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This Week's Event/Speaker

As of print time, no speaker had been announced. Its taking some of us longer to get back into the swing of things after the holidays. Guess this is as good a time as any to tell everyone there will not be a newsletter next week. The Bulletin Editor will be basking in the sun of Kauai. Next bulletin will be January 26, 2007. Remember to send any news worthy items to scsabedra@aol.com and we'll include them in the newsletter.

Last Week's Event/Speaker

Lions Toby Scott and **Dick Maggio** entertained us with tales of their trip to China. Some of the photographs were incredible. Sounds like **Lion Will Berg** did an excellent job of organizing the trip and all the participants had a great time. Now that would be a great Club visitation, wouldn't it?

Next Week's Event/Speaker

No news of a speaker as of print time.

Cartoon Corner

Happens to sailors occasionally!

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BOARD

Otto's Epitaphs

Howdy Doody. Here's the skinny...
90th Anniversary Calls Us Both to Cherish What Works And Change What Doesn't



President Otto Schimmel

This year we celebrate the 90th anniversary of Lions Clubs International, founded in 1917 by Chicago businessman Melvin Jones. Yes, we've had a rich, full history, marked by service unmatched by any other service club. But the best is yet to come. In small towns and big cities, Lions are out in the community serving. And we will serve for generations to come. But we will be tested and face challenges. We can't stand pat and do what we always do because that's how we've always done it. We need creativity, inspiration and ingenuity, not mere imitation or repetition. We need a willingness to be flexible, to embrace a paradigm shift if necessary. We have to be willing to do nothing less than a club renewal, a reinvention of our club if that's what's needed. If you think your club can serve your community better, then go ahead and start the process of change. You may be the one who comes up with the next great idea to invigorate your club, district or even the association as a whole. Good ideas carry their own momentum. At the least be willing to engage in open and constructive discussion at your club. Lions will always be Knights of the Blind. But it's the little things that count such as how clubs recruit members, hold meetings, publicize accomplishments and engage members in service. Clubs need to regularly assess how they do business and be ready to drop less successful practices and adopt new ones after careful study and planning. International Headquarters' new Baby Boomer recruitment methods and Family Lions Club program are two great examples of innovative initiatives to energize clubs and districts. Please don't wait for other Lions to take the initiative. Please read the LION and check the Web site regularly to stay on top of what's available.

Excerpts by Jimmy M. Ross, President, The Intl Association of Lions Clubs

I could not have said it better myself!

Winners

Lion Todd Rehanek has free fines today. **Lion Pat Riggs** is today's Greeter. **Lion Chuck Conway** was not present at last week's meeting so the attendance prize continues to grow. **Lion Pat's** number was drawn. If he is present at this week's meeting, he will walk away with the \$20 Attendance Prize. **Lions Dick Maggio** and **Dennis Amick** were the lucky Lotto winners.

Marble Malarkey

The Marble Malarkey pot continues to grow since **Lion Sig Askvik** was not successful in picking the "lucky" marble.

Visitations Galore

This is how visitations should work! Our club was outnumbered last week by visitors from the Pleasant Valley and El Rio Lions Clubs, as well as the District Governor and his guest, Russ Johnson. Lion Russ came all the way from New Hampshire. We think he was just trying to get out of the weather back there but we were pleased to have him join us. Now for the Pleasant Valley and El Rio Lions...they heard about our great lunches and decided to see for themselves. We heard that now they want to all go to China after hearing **Lions Toby** and **Dick** talk about their trip. Lion Tom Blattel introduced the Pleasant Valley Lions and President Lion Louie Santisteven introduced the El Rio Lions and talked about their anniversary party. Thanks for coming guys!



Pleasant Valley Lion Tom Blattel smiling for the camera!

New Flag Presented

Lion Carlos Martinez, who sets up the flag each meeting, noticed that the flag was looking pretty raggedy so he took it upon himself to purchase a new flag. The stands for the flag and the Lions banner had also seen better days so they were also replaced. Thank you, **Lion Carlos**, not only for the flag but for all that you do each week for the meetings.



District Governor Lion Jeff Roundy, Lion Carlos Martinez, and Lion Otto Schimmel showing off the new flag

50th Anniversary Party

The El Rio Lions Club is celebrating their 50th anniversary on Saturday, January 27, 2007 at the American Legion Post 48 (same place as the Christmas Party). The event will be from 6-11 pm with a DJ providing entertainment. The cost is a mere \$15 per person which includes food, music and a no host bar. Come on guys, let's support our fellow Lions and help them celebrate this milestone.

Potential New Member

Lion Mike Plisky brought his brother-in-law Rick Gill who just joined the staff of Keller Williams Real Estate. Future Lion Rick recently received his real estate license and decided to change occupations. Hope to see more of him at the meetings.

Answer to Word Puzzle on Page 1: Man overboard

calendar

January 12, 2007	Regular meeting
January 19, 2007	Regular meeting
January 23, 2007	Lion Irv Tucker's Birthday
January 26, 2007	Regular Meeting
January 31, 2007	Board Meeting at Lion Todd Rehanek's Home, 6:00 pm