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President's message:



July is always an exciting month for the Lions Club and this year is no exception. We started out the month with a visitation to the Huntington Beach Lions Club, and the same day we had more Lions visit the Anaheim Lions Club. The Anaheim Lions meeting was very special, as the

guest speaker was Mr. Walter Ehlers, who is the last living Medal of Honor recipient from the World War II Normandy invasion. Mr. Ehlers, at 90 years of age, remembers every detail of the events that led him to receive this great honor!

On another note, The Summer Concert Series is in full swing. The Seal Beach Lions hosted on July 13th. The band was Sgt. Pepper and it featured Beatle's music. It was a nice evening, and it gave our club a chance to visit with locals from our town.

AND NOW THE MOMENT YOU HAVE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR, THE 2011 SEAL BEACH LIONS CLUB FISH FRY!! OMG!!!!

It started on Friday. Everywhere I went in town there was a buzz. You could feel the excitement. People kept saying, "Fish Fry tomorrow! See you there!" Boy, did they!

It was the largest Fish Fry in our club's history!!!!!! We had record sales, attendance, donations, and car ticket sales! You name it, and we beat it!

THE TOTAL GROSS WAS \$61,218.75. WOW!!!! That is a whooping 26% increase over last year! Last year we had a 23% increase, which means our Fish Fry has grown 49% in 2 years!

As chairman of the event, I would like to thank each and every Lion for a job well done. Every member should be proud of what we have accomplished, and as President I am proud of each and every member.

Zone Chairman Bruce Gormley hosted a zone meeting. It was the first of the year, and we set our goals for our club this year.

I would also like to welcome all of our new members, all 15 of you! That's right! Fifteen new members in one month! I encourage you to get involved with the activities of our club.

In Lionism,
Mike Haley

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Upcoming Calendar

Cabinet Meeting	July 30
National Night Out	Aug. 2
Lions Regular & Board Meeting	Aug. 3
LaHabra Corn Fest	Aug. 5-7
Lions Quarterly Board Meeting	Aug. 10
Garage Sale @ Margie's House	Aug. 13
Lions Beach Party @ Barney's	Aug. 14
Lion's Regular Meeting	Aug. 17
Orange Host Street Faire	Sept 2-4
ArtFest	Sept 11
9/11-A Night For Remembering	Sept 11
Chili Cookoff	Sept 24

Happy Birthdays to:

Kevin Bhatt	8/6
Scott Weir	8/12
Nancy Herbert	8/14
Nancy Grgas	8/21
Cynthia Ramirez	8/21
Juliet Walters	8/26
Richard Dudash	8/27
Michael McFadden	8/29
Keith Berry	8/30
Tia Wildermuth	8/30





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FISH FRY!

The Seal Beach Lions Club did it again! We beat last year's record earnings from our Fish Fry!

Not only did we have a record-setting turn out of people, we sold out of tickets for the car drawing two weeks early this year!

Congratulations to Fish Fry Chairs Mike Haley and Lindsay Safe for a job well done!

Club kudos go out to the club's high-ticket sales people. Number one in sales this year again goes to Gay Snyder-Johnson with 70; next was Carol and Dewey Linehan with 28; Ray Longoria came in third with 23; Brad Barras and Jim Klisanin tied with 22 each; Dino Syrengelas had 15; and George Layman sold 10.

Car Drawing Chair Lee Melody and wife Donna Melody also did a fantastic job keeping things on track with help from co-chair Renee Schulte and Treasurer Dave Blasi.

The sharp-looking pearl white Ford Edge was won by Seal Beach resident Tamara Sverev, the TV was won by Bill Foster of Long Beach, and our own Jim Klisanin won the ipad.

We had an increase in sales at the Fish Fry of 26%, and we served over 8,000 people.

We are still waiting to tally up all the expenses to give a final dollar figure to the club of how much we actually made.

Thank you to everyone who worked, donated, sat with the car, bought fish, drank beer and bought a car ticket.

By working together, Seal Beach Lions have made a record amount of money to help others at this year's Fish Fry.



There's a whole bunch of photos here
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Lions Work At FBI Conference

The Seal Beach Police Department requested that Seal Beach Lions help out at the FBI NAA Conference at the Long Beach Hyatt the weekend of July 23 -24, and our Lions were happy to help.

Lion President Mike Haley sent out an email and rounded up Lions Barbara Ashley, Carol and Dewey Linehan, Aro Riley, and Marcia Haley and they worked setting up and tending bar at the welcome party in Long Beach for the agents.

Lions Mike Maloney, Shane Tester and Allyn Mattox escorted VIP FBI agents to the Harley Davidson shop in Los Angeles to pick up some motorcycles.

Lions Dave Blasi, Camille Romano, Ray Longoria and Bill Blatnik picked the VIP's up the next day and gave them rides from the motorcycle shop back to the hotel.



Lions Against Graffiti

The Seal Beach Lions Club has joined in partnership with the City of Seal Beach to try to eliminate a growing graffiti problem in our town.

Lion Ray Longoria has become the chairperson of a committee of Lions dedicated to removing or painting over graffiti when it occurs on private property.

The initial project began when Lions Scott Newton, Mike Haley and Cathy Newton got permission from the building owner at the corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Seal Beach Boulevard to eradicate this graffiti.

Following that, two graffiti removal kits were put together and will be kept in the Lion's garage. Lion Ray and Lion Scott removed the graffiti at the first location on July 1st and the team has worked all around the city since that time.



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Walter Ehlers, American Hero By Les Shobe

The Seal Beach Lions attended the Anaheim Lions Club's meeting at on July 7.

The speaker was Medal of Honor Awardee Walter Ehlers. He earned his award from events that happened in World War II in Europe beginning on D-Day, June 6, 1944.

Ehlers was Squad leader in Big Red One, 1st Infantry Division, for three years, beginning as a Private and rising to Staff Sergeant. He was on the tail end of the first wave of the invasion at Omaha Beach on June 6, 1944. He received 3 Purple Hearts during the campaign.

Most veterans do not like to talk about their war experiences. Ehlers deleted references to the gory details that turn many people against war. Ehlers, however, shares the experience from the viewpoint that more people need to hear -- especially young people -- stories of valor and courage.

During the Nazi takeover of Europe, Ehlers also relates how he wanted to join the fight to rid Europe of Nazis, but had to lie about his age in order to join the fight.

As he told his parents how he had enlisted, he saw a tear run down his mother's cheek as his father admonished him not to do anything that would dishonor his name or the family.

This is how Ehlers signed on to become one of the "Great Generation."

After landing at Omaha Beach on D-Day, Ehlers unit traveled inland to await orders to become the second wave of invaders on Omaha Beach. His unit was not scheduled to arrive until June 7th. After seeing the number of casualties, General Eisenhower moved them up to the tail end of the first wave.

Later, his unit arrived at Treviers, where they had numerous engagements with Germans. Ehlers squad eliminated several machine gun nests and engaged several mortar emplacements along the hedgerows of France.

His squad followed one German unit at night and retrieved a briefcase that had been abandoned by the Germans.

After turning it in to Battalion they learned that the contents included maps of German defensive positions that were subsequently attacked by his squad and other units of the Big Red One division.

During one of the battles, Ehlers was hit by a round that went through a photo of his mother that was in his backpack. He still has the photo.

The round traveled through a bar of soap that ricocheted off his ribs and traveled up a trenching tool and exited out the top of his backpack. The round left a non-fatal wound in his back rib area.

On another occasion his rifleman had been wounded in the hand and could not operate his weapon, so Ehlers carried him to the Medevac. He then returned to retrieve the rifle.

Ehlers was wounded in three battles subsequent to D-Day, and received credit for 3 purple hearts.

His last memory in active duty was being placed on a gurney on the back of a Medevac jeep with several shrapnel wounds and both shoulders disabled.

He later awoke in a Paris Hospital with a nurse holding his hand.

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She asked him how he was doing and he replied, "I don't know, but you're the prettiest thing I've ever seen."

Ehlers found out he was awarded the Medal of Honor by reading about it in the military newspaper, The Stars and Stripes.

A colonel said to him, "What are you doing here? You're supposed to be back in the States to receive the Medal of Honor."

After some sorting out, Ehlers received his Medal of Honor in Paris.

Sadly, Ehlers' brother was not as lucky as he was. He lost his life in the second wave of the D-Day invasion when an 88mm round hit him and killed him instantly.

Most Medal of Honor winners are presented to next of kin. Walter Ehlers has survived to tell his story of bravery, dedication – and loss – to his country.

Leo President Reunion

Eleven former Leo presidents gathered at this year's Fish Fry for a brief reunion meeting organized by Leo Advisor Scott Newton.

The former presidents that were able to make the gathering included Grant Newton, Justin Khalil (current president), Adam Denny, Jasa Denny, Kara Estabrook, Bryce Bannerman, Dylan Kann, Trevor Kann, Robert DeFrance and Ashleigh Mattox Rollins, who are in the attached photo.

Former Leo presidents Joey Kagen and Robert DeFrance also were present, but were too busy dancing to the band to stay for the photo.



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Seal Beach Lions Meeting Minutes July 6, 2011 Khoury's Restaurant

General Meeting/Board Meeting

1. Call to order general meeting at 7:01 p.m. - Lion President Mike Haley
2. Call to order board meeting at 7:01 p.m. - Lion President Mike Haley
3. Board roll call
 - a. Lion Nikki Illingsworth
 - b. Lion Terry Stephenson
 - c. Lion Les Schobe
 - d. Lion Mike Haley
 - e. Lion Ashleigh Rollins
 - f. Lion Scott Newton
 - g. Lion Cathy Newton
 - h. Lion Brad Barras
 - i. Lion Bruce Gormley
 - j. Lion Renee Schulte
 - k. Lion Camille Romano
 - l. Lion Adriana Ziegenbusch
4. Flag salute - Lion Scott Newton
5. Invocation - Lion Bill Blatnik
6. City of Hope prayer - Lion Brad Barras
7. Introduction of guests
 - a. Debbie Laws (Lion Les Schobe)
 - b. Lee and Jen Kocken (Lion Ray Longoria)
 - c. Matti Kline (Lion Mike Haley)
 - d. Ed Zelinske (Lion Scott Newton)
 - e. Mo and Gary Sethi (Lion Ellen Leibherr)
 - f. Todd De Voe (Lion Scott Newton)
 - g. Carol Harty (Lion Marcia Haley)
 - h. Barbara Ashley (Lion Marcia Haley)
8. President's Comments
 - a. Fish Fry
 - i. Lion Lee Melody: all 600 car tickets have been sold; tickets are now sold out
 - b. Seal Beach 5k/10k walk/run donated \$1,000 to the club for lighting during the Seal Beach Christmas parade; also donated \$1,000 to the Leos
9. Announcements
10. Recognition
 - a. Lion Biff Horvatin for 15 years of service



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11. New Business
 - a. Fish Fry - Lions Mike Haley and Scott Newton
 - i. Lions need to sign up for shifts if they have not yet done so
 - ii. Chairpersons will send emails to their workers confirming times; still a few spots need to be filled
 - iii. Non-Lions are permitted to sign up and work
 - b. Car drawing - Lion Lee Melody
 - i. Car tickets sold out at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday
 - ii. Record in sales
 - iii. Gross increased by 20% due to selling 600 tickets instead of 500 tickets
 - iv. Nine tickets are outstanding in that they have been reserved but not yet paid for; still considered "sold"
 - v. Special recognition for those who assisted in the accounting: Lions Renee Schulte, Donna Melody and David Blasi
 - c. Huntington Beach visitation - Lion Nikki Illingsworth
 - i. Visitation tomorrow (7/7) at Old World in Huntington Beach at 7:00 p.m.
 - ii. \$15 for dinner
 - iii. Purpose is to promote Fish Fry
 - iv. Lion Camille will be selling miniraffle tickets
 - d. Music in the park (sponsored by Seal Beach Lions) - Lion Scott Newton
 - i. Next Wednesday (7/13) at 6:00 p.m.
 - ii. Lions is sponsoring Sergeant Peppers, a Beatles tribute band
 - iii. Will be selling miniraffle tickets for Fish Fry
 - iv. Set up your chair and blanket by 8:00 a.m. for a seat
 - e. Zone meeting - Lion Bruce Gormley
 - i. There will be a zone meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday (7/16) during Fish Fry
 - ii. New Lions should attend to fulfill a Proud Lion requirement
 - iii. Our Zone consists of Seal Beach, Stanton, Garden Grove and Westminster
 - f. District cabinet meeting - Lions Mike Haley and Bruce Gormley
 - i. Will take place on 7/30 at 10:00 a.m.; registration is at 9:00 a.m.
 - ii. Costa Mesa country club
 - g. Admin fund garage sale - Lion Margie Garcia
 - i. Will be 8/13 at Lion Margie's house
 - ii. Drop items off at her house the day before
 - iii. Usually make about \$500 for the administration fund
 - iv. Start time: 7:30 a.m.
 - h. Lions Club Picnic - Lion Les Schobe
 - i. Will be on Sunday 8/14 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
 - ii. \$5 to attend
 - iii. See Lion Rosemarie to sign up
 - iv. Lion Scott Newton is in charge of food
 - v. Must sign up ahead of time and sign the liability release in order to be listed on the roster submitted to the base
 - vi. Bring photo ID to be permitted access onto the base
 - i. Lions against graffiti - Lion Ray Longoria
 - i. This was a new project that has been going on for the past several weeks
 - ii. So far, Lions have removed graffiti in 160+ locations in Old Town Seal Beach
 - iii. Lion Brad provided a new special spray to try out for removal
 - iv. City of Seal Beach has requested Lions assist with removing graffiti from private property
 - v. Seal Beach ordinance requires homeowners to remove graffiti from their property



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- vi. People can call or email through the website to notify of graffiti
- vii. Meeting at the garage tomorrow from 11-1 to remove more graffiti
- viii. Lion Scott Newton received a call today from the assistant city manager to inform him that the Lions will be recognized by the City this coming Monday at 7:00 p.m.
12. Old Business
 - a. Vietnamese club visitation - Lion Nikki Illingsworth
 - i. 10 Seal Beach Lions attended
 - ii. Lions donated money and gave club pins to the president and most board members
 - iii. 8-course meal; formal attire; very nice event
 - b. Eyeglass donation - Lion Cathy Newton
 - i. Dorothy Nelson requested \$540 for special glasses she couldn't afford
 - ii. We donated the money
 - iii. Lion Cathy also arranged with Ms. Nelson's doctor to collect used eyeglasses for Lions
 - c. Bench project - Lion Camille Romano
 - i. Finished the bench project in Eisenhower Park earlier this week so they will look nice for Fish Fry
13. Other business
 - a. Ninja group - Lion Dewey Linehan
 - i. Formed a Ninja group when he was president to seal artifacts from other club; would like to see this continue
 - ii. Presented Lion President Mike Haley with a huge gavel to be sure it would not be lost
 - iii. The gavel should be passed along to the next president
 - b. Seal Beach 5k/10k - Lion Barbara Avakian
 - i. Made \$124,000
 - ii. Lions should continue to participate
 - iii. Lions and Leos both received \$1,000 donation
14. New member proposals - Lion Scott Newton
 - a. Barbara Ashley (Lion Marcia Haley)
 - i. Looking for community involvement
 - ii. Also representing husband Brian who is out of town
 - b. Carol Harty
 - i. Grew up in Seal Beach
 - ii. Has lived here the past 30 years
 - iii. Would like to contribute to the community
 - c. Todd De Voe (Lion Scott Newton)
 - i. Seal Beach Police Department emergency services
 - d. Gary Sethi (Lion Ellen Liebherr)
 - i. Moved to Rossmoor six years ago
 - ii. Pharmacist
 - iii. Interacted with Lions through purchase of six car tickets
 - e. Mo Sethi (Lion Ellen Liebherr)
 - i. Registered nurse
 - ii. Decided to join after attending the previous meeting
 - f. Ed Zelinske
 - i. Lives in Huntington Beach
 - ii. Friends with Lions Scott and Cathy Newton
 - iii. Impressed with community help and involvement
 - g. Debbie Laws (Lion Les Schobe)
 - i. Manager at Finbars
 - ii. Has lived in the community for 15 years



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- iii. Loves city and is happy to be a member
- h. Jenn Kocken (Lion Ray Longoria)
- i. Moved to Seal Beach 4 months ago
- ii. Grew up in Seal Beach; would like to give back to the community
- i. Lee Kocken (Lion Ray Longoria)
- i. Moved to Seal Beach 4 months ago
- ii. Superintendent for Iron Workers Union
- iii. Would like to give back to community
- j. Robin Collier (Lion Ray Longoria)
- i. Moved here approximately 3 months ago
- ii. Daughter Kristin works at 320 Main
- iii. Recipient of Lions eye program; got eyesight back 30 years ago
- k. Mike Ferreira (Lion Ray Longoria)
- i. Known Ray for a long time; golfing buddy
- ii. Past commodore at Seal beach Yacht Club
- iii. Wants to join to give back to community and for social reasons
- l. Lion Scott Newton makes a motion for the above prospective members to become new members
- m. Lion Bruce Gormley seconds the motion
- n. Motion passes
- o. Official roar
- 15. Treasure chest - Lion Bill Howes
 - a. Reminder: can donate to raffle
 - b. \$20 and key: Lion Mike Maloney
 - c. \$10 and key: Lion Aro Riley
 - d. \$5 and key: Lion Donna Melody
 - e. Hats (5): Lions George Dooley; Judy O'Neill; David Blasi; Karen Russell; Ray Longoria
- 16. Mystery lion - Lion Dino Syrengelas
- 17. Fines and happy dollars
- 18. Adjourn general meeting at 8:29 p.m.
- 19. Suspend board meeting for 10 minutes

RECONVENE BOARD MEETING

- 1. Call to order at 8:41 p.m. - Lion President Mike Haley
- 2. Roll call
 - a. Lion Nikki Illingsworth
 - b. Lion Terry Stephenson
 - c. Lion Les Schobe
 - d. Lion Mike Haley
 - e. Lion Ashleigh Rollins
 - f. Lion Scott Newton
 - g. Lion Cathy Newton
 - h. Lion Brad Barras
 - i. Lion Bruce Gormley
 - j. Lion Renee Schulte
 - k. Lion Camille Romano
 - l. Lion Adriana Ziegenbusch
- 3. Secretary's report
- 4. Approval of previous minutes



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- a. Lion Scott Newton motions to accept the minutes as posted in the Grow and Amended Growl
- b. Lion Brad Barras seconds
- c. No opposition
- d. Motion passes
5. Treasurer's report
 - a. Passed out summary report and details of charity account and admin account
 - b. Charity account balance: \$7,889.40 (6/30/11)
 - c. Car account balance: \$47,261.89 (6/30/11)
 - d. Admin account balance: \$17,662.82 (6/30/11)
 - e. Recently transferred \$20,000 from car account to charity account to fund Fish Fry
6. Approval of treasurer's report
 - a. Lion Bruce Gormley makes a motion to approve the report
 - b. Lion Brad Barras seconds
 - c. No opposition
 - d. Motion passes
7. Old business
 - a. Garage rent increase
 - i. Board previously accepted increase to between \$200 and \$300 per month
 - ii. Lion Scott Newton negotiated price of \$250 per month but no new garage door
 - iii. Recommended paying the entire year at once
 - iv. First instance of raising rent in 10 years
 - v. Lion Brad pays \$175 for a single-car garage in Old Town
 - vi. Lion Renee Schulte - rent includes utilities
 - vii. Lion Brad Barras motions to accept the increase to \$250
 - viii. Lion Bruce Gormley seconds
 - ix. No opposition
 - x. Motion passes
 - b. Replace Lion Ray Longoria (director)
 - i. Has resigned because of work commitments
 - ii. Lion President Mike Haley nominates Lion Lindsay Safe
 - iii. Lion Scott Newton motions to appoint Lion Lindsay Safe as a director
 - iv. Lion Bruce Gormley seconds
 - v. No opposition
 - vi. Motion passes
8. New business
 - a. Boy scout request for eagle project funding
 - i. James Boner - requested \$100
 - ii. Seal Beach troop
 - iii. Building shelf rack and rolling carts for Precious Life Shelter in Los Alamitos
 - iv. Lion Brad Barras makes motion to donate \$100 to James Boner for his eagle scout project
 - v. Lion Scott seconds
 - vi. No opposition
 - vii. Motion passes
 - b. Lions beach barbeque
 - i. Budget of \$500 for alcohol and snacks
 - ii. Food will be reasonably priced
 - iii. Possible can use leftover beer and wine from Fish Fry
 - iv. Cannot guarantee we will break even with this event



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- v. Lion Bruce Gormley makes motion to pay \$500 for the event and vote on additional funds as requested
- vi. Lion Cathy Newton seconds
- vii. No opposition
- viii. Motion passes
- c. Happy hour
- i. Lion Mike Haley requesting \$100 from the admin fund for a happy hour to be used for appetizers and food
- ii. First event will probably be at O'Malley's
- iii. All members are invited
- iv. Lion Mike wants to have three total; is only asking for \$100 for the first event
- v. Lion Bruce Gormley makes motion to expend \$100 for one experimental happy hour
- vi. Lion Nikki Illingsworth seconds
- vii. No opposition
- viii. Motion passes
- d. Lions against graffiti
- i. Requesting \$300 for funding
- ii. Lion Bruce Gormley makes a motion to expend \$300 for graffiti removal; Lion Cathy Newton seconds
- iii. Lion Scott Newton amends motion to approve \$500 to set up and provide give-a-ways at a booth at National Night Out on 8/2/11
- iv. Lion Brad Barras seconds
- v. No opposition
- vi. Motion passes
- e. Life membership approval
- i. Costs \$500; requires 20 years of service in various capacities
- ii. Application has already been completed
- iii. Identity of life member not disclosed
- iv. Lion Cathy Newton makes a motion to approve the undisclosed life member for 2011-2012 for \$500
- v. Lion Camille Romano seconds
- vi. No opposition
- vii. Motion passes
- f. Los Alamitos High School marching band
- i. Letter came in requesting donations because the school can no longer charge students for uniforms or any other expense except for transportation; likely requesting funds for operating expenses (tuning and maintaining instruments and equipment, entering competitions)
- ii. No specific amount requested
- iii. Funds were provided to the marching band by the Seal Beach 5k/10k
- iv. Lion Scott Newton recommends sending this request to the steering committee, particularly in light of the fact that additional requests from the high school are likely to come
- v. Lion Bruce makes a motion to defer to the steering committee's decision
- vi. Lion Brad Barras seconds the motion
- vii. No opposition
- viii. Motion passes
9. Adjourn at 9:09 p.m.



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Seal Beach Lions Club
Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2011
Khoury's Restaurant

- Meeting is called to order at 7:00 pm by 3rd Vice-President Lion Ashleigh Rollins, standing in for President Mike Haley.

- The Flag Salute is led by Lion Lindsay Safe.
- The Invocation is led by Lion Nikki Illingworth.
- The City of Hope Prayer is led by Lion Allyn Mattox.
- Guests Shane Tester and Valentina Armengol are introduced by Lion Aro Riley.

Guests Kristen Virgin and Jeff (last name is not heard) by Ray Longoria. Jeff is a guest of Lion Mike Ferreira and Kristin Virgin is a guest of Lion Robin Collier.

- 3rd Vice-President Ashleigh Rollins reads the following statement prepared by Lions President Mike Haley:

"Hi, fellow Lions. I am sorry I can't make it tonight, but my new promotion has forced me to attend Management Training classes. I should be back for our August 3rd meeting. I would like to thank all the Lions that helped at the Fish Fry and a special "Thanks" to those who setup and stuck it out and helped with cleanup. As you will hear, it was an unbelievable weekend, and, Brad, be nice! Ashleigh is doing me a favor. Enjoy your evening. We will have all the numbers at our next meeting. Lion President, Mike Haley"

7. Announcements - Lion Les Shobe announced that he had a flyer about Wheels, Wings & Rotors, and exhibit at the Joint Forces Training Base on October 23, 2011, if anyone was interested in having a booth.

Lion Allyn Mattox asked if anyone would like to attend the Cabinet Meeting on July 30, 2011, to please contact her.

8. New Business

National Night Out~Lion Ray Longoria spoke about the Seal Beach Lions Booth at Nation Night Out on August 2, 2011, at Eisenhower Park, where he would be handing out candy and talking about our Graffiti Removal Program.

Admin Garage Sale~ Lion Margie Garcia announced that we would be having a garage sale at her home on August 13, 2011. Lions could drop off donations at her house on August 12, 2011.

Lions Club Picnic~ Lion Les Shobe invited Lions to attend the Beach Picnic at the Naval Weapons Station on August 14. Price is \$5 per person and guests are welcome. The Club is providing food and drinks to celebrate the end of summer. Waiver of liability forms must be signed to attend.



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La Habra Corn Festival~ Visitation Chairperson Nikki Illingworth encouraged Lions to attend the Corn Festival in La Habra at anytime during the weekend of August 6 and 7.

Ronald McDonald House~ Lion Ashleigh Rollins still needs two Master Chefs to fill in the available dates at Ronald McDonald House. Dates for cooking have not been chosen. The dates are 9/12, 11/18, 3/15 and 5/8. Please see Ashleigh if you would like to sign up.

9. Old Business

Fish Fry~ Lion Lindsay Safe reported that this was our most successful Fish Fry ever with a 26% increase in revenue. Our gross was \$61,000. We had an increase of approximately \$12,000, of which we have an estimated \$34,000 in profits. The increase was due to an increase in volume. Over 8,000 people attended the Fish Fry.

Car Drawing~ Lion Lee Melody reported that we sold out of Car Drawing tickets two weeks prior to Fish Fry in the amount of \$60,000. We will net approximately \$30,000. Top sellers of tickets were Gay Snyder-Johnson, 70; Carol & Dewey Linehan, 28; Ray Longoria, 23; Brad Barras & Jim Klisanin, 22 each; Dino Syrengelas, 15; George Layman, 10. The winner of the Ford Edge was Tamara Sverev of Seal Beach, winner of the TV was Bill Foster of Long Beach, and winner of the iPad was Jim Klisanin.

Graffiti Removal Project~ Lion Ray Longoria reported that we are cleaning up the graffiti in Seal Beach. We have cleaned up 400 separate taggings in over 250 locations. Our team has removed 99% of the graffiti in town from every alley and every street. The City will remove graffiti from City property, but we will remove it from private property. Lion Debbie Laws thanked Lion Ray from removing graffiti from her place of business, Finbar's Restaurant.

10. There was no other business.

11. There was no program.

12. There was no Treasure Chest drawing.

13. The Mystery Lion was Dino Syrengelas.

14. Lion Dino Syrengelas also acted as the Tail Twister in Lion Brad Barras' absence and did a fine job.

15. The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Club Secretary Allyn Mattox



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