

September 23, 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Luncheon Meeting: This year we care meeting at the Hard Rock Hotel, 150 So. Indian Canyon Drive, Palm Springs.

Even though we have to guarantee a minimum of 15 attendees for lunch, you do *not* have to have lunch. If you do not wish to eat, please come anyway. There is no charge.

THURSDAY'S LUNCHEON

Our guest speaker this week will be Tina Moreno, who heads up the Fit After 50 Program at Desert Hospital. She will tell us how it got started and what to expect.

WELCOME BACK PARTY



This coming Saturday, October 1st, is the time for our fall potluck. The theme this year is Chinese, and we have plenty of interesting dishes to taste. If you would like to join us,

please give Lion Cathy a call, or just show up at 6:00 at Lion Ron and Leann's house.

If you have a friend you'd like to bring, please do! We welcome all, and look forward to getting caught up after the long summer.

GOLF TOURNAMENT SITE

Lion Bill has posted the website for our upcoming golf tournament November 19th:

pslionsclubgolf.com

The event will feature a great day of golf and many other activities including a putting contest, hole-in-one contest and team prizes. Early registration is \$99.00.

LAST MEETING

Many of us arrived early to take advantage of the buffet before the meeting started. The hotel as promised to have our lunch ready by 11:45.

Our meeting was double the fun as Lion Bill brought us a "birthday cake" in honor of our 1917 season. It was enjoyed by all. As you've no doubt noticed, we will not be getting desserts from the hotel as we elected to have free valet parking instead.

Lion Shirley, wearing her Tail Twister sheriff's badge, again collected fines from most of us. Last week she collected \$57.00. This money is for our own use—for whatever we need as a group.

Lion Bryan Kocen gave us a report from the Leos. They are up and running and have had two meetings. David, who has led the group for the past three years, is now serving as advisor. The new president is Peter. They are looking forward to helping us at our events and will be having their hamburger fundraisers again.

We were very lucky to have DG Rob Manning visit our club to answer questions about the new KidSight Program. He also took back 1,000 pairs of used eye glasses that Lion Randy as sorted and boxed.

Lon Rob explained that District 4L-5 is partnering with Loma Linda Pediatric Ophthalmology Department on the KidSight Program. It is a vision screening program for children aged 6 months to 6 years. The screening is done by a team of 4 to 5 volunteers, two working the autorefractors, which look like small cameras, and two or three others to help with the administrative tasks, such as record keeping and tallying.

On Wednesday of last week, Lions Pattie and Carol and I went to Indio to work with Lucy Manning and a team from The Chuckwalla club in Desert Center. Lion Carol is already a trained and certified team member; Pattie and I just went to observe.

At this time, the KidSight teams are responsible for screening 7,000 HeadStart students in the Coachella Valley. They have 45 days to do this, so this team tested two classes at two different schools.

The screening looked very simple as the cameras will capture the vision of the child just by taking a picture. It also went very fast, as the teacher helped bring in each

student one at a time. The kids received a sticker afterwards.



Above is a photo of the team in Indio. Nancy, seated, is holding one of the cameras.

We hope to have a team of our own, 3 to 5 members, who can help out with this exciting new program. There are a lot of kids in private and church schools who can benefit from this service. DG Rob said that Loma Linda would be having another training session in October.

All volunteers need to be Live-Scanned and have a TB test. I found one location in Palm Springs that is qualified by the California State Department of Justice: <u>Capital Live Scan dbw Progressive Care Partners</u>, 400 S. El Cielo, Suite E. (760) 440-8540. They require appointments.

EVENTS COMING UP

Welcome Back Party: Saturday, October 1st Halloween Party: Monday, October 31st McCormick's Car Auction Beverage Sales: November 18-20

Golf Tournament: Saturday, November 19th, Tahquitz Creek Golf Resort

Christmas Luncheon: Thursday, December 15th

Santa Paw's Run: Saturday, December 17th