2
Mary Ludington 9/7
Mike Haley 9/18
Inger Newton 9/23
Brad (Tail Twister) Barras 9/26
Marilyn Redd 9/27
Eugene Craig 9/27
Allyn Mattox 9/29





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Lion Barbara Wright is recuperating from surgery. She broke her ankle on a recent trip to Cambodia. No more Jungle Boogie for you, Barb! Hope you feel better soon!

Welcome New Seal Beach Lions



**Governor's
visitation
8-5-09
Lone Star Steak
House Long
Beach**

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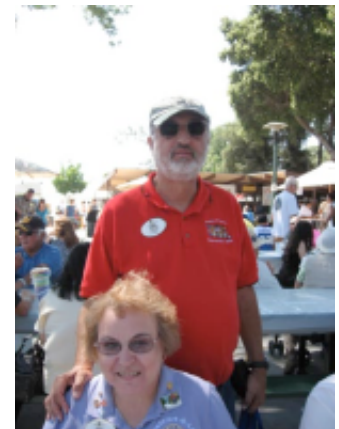
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Lion Renee' Schulte enjoys a cob of corn with Lion Doris North, Lion Carol Linehan and Past District Governor Jim North at the LaHabra Corn Festival.



50th Anniversary 1959 Les Paul Standard

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73rd Student Speaker Contest

"Universal Health Care - How Will It Affect Us?" is the topic for the 73rd Student Speaker Contest. It will be very interesting to hear how each of the Students deals with this Subject Matter. The Contest takes place all over California and starts at the Club Level in February of 2010 and will end June 5, 2010 in Stockton, California at the Council of Governors Meeting.

There is so much in the news right now about this particular subject it will be very interesting what the Students come up with.

This year being elected to the Student Speaker Committee as the Area 4 Committee Member it was interesting to hear how the Governor's pick the Topic. The committee was presented with over thirty topics. We narrowed it down to five with lots of discussion and input from about twenty-five Lions from all over the state. Then the Governor's are presented the five top Topics' and they choose the one they feel would have the most impact.

Every year the Committee also suggests improves to the Handbook which must be approved by the Governor's. One big change is the Winner at the Club, Zone and Region Level will receive an additional \$25. The committee felt in this economy and the cuts here in California to education the extra money would be an increased incentive.

Lion Carol Linehan Area 4
Student Speaker Committee 2009 - 2013

Governor's Visit and new member induct



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Come Sail Away for a Visitation with the Lions of Ensenada
aboard the

“Carnival Paradise”

Round trip from the Port of Los Angeles (Long Beach) to Ensenada, Mexico!

Join Governor Judy & District 4-L4

Friday Feb. 26, 2010 - Monday, March 1, 2010

On a Fabulous 3-Day Mexican Cruise Visitation

Join Governor Judy for this Fantastic 3-Day Cruise. We will be scheduling a Visitation to the Ensenada Lions, the **longest standing International Visitation in Lions history** - 51 years! A lunch will be planned at a cost, to be determined, for each person attending - which is separate from the price of the Cruise. This is the most fun way to visit our Amigos in Ensenada. The **“Carnival Paradise”** is your: “Hotel,” featuring “Fine Dining with Fabulous Food” - “Someone else to clean up your room!” - and “Amazing Entertainment!” This is the way to go with no hassle! *Just ask last year's sailors!*

CRUISE COSTS:

*Prices quoted include all Taxes***

Inside Cabin: 1st & 2nd passenger - \$300.10* Per Person (Based on Double Occupancy)
3rd, 4th or 5th passenger in same Cabin - \$160.10* Per Person

Outside Cabin: 1st & 2nd Passenger \$330.10* Per Person (Based on Double Occupancy)
3rd, 4th or 5th passenger in same Cabin - \$170.10* per Person

Suggestion: As the cruise price is so reasonable, you might like to make a \$30 donation per person (\$60 or more per Cabin) to District 4-L4. In turn, Governor Judy can use this to make a donation to the Lions of Ensenada.

*If a Fuel Supplement is enacted the price could raise by \$9 per day per person.

****Also included is all of the fun and camaraderie of Lions that you can imagine!**

Payment Schedule:

- o Deposit of \$25 per person- by September 11, 2009
- o 2nd payment of \$75 per person by October 29, 2009
- o Final Payment due December 23, 2009

Please call or email Lion Carol Linehan 714-846-2478 or Carol_Linehan@yahoo.com ASAP, or Lion PDG Barbara Hayward 714-545-6126 with any questions.

Vamos a Ensenada!

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Lion Diane Kelly passed away peacefully in the home of her sister Lion Cathy and brother-in-law Lion Kraig Bekke. Her family was at her side. A memorial service was held Saturday, August 29th, 2009 at St. Annes Church in Seal Beach at 10:30 am with a gathering at Finbars immediately after.

Lion Diane Kelly

21 Years A Lion

1988 Seal Beach Lioness Club

2nd Vice President Charter Member

1992 Seal Beach Seaside Lions Club

Director Charter Member

2006 Seal Beach Lions Club

Melvin Jones Fellow

Offices Held By Diane:

1st Vice President

2nd Vice President

3rd Vice President

Treasurer (2 times)

Tail Twister and Lion Tamer

Director (7 times)



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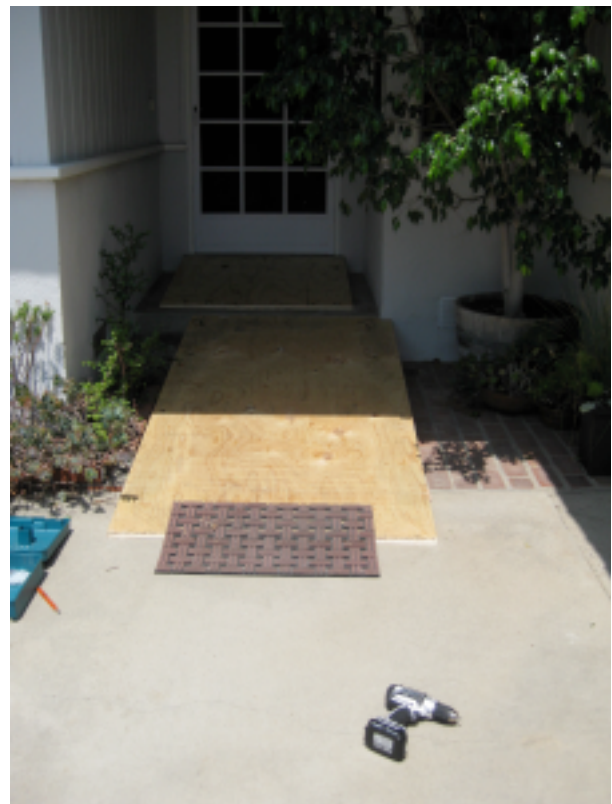
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A memorial service for long-time Lion and Seal Beach Santa Bob Eagle was held Saturday at Grace Community Church at 2 p.m.

Donations may be made in Eagle's honor to Grace Community Church in care of the music ministry, 138 8th St., Seal Beach, CA 90740.

Lions Bruce Gormley and Ray Longoria showed their Lion's spirit by pitching in to help Lion Barbara Wright. Our two volunteers built a wheelchair ramp so Barbara could maneuver her way into her home with her leg in a cast. That's showing great Lion Spirit!



Did you know that by mentioning "Seal Beach Lions" to your cell phone company, you may be eligible for a discount? I just received one from Sprint. Ask you cell phone provider if you qualify....



August Changes By Allyn Mezin Mattox

August was a month of visitations, new members and losses for the Seal Beach Lions.

We welcomed new Governor Judy Schnitzer and her cabinet at our August 5th General Meeting.

It was exciting to see her and hear about her coming year.

Many members are looking forward to going on the Ensenada Cruise that she has planned with our own Lion Carol Linehan.

The three-day Mexican extravaganza leaves from Long Beach on February 26 and cabins are affordably priced at only \$330.10 per person based on double occupancy.

Sounds like a great way to spend a weekend, cruising our beautiful California Coastline with fellow Lions.

Seal Beach Lions also enjoyed a visitation from many members of the Huntington Beach Host Lions Club at the August 19 meeting at the Lone Star Steak House.

Past District Governor Jim North and his wife Doris were present, as well as Huntington Beach Club President Leonard Gleason.

Huntington Beach Lion Eric Halsey invited all Seal Beach Lions to attend some upcoming events of the Huntington Beach Lions, including the Oktoberfest, which will be held on October 15, 2009, at Old World Restaurant in Huntington Beach.

Seal Beach Lions happily welcomed many new members into our club this month.

At our August 5th meeting we welcomed new members Bonnie Milam, Kevin Kelly, Mike Knapp, Michelle Vadon, Ken Wirtz, Cathi Lander and Kevin Bhatt.

At our August 19th meeting we welcomed new members Nicole Illingworth and Dominic Giannotti.

We will be looking forward to passing out some Proud Lion Awards and Proud Sponser Awards soon.

Welcome new members!

Sadly, August was also a month of losses for our club. Lion Bob Eagle, who happily worked as the Seal Beach Santa Claus for many years at our Pancake Breakfast, passed away suddenly from a heart attack on August 18, 2009.

We also lost our beloved Seal Beach Lion Diane Kelly, who passed away from cancer on August 26, 2009. Diane was a lion for many, many years and will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with her sister and brother-in-law, Lions Cathy and Kraig Bekke.

Rest in Peace Bob and Diane...



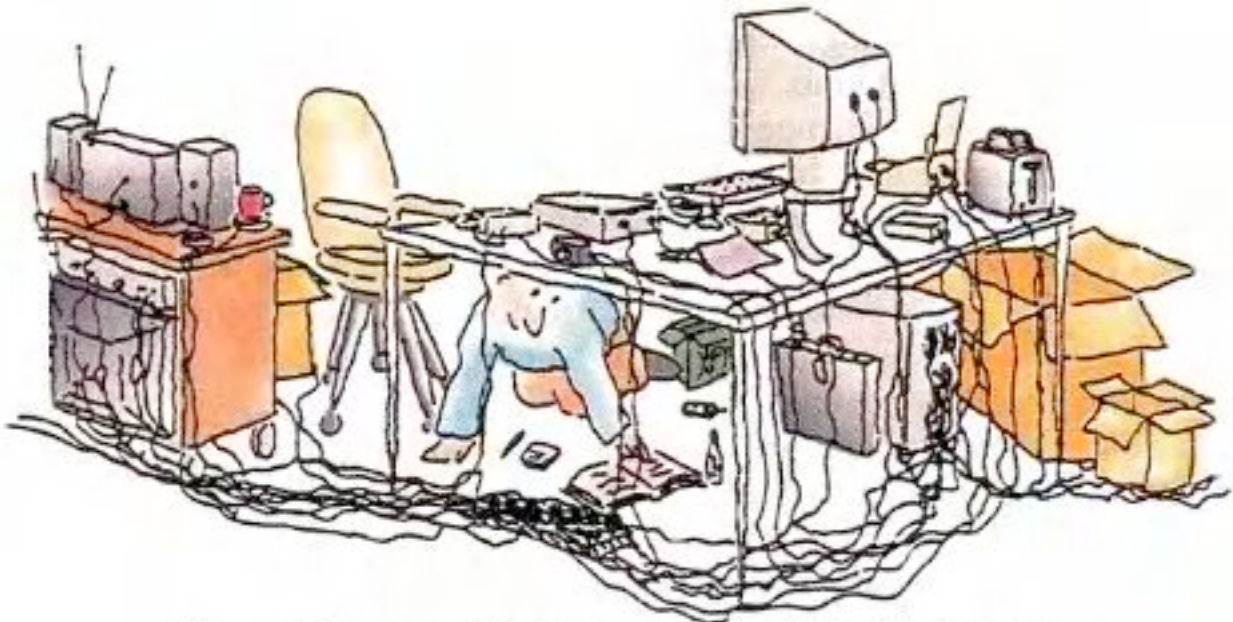
To earn the PROUD LION AWARD, a Lion must accomplish the five tasks listed below:

Each New member is encouraged to accomplish the five tasks within six (6) months of membership.

1. Attend a club board meeting.
2. Participate in a club service or fundraising activity.
3. Introduce a prospective member to the club.
4. Make a visit to another club and secure a visitation slip.
5. Attend a zone, region, district, multiple district meeting or international convention.

To earn the PROUD SPONSER AWARD, a Lion must accompany a new member as he/she accomplishes the 5 tasks listed below:

1. Attend a club board meeting.
2. Participate in a club service or fundraising activity.
3. Introduce a prospective member to the club.
4. Make a visit to another club and secure a visitation slip.
5. Attend a zone, region, district, multiple district or international convention.



“Now, if you can find the power switch, flip it on.”



**Seal Beach Lions Club
Board Meeting Minutes
August 5th, 2009**

I. Call to Order: 6:30 pm

Roll Call: The following Board members were in attendance: Lions Gary Denni, Renee, Allyn Maddox, Dave and Gail Hubbard, Ray Longoria, Barbara Avakian, Bruce Gormley, Brad Barras, Eugene and Christine Craig. Excused Board members: Jacqui Howes, Al and Lorraine Chavez, Jackie Maloney, Barbara Wright, Michael B. and Scott Newton. The following non Board members were in attendance: Lions Dewey Linehan, Bonnie Milam, Terry and Linda Stephenson, Michele Vandon, Ken Wirtz, Mike Knapp and guest Kevin Bhatt.

III. Motion to Invite Keven Bhatt to join the Seal Beach Lions Club: Motion Made/Lion Ray Motion Seconded/Lion Bruce So moved and passed unanimously.

IV. Motion to Adjourn: M/S/C Adjournment 6:45

Respectively submitted: Lion Secretary, Renee Schulte



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Seal Beach Lions Club General Meeting Minutes August 5th, 2009

- I. Call to Order: 7:00 pm
Pledge of Allegiance: Lion Carol Linehan
Invocation: Lion Barbara Avakian
City of Hope Prayer: Lion Dan Sinks
Lions Song: Lion Dewey Linehan

II. Introductions of Guests: 2009-2010 District Governor Judy Schnitzer and her Cabinet visited the Club. The following potential new members were introduced (1) Mary Poissant/Lion Allyn (2) Mary Montes/Lion Carol Linehan (3) Lynne Higgins/Lion Marilyn (4) Dr. Teny Topalian/Lion Gary Denni (5) William Melody/Lion Lee Melody (6) Steven Lewis/Lion Kevin Kelly (7) Nichole Illingworth/Lion Jim Klisanin and (8) Dominic Giannotti/Lion Jim Klisanin

III. Announcements & Correspondence: Lions Gary and Renee reported

Wrap Up Reports:

Fish Fry and Car Drawing: Lions Mike and Jackie Maloney—No report. A \$500 donation was received and acknowledgement made for continued support from Clancey's owner, Steve Mier

First Cabinet Meeting: Lion Karen Russell/Zone "C" Chairperson reported that Seal Beach Lions had 12 members present; Lion Dave will give a MERLO seminar August 15th at the GG Clubhouse

V. Committee Reports

La Habra Corn Festival: Lion Dave announced the dates 08/07-08/09 and encouraged the Club to make it a visitation.

River Clean Up: Lion Gary said it will be Sept. 19th

Other: (1) Visiting Lion Lorna Badame requested our support for her annual CHOC Walk. (2) Lion Carol Linehan reported on some of the results of the Area 4 Student Speaker Convention she attended: the next topic for this year's Student Speakers Contest is "Universal Health Care—How Will It Affect Us?" She also said prize \$\$ at the Club level have been increased.

Dinner Break: 8:00

Resume Meeting: 7:15

Announcements: (1) Lion Barbara Wright recovering from a broken ankle sustained in Cambodia (2) Lion Diane Kelly needs our support (3) Brea Lions All Stag Golf 09/24 If interested see Lion Dave Hubbard

Mystery Lion: Lion Dave Hubbard

Treasure Chest Drawing: Lion Bill Howes/no winners but added \$200

Tail Twister: Lion Brad—lots of fines and many happy \$\$'s

VIII: Adjourn Meeting 7:44 pm

Respectively Submitted: Lion Secretary Renee Schulte

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**Seal Beach Lions Club
Board Meeting Minutes
August 19th, 2009**

I. Call to Order: 8:30 pm

II. Roll Call: The following Board members were in attendance:

Lions Gary Denni, Renee, David and Gail Hubbard, Gene and Christine Craig, Jacqui Howes, Bruce Gormley, Brad Barras, Ray Longoria, Al and Lorraine Chavez, Judy O'Neill, Allyn Maddox, Scott Newton and Barbara Avakian. The following Board members were excused: Jackie Maloney, Barbara Wright, Mike Narz and Mike B. The following non Board members in attendance were Lions Kevin Bhatt, Karen Russell and Jim Klisanin. Guests in attendance were as follows: Kenneth Gertz, Nichole Illingworth and Dominic Giannotti.

III. Treasurer's Report: Motion was made/S/Carried to accept the Report as given. Committee needs to create an Administrative Budget using Quicken to pull out historical 2-3 year expense data. Motion made/S/Carried.

IV. Secretary's Minutes: Motion was made/S/Carried to accept July's Board and General Minutes as written..

V. Old or Unfinished Business:

A. Tax Issue: Lion Bruce Gormley reported no new issues for discussion.

New Banner: Lion Renee ordered a new awards banner including two patches representing the Club's Past District Governors: Lion Frank L. Shufelt and Ellen J. Liebherr.

VI. New Business

A. Steering Committee First Report: Lion Jacqui Howes--Action Items needing immediate consideration--

(1) River Cleanup 450.00

(2) American Diabetes \$300.00

(3) Casa Youth Center \$3,000.00

Motion made/S/and Carried to spend the suggested dollars to these events/organizations.

B. New fryers, grill and booths Motion was made/Second and Carried to purchase 2 new fryers, 1 small grill, fix the big grill and build instead of buying new booths.

VII. Approval of New Members: It was M/S/C to welcome Nichole Illingworth and Dominic Giannotti/Sponsor Jim Kilsanin to the Seal Beach Lions Club.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn: M/S/C 8:45

Respectively submitted Lion Secretary Renee Schulte



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Seal Beach Lions Club General Meeting Minutes August 19th, 2009

- I. Call to Order: 7:00 pm
- A. Pledge of Allegiance: Lion Lorraine Chavez
 - B. Invocation: Lion Christine Albertalli
 - C. City of Hope Prayer: Lion Scott Newton
 - D. Lions Song: Lion Gary Denni

II. Introductions of Guests: Huntington Beach Lion visitation Chairperson Scott introduced their members in attendance. Lion Gary introduced potential new member Teny Topalian and Lion Jim introduced potential new members Nicole Illingworth, Dominic Giannotti and Kenneth Gertz.

III. Announcements & Correspondence:

Lion Gary announced the following dates for visits to the Ronald McDonald House: Oct. 19th, Nov. 10th, Dec. 17th and March 17th, 2010

Lion Renee reported on the upcoming Open House at Teresita Pines, Saturday, September 12th, 2009

Lion Scott announced the upcoming major LEO fundraiser Art Festival Barbecue on September 12th & 13th at the pier and the need for our Club to show our support by volunteering especially the latter part of each day.

Lion Christine updated the Club about the Dec. 12nd Christmas Party at her home. Fifty dollars per person and transportation will be made available.

Lion Jacqui asked for a show of hands of those interested in attending this years Casa Youth Shelter Auction Oct. 3rd. Club has in its budget enough for two tables of 10.

Lion Karen announced the Governors upcoming Ensenada visitation Feb. 26th-March 1st (flyer available)

HB Lion Scott announced their Clubs upcoming events: Oktoberfest/Oct. 15th, Laughlin trip Oct. 23-25th \$135 person and the event "Worst Night at the Movies/Oct. 10th Donation \$10 (flyer available)

Lion Jim announced the death of long time City worker, Santa Claus and friend of the Seal Beach Lions—Bob Eagle

Wrap Up Reports:

La Habra Corn Festival: Lion Dave H. reported our Club made this event a visitation with seven members attending and La Habra Lions sold over 13k ears of corn.

V. Committee Reports

River Clean Up: Lion Gary/Dave Co Chair Sept. 19th 9-12 pm Lion Gary still needs a truck to transport grill.

Sailing for the Blind: Lion Dave Oct. 17th

Catalina Trip: Lion Juliett Oct. 24th-26 \$261 per person/deadline Oct. 1st.

Sept Program: Lion Gail Topic to be "Support Our Troops". She needs a laptop for presentation purposes.

White Cane and Member Recruiting: Lion Gail updated the Club regarding the most recent progress.

Year End Party: Lion Gary reported the most recent options for the party. After discussion a motion was made to cancel the party and use the \$\$\$'s to offset some of the costs for the Christmas party. M/Lion Brad S/Lion Bill H. Motion carried.

Dinner Break: 7:45 pm

Resume Meeting: 7:46pm

Mystery Lion: Lion Chicken

Treasure Chest Drawing: Lion Bill Howes/all losers

Tail Twister: Lion Brad—lots of fines and many happy \$\$\$'s

VIII: Adjourn Meeting 8:15 pm

Respectively Submitted: Lion Secretary Renee Schulte

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