



GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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July 2nd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bre Jones. Pledge to the flag was led by Lyle Workman and the invocation was given by Aaron Straus. A total of 14 members were in attendance. Wine was hosted by Charlie Bottarini, the winner of the big Convention Drawing.

President Bre announced the District's Cabinet Installation will be held Sunday, July 20th at the Foster City Crown Plaza Hotel. George Salet will be attending and others are invited to join him.

Lyle Workman distributed proof copies of the program for the upcoming Installation of Officers dinner, and asked if there should be any changes or corrections. The program heading reads "Fifty-eighth Installation of Officers Banquet." Observant Galdo Pavini did a count of the past-presidents on the back page and the count totaled 58.

Committee Reports

Aaron Straus reported Entertainment Books for sale are due August 11th. The price per book remains at \$25.

Treasurer Handford Clews reported the club earned a net profit of \$2,593.50 from the sale of Y & C A raffle tickets. Ocean-Ingelside was again the top district seller of these books.

Attendance Chairman Ward Donnelly reported attendance for the month of June was 59%. Immediate Past President Bob Fenech has everything in place for the club's Annual Installation of Officers Banquet being held Saturday, July 12th at Sodini's Bertolucci's Restaurant in So. San Francisco. Subsidized price is \$39 per person. Entree choices are Grilled Breast of Chicken, Salmon Picatta or New York Steak. Entrees are served with antipasti, salad, vegetables, fresh bread and focaccia, ice cream, and coffee. Advance reservations are needed. Contact Bob Fenech at (415) 467-6977, pacgold@aol.com Officiating as Installing Officer will be PDG George Habeeb from the Millbrae Lions Club. He will also be inducting David DeMartini as a new Lion on this occasion.

Mystery Lion Lyle Workman pointed to David DeMartini as a victim. Absent Chuck Ayala missed out on \$4 in the Attendance Drawing.

President Bre formally turned over the president's gavel to incoming President George Salet. George told the members it is his desire that all committee chairs continue to serve in their positions. He will be making phone calls to individuals in the next few days to confirm they will indeed serve in their respective capacities. George further announced that beginning in August he is designating the second meeting of every month, a program meeting, as a guest or ladies night.

Board Meeting

The Board of Directors voted to make a \$500 contribution to aid the Bologna Family. This is the Excelsior District family which lost a father and two sons in the senseless shooting at Congdon & Maynard Sts.

July 12th Installation

The club's 59th Installation of Officers dinner was held at Sodini's Bertolucci's Restaurant. A total of 31 people were in attendance. Among them were Russell Bertucelli of the San Rafael Lions Club, William Casey of the Hunters Point/Bayview Lions Club, and Bill Stipinovich of the Nikei Lions Club. Bill is this club's incoming Zone Chairman. He informed us Roger Gulen of the S.F. Host Lions Club is the incoming Region 1 Chairman. Region 1 is back to three zones. Last year it was divided into four zones.

Immediate Past-President Bob Fenech did a good job organizing the dinner. Ward Donnelly was master of ceremonies and PDG George Habeeb officiated as installing officer. He also formally inducted David DeMartini into Lionism. Outgoing President Bre Jones praised all of the committee chairs who served in her administration and named George Salet as Lion of the Year. Incoming President George Salet urged all members to recruit at least one new member during the coming year.



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Following is Bre Jones' poetic Year In Review:

Ode to the 'ole Lions

For those of you with hearing difficulties I said "o.l.e." not "o.l.d."

My reign for 2007 - 2008

Boy, was this year great!

My presidency started with a ball

A night at the Olympic Club with all of you all

As the First Female President I was installed

By Past District Governor Ray Rosenthal

No drinks at the party for me as I was knocked up

So this year can I have another cup?

Lion David DeMartini and Lion David Padilla joined our club

Welcome two new members! What a job by our Membership Chairman Lion Dick Johnson

Are there any more Davids out there we can sponsor?

All our Fundraisers went off without a hitch

The 29th annual Charity Raffle is still a hit

The Crab Feed run by dear George Salet

Fed many Lions and visitors throughout the day

Lion Mike was once again in the kitchen

I hope he doesn't even think about job switchen'

There was the Youth & Community Raffle led by Lion Bill

We didn't get the trophy, but next year we will

Lion Lyle Workman runs the football pool

Even though the 49ers lose, this job makes him really cool

We raised approximately \$21,324 from all these money-making ventures

Great job to the Lions that made this year successful

We worked the Mission Educational Center again this year

Thanksgiving, Christmas and Flag Day with cheer

Lion Aaron is responsible for this place

We all love to see a child's smiling face

And what you ask was done with the \$21,324 dollars we grossed

We gave it away to Teen Challenge, St. Mary's Day Care and numerous other folks

I couldn't have had a successful year

Without the officers which are so dear

Lion Ward as Secretary and Lion Handford as Treasurer

These two Lions will hold these positions forever

Lion Al was the Tail-Twister and did a fining job

And the programs came in because of Lion Bob

Lion Joe writes the bulletin which is never meek

And Lion Galdo is full of advice every week.

And finally Lion Charlie ran the Convention Raffle

When all the winnings went home with him we were all pretty baffled

I can't wait to sit at the other end of the table

And as Immediate Past-President I can call the votes if I am able, right, Bob?



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So with that I'll miss you all
Being your leader was fun I had a ball
Good luck to you George in your reign for next year
I'll be buried in crab from my toes to my ears.

July 16th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President George Salet. Pledge to the flag was led by Robert Fenech, and the invocation was given by Mike Castagnetto. Tail-twister Aaron Straus conducted introductions. A total of 9 members were in attendance. President George announced that a Budget Committee meeting will precede the August 6th meeting at 5:15 P.M. at the Granada Cafe.

Again visiting this club was Zone 3 Chairman Bill Stipinovich. Bill informed the club that the first Cabinet Meeting will be held August 23rd at Mercy High School in San Francisco. The new district directory will be distributed at this meeting.

Bob Lawhon informed the club the S.F. Council will meet and install incoming officers this Friday, July 18th at Patio Espanol. PDG Ray Rosenthal will preside as master of ceremonies.

Mystery Lion Bill Graziano had no victims. Absent Chuck Ayala again missed out on \$6 in the Attendance drawing.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

7/9 Dick & Diane Johnson; Bob Lawhon; 7/18 Bobbi Damonte; 7/23 Bill Cazatt; 7/25 Grace San Filippo; 7/28 Calista Shea; 8/1 Bill Mayta; 8/3 Handford & Margot Clews

COMING EVENTS

7/12 Installation of Officers; 7/16 Program meeting, 7/18 S.F. Council Installation; 7/20 Cabinet Installation; 8/6 Budget Committee & Board meeting; 8/20 Program meeting, ladies night; 8/23 1st Cabinet Meeting