

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Joe Farrah. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lion Al Gentile and the Invocation by Lion Charlie Bottarini. Attendance was less than usually because some of our Lions went to the joint meeting of the San Francisco and Peninsula Councils of Lions where our Lion Joe Giuffre was honored. We were unable to confirm the election of Lion Ron Faina as secretary of the San Francisco Council of Lions. This honor was also to take place last night at the Councils meeting.

Lion Pete Bello, the chairman of last Saturday night's Christmas party reported one hundred people attended this annual dinner-dance. Lions at the meeting said they had a great time and Pete and his committee did an excellent job. President Joe congratulated them for their cooperation and efforts. Lion Hugo Checchi sold 28 tickets for this affair. Lions Bello and Fred Krahl each sold 10 tickets.

Lion Frank Ferrera reported the sale of the ITALIA t-shirts was a howling success. Only 5 are left. He is considering ordering another batch. Frank has 125 of the "Farrah" club pins remaining. If you need some now or want some for the Santa Rosa Convention, May 2-6, better see Frank now. Lion Frank also announced he has forms for any members interested in attending the MD4 convention Feb. 1-3, in San Diego.

Lion Frank Fazzino reported a total of 124 tickets were given to the participating Lions Clubs for the Dec. 22 Senior Citizens Christmas party at the I.A.S.C.. Additional tickets are available from Frank if any Lions want to attend the dinner-dance. Frank also told the meeting about a lady he met who donated six lap robes to our Lions club and Frank is giving them to the Laguna Honda Home. These are hand knitted robes. This woman also donated another four robes to an organization and they were given in the name of the Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club. Lion Frank, the good work you are doing for Senior Citizens must account for this generosity.

Lion Charlie Bottarini announced the Newspaper Collection Bin is in place and papers are coming in every day. Last Friday, Lions Bottarini, Krahl, Bello, Spediacci and Castagnetto moved the little house they built to the collection location at the corner of Russia and Mission Sts. Lions Farrah and Squeri who were having lunch near by also helped with the moving. If you have a large load of papers to deliver there it is better to pick up a key to the large container to avoid handling the papers twice. Keys are held by Lions Bottarini, Krahl, Bello, Clews and Ferrera. Charlie suggested asking friends and relatives to save old newspapers. Plan to make regular pickups every two weeks and you will help this project be a financial success.

Next Wednesday, December 20, will be the G-E Lions member Christmas party. This is an annual party which Lion Frank Bulleri handles. Frank will arrange entertainment and a good time. Please plan to attend this last meeting of the 1978 year, and bring one gift not to exceed five dollars in price. No name is necessary on the gift.

This is a good time of the year to sell Youth and Community tickets. If you don't have yours, see Lion Bob Woodall. If people ask what we do with the proceeds of the raffle tell them about the family we are contributing \$150.00 to for food and toys.

Lion Mike Spediacci agreed to hang the club's banners from other Lions clubs in the meeting room at the L&L. He will need help to do this on January 9, Tuesday, at 10:00 A.M.. About one hour should handle it.

It was suggested the club rent a locker at the L&L, to store the Lion, gavel, Dime-a-Prayer, etc. Lion Spediacci said he has a permanent locker on the premises and the club can store everything in it. Mike keeps his two balls there.

- COMING EVENTS:** Dec. 20, Club Christmas Party for members only.  
 Dec. 22, Senior Citizens Christmas Party at the I.A.S.C.  
Dec. 18, Monday night. Visitation to the Half Moon Bay Lions Club. Time is 7:30 P.M., at the Princeton Inn, in Princeton, which is four miles north of Half Moon Bay. Please contact Lion Ozzie.  
 Jan. 19, Night at the Races. Talk this up with your friends. Let Lion Ray Squeri know how many tickets you want. \$12.00 per, includes Club house ticket, program and dinner.  
 Feb. 1-3, MD4 Convention in San Diego.  
 March 16, New member recognition night. We need prospective members to attend meetings during January and February so they may be considered. If you have someone in mind, bring him to a meeting.  
 January 3, the first meeting of 1979, will be a general board meeting. All members are invited and asked to attend this meeting at the L&L.