



THE LIONS TALE

Alexandria Lions Club

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WE SERVE!

CALENDAR

Board Meeting 2nd
Tuesday each month

SPEAKERS

9/1 Susan G Komen Race
for the Cure Representative

BIRTHDAYS

8/27 Charles Elliott
8/28 Stacy Auzenne

Door Prize

Lion Hank won \$10

August 25, 2010

2 Card Draw-- Lion Bill Bush and Lion Joe Daniels tried but the jokers remained elusive! At stake was \$353!!!!

Guests:

Chris Trahan accompanied our speaker.

Announcements—

- The Eye Foundation Raffle for the sugar Bowl tickets and stay in the French Quarter are on sale for \$5. Come to a meeting to purchase! Or call Lion Chuck or Lion Hank. It's a great opportunity and we'll have them available at the next few meetings.
- The \$15,000 Raffle tickets will be available soon. This year, the drawing will be November 16 at a gumbo dinner at Harold Miles Park. Our Goal is to sell 500 tickets.
There will be 5 prizes this year.
1st prize is still \$10,000
2nd prize is \$2,000.
There will be THREE 3rd prizes awarded of \$1,000 each. This means more winning tickets.
- Cubsight is starting soon. If you'd like to be on a team, contact Lion Glen Armand. He's using the Teams from last year as the starting point for organizing.
- The speaker next week is a representative from the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. This will be the first time Central Louisiana has hosted a race to raise money for breast cancer research. Come hear how you can help.



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Our speaker today was Roger Villere, chairman of the Republican Party in Louisiana and a candidate for Lt Gov. As party chair, he tried to recruit conservative candidates. He is an advocate for smaller government. He stated that state government has ballooned –it grew 3 times as much as industry and twice the rate of inflation.

One in 43 of LA workers are state employees. He believes that we are losing industry to competing states such as Texas and Florida who have no state income tax. He advocate abolishing the state income tax. The state income tax brings in \$36 billion per year. When asked by a club member how to replace that income, he said that state government should be reduced and natural growth will replace the funds. He is against reinstating the Stelly plan.

When asked about higher education, he stated that administrative expenses have grown and need to be reduced. There are too many 4-year colleges and too many unprepared students taking remedial classes. There is too much duplication by having multiple 4-year campuses in the same area. When pressed, he stated “I’m not going to name schools.”

The hospital system also costs too much. We no longer can afford the charity system.

Economic development is an important part of any public official’s job, but especially the Lt Governor.

He talked about being a business owner and the effect of taxes on his business.