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Meet @ 7PM on the 1st & 3rd Thurs of Every Month

@ Foothill Lions Community Center

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District 4-C1, So Butte Region, North Zone



8TH ANNUAL SHOW N' SHINE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

10:00 AM—3:30 PM

TRI TIP SANDWICHES, BAKED BEANS, POTATO SALAD

LIVE MUSIC BY:

NO BOUNDARYS

PRE 1990 CARS & TRUCKS - BREAKFAST 8 am—10 am - SPARK PLUG CHALLENGE
RAFFLE BOOTH, VENDORS, CRAFT BOOTHS, HOT DOG BISTRO, MONEY LEI

NEED ALL LIONS TO BRING THEIR RAFFLE RAFFLE RAFFLE PRIZES
PLEASE BE GENEROUS!!!



General Meeting Minutes (August 6, 2009)

Lion Susie submitted our application for Adopt-A-Hwy. Needs an alternate, Lion Roberta volunteered. Lion President Debbie announced we will set up tables, chairs, pop ups, etc. tomorrow at 6 pm for the Blues Festival.

Lion President Debbie passed out a schedule of events. She challenged all members to commit to help with at least two events for the 2009/10 Lions year.

Lion Linda Saala gave an update on the gazebo. Slab poured, lumber delivered and they are ready to start building.

Lion Susie sent ten letters to different schools requesting their old playground equipment be donated to our children's park. She also sent out ten letters to pre-schools telling them about our Lazy Eye testing machine for ages 4 to 5.

Thank you note read from Camp McCumber Diabetes camp for our \$500.00 donation.

Lion Susie thanked everyone who worked on the grounds.

Lion Chris Beermann gave us an update on Beale Veteran who lost both his legs. He is in stable condition, awake and aware. Lion Chris is working with Lion June Brown on an application for a CCI dog.

Lion John Downs was the winner of the monthly "Baby Picture" contest. Lion Jerry Sparks was the August bulletin baby picture. Lion John won a free dinner at the meeting.

Lion President Debbie inducted new member Pete Contreras sponsored by Lion Dee Scott. Welcome Pete!

50/50 - \$43.00 - CCI - \$12.00 – Tail Twister \$9.00

MSP to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned @ 8:25 pm.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Lion Debbie Sparks

**JUST THINKING OF YOU LION JEAN NEHL AND WANTED TO SAY
"HEY THERE" AND WE MISS YOUR SMILY FACE AROUND HERE !!!**

General Meeting Minutes (August 20, 2009)

Meeting called to order by President Lion Debbie Burlingame @ 7:00 pm, flag salute led by Lion Chris Beermann, song led by Lion Susie Trundy and prayer by Lion Gertie Moore. We had 29 Lion members and 10 guests present.

Dinner served, thank you to the Lioness for a wonderful meal.

Treasurer's report read, our administration account is 4,260.00 and our community account \$1,077.39. MSP to approve Treasurer's report.

Lions Paul & Roberta Halcomb reported on the Dobbin fire evacuees. Our club served dinner to fire fighters and volunteers Sunday and Monday. Fire now contained and evacuees have returned home.

Lion President Debbie reported on our Blues Festival. It was a total success and she thanked all Lion and Beale AFB volunteers. We raised \$12,701.50 for the 2008 Butte County Fire victims. Our club will present this check on 9/3/09 @ 2pm, directions to follow. All Lions welcome to attend, please wear your vests.

Lion Bob Winchester gave an update on the Gazebo. He says we're about a week behind schedule, but it's coming along nicely.

Lion Susie reported that our 1st Lazy Eye testing went well. She sent 20 letters to elementary schools letting them know we are testing the 2nd Wednesday every month @ 10 am for children ages 4 to 6.

Lion President Debbie again passed out a schedule of events. She challenged all members to commit to help with at least two events for the 2009/10 Lions year.

The Meridian Lions announced their 64th Steak BBQ on 9/2/09 @ 7 pm. The cost is \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for kids. A case of wine will be presented to the club with the most Lions wearing their vest. Lion Sheri Vess reported on our upcoming Car Show. Flyers are done need bartenders and a chairman for raffle and t-shirts booths. Next meeting is scheduled for 9/8/09 @ 6 pm.

Lion President Debbie reported on our upcoming CCI fundraiser breakfast. The breakfast is set for 9/12/09 from 8-11 am. She is working with Lion June Brown on having CCI dogs there to demonstrate. Lion Susie asked Lions to *PLEASE* close walk-in door, turn off A/C, lights, dishwasher, etc. before you leave the building. Our utility bills are very high.

50/50 - \$62.00 - CCI - \$18.50 – Tail Twister \$16.00

MSP to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned @ 8:23 pm.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Lion Debbie Sparks

Board Meeting Minutes (August 27, 2009)

Meeting called to order by Lion President Debbie Burlingame @ 6:04 pm. Eleven board members present. Treasurer's report read. Administrative account \$3,844.38 and community account \$3,238.19. MSP to accept treasurer's report.

School library volunteers needed Monday through Thursday from 12:40 to 2 pm. Any Lion interested please contact Lion President Debbie. Dues fee increase tabled. MSP to reinstate Jason Mowery as a Lion member. Lion Debbie Sparks gave her vest inventory report. She will order 5 large and 5 X-large vests from Lions International.

MSP to donate \$250.00 towards the Salvation Army's new and more efficient canteen (brings food and drinks to fire fighters and emergency agencies) for fires and catastrophes all over the north state.

The board reviewed the applications for membership on Cindi Fitzgerald sponsored by Lion Dee Scott and Carlos QuiHuis sponsored by Lion Susie Trundy. MSP to except Cindi and Carlos into our club. Lion Hank Juska gave us a Bar Manager update.

Lion President Debbie announced we will be presenting the check for \$12,701.50 to the Butte County fire victims on 09/03/09 @ 2 pm at the Concow Camp ground. Lion Debbie Sparks to send e-mail to let other members know. Lion Joni Patterson noticed the Gary Bird plaque has been missing since we painted the outside of the building. Lion President Debbie will get a price to replace it from Mr. Bradley's Signs. Tabled until we get an estimate.

Discussion on upcoming CCI fundraiser breakfast. Need workers, flyers, cookers, etc. Lion Debbie Sparks to make flyers and sign up sheet to be passed around at next meeting.

MSP to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned @ 6:55 pm.

Minutes submitted by Lion Secretary Debbie Sparks

Fellow Lions,

This is an invitation for you to join us at the Concow Lake Campgrounds to present a check for \$12,701.50 raised from our Blues Festival for the 2008 Fire Victims. We are meeting at the club @ noon on Thursday, 09/03/09 and will caravan to the campground. If we can meet Brenda at Hwy. 70 & Concow Road by 1:30 pm we can caravan in with her into the camp ground. The Lions are bringing ice chests with refreshments such as; sodas, water, beer, etc. for all Lions that attend. Please wear your vest as the t.v. and newspaper media will be there. Lion Secretary, Debbie Sparks

BLUES & BIKES

A wonderful day from start to finish. Mother Nature was kind to us with “not so hot” weather and a nice breeze now and then. **Pinkie Rideau** started us off with a wonderful rendition of the National Anthem and the music and pressive from there. bang up job as MC, ready to party. Our seen getting a royal



attendees just got more im- **Lion Gary Williams** did a got the crowd fired up and **Chairman Lion Debbie** was tour around the grounds.



Again the **Blues Bas-** **kets** were a big hit, **Lion Janet** needs a pat on the back for her never ending dedication to make this hap- pen, and thanks to her two granddaughters for all their



help. The **Alpha Leos** did good on their “donation” bake sale (**\$256**). And once again our **Beale Volunteers** helped to make it all possible, along with our **Lion Volunteers**, to give a donation in the amount of **\$12,700** to the **2008 Butte County Fire Victims**. **Way to go you Lions, you rock!!!!**



GAZEBO PROGRESS REPORT

Stay tuned to this channel for a monthly update on the progress of our Gazebo (under construction).



Forms for the foundation and cement pour happened 1st week in August, **labor was free** being donated by **Eric Wynona** and his helper, **Tony**. **THANKS SO MUCH!!!**



Lion Bob Winchester and his carpenter, **Art**, and **Lion Jeff** have been busy almost every day setting the poles, framing, building truss' and roof, and even **prospective member Carlos** donated his time and expertise. **We're going to be having a wedding or a band playing there before you know it. Can you believe it LS?**



Our organizer for the project remains behind the scenes, but keeps a constant watch overall.

Well our club did it again!! We held a good ol' fashioned barn dance on August 22nd!! All the fixin's were outstanding thanks to our Lion cooks and helpers.



Decorations were **AWESOME**, a good time was shared. And the club made money!! **YEE HAW!!**. Thanks to all my helpers, you know who you are. **Lion Janet, Chairperson, Lions Barn Dance**

Think you had a bad day??? Just ask our **Lion Berl** how his was?





Christian—Our **Hagerty Model Car Contest** entry took **3rd place** in his age group in the whole of the **USA—fantastic. And, he also won \$500 for the Foothill Lions Club.** Found out he just happens to be **Lion Sheri Vess'** grandson, we are so proud of you!!!



MEET YOUR FELLOW LION—DEBI LaPORTE SHERRY:

I was born in the mile high city of Denver, a “Navy brat” as they say, daughter number two. My dad was a very proud Seabee Petty Officer (A “lifer”) and my mom, his childhood sweetheart. They adored each other for 58 years. Unfortunately, I remember nothing of my birthplace. Pt. Hueneme, Ca. is where I grew up and the place I called home until I was 15. Forty-three years later, scattered within those first 15 years were two 3 yr. detours to Guam & Kodiak, Alaska. The Navy made sure we got around! When dad retired in 1965, we moved to the mountains above Santa Barbara and dad became a Forest Service engineer. I finished high school in 1969 at Santa Ynez High School in Solvang. From there I went to college for medical assistants and graduated in 1970. I moved to Northern Calif. with my family in 1973 when my husband went to work for Tenco Tractor. His job allowed me to be able to stay home and raise my two beautiful kids, Kristal and Chad, until they started school. Today, they are both wonderful, productive adults whom I cherish along with my grand kids.



After my divorce in 1977, I was a single mom looking for work. Having no real experience as a medical assistant, I was very fortunate to find a job with two vascular surgeons in Yuba City. They must have been as desperate as I was! I worked for them until 1989 and loved every day. I left the surgeons to manage a busy nephrology (kidney diseases) office in Yuba City, staying there for 18 terrific years. In between both of those jobs, I started a medical billing service for additional income. When my nephrology office closed in 2005, I expanded my billing services and decided to work from home. So, that brings me to now.

Spending time with family & good friends are on the top of my list of things I love. True to my astrological sign, the crab, I still love the ocean & miss it. I thrive on mountain air, the beauty of springtime, gardening, and the great outdoors. I’m a country girl through & through! My husband & I enjoy off-road wheeling in our jeep, long or short rides on the Harley’s, deer hunting, and traveling in the motor home. As I get older, tent camping.....not so much!



I believe a positive attitude, my sense of humor and faith, has gotten me through some very tough times in 58 years. I shy away from pity parties, whenever possible, especially my own, and count my blessings daily! My theory is, if you wake up tomorrow and you are breathing without assistance, it’s gonna be a good day! How can you argue with that?

September Birthdays

Jean Marie Akers
 Sean Beermann
 Howard Busch
 John Downs John Newlin
 Julie Schmidt Erma Schwarzer
 Debbie Sparks
 Jeff Trundy
 Sheri Vess



Birthday dinner is
 Sept 25th—7:00 PM
 Lion Linda's renown Chicken Fried
 Steak & "stuff"

NEWS FROM THE PREZ.



*Webster's II defines the words "thank you" as "expressing one's gratitude or thanks" or an "acknowledgement of a gift or benefit". For the last few years, our club has been fortunate to have the support from the **men and women of Beale AFB** who donate their time so freely to help us with our events outside their work day and military uniform. The Air Force core values are exceptional, "**integrity first**", service before self, and excellence in all we do". Receiving credit for volunteer hours can make a huge difference in a military members or civilians career. It's the "whole person concept" that includes job performance, volunteer and community involvement and self-improvement. Performance ratings, yearly awards, quarterly awards, monthly awards, medals and decorations all use volunteer service for nominations and promotion consideration. When we use **Beale AFB** volunteers at our events, we need to assure the **thank you letters** go out quickly so the volunteers get immediate credit. One phone call from a volunteer who didn't receive their letter is one too many. We, as Lions, make a difference in people's lives every day. Assuring the letters are sent promptly, is one way we can give back to our military volunteers. It's a win-win situation to have them participate!! Are there any members out there who would like to volunteer to be the point of contact for preparing and mailing the letters? Any "**Directors**" out there want to take this on?*

Lion Burlingame

SUNSHINE REPORT

LION DIANA WHEELER is your **Sunshine Reporter**—Please get all your input to her - 741-1502

Lion Shari McKim spent a month sick with some type of crazy flu, please accept our apology for not knowing and our belated get wells, glad you're back.

Lion Gertie Moore recently lost her niece, our thoughts are with you.

Lion Peggy Myers' sister was recently hospitalized, we wish her a speedy recovery.

LAUGHTER is the medicine of life
 Madelaine Bamford

I just love this picture and thought it went well with the Message of the Day, hope you enjoy too.



Today's Message of the Day is:

Life is short, Break the rules, Forgive quickly,
 Kiss slowly, Love truly,
 Laugh uncontrollably, And never regret *anything* that made you smile.

Look who won the **50-50 (\$44)** @ the 8/6 General Meeting. Our **Lion Dale Cross**, good thing, looks like he had to pay for his beers.



Lion Marilyn Alverson was our lucky **50-50 (\$62)** winner @ the 2nd General Meeting in August, and she said just in time for vacation Congrats!!



Lion Pete Contreras, sponsored by **Lion Dee Scott** was inducted into our wonderful LIONS CLUB on 8/6/09 and already pitched in to help with the set-up for

the Blues Festival and more. He and his wife Chrissy live in Browns Valley, let's all give him a big warm welcome!!!



FROM THE EDITOR:

Whew!!! I for one am glad those triple digit days are slacking off, so is my PG&E bill, uhgggggg!! September has arrived much too early, it means Christmas is just a quarter away, Oh My God, shut my mouth!!!



I'm still waiting to receive your **Letters to the Editor, Bio's,** and **Baby Pics.** If any of you feel one of your fellow Lions is too shy to send in a personal Bio you can do one for them (individual or couple). I think this is a great way to meet and recognize our fellow Lions, so please help me out, I need your support.

Send all letters, questions, or thoughts to strundy@syix.com, PO Box 8147, Marysville, 95901, or call 742-3041.

Cut-off for bulletin publications is by the 25th of the month.

Last Month's Baby Pic WINNER was **Lion John Downs** guessing Baby Lion Jerry Sparks—Congrats!! Who is this little cutie????



WHO AM I ?

First correct answer wins a **free dinner** at our next General Meeting. Submit your answer to the **Editor** as soon as possible.

Just in case you missed it, this was the start of the **Yuba Fire (Dobbins)** as seen from our Club's yard. **Scary.** Our wonderful **Lions** fed the evacuees, fire fighters, and law enforcement officers for two days, just another facet of **WE SERVE!!** So proud of our **Foothill Lions!!**

Canine Companions for Independence Fundraiser Breakfast
 Saturday – September 12, 2009 8:00 to 10:30 AM
Pancakes, Eggs, Link Sausage, Biscuits/Gravy & Coffee \$5.00 Per Person
CCI Service Dog Demonstrations

September 2009

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1 Lioness Mtg Cancelled Joni	2  Marilyn	3 Lions Dinner Mtg - 7 Jeff/Susie	4 Mike/Linda	5
6	7 Labor Day Korin	8 Carshow & Leos Mtg 6 PM Jean-Marie	9 Lazy Eye Testing - 10 am Hank	10 Chris	11 Toby	12 CCI Fundraiser Breakfast 8—10:30am
13 Grandparents' Day	14 Football Buffalo @ NE & SD @ Oakland Jason	15 Car Show 6 PM & Lioness Mtg 7 PM Joni	16  Marilyn	17 Lions Dinner Mtg—7 Hank	18 Set-Up for Car-show 5PM Mike/Linda	19 Warm Sept Nights Car Show 10am—4pm
20 Lioness Breakfast 8:00– 10:30	21 Football Indianapolis @ Miami Korin	22 First day of Autumn Jean-Marie	23 Hank	24 Lions Board Mtg 6PM Chris	25 Lions B-Day Dinner 7 PM-Chick Fried Steak Toby	26
27	28 Football Carolina @ Dallas Jason	29 Joni	30 ??????			

WORDS OF WISDOM - Babies are born without kneecaps. They don't appear until the child reaches 2-6 yrs old. I didn't know that...





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26 Years of Service

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 YOUR PHONE LIST**

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept 8: Car Show Mtg—6:00 pm
Sept 12: CCI Breakfast 8 am-11 am
Sept 15: Car Show Mtg—6:00 pm
Sept 19: Car Show 10 am-4 pm
Sept 25: B.D. Dinner—Chicken Fried Steak
Oct: Halloween
Nov: Veteran's Parade
Dec: Food & Toy Drive/Dance

Exact Dates & Times to Follow

**NEW LIONS
 2009/2010**

Pete Contreras

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