

# Monarch Night



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## ***Official minutes of the Monarch Night of the Curacao Lions Club***

The Monarch Night of the Curacao Lions Club, held on April 24, 2010 in the Ball Room of the Renaissance Curaçao Resort & Casino.

Attendance, as shown on the Attendance Record.

<b>Total members</b>	<b>: 81</b>
<b>Attendance Members</b>	<b>: 39</b>
<b>Attendance Lionesses/Guests</b>	<b>: 21</b>
<b>Excuses</b>	<b>: 33</b>

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### **1. Welcome**

At approximately 20.00 hrs. p.m. Members, Lionesses and guests are welcomed by the MC's: Fl's Aissa and Dino.

### **2. Curaçao Anthem**

All present were requested to rise and face the flags to pay tribute by singing the Curaçao anthem, accompanied by pianist Gino Coelho.

### **3. Invocation**

The focus of Fl David's invocation was on friendship, fellowship and the work and service of the Club.

### **4. Introduction of Club's guests**

Members are requested to duly introduce their guests.

Fl Heidi introduces her guest and new Club's member, Mr. Angelo Heronimus.

### **5. Address by Fl President Leo Lemmens**

Fl Aissa directs herself to the members, elaborating on fellowship, the meaning of friendship between the club members, the work, efforts and contribution of the members to accomplish the Club's goals: to serve the community. The recruitment of new members to contribute to the growth of the Club is extremely important.

FL Aissa requests the presence of Fl Pres Leo Lemmens on stage for the official opening of the Monarch Night.

Fl Pres acknowledges Fl Aissa's statement with regard to the growth of the membership. On this occasion also a new member will be installed.

Fl Pres welcomes members, guests and members of the press to this special Monarch Night during the 64<sup>th</sup> year of the CLC.

Thirteen (13) members have reached the status of Monarch for their total years of service within the Club.

#### **6. Installation of a new member**

Fl Pres invites forward Mr. Angelo Heronimus and his sponsor, Fl Heidi for the official installation.

FL Pres reads the official information of the Lions Club International, the District E-1 and Curacao Lions Club.

As Angelo Heronimus expressed the desire to affiliate with the CLC and with Lions International, FL Pres invites him to respond with “I do” or “I will”.

Angelo Heronimus accepts:

- membership of CLC knowing that such membership obligates him to participate in all functions of the Club;
- to abide to the best of his ability by the Lions code of ethics and the rules of Lions International, Multiple E and E-1 districts of the Club;
- to attend meetings regularly, assignments given to him and contributing with his share to the programs of the CLC, District and Lions Club International.

Mr. Angelo Heronimus is now officially installed as a member of the CLC, receiving the emblem of the CLC.

According to the rules, this pin should be worn with pride, as part of a world wide organization.

The sponsor is responsible for the new member, for him to feel welcome and comfortable in the Club, that all relevant information is provided and that the new member is duly introduced to the fellow members of the Club, etc.

Fl Heidi accepts to fulfill all of the mentioned obligations.

Fl Pres congratulates and welcomes Fl Angelo to the CLC, the District E-1 and Lions Club International, handing over the official certificate of membership, the membership kit and the CLC-vest.

All members honor the new member with three big roars.

Fl Aissa requests Fl Ron to start the role call. All members present themselves to the new member.

For time sake the Lionesses will not be introduced at this time.

Fl Aissa invites all to enjoy dinner and fellowship.

#### **7. Presentation of Chevrons**

The official (slides) presentation takes place.

Unfortunately not all thirteen members are present this evening.

The presentation of the chevrons takes place in the following sequence, supported by a slide show, with pictures of years ago of today’s Monarchs.

The pictures provided are from the files of Fl Rene, selected by Fl’s Pres and David.

### Monarchs:

Fl Moizes de Windt	10 years
Fl Gibi Goilo	20 years
Fl Harry Parisius	20 years
Fl Jacques v/d Harten	25 years
Fl Anko van der Woude	25 years
Fl Ron Gomes Casseres	40 years

Fl Pres asks each Monarch to share with the Club the very specific, special, memorable moment in time of his Lionistic life.

Some members state having even more than one special moment.

Each Monarch elaborates on the special moment, mostly shared with a group of members in a specific project, task or event. Some of the feelings of those moments were funny, happy, sometimes even sad and/or a mix of all those feelings.

Some of the highlights:

- the party on top of the Tafelberg (artist Oscar de Leon)
- the party on Isla de Aventura (artist Johnny Ventura)
- the collecting for Bon Bisinja, as done in the old days, visiting the neighborhoods
- the Lions Dive Hotel project
- fixing of houses in the Sebastopolstraat-area (?????)
- a three-day convention in Venezuela who turned into a one-day stay
- the most important: the happy and grateful faces of those families, institutions and others who received a contribution/donation/ help of the CLC.

Fl Dino mentions that together, the Monarchs form **335** years of service to the community. All present Monarchs are invited by Fl Pres for a photo session, forming together with Fl Pres, **340** years of service.

### **8. Raffle**

The raffle takes place by the MC's. Prizes are gift certificates from Penha and a dinner for two at Restaurant Cru. The winners are Fl's Aissa, Michael and Don.

### **9. Open floor**

Fl David was privileged by Fl Pres Leo to do a very difficult task, going through very old pictures to make a selection for this presentation. It took a week to go through the files of Fl Rene. To Fl David's opinion all memorable moments are: all members, putting efforts together to carry out any task within the Club. It would be great to digitalize the pictures.

Fl Gibi remarks on his picture shown during this presentation, that he was very mad on Nico, because at that time he thought he was too young to receive the Melvin Jones Award. Fl Gibi states that the creed of the CLC means so much to him.

Fl Donny remarks that this is the occasion to read the creed and he would appreciate if any member can come forward to read the creed.

Fl's Pres and Dino read as requested, the Lions Code of Ethics.

Fl Donny requests to not only read the creed, but also live the words as stated.

Fl Dino speaks in name of the younger Lions that they will certainly do as requested because it is an honor to be a member of the CLC.

**10. Adjournment**

The MC's invite those present to follow them to the dancing floor, to enjoy the music and the rest of the evening.

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 23.00 hrs p.m.