



# Seal Beach Host Lions Club

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### The President's Message:

Greetings Fellow Lions,

Begin today treating everyone you meet, friend or foe, loved one or stranger, as if they were going to be dead at midnight. Extend to each person, no matter how trivial the contact, all the care and kindness and understanding and love that you can muster, and do it with out thought of any kind or reward. Your life will never be the same again.

As I read these words to my son some 8 years ago when he was graduating High School, I didn't realize then that I would be part of an organization that lives these words each and every day. The Lions, in particular the Seal Beach Host Lions, dedicate themselves all year long in assisting the needy whether that be directly like painting someone's house, picking up trash at the local school, visiting someone at a hospital or indirectly through the raising of charity funds to be distributed to the many wonderful Lions and non Lions charities.

We set out this year to fulfill my motto of 'Let's make a Difference' and although we still have a few months remaining I can say with confidence that we did just that. I am very proud of each and every one of you for all what you do without thinking, "What do I get out of this?"

I would like to end now with a big thanks to all that gave up their St. Pats days partying to make sure our streets were safe especially Carol and Dewey Linehan. Thanks also to Lions Bob Heenan, Jeff Copen, Herb Groom, and Dewey Linehan for joining me and members of the Legion Tom White, Joe Barbieri and Bill Thomas in making a difference to our young people by being a guest reader at McGaugh School. Helping doesn't always have to involve long hours or sweat just caring.

To next month!

Adios  
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:*

Unlike the serene climate of Southern California, growing up on the distant shores of Cape Cod the coming of spring was undeniably always unpredictable. Learning from the southerly Commonwealth that Punxsutawney Phil had or hadn't seen his shadow wouldn't matter either. For, on many occasion 'ole man winter had his own agenda. Each annual transition from winter to spring would bring about a different scenario. Therefore, never to be ruled out was the chance of several inches of flaky white powder cascading from the sky as late as the first week in May.

In a good year the third week of March -marking the spring solstice- would arrive as meek as a lamb with gradual mildness. In countering years March roared in like a Lion bringing with it howling arctic northwestern winds and biting coldness. When the mercury hovered above 50 degrees Fahrenheit (10 degrees Celsius) fellow Northeasterners delighted to shed layers of bulky clothing. Yes, one knew when spring had arrived for with the ensuing buds came magnificent blossoms of color and fragrance.

Speaking of blossoms.... Heartfelt thanks are expressed to the first-graders in room 19 of McGaugh School for the privilege of presiding before their shining faces and radiant smiles and reading them the story "Mice and Beans". What a blast Friday the 19th was! Kudos to McGaugh's Principal, Ms. Daryle Palmer, for a warm and welcome invitation to come and participate in this project. Having spent the month of January back in Boston training to teach English as a second language, this forty-five minute opportunity provided a broader spectrum towards the personal pursuit of a career change.

Forever learning, it has been with great pleasure listening to the many speeches of the Student Speaker contestants these past weeks. On the 10th of March, Lions George Dooley, Diane, Khryste, Chris, Ellen and I ventured to the Garden Grove Lion Clubhouse for the Orange Region Zone C meeting. Once again our own Jacqueline Smith, a junior at Milliken High School in Long Beach, brought joy to the hearts of club members winning at the Zone Level contest. She now strives forth competing at the Region level on Monday evening the 29th of March.

Safe journey,  
Kid



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### Club Calendar:

**Thursday, April 1**

April Fool's Day

**Saturday, April 3**

SB 10K Run

**Sunday, April 4**

Seaside Lions Springfest

2:00 am : Daylight Saving Time begins.

**Wednesday, April 7**

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

**Friday, April 9**

Good Friday

**Sunday, April 11**

Easter Sunday

**Wednesday, April 14**

6:30 pm : Veteran's Bingo

**Saturday, April 17**

Beepball Tournament

**Sunday, April 18**

Leo's Crabfest Fundraiser

**Monday, April 19**

6:30 pm : Leo Officer Elections

**Wednesday, April 21**

7:00 pm : Honor the Teacher Night

**Friday, April 23**

4:00 pm : Pancake Breakfast Set-up

**Saturday, April 24**

Lion Pancake Breakfast  
SB Car Show

**Monday, April 26**

6:30 pm : Leo Meeting

**Wednesday, April 28**

7:00 pm : Fish Fry Team Meeting

### Veterans Corner:



The "Moving Wall" a 240 foot 3/4 scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. is now touring North America. A visit to "The Wall" is a powerful emotional experience. It teaches us the cost of freedom, inspiring our respect for those who defend it. You will have an opportunity, if you have not already, to visit this very moving tribute to our fallen heroes and for some of us our friends as it tours Orange County. The Wall will be at Pacific View Memorial Park, 3500 Pacific View Drive, Corona del Mar, CA.

For further information  
call (949) 644-2700.

"A Time to Remember...  
To Reflect... and To  
Heal"

Respectfully submitted,  
George Dooley

**Be Confident  
Be Proud!!**





### Lions of Distinction



When admiring leadership there are three mainstays in the club not to be overlooked: President George Dooley, Treasurer Scott Newton and Membership Director Dave Hubbard. These fine gentlemen dedicate time, energy and resources in the true spirit of Lionism. Their collective service to humankind as Lions spans nearly half a century.

Whether a fund-raiser or work-project, a charity event, Leos, Youth Exchange, Sight and Hearing, Veterans: International, MD-4, Area, District, Region, Zone or Club meeting they're always present and committed to the task at hand - "We Serve".

On behalf of the community and the many hearts touched over the years, the Seal Beach Host Lions Club graciously thanks you each for your discipline and perseverance in building the club to the stature it commands.

### Celebrating Member Anniversaries: April

Bob Heenan	1999
Steve Jessee	2003
Ellen Liebherr	1988
Dewey Linehan	1980
Mark Newton	1990
Ron Pepitone	1988

### Student Speaker Contest Zone Level

Garden Grove Lions Clubhouse





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## Set Your Compass for Service

District Governor Jim North's mantra for the 2003-2004 District 4L-4 campaign says it all. Day after day, week after week, month after month, the mantra resounds consistently and without waiver from the cliffs of Huntington Beach to the four corners of the district. With his lovely bride, Doris, by his side those in the district will attest Governor Jim

meandered his way throughout the county participating in nearly every Lions event.

Pictures do speak a thousand words. And, in honor of Governor Jim the members of Seal Beach Host Lions Club wish to share these next few pages with images of him in action. Much obliged Governor Jim for, "Being **worthy** of the task" you set out to accomplish back in July".



The North Family  
Sharon, Jim & Doris



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### Cypress College Americana Awards

This year's Cypress College Americana Awards, held at the Disneyland Hotel, was the highlight of a man who unselfishly devotes a major amount of his time towards the betterment of others. The "Seal Beach Man of the Year" this year is Lion Jim Klisanin.

The gala event was attended by Lion President George and Lion Diane Dooley, Lions Scott and Mary Newton, Lion George and Ricki Layman, Lion Don and Sue Outland and Lion Larry Friedlander.

**It was truly an honor to be present as Lion Jim was recognized. Congratulations again Jim!**

Respectively submitted  
Lion President George Dooley

### St. Patricks Day - Designated Driver Program

Thank you to all the Lions that showed up on St. Patrick's Day and participated in the Designated Driver Program. We had over 97 service hours and 29 Lions participating.

A few special thanks to Lions Eddie and Eric for coming early and helping us with obtaining the vans and doing the set-up. Lions Pres George and Mike N. for working more than their two hours shift's. Lions Dino, Georgia, John B. and Herb and my two cousins Elizabeth and Susie who stayed 'til the bitter end.

We collected over \$300 in tips.

It was very interesting to hear all the stories after someone came back from delivering the people home. The visiting with each other when you were not out on a run, enjoying the great pizza and getting a sugar high on the cookies and candy. What an experience it was to chair this fun night!

Respectfully submitted,  
Lions Carol & Dewey Linehan  
Co-Chairpersons, Designated Driver Program



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