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March 7th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Ward. Pledge to the Flag was led by Steve Kish, and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 18 members were in attendance. Acting Tail-Twister Bob Lawhon conducted introductions Galdo Pavini brought to the club's attention the fact that he acquired missing name plates of all Lions Eye Foundation Life Members and Helen Keller Awardees and affixed them in an orderly fashion on the club's banner. Well done, Galdo..

Committee Reports

Crab Feed Chairman George Salet reported the event was a success. A total net profit of about \$7,500 was earned. This amount was a little less than last year due mainly to the increased cost of the 1,750 pounds of crab consumed. George extended thanks to all who worked. A discussion followed on how to improve the running of the raffle. Bob Fenech volunteered to oversee the acquisition and gathering of raffle prizes next year.

Y & C A Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported that the project is not quite wrapped up. He has about a 90% turn-in from club members. He and Diane will be attending the April 7th Drawing/Dinner, and he invited other members to also attend.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon announced that the speaker at the March 21st meeting will be Mrs. Gloria Watson. Her topic will be the Lions Blind Foundation. A person representing the National Lung Association will speak at the April 11th lunch meeting.

Ward Donnelly gave a report on the February 28th meeting of the S.F. Council hosted by the Ocean-Ingelside Lions Club. A problem the Council is experiencing is that not enough member clubs are paying their annual pledge.

Ron Seward sold convention raffle tickets. Steve Kish drew the winning ticket held by Johnson/Pavini. Dick Johnson grabbed only a \$4 winning white golf ball from the pouch. Ron Seward was the winner of \$4 in the Attendance Drawing. Ted Wildenradt was the Mystery Lion but declared no victims because Ted "was out of circulation."

March 14th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Ward. Pledge to the Flag was led by Ron Seward, and Al Gentile gave the invocation. A total of 12 members were in attendance. President Ward reminded the club that a nomination of officers committee meeting will immediately follow the next regular meeting. The attendance of all past-presidents is requested for this meeting.

Committee Reports

Y & C A Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported seven members still have not turned in their raffle tickets, stubs and/or receipts. Come on, you Lions, don't make Dick beg for your cooperation.

Visitation Chairman Bill Graziano confirmed that this club will be visiting the San Bruno Lions at their dinner-meeting to be held next Tuesday, March

20th at the 16 Mile House, 448 Broadway, Millbrae. Let Bill know if you will be making the visit.

President Ward informed the club he had a visit from Convention Chairman Charley Bottarini the prior day. Because of leg pain Charley is suffering, Charley won't be attending the convention but will assist the club in preparing for same. Ward announced that a convention meeting will be held. Ward reminded members that their cost for attending the convention is picked up by the club.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon reminded members that the program speaker at the next meeting will be Gloria Watson. Her topic will be Lions Club Blind Centers, Assisting the visually impaired. Gloria and her husband Don are past presidents of Lions Clubs in the East Bay.

Ron Seward conducted the Convention Raffle. He selected a winning ticket held by the team of Gentile/Farrar. Joe Farrar came up with only a \$3 winning white golf ball. Joe and Al don't golf so the ball was passed down to Dick Johnson. Joe won an additional \$2 in the Attendance Drawing. Late arriving Mystery Lion Aaron Straus wasn't allowed to claim any victims.

SHORTS

Al Gentile has rented a trailer-house at Clear Lake for two months. He will be there maxing out on fishing while making weekend visits to his condo in San Mateo.

Seen having dinner at The Granada Wednesday was Louis Coscarelli. Louis was former manager of the Italian-American Social Club. His father Rocco Coscarelli was proprietor of Rocco's Restaurant (formerly The Owl) in the forties and fiftys. Lou is now living in the hamlet of West Point near Jackson, CA.

Mrs. Sam Jordan phoned a club member regarding Y & C A tickets. She also wanted the club to know that long time Lion Sam has been bed-ridden for three years.

COMING EVENTS

3/20 Visit to San Bruno Lions; 3/21 Program Meeting, Nomination of Officers; 4/4 Board Meeting; 4/7 Y & C A Drawing; 4/29 Wine Tasting; 5/2 - 5/6 District Convention

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

3/22 Paul Corvi; 4/10 Al Kleinbach