

El Cajon Valley Lions

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37 Members and 0 Guest

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FORWARD

I was at a bar last weekend when the conversation came up about our newsletter. Now, we here at the paper for years have been telling anyone who would listen that we make no bones about the fact that this newsletter is never about truth or accuracy. We write what we want on a whim and it doesn't matter if the facts are in here or not. We have been doing this for at least 6 or 7 years now that I know of and it has worked well for us. It was pointed out the other night that the main stream media networks has picked up on our little rule and has been doing the same thing for the last couple of years. We here at the paper take pride in the fact that we were the first and everyone else has followed. So the next time you pick up a newspaper or watching the news on TV and hear a distorted story and their not taking into account any facts or their accuracies are made up, take pride that our club started that!

OPENING

It was an overcast day with the temperature in the high 70's when we started gathering in our usual spot. It has been two weeks because of Memorial weekend last week and it was great to see our members in fine form on this Monday. President Gary started the meeting on time commenting on how he only has a couple of meetings left. PP Jerry Hollingsworth chose "My Country, Tis of Thee" as our song today and even though the club was weak for having a week off we were able to finish. That all I'm going to say. Lion PP Bruno led us in the pledge and Lion PP Guy Duffin naturally finished off with Invocation that made us proud.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lion President Gary started off about the Lions Learning Day coming up on June 13th. It will be at Grossmont College starting at 8 and ending around noon. All board members are highly encouraged to attend. You will pick up some useful information to help you through your year. I highly encourage any new members to show up as it is a great learning tool for you. Our club feels that it is so important that the club picks up the bill and it doesn't cost you anything. Please contact Lion Secretary Gary for more information on this important event.

President Gary then spoke about the Installation Dinner that is coming up this Friday at 6. He thought that since the dinner is on the 5th that Lion 1st VP Walt should take over Monday. Lion Walt said no way; July 1st is fine with him.

Steak Fry is on Saturday June 20th at Montijo's Ranch off of Hiway 80. It starts at 5 with cocktails and food around 6. This is really the only member's only get together and again should be but it isn't required attendance. If you haven't been to the meetings to sign up contact Lion PP Ron Paris to let him know that you are coming and what kind of drinks you want.

Lion Foundation Meeting is next Monday June 8th and you can contact Lion PP George Hurst for more information. I think it's going to be held at Petticoat Junction starting at 6.

June 16th is Flag Day at Greenfield Middle School. Lion 3rd VP Don spoke about that and reminded all members that volunteered to make sure it's on your calendar.

HAPPY DOLLARS

It was a little light today and the members weren't very vocal as to how much they donated but I know Lion PP Phil threw some in the basket as he was running out the door. I gave for the Concerts on the Green and the VERY SUCCESSFUL opening night. Lion Ron Black gave for the fishing trip and Lion PP Dick Rogers doubled that for his success on the trip. Lion Lesa Mitchell gave for her granddaughter's 2nd birthday.

BIRTHDAYS

President Gary then announced that this is the first Monday and we have birthday babies in the room. The ones in the room stood and paid and the others will be billed. Lion Earl Irely, Lion PP Ron Paris, and Lion President Gary Sims all paid up. Lion PP Jay Jacobson, Lion Michael Scott, and Lion PP Grant Thiem Jr. will all be billed double for not showing up.

CAR RAFFLE

Lion Walt got up and spoke about last Saturday's Dinner and raffle. It appears to have been a big success with around 80 people



showing up and the final ticket sells were around 263. Lion Sheri Hoops (pictured above leaning on the MC PP Ron Snow as he tried to find the winning ticket) again did an excellent job with the silent auction and it raised around 2,000 dollars. We will have the final numbers later when all cost has come in and the big winner hasn't informed us on whether he will take the car or money. The following are the winners and who sold them the ticket.

1st Place Rick Hodgetts, Car ... Lion Ray Hackworth

2nd Place Ron Segni, \$2500.00 ... Lion Sheri Hoops

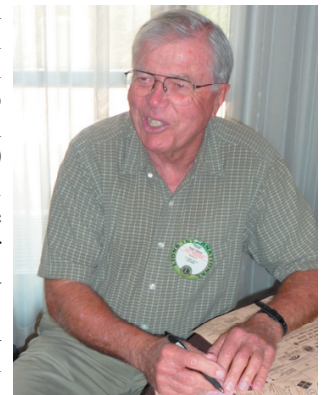
3rd Place Dave Roed \$1,000.00 ... Lion Pres Gary Sims

Consolation...each got \$250.00 – Allen Ward... Lion Trent Huls; Richard Buxton...PDG Len Blottin; Dal Watkins...Lion Don Anthony; Sunshine Boys, Poker & Liars Club... Lion Ray Hackworth

Door Prizes – Pat Stebleton and Dorothy Hackworth.

EXEMPT BADGE

President Gary immediately looked at Lion PP Phil Smith and asked Lion Phil for 100 for his trip to Vegas. Lion Phil always wanting to support our club without hesitation said OK. Lion Hugh Cowen jumped in and yelled \$125.00 and you should have seen Lion Phil jump from his chair and ran out the back. A phantom bidder for PP Roger Stebleton, who is back from Costa Rica, didn't even try to get in the mix. President Gary immediately slammed down the gavel and said sold! Lion Hugh took a cruise to Alaska to see his favorite Governor and Vice Presidential Candidate Sarah Palin. He also got to go to his grandson's graduation.



PROGRAM

We had Rick Swartz from the San Diego Zoo with us today to talk about the new Elephant Odyssey that just opened up last week. It's over 705 acres and cost 45 million dollars. It was very educational and you missed a good program if you weren't here. (That's statement is kind of dumb but I wrote it anyway)

ATTENDANCE DRAWING

Lion PP Mark Clifton won the attendance drawing and immediately gave it back to the club saying that he is making a fortune selling the smart cars and he doesn't need it.

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Where Lions Meet

MONDAY	El Cajon Valley Host	12 Noon	Ronald Reagan Community Center	195 E. Douglas, El Cajon
TUESDAY	La Mesa	12 Noon	La Mesa Community Center	4975 Memorial Dr.
	Hillcrest-Mission Valley	12 Noon	Imperial House Restaurant	505 Kalmia St, San Diego
	Santee	1st & 3rd, 6:30 P.M.	9535 Mission Gorge Rd #H,	Near Scootz Restaurant, Santee
	San Diego Host	12 Noon	Lions Community Manor	310 Market St., SD
	Rancho Bernardo	2nd & 4th, Noon	Stoneridge Ctry. Club	17166 Stoneridge Club Ln., Poway
	Lakeside Highway Club	2nd & 4th, 6:30 p.m.	Santee/Lakeside Elks Club,	11633 Woodside Av. Lakeside
WEDNESDAY	North Park	12 Noon	Lions Clubhouse	3927 Utah St., SD
	Heartland	2nd & 4th, 6:30 P.M.	Coco's	1025 Fletcher Pkwy, El Cajon
	Spring Valley	1st & 3rd, 7 P.M.	Casa De Oro Cafe	9809 Campo Rd., Spring Valley
	El Centro Host	12 Noon	Denny's	1455 Ocotillo Dr., El Centro
THURSDAY	Alpine Stage Coach	6:00 PM, 2nd & 4th weeks	The Bread Basket	1346 Tavern Rd., Alpine
	Julian	2nd & 4th, 7 P.M.	Town Hall	2133 Main St., Julian
FRIDAY	Harbison Canyon	6 P.M.	Old Ironside Pk. Community Ctr.	326 Harbison Cyn. Rd., El Cajon

LIONS CLUB OBJECTIVES

- TO CREATE and foster a spirit of "generous consideration" among the peoples of the world through a study of the problems of International relationships
- TO PROMOTE the theory and practice of the principles of good government and good citizenship
- TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, social and moral welfare of the community.
- TO UNITE the members in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding
- TO PROVIDE a forum for the full and free discussion of all matters of public interest, partisan politics and sectarian, religion alone excepted.
- TO ENCOURAGE efficiency and promote high ethical standards in business and professions: provided that no club shall hold out as one of its objects financial benefits to its members

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