# Geneva-Excelsior News

## April 1, 1998 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Ward Donnelly. A total of 12 members were in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bill Graziano, and the invocation was given by Gino Benetti.

Secretary Lyle Workman distributed to all of the members copies of Proposed Constitution & By Laws Changes, announcements and correspondence. He also read a letter from a Lion in France regarding his 17 year old son who will be visiting here during the month of July. He is seeking a local family, preferably with a teen age child or children, who will house the youth while he is here.

COMMITTEE REPORTS;

Y & C.A. Chairman Bill Graziano reported "the club did not have a good year on this project." Due to non-participation at Riordan High School and the Corpus Christi Don Bosco Club having a conflicting raffle, only a total of 366 raffle books were sold this year compared to 1,000 books being sold last year. He is also trying to track down an elusive former Granada Cafe bartender who has ten books of tickets.

Secretary Lyle Workman announced that the election of club officers for the coming year will take place at the coming April 8th meeting.

Program Chairman Giulio Francesconi announced that a representative from Bank of America will speak on Junior Achievement at the April 8th meeting.

Used Eyeglasses coordinator Charlie Bottarini reported he received bundles of glasses from Ray Squeri and Claire Holl. The turn-in to the district of this club's collection of glasses will be delayed until next year.

The club received from Al & Blanche Fregosi in Hawaii a gift box of chocolate covered macadamia nuts and a letter. They are having nice weather for their enjoyable vacation and golf. Al noted that the economy there has been so depressed that landmark Liberty House Department Stores are filing Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Thank you, Al & Blanche.

There were no Convention Raffle, Attendance Drawing or Mystery Lion.

BOARD MEETING

There was no old or new business brought up at the meeting. Since the treasurer was home busy preparing for April 15th, there was no Treasurer's Report either.

Attendance Ch'mn. Sam San Filippo reported that club attendance for the month of March was a poor 43%. Screening Ch'mn. Bill Graziano submitted an appeal from PDG Mike Newell to make a contribution to Burt Children's Center. The Board voted a \$200 contribution to same.

#### CONVENTION

Convention Chairman George Salet & Cathy hosted the first convention meeting on March 24th. Also in attendance were Handford Clews, Ward Donnelly and Joe Farrah. They decided to again participate in the Food Fair, serving cappucino and biscotti. Handford is working on a script for the Tail Twisters Contest and George is tossing around some apparel ideas. Joe & Emily Farrah will be hosting the next meeting, 7 P.M., Monday, April 13th. Attendees are requested to bring a blank check with them in order to complete registration.

#### STUDENT SPEAKERS

The Region 1 Student Speakers Runoff was held at The Granada Cafe on April 6th. It was chaired by Joe Farrah. Dick Johnson served as a teller, George Salet was the door guard, and Chas. Stuhr was in attendance. Ms. Lordes Libre, a freshman at Mercy H.S. of S.F., representing Zone 3 and the Mission Lions Club won the First Place \$125 award. Other speakers were Matthew Brady, a junior from S.I. representing Zone 1 and the Nikkei Lions Club, and Jeannine Louie, a junior from Mercy S.F. representing Zone 2 and this club. Judging the contest were Emily Powell Palmer, Dr. Maurice Fitzgerald, Nick Elchinoff and Frank Gelini, all of whom were Balboa High schoolmates with Joe Farrah. Lions and spouses from the Nikkei, Mission and Sunset Clubs were also in attendance.

### SHORTS

The Burlingame Lions Club is having its First Annual Golf Tournament Sunday, May 31 at the San Mateo Municipal Golf Course. Phone (650) 347-5436 for information.

On March 27 at Alameda Golf Course, Charlie Stuhr won the Regal of San Francisco Golf Club qualifying competition to represent the club in the Northern California 5th Annual Net Amateur Championships to be held at Poppy Hills Golf Course in September. In order to advance to the Championship round he must next compete and qualify at the Sectional qualifier to be held on July 31 at a local course yet to be named (probably Harding Park). Best of luck, Charlie!

Ward Donnelly's new residential address and telephone number are 147 Gramercy Drive, San Mateo, CA 94402, (650) 730-7968.

The Sunset Lions Club will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of its chartering on Wednesday, April 22nd at the Basque Cultural Center, \$25 per. Call Mel Friis at (650) 583-6988.

Is the club going to have a scholarship award competition this year?

## **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

4/10 Al Kleinbach, 4/17 Pat Pavini, 4/18 Galdo Pavini, 4/19 Marcy Stuhr

## **COMING EVENTS**

4/8 Program Meeting; 4/13 Convention Meeting; 4/22 Sunset L.C. Anniversary; 4/26 Annual Wine Tasting, \$20 per; District Student Speakers, 11 A.M., Millbrae Rec. Center; 5/13-17 District Convention, Radisson Hotel, Sacramento; 7/18 Club Installation; 7/25 District Installation