

When the statement of “Thanks” or “We could not have done it without the Elk Grove Lions” touches my ear, being given this opportunity humbles me. It’s quite an honor to be following in the footsteps of many great Elk Grove Presidents. I also take comfort in the fact that because of the excellent work of these presidents, along with the work and leadership of everyone in the club, I know our club will remain strong and thriving. Every other Monday I’m excited to get to have dinner with all of you, and I’m humbled by how accomplished you are and what big hearts you have.

For my letter to you this month I would like to talk about what the Lions means to me, the slogan “We Serve” means to me.

“Service above Self” is what Lions means to me? Very few people can meet that goal, but we can try. To me, “Service above Self,” means to “Love your neighbor as yourself.” We have to realize that everything we do, even on a local level, needs the help of others. I challenge all of you to think of how we can partner with churches, schools, businesses and other groups to change our local and international community for the better. Let’s form some partnerships, and then we will be leading the way.

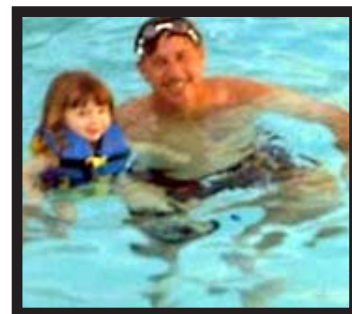
And last, “Lead the Way” applies to each individual Lion. That’s where this club excels. Everyone here leads the way. This club is not run from the top down, but from the bottom up. When Lion Jack Edwards decided we need a better web page, he just did it. I don’t think anyone told Lion’s Jim Parino, Don Thompson, Joe Talerico, and so many others that the Senior Center needs the Elk Grove Lions help. It just happened. I could go on and on, and I’m sure I’ll leave many important people out. Lion Andy & Pancho does the same and leads by example. I wish I could have half the class and energy they have.

What can you say about Jim Switzgale, David King, Dan Peterson or Brad Dano? They’ve only been

Lions for a short time, but they’ve caught the bug. What would we do without them? No one told Lion Heinz to take over the 1st Director Position. Then there are the officers and committee chairs. What an honor.

The average member doesn’t see the contribution of everyone’s individual efforts and for one I’m glad we have Lion Fred who keeps us out of trouble with the IRS.

I’m sure I’ve left many people out. Forgive me. And last, I need your help. Although I may not look pretty busy at times, I live my life with balances between family and work. I’m trying to work as much as I can, but I’m limited in the amount I can do. Fortunately, as I’ve discussed, most of the Lion club success needs the ideas run from the bottom up. Please continue to provide your input and time and I’m sure it will be run very successfully this year.



Lion President Tim

Take me out to the ball game . . .



On Thursday, June 14th
LIONS will invade Raley
Field to watch the
Sacramento RiverCats
take-on the Las Vegas
51’s.



Tickets are \$13.
for Delta Box seats and game begins
at 7:05 p.m.

The evening will be “buck nite” where
\$1.00 will get you an ice cream or a
hot dog.

For ticket reservations contact Lion
Bob Turner at 685-6021.



Call to Order: Lion President Tim Watts @ **EG Lions Board Meeting 2/19/2007**

6:30 PM

Attendance:

P President: **Tim Watts** P Secretary: **Jerry Salamy**
 P 1st VP: **Andy Anderson** P Bulletin Ed: **David A. Simpson**
 P 2nd VP: **Jim Switzgable** P Tail Twister: **Sterling Kloss**
 P 3rd VP: **Pancho Sanchez** P Treasurer: **Mel Oneto**
 P Lion Tamer: **Rod Dixon** A 1 Year Director: **Randy Feist**
 P 1 Year Director: **Heinz Leonhardt**
 P 2 Year Director: **Jack Megna**
 P 2 Year Director: **Danny DiBenedetto**
 P Membership Director: **Bill Hibbard**
 P Immediate Past: **David Ogden**
 A Public Relations Coord. **David King**

Also present: Lions **Whisman, Parino, Thompson, Hillyard, Pearson, Turner, Tallerico, Mullins.**

Motion to approve Board Minutes of: January 15, 2007

Approved with changes - **1st Lion Switzgable, 2nd Lion Anderson** - Changes: **Blue and Gold Dinner was not yet completed. Crab Feed on 3-3 and not 3-4. Jim Switzgable was listed as Jim Salamy.**

Treasure Report:

See PDG Lion Mel Oneto for details.

**Approved - 1st Lion Jack Megna
2nd Lion Rod Dixon**

Visitors:

1. Ken Johnston, Western Festival Chairman- Asking for Lions assistance with beer booth and bingo. - It's the 50th anniversary for the festival. Concerns that community service clubs make money at the event. Asked about waiving the 20 percent fee. Committee is considering a percentage of net revenue this year. Also considering allowing Lions to provide their own security, providing bonding and insurance issue. Lion Hibbard asked about moving the music venue. Goal is to make the Lions feel needed at this year's event. Needed more parking permits for Lions working the event. Lion **Bill Hibbard** suggested that gate ticket takers allow lions with vests be allowed in to park if working the event. Lion **David Simpson** has agreed to participate on the Western Festival board as non-voting member.

Special Announcements: No special announcements.

Correspondence:

- ◆ **Thank You** - None.
- ◆ **Letters / Greetings** - None.
- ◆ **Lions Club International, Healthy Club Toolbox** - CD passed to Lion **Jerry Salamy** and available for any members to review.
- ◆ **NCLSA Meeting** - 1st Wednesday of each month & donation request - Tabled.
- ◆ **Lions Makes a Difference Brochure** - Received a flyer to assist in recruiting that clearly identified what the Lions do.
- ◆ **American Diabetes Association** - Guest Speaker - Lion Andy Anderson to investigate.
- ◆ **EG Commerce 2007 Events** - Brochure on Chamber events.
- ◆ **Huntington's Disease Society request** -
- ◆ **EG USD Bulletin** - Received bulletin on programs.
- ◆ **Arthritis Foundation** - Requesting funds. Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** to review if we have donated this year.
- ◆ **Mother Lode Lions Diabetic Youth Foundation** - No action.
- ◆ **Lion 4-C5 Proposed 2007-2008 Budget** - No action.

◆ **4-C5 White Cane campaign, goal \$100,000** - No action.

◆ **4-C5 Convention club advertising - Motion by PDG Lion Mel Oneto to buy a full page ad for \$75 for VDG Lion Gary Dapelo, 2nd Lion Francisco (Pancho) Sanchez. Motion - Passed.** Lion **Jerry Salamy** to send PDG Lion **Mel Oneto** the Club's history.

◆ **Back to the 50's Dance 3/3** - No action.

◆ **Nevada City 60 years celebration** - No action.

◆ **Country Club Lions Irish Night Dinner** - No action.

◆ **Woodlands Lions VDG endorsement** - No action.

◆ **Citrus Heights Lions, Steak & Scampi 4/14** - No action.

◆ **5th Annual Embarcadero Lions, Golf Tournament 5/11** - No action.

◆ **Capital Lions, China Night 5/20** - No action.

◆ **Lions District 4-C5 River Cats vs Las Vegas 6/14** - Lion **Bob Turner** - Will let District representative know that we are interested.

◆ **Melvin Jones Award Dinner 9/22** - No action.

◆ **Lions International 3rd Annual Food Fair, Folsom Community Center 10/14** - No action.

◆ **Woodland Host Lions 85th year celebration 12/1** - No action.

◆ **Elk Grove Lions were nominated for a People Helping People Award for Service Clubs.** Lion **Joe Tallerico** will be asked for pictures (*need 5 club pictures for the event*). **Motion to purchase 1 ticket for \$75 to the luncheon by Lion Jim Switzgable, 2nd Lion PDG MEL Oneto. Motion passed.**

Committee Reports:

1. **Placement of plaque for flagpole** - Lion **Jim Parino**. - Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** will provide epoxy - Lion Oneto did not provide the epoxy.
2. **"Lions Meet Here" indoors signs** - Lion **Jim Parino** - Can put the sign up. Lion **Jerry Salamy** to order.
3. **Will Vance, Troop 380 Senior Center** - Lion **Randy Feist** - No report.
4. **EGHS Marching Band** - Lions **Jack Megna & Dan Parino**.

◆ **Community Service Award** - Lion **Andy Anderson** - EGHS Senior Jay Gilkes - Presented at last dinner meeting.

6. **Student Speaker Contest Update** - 3/8 Lion **Joe Tallerico** - Zone contest is March 8th.

7. **4th Annual "Hoops for the Hungry"** 1/15 Lion **Fred Handley** - On MLK Day - No report.

8. **MD-4 Healthy Club** - 1/20 Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** - Served 80 people. Planning on having another on May 1st. Three from EG Lions attended.

9. **Blue & Gold Banquet** - 2/15 Lions **Andy Anderson & Jim Parino** - Received 223 pair of glasses. 11 EG Lions worked the event.

10. **March Crab Feed** - "Pride" ad - 3/3 - Lion **Jim Switzgable** - Need raffle prizes. Need to get unsold tickets to Lion **Jack Edwards**. Sacramento Bee to include advertisement. Placemat funds to be used to purchase raffle prizes.

11. **Elk Grove Police Crab Feed** - 3/10 Lion **Chuck Woodson** - No issues. They will be contacting Lion **Andy Anderson** regarding the bar.

12. **EG Foundation (Ted Schmidt Memorial)** - Lion **Joe Tallerico** - Have one candidate. Consider broadening the qualifications to increase eligibility and establish recipient criteria. **Motion by Lion PDG Mel Oneto to have Lion Joe Tallerico to develop recommendations for modifying the selection criteria and eligibility. 2nd Lion Rod Dixon. Passed. Motion to approve applicant Lion Tim Watts, 2nd Lion Bill Hibbard. Passed.**

13. **EG Lions FFA/4H Golf Tournament** 4/20 Lion **Andy Anderson** - Sold 10 flags and 11 greens. Need a check for materials.

14. **"07" TNT Fireworks** - 6/28-7/4 Lion **Jim Switzgable & David Ogden** - On schedule.

15. **EG Quilter Guild Sale v- 9/8-9** Lion **Jim Switzgable & Don Thompson** - No report.

16. **PONY Baseball of Elk Grove** - Lion **David Simpson** - Lion **Tim Watts** to provide contact information.

17. **EG Teen Center Celebrity Basketball Benefit** - Lion **David Simpson** - Met with Jim Miller submitted a thank you letter and a request to help update computer resources. Lion **Andy Anderson** indicates CRC will donate computers. Lion **Joe Tallerico** will contact Dr. Rodreguiz (President of CRC) to discuss donations.

18. **Lions Contact List** - Lion **Jim Switzgable** - Still working.

Special Reports:

1. **Wellness Chairperson:** Lion **Danny DiBenedetto** - No report.
2. **Public Relations Chairperson:** Lion **David King** - No Report.
3. **Mission of Sight Update** - Lions **Don Thompson** - EG Lions collected (1168) pairs of glasses as of 12/11/06. EG Lions have collected 2241 plus. Need to get a couple of additional mail boxes. Lion Salamy to prepare a letter to thank the Postal Service thanking them for the box and asking for other mail boxes.
4. **Application for Membership** - None.

New Business / Requests:

1. **Leukemia & Lymphoma Society** - Lion **Bob Turner** - Has letter from his daughter to raise funds. **Motion by Lion PDG Mel Oneto to donate \$100 to Society. 2nd Lion Sterling Kloss. Motion passed.**
2. **Elk Grove High School band Spaghetti Feed 5/11** Lion **Dan Pearson** - At EGHS for up to 300 people. Lions to donate and cook pasta, salad, rolls, and clean kitchen. **Motion to approve and donate up to \$300 by Lion Jerry Salamy. 2nd Lion David Simpson. Motion passed.**
3. **Jesse Baker School request for EG Lions cooking lunch** - Lion **Bill Hibbard** - Jesse Baker Games on April 25 and 26. To serve lunch both days. **Motion by Lion David Simpson to provide \$500 donation for food and work event. 2nd Lion Bill Hibbard who will chair the event.**

- 4. Sacramento Region Lions Club donation for CSI of \$50 - Lion **Jerry Salamy** – Motion to donate \$50 by Lion **Jack Megna**. 2nd Lion **Danny DiBeneditto**. Motion passed.
- 5. Sheldon Senior Ball Assistance, 4/11 Lion **Mel Oneto** – Need support for a spaghetti feed for up to 150 on April 11. Motion to provide \$200 donation and cook food by Lion **David Simpson**. 2nd Lion **Pancho Sanchez**. Motion passed. Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** Chairperson.
- 6. Folsom Lions Community Baby Shower for the Sacramento Crisis Nursery – Need donations. Motion to donate \$150 by Lion **Pancho Sanchez**. 2nd Lion **Bill Hibbard**. Motion passed.
- 7. City of Hope 50th Anniversary, Lion Tribute Day – March 25th from 9 am to 2 pm. Lion PDG **Mel Oneto** to investigate if City of Hope is still awarding name plaques.
- 8. Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation – Passport to Cure Gala – Asking that we send a Club representative on March 17th.
- 9. A Celtic Irish Tea, Honoring Women 3/17 - Lion **Tim Watts** – Motion to purchase a table for \$200 by Lion **Pancho Sanchez**. 2nd Lion **Jerry Salamy**. Motion passed.
- 10. Creek Week on April 27th – Lion **Jim Parino** to pass information to Lion President **Tim Watts**.
- 11. Looking for new fundraiser events. Proposed a gin fizz brunch. \$20/person. Need to explore opportunity to have the event and identify locations. Lion **Jack Megna** to work with other members to find event. Lion **David Simpson** to look at opportunity for EG Park pavilion.
- 12. Motion to prepare a membership directory up to \$100 by Lion **Oneto**. 2nd Lion **Switzgable**. Motion passed. Lions **Jim Switzgable** and **David Ogden** to provide Lion **Jack Megna** with the information in the directory.
- 13. MD-4 dues of \$820 and a request for a \$3/member donation to support the Lions Rose Parade. Motion to pay an additional \$201 by Lion **David Simpson**. 2nd Lion **Heinz Leonhardt**. Motion passed.
- 14. Cioppino Feed April 6th to support the administration fund. Motion to support feed by Lion **Andy Anderson**. 2nd Lion **David Ogden**. Motion passed.

Items to address next Board Meeting:

- 1. None

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Membership next meeting:

Board meeting conducted at the end of the 2/26 dinner meeting. A quorum was present.

Item 1 – Motion to provide \$600 to prepare lunch for the Elk Grove Creek Clean up by Lion **Jack Megna**, 2nd Lion **Rod Dixon**. Motion passed.

Item 2 – Motion to provide \$660 to replace the EG Senior Center's drinking fountain by Lion **David Simpson**, 2nd Lion **Pancho Sanchez**. Motion passed.



Creek Week



The Elk Grove Lions have been again invited to be a part of a local community event! On Saturday, **April 21st** the Elk Grove community is banding together to clean up several creeks and parkways during the annual “**Creek Week**”. The following creeks and parkways will be involved:

- 1. Elk Grove Creek
- 2. Underwood Park
- 3. Mix Park
- 4. Zimbelman Park
- 5. Strong Park

Participants will be treated to a BBQ lunch prepared by the Lions at Miwok Park (Village Tree Drive).

February 26th Meeting



Old Business:

- 1. Request from Huntington Disease Society of America- Lion **Ogden** research the organization. It spends approximately 17 percent administrative funding. No action.

Good of the Order:

- 1. Guest speakers, Lion **Andy Anderson**
 - ◆ 2006-07 VDG Campaign for **Cathy Leah Garcia** (Woodland Host)
 - ◆ 2/26 Wilderness Camp

Important Dates, not listed:

- 1. None.

Adjournment @ 8:49 PM





March

Club Anniversary

Lion Paul Jones	140 Years
Lion Jim Switzgable.	8 Years
Lion Chuck Woodson.	6 Years



Lion Paul Betschart	28th
Lion Randy Feist	29th
Lion Paul Jones	19th
Lion Kirk Marchetti	17th
Lion Bud Schafer	15th
Lion David Thomas	9th
Lion Don Veninga	8th

Coming Events

- ▲ 5 - 4 & 5 Western Festival Bingo
Contact: Lion Jim Switzgable
- ▲ 5 - 4 & 5 Western Festival Beer Booth
Contact: Lion Jim Parino
- ▲ 5 - 20 EG/FFA Golf Tournament
Contact: Lion Andy Anderson
- ▲ 6-27to 7-4 FireWorks Booth
Contact: Lion Jim Switzgable
- ▲ 7-14 **Elk Grove Wine Festival**
Contact: Lion Andy Anderson

Boy Scouts Venture Troop Thanks the Lions for their support



Cooks List!

- 3/12 Ellard Whisman (Cornbeef & Cabbage)
- 3/26 David Ogden
- 4/9 Joe Tallerico
- 4/23 Bob Hillyer
- 5/14 Randy Feist
- 5/28 David King
- 6/11 Rod Dixon
- 6/22 Tim Watts (Vince's - Installation)



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 do.

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

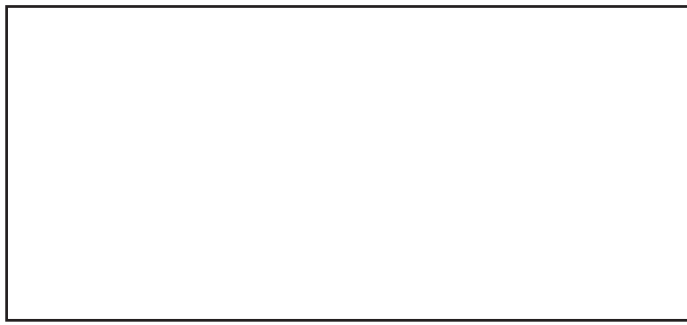
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or calling him at 683-2241.

Sunshine Committee . . .

The Sunshine Committee is designed to brighten the day of members who have recently had an operation or are going through a difficult time, or are just in need of a little pick-me-up. Lion Danny DiBenedetto is the chair of this Committee, but he can't do his job if he doesn't know what is

happening. If you know of a member or a relative of a Lion that needs a little cheering up please let him know. He will spread the word among the membership and bring some sunshine into their lives by making a phone call, paying a visit, sending a card, or by sending some flowers to brighten their life.





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Attendance

Make-up Clubs

Delta Lions Club

2 & 4 Thurs, 7 am
Courtland Church
147 Primasing Ave.
Courtland

Pride of Laguna

Thursday 2 & 4 7 pm
Cassidy's Restaurant
9625 E. Stockton Blvd.
Elk Grove

Galt Lions Club

2 & 4 Thurs,
6:00 pm Social
7:00 pm Meeting
Papa's Pizza
505 C Street, Galt

Valley Hi Lions Club

1 & 3 Thurs, 7:30 pm
South Villa Restaurant
7223 - 55th Street
Sacramento

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, 6:30 p.m.

Bulletin Information due to Editor by the last Monday of the Month.