



# ELK GROVE LIONS CLUB STAG

*"WE SERVE OUR COMMUNITY"*



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## Time is flying by!

Hello fellow Lions!, before we know it **Lion Danny DiBenedetto III** will be installed as our new President. This is reminder for you to reserve the date Monday, **June 22<sup>nd</sup>** and buy your installation dinner tickets as early as possible. You can buy your tickets at our dinner meeting from **Lion Danny DiBenedetto**. Also remember to pick up some tickets to sell for our Wine-tasting event on **June 19<sup>th</sup>**. **Lion Vern Vincent** has ticket books available.

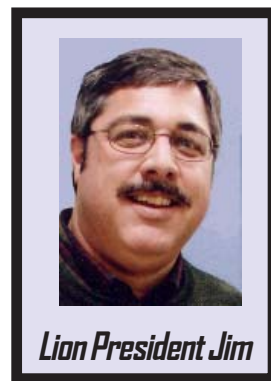
We ended March with a very successful pancake breakfast fundraiser for the Elk Grove Police. The goal was to send one EG motorcycle cop back to DC for the memorial in May. The Police reported that they met their goal with this fundraiser. **Lion Bill Hibbard** did a great job chairing the event even if he had some challenges finding the venue.

On the first Saturday of the month **Lion Jim Parino** led the monthly senior breakfast as usual. Another smooth event was executed with more than 130 customers served. As is often the case, this was also a doubleheader Saturday and we immediately followed the breakfast with **Lion Fred Handley's** April Pot Luck Fundraiser. Most of the "breakfast club" Lions stuck around to prepare food and others came in to see if this was their lucky day. Winners and losers all had a great time and as Lion Fred said "even if you didn't win a prize you are still a winner for funding a new pair of glasses for a child in need". Thank you Lion Fred for running this very successful fundraiser!

On April 15, **Lion Jim Parino** and a small team put together a spaghetti feed at the EG Senior Center. The event ran well except the Senior Center bought Styrofoam plates. That would not work well with the hot spaghetti so 100 china plates had to be pulled out of the cupboard with **Lions Ellard Whisman and Heinz Leonhardt** faced with a heavy clean-up at the end. Thank you Heinz and Ellard for your hard work!

One April 24<sup>th</sup> **Lion Andy Anderson** held his annual FFA Golf Tournament at Wildhawk. Participation was

down but Lion Andy pulled off a very good event. Everyone who attended had a great time and best of all; money was raised for Lion Andy to purchase animals from the FFA students at the Sacramento County Fair. Great work Lion Andy!



*Lion President Jim*

The next day we again had a "Saturday doubleheader". First we had the Elk Grove CSD Creek Clean-up at Miwok Park. **Lion Danny DiBenedetto** had his solid team at the park cooking plenty of hot dogs and hamburgers so the volunteers cleaning up the creeks all around Elk Grove would have a nice lunch when they arrived at the park. This was a very smoothly run event Lion Danny!

Later in the afternoon, **Lion Warren Weaver** chaired the Pleasant Grove High School FFA Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser. Lion Warren pulled together an experienced team of chef's and dishwashers to pull off a well run event. Many of the participants were at the Creek Clean-up earlier in the day. **Lion Pancho Sanchez** was especially notable for being both the lead hamburger griller at the first event and then took the lead with cooking the spaghetti in the evening.

We already have a busy May ahead of us. Please find time to join us at the beer and bingo booth at the Western Festival. We will need your support to man the event consistently over the full two days. Please reach out to myself, **Lion Rigo De La Torre** or **Lion Jim Parino** should you have any questions.

*Lion President Jim*

*June 19th* **Wine Festival** *June 19th*  
 Get YOUR tickets NOW!  
 Contact Lion Bill Hestom (685-4219)  
 or Lion Vern Vincent (685-9238)

## ELK GROVE LIONS BOARD MEETING

April 20, 2009

Call to order -

Lion President Jim Switzgable **6:59 PM**

### Attendance:

- ☺ **President:** *Jim Switzgable*
- ☺ **Secretary:** *Fred Handley*
- ☺ **1<sup>st</sup> VP:** *Danny DiBenedetto III*
- ☺ **Stag Editor:** *David Simpson*
- ☺ **2<sup>nd</sup> VP:** *Jerry Salamy*
- ☺ **Tail Twister:** *Bill Heston*
- ☺ **3<sup>rd</sup> VP:** *David King*
- ☺ **Treasurer:** *Bob Brewer*
- ☺ **Lion Tamer:** *Matthew Switzgable*
- ☺ **1-Year Dir:** *Bill Hibbard*
- ☺ **1-Year Dir:** *Jim Parino*
- ☺ **2-Year Dir:** *Randy Feist*
- ☺ **2-Year Dir:** *Dan Pearson*
- ☺ **Memb Dir:** *PDG Mel Oneto*
- ☺ **IPP:** *Andy Anderson*

open Public Relations Coord.

### Other Lions Present:

*Joe Tallerico, Gary Dapelo, Warren Weaver, Chuck Woodson, Jack Megna, Bob Hillyer, Ellard Whisman.*

### Guests:

None

### Secretary Report:

Lion Secretary *Fred Handley*

*Motion to approve Board Minutes by Lion Bob Brewer and second by Lion Andy Anderson.*

### Treasurer Report:

Lion Treasurer *Bob Brewer*.

See Lion Treasurer for details.

### Correspondence: (see folder):

Thank you for \$2400 donation to Society for the Blind. Invite EG Lions to a special Lions Wine & Cheese & Appetizer Reception at the Low Vision Clinic site May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11am (13<sup>th</sup> and S Street, Sacramento).

### Old Business / Chairman's Reports:

- ☺ **Elk Grove Police Breakfast, Mar 28,** Lion *Bill Hibbard*, Served 500.
- ☺ **April Fool's Pot Of Gold, Apr 4,** Lion *Fred Handley*, Profited \$5500.00.
- ☺ **Senior Center Breakfast, Apr 4,** Lion *Jim Parino*, In Motion.

☺ **Senior Center Spaghetti Feed, Apr 15** - Lion *Jim Parino* - Excellent event - Served 100.

☺ **Jesse Baker Games Lunch - Apr 22 - 23** - Lion *Bill Hibbard* - Cooked dogs and burgers for Special Olympics.

☺ **4H/FFA Golf Tournament - Apr 24** - Lion *Andy Anderson* - In motion.

☺ **Elk Grove Creek Clean-up - Apr 25** - Lion *Danny DiBenedetto* - In motion.

☺ **PGHS FFA Spaghetti Dinner - Apr 25** - Lion *Warren Weaver* - In motion.

☺ **Senior Center Breakfast - May 2** - Lion *Jim Parino* - In motion.

☺ **Western Festival Beer & Bingo - May 2 -3** - Lion *Jim Parino* / Lion *Rigo De La Torre* - \$300.00 for security. In motion. - \$100.00 to Sr. Center for Bingo cards.

☺ **Spotlight On Excellence - May 7** - Lion *Mel Oneto* - Sign up list coming.

☺ **District 4C-5 Convention - May 8/10** - Lion PDG *Gary Dapelo* - 4 members going. Doing food fair.

☺ **Senior Center Health Fair - May 27** - Lion *David Ogden* - In motion.

☺ **Sheldon High School Senior Breakfast - May 29** - Lion *Fred Handley* - In motion.

☺ **ACS Relay For Life - May 30** - Lion *Don Thompson* - In motion.

☺ **Elk Grove High School Senior Dinner - Jun 1** - Lion *Warren Weaver* - Just labor.

☺ **EG Lions Wine-Tasting Fundraiser - Jun 19** - Lion *Bill Heston* - Have glasses, flyers - and art displays.

☺ **Elk Grove Lions Installation Dinner - Jun 22** - Lion *Danny DiBenedetto III* - In motion. Tickets - \$25.00.

☺ **Elk Grove Boys Basketball Pasta fundraiser, Jul 9** - Lion *Bob Brewer* - Motion to fund \$350.00 by PDG *Mel Oneto* & seconded by Lion *Dan Pearson* - Passed.

☺ **Kohl's Child Spree - Jul 25** - Lion *Joe Tallerico* - In motion. - Waiting for info.

### Special Reports:

● **Wellness** - Lion *Danny DiBenedetto* - Lion *Rod Dixon* has new treatment.

● **Public Relations** - Lion *David King* - No report.

● **Membership** - PDG *Mel Oneto* - Consider new member candidates.

● **Senior Center** - Lion *Jim Parino* - No report.

● **Visitation** - Lion *Pancho Sanchez* - No report.

● **Vision** - Lion *David Ogden* - No report.

● **Policies and Procedures** - Lion *Jack Megna* - Meeting scheduled.

● **Club Assets** - Lion *Don Thompson* - No report.

### New Business:

❖ **Elk Grove Foundation Scholarship Update** - Lion *Joe Tallerico* - Working on grants for 2010.

❖ **Galt LC Fireworks Booth** - They are offering share of fundraising profit for sharing booth duty at one of their 2 "County" Fireworks booths. Lion *Jim Switzgable* will reach out to Lion *John of Galt* and start planning for a booth schedule, , Looking into working event with Galt Lions.

❖ **Kerr Tri Tip Fundraiser** (Lions to help cook) - Just labor.

❖ **Mikaela Derosé Help - 6<sup>th</sup> grader** - *Helen Carr Elementary* student wants help with cost to attend *People to People World Leadership Forum* in Washington DC. Motion to fund \$250.00 by Lion *David Simpson*, Seconded by PDG *Mel Oneto* - Passed.

- ❖ Nicholas Crawford 7<sup>th</sup> Grader want help with cost to attend Junior National Leader Conf in Washington DC in April, , Motion to fund \$250.00 by Lion David Simpson, Seconded by PDG Mel Oneto - Passed.
- ❖ Elk Grove Adult Community Training Program. Looking for Donations - Tabled.
- ❖ Kerr Spaghetti Fundraiser for Michael (boy in coma) - May 14<sup>th</sup> - Motion to fund \$300.00 by Lion Jim Parino, Seconded by Lion Dan Pearson - Passed.
- ❖ Galt Baseball Fundraiser (Lion Bill Hibbard) - Galt Baseball Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser request to have EG Lions cook, April 25th - Tabled.
- ❖ Amangi Nacha Lodge 47 (Boy Scouts of America) request support for sending youth to the Order of the Arrow Conference - Tabled.
- ❖ EG Quilt Show Food Booth (money maker for Lions), , Dogs & Burgers. Motion by Lion Jim Parino, Seconded Lion Dan Pearson - Passed.
- ❖ District 4C-5 Student Speaker Raffle (\$40) - Tabled.
- ❖ Diabetes Camp-Sept 19 or 26 - \$300.00 cost.
- ❖ Convention fund to each Lion=\$200.00/each - Motion Lion PDG Mel Oneto, seconded Lion Danny DiBenedetto III - Passed.
- ❖ Embarcadero Lions Golf Tournament - May 15th - Tabled.
- ❖ Food fair costs - \$50.00 for beans. - Motion Lion Jim Parino, Lion Danny DiBenedetto III - Passed.

**Upcoming Events:**

- ❖ Jesse Baker Games Lunch - Apr 22, 23-Jesse Baker School.
- ❖ 4H/FFA Golf Tournament - Apr 24 - Wildhawk Golf Crse.
- ❖ Elk Grove Creek Clean-up - Apr 25 - Miwok Park.
- ❖ PGHS FFA Spaghetti Feed - Apr 25 - Pleasant Grove HS.
- ❖ Senior Center Breakfast - May 2 - EG Senior Center.
- ❖ Western Festival Beer & Bingo - May 2 -3 - Elk Grove Park.
- ❖ Spotlight On Excellence - May 7 - First Baptist Church.
- ❖ District 4C-5 Convention - May 8-10 - San Ramon Marriott.
- ❖ Senior Center Health Fair - May 27 - EG Senior Center.
- ❖ Sheldon HS Senior Breakfast - May 29 - Sheldon HS.
- ❖ ACS Relay For Life - May 30 - Cosumnes River College.
- ❖ Elk Grove HS Senior Dinner - Jun 1 - Elk Grove High School.
- ❖ Senior Center Breakfast - Jun 6 - EG Senior Center.
- ❖ EG Lions Wine-Tasting - Jun 19 - EG Pavilion.
- ❖ EG Lions Installation Dinner - Jun 22 - Vince's Restaurant.

adornment @ 8.45 PM



Chris Solorzano and proud mom 2008 Community Services Award



Lion Andy presents Chris with his award

**Cooks List!**



**Cooks Schedule**

- 5/11/09 Lion Jack Megna
- 5/25/09 Lion PDG Gary Dapelo
- 6/8/09 Lion Don Thompson
- 6/22/09 Lion David King



**May Happy Birthday**

Lion David DiBenedetto. . . . .	3rd
Lion Fred Handley . . . . .	4th
Lion Jack Megna . . . . .	6th
Lion Matt Switzgable . . . . .	7th
Lion Max Rogers . . . . .	8th
Lion Robert Hillyer . . . . .	9th
Lion Jim Switzgable . . . . .	12th
Lion Dan Pearson . . . . .	27th

**LIONS**

**ANNIVERSARY**

Lion Dab Greenwalt. . . . .	7 Years
Lion Tim Watts. . . . .	.7 Years



Andy Whitenhauer becomes and very mature "baby" Lion



Senator Lions - Lion James Fong candidate for 2<sup>nd</sup> District VP





Lion Pancho cooks? several burgers.



Lion Don demonstrates how to chop onions



Lion Jim makes final inspections



So, godfather - what do you think?



Hold on Lions - Don't let Lion Jim carry that cooking pot! Later it will come to haunt him?



My goodness is this hard work!



Me thinks that the burgers and dogs are smoke enough!

## Pictures of Creek Week Pleasant Grove High School fund raiser



Okay! Lets eat!



Looks organized.  
But where's the food?



How many cooks does it take  
to ruin the stew?



A watched pot . . . . . ?



Exective Director of the Senior  
Center - Thanks the Lions



The Three Musketeers



What happened Lion Rigo?





What to hear MY "fish story?"



When I was told Golf . . .  
I thought they meant PeeWee Golf!



The club is helping me to stand!



My driver is BIGGER than yours!



Can we eat all we want  
or come back for seconds?



Eotary President Oscar Ocon  
presents the plans for  
Elk Grove's Memorial Garden



Elk Grove Lions presents

# ELK GROVE WINE FESTIVAL

Friday, June 19, 2009 at the Elk Grove Park Pavilion

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Donation \$30.00



All proceeds go to Lions Charities  
We will also be collecting your outdated eyeglasses  
Must be 21 years or older to attend

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Barsetti Vineyards       | Big Al's BBQ & Deli               |
| Blue Gum Winery          | BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse       |
| Bogle Vineyards & Winery | Brick House Restaurant            |
| Bray Vineyards           | DeVinci's Delicatessen & Catering |
| Carvalho Family Winery   | Elk Grove Barbecue & Catering     |
| Chateau Routon           | Mandango's Sports Bar & Grill     |
| Erhardt Estates Winery   | Merrilyn's Gourmet Wine Fudge     |
| McConnell Estates Winery | Sierra Nevada Brewing Company     |
| Peirano Estate Vineyards | Texas Roadhouse                   |
| Vino Con Brio Winery     |                                   |

Vendor participation subject to change

For tickets or festival information, please contact your local Elk Grove Lions Club members. Bill Heston @ 916-685-4219 or Vern Vincent @ 916-685-9238

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of Lions”



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**Attendance**  
**Make-up Clubs**

<b>Delta Lions Club</b> 2 & 4 Thurs, 7 am Courtland Church 147 Primasing Ave. Courtland	<b>Pride of Laguna</b> Thursday 2 & 4 7 pm Original "Mikes" Market Place 99 Elk Grove
<b>Galt Lions Club</b> 2 & 4 Thurs, 6:00 pm Social 7:00 pm Meeting Papa's Pizza 505 C Street, Galt	<b>Elk Grove Community Lions Club</b> " Looking For a Home"

**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.**