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Lions visit counterparts in Mexico as part of cruise



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A hearty group of Lions, 20 to be exact, set sail Feb. 20 for a visit to the Ensenada Lions Club, under the leadership of District Gov. Elizabeth Warren, reports Lions District Region Chairwoman Joan Parks.

Those on this trip were Past District Governors Mike and Sandi Scheafer, Barbara and Ron Hayward, Jon and Sheila Casteel, and Lion members Terese and John Ganser, Cathy Waters and Alan, Carol Van Holt, Joan Parks, Pat Mason, Shirley, Nancy Smith, Loyce Mejias, Martha Hebert, and Ken and Denise Myers.

This time the trip was done via a big cruise ship, which allowed the participants to spend Saturday in Ensenada, visiting and having a luncheon with the Ensenada Lions Club.

“This is the 51st visitation by our district to the Ensenada Lions Club, and they were as hospitable as ever. The Lions and their wives treated us to a delicious lunch of chicken or fish plus all the sides and wine. It was a great visit, for some of us with old friends.

“We got to see recent pictures of their latest projects and of course many pictures of the school we have contributed to in the past,” noted Parks.

At the end of Feb. 21, the Lions members got back on the cruise ship for an evening of dining, casino time and a full day in the sun Feb. 22 before returning to port in Long Beach.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Newport Harbor Area Alumnae Panhellenic Scholarship Benefit Luncheon will be April 1 at the Santa Ana Country Club, with entertainment provided by the Huntington

Beach High School “Surf City Singers,” according to Nancy Mellon, the group’s public relations chairwoman.

Social hour will begin at 11 a.m. with lunch at noon.

The price is \$60 per person.

Reservations may be made by calling (949) 759-4935 by March 23.

This event will raise funds to provide scholarships for 15 public high schools in Corona del Mar, Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Newport Beach and Westminster.

Scholarship information is available through the Academic Counselor at each high school. Senior High School women living in the listed areas who will attend a four-year college or university are eligible for these scholarships.

For further information, contact Mellon at (714) 998-0917 or nansailor@aol.com.

BIG TREE DEDICATION THURSDAY

Members of the Rotary Clubs of Costa Mesa and Newport-Balboa will join with Newport Mesa officials at College Park Elementary School at 8 a.m. Thursday for the Flag Deck and Arbor Day big-boxed tree planting, according to Peter Smith, Arbor Day chairman.

More than 2,200 seedlings were distributed to third-graders in local schools this week as part of a 41-year tradition of Rotary, helping youth to appreciate trees and their responsibility for our planet.

The public is invited to join in the dedication as well.

WORTH REPEATING

Thought for the Day as provided by Greg Kelley of the Newport Mesa Irvine Interfaith Council... “The right to be heard does not automatically include the right to be taken seriously.”

— Hubert H. Humphrey

SERVICE CLUB MEETINGS THIS WEEK

How are you giving back to your community? Help your community and the world

through a service club! For many, service club membership is an extension of our religious beliefs and congregation affiliation.

You are invited to attend a service club meeting this coming week to learn more about opportunity for service. Most clubs will buy your first meal for you as you get acquainted with them.

TODAY

7:30 a.m.: The 10-member Newport Harbor Kiwanis Club meets at Denny's Restaurant, 290 Bristol St., Costa Mesa.

Noon: The 20-member Exchange Club of Corona del Mar meets at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club, 1601 Bayside Drive, for a business meeting.

6 p.m.: The 65-member Rotary Club of Newport Balboa meets at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club for Craft Talk and a induction of a new member. For more information, go to www.newportbalboa.org.

5:15 p.m.: The 15-member Rotary Club of Costa Mesa meets at the Metro Center at South Coast, 555 Anton Blvd., Suite 150.

THURSDAY

7 a.m.: The 20-member Costa Mesa Orange Coast Lions Club meets at Mimi's Café, 1835 Newport Blvd. No. F.

Noon: The 50-member Costa Mesa Kiwanis Club meets at the Holiday Inn, 3131 Bristol St., Costa Mesa. For more information, visit www.CostaMesaKiwanis.org.

The 45-member Kiwanis Club of Newport Beach-Corona del Mar meets at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club. For more information, visit www.newportbeachkiwanis.org.

The 85-member Rotary Club of Newport Irvine meets at the University Club at UCI, 801 E. Peltason Drive. For more information, visit www.ni-rotary.org.

The 95-member Exchange Club of Newport Harbor meets at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club for a program by Vladislav Roytape, titled "Dog Behavior."

TUESDAY

7:30 a.m.: The 55-member Newport Beach Sunrise Rotary Club meets at Five Crowns,

3801 E. Coast Hwy., for a program presentation by incoming President Tim Brown on the club's Aug. 2 "Lobsterfest and Tri Tips" fundraiser at the Newport Dunes. For more information, visit www.newportbeachsunriserotary.org.

6 p.m.: The Irvine New Generations Rotary Club meets at Tapas Restaurant, 4253 Martingale Way No. A, Newport Beach.

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