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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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**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS:
PRESIDING JERRY CALIGIURI**

This week we install our new officers and board. See page 2/3.

JERRY was born and raised in Long Beach. He attended and earned degrees from Long Beach City College and California State University Long Beach. He worked on legislative staff for Long Beach Councilmembers Jeff Kellogg, Rob Webb, Val Lerch, and James Johnson. JERRY had also served as Community Liaison in Public Affairs office with Long Beach Airport. He has volunteered for a number of community organizations. He is a graduate of the Neighborhood Leadership Long Beach, Leadership Long Beach, Leadership Los Angeles, and the Southern California Leadership Network. A Lion for 15 years, JERRY served as President and Secretary to the Uptown Long Beach Lions and was a Zone Chair for two years. JERRY was elected president of our club in June, 2016. He also chairs the Fundraising Committee.



**PETROLEUM CLUB
3636 LINDEN AVE.
562-427-7966**
Presiding: JERRY CALIGIURI
Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFFE
Program Arranged by:
PP ED BARWICK

**PCC ROGER POWELL
COD**
ROGER has been an active Downtown Lion since transferring to this club from the Belmont Shore Lions Club in 1995. For two years, 1997-1999, he was the club's

Director of Membership. After serving a year as First Vice President, he was elected President for 2001-2002. ROGER was our District Governor for 2005-6 and was the Multiple District 4-California Chair in 2006-2007. He is presently state coordinator for the Lions Clubs International Foundation, overseeing fifteen district coordinators. He has also served as our District's Parliamentarian/Protocol Officer, a member of the Constitution and By-Laws committee, President of the Lions Eye Foundation of So. Cal. and President of Lions Float Inc., responsible for funding that portion of the float that is not supplied by LCI. He has been awarded the MD4 Excellence Award and two International President's medals for his long record of outstanding service. Prior to transferring from the Belmont Shore Lions Club, he served as president of that club. ROGER is a Melvin Jones Fellow with three diamonds.



ROGER taught in the LBUSD for 29 years and after retirement served as Executive Director of the Long Beach Literacy Council. He has also been president and treasurer of the Naples Improvement Association and president and board member of the Long Beach Historical Society. ROGER is a past President of the Teachers Association of Long Beach and he served from 1992-1994 as Chief of Staff for California Assemblyman Betty Karnette. ROGER is married to PDG JUDY and the household is completed by Tom, the cat.



ORGANIZATION 2017-2018

PRESIDENT: JERRY CALIGIURI

PRESIDENT-ELECT: VAL LERCH

INCOMING

DIRECTORS:
PP ED BARWICK,
SANDY GJONOVICH, CLAUDIA HARDEN,
CHARLIE QUAIFFE, LINDA WEINGARTNER.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT: PCC ROGER POWELL

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: PP MERLIN THIMLAR

TREASURER: STEVE HUHTA

SECRETARY: PDG DENNIS DRAG

TAIL TWISTER: PDG JUDY POWELL

LION TAMER: CHARLIE QUAIFFE

INVESTMENT CHAIR: PP MEL NUTTER

SUN SHINE: SUZY RAY AND BARBARA HALLER

50-50 DRAWING: DONNA AND SAM KELLY

BUDGET OVERSIGHT: JERRY CALIGIURI, ROGER POWELL, CLAUDIA HARDEN, STEVE HUHTA.

FUND RAISING/ACTIVITIES: JERRY CALIGIURI, CLAUDIA HARDEN, ROGER POWELL, ADVISER JUDY POWELL

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR: PP LINDA WEINGARTNER

CHARITIES CHAIR: MERLIN THIMLAR

PROGRAM CHAIR: CLAUDIA HARDEN

PROGRAM COORDINATORS: STEVE HUHTA, ED BARWICK, LINCOLN ODELL

SCHOLARSHIP COORDINATOR: MARILYN BITTLE

STUDENT SPEAKER COORDINATOR: MARILYN BITTLE

FLAG DAY COORDINATOR: PP LINCOLN ODELL

INTER CLUB VISITATION COORDINATOR: GARTH PHILLIPS

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIRS: PP KIRK DAVIS/HILDA GAYTAN.

SEA LION EDITOR: PP AL WEINGARTNER



July 14— Mission to Saturn

Program Manager— PP ED BARWICK

July 21—Interview with Mr. Lion PP JAMES HARDEN

COMING SOON!

The **BBQ** is July 29.
The Health Fair will be Oct. 7.

CALENDAR

July

4—Independence Day
11—Board meeting

29—BBQ!

August

1—Membership Committee
8—Board meeting

September

1—Dark! Labor Day
4—Labor Day
5—Membership Committee
12—Board meeting

October

3—Membership Committee
7—Health fair
10—Board meeting

November

7—Membership Committee
14—Board meeting
23—Thanksgiving
24—Dark

December

5—Membership Committee
12—Board meeting
22—Dark! Christmas
25—Christmas

January

1—New Years
5—Membership Committee
9—Board meeting
15—King Day

February

6—Membership Committee
13—Board Meeting
14—Valentines Day
19—President's Day

March

6—Membership Committee
13—Board meeting
16—St. Patrick's Day

April

3—Membership Committee
10—Board meeting

May

1—Membership Committee
May 8—Board meeting
25—Dark
28—Memorial Day



Retrospective June 9, 2017

Petroleum Club, President JERRY CALIGURI presiding. Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFFE. Song/Spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: ROB NICHOLS. Announcements: PDG DENNIS DRAG recognized the June birthdays. PDG JUDITH OLMSTED and PCC ROGER POWELL presented JERRY (and the club) with the various awards and honors garnered by the club at the District 4L 2 convention. These included a posthumous award to PP GEORGE MILLER JR for Visitations, TOP CLUB (Large) and more. JERRY revealed that we were presented with a Friends of the LBUSD School Nurse Association for our eyeglass program. JERRY surprised MARILYN with recognition of our Leos with the one year anniversary by LCI. He also noted that PP LINDA WEINGARTNER will be the Membership Chair starting in July. MARILYN announced MYRA KREMEN has sold 19 BBQ tickets and over 100 Money Hat tickets. Tail Twister JUDY put in 5 HAPPY BUCKS (for the flash drive of pictures from 7/1/16 to 6/9/17 from PP YOURS TRULY); YOURS TRULY (big kick watching the NCAA Baseball regional at

Blair Field); PP JIM HARDEN (vacation took them by train from Vancouver to Toronto); PP LINCOLN ODELL (one of last year's scholarship winners has enrolled at CSULB); PP GENE JOHNSON (63rd wedding anniversary). JUDY commented on GEORGE MILLER's memorial and LINDA WEINGARTNER thanked JUDY for her fine comments at same. GENE shared that SKIP BASEL is laid up with back trouble. If you know him, give him a call. The 50/50, run by SAM KELLY was won by CHARLIE who donated \$5 to Charities. COD MYRA had fun with questions about our guest, Jeffrey Hines. Jeffrey reviewed the themes of the five books he's written and shared some insights into them. One, a review of the Blow (seriously) family, part of his lineage reaching back to Jamestown. The Blows underwrote the appeals that led to the Dred Scott decision. That decision led Lincoln to decide to seek the presidency and the rest, as they say, is history. A movie is under-way.





Retrospective June 16, 2017

Petroleum Club, President JERRY CALIGI-URI presiding. Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFE. Song/spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: ROB NICHOLS. Announcements: MARILYN called for volunteers for the BBQ especially servers and cooks. Also need raffle items and/or money. Sell some tickets too! PP LINCOLN ODELL announced that next week's speaker will be from Urban Commons and will review plans for the Queen Mary and the Queen Mary Island Complex. Tail Twister CLAUDIA HARDEN collected Happy Bucks from the SANDY GJONOVICH (granddaughter's wonderful wedding); PP GARTH PHILLIPS (new great grandson); VAL LERCH (Father's Day from

children, Dodger Stadium VIP tour and dinner at Lawry's); ROB (great time on NY for son-in-law's graduation as an MD); CHARLIE (looking forward to family visit in Utah); PP ED and Bonnie BARWICK (trip to Catalina). COD PP GARTH PHILLIPS had fun with question about senior care then intro'd speaker Kelley Bates. Kelley covered a range of senior care topics including trusts, wills, advance health-care directives, insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, assisted living, nursing homes, home care, community resources, and more.
Thanks to PP LINCOLN ODELL for this Retrospective.



Retrospective June 23, 2017

Petroleum Club, President JERRY CALIGI-URI presiding. Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFE. Song/spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: A. CAPPELLA. Announcements: PP JIM HARDEN recognized the June anniversaries. MARILYN brought us up to speed on the BBQ. Voluntary Happy Bucks included: VAL LERCH (7 straight Dodger wins); PP GENE JOHNSON (first great granddaughter); MARILYN (granddaughter now a senior at Poly and has obtained a lucrative summer job); PP MERLIN THIMLAR (granddaughter completed first year of teaching); PDG JUDITH OLMSTED POWELL (progressing faster than expected, threw away cane); CHARLIE (BEVERLY is now recuperating at home). The 50/50, run by PDG DENNIS DRAG, was won by DELORES THIMLAR.

COD VAL announced the Veterans Day parade will be Nov. 11. VAL had fun with questions about the Queen Mary and intro'd Dan Zaharoni of Urban Commons. He informed us about Queen Mary repairs. The total cost is about 40 to 50 million, not 289 million. About half the repairs have been accomplished. Remaining repairs are budgeted and expected to be completed in the next 10 years. The Queen Mary Island Complex will be an amazing tourist attraction including an amphitheater, marina, hotel, entertainment, cafes and bars, gondola access, and a large building housing various sport adventures such as kayaking and ice climbing.
Thanks to PP Lincoln Odell for this Retrospective.