

March 2005 and spring is almost here...



The month of March marks our ninth month of my year as your Club President. We, as a club, need to continue on doing the important things we do for our community, yet I want to challenge us to work on some important aspects of Lionism.

First, we need to increase our club membership! This last year we lost some members and we need to work on membership. Super Bowl Sunday we enjoyed a great time as a club and at the same time we had some perspective members joined us and see us first hand. Nice job (again) **Lion Jim Parino**. Seek new members in our community to join our club. Bring in a new perspective member to one of our dinner meetings or one of our projects.

Next, we need all of our club members to volunteer, work on projects, and even take a further step as a club board member. As the saying goes, 'come on in the water is fine'. We all benefit with as many as possible contributing. Go for it guys!

Heads up! In coming... our club dues will increase to \$80.00 annually starting July 1, 2005. The Club Board approved the increase because of the added cost and the limited availability of money in our Administrative Fund. **Also, starting with our dinner meeting on March 14, 2005 our dinner meal will be increased to \$8.00.** We are still the club best deal in town.

Some of our members earned credit for the Proud Lion and or the Proud Lion Sponsor Award pins and never received your award. If you are one of those members please contact our club secretary, **Lion Don Thompson**. I have some award pins to give out and we can order more for those who did not receive their pins.

Our club's nominations for new board members are open. **1st VP Lion David Ogden** is working on a list for perspective candidates. Get involved and be a candidate. We need members who want to be involved and help lead our club.

On February 21st seven club members attended the Lions District 4-C5 3rd District Cabinet Meeting. I attended a two hour workshop on Scouting put on by **Lions Andy Anderson**, Dennis Weiss, and Scout Executive James Martin. Great job Lion Andy! Those that attended received a training certificate. On another topic, our lion's district is planning the district convention, entitled "A Fantasy Cruise" District 4-C5 Convention, at the Marriott Hotel, in San Ramon, and it is set for April 29 through May 1, 2005. Our Club will have seven up to seven delegates.

Lastly, remember to bring a perspective new member to one of our meetings. Our club exemplifies the best in community service for Elk Grove. Please help us grow as a club. I appreciate the support each of you contributes to our club. Thanks Lions.

Lion President Fred

GUESS WHO THIS IS?



No! It's not Danny!
But he does spend a lot of time in the Kitchen

ELK GROVE LIONS CLUB -Board Minutes –February 21, 2005

Call to Order: President Fred Cole Time: 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call:

Pres: F.**Cole** P Secty: D.**Thompson** P
 Treas: M. **Oneto** P 1VP: D. **Ogden** P
 T.Twstr: P. **Sanchez** P Lion Tmr: H.**Leonhardt** P
 2VP: T. **Watts** P Mem Dir: A.**Anderson** P
 1 Yr Dir: D. **DiBenedetto** S 3VP: C. **Woodson** P
 1 Yr Dir: J. **Megna** P 2 Yr. Dir: F. **Averitt** S
 2 Yr Dir: J. **Tallerico** P IPP: F. **Handley** Ex
 Bul Ed: D. **Simpson** Ex

Others Attending: Lions **Gary Dapelo, Rod Dixon, Bill Hibbard, Arndt Lorenzen**

Minutes of 12-20-04 Board Meeting: Approve as published in the February Bulletin

Treasurer's Report: See Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** for information.

Correspondence:

1. Roseville Lions 80 yr. Anniversary May 14. Lions **Chuck Woodson & Fred Cole** will attend.
2. Dist. 4C5 Convention Delegates. 7 Authorized, Lions **Andy Anderson, Fred Cole, Gary Dapelo** and **David Ogden** will attend. Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** is attending as PDG.
3. SES refunded \$215.82 as adjustment to Crab Feed rental.
4. Secty of State- Notice of Delinquency Statement. Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** will handle.
5. Elk Grove Women's Club sent *Thank You* and \$200 donation for Clubs efforts in Police Dept Crab Feed.

Committee Reports:

1. Sutter Zone Meeting report: Zone Crab Feed netted \$8,920.00 profit. \$2,400 went to Boy Scout Camp defibrillator. The remainder was equally split between the Volunteers of Vacaville and the Canines for Independence camp.
2. Dist 4C5 Cabinet meeting, 2/20/05. Lion Pres. **Fred Cole** reported 7 Elk Grove Lions attended.

Old Business:

1. Blue & Gold Banquet. Lion **Andy Anderson** reported 7 EG Lions put in 37 hours, fed 80 attendees, spent \$138.99 and received 360 pair of recycled glasses.

2. EG Women's Club fund raiser for the Police Dept raised approx \$15,000 as a result of the EG Lions Crab Feed.
3. EGHS Girls Basketball Pancake Breakfast. Lion **Heinz Leonhardt** reported that 150 tickets were sold, food cost was \$185, 80 – 90 were fed and 7 EG Lions put in 37 hours on the project.
4. March Crab Feed. Lion **Tim Watts** reported Lions PDG **Mel Oneto & Gary Dapelo** are in charge of the cooking, Lion **Jack Megna** is in charge of setup and Lion **David Ogden** is handling the tickets.
5. Proud Lions and Sponsor Awards. Lion Pres. **Fred Cole** reported that he has finally received 6 Proud Sponsor pins and 1 Proud Lion pin. Records are being checked to determine the recipients.
6. New Member Invitation/Applications. Lion Secretary **Don Thomson** will order at least 50 of the brochure type forms.

New Business:

1. Convention attendance and cost to send 7 delegates. **Lion PDG Mel Oneto moved to authorize up to \$1200 for four or more attendees (\$300 or less each). 2nd by Lion Andy Anderson. Motion passed.**
2. Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** requested approval of the Cioppino Feed project to be held at the Senior Center on 3/25/05. Lion **Jim Parino** noted that the Club will be required to pay the \$35/hr. Senior Center rental rate. **Lion Andy Anderson moved to approve, seconded by Lion Heinz Leonhardt. Motion passed.**
3. **Lion PDG Mel Oneto requested approval of Club participation in the District Convention Food Faire. Moved to authorize expenditure up to \$160, seconded by Lion Andy Anderson. Motion passed.**
4. Dues Increase. Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** reported that increases in International, MD4 and District Dues are leaving our Admin Fund coming up short. **Lion PDG Mel Oneto moved to raise**

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- Club Dues from \$70 per year to \$80 per year, seconded by David Ogden. Motion passed 8 – 2.**
5. Dinner price increase. **Lion Tim Watts moved to raise the meal price from \$7 to \$8 per person starting with the March 14th meeting. Seconded by Lion David Ogden. Motion passed 9-1.**
 6. Lion President **Fred Cole** announced that Lion **Jack Edwards** put in 10 hours developing a web page for the Pride of Laguna Lions Club.
 7. **Lion Pancho Sanchez moved to donate \$500 to the Storm Baseball Club, seconded by Lion Mel. Motion passed 9-1.**
 8. **Lion Andy Anderson moved to buy \$20 worth of tickets on the Past Presidents Pin Collection, 2nd by Lion Tim Watts. Motion passed.**
 9. Lion **Andy Anderson** reminded the Board that the FFA Golf Tourney is April 1, 2005. **Lion Tim Watts moved to authorize \$500 to pay for an Elk Grove Lion Club Team, 2nd by Lion Joe Tallerico. Motion passed.**
 10. **Lion Andy Anderson moved to authorize \$125 to sponsor a T-Ball team in the CSD league, 2nd by Lion Joe Tallerico. Motion passed.**
 11. Request from EG Rotary to assist an Elk Grove residents mother who is from Viet Nam. Lion **Gary Dapelo** will contact Rotary for more information and follow up as necessary.
 12. **Lion Chuck Woodson moved to donate \$400 to Lions Wilderness Camp to sponsor a campership for a deaf child. seconded by Lion Heinz Leonhardt, Passed.**
 13. **Lion Don Thompson moved to have the Club purchase 10 hats for the cooking crew in order to comply with the requirement to keep heads covered in the kitchen. Seconded by Lion Jack Megna. Motion passed 6-3.**
 14. **Lion Don Thompson moved to donate \$300 to the building fund of St Jude Hospital for children. Seconded by Lion Jack Megna. Motion passed.**
 15. Lion **Arndt Lorenzen** will be presenting flags to 6 elementary schools requiring 1340 flags. **Lion Joe Tallerico moved, 2nd by Lion Mel Oneto to authorize \$816.00 to complete the project. Motion passed.**
 16. Lion **Arndt Lorenzen** announced that he and his son Wendell will be participating in the Walk America (March of Dimes) event on April 1st.
 17. Club pins are available from Lion Secretary **Don Thompson** for trading at \$3.00 each.
- Coming Events:**
- 1) 2/26 Rat Terrier Dinner - Lion **Floyd Averitt**
 - 2) 2/28 Club Dinner Meeting –
 - 3) 3/05 Senior Center Pancake Breakfast
 - 4) 3/5 March Crab Feed – Lion **Tim Watts**
 - 5) 3/8 Zone Student Speaker Contest, Galt Police Dept.
 - 6) 3/14 Club Dinner Meeting
 - 7) 3/21 Club Board Meeting
 - 8) 3/25 Cioppino Feed – PDG Lion **Mel Oneto**
 - 9) 3/28 Club Dinner Meeting
 - 10) 4/1 FFA Golf Tourney – Lion **Andy Anderson**
 - 11) 4/1 Walk America event – Lion **Arndt Lorenzen**
 - 12) 4/9 Delta Lions Tea at the Grand Hotel
 - 13) 4/27 -28 Jesse Baker Games – Lion **Floyd Averitt**
 - 14) 4/29-5/1 District 4C-5 Convention
 - 15) 4/30-5/1 Western Festival – Bingo & Beer Booths – Parade Barricades
 - 16) 5/13 E.G. Community Foundation Awards Dinner
 - 17) 5/21-22 American Cancer Society Relay for Life
- Adjourned: 8:30 P.M.**



Dinners Galore!

ELK GROVE/LAGUNA WOMEN'S CLUB CRAB FEED



Kitchen Crew



Lions Poncho Sanchez, Gary Dapelo, PDG Mel Oneto & Jerry Salamy get thing ready for the hungry "crowd".



Boy's Scout - Blue & Gold Dinner



Kitchen Crew receives accolades at the Boy Scout "Blue and Gold" Dinner



Dish Washing Crew

Zone Crab Feed - Galt

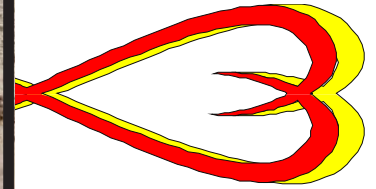
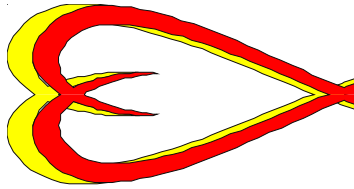


Lions Gary Dapelo & Jim Switzgable hand out the "Sauce"



How many chef's does it take to prepare dinner?

How did you sleep last night?



Calendar of Coming Events

3/8	Zone Student Speaker Contest, Galt Police Dept.	4/9	Delta Lions Tea at the Grand Hotel
3/14	Club Dinner Meeting	4/27 -28	Jesse Baker Games – Lion Floyd Averitt
3/21	Club Board Meeting	4/29-5/1	District 4C-5 Convention
3/25	Cioppino Feed – PDG Lion Mel Oneto	4/30-5/1	Western Festival – Bingo & Beer Booths – Parade
3/28	Club Dinner Meeting	Barricades	
4/1	FFA Golf Tourney – Lion Andy Anderson	5/13	E. G. Community Foundation Awards Dinner
4/1	Walk America event – Lion Arndt Lorenzen	5/21-22	American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Youth Exchange Program

Youth Exchange is Lions International's largest Peace Effort is now seeking students to take advantage of a lifetime opportunity in overseas travel in 2005!!

Departs on July 2, and returns on Aug. 5. Countries now available: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland & Japan (most have 2-3 slots still open).

Cost of the 5-week program is \$2200. Deadline for applications March 31st, include your deposit of \$300 and mail to: MD4 -YE Lions International.

Obtain an application at: <www.md4lions.org> Don't hold up application for pending Medical Exam and receipt of Passport. Send 5 copies of application & indemnity form to Lion Leal Portis 16335 Patricia Way, Grass Valley, Ca 95949. Questions? Call 530-273-6018 or email: <hopione@sbcglobal.net> You may attach a note with application stating Medical Appt. date and date that passport application was mailed.

Host families of the countries have Camp for one week. Expecting 17-21 to most of the countries.

The Stag -ON-LINE!

A revised form of each month's STAG is available for your friends and neighbors. If you have family located ANYWHERE in the world, they can see "via the Internet" all the good things that your Elk Grove Lions does. Check it out at: elkgrovelions.org. The page is still in the development stage and Lion Jack would love to hear your thoughts, ideas and suggestions in making it the BEST!. You can contact him at jack@jackaedwards.com or calling him at 683-2240.



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Attendance Make-up Clubs

Delta Lions Club	Pride of Laguna
2 & 4 Thurs, 7 am	6pm
Courtland Church	Cassidy's Restaurant
147 Primasing Ave.	9625 E. Stockton Blvd.
Courtland	Elk Grove
Galt Lions Club	Valley Hi Lions Club
2 & 4 Thurs,	1 & 3 Thurs, 7:30 pm
6:00 pm Social	South Villa Restaurant
7:00 pm Meeting	7223 - 55th Street
Papa's Pizza	Sacramento
505 C Street, Galt	

Dinner Meeting on

2nd and 4th Monday, 6:30 p.m. social, 7:00 p.m. dinner.
Board of Directors meet 3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m.
Bulletin Information due to Editor by the last Monday of the Month.