

# El Cajon Valley Lions

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43 Members and 1 Guest

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## OPENING

It was a beautiful day as we all gathered at the community center to have our weekly meeting. Lion President Gary was in rare form today as he started the meeting while PP Jerry Hollingsworth was in the bathroom. President Gary said we would start with the pledge and Lion PP Jerry came rushing into the room saying "I'm here! I'm here!" PP Jerry said let's do *Grand Olde Flag* and the room let out a huge moan. But at least we didn't kill the song this time. PP Ray Hackworth handled the pledge with PP Guy Duffin following with our invocation that was beautiful and didn't even have gird our loins in it.

## GUEST

We had Drum McComber with us today. He was invited to our luncheon today by 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Don Anthony to talk about the Adapt-A-Street program that we signed up for. He showed us the sign that will be put on the street that we are responsible for. It's another good project to get our name into the community.

## JUST THE FACTS (as I see it)

President Gary started off by announcing that John



Raymond won the highest award from the El Cajon Valley School District for his work with the schools and children. Lion John said it was basically our eye glass program that got him that award and thanked the members for all their support with the program. Congratulations John!

This Friday at PDG Len Blottin's place is the next level of the student speakers contest. Lion PP Ray asked for your support in showing up for our representative. It starts promptly at 6:30 so be there a little early to get a seat. If you have any questions get a hold of Lion Ray.

This Sunday is the trip to the City of Hope. Lion Treasurer Paul spoke about the trip and wanting more members to go. You can still get a hold of Lion Paul and put your name in. We'll meet on the SW corner of Parkway Plaza and car pool up. If you have never gone before the club will pick up half of the tab for you. It's an excellent opportunity to get a VIP tour from one of the top rated medical facilities in our country.

Rev Mac saw PP Hoban's picture in the newsletter and sent us another 200 dollars and asked if there was something we could do about Hoban's hair.

President Gary talked about up-coming dates and the club decided that we WILL meet on June 1<sup>st</sup>. June 5<sup>th</sup> is our Installation dinner. May 25<sup>th</sup> we will be dark for Memorial

Day. May 30<sup>th</sup> is our Opportunity Drawing. Lion Sheri Hoops is doing the auction and needs help in handling the task and donations for the baskets. Now it the time to respond to her call. Lion PP Ron Paris is having a couple of visitations to help sell tickets and will need members to go with him. On April 1<sup>st</sup> we will hit the Hillcrest Lions at noon at their clubhouse at 3927 Utah St and on April 7<sup>th</sup> we will visit the San Diego Host at their downtown location. You can park at Horton Plaza and get the ticket validated. Contact Lion PP Ron for more information. All you new members, this is an excellent opportunity to check out the other clubs and see why I say we are the greatest club in town. Casino Night is on July 25<sup>th</sup> and now has been dubbed "Night in Monte Carlo".

Our Leos sent us a card thanking us for the luncheon a couple of weeks ago. They appreciated the 316.00 dollars that we were able to gather for them.

## HAPPY DOLLARS

Lion Mike Carleton started off with 5 dollars to remind the club that the Golf Tournament for El Cajon Valley School is coming up and so far he is the only one signed up. He would like a foursome and is asking for help. Contact Lion Mike to sign up. Lion Dr. Keen gave 5 for breaking his attendance streak. Lion Treasurer Paul gave 50 for the auction basket and said it was easier to give the money to Lion Sheri than to try to make the basket himself. Lion Tom Hoban gave 20 and tried to get the club to have Lion Paul's pre-pre-pre-pre bachelor party. He felt 4 or 5 parties before the main event in a couple of years would be a good idea. Lion Tail Twister George reminded Lion Al Buki that his phone rang while at the Leo's luncheon and Lion Al gladly gave 20 while Lion PP Tom Hoban's phone was going off. Lion Secretary Gary gave 10 for Lion John Raymond's award. Lion 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Don gave 25 for the basket auction and Lion PP Mark Clifton gave another 25 for the auction.

## PRAYERS

Lion PP Trent got up and told the club about our very own Lion Henry Haber. He had a mild stroke and confusion and is recuperating at the La Mesa Health Care Center. The address there is 3780 Massachusetts Ave in La Mesa. He is in room number 1, bed 1. (Kind of appropriate for a Lion seeing as how we are # 1) If you would like to call the number is 619-465-1313. Our hearts and prayers go out to Lion Henry and his lovely wife Norma. We miss you at the meetings.

## PROGRAMS

We had with us today Rick Crawford from the San Diego Library to talk to us about the history of dam building in San Diego County. It was quite informative.

## ATTENDANCE DRAWING

On the first pull Lion Treasurer Paul was our lucky winner today. Usually when a Lion wins the money they are elated and jumping for joy but Lion Paul immediately gave it back to the club saying "I don't need it because nothing can make me happier than my engagement."