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## **December 8th Meeting**

This lunch meeting was held at the Italian-American Social Club. President Bill called the meeting to order and led us in the Pledge to the Flag. Bob Lawhon gave the invocation. He also conducted introductions. A total of 12 members were in attendance.

## **Committee Reports**

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon reminded members the next meeting will be the club's annual Christmas Party to take place at Rick's Restaurant.

Y & C A Chairman Joe Farrah reported Whitney Young Child Development Center took 250 books of raffle tickets to sell.

Two cartons of used eyeglasses were sent to the club by Bill Tonelli. Nice going, Bill.

Sam San Filippo drew Al Gentile's ticket in the Convention Raffle. Al came up with a \$4 winning white golf ball. Absent Ron Faina missed out on \$2 in the Attendance Drawing. The Mystery Lion is still mysterious.

# **December 15th Meeting**

This was the club's annual Christmas Party meeting, which took place at Rick's Restaurant on Taraval at 30th Ave. A total of 29 Lions, ladies and guests were in attendance. Everybody brought packages of toys to be distributed to needy children.

Songmaster Handford Clews distributed song sheets and led everybody in the singing of holiday songs. Most had difficulty with the high notes, but the spirit was there.

President Bill Graziano distributed 100% Attendance Pins to those Lions who earned them, and special award pins to Handford Clews and Giulio Francesconi for sponsoring new members to the club.

Lyle Workman sent over a large carton of year 2000 calendars for anybody who would like to have some. The variety of calendars had scenes from bathing beauties to vintage automobiles, and apparently were samples for advertisers. This deed was thoughtful of you, Lyle.

Visitation Chairman Charlie Bottarini reports he obtained a copy of the new district roster from Cabinet Treasurer Art Pignati so now Charlie can proceed to schedule some visitations. District Governor Jack Wolf informed the club that the new district rosters were distributed at the 2nd cabinet meeting in Carmel and that three copies were mailed to each club that wasn't represented at the cabinet meeting. To date nobody, including Zone Chairman Lyle Workman, in this club has received a copy of the roster. Sounds like a communication problem.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon is to be praised for the good job he did in organizing the dinner-party.

#### SHORTS

Did you know that the Pacifica Lions Club was originally chartered 50 years ago as the North Coast Lions Club? The charter is on display at Nick's Rockaway Beach Restaurant.

Gino Benetti has been undergoing a battery of physical tests. Colon cancer has been detected, so Gino will have surgery for same after the first of the year. The club wishes for Gino to have a rapid recovery.

## **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

12/26 Ben Spiteri, Wanda Greer; 1/4 George Salet; 1/11 Annette Spiteri; 1/14 Joe Farrah; 1/15 Ward Donnelly

## **COMING EVENTS**

January is the customary month for the first convention meeting and the nomination of officers meeting to be held. Look and listen for notices of these meetings.

1/5 Board Meeting, 1/12 Lunch Meeting Governor's visit, 1/15 Lions Eye Foundation meeting in Modesto; 2/4-2/6 MD4 Convention at Primm, Nevada, 2/26 Student Speakers Contest, 5/11-14 District Convention