



GENEVA EXCELSIOR LIONS CLUB



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March, 2013

March 6th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Quinn. Pledge to the flag was led by Ward Donnelly, and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 12 members and 3 ladies were in attendance. Bob Fenech conducted introductions.

On a campaign visit was 2nd Vice-District Governor Jack Van Etten from the Burlingame Lions Club. He is asking members to elect him as 1st Vice-President at the upcoming district convention.

Everybody received a Van Etten pen, notebook and letter opener. Jack retired as Burlingame's police chief. With \$270 in the Convention Raffle pot, May Wong came up with only a \$3 winning golf ball. Absent Ed Damonte missed out on \$2 in the Attendance Drawing. Mystery Lion George Salet had no victims.

Board Meeting

Treasurer Handford Clews distributed copies of his monthly report. He noted that four members are delinquent in their dues.

The club received letters of gratitude from Canine Companions, Teen Challenge and St. Mary's Medical Foundation.

The club received an announcement of a campaign fund-raiser for Jack Van Etten taking place March 10th at the Burlingame Lions Hall.

February attendance was 58%.

It was acknowledged that Al Gentile, George Salet and Lyle Workman paid for their own dinners on Past-Presidents Night.

The Board approved the granting of \$2,000 to Balboa High School's baseball team to help send them to the Lions Club Baseball Tournament. The Board also approved transferring money market funds into the club's Activities Account.

March 20th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Acting President May Wong. Pledge to the flag was led by May, and the invocation was given by Bob Lawhon. A total of 15 members and 3 ladies were in attendance. Bob Fenech conducted introductions.

May invited members who would like to share remembrances of Bob Quinn to do so, so Bill Graziano and Bob Fenech spoke. As is customary, the club is making an additional \$100 contribution to the Lions Eye Foundation in Bob Quinn's memory.

May displayed a President's Retention Campaign patch received from Lions International. She announced that the club's annual Installation of Officers will take place on the regular meeting night of Wednesday, July 17th at the I.A.S.C.

The club agreed to sponsor Ingleside Police Officer Wesley Villarual at the upcoming S.F. Council Awards Night at Patio Espanol.

Convention Chairman Ward Donnelly announced the District Convention will take place May 15 - 19 at the Red Lion Hotel in Sacramento. He will be attending the convention and he has the application forms for others who are attending. Handford Clews asked newer members to try to attend and Handford told why they would enjoy and benefit from being there.

May announced that the Mercy High student Katie Wu who won this club's Student Speaker Contest went on to win both the zone and region contests. She will now compete against the winners of the three other regional contests in the district contest taking place at the Burlingame Lions Club Hall, 2 P.M., Sunday, April 14th. The prize is a \$4,500 scholarship award.

With a total of \$350 in the Convention Raffle pot, David DeMartini came up with only a \$2 winning golf ball. Viela duPont won \$4 in the Attendance Drawing. Mystery Lion Zenaida Lawhon had no victims.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

4/17 Patricia Pavini; 4/18 Galdo Pavini; 4/19 Marcy Stuhr; 4/25 Bill Graziano, Bill Shea

COMING EVENTS

3/23 Memorial for Bob Quinn, 4/3 Board meeting, 4/14 District Student Speaker Contest, 4/17 Program meeting, 5/17 - 5/19 District convention; 7/17 Installation of officers



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The club is mourning the sudden March 9th death of its president Bob Quinn at age 74. Bob apparently suffered a head injury from a fall he took down interior stairs at his residence. A bachelor, he is survived by nephews and nieces. Bob proudly served in the Air Force from 1957 to 1959 in Okinawa. Later he worked as a police officer at S.F. International Airport and then as an airfield safety officer. He loved to travel and went to London often to see the latest shows. He was involved with the Civil War Roundtable and member of the Mariposa Hunters Point Yacht Club. 2nd Vice-President May Wong is now acting club president. Friends may visit on Saturday, March 23rd after 10 A.M. and are invited to attend the funeral service at 11 A.M. at Valente Marini Perata, 4840 Mission St. A reception at the I.A.S.C. will follow.

Early this month, Viela duPont suffered a mild heart attack. Her doctor performed an angiogram and inserted two stents in two of her arteries. It is nice now seeing Viela up and about.

Mike Castagnetto is a patient at Seton Hospital. He is not having visitors. The club wishes Mike a quick recovery.