



GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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Internet Users

A hard copy of this issue of the club bulletin is being mailed to you because it has an updated club roster and a current listing of club and district officers and club committee chairmen. You are urged to retain this bulletin to be used for addresses and telephone numbers during the administrative year.

September 6th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Fenech. Pledge to the Flag was led by the president, and Dick Johnson gave the invocation. A total of nine members were in attendance. President Bob announced the Ocean-Ingleside Club is going to have an installation of officers dinner at the I.A.S.C. on Sept. 24th. Contact Katie Dawson at (415) 239-2702.

Committee Reports

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon announced that a representative from the Children's Council of S.F. will be speaking at the next meeting. Bob circulated flyers announcing the upcoming Tuesday, October 17th 49er Night at the Cliff House Restaurant. This replaces the Wednesday meeting of that week. Gold Rush cheerleaders in costume will be there for photo taking. Joe Starkey, the "Voice of the 49ers" will also be there. Dinner including wine is \$45. Notify Bob Lawhon at (415) 519-3972 if you will be attending.

Aaron Straus reminded members Entertainment Books for both San Francisco and San Mateo Counties are available @ \$25.

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported the raffle tickets will be mailed out within the next two weeks. The Early Bird drawing will take place at the October 4th meeting.

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman distributed packets to all participating members present. No squares are available. Good job, Lyle.

Mystery Lion Ward Donnelly named Emily Powell as a victim. Aaron Straus missed out on \$13 in the Attendance Drawing.

Board Meeting

An appropriation of \$115 for sharing a booth and \$400 for a booklet ad at the Excelsior Festival was approved.

In a discussion regarding 49er Night, the board confirmed that a total dinner and wine cost for members and their invited guests are to be borne by them – not subsidized by club funds.

On a proposal submitted by board member Emily Powell, the club is granting \$150 per month through June 2007 to Balboa High School to help purchase food, healthy snacks and beverages for needy energetic students at their activity meetings. This money will be administered by Student Association Advisor Susan Ritter.

Ward Donnelly reported attendance for the month of August was 51%.

September 20th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Fenech, who also led in the Pledge to the Flag. Bill Graziano gave the invocation. Wine was hosted by Dick Johnson. A total of ten members were in attendance. Bob Lawhon conducted introductions. A visitor was recently-married Angela Louie Howard, who is with Family Connection. Bob Lawhon circulated photos taken at the club Installation of Officers dinner.

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Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported the drawing date is Sunday, November 26th at the I.A.S.C. The mailing of letters to former ticket purchasers went out last week. About fifty checks have been received in response to this mailing. Dick brought to the club's attention the fact it's work is cut out. Last year only 238 out of 275 tickets were sold/purchased. The club has since experienced more attrition of members. At least 50 to 60 new purchasers need to be found to make up for the shortfall. People should know that first prize in this drawing is \$12,500. Also, all ticket purchasers and their guests are entitled to the dinner served at the drawing. Bob Lawhon stated he will promote the raffle next



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Wednesday's meeting of the S.F. Council hosted by the Chinatown Lions Club at the Far East Café.

Visitation Chairman Joe Farrah reported that because he now has a proof copy of the new district directory, he can start scheduling club visits. Finished district directories are on the way.

Program

President Bob introduced Phyllis Mason, Director of Development at the Children's Council of San Francisco. Ms. Mason informed the club the mission of this organization is to meet family needs for high-quality child care in all S.F. communities. Since 1973, they have been helping families find and pay for child care. They provide more than 4,000 free child care referrals each year. Total revenue and support received by Children's Council for the last year was \$43,819. They are located at 445 Church St., S.F., (415) 276-2900, www.childrenscouncil.org. The speaker gifted all present with tote bags containing informative literature and pens.

Charlie Bottarini conducted the Convention Raffle. Bre Jones held the winning ticket but came up with only a \$2 Titleist golf ball. Absent Jerry Lowe missed out on \$3 in the Attendance Drawing. When no Mystery Lion stood up, Bob Lawhon announced, "Ward was the last one."

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

9/18 Al Gentile; 9/21 Aaron Straus; 9/26 Mike & Lorraine Castagnetto; 9/28 Terence Lee; 10/1 George & Kathy Salet; 10/10 Donna Francesconi

COMING EVENTS

10/4 Board Meeting; 10/8 Excelsior Festival; 10/17 49er Night at the Cliff House; 11/26 Charity Raffle Drawing.