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November 6th Visit

Bob Fenech and Joe Farrah were the only members from this club to make the visit to the Daly City Host Lions Club lunch meeting at the Sizzler Restaurant. Nobody there was aware that a visitation was scheduled. They had 17 members in attendance, although Jack Giusto wasn't there as he said he would, and the club appears to be active with several ongoing community projects.

November 6th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Fenech. Pledge to the Flag was led by Bob Fenech, and Dick Johnson gave the invocation. A total of 13 members were in attendance. President Bob announced that because of a conflict at The Granada, the December 4th meeting will be a lunch meeting and the December 11th meeting will be a dinner meeting.

Governor's Visit

Making their annual official visit to the club were District Governor Michelle Jester, Vice-District Governor Jocelyn Mina and Cabinet Secretary Maxine Frazier. The governor urged each Lion member to make an effort to recruit at least one new member during the year.

Ted Wildenradt came up with only a \$4-winning white golf ball in the Convention Raffle. Mystery Lion George Salet deflated Ted's convention raffle win by pointing him out as a non-hand shaking victim. Absent Galdo Pavini missed out on \$4 in the Attendance Drawing. (Thanks to Ward Donnelly for taking bulletin notes.)

November 13th Meeting

This lunch meeting was called to order by President Bob Fenech. Pledge to the Flag was led by Bob Fenech, and Al Gentile gave the invocation. A total of 15 members were in attendance. President Bob announced that the transfer of Sheriar Irani has been effected so he is now an official member of this club. Bob also reminded members that next week's meeting of November 20th is a ladies night at Bertolucci's. The program speaker will be S.F. 49ers travel director F. Hall. Program Chairman Bob Lawhon needs a body count so notify him at (415) 566-3972 if you will be attending. Another reminder is that this club will be visiting the San Bruno Lions next Tuesday, November 19th, 7 P.M. at the 16 Mile House in Millbrae.

Committee Reports

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Al Gentile reported a total of 240 raffle tickets have been sold/purchased to date, and he has pledges for a few more. This is crunch time so make an effort to help the club sell out its goal of 275 tickets.

Entertainment Book Chairman Aaron Straus reported the club must sell at least an additional 24 books to meet its commitment. Aaron is arranging to distribute Thanksgiving food baskets to needy Mission Educational Center families. Aaron also brought to the club's attention the facts that Friday, December 20th has been set as the date this club will be bringing Santa Claus to the Mission Educational Center and a member must step forward to be "Santa," and others are needed to assist. Also, a work party at the meeting of December 18th will be assembling gift bags for the 140 students at M.E.C. It will be great if any Lions have sources to acquire gift items such as school supplies, pencils, rulers, apples, oranges, etc. Beg or barter where possible.

Youth & Community Activities Chairman Dick Johnson reported that the raffle tickets are now available, and the club will initially be ordering 1,425 books of same for its members and participating groups. Dick stressed the need for individual member support to buy or sell their minimum allotment of 4 books. Don't put them in a desk drawer and forget about them.

Board Meeting

Secretary Ward Donnelly reported the club received letters of gratitude from St. Luke's Hospital and the National Association for the Visually Handicapped.

Muhandra Dave presented to the club information about a "Primer" instrument which can be used with a TV screen to magnify images for visually impaired people. The cost is only \$295 and the Primer can be put to good use at senior centers such as the Neighborhood Senior Club at 515 Cortland Ave., with which Muhandra is familiar.

There was no Mystery Lion. Whom did you appoint, George Salet? Aaron Straus departed the meeting early so he missed out on \$4 in the Attendance Drawing. Bob Fenech observed that if Aaron was present to collect his \$4, Aaron could have paid back to Bob the \$1 fine Bob advanced on Aaron's behalf.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

11/20 Kathy Salet; 11/27 Chas. & Estelle Bottarini; 12/4 Blanche Fregosi; 12/7 Victoria Spiteri

COMING EVENTS

11/15-16 2nd Cabinet Meeting; 11/19 Visit San Bruno Lions; 11/20 49er Ladies Night at Bertolucci's; 11/24 Charity Raffle drawing; 12/4 Lunch meeting; 12/11 Dinner meeting

Dr. Bernard M. Worken, PDG passed away in Reno on October 22nd at the age of 84. He served in the U.S. Air Force during WW II. He became a member of the Mission Lions Club when the club was chartered in 1944, and became the club president in 1948. He was a founding member of the Lions Eye Foundation, and became this district's governor for the term 1971-72. "Barney" was a practicing optometrist in the Mission District for many years. The club extends its sympathy to Alice and the Worken family.

San Bruno Lion, past-president and life-member Henry "Hank" Sari, passed away October 17th at the age of 71. He and Iole, his wife for 46 yeears, were the owners of "The Man," a clothing store on San Mateo Ave. in San Bruno, for 27 years. Hank served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, and was a past deputy district governor. During his retirement, Hank traveled to antique shows with Iole and showing their wares under the name of "Hank's Things."

It is nice to see Steve Currier back to his old self after his recent bout with pneumonia.