



GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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September 3rd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President George Salet. Pledge to the flag was led by Charlie Bottarini, and David DeMartini gave the invocation. A total of 15 members were in attendance. President George reported on the recent cabinet meeting he attended and where he acquired copies of the new district directory.

Committee Reports

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman distributed the pool sheets to members in attendance. They are to forward these sheets to participants. Lyle stated one or two squares may be available.

Visitation Chairman Joe Farrah announced a visit to the Burlingame Lions Club would take place the next day.

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported he just turned over to the club treasurer \$6,700 in receipts. He distributed paid-for raffle tickets to members to forward to the individual purchasers. Dick reminded members that the club needed at least 40 new sales.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon announced that columnist Ken Garcia will be the program speaker at the next meeting. Bob also told of a brouhaha that took place at the last S.F. Council meeting. Because Bob was "used" by the council president to deliver an undiplomatic message to a faction in the Council, Bob resigned as Council secretary.

Entertainment Book Chairman Aaron Straus had with him a supply of the books for sale. They are \$25 each, earning the club a profit of \$7 for each book purchased.

Membership Chairman Al Gentile told of an upcoming indoctrination forum for new members.

Charlie Bottarini conducted the Convention Raffle. Bob Lawhon held the winning ticket but missed out on \$50 by pulling only a \$3 winning white golf ball. Absent Ron Seward missed out on \$12 in the Attendance Drawing.

September 4th Visit

Handford Clews, George Salet, Al Gentile and Joe Farrah visited the Burlingame Lions Club at their lunch meeting. A total of 40 Lions and guests including DG Emil Kantola were in attendance. The program speaker was Mel Sigona of Sigona's Farmers Markets at Redwood City and Stanford Shopping Center. Mel talked about organic and non-organic fruits focusing on in-season melons.

September 16th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Dick Johnson. Bob Lawhon led in the pledge to the flag, and Jerry Lowe gave the invocation. A total of 10 members were in attendance.

Committee Reports

Y & C A Chairman Bill Graziano reported the books of raffle tickets are ready. Each club member is obligated to return at least four book stubs with money for same as soon as possible.

Bob Lawhon announced 49er Night is set for Wednesday, October 15th at Bertolucci's.

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported he has receipts for 150 sold/purchased tickets, but he emphasized the club needs to sell 35 new tickets to reach the club's goal of 275. Beat the bushes.

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman reported Galdo Pavini was one of the winners in the 49er vs. Seahawks game.

Program

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon introduced S.F. Examiner columnist Ken Garcia. Ken is a native of S.F., who attended St. Gabriel's grammar school and Sacred Heart High, ten years after Bill Graziano. He has been a national political writer for the L.A. Times and San Jose Mercury, but it was his column about Art Holl that put him on the S.F. map, along with the exposure of the homeless issues in Golden Gate Park, which Willie Brown denied until revealed on a live TV program. He has reported on Bill Clinton and Robert Dole and in England with Tony Blair. He interviewed Sean Connery in a kilt as a representative of Scotland. He told the club about the issues with the Park & Recreation Dept. and how the internet is effecting print journalism.

Absent Bill Mayta missed out on \$14 in the Attendance Drawing. Thanks to Bob Lawhon for taking bulletin notes.



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BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

9/18 Al Gentile; 9/21 Aaron Straus; 9/23 Ernie Lowe; 9/26 Mike & Lorraine Castagnetto; 9/28 Terence Lee; 10/1 George & Kathy Salet; 10/10 Donna Francesconi

COMING EVENTS

10/1 Board meeting, Early Bird drawing; 10/15 49er Night at Bertolucci's; 11/21 Mission Education Thanksgiving lunch; 11/30 Charity Raffle drawing

SHORTS

Handford and Margot Clews are on a Niagara Falls and Canadian trip. They are catching a cruise ship there and sailing to New York, where they will be spending three nights.

Mike Castagnetto underwent surgery September 16th. His surgery went well and he is in recovery.

This club is visiting the Brisbane Lions Club at their dinner-meeting taking place this coming Tuesday, Sept. 23rd, 7:30 P.M. at Brisbane Community Center, 250 Visitacion Ave., Brisbane. Let's have a good turnout.