



Bear News



Volume 2 Issue 1

Summer 2020

Officers

- President: PDG Rick Silveria
- Immed Past Pres. Lion Greg Martella
- 1st Vice Pres: Open
- 2nd Vice Pres: Open
- Secretary: PDG Brad Weeks
- Treasurer: PDG John Holland
- 2 Year Directors: Lion Joe Trezza, Lion Greg Martella,
- 1 Year Directors: Lion Fred Bunch, Lion Marie Bunch
- Director Emeritus: Lion Kay Stack
- Bear News Editor Open

Pin Trading Events

Western States Pin Swap
10/11-14/19 Reno NV

jetlion@comcast.net

Joe Trezza 925-864-2927

Virginia Pin Swap 11/12-14/20
Richmond Va.

suemac@verizon.net

Susan Golladay 540-869-3784

Southwest Pin Swap 1/15-16/21
Ardmore OK

Bill Middleton 580-747-1158

Southeast Pin Swap 2/24-27/21

Jim Herbert 662-719-8667

Presidents Message

By Lion Rick Silveria

Hello Pin Traders,

It's a new year and what a start it has been. In February we had our regular meeting at the MD-4 Convention and Covered a number of topics including the election of new officers for the 2020-2021 year (See the minutes from the meeting on page 3 of this newsletter). Right after that the pandemic hit and put a halt to all things normal. No longer could we meet in large gatherings which effected many of the scheduled Pin Swaps. We are all adjusting to the new normal and finding ways to carry on with our Lion business and



serving our communities.

Lion Joe Trezza has worked very hard to keep the Western

States Pin Swap happening. See his article on the Pin swap on Page 2 of this newsletter. It is not to late to get registered and participate in the swap.

In closing please stay safe and healthy.

See you all in Reno

Rick Silveria President CLPTA

Editor's Note

A Tribute to Lion Jay Puls



Jay Rogers Puls 1932-2020

This article was submitted to the Bear News on July 14 2020 by PDG Brad Weeks. Jay was the Editor for the Bear News

and made sure that articles were submitted and that the news went out on time. Jay also served on the International Pin Traders Association as a Director.

Fellow CLPTA members, it is with a sad heart that I am asked to inform you that a great Lion has passed away yesterday. Lion Jay Puls, a "life member" of the California Lions Pin Traders Association, died of cancer. He

may be best known by many outside of Modesto, CA (4-A1) as the gentle giant at the Western States Pin Swaps selling the arm's length of raffle tickets. He was a very knowledgeable man about California Pins, and usually the Lion a fellow pin trader was referred to about a question about a certain pin. He will surely be missed.

PDG Brad Weeks
CLPTA Secretary

Western States Pin Swap 2019

By Lion Joe Trezza

How many of you are tired of Covid?

Me too!

Let's have a pin Swap. We are all ready for the WESTERN STATES PIN SWAP in Reno.

We have had a change in venue just like Virginia. Instead of Circus Circus we will be right next door at the Silver Legacy, same price. Not even next door, they share the same roof and are as one hotel along with the Eldorado.

We have plenty of room and can accept late registrations. Come and get your pin trading fix. You may use form on LITPC or CLPTA website.

If you have already booked your room you should be switched automatically from your registration at Circus Circus Hotel to the Silver Legacy but you should call to confirm.

Things will be different due to Covid. The Italian festival has been cancelled. Can't have events with 20,000 people this year.

Pin trading will have social distancing along with face mask, hand sanitizers, etc.

We have a set of clowns available 15 individuals this year instead of the usual 13. Plus Swap pin and Breakfast pin are also clowns. Fits in nicely with Circus Series

Dates are 12,13 & 14th of Oct. Breakfast on morning of 14th Pin trading on 12th & 13th.

Lion Joe Trezza (924)864-2927 jetlion@comcast.net

4316 Kingsly Dr. Pittsburg, Ca. 94565 (New,old address-Retired -now at home address only)

CLPTA Board Meeting Minutes

By PDG Brad Weeks

California Lions Pin Traders Association 2/21/2020 Meeting Minutes MD-4 Convention, Visalia, CA

Meeting was called to order at 4:53 pm by President Greg Martella at the Pin Traders tables.

Members in attendance were President Greg Martella, Vice President Richard Silveria, Fred & Marie Bunch, Mike Okamoto and his wife and PDG Brad Weeks.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Past President Mike Okamoto.

Invocation was given by Vice President Richard Silveria.

The minutes of the Western States Pin Swap event and meeting was given by Secretary Marie Bunch. Vice President Richard made the motion to accept as written, Lion Fred 2nd the motion. The motion was voted and passed.

It was also reported that we may move the WSPS to the Sands Hotel as the prices are smaller. No decisions have been made at this time, Lion Joe Trezza, WSPS Chairman, will keep us informed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lion Fred reported on the purchase and sales of the MD-4 Singapore Pin. Sales are not going well due to the question of whether or not there will be an International Convention. The account balance will be reported at the October Western States Pin Swap as sales are ongoing.

Lion John Holland (Association Treasurer) reported there is \$12,990.72 in the general account. A copy of the WSPS financial report is attached.

President Greg Martella continues to pass out the new association's pins to qualified members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ELECTIONS for L/Y 2020-2021:

Vice President Richard Silveria was voted in as the new Association President.

No one was nominated for the position of Vice President. (to be added to Old Business)

PDG Brad Weeks was voted in as Secretary.

John Holland retained his position as Treasurer.

It was determined that due to the limited regular members that attend the meetings of the CLPTA that we would add the Association's Officers to the list of Directors.

Board of Directors:

Director Emeritus	Lion Kaye Stack
#1 Director	President DG Richard Silveria
#2 Director	1 st Vice President (unknown)
#3 Director	Secretary PDG Brad Weeks
#4 Director	Treasurer Lion John Holland
#5 Director	Lion Fred Bunch - 1-year position
#6 Director	Lion Marie Bunch- 1-year position
#7 Director	Lion Joe Trezza - 2-year position
#8 Director	IPP Greg Martella - 2-year position

Constitution & By-Laws:

The CLPTA Constitution & By-Laws were reviewed prior to this meeting to ensure everyone would be confident and the understanding of the changes to be voted upon. Most of the changes were to update procedures as how we do business now compared to when the Constitution and By-Laws were first drafted. A copy of the revised document is enclosed. Lion Mike Okamoto made the motion to approve, newly installed President Richard Silveria seconded. The motion was voted and passed.

Membership:

Secretary PDG Brad Weeks asked for the permission to drop about 5 members for nonpayment of dues. The request was approved.

We picked up 3 new members and reinstated 1 member with the payment of their dues.

The meeting was adjourned @ 5:41 pm.



Guidelines Circus and Carnivals



1. Pins issued with the theme of the series between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2022 will be eligible for the catalog.
2. If you did not issue the pin yourself and the pin or pins are issued by an individual Lions club or other Lions entity, or a non-pin trader, it is YOUR responsibility to obtain the needed permission to include the pin in the catalog. Consideration of whether the issuer has a sufficient quantity to meet the needs/desires of the pin traders is always an important factor.
3. Monthly updates will be issued if the number of new items is sufficient. Generally, updates will be issued one to two weeks prior to the next pin swap. Pins Included therein are Intended to reflect the items that will be available at that swap.
4. Every effort should be made to keep the number of pins in a given set to a maximum of 12.



5. Over the years, the biggest complaint about a series has been a set with a single image and only a color change on each pin. This was eliminated with "The Wonderful World of Water" and the results were extremely satisfying. The sets contained different images that added so much to the success of that series. Please keep this advance notice in mind that it is our intent to enforce this rule. **If all pins in a set are identical except for a color difference, we will show only one pin and merely list the other participants by name.**

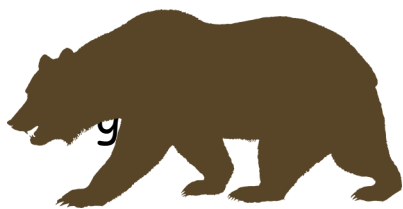
6. In selecting participants in a set, please avoid including non-pin traders or individuals who rarely, if ever, attend the various swaps or conventions.

7. There are no objections to cartoon type pins provided they are in good taste and do not violate trade mark and/or copyright provisions. Should there be any questions or objections whatsoever to your using such images, it will be YOUR responsibility to resolve the question. This is an extremely serious matter which could have a significant financial burden on you if you choose to ignore it. Keep in mind that clip art images on the internet often require permission from the originator before they can be used as the subject on your proposed pin.



8. In order to maintain a high degree of quality in the production of updates, we will NOT accept pictures of pins or artwork of pins for inclusion in the catalog as a substitute for the actual pin. In this connection, you should be prepared to provide one of each pin you wish to have included to PCC Bill Smith, 3643 Osborne Drive, Warrenton VA 20187. He will buy or trade for the pins, based on your desires, or if you wish, will return the pins provided you are agreeable to pay the postage for returned pins.

9. Pins which depict items that can be associated with a Carnival or a Circus will be accepted for this series, provided they are considered to be in good taste and are not offensive to the members of the pin trading community. If you have any questions whatsoever about the eligibility of the subject of a pin, we urge you to contact PCC Bill Smith prior to ordering your pin. Lion Bill can be reached by email on tabs52@comcast.net or by telephone on 540-349-2748. His cell number is 540-216-8646.



California

Lions Pin Traders Association

PO Box 1908, Oakhurst, CA 93644

The California Lions Pin Traders Association was formed in 1984 with the purpose of promoting fellowship through the hobby of pin trading. CLPTA is one of many clubs across the national and throughout the world in Lions.

Lion First Pin Trader Second



Were on the Web