

Geneva-Excelsior News

Meeting of September 2, 1998

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Graziano. Baby Lion Bob Lawhon led in the Pledge to the Flag, and Joe Farrah gave the invocation. A total of fifteen members were in attendance. Charlie Bottarini acted as Tail Twister until George Salet arrived.

Committee Reports:

Membership Chairman George Salet reported he had nothing to report, but Bill Graziano reported he is working on prospect Al Lera.

Charity Raffle Chairman Dick Johnson announced early returns are coming in directly to him via self-addressed envelopes that went out in the initial mailing. He has in hand funds for 60 purchased tickets.

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman distributed the season's sheets for the participants.

Visitation Chairman Gino Benetti announced the San Bruno Lions Club will be visiting G.-E. at the next meeting.

Used eyeglasses coordinator Charlie Bottarini reported packets of glasses have been turned in to him by Al Gentile and Ray Squeri.

Giulio Francesconi announced he has an interesting program scheduled for the Ladies Night meeting of October 21st. The topic will be fraudulent scams targeting the elderly.

Joe Farrah reported that the August 26th S.F. Council meeting was attended by himself, Charlie Bottarini and Bill Graziano. Most of the discussion at that meeting was about how the outstanding policeman and fireman were to be nominated and selected for the Council's award night.

Mystery Lion Bob Lawhon had no victims. Absent Handford Clews missed out on \$2 in the Attendance Drawing.

Board Meeting

Since the club's treasurer was cruising, there was no Treasurer's Report.

The Secretary read a thank you note from Bill Tonelli for his 100% Attendance Award and the crystal candy bowl.

Delinquent dues from two members are forthcoming.

Lyle Workman informed the club he was ordering club and guest speaker banners.

Giulio Francesconi brought up the subject of used eyeglasses collection boxes to be placed in business establishments. The Board agreed to order some that are available through the supply catalog.

Ward Donnelly reported that club attendance for the month of August was 59%.

Meeting of September 9, 1998

The meeting was called to order by 1st V.P. Chas. Bottarini since Bill Graziano was on his annual golf escape with pals Les Doran and Gerald Lowe. A total of 12 members were in attendance. Pledge to the Flag was led by Sam San Filippo, and the invocation was given by Ron Faina. Acting Tail Twister Gino Benetti fined Lion Robert Lawhon because his pin was on his jacket, which was hanging on a chair. Ward Donnelly introduced himself as the club treasurer. Five visiting San Bruno Lions were

in attendance. They presented their club pin to Charles Bottarini. One of their members insisted on pinning the pin on Charlie. When he was finished he tried to steal the gavel but Charlie was too quick for him.

Committee Reports:

Charity Raffle Chairman Dick Johnson reported 96 tickets have been sold to date.

Giulio Francesconi spoke with Terence Lee, Ron Faina and Bruno Ceccarelli on the subject of re-instituting the club's scholarship project.

The scheduled October 21st Ladies Night will have Donna O'Neill-Francesconi as speaker. The dinner will be a choice of N.Y. steak, chicken or fish.

Program

The guest speaker was Greg Pabst, who has lived in S.F. for 30 years. He is a marketing director for a radio station, and is writing a book on S.F. history. He has been a member of City Guides for 11 years, and currently is attending S.F. State towards a degree in historical research. On October 31st, he will conduct a "Stroll Through The Excelsior." He passed out maps of the Excelsior before development. Real estate promoters started to market the area in the 1850s. The streets were named after nations because the planners were exporters and wished to give the area an international motif. The names on China, Japan and India Streets were changed because working class people wouldn't want to live on streets so named. There was no pin, banner or certificate to present to the speaker.

Gino Benetti conducted the Convention Raffle. The Faina-Francesconi team held the winning ticket but won only \$1 with their white golf ball. Al Gentile was the Mystery Lion. His only victim was the person who drove him to the meeting--Al Fregosi. (Thanks to Giulio Francesconi for taking bulletin notes.)

SHORTS

Ward Donnelly, Bill Graziano and Joe Farrah attended the Cabinet Meeting, where the new district rosters were distributed.

The second week of this month, Bill Graziano went with cronies to Whistler, Canada, while Joe & Emily Farrah took a Tauck Tour to Yellowstone Park, Mt. Rushmore and vicinity.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

9/14 Sam & Grace San Filippo; 9/16 Michelle Salet; 9/18 Al Gentile; 9/26 Mike & Lorraine Castagnetto; 9/27 Emma Giuffre; 9/28 Terence Lee; 10/1 George & Kathy Salet

COMING EVENTS

9/23 S.F. Council meeting at I.A.S.C. sponsored by Mission L.C.; 9/30 Golf Tournament & Bar-B-Q; 10/7 Board Meeting & Early Bird Drawing; 10/21 Ladies Night at Martinelli's; 11/18 49ers Night

Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

“Ladies Night”

Wednesday, October 21st

Martinelli's Steak Pit
1120 El Camino Real, Millbrae

Program

“Elder Angels”

Protecting Seniors From Financial Scams

No Host Bar - 6 P.M.

Dinner - 7 P.M.

Please call before October 11th for number attending and choice of entree:
N.Y. Steak, Chicken Saute Sec or Filet of Sole. Guests are welcome.

Complete dinner includes salad, relish tray, pasta, entree, wine, coffee and
ice cream. Cost per person \$18.95, includes tax and tip.

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