



GENEVA MISSION LIONS CLUB



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November 3rd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bre Jones who gave the invocation. Bob Fenech led in the pledge to the flag. Dick Johnson conducted introductions. A total of 10 members were in attendance. The secretary read letters of gratitude from Lions Eye Foundation, Canine Companions, Riordan High School, Teen Challenge and Fox Vocational.

President Bre reminded members the Mission Educational Center Thanksgiving lunch is taking place November 19th. Other announcements were that Paul Corvi will chair the Student Speaker Contest. The club's Christmas party will be held December 22nd or 23rd at either Sharp Park, Bertolucci's or Basque Cultural Center. Read the next bulletin for final information.

Committee Reports

Handford Clews distributed Y & C A tickets to the members who were in attendance. Handford urged the members to return the ticket stubs intact with the book covers. The club made an initial purchase of 2,000 books.

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman announced the winners of the two previous games. Bob Fenech learned for the first time he was one of the winners. He had not watched the game.

Charity Raffle Chairman Dick Johnson reported he had cash in hand for 210 purchased tickets. The club hopes to sell at least 240.

Handford Clews won \$71 in the "free" Convention Raffle. Dick Johnson donated back to the club the \$8 he won in the Attendance Drawing.

Board Meeting

Three members are delinquent in their dues. They will be contacted, and if they don't respond by the end of the year they will be dropped from the member rolls.

November 17th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bre Jones. Pledge to the flag was led by Joe Farrah, and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 10 members and 5 ladies were in attendance. Dick Johnson conducted introductions. A meeting agenda and district announcements were distributed. Bre asked for a raise of hands of those who would be able to help serve at the upcoming Nov. 19th turkey lunch at M.E.C. Secretary Ward read letters of gratitude from Clinic by the Bay, St. Mary's Adult Center and the Lions Eye Foundation.

Handford Clews announced the club's annual Christmas Party has been set for December 22nd at Sodini's Bertolucci's Restaurant. Menu selections are NY steak, salmon or chicken breast. \$42 per person. Reserve with Handford at 650-401-6584.

Committee Reports

Charity Raffle Chairman Dick Johnson reported the club is running behind in raffle ticket sales.

Y & C A chairman Bill Graziano reported St. Paul of the Shipwreck is a new group participating in the sale of raffle books.

Program

This was Balboa High School night. Alumni Association President Emily Powell introduced the following visitors from Balboa: Principal Kevin Kerr, Ass't. Principal and native Excelsior person Susan Emmerich Ritter, Student Association Advisor Gaela Peters, Nick Kafkas, Retired faculty and founder of the alumni association, and board member Ric Micheli. Two students were also visiting. Buccaneer badges, a photo of Balboa, and a copy of the historic August 20, 1928 Excelsior News reporting the opening of Balboa High School were given to all present. Emily presented to the club a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of the club's support of Balboa. She also turned over a bag of used eyeglasses collected by students. Principal Kerr and Ass't. Principal Ritter spoke and told of the advancement Balboa has been making in academic achievement.

Absent Galdo Pavini missed out on \$9 in the Attendance Drawing.



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November 28th Charity Raffle Drawing/Dinner

The annual Giulio Francesconi Charity Raffle drawing/dinner took place at the I.A.S.C. 119 people enjoyed the spaghetti & meat balls dinner along with the accordion music of John Fiore. A total of 251 raffle tickets were sold/purchased - 2 more than last year. Chairman Dick Johnson is to be congratulated for doing another superb job. The winners and sellers of the winning tickets are:

- 1) Pat Ward (Johnson) #212.....\$12,000
- 2) Dennis & Linda Puccetti (Johnson)..... #169..... 1,000
- 3) Callista Shea (Shea) #177..... 500
- 4) Barbara Grant (Johnson) #232..... 250
- 5) Helen Lutich (Workman) #145..... 100
- 6) Mick & Barbara Dimas (Gentile) #80..... 100
- 7) John or Jane Doe (still missing)..... 100
- 8) Linnie Faina (Johnson) #216..... 100
- 9) Steve Branam (Lowe) #38..... 100
- 10) Michael Fellman (Castagnetto)..... #113..... 100

Regarding Winner # 7, due to some confusion there was a failure to record the identity. It is even possible the winner was present. The club hopes the winner will come forward or somebody who was present will remember who the winner is.

Pat Ward, the 1st Prize winner, contributed \$1,000 of his winnings to the Geneva-Mission Lions Club, for which the club is grateful.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

10/23 Handford Clews; 11/1 Lyle & Linda Workman; 11/6 Linda Workman; 11/11 Lyle Workman;
11/20 Kathy Salet

COMING EVENTS

11/13 2nd Cabinet Meeting; 11/17 Balboa High School Night; 11/19 Thanksgiving lunch at Mission Educational Center;
11/28 Charity Raffle Drawing/Dinner

SHORTS

Sophie Zagorewicz, widow of Past-President Ted Zagorewicz (1979-80), passed away in San Francisco October 28th at the age of 88. Sophie and Ted were natives of Poland. Sophie is survived by a brother, two daughters, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.