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### **March 4th Meeting**

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The meeting was called to order by President George Salet. Pledge to the flag was led by Bob Fenech, and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 12 members were in attendance. Ward Donnelly hosted for wine. Secretary Ward read letters of gratitude from the Lions Eye Foundation and St. Mary's Day Center.

George confirmed the next March 18th meeting will be a Ladies Night at Sodini's Bertolucci's Restaurant in So. S.F. Dinner including salad, coffee and ice cream will be \$32. Menu choices are NY steak, salmon or chicken. George announced nomination of officers will take place at the April 1st meeting.

This meeting was the club's annual Past Presidents Night. The 11 past presidents in attendance were hosted for dinner by the club. President George presented to Bre Jones a President's Retention Certificate in recognition of the fact the club lost no members during her 2007-08 administration. However no vote was taken amongst the past presidents to determine if Bre should be accepted into their ranks. Also, the ceremonial nailing of her name plate on the past presidents plaque did not take place. What is becoming of this club's nearly 60 years of tradition?

### **Committee Reports**

Y & C A Chairman Bill Graziano announced the drawing/dinner will be at the Oyster Point Yacht Club April 4th at 7 P.M. \$20, \$25 at the door. About 1,200 books of raffle tickets were purchased/sold through this club.

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman reported the pool produced a profit of \$1,792.

Handford Clews won \$4 in the Convention Raffle. Absent Paul Corvi missed out on \$8 in the Attendance Drawing.

## **Board Meeting**

Mike Castagnetto and Charlie Bottarini stated they are going to confirm the date for next year's Crab Feed at the Pomeroy Center.

A grant of \$100 was made to Bernadette Thomson for a Leukimia Walk Fund Raiser in memory of Linda Bartholomew, sister of waitress Leila.

Best wishes are extended to Anabella Jones on her first birthday April 5th.

Joe & Emily Farrah celebrated a Golden Wedding anniversary February 8th.

Galdo & Pat Pavini welcomed their first great-granddaughter, Audrey Veree Cummings.

## **March 18th Meeting**

This Ladies Night meeting at Bertolucci's was called to order by President George Salet. Pledge to the flag was led by Galdo Pavini, and Dick Johnson gave the invocation. A total of ten members and ten ladies were in attendance. Also in attendance was invited guest optometrist Dr. June Chun. Dr. Chun is working with the club to provide eye examinations and glasses to needy people sponsored by the club. George presented her with a replica of the club's banner. Bob Fenech, a patient of Dr. Chun, capitalized on her presence by handing her a pair of his broken glasses and asking her to bring them back to her office for repair.



President George asked members to attend the next meeting one-half hour early for the purpose of nomination of officers. He announced that Bre Jones has been appointed our Zone Chairperson for the 2009 - 10 year and that members should try to attend the district convention in support of the appointment. The president presented to Charlie Bottarini a 55-year membership pin sent to the club by Lions International. Congratulations, Charlie, for your many years of service.

A delegation visited the club in support of Marina-North Beach Lion Esther Lee in her candidacy for 2nd Vice-District Governor. PDG Ray Rosenthal spoke on her behalf followed by the candidate herself. Husband Leland Lee distributed campaign literature and badge.

## **Committee Reports**

Student Speaker Chairman Joe Farrah attended the Zone 3 runoff, which took place at Mercy High School March



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11th. This club's speaker, Chloe Lessard, had no competition so she automatically advanced to the Region 1 runoff taking place at Mercy High School March 31st. This runoff was conducted by Region 1 Chairman Roger Gulen. However, Chloe couldn't make the runoff because an important family trip to Southern California at the time presented a conflict.

## **Program**

Speaking on behalf of Coalition of Concerned Medical Professionals was Michelle Ramirez. Coalition of Concerned Medical Professionals is an all-volunteer independent association of health care professionals, low paid workers, small business owners, students, clergy and other concerned community residents. CCMP fights for comprehensive health care for the working poor and for all who labor without medical benefits or the income necessary to afford the costs of medical diagnosis and treatment, and other components of good health for themselves and their family members. Assistant Rose distributed informational literature and did a sign-up of those present who are willing to devote time to the program. Contact phone number is (510) 436-8020.





### **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

3/1 Emily Powell; 3/22 Paul Corvi

#### **COMING EVENTS**

3/11 Zone 3 Student Speaker; 3/18 Program meeting at Bertolucci's; 4/1 Board meeting, nomination of officers; 4/4 Y & C A Raffle dinner; 5/14-17 District Convention

### **SHORTS**

Changes and updates have been made on the club's website.