

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Joe Farrah. Lion Erv Smith led the salute to the flag and the Invocation was given by Lion Bob Woodall. This meeting was the annual Christmas party for members. Lion Frank Bulleri made the party arrangements which included a tray of cheese, salami, fruit and other snacks. Frank also arranged for Jack LaRocca, an accordionist to accompany the members in singing. Song sheets (courtesy of Bob Woodall and EPS) were handed out and Lions Bill Tonelli and Pat Martin led the members in singing Christmas songs and many old favorites. The sextet of members who sang that old favorite "Quel Bel Massolini Di Fiori" were Lions Bottarini, Bello, Clews, Francesconi, SanFillippo and Tonelli. A gift was brought to the meeting by each member and Lion Fred Melchofi was our Santa Claus again. Santa did a song and dance routine with Bill Tonelli. The party was a lot of fun and Lion Frank Bulleri and of course his wife Tosca were complimented and thanked by President Joe and the members.

Before the party, some business was conducted. Lion Ozzie Buoncristiani was presented with a Past President's pin.

Lion Ted Zagorewicz (who I understand is now an honorary Italian) made a report about the Dec. 13 joint meeting of the San Francisco and Peninsula Council of Lions, which was held at the Philippine Village in Daly City. This was also Past Presidents night and election of officers of the SF Council. Officers elected are: President, Dick Noftsgar of the South of Market Lions. 1st. Vice Pres., A. Bolano of the Park Gate Lions. 2nd V.P., Fred Ulrich of the Sunset Lions. Secretary, RON FAINA of the Geneva-Excelsior Lions. Treasurer, Bill Grohne of the SF Host Lions. The installation of these officers will be 2/10/79, at the Fort Mason Officers Club. 12.00 per.

Lion Ozzie Buoncristiani made a report about our club's visitation to the Half Moon Bay Lions on Dec. 18. Lions Farrah, Francesconi, Bello, Bottarini, Clews and Ozzie attended. We understand driving time was estimated at 20 minutes but required 90 minutes. What happened Lion Oz. Our Lions enjoyed the visit, particularly the round bought by Past District Governor Si Moyer. The Half Moon Bay Lions will visit our club soon. Lion Ozzie proposed a visitation to the Foster City Lions on Jan. 23. Lions agreeing to go are Tonelli, Bello, Farrah, San Filippo, Bottarini, Ferrera, Clews, Woodall, Francesconi and Gentile.

Lion Bob Dobbins held a prize drawing for the leaders of the Birthday Calendar sales. Four prizes were awarded and two were won by Lion Bill Tonelli (Goldfinger) and two won by Lion Dobbins.

It was announced that Lion Bill Shea's son Kevin played in the Blue-Gray football game. Kevin plays at St. Mary's, and he is a place kicker.

Lion Charlie Bottarini asked for more old newspapers at the collection bin located at Russia and Mission Sts. Please arrange with neighbors and friends to save their newspaper for this project.

Lion Frank Ferrera announced a Santa Rosa convention meeting will be held the evening of Jan. 11, at the home of President Farrah.

As many of us know, our flagstand has been easy to tip over. President Joe thanked Lion Handford Clews for repairing this problem.

"IMPORTANT". dues are payable. Please send your check to Lion Galdo Pavini. Financial Secretary Al Fregosi is on an extended vacation in Hawaii.

Coming Events:

- Jan. 3 -Meeting night. A board meeting will be conducted and all members are invited to attend.
- Jan. 9 -Tues. 10:00 A.M., help Lion Mike Spediacci hang banners in our meeting room at the L&L.
- Jan. 10 -Visitation by the San Bruno Lions.
- Jan. 11 -Convention meeting at the home of Lion Joe Farrah.
- Jan. 19 -Geneva-Excelsior Night at the Races. Contact Lion Ray Squeri for tickets. \$12.00 per, includes Club House ticket, program and buffet dinner. Bring your friends.
- Feb. 1-3-MD4 Covention in San Diego.
- March 16-New member recognition night. If you have a prospective member in mind, please invite him to a meeting during the month of January.
- May 2-6 -Santa Rosa Convention.

A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL.