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The Downtown Lions club meets every Friday at noon at the Petroleum Club, 3636 Linden Ave., LB. Those occasions when we do not meet or meet elsewhere are noted either on the web site or this weekly bulletin.

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SEA LION

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A CELEBRATION OF HANUKAH, CHRISTMAS
Program notes:
COD/MC is PDG Judy Powell.

THE PETROLEUM CLUB
3636 Linden Ave.
562-427-7966
Presiding: PCC ROGER POWELL
Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN
Program Arranged by:
PDG JUDY POWELL

although she seems mostly dedicated to winning the 50/50 on a regular basis. MARILYN you know well or should anyway.

Program title is *The Customs of Chanukah, The Carols of Christmas*

Guests welcome!

PP MARILYN is there to do. In addition to all the Lions things she is active in the community and in the education venue.

We will be sharing the customs and carols of our members' holidays through explanations and song. SANDY GJONOVICH and MYRA KREMEN will do the Hanukah part. MARILYN BITTLE, LESLIE DRAG, RUDY HEDGREN and JUDY POWELL will perform for the Christmas part. There will be sing-alongs for both. Singers will be

MARILYN, alto; LESLIE, soprano; and RUDY, bass/baritone. Instrumentalists will be ROB NICHOLS on piano, RUDY on cornet and JUDY on piano & flute. There will be dreidls (come find out) for everyone.

A relatively new member, SANDY has thrown herself into Lionism with a passion, even joining the undefeated Tennis Team and club's board. She is a good tennis player despite her racquetball background.

MYRA is a retuning member and been active and helpful whenever possible



Much of the same can be said of PDG JUDY. IN addition to all she does for Lions she is very active on the Naples community, including editing and printing the Garden Club newsletter. She also sells ads and cleans up after boat parades.

LESLIE DRAG is a long-time LAUSD emerita. Her love of music was reflected in her lengthy teaching career and her continuing commitment to the Los Angeles Master Chorale. She also has a long term commitment to hubby PDG DENNIS, PHD.

ROB is also a dedicated soul, titillating the keyboard of the piano at almost every Friday meeting. His dedication to the task is impressive.

Last but not least is own good guy, RUDY. Its been a while since we had a Salvation Army rep with the dedication, class and style of RUDY. Rumor has it RUDY is considering, again, retirement. We keep telling him that work makes you young. He mutters something about a sign at Auschwitz.



Retrospective November 20, 2015

The Petroleum Club, Presiding: PP GEORGE MILLER JR. Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN. Piano: ROB NICHOL. Song/spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Announcements: GEORGE reminded us of cell phone fines and the canisters for collecting funds for eye exams and glasses for students and adults. PDG DENNIS DRAG reported the publishing of the book, *Lighthouses of Greater Los Angeles*, with a section on our Lions Lighthouse. Approx. \$22. GEORGE announced upcoming visitations: Arcadia, Dec. 17 and Uptown: Jan. 11. Need at least 5 members for visitation. Members reported on shut ins: FELIX FRANKLIN has good days and bad days. ED MACIAS is feeling better but is wary of driving. RAY KELSO has completed treatments and may be coming to some meetings. MARILYN reminded us of the Belmont Shore Christmas parade. Still room on the trolley. Family and friends welcome. Meet on Livingston Drive at 5:00 to help with last minute decorating. MARILYN also reminded us of the Christmas Holiday party Dec. 13, 4-7 at the Yacht Club. Hearty hors-d'oeuvres. Sign up for dinner if you want. \$5.00 raffle tickets available to help underwrite the cost. Check with BARBARA. RUDY announced Salvation Army bell ringers needed for Sat., Dec. 12. MERLIN reported that our charities is donating \$2000 to the Salvation Army. Due to PP BRAD PHILLIPS' absence, Lion Tamer RICH STANLEY was unable to fine him for appearing in the Press Telegram. But he was able to fine VAL LERCH

for being on TV. Happy bucks were donated by JERRY CALIGIURI for DENNIS' great picture on Facebook and in memory of Downey police officer Ricardo Galvez and CSULB student Nohemi Gonzalez; CLAUDIA HARDEN for good health and help from so many; PP MERLIN THIMLAR because charities and membership meetings are cancelled this month; BARBARA because Long Beach State beat Seton Hall in basketball, DENNIS for the great job PP GENE JOHNSON did in organizing the Thanksgiving dinners for the schools; MARILYN for the good manners of the students and parents at the Thanksgiving dinners. JERRY announced the trip to the Getty Villa Jan. 22. Meet here about 8:30. And its free! The 50/50, run by GOEFF, won by DENNIS. COD SANDY GJONOVICH introduced her head table of RUDY HEDGREN. SUSY RAY AND LINCOLN ODELL. She collected fines from everyone who didn't know that kids should be toilet trained by the age "when they are ready". Speaker Dr. Michael Jackson, president and CEO of the Drew Child Development Corporation, described the services of the organization. The corporation was formed following the Watts riots to serve the children in South Los Angeles where there is a great deal of poverty. They provide a wide range of services, including pre kindergarten preparation and helping victims of abuse. He invited Lions to partner with them.

Thanks to PP Lincoln Odell for this retrospective.



Dec. 11—Dark! Holiday Party

Program Chair—ELVIA SOUKUP

Greeter—PCC ROGER POWELL

Dec. 18—A Salvation Army Christmas

CALENDAR

December

3—CSAC
5—Belmont Shore parade
8—Board meeting
11—Dark!
13—Holiday Party
17—Arcadia visit
25—Dark! Christmas
30—Reception, IP

January

1—Dark! New Years Day
5—Membership Committee
5—Charities Committee
12—Board meeting
19—Zone A meeting
22—Getty Villa trip, 8:30am
23—District meeting
28—CSAC

February

2—Membership Committee
2—Charities Committee
5—7—MD4 Convention, Modesto
9—Board meeting
12—Student Speakers
14—Valentines Day
15—President's Day
15—Zone A Meeting
25—CSAC

March

1—Membership Committee
1—Charities Committee
3—SCAC
8—Board meeting
13—St. Patrick's Day
15—Zone A Meeting
25—CSAC

April

5—Membership Committee
5—Charities Committee
12—Board meeting
14—Chinese Dinner & Auction, Petroleum Club
19—Zone A meeting
27—CSAC

May

3—Membership Committee
3—Charities Committee

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

10	SUMI FUJIMOTO
22	PP JIM SULOS
26	HARVINA ESSEX
29	BONNIE STOEPELMAN

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

We go to the Getty on Jan. 22 and the Chinese Dinner and Auction on April 14. The Getty bus will depart from the Petroleum Club and the Chinese Dinner will be there as well.

HOLIDAY PARTY

We'll celebrate the Holidays at the Yacht Club at 4pm on the 13th. The cost is \$25 and offers champagne and "heavy" hors d'oeuvres. Please pre-pay. If dinner is a must in your plans you can dine in the dining room and order from the menu. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy. These will go to the LB Fire Dept. "Spark of Love" campaign. Questions? Contact Judy Powell. Guests are welcome.

