



# GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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## May 3rd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Lawhon. Pledge to the Flag was led by a visiting police officer, and the invocation was given by Lyle Workman. A total of ten members were in attendance. George Salet hosted for wine.

Invited visitors were two veteran police officers from the Ingelside Precinct. They are Craig Wilson and Mike Peretoy. They talked about increased robbery and mugging crimes at the Geneva/Mission intersection and decoy teams put in place there to apprehend perpetrators.

President Bob announced that the district governor and his cabinet will be making their official visit to this club at the next meeting. He reported that he had attended the most recent meeting of the S.F. Council. This took place at 19th Ave. & Taraval, and was hosted by the Sunset Lions Club, which was celebrating its 50th Charter Anniversary. Bob informed the club that the winner of the district student speaker contest is Jesse Anne Sloan representing the Half Moon Bay Lions Club.

## Program

President Bob introduced Janet Murray, Program Director of AARP Money Management out of Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services, Inc. Their e mail, address and telephone # are [bayviewadhc@aol.com](mailto:bayviewadhc@aol.com), 1250 LaSalle St., S.F. 94124, (415) 826-4774. Begun in 1981, the Money Management program offers daily money management service to help low income older or disabled people who have difficulty budgeting, paying routine bills and keeping track of financial matters. Bill payer volunteers provide checkbook balancing and bill paying services for persons who remain in control of their finances but need some help keeping things in order. Phone the above number if you know of anybody in need of the described service or if you are interested in being a volunteer.

Mystery Lion Dick Johnson had no victims.

## May 17th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Lawhon. Pledge to the Flag was led by a visiting police officer, and Emily Powell gave the invocation. A total of 10 members were in attendance. A guest of Emily Powell was Balboa teacher Susan Ritter, who guides the production of *The Galleon*. President Bob announced the following upcoming events: May 27th Charter Night & Installation of Officers of SF Circle and SF Premier Lion Clubs; July 16th District Four C-4 Installation of Cabinet Officers at Sheraton Gateway Hotel, 600 Airport Blvd., Burlingame, \$55 per. Contact Al Thomas at (650) 493-4476.

## Committee Reports

Aaron Straus reported that only he, Ward Donnelly and Handford & Margot Clews represented this club at the recent district convention. They distributed 125 turnovers at the club's booth at the food fair. Aaron further reported that Y & C A prize checks have been distributed to the club's winners.

Emily Powell briefed the club on the attempt by the S.F. School District to transfer a charter school called Leadership School from San Miguel into Balboa. This move with two schools sharing one campus can cause disruption and problems. Emily also brought to the club's attention that Lions and Lion Clubs were mentioned four times in the most recent edition of *The Gangplank*, of which she is editor. This publication goes out to 8,400 alumni.

Ingelside police officers Herb Najarro and Callaghan were visitors. They fielded questions from the members about graffiti and local crime.

A guest was Mary Pryor, Director of St. Mary's Adult Health Center. She thanked the club for the continuing support given the center. As a demonstration of the Center's gratitude, the Center is going to have a Lions Club logo affixed onto one of its vans.

## Cabinet Visit

This meeting was the occasion of the district governor and his cabinet making their official visit to the club. Visiting were District Governor Eugene Chan, Region One Chairperson Thelma Ajaro, Cabinet Secretary Emil Kantola, and



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Coordinating Secretary Esther Lee. Governor Chan answered questions about the formation of the two new San Francisco Lion Clubs about to be chartered. He also reviewed the issues that brought about the controversy of two Leo Clubs at Lowell High School. He proposed that the controversy be resolved by inviting all of the members in the two Leo Clubs to democratically vote on which Lion Club they want to choose as their guiding club and leader. This proposal was well received. The governor urged all incoming club officers to attend the May 30th Officers Training at Foster City Recreation Center.

## **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

5/5 Ted & Vernelle Wildenradt; 5/14 Jim & Marilyn Kerr

## **COMING EVENTS**

6/7 Board Meeting

## **SHORTS**

Galdo Pavini had a pacemaker implanted on May 5th. The club wishes this procedure will be very beneficial to Galdo.

Handford Clews is experiencing pain in his right knee which precluded him from attending the district convention and participating in the golf tournament there. The club wishes for Handford's physician to produce relief for Handford.

Aaron Straus has taken on a part-time position as Director of Travelers Aid Services at SFO.

The tentative date and location for the club's annual installation of officers is Saturday, July 8th at the Lakeside Olympic Club.

Lorraine Castagnetto recently underwent lung surgery at Seton Hospital, where she was a patient for ten days. Mike is overseeing her post-operative care. The club wishes Lorraine a fast recovery.