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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Lions,

Great Month!!! 2 new members. Welcome!! Frances Cerrone and Don Connant. We are very happy to have them come aboard. Should have a couple more next month.

We had a good several bartenders at the Lamplighter Dinner and made a good profit for a few hours work. It was also nice to see **Lion Bill Dunlavy** get an award at the dinner. **Lion Bob Bader** and **Lion Newt** went to the district convention in Tahoe. They had a good time and brought back about 4 awards for the club. Our Installation of new officers will be May 28th. We would like everyone to attend if possible for the special occasion and we also welcome your guests. We are having our annual flea market the first weekend in June. Tell your neighbors and friends to save their things for us to sell at the flea market. **Lion Al** is doing a great job with the collection of glasses and now he is getting a helper our new member **Lion Don Connant**. **Lion Bill** brought 4 great speakers this month.

Yours in **Lionism**,
President Lion Pat

BIRTHDAYS

May 5th.....Dave Hardy
May 7th.....John Poorbaugh.
May 9th.....Gay Smith
May 13th.....Newt McKenna

May 15th.....John Egger
May 21st.....Jim Gormely
May 25th.....Len Ruoff
.....Jim Gullion

This is an interesting phenomenon, almost all of the rosters I have maintained rosters for some time and always more May babies are born than any other month.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 9th -10th -, District meeting, Arnold Lions Club meeting hall.
May 14th -Board of Directors meeting, 5:30pm, Mother Lode Mobile Estates, 14292 Tuolumne Road, Sonora, CA. Remember this is a make up.
- May 9-10, District Meeting, Arnold Lions Club meeting hall.
May 17th - Canine Companions for independence 25th Anniversary, Santa Rosa, CA (reservations by 4/30) \$40/person.
May 18th - Senior Center omelet breakfast This is a fund raiser. We should try to attend
May 28th - Installation of officers.
June 6th, 7th, 8th - Annual flea Market.

LUNCHEON SPEAKERS

May 7TH - Canine Companions- PDG Don Allen
May 14TH - Competitive Table Tennis- Mike Sturtevant
May 21ST - Sierra Repertory Theater- Katie Tate
May 28TH - Installation of Officers- PDG Don Allen

Install officer.

TRANSIT BUS SIGNS

Lion Lisa Melville has moved forward on **Lion Len Ruoff's** idea. She has contacted the transport people and asked how many stops are there?. They promised her a count. The price per sign is about \$50 -\$60.. There is much more to this project, but it is moving along.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Your Board of Directors voted again to have the installation during our May 28th luncheon meeting. **Past Dist. Governor, Don Allen** will be our installing **Lion**.

You should make an effort to bring your significant other to this important event. The price of the lunch probably will be a bit more than the weekly fare. As usual there will be 3 choices

ANNUAL 4A-1 CONVENTION.

Lion Bob Bader and I attended.

I thought that it was incumbent of me to give you some feedback about The Tahoe District Convention. As with all conventions, they are terribly boring. At every meeting all the dignitaries are introduced, some long-winded speaker sops up a bit of time. And then there is the blank time when there are no programs. Well enough of the negativity, it is not my style anyway. I was able to eke out lots of information about Lionism and what wonderful things we are doing. It was an experience to verify our motto, **WE SERVE**.

We made sure that we arrived in time for the Food Fair. It was worth getting up early to be in Tahoe by 12 Noon. I would guess about 25 clubs had a booth. I was pleasantly surprised of the quality of the offering

Of first importance was the report on Sight First. They have collected \$159,000,000 that is

\$9,000,000 over their goal. They now have reset the goal to \$200,000,000 using the \$50,000 000 for diabetes. Your club was very generous with a \$3,000 donation.

Reports on financial matters. District 4A1 budget shows a deficit of \$3725. California Lions Camp (Camp Pacifica) is solvent

71st annual Student Speaker Contest. There were four contestants. . By the time the contestants arrive at the finals, the quality for their presentations have greatly improved. All were to be congratulated. The winner was Holly Molinbower, gaining \$4,000. Sponsored by the Ripon Lions. This program has made \$103,500 in scholarship awards

Saturday night was the Governor's banquet. There were only introductions of those at the head table. Now is the time to mention the excellent meals. You will no get specifics!

Finally it was Saturday morning and time for awards. Tracy Breakfast sold most ads for All Star Football, Merced Breakfast won best bulletin, Modesto 500 pledged \$5,000 to Sight First, we were recognized for our participation in White Cane, Eyemobile, Flag Day, and City of Hope. The top club in our section (25-45 numbers) was Lake Don Pedro. Escalon Lions Club's Peace poster won for the district.

Now for a few words from the editor.

I am sorry that so few of the members make no attempt to attend these District's meetings. As previously stated, these meetings are boring, but the source of information about all the wonderful things that is being done is well worth attending.

We contributed \$3,000 to Sight First and we should be very proud that we are a part of this effort to give sight to so many. To watch the energy and commitment by those attending the convention sometimes make me wonder where our energy

went. We can't even get a visitation going. I recommend you get out of your cubicle and attend the District and Zone meetings

IDLE CHATTER

April 2nd - I had car trouble today and **Lion Bob Bader** was good enough to give me the following information:.

Lions Dave Holstrom and **Jim Gormely** were late and fined. The secret **Lion** ? The now shakers were **Lions Cecil Steen, Jim Gormely, David Holstrom. Leonard Ruoff**, won a chance for the black one, no luck. **Lion Cecil Steen** won the Kitty. New Members were introduced, Francesca and Don

Guest Speaker- Yvonne Penland, Administrator for Family Shelter

April 9th - I was the secret **Lion**. The only one that didn't shake my hand was **Lion Dave Holstrom**. He also came without a vest. As far as I know he wasn't fined. I was fined for an article in the Bugle. I know that **Lion Bob Bader** was fined but I don't know how much or for what. **Lion Bill Dunlavy** was fined for serving coffee when someone had the floor.

Our speaker was Susan Hopkins. She is starting a magazine channeled mostly to people that have retired. She is busy putting it together and it will have its debut this summer.

Lion Bill Dunlavy won the kitty and **Lion Jack Nahmias** searched diligently but got a white one.

April 16th -The secret **Lion** was **Len Ruoff**. I was a bit confused about the going-ons at the head table. The wheel was spun and the following were fined; **Lions Lisa Melville, Bob Bader** and **Jack Nahmias**. **Lion Jack** was fined \$5.00 for the front page photo in the Union Democrat. **Lion Dave**

Holstrom was fined and after a couple of spins paid double. Our tail twister, **Lion Don Warren** arrived without the proper raiment and every one got fined. Our President, **Lion Pat Greene** told of her experience getting out of Chicago 's airport during all the flight cancellations

Lion Roy Morlan won the kitty and **Lion John Poorbaugh** won a chance for the jackpot, to no avail

April 23rd Of most importance was **Lion Bob Bader's** Induction of two new members..It was like a blood transfusion for Sonora Lions. We need more donations!!!!!!!!!!!!!! **Lion Lisa Melville's** guest was her friend Jamie. The secret **Lion** was **Bob Bader**. Everyone shook his hand, every one paid. **Lion Jack Nahmias** had the hutspa to come unadorned and was fined. **Lion Bill Dunlavy** reported gross receipts \$450., netting the club \$400.00 at the Lamplighters dinner. The kitty was won by our prez and I won a chance for the marble, after all it was just chance

NEW MEMBERS

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It is incumbent for all us old timers to make these new members to feel at home!!!!!!!!!!!!!! To the new members **Welcome Aboard**