



THE LIONS' TALE

New Braunfels Noon Lions

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SATURDAY, MAY 12TH, IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER

And, as has been pointed out several times heretofore, our most lucrative outlet — Wal-Mart — has been taken off the table this year (and perhaps every future year unless we want to sell Girl Scout cookies) which means we'll have to scramble at our other locations — Granzin's Meat Market, Arlan's Supermarket and New Braunfels Farmers Market — to try to make up the shortfall. If you've yet to sign up, there will be sheets for that purpose at the May 3rd business meeting. Good luck to us all.

Because of the anticipated shortfall, you are also invited to dig deep into your own stash of rare coins and stamps, raid your piggy bank or dig up that mayonnaise jar in the back yard and make a personal donation to the cause. It's tax deductible, of course, all except for the value of the miniature Tootsie Roll which you should legally declare, or perhaps refuse.

Tip of the day: invest in a bag of miniature Tootsies and offer them to the kiddies (after getting their parent's permission.) The candy draws the kids and the kids draw their folks and mostly their folks hold the purse strings. Try it, It works.

EXTRA! EXTRA!

After four years of editing and publishing this rag [actually the August edition will be my 48th] I'm thinking I might be running out of gas.

This job can be fun when one is inspired and feeling creative, as it has been for me with few exceptions. But after ten years doing the Knights of Columbus "Knight Light" and another four here on the "Lions' Tale", I'm in need of a break.

If you actually read this newsletter you will probably have noticed that the last few issues [probably all of them this year] have been getting progressively duller and less creative by the month. Whatever creative juices and enthusiasm may have been present at some point seem pretty well played out now.

So the call goes out for a "printer's devil", someone to man (or woman) the presses for a while as I recharge the batteries. I'll provide as much support as you require, at least 'til you gain your sea legs. Or you take the bull by the horns and bend this rag to your will. Make it your own. Very few rules.

Heck, If I can do this, how difficult can it be? And, if you have Microsoft Office, you probably have the software already on your machine.

If interested, please send your resumé [just kidding] to roadagent@flyingsnake.net.

Thanks for your consideration.



Business Meeting - 5 April

Your old editor missed this meeting for unavoidable reasons so this report may be short and relatively incomplete. Apologies in advance if I foul this up.

A quorum was certified and elections of officers and directors was held. No surprises. You should know by now who will be holding the reins come July. Congratulations to President-elect **Brandon Mund** and his "cabinet" and board of directors..

Between the election and the program (which I was exceedingly sorry to have missed, even though I was an Oilers fan)



Photos by John Creswell

President **Jack Morgan** performed the induction ceremony for our newest Noon Lion **Anna Beth Darr**. Anna Beth's sponsor is newish Lion herself **Doreen Fisher**. Well done, Doreen, and welcome aboard Anna Beth.

The program featured Cameron Bradfute's dad **Byron Bradfute**, who was drafted by the Dallas Rangers (before they became the Cowboys, *before Dallas even had an NFL franchise!*) out of The University of Southern Mississippi in the 1960 draft.

The bio provided by Cameron was full of interesting facts and tidbits of life in the early NFL — the contracts and wages — and I'm guessing Byron covered much of it if not all.



Business Meeting - 19 April

History and trivia set the tone for this meeting. Tail Twister **Ranger Ray Martinez** advised that the mural on the north side of the Wursthalle required 40 gallons of paint, that the Pledge of Allegiance was written by Francis Bellamy in 1892, and that if one is entirely bald they leave "hair color" blank on one's TDL.

Deacon Ben Wehman led us in prayer and advised that Bill Kolodzie had been transferred to Eden Hill for what we discovered later was his last lap. May he rest in peace.

Song Leader Mike Smetanka led the assembly in "Red, Red Robin" and "Lions Care". **Robert Armstrong** was saluted for his superb pre-meeting visuals. Centennial medals, silver and gold, were presented to **Ray Martinez, Bill Kolodzie** (in absentia), **Wallace Johnson** and **Mike Smetanka**. Congratulations.

Our featured speaker was Club Historian **VerNell Martinez**. Working from Jack Wise's 1987 club history manual she led us on a stroll through fraternal years 1975-'76 and '76-'77.



In those years Lioness Clubs were authorized, the first eye transplants were performed, club vice presidents were assigned specific duties

(as now), The Wursthalle Association authorized a Lions food booth which netted \$6150 in its inaugural outing. And much, much more.

2 Thank you, VerNell.

Coming Attractions

- May 5th (Saturday): District 2-S3 Convention – Presentations, Officers’ Elections Voting
St. Richard’s Episcopal Church, Round Rock – 7:45 am – 4 pm
- May 5th (Saturday): NB Evening Club – Kindermasken Parade – Downtown NB – 10 am – 12:30 pm
Meets at First Protestant Church Parking Lot
- May 6th (Sunday): Canyon Lake Noon Fundraiser – Fish Fry – CRRC Rec Center, Sattler
11:30 am – 3:00 pm Contact VP Kristy Huff for details
- May 12th (Saturday): White Cane Day Fundraiser – Multi-Club Initiative
- NB Noon Club:** **Granzin’s Meat Market (8:15 am – 6:15 pm)**
 Farmers’ Market (9 am – 1 pm)
 Arlan’s Supermarket (9 am – 5 pm)
 Are you signed up yet?
- NB Breakfast Club: NB Feed & Supply – Loop 337
 NB Evening Club: Henne Hardware – Downtown NB
 Canyon Lake Noon Club: Lowe’s Grocery Store, Startzville (10am – 2pm)
 ACE Hardware, Sattler (10am—2pm)

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New Braunfels Noon Lions Club Officers & Directors for 2017-2018

Officers

Jack Morgan, President
Dora White, First Vice-president
Leigh Anne Dubose, Second Vice-president
Dolly Williams, Third Vice-president
Brandon Mund, Secretary
Howard Weliver, Treasurer
Dave Schreier, Lion Tamer
Cameron Bradfute, Chairman Membership Committee
Kermit Baese, LCIF Coordinator
Lee Ambrosino, Immediate Past President, Zone 5A Chair
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Directors

Ginny Rotge, Two-year Director
Jim Pope, Two-year Director
Dan Krueger, One-year Director
Fred Hanz, One-year Director

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Skip Stem, Vision Screening
Mike Pfeuffer, Sight Conservation
Dolly Williams, Care Committee
Ray Martinez, Tail Twister
VerNell Martinez, Historian
David Simmons, LEO Advisor
Bert Childs, Newsletter editor

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Tanya Shelton	4th
Craig Zgabay	8th
Rachel Leier	8th
Leonel Guajardo	16th
Monroe Miller	17th
Ashley Woodward	27th

Gefallen



The Greatest Generation surrendered two more of her sons to the inevitable that awaits us all. This month marks the passing of Noon Lion stalwarts **Bill Kolodzie** and **Jack Knight**. Bill attended meetings regularly right up until the very last with the assistance of his able care-giver **Judy Adams**. Jack, on the other hand, was forced by infirmity to sit out for the last few years in Eden Hill, maybe about the time your old editor came aboard, and I never had the pleasure of shaking his hand. Your editor *did* learn at his memorial service that he, like Bill, was a died-in-the-wool **Teasipper** who bled **orange**, as your club tends ever more so to the **maroon** end of the spectrum.

As we celebrate their running of the good race, perhaps Robert Louis Stevenson's *Requiem* is not inappropriate:

*Under the dark and starry sky, dig the grave and let me lie,
Glad did I live and gladly die, and I laid me down with a will.*

*This be the verse you 'grave for me, "Here he lies where he long'd to be,
Home is the sailor, home from the sea, and the hunter home from the hill."*



Rest in Peace, Good and Faithful Servants.

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WAKE UP AND WIN THE LOTTERY.
THE ODDS ARE ABOUT THE SAME.

Complimentary Ticket for the Drawing of your Choice

Find your Lion Member number after a \$ sign in the text of this newsletter and you will get one FREE ticket to be placed in the Drawing of your choice. **Show the number** at the Check-In Table to receive your ticket.

There are two numbers hidden in this issue of **The Lions' Tale**.

NOTE: NEW NUMBERS WILL BE PICKED AT RANDOM FOR EACH MONTH. YOUR NUMBER IS ELIGIBLE FOR ONLY ONE DRAWING FOR THE MONTH THAT IT APPEARS IN THE NEWSLETTER.

Don't know what your Member Number is? Check the label on your Monthly **Lions** Magazine.



LEOs IN ACTION



Special thanks to the Leos from NBHS and NGC coupled with adults **Winki Smith, Christine Ziese**, Lions **Robert Armstrong** and **Cameron Bradfute**, April.28 at NBHS. Hopefully, this will continue as a yearly project for different campuses in NBISD.

*LEOs Advisor
David Simmons*



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