



WE SERVE!

CALENDAR

Feb. 12—Board meeting
at Cajun Catfish

Feb 15-16—District
Lions mid-winter
Conference at the Best
Western in Alexandria

Nursery Festival Raffle-
March 14, 15, 16

SPEAKERS

Feb 6—Dr. Les Groom from
the US Forest Service
speaking on Biofuels

Feb. 13—Lions Forum—a
DVD of the Lions Camp

Feb 20 David Williams,
Natural Resource
Conservation Service

Feb 27—Bill Fontenot of
Cleco

BIRTHDAYS

John Gilchrist 2/4
Brent Caplan 2/7

THE LIONS TALE

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Lion Dave Perry led the pledge of allegiance (to the flag that was missing) and **Lion Henry Masson** led in prayer.

The **2 Card Draw** grew once again. **Lion Aaron** says we should be over \$300 next week. **Lion Bill Bush** drew once again but neither he nor **Lion Richard Anderson** could find the joker.

Lion Jenny Sooter missed out on the \$85 door prize, so the amount rises to \$90. Lion Jenny, you missed one in December as well. It may pay to come to meetings!

Our Guest today was David Bignar, guest of **Lion Percy Dauzat**. Lion Percy gave David a membership form. David works at Bonnette Auction with Lion Percy (and is also the father of Lion Percy's grandson, Gage, a very fine young man.)

Announcements:

We wish the best for **Lion Harmon** as he continues to recover in Baton Rouge. He has been moved to a rehab hospital. Lion Tom gave a full report to the club.

Don't forget the Lions mid-winter conference at the Best Western in Alexandria on Feb. 15-16. See Lion Aaron if you'd like to attend. The Club will pay your fees.

Our meetings will now be held at the Econo Lodge. **No, we aren't moving**, but the hotel is changing its name. Don't let new signs cause any confusion.

Lion Sam announced that our Club will raffle off a shotgun at the Forest Hill Nursery Festival, March 14, 15, and 16. Sign up sheets to sell tickets will go out in Feb. Mark your calendars NOW!! It's a beautiful festival and lots of fun. We need to raise money for the Camp and Eye Foundation.



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Today was our monthly Lions Forum. Our focus was membership. **Lion Sam Echols**, membership chairman, announced to the club that your Board has extended the membership drive through the end of the fiscal year. If you sponsor a new member, your next quarter's dues will be paid by the club. If your business pays your dues, you may select a charity to receive a gift.

Our new member, **Lion Susan Freundlich**, was presented to the club. Lion Sam invited her and her sponsor, **Lion Karen Hamilton**, to the front. Lion Karen pinned new Lion Susan. Lion Susan is the manager of the "Grandparents as Parents" program of the Volunteers of America. She has been a member of the Junior League and other volunteer organizations. She has been married for 29 years and is the mother of two sons, ages 15 and 19.

There was quite a bit of foolishness with the Tail Twister, his hearing aid, and too much talking. Lion Jimmy Bradford gave a soliloquy, but couldn't remember the entire poem.

The club was happy to see **Lion Brent** back after working too hard for the past few weeks. He was assigned a soliloquy for next week, but the club shudders to give him the floor. But since his birthday is next week, maybe we'll let him have the floor.

Fellowship is one purpose of our club. The monthly Lions Forum gives us a chance to tease and learn more about each other.

If you don't come to the meetings regularly, you are missing the opportunity to make some true friendships with your fellow Lions.

See you next week!!!!