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March 6th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Al Gentile. Pledge to the Flag was led by Galdo Pavini, and Dick Johnson gave the invocation. A total of 17 members were in attendance. Visiting were four members of the Foster City Lions Club. Al circulated raffle tickets for the drawing to take place at the March 9th Woodall benefit Crab Feed. The waitress at The Granada Cafe found in their basement a cigar box full of past-presidents' and other Lion pins. Among the P.P. pins in the collection are Zagorewicz, Tonelli, Farrah, San Filippo and Morey. Even the Corina Larks 7/\$1.00 box itself must now be a collector's item.

Committee Reports

Crab Feed Chairman George Salet thanked all of the members who worked to make the event the most successful ever. It earned a net profit of \$8,482. While George had everybody's attention, he distributed circulars announcing the district's 54th Annual Youth & Community Activities drawing and dinner being held at the I.A.S.C. on Saturday, April 12th. Checks made out to District 4-C4 @ \$28 should be mailed to George for reservations to the dinner, which will be an entree choice of Italian Roast Beef or Roasted Chicken.

Bob Fenech gave a report on the 3 1/2 hour Feb. 27th S.F. Council meeting he attended, which was sponsored by the Ocean-Ingelside Lions.

Dick Johnson reminded members of the upcoming district convention and asked for a show of hands of those intending to attend. He set the 5:30 to 6:30 hour prior to the next March 13th meeting as the first convention meeting.

President Al asked if there were any more nominations for next year's club offices. None were made so the following list of nominees was read: President: Bob Fenech; Treasurer: Handford Clews; Secretary: Ward Donnelly; 1st V.P.: Bob Lawhon; 2nd V.P.: Dick Johnson; Lion Tamer: Ted Wildenradt; Tail Twister: Al Gentile; Membership Chairman: Bob Lawhon; Directors 2 years: Ed Damonte, Joe Farrah, Aaron Straus, Muhandra Dave; Directors 1 year: Chas. Bottarini, Bill Graziano, George Salet, Mike Castagnetto, Lyle Workman

Mike Castagnetto held the winning ticket in the Convention Raffle but it won him only \$4 and a white golf ball. Mahendra Dave won \$27 in the Attendance Drawing and donated same back to the club. Nice show, Muhandra. Mystery Lion George Salet nailed Dick Johnson as his victim.

March 13th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Acting President Bob Fenech. Pledge to the Flag was led by Ward Donnelly, and Joe Farrah gave the invocation. A total of 9 of this club's members were in attendance in addition to Estelle Bottarini and Emily Farrah. Also in attendance were Region 1 Chairperson Jocelyn Mina and members of the Ocean Ingelside and Golden Gate Lion Clubs. Charlie Bottarini announced that Steve Currier, President of the Outer Mission Residents' Association, will be at the next meeting to speak on the playground project for Crocker-Amazon Park at Geneva & Moscow Sts.

Dick Johnson presided at a pre-meeting convention meeting. Dick reported that momentum for attendance to the district convention is growing and that 16 to 18 people have made commitments so far. Dick has the registration forms and would like to hear from other members. The golf tournament and convention will take place in Sacramento May 2 - 5.

Zone 3 Student Speakers Contest

The meeting was turned over to Zone Chairman Bill Graziano to conduct the runoff among the winners of three club contests in his Zone 3. This year's topic is "Energy: Where Is The Future?" The contestants, all excellent and well-prepared speakers, were Joyce Yuan, a junior from Lowell High School representing the Golden Gate Club, Clara Porter, a senior from Lowell High School representing the Ocean-Ingelside Club, and Benjamin Leong, a senior from St. Ignatius High School representing the Geneva-Mission Club. Joyce Yuan was declared the contest winner and was presented with her framed certificate and \$75 award. She will now advance to compete in the Region 1 runoff taking place at the Ocean-Ingelside clubhouse at 3:30 P.M. on Saturday, April 6th. Region 1 Chairperson Jocelyn Mina will be conducting that runoff. The winner of the Region 1 runoff will then face the winners of the Region 2 and 3 runoffs at the district runoff taking place at the Millbrae Library at 1 P.M., Saturday, April 27th. District Student Speaker Chairman Richard Bortolin from the Millbrae Lions Club will be conducting the district contest.

The highly qualified judges for the Zone Contest were John Forsyth, a criminal defense attorney and friend of Paul Corvi, Maurice Fitzgerald, a retired professor of English from College of San Mateo, and Emily Powell Palmer, a retired executive, active member of Toastmasters International, and long-time President of the Balboa Alumni Association Fitzgerald, Palmer and Joe Farrah were all classmates at Balboa High School. The judges were invited to speak so they each praised the speakers and wished them continued success with their future education. The speakers were also given an opportunity to talk about their activities, goals, and to introduce their parents. Photographs were taken and will be presented to the subjects.

Bill Graziano was organized and did a professional job in conducting the contest. He demonstrated he is prepared to be elevated to higher levels within Lionism.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

3/22 Paul Corvi; 3/28 Alice Worken

COMING EVENTS

3/20 Program meeting; 4/3 Board meeting; 4/6 Region 1 Student Speakers runoff; 4/13 Y & C A Drawing Dinner; 4/27 District Student Speakers runoff; 5/2 - 5/5 District Convention