



Georgetown Evening Lions Club
 Minutes – January 25, 2011

Georgetown Evening Attendees
Lion Adrien Douihlet
Lion Bill Glenn
Lion Frank Kinald
Lion Maureen Kinald
Lion Kristin Kinald
Lion Dean May
Lion Bob Martin
Lion Gerald Pohlmeier
Lion Debra Seamans
Lion Weldon Wade
Lion Randy Woodley

Guests
Lion Don Schoch - New Braunfels Lions Club
Lion Dennis Kraft - New Braunfels Lions Club
Leader Dog - Scout
Lion Cub Rachel Kinald

Call to Order - Lion Bill Glenn
Pledge of Allegiance – Lion Adrien Drouihlet
Prayer – Lion Bob Martin

Tailtwister – Lion Gerald Pohlmeier

- Lion Gerald shared some jokes with the Club and some observations on life – “If you tell a joke at Lions Club and no one laughs, was it a joke?”
- Club participated in roaring dollars. Lion Randy and Martha welcomed grandchild #9!!
- Collected \$19 for Roaring Dollars + \$40 for “A Lion Lives Here”

Program – Lion Gerald Pohlmeier

Lion Don – World Services for the Blind. Challenged Club members if they ever thought about what they would do if they didn’t have their sight? Those who are blind want independence – small engine repair, horticulture, small business management and other programs are taught to those who are blind. Small engine as an example, they not only identify what is wrong, but have special computer to get on a special computer and order parts. Arkansas is the largest contributor. Texas is the second, but sends more candidates to use the school than funds we provide. 50,000 suffer blindness each year due to accident of disease. Approx 10-11% are born blind. Majority lose sight after to injury or disease.



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Lion Dennis with Leader dog, Scout. Leader Dog has refined breeding program over the years. Breeding stock is all over the United States. Families foster puppies from 8 weeks to a year. Then travel back and are evaluated. Some kept for breeding, others spayed/neutered before entering into training. Ear infections, fleas, hip displacement and other illnesses are checked. Vet lives on-site at the facility. Scout is 10 years old and is approaching retirement. Dennis will travel to get his fourth dog while Scout stays with a friend. Scout will eventually move to retirement and be treated as a pet.

Breeds are primarily Labradors. Scout knows 12-15 commands, some visual some by verbal. He can find doors and has a specific whining when he needs to go out. Command to initiate relieving himself as well (word is “park” but Dennis didn’t say it).

Candidates are asked to give two years notice to need for a dog. Smaller classes driving longer lead time. Takes about two years to complete training. School in Rochester, MI. Spend a month after dog is trained for 6 months in Rochester. GPS handheld units are being introduced to help as well.

Requirement to have working dog on harness and leash in public. Scout gets down time to run in back yard, but stays close. Value of the animal is \$45,000 but at no cost to owner. Lion Dennis has been Club Leader Dog chair for 11 years and has served as his Club President and Secretary.

Mail & Announcements –

- Packet received - US/Canada Forum in September 22-24, more info at web-site = <https://usacanadalionsforum.org/>
- District Convention – May 4th

Approval of previous minutes – Motion – Lion Maureen Kinald, Second – Lion Dean May, Approved

Treasurer’s Report –



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Motion – Make Club 200% and round up those under \$100 up to \$100 – Lion Debra Seamans, Second Lion Dean May – motion approved.

Motion – accept Treasurer’s report as presented – Lion Debra Seamans, Second Lion Kristin Kinald - motion approved.

Old Business

- Eyeglasses provided to Lion Frank – he has a truck full and will provide a count to the Club.
- Midwinter Conference – Club Excellence Award received. Photography contest.
- Souper Bowl of Caring – Motion - continue Club tradition of donating \$200 to the Caring Place. Motion Lion Dean May, Second Lion Adrien Drouihlet motion approved. Lion Bob Martin to update the web-site.
- Three “A Lion Lives Here” signs sold. Four more ordered – coordinating pickup with Giddings Club. Lion Adrien Drouihlet provided funds.
- Lion Adrien Drouihlet – resolution for nomination to Director-At Large- for the Lone Star Lions Eye Bank. Lion Bob Martin read resolution to Club. Motion - Lion Dean May, second – Lion Debra Seamans. Unanimously approved.
- Nominations Committee to form – all officers to be elected by April 30. Lions Maureen Kinald, Frank Kinald and Debra Seamans as previous three presidents to serve on committee.
- **Important** - Delegates for the State Convention and District Convention – We executed a lottery last year to choose delegates. Request from Boss Lion Bill Glenn that club consider reviewing Club charter to change by-laws to require that delegates vote based on club majority direction. If not a by-laws change, conduct election for delegates so there is some say in the process. Club members asked to consider and be prepared for discussion in upcoming meetings. Lion Bob Martin to contact the District Constitution and Bylaws chair.

New Business –

- Zone Meeting – Wednesday, Feb 9th at Duke’s Smokehouse in Georgetown. Second Zone Meeting is Wednesday, April 20.
- Restaurant Opportunities – Need a committee chair?
 - Mimi’s Café – Bring flyer in for tab to go toward 10% match from Mimi’s.
 - Mama Fu’s will do 20% before tax.
 - Need to advertise

Motion to Adjourn – Lion Dean May, Second – Lion Kristin Kinald, Approved

Closing – Lion Gerald Pohlmeier

Next Club Meeting –

Tuesday, February 8, 2011 – Lion Debra Seamans

Tuesday, February 22, 2011 – Lion Chip Case

