



The Lion's Tale



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The Prez Sez

As every Cactus Lion should be fully aware, our annual Spaghetti Supper fundraiser is February 12. Between now and then, we still have a chance to sell a lot more tickets. The success of this event depends almost entirely on ticket sales by members. So, I encourage each of you to make sure you give everybody you know (friends, neighbors, business associates, etc.) an opportunity to buy tickets and attend. If you are depending on somebody else to sell your share of tickets, we are in for a big letdown. But worse than that, some of those needy individuals and charitable causes we are able to help with the money we raise through the Spaghetti Supper will be in for a letdown, too. Please don't let that happen. And don't forget that selling tickets is just one part of this project. You need to show up at the Abilene High School cafeteria February 12 to lend a hand with all the work that has to be done at the supper itself. See you there.

Dean Baird

Board Meeting Highlights

Pres. Dean Baird called the Jan. 28, 2005, meeting to order at 7:10 p.m., with the following Cactus Lions present: John Massey, PDG Hal Griffin, Bob Nelson and Jim Gibson. Minutes of the January 3 meeting and the financial report were presented by Sec'y. John Massey, and discussed. Other items of business and discussion included the following: The M&A report showed membership at 30 active, 8 at large and 1 affiliate. Sec'y. Massey suggested that all at large members be called and reminded about the Spaghetti Supper, and Pres. Baird said she would take care of it. She then read a letter from the chairperson for Project Graduation soliciting support, and the board agreed that the club would make its usual donation. The issue of whether we will pick up donated food this year, as in the past, remains open. In request to a phone call Sec'y Massey received requesting Cactus Club sponsorship for the Challenger League baseball team, the board agreed to continue supporting it as we have previously. Pres. Baird read a letter announcing a Lion's International "Environmental Photo Contest" with a submission deadline of March 1, but the board took no action

on it. The Pres. also read a letter from Lou Voit announcing a Zone meeting on Feb. 22. The question of what to do about a newer member who has been absent for several months was raised, and Sec'y Massey said he will attempt to contact the member and resolve the situation. PDG Hal Griffin said that Sandy Griffin wants the board's approval to see about selling popcorn at the Spaghetti Supper, and the board agreed to give her the go-ahead to explore that idea. This meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Next board meeting will be February 28, at 7:00 p.m., at Dean Baird's office.

Spaghetti Supper Notice

Preparations for the Spaghetti Supper get under way at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning, February 12, at the Abilene High School cafeteria.

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 12 – Spaghetti Supper
- Feb. 21 – Flag Service for "President's Day"
- Feb. 22 – Zone meeting, Whitten Inn, 6:30 p.m.
- Mar. 19 – White Cane Day

Community Volunteer Activity

For January, the following was reported: **Sandy Griffin** -- 107 hours working with "Ivy Green" for the Leader Dog Program. **Dorothy Lowry** -- 8 hours at Abilene Regional Hospital. **J. L. Edwards** -- 4 hours at Hendrick Medical Center. Several members -- 20 hours for Meals on Wheels.

February Birthday Lions

- 9 -- **Fannie Mae Massey**
- 12 -- **Tena Andrews**
- 15 -- **J. L. Edwards**
- 15 -- **Cindy Mundschenk**
- 16 -- **Larry Duggan**

February Program Schedule

- 2 -- Business Meeting
- 9 -- Charles Stenholm (shared program, with Kiwanis hosting the former U. S. Rep.)
- 16 -- TBA
- 23 -- TBA