



July 26, 2005

District 4-C4

PRESIDING

Lion President Ken Harker presided and Lion Roy Mino invocation.



MERLO Sets Agnda for Peninsula

The primary thrust for MERLO in the Peninsula this year will be the creation of a new Club in Belmont. In addition, MERLO will try to help small clubs grow and remain viable. The Charter night plans for East Palo Alto were also discussed. We can expect to see a call for participation in this event. In a related development, we have received word that the Banner for the East Palo Alto Lions Club will be shipped to us on August 15th.



INSTALLATION

Lion Governor Eugene Chan was on hand to install our 2005/2006 slate of Club officers. He did each officer category in turn. Below, our VPs, Lions Nick Marinaro, Mary Lou Robson and Bill Downing. are being sworn. At the right, Lion Secretary Joan Peterson is caught with a smile on her face and a dimple in her chin - an unusual event when cameras are around.



In addition, Membership Chair, Lion Nina Steiner presented awards for one hundred percent attendance. There were quite a large number of us who received this award, reflecting the high level of participation we enjoy in our club.

The Banner is Back.....

On the southern border of Palo Alto, Nina Silverstar sauntered into the quiet shop, hung with banners and piled with printers waiting to be redeemed. She leaned on her namesake and stared across the counter. Her steely eyes held no question - only a demand.

The Jump didn't even have to look up. After all, she knew the preemptory rap of the Silverstar as its butt slapped against the floor. She brought out the purple roll and placed it on the counter. "From Big Al." "About time." And MC Silverstar walked back out into the noonday sun.



DOOR PRIZE

The Door Prize was on a hard earned vacation last week. Future door prizes: Aug 2 - David Chappell; Aug 9 - Carole Martin; Aug 16 - Steve Padone; Aug 23 - Hinda Minor.



Meetings

Aug 28 - EPA Lions Charter Night at the University Club
Aug 21 - Peninsula Council of Lions

Presidential Awards.

IPP Lion Chaz began awarding his Presidential Awards for Outstanding Service. These awards identify Club service, Concours service, and personal attributes that awardees have brought to their service. Our Club is blessed with wonderful people who are amazingly talented and still manage to get along and work together. Well done, fellow Lions!

Presidents Award for Outstanding Service
To Lion VP Mary Lou Robson for stepping up to the plate when we needed you; for becoming the Co-Master of Ceremonies for the Palo Alto Concours d'Elegance; for your common sense; and for your love of Kokopelli, which I share.
Lion Charles Nelson President 2004-2005



Lion Bobbi Harold introduced Leslie Williams-Hurt from Project Hired, whose mission is to "meet the hiring needs of employers and the employment needs of people with disabilities."



Project Hired was founded in 1978 to help disabled people get jobs. Its services include outreach, employment training, job placement, education of employers and advocacy. It assesses the skills of disabled people, teaches them to market these skills, and provides contacts with employers who interested in employing the disabled. It works with a broad spectrum of talents, from entry-level service jobs to executive management positions. Potential employers can access the resumes of their clients through an internet interface, while their clients can job openings of participating employers.

As you would expect, their Board of Directors includes shakers and movers from corporations such as Agilent, National Semiconductor, Cadence, Lucasfilm, Synnex, Manpower, and San Jose State University, to mention but a few.

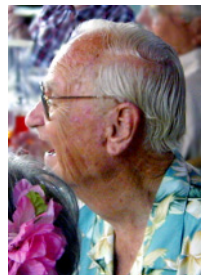
In recent years, Project Hired has developed a partnership with the Veterans Administration here in northern California. They have contracts to operate phone banks for VA facilities. So when you call the VA hereabouts, the operator who answers the phone is apt to be a disabled person who is a Project Hired employee.

Project Hired has a very interesting web site at <http://aces.projecthired.org/public/index.php>. It includes all of the elements you would expect for a nonprofit. But it will also include, when fully implemented, a full job/resume interface - sort of the Hot Jobs Monster Board for disabled job applicants. An interesting concept.

Preview. On August 9th, Fuchs & Fishgrund will tell us about the Palo Alto Mediation Program, a free, confidential, voluntary alternative method of dispute resolution for tenant/landlord, neighbor/neighbor and other situations.



- Aug 2 - Don Stanaway of the Lions Eye Foundation
- Aug 9 - Beverly Fuchs & Alice Fishgrund on mediation
- Aug 16 - Elegant Grayhounds
- Aug 23 - Ruth Janscheck on Art Therapy
- Sept 6 - Klaus Janscheck on Lions in Germany



Remember to bring your Stamps for Easter Seals.