



The CUB

The weekly newsletter of the Oak Cliff Lions Club

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Upcoming Programs

2/8/12 Miss Texas Kendall Morris

2/15/12 Valentine Program

2/22/12 To Be Announced

2/29/12 To Be Announced



Sunshine and Care Report

Substitute Lion Chaplain PP **Danny Boyce** asked us to keep the following in our prayers: David Dunnigan, husband of **Lion PP Carolyn Dunnigan**, as he recovers from cancer, Joyce Jessing, wife of **Lion Joe Jessing**, as she recovers from surgery for breast cancer, and **Lion Ray Morey**, whose wife Mary died recently. He also noted that one of our long-time servers at lunch, Sergio, died recently. We received word later of the death Thursday of **Lion Dee Brown**, who had been re-admitted to Baylor Hospital. There will be a memorial service Sunday, Feb. 5, at 3 p.m. at Kessler Park United Methodist Church in Oak Cliff

This Week's Meeting:

Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2012 @ noon

This week's program will be presented by David Krukiel, a partner in Cielo Realty Partners, the developer of The Collective which is the new multi-use development on the site of the old Colorado Place apartments on Fort Worth Avenue near Hampton. Krukiel has a degree in construction science from Texas A&M University. He has 10 years experience in multi-family residential and mixed use development.

Welcome to Our Guests:

Substitute Lion Tamer **Layne Vincent** introduced the following Lions who brought guests and prospective members to last Wednesday's luncheon:

- **Lion John McCall Jr.** introduced a new member, Jim Paine, a CPA who is has office in his building;
- **Lion 3rd VP Carol Donovan** introduced Joan Mirabel, a long-time Oak Cliff resident on the board of directors of Peacemakers Inc.;
- **Lion Halley Holman** introduced a repeat visitor, the publisher of Oak Cliff People, Karen Mordecai.



Important Announcements . . .

. . . We've been reminded again to let **Lion Layne Vincent** know if you want to serve as a parade marshals at the annual Oak Cliff Mardi Gras parade at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 19. The job will require at least 16 Lions wearing our Lions vests. Sign-up sheets are on the tables each week. Those who are



Let's Not Forget . . .

. . . Also on our February schedule is the club's Feb. 18 social, when we have a chance to see the one-act play competition at TeCo Theatre, 215 S. Tyler, and attend both a pre-theater wine and cheese open house in the offices of **Lion John McCall Jr.** and new **Lion Jim Paine**, 115 S. Tyler, at 6:30 p.m. and a post-performance dessert party. Theater tickets will be sold at our Feb. 8 and 15 luncheons for the at \$12 each (cash or check only). For further information, contact **Lion PP Robert Hirsh** (rshirsh@sbcglobal.net or 214-908-7084).

Meals on Wheels Volunteers

Thanks to the following Lions who are driving routes for Meals on Wheels during the month of February. They are **Lions Joe Jessing, Steve and Marna Bayless, PP/PDG Wayne Meachum, Shelby Starr, PP Bennie Brigham, Jeff Francis, PP Charlie and Abby Tupper, Irvin Gainer and PP Carolyn Dunnigan.**



January Birthdays

Darla Wisdom, 31

unable to walk and/or stand that long can write float on the volunteer form to ride on the Lions Club float.

. . . And let's all remember the children's vision clinic that our club will staff on Saturday, Feb. 11. **Lion PP Charlie Tupper**, who is chairing the event, is signing up volunteers to work during the morning.

. . . A big thank you to new **Lion Judy Porter** who stepped in to gather news for this issue of The Cub, when the bad weather and travel conditions kept **Lion Cub Editor Kathie Magers** confined to her east Texas home.

. . . **Lion Membership Chair Nora Mercado** reminded us again that our membership drive is continuing through Jan. 31 with those who sign up one new member being eligible for a drawing for a \$100 gift card and for a drawing for a \$200 card from among those who bring in two or more new members.

. . . And time is almost up to reserve a spot in the club's trip to the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville, June 22 and 23. A deposit of \$50 is needed by Jan. 31 to reserve your spot, The cost is expected to be about \$150 per person for the bus trip, hotel room and dinner Friday at the camp. To make a reservation, call Sara Kitto at 214-947-2921.

. . . Our next Gavel Travel event will be to the Royce City Lions Club on Thursday, Feb. 9. The club meets at Luigi's Italian Café at 220 E. Main Street, just north of I-30 in downtown Royce City. They show up for dinner between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m., order their meals and eat before the 7 p.m. meeting begins. Let **Lion Stan Altschuler** know if you plan to attend.

Last Week? Here's What You Missed . . .

Thanks to last week's speaker who was introduced by **Lion PP Carolyn Dunnigan**, noting that "David and Cindy Spence and their children Parker and Sarah are well known in the Oak Cliff area." David Spence explained that his first job which initially brought him to Oak Cliff didn't last long, but he loved the area and worked on developing it.

One day Publisher Mark Housewright bumped into him at a local restaurant and asked him to write for his Oak Cliff Tribune, to highlight the progress the area was making. He wrote a column for the paper until it shut down. Six years ago David was eating lunch at Hattie's when Publisher Wick Allison spotted him and asked if he would write something



February Birthdays

Janet Nelson, 2
Brad Nitschke, 7
Larry Frazier, 11
Joe Jessing, 12
Linda Peterson, 15
Michael MacKay, 15
Ken Cordier, 16
Dick Geiger, 21
Ray Morey, 27
Tom Timmons, 28

Upcoming Events:

2/10/12 (Fri) NDSM Vision Clinic
2/11/12 (Sat) Lions Children's Vision Clinic
2/18/12 (Sat) Club Social at TeCo Theatre's One-Act Play Competition, with both pre—and post-parties
2/19/12 (Sun) Oak Cliff Mardi Gras Parade
3/9/12 (Fri) NDSM Vision Clinic
3/10/12 (Sat) St. Patrick's party at home of PP Darla Wisdom
3/31/12 (Sat) District 2-X1 Sight & Tissue Foundation's 2nd Annual Denim & Diamonds Fundraise-Silent Auction, Southern Cross
4/13/12 (Fri) NDSM Vision Clinic
4/20-21/12 (Fri & Sat) District 2-X1 Convention
5/11/12 (Fri) NDSM Vision Clinic
6/8/12 (Fri) NDSM Vision Clinic
6/22-23/12 (Fri & Sat) Trip to Texas Lions Camp



"Indigenous to the Oak Cliff area." Now he writes a column for Oak Cliff People and reminded everyone that a subscription was easy to get, especially with Lion **Halley Homen** in the audience "and if you write "Rosemont" on your order form, they donate \$3 to the school," he explained. Spence said that he is

"probably the first person to ask to come speak here," because he wanted to share some of his writings with an audience. He quoted E.B. White: "Why compound ignorance with audibility?" and began reading to the audience one of three of his short stories. The first story was in honor of a neighborhood mother who recently had died. It was about a stay-at-home mother who kept her house clean and fed her family well and loved to have long discussions with her son's friends so each of those friends had a pre-set plan so they could leave quickly after stopping by to pick up their friend to play. The second story was about the different walks David has taken around the Oak Cliff golf course and how each hole has a different significance: "Fireworks are best viewed from hole number eight," he noted. The final story was about a pregnant woman on Christmas Eve giving birth in Oak Cliff. The story kept the audience so involved you could have heard a pin drop in the room. At the end of the story, **Lion Paula Craig**, sitting in the front, asked the only question of the afternoon. "Are you going to organize a writer's group in Oak Cliff so others can share and critique their work." Spence hesitated only a second: "No I am not going to organize a writer's group - but maybe the journalism teacher from Bishop Dunne can!"

