

Gig'em Lions



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Mar. 25 - Jay Miller - Round Rock Express
Apr. 1 - Lion Michael Haynes – Ground Zero Report
Apr. 8 – Wendell Williams – Temple Bioscience Research Institute

LIONS CALENDAR

Mar. 25 – Regular noon meeting, Gober
Apr. 1 – Regular noon meeting, Gober
Apr. 6 – Executive Committee mtg, noon, Sammons
Apr. 8 – Regular noon meeting, noon, Gober

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don't forget to sign up for greeter and don't forget to show up on that date.

District Convention at CAC on Apr. 24 & 25. We will need Lions to help with various activities. Sign up will be circulated in early April per Lion Glenn Brandt.

Total donations for commemorative bricks/pavers is \$4000 to date.

Nominees for Club officers is expected to be ready for announcement at 3/25 regular noon meeting.

Lion President J. Brown announced that the singing of "America" will no longer be tolerated in H flat. That was awful. We should consider doing it in sign.

Lion Elwood wants more rain and hopes for new club members who can sing.

GUESTS

There were no guests; likely has to do with our singing.

GREETERS

Mar. 25 – Mike Washam and James Wright
Apr. 1 – Charles Pierce and Dick Reiss

BIRTHDAYS

Mar. 21 – **Roy Wells**
Mar. 22 – **Reuben Marek**
Mar. 23 – **John Conner**
Mar. 23 – **Chuck Lucko**

UPCOMING MEAL

Mar. 25 – Susan's – meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, roll

Apr. 1 – Mystery meat, vague veggies, and surreal salad, discreet dinner rolls (seriously, I don't know what we are having).

THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

Lion Henry Jezek introduced Brian T. Hervey, Director, Office of Institutional Advancement, TAMU College of Medicine. Mr. Hervey is a Certified Fund Raising Executive and spoke on the dramatic expansion of TAMU COM, which began in 1979, making it the newest medical school in the country. The four year Temple campus took it's first class of students in Fall 2007 and has a goal of having 40 students for each year of their medical education. They are obtaining their classroom instruction via long distance learning with professors stationed at College Station. This is necessary since the College Station and Temple campuses are considered one medical school. Clinical experience will be obtained at S&W, where there are already two new buildings, and at the Temple and Waco VA. New training opportunities are available in Houston, Round Rock, and Corpus Christi. The goal is to have 200 students each year in each class level, which will make TAMU COM one of the largest in the nation and hopefully will help address the growing shortage of physicians in the U.S. Upon receipt of their MD, the average doctor has a \$120,000 debt for the cost of their education. The COM is developing a premier stem cell research facility to investigate the treatment of diabetes, as it now affects 16 million Americans. A 200 acre campus is being built in Bryan to house the main campus medical school that is now in College Station. One innovative program being used is the recruitment of promising high school students in the Valley and beginning their medical education during summers prior to entering college. Once they have completed their undergraduate education, they are automatically admitted to medical school. In exchange, it is hoped that many will return to their home communities to establish their practices. An overall goal of the college of Medicine is to keep 90% of the physicians they train in the state of Texas to practice medicine.