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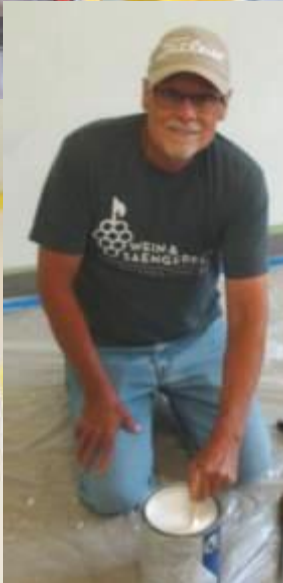
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BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN



Photo by Tom Call



Not that Red Kettle and White Cane collections are chopped liver — we collect a healthy amount of cash to do good work in our community— but without Vision Screening and Wurstfest activities in which to channel our vast charitable energies, it has sometimes seemed over the last many months that Noon Lionism has been largely limited to bi-monthly lunches and a parade or two.

However, as of the end of July our Activities Director **Ashley Woodward** had scheduled work at the **Rock Haus** and a **Habitat for Humanity** project.

July 31st saw a crew of eight under the oversight of **Vanessa Dean** spread, drip, brush, roll, track underfoot and otherwise distribute about 4½ gallons of Sherwin Williams “Snowbound” latex with “sanitizing technology” (what?!) over two large rooms of the Headquarters of the Comal County Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Center on Rock Street, in the process covering about an acre of old ghastly green and blinding yellow paint. Elbow-deep in the action were **Howard Weliver, Kurt Andersen, John Gutz, Dave Heefner, Dennis Hank, Mike Smetanka** and your old newsletter editor, with **Tom Call** dropping in for a cameo and to take some snaps.

From golden yellow to white in only a matter of hours. In that same short span of time, we also managed to convert the grey linoleum floor tiles to well-mottled white. Well, you get what you pay for.



Photo by Tom Call



Smetanka contemplating lunch.



Presto Change-o

Business Meeting - 1 July

In a salute to Independence Day, star-spangled song leader **Frank Altschuler**



started the meeting with rousing renditions of Battle Hymn of the Republic and the National Anthem

Photo by Doreen Fisher

with musical accompaniment by squeeze-boxer extraordinaire **Mike Smetanka**.

Chaplain Rich Carse solicited our thoughts and prayers for Noon Lions **Dan Krueger** (leukemia), **Bill Schumann** (general ill health) and **Franklin Demuth**, who

grasped the brass ring on 13 June.



President Stephen Brockman addressed some house-keeping issues, including the “Lions Pride” theme for the 2021-22 fraternal year. This will be standard fare for the first Thursday meetings under his administration — discussions of internal Lions business — thus leaving the third Thursdays for programs of various topics of interest to the wider community.

Among the major and minor events in which we expect to participate in the coming year are flag days, Texas Lions Camp workday, glasses (spectacles) recycling, Wurst-fest (in our brand new venue) and at least one Habitat for Humanity collaboration.

Stated goal for the year is “Club Excellence” in all of its areas — membership, service, marketing and communications organization, oversight and accountability.



Founders' Day/Fourth of July Parade July 3rd



Photos by Pam Seeds



Lions Rich Carse, Kurt Andersen, Jim Merket and Ranger Ray Martinez looking productive (?)

Business Meeting - 15 July

Well, your old editor missed the “money shot” early on in this meeting when Tail Twister **Cam-eron Brad-fute** challenged those present to “Show Your Tat”. A little forewarning would have been helpful. There was some picturesque ink on display if one knew where to look, but he couldn’t get his act together in time to capture any of it digitally. What he *did* capture was the TailTwister offering up his own arms as canvases for amateurs **Doreen Fisher** and guest **Sara Westerfield** to do their best.



Chaplain Ben Wehman asked for prayers once again for Noon Lions Krueger and Demuth, and added the Texas Legislature for the decisions

they will be making in the near future.

Vision Screening chairman Jim Merket announced that new certification training will be conducted on 14 August in Buda beginning at 9am, but you have to be SPOT qualified first. Venue to be announced.

Kurt Andersen sponsored newest Noon Lion **Stu Crockett** as he was inducted into the fold. Stu is yet another **Aggie** — he’ll fit right in.



Program was presented by Gary Ford of the NB Traffic Safety & Public Works Dept highlighting improved walking and driving conditions to be implemented whenever. Your editor managed to blur his photograph beyond use.

Business Meeting - 15 July

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PROJECT GOALS AND PURPOSE

- Pedestrian Safety & Comfort
- Top priority for a healthy and vibrant Downtown
 - Envision New Braunfels Comprehensive Plan
 - New Braunfels Economic Development Strategic Plan
 - Downtown Implementation Plan
 - Hike and Bike Trail Master Plan
 - Stakeholders

New Braunfels Noon Lions Club

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 Frank Altschuler, Song Leader
 Bert Childs, Ink-stained Wretch

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Pam Seeds	3rd
Howard Weliver	3rd
Mike Johnson	5th
James Pope	8th
Wallace Johnson	10th
Ben Wehman	10th
Stacey Laird-Dicke	18th
John Mathis	21st
William Hughes	25th
Chip Franck	28th

Mike Smetanka

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

COMING ATTRACTIONS

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August 2021

W	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
32	1	2	3	4	5 12:00 PM - Lions Meeting	6	7
33	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 7:00 AM - Habitat Build Vision certification Buda 9am
34	15	16	17	18	19 12:00 PM - Lions Meeting	20	21
35	22	23	24	25	26	27	28

September 2021

W	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
36	29	30	31	1	2 12:00 PM - Lions Meeting	3	4
37	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
38	12	13 8:00 AM - NB Trade Show	14 (continued) - NB Trade Show	15	16 12:00 PM - Lions Meeting	17	18 12:00 PM - Comal County Fair
39	19 (continued) - Comal County Fair	20 (continued) - Comal County Fair	21 (continued) - Comal County Fair	22 (continued) - Comal County Fair	23 (continued) - Comal County Fair	24 (continued) - Comal County Fair	25 (continued) - Comal County Fair
40	26 (continued) - Comal County Fair	27	28	29	30	1	2 \$5067098