



# GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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## **August 2nd Installation of Officers**

The club's 56th Installation of Officers dinner took place at the I.A.S.C. A total of 29 members, wives, friends and guests were in attendance. Among the attendees was the incoming Zone 3 Chairman Robert Ramos from the Hispanic Club. The meeting was called to order by outgoing President Robert Lawhon. Al Gentile led in the Pledge to the Flag, and Galdo Pavini delivered a beautifully composed invocation. District Chaplin George Habeeb's job is in jeopardy.

Master of Ceremonies Joe Farrah introduced PDG Art Pignati from the Millbrae Lions Club, who officiated as Installing Officer. Art ceremoniously swore all of the incoming officers into their new positions. Bob Lawhon gave a "Year In Review" speech and then presented to Mike Castagnetto a Lion Of the Year award. Congratulations, Mike, for all of your dedicated service to the club and for making the dinner arrangements at the I.A.S.C. Bob Fenech accepted the title of club president in his response speech.

Outgoing Secretary Bre-Martinez Jones distributed new name badges to all Lions present. It was learned that Bre proudly wore a Lions badge on her wedding gown July 15th. This is most certainly a first in Lionism. The photo of bride Bre wearing this badge is going to be sent in to *The Lion* magazine.

Charity Raffle Co-Chairmen Dick Johnson and Bob Lawhon distributed printouts of raffle ticket purchasers. Members are asked to promptly notify Dick and/or Bob of name, address changes and deletions.

## **August 16th Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by Acting President Bre Jones. Pledge to the Flag was led by Bob Lawhon, and Charlie Bottarini gave the invocation. Wine was hosted by Dick Johnson. A total of nine members were in attendance. Al Gentile conducted introductions. Dick Johnson tried a new ploy claiming his Lions pin somehow "fell off."

## **Committee Reports**

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported the drawing date is November 26th at the I.A.S.C.

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman distributed printouts of participants in same. Members are urged to contact names on their sheets and to get their \$100 checks to Lyle.

## **Cabinet Visit**

This meeting was the occasion of an official visit to the club of the district governor and members of his cabinet. In attendance were District Governor Al Russell, Vice-District Governor Maxine Frazier, Region 1 Chairperson Thelma Ajero, and Zone 3 Chairman Roberto Ramos. Governor Al gave a "State of the District" talk and fielded questions from club members. The governor informed the club an effort is being made to organize a new club in the Bayview/Hunters Point district, Belmont, and a new San Mateo Metropolitan Club. Governor Al announced the first Cabinet Meeting will be held August 26th at Parkway Heights Middle School, 825 Parkway, So. San Francisco. Breakfast served at 8:30 A.M. A \$15 charge will include two meals. To secure your reservation, mail your check payable to "District 4-C4" to Lion Thelma Ajero, 780 Beechwood Drive, Daly City 94015. There will be three breakout sessions covering White Cane Day, LYCA, and Peace Poster, and reports will be brief. He also announced an orientation seminar for club committee chairpeople has been scheduled for September 20th. The new district rosters will be distributed at the cabinet meeting. 1,000 are being printed and they will be free of charge. Zone 3 Chairman Roberto Ramos announced his Hispanic Club will be hosting the August 23rd meeting of the S.F. Council of Lion Clubs.

## **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

8/13 Bre Martinez-Jones; 8/30 Marilyn Squeri; 9/1 Pat Ferrera, Rosalinda Corvi; 9/2 Diane Johnson, Sheriar Irani; 9/11 Al Fregosi



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## COMING EVENTS

8/23 S.F. Council meeting; 8/26 Cabinet meeting; 9/6 Board Meeting; 9/20 Orientation for committee chairpeople; 11/26 Charity Raffle drawing

## SHORTS

Aaron Straus announces 2007 Entertainment Books are now ready. The current books expire November 1, 2006. This club is again selling the S.F./San Mateo Entertainment books for 2007 at \$25 per book, and the book is available now and can be used immediately. Contact Aaron at (650) 991-4944 to order. Books for other regions are also available.

The Lionette's Annual Lunch which was scheduled for August 26th at the I.A.S.C. has been canceled due to minimal response.

Aaron Straus will be departing the end of this month for three weeks in Europe.