

SOLAMOTION

SPECIAL OLYMPICS



Monthly Newsletter of the Special Olympics of Los Angeles Lions Club
Volume 2, No. 6

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BILL SHUMARD VISITS SOLA LIONS - Jan. 18



A very special event for our Club will happen in January to kick off the New Year. Mr. Bill Shumard, President & CEO of the Southern California Special Olympics will be at our January 18th meeting as our guest speaker. He will be giving us an update on what is happening here in Southern California in Special Olympics. **This is a meeting you should make sure you attend.** Also attending will be Eloise Crawford, Regional Director, Los Angeles and San Gabriel Valley Region of Special Olympics. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about Special Olympics and ask questions.

President's Message

Here we are just 5 days away from Christmas and in the first three weeks of December we had our busiest month ever; beginning with our Christmas Party held at Oralingua School, chaired by Lions Mark Elias and Dan Skewes and their committee, Lions Susie Ausdal, Barbara Lesa and Steve Nichols. It sure was a fun night, especially playing the intense White Elephant Game and wondering who would end up going home with the coveted Santa's boxer shorts. The next evening was our 3rd annual Food Giveaway Party for our Special Olympics athletes and their families. We spent the evening drinking hot chocolate, hot cider, eating cookies, and singing Christmas Carols together with Lion Wayne at the piano. Thank you to Lion Steve and his committee for the food donations and Lion Ruri for coordinating the athletes and their families. SOLA Lions and athletes walked in Whittier's Christmas Parade just two days later. Our first SOLA sponsored SELA Special Olympics Christmas party for over 250 athletes, family members, and friends was held the following Saturday in Bellflower. It was an amazing event. Thank you to PP Lion Bob who chaired this event and everyone involved for your commitment to SOLA. Thank you to all the members who donated gifts and volunteered. This is what makes our club a one of a kind. We are always ready "to serve." I hope this year has been as rewarding to you as it has been to me. Enjoy your holidays with your loved ones and friends.



Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year!
Sharon Montes De Oca, President



Merry
Christmas!

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Next Regular Meeting
January 4, 2012





SOLA LIONS

December 7th
Oralingua School

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Great food and fellowship and the
White Elephant gifts were wild!



A merry time was had by all!



HELPING OUR ATHLETES CELEBRATE THE SEASON

The SOLA Lions Club hosted its yearly holiday event on December 8 thanking our local Special Olympics athletes and their families for their hard work and sportsmanship throughout 2011. Twenty-five athletes with their families accepted our invitation to party with refreshments and singing at the Uptown Senior Center and to receive a box of holiday food favorites and a turkey to be enjoyed during the holiday season.

At Noon, Lions Steve Nichols, Bill Walters, and Dan Skewes picked food up from the Heart of Compassion Food Bank in Montebello and then purchased 25 turkeys from Smart and Final. Then at 5:00 pm, 22 SOLA members met to assemble the boxes and set up for the party. With Lion Wayne at the piano, the athletes joined Lions Bob and Sharon at the microphone, singing solos and sharing their holiday cheer with everyone.



30 pictures of this event on website: www.solalionsclub.org





We Serve!

LIONS SPONSOR SELA SPECIAL OLYMPICS CHRISTMAS PARTY



Special Olympics
Southern California

This past Saturday, December 17th, our SOLA Lions Club, along with fifty volunteer Leos, Key Club members (Who says we can't collaborate with other service organizations?) and parents, treated 250 Special Olympics athletes, family members and friends to a magnificent Christmas party and pot luck feast. This traditional Southeast Los Angeles Special Olympics event was held at Simms Park in Bellflower, and sponsored this year for the first time by our Club.

Under the direction of volunteer and SELA parent Jennette Gosden and her crew the kitchen kept pumping out more and more food to the buffet lines until everyone who wanted seconds and thirds had eaten their fill. Meanwhile all the athletes and their siblings visited with Santa and got wrapped gifts donated by SOLA, Leos and Key Club members plus other goodies. Perennial pals of SOLA Don Howard and Eloise Crawford, along with DJ renown Lionel Hawkins, Jr., were there from start to finish helping out wherever needed. They gave out awards to athletes and coaches of the year, and everyone enjoyed a festive holiday dance before we called it a night. Lions Sharon, Ruri, Rosa and Jerry, Marvin and Elena (with cubs Marvin and Julia whom I will live to see become official members of this Club), Mark, Scott, Cristina (with 20 or so Leos from Bell Gardens High School in tow), Wayne (behind the camera as usual) were there helping all afternoon and late into the evening, and I apologize to anyone I didn't see or forgot. Don't get old is my advice.

This party was a truly wonderful event and capped off the busiest month in our Lions Club's busiest year ever. It's great to be of service, it's great to be a Lion, and in particular it's great to be a member of SOLA. Please, please everyone, have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year's celebration, and we'll see you all in 2012.

Lion Bob





Save These Dates!

Wednesday January 4 4:00 pm Club and Foundation Board Meetings
5:30 pm Regular Club Meeting
Wednesday January 18 5:30 pm Regular Club Meeting
Bill Schumard, Guest Speaker

WHITTIER CHRISTMAS PARADE - DEC. 10, 2011



*On Christmas Day and always,
 May your heart be filled with Joy,
 Peace, Hope, the Love of God.*

Lion Wayne Martin, SOLAMOTION editor



December and January Birthdays

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SPECIAL EDITION CHRISTMAS TIME EVENTS



Save These Dates!

**Wednesday
December 7**

**Our SOLA Club's Christmas Party
at Oralingua School**

**Thursday
December 8**

**Annual Christmas Food Giveaway to Special
Olympics families—Whittier Senior Center**

**Saturday
December 10**

SOLA Lions Club in Whittier Christmas Parade

**Saturday
December 17**

**SOLA sponsors SELA Special Olympics Christmas
Party - Simms Park, Bellflower Community Center**

See following pages for details!



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Next Meeting
December 7, 2011





SOLA Lions Club Christmas Time Events

Annual SOLA Christmas Party

For Members and Spouses
Wednesday, December 7

5:30—8:00 PM

Oralingua School

Bring a Potluck Dish

(Appetizer, Main Dish, or Dessert)

Bring a White Elephant gift
for a Gift Exchange

Bring a \$10 wrapped gift for a
Special Olympian



Annual Christmas Food Giveaway to Special Olympics Families

Thursday, December 8

6:30—9:00 PM

Whittier Senior Citizen's Center

Come greet our Special Olympian
families and help distribute
the boxes of food.



If anyone has contact with a local market for
turkey donations please let Steve Nichols know.



Annual Whittier Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 10 —8:30 AM

Join several of our Special Olympics athletes in carrying our SOLA Lions banner and message in the Whittier Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 10th. At this writing our starting lineup position is yet to be determined, but you can meet Bob Warnock and our athletes at the Uptown Whittier YMCA at 8:30 a.m. They plan to walk to our starting point, which should not be far. No need to RSVP; just show up and wear your Santa hat if you have one!



SELA Special Olympics Christmas Party

Saturday, December 17

Planning is well underway for our first Lions-sponsored Christmas Party for *South East Los Angeles (SELA) Special Olympics* athletes and their families, on December 17th at Simms Park in Bellflower. Please see the attached flyer for details.

We expect 300+ in attendance so this may be our biggest event yet. Our Club members have the opportunity to help in one or more of three ways:

1. Sign up for one or more of 3 volunteer shifts that day: 3:00-5:30 (set up and welcome); 5:00-7:00 (serving and bussing); 6:30-9:00 (Santa, dance and cleanup)
2. Bring a pot luck dish to the party (see flyer)
3. Bring one or more wrapped gifts for athletes to our Club Christmas party on December 7th, or they can be dropped off at my YMCA office on or before the 9th. Gifts should be \$10 or less in value and either unisex (e.g. gift card or CD) or marked "male" or "female" on a gift card.

This will be our fourth of four events in December...whew... so don't feel guilty if you can't attend that night. We will have lots of help from City of Bellflower staff, SELA parents and others who have helped put this party on in the past. I met with the presidents of local Key and Leos Clubs and they are eager to help, and will also be bringing wrapped gifts for the athletes.

I look forward to seeing you all at our own party on December 7th at Oralingua School. Don't forget your wrapped gift(s)!

Lion Past President Bob Warnock



Upon returning from a recent trip, Ron and Carol Copley stopped by SOLA's Post Office Box. Therein they found our Tax Determination Letter from the IRS, informing us that our application has been approved and the SOLA Lions Foundation is officially a 501(c)(3) public charity, retroactive to September of 2009. Halleluiah! Thanks Lion Bob Warnock, for your 2½ years of work to obtain this legal documentation.



Special Olympics

Southern California/Southeast Los Angeles



SELA Athletes and Families Christmas Party

Hosted by the SOLA Lions Club

Saturday, December 17th 2011

5:30 PM – 9:00 PM

John S. Simms Park
16614 S. Clark Ave.
Bellflower, CA 90706

For directions, call:
(562) 866-7510



Enjoy friends, pot luck dinner, music, dancing and door prizes. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will bring a present for each athlete.

SPECIAL NOTE:

Athletes must PRE-REGISTER for the party this year. You may bring TWO guests (family, friends, chaperones).

Mail or email the form below by **November 28, 2011.**

TO: Don Howard
820 East Ada Ave.
Glendora, CA 91741-3645
Email donaldreyhoward@verizon.net

For more information call:
Bob Warnock
(562) 907-6545

YES, I will be at the SELA Special Olympics Christmas Party!

Athlete Name _____ Phone _____

Team Location & Sport: _____

Guest Names (2 maximum): _____

I will bring: Main Dish* (specify:) _____

or: Salad _____ Vegetable _____ Bread _____ Fruit _____ Dessert _____

* Not Lasagna please. It will be provided by SELA. What you bring should serve five (5).

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A Very Successful 1st Bowling Tournament



President's Message

Congratulations SOLA members! You have impressed the public, SELA (Southeast Los Angeles Special Olympics) fans, and above all, the 60 athletes, on sponsoring our First Annual Special Olympics Bowling Tournament at Del Rio Lanes in the City of Downey. What a marvelous time all of us had! I heard so many good comments from parents, spectators, and participants about how much fun they had at this event. Going into the tournament was uncharted water for us and we were a bit nervous about it, but thanks to Lion Ruri Pierre and her guidance, we were able to make this event run smoothly and organized.

On a personal note, I really enjoyed the opportunity to be an active volunteer with the athletes while they were bowling. Since the athletes were grouped in fours in each lane I was overseeing two groups of athletes, and I really enjoyed getting to know each of the athletes while I cheered them on throughout the three games.

Thank you to all the Leos who volunteered! You played a big role in making this event so successful. Thank you to Lion Ron and his crew for taking the pictures of the athletes and distributing the pictures to them. Thank you to Lion Steve for providing us with t-shirts and hats and being so generous to SOLA. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Del Rio Lanes' Manager, Mr. Mike Cammarata, for making sure lunch was served without a hitch and allowing us to hold our event at the Del Rio Lanes. Thank you to the group that donated cookies and water to the athletes and volunteers. To everyone who participated at this event I am so grateful for your time and commitment to all the athletes of Special Olympics. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting on November 16th. Happy Thanksgiving!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Sharon Montes De Oca, President



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November 16, 2011





FIRST ANNUAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT



SOLA Lions Open the Lanes for Special Olympics Keglers

November 4, 2011

Dateline: Del Rio Lanes, Downey, CA.

Lion Drew Sones Reporting

WAIT! You may be a little curious about the word *ökeglerö*! According to Webster's dictionary, a *ökeglerö* is *öA* person who bowls; a bowler.ö The word comes from the German word *kegle* which is a bowling pin. So, SOLA Lions held a *Kegler* Tournament, AKA, a bowling tournament this past Saturday.

The SOLA Lions Club, in association with Special Olympics Southern California and Southeast Los Angeles along with the LEOS Club from Bell Gardens and volunteers from a local church, Light and Life Christian Fellowship, held its very first Bowling Tournament at the Del Rio Lanes in Downey. Sixteen bowling lanes were busy with *kegler*s ranging in age from 12 to 60. The Del Rio Lanes is a modern marvel equipped with big flat screens showing a score card for each lane with each bowler's name in bright lights. Each lane is controlled by a computer that not only keeps score for each bowler but lets the bowler know when it is his or her turn on which of the two lanes shared among 8 bowlers. In addition after the first of two balls is bowled the scoreboard shows a graphic on the screen that depicts the pins remaining after the first throw. A real automated wonder that was most impressive.

The tournament was divided into 16 Divisions based on a bowler's ability. Each bowler earns a bowling handicap score during the season and this is used to place the bowlers into the various Divisions. These handicaps range from a high of 170 to a 53. Thus, each bowler competed with their peers in the same handicap range.

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ANOTHER PERFECT SCORE FOR SOLA LIONS



Enough technical talk - the Opening Ceremony started on time with one of the bowling athletes leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Special Olympics Athletes' Code. Then the tourney began with sixteen 15 pound bowling balls hitting the lanes in unison! What a sound and vibration followed by the cheers from the spectators as the balls found their way to the pins ó I mean kegles. Over the course of the next two hours each bowler rolled 3 games and a cumulative score was kept automatically by the great bowling computer in the sky. The cheers were contagious and were heard every time a ball rolled down the lane rather or not a pin was knocked down.

As the second of the three games progressed, volunteers distributed cookies donated by the Church group and water donated by Del Rio Lanes to fortify the bowlers for the third and final game. The excitement grew as the last frames were bowled in the third and final game as ribbons and medals were on the line! There was even a bowl-off on one of the lanes to break a tie! After each of the tied bowlers bowled two additional frames, the best score was recorded.

As each Division finished, the scores were totaled and results announced and medals and ribbons were awarded. As an added award, each of the athletes were presented with a commemorative photo ó this was a real hit with the athletes and has become a hallmark for the various athletic events the SOLA Lions Club sponsors.

A **BIG** thank you to Lions Ron and Carol Copley is given for taking the photos, placing each in a commemorative folder and handing them to each athlete. Lion Ron came up with this idea of individual photos of each athlete at the first SOLA softball tournament a couple of years ago and it now is a tradition for the Club at all tournaments.

As the awards were being announced, a pizza lunch was served to every athlete and volunteer along with their choice of soda ó no one went away hungry!

There were smiles all around from the athletes and their parents and coaches. It was heard over and over again that this bowling tournament was the best organized and fun ever. And Lion Ruri óPEANUTSó Pierre, our Special Olympics Liaison, made it all happen with her marvelous organizational skills.

The SOLA Lions really lived up to their motto - **óWE SERVEó!**



A Very Busy Fall!

The 2011 Harvest Golf Tournament



**Monday
October 24**



The Special Olympics Golf Tournament at Via Verde Country Club in San Dimas was a great event. Drew Sones was able to have PIH be a bronze sponsor and our Lions Club was a tee sponsor. Bob Warnock, Bill Walters, Ron Copley, Tavy Guzman, Maurice Byrne (and three friends), Drew Sones and Larry Dicus played golf. Also attending the dinner after the tournament were Lions Sharon & Alberto Montes De Oca, Carol Copley, Susan Sones, Ruri Pierre and Wayne Martin. Special Olympics appreciated our large participation. Six Special Olympic Athletes also played in the Tournament.

Special Olympics of Southern California Fall Games November 12 and 13 - Orange County

A total of 2,500 athletes, coaches, volunteers, and their family members will travel from all over Southern California to participate in the 2011 Special Olympics Fall Games. The games will be held on November 12 and 13 in Fountain Valley and Irvine and feature six fall sports - bowling, floor hockey, soccer, softball, tennis, and volleyball. Like we did for the Summer Olympics in Long Beach, the SOLA Lions Club will be manning the Lions Eyemobile, administering free hearing screening to the athletes.



Special Olympics
Southern California

SOLA to Sponsor SELA Special Olympics Christmas Party



Our SOLA Lions Club will sponsor and host the annual Southeast Los Angeles (SELA) Special Olympics Christmas Party for the first time this year. In past years this event has attracted 300 SELA athletes and family members. It will be held on Saturday, December 17th, at Simms Park in Bellflower. Our committee has already begun to meet. More details to come, but in the meantime mark December 17th, 5-8 p.m. (tentative times) on your calendar now.

PP Lion Bob Warnock, committee chair



Annual SOLA Christmas Party

For Members and Spouses
Wednesday, December 7
 5:30—8:00 PM



Annual Christmas Food Giveaway to Special Olympics Families

Thursday, December 8
 6:30—9:00 PM
 Whittier Senior Citizen's Center



Save These Dates!



Sat. & Sun.	Nov. 12-13	Special Olympics Fall Games in Orange County SOLA Hearing Testing using Lions Eye Mobile
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Getting Ready for a Busy Two Months!

See Calendar, Page 5



On September 8th, SOLA Lions Club President Sharon Montes De Oca presented a past president's gavel to Lion Bob Warnock at which time he presented her with a new president's gavel.

President's Message

As I am writing this President's message I am thinking how fast this year has gone by. Here we are approaching Halloween. *How spooky this sounds. Boo!* We have many projects in the pipeline and one of those is our First Annual SELA Special Olympics Bowling Tournament on November 5th in Downey. Approximately 60 Special Olympics Athletes will be participating. Please check the calendar for dates of the other events coming up.



How lucky I am to be at the helm of this wonderful club where the membership makes every project appear effortless even though many hours are donated to accomplish our club's goals. SOLA Lions Club is one of a kind. Remember to invite your friends to one of our meetings so they can see us in action and at the same time we can build membership. The more members we have the more goals we can achieve together.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion President Sharon



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A pleasure to serve!

The 2011 Harvest Golf Tournament Monday, October 24, 2011



This is an annual golf tournament that benefits Special Olympics and our Los Angeles & San Gabriel Valley Region. The Tournament is held at the Via Verde Country Club in San Dimas. Our Club is having an impact on this tournament. Last year we had five golfers play in the tournament. This year Lion Drew has arranged for PIH to be a Bronze Sponsor (\$1,250 which includes four golfers) and we will also have a foursome made up of Bob Warnock, Bill Walters, Tavy Guzman & Ron Copley. Lions Maurice and Lion Marvin are working on four or eight more golfers through Wells Fargo Bank. Our SOLA Lions Club will be a Tee Sponsor for \$250. President Sharon, Lion Alberto and Lion Carol will be attending the dinner only. If you are interested in participating or need information please contact Lion Ron.

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Special Olympics
Southern California

Bowling Tournament



Saturday November 5, 2011

Del Rio Lanes

7502 Florence Ave.

Downey, CA

CHECK IN: 10:00 A.M.

OPENING CEREMONY: 10:45 A.M.

TOURNAMENT PLAY: 11:00 a.m. --1:00 P.M.

LUNCH will be served

(Approximate Schedule; Subject to Change)

For more information contact:
Ruri "Peanuts" Pierre (562) 567-9470

or email

rpierre@cityofwhittier.org



*This tournament is made possible by a partnership
between*

*Special Olympics Southern California
SELA, and SOLA Lions Club*





LARRY DICUS FOR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Lion Larry Dicus
MD4 Council Chair 2010-2011
Home Club: Whittier Host Lions Club



'BUILDING THE LIONS TEAM FOR TOMORROW'

October 7, 2011

Lion Sharon Montes de Oca
President
Special Olympics of Los Angeles Lions Club
10370 Woodstead Ave.
Whittier, CA 90605

Dear Lion President Sharon:

Thank you very much for the generous contribution of \$500 from the SOLA Lions Club to my Lions International Director campaign fund. Jane and I are very appreciative of this support and are working hard to get our message out to the Lions of California.

This level of support is very encouraging to us and will help us continue our effort to meet as many Lions as possible throughout California before our MD4 convention in February. I look forward to visiting SOLA lions very soon to personally thank each member for this thoughtful support.

In the meantime, please share my sincere appreciation to your members. SOLA Lions continue to be a 'bright spot' that I highlight when talking with other Lions throughout the State. SOLA is making a positive difference in the Special Olympic movement throughout the region and is a shining example of what 'LIONS' "Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service" can accomplish together.

Again, thank you!

Yours in Service,

Larry Dicus
Immediate Past Council Chair
MD4 Lions of California

THANK
YOU!



Let's give a big Thank You to Past President Lion Dr. Elisa Roche and Lion Steve Nichols for donating dinner and beverages at every meeting. You guys Rock!



Our condolences and love to new Lion Sandy Montez and her family with the recent passing of her dear mother on October 11.

Hello Fellow Lions! We are looking forward to our next Christmas Party on Dec. 7th and would like everyone to participate. We haven't discussed any details yet, but will be planning in the next meetings. Please save the date! And remember, any ideas are welcomed.

Thanks, Lion Hilda Ortega



Save These Dates!

Wednesday	October 19	7:30 AM	Wake Up Whittier Breakfast Networking First Family Church, 8434 Greenleaf, Whittier
Wednesday	October 19	5:30 PM	Regular Club Meeting
Monday	October 24	9:00 AM	2011 Harvest Golf Tournament, San Dimas
Wednesday	November 2	4:00 PM 5:30 PM	Club and Foundation Board Meeting Regular Club Meeting
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Our SOLAMOTION editor might hold a world's record in the number of angiograms (10) and stents (15) one can have. Congratulations Lion Wayne on a very successful heart procedure on Sept. 30 at PIH! Glad to have you back at club and healthy!

- President Sharon Montes De Oca



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Plus . . . Softball Tournament Another SOLA Success!

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President's Message

Wow! What a busy month September has been. Beginning with our club meeting on September 7th, we had a packed house including a club visitation from the East Whittier Lions Club. Not only was this a visitation but we had one of their members celebrate her 88th birthday with us!

On September 14th, we were invited to a very special event at the Staples Center. This was the unveiling of the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games which will be held in Los Angeles. Tim Shriver, CEO and Chairman of Special Olympics and many other officials announced this great event. There will be approximately 7,000 Special Olympic athletes from 170 countries competing in the world summer games in Southern California. This will be a very exciting time for all of us.

On Saturday, September 17th, we had our 3rd Annual Softball Tournament at York Field in Whittier. What an exciting day! We had 8 teams participate from other regions and we had many members participating. The event went so well that the President and CEO of Special Olympics Southern California Bill Shumard, who stopped by, congratulated Sola Lions Club for hosting such a well organized event. We could not have asked for any better weather. At the end of the games each athlete was presented with a picture of their team. What an exciting moment it was for the athletes. Thanks Ron! During opening ceremonies the head umpire's birthday was celebrated with a song by the athletes and the crowd. Then I threw the first ball (no broken windows). Lunch was prepared at the Copley's home and distributed at the field. This was a very healthy and good lunch and everybody enjoyed it. Thanks to the lunch crew for a job well done. A big thanks to the MLB students from California High School who volunteered their time working side by side with the Sola members and athletes. To you all Sola Lions – thank you for making this event a first class event. It was a lot of fun!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion President Sharon



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3rd ANNUAL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT



Whittier Dirty Dawgs



GLA - Giant Steps



Pomona Wild Cats



Temecula Valley



MATC - Greater LA



Lakewood Angels



Laguna Hills Hawks



Lakewood 51's



Special Olympics
Southern California



Another Home Run for SOLA Lions



What an outstanding 3rd Annual Special Olympics Softball Tournament our Club held on Saturday. We had eight great teams compete. We had two (C and D teams) Divisions play on two separate fields at York Field in Whittier. The Red Division teams were the Wildcats from Pomona, 51's from Lakewood, Giant Steps from Greater Los Angeles and the Hawks from Laguna Hills. The Blue Division teams were the MATC from Greater Los Angeles, Angels from Lakewood, Temecula Valley and the Dirty Dawgs from Whittier. Following the softball games and awards ceremony the distance derby was held.

The Tournament was a great success because of everyone working together to make it happen and the leadership of Lion Ruri "Peanuts" Pierre. Thanks Ruri for doing another outstanding job. Thanks also to the Lions who helped/attended this event; Susie Ausdal, Scott Barron, Ursula Bell, Carol & Ron Copley, Jeff Graner, Barbara Lesa, Henry Lozano, Wayne Martin, Rosa & Jerry Masterson, Sharon & Alberto Montes De Oca, Steve Nichols, Hilda, Sergio & Sarah Ortega, Linnea Pueschel, Elisa Roche, Gabriel Sanchez, Dan Skewes, Bob Warnock, Mark Elias, Garry Couso-Vasquez and Sandra & Carlos Gutierrez. And a big thank you also to "The Men's League of California High School" for their valuable assistance.

We received many very positive comments about how well we ran the tournament and how much everyone enjoyed participating in it and wanted to be invited back next year. We enjoyed having Bill Shumard and Eloise Crawford from Special Olympics stop by and say hello and encourage everyone. Thanks again on behalf of the Club for making this a very successful event and we should all be proud.

- Lion Ron Copley



Special Olympics
Southern California

Bowling Tournament



Saturday November 5, 2011

Del Rio Lanes

7502 Florence Ave.

Downey, CA

CHECK IN: 10:00 A.M.

OPENING CEREMONY: 10:45 A.M.

TOURNAMENT PLAY: 11:00 a.m. --1:00 P.M.

LUNCH will be served

(Approximate Schedule; Subject to Change)

For more information contact:
Ruri "Peanuts" Pierre (562) 567-9470

or email

rpierre@cityofwhittier.org



*This tournament is made possible by a partnership
between*

*Special Olympics Southern California
SELA, and SOLA Lions Club*





SOLA Lions Detained at Former Police Chief's Home

September 10, 2011

Dateline: West Road, Whittier, CA.

Drew Sones Reporting

This past Saturday several members and friends of a local Lions Club were detained for a possible invasion at the home of former Montebello Police Chief Garry. Chief Garry, who is also a member of the SOLA Lions, responded to this reporter's questions by saying "I am unclear where the misunderstanding occurred but I do know we had a hell of a time during the course of the afternoon." In speaking with other SOLA Lions who attended the event, I learned that Chief Garry had invited Lions not only from the SOLA Club but also the Montebello Lions Club which sponsored the formation of the SOLA Club.

Chief Garry, along with fellow Lion Rosa Masterson, planned for weeks in preparing for the event. Chief Garry's homestead is ideally suited for such an event as it is equipped with a beautiful Spanish tiled cantilevered pool and spa in a topical setting. In addition, immediately adjacent to the pool area was a well stocked bar with seating for two and standing room for a host of Lions. The bar area was decorated as a Tahitian Sports Bar with memorabilia on the walls and a flat screen TV high in the corner tuned to the latest ball game. The invitees were afforded a special treat and were allowed to tour the Chief's "Man Cave" sporting a pool table and another large screen TV and the world famous drum set that the Chief is renown for playing as part of his 12 piece band that tours throughout the county. The drum set contains 8 cymbals of various sizes and shapes and 8 drums ranging from big ones to little ones. This reporter was unsure of the musical names for the drums and cymbals but there were a lot of them and I could not fathom how one individual could play all these instruments with just 2 hands and 2 feet. But Chief Garry has it covered.

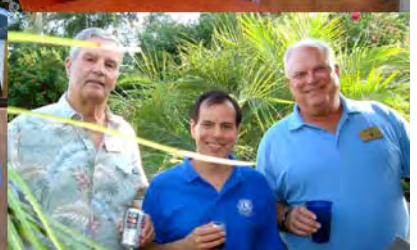
The date of the event coincided with a rare weekend off for Chief Garry's band before a long forthcoming concert tour including trips to Cucamonga and other Southern California hot spots.

Back to the party! While the beer and wine flowed at the Tahitian Sports Bar, an all-you-could-eat buffet was laid out with pulled pork sandwiches along with Louisiana BBQ beans and Texas slaw catered by Lion Steve Hernandez, owner of Steve's BBQ. Delicioso indeed!! And all for only \$10.00 – a real deal! Needless to say, this reporter returned for seconds and will admit to a little plate of thirds.

To add to the Sports Bar and Man Cave TV offerings, Chief Garry, through his connections with the fight game, produced the living boxing match via satellite for the enjoyment of all (well, at least the male Lions enjoyed it).

During the event we were privileged to have Larry Dicus, (and his lovely wife Jane), the District 4L2 endorsed candidate for International Director for Lions worldwide, visit and participate in this very social event. Lion Larry took advantage of the bar and buffet to fortify himself for the campaign and he was enthusiastically welcomed by all.

It was a great event and for those SOLA Lions who were unable to attend you should clamor for another such gala at the Chief's resort real soon!





“Nobody is a ‘nobody,’ You can look to Special Olympics to learn about courage, guts and raw determination.”
 - Tim Shriver

World Summer Games in 2015



Lion Sharon with Rafer Johnson
 Olympic Decathlon Athlete
 Founder of Special Olympics, So. Ca

L.A. gets Special Olympics



Lions Alberto & Sharon with Tim Shriver
 Chairman & CEO of Special Olympics

Lion Carol with Louis Zamperini
 American Olympic Distance Runner

Lion Sharon with Maria Shriver
 First Lady of California



September and October Birthdays

9/7: Lynne Kielty 9/19: Carol Copley 10/8: William Laser 10/20: Andrea Bodnar

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3RD ANNUAL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT JUST ONE MONTH AWAY!



President's Message

Here we are nearing the end of summer. Parents are getting their children ready for the new school year and our club is getting ready for an upcoming event in September. It is our Softball Tournament held on Saturday, September 17th at York Field in Whittier. This will be our third year sponsoring this fantastic Special Olympics event. This is a great opportunity to come and volunteer your time to support the Special Olympic Athletes. With your participation at this event we can make this year the best ever. Guaranteed, you will have lots of fun!



Last week's meeting was very exciting. We had a full house and as you know one of my goals this year is to increase membership by 20 members (members and associates). So far, we have increased our membership with four new Associate Members: Lion Ron Copley (Whittier Host Lions), Lion Mark Elias (Montebello Lions), Lion Carlos Gutierrez (Maywood Lions), and Alberto Montes De Oca (Whittier Host Lions). Thank you to the sponsors. Let's continue inviting our friends to the meetings so they can see what a fantastic organization we are.

Remember, participation is the most important part of Lionism. Our motto is "We Serve."

Yours in Lionism,
Lion President Sharon

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August 17, 2011



SOLA LIONS!
Save the date. We
need everyone's help!

Special Olympics
Southern California

Southeast Los Angeles Special Olympics Softball Tournament

Sponsored By:
Special Olympics Lions Club of Los Angeles



Saturday September 17, 2011
C & D Teams Only
@ York Field, 9110 Santa Fe Rd.
Whittier, CA
(Corner of Santa Fe Springs Rd. and Mulberry Dr.)

CHECK IN: 8:30 A.M.
OPENING CEREMONIES: 8:45 A.M.
GAMES 9:15-NOON
LUNCH: NOON
GAMES: 1-4:00 P.M.
DISTANCE DERBY 4-5:00 P.M.
MEDAL/RIBBON CEREMONIES: 5:00 P.M.
(Approximate Schedule; Subject to Change)

For more information contact: Ruri "Peanuts" Pierre (562) 567-9471

This tournament is made possible by a partnership between Special Olympics Southern California, SELA, SOLA Lions Club, and the Whittier-based Dirty Dawgs Special Olympics Softball program.

LET'S PLAY BALL!



Join the SOLA Family!

End of Summer Barbecue



Saturday, September 10, 2:00 pm

New SOLA member Lion “Chief” Garry Couso-Vasquez is opening up his home to SOLA members, family and friends, for an “End of Summer Barbecue” starting at 2 pm on Saturday, September 10. Cost: \$10.00, Address: 15838 West Road, Whittier, CA 90603. RSVP to Lion Rosa Masterson, 714-256-2132.

We Welcome New Associate Members this Month!



Former SOLA Guiding Lion
Ron Copley, Whittier Host



Former District Region Chair
Alberto Montes De Oca
Whittier Host



Montebello Lions Club
Mark Elias



Maywood Lions President
Carlos Gutierrez

No End to Talent in SOLA!

Lion Chief Garry Couso-Vasquez’s band,

Flashback

Cowboys

played at the La Habra Lion’s Corn Festival last Saturday, August 7. Great sound, Lion Chief!





Join the SOLA Family!



Because of the overwhelming unselfish service of our Lion Tamer Steve Nichols, Lion Wayne presented him with a Lions “We Serve” apron, and here he poses with our new associate member Lion Alberto for a picture.

Save These Dates!



Wednesday	August 17	7:30 am	Wake Up Whittier!
Wednesday	August 17	4:00 pm	SOLA Lions Club Board Meeting
		5:30 pm	Regular SOLA Lions Club Meeting
Wednesday	September 7	4:00	SOLA Lions Club Board Meeting
		5:30	Regular SOLA Lions Club Meeting
Saturday	September 10	2:00	End of Summer SOLA Barbecue
Saturday	September 17		SOLA Softball Tournament - York Field, Whittier

Wake Up Whittier!

This Wednesday—August 17
7:30 A.M.

Location: Rooftop of the
Bright Parking Structure
6721 Bright Avenue
Whittier

“A chance to have a ‘bird’s eye view’ of the whole city while eating breakfast!”

SOLA Lions Club Meeting this Week

Wednesday—5:30 pm

Bring a guest. Let them enjoy our fellowship & “We Serve”

New SOLA President Sharon Montes De Oca is “letting no moss grow under her feet” as she has boldly “taken the reins” and is doing a dynamic job leading our Club.



August and September Birthdays

8/2: Vicki Alvarado 8/12: Elaine Roberts & Jeffrey Graner 8/17: Elisa Roche
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Lion Bob Warnock Receives Melvin Jones Fellow Award

at SOLA Lions Club's
Installation Banquet
July 13th, 2011

Congratulations Bob!



My first "President's Message"

Wow! What a busy installation we had at *Ristorante Portofino*! It was a huge success and I am so honored to have been installed as SOLA's third president. The board was installed by Lion Alberto Montes De Oca, Past District 4-L2 Region Chair, and our new members were inducted by Lion Larry Dicus, Past MD4 Council Chair. We are a very active and unique Club and we have a big heart for Special Olympics athletes to whom "We Serve." It was so exciting to have some very special people join us from Special Olympics as well: Directors Eloise Crawford, Roger Stolenberg, and Russell Evans, and some of our local Special Olympics athletes shared their stories, David Ferlin and Valerie Nuanes.



Our Past President Lion Bob was honored with the Melvin Jones Award which he was totally surprised by. Lion Bob, it has been a great year and it sure went by fast!

My goals for this year: to increase our membership from 50 to 70 members and with that growth we will become a stronger Club and be able to accomplish even more; to hold more local events for our athletes as well as start new events; a Special Olympics golf team!

I am looking forward to our year with much enthusiasm and I know with the support of every Lion member we will accomplish our goals while having a lot of fun together, serving our athletes, and building ever-lasting relationships.

Let's make it a great year together!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion President Sharon

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Next Regular Meeting
July 20, 2011





3RD ANNUAL SOLA LIONS CLUB INSTALLATION



SOLA Lions Club Officers for 2011-2012



Well-known Guitarist
Ernie Hernandez
volunteered his
services for the event



Lion Elisa Roche presents
Lion Bob Warnock with
Melvin Jones Fellow Award



Lion Ruri Pierre with David Ferlin and Valerie
Nuanes, both Special Olympics Athletes who competed
at CSULB Special Olympics and at our local SOLA
Swimming Tournament



Prospective associate member
Lion Carlos Gutierrez, May-
wood Lions, and wife Sandra



PDG Lion Bill Walters
and wife Isabell



Lion Elisa Roche with Special Olympics
Regional Directors: Eloise Crawford,
Roger Stolenberg, and Russel Evans



Bill and Nadine Laster
Elisa parents, SOLA members



Lion Kristin Dunton with
father, Lion William Dunton



PDG Mike Brassard with
Lion Bea Proo

DINNER AND PROGRAM - JULY 13, 2011



District 4-L2 Past Regional Chair Lion Alberto Montes De Oca installs 2011-2012 SOLA Lions Club Officers and his wife Lion Sharon as SOLA Lions President



Past MD4 Council Chair Larry Dicus inducts new members Lion Sandra Montez, Lion Garry Couso-Vasquez, and Lion Vicki Alvarado, assisted by sponsors Lion Sharon Montes De Oca, and Lion Rosa Masterson



Past SOLA Lions President Bob Warnock presents "Lion of the Year" Award to Lion Steve Nichols



Our thanks to Lion Rosa Masterson for arranging such a fine banquet at *Portofino Ristorante*, La Habra



Past SOLA Lions President Bob Warnock honors SOLA Lions Club's Guiding Lions Ron Copley and Bill Walters and others with Lion medallions





FOURTH OF JULY Fireworks Spectacular



**Thanks, Carol & Ron,
for a wonderful
evening!**

Sorry if I didn't get your picture taken.
I was too busy eating and watching the
fireworks! Lion Wayne





Join the SOLA Family!



Our condolences and love to Lion Henry Lozano with the recent passing of his dear mother.

Save These Dates!



Wednesday	July 20	5:30	Regular SOLA Lions Club Meeting
Wednesday	July 27	5:00—8:00	Planning Session Retreat for Board Members Oralingua School
Wednesday	August 3	4:00	SOLA Lions Club Board Meeting
		5:30	Regular SOLA Lions Club Meeting
Saturday	September 17		SOLA Softball Tournament - York Field, Whittier



It's Time to Start Planning our September SOLA Softball Tournament

An assignment sign-up sheet will be available at this week's meeting. We need 100% Club membership participation for a successful tournament.



SOLA Lions Club Meeting this Week

Wednesday—5:30 pm

Bring a guest. Let them enjoy our fellowship & "We Serve"

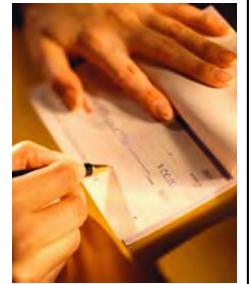
Club Dues Now Over-Due Please Pay this Month

SOLA Members: \$125.00

Includes District and National Dues

Associate Members: \$100

In addition to Home Club Dues



July and August Birthdays

7/2: Linnea Pueschel & Louis Lawrence 7/3: Leslie Guzman, Marvin & Maurice Byrne
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Special Olympics Summer Games Give Special Athletes a Chance to Compete

SOLA Lions Club Serves Special Olympians with Hearing Screening Services

See pictures inside



Special Olympics
Southern California



President's Message

More than 1,000 athletes, including two Whittier basketball teams and several other Whittier athletes, competed at this past weekend's Southern California Regional Special Olympics games at Cal State University Long Beach. Lions Sharon Montes de Oca, Ron Copley and I were invited by Eloise Crawford to attend the Rafer Johnson Breakfast with Champions, which was a terrific event with NBA legend Jerry West as keynote speaker. It was a privilege and honor to represent SOLA Lions at this event. We got a nifty photo with Rafer which I believe Lion Wayne has included in these pages, and he indicated a willingness to come and speak to our Club. Lion Sharon and I will be working on that!



As most of you know I will celebrate the final two weeks of my term as your president by having my hip replaced on June 21st. Also, I am in Baltimore this week at a YMCA conference and so I'll leave Wednesday's meeting to the capable leadership of Lion Sharon. Finally, I have accepted District Governor-Elect Dennis Drag's request to serve as Zone Chairman which will give me the opportunity to serve not only SOLA but the four other clubs in our zone during my IPP year.

I look forward to seeing ALL of you at our Installation Dinner on July 13th. I should be all healed up by then but I promise to be there even if Monica has to wheel me in!

Lion President Bob



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Special Olympics Summer Games — June 11-12

SOLA and Fellow Lions Provide Health Services





...For the whole family

FOURTH OF JULY Fireworks Spectacular



SOLA Lions Club Family Social
Monday, July 4th at 6:00 PM
Fireworks are at 9:00 PM

The Copley Home
15352 Mar Vista Street
Whittier

Hot dogs and chips will be provided. Bring drinks for your family and bring either a Hors d'oeuvre, Salad or a Dessert. Please let us know which of the three you will be bringing.

Please RSVP to Ron and Carol by email or phone by July 1st
roncopley@earthlink.net or 562-693-8330

Great News for SOLA Lions Club



Special Olympics
Southern California

May 25, 2011

Dear Lion Bob:

I am really excited to share with you the attached letter from Special Olympics Inc (SOI) Legal Department, clearing the way for the SO Whittier Lions Club to use the name "Special Olympics" officially. This will now allow you to formalize the Club if you so wish into a 501(c)3, etc. SOI's Legal Department recently finalized a 'grandfather clause', which provides Special Olympics Lions Clubs that chartered before the LCIF-SO agreement on the "Champions Lions Clubs" model to use the name "Special Olympics."

.....I would like to end by thanking the SOLA Lions Clubs for their leadership, support, service, and advocacy on behalf of our athletes and all those with intellectual disabilities. We are greatly appreciative of your efforts and support and very much look forward to our future collaboration.

Best regards,
Lion David Evangelista
Special Olympics



Cathedral CityMay 19-21

SOLA and FRIENDS at DISTRICT 4-L2 CONVENTION





Let's Celebrate!

SOLAMOTION Newsletter wins District 4-L2 award as Best Monthly Club Bulletin for 2010-2011



Save These Dates!

Monday	July 4	SOLA Family Social at Carol & Ron Copley's Home
Wednesday	July 6	No SOLA Lions Club Board or Club Meeting
Wednesday	July 13	Second Annual Installation Dinner—Portofino's
Wednesday	July 20	Regular SOLA Lions Club Meeting
Saturday	September 17	SOLA Softball Tournament - York Field, Whittier

SOLA Lions Club Installation Dinner

SOLA Members. Mark your calendars with our new date for our 2011-2012 SOLA Lions Installation. New date is Wednesday, July 13, 2011 at 6pm cocktails and dinner at 6:45pm at Portofino Ristorante in La Habra. Five course meal with choice of chicken, fish, or steak. More details will be forthcoming. We have an exciting program. Besides installing our new officers we will also induct our new members. Cost: \$35.00.

Let's make this year's installation the best!

Thanks SOLA Lions for all of your support and making our club so successful and fun!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Sharon Montes De Oca
1st Vice President



June and July Birthdays

6/2: Rachele Haun 6/16: Debbie Beruman & Susie Ausdal 6/19: Ursula Bell
 6/23: Kristin Dunton 6/26: Ron Copley 7/2: Linnea Pueschel & Louis Lawrence
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SOLA FUNDRAISER A Delightful Success

Our recent fundraiser was held at Portofino Ristorante Italiano in La Habra on May 7, 2011.

It was well attended by the public and by Lion members MD4 Council Chair Larry Dicus and his wife Jane, District 4-L2 Central Region Chair Alberto Montes de Oca, and many other Lion members from different clubs with approximately 100 in attendance.

The live entertainment with Michael Parlett was fantastic with lots of dancing and we netted over \$3600.

Thank you to all the SOLA members who worked so hard to put this event together, especially Lions Rosa and Jerry Masterson.

Submitted by Lion 1st VP Sharon

President's Message

Monica and I are back from a wonderful vacation in Mexico (Tail Twister take note) and after having finally dug myself out from under 350+ emails I am back in action. I look forward to seeing all of you at this Wednesday's Club meeting.



This coming week's meeting is especially important because those members present will vote by secret ballot to direct our five delegates to the District Convention with respect to the endorsement of our two rival District 4L2 candidates for International Director. Our candidates are PDG Larry Dicus of the Whittier Host Club and PDG Roger Powell of the Downtown Long Beach Club. Both have close friends in our SOLA Club and hence the secret ballot. Come and make your vote count.

We are all saddened by the sudden passing of our member Virgil Millon. He was an active Lion who will be missed. Please keep his son in your prayers.

Finally, congratulations to Lions Rosa and Jerry Masterson for what I hear was a "Masterful" fundraising luncheon last weekend. I continue to be proud of our "pride" of SOLA Lions. Keep up the good work, and don't forget to share Lionism.

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..... Thanks SOLA Members

A GRAND SOLA LIONS CLUB FUNDRAISER!





..... For Coordinating it all

THANK YOU ROSA & JERRY MASTERSON!





..... A Cut Above the Rest!



Save These Dates!

Wednesday	May 18	5:30 PM	Regular Club Meeting
Thurs.—Sat.	May 19-21		District 4 L-2 Convention
Fri. - Sun.	June 10-12		Special Olympics Games—CSULB, Long Beach
Wednesday	July 6		Second Annual Installation Dinner
Saturday	September 17		SOLA Softball Tournament - York Field, Whit-



IN MEMORIAM



LION VIRGIL MILLON

Wake Up Whittier

Chamber of Commerce Wake up Whittier on May 11, 2011 7:30am breakfast held at the Whittier Hospital. The Chamber was saluting all of the service clubs in Whittier. SOLA Lions Club was represented by Lion Marvin Byrne, VP Membership, Lion Hilda Ortega, and Lion Sharon Montes De Oca, 1st VP., and Lion Susie Ausdal. Lion Marvin did an outstanding job sharing to the Chamber members what SOLA is all about as we were introduced and Marvin had two minutes to speak. We each sat at different tables so we could network and we had a display table with handouts and pictures of our softball and swim meet events. It was a very productive meeting and one that I highly recommend that we should attend every month. We also can get on the Chamber's calendar to advertise our fundraisers and tournaments for the Special Olympic Athletes.

Yearly Membership Dues Collected in May and June

District 4-L2 Convention This Weekend, May 19-21, in Cathedral City



May and June Birthdays

5/13: Sharon Montes De Oca 5/21: Steve Nichols 5/24: Marty Sussman
 5/26: Tavy Guzman 5/30: Ed Covarrubias 6/2: Linnea Pueschel & Louis Lawrence
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Saturday, May 7th SOLA Fundraiser



Sit Down Luncheon
at the Beautiful
Portofino Restaurant
651 West Whittier Blvd.
La Habra, CA 90631

Entertainment by
Michael J. Parlett
Sax Flute
Wind Synth
Percussion, Voice

12 Noon to 4:00 PM

\$30 Donation per person
Limited Seating

Raffle Prizes
Plus

50/50 Raffle Tickets

\$1 each or 25 for \$20

Winner need not be present

RSVP to Rosa Masterson
714—883—1913

President's Message

I would like to encourage every SOLA Lion to **not** follow my example, and attend our **May 7th Fundraiser** at Portofino Restaurant. Monica and I are driving home from a vacation week in Mexico that day and won't be able to make it. I know you all have my back though!

If, like me, you are not able to attend, then **do** follow my example and buy and sell lots and lots of 50/50 Raffle Tickets.

Lions Rosa and Sharon and I had lunch at Portofino today to begin arrangements for our **Second Annual Installation Dinner**. Mark your calendars and save the date for Lion President-Elect Sharon Montes de Oca's installation: **Wednesday, July 6th, 2011**. More details will follow. I expect a great turnout of joy-filled Lions and guests as I am shown the door and Lion Sharon is sworn in. Nobody there will be happier than I.

Lion President Bob



Alert! Basketball Tournament Canceled

It was announced at our last meeting that SOLA had to cancel our Special Olympics Basketball Tournament on Saturday, April 30. After all of the preparation work and efforts everyone was very disappointed.



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President's Message

The 2010 Lions Multiple District 4 Convention in Primm, Nevada this past weekend was a worthwhile experience; my first MD4 Convention since 1988 when I was president of the Los Angeles Host Lions Club, and the drive was even further: to Minden, Nevada just north of Carson City. At that time MD4 included parts of Nevada which is no longer the case.



Lion *SOLAMOTION* Editor Wayne Martin will wax eloquent on the Convention and has lots of photos herein for you to enjoy. For my part, in spite of being ill and missing about 2/3 of Saturday's goings-on, there were some real highlights. Number one was the pleasure of Lion Wayne's company on the drive. (500 mile round trip, one tank of gas, 51 mpg. in my Prius ☺). It was great getting to know this dedicated Lion and talented teacher and musician even better.

At Friday's opening Leadership Luncheon, Lion District Council Chair Larry Dicus invited Lion Wayne and me to join him at Lion International President Eberhard Wirfs' front table. Lion IP Eberhard is, needless to say, a fine gentleman and strong leader, and he remembers with fondness his visit with us during the holidays. He presented me a presidential gift, one of his green "Move to Grow" neckties, which I have done absolutely nothing to deserve other than being the president of the right Lions Club at the right place at the right time.

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MULTI-DISTRICT 4 CONVENTION

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It was with pride that I witnessed how active our own District 4-L2 is in providing leadership at the State level. Key leadership roles in MD4 are given by our local 4-L2 Lions, beginning with PDG Larry Dicus as the current Council Chair, our own club’s guiding lion PDG Bill Walters - Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation and MD4 Convention Committee, PDGs’ Al and Chris Ohrmund—Student Speakers Foundation, PDG Mike Brassard—L.O.V.E. Program, PID Bill Crawford—LCIF and Global Membership/Leadership; and PDGs’ Judy and Roger Powell—Lions Floats, Inc.

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Wayne Martin, SOLAMOTION editor

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SUNDAY, MARCH 20



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—Special Olympics Coach, Lion Ruri "Peanuts" Pierre



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Special Olympics



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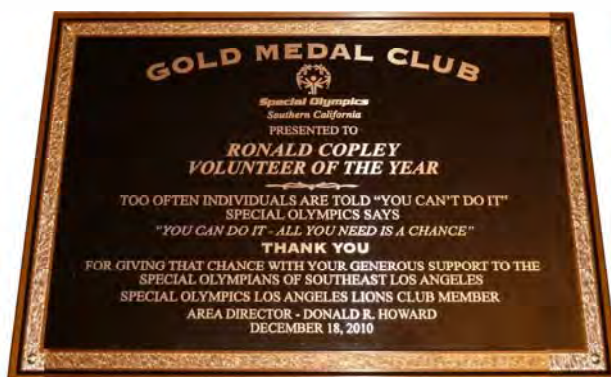
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Submitted by Rosa and Jerry Masterson



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A Cut Above the Rest!

CONGRATULATIONS NEW MEMBERS

Three new members were officially installed at our January 5th meeting. District 4-L2 Region Chair Alberto Montes de Oca had the pleasure of installing **Maurice Byrne** (sponsored by Marvin Byrne) and **Ed Covarrubias** (sponsored by Gracie Oyoque). Later Past District Cabinet Treasurer Ron Copley installed **Gabriel Sanchez** (sponsored by Rosa Masterson).



Welcome, Gentlemen, to SOLA!

NEXT SOLA LIONS SPONSORED EVENT



March 20 is fast approaching as we sponsor a second sports event this 2010-11 year for our Special Olympians.

Our Special Olympics Coach, Lion Ruri "Peanuts" Pierre, along with Lion Ron Copley and the events committee are very busy making arrangements for a

**Special Olympics SELA Swim Meet
at the Palm Park Pool in Whittier.**

SUNDAY, MARCH 20

ALL SOLA members will be busy that day from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM doing all the things necessary to make this another very successful event for our great Special Olympian participants.

Also save Saturday, April 30, for our Special Olympics SELA Basketball Tournament at Whittier High School.



Please Consider Attending

MULTI-DISTRICT 4 INVITATION

It's Not Too Late to Sign-Up for
**THE 92ND ANNUAL
 LIONS
 MD4 CONVENTION**

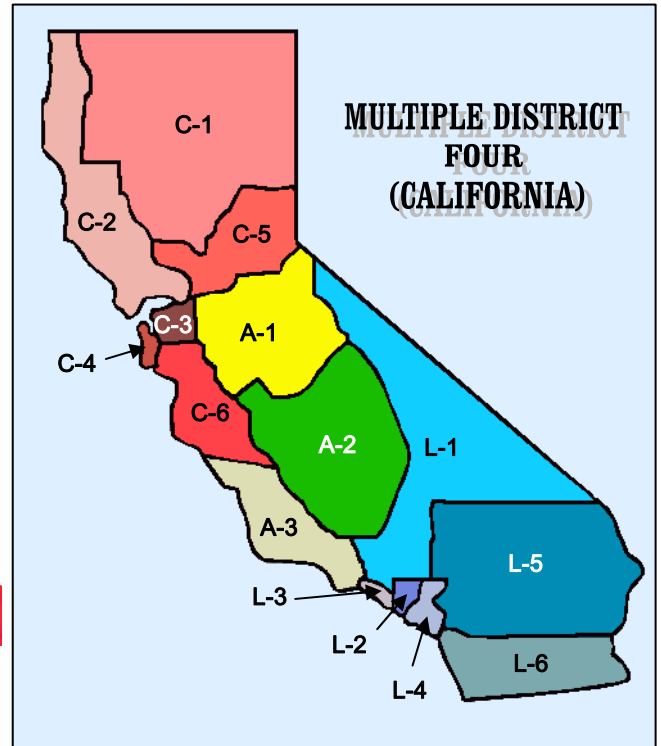
February 4-6, 2011
 Primm, Nevada/California

Your weekend will be packed full of entertainment, education, information, surprises and just plain FUN! Come enjoy the fellowship with some inspiring and proven Lion leaders like



Eberhard Wirfs Bill Crawford Emil Kantola Larry Dicus Maxine Frazier Bill Walters

Check at www.md4lions.org for details. But hurry!



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 SEE LION ELAINE ROBERTS
 ONLY \$10 EACH**



January and February Birthdays

1/8: Bill Walters 1/9: Dan Skewes 1/11: Drew Sones 1/13: Barbara Lesa
 2/15: Rosa Masterson 2/18: Robin Guzman 2/25: Kathy Sussman

**SOLA LIONS
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 2010-2011**

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 Marvin Byrne *2nd Vice President*
 Carol Copley *Secretary*
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