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June 13 meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Ward Donnelly. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Handford Clews, and Ted Wildenradt gave the invocation. A total of 13 members were in attendance. President Ward circulated a letter from Lion Jacques Domon of France, in which he thanked Ward for our club banner given him on his visit to San Francisco.

Incoming zone chairman Bill Graziano reported on his indoctrination session in Walnut Creek where incoming cabinet officers from three districts were assembled. Bill also announced particulars on the July 7th Installation of Officers dinner being held at the Olympic Club. The dinner will be held in a private room holding up to 50 people, and there will be dancing. Officiating as installing officer will be this club's own PDG Barney Worken. Entree choices will be prime rib, chicken or salmon. Cost per person will be \$45, which will include cocktails and wine. It is important that you get your checks made out to the club and your entree choices in to Bill's hands no later than June 30th.

Committee Reports

Golf Chairman Lyle Workman reported flyers for the event will be out by the end of the week. Cost of the bar-b-q will be \$35. Joe Farrah recommended that the size of the steaks be reduced a little.

A large sack of used eyeglasses was dropped off by an unknown person.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon announced that a representative of Friends of the Urban Forest will be speaking at the next meeting.

The Mystery Lion continued to remain a mystery. Giulio Francesconi donated the \$2 he won in the Attendance Drawing to the convention fund.

June 20th Meeting

This Ladies Night meeting at Bertolucci's Restaurant was called to order by President Ward Donnelly. Pledge to the Flag was led by Bob Lawhon, and Charles Bottarini gave the invocation. A total of 11 Lions were in attendance in addition to the following ladies: Vernelle Wildenradt, Patricia Pavini, Diane Johnson, Margot Clews, Estelle Bottarini and Lorraine Castagnetto.

Program

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon introduced Mr. Chris Buck, Educational Coordinator of Friends of the Urban Forest. Mr. Buck, a certified arborist, informed the club that since 1981 their community-based tree plantings have literally transformed San Francisco's cityscape. All told, FUF has helped plant more than 30 percent of the city's street trees! And they've done it all in partnership with people like us--concerned San Franciscans who want to have a positive impact on their neighborhood and our city's environment.

Whether you want to plant a tree in front of your house or help organize a planting in your neighborhood, it begins with a phone call, email, or visit to their website (www.fuf.net). Their trained

staff and volunteers will help you every step of the way to make sure your planting is successful.

They help organize your planting and provide assistance in recruiting volunteers.

They arrange for permits, sidewalk cutting, delivery of trees and other preparations.

All you have to do is contact your neighbors, attend a community meeting, select your tree--and get ready to dig!

On your Planting Day, your group is joined by their corps of trained volunteers for a morning of rewarding work planting trees--and a neighborhood pot luck lunch. Then, as your trees grow, their experts remain on call to advise you on proper tree care. They even have a low-cost tree care program to ensure your trees become established, develop well and have healthy futures.

What Trees Do For You

Trees fight pollution by filtering particulates from the air and releasing oxygen.

Trees increase privacy and help absorb traffic noise.

Trees create relaxing, beautiful and healthy spaces.

Trees provide habitat for the city's birds, squirrels and other wildlife.

Trees shelter your home from strong winds, and reduce energy bills.

Trees reduce reflected heat and glare.

Trees provide city streets with seasonal color and fragrance.

Trees enhance property values. A row of mature street trees increases property values by 20%.

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SHORTS

The Cabinet Installation honoring District Governor Art Pignati is being held Saturday, July 21st at Green Hills Country Club in Millbrae. No host cocktails 6:30 P.M., dinner 7:30 P.M., entertainment and dancing 9 P.M. to midnight. Checks @ \$50 per made out to District 4-C4 should be mailed to Lion Paul Bourque, 1070 Clearfield Drive, Millbrae, CA 94030. Indicate this club's name and names of the people attending. There should be a good representation from the Geneva-Mission Club because Bill Graziano is being installed as zone chairman at this ceremony.

COMING EVENTS

7/3 Board meeting; 7/7 Installation of officers; 7/11 Lunch meeting; 7/18 Golf tournament and bar-b-q; 7/21 Cabinet Installation

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

6/27 Ben & Annette Spiteri; 7/1 Bruno Ceccarelli; 7/4 Jennifer Ceccarelli; 7/9 Bob Lawhon, Dick & Diane Johnson