

American Diabetes Association Walk

By Val Isaacson

There is a challenge to each Lions Club in District 4-C6 to form a team of walkers and/or contributors to participate in this walk. Since we are the Almaden Super Lions we want to be the Lions team that has the most walkers and contributions. We have three goals:

1. Improve YOUR level of physical activity and decrease YOUR risk of developing diabetes.
2. Tell your friends and

neighbors how LIONS CLUBS are involved in your community performing diabetes and vision screenings.

2. Be the Lions Club that raises the most money for diabetes research, information, and advocacy. Yes a CURE is possible.

Our team is "Almaden Super Lions" and our team captains are Val Isaacson and Jeff Spedding. Go online to www.diabetes.org/stepout to

complete the registration process. Choose "Join a Team" and find our team name. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us using the "Join My Team" email function in our teams "Step Out Center." You may also obtain a registration form by calling 1-888-DIABETES and mailing the registration form.

Questions?

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American Diabetes Association
Step Out: Walk to Fight Diabetes

Sunday, October 12th, 2008,
registration starts at 8:30 am.

San Jose, Guadalupe River
Park, Adjacent to HP Pavilion

New ASL District Assignments

By Lois Ferber



Almaden Super Lions:

Region One, Zone 2

Region One Chair:

Lois Ferber

Zone 2 Chair:

Eric Childs

Region Two Chair:

Mary Kelly

District Membership Extension:

John Kelly

District Leadership Development:

Greg Snow

One Step Closer (OSC) By Jim Hunt

One Step Closer (OSC) is an organization I would like to nurture as best we can because, like Lions, what they do is so very fundamental to what is good. Their autistic, Down syndrome, quadriplegic, ADD, blind and otherwise challenged riders provide the most contagious smile I've ever experienced. These smiles give a very positive return on your

investment of time and sustain the truth that we are doing the right thing. I encourage you to volunteer some of your time this year at OSC in whatever capacity you can. Experience the joy.



Miniature Golf

Tournament Information By Judie Bennett

The tickets have not been sold out. They have all been distributed. If you are holding tickets which you are not going to sell, please return them to Allan by Wednesday.

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS - At this time, we have sold 16 hole sponsorships, meaning we have 18 more to sell. Please advise Allan if you are in the process of selling a sponsor-

ship.

AUCTION AND RAFFLE ITEMS - Some of you have indicated you had items for these events. Please call Lois Ferber or Debbie D. or Judie Bennett, indicating what you have. Items can be brought to Wednesday's meeting.



Ask Zelda



Each month Ask Zelda will answer those burning questions that keep you up at night. Such as “If I go to sleep tonight will everyone else be sleeping?”, “What really happens to the compost I put out every week?”, “Why do dogs squat to go wee wee?”, “After eating, do amphibians have to wait an hour to get out of the water?”, “A stitch in time saves nine what?”, “After they make Styrofoam, what do they ship

it in?”, “Are part-time band leaders semi-conductors?”. All good questions and Zelda will answer them. When, I am not sure, but she will. Please send your burning questions to newsletter@almadenlions.org, make sure to put Zelda in the Subject line.



New ASL District Assignments Cont'd

District Advisor for Constitution and By-laws:

Don Simpson

District Taitwister:

T.A. Hunter

District Budget & Finance Committee:

Don Simpson, Greg Snow

District Newsletter Editor:

Wen Doong

District Long Range Planning Committee Chair:

Bob Froom

Assisting with District Hospitality:

Nancy Cole and Sandy Hanna

Who Came To Visit?

We had a variety of visitors at our weekly meetings. On July 9th Chris Wilder and Chad Goodman, guests and offspring of Greg Goodman. Ben Scoter, a regular without a club. On July 16th Cupertino Host invaded our meeting with Bob Ferber, Charles Hart, and

Jim Isaacson. On the 23rd Mike Irvine from Scales of Justice came over to see why ASL is the best club around. Eric Childs of Los Gatos Lions and our Zone Chair made sure we had not actually taken over Bakers Square. As well as Tarak Mody and Pam Chapin of

the Blind Babies Foundation. On the 30th of July Gary Cayton of Los Gatos Lions tested his luck with the Wild Bunch. On August 6th H.K. Flesher and Pamela Flesher enjoyed Sgt Matt DeBoard USMC discussing his experience in Iraq, at the behest of Tom Smith.

ASL always welcomes visitors to test their luck with the Wild Bunch!



Almaden Super Lions New Member Page

Mary Kelly

During a trip to Kauai in 2003 a friend invited John and me to a Lions meeting, and we instantly fell in love with the people and the concept. Once back on the mainland and not knowing any Lions, we had to figure out how to join. Luck was with us when we saw an article in the Mercury News a few months later that the district was holding a "Friendship Fiesta" at the Blind Center. So off we went and the rest as they say is history.

Since joining Lions in 2003 I

have accomplished the following: Graduate of the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute, 2005 Emerging Lion of the Year, 2006-07 District Newsletter Editor, 2006-07 Club President, 2007-08 Zone Chair. 2 club Lion of the Year Awards, several International President Awards, 2 years as Club newsletter editor, 2004 to present Convention Wine Tour Chair, Melvin Jones Fellow, Handmade over 50 blankets for Project Linus, and 3 Lions in Sight Missions.

This year I am Region Chair for Region 2 and serve on the district's new Tech Committee.

In my spare time I live in Willow Glen with our 3 dogs and 1 cat and am the accountant for the highly acclaimed award-winning Manresa Restaurant in



John Kelly

John joined Lions in January 2003 after visiting a friend's zone meeting on Kauai. He was intrigued by the attitudes of the Lions at the meeting. Their open and involving nature made him realize that these were qualities to aspire to. His wife, Mary, had always been a volunteer and John admired this and wanted to join her in such efforts.

Since joining John has achieved:

Graduate of the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute

Club Lion of the Year

Recipient of several International President certificates

Worked two missions for Lions in Sight

Club Retreat Facilitator & member of Leadership Committee

4-C6 convention helper: Wine Country Safari and DJ Hot

Hands

Club Secretary and Club President

Zone and Region Chairs

Group Coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II

2008-09 Extension chair and member of the technology committee

He enjoys the working at the 4-C6 convention on Wine Country Safari (a.k.a. the Wine Tour) with Mary, and his alter ego--DJ Hot Hands--is learning how to spin tunes.

And in his spare time he is a Principle Application Consultant for Carrier IQ in Mountain View where he builds systems that determine the usage and quality of cell phones in order to make them better for the folks who use them.



Mary and John Kelly February 2008

Editor's Note

I want to go on record that I let them write their own bios. Personally I think they did a cut and paste job. The story sounds rehearsed and gives very few details. Like what were they doing in Kauai? How did they accomplish so much in such a small amount of time? Did they have cheese with their wine? Exactly what

is Mary's "nature"? We all know about the pull tab jug scene. Nope, never again, I say let the jugs go Mary, How did Mary come up with John's nickname "Hot Hands"? Hm. Questions this reporter wants to know.





The Green Corner



The Green Corner is a place where you can share with others green solutions to everyday living.

Use vinegar to replace those nasty scrubbing bubbles. Vinegar removes mold and mildew in the bathroom. Removes mineral deposits in your tea kettle.

What you will need to use this miracle



worker: White Distilled Vinegar, Water, A clean, preferably new spray bottle.

Tile Areas:

Use straight vinegar on the grout and tile. Spray directly on grout and tile. Using a scrub brush, scrub those areas you have sprayed. Leave for 20 minutes. Rinse.

Mineral Deposits

Measure:

1/2 vinegar

1/2 water

Directions:

Put the mixture in a pan or kettle. Boil the vinegar in the water mixture for 3 minutes.

You will notice a strong vinegar smell, not to worry you are deodorizing the kitchen!

Empty and rinse the pan/kettle.

Additionally you can keep your drain clear by pouring the rinse water down the

drain with 1/2 cup baking soda.

Boil only water in the pan/kettle to remove the vinegar residue.

Next week: Testing a better smelling vinegar spray. Or if you have something better send it in!

newsletter@almadenlions.org. Make sure to put "Green Corner" in the subject line.



Letter From The Editor

First Newsletter and I am already wondering what to do, what to do. As the Editor and Staff of The Daily Planet it is my job to print what you want. This is your Newsletter. ASL is a very active group and we have many stories to tell. I would like to record those stories for you in The Daily Planet.

I have been informed by a big fish that we need to follow the requirements for the District Club Bulletin Contest. In order to do so, some of the areas I will cover in each issue are:

Letters to the Editor

Activities Reports

Program Announcements

Board Actions

Meeting Activities

Recognition of Visiting Guests and Lions

Committee Reports

Lions Education Material

This in no way means that other areas are verboten. Nope this is the new millennium baby and we are ready to use up natural resources...oops. Speaking of natural resources we have quite a few new committees, one that comes to mind is ASL Green.

Green, green, green, I am par-

tial to Forest Green, like my Suburban...okay back to saving natural resources. One way is to cut down on printing Newsletters. For every Newsletter we do not print we save at least 4 pages that we can use for something else. It is small, but that is how you build a village, with no natural resources.....Hm.



Okay, some other areas/things that the Newsletter will do/cover are:

Organization, Neatness and legibility, Clarity, Variety, Originality and Humor. Ah crap. So much for the contest.

Thinking of You

As many of you know Lion Judy Froom has been missing from our meetings. We were all skeptical when Lion Judy left a meeting early. The pool began almost immediately. I placed my money on a cruise to Mexico, others were not so kind, I think I read a box that had "Looking at other Lions clubs to join." Wow that one hurt.

As we all soon learned, Lion Judy took ill. To quote Judy "When I get sick, I get sick." Yes she did, and for the time being she is on reduced duty. ASL members were quick to take the lead and help out on Judy's projects so she can take time to recoup and jump back when she is ready. Our thoughts are with you Lion

Judy as well as with you Lion Bob. How goes the house duty?



Happy Birthday To You!



July		August	
Raffi Hect	2nd	Larry Hect	2nd
Kevin Booth	10th	Ronn Masuda	15th
Steve Black	17th	Carl Schreiber	30th
Alan Woertink	22nd		
Na'ndor Krause	25th		



Raffle Prize Duty

Lion	Date
Greg Snow	August 13th
Jeff Spedding	August 20th
Christine Vigil	August 27th
Alan Woertink	September 3rd



If your birthday is not listed or you have joined ASL since January 2007 or need to update your information, please do so as soon as possible. You may send in corrected information to newsletter@almadenlions.org. Please put "Member Information" in the Subject line.



Black Ribbon

DAVID CARL GURTNER (Age 64)
 On Friday, July 11, 2008 at home in Woodstock, VA, formerly of Alexandria, VA, of non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. David was born June 20, 1944 in Liberty, NY. He served in the Air Force and Air Force Reserves. He worked for sev-

eral agencies, including the Veterans Administration and Headquarters USAF at the Pentagon from 1971 until he retired in 2000. He was awarded the Outstanding Civilian Career Service Award by the Department of Air Force in March 2000. He is survived by his wife Janet Gurtner; his son Eric Gurtner of San Fran-

cisco, CA; and his brother Dennis Gurtner of San Antonio, TX. A memorial celebration of Dave's life was held on July 18 at The American Horticultural Society, River Farm, in Alexandria, VA. Interment at Arlington Cemetery Columbarium was on August 6th.





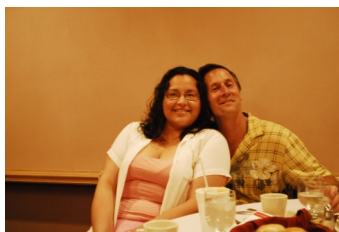
Almaden Super Lions 2008-2009 Installation Dinner

Another fiscal year is up and running for Lions all over the world. Almaden Super Lions (ASL) started off the New Year with our traditional Installation Dinner. This year held at Mariani's Inn and Restaurant located in beautiful Santa Clara, CA. Almaden Super took over the banquet room and the fun began. The installation theme was tailor made for our incoming President, Lion Jim Hunt. This was the one time he wore pants and everyone else wore shorts. Not to worry, there were plenty of extra shorts hanging around the room for Jim to pick from.

ASL has many new Board Members, Vice-Presidents, Committees and Committee Chairs. Please see page 10 for a complete listing of the Officers, Committees and Chairs. The food was excellent as were the decorations. All was going fine until that puppy started crying in the back of the room.

Immediate Past President, Lion Eddie Dinsmore, handed out plaques to several ASL members, in thanks for their service during his term as ASL's President. Lion Jim Goodheart (Goodie) was the Master of Ceremonies for the nights events. Lots of toasting, lots of laughing, lots of fun, just the way ASL plays!

Thanks go out to Lois Ferber, Mary Kelly, Bob Ferber and John Kelly . These are the guys to blame for the great decorations. Personally I did some shorts shopping while I was there only to be told that John wanted his shorts back! Jeesh....no door prizes....I grabbed two beach balls, they lasted all of 10 seconds with my new boy, Kuruk. Pictures are continued on page 8.



Lion Illiana and Lion Greg mugging for the camera.



Lion Steve B., Lion Goodie with his better half Emily, Lion Hugh with his better half Lion Brian and Lion Mary huddle together and discuss what we think are important issues.



Lion Judy and Lion Bob smile politely at the dinner presentations.



Lion Greg blesses ASL and their friends. Or he just shaved and does not want to put his arms down.



Lion waiting for left-overs.



Incoming President and Vice-President Lion Jim and Lion Lois check the time ensuring that everyone clears out of the room before we have to pay for overtime.



Lion Goodie put his hands together for the ASL Installation Dinner.



Lion Alan is this year's recipient of the Ralph Award.



*Almaden Super Lions
2008-2009
Installation Dinner*



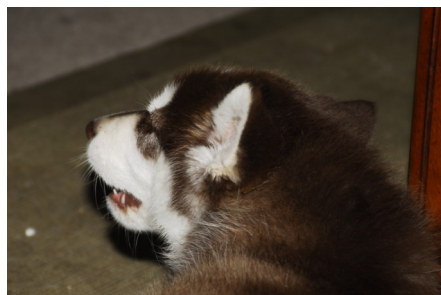
Camera Shy.



The torch is passed from Immediate Past President Lion Eddie Dinsmore to Incoming President Lion Jim Hunt.



Zelda enjoys her night out with ASL.



Kuruk enjoys his five minutes at the ASL Installation Dinner.



Lion Jim looks on as Lion Lois pins Immediate Past President Lion Eddie.

The Make-Up List



Club	Date	Time
Gilroy Corn Feed	August 15th	7:00 p.m.
Sunnyvale Host	August 16th	1:00 p.m.
Cupertino Host	August 16th	5:00 p.m.
Scales of Justice	August 27th	12:00 p.m.
San Jose North Valley	August 30th	6:00 p.m.

Everyone misses a meeting or two. To help out the club with as many 100% attendance awards for the 2008-2009 fiscal year we have make-up meetings. At the risk of sounding like a 12 step program, you need to go to a meeting. The brainchild of Bob Froom. We will list those meetings that are also on the visitation list. Two birds, one stone. Please check "The Make-Up List" for the club name, date of visitation, and time the visitation will take place. If you have question regarding any visitation please contact Bob Froom at rfroom40@aol.com or 408 782-6287.



MD4-C6 Master Calendar



Date	Event	Time	Contact
August 15	Gilroy Corn & Steak Barbecue		Vic Lase 408-842-4754
August 16	Cupertino Host Chicken/Corn/Sausage Feed		David Barnes 408-509-6557
August 16	Sunnyvale Host Family BBQ	1pm	Bob & Suzie DeUnger 408-378-1568
August 16	SJ Sampaguita Officer Installation	6pm	Leticia Acosta 408255-6261
August 17	Almaden Super Back Packs for Kids		Judie Bennett 408-268-8201
August 22	Milpitas Executive Installation		Lito 408-946-4796
August 30	San Jose North Valley 11th annual Luau Fiesta		Medy Malate 408-531-8863



New ASL Vice-Presidents, Committees & Committee Chairs



Vice President/Committee	Chair	Co-Chair	Co-Chair
Lois Ferber			
Peace Poster Contest	Bennett	Cole	Gomez
Blind Center Christmas Party	Hufferd	Ross	Donnell
Diabetes Luncheon	Isaacson	Hanner	Cole
4-C6 Convention	Ferber	Simpson	B. Froom
Foundation Budget	Snow	J. Froom	Simpson
Blind Babies Foundation	J. Kelly	Hunter	
Jeff Spedding			
White Cane Days	Dinsmore	Silveria	Goodman
Needy Family Holidays	Brewer	Bennett	Donnell
Installation of Officers	Ferber	Hanner	M. Kelly
Leo Clubs	Hunter	J. Kelly	Gomez
ASL Annual Retreat	Bennett	Boisvert	Booth
Sight Conservation	J. Froom	Bennett	I. Kelly
ASL Membership	Smith	Spedding	Brewer
Alan Woertink			
San Jose Giants	Grilli	Hunt	Wilkus
Eye Glass Collection	Isaacson	Goodman	Cole
Guest Speaker	Hunter	Snow	Hunt
Miniature Golf	Woertink	Hunter	Ruiz
Christmas Parade	Woertink	Goodman	Donnell
Cathy Hufferd			
Budget & Audit	Krause	Ross	Snow
Backpacks for Kids	M.Kelly*	Bennett	I. Kelly
Student Speaker	Grilli	Smith	Hunter
Flag Day	Dinsmore	Cole	Ferber
LCIF	Simpson	Snow	
Patriot Award	Grilli	Hall	Snow



New ASL Vice-Presidents, Committees & Committee Chairs “cont’d”



Vice President/Committee	Chair	Co-Chair	Co-Chair
Cathy Hufferd			
Budget & Audit	Krause	Ross	Snow
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Student Speaker	Grilli	Smith	Hunter
Flag Day	Dinsmore	Cole	Ferber
LCIF	Simpson	Snow	
Patriot Award	Grilli	Hall	Snow
T.A. Hunter			
I Care Classic	Marks	Smith	Spedding
ASL Christmas Party	Woertink	Booth	
City of Hope	Isaacson	I. Kelly	
A.J. Robinson	Isaacson	Hanner	I. Kelly
Social Committee	Hunt	Booth	
Tail Twister Party	Hunter	Booth	M. Kelly
Visitations	B. Froom	M. Kelly	Hall
Doc Vigil			
Newsletter & Website	Doong	Vigil	Marks
E-mail & Internet Training	Doong	J. Kelly	Hunt
Pat's Run	Isaacson	Hanner	Goodman
ASL Venue Search	Boisvert	Snow	Hunter
ASL Green	Boisvert	Vigil	
LPCCI	M. Kelly	Vigil	
Public Relations	Duffin	Doong	Bennett

* COVERING FOR JUDY FROOM UNTIL HER RETURN

Note: We have five new committees: ASL Green, LPCCI, Venue Search, Blind Babies Foundation & Email & Internet. Until Judy Froom returns, Mary Kelly has volunteered to chair Backpacks for Kids and TA ditto for Leos Committee. Members should work together as a team so all can cover both Chair & Co-Chair positions. Members are certainly welcome to work on committees in addition to those assigned. All comments are most welcome. Have Fun!

Contact our President Lion Jim Hunt to add or delete yourself to Committees.
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Serving The South San Jose Community.



Our Mission

We are a positive group of caring men and women that meet weekly as the Almaden Super Lions Club. Our purpose is to make a difference in our community by raising funds and participating in hands-on projects that help the visually impaired and assist others in need, especially children. We accomplish this with a magically vibrant spirit of humor, fun, patriotism, and respectful friendship.

Almaden Super Lions meet every Wednesday from
7:00-8:00 a.m.

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