

El Cajon Valley Lions

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40 Members and 0 Guests

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DARK NEXT MONDAY, JAN 19

OPENING

Naturally, it was a warm and sunny day in the middle of January, which is quite the norm here in East County. Heads were hung low because of the Chargers lost yesterday and after some consoling from our fellow Lions we realized it was just a game and there is always next year. (Every year it seems like we hear that comment a lot with the Chargers.) As the lunch was being served, low and behold, who should walk in but Lion Kirby Morrison. Good to see Lion Kirby again. Glad to take him off of the Missing Persons report. ☺ Lion Aaron George was with us again today making it two meetings in a row. President Gary started the meeting and Lion PP Jerry Hollingsworth led us in song. We were much better this week and I can see we're getting our rhythm back, though not for long because we are dark next week for Martin Luther King's Birthday. Lion PP Mark Clifton asked us to put our right hand over our left heart and recited the pledge. To finish off, Lion PP Guy Duffin did the invocation that had us girding our loins in there and we were left with the feeling of solace.

EASY MEETING

We had the Board Meeting last Thursday and because of this being the Monday after, no program and all, there was no pressure of time and everyone was in a very relaxed state. President Gary started off by announcing that the Citizen of the Year will be on Monday, Feb 23. Kirk Gentry is our Citizen this year and it will be held on our Monday. No need to sign up, just show up. Gator on the Bay will be on May 9th and we're looking at taking over the whole program. The Opportunity Drawing was announced today to be on May 30th. Lion PP Mark Clifton has offered the Smart Car as our prize. More information on the drawing to come later. President Gary asked Lion PP Ray Hackworth to come forward to accept his pin from Lions International for 25 years of Lionism. Congratulations, Lion Ray. Lion PP Mark Clifton received a pin from Lions International for the 5 new members he brought into the club.



SURGERY TODAY

Lion Dick Rogers is having his knee dealt with today and we all wish him a rapid recovery and are looking forward to him hobbling in to the meeting. Our prayers are with you and if you need anything you know this is not the club to call ☺

HAPPY DOLLARS

Now I hate this part because this club is so generous, that it is hard to keep up at times. Lion PP Tom Hoban stood and declared that the party yesterday was a success and everyone had fun. He felt that the members that showed up should pay his fine for getting a new car. Now when that didn't happen, he suggested that everyone there that had a good time put in \$5 and everyone that didn't show put in a dollar. Now no one could argue with that and the money just started filling the basket. There was no way for me to record everyone that was generous in that offer. It appears that there was a pool for yesterday's game

and the big winner was Lion Ray Hackworth. He and Al Buki (the money man) donated \$50 dollars to the basket. Lion PP Ray got up later and accounted for a trip where he made out



like a bandit gambling on a ship. He proceeded to donate another \$100.00. Lion PP Mark Clifton gave \$5 for yesterday's game. Lion Roger Stebleton put in \$20 for a trip to Cabo and Golf. Lion Sheri gave \$5 for Hoban's Party. Lion Bill Sturgeon gave \$5 but I forgot to write down why. Ooops ☹ PDG Len gave \$5 for a trip to Alabama where he said it was very cold. And again, I'm not quite sure what is going on but Lion Bob Acker wanted to buy the exempt badge for the remaining of the month for \$55. When Lion President Gary said OK, Lion Bob started filling out a pick slip and said what the heck, "Let's make it an even \$100". Now Lion PP Trent said he promised he would tell and Lion Bob would not admit to what was up. If anyone knows why Lion Bob wanted to cough up \$100, let me know. You know I have no problem tattling in this newsletter.



VP REPORTS

3RD VP Don announced that Flag Day is in the near future and more will be forthcoming.

2ND VP Marlene had to leave early for court but President Gary said that the MD4 Meeting in Fresno is coming up.

1ST VP Walt talked about the Opportunity Drawing will be held on May 30th. He said Lion PP Mark Clifton donated the car at which point Lion Mark had a stroke. Lion Walt also announced that we will have a Casino Night on July 25th. More on that later.

ATTENDANCE DRAWING

President Gary was about to ring the bell when he remembered the attendance drawing. On the first pull from Lion PP Tom Hoban, our very own Lion Aaron George was the winner. Now Lion Aaron aren't you glad you showed up today. With all that money you won today you could pay for your Christmas lights for a whole year ☺

EL CAJON VALLEY HOST LIONS CLUB BOARD MEETING JANUARY 8, 2009
LOCATION: HOBAN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT TIME: 6:13 PM

ADJOURNED 7:15 PM

ATTENDANCE: President Gary Sims, 1st VP Walt Simmons, 3rd VP Don Anthony, Secty. Gary Robinson, Treas. Paul Tremblay, Greeters Earl Irey, Sharie Hoops, Tailtwister PP George Hurst, Directors, David Keen, John Raymond, Publicity Warren McKenna, Bull Ed PP Ed Waymire, PP Ray Hackworth, PP Tom Hoban, PP Mark Krause

REASURER'S REPORT General Account \$ 9,000.35; Activities Account \$ 2,575.25; City of Hope \$ 442.40; Members Current Account \$15,177.00; Total Assets \$27,195.00.

VICE PRESIDENT/COMMITTEE REPORTS: 1st VP Walt Simmons: Fundraisers: Casino Night Saturday July 25; "Spring Fling" tentative date April 25. PP Tom Hoban suggested we contact PP Mark Clifton as to the availability of a "Smart Car" as a Grand Prize or Cash prize of \$8,000 as we did last year. Tickets will be \$100/ea or 5 for \$400.

2nd VP Marlene Coyne (in Texas) - MD4 Convention in Fresno in February PP Ray Hackworth is up for an award for his work with Camp Jack. 3rd Cabinet meeting will be March 13/14 in Holtville@ Barbara Worth CC. Golf only \$25. Rooms \$80/night. See Secty Gary for information. Student Speaker Contest Monday Feb.16. This will be a regular meeting held at 6:00pm. Bring your significant others to fill up the room. PP Ray Hackworth reports that he has not had any response yet on participants.

3rd VP Don Anthony Flag Day- Mike Lawler, Pres. Gary Sims, VP Don Anthony and PP George Hurst to speak to the principal at Greenfield Elementary concerning a program in February. Leos Visitation in March? Don will speak to Mike Raney and Mike Carleton about setting up the visitation.

Sight and Hearing-John Raymond - Request again for the \$13,205.00 through the El Cajon Valley Lions Foundation. The El Cajon Valley Lions Club board directs the Foundation to fund the project. The need is there now and we have the funds. Lion Warren McKenna wants a Lion's decal on each piece of equipment we donate.

OLD BUSINESS: Mike Carstensen has submitted his letter of resignation from Lions. Board accepts the resignation. Salvation Army Bell ringing totals are in and we lost to the Rotarians by \$5.47. President Gary Sims has to take Rotary President Alison to lunch.

NEW BUSINESS: Gator by the Bay will be May 9-10 (Mothers Day weekend). We can take over the booths or work the main booth and all net funds will go to the El Cajon Valley Lions Club and not the Lions District. PP George Hurst will check with the event coordinator to see what our participation will involve. Citizen of the Year will be our regular joint meeting with Rotary on Monday Feb. 23. Meal cost will be \$19/person. Lion Don Anthony has requested new club caps. They should be dark blue with a gold Lions emblem. Secty. Gary to check with Ron Black if not available through Lions Intl. Food for next meeting- PP George Hurst