

El Cajon Valley Lions

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38 Members and 1 Guest

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Student Speaker Contest is next Monday. That will be an evening meeting starting at 6:00. Dinner at 6 and the speakers will start promptly at 7.

OPENING

On a day where we were wondering, should we stay inside and draw out the plans for the ark or should we chance going to our weekly meeting that we get so much enjoyment out of? The mighty rain god was playing tricks with us giving us every variety of rain we could think of throughout San Diego. But 38 members and one soon to be member said "No way is this stopping me from an excellent lunch and companionship from my fellow Lions!" Even Lion PP Ron Snow showed up, defying all logic. When he was pointed out by the president of his attendance many members said "WHO!" Lion PP Jerry Hollingsworth gave us the song "God Bless America" and our dynamic duo was with us for the second week in a row. PP Ron Snow led us in the pledge instructing the members to place our right hand on our left heart. And naturally our cream of the crop PP Guy Duffin finished with our invocation for the day.

Guest

We had for the third week in a row, Kiley Grunstad, who picked up an application last week and will be voted on this coming Thursday at the board meeting.

UP-COMING EVENTS

Board Meeting will be this Thursday at Hoban's place. It will be starting early at 5:30 so 3rd VP Don can show us the flag program for the school.

Habitat for Humanity was postponed until Saturday February 28 starting at 8 am. Location is 800 Avocado in El Cajon. Just bring lunch and something to drink as we will be there till around 3:00. If you haven't signed up but want to help, contact Lion John Raymond.

Citizen of the Year will be on Monday Feb 23rd. We will be hosting the luncheon and that day we will be charged 19 dollars for lunch. It only happens once a year, so buckle up and let's have a good showing of Lions.

We'll be meeting with the Leos at El Cajon High on March 2nd. Because of their class schedule the meeting will be at 11:30 in the library.

Opportunity Drawing is on Saturday May 30th. Lion Sheri Hoops is again in charge of the silent auction and needs your help. If you have any donations, please bring them in early so she will have time to put things together. Cash Donations; again, needs to get to her early so she has time to deal with all the work that goes into this project.

City of Hope trip will be the last Sunday on March 29th. All new members are encouraged to go to understand how important our support is to this worthy cause. You can contact Lion Treasurer Paul Tremblay for more information.

A SPECIAL NOTE

I was distracted by a question on an up-coming program when I thought I heard that Lion PP Hugh Cowen almost had a stroke when he got a hole-in-one. Now I know a hole-in-one is pretty exciting but having a stroke over it. Hugh, you got to get it into your head that it is just a game. Take it easy! ☺ I only joke about this because I hear that he is fine but he didn't show up at the meeting. Probably didn't want to pay a big fine! Hope to see you back soon.

HAPPY DOLLARS

President Gary started off by handing over 10 for his phone going off at the start of the meeting. Lion Al Buki gave 5 for

buying roses already. They'll probably be dead by the time Valentine Day comes around. Lion John Raymond gave 5 for the rain and the re-scheduling of Habitat for Humanity. PP Ron Snow gave an un-happy 20 for the rain and after someone tattled that he had a new truck gave another 20. Our very own PDG Len Blottin gave 5 for his grandson that placed 4th in the Alabama State Wrestling. PP Mark Clifton gave 10 for a trip he is going to take up north for his Mom's 80th Birthday. Lion Skip gave 5 for his granddaughter making the front cover of American Girl magazine. Lion John Raymond gave 5 for a bad joke he brought in. Afterwards, he said he was never going to do that again. Not surprisingly, President Gary told an off color joke that we over like a lead balloon.

SPEAKER

We had Dan Conaway here with us today talking about the old Hiway 80 historical project.

ATTENDANCE DRAWING

For the second week in a row Lion PP Mike Mortellaro won the attendance drawing. I've calculated the odds on that happening here at the club and it is 1 in 1,246,713. Lion Mike, you need to hit Barona this weekend.

JOKES FOR THE WEEK

THE BATHTUB TEST

During a visit to the mental asylum, I asked the Director how you determine whether or not a patient should be institutionalized. "Well," said the Director, "we fill up a bathtub, and then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub." "Oh, I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it's bigger than the spoon or the teacup." "No," said the Director, "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"

UNION BROTHEL

A dedicated Teamsters union worker was attending a convention in Las Vegas and decided to check out the local brothels. When he got to the first one, he asked the Madam, "Is this a union house?"

"No," she replied, "I'm sorry it isn't."

"Well, if I pay you \$100, what cut do the girls get?"

"The house gets \$80 and the girls get \$20," she answered.

Offended at such unfair dealings, the union man stomped off down the street in search of a more equitable, hopefully unionized shop. His search continued until finally he reached a brothel where the Madam responded,

"Why yes sir, this is a union house.

We observe all union rules."

The man asked, "And if I pay you \$100, what cut do the girls get?"

"The girls get \$80 and the house gets \$20."

"That's more like it!" the union man said.

He handed the Madam \$100, looked around the room, and pointed to a stunningly attractive Blondie.

"I'd like her," he said.

"I'm sure you would, sir," said the Madam. Then she gestured to a 92-year old woman in the corner, "but Ethel here has 67 years seniority and according to union rules, she's next."

