



GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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November 4th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Lyle Workman. Pledge to the flag was led by Lyle, and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 13 members were in attendance. The president distributed copies of the meeting agenda and district announcements.

Committee Reports

Mike Castagnetto reported he and Charlie Bottarini arranged with the I.A.S.C. to hold the club's annual Crab Feed at the Italian-American Social Club on February 20, 2010. The capacity in the two downstairs dining rooms is 250 people. The I.A.S.C. will do all of the setting up and serving in addition to operating the no-host bar. They will also operate a van shuttle for patrons parking their vehicles at the nearby Valente Marini parking lot. Mike and his crew will prepare the traditional marinated crab, salad and pasta. Price for the dinner has been set at \$55 per person.

Membership Chairman Al Gentile reported he is working on two prospects. He urges members to inform him of any other prospects and Al will carry the ball from there.

Charity Raffle Chairman Dick Johnson reported he has cash in hand for 209 paid tickets. Dick reminded members "we have to push." Contact Dick regarding which of your regular ticket purchasers have not responded.

Y & C A Chairman Bill Graziano reported he has 2,000 books of tickets outstanding. He reminded members to inform him if they know of groups that may be interested in participating in the sale of these tickets.

Screening Chairman Ward Donnelly informed the club of three solicitations. He recommended a decline on all three. Ward reported club attendance for the month of October was 73%.

Handford Clews and Charlie Bottarini split \$115 in the Convention Raffle. Handford found the two-color golf ball. Galdo Pavini won \$2 in the Attendance Drawing. No Mystery Lion surfaced.

Board Meeting

The club received a status reporting form from the Franchise Tax Board. After some discussion, President Lyle stated he will consult with a CPA regarding submission of the form.

Handford Clews will contact the Sharp Park Golf Club regarding holding the club's Christmas dinner-party there December 16th.

November 18th Meeting

Not much was able to take place at this meeting because we were seated in the small front public room as the I.A.S.C. had a large group party taking place in the banquet rooms. Even parking was difficult. In attendance were 11 members and 3 ladies.

Bre Jones reminded members about the upcoming Mission Educational Center lunch and asked for a show of hands of those who would be helping out. Bre also informed members the district is seeking five volunteers to assist the S.F.P.D. in their Toys For Tots collection at the December 14th 49er football game. Their volunteering will gain them free admission to the game.

Handford Clews is coordinating the club's Thursday, December 17th Christmas dinner at the Sharp Park Golf Club. Cost is \$35 per. Menu choices are chicken, steak or lobster tail.

Dick Johnson sent in a report that he had cash in hand for 220 Charity Raffle tickets purchased/sold.

November 20th Mission Ed Turkey Lunch

The club put on its annual Thanksgiving lunch for first-year Spanish speaking students at Mission Educational Center. 120 kindergarten thru 5th grade students experienced their first traditional Thanksgiving meal of celery, turkey, chocolate milk, dressing, yams, string beans, corn bread, pumpkin pie and an apple. All of the food was ordered through and delivered by Boston Market. Aaron Straus coordinated the event under the chairmanship of Bre Jones. In addition to Aaron and Bre, from the club were servers Dick & Diane Johnson, Joe & Emily Farrah, Emily Powell, George Salet, Al



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Gentile and Lyle Workman. School district officials and media people were also present.

The students entertained with songs such as "Hello, Bonjour," "Mr. Farmer" and "Save the Turkey." Also, three of the students wrote heart-warming essays describing how they came to America and their gratitude for being here.

November 29th Drawing/Dinner

Approximately 91 people were in attendance at the 31st Annual Giulio Francesconi Drawing/Dinner at the I.A.S.C. They enjoyed the customary salad, spaghetti & meat balls dinner with wine. This was topped off with coffee and ice cream.

Chairman Dick Johnson is again to be congratulated for conducting this important club fund-raiser. A total of 249 raffle tickets were sold/purchased. The winners and ticket sellers are:

- \$12,000 Margot Clews (Clews) #23
- \$ 1,000 Ray & Claire Latham (Damonte) #228
- \$ 500 Ken & Kathy Madden (Bottarini) #141
- \$ 250 H. Clews/LaVerne Chesso (Clews) #249
- \$ 100 Al Baldini (Johnson) #73
- \$ 100 Lorenzo Lucchesi (Gentile) #202
- \$ 100 Al & Blanche Fregosi (Fregosi) #122
- \$ 100 Dan Gardner (Fenech) #129
- \$ 100 Jacob Ratinoff (Ratinoff) #27
- \$ 100 Josephine Campagna (Clews) #53

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

11/1 Lyle & Linda Workman; 11/6 Linda Workman; 11/11 Lyle Workman; 11/20 Kathy Salet; 11/27 Chas. & Estelle Bottarini; 12/4 Blanche Fregosi; 12/7 Victoria Spiteri; 12/26 Ben Spiteri; 1/4 George Salet; 1/11 Annette Spiteri; 1/14 Joe Farrah; 1/15 Ward Donnelly

COMING EVENTS

- 11/14 Second Assembly Meeting
- 11/18 Program Meeting
- 11/20 Mission Ed Center Lunch
- 11/29 Charity Raffle Drawing/Dinner
- 12/2 Board Meeting
- 12/14 Mission Educational Center Christmas Party
- 12/17 Club Christmas Party at Sharp Park
- 1/6 Board Meeting

SHORTS

Former member Jack Parodi passed away at home in Sebastopol November 11th at the age of 73.