

The Castro Lion ROAR

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Steven Sams Editor – submissions accepted in word format via email at ss2391@att.com



General Membership Meetings:
1st & 3rd Wednesdays



Octavia Lounge - 415-863-3516

1772 Market Street - San Francisco, CA

6:00 cocktails; Dinner 7pm

Members \$21, Guests \$25

Across the street from Martuni's

PLEASE! Call 415-90-Lions for reservations

**CASTRO Lions: benefits from your
Community Thrift Store donations.**

Our Account # is 67. CTS will make arrangements for pick up of larger items, or you can drop them off during normal store hours.

PLEASE

be sure to complete a donation receipt so we may thank you for your generosity, & track the contributions.

Deliveries are at the dock in Sycamore Alley Street between Mission & Valencia.

Community Thrift Store

623 Valencia Street

10 am to 6:30 pm Open every day

(415) 861-4910.

Proceeds from your CTS donations benefit our Castro Lions Hector Caceres

Eye-Glass Fund. www.commthrift.com

Calendar of Upcoming Events:

Submit items early for best impact to ss2391@att.com

February 12, 2006 Mr Heart Throb
SF Eagle Tavern 3pm

February 15, 2006 General membership Meeting
Gloria Sandoval – STAND! Against domestic Violence guest speaker

February 16, 2006 – Half Moon Bay – Wild Game Feed
650-728-5819 – Mike Smookler \$70/person
4:30-doors open; dinner 7:30

Other community Events: <http://www.craigslist.org/>

Castro Lion Club Birthdays:

March born Club members

Lion Walter Bowen	March 11
Lion Denni Harp	March 17
Lion Chuck Roth	March 22

Happy BD's to you all.



COLE HARDWARE®

**Credit the Club for your
Cole Hardware purchases!**

We are also a standing beneficiary of your purchases at the Cole Hardware Stores (Cole Street & the other SF locations of Fox Ace Hardware). Our club receives 'purchase' credits for your mentioning us when you make your purchases. The Club's account number at Cole is # *2584. (I'm told the '*' is essential.)

<http://colehardware.com/>

Once a year, they send us a gift certificate worth 5% of the accumulated purchases made in our name.

FOR THE RECORD:

There are 40 members in good standing in the Castro Lions Club. As of 10/31/2005 there are 1,318,114 members internationally in 45,303 clubs & 753 Districts in 194 countries & geographical areas.

We recently received a check for \$160.36 from Community Thrift thanks to donations from Tony Tapia, David Gin, Greg Douglas, Steven Sams and 'anonymous' & Levi Straus/Lion Jeff Harlowe \$75. These funds go direct to the Hector Caceres Memorial Eye Care Fund. Thanks to all our donors!

Board Approved a special \$1000 gift to Harvey Milk City Hall Memorial which was delivered the week of 1/16/2006.



Lions Code of Ethics

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration of profit for my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self respect because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down others; To be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER the doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position of action towards my fellow man, to resolve such doubts against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means; to hold that true friendship exists not on the account of service performed by one to another but true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the true spirit in which it was given.

ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed; to give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID my fellow man by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy; To be careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; To build up and not destroy.

Castro Lions Charities, Inc. is both a Federal & State recognized 501 (c) (3) organization.

Your contributions to our work in the community (charities account only) are fully tax deductible as allowed by law. EIN# 94-3206719. State Of California Domestic Nonprofit Corporation, Registration No. C1912192. State Charity Registration Number: CT095682

The Castro Lions Club Employee Giving Campaign/United Way Number is: #1034139 (At ATT, employees can use ID# 002944)



Lion Clubs International Objectives

To create a spirit of understanding among the people of the world;

To promote the principles of good government and good citizenship;

To take an active interest in the civic, culture, social and moral welfare of the community;

To unite the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship, and mutual understanding;

To provide a forum for open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members;

To encourage service minded men and women to serve their community without personal financial reward and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.

2004-5 Castro Lions Beneficiaries

AEF/BCEF <http://www.aidsemergencyfund.org>

Hector Caceres Eyeglass Fund

COLAGE <http://www.colage.org>

SFLGBT Marching Band www.sflgfb.org

Honorariums

LCIF Melvin Jones/Lion of the Year

Lions Canine Companions (Membership) www.cci.org & www.lpcci.com

Lions Canine Companions (Worker Dog)

Lions Ear of the Lion (Membership)

Lions Eye Foundation (Membership)

Lions-In-Sight (Membership) <http://www.lionsinsight.org>

MNHC – Holiday Party <http://www.mnhc.org>

PAWS <http://www.pawssf.org>

Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic www.rfbd.org

Rocket Dog Rescue www.rocketdogrescue.org

Tenderloin AIDS Resource Center <http://tarcsf.org/home.html>

Tenderloin T's Dinners

The Center for AIDS Services <http://thecenteroakland.org>

Tranquillium Center/New Connections

<http://newconnections.org>

One-by-One www.1-by-1.org

Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services

<http://www.lyon-martin.org>

Positive Resource Center www.positiveresource.org

LensCrafters SF Homeless Connect Vision project:

[SF Homeless Connect](#)

Lion Stamps for Easter Seals:

Please bring your stamps with you to the monthly meetings or mail them in a "stamped envelope" to...

Lion Walter Bowen c/o WAK SHACK

782 Haight Street

S. F., Ca. 94117



707-648-2306 – Warehouse
PIDDRBILLIANN@aol.com

The CASTRO LIONS want your used eye glasses & hearing aides no loose lenses please, frames only are ok if in good condition.

Drop Off spots:

- CalOptix- Lion John Klimek
3838 California #100
- Dr Lion Kathleen Kennedy 552 Castro
- SF-LGBT Center 1800 Market Street
- Site for Sore Eyes:
300 West Portal – or – 140 Battery - or – 901 Market
- Lions Eye Foundation CPMC
2340 Clay at Webster – 5th floor
- Rainbow Co-Op market 13th & Folsom
<http://www.lionsinsight.org/>

BOARD Actions:

Lion Carroll Fears is named OOF (Official Old Fart of the castro Lions Club) and Lion John Klimek – OOF in training – certificates were presented at the General Membership meeting 1/17.

Mr. Heart Throb event to be hel at the SF Eagle Tavern 2/12/2006 – Alexander Hamilton American Legion Post 448 shall assist in food prep/delivery – but the board has agreed to reimburse them for the cost of the food.

The Ms Heart Throb event shall be held at a later time and in a different venue – and shall be a special fund raiser in conjunction with Lyon-Martin womens health services.

The Board voted to submit to the membership a change in By Laws allowing for up to 4 years of consecutive service in ‘office’ by the Secretary and Treasurer.

LIONS of the MONTH:

July 2005 – June 2006

July	Lions Dennis Hale & Tom Rodgers
August	Lion Jenny ‘Spike’ Lee
September	Lion Steve Kech & Randy Ortega
October	Lion David Gin
November	Lion Tommy Rudder
December	Lion Gary Nathan
January	Lion John Klimek
February	Lion
March	Lion
April	Lion
May	Lion
June	Lion



CASTRO Lions: Community Business Partners

The following local businesses are community partners in the service work of the Castro Lions Club. Because of their support – we are able to meet our annual charity fund-raising goals. We encourage you to patronize them & tell them you appreciate their support of the CASTRO LIONS.

- ATT <http://www.consumer.att.com/> , SF Toyota, Wells Fargo, Lone Star; Marlena’s; The Edge;
- Cole Hardware <http://colehardware.com/>
- Community Thrift Store www.commthrift.com; Castro & Market Chevron; TRAX www.TRAX.com ; SF Eagle Tavern <http://www.sfeagle.com>; Moby Dick www.mobydicksf.com ; Daddy’s www.daddysbar.com; Alexander Hamilton American Legion Post 448 <http://www.post448.org/welcome.html> ; The Halcyon Hotel www.halcyonsf.com :

Other useful Links:

- Under One Roof: www.underoneroof.org
- NEXUS: http://www.isparksf.com/partner_nexus.html
- Lions Wilderness Camp www.lionswildcamp.org
- One By One Homeless Assistance: www.1-by-1.org
- LYRIC: www.lyric.org
- (Lavender Youth Recreation & Information Center)
- GGBA (Golden Gate Business Association) www.GGBA.com
- CUAV (Community United Against Violence) www.cuav.org
- Bay Positives: www.baypositives.org
- Guide Dogs of the Desert www.guidedogsofthedesert.org
- Lighthouse for the Blind <http://lighthouse-sf.org/catalog/>
- Horizons Foundation: <http://www.horizonsfoundation.org/>
- Dolores Street Community Services www.DSCS.org
- STAND! Against Domestic Violence <http://www.standaagainstdv.org/>
- ALRP (AIDS Legal Referral Panel) <http://www.alrp.org>
- Our Family: <http://ourfamily.org>
- Other Websites you may find of use:
- Lions of 4C1: www.4c1lions.org
- The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society: www.LLS.org
- Rainbow Koi’s: <http://www.rainbowkoi.org>
- API Wellness Center: <http://www.apowellness.org/home.html>

Castro Lions Club Officers & Board

President	Lion Steven Sams
1 st VP	Lion Brit Zane
2 nd VP	Lion Brian Carbo
3 rd VP	Lion Dennis Hale
Secretary	Lion Denni Harp
Treasurer	Lion David Gin
Lion Tamer	Lion John Klimek
Tail Twister	Lion Gary Nathan
Membership Director	Lion Randy Ortega
Director 2 year	Lion Steve Kech
Director 2 year	Lion Frank Bence
Director 1 year	Lion Jen ‘Spike’ Lee
Director 1 year	Lion Carl Tebell

2005-6 Y&C Tickets have arrived!

Lion John passes on this note regarding the tickets/sales: JRAK127@webtv.net

“I am asking everyone to take 10 books of tickets to sell. Please let me know if you will take 10. I want everyone to know that you can take less or more. All sales are appreciated. You can e-mail me at the above e-mail address, or leave a message for me at my home phone – (415) 933-6827. For those who do not have e-mail I am sending a [US MAIL] copy of this e-mail.

You can call me or write me:

Lion John R. Klimek
577 3rd Avenue Apartment B
San Francisco, CA 94118-3901.

Please let me know if you want the tickets mailed to you or if you want me to bring them to you at the next dinner meeting. Thanking you in advance for another successful sales year. Yours in Lionism Lion John”

(PS: for the newer members: LY&CA stands for Lions Youth and Community Activities). This is the 58th year of sales, & the local FORD dealers have been very generous in making the first prize available most of those years. We pay for the tax out of Admin, all the money therefore we raise from the sale of the tickets – goes to our charity account & since we’re a 501 c 3 ourselves – you can tell your friends by buying them from us – they can deduct the contribution. (They should write checks to Castro Lions Charities Inc., & memo it as Y&C.

1st Prize 2006 Ford Focus

2	\$4000
3	\$1000
4	\$500
5-14	\$100/each
15-50	\$50/each

Any person reading this article who wishes to purchase a ticket in support of the effort can send their check to the club address with a note that you’d like x-number of tickets, provide us a check made payable to Castro Lions Charities, Inc., for 1/ticket – with a return (SASE) self-addressed-stamped-envelope, and we’ll happily mail them to you – NEED NOT be present to win. Winner is responsible for all taxes associated with the prize. (Official rules, directions on alternate entry will be provided upon request – sent to club address.)

SAVE THE DATES:

March 31 – Lyon Martin 25th Anniversary Party service event.

May 6, 2006 - Ron Wilmot AIDS Ride for Project Inform.

The RECORD-a-THON with the Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic agency is set for the week of Apr 24th – 29th 2006.

Constitution & By Laws Committee

Lions Dennis Hale and John Klimek are distributing a Cub By-Laws Change regarding the term limits for Treasurer and Secretary.

We will be voting on this change in the By-Laws – which was approved by the Board at the January meeting – on February 15 at the General Membership Meeting.

Administration Lunch Bunch –Does it again!

On Sunday 1/15/2006 Lions David Gin and Gary Nathan hosted the monthly Administration/Convention Fund fund raiser bunch – theme this time was Mexican Riviera. A delicious selection of ‘Mexican Breakfast items’ was on the menu and the event was attended by Lions Tebell, Bence, Hale, Gin, Nathan, Douglass, Sams & guest Nancy.

Due to the schedules looking a might busy for February – we will NOT be having a February Admin Brunch.

NEWS from Lions in Sight Campaign II

You will be pleased to know that Campaign SightFirst II is making great progress. The campaign was launched a little more than six months ago at the international convention in Hong Kong, yet in that short time Lions worldwide have responded with great enthusiasm and commitment. <http://www.lions-csfii.org/home.html>

I am happy to report that more than 7,000 Lion leaders have been recruited for the campaign. CSFII has received thirty-one Lead Gifts, & more than 600 clubs have applied to be Model Clubs. To date, more than US\$11.9 million has been raised for CSFII, even though intensive fund-raising by clubs is not scheduled to begin until 2006-2007 & continue through 2007-2008. The US\$150 million campaign (with a stretch goal of US\$200 million) will allow Lions to continue & expand the remarkable work of SightFirst, which prevented serious vision loss for 24 million people & restored the sight of 4.6 million people through cataract surgery. As you may know, the funds donated by Lions in the original SightFirst campaign are nearly exhausted, & blindness remains a terrible threat primarily because of the aging & growth of the world’s population. The success of the campaign is absolutely critical; without Lions, millions will lose their sight unnecessarily. The campaign’s donor recognition program will thank donors with a truly wonderful array of awards. The Helen Keller Knights of Sight will recognize gifts & pledges of individuals, as well as those from foundations, corporations & governments. The Visionary Society will recognize gifts & pledges from clubs. LCIF will begin to acknowledge our donors soon, & provide them with the proper recognition they so richly deserve.

Please support the campaign. At stake is the sight of millions. Lions have always risen to the occasion when faced with a great challenge. Our rapid progress in the campaign so far provides hope & confidence that our efforts will be a resounding success.

Yours in Lionism, Dr. Tae Sup Lee - Past IP
International Chairperson of Campaign SightFirst II

**NOTE: Nominations Committee formed
2006-7 officers - & - Board**

I am pleased to announce that Lions Mark Hankins and Luis Collazo have agreed to co-chair the nominations committee for 2006-7 slate of candidates & Lion John Klimek has agreed to be their mentor and advisor in this most important of jobs. Thank you all for 'stepping up' - & to the rest of you - Please - Let these Lions know as soon as possible what position you'd care to run for in the coming term. - Lion Steven

District 4C4 – 2005-6 Officers

District Governor: Lion Eugene Chan
eugene-chan@webtv.net 415-929-7602

VDG: Lion Al Russell
arussell@cbnorcal.com 650-474-3680

Region 1 Chair: Lion Thelma Ajero
ccajero@rcn.com 650 238-8275

Zone 2 Chair: Lion Gail Wood
Liongailw@aol.com 510-329-3508

IPDG: Lion Ray Rosenthal
rosieinc@comcast.net



We Received a nice letter of "Thanks!" from Bill Hirsh and Jim McBride for the opportunity to speak to us regarding the work of ALRP (AIDS Legal referral Panel) & the honorarium we presented Jim.

Ms. Heart Throb Event – 2006

will be a separate special fund raiser - Lion Brit is working on this in collaboration with Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services. They will be supplying volunteers to assist us & 'staff the event'. In addition to this, Lion Brit is also arranging for a second event hopefully at the SF Eagle – also in direct support of Lyon-Martin featuring the Fat Bottom Girls. Details to follow.

DUES – DUES – DUES

There are still a few outstanding DUES. Please help Lion Membership Director Randy Ortega and get your membership dues in to him as soon as possible. Reminder letters have gone out to those who owe but if you lost it/didn't get it, don't remember – Please call and ask Lion Randy your membership status.

Thanks everyone!

2005-6 Castro Lions Club Committees

Finance & Budget: Lions David Gin, Denni Harp

Charities: Lions Brian Carbo, Randy Ortega, David Gin

Visitations: Lions Dennis Hale, Randy Ortega, David Gin

Fundraising & Events: Lions Brit Zane, Gary Nathan, Randy Ortega, Tommy Rudder, Spike Lee

Constitution & Bylaws: Lions Dennis Hale, David Gin, Randy Ortega.

Voice Mail: Lions David Gin, Denni Harp

Public Relations: Lions Brit Zane, Gary Nathan, Steve Kech

Speakers: all members are encouraged to suggest speakers

Membership: Lions Randy Ortega, Dennis Hale, David Gin

Y&CA Raffle Tickets: Lions John Klimek, Tommy Rudder

Lions in Sight, Warehouse Days – Lion John Klimek

Exams & Eyeglasses: Lion Carl Tebell

Eyeglass Collections: Lions David Gin, Gary Nathan & Mary Sager

Holiday Party & Annual Dinner: Lions Carroll Fears, Gary Nathan, Randy Ortega

Board Meetings: Lions David Gin & Dennis Hale

Convention: Lions David Gin, Carroll Fears, Gary Nathan, Dennis Hale, Brit Zane, Carl Tebell

Web Page: Lion Denni Harp

Club Historian/Scrap book: Lions Steve Kech & Dennis Hale

Newsletter: Lion Steven Sams, all members are encouraged to submit articles, suggest guest columns.

Nominations Committee: Co Chairs Lions Luis Collazo & Mark Hankins, Mentor/Advisor: Lion John Klimek

Any Member May Join & Assist any committee.
The President serves ex-officio on all

BITS & Pieces:

Treasurer's report: (approx values)

Community Service Trust: \$38,381.00

Eye Glass Fund: \$2599.54

Hearing Care Fund: \$5000.00 +/-

Charities Account: \$31,000.00 +

Administration: \$5329.75

de Steiguer Endowment Fund: \$112,880

From the World according to Lion Wayne Shatswell:
I FEEL LIKE MY BODY has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor's permission to join a fitness club & start exercising. I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors. I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up & down, and perspired for an hour. But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.

WHEN YOU'RE A SENIOR CITIZEN...

...you are in the prime of your strife.

...there is so much to do & so many things to distract

...you realize one must not take life to seriously.

President's Column – Lion Steven Sams



Fellow Lions & friends,

Hello all!

Well, January was somewhat a quiet month – in large part due to the marvelous job Lion John Klimek did in getting all the Y&C tickets sold without us needing to do steet sales. This among the many other things Lion John does in front & behind the scene to help me made it an easy choice to name him as Lion of the Month for January 2006.

We also had some bad news concerning one of our former regulars, Lion David Baehr who lost his battle with various medical conditions this last month. (See related article from Lion Carl Heimann.) Having known Lion David since he first joined the club – I can tell you there have been few active members in the history of the club who have – while on scene – been more giving of their time, their energy & their labor. From creating the 'light-bulb' sales to assiting me with the recycling program to Y&C sales – to every street fair event we held – Lion David was there & worked both the crowd & their emotions. We have been without him for many years – & have missed his energy & companionship. I ask you to join me in whatever way is most comfortable to you to send him on his next voyage/journey however you understand that in your faith, with heartfelt thanks & gratitude for the many years of dedication to Lionism. His last letter to me was so deeply moving & though he knew he was passing – wanted each of us in the club to know that his membership in the Castro "den" was one of the most important things in his life, & one of the few things he'd "miss" as he moved into the next world.

I want to thank those members too who took the time to be interviewed by our guests from UCONN. Your participation in their study will be of benefit to many people in years to come & help direct everything from neighborhood crime prevention to domestic partnership & community violence/hate crime actions as well as educational tools development for improvin the community in all sorts of ways. Finally – I want to thank those who participated in the Lone Star & Mr Heart Throb events (we were featured in an SF weekly article for Heart Throb) & to those who worked on the charities, fund raising, nominations & constitutional/By-Laws committees so hard since the holidays.

Yours in Lionism, Lion President Steven



CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS UPDATES:

The Constitution & By-laws Committee will be submitting to the membership certain updates to our By-Laws & Club Constitution to bring us in line with recent adoptions made by various parent groups (District 4C4, Multiple District AKA MD4 & Lions International).

Although these are actions which are routine in nature on an annual basis & which are covered in the current constitution & By-Laws for how we handle them, the Board thought it would be a good idea to share with the membership at large the specific portion of those documents which address changes to it/govern their adoption/inclusion into the document. Namely Article 16 – inserted herein:

NOTE – the committee may also propose additional changes at the same time so as to allow for a complete updating of the document in one pass. It may also propose the two 'sets' of updates as separate MOTIONS for consideration & vote, meaning you can vote YES on one or both motions, NO on one or both, or split your decision between them.

ARTICLE XVI – Amendments:

Section A. *This Constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting of this Club, at which a quorum, as defined in Article XI, Section D of this Constitution, is present, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present in person and voting. The Board of Directors shall have previously considered the merits of any amendments before such a vote occurs.*

Section B. *Before an amendment shall be put to a vote, written notice thereof, and a statement of the proposed amendment, shall be mailed or delivered to each member of this Club. Such notice of a vote on an amendment to this Constitution shall be made at least two weeks prior to the meeting at which the vote is to be taken.*

Article XI section D:

Section D. *The presence in person of twenty-five percent of the members in good standing shall be necessary for a quorum at any meeting of this Club.*

The members of your Constitution & By-Laws Committee are: Lions Dennis Hale, David Gin, Randy Ortega & any other member who wishes to join them.

Did YOU KNOW?....

The Castro Lions are a member of the SF Public Library Community Service Organizational Listings? <http://sfpl.org> under Local Links, Community Organizations. (Certain corp. firewalls disallow you access so try from your personal account.)

CALLING ALL Y&C Tix!

Please get yout ticket stubs (still in their covers) and money in to Lion John Klimek ASAP so he has time to do the accounting beore our mid-March deadline to turn them in to the District! – Thanks!

SF Coordinating Council of Lions, 2005-06 – Events

February 25, 2006, 3rd District 4C4 Cabinet Meeting, Foster City, CA – Rec Center 650 Shell.

March 20, 2006, Peace Officers and Firefighters Awards Dinner, Place: TBA

April 1, 2006, YCA Drawing
District 4C4 Scrapbooks Due

April 2, 2006, Lion Members World-wide Induction Day

April 15, 2006, SF Chinatown Lions Club Miss Teen Scholarship & Charity Fundraiser, Hyatt SF Airport

April 24-29 RFB&D Recording Studios – Palo Alto
TIME: Various shifts: Contact Lynne Van Tilburg:
lvantilburg@rfd.org 650-493-3717 ext.16.
Visit their website at: <http://www.rfd.org>

May 3-7, 2006, District 4C4 Convention, Red Lion Inn, Sacramento, CA

June 2006, SF Coordinating Council of Lions' Community Service Scholarship Award Event, Location: TBA

July 10-17, 2006, International Convention, Boston, USA

(Partial List) Please forward your updated club activities list to Lion Council Secretary Margaret K. Lee, margaretklee@gmail.com.

From Lion Carl Heimann:

Memorium to Lion David Baehr

On MLK day, January 16, 2006, Life member Lion David Baehr passed from complications of pneumonia. Lion David and his family and friends have supported the Castro Lions over many years.

A vast number of stamps came from an incarcerated Lion David and his military/civilian family in Europe and the Americas. Lion Carl Heimann has been forwarding these mega batches to the Childrens Hospital near Sacramento. The Baehr family has also been major purchasers of the annual Youth & Community raffle tickets. And every year the books and toys fill my Jeep for the holiday giveaway.....by our local firedepartments.

Even this week, another toy arrived from a cereal company from Lion David's effort. The little Bat Man doll will go into the Toys for Tots baskets during the Holidays along with arm loads of books for the less advantaged children.

Lion David will be laid to rest in Effingham, Illinois near a lifelong friend on Sunday January 22, 2006. Final arrangements are thru the Bauer Funeral Home in Effingham Telephone 217-342-2177.

Lion David suggested that in Lieu of Flowers, donations be made to the Castro Lions Club Charity Fund or to Project Open Hand.



LION OF THE MONTH – January 2006

I am pleased to announce the Lion of the Month for January 2006. This Lion has been a Lion longer than any in the club. He is one of the most constant participants and generous members we have and has long served Lionism throughout the US in his various club membership.

For us specifically – he has been the voice of wisdom and calm on many an occasion and has led us through Constitutional, By-Laws and Y&C sales events for years. He has also served in board positions nearly since his first joining the Castro Club. This year – his tremendous drive – even in the face of overwhelming personal challenges – has meant we've sold all the Y&C tickets WITHOUT the need for street sales! Recently named the OOF in training (Official Old Fart) Lion John Klimek is named Lion of the Month for January 2006.

Congratulations Lion Tamer John Klimek!

PLEASE NOTE:

High & increasing cost of USPS fees forces decision.

This is the last edition of the Castro Lion ROAR which will be SENT BY US Mail to non-members of the Castro Lions Club, Community Business Partners and Non-Profits.

All others currently receiving the newsletter by US Mail who wish to continue to do so will need to send in a subscription fee of \$10 for an annual subscription. Make check payable to Castro Lions Newsletter and mail to Castro Lions ROAR Editor; 584 Castro PMB 200 SF, Ca 94114. EMAIL versions of the newsletter are free – and anyone requesting to be added to the distribution list will be added. Send request to Sams9258@yahoo.com

The CASTRO LION Roar Ad Rates

Ads must be electronically provided, & 'business card' (3.5 in x 2 in) sized. They may be 'color' versions, though in PRINTED copies of the newsletter only B&W will be supported. A 12 month ad-run is \$100. Special Event (2 month) ads are also available for \$25.

The Castro Lion Roar is published monthly. Subscriptions for yourself or friends can also be made at \$10 per year & we'll mail the Castro Lion Roar right to you.

Contact the editor for details.



Editor's NOTE regarding submissions:

Please do your own spell checking in advance of sending copy when possible. Copy can be sent either as attachments or simple text in an email. Each month, the Castro Lion Roar will be published on or about the 20th day of the month which means copy must be submitted by the 17th of the month to ensure its inclusion in the next edition. Of particular interest are CALENDAR items – Obviously – these need to be well in advance of the event to be of value. We will print RESULT stories after events too if you care to write/share them.



LIONS International Cookbooks
For a mere \$15

see Lion Steven Sams
The best 'recipes from the 50's you'll ever find! Proceeds go to our Admin Account. Which needs it!



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SF, CA 94117
415 255 8554

\$10 off 'cut' with Walter Bowen, as a donation to the Castro Lions Club Charities.

Castro Lions Club 584 Castro PMB # 200

SF, Ca 94114

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San Francisco, CA 94116
email: jennylee@tsefinancial.biz

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Kathleen Kennedy, O.D.
For Your Eyes Only Optometry

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San Francisco, Ca 94114 Fax: (415) 626-9648

HELP SELL Newsletter ADS, it helps the Administration Account directly – contact Lions Sams for details.

The End of the ROAR!



Board Meeting – March 8, 2006
SFPD – Mission Station
7 pm - potluck

The CASTRO Lion Roar - Castro Lions Club 584 Castro PMB 200 SF, Ca 94114
Membership Information Hotline: 415-90-LIONS



The ORIGINS of LIONISM:

Lionism began in 1917 when a group of independent businessmen responded to an idea presented to them by a young Chicago insurance agent, Melvin Jones. The idea is one of service as a group to our fellow human beings without regard to politics, religion, sex, race or any way the personal interests of the members. A conference of 25 independent clubs was called on June 7, 1917, and from this the organization of Lions was born. The International Association of Lions Clubs has grown to be the largest service club organization in the world, represented by over 46,000 clubs with a membership exceeding 1,334,000 in over 193 countries.

THOSE COLORS:

To Lions, purple stands for loyalty to country, friends, ones' self and the integrity of mind and heart. It is the traditional color of strength, courage and tireless dedication to a cause. Gold symbolizes sincerity of purpose, liberality in judgment, purity in life and generosity, in mind, heart and money toward our fellow men and women.

Who We Are:

We are volunteer members of a club that is chartered under an international organization, where we enjoy fellowship and dedicate part of our free time to helping those in need all over the world, while making our individual community, a better place to live. Our membership is open to any person willing to step up to the SERVICE motto of the organization.

Think of joining us:

While Castro Lions is one of the youngest Lions Club in San Francisco, we are a busy club! Formed in 1985, we have become the world's first officially sanctioned gay/lesbian Lions Club (and have since played a role in chartering other gay clubs in Denver and Toronto). Lions International has always encouraged clubs to reflect their unique neighborhoods. Membership is open to Gay and Non-Gay individuals.

YES – you CAN Afford It!

A member's basic financial commitment is a \$75 entrance fee and \$125 annual dues (payable semi-annually). The degree of involvement by each member and the degree of financial contribution are personal decisions. Club Meetings are held twice monthly (with dinner optional). There is usually a guest speaker about topics of interest to our community as well as a few reports of business and planning projects. Lions Clubs elect their officers annually and work through club committees. Our club is proud that it reflects all socio-economic levels within the gay, lesbian and non-gay community. Pins, vests and other items you may desire to acquire as part of club membership are available at anytime, and are reasonably priced, not required and payment schedules can be arranged.

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WE SERVE!

Mission Statement: "To create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation. "
The Castro Lions is a Federal and State recognized 501 (c) (3) organization. Your contributions to our work in the community are fully tax deductible as allowed by law. [EIN# 94-3206719.](#)