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**HARRISON SCOTT THE RIDGE ROUTE**

Harrison Irving Scott is a native of Southern California residing in Torrance with his wife Marie. They have three children and 5 grandchildren. Harrison spent 32 years with Pacific Bell, holding various job titles from "Technical Instructor," to "Switching Engineer." He also spent 10



years with the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Red Cross. He is a member of the Conference of California Historical Societies, the National Association of Railroad Passengers, Rail Pac and the Pacific Railroad Society. After retiring in 1987, he became interested in the old Ridge Route with an objective to get it placed onto the national register. Scott worked six years with Angeles National Forest Archaeologists Douglas Milburn and Michael McIntyre in an effort to gain historic recognition for the road that was considered an engineering marvel in 1915 when it opened. Prompted by Lois McDonald, former editor of the California Historian to document his research in book form, Scott spent two additional years researching the road prior to publishing his work in 2002: "Ridge Route, the road that united California."

Scott formed the "Ridge Route Preservation Organization," (RRPO) a non-profit corporation dedicated to preserving the old highway and educating the public about California's first mountain highway. Working with Assemblyman Runner, the California legislature successfully passed a resolution which allowed the RRPO to place a historic monument honoring the old road along the current I-5 Ridge Route at Castaic Junction. Additional information can be found at: www.RidgeRoute.com.

**PETROLEUM CLUB 3636 LINDEN AVE. 562-427-7966**

Presiding: PP LINCOLN ODELL  
Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN  
Program Arranged by: PP LINCOLN ODELL

**Guests welcome!**

**RICH STANLEY COD**

Dr. RICHARD T. STANLEY has served as a school administrator since 1971, and became the Principal of Culver City Adult School in 1994, where he was also a

member of the Culver City Lions Club and served as their Lion Tamer for many years. A graduate of Long Beach Jordan High School, RICH has a B.A. and an M.A. from Long Beach State, an M.A. from Whittier College and a doctorate in Institutional Management from Pepperdine University. During the 1960's, he served in the Army Reserve, was an assistant manager of a department store, worked in restaurants, and taught American Government to seniors at Gahr High School in Cerritos. Beginning in the 1970's, he served as an



administrator at Artesia High School, ABC Adult School, the ABC District Office, Faye Ross Intermediate School, Whitney High School, Cerritos High School and the Bellflower Adult School. In addition, he taught classes part-time for Pepperdine University, and more recently he taught "Principles of Adult Education" at Cal State Long Beach. The author of nine books on American history, RICH has been married to Lion DIAWAN--who was also a school Principal since 1971. He and DIAWN are now retired, but still live in the same house in the Alamitos Heights section of Long Beach they've called home since 1981. Their two sons, RICH and Jason, are now grown and out on their own living in Orange County. Recently RICH became a grandfather, a role he and DIAWN enjoy very much. RICH is also a member of the undefeated and internationally known Lions tennis club.



## Retrospective February 26, 2016

The Petroleum Club, PP MEL NUTTER presiding. Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN. Song/spirit: MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: ROB NICHOLS. Announcements: MYRA KREMEN announced that she has Night at the Theater tickets, \$25 each. The event is April 21 at the LB Playhouse. MARILYN reminded all of the Chinese Dinner and Auction, April 14. She is now collecting raffle prizes (and/or money). PP JIM HARDEN intro'd the February anniversaries and thanked them for their service. MARILYN collected Happy Bucks from JIM (BARB HALLER is doing much better); PP MERLIN THIMLAR (happy he had his pin on); PP LINDA WEINGARTNER (guest Karen Austen gave a buck); MEL (he avoided all those fines for being in the paper while being President Smith and he was quoted in the World Socialist Jour-

nal); MARILYN (her cardio screening was good); PP YOURS TRULY (getting a new hip); MYRA (just happy); ROB (will miss next week because he will be at the Angel game); PP GENE JOHNSON (finished 18 holes of golf); MEL intro'd guest Lare Auston (Karen). The 50/50, run by GEOFF GATLEY, was won by RUDY. GEOFF asked what college beat USC five of seven times? (Pomona). COD PP LINCOLN ODELL had fun and raised money with questions about rocketry. He then intro'd Karen Austen, Director of the Space and Missile Center Heritage Center. Karen reviewed the history of rocket development from Robert Goddard, 1927, to the Space Shuttle. She also outlined the many historic items they have on display. Tours are welcome.



## Mar. 18—St. Patrick's Day with Ken O'Malley

Program Chair—PP LINCOLN ODELL  
Greeter—PP GARTH PHILLIPS  
Mar. 25—Greg Odell, Marvin Marker  
Syncopated Drumming

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

The Chinese Dinner and Auction will be on April 14 at the Petroleum Club. Theater night is April 21. The 4L2 convention is May 19-21.

### CHINESE DINNER AND AUCTION

We gather again this year on April 14 at the Petroleum Club, 6pm. Adult beverages are available from the bar. MARILYN has personally taste tested the cuisine and deemed it excellent. We do need your gift items (and/or) checks! Don't miss the fun!

### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

4	CHARLIE QUAIFE
12	EDDIE FLORES
16	ELVIA SOUKUP
21	MITCH KUSHNER
25	MIKE LIEPPMAN
31	STEVE HUHTA

### CHECK THIS OUT!

Our all new, glamorous web site is up and running! Have a look. Explore the links. Tell us what you like. Or don't like. The address is "longbeachlions.org" (same as always). Hope to hear from you soon.

## CALENDAR

### March

8—Board meeting  
13—St. Patrick's Day  
15—Zone A meeting  
25—CSAC

### April

5—Membership Committee  
5—Charities Committee  
8—Business meeting (no guests please)  
12—Board meeting  
14—Chinese Dinner & Auction, Petroleum Club  
19—Zone A meeting  
21—Night at the Theater (Around the World in Eighty Days)  
27—CSAC

### May

3—Membership Committee  
3—Charities Committee  
9—Board meeting  
17—Zone A meeting  
18—Interservice Club Meeting, The Queen Mary  
19-21—District 4L2 Convention  
20—Dark! 4L2 Convention  
25—CSAC  
27—Dark! Memorial Day  
30—Memorial Day

### June

7—Membership Committee  
7—Charities Committee  
14—Board Meeting  
21—Zone A Meeting  
22—CSAC

### July

1—Dark, Independence Day  
5—Membership Committee  
5—Charities Committee  
12—Board meeting  
19—Zone A meeting  
28—CSAC

### August

2—Membership Committee  
2—Charities Committee  
9—Board meeting  
24—CSAC Meeting