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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

May and June are busy months for the L.A. Host Lions. Our Membership Committee is hard at work; we served root beer floats at the International Food Faire; the Red Shield Leo Club visited Lions Camp at Teresita Pines, and we met with Los Angeles District Attorney Steve Cooley. In June, we'll have the annual members meeting of Lark Ellen Lions Charities, a Flag Day event at Betty Plasencia School, and our annual Installation Dinner.

Although I couldn't attend, every report confirmed that our meeting with District Attorney Steve Cooley was a huge success. Thanks to Mr. Cooley and his staff, to Lion Gilbert Mares for coordinating the arrangements and the catering, and to everyone who attended. Plus we were invited to sit in on a press conference with Mr. Cooley and Deputy Alan Jackson about the latest developments in the Phil Spector case.

Sincerely, Dudley Lang, President

Annual Installation Dinner

The L.A. Host Club will celebrate its 92nd Annual Installation on Saturday, June 27th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with a cocktail reception, and followed by dinner, installation and awards. Entertainment will be by our favorite, Hillard Street.

Past President Peter Ulrich will serve as Emcee and PDG Doude Wysbeek will be the installing officer for next year's officers and directors.

Lark Ellen Annual Meeting

The Annual Members Meeting of Lark Ellen Lions Charities will be held at noon on Friday, June 12th at Taix Restaurant to elect directors and to receive President Pete Ulrich's annual report, Chelsea Management's review of our investment portfolio, and the financial report for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2009. A Board meeting will follow.



L.A. Host Lions and guests with L.A. District Attorney Steve Cooley

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Regular meetings are held at noon on the second and fourth Fridays at Taix Restaurant, 1911 Sunset Blvd.

June 12, 2009:

“Lark Ellen Lions Charities”

The Annual Meeting of Lark Ellen Lions Charities will be held at noon in lieu of the regular meeting. See page 1 for details.

June 27, 2009:

“Installation Dinner”

The 92nd Annual Installation Dinner will be held on Saturday, June 27th in lieu of the regular meeting that would otherwise be held on June 26th. See page 1 for details.



*May
God
Bless
America*

Nature's Assignments

By Lion Dick Radl

It seems as though nature laid out each creature's task,
Tabby the cat to luxuriate in warm sunlight's bask,
Goldfish to squirm, twist in bowl for owner's fun,
Ring-necked pheasant, target for Dakota hunter's gun.

But Melvin Jones asked we view Lion in manner
never before seen;
Not as fierce beast, but comforter, summoned on call,
Bringing the disabled the response to their dream,
Going everywhere, without question, concern for all.

DISTRICT (AND OTHER) HAPPENINGS

2009 International Convention. Plans are being made for the 92nd Lions Clubs International Convention from July 6-10, 2009 in the city of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Convention-goers can look forward to a rousing International Parade of Nations, interesting seminars and guest speakers, and a gala Hero Awards banquet in recognition of our “Everyday Heroes” and the miracles they are making happen. For details, see www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/news_convention.shtml.

Metro Region Cabinet Meeting. The District 4-L1 Metro Region Cabinet Meeting will be held on July 25th at the Doubletree Hotel, located at 888 Montebello Boulevard, Rosemead, California. Room reservations should be made with the hotel by calling (323) 722-8800. Meal reservations should be directed to Lion Peter Rowland, 4451 Rockland Place, #4, La Cañada, CA 91011. There will also be a First Nighters party in the Governor's Suite on Friday evening, July 24th to which all Lions are invited.

2009 USA/Canada Leadership Forum. The Forum will be held on September 24-26, 2009 in Memphis, Tennessee. Its theme will be “Move to Grow - Lions Leading Through Service.” Many new and exciting seminars are being planned to educate and motivate. The Memphis Convention Center facilities are first class and are directly across the street from the Marriott Downtown, the headquarters hotel. Many other hotels are within walking distance of the Convention Center. For details see <https://usacanadalionsforum.org/host.htm>

Happy Birthday

**June Birthstone:
Pearl**

June 1st
June 5th

Carol Mares
Muriel Scharf

L.A. HOST HAPPENINGS

May Board Meeting

President Dudley Lang presided. The April minutes were accepted as distributed. The treasurer's report was accepted after brief review of both the general and charity accounts. Our plans for a Lark Ellen fundraiser in September on the beautiful premises of Lion Dr. Marwah were given intense review, concluding that deepening economic problems within the general economy will stifle our goal of selling 300 tickets to the proposed jazz musicale. Reluctantly, but with a realistic grasp of current economic conditions, we voted not to proceed with the project. On happier topics, choirmaster Joel Pressman has agreed to the December 11th date for his Beverly Hills High School Madrigal Singers to present the annual Christmas extravaganza at the Biltmore Hotel. We continue to search for ways to make our presence known to residents of the Echo Park area, including the purchase ads in two local newsletters to make the community cognizant of who we are and what we offer. Our next board meeting is on Wednesday, June 17th. Come, share with a dedicated, concerned fellowship.

May Programs

May 8th: In lieu of the regular meeting, several L.A. Host Lions gathered to serve root beer floats at the International Food Faire held in conjunction with the District 4-L1 Convention in Thousand Oaks. Thanks to Lions Fredy Perez (with optometric student Max), Gilbert Mares, Muriel Scharf, David Bermudez, and Dudley Lang (with Gail) for turning out to serve our faire fare. The root beer floats are very popular with the conventioners to top off the many ethnic foods presented at the event.

May 29th. A very nice turnout of L.A. Host Lions and guests met at the offices of Los Angeles District Attorney Steve Cooley. *See the photo on page 1.* The event was in place of the regular club meeting that would otherwise have been held on May 22nd.

Lions Websites

L.A. Host: www.geocities.com/lalions.
Lions Clubs Int'l: www.lionsclubs.org
MD-4 Lions: www.md4lions.org
District 4-L1: www.district411.org

Calendar of Events

- June 12 Lark Ellen Annual Mtg.
Noon, Taix Restaurant
- June 15 Flag Day Event
Betty Plasencia School
- June 17 Club Board Meeting
Noon, Taix Restaurant
- June 26 Dark
- June 27 Annual Club Installation
6:00 p.m. Reception
7:00 p.m. Dinner
Taix Restaurant
- July 10 Regular Club Meeting
Noon, Taix Restaurant
- July 15 Club Board Meeting
Noon, Taix Restaurant
- July 24-25 Metro Cabinet Meeting
Doubletree Hotel
Rosemead, California

About our Members

Prairie 911 - Paradise Found

By Lion Dick Radl

Family comes first - soon I would have a sister - so Dad ceased hay fever elimination research in Minneapolis and took the offer at the expanding clinic in Bismarck, North Dakota. The capital had a population of 15,000. My mother was to design and construct a two story Cape Cod house which, along with 61 other homes within an eight-block area, are today designated as historical sites. Far to the southwest beyond the Missouri River, we could vaguely discern the fort Custer left behind him in 1876. My boyhood and adolescence were golden. Elementary school friendships survive today with constant email. In that era, parents steered offspring towards success. My friend Tom became Secretary of Interior under Gerald Ford; John invented a forklift with sensors to carry loads up around stairway corners; Frank acquired two PhDs and became president of the Chicago Board of Trade; Roger furthered cancer radiation treatment; Ken, whose father won a Pulitzer Prize for the Bismarck Tribune, became a dedicated educator; Ralph published two books on the American Indian; Jim went to Harvard Medical School; and Myron still operates businesses on three continents. To be continued.

HUMOR
&
WISDOM



More Groaners

I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.

I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.

A backward poet writes inverse.



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