

GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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May 2nd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Fenech, who led in the Pledge to the Flag. Al Gentile gave the invocation. A total of 11 members were in attendance. Secretary Ward read letters of gratitude from the National Ass'n. For Visually Handicapped and Emily Powell for Balboa Student Government fund. This club's support was recognized in the Balboa Alumni publication *Gangplank*. President Bob represented this club at the April 30th Charter Night of the Bayview/Hunters Point Lions Club at Fanatics Restaurant on Pier 80. Approximately 120 people were there. Installing officer PDG Bob Marshall inducted 22 new Lions. Also in attendance were DG Al Russell, Vice-DG Maxine Frazier, PDG Mel Phillips and San Francisco Supervisor Sophie Maxwell.

Committee Reports

Convention Chairman Ward Donnelly reported only from this club Bre Jones and Handford Clews and their spouses will be attending the district convention.

Bill Graziano and Bre Jones reported the following from raffle tickets purchased or sold through this club were winners in the Y & C A drawing: \$1,000 to "St. Paul 48," \$100 each to members Ernie Braun and Barbary Coast Investigations, and five \$50 winners. Results of total club sales were not yet available.

The previously announced June 29th date and venue of this club's Installation of Officers are being re-considered. Incoming president Bre Jones has promised a St. Honore cake as a special dessert.

Attendance Chairman Ward Donnelly reported attendance for the month of April was 41%.

The year's final Convention Raffle drawing took place. After many futile attempts and many golf balls, the pot of \$105 was won by Bre Jones. Absent Ted Wildenradt missed out on \$11 in the Attendance Drawing. Mystery Lion Mike Castagnetto had no victims.

May 16th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Fenech, who led in the Pledge to the Flag. Joe Farrah gave the invocation with a special prayer for the rescue of the three captured soldiers in Iraq. A total of 9 members were in attendance. Dick Johnson hosted for wine.

Secretary Ward Donelly read announcements of upcoming Installation of Officers for the following clubs: Castro, Sunset and San Bruno. This club will have its annual Installation of Officers Dinner Friday, July 20th at the Olympic Club. Ward also read a letter of gratitude from the newly chartered Bayview/Hunters Point Lions Club for the \$100 contribution this club made to them.

President Bob announced that Norm Coleman will be a program speaker at the June 20th meeting. His topic will be legendary baseball player Ty Cobb of the Detroit Tigers. He also announced there will be no meeting Wednesday, July 4th.

Handford Clews gave the club his observations of activities and events at the district convention in Sacramento. This club won First Place in sales of Y & C A raffle tickets. John & Bre Jones won the Paddle Boat Races. Roberto Ramos, current Zone 3 Chairman, has been appointed incoming Region 1 Chairman.

Joe Farrrah volunteered to do a new member recruiting walk through the Mission St. and Geneva Ave. business corridors. He proposes to have a supply of the "Who Are the Lions" pamphlets to distribute and will invite Al Gentile and Bob Fenech to join him on the walk. Any member with a quantity of the pamphlets is asked to make them available to Joe.

No Mystery Lion rose to identify himself. Mike Castagnetto was the Mystery Lion at the previous meeting. The same Mike Castagnetto missed out on \$14.75 in the Attendance Drawing.



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BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

5/22 Anne Benetti; 5/26 Ed & Bobbi Damonte, Estelle Bottarini, Sophie Zagorewicz; 5/27 Rose Fraher; 5/28 Linnie Faina; 6/1 Emily Farrah, Paul & Rosalinda Corvi

COMING EVENTS

6/6 Board meeting; 6/20 Program meeting; July 4th meeting cancelled; 7/20 Installation of Officers at Olympic Club