



Seal Beach Host Lions Club The Growl

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The President's Message:

As we move from April showers (?) to May flowers, here in sunny southern California we should all be thankful that we live in such a beautiful area. Seal Beach is a wonderful place to live, work and play. Although some of us only have a visa to come into town, it is always a pleasure to come into such a beautiful beachside resort. April is one of those

months that seem just to slip by but when you look back you realize how busy we were.

We started off April with helping our sister club the Seaside Lions with their Springfest. Thanks to everyone who helped and especially Lion Ray for helping to coordinate it. At our April 7th meeting we confirmed and voted in our new board and officers for next year. I am pleased and honored to hand over the gavel to someone I consider to be the epitome of Lionism – Scott Newton. Congratulations Lion Scott! We then moved on to Veterans Bingo and Beepball where April showers actually happened.

As always the Huntington Beach Crabfest was delightful and our Leos club did a marvelous job feeding all those hungry Lions and their guests. Thanks to the Leos and their advisors for a wonderful night.

Honor the teacher night is always a special event. This event first started by Lion Jim Klisanin and this year hosted by Lion Scot Mattox was a complete success. Kudos to Lion Ellen for not only coordinating the event, but also providing us with a wonderful meal.

The last event on our April calendar is certainly one that lends itself well to the definition of mass confusion with a wonderful ending. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to pull the Pancake Breakfast off. The logistics alone can be a nightmare. Thanks to teamwork and guidance by the chair Lion Herb we survived another year. There are a lot of unsung heroes in this event the setup and breakdown crews, the Leos and Lions behind the grills and finally those behind the scenes. When you say batter up we're not at an Angels game but in the back kitchen with Lion Dave Hubbard. This year Lion Dave and Lion Mark Pritchard did it for Lionism not for the dough (ho ho). Again thanks to all who helped out. Your work does not go unnoticed.

Until next month

The Prez

Meeting schedule: First and Third Wednesday of the month. Meetings begin at 7pm sharp and are held at 'The Lone Star SteakHouse', 6575 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, CA

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The Secretary's Message:

Whew! Reporting each month the many service projects the club participated in through March of this year, April came as a relief from the paperwork. As the club knows, 'Club of the Year' judging is now in the hands of the District Cabinet. All updated and tallying reports were filed with the last M&A's.

That doesn't mean the club stayed idle in April, though. On the contrary, many projects kept the club very active.

It was a delight on Saturday, April 24th, to see the club blessed with bright skies and warm sunshine for the annual Pancake Breakfast. Once again Lions and Leos came together to serve the community delicious pancakes and sausages and serve coffee, milk and orange juice.

Many thanks to Team Leaders Lion Mike Haley (and wife Marsha) and Lion Biff Horvatin for coordinating volunteers and taking care of the Treasurer. And, an especially big Thank you to the "batter men", Lions Dave and Mark.

This year's "Aunt Jemima Award" goes to Leos Dylan Barras and Eric Denny for their diligence in keeping flapjacks coming off the grill for hungry patrons.

Thank you to those Lions and Leos that came out to lend a hand for this fund-raiser.

As fate would have it, two Lions couldn't be on hand at the Pancake Breakfast. Lions Khryste and Lion Chris instead attended the spring session of Long Beach 'Rebuilding Together' that day. Having aided in the October session their commitment to this worthy cause is admired.

Safe journey,
Kid



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Richard Whitehair



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Club Calendar:

Saturday, May 1

District Cabinet Meeting

Monday, May 3

6:00 pm : Leo's Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 5

7:00 pm : Seal Beach Host Lions Club
General & Board Meeting

Friday, May 7

Youth Center Casino Night

Saturday, May 8

8:30 am : breakfast in Newport Beach

Sunday, May 9

Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 11

7:00 am : General Municipal Election

Wednesday, May 12

6:30 pm : Veteran's Bingo

Saturday, May 15

Leo work Day - Camp Teresita

Monday, May 17

6:30 pm : Leo Meeting

Wednesday, May 19

7:00 pm : Seal Beach Host Lions Club
Meeting & Program night

Friday, May 21

Lions 4L4 Convention

Saturday, May 22

Lions 4L4 Convention

9:00 am : Kids Baseball Project

Sunday, May 23

Lions 4L4 Convention

Wednesday, May 26

7:00 pm : Fish Fry Team Meeting

Friday, May 28

Costa Mesa Lions Fish Fry

Leo District Banquet

Saturday, May 29

Costa Mesa Lions Fish Fry

6:00 pm : Weinernationals

Monday, May 31

Memorial Day

Veterans Corner:



In this month's Veterans Corner, I would like to talk about the Veterans Oral History Project. As most of you are now aware I have a special place in my heart for Veterans. Being one myself, I know what sacrifice's some of these brave men and women have given for their country. Each day thousand's of WWII Veterans die and along with them a piece of our History. I started the History Project to preserve for our future generations the rich history of those willing to give if necessary the ultimate sacrifice. The project is being done in cooperation with the American Legion, VFW and the Seal Beach Boy Scouts. Veterans are asked to recall their days in the military and any experiences related to that service. Sometimes sad and sometimes funny the stories that are told are not something you read in a history text. I will continue this project the rest of this year until any veteran with a story to tell is videotaped. If there are any Veteran Lions in our club that wish to be part of this project please let me know as I try to coordinate the videotaping. All videos will be shipped and become part of the Library of Congress to be preserved for future generations.

Thanks
The Prez



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Lions of Distinction

**Be Confident
Be Proud!!**



And a special award goes to the new Lion roar on the clubs web site.

**TURN UP
YOUR
SOUND!**

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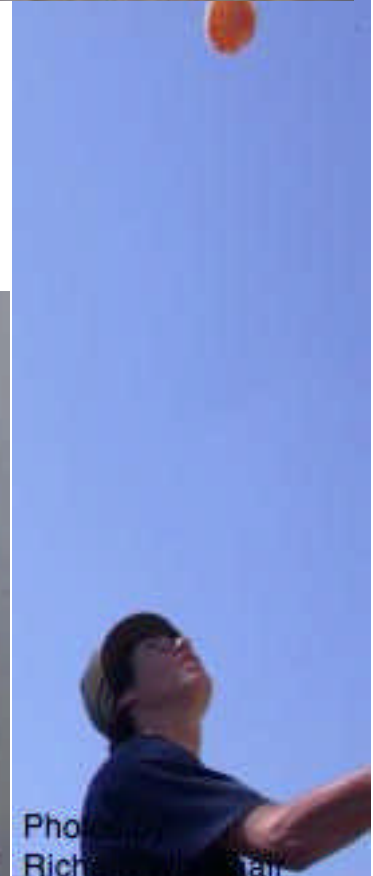
Celebrating Member Anniversaries:

May

Brad Barras	2001
Larry Friedlander	1990
Brian Winn	2000



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SEAL BEACH LIONS CLUB'S '60th'



Community FISH FRY

JULY 17 & 18, 2004
11:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.
-AT THE SEAL BEACH PIER-

FISH & CHIP
DINNER

BRATWURST
HOT DOGS



SOFT DRINKS
LEMONADE
COLD BEER
WINE

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of Serving
Seal Beach*

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