

Mid-Month Update for all Gig Harbor Lions

From President John Kirry

February, 2010

February 4 Board Meeting: (Abridged notes from Joe Morales)

The February 4th Board Meeting was well attended . Harbor Place did their usual fine job of providing a very nice lunch. Highlights included:

BILL ARNESS, Treasurer: Reported midyear status of the Club and stated that so far the net profit from our calendar sales is \$3050.00. we expect to gain some funds into the Spring.

SANDY BRADLEY: Keep in Touch: **Joy Melgard** is having some medical challenges and **Gayle Burke** is still having physical therapy on his broken leg. (Gayle is home now) Sandy asked that the membership send get well cards. On another matter Sandy reported that we would be completing our 5+5 visitation Program shortly (completed on Feb 10)

ROGER BIRD: Displayed our new membership packet . Nice job, Roger!

PAT PHILLIPS: Gave a final report on the 2010 calendar project, stating that the committee will be looking into better calendar distribution and more effective method or payment for next year.

OLD BUSINESS

JOHN KIRRY: Reminded the Board that we have been asked to sponsor the Spring Conference and need a few more volunteers to man the registration tables and that the Club will reimburse the \$10 registration fee for all who attend. John also reported that White Cane Days will be the May 7th & 8th and that Gretchen Wilbert was not able to get the street banner advertising the event.

NEW BUSINESS

ROGER BIRD: Discussed the establishment of a possible partnership with the Harbor Historical Museum. It is planned to perhaps place our Club Charter in their library. Roger also brought up the possibility to donate to the Museum an amount of \$2500. To donate and the amount will be discussed at a future date by the Board.

MMAS & APPROVED to increase this year's donation for Camp Leo from \$700 to &1000.

MMAS & DISAPPROVED to sponsor a Branch Club at TCC.

February 8 Membership Meeting

We welcomed **Bob Wagers** back from a week in Hawaii by wearing our Hawaiian outfits. Only we didn't tell Bob, mostly because he left us behind, and we've been known to hold a slight grudge. We presented him with a very nice set of rare, hand-carved Polynesian dining utensils ***which we had better not see at the Second Time Around Sale.***

The program was given by **Jan Norman** of Camp Leo. One of our Gig Harbor sponsored "campers," Anika, brought her parents Nick and Tony who helped describe how a their 13-year old daughter lives with diabetes.

It was a great meeting and everybody was very pleased to have a first-hand look at how we Lions of Gig Harbor can make a difference in the life of a family and their diabetic child.

Roger Bird came prepared with a great joke, as usual, and this one was a smash hit. You have to come to the next meeting on Monday to hear the next one...

February 9 Live Successfully with Low Vision Seminar

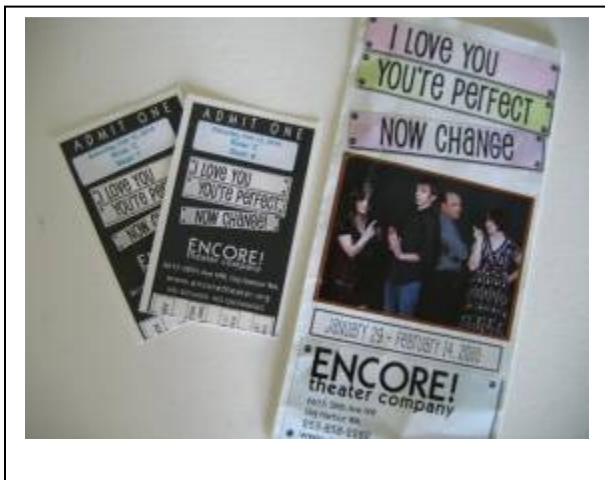
Dick Dixon, Elaine Morales and Pat Philips were the hosts at this monthly event featuring our very own Prez, **John Kirry**, as guest speaker. There were 14 in attendance who got a chance to see a slide-show presentation entitled "The Gig Harbor Lions: Who We Are and what We do for the Community." The seminar is a valuable community outreach program to people suffering from various vision problems. **Great job, Dick!**

February 10 visitation to Bremerton Central

Sandy and Bob Bradley, Bob Wagers and John Kirry visited the Bremerton Central Lions Club on February 10 and were treated to a nice Valentine Luncheon. It's great to be able to visit a busy, active and involved Lions club... like ours!

February 13 Social event: "I Love You. You're Perfect. Now change"

We had 23 Lions and their Valentines at this VERY funny play at the encore Theater in Gig Harbor. **Bonnie Manning** and her "Fun Committee" consisting of **Elaine Morales, Jeannie Phillips and Vonnie Moore** all contributed to a great evening. After the show, we had cake, cookies and coffee on the stage with a few of the actors. Elaine came up with a very clever idea with her "Tell Us Something About Your Valentine That Is Perfect...and Something You wish to Change." It was very entertaining, and so far, everyone is still together...



Our Next Meeting.

I hope to see you all on **Monday, February 22** at the usual time and place. this is going to be a FUN meeting as we hear from our two recent Graduates of the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute, **Bonnie Manning and Bill McMonnies**. They are full of energy and enthusiasm and ready to fill us with their high spirits!

Our Last Meeting: Jan Norman from Camp Leo



Jan Norman from Camp Leo Describes the difficulties, challenges and fun that Camp Leo kids have during their week at camp.



The Gig Harbor Lions are a great group who love to have a good time. Here, they are seen in their finest Hawaiian garb to welcome Bob Wagers back from the Islands. Bob is hiding in the back row...Doug Johnson is freezing in the front row.



Arch and Doug are enjoying their hour in Hawaii.



All you have to do is ask and people get all dressed up for the occasion! What a ~~crazy~~ GREAT group!

Live Successfully With Low Vision monthly seminar on February 10th.



Live Successfully With Low Vision Chair
Dick Dixon does a heck of a job organizing the seminars and low vision clinics.



Do you know someone who would benefit from our Low Vision seminars or Clinics? If so, email Dick Dixon (ramdixon@aol.com) and let him know.